

# **WTOC 11**

*The Southeast News Leader*™

**THIRD QUARTER FCC REPORT**  
**JULY 1, 2021– SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

**2021 Community Affairs Issues**  
**THIRD Quarter**

1. **Public Safety & Crime** including crime prevention, alcohol and drug abuse, fire safety, and police conduct, Coronavirus
2. **Education** including education standards, school safety, and alternative schools, Coronavirus
3. **Minority Issues** including affirmative action, NAACP activities, and Gay Rights,
4. **Economic Development** including business development, employment opportunities, community infrastructure, small business development, and visitor attractions., Coronavirus Pandemic
5. **Terrorism/National Security**, conflict in Iraq, Afghanistan, Egypt and Syria. Also, military matters, budget and honoring veteran's. Also, US National Security
7. **Goverment-including local, state and federal government actions**
6. **PSA's-A list and brief descriptions of Public Service Announcements that ran on WTOC**
7. **Special Programs-A list and description of locally produced programs that aired on WTOC.**

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

<b><u>PROGRAM</u></b>	<b><u>DAY</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>
DAYBREAK	MONDAY-FRIDAY	4:30AM-7:00AM
MORNING BREAK	MONDAY – FRIDAY	9AM-10AM
THE NEWS AT NOON	MONDAY – FRIDAY	NOON – 12:30
THE NEWS AT 4	MONDAY- FRIDAY	4:00PM-4:30PM
THE NEWS AT 5	MONDAY – FRIDAY	5:00 – 6:00 PM
THE NEWS AT 6	MONDAY – FRIDAY	6:00 – 6:30 PM
THE NEWS AT 7	MONDAY-FRIDAY	7:00-7:30PM
THE NEWS AT 11	MONDAY – FRIDAY	11:00 – 11:30 PM
DAYBREAK SATURDAY	SATURDAY	6:00AM-8:00AM
THE NEWS AT 6	SATURDAY	6:00 – 6:30 PM
THE NEWS AT 7	SATURDAY	7:00 – 7:30 PM
THE NEWS AT 11	SATURDAY	11:00 – 11:30 PM
DAYBREAK SUNDAY	SUNDAY	7:00AM-9:00AM
THE NEWS AT 6:30	SUNDAY	6:00-6:30 PM
THE NEWS AT 11	SUNDAY	11:00 – 11:30 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. ISSUE-RESPONSIVE PROGRAM SEGMENTS ARE USUALLY ONE TO TWO MINUTES IN DURATION, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

**60 MINUTES**      **SUNDAY**      **7:00 – 8:00 PM**

THIS IS A CBS PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAM FEATURING INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES FACING THE AMERICAN PUBLIC. THE PROGRAM USUALLY HAS THREE SEGMENTS, EACH APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN MINUTES IN DURATION.

**48 HOURS**      **SATURDAY**      **10:00 – 11:00PM**

THIS IS A CBS NETWORK PROGRAM OFTEN FEATURING INVESTIGATIVE REPORTING ON CONTROVERSIAL ISSUES FACING THE AMERICAN PUBLIC. THE PROGRAM USUALLY HAS MULTIPLE SEGENTS, 8-12 MINUTES IN DURATION.

**FACE THE NATION**      **SUNDAY**      **10:30 – 11:30 AM**

THIS CBS NEWS INTERVIEW PROGRAM, HOSTED BY BOB SHEAVER TAKES A LOOK AT POLITICAL ISSUES TIMELY TO EACH WEEK. GUESTS ARE USUALLY POLITICIANS, REPORTERS, AND POLITICAL ANALYSTS.

**FULL COURT PRESS**      **SUNDAY**      **11:30AM-12PM,**  
SHOW FOCUSING ON HOW POLICY ACTIONS, POLITICAL DECISIONS AND NATIONAL EVENTS IMPACT LOCAL COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY THROUGH A MIX OF SUBSTANTIVE INTERVIEWS NEWSMAKERS AND ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

**GA FARM MONITOR SATURDAY 5:30AM-6AM**

SHOW FOCUSES ON FARMERS IN GEORGIA

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**NEWS SERIES**      **ANY DAY**      **WITHIN LOCAL NEWS**

MULTI-PART MINI-DOCUMENTARY NEWS SERIES, USUALLY DEALING WITH ONE ISSUE OR A SERIES OF RELATED ISSUES, GENERALLY AIRED DURING THE EVENING NEWS BROADCASTS AND OCCASIONALLY REPEATED ON OTHER NEWS PROGRAMS. THE DURATION OF EACH PROGRAM IS USUALLY TWO TO THREE MINUTES, UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED.

**TOP TEACHER**

THIS ONCE WEEKLY SEGMENT RECOGNIZES TEACHERS WHO HAVE GONE OVER AND BEYOND IN THEIR SCHOOL OR THEIR COMMUNITY. THE RECOGNITION IS BASED ON NOMINATIONS FROM PARENTS, TEACHERS OR SCHOOLS.

**TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS**

THIS TUESDAY 4PM SEGMENT INCLUDES BUSINESS OWNERS AND HOW THEY HAVE OVERCOME WORKING IN THE PANDEMIC.

**WTOC INVESTIGATES**

SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE STORIES CREATED BY WTOC'S INVESTIGATIVE TEAM

**CBS THIS MORNING MONDAY-FRIDAY 7AM-9AM**

THESE CBS NETWORK NEWS PROGRAMS OFFER A MIX OF NEWS, WEATHER, AND FEATURES, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS AND IN-DEPTH REPORTS ON ISSUES OF CURRENT CONCERN.

**CBS THIS MORNING SATURDAY SATURDAY 8-10AM**

THESE CBS NETWORK NEWS PROGRAMS OFFER A MIX OF NEWS, WEATHER, AND FEATURES, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS AND IN-DEPTH REPORTS ON ISSUES OF CURRENT CONCERN.

**CBS SUNDAY MORNING SUNDAY 9AM-10:30AM**

THIS CBS NETWORK NEWS PROGRAM OFFER A MIX OF NEWS, WEATHER, AND PERSONAL INTEREST FEATURES, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS AND IN-DEPTH REPORTS ON ISSUES OF CURRENT CONCERN.

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**CBS NEWS**      **MONDAY – FRIDAY**      **6:00 – 6:30 PM**

THESE CBS NETWORK NEWS PROGRAMS OFFER A MIX OF NEWS, WEATHER, AND FEATURES, INCLUDING INTERVIEWS AND IN-DEPTH REPORTS ON ISSUES OF CURRENT CONCERN.

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**SPECIALS**      **THROUGHOUT THE YEAR**

WTOC IS COMMITTED TO PRODUCING LOCAL PROGRAMMING RELEVANT TO ISSUES AND EVENTS IN AND AROUND OUR COMMUNITIES. THE LENGTH OF THESE PROGRAMS RANGE FROM THIRTY MINUTES TO TWO HOURS.

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**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**      **THROUGHOUT THE YEAR**

AS THE SOUTHEAST NEWS LEADER, WTOC GIVES TO THE COMMUNITY BY PRODUCING PSA'S THROUGHOUT THE YEAR - INCREASING AWARENESS OF HEALTH REPORTS, FUNDRAISERS, AND EDUCATIONAL ISSUES.

**DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT  
TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.**

**PUBLIC SAFETY & CRIME**  
**JULY 1, 2021– SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

**CBS NETWORK PROGRAMMING**

**FACE THE NATION**

- 7/04/21- 1) a report from Surfside on the collapsed building and the plan to demolish the remaining portion ahead of Tropical Storm Elsa  
2) Topics include: demolition plans / continuing focus on search and rescue, not recovery / status of families awaiting word on the missing // recent report in the Miami Herald on communication just prior to the collapse between the building's condo association and Surfside City officials  
3) a report from Atlanta on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday and where the United States stands in terms of moving on from the COVID-19 pandemic  
4) Topics include: celebrating a return to normalcy for those fully vaccinated / efforts to reach the unvaccinated /  
5) Topics include: possible booster shots for higher risk individuals / the Delta variant // changes to day-to-day living, including the belief that masks are 'going to become more normalized'  
6) Topics include: rise in Delta variant COVID cases in Utah / the state's large population of young people, many who are ineligible to get vaccinated; drought conditions in Utah /  
7) Topics include: surge in gun violence
- 07/11/21 **Guests:** Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (2); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (3) (7); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Jeh Johnson, former Secretary of Homeland Security (5); Scott Kirby, CEO, United Airlines (6)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
1) Topics include: the Delta variant / human psychology behind people's refusal to get vaccinated / how the Delta variant impacts states with high vaccination rates versus those with low rates / questions surrounding the possibility of coronavirus vaccine booster shots  
2) Topics include: the Israeli study behind Pfizer's request for emergency authorization regarding booster shots  
3) a report from Las Cruces, NM on the impact of climate change on weather across the continental United States  
6) Topics include: timeline for travel to get back to 'normal' / impact of the Delta variant on global recovery /
- 07/18/21 **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Ken McClure, mayor, Springfield, MO (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (3); Chris Krebs, partner, Krebs Stamos Group, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (4); Jill Schlesinger, CBS News business analyst (5); Admiral Mike Mullen, former chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff (6); David Becker, director & founder, Center for Election Innovation and Research (7)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
1) a report from Van Horn, TX on the coronavirus surge, fueled by the highly contagious Delta variant and the unvaccinated  
2) Topics include: rise in coronavirus cases in Springfield / vaccine hesitancy / 'Have Faith Initiative' / going door-to-door to spread information / the Delta variant /  
3) Topics include / need for an N95 or other high-quality mask to protect against the

- highly contagious Delta variant  
4) Topics include 'REvil', the Russian-based operation responsible for the Colonial Pipeline attack; assessment of the Biden administration's cybersecurity team
- 07/25/21  
**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Elizabeth Palmer, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (3); Dr. Jerome Adams, former U.S. surgeon general (4); Gina Raimondo, Secretary of Commerce, Biden administration (5); Quinton Lucas, mayor, Kansas City, MO (6); Carol Leonnig, co-author, I Alone Can Fix It (7); Philip Rucker, co-author, I Alone Can Fix It (7)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
1) a report from Atlanta on the fourth phase of the coronavirus pandemic, due to the highly contagious Delta variant and the unvaccinated  
2) a report from London on the early stages of another global wave of COVID infections,  
3) Topics include: importance of getting vaccinated / advice for the vaccinated / the Delta variant / modeling the current outbreak  
4) Topics include: / his recent piece, stressing the importance of mask wearing; reasons for and steps to combat last year's drug overdose record  
6) Topics include: handling the uptick of COVID cases in Kansas City / low vaccination numbers /mask mandates; Kansas City homicide rate / federal response to gun trafficking / community efforts to assist teenagers
- 08/01/21  
**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (2); Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) (3); Neel Kashkari, president, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (4); Elizabeth Palmer, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (5); Dr. Sharon Alroy-Preis, director, Public Health Services, Israel (6); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (7)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent, contributor, CBS SUNDAY MORNING  
5) a report from London on the international COVID-19 surge and the short supply of vaccines in most countries  
6) Topics include: the Delta variant / breakthrough infections / decision to start administering booster shots to those over the age of 60 /  
7) Topics include: breakthrough COVID cases / highly contagious Delta variant / boosters for the elderly and vulnerable population
- 08/08/21  
**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Governor Asa Hutchinson (R-AR) (2); Brittany Comisso, ("executive assistant #1) NY Governor Andrew Cuomo accuser (3); Miguel Cardona, Secretary of Education, Biden administration (4); Alberto Carvalho, superintendent, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (6); Amanda Ripley, author, *High Conflict: Why We Get Trapped and How We Get Out*  
**Guest Correspondent:** Jericka Duncan, CBS News national correspondent (3)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent, contributor, CBS SUNDAY MORNING  
1) a report from Marietta, GA on the rise of the Delta variant, particularly in states with low vaccination rates, , and the COVID culture war  
2) Topics include: / the Delta variant / improving coronavirus vaccination rates /  
6) Topics include: worsening state of the pandemic /
- 08/15/21  
**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent

(1); Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (2); Roxana Saberi, CBS News foreign correspondent (3); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Representative Steve Scalise (R-LA), Republican Whip (5); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (6); Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul (D-NY), incoming Governor of New York (7); Dr. Rosalind Osgood, chair, Broward County School Board (8); Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (9)

**Guest Moderator:** Nancy Cordes, CBS News chief White House correspondent  
1) a report from Atlanta on the nationwide COVID-19 pandemic, fueled by the Delta surge, resulting in an increase of hospitalizations

08/22/21

**Guests:** Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (1); Kris Van Cleave, CBS News Congressional correspondent (2); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (3); Roxana Saberi, CBS News foreign correspondent (4); Antony Blinken, U.S. Secretary of State, Biden administration (5); Nikki Haley, former ambassador to the United Nations, Trump administration (6); Ryan Crocker, former U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, Obama administration (7); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (8); Governor Larry Hogan (R-MD) (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10)

**Guest Moderator:** Major Garrett, CBS News chief Washington correspondent  
1) a report from the Montauk area on Long Island, on Tropical Storm Henri  
2) a report from Old Saybrook, CT, as residents prepare for landfall from Tropical Storm Henri  
8) a report from Atlanta on the latest surge of COVID-19, resulting on increased hospitalizations for people in their 30s and under 18  
9) Topics include: current state of the coronavirus pandemic in Maryland /  
10) Topics include: / evidence that the epidemic is starting to slow in the south /

08/29/21

**Guests:** Omar Villafranca, CBS News correspondent (1); Mireya Villarreal, CBS News correspondent (2); Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (3) (11); Governor Jon Bell Edwards (D-LA) (4); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (5); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (6); Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) (7); Jake Sullivan, White House national security adviser, Biden administration (8); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10); Sharon Weston Broome, mayor, (D-Baton Rouge, LA) (12)

**Guest Moderator:** Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent  
1) a report from New Orleans, as Hurricane Ida threatens the Gulf Coast, likely hitting mid-afternoon, 16 years to the day Hurricane Katrina made landfall  
2) a report from Houma, LA, on the preparations in that area for Hurricane Ida  
3) a report from New York on the threats posed by Hurricane Ida  
4) Topics include: preparations taken in advance of the storm / state's hurricane risk reduction system / dangers the storm poses to hospitals and nursing homes  
9) a report from Atlanta on America's COVID crisis  
11) an update on Hurricane Ida, about to make landfall in Louisiana, and how it compares to Hurricane Katrina

09/05/21

**Guests:** Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1); Governor Phil Murphy (D-NJ) (2); Jessie Mitchell, CBS News reporter (3); Cynthia Lee Sheng,

president, Jefferson Parish, LA (4); Representative Veronica Escobar (D-TX) (5); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (6); Sue Gordon, former principal deputy director of National Intelligence (7); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (8)

**Guest Moderator:** Weijia Jiang, CBS News senior White House correspondent  
1) Topics include: / mix and match studies regarding the three different vaccines / increase in hospitalization rates for children and teenagers / Delta variant / Mu variant  
2) Topics include:; recovery from Hurricane Ida /  
3) a report from Louisiana on the conditions there, after Hurricane Ida made landfall last Sunday  
4) Topics include: dangers facing Jefferson Parish after the storm /

09/12/21

**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (2); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (3); Representative Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) (4); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (5); Michael Morell, former acting and deputy CIA director, CBS News senior national security contributor (6); Alberto Carvalho, superintendent, Miami-Dade County public schools, FL (7); Dr. James Versalovic, interim pediatrician-in-chief, Texas Children's Hospital (8)  
2) Topics include: / feasibility of businesses implementing weekly testing /  
8) Topics include: record numbers of cases and children hospitalized during the Delta variant surge / support for the availability of a vaccine for children ages 5 to 11 / importance of timely testing and diagnosis in children / spike of MIS-C cases in children after their COVID infection

09/19/21

**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Francis Collins, director, National Institute of Health (2); Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) (3); David Martin, CBS News senior national security correspondent (4); Scott Kirby, CEO, United Airlines (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (6)  
1) a report from Orlando on the current state of the COVID pandemic across America, as infections continue to rise

09/26/21

**Guests:** Dr. Rochelle Walensky, director, Centers for Disease Control (CDC) (1); Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) (2); Representative Pramila Jayapal (D-WA) (3); John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst (4); Scott Morrison, prime minister, Australia (5); Recep Tayyip Erdogan, president, Turkey (6)  
2) Topics include: collapse of the bipartisan push for police reform;  
3) Topics include: reaction to claims made about police reform during Senator Scott's appearance;

## 60 MINUTES

07/11/21

**"Robots to the Rescue"** - a report on how robots are being used to clean up the nuclear disaster at the Daiichi Power Plant seven years after an earthquake and tsunami hit Fukushima, Japan. Robots are being built to withstand high levels of radiation and maneuver into reactors to retrieve missing fuel. Includes interviews with: Lake Barrett,

nuclear engineer, former Department of Energy official; Dr. Kuniaki Kawabata, principle robot development researcher. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Richard Bonin, Ayesha Siddiqi) (OAD: 11/25/18; 1<sup>st</sup> Rebroadcast: 07/28/19)

07/18/21        **“Left Behind”** – a report on the impact of COVID-19. As many have lost their lives, even more are left struggling to figure out their lives in the wake of a worldwide pandemic. Includes interviews with Lauren Thomas, Trish Phillips, Colin Phillips, Jamie Drezek, Caden Drezek, Emerick Falta, Jake Schoffstall and Jennifer Schoffstall, who all lost family to COVID-19. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Aaron Weisz) (OAD: 01/31/21)

**“Survival”** – a report on a group of six teenagers who, in 1966, survived being stranded on a remote island in the Pacific Ocean. After their ship wrecked on an ill-fated trip to Fiji, the teenagers survived for 15 months using only the resources they were able to find on the island before eventually being discovered. Includes interviews with Mano Totau and Sione Fataua, survivors of the shipwreck; Rutger Bregman, an author who wrote about the story; and Peter Warner, who rescued the shipwrecked teenagers. (C: Holly Williams – P: Michael H. Gavshon) (OAD: 04/04/21)

07/25/21        **“The Case Against Curtis Flowers”** – a report on Curtis Flowers, a Black man in Mississippi who was tried six times for the same crime by the same prosecutor. Investigative reporters for a podcast helped Flowers to clear his name and expose the injustices of the legal system. Includes interviews with Rob McDuff, an attorney at the Mississippi Center for Justice; Madeleine Baran, lead reporter for the “In the Dark” podcast; Samara Freemark, managing producer of the “In the Dark” podcast; Clemmie Fleming, who rescinded her original testimony against Flowers; and Doug Evans, the district attorney who prosecuted Flowers. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Draggan Mihailovich, Jacqueline Williams) (OAD: 01/03/21)

08/01/21        **“The Premonition”** – a profile of author Michael Lewis as he releases his newest book, “The Premonition”. Lewis's story focuses on some of the earliest American efforts to prepare for and adequately respond to the Covid-19 pandemic. Includes interviews with Dr. Charity Dean, a disease control expert and the assistant director of California's Department of Public Health; Dr. Carter Mecher, a senior medical adviser for the VA in Atlanta; and Joe DeRisi, a molecular biologist at Biohub for the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative. (See also: “The Mad Scientist of Football”, OAD: 01/04/09; “Inside The Collapse”, OAD: 03/14/10; and “Rigged”, OAD: 03/30/14) (C: John Dickerson – P: Draggan Mihailovich) (OAD: 05/02/21)

**“Justice Defenders”** – a report on the Justice Defenders, an organization aiming to educate prisoners about the legal system and equip them to represent themselves or others who are detained without proper legal counsel. The organization has greatly impacted Kenya, challenging the constitutionality of Kenya's mandatory death sentence, which was changed due to their efforts. Includes interviews with Alexander McLean, founder of Justice Defenders; Morris Kaberia, George Karaba, Pauline Njeri and Jane Manyonge, who were all helped by the Justice Defenders; and Willie Ojulu, chief inspector at Langata Women's Prison. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Michael H. Gavshon, Kate Morris) (OAD: 12/20/20)

09/05/21        **“The Last Pandemic”** – a report on the Pentagon-funded Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), which has overseen a range of medical innovations. The agency is pursuing advancements in rapid vaccine development meant to diminish the possibility of another future pandemic. Includes interviews with Dr. Matt Hepburn, a retired Colonel who worked with DARPA; Dr. Joel Moncur, a Colonel who directs the Joint Pathology Institute in Washington, D.C.; Dr. James

Crowe, an infectious disease doctor at Vanderbilt University; and Dr. Kayvon Modjarrad, the Army's doctor. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Sam Hornblower) (OAD: 04/11/21)

## 48 HOURS

07/03/21

**48 HOURS: LIVE TO TELL: “Murder on Prom Night”** - On Sunday, April 30, 1989, police responded to a crime scene at the Lakeville, Indiana home of the Pelley family. Reverend Bob Pelley was found in an upstairs hallway; wife Dawn and young daughters Janel and Jolene were in the basement -- all shot at close range with a shotgun. Nine-year-old Jessica Pelley – now known as Jessi Toronjo - returned from a sleepover at a friend’s house to the news that her mother, stepfather, and sisters were murdered. Police questioned Bob’s 17-year-old son Jeff and later learned Bob had grounded him over the prom; police believed they had a clear motive, but no forensic evidence to prosecute. Thirteen years after the crime, a new prosecutor believed there was enough evidence and Jeff was arrested and charged with four counts of murder. In 2006, he was found guilty and sentenced to a hundred and sixty years in prison. Jeff’s defense lawyer filed an appeal and his convictions were set aside on a number of procedural grounds. He remained in custody and in February 2009, the Indiana State Supreme Court upheld the conviction. Currently, Jeff’s new defense team is working on his release by filing a motion for post-conviction relief. Jessi changed her name and appearance as a way to cope with the tragedy. After she tried to kill herself, Jessi was diagnosed with DID, dissociative identity disorder. On April 29, 2019 -- the thirty year anniversary of the murders -- *I am Jessica* was published. Original on-screen text graphic: The Indiana University McKinney Wrongful Conviction Clinic is representing Jeff Pelley. **On-screen text graphic for the 08/15/20 & 07/03/21 rebroadcasts:** The Indiana University McKinney Wrongful Conviction Clinic now represents Jeff Pelley and has filed a motion for post-conviction relief. Interviewed: Jessi Toronjo, survivor; Stephanie Fagan, Jessi’s childhood friend; Jamie Collins, Jessi’s cousin; Mark Sender, former Indiana State Police detective; John Botich, former St. Joseph County detective; Frank Schaffer, former chief deputy prosecutor; Alan Baum, Jeff Pelley’s defense attorney; and Dakota Toronjo, Jessi’s daughter. (Anchor: Jim Axelrod – Producers: Chris O’Connell, Stephanie Slifer) (OAD: 01/25/20; 1<sup>st</sup> Rebroadcast: 08/15/20)

07/10/21

**48 HOURS: “Where Is Jennifer Kesse?”** - an update on the case of Jennifer Kesse, who disappeared from her Orlando, FL condo in 2006. In January 2006, Jennifer did not show up to work or answer her phone, which caused her family to worry. Upon arriving at her condo, her family members found the apartment nearly untouched. By early evening, the police would declare her a missing person and the Kesse family started outreach efforts in a search for Jennifer. Two days later, Jennifer’s car was found at a nearby apartment complex, however, surveillance camera footage did not clearly show the driver. In 2009, Detective Joel Wright re-interviewed a condo housekeeper, which led him to a former maintenance worker named Chino. Wright interviewed Chino, who was serving time in prison. He denied any wrongdoing in Jennifer’s disappearance and passed a polygraph test. In 2016, Jennifer was declared dead by the state of Florida. In 2018, the Kesse family sued the Orlando Police Department for Jennifer’s case files. After six months of investigation with no new leads, the files were turned over. Michael Torretta, a private investigator for the Kesse family spoke with former residents of Jennifer’s condo complex who all expressed concern over workers that had taken to living in unrented apartments. This renewed suspicion of Chino, who continued to deny wrongdoing. Torretta’s new theory was that workers living in the apartment across from Jennifer abducted her and dumped her body. The police never interviewed the workers and without any paperwork, the workers could not be located. Torretta also learned that ten months after Jennifer’s disappearance, a person was seen dumping a carpet into a nearby lake. Based on this, police divers checked the lake, but were unable to find the carpet. **On-screen text**

**graphic:** The Kesses are offering a fifteen-thousand-dollar reward for information leading to Jennifer's whereabouts. If you have any information about Jennifer Kesse's disappearance, please visit the "Find Jennifer Kesse" Facebook page. Interviewed: Drew Jesse, Jennifer's father; Joyce Kesse, Jennifer's mother; Louis Bolden, WKMG reporter; Lauren McCarthy, Jennifer's friend; Rob Allen, Jennifer's boyfriend; Logan Kesse, Jennifer's brother; Sergeant Roger Brennan, Orlando police officer (2008 interview); Detective Joel Wright, Orlando police officer; Chief Orlando Rolon, Orlando police chief; Michael Torretta, Kesse family private investigator; Collen, former resident of Jennifer's condo complex; Tami, former resident of Jennifer's condo complex; Ashley, former resident of Jennifer's condo complex; Chino, former condo complex maintenance worker. (See also: 48 HOURS VANISHED: "Stolen Beauty", OAD: 07/01/08; Rebroadcast: 01/10/09 as 48 HOURS SPECIAL PRESENTATION: "Stolen Beauty") (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Chris Young Ritzen, Gabriella Demirdjian) (OAD: 10/24/20)

07/17/21

**48 HOURS: "The Ambush of Kevin Harris"** – a report on hip-hop artist and producer Kevin Robert Harris II, who was gunned down outside of a music studio in Los Angeles, California on September 20, 2009. He was 21-years-old. Six years after Kevin's murder, local police brought in the FBI to work the case. Detectives eventually ruled out the possibility of mistaken identity and are now convinced Kevin was the intended target. They have narrowed down the list of suspects and believe that Desmond Carter, an aspiring rapper and jealous rival who was supposed to meet Kevin at the studio that night, may be connected to the murder. Arrested in 2017, he was never charged and denies any involvement. Detectives feel that they are very close, but need information and - - along with Kevin's family -- remain convinced Kevin's murder will be solved. **On-screen text graphic:** The FBI is asking for information from the public. The tip line is (310) 477-6565. Interviewed: Kevin Harris Sr., Kevin's father; Katheryn Harris, Kevin's mother; Cameron Woods, childhood friend; Jasmine Tanner, friend; Sonya Teclai, poet and singer; Karan Staden, aunt; Rahman Dukes, music journalist; Pastor Winford Bell; Voviette Morgan, FBI; Sean Sterle, special agent, FBI; John Skaggs, former Los Angeles detective; Randy Thomas, studio owner; and Gizzle, hip-hop poet and rapper. (C: Michelle Miller – P: Chuck Stevenson, Lauren A. White) (OAD: 09/30/20 as 48 HOURS SUSPICION: "The Ambush of Kevin Harris")

07/24/21

**48 HOURS: "The Troubling Case Against Kevin Cooper"** (9:00 – 10:00p) - an update to a 2019 report on the controversial murder case against California death row inmate Kevin Cooper, who was convicted of the 1983 murder of Doug and Penny Ryen, their daughter Jessica, and friend Christopher Hughes in Chino Hills, California. Eight-year-old Josh Ryen, though seriously wounded, survived the attack. 48 HOURS has been investigating Kevin Cooper's case ever since he wrote to Erin Moriarty two decades ago, proclaiming his innocence. After the June 4, 1983 murders, Josh indicated to police three white people were responsible. Police eventually decided Josh was wrong with his identification and recent prison escapee Kevin Cooper seemed to fit the bill because he had hidden near the Ryen home. Cooper was paraded before cameras and the trial became racially charged because Cooper is black. Blood evidence, but none of Cooper's fingerprints, were found at the scene. The trial was moved to San Diego and Josh testified by video, but his memory was hazy and he no longer remembered the attackers. Cooper, who always denied the murders, was convicted and sentenced to death. Dr. Mary Howell, Josh's grandmother, was not convinced that Cooper was guilty. By 2000, Cooper was still on death row. Questions remained and Josh, then eighteen-years-old, was still unsure Cooper was there. Private investigator Paul Ingels felt the case deserved a second look; his investigation led to a number of new leads, including potential suspect Lee Furrow, who the police initially discounted. Furrow denied responsibility. In 2001, an agreement was made for additional

DNA testing, but the 2002 post-conviction DNA test results did not exonerate Cooper, and significant issues were raised regarding the process. In 2008, Dr. Mary Howell died. After the state of California agreed to DNA testing, the lab results all pointed to Cooper, but many maintain the evidence was tampered with. After nineteen years on death row, the 9<sup>th</sup> Circuit federal appellate court stayed Cooper's execution. New York Times journalist Nicholas Kristof wrote an Op-Ed article about the case and former FBI agent Tom Parker was hired by Norman Hile, Cooper's defense attorney, to re-investigate. New attention was given to Lee Furrow, following information from witnesses that three white men splattered with blood, were seen in a nearby bar on the night of the crime. At the end of 2018, Governor Jerry Brown ordered new DNA testing and a retired judge was appointed to make sure the tests are done properly. 03/21/20 UPDATE: In March 2019, new California Governor Gavin Newsom ordered additional DNA testing, including a vial that contained Cooper's blood; he also suspended all state executions. The tests were carried out, however the DNA on the items -- except for on an orange towel -- was too degraded to provide conclusive results. The results from the towel did not match Cooper, Lee Furrow, or anyone in the CODIS national database. Defense attorney and DNS specialist Bicka Barlow discovered the vial containing Cooper's 1983 blood sample was empty. Investigator Tom Parker found two new witnesses who claim Furrow confessed to the crime. Cooper's defense team has asked Governor Newsom to look into their claims of evidence tampering. Original on-screen text graphic: Further test results are expected within the next few months. **On-screen text graphic for the 07/24/21 rebroadcast:** On May 28, 2021, Governor Gavin Newsom ordered a comprehensive, independent investigation into the case of Kevin Cooper. The investigation will review "the facts underlying the conviction" and "all available evidence" as well as Cooper's trial and subsequent appeals. Interviewed: Paul Ingels (private investigator); Dr. Mary Howell Josh Ryen's maternal grandmother); Floyd Tidwell (former San Bernardino County Sheriff); Josh Ryen (survivor, interviewed as a 28-year old); Dale Sharp (Deputy Sheriff); Dennis Kottmeier (District Attorney); Norman Hile (Cooper's defense attorney); Lee Furrow (suspect); Diana Roper (Furrow's former girlfriend, now deceased); Christine Slonaker and Mary Wolfe (witnesses at the bar); Nicholas Kristoff (journalist, *The New York Times*); Tom Parke (former FBI Agent); Judge William Fletcher; Michael Ramos (current District Attorney); Dr. Paul Krane (DNA expert); Kevin Cooper (telephone interview with Correspondent Erin Moriarty); and Bicka Barlow (Defense attorney / DNA specialist) (See also: (48 HOURS MYSTERIES) "A Grandmother's Mission", OAD: 10/26/00; 1<sup>st</sup> rebroadcast: 08/03/01; 48 HOURS MYSTERY: "Deadly Truth", OAD: 09/17/03 - a follow-up to "A Grandmother's Mission"; and 48 HOURS: "Letter from San Quentin" (9:00 - 10:00p) and "Was Kevin Cooper Framed?" (10:00 - 11:00p), OAD: 01/26/19 - a two-part report.) (C: Erin Moriarty – P: Marcelena Spencer, Dena Goldstein, Lisa Freed) (OAD: 03/21/20)

07/24/21

**48 HOURS: "The Case Against Mary Katherine Higdon"** (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the case against Mary Katherine Higdon, who killed her boyfriend Steven Freeman at their home in Griffin, Georgia. On August 1, 2018, Mary Katherine called 911 and told first responders she shot Steven by accident – saying that when she handed him the gun, it went off. At the police station, Mary Katherine allegedly changed her story and confessed to murder. However, there were problems with the police investigation: the audio on the tape was impossible to hear due to a feedback hum and first responders moved the gun found next to Steven. Nevertheless, the prosecution believed they had a strong case based on the forensic evidence. The trial began in June 2019; both the prosecution and defense claimed abuse. Ultimately, the jury sided with the defense and Mary Katherine was found not guilty on all charges. **On-screen text graphic:** Mary Katherine Higdon has moved to another state. To honor Steven, Jennifer Freeman volunteers to raise awareness about domestic violence. Interviewed: Mary Katherine Higdon; Jennifer Freeman, Steven's

mother; Tom Higdon, Mary Katherine's father; Sarah Higdon, Mary Katherine's sister; Thomas Skinner, Andrew McRee, and Chase Pruitt, Steven's friends; Detective Adam Trammel; Lieutenant Chris Wilson; Kate Lenhard, prosecutor; Jorge Carabajal and Michael Granims, Mary Katherine's public defenders; Victor, juror; and Chris, juror. (C: David Begnaud – P: Clare Friedland) (OAD: 09/23/20 as 48 HOURS SUSPICION: "The Case Against Mary Katherine Higdon")

07/31/21

**48 HOURS: "Lizzie Borden Took an Axe..."** (9:00 – 10:00p) – a report detailing the 1892 murder accusations against Lizzie Borden and a mock trial with modern forensics experts, attorneys and jurors. The Borden family lived in Fall River, MA. Despite his wealth, Andrew Borden was known to be very frugal. He lived in a house that lacked indoor plumbing and gas lighting, with daughters Emma and Lizzie and second wife Abby. On August 4<sup>th</sup>, 1892, Lizzie alerted her neighbor that her father had been killed. The neighbor noted that there was no blood on her. When police arrived, they found Andrew in the sitting room and Abby in an upstairs room – both had been hacked to death. Emma had been away visiting friends and was not at the house. Five days later, Lizzie was able to give her version of events during the police inquest. Police were able to construct a timeline for the murders and when looking for a motive, focused on how Lizzie and Emma begrudging their father for his frugality and for buying a house for his wife's sister, rather than the two of them. Other than around the bodies, the only blood found in the house was a spot on one of Lizzie's undergarments and the bloody rags in the basement. Lizzie explained both were the result of her menstruating, and the primitiveness of forensics at the time did not allow for further testing. Police were also suspicious that the day after her father's funeral, Lizzie burned a dress in the stove and claimed it was ruined from paint. Initially lacking a murder weapon, police later found a hatchet head covered with ash in the basement; the handle appeared to have been freshly broken off. Witnesses claimed to have seen Lizzie's failed attempt to buy prussic acid, a powerful poison. Lizzie was arrested for murder at the close of the inquest. On June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1893, Lizzie's trial began in New Bedford, MA. Over the course of a week, the prosecution laid out their case with expert witnesses and medical testimony, but the judge did not allow them to mention Lizzie's attempt to buy poison. The defense team spent two days attempting to raise reasonable doubt. After two hours of deliberation, the all-male jury returned with a not guilty verdict. Following her acquittal, Lizzie and Emma used their inheritance to buy a large house in the rich part of town. However, Lizzie was shunned from the church that had brought her solace and Emma too eventually left her. She lived as a recluse until her death on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1927. Emma would pass away nine days later. Both were laid to rest near Andrew and Abby. Nevertheless, popular culture has cast Lizzie Borden as one of America's most notorious killers. Los Angeles author Cara Robertson first became interested in Lizzie Borden when searching a subject for her college thesis; 30 years later, Simon & Schuster published her book, The Trial of Lizzie Borden. Using a jury recruiting firm and paid jurors, a modern Lizzie Borden trial is staged with Anna-Sigga Niccolazzi as prosecutor; Matthew Troiano for the defense; and Erin Rubas and Andrew Schweighardt as expert witnesses. Both attorneys would only be able to use evidence presented at the original trial. The eight jurors deliberated, with attorneys allowed to listen in. After one hour, a vote was taken: on the first count, the murder of Abby Borden, it was a hung jury with only one juror voting not guilty; on the second count, the murder of Andrew Borden, it was again a hung jury, with two not guilty votes. (*No on-screen text graphic for the 03/28/20 original broadcast and the 12/26/20 rebroadcast.*) **On-screen text graphic for the 07/31/21 rebroadcast:** Last May, Lizzie Borden's house was sold for \$1.8 million. It is still a museum and bed and breakfast. Interviewed: Cara Robertson, author; Anna-Sigga Niccolazzi, former prosecutor, Brooklyn district attorney; Matthew Troiano, defense attorney; Erin Rubas, crime scene investigator, former homicide detective; and Andrew Schweighardt, criminalist,

New York City Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. (C: Erin Moriarty – P: Josh Gelman) (OAD: 03/28/20; 1<sup>st</sup> Rebroadcast: 12/26/20)

07/31/21

**48 HOURS: “The Murder of Anna Repkina”** (10:00 – 11:00p) - a report on the murder of a Russian woman who moved to Oregon for marriage and ended up in a love triangle. In December 2016, Anna Repkina visited Portland, OR to spend time with a man she met dating online, Will Hargrove. At the end of the ten day trip, the two were engaged to be married. However, Anna was unaware that Will had already been in a relationship with Michelle Chavez since 2015. In fact, Will had been renting a room in Michelle's home and used her ring to propose to Anna. In March 2017, Anna moved to the United States and began living with Will in Corvallis, OR. Unbeknownst to her, Will was still seeing Michelle. In April 2017, Michelle gave Will an ultimatum, forcing him to choose between her and Anna. He chose Michelle and told her that Anna would be gone by 6PM on Easter Sunday. The day after Easter, Anna's body was found on a remote logging road. She had been killed by a shotgun blast to the head. Investigators found a fast food receipt that they were able to link to Will. Investigators later questioned then arrested him for Anna's murder. Investigators searched Will's car and found a shotgun with his fingerprint on it. They also checked Will's cell phone GPS data and, because he called Michelle, were able to place him at the logging road. In October 2019, Will went to trial where he was found guilty for murder, as well as theft and identity theft for using Anna's ATM card. He was sentenced to life with the possibility of parole. **On-screen text graphic:** Anna Repkina's ashes were flown back to Russia. Will Hargrove has filed an appeal. Interviewed: Ryan Joslin, deputy district attorney, Bend County, OR; Amie Matusko, deputy district attorney, Bend County, OR; Lt. Chris Duffit, police detective; Jamie Klotz, Will's friend; Joseph Thompson, Will's friend; Michelle Chavez, Will's girlfriend; Chris Dale, police detective. (C: Tracy Smith – P: Susan Mallie, Jennifer Terker) (OAD: 10/31/20)

08/07/21

**48 HOURS: “Murder at the Mall: The Michelle Martinko Case”** (9:00 – 10:00p) - a report on the murder of teenager Michelle Martinko, which went unsolved for decades. In December 1979, Michelle Martinko got in her car in the parking lot of a Cedar Rapids, IA mall. Moments later, she was stabbed to death by an assailant in the backseat. Police were unable to establish a motive, and potential suspects, including some of her ex-boyfriends, all had alibis for the time of Michelle's death. By 1986, the case was deemed cold. In 2005, Detective Dough Larison took over the case. He located blood samples that had been sent out for processing and never followed up on. Modern science was able to create a DNA profile based on the blood, but no matches were found when it was tested against the national CODIS database and the suspects police had previously interviewed. In 2015, Matt Denlinger took over as lead detective. He had the DNA tested against the public GEDmatch database and located a Washington state woman who was distantly related to the killer. Building her family tree, Denlinger narrowed suspects down to three brothers in Iowa, then specifically to Jerry Burns. In December 2018, Denlinger interviewed then arrested Burns. In February 2020, Burns went on trial. Burns' defense team argued that his DNA could have gotten in Michelle's car by accidental transference since the Burns family frequented the Cedar Rapids mall. After three hours of deliberation, the jury returned a guilty verdict. **On-screen text graphic:** Jerry Burns was sentenced to life in prison without parole. He insists he did not murder Michelle Martinko. Interviewed: Harvey Denlinger, retired Cedar Rapids police detective; Matt Denlinger, Cedar Rapids police detective & Harvey's son; Tracy Price, Michelle's friend; Mike Wyrick, Michelle's ex-boyfriend; Janelle Stonebreaker, Michelle's sister; John Stonebreaker, Michelle's brother-in-law; Gail Dawson, Michelle's friend; Doug Larison, Cedar Rapids police detective; Jennifer Burns, Jerry's daughter; Donald Burns, Jerry's brother; Leon Spies, Jerry's defense attorney; Nick Maybanks, prosecutor. (C: Jamie Yuccas – P: Alec Sirken, James

Stoltz, Matthew Goldfarb) (OAD: 11/07/20)

08/07/21

**48 HOURS: “The Case Against Nicole Addimando”** (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the trial of Nicole “Nikki” Addimando for the murder of her boyfriend and the disputed accusations of domestic violence in their relationship. On September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017, police found an agitated Nicole Addimando stopped at a traffic light with her two children. She quickly told them she had shot her boyfriend, Chris Grover, after he refused to let her leave and threatened to kill her. Police visited their home and found Chris dead. They arrested Nicole and charged her with second-degree murder. In March 2019, Nicole’s trial began. Her defense team claimed self-defense and cited numerous times Nicole sought medical attention for injuries she said came from Chris. They also pointed to searches on Chris’s phone from the night of his death that related to committing murder. The prosecution, however, claimed Nicole was actually the abuser who lied and manipulated people into seeing her as the victim. Prosecutors cited her shifting court testimony, alleged relationships with other men, and aggressive text messages she sent to Chris. The jury convicted her of criminal possession of a weapon and second-degree murder. Nicole’s supporters hoped that citing her history of abuse claims would lead to a lighter sentence. However, based on the fact that she never sought services to leave the relationship, the judge felt her account was not legitimate and sentenced her to 19 years to life on February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Original on-screen text graphic: Nicole Addimando will be eligible for parole in 2036. If you or a loved one are a victim of domestic violence, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233. **On-screen text graphic for the 08/07/21 rebroadcast:** An appeals court found that Nicole Addimando should have qualified for a reduced sentence under the Domestic Violence Survivor’s Justice Act and reduced her sentence to 7.5 years. If you or a loved one are a victim of domestic violence, call the National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233. Interviewed: Chana Krauss, prosecutor; Elizabeth Clifton, Nicole’s friend; Gail Grover, Chris’s mother; Beth Whalen, Chris’ coworker; Laura Mocodeanu, Nicole’s friend; Rachel Hawkes, Nicole’s friend; Mikayla Hughes, Chris’ student; Rachel Louise Snyder, journalist and author; John Ingrassia, Nicole’s attorney; Ben Ostrer, Nicole’s attorney. (C: Jericka Duncan – P: Mary Ann Rotondi) (OAD: 11/21/20)

08/14/21

**48 HOURS: “The Murder of Jackie Vandagriff”** – a report on the murder of a Texas woman and its ties to the stalking of a college student. In the summer of 2016, Caitlin Mathis began a relationship with Charles Bryant in Grapevine, TX. She ended it in August as she was leaving for the University of North Texas in Denton. Charles attempted to get back together with her and continually showed up to her dorm and workplace unannounced. With the help of campus police, she filed a protective order, which he continued to violate, resulting in multiple arrests. On September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Charles went to a bar he knew Caitlin frequented and met Jackie Vandagriff. The pair left together in his car. The next day, Jackie’s body was found burned in a kiddie pool in Grapevine. Police found Charles since he had given a business card to one of Jackie’s friends. They were again able to arrest him due to violation of the protective order. A search of Charles’ home turned up Jackie’s purse. Police also found footage of him buying a shovel late that same night. In police interviews, Charles eventually admitted to having consensual sex with Jackie that involved her being choked with a zip tie, which accidentally resulted in her death. He was arrested for murder and went on trial in April 2018. Charles’ defense team continued to argue Jackie’s death was an accident and disposing her body was the result of intoxication. The prosecution presented the crime as an extension of the stalking Caitlin had endured. However, a judge would not allow the jury to hear her testimony. After deliberation, Charles was found guilty and sentenced to life in prison. **On-screen text graphic:** Jackie Vandagriff’s family has endowed an internship in health and wellness at Texas Woman’s University in her name.

Interviewed: Captain John Luna, Grapevine Police officer; Jackie Ton, Jackie's friend; Caitlin Mathis, Charles' ex-girlfriend; Karen Hulsey, Caitlin's mother; Captain Jeremy Polk, University of North Texas campus police officer; Jim Holland, Texas Ranger; Kristie Dixon, dated Charles; Glynis McGinty, Charles' defense attorney; Lucas Allan, prosecutor; Anna Hernandez, prosecutor. (C: Jim Axelrod – P: Sarah Prior, Lauren A. White) (OAD: 01/16/21)

08/21/21

**48 HOURS: “The 30-Year Secret - The Tracey Harris Murder”** – a report on the murder case of a young mother that had been cold since 1990 and the husband who was the prime suspect. Tracey Harris was last seen in Ozark, AL the evening of March 7<sup>th</sup>, 1990. A week later, her body was found in the Choctawhatchee River. An autopsy concluded she had drowned, but also noted marks on her neck consistent with strangulation. Suspicion quickly turned to her husband, Carl. Over a dozen witnesses told police they had seen him abuse her and that he had a young girlfriend that he wished to leave Tracey for. Police did not make any arrests and the case went cold until 2016 when the Ozark Police Department's cold case unit re-examined it. After re-interviewing witnesses, police still considered Carl the prime suspect. On September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016, he was arrested for murder. Carl was scheduled to go on trial January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020. While preparing the case, prosecutor Jordan Davis contacted Dawn Beasley to testify about the domestic violence she witnessed. Dawn refused and eventually revealed that in 1990 her husband, Jeff Beasley, admitted to killing Tracey. Police tracked down Jeff who still lived in Ozark. In police interviews, he eventually confessed to accidentally killing Tracey as the two waded in the Choctawhatchee River after she threatened to reveal the affair he claimed they were having. Jeff was arrested and charged with murder. On what was to be the date of his trial, the prosecutor dropped the case against Carl. At his trial, Jeff pled guilty and received a 30-year sentence. Carl filed notice of his plan to sue the City of Ozark. Original on-screen text graphic: Dawn reached out to Carolyn to apologize. Carolyn responded, but says she isn't ready to talk. **On-screen text graphic for the 08/21/21 rebroadcast:** On August 19th, 2021, Harris filed his lawsuit against the City of Ozark. Interviewed: Kirke Adams, Dale County district attorney; Selina Dodson, Tracey's childhood friend; Carl Harris, Tracey's husband; Jordan Davis, Assistant Dale County district attorney; Dawn Beasley, Tracey's friend; Carolyn Aznavour, Tracey's daughter; David Harrison, Carl's defense attorney. (C: Maureen Maher – P: Ruth Chenetz) (OAD: 01/23/21)

08/25/21

**48 HOURS: “The Circleville Letters”** (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the unsolved case of the Circleville letter writer who, beginning in March 1977, terrorized residents in the small town of Circleville, OH. The threatening and anonymous letters, mostly postmarked from Columbus, OH, were received by residents for nearly two decades and exposed alleged secrets about neighbors and friends. The letters first focused on married school district superintendent Gordon Massie and his rumored relationship with school bus driver Mary Gillispie. On February 7<sup>th</sup>, 1983, Gillispie saw an obscene sign about her 13-year-old daughter on a fence. When she went to remove it, Gillespie noticed it was tied to a string, which led to a box with a gun rigged to go off. The gun was traced to her brother-in-law, Paul Freshour. Freshour's estranged wife Karen Sue, who did not respond to requests for an interview for this broadcast, told investigators he was also the Circleville letter writer. Never charged with sending any of the letters, Freshour went on trial on October 24<sup>th</sup>, 1983 for the booby-trap. Found guilty, Freshour was sent to prison, but the letters continued, even though he was kept in isolation and not allowed pen or paper. The Circleville letters stopped in 1994, when Freshour was released. Freshour maintained his innocence and fought to clear his name. He claimed his gun had been stolen and suspected his son Mark, who died by suicide in September 2002. Freshour died June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012. **On-screen text graphic:** No one has ever been charged with writing the Circleville letters...but the Pickaway County Sheriff's

office says the case is closed. Interviewed: Martin Yant, journalist; Marie Mayhew, podcaster, "Whatever Remains"; sisters June Whitehead and Janet Cassady, grew up in Pickaway County, OH; Pam Stanton, family friend of Paul Freshour; Robin Yocom, author, former crime reporter, *The Columbus Dispatch*; Mary Ellen O'Toole, former FBI profiler; and Beverley East, forensic document expert. (C: Erin Moriarty – P: Lisa Freed, Richard Fetzer)

08/28/21

**48 HOURS: "Fighting for Aniah"** – a report of the disappearance of Aniah Blanchard, the stepdaughter of UFC fighter Walt Harris. On October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, Aniah was making the short drive to her Auburn, AL home after dropping off her brother Elijah. Shortly after 11pm, her roommate Sarah O'Brien texted her and became concerned when Aniah responded with uncharacteristic language, that she was "smoking a blunt". The next morning, Sarah discovered Aniah had never returned home. She and Elijah began searching for Aniah's car and learned Aniah did not show up for her nanny job that morning. Word quickly spread of Aniah's disappearance. Two days later, police located Aniah's car 55 miles away in Montgomery, AL, as well as security camera footage of her stopping at a gas station convenience store the night of her disappearance. They zeroed in on Ibraheem Yazeed as a suspect. Yazeed appeared on the security footage and a witness stated Yazeed forced Aniah into her car and drove off. He was found the next day hiding in the woods in Florida and arrested. In November police also arrested Antwain Fisher and charged him with kidnapping; he cooperated and the charges were eventually dropped. Fisher informed police he and Yazeed drove to a wooded area in Macon County, where Yazeed dragged what appeared to be a body into the woods and confessed to shooting that person. A search of the area eventually produced Aniah's body – cause of death: a gunshot wound. In December 2019, Yazeed was charged with capital murder; the pandemic has slowed all of Yazeed's criminal cases. After learning in court that Yazeed has other serious charges against him, Aniah's mother Angela Harris began campaigning for Aniah's Law, a bill - which if enacted - allows judges to deny bond to serious violent offenders. Original on-screen text graphic: In 2020, DA Hughes was indicted on charges unrelated to the Blanchard case. Among the counts: perjury and ethics violations. He has pled not guilty to all the charges. (*No on-screen text graphic for this rebroadcast.*) Interviewed: Angela Harris, Aniah's mother; Walt Harris, Aniah's stepfather; Hannah Crocker, Aniah's friend; Elijah Blanchard, Aniah's brother; Sarah O'Brien, Aniah's college roommate; Corrina Thomas, Aniah's employer; Brandon Hughes, Lee County district attorney. (C: James Brown – P: Murray Weiss) (OAD: 03/06/21)

09/01/21

**48 HOURS: "The Secrets of Chad Daybell's Backyard"** (10:00 – 11:00p) – an update on the ongoing cases against Chad Daybell and his new wife, Lori Vallow Daybell. Chad and Lori were charged in May 2021 with murdering her children, 7-year-old JJ Vallow and 16-year-old Tylee Ryan, who disappeared in September 2019. In June 2020, their bodies were found in shallow graves on Chad Daybell's property, just outside of Rexburg, ID. Additionally, prosecutors in Arizona have charged Lori with conspiring with her now-deceased brother Alex Cox, to kill Charles Vallow, her estranged husband in July 2019; and in Idaho, Chad and Lori have been charged with conspiring to murder Tammy Daybell, Chad's wife, who died in October 2019. Lori and Chad were scheduled to be tried together, but just after the murder charges were announced, Lori's case was put on hold. A judge ruled Lori incompetent to stand trial while she undergoes mental health treatment. In August 2021, the State of Idaho announced it will seek the death penalty against Chad Daybell, who has plead not guilty to all counts. This broadcast includes the first television interview together of all five of Tammy and Chad Daybell's children: Emma, Mark, Leah, Seth and Garth, who defend their father, continue to maintain his innocence, and share their theory that he was framed by Lori and Alex. **On-screen text graphic:** Tylee would have

turned 19 later this month. JJ would now be 9 years old. Chad Daybell's trial is scheduled to start in November, 2021. Interviewed: Morgan Loew, investigative reporter, CBS News consultant; April Raymond, Lori Vallow's friend; Vaisia Itaaehau, Tylee Ryan's friend; Mark, Leah, Seth, Garth and Emma - Chad and Tammy Daybell's children. (See also: 48 HOURS: "The Missing Children of Lori Vallow Daybell", OAD: 05/16/20 and 48 HOURS: "The Final Days of JJ and Tylee", OAD: 10/03/20; 1<sup>st</sup> Rebroadcast: 05/29/21 - a follow-up to "The Missing Children of Lori Vallow Daybell") (C: Jonathan Vigliotti – P: Liza Finley, Ruth Chenetz, Richard Fetter)

- 09/04/21     **48 HOURS: "The Suspicious Death of Christian Andreacchio"** (9:00 - 10:00p) – a report on the conflicting accounts of one young man's death. On February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014, Dylan Swearingen called 911 to report the death of his friend, Christian Andreacchio, in Meridian, MS. A police investigation concluded it was a suicide. However, Christian's parents disputed this as they had never seen suicidal tendencies from him. They suspected Dylan and Whitley Goodman, Christian's girlfriend, were involved. Four months later, new chief of police Benny Dubose noted issues with the investigation: police had spent just 45 minutes at the crime scene and taken photos there on cell phones; blood spatter associated with gunshots and fingerprints from Christian's gun had been cleaned up. Investigators also ignored that earlier in the day, Dylan was seen at a credit union attempting to withdraw all of Christian's funds. Dubose tasked Captain Jay Arrington to re-examine the case. Arrington determined that Christian's body had been moved and his time of death was likely hours before Dylan's 911 call. He concluded Christian's death was a homicide. In October 2017, charges against Dylan and Whitley were brought to a grand jury, however Arrington's report was not presented to jurors. They concluded there was not enough evidence to go to trial. In August 2020, Arrington's report was made public. Learning that Arrington's report was excluded, district attorney Kassie Coleman decided she would reconvene a grand jury and find a new prosecutor to present the case. Original on-screen text graphic: The Andreacchios are lobbying for a law named after their son. "Christian's Law" would restrict the public release of autopsy photos in Mississippi. **On-screen text graphic for the 09/04/21 rebroadcast:** The Andreacchios successfully lobbied for a law named after their son. As of July 2021 "Christian's Law" restricts the public release of autopsy photos in Mississippi. Interviewed: Rae Andreacchio, Christian's mother; Todd Andreacchio, Christian's father; Kassie Coleman, Lauderdale County District Attorney; Christie Chatterton, Whitley's mother; Chris Thompson, Christian's uncle; Pam Swearingen, Dylan's mother; Benny Dubose, Meridian, MS Chief of Police; Doctor Jonathan Arden, former medical examiner; Sheila Wysocki, Andreacchio family private investigator; Captain Jay Arrington, Meridian Police detective; Whitley Goodman, Christian's girlfriend; "Woman", grand juror; J. Stewart Parrish, Captain Arrington's attorney; Bradley Clanton, Whitley's attorney. (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Chris O'Connell, Emily Wichick) (OAD: 01/09/21)
- 09/04/21     **48 HOURS: "The Tara Grinstead Mystery"** (10:00 – 11:00p) – an update on the case of Tara Grinstead and the tips ignored by law enforcement that could have closed her case years earlier. The Georgia schoolteacher was last seen in Ocilla, leaving a party on October 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2005. When she failed to turn up for work, police were contacted. Officers and Maria Woods Harber, Tara's friend, entered her home to find it mostly undisturbed, save for a broken lamp. Outside, suspicions were aroused by a latex glove. Attention quickly turned to men Tara had been dating, including her former boyfriend who had recently returned to town. However, all the men had alibis. Weeks later Jannis Paulk, Tara's neighbor, was told by an employee about overhearing two men - Bo Dukes and

Ryan Duke - claiming to have burned Tara's body. She reported this to police. In 2006, John McCullough was spending the holidays with Bo Dukes. After getting drunk, Dukes admitted his involvement with Tara's disappearance. In February 2007, John reported this to three different police departments. Neither Jannis' nor John's tips were followed up on by law enforcement for years. In 2015, Bo Dukes began dating Brooke Sheridan. Eventually, he would tell her about his part in Tara Grinstead's disappearance. At her urging, he confessed to the police that he had burned Tara's body in a pecan orchard his family owned in an attempt to cover up her death at the hands of Ryan Duke during a botched robbery. Duke was arrested and confessed to Tara's murder. DNA tests matched him to the latex glove found outside Tara's home. In March 2019, Dukes went on trial for charges related to covering up Tara's death. He would be convicted on all charges and sentenced to 25 years in prison. Original on-screen text graphic: Ryan Duke's trial has not been scheduled. It has been delayed by defense motions and the COVID-19 pandemic. (*No on-screen text graphic for this rebroadcast.*) Interviewed: Jannis Paulk, Tara's neighbor; Maria Woods Harber, Tara's friend; Dana Wilder, Tara's friend; Marcus Harper, Tara's ex-boyfriend; Gary Rothwell, Georgia Bureau of Investigation Special Agent; John McCullough, Bo Dukes' friend; Brooke Sheridan, Bo Dukes' girlfriend; Maurice Goodwin, forensic investigator. (See also: 48 HOURS VANISHED: "Stolen Beauty", OAD: 07/01/08; Rebroadcast: 01/10/09 as 48 HOURS SPECIAL PRESENTATION: "Stolen Beauty") (C: Peter Van Sant – P: Alec Sirken, Lauren Clark) (OAD: 01/02/21)

09/08/21

**48 HOURS: "The Black Swan Murder?"** (10:00 – 11:00p) – a report on the September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020 death of Doug Benefield, as he was preparing to move from Florida to Maryland with his wife Ashley, their daughter and Alicia Byers, his mother-in-law. Ashley, a former ballerina and bikini model, walked to her neighbor's house and claimed she shot Doug in self-defense. Doug, a consultant from Charleston, SC, met Ashley, a campaign worker in the Sarasota, FL office of Donald Trump, in August 2016. They knew each other for just 13 days before they got married; she was 24-years-old and he was 54-years-old, a widower and father to Eva Benefield. Over the four years they were married, there were strained relationships, allegations of abuse and poisoning, and a failed ballet studio for unconventional dancers in Charleston. At the time of the shooting, Ashley Benefield was living in a home in Florida owned by her mother. The couple had separated, but then reunited. Investigators found no evidence that Ashley was acting in self-defense; no weapons were near Doug's body and Ashley only had an old and very minor scratch on her body. However, the night of the shooting, Alicia told police they lived in fear of Doug and claimed they sought help, but nobody would help them. Faith Brown, Ashley's attorney, told police that Ashley created an escape plan to get away from Doug once and for all. In November 2020, Ashley was charged with second-degree murder. She has never given any kind of a statement to law enforcement. Alicia has custody of her granddaughter. **On-screen text graphic:** Ashley remains free on bond. Her trial is not expected to take place until 2023. If Ashley is convicted...Doug's family plans to fight for custody of his now 3-year-old daughter. Interviewed: Alice Robb, contributing writer, *Vanity Fair*; Athena Nikolakopoulos, dancer; Emma Hemsley, dancer; Trip Cormeny, Doug's friend; Stephanie Murphy, Doug's family attorney; Eva Benefield, Doug's daughter; Tommie Benefield, Doug's cousin; Michael Wise, ballet master; and Robert Cederoth, safety director, Hyperbaric Centers of Southwest Florida. (C: Jim Axelrod – P: Paul LaRosa, Dena Goldstein)

09/11/21

**48 HOURS: "The Deliveryman Murders"** – a report on the connection between two similar murders committed on opposite sides of the country. On July 11<sup>th</sup>,

2020, attorney Marc Angelucci was killed at the front door of his Cedarpines Park, CA home by a gunman posing as a FedEx delivery person. Police were unable to discern a motive. On July 19<sup>th</sup>, a similar attack occurred at the New Jersey home of federal judge Esther Salas, which resulted in her husband Mark Anderl's hospitalization and the death of their son, Daniel Anderl. While federal and state agencies investigated the attack, New York State police found the body of attorney Roy Den Hollander dead from an apparent suicide in a rural part of Sullivan County. A search of his car turned up a FedEx envelope address to Judge Salas as well as an address for Marc. Additionally, the gun Den Hollander used to kill himself matched the caliber used in the two shootings. Investigators concluded that he was responsible for both. Den Hollander had devoted his career to lawsuits aimed at what he perceived as "female privilege" and FBI agents concluded he saw Marc, who focused on male gender discrimination cases, as a professional threat. They also uncovered a manifesto where Den Hollander blamed Judge Salas for slowing down one of his lawsuits. Agents contacted other names they found among Den Hollander's documents, but believed he acted alone. **On-screen text graphic:** Legislation inspired by Daniel's Law has been introduced in the U.S. Congress. Interviewed: Cassie Jaye, Marc's friend; Hermela Aregawi, reporter, CBS Los Angeles; Kat Haley, Daniel's friend; Sarah Peterson, Daniel's friend; David Oakley, Mark Anderl's law partner; Joe Augustine, Daniel's high school coach; Matthew Zeigler, Daniel's friend; Joe Denahan, FBI Incident Commander; Captain Brian Webster, New York State Police; Joe Serio, Den Hollander's former coworker. (See also: 60 MINUTES - "Attack On The Judiciary", OAD: 02/21/21) (C: Tracy Smith – P: Chuck Stevenson, Gail Abbott Zimmerman) (OAD: 02/20/21)

09/18/21

**48 HOURS: "The Online Life & Death of Bianca Devins"** – a report on the murder of Bianca Devins, a 17-year-old popular social media figure, who was murdered by Brandon Clark in Utica, NY. Bianca met Brandon on social media; they briefly dated but were never exclusive. In July 2019, Brandon and Bianca traveled to New York City to see a concert. Bianca also invited Alex, a new friend, to meet her there and expressed on social media her concern that Brandon would be jealous. On July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2019, an image of Bianca's lifeless body appeared on the social media platform *Discord*, which prompted calls from around the country. At first, friends thought it was a fake because Brandon posted it and it was not unusual for people on the platform to post disturbing images to get a rise out of others. That changed when Brandon called 911 and told the dispatcher he was on a dead-end road, not far from Bianca's home. Responding officers arrested Brandon and found Bianca's body under a tarp. Before the police could notify Bianca's mother Kim Devins, someone texted her family the photo. While the family grieved, images of Bianca's body spread across multiple social media platforms; online trolls relentlessly sent her family the photos and cruel memes and along with the photos, hateful messages blamed Bianca for what happened. Prosecutors searched Brandon's phone and discovered that he made a video while he killed Bianca with a knife; additional evidence on his phone indicated the murder was not a crime of passion. Two weeks after Bianca's death, Brandon was officially charged with second-degree murder. Shortly before Brandon's trial began in February 2020, he pleaded guilty. Five months later, Brandon attempted to change his plea; the judge denied his request. On March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021, Brandon was sentenced to 25 years to life. **On-screen text graphic:** Bianca's family continues to work to get Bianca's Law passed. The family still receives graphic photos of Bianca's murder. Interviewed: Elizabeth, Bianca's online friend; Kim Devins, Bianca's mother; Frank Williams, Bianca's grandfather; EJ Dickson, staff writer, *Rolling Stone*; Steven Crimando, behavioral scientist; Bryan Coromato, Utica Police detective; Michael Curley, Utica Police detective; Sarah DeMellier, prosecutor, Oneida County District

Attorney's office; and Michael Nolan, prosecutor, Oneida County District Attorney's office. (C: Jericka Duncan – P: Jonathan Leach) (SEASON PREMIERE)

09/25/21

**48 HOURS: “What Happened to Gabby Petito?”** – a report on the details surrounding the case of Gabby Petito and the search for her fiancé, Brian Laundrie. On July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, Gabby and Brian left for a cross-country trip and planned to chronicle their journey on social media. On August 12<sup>th</sup>, police in Moab, UT received a 911 call and pulled Gabby and Brian over outside Arches National Park; police believed Gabby was the aggressor and separated them for the night. On August 19<sup>th</sup>, Gabby posted an edited 8-minute video; she later told her mother Nichole they were leaving Utah and driving to Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming. On August 25<sup>th</sup>, Gabby posted a series of photos on Instagram while in Ogden, UT. Nichole received an “odd” text message from her daughter on August 27<sup>th</sup>; she received one last text message from Gabby’s phone on August 30<sup>th</sup>. On September 1<sup>st</sup>, Brian returned home to North Port, FL; he had driven the van there and was alone. The Petito family was unaware of Brian’s return and Gabby’s cell phone had stopped working. Gabby was officially declared a missing person on September 11<sup>th</sup>. Brian and his parents did not speak to police and on September 17<sup>th</sup>, they reported that they didn’t know where Brian was and that he left for a hike at the Carlton Reserve on the 14<sup>th</sup>. On September 19<sup>th</sup>, Gabby’s remains were found at the Spread Creek camping area inside Bridger-Teton National Forest in Wyoming; her death was ruled a homicide. The FBI has issued an arrest warrant for Brian; he’s charged with unauthorized use of a bank card. **On-screen text graphic:** To report information about Brian Laundrie call 1-800-CALL-FBI or write to tips.fbi.gov. Interviewed: Rose Davis, Gabby’s friend; Nichole & Jim Schmidt, Gabby’s mother and step-father; Joe & Tara Petito, Gabby’s father and step-mother; Jim Winder, former Moab police chief (UT); Sonnie Mason, employee, Victor Emporium (ID); Tanya Chen, writer, BuzzFeed News; Jenn & Kyle Bethune, saw the van in the Tetons and reported it to the FBI; Josh Taylor, spokesman, North Port Police (FL). (C: Jericka Duncan - P: Paul LaRosa, Chuck Stevenson, Chris Young Ritzen, Ruth Chenzet, Mary Ann Rotondi)

## **WTOC BREAKING NEWS**

### **FULL COURT PRESS**

7/25/21 Gov. Asa Hutchinson and Dr. Jeanne Marrazzo on the Delta variant and latest COVID surge

### **WTOC NEWSCASTS**

ISSUE 1-PUBLIC SAFETY-ALERTING THE PUBLIC ABOUT CRIMINAL AND UNSAFE ACTIVITIES IN THEIR COMMUNITY AND HOW THE COMMUNITY CAN CONTACT THE POLICE IF THEY KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE CRIME. PLUS,PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS OVER CORONAVIRUS AND WHAT OFFICIALS ARE DOING TO PREVENT THE SPREAD, HOLIDAY TRAFFIC, SAVANNAH ACCIDENTAL SHOOTINGS, HOLIDAY HEALTH, BACON CO. CRUELTY, CEMA AND LOWCOUNTRY HURRICANE PREP, EMERGENCY RESPONSE ON LIGHTNING DEATH, FENTANYL SERIES, SAV. CYBER SECURITY MEETING, BEAUFORT WATERFEST ARBERY PRETRIAL, BOOSTER SHOT PLANS, ALEX MURDAUGH CASE MALLORY BEACH FOLO, SAV. RESTAURANT PROTEST OVER ABUSE ACCUSATIONS, MAIL THEFTS, OPOID PROBLEM IN CHATHAM, COVID SURGES MAKING HOSPITALS OVER CAPACITY, STATESBORO DRUG ARRESTS FOLO, SAVANNAH RAPE CRISIS CENTER RESOURCES, THEFTS IN TOOMBS COUNTY, BULLOCH CO. TRIPLE MURDER ARREST, FMR. BRUNSWICK DA INDICTED IN ARBERY CASE, YEMMASSEE MASS SHOOTING, LAWSUIT AGAINST MURDAUGH AND PARKER'S CONVENIENCE STORES, COVID GRIEF THERAPY, BLUFFTON, MS13 GANG, AMTRAK DERAILMENT KILLS LOCAL COUPLE, SAV ALDERMAN ON 11 YR OLD, SJCH VACCINE BILLBOARD CONTROVERSY, POOLER CHASE, COVID DEATHS DECREASE SOURCE: SCMPD, LOCAL SHERIFF'S DEPT., POLICE CHIEF, LOCAL, STATE AND NATIONAL GOV'T

4:30AM           GA DAL: HOLIDAY  
7/1/2021 DAYBREAK OD TRAFFIC

When you're passing somebody and they're looking down and they don't even notice they're passing a patrol car, they're that focused on their phone that they don't realize they passed a patrol vehicle. Captain O'Brien says high-visibility marked units will be out to remind people they're watching. He says it's not about writing tickets and bringing in money. They're looking for drivers who ignore the warning.

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7/1/2021 5PM OD

HHI HOSPITAL  
HOLIDAY SAFETY

For many of you, the 4th of July weekend includes some outdoor activities. Dr. Paul Zorch with Coastal Carolina Hospital and Tidewatch in Hardeeville says a few of these activities can lead to an increase in hospital visits this time of year. "It's probably a little bit busier because people like to party and we got a lot of people with sunburn, and people driving while intoxicated, and we'll see some automobile accidents. Dr. Zorch says generally they don't see many firework injuries but says the way to ensure you're not one of them is simple. Sot: Dr. Paul Zorch "Never point a firework at somebody, if you're drinking alcohol stay away from them for sure, if you're drinking alcohol don't drive! These things are certainly common sense, but sometimes I think they need to be enforced." Zorch also says alcohol dehydrates you and recommends you drink water as well.  
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SAV ACCIDENTAL  
SHOOTINGS

"It's a tragic call that's becoming more and more frequent here at the Dwaine and Cynthia Willett Children's Hospital of Savannah. Their trauma team leaders say they are seeing more children with gunshot wounds." "This is not just a one time we have a child that gets shot and we are dealing with it in the trauma bay this is a lifelong battle that we are experiencing." The latest data from 2019 shows there were 563 ER visits for unintentional shootings involving children in Georgia. "The gunshot wounds that we see here at the trauma unit are not always correlated with violence they are also associated with unintentional injuries and that's the part that we want to spread the message for because they are preventable." Memorial says they too have seen a lot

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BLAIR: HOLIDAY  
HEALTH

After a really difficult year, this fourth of July weekend has a new meaning for manyâ€œ "I feel more grateful to be an American, to be a citizen of this great country." I like it, I like the fourth of July's and I like each one that I am able to celebrate." Several say they are getting back to their celebrations after changing course last year during the pandemic. But Doctors say while we are doing much better against COVID-19 the threat of the more contagious delta variant is a concern in places with low vaccination rates. "Most health departments and epidemiologist are looking at this combination of events that are occurring that we've got areas that have poor vaccine uptake in their communities, we have the pull back of these public health guidance that were put in place that help keep you protected from infection as an individual who is unvaccinated and then we've got gatherings so

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7/1/2021 11PM OD

DAL: BACON CO  
ANIMAL CRUELTY

(sot) Bacon County's sheriff says he's never seen a case of this magnitude. In addition to the dozens of animals rescued in poor health, remains of more than one hundred dogs or cats..all had been in the care of a long-time rescuer. (vo) Deputies went to Terri Lynn Taylor's home Friday at the request of a rescue group that had come to get some of the animals she'd taken in as a foster care provider. (sot) We have 20 live dogs, three of those in critical condition, two live cats. We recovered 64 cat car cases and 43 dog car cases. Those are preliminary numbers, they're approximates. (vo) The sheriff says Guardians of Rescue came and helped evaluate and document the animals. Investigators learned Taylor had been taking in animals -long term or short term - for years. (sot) ..riding by the property, you couldn't see the dogs. You wouldn't know they were there. To my knowledge..

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SAV ALDERMAN ON  
WEEKEND SHTGS

"We're just getting out of this pandemic and we see a little inkling of normalcy. And somebody gets shot right there where we're supposed to be having a good time. So we really have to find out, where do we meet this part of the road? It's a crossroads and we really have to meet that part of the road that we're having a difficulty in."

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7/6/2021 5PM OD

SAV WEEKEND  
SHOOTINGS FOLO

"The DNA of these incidents is relatively consistent. Black male suspects, black male victims, who know each other and have some conflict with each other." The first shooting over the holiday weekend involved a 17-year old being shot near the intersection of Rogers and Carolan Streets. Chief Roy Minter told us at today's news conference the teen told officers he was shot while trying to buy a gun off someone. And the last shooting of the holiday weekend happened late Sunday night right behind City Hall on River Street. Chief Minter said an 18-year old with an outstanding warrant was shot after getting in an argument with at least two other people. Johnson: "I'm not exactly sure how to stop someone who has the absolute means, the absolute motive, the absolute opportunity and the absolute intention to do harm to someone else. I'm not sure how to get in the way of that." All of the shootings are still under investigation.

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7/6/2021 5PM OD

GA INSURANCE  
COMMISH ON ELSA

"we don't expect this storm to be a very big one, but still...there's a potential for flooding. there's a potential for some things. what happens with the next storm coming down? this is very early in the hurricane season. so that's what we're encouraging the public to really use this as a great tool for preparedness."

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7/6/2021 5PM OD

LOWCOUNTRY ELSA  
PREPS

"We continue to evaluate some additional staffing especially on the fire, rescue side. We don't anticipate call opening our EOC or anything like that it was flooded. What are the things we are doing is reaching out to our storm water partners and talking about lowering those lagoons create some capacity for that additional rainfall that we may get." \*\*\*BUTTED\*\*\* "Public Works folks in our neck of the woods are looking at the drainways and making sure there is nothing clogged, and that they're maintain. Which they do all year round but they're paying particularly attention previous to a storm, so we have those folks doing that great work. As far as emergency responders were making sure as we always do every day that the equipment is right and ready in the event that it is needed."

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7/6/2021 6PM OD

BLAIR: LOCALS PREP  
FOR ELSA

It was a gloomy and wet morning at Habersham Village. (NAT) As the thunder roared, they laughed at another challenge thrown their way, Elsa.. "You know what after 2020 you know this is fine and you just roll with it right?" Luce Day Spa is just now preparing to open after the pandemic, but those plans might be on hold because of Elsa. They were planning to hold interviews for staff, but say they may hold off because of the weather. Their neighbors Vintage Barbers 912 say they too are playing it by ear, but haven't cancelled appointments just yet. "I don't want people to feel like they have to rush to get here for their appointments. Definitely safety first, I'm not sure if we need to prep the windows or anything yet." They have only been in business for 11 weeks and say this is their first storm. They are learning on the fly what they need and how to

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7/6/2021 6PM OD

DAL: BULLOCH  
HOMICIDES FOLO

(sot) As investigators comb through anything that could paint a picture of what happened Sunday night, community leaders say it touches everyone who lives here. (vo) A neighbor in the Lundy Trailer Park called 911 Sunday night to report someone shot. Deputies came and found Brittany Sneed Mack shot on a back porch. Once they secured the home, they found Travis Sneed, and Kristina Soles dead as well. Sheriff's investigators confirmed to us that Brittany and Travis were brother and sister. Statesboro's mayor spoke about the deaths at today's city council meeting. He said it might have happened outside the city's jurisdiction but heartbreak over something like this doesn't stop at the city limits. (sot) ..but to lose them in an act of violence such as what we saw on Sunday..it makes it that much more tragic in our community. (vo) Anyone with any information in the case can contact the GBI or Bu

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BLAIR: HOSPITAL

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Dr Iyer says during storms they do see fewer people coming through the ER, but they stand ready to respond to any incident whether from the storm, an accident or even health concern. One important note is that community members should be prepared for anything including the loss of power. Not only do doctors say it's important to have the food and water you will need, but also any medicine you take or should need.. They also say it's important you shelter safely, even overnight and while you are sleeping..

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BLAIR: HOSPITAL

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"Of course make sure that you are being safe and you are well sheltered. We want to make sure that you stay out of flooding roads for example. As a trauma center we want to see as few accidents or traumas as possible during a storm event and so we want to try to minimize people driving unnecessarily or going out into the storm unnecessarily that would help keep people really safe." EMS services are running at full operations at this point should they be needed.. With doctors ready to assist you at the hospital.

7/7/2021 5PM OD

ADAM: SMITH CASE  
NEW AUDIO

SLED has not said what exactly they found during the investigation of the Murdaugh deaths that caused them to take another look at the Stephen Smith case, but the Murdaugh family name came up several times in the case files of Smith's death. The investigation into Smith's death wasn't always a car crash case- days after his body was found- investigators started to hear rumors that it wasn't an accident. That's according to documents and tapes obtained through a Freedom of Information Act request. In the recorded interviews with people who knew Smith- a couple of people told investigators that they heard a group of people spotted Smith along the road and then did something that led to his death. Despite the numerous mentions of the Murdaugh name in multiple interviews, no member of the Murdaugh family has ever been officially implicated in Smith's death. But the stories were so persistent that investigators interviewed multiple people to

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7/7/2021 11PM OD

CEMA DIRECTOR ON  
ELSA

"It's more than just police, fire, and EMS. It's 911, it's Public Works, it's water and sewer, it's elected officials, it's county managers and city managers, it's non-governmental officials and the list just goes on and on and on, and it's not just our partners in Chatham County, we are communicating information to emergency management agencies up and down Georgia's coast, and into South Carolina, our neighbors across the river, and then in addition to that, we're also communicating information to state partners. Some of those include the Georgia Department of Transportation ... Georgia State Patrol and more to make sure they have the best plan in place for Chatham County and they're sharing information around the area.

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BLAIR: CEMA ELSA  
FOLO

"Elsa was here and gone overnight, but the impacts of this storm can still be felt in several areas around Chatham County." "We definitely got a lot of rain from Elsa as it was moving through. We just received reports over the last 24 hours we had areas receiving between 4-8 inches of rain so that was a little bit higher than we were originally anticipating." CEMA leaders say it was a lot of the known areas that flooded.. "There were 13 vehicle rescues that were conducted from people driving into these roadways that were flooded there were no injuries associated with this so all in all it was good to make sure that everyone came home safe at the end of the day." They say while flooding was the major concern, there were some reports of damage. Like a downed tree at Henderson Golf Club which closed the course for the day. Another

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7/8/2021 5PM OD

SETUP: GA CHATHAM  
LOW VAX RATES

"In Chatham County right now, about 35% of the population is fully vaccinated and it's about 41% of those eligible, meaning those 12 and older. So those rates are still very low, we would like to see those rates much higher."

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7/8/2021 6PM OD

EFFINGHAM ELSA  
WRAP

"Oh my God. Where do I start?" "It's overwhelming to walk out and see everything tore up like this." Wednesday's tornado moved through Eagle Pointe subdivision a little before 11 p.m. Some people awake at the timeâ€" "After I was in shock for a moment, I immediately ran inside and got the wife up and told her to get in the center hallway and ride this out a little bit." Othersâ€;asleepâ€;waking up Thursday morning to the damage. "Moved campers around, tore up my neighbor's little garage that he had his camper and truck in. Of course, we got debris everywhere." But everywhere you look todayâ€;a helping hand. "I heard about it and rode out here earlier this morning to look at the damage done. Then I called my boss and said 'Hey, these people need help.'" Removing debrisâ€;cutting down treesâ€;even providing food.

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JESSICA: LIGHTNING  
DEATH

A 15-year-old girl visiting from Alabama was on the beach with her family on Saturday afternoon when the weather turned. A fast-moving thunderstorm brought heavy rain and thunder with it. The 911 call came in around 2:37 p.m. on June 12th: A female struck by lightning near the Tybee Pier on 17th Street. Within seven minutes - Tybee Police arrived on scene where lifeguards and fire personnel already had started C-P-R in a nearby parking garage to shelter from the storm. "The victim was not responsive and appeared to not have a pulse according to fire." The estimated time of arrival for an ambulance was about 35 minutes. At 2:55 pm - "a decision was made to load the victim into a truck;" to meet the ambulance en route. Tybee Police noted in the report: Traffic headed off the island was "heavy and at a standstill." According to Chatham Emergency Services CEO Chuck Kearns, Normally, on busy beach weekends, there is ambulance stationed here at Fort Pulaski

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4:30AM ANGELA  
7/9/2021 DAYBREAK OD MONTGOMERY  
INDICTMENT

A WTOC Update The woman charged with kidnapping two babies and shooting their mother has now been indicted by a grand jury. The crime happened on 36th street in Savannah back in May. Police say two 6-week-old babies were taken and their mother was shot and seriously injured. The suspect was eventually arrested the same day in Rincon where the twins were also found safe.

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7/9/2021 5PM OD VACCINE BOOSTER  
LOCAL REAX

The Sueirro family has been vaccinated for months and say it's made a huge difference in their livelihood. "I felt like a big weight had been lifted off my shoulders. Because we are older having that comfort of knowing we were protected now." The Sueirro's got their shots in February after watching their son and his wife go through Pfizer's trial. He says the concern is over how protective it still is.. "It's definitely in the back of my mind. And I worry more so for my wife who got the vaccine in the original trial so she's been vaccinated for going on seven months now. For myself it's only been about four so I don't worry too much." While they all got their first two shots they say they would be willing to get a third with a booster if recommended. "The data that I find important is that in the past couple of weeks 98% of the

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PORT ROYAL  
TORNADO DAMAGE

From the outside, you can see the town's Veterinary hospital took on some branches, but the damage inside really tells the tale of the storm's impact. "If I think about it too closely it's very devastating." Water everywhere... (Nat water coming out of light) And a tree even coming through the ceiling.. (Nat ceiling being taken out) There's a lot of cleanup to be done, but Dr. Marikay Campbell says the emotions come from more than just this storm. "We've made it all the way through COVID without having to close, and now to just kind of be getting back to normal to get this kind of a gut punch out of nowhere um... I'm just trying to concentrate on staying positive that we will find a way through this." On that optimistic note, there is some good news. "All the pets were safe! That was the biggest thing, that was the biggest worry." Dr Cam

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DAL: PLANTS BEING  
STOLEN

(sot) Police say stealing flowers off the front of a business hardly qualifies as the crime of the century. But it's the number of times this has happened that has them concerned and they say this suspect faces serious charges. (vo) Detectives say a security camera has caught this man and this car in front of a business several times. They say the man leaves with some of the flowers growing at the front door. They say each time has been between 5:00 and 6:00am so they wonder if he's on his way to or from work. Police say it's not the value of the flowers but the principle of trespassing and taking someone's property. (sot) We'd very much like to make an arrest in these cases, if for no other reason than to give the business owners some peace of mind that they don't have to worry about him for a while. (vo) He says the man faces several misdemeanor charges. Anyone with info can

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CITY MARKET  
SHOOTING FOLO

(ALYSSA JACKSON) Businesses around City Market say crime near the area is a constant concern. The Georgia Tasting Room says it got to the point where they hired security to keep their staff safe. (KAYLA HERREN, GENERAL MANAGER OF GEORGIA TASTING ROOM) "We are in the process of trying to hire multiple guys who can work the doors for us so we feel more safe because we are a bunch of pretty much 5-foot-hundred-pound-nothing girls working behind a bar." For smaller, family-run businesses like the Beef Jerky Experience...they say they want more protection but money is tight right now. "We wouldn't be able to afford because we don't open everyday so we don't have so much sales." The Tasting Room says they also keep mace on-hand and tip jars empty. The general manager says the Tree House shooting months back sticks in her mind because it was just steps from their door. "People were scared to come in City Market for a while. Some of my associates

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FENTANYL SERIES  
PART 2

"WHEN A MOTHER LOSES A CHILD, YOU'RE NOT SCARED OF ANYTHING. I MEAN... YOU'VE ALREADY BEEN THROUGH THE WORST." Lesli Messinger understands the pain - so many parents are experiencing this year. Her son - Austin - died from an opioid overdose, back in 2005. Messinger made it her life's mission - to save other families, from that heartache..even starting an organization, "No more ODs." But the recent spread of fentanyl nationwide - has taken this epidemic, to a new level. "I GET TEXTS ALL THE TIME, "I NEED FENTANYL STRIPS, I NEED THEM BAD!" "... ANYBODY WHO KNOWS ANYTHING ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON WILL NOT SHOOT-UP HEROIN WITHOUT TESTING IT." Investigators with the Chatham County Counter-Narcotics team tell WTOC fentanyl is cheaper - and stronger - than heroin. CNT blames the border crisis - for the sudden uptick in overdoses. Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley says... it's a county-wide problem.

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SAV CYBER  
SECURITY MEETING

"Laptops, smart phones and tablets - make sure they're secure. Also have the tools in place such as firewalls and take - if you need a consultant to come in because you don't have IT or a cyber security person on your staff, have a consultant come in, see if you're getting hits from the dark web or if anyone's trying to access your information because they can track that. And if you are vulnerable, there are steps you can work through to take care of that and many of them aren't super expensive." Hudsinski says while some of those steps seem simple - they have the potential to save you millions. She says small businesses lose more than 7 million dollars on average in these kinds of attacks.

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BEAUFORT WATER  
FESTIVAL COVID  
PRECAUTIONS

With thousands of people expected to flood the streets of Beaufort starting this Friday, the area's medical experts are emphasizing the difference between how vaccinated and unvaccinated people should participate in this year's festival. "If you're vaccinated your risk according to the CDC remains low, even with the Delta variant out there. If you're not vaccinated we hope people will continue to follow CDC precautions about avoiding large crowds, especially if they're unmasked." Dr. Gambla believes that the Water Festival's setting will be helpful minimize the spread of the virus. Sot: "The good news is it's outside, so I think there will be adequate opportunity for people to socially distance" The festival's Commodore says they prioritized safety while planning the 10 day event.

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7/15/2021 DAYBREAK OD SHOPPING THEFTS LATEST

"We haven't been able to bring them closure yet and hopefully we can get the community involved with it and that's what we feel it's going to take is get these images out to the public, vehicles descriptions, suspect descriptions so we can go put hands on these individuals." In the meantime Chief Murrell says these suspects could pop up anywhere across the state so he encourages everyone to keep their valuable items close to them at all times while shopping to avoid being a victim.

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6AM BEAUFORT WATER  
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"If you're vaccinated your risk according to the CDC remains low, even with the Delta variant out there. If you're not vaccinated we hope people will continue to follow CDC precautions about avoiding large crowds, especially if they're unmasked." Volunteer training is underway. Crews are learning more about the CDC guidelines and how to enforce them. Organizers say they are following the orders put in place by the city and county.

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TZ: CROCKER CASE  
IN COURT

Nearly a year since they were last in court - three of the defendants in the Crocker case were back before a judge. With more than 200 motions filed - there's still months worth of work before this case goes to trial. Our Sean Evans joins us live to break down what's next.

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CROCKER CASE  
STATUS HEARING

Sean: This is the first time since last fall that the three defendants, Kim Wright, Mark Anthony Wright and Elwyn Crocker Senior made an appearance in Effingham County Court. And we learned today that there's a lot of house keeping yet to be done before we can reach trial, which is anticipated to be the first quarter of next year. For the next few months, the prosecution and defense will work through pre-trial motions filed earlier this year by each defendant...and there are a lot of them. NAT: "I think that's 223 motions." Beginning August 27th, the presiding judge will hear motions that attorneys weren't able to resolve amongst themselves, as they work toward a trial that could begin more than three years after the bodies of Elwyn Crocker Junior and his sister Mary Crocker were found in the back yard of their Effingham County home. A few months after arrests were made in the case, an Effingham County Sheriff's Office investigator took the

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SAV OIS: MAYOR  
JOHNSON REAX

"It was admittedly difficult. I've been at these types of scenes before. It was very high emotion." Mayor Van Johnson describing the scene Saturday night where a man was shot and killed by a Savannah Police officer following a traffic stop.

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BREAKING: E36  
SHOOTING

"It speaks to the continuing issue we have, not only in Savannah but in cities across the country, in some cases bad decisions involving guns. Again, we don't know what the facts are here yet, so just like Saturday night, we're cautioning people to wait until the facts became known and then they can pass judgement one way or another. We know that the opinions and theories don't solve crimes. Tips do and people knowing the facts,"

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7/20/2021 DAYBREAK OD SHOT 36 ST

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SHOOTING FOLO

"Ultimately I would love to see where we have our city broken up into four quadrants, and when something like this happens, we really unleash the faith community to be able to get involved...particularly with issues of retaliation." At this time, there's no word yet on the conditions of the 3 men injured. We will continue to keep you updated once more information becomes available.

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REAX TO  
SHOOTINGS

"Ultimately I would love to see where we have our city broken up into four quadrants, and when something like this happens, we really unleash the faith community to be able to get involved...particularly with issues of retaliation." The call came after a shooting that injured 3 people on East 36th Street Monday night...and follows several other shooting reports over the last week. Our Sean Evans spoke with one local clergyman who says bringing in more help to de-escalate those types of scenes could definitely help.

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STATESBORO  
HOSPITAL RULES

(sot) Administrators here at East Georgia Regional in Statesboro say they still have fewer covid patients than they did this time last year. But they're putting restrictions back in place in hopes they don't reach those numbers again. (vo) The limit of one visitor per patient went back into place Wednesday. In late June, they'd raised that number to two because case numbers had dropped for months and months. They now have seven patients, when they had been down to one or two at a time. Dr. Alan Scott, chief of staff and ER services director says requiring masks and limiting visitors are just two ways they can reduce the chance of an infection happening in the hospital and spreading among people here. (sot) Everybody wants support people. Patients need that support. But our focus is patient safety, staff safety, and visitor safety. (vo) He says most of the covid cases they're now seein

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ARBERY PRE TRIAL  
HEARING

"There are circumstances, cases that this court has been involved in, where jury selection does become very confusing for prospective jurors. Questions, as clear as we lawyers think we speak, can be very confusing for jurors coming into a courtroom, that have never been here." The judge pointed out that potential jurors are allowed to sidebar, which is a side discussion only with attorneys and the judge, if they feel uncomfortable. The defense and an attorney representing several news outlets say they will work on an agreement.

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CANDLER NURSE ON  
THE FRONTLINES

"For several of us the COVID-19 pandemic has felt very long, but for ICU nurses it's a daily battle and one they stand ready for." "We are ready for whatever we face, but we don't want, we do not want to face another surge of COVID. It was awful to see and experience and I hope we never have to the likes again so yeah it is a big fear." Bryan Christain is an ICU nurse at Candler Hospital. He's been on the frontline of the pandemic and says while this latest increase is concerning, it's something he expected. He says the experience of COVID patients in the ICU is similar to what they saw months ago, but a majority of them are unvaccinated. While it's still a challenge to handle COVID daily, he says they're better prepared now.

"There's really no comparison because we know what COVID is and we know how to treat it a

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SEAN VAN JOHNSON  
UPDATE

But, during today's news conference, Mayor Johnson pointed out we're seeing covid levels we haven't seen since March. The Mayor says he's being told there are likely several factors behind the rising numbers of COVID cases: the prevalence of the Delta variant, a low vaccination rate locally, large gatherings and people letting their guard down. So based on the advice he's getting from local doctors, Mayor Johnson made the call to bring back the mask mandate effective immediately. That means regardless of vaccination status, he's asking everyone within Savannah city limits to wear a mask inside when you're with people who don't live with you. Masks are outright required in all city government buildings. The Mayor says he'll be calling on Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools leaders to require masks inside early childhood, elementary and secondary schools, and he's urging businesses to require masks as well.

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DAL: APPLING CO  
HOPITAL VISITS

â€“(sot) Here at Appling Healthcare, they say they've had to adjust visitation and other protocols as covid case numbers change. (vo) A new set of doors inside the Pavilion remind anyone but nursing home doctors or staff to go no further. This morning, they notified families of the 80 patients that they've halted visitation for at least two weeks. A staff member tested positive this morning. They've gone back to weekly testing instead of once a month as a precaution to protect residents and hospital patients. (sot) ..they're a vulnerable population and they live in a communal setting. Many of them are immuno-compromised, so the risk for infection is greater. (vo) Everyone who does enter the Pavilion or the rest of the hospital gets checked for covid to head off any kind of spread. Locally, positivity rates went from 2.7 to 7.4 percent in one week. (sot)

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MARIAH: TYBEE  
MAYOR COVID  
STATUS

LLINTRO Mayor Shirley Sessions says as it stands right now they will not be enforcing a mask mandate again. She says the city would prefer to take a positive approach. VO Mayor Sessions says this means instead of having a mandate people could see things like the 'mask up Tybee' signs put up again or the 'mask up Tybee' car driving around. She says the city will even continue to offer masks to businesses or anyone who needs them. The mayor says when it comes to a mandate, it's just not feasible for the city to enforce it and that it was hard doing so when the county used to have one in place. SOT "We still are in a situation on Tybee where we have so many other laws that we're trying to enforce during our season. We're also looking at the middle of a season of potential hurricanes, so we are really trying to focus on things that we can do and that we've got to prepare for that are immediate." LLTAG Of course, Mayor Sessions says safety is

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CHRISTINE  
6PM TEST  
7/28/2021 RUNDOWN

ARBERY PRE TRIAL  
HEARING

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TYLER HAMPTON CO  
COVID

Standup: (Tyler Manion - TylerManionTV) For months Hampton Regional Medical Center was the only place in the county with vaccine. They have been able to give 5400 doses of Pfizer to community members, but demand was so high at the start, they couldn't do it alone. Sot: (Melanie Wooten - Quality Assurance Coordinator Hampton Regional Medical Center) "We had to partner with our local EMS because we didn't have the manpower to vaccinate the amount of people that were needing it." Vo That demand has slowly gone away though, and now they're having the opposite problem. Sot: "At the beginning we had more people asking for vaccine than we had vaccine in house and now we can easily get vaccine and we're asking people that haven't been vaccinated to come in, but there are clinics where we have leftover vaccine now because the numbers coming out are so low." Wooten says the county has specific challenges when trying to vaccinate those who need it.

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DR. THACKER ON  
COVID SURGE

"As cases of COVID-19 continue to increase Dr. Stephen Thacker here at Memorial Health says people have a choice to make." "The thing that is different than before is how infectious this new variant is to the point where in broad strokes I would say folks should either expect to get infected from COVID-19 or be protected from a vaccination. Like I mean it is so infectious and the risk is so much higher of being infected in a community where this is that those should really be your two outcomes that you are going to choose for yourself." It's because of this the CDC changed their guidance on masking, saying everyone in areas with high transmission of COVID-19 should wear a mask regardless of their vaccination status. Dr Thacker says that applies to us here in Georgia as we see cases surging.

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CIVIC CENTER  
VACCINATIONS  
UPDATE

For weeks the civic center's COVID-19 testing site saw few visitors, but that all has changed. "It has picked up significantly even since last week. Our numbers have jumped from like 100 range to were in the 2-300's now and we're just taking it day by day." Mako Medical leaders say they are doing their best to keep up with the increased demand because of the delta variant. "The delta variant has definitely been the reason behind all of the testing lately. The amount of people that have come in saying my roommate tested positive, this person tested positive, at work they are testing positive and previously it was just like we talked last week it was just travel at that point so to see this rise within a seven day change is crazy." "Health leaders say they are also seeing more people sign up to get their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. In fact they tell us t

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CANDLER CO. DOG  
RESCUE

(sot) The deputies who made the rescue here on Harper Road say they've never had one like this, but they have to be ready for anything at a moment's notice. (vo) They came here from a 911 call of an explosion and found three separate fires of a car, an RV and one other. For the first few minutes, smoke blocked what was out back. (sot) ..the wind shifted and the smoke went in another direction...as a result, I saw movement behind the RV. (nat) Dogs! Dogs! On a chain! (vo) One of them grabbed a pair of bolt cutters from the fire fighters. Both had to navigate around everything in the back yard. But they felt the heat more as they got closer. (sot) I was like "if I'm hot this far away, these two dogs have to be cooking alive!" (vo) Coursey unbuckled one dog's collar. O'Brien freed the other from

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2021 SY ABUSE  
REPORTING

"We definitely plan on seeing a spike in numbers when school comes back." In less than a week until school bells are ringing for thousands of Savannah-Chatham students. With students being back in person, advocacy agencies like Coastal Children's Advocacy Center and therapist Alexis Mack are on alert for reports of child abuse or neglect. "Not only do kids report to teachers but they report to students so that's why it is important to be around those people five times a week." Here's a look at the numbers. In 2020, Coastal Children's Advocacy Center says there were 235 cases of abuse. So far, there have been 138 cases this year. SCCPSS says the pandemic did not help when it came to reporting possible cases of abuse. "Being an hybrid model or virtual model

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"Being an hybrid model or virtual model made it a bit more difficult, because we did not have our children to ask those probing questions to get clarifying answers to things we may have assumed. It was all that we seen or thought we not seen on camera." Leaders with coastal children's advocacy center say mandated reporters and families need to keep a look out for possible signs like anger, depression, withdrawal, isolation which could open a conversation with the children.

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WTOCI: AFTER THE CHASE

"Nobody could make me believe that I would be here and my baby brother would be gone. I just didn't think that would happen." Debra Barard is still trying to understand what happened on June 16th - the night her brother Stephen Milton was hit and killed during a police chase. Friends who last saw him alive told her he was headed home at about 11 pm on June 16th because he had to work the next morning. "He got his bike because he always rode his bike and he's crossing the street and here comes this car barreling down on him." According to Georgia State Patrol, a driver suspected to be high on marijuana hit Stephen while driving at a high rate of speed and being pursued by a state trooper. Stephen was crossing Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard at 38th Street. "And he lost his life going home so he could go to work." G-S-P says this man 37 year-old Kenneth Wright is the driv

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BOOSTER SHOT  
PLANS

"The discussion about a booster shot for the COVID-19 vaccine is ongoing and something the FDA is looking at. Dr. Thacker says it's something he expects we'll learn more about soon." "There's some data that suggests that people could benefit from booster shots that said it's not currently supported by the FDA, they have that data for review." While Dr. Thacker says preliminary information shows Pfizer's vaccine could have decreased amounts of protective antibodies anywhere from 4-6 months out, he also says it's important to recognize we still have so many who need to get their first shot.. Here in Chatham county we sit at 42% fully vaccinated which is the same rate we've been at for quite some time. Dr Thacker says he expects full approval of the vaccine in the coming weeks, but the answer to boosters isn't as clear.

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LOCAL HOSPITALS  
ON COVID

DONNA COCHRAN, CHIEF NURSING OFFICER, LIBERTY REGIONAL "the vaccine is absolutely something you can all do to help. we are tired, we are at wits end. the staff is overwhelmed. we're taking care of your community...your family..possibly watching them die..this is something we've never seen before. It's trying times i've been doing this for 26 years and never have we seen anything like this." All of the doctors also agreed..misinformation is spreading rapidly and costing people their lives.

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LOCAL HOSPITALS  
ON COVID

this morning we heard from healthcare providers from Liberty Regional in Hinesville, Southeast Georgia in Glynn and Camden, St Josephs Candler and Memorial Health. Those leaders say this is the 3rd major spike..for most hospitals this is the highest level of patients being treated throughout the entire pandemic. Hospital beds are full. In fact at Memorial alone, 7 people have died in the last 7 days. I want you to take a listen to what Donna Cochran, CHIEF NURSING OFFICER, of Liberty Regional had to say.

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BLAIR: CHATHAM  
HEALTH UPDATE

Liberty Regional leaders told us they have 33 patients in the 25 bed critical access hospital and Southeast Georgia medical center says nearly HALF of their patients are covid positive. A majority of those are unvaccinated in fact their chief medical officer says all of their ICU patients are unvaccinated and of those hospitalized less than 10% are vaccinated and all of them are older in age.. They say their concern is for the younger population.

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REAX TO HEALTH  
UPDATE

"Even though I'm vaccinated, I'm still, when I go out...I work in retail. So we have to wear masks, and I still wear my mask, even though I'm vaccinated." Jennyfer Lucas - vaccinated but still cautious "And I also live with little kids and I see a lot of people around me all the time, and I bring it home with me. So I don't know. So for me personally, I still wear my mask and try to encourage my family members to get vaccinated as well."

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CHATHAM CO.  
HEALTH UPDATE

Hospitalization in chatham county alone are 15 percent higher than our previous high with nearly 200 patients getting treatment. This is happening not only 17 months after we saw our first case, but also about 8 months after vaccines were brought to the coastal empire.. It's a sad reality for healthcare leaders and one that frustrates many- knowing there is more we can do to help keep people safe. That's the plea from those battling this surge of COVID cases on the frontline in the hospitalâ€"get your vaccine. They say it's been thoroughly tested and proven safe and effective not to mention administered to hundreds of millions of people. Yet still they see patients come to the hospital unvaccinated- some critically ill. Doctors say you can make a difference and help alleviate the capacity concerns at local hospitals.

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CHATHAM CO.  
HEALTH UPDATE

"Please recognize the individual choices matter. Your choice matters when it comes to vaccination. In the last seven days we've had seven deaths from COVID-19 at Memorial Health adding to the now over 21 thousand mothers, fathers, grandparents daughters and son of Georgia that have died in Georgia hospitals during this pandemic. At this point through science and research we have learned a lot about how to better treat this disease and prevent death for most, but we've also learned from this same science and research that the most effective and best strategy to not be harmed by this infection is through vaccination. Doctors are asking you to trust them like you have for every other medical need you've had. They say vaccination is critical- especially now as they expect to see covid cases continue to climb unless we make a change..

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SAVANNAH CIVIC  
CENTER COVID  
TESTING LINES

Lines continue to grow at the Savannah Civic Center as more and more people are getting tested for the coronavirus. You're taking a look at video of what it was like today. The Coastal Health District says more than 34-hundred people have been tested at the civic center over the last week. They say they're averaging 753 tests per day so far this week. That's a 128-percent increase in 1 week. The health district says they had to turn some people away from the civic center site today in order to make the lab deadline.

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MALLORY BEACH  
FOLO

This surveillance video was captured near the 'New Day Dock' in Beaufort. You can see Beach here, walking with her boyfriend. Also pictured... friend Connor Cook... who made the 911 call. And Paul Murdaugh - who appears to be stumbling. Beach exits the frame last... seen smiling and laughing. This video was taken at 1:13 a.m. on February 24th, 2019.... about an hour before the crash. "Paul - what bridge is this?!? Paul!" "911, where's your emergency?" "We're in a boat crash on Archer's Creek... we have someone missing..." And these are the frantic moments - just-after Beach went missing. Connor Cook made the desperate call to police... after they say the group of 6 teens, crashed-into the Archer's Creek bridge, that leads to Paris Island. You're listening to Beaufort County 911 dispatch calls -- just-before 2-30. "...please send someone!"

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CANDLER DR. COVID  
HOSPITAL UPDATE

A doctor with St. Joseph's Candler tells WTOC the hospitals are doing everything they can. But he says in the last 10 days, he has never seen anything like it before while working in Savannah for 30 years. He says if you are admitted to the hospital, you may see a long line. He also says if your symptoms are mild, go to your local physician and if you want to be tested, the hospital is not the best place to do that right now.

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COVID TESTING SURGE

Melodie Pinckney has a 15-month-old and a 5-year-old at home in Effingham. She says she was on hold for 30 minutes this morning trying to schedule a COVID test for her kid after their teacher advised her class to stay home. "It's more stressful for the parents. You know, the kids are looking at it, it's fun...it's something to do but it's a lot. It's a lot everyday and I'm just like praying that you'll know she'll be fine." The mother says her go-to office in Rincon had no availability so she had to take off most of her day to get across town. MELODIE PINCKNEY "Swamped, yeah it's bad. It's only the first week...it's only gonna get worse, it's not even flu season right now." SouthCoast Health says because of kids going back to school and a surge of COVID cases in the county, they're giving out 30-40 tests each day. "Everyday we're

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CANDLER CO.  
HOSPITAL STRAIN

(sot) Staff members here at Candler County Hospital say their numbers may be small, but they face just as much of a challenge from covid as their big city counterparts. (vo) Staff members say they were hopeful a few months ago that the end was in sight. (sot) It was like, almost out of the blue, it shot back up again. (vo) Candler County hospital has just 25 beds, but 14 of the current patients have covid. They're isolating them from other patients to prevent the spread. That means taking steps of precaution as the smaller staff tries to treat patients and protect them..and themselves. (sot) We pretty much wear our masks all the time for covid. As far as PPE, our gowns, our gloves, our goggles. (vo) The nurses spoke to me outside. You or I can't just go inside the ER due to covid. Both nurses say they're grateful to the hospital for bringing in meals or d

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COVID VACCINE  
BOOSTERS  
LOCALIZED

"Here at the annex some are still hesitant to get their first and second shot of the COVID-19 vaccine, but across town others are jumping at the chance to get their third shot." "You know it's great because there are so many headlines about the vaccine hesitancy across our community and there really is we definitely have seen the demand for the vaccine drop down, but now you get these people that want the third shot, they understand the medical history behind it. They understand that this is a good thing. It's very rewarding to see people want to come in and continue to vaccinate to protect themselves as well as the community." Coastal Care Partners and Village Walk Pharmacy are now offering third doses of the covid-19 vaccine for immunocompromised people. This decision comes as our community faces the delta variant, a record number of cases, hospitalizations an

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DR. DAVIS BOOSTER  
SHOTS

"This is called a third dose rather than a booster because those who are immunocompromised quiet possibly did not achieve the level of immunity that people who are not immunocompromised may have." "A booster will be for all concers once you're 8 months out from your status of being fully vaccinated." Doctor Davis also says that he is anticipating the process of getting everyone another dose will go more smoothly because there will not be a vaccination shortage like we saw during the first roll out of vaccinations. He say's that a plan for the Coastal health district to roll out the boosters and third doses should be in place soon.

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SAV. RESTAURANT  
PROTEST

NAT: "Say you're sorry, say you're sorry, say you're sorry." "I think it's important that we come and support all of the women that have come forward. We're here to basically just to say that we believe women, and that it's important that cycles of abuse are stopped in this town." The accusations are being directed toward the owner of The Haunt, Clay Ehmke. We've reached out to Savannah Police, and so far, no official reports, complaints or charges have been filed against Ehmke, nor have any cases been brought against him in court relating to the accusations we heard today. When I reached out to Ehmke for comment on today's protest, I got a statement that said in part, "Our restaurant is committed to supporting our employees and providing a safe work environment. Sadly, we have been subjected to some negative statements by aggrieved former employees. None of the allegations have any credibility." That statement we

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MEMORIAL HOSPITAL  
COVID LATEST

"You know every hospital system has got more patients than it usually does this time of year, so every hospital in Savannah is in the same boat. So we have partnered with the state as we have throughout this pandemic to us some of those resources to help support our nursing staff in our ICUs and on our floors and in the emergency department so that we can continually prepare for future growth in cases." In some states - there's a greater need for intensive care units than what's available. Earlier today, health officials in Alabama says the state is currently operating at a deficit of I-C-U beds - meaning some patients in need of that level are not in a designated I-C-U bed.

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BULLOCH CO. EMS  
WAIT

(sot) The number of EMS calls has gone through the roof during covid. It has first responders asking people to ask themselves a few questions before they pick up the phone to ask for an ambulance. (vo) Brian Hendrix says they normally average more than 700 calls a month but they're on pace for nearly 1,100 in August. Roughly half are people with covid. Brian says they add layers of precautions for those calls. (sot) ..if it's a known covid patient we're going to..it's full masks, full gear, full gloves. (vo) And the work continues even after they unload the patient at the hospital. (sot) ..then you have to decontaminate your crew, decontaminate your truck, it's just a lengthy process. (vo) They're asking people to be judicious and only call for an ambulance in a life-threatening situation. Bulloch County's Public safety director Ted Wynn says when the county only has four or fi

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CHATHAM MAIL  
THEFTS

Sean: Chatham County Police say this uptick in mail thefts across the unincorporated county is unusual, and is up from this time last year. Chatham County Police Chief Jeff Hadley says the cases they're tracking across the county might not be the only ones, explaining what they're investigating is only for the unincorporated county. He says it appears the thief or thieves are targeting mailboxes that have the flag up. Checks meant for things like utilities are altered, making them out to someone else, then cashed. Police say the victim doesn't even know they've been targeted until they're told by the utility company that a payment was missed. "And that really can leave someone who may not have a lot of money in their account, lives paycheck to paycheck, and they alter a check that's for 75 dollars and ends up being 750 dollars. Boy, that can really damage a family and their resources."

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BEAUFORT  
MEMORIAL CHANGES  
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Vo Beaufort Memorial and Hilton Head Regional both went back to a no-visitor policy, aside from a few specific exceptions like labor. Leadership at both hospitals said it was a tough yet necessary choice amid rising COVID cases. "It's a difficult decision to make. We know how important visitors are in the healing process, but given the situation in our community we felt like limiting visitation was something that we could do to help maintain a safe environment for our patients and everyone taking care of them." Vo For Beaufort Memorial specifically, this could be the first of many protocols to be reinstated. "We're sort of at what I'll call tier one of a multi tier plan to try and manage different levels of surge, so as part of tier one which we're in now we are restricting visitors, but there may be some additional measures

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NEONATAL & COVID  
AT HOSPITALS

"We're seeing more babies being tested positive after they are born to a mom who has COVID-19 and I don't have an immediate answer as to why that, I think it is because of how much more virus is in our nose is in our respiratory secretions that when we're coughing and we're laboring we're just putting a lot more virus into the room when the baby is born." Dr. Thacker says treatment for these babies is largely supportive care because a lot of the COVID-19 therapies have not been tested on infants. He says thankfully the younger the patient the less likely the severity of the case. "COVID-19 in general has not proven to be a significant life threatening event for most neonates who are born with it, but again the big challenge there is that some babies are being born prematurely that don't have to be because of COVID-19 infection in their moth

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Mary Shuman says she's been sober for 6 months now. A self-described long-time, high-functioning heroin addict here in Chatham County... Shuman says the problem is much worse than most people think. "THERE'S A HUGE HEROIN PROBLEM HERE. THERE'S A HUGE FENTANYL PROBLEM HERE." "...IF YOU KNOW WHAT YOU'RE LOOKING AT, AND YOU KNOW HOW TO LOOK FOR IT, YOU'LL SEE IT EVERYWHERE." Shuman says she's OD'd on heroin 4 times... the scariest, from a fentanyl-laced batch. She says she had no idea - and almost died. All 4 times - Shuman says someone administered the overdose-reversing drug NARCAN on her. She says, recovery took her finally telling everyone she knew - she had a problem. "I DON'T CARE IF I LOSE MY JOB, YOU NEED TO KNOW THIS. I DON'T CARE IF YOU'RE NOT MY FRIEND ANYMORE, YOU HAVE TO KNOW. BECAUSE... I DIDN'T WANT TO DIE." Shuman first went to a Gateway Behavioral Health

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WTOCI: OPIOIDS PT 3 Crisis Center in Brunswick

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(Dr. Lawton Davis - Coastal Health District Director) "In the first week of July we collected a little under 200 test total. The first week of August we got 1847 and then last week we were over 4300 and the first two days this week we did 1200 Monday and almost that many on Tuesday, so the demand has just skyrocketed." Cont vo: Dr Davis also wanted to remind people that pre-registering will speed up your testing process and said for people who have already tested positive and are looking for a negative test, after you isolate he recommends getting vaccinated immediately because it offers more protection. Live in Savannah, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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8/19/2021 DAYBREAK OD CENTER LIVE

5AM CHATHAM MAIL  
8/19/2021 DAYBREAK OD THEFTS

"And that really can leave someone who may not have a lot of money in their account, lives paycheck to paycheck, and they alter a check that's for 75 dollars and ends up being 750 dollars. Boy, that can really damage a family and their resources." . He says it appears the thief or thieves are targeting mailboxes that have the flag up. Checks meant for things like utilities are altered, making them out to someone else, then cashed. Chief Hadley suggests paying bills online, or putting bill payments in a secured postal service mailbox. He also says the department will likely be reaching out to federal investigators to look at partnering up if the thefts become more of a serious issue.

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CHD NOW OFFERING  
BOOSTER SHOTS

"Starting today immunocompromised people can sign up to get a third dose of their mRNA vaccine from the Coastal Health District." "It's been found that people who are immunocompromised likely do not mount as much of a response to the regular vaccination two dose set and so they found that a third dose will enhance their immune response." He says this will help further protect them and keep them out of the hospital, especially as the delta variant spreads in our community. Also, in discussion are booster shots for others 8 months from their second dose of either Pfizer or Moderna's vaccine. Those are expected in about a monthâ€! " The efficacy in preventing infection in general declines over time... so it looks like it drops off about 6% every two months or so and it appears it continues to wane, th

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SJC URGENT CARE  
COVID UPDATE

"Since the surge we've seen a drastic increase in the number of patients here we've actually doubled and sometimes tripled our number of patients per day. We're seeing a sicker population right now, people that do need care unfortunately that were not able sometimes to get care at the emergency rooms because they are so busy." Urgent Care leaders in Rincon say their normal wait time is around 15-20 minutes but right now it's more than 2 hours. While they are doing their best to increase staff and care for all they say it's a challenge with such high volumes showing up from all over the region. Though they do see patients for a variety of reasons, leaders say there's a lot of COVID concerns from symptoms and exposures, some who are very ill. They run both rapid and PCR tests, and say right now more than 50% of them are positive.. As many wait in line for care, officials encourag

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8/23/2021 DAYBREAK OD 5 AM TACKL HEALTH

TACKL Health has been testing and vaccinating at their site at Coach's Corner, however, they wanted another location that was more in the center of town to meet the demand. Jacquelyn Harn, the Director of Marketing, says this site at 311 Eisenhower Drive is absolutely needed until further notice especially because bigger sites are getting booked up. She says they're testing a lot of younger kids now that school is back in session and a lot of people who are hoping to travel. She says most people want the rapid antigen test because they need test results fast. Harn says testing was slow during the summer months, but now, on their busiest days, she says they're testing about 100 people.

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8/23/2021 NOON OD      JOHNNY MERCER  
BLVD FATAL WRECK      0:00:20

New at noon--- One person has died following a single-car crash on Johnny Mercer Boulevard this morning. The Chatham County Police Department says the crash shut down all lanes from Turner's Rock to Bryan Woods Road. We've just learned that all roads of Johnny Mercer Boulevard have reopened. The Georgia State Patrol has been called in to investigate the crash.

8/23/2021 4PM OD      ALYSSA: TATTNALL  
CO COVID      0:00:54

The Tattnall County Coroner says his staff are exhausted and this is the worst it's been in a year. Bradley Anderson says he can't imagine what this would look like if we didn't have the vaccine yet. "I called my pastor and said I need some one-on-one time let's go to lunch. I had to get away from the funeral home. Away from my families and just talk with him. I mean, it's just..like I said earlier, we're tired and it's not really all physically tired it's mental. Because you know, these families...two weeks ago this person might've been perfectly healthy and living life great and next COVID hits them and a week later they're gone." The coroner says him and his staff are losing friends and family too. He says for the community to do their part, they need to wear a mask and get vaccinated. In Reidsville, Alyssa Jackson, WTOC News.

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TATTNALL CO. COVID LATEST

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Khadija Graves has been here every day since last Thursday visiting her grandmother who got COVID. She says it's tough for the family right now because they can only see and talk to her through the glass. Khadija Graves says the day before her grandmother wanted to get vaccinated, they had to rush her to the hospital. "Just being a part and not being able to physically be around each other like physically talk to her has been hard because we don't really know how she's feeling." She says she's trying to stay strong, but being apart is tough. "She is the piece that's holding us together like, she's a big part of our family so we've just been taking off and giving all our time and attention to her making sure she's ok. With every chance we get, we come up here to try to see her." Optim Health is not allowing visitors for COVID patients because

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STATESBORO DRUG ARRESTS FOLO

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(sot) Police say this case started on a tip about drug sales happening in or around the bars near Georgia Southern. They say the deeper they dug, the more they found. (vo) Police say it started at the beginning of the year. Undercover officers started coming to Shenanigans and other night spots and buying drugs. On Friday, they came here and arrested Ian Liddy , Kyler Deason, and Elizabeth Nguyen. They arrested Jaythan Hendrix, Destiny Ngezem, and Joseph Keith Bragg Jr elsewhere around town. (sot) I think it's critically important for us to work with Georgia Southern Police Department to do all we can to keep kids safe. That includes going after drug dealers who are trying to prey on those kids. (vo) This morning, another suspect, Kim Hunter, turned himself in. They continue to search for another suspect Nicolas Spiracia and say more arrests could follow. (sot) In Statesboro, Dal Cannady WT

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DR. DAVIS SPEAKS  
ON PFIZER  
APPROVAL

â€œDr. Lawton Davis - Coastal Health District â€œAnd that is that the vaccine, all the vaccines actually are very safe and very effective. And so it underscores the confidence that we have had in it all along.â€ I asked Dr. Davis if he thinks the full FDA approval will make it easier for health care professionals to make a case for folks to get vaccinated. Dr. Davis: â€œYes. And what Iâ€™m really hoping is that some of these people that have been on the fence and maybe waiting because it was still only available as an EUA, process, that they will understand that this vaccine has now undergone all the testing, vetting, scrutiny etc. that any other medication and vaccine that we use has done.â€ Davis says he thinks thereâ€™s a good chance we could start to see employers, like local governments, move from strongly encouraging workers to get vaccinated to requiring it. Davis: â€œI wouldnâ€™t be surprised now if you didnâ€™t see more agencies and entities and businesses

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8/25/2021 5PM OD

SAV: RAPE CASE &  
RESOURCES

You're not alone, and help is available. That's the message from leaders in Savannah showing up to support victims of sexual assault today. You're looking at video from a press conference hosted today by four Savannah city council members, along with the Rape Crisis Center, Savannah Police and more. They said the goal of today's gathering was to highlight the importance of sexual assault awareness during the first month of college classes.

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LYONS DOG ATTACK  
UPDATE

"I'm glad that we were able to bring some closure to Dr. Shaw's death." A death that shook the Lyons community... Dr. Nancy Shaw was a well-known, longtime internist at Meadows Regional Medical Center. The Police chief says she was also an animal lover. While investigators are still trying to determine what led up to Shaw's death...they believe her love for animals, ultimately resulted in her tragic death. "We believe that she got out to help them, to feed them, to make sure that they were okay, and we're not exactly sure what transpired at that point." Police says Shaw's body was found in a ditch...after officers spotted a car on Skyline Blvd around 3 a.m., pulled over on the wrong side of the road, car running and the door open. "We believe that she was on her way home from the hospital. She had worked a night shift." Lyons police identified and seized the dogs involved a day after her body was found. Chief W

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TATTNALL CO.  
HOMICIDE ARRESTS

(sot) Tattnall County's sheriff says some people might have already forgotten this murder from the beginning of the year. But he says his investigators and the GBI tirelessly worked this case to figure out who could have done this. (vo) Investigators announced three arrests this week--Christopher Sumlin, Aerial Murphy, and Keisha Jones - in the murder of 88 year old Bobby Kicklighter at his home in Glennville back in January. Just this afternoon, the GBI announced they're charging Nathan Weekes, an inmate at Smith State Prison, with conspiracy in connection with the murder. Sheriff Kyle Sapp says this case was unusual because most homicides happen in the heat of the moment with witnesses or something else from the beginning. (sot) Typically, there's something on the scene or a witness that gives us a suspect or an idea of what's going on pretty quickly. In the case of Mr. Kicklighter

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CBS: CORONAVIRUS  
SURGE 3:30

THE CDC ISSUED A HEALTH ALERT THURSDAY SAYING OFF-LABEL USE OF THE ANTI-PARASITE DRUG IVERMECTIN (EYE-ver-meck-tin) AS A COVID-19 TREATMENT HAS LED TO A SHARP INCREASE THIS SUMMER TO CALLS TO POISON CONTROL CENTERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. // IN ILLINOIS â€“ WHERE HOSPITALS ARE RAPIDLY FILLING UP WITH COVID-19 PATIENTS -- THE GOVERNOR ANNOUNCED A NEW VACCINE MANDATE (SOT vaccines will be required for P12 teachers and staff, all higher education personnel, all higher education students, and healthcare workers in a variety of settings. (track #2) CASES HAVE HIT A RECORD HIGH IN FLORIDA WHERE FUNERAL DIRECTORS SAY THEY ARE STRUGGLING TO KEEP UP WITH DEMAND. (sot Jim Rudolph/Veterans Funeral Care) "We have a 35-capacity cooler here...it has been full. We're working around the clock." (bridge Anthony Pura/CBS News, Los Angeles) THE CDC SAYS COVID DEATHS NATIONWIDE WILL LIKELY INCREASE OVER THE NEXT FOUR WEEKS

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SC HOSPITALS ON  
VAX APPROVAL

With all of the recent developments with vaccines, Beaufort Memorial Hospital is doubling their clinics because they think more people will be looking to get the shot. "What we're anticipating is an increase in demand, we hope we'll see that increase in demand, so we want to be staffed up to meet that." Vo The first reason Dr. Gambla expects higher vaccination demand, is booster shots for the immunocompromised, which are recommended one month after second dose. But he said the general public should be ready to get that third shot as well, just a little later. Sot: "Right now the guidance is 8 months from that second shot, a third booster. They're looking hard at the data and that may even shift to a 6-month instead of an 8-month booster." Vo He also explained that the vaccine is proven to better protect your body than just catching the disease. Sot: "Th

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GSP DEADLY CHASE  
PART 2

"Leading up to it was a very quiet night in Baldwin Park." "we hear the roar of cars and sirens. "going easily 100 miles an hour, 90 miles an hour." A surveillance camera caught some of it on video including what Brendan Pappas says he did next. "And I was immediately, extremely angry, so I called 911." Dispatcher: "Georgia State Patrol. Caller: "yeah am I talking to Georgia State Patrol?" Dispatcher: "You are, sir" Caller: "yeah, you got two cars riding down my street in the 500 block of 40th Street in Savannah Georgia that almost killed me and my friend probably chasing someone for some dumbass drug possession thing. yeah, it's a problem. It's a problem." Dispatcher: "I understand, sir." By the time the chase reached his block, it had gone on for 6 miles through Savannah - killing an innocent bystander as he crossed the street. 56-year-old Stephen Mi

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CHATHAM CO COVID

"If we have a huge outbreak in our organization, we can be crippled and really this is preventative to help us to be able to keep our folks safe." "I don't know what else we do, this can consume us, we are worse now than we were when we were closed." Council also approved a 3-percent cost of living adjustment for city employees. It will cost the city about 3-point-5 million dollars. But about 2-million of that will come from money the city saved by keeping the same millage rate. Right now, there are no plans for the vaccine incentive program.

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CBS: HOSPITALS  
OVERWHELMED  
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THIS IS VIDEO OF DANIEL BEING AIRLIFTED TO HOUSTON, BUT IT WAS TOO LATE. (SOT - they weren't able to do the procedure on him because it had been too long and told me that they had seen air pockets in his in his intestines, which means that they were already starting to die off. They told me that I had to make a decision and, I knew how Danny felt, he didn't want to be that way, and so we were all in agreement that we had to let him go. ROUGHLY 24 HOURS AFTER HE WALKED INTO THE EMERGENCY ROOM, DANIEL WILKINSON DIED... AT THE AGE OF 46. (SOT - I've never lost a patient from this diagnosis, ever. We know what needs to be done and we know how to treat it. And we get them to where they need to go, I'm scared that the next patient that I see is someone that I can't get to where they need to get to go we are playing musical chairs with 100 Imagine a game of musical chairs with 100 people and 10 chairs. When

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SC COVID UNDER 21  
CASES

no lowers while data is up TRT :02-:35 Vo First, the numbers from Beaufort county. You can see that since school started, people under 21 years old account for almost 34% of all cases. Clearly higher than the weeks before kids returned to the classroom. In Jasper county, an even bigger rise. Those under 21 now making up nearly 37% of total cases, compared to under 15% at the start of the month. Finally, Hampton county also has above 30% of their cases coming from people under 21 years old, with a near 14% rise from the week before in person learning began. Sot: (Dr. Frank Gambla, CMO Beaufort Memorial Hospital) "Schools, just by the nature of what happens in schools, are potentially super spreader events and so masks are important and whether they're mandated or not we strongly recommend masks and certainly recommend vaccination for anyone 12 or over."

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WKEND 6PM                    ALYSSA: SEARCH FOR 2 MEN IN SAV RIVER  
8/28/2021 OD

I just spoke with the Coast Guard and they said there are no further updates right now. This morning they released a statement saying they got the call around 9-pm last night. The Coast Guard said a small boat collided with a dredge vessel A total of seven people were in the boat...all went into the water. Five were rescued and are in the hospital with serious, but non-life-threatening injuries. The two men missing are brothers Joseph and Thomas Fox. We know several agencies are assisting in the search. The Coast Guard says The Savannah Fire Department is conducting side-scan sonar of the area and Savannah Police Department divers are on standby.

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11PM                            BODIES OF MISSING MEN FOUND IN SAV RIVER  
8/29/2021 WEEKEND OD

The brothers went missing after a small boat they were on collided with a dredge vessel near Elba Island, causing all seven people on board to go into the water. Five were rescued and taken the hospital. South Carolina Department of Natural Resources spokesman David Lucas says they got the call about the accident from Jasper County dispatch around 9 p.m. Friday. Lucas says everyone involved were adult males in their 20s. South Carolina DNR says the Coast Guard is taking over the investigation because the boat the two men were in... hit a "commercial vessel."

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11PM                            ALYSSA: THEFTS IN TOOMBS COUNTY  
8/29/2021 WEEKEND OD

The third time the Byrd's property was stolen, they were storing it at a unit off Dasher Rd. in Toomb's County. It couldn't have happened at a worst time.... "I buried my dad yesterday. I mean all this happened within the last week." "Trying to hold everything together...you know it's....whew...I'm at a loss for words." The Byrds are fire fighters in Toombs County. This is the last thing they want to deal with while grieving... "We train to be ready, but when stuff happens to you personally like this...in the same community where you serve, you right it hits and it hits hard." They are working to build a home, but they say every time they get close to their dream someone erases their progress. "Everything it takes to build a house just like with the first theft. The things that they took...they have enough to build their own little house if they wanted

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5AM SEARCH FOR TYBEE  
8/30/2021 DAYBREAK OD RESCUE TEEN

" We were out about waist deep in the water. We had just been kind of playing into the waves and I looked over and he was laying on his back on the waves and he looked fine until I tried calling him. A nightmare turned into a miracle for Jerry Burns and his family visiting from Asheville, North Carolina "That evening we went out into the water and I had one of my episodes where I just blank out." Jerry has hydrocephalus (HYDRO CEPH FO LUS). It is a condition where fluid builds up inside of the brain causing him to pass out. "And then he didn't respond and as I tried making my way over, he kept getting pulled farther and farther and then a wave washed over him. And we lost sight totally." "this kid came up in this little kayak and we said 'Go get him!' That kid would turn out to be 14-year-old Jak Klein.  
"He paddled to him and

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8/30/2021 5:30pm OD

EAST GA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

(sot) Hospital leaders say they're seeing patient numbers like they've never seen or ever imagined they would see. They're asking people to help them control or limit exposure and know when they should come to the hospital and when they should go elsewhere. (vo) Weekend numbers hovered at 70 covid patients with 20 of them on ventilators. East Georgia's ER director says the pandemic has personnel and space pushed to the max. (sot) We're utilizing hallways. We're using service areas. We're using waiting rooms that have been turned into triage areas. So we're using every square inch of this hospital. (vo) Dr. Scott says they continue to treat sick patients of all kinds, covid and non-covid. While they're testing patients with symptoms and other medical issues. (sot) If you're having no symptoms at all, I would encourage you to be tested at a site that offers less personal contact, some place

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5AM 5AM BEAUFORT  
8/31/2021 DAYBREAK OD COVID

E-R Doctor -- Luke Baxley from Beaufort Memorial will join Mayor Murray for Facebook Live discussion about the current situation in the hospital because of covid. After an update -- they will start taking some questions on the facebook feed about the vaccine -- this can be anything from it's efficacy, booster shots, vaccines for children and any concerns about fertility. They expect the live stream to last about 45 minutes and hope that you can get their questions answered from a local health care professional.

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FORT ARGYLE  
4:30AM LANDINGS HOA  
9/1/2021 DAYBREAK OD ARREST

" I don't want to be the next Ahmaud Aubrey. I have a family. I have a two-year-old. I have a child on the way." The police report says Berry denied confronting Green with a gun. The responding officer also noted they could smell alcohol while speaking with Berry. Green also said he believes this was racially motivated. We'll keep you updated on the case.

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9/1/2021 4PM OD

TYLER: SC COVID

Standup: (Tyler Manion - @TylerManionTV) Recent data shows South Carolina has the worst rate of new COVID cases per 100,000 in the entire country, just slightly ahead of Alabama and Tennessee. Vo Dr. Kurt Gambla, the chief medical officer at Beaufort memorial hospital, says this is obviously not where he wants the state to be. Sot: (Dr. Kurt Gambla, CMO Beaufort Memorial Hospital) "This is bad news. We don't like to be at the bottom of the heap or have the dubious distinction right now of having the highest prevalence of new cases in the country." Vo Dr Gambla explained its cause for concern at the hospital. Sot: "It makes us worry about the trend line, and it makes us worry about our resources, and where is this thing going to plateau." Vo As far as explanations go for why South Carolina is doing worse than every other state, he says it's hard to tell what the cause is. Sot: "It's hard

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9/1/2021 5PM OD

BULLOCH CO. TRIPLE MURDER ARREST

(sot) Neighbors I spoke to are still apprehensive about talking on camera about this horrific crime. But they did say they're breathing a sigh of relief that someone's in custody. (vo) It happened the night of July 4th. Deputies answered the call of shots fired in the Lundy Trailer Park. They found three people shot in one home. Investigators identified them as Brittany Snead, her brother Travis Snead, and his girlfriend Kristina Soles. The murders, with a killer at large, had neighbors worried through the summer. GBI agents announced they've charged 16 year old Rolando Millan of East Point with felony murder. They say Millan is in youth detention on unrelated charges and will be charged as an adult. (sot) Bulloch County Sheriff's investigators and GBI agents say they'll have more information at a news conference tomorrow morning. I'll be there and bring you the latest. In Bulloch County, Dal Cannady WTOC news. â€¢

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9/1/2021 6PM OD

WTOCI: ARBERY  
COURT CASE

The ruling settles a request by defense attorneys. They argued in court back in May the jury should be allowed to hear about Arbery's past encounters with law enforcement because it explains his mindset. Part of the evidence the defense wanted in front of a jury, includes two arrests. Testimony from a school police chief who described the arrest of Arbery in 2013 after he carried a gun onto campus during a school basketball game. And testimony from law enforcement about Arbery's arrest in 2017 on charges that he tried to steal a TV from a Walmart store. Also - body camera footage from that same year that shows Arbery's interactions with law enforcement who questioned Arbery a secluded area of a park. Prosecutors argued none of that is relevant to what happened on the day Arbery was killed. They pointed out that Arbery was unarmed, nothing was stolen from the home construction site where he was first spotted in the neighborhood and he was out for a jog.

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9/1/2021 6PM OD

GUNPOINT SUSPECT  
ARREST FOLO

"Contrary to the charges that the gentleman has on him now, he violated the new HB 479, Georgia's repeal of the Citizen's Arrest Law. No one has the right to detain you. No one has the right to hold you. No one has the right to take the law into their own hands to become judge, jury and sheriff." Representative Gilliard also told me he spoke with Derick Green today because he was touched by his story and wanted to compliment him on how he handled this situation.

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5AM 5AM EFFINGHAM  
9/2/2021 DAYBREAK OD HEALTH

Right now in Effingham County has 38 percent of the population with at least one dose and 33 percent that are fully vaccinated. The 7-day rolling average is at one-hundred six point three -- yesterday there were 88 new cases reported and 2 deaths in the county. With continued cases -- Effingham Health Systems are still all hands on deck and are asking for your patience as they work to keep up with the demand.

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5AM SARAH: EFFINGHAM  
9/2/2021 DAYBREAK OD COVID TESTING

Every weekday except for Wednesday â€“ testing will be available from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Effingham Health Systems is teaming up with Coastal Health District to offer the testing â€“ before today the only place to go get a free covid test without insurance was in Chatham County. Hospital Staff are not only happy to have a place closer for drive-thru testing but also because it relieves some of the stress on the already busy hospital.

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9/2/2021 6PM OD

HAMPTON CO. COVID  
LATEST

"The hospital is full and they have lost several patients, they have a lot of their staff that is out, that is sick with Covid." Vo The main healthcare provider in crisis amid a spike in cases. The 7 day moving average in the county, now at its highest point ever. The disease wreaking havoc in more ways than one. Sot: "It takes a toll on everybody from the hospital, to the coroners office, all the way down to EMS, law-enforcement... we're all working this and we've got to get a handle on it." Vo Peeples detailed the toll it took on one particular county staffer. Sot: "We have a paramedic here... He was out for 21 days. He was very sick that his wife had to help him get up and down. His words to me today were 'if I had not have taken the vaccine I would not be here.'" Vo Unfortunately, Peeples also saw the dangers of COVID closer to home. Sot: "I buried my second famil

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9/3/2021 7PM OD

DR. THACKER ON MU  
VARIANT

The World Health Organization has their eyes on the new coronavirus variant called mu. Dr. Stephen Thacker at Memorial Health says it's considered a variant of interest and is found most commonly in Colombia and Ecuador. "When you take a big picture view though and compare it to what the delta variant is causing it's less than 1% of cases worldwide, but important for us to recognize and understand." But what about here in the U.S. specifically? "In the U.S. we have numerous states where there's a small number of cases. In Georgia, out of all the isolates of this virus that we send for sequencing through the NIH only about 22 in total, since we've known about this strain, have come back as this mu variant." Dr. Thacker says probably every one to two weeks there's a new variant of interest. He says what we don't know, right now, about this mu variant is if it's more transmissible

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9/3/2021 6PM OD

FMR BRUNSWICK DA  
INDITED FOLO

"This historic decision by the grand jury in South Georgia at the behest of the Attorney General Carr, we hope will send ripple effects through out the legal community. Ahmaud Arbery's murder was a tipping point in this nation for addressing the issue of not only violence and racism, but systemic racism."

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9/3/2021 6PM OD

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INDITED FOLO

This is the moment Travis McMichael learned he would be taken to police headquarters for questioning after he shot and killed Ahmaud Arbery. "We're going to give you a ride to headquarters. You are going to talk to some investigators everything has to be done right. Travis: "I know I want it done right. This just doesn't look good I just shot a man." According to the recent indictment of former Brunswick District Attorney Jackie Johnson - she hindered the duties of two Glynn County Police officers at the scene that day. The indictment says she directed them NOT to arrest Travis McMichael which goes against the laws of the state. Here's how officers on the scene handled Travis just after the shooting. "I've taken some photos of him. We are going to collect his clothes voluntarily, his house is right over there. He is willing to go to headquarters." "What's your dad's name? Greg McMichael, he's right there." The officer walked over to talk wit

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7AM  
DAYBREAK DR. THACKER ON MU  
9/4/2021 SATURDAY OD VARIANT

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9/7/2021 5PM OD  
ALEX MURDAUGH  
CASE LATEST

Through a statement from his personal attorney we learned today that Alex Murdaugh is being accused of diverting attorney fees from his law firm and has now checked himself into a substance abuse rehab facility. TRACKED MINIPKG -- We got a statement from PMPED, the Law Firm that Alex Murdaugh worked with - it says the firm itself discovered the misappropriation of funds..and they'll be using a forensic accounting firm to investigate. They also say they're disappointed and won't be commenting any further. Our WTOC Investigates team looked further into Alex's professional background.. According to information online with the state's office of disciplinary counsel which handles investigations into complaints about attorneys..it shows his law license is in good standing and he's been licensed in South Carolina since 1994. There's no mention of any complaints on that agency's website yet. Our team reached out directly to the agency and they say in accordanc

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9/8/2021 4:30PM OD

AMANDA: LIBERTY  
HOSPITAL

Dr. Christina McCain described these patients as "VERY SICK." If you take a look at this graph, provided by the Coastal Health Districtâ€|COVID-19 hospitalizations are peaking AGAIN. August 31â€|the hospital saw 18 COVID-19 hospitalizations. It went down, then started peaking September 3. Now the hospital is back to 18 COVID patients, as of yesterday. The Chief nursing officer says the amount of patients they're seeing has been a struggle.

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9/8/2021 5PM OD

LABOR DAY VACCINE  
FOLO

Here at the Coastal Drug Companyâ€|the pharmacist says there was a good turnout for vaccinations on September 3 - which is Reassuring as the virus continues to spread in Liberty County. Twenty-five people were vaccinated last Fridayâ€|much higher than the pharmacy's daily average of about 10. "It was on a Friday so if you felt any side effects, you had the weekend to recover so we did see more people come in and get vaccinated on that day." A stark contrast from what the health departments within the Coastal Health District have seen. A spokeswoman says there wasn't a huge change from the Friday before September 3, which was August 27. Take a look at the numbers the Coastal Health District gave us for their health department sitesâ€| On September 3, the day state employees got to take off, the 8 health departments gave out 227 vaccines in total.

Chatham County saw the most with 102. Long County the lowest..at zero.  
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9/8/2021 5:30pm OD

EFFINGHAM VACCINE  
LATEST

It may not be a Sunday, but here at St. John's Lutheran Church in Rincon they're still reaching out to the community. "Philip said to Nathaniel when he asked, 'what good comes out of Nazareth?' Philip said, 'come and see. Come and see.'" They say the "good word" they'd like you to come and see, in this case happens to be two words. "Get vaccinated." It's a message that Pastor Rick Johnson feels isn't all that different from any other message he'd give on a Sunday. "Please get vaccinated for yourself, those you care about and those you never even met. Something about welcoming a stranger in scripture." And that's why they teamed up with the Georgia Department of Public Health and CORE to welcome friends, and strangers to get their shot. "I thought, this is a way for us to give back to the community, for us to help one another. To help not just folks within our

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9/9/2021 4PM OD

SAM: TEST VACCINE  
EXPANSION

"Well we all know that west Chatham has been one of the fastest growing areas of Chatham County. There's a lot of people that live in this area, a lot of homes in this area, a lot of traffic in this area." But what there hasn't been a lot of is testing or vaccination sites, something the Chatham County Health Department wanted to change. "What we've been working on over the last couple of weeks is trying to stand up a vaccination and testing site in west Chatham." And now they do. Setting up a testing site on the campus of Georgia Tech Savannah. And a new vaccine clinic at Gulfstream. "We've learned from going into the community that if you make it convenient people will use it. We're hoping that this is a convenient location for this side of town, this side of the community. That's why I think people will use this site." Hoping to meet the growing demand for vaccines and testing.

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9/9/2021 5PM OD

CHD HEALTH  
UPDATE

"Overall, we may have plateaued. It's possible that we've even begun trending downward, which would sort of be expected if it behaves here like it did in India. But the fly in the ointment right now is Labor Day, whether there's delayed data reporting, and whether Labor Day becomes a super-spreader event like some of our other holidays." Dr. Davis said another setback could be caused by a lack of mask wearing.

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9/9/2021 5PM OD

BEAUFORT CO.  
FLOODING

Beaufort has made many efforts to minimize flood damage like this over the past few years. Before those efforts it was a repeated problem that wreaked havoc on the community. "All my life I've lived here and I've seen the flooding through the community a lot. It's been really rough, a lot of rain, heavy inches." Vo Tyger Snell is born and raised in this area. He said the flooding he saw growing up, has gotten much better in recent years. Specifically since 2017 the city of Beaufort has spent about 10 million dollars to mitigate flood damage. One strategy was elevating the drainage pipes so that roads like this one Nat can avoid being closed for too long and get the water drained quickly. He says over the last two days some parts of the area saw 10 inches of rain, and the new measures did their job. Sot: "We've had an absolutely enormous amount of water and the system processed that water preci

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9/9/2021 6PM OD

COVID TESTING &  
VAX EXPANSION

Starting now, Monday through Saturday free COVID testing will be available in a drive through at Georgia Tech's Savannah Campus. And just a short drive away, Gulfstream has opened their doors to help host a free vaccine clinic Monday through Friday. It's something they'd been trying to do for a while to meet demand and give residents easy access to resources that can help stop the spread.

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9/10/2021 6PM OD

CHATHAM CO.  
HEALTH ON VAX

"You've seen that the announcements been made, but there are already talk about challenges to that announcement. And so until it really plays out, and actually gets put in place, it's too soon to tell. I do hope that it will encourage people to want to get vaccinated." In the most current data Dr. Rustin shared with Chatham County Commissioners this morning, about 47 percent of county residents are fully vaccinated. That's about two percent higher than the state average. Dr. Chris Rustin :24-:34 "What we want to continue to do as sort of a neutral party in public health, is to recommend individuals make that decision for themselves, to review the science, to speak to a medical provider, public health official...to come to that decision on their own." I asked Dr. Rustin if the health department falls under the umbrella of health care providers that will eventually be required

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9/14/2021 5PM OD

VAN JOHNSON ON  
EMERALD DR. SHTG

"This is obviously still a very fluid situation. I think that it's important that the investigation takes its course, and so Chief Minter and Savannah Police are out. They're about." The mayor says the city is in touch with the local school system to make sure anyone who knew Orr has resources available to help them during this time. Coming up on THE News at 6 - our Alyssa Jackson details what we know about this investigation.

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5AM 5AM MURDAUGH  
9/15/2021 DAYBREAK OD LIVEHIT

This morning -- 61-year-old Curtis Edward Smith, of Colleton County, is in custody on charges of assisted suicide, assault and battery of a high aggravated nature, pointing and presenting a firearm, insurance fraud, and conspiracy to commit insurance fraud.

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5AM 5AM MURDAUGH  
9/15/2021 DAYBREAK OD LIVEHIT

According to documents provided by SLED -- Alex Murdaugh conspired with Smith to commit suicide. It says Murdaugh provided Smith with a firearm and told him to shoot him in the head so that following his death -- the death benefit would be paid out to a beneficiary. According to SLED, Murdaugh admitted to the scheme of having Smith shoot him for the purpose of his son collecting his life insurance policy valued at approximately \$10 million. The case will be prosecuted by the Attorney General's Office and additional charges in the case are expected.

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5AM 530 MURDAUGH  
9/15/2021 DAYBREAK OD LIVEHIT

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9/15/2021 5PM OD

TYLER: CURTIS  
ARREST LATEST

Standup: (Tyler Manion - @TylerManionTV) The Hampton County law-enforcement center is a small building that includes the sheriff's office, detention center, and magistrate court. It's where we found ourselves most of the day today and I spoke with people inside, but no one wanted to speak on the record just yet. Here's what we learned. Vo Curtis Edward Smith was arrested in Colleton county and was in front of a judge earlier this afternoon for drug charges there. He was then taken to the Hampton county law enforcement center... one of many places where we visited and spoke with people throughout the day. After Smith's arrival, we heard from a member of the magistrate's office that his Hampton county bond hearing will take place tomorrow morning at 9 am. This is where he will face charges of assisted suicide, among other things, for shooting of Alex Murdaugh on September 4th. Tag: As we learn more, we will keep you updated on air and online at WTOC.

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GRETA TALKBACK:  
MURDAUGH CASE

1 - The Murdaughs are a family of influence - with three generations serving nearly 90 years as 14th Circuit solicitors. Does reputation like that play a role in a case(s) like this? 2 - SLED says more charges are expected in reference to the shooting of Alex Murdaugh. Do you expect Murdaugh to be charged? If so, what charges? 3 - How big of a role would Murdaugh's alleged drug addiction play in this case? How big of a defense is it? 4 - There are currently 5 open investigations involving the Murdaugh family (Stephen Smith case, Mallory Beach case, double homicide of Maggie & Paul Murdaugh, Alex - misappropriated funds, shooting/suicide investigation). We've heard very little from law enforcement on almost all of these cases. At this point - what information would you expect to be available? What kind of expectations of transparency would you have for law enforcement? 5- In reference to the Mallory Beach civil lawsuit - how will the latest with

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9/15/2021 6PM OD

ALEX MURDAUGH  
SHOOTING SET UP

We've been traveling around Hampton county today talking to as many people as we can. We landed here at the Hampton county law enforcement center. This is where Curtis Smith's bond hearing will be tomorrow morning at 9 am. The newest information in Smith's case... Sources inside the law enforcement center confirmed to me that Smith was having a drug withdrawal when he arrived here from Colleton today around 2 pm. We've heard from Alex Murdaugh's attorneys that Alex has had a drug problem and Smith was one of the people taking advantage of that. Sources inside the law enforcement center also confirmed that Smith was checked out by the nurse upon entry and that he was in no condition to speak with us even an hour later. We will be here for the bond hearing tomorrow morning and will keep you updated as soon as we get any information on air and online at WTOC.com. For now, reporting, Tyler Manion, WTOC News.

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9/16/2021 DAYBREAK OD

5AM MURDAUGH

TURNING HIMSELF IN

Also scheduled in Hampton County Court today is Curtis Smith who is accused of shooting Alex Murdaugh on the side of the road on September 4th. He is scheduled to appear for a bond hearing at 9 a.m. Smith admitted to shooting Alex -- but Murdaugh's lawyer says he was \*not\* paid. The two knew each other before the incident this month -- Murdaugh represented Smith in a 2013 traffic related charge and lawyers say Smith was one of Alex's main sources of drugs. As new information continues to come out -- our National Political Analyst Greta Van Susteren -- weighs in on the case and explains why she expects additional charges to come out.

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9/16/2021 4:30PM OD

DAL: JULIAN LEWIS  
MARCH

(sot) Family members of Julian Lewis and their supporters plan to walk from here on Stoney Pond Road where he died to the U.S. Attorney's office in Savannah. (vo) Marchers trekked through the mud as they started the journey. Lewis' son and others paused at the spot where his father was shot after a chase with now-former state trooper Jacob Thompson last August. In June a grand jury chose not to indict Thompson. (sot) We must continue to stand up and speak up, and speak up louder each time for justice to be seen. (vo) Family members and others still believe Thompson should face trial. (sot) I want justice for my son...I can't sleep, can't rest because my son is on my mind all the time. (vo) Marchers stopped at this church cemetery and Lewis' grave. Local prosecutors can present the case to another grand jury for indictment. But family atto

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SATTERFIELD  
LAWYER ON CASE

"As you can imagine it has just been a wellspring of emotions for the family. One the Murdaugh family was like family to them because their mother worked as a house keeper there for 25 years, so she was interwoven into the fabric of the family and by extension her sons were considered close to the family as well." Bland says Gloria Satterfield also was the nanny who took care of the Murdaugh children - Paul and Buster. "She helped raise these kids." He says some time in February of 2018 - Gloria tripped over the family dogs and fell down the stairs. That's according to what Alex Murdaugh told Gloria's sons - a story they believed until recently. She died on February 26 of that year. "And one of the things that is difficult for my clients to really understand and comprehend is after she fell and was in the hospital for three weeks only Maggie came to visit her, not Mr. Murdaugh, not the boys and they didn't pay for her funeral."

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4:30AM CURTIS SMITH IN  
9/17/2021 DAYBREAK OD COURT

Similar to Murdaugh, Smith faces several insurance fraud claims, along with making false statements, and drug charges. Smith admitted to shooting Murdaugh, but Murdaugh's lawyer says he was not paid. The two knew each other before the attempt - Murdaugh represented Smith in a 2013 traffic-related charge, and lawyers say Smith was one of the people Murdaugh got drugs from.

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4:30AM WTOCI: ARBERY  
9/17/2021 DAYBREAK OD CASE BODYCAM

We went back and reviewed the footage after the indictment of former Attorney Jackie Johnson... She's accused of directing police officers NOT to arrest the suspected shooter on the day of the shooting, now charged with obstruction and hindering a law enforcement officer - a felony. So far, police body camera that's been made publicly available doesn't make her involvement immediately clear. But here's what we do know:

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RICHLAND CO.  
5AM CORONER ON  
9/17/2021 DAYBREAK OD SATTERFIELD DEATH

I first reached out to former Hampton County coroner, Ernie Washington, Srâ€|plus the current county coroner, Angela Topperâ€|both declined to speak to me. I then talked to the Executive Director of the South Carolina Coroner's Associationâ€| Gary Watts says the coroner and solicitor can order an autopsy regardless of the family's wishes. if the coroner feels an autopsy isn't necessary then they don't have to fill the family's request for an autopsy. "We would tell the family we didn't have to do the autopsyâ€|,they would have to pay for." Gary Watts says coroners handle suspicious deathsâ€|deaths outside a Medical facility, deaths that occur in a medical facility within 24 hours of admissionâ€| or deaths in a medical facility if the person was admitted due to suspicious or unnatural causes. That lines up with what I found on Hampton County's website.. which specifically says the coroner is supposed to investigate

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MURDAUGH CASE  
RECAP  
9/17/2021 4PM OD

A judge set a \$55-thousand dollar bond for Curtis Smith. He's charged with assisted suicide, assault and battery, pointing and presenting a firearm, insurance fraud, and conspiracy to commit insurance fraud. A \$20-thousand dollar bond was also set for Murdaugh. He is charged with insurance fraud, conspiracy to commit insurance fraud and filing a false police report. Both of the men bonded out. Murdaugh returned back to an out of state rehab facility.

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9/17/2021 6PM OD

STATESBORO  
VACCINE CLINIC  
TOMORROW

(sot) The city's most recent vaccine clinic a few weeks ago drew \*some\* turnout. They're hoping a new day, a new time, and a new location brings out even more people. (vo) On September first, a small crowd drifted through city hall -on a Wednesday- to get vaccinated. (sot) We recognize that a lot of people work during that time period. So we wanted this one to be available to those people on the weekend. (vo) The city had shots and gift cards to serve 200 people. During the four hour clinic, 68 people got their first or second shot. (sot) If you break that down, it works out to one shot about every five minutes going into somebody's arm. (vo) Once again, they're offering \$50 gift cards for those who get vaccinated tomorrow. (sot) At this point, quite frankly, I don't care why they come...just get the shot. (vo) While some local covid numbers have dropped, the mayor points out t

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11PM YEMMASSEE MASS  
9/19/2021 WEEKEND OD SHOOTING

"Surely, surely I could never think that the shooter intend on shooting an 8 year old and 12 year old. When you start shooting that gun, you have no direction over where that bullet's going at so that's why you need not to do it." Yemassee Police tell us a 33-year-old man is dead. Seven other victims have non-life threatening injuries and were taken to nearby hospitals. The chief says this area is not known for a lot of crime. "I've been here 21 years. I've never had it happen." He says the suspects they're looking at are not all from Yemassee, but surrounding areas. Chief Alexander believes a fight happened and then escalated. They also believe it was an isolated incident where the suspects all knew each other. "I promise you there's not gonna be any rocks not unturned and we can do what we gotta do to solve this crime today." He also says earlier this year, South Carolina passed a law allo

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WCIV: ALEX  
5AM MURDAUGH CASE  
9/20/2021 DAYBREAK OD LATEST

"there were a couple of standout moments, how he was treated in court and how quickly he was released from jail. one of the things we noticed happened before his bond hearing even started." this is the bond in question it posted online before his 4:00 pm hearing, but we still don't know why it shows the correct bond amount, \$5,000. that's what the judge set for alex murdaugh's charge of falsifying a police report. anne emerson: "and could that have, could that do, throw a shade on the whole bond proceeding?" "it could show, it could throw a whole, a whole shade on it. it could also just be an honest error." just an error? williams, a former assistant state prosecutor says it was a reasonable amount. susan williams: "i think that it was the judge heard the arguments and decided accordingly. i have no reason to believe that this judge has done anything at all. and that was improper or impartial murdaugh bonded ou

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5AM SARAH: SJC  
9/21/2021 DAYBREAK OD HOSPITAL UPDATE

Sherry Danello / VP of Patient Care Services and CNO "We are continuing to try to run 2 separate hospitals here so we run a covid hospital and a non-covid hospital. We have opened units that were never opened before and just last week we opened an admission unit, really an extension of the emergency department of St.Joseph's that we can continue to care for COVID and non-COVID patients." Not only are the hospitals at capacity for how many patients they can take care of -- but also they are at capacity of their staff working.

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9/21/2021 NOON OD

PAUL MURDAUGH  
LAWSUIT

McCulloch also says that he believes the Murdaughs used a quote "whisper campaign" throughout Hampton County to place blame on Cook. Cook's attorney says that after the crash Alex Murdaugh told Cook to quote "keep his mouth shut," and that Cook should tell law enforcement he didn't know who was driving at the time of the crash. Cook now says he wants law enforcement to know that Paul Murdaugh WAS the driver when the crash happened.

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ALYSSA: CLAXTON  
CLINIC

"Evans Memorial says this has been in the works for about 2 1/2 weeks now. They even walked the hospital for a pre-inspection so they were looking forward to a new site until they didn't show up." "There's very limited access here in Evans county and our hospital had really been overburdened with those coming in the emergency department to seek rapid swabs." The hospital has administered at least 150 COVID tests over the past few days. Weeks ago, they agreed to partner with the health department and a third-party company called LTS for a pop-up mobile testing site. It is supposed to rotate between a few neighboring hospitals, including Baxley, Metter and Hazelhurst throughout the week. "For a rural hospital, that usually averages about 40 to 50 admissions per month, we really did feel the pinch here with our team and our manpower so with limited resources we really fe

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MURDAUGH NEW  
LAWSUIT

Connor Cook was on board that boat when it crashed...and his attorney is now saying the Murdaugh family used their influence to try to keep Cook from telling law enforcement who was driving the boat. You may remember Paul Murdaugh, who was shot and killed along with his mother Maggie at their Colleton County home in June, was charged with boating under the influence, causing Beach's death. Those charges were dropped after Paul was killed. The lawsuit filed on behalf of Cook also accuses the Murdaugh family of trying to blame Cook for the crash. Paul's brother Buster is named in the suit as well. That's in regard to claims that Buster gave his driver's license to Paul so he could illegally purchase alcohol. Attorneys for Alex Murdaugh have yet to respond to request for comment.

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SLYVANIA ARREST  
AFTER BEATING

â€¢ (sot) Deputies got the call overnight here and quickly called the GBI to help process what they'd found. (vo) Evidence tape marks the room where deputies say Kathern Rebecca Scott had lived for the past three months and where they found her beaten to death. Investigators got a tip of someone with ties to her that was possibly there around the time of her death. Sheriff Mike Kile says deputies in Appling County found and arrested Charles Michael Librizzi in connection with the case. (sot) It was a "one on one" type crime..."individualized crime" I guess you could call it. It was one person against another person. And why it happened...Lord only knows. (vo) The sheriff says Librizzi will be brought back to Sylvania and go before a judge for a first appearance hearing as soon as possible. (sot) Anyone with information about the case is asked to contact the Screven County Sheriff's Of

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9/21/2021 11PM OD

COOK LAWSUIT  
AGAINST  
MURDAUGHS AND  
PARKERS

The lawsuit claims that officers did not properly investigate who was driving the boat at the time of the crash that killed 19-year-old Mallory Beach. It alleges that Cook was the only one asked to complete a sobriety test despite telling officers Paul Murdaugh was driving. "The evidence now seems to be unaccounted for. The fact that people were not asked to perform field sobriety test immediately at the mud bank or oyster bank where the accident occurred. The fact that no request was apparently made for blood sample at the hospital that are standard operating procedure in all alcohol related DUIs and BUIs. Those were all very troubling to me. The lawsuit says Alex Murdaugh instructed Cook's family to hire Cory Flemming to represent them and discouraged Cook from talking with police. It goes on to say Cook and his family were not aware Flemming was Murdaugh's college roommate and Paul's godfather. The suit cl

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MURAUGH  
HOUSEKEEPER  
UPDATE

The lawsuit has to do with the "trip and fall" death of their mother Gloria Satterfield. Satterfield died at age 57 after she suffered a traumatic brain injury at the Murdaugh's family home in 2018. Ronnie Richter, a partner in the law firm representing Gloria's sons, says a wrongful death insurance settlement was reached with the Murdaugh's in December that year. It was for 505-thousand dollars. Richter says he has since discovered another settlement worth 4 point 3 million dollars was filed in May of 2019. In that settlement, he says the Satterfield children are entitled to 2 point 7 million dollars. The lawsuit says the sons have not received any money to date.

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		This is the second straight week C-D-C officials have predicted a decrease. The latest forecast anticipates there will be somewhere between 46-hundred to nearly 12-thousand new covid-19 hospitalizations for the week reported October 18-th. As of yesterday, there were just over 89-thousand people hospitalized with the virus, according to the department	
9/22/2021 4:30PM OD	CDC PREDICTS COVID HOSP. WILL DECLINE		0:00:18
		a new study found that the antiviral drug remdesivir significantly reduces the risk of hospitalization among high-risk covid-19 patients. the drug was tested on five-hundred-sixty-two people considered high-risk for severe covid-19 based on their health conditions and age. half received the drug and the other half received a placebo. the group that got the drug saw an 87-percent reduction in risk of hospitalization by day twenty-eight -- and an 81-percent reduced risk of dying compared with the group that got a placebo.	
9/22/2021 5PM OD	REMDESIVIR NEW DATA		0:00:21
4:30AM 9/23/2021 DAYBREAK OD	LONG TERM COVID CLINIC	The physical therapy clinic is at Memorial Health, and currently taking patients. The team there says the clinic is the first of its kind in the area. While research is still coming out on long COVID symptoms and effects, the Manager of Memorial Health Outpatient Therapy says up to a third of COVID patients have at least one symptom past four weeks. Plus, it's not just limited to people who had to be hospitalized.	0:00:23

The most common COVID symptoms that last past the 4 weeks are shortness of breath, fatigue, muscle weakness, brain fog, and difficulty swallowing. Carty Powers -- the manager of outpatient therapy at Memorial says they are seeing symptoms in both patients who were hospitalized and those who are recovering from COVID at home. In the program -- physical therapists, occupational therapists, and speech therapists all work together to help the patients meet their goals and return to their previous activity level.

5AM SARAH: COVID LONG  
9/23/2021 DAYBREAK OD HAULERS PT 0:00:11

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6AM FMR BRUNSWICK DA  
DAYBREAK 9/23/2021 SATURDAY OD INDITED FOLO 0:18:00

This is the moment Travis McMichael learned he would be taken to police headquarters for questioning after he shot and killed Ahmaud Arbery. "We're going to give you a ride to headquarters. You are going to talk to some investigators everything has to be done right. Travis: "I know I want it done right. This just doesn't look good I just shot a man." According to the recent indictment of former Brunswick District Attorney Jackie Johnson - she hindered the duties of two Glynn County Police officers at the scene that day. The indictment says she directed them NOT to arrest Travis McMichael which goes against the laws of the state. Here's how officers on the scene handled Travis just after the shooting. "I've taken some photos of him. We are going to collect his clothes voluntarily, his house is right over there. He is willing to go to headquarters." "What's your dad's name? Greg McMichael, he's right there." The officer walked over to talk with

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AMANDA: TATTNALL  
COUNTY HOMICIDE

The Tattnall County Sheriff tells me GBI agents arrived on scene around 6 this morning. If you look behind meâ€¢you can see the GBI and the Sheriff's Office are back on scene as they continue their investigation. There are still many unanswered questions but here's what we knowâ€¢! The Tattnall County Sheriff's Office responded to the home after someone got back to their house and found a man dead inside. GBI says officers arrived and noted that 47-year-old Thomas James Doe appeared to have been shot. GBI also says Doe did NOT live at the home. They have not provided any info on whether Doe has any connection to the homeowner who found him. According to the GBI, a gray GMC Yukon is missing from the home. They're asking everyone to be on the lookoutâ€¢it has a Georgia tag TAN8662. The GBI says they don't have a suspect just yet. This is an ongoing investigation, and we'll continue to follow this stor

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COVID BOOSTER:  
LOCAL PHARM REAX

â€œI think next week will be really, really busy. I think everybody will be reaching out trying to make sure they get the third dose in a timely fashion.â€¢ Jason Conley says his pharmacy group administered tens of thousands of first and second round vaccine doses this year. The customer demand was so big, they actually had to shift vaccine locations from this spot to Village Walk Pharmacy on Skidaway Island to give them more space. Conley expects a similar demand in the coming weeks. Conley: â€œI think probably for the next two or three weeks weâ€™re going to be pretty busy. Then we also donâ€™t want to forget the immunocompromised people. Weâ€™ve been doing those for the last couple weeks, and trying to get those people in and vaccinated also.â€¢ Another group benefitting from booster categories expanding are frontline health care workers. St. Josephâ€™s/Candler President and CEO Paul Hinchey weighed in on the booster benefit for work

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COVID GRIEF  
THERAPY

"January 1, I called 911." Daysha Phimphone making that call for her husband Somsak. "His organs started to shut down, lungs, kidney, liver." Somsak had been battling COVID-19 and would spend the next three months fighting for his life. "We were told it was not looking good, he had already been on the ventilator and most likely he was not going to make it." But against the odds, he survived and on March 5 he went home. However, his journey would be far from over. "You know for survivors, of course, it's miraculous to be able to come home, but that's not where it ends." For Somak he struggled with fear and even PTSD like symptoms from his stay in the hospital. "Hearing the sounds of the machines when the oxygen levels drop. Of course, that terror, it's there." A terror shared by those who love himâ€!

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BLUFFTON MS13  
GANG ARREST

Sot: (Stephenie Price - Chief of Police Bluffton) "The subject was wanted for six murders and one terroristic threat. As you know Bluffton is a very safe community, we bill ourselves as such and we are a safe community. This person was basically hiding in plain sight." Vo Chief Price says solving a case with such a high-profile suspect, is a point of pride. Sot: "It is a very large capture and we are glad to have him out of our community." Vo For perspective on how often something like this happens around here... Sot: "Well I've been in law enforcement for a couple decades I guess I can say at this point, and I can tell you this right now... I have never arrested an Interpol top 100 person." Vo She says it all started with help from the community. Sot: "Our officers received a tip from an anonymous citizen who said that there may be someone that had a dangerous past living in our community, and he actually said to us that it woul

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ALYSSA: BOOSTERS

"We still need to protect everyone and additional variants are definitely a concern. What we find is that viruses are smart and they adapt to the environment and they change so if we can decrease the number of people who are susceptible to the virus it will definitely keep the vaccine from changing and those variants to be an issue in our lives for decades to come like the flu vacc-, like the flu."

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ALYSSA: BOOSTERS

Evans Memorial says they've only given out 10 to 15 boosters because those who are immunocompromised only make up about 2-percent of the U-S population. I also talked to the chief nurse at Evans Memorial about giving the recommended Pfizer booster to hospital employees... she told me a lot of their staff actually got Moderna, so many of them still aren't eligible yet for a booster.. making it even more important for everyone who is eligible to get it now..

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9/24/2021 ZONE OD      SAV CRACK  
TRAFFICKING  
CHARGES

Law enforcement agents say they've disrupted a crack trafficking ring on the West side of Savannah - in what's called "The Dips" ... 14 people are facing drug related charges. Their names are on your screen now.

Prosecutors say the suspects have been selling crack in the Cuyler-Brownsville neighborhood for nearly a year. If convicted they could face up to 20-years in prison.

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9/26/2021 WEEKEND OD      ALYSSA: GARDEN  
CITY PRAYER VIGIL

The white balloons stood for those who lost their fight to COVID-19... "It's heartbreaking thing to lose someone from COVID because I have lost friends and I've lost family." And silver represented those who survived. "We want to honor you and say, we praise God for your survival. This thing is serious." The Mayor of Garden City doubled down on this saying we are still losing people... "It has no age, no matter how old or young you are...I just saw where the mayor of Riceboro...30 some odd years old passed away from COVID." And he and his wife had their own experience with the virus. "My wife and I, Sharon...we both had COVID. Though we had a mild case, \*laughs\* it's very bad to say the least." Some took multiple balloons because

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6AM 5AM COASTAL  
9/27/2021 DAYBREAK OD GEORGIA YMCA

This is just one more step the group has taken in their effort to give those communities access, awareness and understanding of the covid-19 vaccine. The project is a partnership with Healthy Savannah and the YMCA of Coastal Georgia -- funded through a grant from the CDC. Through word of mouth -- the campaign hopes to build trust among these groups to eventually lead to vaccination and knowing how to protect themselves during the pandemic.

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6AM 5AM COASTAL  
9/27/2021 DAYBREAK OD GEORGIA YMCA

Nichele Hoskins / Communications Manager COVID Grant "I think a lot of organizations are frustrated because they have offered the vaccine and some people haven't taken it. We believe that because lots of communities have not been listened to and have been overlooked, we want to sit down and chat with folks to be sure at least as many people as we know can be heard." The information gathered during tonight's session will go towards the training of 65 community advocates working to inform people in their neighborhoods about the vaccine and covid-19 in general. They will be paid a stipend of 500 dollars and will begin their training next month.

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6AM STATESBORO  
DAYBREAK VACCINE CLINIC  
9/27/2021 SATURDAY OD TOMORROW

The city had shots and gift cards to serve 200 people last time... however during the four hour clinic, just 68 people got their first or second shot. That's about one shot every five minutes. Statesboro Mayor Jonathan McCollar says he thinks the timing of the clinic might've contributed to the small turnout.

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LOCAL HOSPITALS  
BOOSTER PLAN

"If it's a good tool to prevent someone from being harmed or end up in the hospital we need to provide it. That's really that high risk group and that older population and then there's a group of individuals where we really need to make sure they're available to meet the need of their community all day every day." The Pfizer vaccine booster has been approved for people who got the vaccine at least six months ago. Those who can get it now are people 65 years old and older, who are in long-term care settings, who are 18 and older with underlying health conditions, and those who are at an increased risk of exposure because of where they work. Dr. Stephen Thacker says choosing not to get the booster could come with risks. "Not choosing to get a booster when it's recommended says, you know, that you're accepting the risk that 'I may be exposed and I may indeed get sick and infected.'" D

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STATESBORO  
SHOOTING

â€“(sot) Police say they have some information in the case. But every set of eyeballs..or cameras..can only help. (vo) The daytime quiet at Stadium Walk apartments offered a contrast to the night before. Someone called police to report gunshots. Emily Ertzberger said she heard them too. (sot) it's not very often, but it's fairly familiar around here. (vo) Officers came and found Brian David Diaz dead inside his apartment with one gunshot wound. Statesboro's police chief says detectives already have some leads. (sot) There are two suspects. We know they were invited in and were speaking to the resident and we know something devolved from that conversation. (vo) He says they're working on a description of the two. Meanwhile he's asking anyone with a doorbell cam or any other security camera outside to review the footage and see if they sp

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POOLER POLICE  
CHASE

"We've got multiple vehicles that have been struck, we're still trying to track down. We've got one with minor injuries that was transported to Memorial..." "Just a bunch of moving parts this morning. Some parked vehicles in a parking lot got hit. But the important thing is, I want everybody in Pooler to know that may be worried about locking their doors and afraid of what's going on...that the bad guy is in custody. And he's not getting out of police custody anytime soon."

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RICHMOND HILL  
STORE ROBBERY

"Captain Sykes says it's been several years since anything like this happened in Richmond Hill. He says no one was seriously injured, but the nature of this robbery is odd." Sykes says a man entered the store right before closing and tried to get two employees to open the safe, but they couldn't. He then, tied them up with rope or twine he found in the store. One of the employees grabbed the gun the suspect sat down, but the suspect grabbed it back and hit the employee in the head. Police say it's unclear whether the gun was real or not. There were two customers in the store, but Sykes says they didn't see much. Captain Sykes says this is not common in the area. The last robbery he remembers was several years ago at a gas station near the interstate. "We rarely have this type of thing happen in Richmond Hill and for a suspect to target a Dollar Store of all places...seems kind

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AMTRAK  
DERAILMENT

(NATS TWITTER VIDEO) Oh my god the train is on its side. Oh the train is just destroyed down there. SOCIAL MEDIA VIDEO FROM SURVIVORS SHOW THE TERRIFYING MOMENTS AFTER AN AMTRAK EMPIRE BUILDER TRAIN DERAILED SATURDAY IN NORTH-CENTRAL MONTANA...KILLING AT LEAST THREE AND INJURING DOZENS MOREâ€¢ RAIL CARS WERE TOSSED ON THEIR SIDES, PASSENGERS STRANDED AND LUGGAGE SCATTERED IN THE WAKE... THE WESTBOUND TRAIN WAS ON ITS WAY FROM CHICAGO TO SEATTLE WHEN IT DERAILED NEAR JOPLIN, MONTANA...IT WAS CARRYING APPROXIMATELY 141 PASSENGERS AND 17 CREW MEMBERS. (NAT SIVULA) I was laying down in my in my compartment on a bed. So luckily I just tumbled just in the room. ANDREW SIVULA ("SIH-VOO-LAH") WAS HEADED FROM CHICAGO TO PORTLAND... (SOT ANDREW SIVULA) I heard a loud bang and then the cars tipped. WAYNE FREED WAS SWITCHING CARS WHEN THE DERAILMENT HAPPENED... (SOT FREED) I was lucky in that I was able to grab a hold of the coffee

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YEMASSEE MASS  
SHOOTING ARREST

"Mr. Patel was arrested Tuesday September 21st and had his bond hearing Wednesday, the following day September 22. At the bond hearing our municipal court judge Cheryl McKinney remanded him into custody, denied bond."

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POOLER POLICE  
CHASE

"We were sitting at a red light. And when, next thing I know, I look at my rear view mirror and a dude was about this close to me. And he snatched his wheel to miss me, so he did not hit me." Shayla Hollingsworth says she was at the light at Cherry Street and Highway 80 in Bloomingdale when she, another passenger and her young child in the back seat almost became collateral damage to the chase this morning. Hollingsworth: "I do have a one month old baby in the back seat." She says moments after the narrow miss, she pulled into the parking lot of this store to get out of harms way. Hollingsworth: "And then about five minutes later, all the cops came swarming in here. And then they're all running towards the woods, getting out the car, getting the K-9s out of the car, going towards the wood line." From the parking lot, Hollingsworth says the pursuit she witnessed first hand, she watched come to an end m

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RICHMOND HILL  
DOLLAR TREE  
ROBBERY

"It really concerns me because we feel so free and we feel like, especially, in a small community like we're in...and it breaks my heart and scares me too." Ervin Smith comes here often. "About two or three times a week...to this Dollar Tree." And Jason Wasileski owns a tattoo shop a few doors down. He says his store had just finished closing and they left about 20 minutes before the robbery. "9:00 is not, you know. It was 9:20 or something. I'm here all the time at 9:20." Both of them say this area isn't known for this kind of crime. "It's kind of like a sleepy town. You don't expect nothin' like that around here. You don't usually hear nothing about nothing like that. It's pretty wild for sure." "Well it scares you, especially the olde

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GA DPH BOOSTER  
SHOTS START  
TODAY

Folks with the Chatham County Health Department say there were 282 appointments made for today alone. Right now, the booster is only for people who got the Pfizer vaccine at least six months ago. It's also only available for people who are 65 or older, who are in long-term care settings, who are 18 years old and older with certain underlying health conditions and who are at an increased risk of exposure because of where they work or live. I talked to one couple today who said they made their appointment as soon as they could.

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HOSPITAL BOOSTER  
PLAN

"If it's a good tool to prevent someone from being harmed or end up in the hospital we need to provide it. That's really that high risk group and that older population and then there's a group of individuals where we really need to make sure they're available to meet the need of their community all day every day." The Pfizer vaccine booster has been approved for people who got the vaccine at least six months ago. Those who can get it now are people 65 years old and older, who are in long-term care settings, who are 18 and older with underlying health conditions, and those who are at an increased risk of exposure because of where they work. Dr. Stephen Thacker says choosing not to get the booster could come with risks. "Not choosing to get a booster when it's recommended says, you know, that you're accepting the risk that 'I may be exposed and I may indeed get sick and infected.'"

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SAV ALDERMAN ON  
11 YR OLD SHOT

"It was horrifying. To have not only the mothers, family members, community and different victim's family members pop up, it was almost out of control." That's how Savannah Alderman Detric Leggett describes the scene after a group of children were shot at and he says put in police cars. Savannah Police say just after noon Saturday , they got a ShotSpotter call in the area of 37th and Cedar Streets. That's where they found an 11-year-old boy with a gunshot wound. Alderman Legget says the group of 11-14 year olds were on their way home from a youth football game. "Before they got to 37th Street, someone in a car pulled up on them and started firing at the kids. After one was shot, the group ran to a neighbor's home on 36th street. "They went through some yards and got to a safe place but what subsequently happened, the pers

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SEAN: POOLER  
POLICE CHASE

According to Pooler Police and Pooler Fire, the driver of the truck left behind a wake of damage, which included multiple cars parked and in traffic being side-swiped. Damage to several police vehicles was also being documented by detectives after the man was in custody. Altogether, there were at least a half-dozen police agencies involved in the pursuit and search for the suspect, and an assist by Pooler Fire. The Chief of Pooler Police, the lead agency in this investigation, says the cooperation and help given by surrounding departments ultimately helped contribute to the arrest.

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9/28/2021 NOON OD

POOLER POLICE  
CHASE SUSPECT  
CHARGES

Police say the suspect lead them on a chase in a stolen truck. The chase ended just before noon near Highway 80 and Pooler Parkway. Pooler Police say the driver left a trail of damage behind him. They say he hit multiple parked cars, side-swiped others weaving in-and-out of traffic, and even damaged police cars. Half-a-dozen agencies took part in the chase.

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MURDAUGH HOUSE  
KEEPER FILING

Gloria Satterfield's sons -- Tony Satterfield and Brian Harriott -- have filed for Alex Murdaugh to be arrested for money he allegedly 'embezzled' from them. Gloria Satterfield fell in Murdaugh's home in February 2018 and later died at Trident Hospital. According to court documents, a wrongful death settlement was reached between the Satterfield estate and Murdaugh for 505-thousand dollars. The Satterfield's attorneys say the children never knew of this settlement until recently. They also say they never received the settlement. Court documents say they also should have received about two point eight million after other fees were deducted but did not.

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POLICE CAPTAIN  
CEDAR STREET  
SHOOTING

"In those situations, it's general practice for us to try and get the people who are involved in those situations out of that neighborhood. Back here at headquarters we can control the scene and again slow things down and start putting pieces of the puzzle together."

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YEMASSEE MASS  
SHOOTING LATEST

At a party of about 400 people on September 19, around 20 shots were fired by at least four gunman, despite 15 law enforcement officers being on scene. Vo This car had 3 juveniles who were hit in the back seat. In the surrounding area of the party 2 more children under 15 were hit along with 3 adults. 1 of those adults, Willie Roberts, passed away. All of the other victims are out of the hospital. Tuesday the 21st, Yoge Patel was arrested for attempted murder and unlawful carry of a firearm. Police believe he was working at the snappy foods store near the party on the night of the shooting, walked out of the store with his gun, tried to shoot into the air for an unknown reason, and did not aim high enough... shooting at least one person. Patel was booked and denied bond on Wednesday the 22nd and has been in the Hampton County Detention Center since. On cam tag: As a reminder, Patel is just one of at least four shooters according to police.

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EVANS CO. COVID  
TESTING CLINIC

"Remember last Tuesday, the testing site didn't show up for possible staffing issues. The hospital's CEO says their presence has already helped their Emergency Department." Right outside of Evans Memorial, LTS is administering COVID tests twice a week on Tuesdays and Thursdays. They had about 20 people get tested last Thursday and about the same today. Evans Memorial Hospital's CEO Bill Lee says they continue to see a slight decline in COVID testing because cases are improving. He says the site frees up their emergency team and allows people to have more access to testing. "It really does help them because their focus is on caring for the acutely ill and those that are seeking treatment either in our outpatient testing or in our emergency department. To be able to eliminate wait times and to help off load necessary testing to an outside area...has really excited them and really feels like they c

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ST. JO CANDLER  
BILLBOARD  
CONTROVERSY

In a statement from St. Joseph's/Candler, they say "We recognize that the message might make some people uncomfortable. But it needed to be said, nonetheless." The "Be a Hero. Get Vaccinated." campaign began about two weeks ago, on the billboard, social media, and on tv including running on WTOC. The St. Joseph's/Candler statement also said, "Hospitals need our region to get to a 70% vaccination rate and we believe that will prevent another catastrophic COVID spike in the future." As of today, 49-percent of Chatham County residents are fully vaccinated. In this video, St. Joseph's/Candler President and CEO Paul Hinchey talks with health care workers within the system about what they say is a persistent, and preventable problem. "I feel bad for them, because they are struggling. But it is preventable." "Overwhelming amount of volume coming in." "It's way worse than last year." "Much younger, much sicker, much quicker." The video aims to give

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9/28/2021 11PM OD	MURDAUGH HOUSE KEEPER FILING		0:00:37
9/28/2021 11PM OD	SPD ON CEDAR STREET SHOOTING	Shortly after the group of children where shot at, Major Ben Herron says Savannah Police arrived on scene and spoke with victims. However, Savannah Alderman Detric Leggett says that made parents and residents very concerned at the scene. "What we do in all investigations when talking to people. You're asking for name, D.O.B., where you live. It's my understanding those questions incited some of the people saying you can't question kids." Alderman Detric Leggett told us WTOC Monday that parents told him police put the children in the police cars before they arrived. Major Herron says a decision was made to place the children in cars with parent's permission. Major Herron says that's where confusion came in with those on scene. "Sometimes from the on looker standpoint, things might not look like how citizens want it to be, but we're not doing something inappropriate." We did so	0:01:26

5AM MURDAUGH HOUSE  
9/29/2021 DAYBREAK OD KEEPER FILING

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9/29/2021 4:30PM OD COVID DEATHS TO DECREASE

It's the first time since June that the agency has forecast a four-week decrease in fatalities from the virus. It projects a total of 724-thousand to 753-thousand coronavirus deaths reported by October 23rd. Total covid-19 deaths in the U-S stand at just over 693-thousand. Also -- for the third week, the C-D-C says new coronavirus hospitalizations will go down. According the Department of Health and Human Services, more than 79-thousand people were hospitalized with covid-19 as of yesterday.

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9/29/2021 4:30PM OD      SMITH SAYS FALL GUY FOR MURDAUGH

Smith is accused in a plot to help the South Carolina attorney kill himself. The men appeared in court earlier this month after the September 4th shooting. Smith told law enforcement he shot Murdaugh -- but Murdaugh's lawyer says he was \*not\* paid and was one of Alex's main sources of drugs. But Smith's lawyer, Jarrett Bouchette, gave a different account.

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9/29/2021 4:30PM OD      AMANDA: LONG CO. COVID STATUS

Long County's community transmission index is still considered high, according to Department of Health data. But in the past month- COVID-19 cases have dropped significantly. Take a look at this graph from the Department of Health websiteâ€¢ August 27â€¢there were 41 cases of Covid-19 in Long County. September 28â€¢only TWO cases in the county. Dr. Lawton Davis says it's great news, and there are several factors that could be contributing to Long County and the surrounding area's low numbers. Firstâ€¢the amount of people who have already had the virus. But numbers can also be low because Dr. Davis says some people might not even go in for COVID testing due to mild symptoms. He also says vaccination rates are slightly improving. Data shows it's at 19-percent in Long County, as of yesterday. "We're reaching a point where quite a few people have some degree of immunity. All alo

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COASTAL HEALTH  
DIST. COVID UPDATE

While Long County's low COVID-19 case numbers is a good sign, the Coastal Health District says people still shouldn't let their guard down - the virus hasn't disappeared. From 41 COVID-19 cases to two, in the span of a monthâ€¢Long County residents like Maria Woodward sayâ€¢IT'S ABOUT TIME. "I'm happy it's going down. Everybody's trying to be more cautious, getting shots and doing everything they can to keep from getting it." Dr. Lawton Davis, from the Coastal Health District, says people practicing more health and safety precautions is just one reason why numbers are going down in the Coastal Empire. "We're bumping up against some reasonable level of herd immunity." Dr. Davis says many people have already had COVIDâ€¢but emphasizes the importance of still getting vaccinated. "Something like 35% or 36% of people who have it and recover don't really develop an immune response." Data shows only 19-percent of Long Co

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BOBBY KICKLIGHTER  
HOMICIDE CASE  
LATEST

(sot) Prosecutors contend this murder revoles around crime and contraband inside a local prison and a terrible case of mistaken identity. (vo) Defendants Christopher Sumlin, Aerial Murphy and Keisha Jones sat in court as an agent for the Georgia Bureau of Investigation described the murder of 88 year old Bobby Kicklighter. The agent believes the three killed Kicklighter by mistake and had targeted a Smith State prison corrections officer who'd previously lived nearby. (sot) Mr. Kicklighter drove a white pickup truck which coincidentally is the same as the corrections officer. He was an unintended target. (vo) The agent testified the three were carrying out the murder on behalf of inmate Nathan Weeks as the result of Weeks' contraband ring inside the prison. (sot) This corrections officer had once worked at Smith State Prison was a very proactive officer. He had seized a

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ST SIMON TRAIN  
COUPLE

Don and Margie Varnadoe were on a cross country train trip for their 50th anniversary when they died when the train derailed in Montana. Upon hearing the news, many friends of the couple were overcome with grief. "I just cried and I've been crying for a couple days. I'm better now. But it's just such devastating news to lose both of them." Don was an active real estate agent and Margie was a teacher and administrator for Glynn county schools. St. Simon Community members say the couple were fixtures in the community. "They were always about other people. You almost take them for granted that they're a part of your community and to find them gone is just tragic." The couple was very active in their church and were known for their sweet and generous nature. "They were generous sweet spirited, full of

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SARAH: CASES AND  
5AM VACCINES LONG  
9/30/2021 DAYBREAK OD COUNTY

Even as case numbers go down -- vaccination rates stay low in the county. Dr. Davis from the coastal health district says it's disappointing that Long County still only has 19 percent of the population full vaccinated -- 6 months since the COVID-19 vaccine has been available to all Georgians. 0:00:18

SARAH: LONG  
5AM COUNTY VACCINE  
9/30/2021 DAYBREAK OD CLINIC

You will get a \$100 visa gift card for the Johnson and Johnson and \$50 for Moderna first dose today and another \$50 for the second dose in 4 weeks. This clinic is only for people 18 and older since they will not be offering the Pfizer vaccine. Dr. Davis from the coastal health district says in the rural counties -- it is easier to have Moderna and Johnson and Johsnon for storing purposes and with less waste of the vaccine. They will provide gift cards to the first 100 people that get their shot. 0:00:36

SARAH: CASES AND  
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9/30/2021 DAYBREAK OD COUNTY

Dr. Lawton Davis / Coastal Health District "We are giving boosters and third doses to people now and really the most important thing we can do is get the primary vaccination series up in the 60,70,80 percentile range. I'm not sure exactly why the general population in Long County seems to be more resistant to vaccination. Dr. Davis adds that there is a large military population in Long County and they have not been able to capture those numbers of vaccinated military members so the actual numbers in Long County might be higher..."

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9/30/2021 4PM OD

DAL: CANDLER  
COUNTY MANHUNT

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9/30/2021 4:30PM OD JUDGE ASSIGNED IN MURDAUGH CASE New at 4:30 - A judge is appointed to oversee the cases connected to a prominent attorney Alex Murdaugh. 0:00:21

9/30/2021 4:30PM OD AMANDA: VACCINE ACCESS "I worry all the time about it." Jimmy Middleton and his wife work hard to protect their 22-year-old son from catching COVID-19. "Because Down syndrome children, a lot of disability children, their immune system's low." According to the CDC, Having Down syndrome can make you more likely to get severely ill from the virus. And that's why Middleton wants his son JC to get the shotâ€¦but him having a disability makes it tough. Middleton says JC can't sit still for long periods and he doesn't like being touched. "He makes me move my hand away, because he don't want nobody touching him." It's a challenge familiar to Life Inc., an organization that provides resources to those with disabilities in Southeast Georgia. "It's important that when you think about your community, as a whole, people with disabilities are a part of the larger commu

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BULLOCH CO. COVID  
STATUS

(sot) Emergency leaders in Bulloch County say they can see positives, and negatives, in the latest trend of local covid case numbers. (vo) Just four weeks ago, Bulloch County had 1,400 cases per 100,000 people and a positivity rate of 28 percent. Fast forward to yesterday and at 172 per 100,000 and a positivity rate of just over 10 percent. Public Safety Director Ted Wynn says this trend could be from a number of things..from people getting vaccinated, to covid patients who've now built up antibodies to those who practice social distancing, wearing masks and other protocols. (sot) I'm encouraged at the hospital numbers. We're at 26 patients with 12 on ventilators yesterday. That's definitely down from the peak of 70 and 35 on vents back in August. (vo) However Bulloch County still sits below the 40 percent mark of people getting vaccinated and he hopes more people will get their shot a

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9/30/2021 6PM OD

WTOCI: POLICE  
PURSUIT

Last year - Georgia State Patrol was involved in almost TWICE as many pursuits and crashes as compared to 2019. Another point of interest: Chatham County ranks No. 2 in the state for where those chases occurred. Take a look: A driver involved in a high-speed chase slams into a police cruiser. You can see as the cruiser starts to roll backwards down a highway embankment. Luckily - no one was inside of it. But a state trooper did break his leg during the same police chase in 2019. Chases involving Georgia State Patrol hit a 5-year high last year. According to a review the annual Pursuit Summary reports by the Georgia Department of Public Safety, pursuits in 2020 are nearly double what they were in 2019. A breakdown of the 2020 data shows: Out of the 1,209 pursuits - nearly 70 percent of them involved a crash. And the people most often injured: Georgia state troopers.

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LONG CO. VACCINE INCENTIVES

Officials with the Coastal Health District say it's been encouraging to see Long County's vaccination rate. As of yesterday, 19% of residents are fully vaccinated. However, the turnout they've seen at today's vaccine clinic is encouraging. In the span of eight hours, GET NUMBER people rolled up their sleeves for either the Moderna or Johnson & Johnson vaccines. A Liberty County resident was one of them. "It's the safest option, to me." "I have a five-year-old son, and Liberty County School System is actually in school in person, and then I work at a personal care home. District nursing director Angela Hartley says people of all ages from Long County and surrounding counties came out today. Hartley says some were hesitant at first, like Antoinette Keyton. But Keyton says she spent time looking at research from doctors and talking to people who already

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**ISSUE 2-LAW ENFORCEMENT ORGANIZATIONS AND NEW LAWS - LETTING THE PUBLIC KNOW ABOUT ISSUES THAT FIRE, POLICE AND OTHER MIGHT HAVE THAT INCLUDE BUDGETS, HANDLING OF PRACTICES AND NEW ADDITIONS INCLUDING BUILDINGS AND STAFF AND PROGRAMS IN DEPARTMENT. NEW GA BICYCLE LAW, TYBEE ISLAND SURVEILANCE CAMS, SAV MID YEAR UPDATE, SPD COMMUNITY DAY, BLUFFTON PD CITIZEN OVERSIGHT MEETING, GANG TASK FORCE MEETING, OIS DA POLICIES, SPD BEHAVIORAL UNIT UPDATE, NATIONAL NIGHT OUT, FORMER CHIEF LOVETT RELEASE FROM PRISON, CCPD ON CRIME, K9 JAS MEMORIAL, POLICE BODYCAM AND DASHCAM TECHNOLOGY, OPEN CARRY LAW, ECSHO SOCIAL MEDIA COMMUNITY PROJECT, 911 CENTER IN NEED OF DISPATCHERS DUE TO COVID, RAPE CRISIS HELPING THOSE IN NEED, SPD COVID CHANGES, SAV. CHIEF MINTER ON PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN DEPT AND COMMUNITY, STATISTICS SHOW MORE MASS SHOOTINGS DURING PANDEMIC, CHATHAM CO. COLD CASES, BROOKLET POLICE OFFICER DIES, SAVANNAH COMMUNITY POLICING, CCPD ON CAR BREAK-INS, CANDLER CO. MANHUNT**

7/1/2021 6PM OD

SEAN: NEW GA  
BICYCLE LAW

SOURCE:SCMPD, CHIEF MINTER, SC And ga, State troopers , etc

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7/6/2021 5:30pm OD

SBORO COMMUNITY  
POLICING GRANT

(sot) City leaders believe the Community Policing grant would help head off some of the crime that has officers overloaded now. (vo) City council voted to apply for a \$1 million grant from the U.S. Department of Justice. It would cover most of the cost in adding eight officers to focus on community policing for the next three years. Statesboro police chief Mike Broadhead says their current officers work almost non-stop answering calls for help. (sot) This infusion of money would allow us to free up some people from the radio and be assigned full time to some neighborhoods to get to know people and serve as a liaison. (vo) It would still cost the city roughly \$600,000 when you factor in patrol cars, body cameras, and all the equipment and training. Statesboro's mayor believes it would strengthen community ties, but also free up the patrol officers to focus on fighting crime.

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ALYSSA: RHPD  
ACTIVE SHOOTER  
TRAINING

The armed shooter training lasted around seven hours today. Richmond Hill Police say some buildings are more of a risk than others. "The schools are made to induce learning and be, you know, nice to look at...which is great, but for us it makes our tactics a little difficult because there's just so many different areas, so many odd angles." Captain Sykes says they recently added a component to the training, including off-duty officers who might come to help in an armed shooter situation. Thankfully, Sykes there's never been an armed shooter situation in a school here in Savannah or Richmond Hillâ€¦but it's important to have a plan. "It's hard to prepare for every scenario so we try to train at different locations just practicing responding to an active shooter type situation...try to have role players and have gun shots and explosions and different things. Just try to prepare best we can in c

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7/8/2021 4:30PM OD

TYBEE ISLAND  
SURVEILLANCE  
CAMERAS

Inside that building is a surveillance room where a code enforcement officer will watch beach video cameras in real time to see what's happening. The cameras are located on North Beach at the new Marine Science Center, on Center Island at Beachside Colony Condos, on either side of the pier, at the sandbar and on the Back River fishing pier. City Manager Shawn Gillen says the cameras won't be recording. They're simply used to monitor any and all beach violations, like littering. Police officers, lifeguard staff and code enforcement haven't moved in just yet. Gillen says they're expected to move in next week.

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7/8/2021 5PM OD

SAVANNAH PD  
MIDYEAR UPDATE

â€«Sean: It was a mixed bag of reactions from council when it came to the Chiefs presentation, especially when it came to the efforts to control gun violence in Savannah and recruiting and retention for the police department. Some of the numbers we saw right off the bat were part one crime numbers for things like robberies, assaults and theft, which have increased from this time last year. On the flip side, other part one crimes like homicides, rapes and assaults with guns in domestic situations are down. Chief Minter also highlighted proactive strategies like Savannah Impact Program, which will soon be back. Chief Minter: â€œWeâ€™re having to rebuild the entire program. We talked about the fact that bringing back Savannah Impact is not as easy as waking in the room and flipping a light switch and saying Savannah Impact is back up and running.â€ SPD is also bringing back the Police Athletic League, which could start in about a month. When it comes to gu

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7/15/2021 5PM OD

SPD COMMUNITY  
DAY

"It's big and important for us to do this to show the community that we are apart of the community as well. we want to build a better relationship with the community and this is just one way to show them that we are apart of the community just like they are." Officers also handed out pizza, played yard games, and helped kids understand the role of a police officer.

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7/15/2021 11PM OD

BLUFFTON: PD  
CITIZEN OVERSIGHT  
MEETING

The Bluffton Police Chief met with a citizen oversight committee. A big topic of discussion tonight... recent officer resignations. One committee member says several officers quit the Bluffton police Department to work for a neighboring department.

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BLUFFTON: PD  
CITIZEN OVERSIGHT  
MEETING

"Please don't take it the wrong way that I am coming down, because I don't work here everyday. So I don't know the day in and day out operational what the officers are experience, what the work culture is like, what the environment is, however I do have some concerns about the large amount of turn over we have in those few short months." "It's not uncommon for folks to leave and folks to enter a police department when you get a change of command when you get a new chief. One thing that's amazing about South Carolina is your retirement follows you anywhere. I can be here today and somewhere else tomorrow and my retirement goes with me. It's a statewide retirement. That makes it amazingly easy for me to change jobs as a law enforcement officer." WTOC has filed an open records request to the Bluffton Police Department to get a copy of all letters, emails and any complaints from

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WKEND 6PM    ALYSSA: SPD  
7/17/2021 OD    COMMUNITY DAY

Today, the Savannah Police Department kicked off their Community Fun Day in the Central Precinct. The Police Department says this is their way of making up for lost time during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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WKEND 6PM    ALYSSA: SPD  
7/17/2021 OD    COMMUNITY DAY

Corporal Barry Lewis says the weather held off long enough for vendors, elected officials and residents to come together. He says this is an opportunity to build trust between officers and the community. COVID restrictions kept the event from happening last year. Officers say they're just happy to get to meet with people again - face-to-face.

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WKEND 6PM      ALYSSA: SPD  
7/17/2021 OD      COMMUNITY DAY

"We've been waiting for a while because of COVID and everything and everyone getting caught up with all that. But we've enjoyed the fact that this was coming. We've sat down. We've planned it out. We made our calls. We got our contacts and we came together a success. Everyone showed up today. It was great." Corporal Lewis says there are several more community events coming up. He says these events help them stay connected with the community. The department looks forward to build more relationships and spending time with the community.

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11PM            SAVANNAH FIRST  
7/17/2021 WEEKEND OD    RESPONDER RUN

12-year-old Zechariah Cartledge dedicates a 1-mile-run every time a first-responder is killed in the line-of-duty. Tonight - he ran in Forsyth Park. He was joined by local first-responders - and members of the public. Zechariah's non-profit, Running 4 Heroes, raises funds to assist the family's they leave-behind. It isn't the first time he's run to honor Savannah. In 2019, Savannah police sergeant Kelvin Ansari was shot-and-killed - while responding to an armed robbery on Bull Street. The then 10-year-old ran to honor the fallen Sergeant then, too.

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SPEED  
ENFORCEMENT

Trooper Nick Pye / SC Highway Patrol "Going 20,30,40 miles over the speed limit, it is not going to get you anywhere that much faster, it is really not. Leave with plenty of time, drive safe, be smart and just realize that your collision can be fatal just like anyone else's." If you plan on hitting the road over the next month or so... you might want to watch your speed. Starting today -- Georgia, South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee and Alabama are teaming up for Operation Southern Shield. We are now in the middle of the stretch of the 100 deadly days of summer on the roadways -- so law enforcement will be looking for speeding and aggressive driving behaviors. So far this year -- Trooper Pye says 551 people have died on South Carolina roads.

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GANG TASK FORCE  
MEETING

"Commitment commitment commitment, being relentless, we're not going away. I feel that our mission now is to move the Chatham County Gang Prevention and Intervention Commission to be that body to bring everybody together. We're not going anywhere, it's part of law, long after this meeting. We're going to get together and we're going to be that commission in action. So I feel we're on our way, but we got some time ahead of us." The meeting also focused on developing after school and weekend programs for youth.

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BO: MAYOR  
JOHNSON REAX

"My position is if the officer was justified is determined by the GBI in using deadly force, that we're going to stand by that officer. However, if the officer was determined not to have been justified in using deadly force, that we'll hold that officer accountable. I think that's fair."

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7/19/2021 6PM OD

OIS DA POLICIES

Nothing is more important to our community than public safety and the job of law enforcement. And with that comes a great deal of responsibility, obviously, and a great deal of expectation from the community. These investigations shouldn't and can't be rushed, because they are involving the very individuals that are in the community providing the level of protections are required for us to have safe communities.

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7/19/2021 6PM OD

OIS DA POLICIES

The message I'm getting from the Chatham County District Attorneys Office is these investigations and reports take time to put together, and for good reason. Once they do get the GBI report, the DA's Office goal is to reach a determination within three months on whether or not they'll present the case to a grand jury. If they decide to, details of the case, including body cam video, wouldn't be released to the public until after a grand jury sees the evidence. If the case isn't presented to a grand jury, we could see case details released sooner.

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6AM GANG TASK FORCE  
7/20/2021 DAYBREAK OD MEETING

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OIS GBI UPDATE

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After further investigation, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation says body camera footage shows Maurice Mincey removed a gun from his waistband. They then say he placed it between his legs while he was sitting in the passenger seat. The GBI says Savannah Police Officer Thomas Love was standing at the driver's door and commanded Mincey to put his hands up. They say Mincey disregarded the officer's commands and opened the passenger door while grabbing a gun. The GBI says Mincey then abruptly began to exit the vehicle in the direction of another officer on the passenger side of the vehicle. They say when Mincey got out of the vehicle, Officer Love shot him. Sunday, the GBI released preliminary investigation findings that said Mincey was moving around inside the vehicle when officers asked Mincey to stop moving and show his hands. Officials say Mincey refused and stepped out of the vehicle, pointed a firearm at officers and an officer fired gunshots

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PRACTICE

7/22/2021 NEWSCAST

MINCEY FAMILY

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GBI says bodycam video shows 36-year-old Maurice Mincey ignored commands to put his hands up and instead got out of the car while grabbing a gun in the direction of another officer. Officer Thomas Love shot Mincey. However, today family, friends, and attorneys for Mincey's family came together to dispute that report. Witnesses claiming that's not what happened. Looking for answers they feel.... they will only get... after seeing what unfolded that night for themselves.

7/22/2021 5PM OD

SAV OIS: MINCEY  
FAMILY REAX

"If this was your child, if this was your brother, if this was your cousin, if this was your uncle, how would you feel?" Family and friends still trying to come to grips with what they claim was an unjust killing of Maurice Mincey. "A part of us is gone. We just want justice." Justice they say is being withheld. "We want to know, and we want answers right away." As for where they believe those answers could come from. "Where the footage at? That's what I want to know?" "We want the video cam, the body cam." "We need to see the body cam." "The dash cam and the body cam will tell the story." A story witnesses claim is much different from what was released by the GBI. "I actually seen everything." While the GBI report states the Mincey was armed, Eric Johnson, who was driving the vehicle Mincey was in claims, that's not true. "No weapons, no this, no that was fo

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SPD BEHAVIORAL  
HEALTH UNIT  
UPDATE

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7/23/2021 4PM OD

HINESVILLE PD  
TRAFFIC

One of the priorities of Hinesville Police Department is to reduce the number of traffic collisions. I spoke with a corporal from the Traffic Accident Investigation Unit, who says most collisions in Hinesville are caused by drivers who follow another car too close...failing to yield...and speeding in unsafe conditions. If you've ever wondered how Hinesville police know you're speeding... Or what tools they use to catch a wanted suspect. Then the new Traffic Enforcement and Awareness Seminar is where you want to be Saturday afternoon. "We'll come out to the patrol vehicle and I can show them some of the tools and equipment we have available to us." "We'll give them an overview of what our function is, what we're looking to try to do with traffic enforcement. A lot

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CHRISTINE  
6PM TEST  
7/28/2021 RUNDOWN

SPD BEHAVIORAL  
HEALTH UNIT  
UPDATE

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CANDLER CO. NTL  
NIGHT OUT

(sot) Organizers for Candler County's first ever National Night Out event hope they see a big crowd Tuesday night. They say they want people to come meet deputies, put a face with a name or number to build a relationship with them before an emergency or other bad situation. (vo) They'll host at the sheriff's complex off Highway 46. Deputy Ray Smith says they want to meet people and answer questions and listen to concerns and look for ways they can make neighborhoods better. He says events like this help people see officers as resource and an ally. (sot) Often with law enforcement, we meet people at their worst time. We just want to show that we're here to help, not hinder. (vo) It happens next Tuesday from 4 to 7pm. (sot) They'll have everything from a petting zoo to bouncy houses. And it's all happening Tuesday afternoon at the Candler County sheriff's office. In Metter,

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7/29/2021 6PM OD

INVESTIGATES:  
LOVETT CASES  
LATEST

Willie Lovett is now 72 years old. He's being released from prison about a year early for good behavior. Once he out - he is free to go back home. But he will remain under federal supervision for three years. Here's a look back at the court case that stunned a community. Former Savannah-Chatham Metro Police Chief Willie Lovett was convicted on multiple charges for organizing an extensive criminal conspiracy with multiple people. Lovett organized and led the police protection of Randall Roach's gambling operation from at least 2000 through 2013, including during the annual Saint Patrick's Day festival. According to a spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of Georgia, Lovett's co-defendants were sentenced after entering guilty pleas in 2014: Randall Wayne Roach, a/k/a "Red," sentenced to 15 months in prison, followed by three years of supervised release, for Conspiracy to Obstruct Enforcement of State Cri

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7/30/2021 5PM OD

CCPD ON CRIME  
LATEST

Sean: Chief Hadley reported total crime is up about 15-percent at the mid-point of 2021 from the same time last year. But Hadley noted the pandemic could have led to lower numbers last year, leading to this years increased stats. "Our non-domestic aggravated assaults with guns have increased substantially unfortunately. 21 involved with shots fired." Chief Hadley added the 204/I-95 corridor continues to present challenges for his department as well. Hadley: "We have seen an increase in road rage-type incidents particularly out in the 204, 95/204/17 corridor. We know there are plenty of weapons out there and it appears people aren't afraid to at least brandish them when they're aggravated, particularly in a driving circumstance." When it comes to department staffing, Hadley says at the halfway point of 2021 they have seventeen openings, with the possibility of soon putting eleven in the a

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6AM  
DAYBREAK SAV: K9 JAS  
7/31/2021 SATURDAY OD MEMORIAL

"We gather here in this place to honor the memory of K-9 Jas who tragically died on July 25th as a result of a vehicle accident." "There's no strong bond in this profession than one behind a K-9 handler and their partner." "The night of the crash three things went through my mind. My son, my wife and Jas." "I remember speaking to him through the divider as I was trying to get out of the car. I assured him everything was going to be okay and I was coming to him. I firmly believe he heard me and understood and he held on for me to embrace him one last time. Once I was able to get in the back of the car I pet him on his head and sat with him as he took his final breath. I'm not a religious man by any means but I do believe in the spirit of dogs I believe Jas gave his life so I can continue to be a father to Maverick and a husband to Cathy and I'll be forever great full for that. When I look at your favorite toys I'll hear you growl enticing me to play

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8/3/2021 6PM OD

A&A: POLICE  
BODYCAM &  
DASHCAM

More police agencies are equipping their officers with video technology: body worn cameras, patrol car dash cameras and even body worn microphones that record an officer's interaction. But the public's ability to watch the video and listen to the recordings largely depends on whether there is a pending investigation and how the police agency interprets the law. "It is ultimately up to the police department to make that determination as to whether they are exempt and if they believe they are exempt whether they choose to withhold them or not." Ian Byrnside is a first amendment attorney in Georgia. He says Georgia is a state that strongly favors access to government records in an effort to encourage public transparency. Much of that access falls under the Georgia Open Records Act. When it comes to certain police records, including body camera footage - police agencies often cite an exemption that lets them w

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BO: MAYOR  
JOHNSON ON  
BODYCAM VIDEO

I think that the GBI and other law enforcement agencies have chosen not to be able to do that. Again, the law protects them in that case. That's totally up to them. I do know and the chief can articulate this verbally that once a case is turned over to someone else, another agency meaning GBI or the DA's office I think it's counterproductive to then release something that is being investigated by someone else."

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8/4/2021 6PM OD

SPD STAFFING

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â€œSavannah Police currently has 16 officers in training, and 468 officers total counting those trainees. Those are numbers recruiters for the department are trying to bump up considerably, by 60 in fact, but theyâ€™re competing with other departments around the county and region to do so.

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SPD STAFFING

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â€œYes, weâ€™re extremely aware of it, thatâ€™s not where we want to be. Iâ€™m not going to say thatâ€™s typical nationally. But police departments across the nation are struggling hiring qualified personnel.â€  
â€œOur standards are very high. And weâ€™re looking for people of integrity, people with courage and character. So that makes us very discriminating in the people that we hire. So itâ€™s challenging, but once again, itâ€™s not something that we canâ€™t overcome.â€  
Captain Few says theyâ€™re active on social media to find qualified recruits, and continuing to hold virtual recruiting fairs.

8/4/2021 6PM OD

ECSO SOCIAL MEDIA  
COMMUNITY  
PROJECT

Gena Sullivan, the Public Information Officer for the Effingham County Sheriff's Office, has spent the past four months on a mission. "The spotlight is a way to humanize the badge." This spotlight, a simple social media post featuring those who serve in the Effingham County Sheriff's Office. "Effingham is still a small enough community where people appreciate that. They like being able to put a name to the face." And while some deputies don't mind showing off another side. "What's my side, what's my side?" Others take some convincing. "We still have some that are a little shy." And admittedly even Gena was a bit hesitant at first. "I didn't know how it would be received." But it wouldn't take long to get her answer. "The response from the public has been fantastic." The comments rolling in. "Thank you!" "Love our officers!"

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8/10/2021 6PM OD

SC OPEN CARRY  
LAW

The sheriff was very clear that he does not believe the new open carry law will directly correlate to an increase of gun violence in Beaufort County. He did acknowledge though that this is a change that will take time for everybody to get used to. "There's gonna be a training curve through this and there's gonna be mistakes made. There's gonna be mistakes made by those who are carrying an open carry weapon and there's gonna be mistakes made by law enforcement officers." Vo The sheriff went on to explain that he doesn't believe this will be as common in the Lowcountry as it will be elsewhere in the state. Sot: "Currently we're on Hilton Head Island, I don't know that we'll see that big of an issue here on Hilton Head, but I think there are other areas of South Carolina that I think open carry is going to be trendy and I think people will take advantage of it." On c

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8/12/2021 6PM OD

CANDLER CO. NATL  
NIGHT OUT

This marks the first time Candler County Sheriff's Office has hosted this nationally known event. Organizers say they want to meet people outside of emergencies and other tense situations so they're more familiar with the people they protect. For visitors its a chance to connect with a deputy or officer and know each in case they ever need them.

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8/12/2021 6PM OD

CANDLER CO. NATL  
NIGHT OUT

It's important for us to do this, for the children alone so they can know that officers want to help them.

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8/13/2021 6PM OD

CHATHAM 911  
CENTER

During today's Chatham County Commission meeting, Commission Chairman Chester Ellis mentioned one of the issues facing the county's e-911 center staff level is COVID. "We've not had what I would call an outbreak. We have had someone who had mild symptoms, and I would think most of the folks out there are vaccinated. They've been very good about that because of concern for their health." County Manager Lee Smith says the 911 center is currently down 20 dispatchers. Even with those open positions, he says they're still able to staff all the phones. Smith: "You have times when it's just busy. You can never staff enough for what I call peaks. We staff for the average." If callers notice a wait, that could be because dispatchers are helping people, staying on the line until first responders get to the scene, or they're having to take non-emergency calls from folks having issues with their water lines, for exa

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6AM SEAN: RAPE CRISIS  
8/20/2021 DAYBREAK OD CENTER

Sean: I checked in with the Rape Crisis Center of the Coastal Empire to look at ways they help survivors of sexual violence .. and what advice they have for people who aren't sure if they should seek help. The RCC's Executive Director Doris Williams says anytime some type of sexual violence has occurred, whether it happened years ago or recently, advocates with her agency are prepared to offer help and offer their services free of charge. That includes counseling, and even helping a survivor pursue a legal case if they choose to do so. Doris Williams - Executive Director, RCC "We have had clients who at one point wanted to do anonymous, and then they were ready to file a case...we just call law enforcement, set up an interview and we're there to support them during that process. And if they make that decision, then we just bridge those gaps wherever there are any." Williams says any instance where anyone feels they've been violated in a sexual man

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CHIEF MINTER AT  
THE BUY LOCAL  
LUNCHEON

"we realize a strong partnership also involves members of our business community and not only the awareness and education part but the support part for us and the great support they offer to our community" Minter also says they want local businesses to know that they're here to support them and that are a vital and important partner.

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ALYSSA: SPD COVID  
CHANGES

The Savannah Police Department says they've had a large number of employees test positive for COVID since the beginning of the pandemic. They say their buildings being closed protects them, so they can continue working with the community. 147 people working at the Savannah Police Department have tested positive since the start of the pandemic. 10 are currently out with COVID. And 291 staffers have been fully vaccinated. They say this is about 50-percent of their staff. SPD says they are still working with the community, it just looks a bit different. They are offering alternative ways to get services by encouraging people to email their records department for a copy of a report and continuing to operate their remote report center that's been around since last year. "Anything that we can do to minimize the amount of contact our officers have...doing police work is going to requ

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BEAUFORT NARCAN  
TRAINING TODAY

Catherine Forester / Advocate "It shouldn't happen, it doesn't have to happen, we need more awareness, we need to destigmatize this drug use because it can be anyone...we know people that use drugs and if we have access to the Narcan then we might be able to save a life." The Beaufort County Alcohol and Drug Abuse Department will be offering a free Narcan training today at their offices in Beaufort and Bluffton. It is a 5 minute drive-thru training that will help you understand signs of an overdose and help someone who may be overdosing.

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7AM  
DAYBREAK  
9/19/2021 SUNDAY OD

MORE MASS  
SHOOTINGS DURING  
PANDEMIC

the figures are alarming -- mass shootings across the u-s -- sharply increased in a 15-month period during the covid-19 pandemic, according to new research. ken yeager, director, stress, trauma and resilience program, ohio state university wexner medical center/"it is a situation where individuals are trapped. they feel trapped. they feel desperate and this is when the danger emerges." a study published in the journal jama network open shows -- from april 2020 to july 2021-- comparing trends in other years -- there were 343 \*more\* mass shootings -- in the u-s. than expected with an additional 217 people killed -- nearly 15-hundred hurt -- ken yeager, director, stress, trauma and resilience program, ohio state university wexner medical center// "we have hit a perfect storm because over the past decades has been the shaving of the mental health budget, reduction of resources for mental health." researchers say the sharp rise in this type of violence -

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CHATHAM DA COLD  
CASES

â€¢The new Cold Case Unit will be led by Chatham County District Attorney Shalena Cook Jones, and veteran prosecutor and Court Operations Chief Jennifer Parker. Parker says while prosecutors have investigated cold cases and taken them to trial in the past, this is the first dedicated Cold Case Unit in the history of the office. Parker will be helped by two major crimes attorneys, as well as a victim advocate and investigator. The cases being re-examined will primarily be homicides. And the unit has already seen a case resolved when just last week, a man pleaded guilty in the 1981 stabbing death of a court reporter in Savannah. â€œJust in the last few years I have been involved in the prosecution of a 14-year old homicide, and a 40-year old homicide. And so, I donâ€™t think with those cases you can ever give up hope. There is always hope. Thereâ€™s always hope that someone will come forward with information that they

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5AM  
9/20/2021 DAYBREAK OD

GANG VIOLENCE  
PREVNITION  
MEETING

Also happening today in savannah - a meeting of the Chatham county Gang Prevention and intervention commission.

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BROOKLET POLICE  
OFFICER DIES OF  
COVID

Some sad news to report tonight - A Brooklet Police Lieutenant passed away because of COVID-19 complications.

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SAVANNAH  
COMMUNITY  
POLICING

One of the advantages of SPD's Community Service Officer Program is they help free up officers needing to respond to more urgent, or emergency calls, by tackling non-emergency calls. "Officers, sometimes they need to respond to really serious situations..." That's especially important for a department looking to fill 60 officer vacancies. Those non-emergency calls, often time-consuming, can range from taking a report on property being stolen from around someone's house, to a shoplifting call. "It can be as short as 15 minutes, to an hour and a half, depending on whether someone is prepared with their information or if someone's just calling the police in a reactionary way." Another advantage to the program is it's established a familiar connection between the department and community.

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CCPD CAR BREAK IN  
SUSPECT

As Chief Hadley showed County Commissioners a breakdown of crimes around their jurisdiction, there was a noticeable cluster of reported car break-ins. "An individual who is plaguing us over there. We have made many attempts to try to, one, identify him, and two, bring him into custody for entering autos over there. Ochos Rios Apartments as well as Westlake." CCPD has taken to social media, posting surveillance pictures of a suspect. Officers have also canvassed those communities, showing people those pictures with hopes of getting tips. "We've been in unmarked vehicles, and we're really trying to make an attempt to apprehend this individual, but to no avail." Chief Hadley was asked if this was simply a case of someone just pulling on unlocked door handles and getting in that way. He said actually, in the majority of cases, the person they think is responsible is physically b

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DEATH OF CHATHAM COUNTY INMATE The Georgia Bureau of Investigation is looking into the death of an inmate at the Chatham County Detention Center.

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NATIONAL NIGHTS OUT

The communities of Darien and Bluffton are hosting National Nights out. If you live in Darien, you can get involved next week.

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**ISSUE3-ROAD SAFETY AND OTHER HAZARDS AND PRECAUTIONS-  
ALERTING THE COMMUNITY ABOUT ROAD HAZARDS. ALSO  
LETTING THE COMMUNITY KNOW ABOUT WEATHER. GARAGE  
SECURITY JULY 4TH SAFETY, INTERSTATE CONSTRUCTION, DIRT  
ROADS BULLOCH COUNTY, DELTA VARIANT AND VAX LATEST  
INCLUDING BOOSTERS, SAVANNAH STREAM DRAINAGE,  
STATESBORO CREEK CLEANUP, PW BOIL WATER ADVISORY,  
WTOC 144 CONSTRUCTION, TYBEE SHARK BITE, COVID  
PRECAUTIONS, HELMETS FOR KIDS PROGRAM, WARNING FOR  
TAKING HORSE MEDICINE FOR COVID, RURAL HOSPITALS  
BURDENED, MU VARIANT, GOLDEN RAY ON LEAKS, PEDIATRICIAN  
ON PFIZER VAN PLAN FOR CHILDREN, FLU SEASON, COVID IN  
NURSING HOMES, WEST NILE ON WILMINGTON ISLAND, COVID AND  
THE FLU, MOSQUITO PREVENTION IN CHATHAM CO., CDC HEALTH  
ADVISORY FOR PREGNANT WOMEN  
SOURCE: POLICE DEPTS, STATE OF GEORGIA AND SC CDC, etc.**

Due to 4th of July holiday travel, the Georgia DOT did not close down any lanes for construction from Friday all the way through today. But starting again tonight, crews will be back working overnight lane closures, including the I-16 and I-95 interchange project. Crews are working on widening 1-16 and the tree removal process means they have to close one lane of traffic. At the I-16 and I-95 interchange -- they sometimes will close down 2 of the 3 lanes to work on creating the new bridges at the interchange. Even though the intermittent lane closures cause some delays -- the DOT has seen an increase in speeding in this area and is urging drivers to slow down. Jill Nagel / Georgia DOT "We are really concerned with people speeding because of your reaction time, or driving impaired, driving drowsy so we just really want everyone to pay attention when you are on the roadway." All lane closures and work is weather dependent of course -- but as o

7/7/2021 4PM OD

DAL: BULLOCH CO.

Many of the dirt roads have not dried out from the last rain system that saturated the ground. And if the ditches on those roads haven't been plowed recently, the water may have nowhere to go and will stand in the road or wash away the dirt and leave some erosion damage. County emergency leaders are asking people to use caution and stay off those roads unless it's absolutely necessary.

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7/8/2021 6PM OD

DELTA VARIANT AND  
VAX LATEST

"The delta variant of COVID-19 is causing concerns for people across the country as it becomes the dominant strain. It's something doctors here say you should think about." "The biggest worry is that when you look at how likely are you to infect someone else if you have this delta variant it's about a 60% increased chance that you can infect others." While its not causing more severe cases than previous strains, it is spreading quickly. Dr Thacker at Memorial Health says while our region has fewer delta cases circulating than other areas, that can change quickly. He says a big concern is the fully vaccinated rate for the state sitting at just 39%. Hospitalizations have increased over the past two weeks reaching numbers we haven't seen in months. At Memorial, Dr. Thacker says a majority of those with COVID are unvaccinated. "You're

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SAVANNAH STREET  
DRAINAGE

â€œItâ€™s been a problem since I was in grade school. So weâ€™re talking like mid-90â€™s.â€ Caroline Jackovich snapped this picture outside her home Wednesday night as the water rose in minutes when the storm rolled through. Jackovich: â€œThat was right as the waters were starting to really pick up. It actually got higher than that picture that I sent.â€ â€œIt was about up to here on this car.â€ Jackovichâ€™s mother, Pamela Stewart, says sheâ€™d like the city to be more proactive with cleaning out drains near the home, a preventative measure that might keep the flood waters at bay. Stewart: â€œIt doesnâ€™t have to be a big, major project, but just a few small things would help a lot.â€ A few blocks away in front of Jacob G. Smith Elementary School, a low-lying section of road traditionally prone to flooding is getting upgraded with pavers the districtâ€™s alderman says will help

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6AM  
DAYBREAK DAL: STATESBORO  
7/10/2021 SATURDAY OD CREEK CLEANUP

(sot) Some people might view this part of Little Lott's Creek as just an extension of the sewer. But others know it's part of the ecosystem, connecting to the rivers, and it needs to be protected and maintained. (nat - water) (sot) We've seen chemical bottles in the creek. We've seen many, many cups of styrofoam. The list goes on and on. (vo) Early Friday morning, Amanda Clements and others installed these trash booms to stop litter but keep water flowing. This creek and others flow into bigger bodies of water. (sot) It's important to catch it here because if we catch it here, we're eradicating some of the litter before it gets to the Canoochee and then the Ogeechee. (vo) They teamed with Ogeechee Riverkeeper to pick up trash but also collect water samples to monitor what's here but also what flows elsewhere. (sot)

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LOCAL VACCINATION  
RATES FOLO

A look at Chatham County's data shows an increase in the rolling average of COVID-19 cases, hospitalizations and the community transmission index.. But Doctors say the reason for this is complex.. "We need more people vaccinated to help keep those numbers down also people are traveling. If you are vaccinated and you are traveling you may be exposed, you may bring it back to your community and we also have a lot of tourists that are coming into town. " "But it's more than just that, Dr Rustin says these hot summer temps are a factor." "The other thing I want to mention is that you know as the heat increases people tend to move indoors to cooler environments so you know when you put all of this together there's certainly a propensity for our transmission rate to increase." He says with less than 50 percent of our population vaccinated, we sti

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PORT WENTWORTH  
BOIL WATER  
ADVISORY

Sean: Most of the businesses I spoke to up and down this stretch said the flow of water was slow Saturday morning, which for hotels was tricky especially with guests getting ready in the morning. Pressure eventually was restored though over the weekend, even though the boil water advisory is still technically in effect out of an abundance of caution. One restaurant I spoke to is still using bottled water for customers just to be safe. The problem that led to the advisory was a faulty metering valve, which controls the flow of the water coming into the north part of Port Wentworth. According to a rep with Port Wentworth's water provider, ClearWater Solutions, the valve is running manually until completely fixed. The ClearWater Solutions rep also explained why the boil water hasn't been lifted yet even though normal water pressure has been restored. On the phone: Jill Russell - Administrative Assistant, Port Wentworth "Samples that we take have

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CHATHAM COVID  
CASES & VAX RATES

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CHATHAM CO. COVID LATEST at 6 - we'll hear from Savannah Mayor Van Johnson on action the city is considering right now.

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"If you move into the Chatham County specific statistics you can see that, while it's certainly not at the peaks that we had months and months ago, we're starting to see a disturbing upward trend." Coming up on THE News

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TREUTLEN CO.  
BRIDGE LATEST

(sot) You can see behind me that the overpass knocked out of position yesterday, already gone. Georgia DOT folks say they've never seen or heard of a crash like this doing so much damage. (vo) Heavy equipment moved the tons of concrete, steel beams and rebar that \*were\* the Highway 86 overpass. As some crews tackled the cleanup, engineers were already measuring to design a new bridge. Governor Brian Kemp came to see the damage for himself. He says the message to the Georgia D-O-T was simple. (sot) Tell us anything you need. Throw everything we've got at this and let's get this interstate open as quick as we can. (vo) The detours have thousands of cars and trucks pulling through nearby Soperton on one side and Adrian on the other. Crews hope to have some of that back here soon. (sot) Getting two lanes open westbound is the first priorit

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7/16/2021 6PM OD CHATHAM COUNTY COVID CASES LATEST "We're monitoring this very closely, and we hope that this is an anomaly. But based off all the data that we're seeing state-wide and nationally, this does certainly appear to be the start of a disturbing trend." 0:00:13

7/16/2021 6PM OD BULLOCH CO. COVID STATUS (sot) Emergency leaders in Bulloch County say they're seeing an uptick in new cases just like many other counties and the State of Georgia as a whole. (vo) Bulloch County's public safety director says it could be from more people gathering and traveling for July 4th, it could be from some restrictions being lifted, or a new strain of the virus getting into the population. Whatever the reason, they've noticed the increase. (sot) We had 11 new cases yesterday. Over the past five days, we've had 20 rapid antigen tests that were positive. That's the first double-digit period we've had in quite a while. (vo) While the numbers pale compared to last July, Wynn says no one wants to see anything near those spikes and says the more people get vaccinated the sooner this uptick turns down. (sot) Wynn says he's urging people to get vaccinated, no matter what brand they choose. He says tha 0:00:59

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SEAN: CHATAHM  
COVID UPDATE

Chatham County Health Department Administrator, Dr. Chris Rustin, didn't waste time getting into the latest COVID case numbers, and upward trend in the county. Dr. Chris Rustin - Administrator, Chatham County Health Department "The community transmission index, which is probably one of the more important statistics that we look at because it gauges the number of new cases over a period of two weeks, as you can see on July 1st was 53. And as of yesterday it doubled, over doubled to 111." Dr. Rustin also noted that while COVID-related hospitalizations aren't at the highs we saw locally at the beginning of the year, they're also starting to rise. Rustin: "We're monitoring this very closely, and we hope that this is an anomaly, but based off of all of the data that we're seeing state-wide and nationally, this does certainly appear to be the start of a disturbing trend." 8th District Commissioner Kenneth Adams asked Dr. Rustin if perhaps it was a mi

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CHATHAM COUNTY  
COVID STATS

"I would predict that we would see rising cases really for the one to two weeks if not more because my view around the Delta variant is that it's just now really taking hold in the state of Georgia. We don't have the data yet to prove that statement to qualify it, because it's always a two week look back to know what was in your state, but certainly it would feel that the rise in cases is related to this new circulating variant." Dr. Lawton Davis at the Coastal Health District agrees the delta variant is to blame for our increase and a concern. "It's definitely more contagious and I think the final answer on whether it causes more severe illness is still not fully determined, but there are some who do feel that it causes a more severe illness." While virtually all COVID-19 metrics are on the rise hospitalization levels

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CHATHAM CO. COVID  
HEALTH  
SUGGESTIONS

Dr. Lawton Davis director of the Coastal Health District has a simple message for the 59% of people in Chatham County who are not fully vaccinated.. "A get a vaccination. B beware that this delta variant is in our area, it's in Georgia, it's in the Coastal Health District, it is more transmissible than the other variants we have seen and I think that's what's driving our increase in new cases and we've had a huge increase in cases." The community transmission index increased by 13 percent just since Friday. It's because of this Dr. Davis said he has talked with local leaders about public health guidance. "I personally am still wearing my mask." "While the demand for COVID-19 testing has dramatically decreased since the beginning of the pandemic it is still available and free officials say they are starting to see a slight increase in the numbe

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BEAUFORT CO.  
COVID LATEST

SC DHEC is reporting that the Beaufort county COVID case 7 day moving average hit its highest point since May 11th on Friday. City of Beaufort mayor Stephen Murray says they are back on high alert. Sot: (Stephen Murray - Mayor of Beaufort) "We were feeling pretty confident there right, that we had a flat line or a decrease in numbers there over the last couple weeks. I think with the variant that's come out it certainly has raised the radar again." Vo Even with higher concern of spread, Murray is not considering re-instating the city's mask requirement. Sot: "Since we lifted our mask mandate we've had no formal conversations or actually for that matter have had no informal conversations with my council members or my staff at this point." Vo: He does have a recommendation if you're worried about that though. Sot: "Folks are concerned about masking or additional restrictions in the future. The only way that I can guarantee we're not g

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TYLER: BEAUFORT  
CO. COVID STATS

Standup: (Tyler Manion - TylerManionTV) SC DHEC is reporting that Beaufort county saw its highest 10 day average of COVID cases since May 3rd last week, Hilton Head however, is doing a bit better than the rest of the county. Sot: (Carlye Gilbert - Infection Preventionist Hilton Head Regional Health Care) "We've seen very few, one per hospital, that really have needed inpatient care and that's not requiring ICU admissions." Hilton Head regional says since March 23rd their hospitals combined have had no more than 4 hospitalizations at one time. Gilbert credits vaccinations for that. Sot: "The message that vaccines are good and they're gonna help you prevent serious illness when you do contract COVID 19, that's really helped our community." She says the increase in cases county-wide doesn't surprise her though. Sot: "I think it was going to happen, it's just a matter of being able to control it. And with the mask mandates being reduced

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HAMPTON CO. COVID LATEST

(Melanie Wooten - R.N. Hampton Regional Medical Center) "Since February or March we'd see a positive here or there but we pretty much made it the whole summer without Covid here and so to drastically come in to 25% of your inpatient population Covid positive is a very big change.

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WTOCI: HWY 144  
UPDATE

On Monday, we told you about the delays that have plagued the project... and how drivers, were tired of the cones. We also learned just before our story aired - that the contractor moved-up the projected end date... from August 16th, to July 22nd. That's tomorrow! Meaning, most of the barrels should be gone by the end of the week. We shot this video last night. You can see... while many cones are still up... lanes are slowly fully opening up to traffic. GDOT says the contractor told them there will still be some intermittent lane closures to finish some minor work that's left.

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DR. BRADLEY ON  
BREAKTHROUGH  
COVID CASES

COVID-19 cases continue to increase here in Catham County. The Community transmission index has steadily increased over the past two weeks. For Dr. Paul Bradley the concern is for the unvaccinated. "If you were to take out of the equation everybody that's been vaccinated alright because they are not getting sick and they are not ending up in the hospital so we take them out of the equation and then if you only look at those people who have not been vaccinated this is scary. The data shows that we in that group, we're no better than we were back in January." Medical professionals say breakthrough cases are occurring though they are rare and symptoms are usually mild. "Why get the vaccine it's not perfect because you had a 95% chance. There's a risk and a benefit. We're not seeing risk to the vaccines especially

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TYBEE SHARK BITE  
FOLO

NAT Atsushi Yamada shares his surfing passion every summer with children of all ages. He holds weekly camps and this week is sure to stand out. "I got a total of one here, one here and the bigger one right on the shin." Yamada says he was sitting on his board helping a camper get back on shore because it was a stormy day. That's the moment when a shark came up and bit him on the leg, leaving behind three gashes. "Ok now she's in the safe zone and less than three seconds later I was attacked. I was very, very thankful, it's almost a miracle, the shark didn't get her." His immediate reaction, he says, was that he hoped the shark wouldn't get to anyone else. He says he stayed calm so as to not cause a scene. "I didn't want to get too panicked, so I was hoping I could manage to paddle myself back in close enough they could listen to me." Yamada was able to get a first-aid kit from one of his i

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NOVAVAX TRIAL  
PARTCIPANT

Sean: I first saw the post on Facebook, Jason Combs sharing his experience being a part of a Novavax trial that he joined last year. "You know, I can't remember where I first heard about it, the radio or just people talking on Facebook or what. But I just decided that if we're going to get through this thing as quickly as possible, they need volunteers. So I'm young and healthy, so why not volunteer and be a part of it?" Combs got his first dose of the Novavax last August, his second last September...both full doses...which left him fully vaccinated. Combs: "Almost had no side effects from the first dose. And of course, when I was having them, I didn't know if it was a placebo or if it was the big dose, or little dose, or what. So first dose, really nothing. Second dose, I had the standard 24 hours of kind of feeling under the weather. And then after that, I was fine." Combs says he understands hesitan

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DR. DAVIS DELTA  
VARIANT SETUP

"It's the original SARS-COV-2 on steroids." New evidence continues to show the delta variant is much more contagious than previous strains of COVID. That's according to the Coastal Health District. New evidence showing the delta variant is as contagious as chickenpox has prompted U.S. health officials to consider changing advice on how the nation fights the coronavirus. Recommending masks for everyone and requiring vaccines for doctors and other health care providers are among measures the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is considering. That's according to internal documents obtained by the Washington Post. The presentation for CDC staff tells them to "acknowledge the war has changed." It also notes that infections in vaccinated people may be as transmissible as in the unvaccinated.

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BLAIR: ISOLATION  
UPDATES

"If you have symptoms you're guilty until proven conclusively innocent and I'm not sure that one negative test is conclusive evidence that you don't have it." "It's because of this highly contagious delta variant that health officials are asking you to remember the guidance when it comes to quarantine and isolation." "You isolate when you have a positive test and you know you have COVID, you quarantine when you have been exposed and you're status is pending." CDC guidance says those who are unvaccinated and exposed to someone who tests positive for COVID needs to quarantine at home, monitor their symptoms, and get tested 5 days after exposure. If the test is negative you can end your quarantine after 7 full days.. But for those who are vaccinated the process is more relaxed.  
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COVID ISOLATION  
UPDATES

"You do not actually have to quarantine at home if you are fully vaccinated, but you are supposed to wear a mask when you're in public or in an indoor space. Monitor your symptoms for 14 days. If you develop symptoms then you become a presumptive positive case and at a minimum you should go and have a test done somewhere between day 3 and five or six." If you test positive for COVID, CDC guidance says regardless of your vaccine status you need to separate yourself from others for a minimum of 10 days, be without a fever for 24 hours, and see an improvement in symptoms.

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NOVAVAX TRIAL  
PARTCIPANT

Sean: I first saw the post on Facebook, Jason Combs sharing his experience being a part of a Novavax trial that he joined last year. "You know, I can't remember where I first heard about it, the radio or just people talking on Facebook or what. But I just decided that if we're going to get through this thing as quickly as possible, they need volunteers. So I'm young and healthy, so why not volunteer and be a part of it?" Combs got his first dose of the Novavax last August, his second last September...both full doses...which left him fully vaccinated. Combs: "Almost had no side effects from the first dose. And of course, when I was having them, I didn't know if it was a placebo or if it was the big dose, or little dose, or what. So first dose, really nothing. Second dose, I had the standard 24 hours of kind of feeling under the weather. And then after that, I was fine." Combs says he understands hesitan

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ALYSSA: BRYAN  
COUNTY COVID

"Bryan County's nurse manager says the Delta Variant is highly contagious and spreading quickly. She says vaccines are available pretty much everywhere now...people just need to get them." In less than two weeks, the county's CTI jumped from 294 to 567. And as of today, only 39-percent of people who live in Bryan County are fully vaccinated. "It's spreading amongst our unvaccinated people. We do know that if you're vaccinated, you can still spread it and that's why we're still encouraging everybody...mask, wash your hands and social distance. We're preaching the same song, different day." The health department says even with mask optional policies in the Bryan County School District, students and teachers should follow CDC guidelines to wear a mask in enclosed spaces whether they're vaccinated or not. Mehlhorn says the health department is stretched thin, just l

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CHATHAM CO  
HOSPITAL BED  
NUMBERS

"We're definitely bumping up to the constraints of just the number of patients that need care in the region with the number of beds that we have you know balancing that with the amount of staffing that we have. We continue to make sure that we're providing the safest care possible. While we're not necessarily at a significant tipping point right now at this time, but it's definitely something that's got us worried and paying attention."

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DAL BAXLEY  
HOSPITAL STATUS

â€“(sot) A rise in local cases and local patients here at the hospital has more people lining up to get tested. But hospital administrators urge people not to come to the ER to get tested....instead come \*here\* for testing and help prevent exposing others in the ER itself. (vo) Nurses rolled from car to car taking vitals. Dr. Tonya Fordham's seeing patients for testing here at her practice rather than at Appling Healthcare to help cut down on exposure. She says this allows the hospital staff to focus on other incoming patients. (sot) If you're taking up time to test somebody who's not moderately to severely sick, you're taking away from people who need life-sustaining help at that point. (vo) She says this surge in new cases started after the July 4th holidays. For those who test positive, she's getting them on medication to treat the symptoms in hopes they don't get more severe or life

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BEAUFORT  
HOSPITAL STATUS

Just a few weeks back, Beaufort Memorial Hospital didn't have a single COVID patient admitted. Times have changed, and now the numbers are completely different. "Right now we're sitting at about 25 hospitalized COVID-19 patients as you can imagine that's a sharp increase from what we were averaging really about 4 weeks ago which was about 2 to 0." Baxley says there's one thing all of those patients have in common. "None, none of those are vaccinated." As far as the city of Beaufort bringing back mask mandates in city buildings like Town Hall, the hospital's CEO agrees with it, and will be looking for more if case numbers continue to rise. "The city has done a good job and this is a good first step. I think it's a measured approach and I support I think Mayor Murray's decision to do this and as we continue to communicate with them and we need to escalate protective mea

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LONG CO. VACCINES

The vaccine clinic lasted for four hours and around 20 people rolled up their sleeves for their COVID-19 shot. In a county that has a low vaccination rate but a HIGH COVID-19 case rate CORE says this was a great turnout. "We're just very excited everybody's come out." "Everyone's just been very eager and happy to do it." Long County residents and those in neighboring communities Were able to choose between Pfizer and Johnson and Johnson at Wednesday's clinic. Atlanta resident Janie Allen is in Ludowici taking care of her parents and What started out as a grocery trip, led to Her first dose of the vaccine. "Initially I wasn't going to take the vaccine but there's so many people that are sick. Why not get myself vaccinated and take care of myself." Georgia Department of Public Health data shows

Long County's Community

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HELMETS FOR KIDS

Justice For Children Foundation has been in our community since 1999. Their Heads In Helmets program has given out tens of thousands of helmets for kids for free. Savannah Attorney Howard Spiva says they are here to help keep kids safe and prevent head injuries.

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HELMETS FOR KIDS

"Children are going to be a lot more susceptible to injuries by the mere fact that they're going to be walking, riding bicycles, scooters, whatever transportation and they'll be more exposed for risk of getting injured." You can get a free helmet by calling Spiva Law Group.

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TYLER: SHARKS

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Whether it's Jaws or Shark Week, there's a fascination and fear anytime the words Shark attack are on a screen. So for our purposes, let's take them off. We start July 27th, with a bite on Tybee Island in Georgia. Then, this Tuesday another bite on Hilton Head Island in South Carolina. I know some of you are thinking, 'two bites in two weeks, I'm not going in the ocean'... but experts say there's actually no cause for concern... like, at all. It's just the time of year where it's bound to happen to one out of every few hundred thousand people. Sot: (Mel Bell - SCDNR Director of Office of Fisheries Management) "you've got the probably the highest number of swimmers on the beach, on the entire coast line there's hundreds of thousands of people along the beach throughout that period of time, and that's also when the sharks are looking for food which is available in near shore waters." In 2019 there were 41 unprovoked bites in the U-S. And in 2020 the

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RH PEDIATRICIAN ON  
COVID & DELTA  
VARIANT

Dr. Keith Seibert says from an outpatient perspective where he sees sick kids on a regular basis, it appears those kids coming to his office now are more sick from a COVID-19 infection, than compared to those he saw earlier in the pandemic. And the visits from sick patients have gone up in recent weeks. "It's dramatically increased in the last two or three weeks. It is so unfortunate that that's happening when school is coming back in session." Dr. Seibert says he recently had 18 patients come into his office one night, 13 of those were positive for COVID. Seibert: "Good news in children of course is that many when infected with COVID have a mild course...wonderful. So glad for my own kids and for other kids that that's

true. But not all have a mild case, which is why there are children at the hospital right now in Savannah with COVID-19." When it comes to policy and guidance on what's

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AMANDA: WAYNE CO VACCINATION RATES

Today's vaccine clinic is one of several hosted by Wayne Memorial Hospital. A spokeswoman says today's clinic had the best turnout. The hospital staff is hoping this helps bring the county's vaccination rate up and COVID-19 cases down. In just the first 30 minutes of the vaccine clinic 60 people were vaccinated with the first dose of the Moderna vaccine. By the end of the clinic - 101! Hospital staff say this is the kind of turnout they were hoping for as the COVID-19 cases spike in several areas, INCLUDING Wayne County. Georgia Department of Public Health data shows, as of Thursday, the county has had 51 new reported cases. One week ago That number was 16. Meaning Daily reported cases have more than tripled in the last week. The hospital's spokeswoman says

getting vaccinated is the best way to fight the virus and keep yourself and those around you safe. "Accord

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DAL: BULLOCH COVID

(sot) Emergency leaders here in Bulloch County say the rate of new covid cases continues to rise and they say they anticipate it will continue as the local population jumps back up for a new school year. (vo) The county's weekly report yesterday showed new case numbers have jumped from 122 to over 200 to almost 400. Public safety director Ted Wynn says you can point to several things for this jump. (sot) We're all getting back together. Schools are getting back. Universities are getting back. I think the expectation is that it will tick up as time goes by. (vo) As Fall semester begins at Georgia Southern, that means thousands of students returning to the community after summer break. He's also concerned at the rise in covid patients hospitalized at East Georgia Regional Medical Center. The number's now at 39, with ten on ventilators. The bright spot to him is the rate of covid

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MEMORIAL  
PEDIATRIC COVID  
PATIENTS

"As the delta variant continue to impact our community and we see cases of COVID-19 increase doctors here at the Dwain and Cynthia Willet Children's hospital of savannah say they are seeing more pediatric patients." "Our total number of hospitalizations in our hospital right now is about 108 only 5 of those are pediatric patients. So compared to adults it is a small number and I am very thankful for that. The challenge is that we're a very busy children's hospital now with health conditions unrelated to COVID-19 so any increase in COVID-19 patients is felt." Dr. Thacker says two months ago it was typical for them to have 0-1 COVID positive pediatric patients. He says all the children they are seeing are unvaccinated and those most at risk have underlying health conditions. The Children's hospital opened just five months ago and already leaders say they are

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MARIAH: VAX RATES  
AND CASES

Right now, the DPH is reporting that 29% of the population here in Toombs County are fully vaccinated and 34% have had at least one dose. VO Kristian Kirkland the Nurse Manager at the Toombs County Health Department says they're seeing an increase in people wanting the vaccine across the age spectrum. He's seeing people who are 12 years old all the way up to the oldest members in the community. Kirkland says they vaccinate between 20-40 people every day. At first, Kirkland says he saw a lot of hesitancy in the community. However, now those people are starting to open up to the opportunity. SOT "With our number of cases increasing we have seen an increase also in vaccination right here at the health department. Whereas a couple months ago people weren't sure. Now that they're seeing younger people be infected by this disease, they're saying now is the time for me to get vaccine

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DR. DAVIS ON  
POSSIBLE BOOSTER  
SHOT

"Almost daily we're setting new record highs or the community transmission index, COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations. It's a trend no one wants to see." "Well it's very depressing and certainly very concerning and I fully expect all of those numbers to get worse before they get better." As we see a record number of cases, people are rushing to get a COVID-19 test, but Dr Davis wants to see people get their vaccine. He says what's bothersome about the numbers now is that the vaccine is widely available and effective. Dr Davis says a majority of those in our hospitals are unvaccinated, though there are some who have got their shot but are immunocompromised. The FDA is expected to authorize a booster shot for these people. Dr. Davis says they are watching what happens knowing it will impact them as they manage this surge of cases..

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MEMORIAL HEALTH  
COVID TESTING  
CHANGES

â€œHospitals nation-wide are struggling to keep up with the latest surge of COVID-19 cases, and suspected cases as more patients seek treatment, Memorial Health included. The hospitalâ€™s request that asymptomatic patients avoid coming to the emergency department to get tested for COVID serves two purposes, the first having to do with patient safety. â€œItâ€™s not that we wonâ€™t do it, but weâ€™re trying to push them to other areas that might be a little safer for patients. Coming into our emergency department you have a significant amount of COVID thatâ€™s happening around the emergency department, viral loads are high. We want to make sure we protect those patients, number one.â€ Dr. Goldstein says the other reason is a resource issue. Goldstein: â€œWeâ€™re doing everything we can to make sure we can take care of the patients that need emergency care. And for the ones that donâ€™t, the

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CANDLER DR. COVID  
HOSPITAL UPDATE

"If on the other hand you are having trouble breathing, if you can't walk up steps like you normally would, your short of breath just lying down, having a conversation with someone, that's something you need to be seen for." "We'll continue to take care of everybody but its going to be a stress like this system, this region has never seen." Dr. Rowlett is encouraging everyone, to get the vaccine if you're eligible, wear a mask and wash your hands. He says to understand that its going to be a long battle and they need everyone to work together to help get through this.

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CHATHAM COMMISH  
ON FDA COVID  
BOOSTER

"At the earliest we would be probably looking at Monday at the Health Department sites." "So will that booster be like the same shot we got the first time?" Dr. Rustin: "Yes, and it's only Pfizer and Moderna. Johnson & Johnson was not included in this approval."

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ST. JOES 3PM  
UPDATE

"So it places the nurse who is running around and has got one goal in mind which is taking care of that patient in the bed not being the mask cop. So we don't want to go down that rabbit hole so unfortunately what started out with the best of intentions ended up complicating the patient and so when I heard that, that was it. Visitations closing tomorrow." Hinchey says his concern is for his staff right now who are hanging on through this surge. And after conversations with them Hinchey says they feel betrayed the community has not been vaccinated to help them.. as they show up to take care of those battling covid-19.

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TATTNALL CO. COVID  
DEATH

"He didn't even get to wear his class ring." "Didn't matter who you were. He'd put a smile on your face." Brandon Marsh lost his fight to COVID on August 7....his mother rushed to the hospital after his lung collapsed and he went into surgery. "They had me suit back up. I was gonna step back in to tell him I love him just whatever else and soon as I stepped back in he went into cardiac arrest. I had asked them to do everything they can to keep him." Her fiance Jackie got COVID-19 the same week as her son. Marsh says Jackie and Brandon weren't vaccinated. Less than 24 hours after losing her son...Sherry lost her fiance.. "I remember him kissing me on the back of my neck and telling me don't get this. You gotta stay strong for all of us and next thing I know he's waking me up at a quarter to 5 telling me he can't breathe." She says her fiance declined quickly after getting a blood clot. Sherry was also diagno

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LOCAL PHARMACIES  
COVID UPDATE

LL In the first hour of opening today, pharmacists say they had about 10 people come to get tested. People told staff they're coming to get tested for several reasons, whether it's because they feel sick, they want to get checked before going back to school or they're hoping to travel.PKG "We want you to be safe, we want our community to be safe. Please heed the message." Josh Greeson is a pharmacist at Pooler Pharmacy. He says in the past two weeks they've seen a big increase in people looking for vaccines. "We're seeing folks that were hesitant start to trust the numbers and trust their healthcare professionals to make sure that we're going to give them something that is going to help contribute positively to their health." This past Friday, Greeson says they administered more than 40 shots ... he compares this to the peak time of when they were averaging 60 shots a day. It shows, he says,

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12 YR OLD COVID  
INFLAMATION

Since the start of the pandemic, Dr. Adria Wilkes has been serving pediatric patients. But she never guessed how close COVID would hit her home.. "My son had covid back in January, just like many kids he had a very mild case, probably about 12-24hours of fatigue abdominal pain and a little bit of headache, but then about three weeks later he developed some long-term complications." Andrew presented with appendicitis to start and quickly had surgery, but days later continued to have severe abdominal pain. Doctors worked to figure out what was wrong with the 12-year-old when a CT showed a blockage which led to another surgery.. "Well I didn't think I was going to have surgery I thought I was just going to get better and then when I learned I was going to get surgery I didn't feel so good." They learned Andrew had a condition called intussusception in a diff

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EFFINGHAM  
HOSPITAL COVID

"To say that the healthcare system is functioning normally right now would be a lie. The system is overwhelmed, and it is not function as it would during normal times." But as we know these are anything but normal times. "We are currently in the worst wave we have been since the beginning of the pandemic." In fact, here at Effingham Health the ER is seeing more than 100 patients a day, which is nearly double their average. "The vast majority of the patients we're seeing, certainly the vast majority that are sick enough to be hospitalized or worse, are unvaccinated." As of Monday, 86% of their patients were unvaccinated. "It not only seems worse it is worse." The 25-bed facility now filling 16 of those beds with COVID patients. "Mechanical ventilators breathing machines requiring long stays in the hospital." Dr. Kiefer says most of those coming to the hospital right now are between the ages 35

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EFFINGHAM HEALTH  
DR. KEIFER

"Unfortunately, similar to all hospital systems in this area, we are in a state of trying to find places for patients that we cannot deliver, care for here. And looking at our regional care centers that are close by as well as other care facilities that are quite away's away at times."

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AMBULANCE WAIT  
TIMES

NAT: "Respond hot for a 51-year old female who has run out of insulin." "It is a complete mix. We get the usual heart attacks, car accidents, things of that nature. But we're getting a litany of people that just aren't feeling well, and it may or may not be COVID-related. And they view the ambulance as their Uber to the hospital, if you will." Koster says what folks don't realize is, non-emergency calls tie up valuable resources, sometimes for hours when a crew has to wait to transfer patients at the hospital. Koster: "The public needs to be aware that just because you call 911, does not mean you're going to get to the emergency room faster. And it doesn't mean you're going to go to the front of the line." For agencies with fewer ambulance teams than Chatham EMS at their disposal, it's an even bigger problem.

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COASTAL CARE

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PARTNERS BOOSTER

The CDC is now recommending that people whose immune systems are compromised should receive an additional dose of the Pfizer or Moderna Vaccine at least 28 days after their initial completion of the vaccine series. If it is something you think that you qualify for -- Scott Pierce the co-owner of coastal care partners says all you have to do is talk to your doctor and then come by for a shot.

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Scott Pierce / Co-Owner of Coastal Care Partners "Clinics like ours really should not get into determining someone's health condition, that is really a conversation left between the individual and their physician to determine if it is needed, at the end of the day when they come in, we are asking them to fill out a form stating that they have had that conversation, they are immunocompromised and then we can proceed with the vaccine." As soon as this week -- U.S. Health Experts are expected to recommend COVID-19 booster shots for all Americans 8 months after their second dose of the vaccine.

COASTAL CARE  
5AM PARTNERS BOOSTER  
8/18/2021 DAYBREAK OD SHOTS 530 LIVE

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â€“(sot) The line winds for several blocks for people in Statesboro looking to get tested. Medical crews say they need everyone to spend a few minutes online before they come here to make the process move a little smoother. (vo) More than 1,100 people got tested last week in Bulloch County, a large jump from the week before. With more people concerned about possibly contracting the covid virus, more people come here and wait in line to reach the healthcare workers from Mako Medical to get tested. They say this process could be more streamlined if people would register online in advance and fill out some basic information. That would save valuable time for you and the people taking your test. (sot) We need everyone to go online and sign up for the test. You'll get a booking ID and all we ask for when you get here is a booking ID. That way, we can identify you. (vo) The site on Railroad St

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THROUGH COVID  
TESTING  
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8/23/2021 5:30pm OD	FDA HORSE DEWORMER WARNING	OUTCUE: stay away from it. They say they've received multiple reports of people who needed medical support or were hospitalized after using this medication intended for horses.	0:00:33
8/23/2021 5:30pm OD	SEAN: LONG LINE @ VAX CLINIC	To keep up with that testing demand, the director of nursing says they've increased hours of operation and staff, starting around eight in the morning and staying until around four in the afternoon. Daily, they're seeing an average of 150 to 200 cars coming through for the drive-up COVID testing. No appointment is necessary. Curtis V. Cooper does have both the Moderna and Pfizer vaccine available for those who want it. And I asked the director of nursing if she thinks the FDA's full approval of the Pfizer vaccine might bump up the number of those interested in getting vaccinated.	0:00:18

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RURAL HOSPITALS  
COVID LATEST

Four hospitals say their staff is overburdened with mostly unvaccinated COVID patients. They say their COVID wards are full and the direction this is going is concerning. "I think the concern is...when is it over with?" He says rural hospitals having so many deaths is not common. Jenkins County Medical's CEO says 80-percent of their patients are COVID-related. "All of those COVID patients are on oxygen and we have one patient that's on a ventilator." Tattnall's hospital administrator says they are all pulling resources from each other. "We've all been in situations where we're borrowing supplies from other hospitals just to meet our needs." Across the board, staffing is their greatest need. There's no administrative staff in Screven. The CEO says everyone is on th

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IVERMECTIN FOLO:  
BULLOCH COUNTY

(sot) Emergency leaders here in Bulloch County say they're alarmed at seeing reports around the state of folks using a veterinary medicine to fight covid. (vo) It's called ivermectin and some local supply stores say they've seen sales to the point their sold out. Public Safety Director Ted Wynn says he's heard reports around Georgia of patients calling for emergency help or Poison Control due to adverse reactions. (sot) Vaccines are safe and readily available. Why would you take something that was not created to fight or minimize covid 19....and take something that could risk your life. (vo) He says as local hospitals and doctors offices remain slammed with covid patients, he would urge people against taking something experimental that could do more harm than good. (sot) It doesn't make sense why people would put their life in jeopardy and bank that they're going to have some good effec

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8/27/2021 DAYBREAK OD BULLOCH COUNTY

sot) Vaccines are safe and readily available. Why would you take something that was not created to fight or minimize covid 19....and take something that could risk your life. It doesn't make sense why people would put their life in jeopardy and bank that they're going to have some good effects from an animal de-worming product as opposed to the vaccine. He says as local hospitals and doctors offices remain slammed with covid patients, he would urge people against taking something experimental that could do more harm than good. Wynn says he'd urge you to contact your doctor or medical provider..ask them about ivermectin- and follow their expert advise.

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This week - a funny caption with a very serious warning from the Food and Drug Administration. The agency saying quote "the FDA has received multiple reports of patients who have required medical support and been hospitalized after self-medicating with ivermectin intended for horses." We usually give an average size horse a whole tube. Doctor Jeff Witwer is an Equine Veterinarian with South Carolina Veterinarian Associates in Camdon. He says this type of Ivermectan pace treats heartworm disease and certain parasites in horses. But it is not the same doses or form used in humans. Ivermectin for people is an FDA approved drug treatment for parasites not covid-19. And taking the Veterinary dosage is potentially poisonous mistake. These posioning doses people are getting from taking Veterinary Medications that are meant for an animal much much larger than they are can lead to complete drops in th

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DR. TOOMEY ON  
VACCINE THREATS

Dr. Kathleen Toomey/GA Dept. Of Public Health: I just said this is wrong, we should be thanking people who are giving life saving vaccine. This is absolutely wrong. these people are giving their lives to help others. We in Georgia can do better. We should be thanking these individuals for trying to give lifesaving vaccines.

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DR. THACKER ON MU  
VARIANT

The World Health Organization has their eyes on the new coronavirus variant called mu. Dr. Stephen Thacker at Memorial Health says it's considered a variant of interest and is found most commonly in Colombia and Ecuador. "When you take a big picture view though and compare it to what the delta variant is causing it's less than 1% of cases worldwide, but important for us to recognize and understand." But what about here in the U.S. specifically? "In the U.S. we have numerous states where there's a small number of cases. In Georgia, out of all the isolates of this virus that we send for sequencing through the NIH only about 22 in total, since we've known about this strain, have come back as this mu variant." Dr. Thacker says probably every one to two weeks there's a new variant of interest. He says what we don't know, right now, about this mu variant is if it's more transmissible

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TYBEE ISLAND  
BEACH CONDITIONS

Senior Lifeguard Todd Horne says they haven't had any rescues today because of these conditions. However, they want it to stay that way for the rest of the day and over the holiday weekend. As the red flags wave on the beach, lifeguards say they're busy educating beachgoers about rip currents and the dangers they could face in the water this weekend. Horne says the rip currents they're seeing are most prominent north of third street and that these types of conditions are the worst during high tide times.

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GOLDEN RAY OIL  
LEAKS

The Altamaha Riverkeeper has been working with Unified Command since the cargo ship capsized. The group has helped update the response team's mitigation efforts for oil and debris, as they've already seen the local shorelines impacted by the wreck removal. Fletcher Sams, director of the organization, says most of the environmental impact can be seen on about 30 miles of shoreline, near the wreck site—mostly on marsh grass. Sams says the environmental protection barrier around the ship can only do so much—comparing it to a speedbump, saying it slows down any debris or oil from escaping the sound—not stopping it. The latest oil leak happened at the end of July, as crews were removing Section Six. This caused the Coastal Health District to issue a beach advisory for St. Simons Island and Jekyll Island. Sams biggest concern right now is how crews are treating oil on marsh grass with a formula, that he says, will hav

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6AM GOLDEN RAY  
DAYBREAK SALVAGE OPS  
9/4/2021 SATURDAY OD LATEST

Two pieces of the wreck remain, as you can see behind me. Today- crews are reconfiguring the cutting chainâ€œwhich ensures the cut will work efficiently. Removal operations of the Golden Ray wreck happen around the clock. The team will continue to cycle the chain 24 hours until the remainder of the wreck is separated into two sections." Section Five will be the first to get lifted and transported to Mayor's Point Terminal in Brunswickâ€œfollowed by Section Four. Unified Command doesn't have an exact date on when this will happen, but they're aiming for the end of the month. "Not only are we getting to the end of the wreck removal phase, but every day that passes, where we maintain our personnel safety and the public's safety is a day we take particular pride in." Petty Officer Michael Himes says there are several ways they are monitoring and mitigating any type

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7AM MARY: SC PEDS  
DAYBREAK VACCINES LAGGING  
9/12/2021 SUNDAY OD

The state health department says part of that lag is because kids ages 12 to 15 weren't eligible to get the COVID vaccine until May. But the shot is widely available now â€œ so doctors say, there's more to it. "That age group can be very difficult to convince that they need a preventative health action, such as a vaccine, that they are not invincible and that this is important for themselves but also for everyone else." "If the parents haven't gotten vaccinated, they often won't get their child vaccinated." Meanwhile, South Carolina's four pediatric hospitals report a concerningly high number of kids need their care because of COVID â€œ and none of those who are currently in the hospital for the virus are vaccinated. Of course, no children in the U-S who

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DAL: BULLOCH CO  
COVID STATS

(sot) The line at this drive through covid testing site stretched for blocks just a few weeks ago. Emergency leaders say, while some covid case numbers have come down..nobody nees to get complacent yet. (vo) We saw those lines fill up several downtown streets back on August 18 as case numbers and concerns began to once again climb. Bulloch County started September with 1456 cases per 100k people and a 28 perent infection rate. One week ago, it had dropped to 1031 per 100k. As of yesterday, it's down to 625. (sot) We've seen some improvement. We're not where we need to be. The infenction rate is still high. The cases per 100k is still well above where it needs to be. (vo) He says the number of covid patients in nearby East Georgia Regional remains constant, and the number of patients on ventilators has risen. He believes those numbers, and the number of people lost, will start

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BEAUFORT  
MEMORIAL ON MU  
VARIANT

"Right now it's not a very big player in terms of numbers, but obviously the scientific community is keeping a close look at it, because the concern is just like Delta started out a bit slo and built up some steam, there's always that potential with any variant." National health experts are tracking this variant too, but they believe COVID vaccines are working to prevent people from getting seriously sick with this new variant.

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8AM  
DAYBREAK  
9/19/2021 SUNDAY OD      COVID UPDATE

THAT'S "NO" FOR HEALTHY PEOPLE UNDER 65 (vaccine footage) FOR THOSE OLDER OR ANYONE, REGARDLESS OF AGE, WITH A COMPROMISED IMMUNE SYSTEM THEY SHOULD PLAN TO GET A 3rdPFIZER SHOT.. FRI0268 AS EARLY AS NEXT WEEK, THE FDA WILL REVIEW THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS; THEN, THE CDC STEPS UP FOR A FINAL SAY. (gfx) ALL THIS COMES AT A TIME WHEN NEW CDC DATA SHOW A DROP IN THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PFIZER VACCINE. TWO WEEKS TO 4 MONTHS IT WAS 91% EFFECTIVE. BEYOND 120 DAYS, EFFECTIVENESS FELL TO 77%. THE MODERNA VACCINE SHOWED NO DECREASE. (end gfx) (vaccinations) THERE ARE HAS BEEN A UPTICK IN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE GETTING VACCINATION IN RECENT WEEKS, BUT THE NEWS FROM GOVERNMENT AGENCIES MIGHT BRING CONFUSION: (SOT DR. ASHISH JHA 04:47) I think the lack of clear messaging is certainly going to confuse people, and it's going to make it harder for some people to get that third shot if they need it, or maybe even some people their first shot. FRI0

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9/20/2021 6PM OD      PEDIATRICIAN ON PFIZER VAX PLAN

â€‘Dr. Ben Spitalnick, a pediatrician with Pediatric Associates of Savannah, says for those with kids under 12, life hasnâ€™t necessarily gotten back to normal, with many precautions still being taken to help keep their own children safe. While he says Pfizerâ€™s determination that their vaccine is safe for kids five to 11, itâ€™s a start, but added weâ€™re not to the point just yet where pediatricians will start giving doses to that age bracket.

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5AM SARAH: PFIZER  
9/21/2021 DAYBREAK OD UPDATE

Pfizer's announcement comes after a new report showed the second highest number of childhood COVID-19 cases for a week since the pandemic began. According to the American Academy of Pediatrics -- since the pandemic began, children represented 15.5% of total covid cases. For week of September 2-9 -- children were 28.9% of reported weekly COVID-19 cases. Dr. Ben Spitalnick says they have been busy at Pediatric Associates of Savannah are expecting a big turnout to get the vaccine once it is approved just like they experienced when the 12-17 age group could receive the vaccine.

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5AM  
9/22/2021 DAYBREAK OD SARAH: FLU SEASON

Dr. Ben Spitalnick / Pediatric Associates of Savannah "While it is great that last year we had a low flu season, part of that was masking, part of that was flu shots, this year we are having less social distancing and we need the flu vaccines to keep this year's flu season low because we don't want a double dose of flu and covid at the same time." There is no wait time between the flu and covid vaccines -- you can get both of them at the same time.

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9/22/2021 4:30PM OD

CHILD PASSENGERY  
SAFETY WEEK

It's child passenger safety week - And car crashes are a leading cause of death in children ages one to thirteen. While most families use car seats, boosters to protect kids -- The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says a majority are \*not\* put in properly. In the emergency department at children's healthcare of Atlanta -- Dr. Angela Costa has seen first hand the dangers of children not properly restrained.

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9/22/2021 5PM OD

MARY: COVID SC:  
PAST THE PEAK?

"Unfortunately, I don't feel that we can be confident that we have turned the corner." DHEC data shows the number of cases in South Carolina per 100-thousand people is falling. Hospitalizations are still high â€“ but starting to level off â€“ while deaths are rising. DHEC Assistant State Epidemiologist Dr. Jane Kelly says South Carolina isn't out of the woods yet â€“ with many hospitals still strained by the virus. She's hopeful that these numbers indicate the state's current surge could be diminishing â€“ but cautions that South Carolinians should not become complacent. "We let down our guard about masks, about the importance of getting vaccinated, about the importance of keeping our distance, especially in indoor settings, then we risk that surge going back up again."

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6AM  
DAYBREAK    TYBEE ISLAND  
9/23/2021 SATURDAY OD BEACH CONDITIONS

And speaking of Tybee if you're heading to the beach be careful. Lifeguards are warning people to expect dangerous water conditions over the next few days due to rip currents. They say the rip currents are most prominent north of third street and that these types of conditions are the worst during high tide times. Remember, if you do get caught in a rip current, swim parallel to the shore to escape it.

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9/23/2021 5PM OD    MARY: COVID IN  
NURSING HOMES

"I think family members with folks in nursing homes need to know this information." Here are the most recent figures from the AARP's COVID dashboard. Again, both cases per 100 residents and deaths per 100 residents are a steep increase from July. But they're not nearly as high as what nursing homes experienced during the winter peak. The AARP is calling for these facilities to require worker vaccinations â€“ because many do not have a mandate at this point. It reports the percentages of fully vaccinated healthcare workers and nursing home residents in South Carolina â€“ are among the lowest in the country. "Vaccination is certainly our strongest weapon against COVID-19 hospitalization and mortality. The uptick in nursing homes is related, in large part, to the lack of vaccination among everyone."

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### RICHMOND HILL FLU SEASON

The Richmond Hill Pharmacy says last year, cases of the flu were historically low, but that might not be the case this year. Pharmacist Al Dixon says they are already seeing more traffic for flu vaccines than last year. "We already got our vaccines in. We've already had patients coming in, requesting to get vaccinated, which is a good sign." Dixon says they listen to guidance from the CDC. And he adds, one of the ways they predict the severity of this flu season is by comparing opposite seasons from other countries like Australia. "They've had a pretty severe flu season so the CDC is thinking that we potentially can have a severe flu season as well, so we're encouraging people to come get vaccinated and continue to wash your hands frequently." Not just flu shots...Dixon says they are still seeing steady traffic for COVID vaccines. But not as much for COVID testing. "As far as testing goes, the demand

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9/25/2021 WEEKEND OD

### WEST NILE VIRUS FROM WILMINGTON ISLAND

The Chatham County Mosquito Control has confirmed another sample from Wilmington Island has tested positive for West Nile Virus. It was originally detected in mosquito pools on the island at the end of August.

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"If that means going in and getting the flu shot in one arm, the Covid shot in the other, that's perfectly fine." The CDC recommends flu shots for everyone 6 months and older with a few exceptions. The agency says September and October are generally good times to be vaccinated, and ideally, everyone should be vaccinated by the end of October. Top health officials say fighting flu and covid-19 at the same time...isn't something

9/28/2021 4:30PM OD COVID AND THE FLU that's expected to go away.

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"A nurse at NorthSpring says things have been tough since COVID started, but their staff has worked tirelessly to make sure everyone is safe." NorthSpring has stayed consistent with COVID precautions since the pandemic began. "Because we were scared. We were like everybody else. We really didn't know what was coming, we didn't know what to expect but we felt like we needed to protect the residents so we just locked down." And they haven't seen a high volume of COVID cases because of it. "We were one of the first ones in the community to be vaccinated." All of their residents are fully vaccinated and 90% of their staff. The facility doesn't even accept new residents who aren't vaccinated. "Healthcare workers, home health and hospice and therapists and all, but if they're not vaccinated they can't come in." All staff and visitors have to wear a mask

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9/29/2021 6PM OD

CHATHAM CO.  
MOSQUITO  
PREVENTION

Sean: The director here over Mosquito Control says when it comes to the mosquito population the equation is simple: more water, equals more mosquitoes. Ture Carlson - Director, Chatham County Mosquito Control "We're really about 24-hours out from what could be a pretty impressive hatch of mosquitoes." Carlson says the effort started last week to treat at least 16-hundred acres for immature mosquitoes after Monday's intense rain dumped inches across the county, leaving behind pools of standing water. Carlson: "That rain was so big, we're kind of almost county-wide, to tell you the truth. We did a lot of aerial work with the helicopters. We had them from Georgetown to the Islands and all the way out to Tybee, all the way up to Bloomingdale." Lifelong Wilmington Island resident Caleb Martin says big hatch or not, he'll still enjoy the outdoors. Caleb Martin - Wilmington Island resident "Regardless of if the bugs are out or not, I'm gonn

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CHATHAM CO.  
MOSQUITO  
PREVENTION

Chatham County's Mosquito Control director says this mosquito season has been relatively slow county-wide. But the big rain storm last week could soon have an impact on the mosquito population across the county. Behind me you can see this is what it looked like in Georgetown. Sean Evans explains what mosquito control officials are doing now to keep the pest population as low as possible.

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9/30/2021 4:30PM OD

CDC HEALTH  
ADVISORY FOR  
PREGNANT WOMEN

"Another high risk condition incidentally is pregnancy and CDC now is actively urging us the pregnant and recently pregnant patients get vaccinated or get boosters as they are likely to or more likely to become severely ill."

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**ISSUE 4-FIRE SAFETY ALERTING THE COMMUNITY OF FIRES IN THE AREA MAKING THEM MORE AWARE OF PREVENTING FIRE IN THEIR HOMES AND BUSINESSES. FIREWORKS SAFETY, TYBEE FIRE CHIEF FOLIO, AND FUTURE PLAN, NEW POOLER FIRE STATION, FIREFIGHTERS COVID DEATHS, SAVANNAH FIREFIGHTER REFLECTS ON 9/11, BURTON HELICOPTER TRAINING SOURCE: FIRE FIGHTER, SAV. FIRE DEPT AND OTHER AREA DEPTS**

"Remember fireworks are only permitted until 11:59 PM on the fourth of July, after that it becomes an issue. Also remember, celebratory gun fire will also not be tolerated. What goes up must come down and it usually comes down where we don't want it to." Police also want to remind you -- it is illegal to use fireworks in any park, historic site or other state property.

4:30AM SAV FIRE:  
7/1/2021 DAYBREAK OD FIREWORKS SAFETY And PLEASE don't drink and drive.

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7/6/2021 6PM OD

SEAN TYBEE FIRE  
PLAN

Tybee Island's Fire Department's top position is currently in flux. Without a permanent chief in place at the moment, Tybee's City Council will consider this Thursday bringing a chief or assistant chief from Chatham Fire on board to guide the agency through the busy tourist season. "Council is looking at a temporary situation where the Chatham Fire department, formerly Southside Fire, can come in and offer a leadership role to guide us through, get us through this busy season that we're in." It's a move Mayor Sessions says has been considered in the past. She says there aren't any plans to change the Tybee Island Fire Department, or make any changes to existing staff. Sessions: "Our staff will remain the same. The only thing that we're looking at is a temporary leadership in the way of a chief or assistant chief that can evaluate what we're doing, and also motivate and encourage and educate and make s

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7/12/2021 6PM OD

TYBEE FIRE CHIEF  
FOLO

City Manager Shawn Gillen says these options could include continuing to work with Chatham Emergency Services, find a qualified person from another department, such as Savannah Fire, OR find a retired person who'd be eager to help Tybee's department given their experience. As it stands, Gillen says he does have some people in mind for the role. He says he will then bring the options he and the city attorney come up with to council during a special meeting.

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TYBEE FIRE CHIEF  
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"It's an emotional issue as always any time you're dealing with the fire department. Tybee's fire goes back as a long strong tradition and we want to honor that. But we also need to provide public safety for the citizens in the best way we can, so we have to give all options to the council. We can't out of hand dismiss an idea just because it might become a heated discussion we have to take a look at all options."

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8/18/2021 5:30pm OD

NEW POOLER FIRE  
STATION

"As we know the growth in Pooler has been tremendous, especially over the past 13 years since I've been here." Of course, more growth means more to cover for the Pooler Fire Department. And with the newly approved Fire Station 5, Chief Wade Simmons says they'll be able to do just that. "The last area that we hadn't built up on was Jimmy Deloach Parkway." While they hadn't built up on it everyone else has been from warehouses to family homes. Making that ten-minute response time from their closest station on Pooler Parkway more and more dangerous. "Fire doubles in size every minute and on medical anything over 4 to 6 minutes they'll start having brain damage. So, everybody we want to keep in that 4 to 6-minute window so we're double where we really need to be for that." The new station will be just off Jimmy Deloach on Nordic Drive. Not only will the new location help keep those nearby residents safe

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5AM NEW POOLER FIRE  
8/19/2021 DAYBREAK OD STATION

"Fire doubles in size every minute and on medical anything over 4 to 6 minutes they'll start having brain damage. So, everybody we want to keep in that 4 to 6-minute window so we're double where we really need to be for that" The new station is set to be built right off Jimmy Deloach on Nordic Drive. Not only will the new location help keep those nearby residents safe, it's addition could also save you some money. The chief says that having a station closer to residents means they'll save money too because homeowners will see a decrease in their insurance prices. It'll still be a while until Station 5 is ready though, it's expected to be up and running in 10 to 12 months

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TYBEE FIRE CHIEF  
FOLO

These are the documents we've waited weeks to go through. In my hands are serious accusations against Tybee Island's former fire chief. In April, complaints about former Fire Chief Matt Harrell were coming to light. Documents WTOC requested from the city of Tybee Island included several complaints, female lifeguards specifically, stated that Harrell "crossed the line" and was "inappropriate" towards the females on staff. Other claims pointed to the work environment saying Harrell would show "aggressive behavior" and "crack down" on the guards instead of "correcting" them during training. Harrel was put on paid administrative leave on May 13 while city reviewed and investigated the complaints. This was only (POST ON FACEBOOK SAY APRIL 9TH -- HOW MANY MONTHS AFTER PROMOTION). Letters of support from residents and former co-workers were sent in to city hall after Harrell was put on administrative leave. There was also a petition si

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8/27/2021 6PM OD

FIREFIGHTER COVID  
DEATHS

(sot) Firefighters from both communities say their longtime volunteers will be missed. The fact that both died from covid makes the loss even more heartbreaking. (vo) The funeral drape still hangs here at the Claxton Fire Department just like a somber mood. They paid their respects yesterday to veteran assistant chief Alan McNeese, who served here for 42 years. (sot) ...that definitely takes dedication. He was passionate about the job. I say "job" but we're an all-volunteer department. (vo) McNeese was hospitalized earlier in the month from his second bout with covid. In Sylvania, the flag flies at half-staff outside the Public Safety station. Chris Clifton served a decade here, as well as Screven County and Newinton fire departments.

He passed Wednesday night after a shorter hospital stay. (sot) Always dependable. Show

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9/8/2021 5PM OD

SAV FIREFIGHTER  
REFLECTS ON 911

On September 11th, 2001, now Savannah Fire Captain Glenn Carlson was a sergeant with the Mount Pleasant Police Department, about 15 miles from the New York City line. Capt. Glenn Carlson - Savannah Fire â€œOn that morning, I was in my office at police headquarters when we saw that there was planes that had hit the World Trade Center.â€ Captain Carlson says shortly after, his department had a contingent of officers ready to go help, including him, just waiting for word on where they were needed most. Capt. Glenn Carlson - Savannah Fire â€œIt was surreal. We could see the plume of smoke, no cars at all.â€ Carlson says at that point, just a few hours after the attack, only first responders were allowed into Manhattan. He says another striking sight, were the military jets flying just overhead. Capt. Glenn Carlson - Savannah Fire â€œFor me, I was at the time a 17-year police veteran. And thatâ€™s something that I hadnâ€™t seen. And it was certainly unsettl

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9/24/2021 6PM OD

BURTON  
HELICOPTER  
TRAINING

Standup: (Tyler Manion - @TylerManionTV) Every minute counts when a patient is inside a helicopter like this, and you can see just how little room the medical crew has to operate. "Every minute that you're having a heart attack and you're not at a Cath Lab that's heart muscle that's dying and that's people that we can help the best." Vo Burton Fire District firefighters got some training today on trauma protocol when assisting helivac operations. Nat - helicopter Vo Captain Daniel Byrne says these few hours of practice will pay dividends down the road. "When it's at night and you're walking towards a helicopter you feel the wind your engines are turning the blades are turning over your head, it may cause people to get a little nervous a little distracted and that's how accidents happen. So getting some of our firefighters that d

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9/28/2021 11PM OD

SAV FIRE: 10K  
REWARD FOR  
SUSPECT ID

New at 11 - There's a \$10-thousand dollar reward for information leading to an arrest and conviction of an arson suspect. Take a look at these pictures from Savannah Fire. They say someone set fire to a truck parked outside of a auto body shop on Waters street in Savannah. It happened Wednesday September 22nd. If you know anything, call the number on your screen. we also have that number on our website.

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9/28/2021 11PM OD

RICHMOND HILL:  
TRUCK FIRE

New at 11- a scary scene in Richmond Hill when an 18-wheeler caught fire at a gas station. You can see flames shooting out of the front and the back of the truck. The cab of the truck was destroyed. It happened at the Love's station on Highway 17. The Richmond Hill Fire Chief tells WTOC no one was injured, and no other vehicles were damaged.

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**DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST  
SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.**

**EDUCATION**  
**JULY 1, 2021– SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

**CBS NETWORK PROGRAMMING**

**FACE THE NATION**

- 07/11/21      **Guests:** Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (2); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (3) (7); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Jeh Johnson, former Secretary of Homeland Security (5); Scott Kirby, CEO, United Airlines (6)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
2) Topics include:; how states will address mask wearing in schools
- 07/18/21      **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Ken McClure, mayor, Springfield, MO (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (3); Chris Krebs, partner, Krebs Stamos Group, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (4); Jill Schlesinger, CBS News business analyst (5); Admiral Mike Mullen, former chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff (6); David Becker, director & founder, Center for Election Innovation and Research (7)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
2) Topics include: preparing for back to school /
- 08/08/21      **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Governor Asa Hutchinson (R-AR) (2); Brittany Comisso, ("executive assistant #1) NY Governor Andrew Cuomo accuser (3); Miguel Cardona, Secretary of Education, Biden administration (4); Alberto Carvalho, superintendent, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (6); Amanda Ripley, author, *High Conflict: Why We Get Trapped and How We Get Out*  
**Guest Correspondent:** Jericka Duncan, CBS News national correspondent (3)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent, contributor, CBS SUNDAY MORNING  
1) opposition to mask mandates as schools reopen,  
4) Topics include: in-person return to school / / cost of the pandemic on schooling /  
5) Topics include: the Florida governor's executive order banning mask mandates in schools / call for a balanced set of protocols and safeguards / convincing households to come back to in-person schooling / impact of the coronavirus pandemic on children in poverty  
6) Topics include: impact of the Delta variant on the new school year / precautions schools should take to stay ahead of the Delta variant / advice to parents who have concerns about the coronavirus vaccines
- 08/22/21      **Guests:** Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (1); Kris Van Cleave, CBS News Congressional correspondent (2); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (3); Roxana Saberi, CBS News foreign correspondent (4); Antony Blinken, U.S. Secretary of State, Biden administration (5); Nikki Haley, former ambassador to the United Nations, Trump administration

(6); Ryan Crocker, former U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, Obama administration (7); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (8); Governor Larry Hogan (R-MD) (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10)

**Guest Moderator:** Major Garrett, CBS News chief Washington correspondent  
1) a report from the Montauk area on Long Island, on Tropical Storm Henri

9) Topics include: precautions taken for the new school year

10) Topics include:, specifically in children / testing as an effective tool in school districts /

08/29/21

**Guests:** Omar Villafranca, CBS News correspondent (1); Mireya Villarreal, CBS News correspondent (2); Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (3) (11); Governor Jon Bell Edwards (D-LA) (4); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (5); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (6); Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) (7); Jake Sullivan, White House national security adviser, Biden administration (8); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10); Sharon Weston Broome, mayor, (D-Baton Rouge, LA) (12)

**Guest Moderator:** Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent

10) Topics include: future of the vaccine for young children / advice for parents as they send their kids back to school

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**Guests:** Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1); Governor Phil Murphy (D-NJ) (2); Jessie Mitchell, CBS News reporter (3); Cynthia Lee Sheng, president, Jefferson Parish, LA (4); Representative Veronica Escobar (D-TX) (5); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (6); Sue Gordon, former principal deputy director of National Intelligence (7); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (8)

**Guest Moderator:** Weijia Jiang, CBS News senior White House correspondent

2) Topics include: reaction to the criticism of his decision not to require school staff to show proof of vaccination or submit to coronavirus testing until October;

09/12/21

**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (2); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (3); Representative Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) (4); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (5); Michael Morell, former acting and deputy CIA director, CBS News senior national security contributor (6); Alberto Carvalho, superintendent, Miami-Dade County public schools, FL (7); Dr. James Versalovic, interim pediatrician-in-chief, Texas Children's Hospital (8)

1) a report from Atlanta on the impact of COVID on children, as more return to school -- some in states that have banned or restricted school masking mandates

2) Topics include: timeline of authorizing COVID vaccines for children ages 5 to 11 /

7) Topics include: death of 13 school personnel from COVID in the Miami-Dade district /

**60 MINUTES**

07/04/21

**“Best Band in the Land”** – a profile of Ray Johnson, the director of the St. Augustine High School marching band in New Orleans. The popular group has persevered through numerous obstacles, including Hurricane Katrina and the current coronavirus pandemic, and Johnson's own experience performing with the band uniquely qualifies him to lead the group. Includes interviews with Dr. Kenneth St. Charles, president of St. Augustine High School; Dr. Brice Miller and his son Brice Miller, who were both members of the marching band; and Kabrel Johnson and Lawerence Honore, who are part of the marching band's drumline. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Laura Dodd) (OAD: 03/14/21)

08/22/21

**“Kindred in the Bleachers”** – a profile of sports writer Dave Kindred. After a decorated career reporting on major professional athletes, Kindred has turned his focus to women's high school basketball and the Morton, Illinois Lady Potters. Includes interviews with Bob Becker, coach of the Lady Potters, Josie Becker, Jacey Wharram, and Courtney Jones, Lady Potter alums; and Katie Krupa, Caitlyn Cowley, Raquel Frakes, and Maggie Hobson, current Lady Potters. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Michael Karzis) (OAD: 03/28/21)

## **WTOC NEWSCASTS**

ISSUE 5-SCHOOL SAFETY-HOW SCHOOLS ARE PROTECTING THEIR STUDENTS AND WHAT MEASURES ADMINS HAVE TAKEN. HOW LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE PLANNING TO KEEP KIDS SAFE WHEN THEY GO BACK TO SCHOOL. CORONAVIRUS SAFETY IN SCHOOLS, HOW SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE KEEPING STUDENTS AND STAFF SAFE DURING THE PANDEMIC. STUDENT VACCINES, SCCPSS ON MASK GUIDANCE, BACK TO SCHOOL COVID PLAN FOR SCCPSS INCLUDING BUSES, COVID VACCINES FOR CHILDREN, PEDS ON MASKS, SC GOV. ON SCHOOL PRECAUTIONS, SSU ATHLETE VAX POLICY, STUDENT ABUSE REPORTING, SPORTS COVID SAFETY, JASPER CO. SCHOOL VACCINATION, GSU FOOTBALL VAX RATE, GSU CONTRACT TRACING, GSU VACCINE INCENTIVES, STATE HOLIDAY FOR ARE SCHOOL SYSTEMS TO GET VACCINE, UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA SYSTEM ON ALLOWING UNIVERSITIES TO MAKE OWN POLICIES INCLUDING MASK MANDATES, CANDLER COUNTY SCHOOL HACKER, RICHMOND HILL TEACHER'S BEHAVIOR REPORTED, STATESBORO CAMPUS SHOOTING, EFFINGHAM SCHOOL SPEED CAMERAS, SCHOOL SHOOTING DATA, BEAUFORT SCHOOL SECURITY, TATNALL CO. TEACHER ARRESTED  
SOURCE: CAMPUS POLICE, DR. ANN IEVETT BEAUFORT AND OTHER CO. SCHOOLS, GSU ETC

"The CDC just released new guidance for k-12 schools and it's bringing back the issues of masking in the classroom." "These are guidelines not mandates." The guidance from the CDC makes it clear students should be back in the classroom this year. They also acknowledge that schools will have a mixture of vaccinated and unvaccinated people making a layered safety approach important. They say those who are fully vaccinated do not need to wear a mask, but masking remains important for those who haven't got their shot or are not eligible. They also recommend 3 ft of social distance in classrooms. "I think it also orients parents to what would trusted health advisors at the CDC recommend for you if your child is unvaccinated and you're in an environment where masking is voluntary. I would take that messaging to say that if I have a child who is unvaccinated and vo

COVID  
VACCINES  
FOR  
CHILDREN

7/9/2021 6PM OD

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"In a little more than three weeks from now Savannah-Chatham schools will be back to full in-person learning, but they are also coming back to some new guidance from the CDC." "is it confusing, it can be, is it chaotic sometimes it can be, but if we look at it as an opportunity to do all that we can to make our sites as safe as we can then it just becomes another thing that we need to do to take care of our students and our staff." While Savannah-Chatham students in the district's summer learning program have to wear masks now.. when they return to in-person learning 5 days a week in August masks will be optional. This is the case regardless of staff or student and vaccine status. Teachers say their decision will depend.. "I am fully vaccinated so I don't have a problem with taking my mask off with the kids." "I real

7/12/2021 6PM OD      SCCPSS ON CDC MASK GUIDANCE      0:01:33

"I really think I would wear it when I was walking around and talking to the kids, but if I was at the front of the class, you know doing something on the board to demonstrate I probably wouldn't because I'd want to make sure they could hear me."

6AM      SCCPSS ON      SCCPSS Nurses say they will still be taking similar precautions  
DAYBREAK      CDC MASK      as last year when it comes to preventing the spread of COVID-  
7/13/2021 OD      GUIDANCE      19 in your students schools.

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SCCPSS  
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BOLTS

7/14/2021 5PM OD

"We recognize that that there will, there may be challenges in terms of persons contracting COVID. So our covid response team will remain in place. We will continue to contact trace, we will continue to ensure that people are aware of quarantine protocols and that there may be closures based on threat level or actual contagion so please be aware." District officials also mentioned that while most students will go back to the classroom they do have a full virtual option with the savannah-chatham e-learning academy which has 1,000 students registered.

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7/14/2021 11PM OD

"On the school bus are we still going to have one child per seat, are we going back to a fully loaded bus. Are we not going to be thinking about social distancing. I know a lot of districts are relaxing their mask requirements and of course for a lot of our elementary teachers who teach children who are younger than twelve who are not eligible for the vaccine, that is a concern for those educators or our students and their families ultimately." WTOC will keep you updated as school systems across our area finalize plans for the fall. You can find the full list of when schools in the Coastal Empire and Lowcountry return to class on our website WTOC.com

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7/15/2021 OD	4:30AM DAYBREAK OR GA:EDUCAT ASSOCIATI ON	LOCAL PEDS REACT TO KIDS & MASKING	"What I am worried about is with this delta variant rising that we are going to see increased cases and it's going to lead to a difficult start to the school year with the appropriate quarantines for exposure, with the risk of catching it so masking right now is a really good idea. And as the school year goes maybe we can relax those guidelines, but for now I think the AAP's guidance masks for all 2 and up makes a lot of sense." Dr. Ben feels masking can help not only keep kids healthy, but also in school. Several districts are set to begin soon with limited social distancing and optional masking.. Dr. Ben thinks this may impact cases in schools. "In an option environment masks won't be worn so yes, in that situation I do think we'll see a rise, I hope we don't." The best way to protect yourself against the virus is with vaccination. Doctors sa	0:01:18

(sot) For some parents, buying school supplies for one child can be challenging, let alone if they have more than one. A committee from the Statesboro Bulloch Chamber of Commerce hopes to help. They're holding their first ever Back to School Block Party and covid vaccine clinic. They say 2020 and 2021 have been tough on some parents and they're struggling to feed and clothe children. School supplies might be out of their means. They'll have the Pfizer and Johnson & Johnson vaccines here and say they want to help you get your kids vaccinated for school. (sot) We thought it was good to connect the two together so that when we're giving vaccines for 12 and up, we can also give out supplies. (sot) She says having it on a Saturday is no accident. This way parents who work all week and can't get off in time to get to a clinic can get all of this done at once. The city of State

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"Last year my son didn't get to enjoy a typical full freshman year so I want him to be able to enjoy that college experience and getting that vaccine may be that avenue to do that." Warner says his whole family was vaccinated back in April to protect themselves from COVID-19 including his son Karrington a sophomore on the SSU football team. While the announcement from the SIAC doesn't change their decision, it does provide a level of safety Warner is grateful for as his son takes the field this fall.. "I whole heartedly agree with their decision and I, my wife and I feel safer knowing that if Karrington is vaccinated and everyone around him is vaccinated really will limit the opportunity for him to become COVID positive." Warner admits he is nervous to see what happens to their roster because of this decision, but he is hopeful it brings a safer season in just a few weeks.

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7/20/2021 6PM OD

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"We don't want any outbreaks anywhere. That's why as I said, we are monitoring very carefully and staying in touch with all the data and all the information, the best information that we can get. Sometimes you have to sift it out and be sure that we understand what the data shows, but we're watching it very carefully." WTOC will continue to reach out to school leaders in ON SCHOOL the lead up to the new school year in the Palmetto State.

PRECAUTIO Hampton, Jasper and Beaufort County School districts are all set to return Monday, August 16th.

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"Beach High School students are taking their skills from the classroom to the clinic as they get ready to start a brand new school year." "You've got blood return, good job!" It's hands on training as a phlebotomist. Drawing blood from their classmates.. "Sticking someone for the first time is kind of nervous because you can't see it, so you gotta go for it." Students on both sides of the needle felt the pressure, but rose the occasion after two weeks of education and practice. "All right there you go look at you, first stick. Everybody's first stick!" Martha White the nurse practitioner in charge of the clinic and a former Beach high graduate says this was a proud moment after a tough year. The clinic opened for a few weeks back in 2020 before COVID shut them down, but now they are ready to reopen.

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Today- staff were preparing for the clinic, which will be held from 9 a.m. to noon at Bradwell Institute's gym. Nurses from the school district and health department will administer the first dose of the Pfizer vaccine. Students will return for their second dose on August 14. A parent or guardian must be present for both doses. This is registration only...we'll have a link on our website.

		School leaders at Savannah-Chatham say that yesterdays announcement that masks are required inside the schools was the only way they were going to be able to continue a school year in-person 5 days a week. There is no social distancing in the classrooms because they need to be able to fit all of the students back into that space -- since they are allowing everyone back in the building - masks were the only option -- according to the superintendent -- Dr. Ann Levett. She hopes students will be in the classroom all year long but nurses are trained and ready to handle contact tracing this year. They have a team in every single school that will address any covid cases that come up. Christina Chancey, BSN, RSN, District Cluster Nurse/ "identify person positive, if they were symptomatic in school you know that date, then you go back two days..they may not have been in school when they got tested but they were day before, so you go back and trace all	0:01:44
7/28/2021 NOON OD	SCCPSS MASK MANDATE		

	"Hundreds of families showed up to the Chatham County Health Department for their back to school clinic as they prepare to send their students back to the classroom." "It really gives us an opportunity to see if there is any deficiencies in any of those areas so that we can make referrals." Families lined up all day to get free vision, hearing, dental and nutrition screenings before heading back to school in less than a week. While the 29-dollar service is offered all year long, families were eager to get it for free as it's required for all students entering a Georgia school for the first time. In addition to the free screening families could also get caught up on vaccinations including their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. County Health Leaders say they saw 180 kids at their last clinic and were on pace to see that many or more today..	0:01:13
7/29/2021 5PM OD	SCCPSS BACK TO SCHOOL CLINIC	

			We learned a lot about COVID in schools last year, but health leaders say comparing that to what could happen in a classroom this year is hard because of the impact of the highly infectious delta variant. "We were fortunate last year that transmission from kids infected at school to home to their families did not really seem to occur all that often we don't know what's going to happen with this one because it's just a different animal. We don't have the experience with it yet in a school setting." The coastal health district says a key part of helping schools get through the pandemic is their school response team. "We are true partners in trying to keep COVID-19 out of the schools and making a very safe and healthy environment for our children to learn." The team provides individualized guidance t	
7/30/2021 6PM OD	SCCPSS HEALTH RESPONSE TEAM			0:01:57
6AM DAYBREAK 7/30/2021 OD	2021 SY ABUSE REPORTING		"Being an hybrid model or virtual model made it a bit more difficult, because we did not have our children to ask those probing questions to get clarifying answers to thing things we may have assumed. It was all that we seen or thought we not seen on camera." Leaders with coastal children's advocacy center say mandated reporters and families need to keep a look out for possible signs like anger, depression, withdrawal, isolation which could open a conversation with the children.	0:00:33

			"I think parents should be cautious they should encourage their kids to comply with the multiple mitigation strategies that will be used and if their kids are eligible for a vaccine they should take them and get them vaccinated." // "We are true partners in trying to keep COVID-19 out of the schools and making a very safe and healthy environment for our children to learn." Leaders of the school response team say students and staff who are vaccinated will have different guidance if exposed to someone who tests positive.. Ultimately they are hopeful all the work to mitigate cases will lead to a successful start to school next week	
7AM DAYBREAK SATURDAY 7/31/2021 OD	SCCPSS HEALTH RESPONSE TEAM			0:01:13
8/3/2021 11PM OD	SSU ATHLETICS		"Things will look different we'd hope it would be a return of all of 2019 but it's not going to be the return we quite expected because of the Delta variant our student athletes are getting vaccinated. Our student have gotten vaccinated also. That's going to be the key for us. The more students coming back with vaccines means we will have a sense of more normalcy." Freshman move in 10th and 11th.	0:00:40

As more than 1-thousand Savannah Chatham County Public School Students prepare to kick off fall sports ... the COVID-19 delta variant is surging ... causing coronavirus protocols to remain in place for spectators wanting to attend these sporting events. For now ... indoor sports will allow 50 percent capacity ... that's up from 20-percent last year ... and the outdoor events will have 75-percent capacity ... social distancing in both settings is encouraged for spectators. "For outdoor events, we are not mandating masks. Football, softball, cross country-anything outdoors, we're going to recommend them to wear a mask , but we're not going to allow them to not attend. They can come in without a mask... so indoor events, though, everybody is required to wear a mask inside. Even in the gym." While students have to wear masks during the day at school ... once class is over and practice begins ... they ca

8/4/2021 6PM OD      SPORTS BACK TO SCHOOL      0:02:12

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8/4/2021 08 04      SAFETY      DR. BEN SPITALNICK, PEDIATRIC ASSOCIATES OF SAVANNAH IN CUE:if your child is over the age of 2, have them mask up. OUT CUE: Make them feel ok they're doing the right thing and keeping themselves healthy      0:01:54

8/6/2021 4PM OD

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"This is a fluid process. This is another year like we've never had before and we're going to be learning a lot of lessons as we go forward." SCCPSS Lead Nurse Lisa Wilson says the first day back in the classroom was successful. But as chatter spreads about COVID-19 cases popping up in some schools ... she says parents need to keep a few things in mind. "If there is a concern that a student has been exposed we ask the parent to keep the student at home until they can determine whether or not there has been a true exposure and whether or not their student may have symptoms. We also ask parents who have had their children tested for COVID that they not return the students to the classroom until they know the results of the test." Parent Patricia Gordon says her daughters' school has already sent her an email about a positive COVID-19 case. She says she's feeling the stress that last year brought all over again.

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Students at HardeevilleRidgeland Middle School will be coming back in the next few weeks, so before that happens the district partnered with Coastal Carolina Hospital to turn their gymnasium into a pop up vaccine clinic. Sot: (Michele Wright - JCSD Nursing Coordinator) "This is very important with the upcoming school year. We know that we have this new variant that's out there and the most important way to protect our staff and our students is to make sure that they're vaccinated." Vo And having the clinic at the school, made it easier for everyone. Sot: (Nancy Bing - Brought Great Grandchild to get Vaccinated) "When I first got mine you had a hard time finding a place to go to get it, but now they making it convenient for the kids." One student I talked to said the location was all his mom needed to make him get Pfizer dose number 1 today. Sot: (Esau Prestegui - JCSD Student Vaccinated today) "As soon as she heard I could g

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8/9/2021 4:30PM OD

In about a week kids won't be playing in parks like this one in Bluffton. Nat Vo But instead, they'll be in school. And their parents will be choosing whether or not the kids will be masked. Sot: "I will be sending them to school without masks." Vo Emily Cantley said parenting during COVID has been stressful, but she's had a clear focus. Sot: (Emily Cantley - Bluffton Parent) "Since the start of the pandemic I decided as a parent that I was going to try to preserve their childhood and not act out of fear." Vo She agrees with Governor McMaster and thinks it's best that each parent make their own decision, no matter if they are for or against masking in schools. Sot: "I feel like we should have the freedom to choose whether we send our kids back to school with a mask. I am anti-mask for my children, but at the same time if there's a parent that wants to send their kid to school with masks, I'm also not that person that's going

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8/9/2021 6PM OD

Superintendent of Beaufort County Schools Dr. Frank Rodriguez can't force students in his schools to wear masks by current state law, but I asked him if he'd be doing anything differently if that law wasn't in place. This was his answer. "When you look at last year and we were dealing with the pandemic last year, we did have in place in our schools mask mandates as part of our mitigating strategy. Proviso 1.108 doesn't allow us to do that this year." Vo However, there are some Covid safety precautions that Dr. Rodriguez is able to put in place. Sot: "Proviso 1.108 is silent on masks on buses, so we are requiring masks on a bus. We are requiring masks in our nurses offices and our nurses area, as well as in our athletic training area. That's all in line with proviso 1.108." On cam tag: With the start of school here now less than a week away, we'

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(sot) Bulloch County's superintendent says the adjustments to covid protocols are designed to help keep asymptomatic kids in school and not bounced from one quarantine after another. (vo) This week the school district announced updates to their covid policies. Specifically, they won't require asymptomatic students to quarantine if they're exposed..even if they're exposed at school. Superintendent Charles Wilson says they're basing this change on Georgia Department of Public Health's most recent administrative order. It stresses the value of in-person instruction and allows local school districts some latitude in setting guidelines for asymptomatic students exposed in school. The superintendent says they're trying to balance student safety and access to education. (sot) All decisions are a balance. In the balance of a school system, you have to look at the overall well-being of our st

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"She came home and told me 'Mom, I have to be quarantined because someone on the bus has COVID.'" Danielle Fontaine's 16-year-old daughter has to spend the next 10 days at home, after the Long County School System announced Tuesday that students on bus route 26 must be quarantined. The assistant superintendent says that's 49 students...all in high school. Leaving families, like Fontaine, wondering how their child will continue with schoolwork. "I called the school and asked if virtual was an option, and they told me virtual was not an option this year." "So what are you going to be doing?" "I'm going to have to pay out of pocket and homeschool my kids." "For the rest of the school year?" "Yeah." I spoke to the superintendent this morning- who said quarantined students won't have a virtual instructor...but will get their assign

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8/11/2021 NOON OD      SCCPSS PARENT LITTLE PROTEST

A small group of parents protested outside of the meeting this morning. They say they don't want their kids to have to wear masks while in school. The Savannah-Chatham County School District is requiring everyone to wear masks while in school facilities.

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â€“(sot) The return to campuses and classes for more than 27,000 Georgia Southern students still includes some adjustments..even this year. (vo) Students made their way to all the places you expect on the first day. Southern and other public universities begin Fall term with many protocols lifted or at least loosened. (sot) We are face to face. We're encouraging students to wear masks. We're encouraging students to get vaccinated..everybody to get vaccinated. (vo) In Statesboro, the dining halls fully reopened from being take-out last Fall. But now, they include card scanners to reduce hand to hand contact. Outside, a food truck still offers meals to go. Students offered different takes on what campus life could feel like this year. (sot) It's just right. I think it's important to remember there's a virus going around. But I don't think we sho

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8/11/2021 6PM OD	SCCPSS COVID UPDATE MEETING	Though several community members came to the board meeting to speak against the mask mandate including one person in a gas mask. Dr levett says they have a high compliance rate and it helps protect students and staff. The district says they are continuing to follow CDC guidance and are keeping their strict mitigation practices for safety of all. One concern as cases begin to happen within the district is among staff. Leaders say they are looking into what to do should they have staff shortages from COVID-19, which could impact students. One of those feeling the impacts of the quarantine is District six board member David bringman. He joined the meeting via phone because COVID hit close to his home. He says they learned quickly thanks to their action planning.
8/11/2021 6PM OD	SCCPSS COVID UPDATE MEETING	"My child was an asymptomatic positive on Wednesday after we were contacted by a family that we had close contact with. The district acted swiftly and I spent the evening doing contact tracing within an hour we were contacted by the school and told to pick up a packet and chromebook so that he and his class who were having to quarantine would be able to continue to learn. And I just want to reiterate that this is probably the new normal, but the district is working tirelessly to make sure that we continue to educate our students as they may go in and out of quarantine." While they discussed covid impacts they did give an update on the transportation shortage. Leaders say they were able to help an additional 3,200 students since the start of the year and they will continue to look for efficiencies. They also say they added a phone line

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8/11/2021 4PM OD

The Long County School System put out a Path to Recovery plan last school year which lays out recommended safety procedures based on community spread. The superintendent tells me the district is now implementing safety protocols based on the Georgia Department of Public Health guidelines. In Long County's Path to Recovery plan...it shows a QUOTE "substantial community spread" would lead to a temporary closure of the schools. According to data from the Coastal Health District, Long County's Community Transmission Index - or CTI - is 673, as of yesterday...which is considered "HIGH TRANSMISSION." However, superintendent David Edwards says that plan is not what they're using right now. The assistant superintendent Lisa McCallister says, as of now, there is no federal or state mandate to close schools...which is why the district is still operating in-person, and this is based off DPH guidelines. According to the guidance,

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The Beaufort county parents I asked earlier this week about masking in schools said they would not be sending their children in with a mask. The doctor I spoke with today though, strongly disagreed with those parents and Governor McMaster's proviso. Sot: (Kurt Ellenberger, MD - Beaufort Memorial Hospital Pediatrician) "I just feel like it's really shortsighted if they continue to be so stubborn about the masking. It's going to be hard with the Delta variant anyway, so I don't think we have a lot of hope without universal masking at this point." Vo Even now, before school is back in session, Dr. Ellenberger says the hospital is seeing a rise in child COVID cases. Sot: "We're having several positive cases in the pediatric population pretty much every day from the ER. Thankfully most of the kids aren't requiring hospitalization, but we did have three hospitalizations last week with COVID." On cam tag: He went on to say those were the first ch

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			"We do bring in speakers and doctors. I'm not a doctor, obviously, but we can bring in people who are very educated in this space and continue to help our student-athletes, because we are educators. We're in an institute of higher education right now if you think about Georgia Southern... it is an individual decision, and so you know personally, I share with them why I got vaccinated and why that's important, but ultimately we're trying to make sure that they have education. We're not indoctrinating them, but we are educating them on the information out there and then they can make a decision as an adult." The conference has said that teams that cannot play due to players being out with COVID ... that game will be forefitted ... which will show up as losses in the standings.	0:46:00
8/12/2021 6PM OD	GS FOOTBALL VAX RATE		As school started today for the nearly 22,000 students in Beaufort county, parents we spoke with this had varying reactions to dropping their kids off amid rising COVID cases. "It's a little scary out here actually." Vo Clara Leanna dropped off her 1st grader and has some safety concerns. "It's a little sketchy somewhat with the COVID cases still rising." Vo But when we asked how she feeling generally... "Pretty good, exciting, back to day care." Other parents feeling those typical back to school separation emotions. "Sad because I'm letting my babies go but happy to actually let them go back in school." Hobbs says the pandemic made for a strange experience, but she has confidence in how the school district is handling it this year. Sot: "A little weird, just because of how everything was last year and it's better	0:01:05

8/16/2021 11PM OD

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"Just at our office in general our positivity rate is probably even 25 to 30% right now so we're really seeing a lot of kids. Most of the kids are having cold like symptoms runny nose, congestion, coughing. We are seeing a little bit of fever sore throat maybe some diarrhea. That's really the main thing that's the short term we're not sure about long term yet with delta because we're only a few weeks in." Dr. Wilkes says they have seen vaccinations among their qualifying patients increase a bit. They encourage families who have questions or concerns to call their doctor.

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(sot) One parent I spoke with says she had concerns about the school protocols for this year, but her concerns heightened over the weekend. (vo) The first week of school saw 67 cases and nearly 400 close contacts. Yesterday, the district released Week 2 numbers of 331 new cases and nearly 3,200 close contacts. Faith Abell says that's why her daughter Kyrie will be staying home from middle school this week. (sot) With me being immuno-compromised, I have to watch the numbers to gauge what's best for my family. (vo) On Friday, the district announced some protocol changes due to the increase of cases in the community. That included more sanitizing in schools and buses, more frequent fumigation, and changes to lunches and recess. But it doesn't include mask mandates or quarantines for close contacts. (sot) Personally, I'd hoped they would at least do what they did last year because that was bare mi

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Last week the freshman class were on campus for welcome week activities and today all of the students are back finding their classes and meeting their professors. VO President Kimberly Ballard-Washington says she's excited to see campus looking more normal with students walking around and mingling. She says it's so great for the students to be getting the 'real' college experience and being able to learn inside the classroom. Ballard-Washington says as always safety is the most important thing, so they're doing things to ensure students and staff stay healthy. SOT "We are engaged in wearing the masks, trying to encourage our students, staff and faculty to get the vaccine. So many of them already have it, so that's a good thing. Our athletic teams are getting vaccinated, so we feel that we are going to be able to have close to a regular season and close to regular academic year."

8/16/2021 7PM OD      SSU BACK TO SCHOOL      0:01:21

(sot) School leaders say they believe timing is everything. They're pausing in-person classrooms and hope where this falls on the calendar helps them ride out this uptick and see numbers go back down to where they were. (vo) High school students wore their masks with a mandate that started today. The district announced on Monday they'll close schools until after Labor Day to help curtail the spread of covid. (sot) On Monday, we had about a quarter of our students out absent. So, certainly that's an indicator. (vo) Add to that plenty of faculty and staff either exposed or testing positive. (sot) We were getting to a point that it was difficult to manage the buildings with the number of staff we had out. (vo) They're closing for roughly two weeks to reopen the day after Labor Day. They hope people will social distance during that time and return to less of a spread. (sot) Fo

8/17/2021 5PM OD      SCREVEN CO. SCHOOLS FOLO      0:01:13

		(sot) Screven County's announcement of cancelling school started a mad dash of calls to daycare centers across Sylvania and Screven County. (vo) Phones at Lil Scholars started ringing off the hook Monday when the school district announced they would close for roughly two weeks due to the number of covid cases. Lil Scholars could take about 30 or so of the 1,000 or so elementary age students who'll be out until after Labor Day. They say they get requests for temporary slots during school breaks or weather-related closings. But say they have to be more selective this time to reduce the risk of exposure. (sot) "They're too young to stay at home. And with everything that's going on, parents don't have a lot of options. They need to continue to work." (vo) One advantage they have is their rooms have outside entrance ways so classes can be self-contained. They could keep thei	
8/17/2021 6PM OD	SCREVEN CO. DAYCARES COVID UPDATE		0:01:06
8/18/2021 6PM OD	LONG. CO. REAX ON VIRTUAL LEARNING	"Welcome to our school!" Kristin Spurgeon's three kids will spend the next few weeks learning virtually in the family's RV, or what she is calling "The Spurgeon Mobile Classroom." The family had to get creative after the district announced face-to-face learning is on pause. "I work full time. My husband works full time. Virtual learning last year was chaos for my kids." But Spurgeon says she's doing whatever it takes for her children to continue learning, even if it means parking the mobile classroom at her work. She says she does have concerns with virtual learning, as she believes it will be hard for her eighth grader to focus on schoolwork, and her other two need the social-emotional learning found inside a classroom. "We're throwing these kids' lives for a loop." While Long County parents prepare for tomorrow's switch, one parent is thankful he pulled his two daughters out of the district bef	0:01:43

		The goal is clear, to have students back in school five days a week, but doing that has proved a challenge as the delta variant rapidly spread through our communities. Some local schools have been forced to change course for safety. "I think when you look at the schools that have had to make that transition all of them have either, did not encourage masking or made it very optional and I think some of the consequences of that. That said every school whether they are masking or not has to have a layered approaches to protection really focusing on how to keep kids distanced making sure that the families are hearing the message that we shouldn't send our kids to school sick and also making sure that our communities have access to testing that's quick to give families that information they need to know which is if my child's been sent home with symptoms is it because of COVID-19 so they can return	
8/18/2021 4PM OD	BLAIR: CHILDREN'S VACCINE CLINIC		0:01:33
8/20/2021 5PM OD	ISLANDS HIGH SCHOOL COVID UPDATE	"While several school districts in our area have already made pivots because of COVID cases this year, Savannah Chatham continues on with their mitigation strategies. Students at Islands High School say they are glad to be back." "I enjoy being back a lot more than online because it made me feel a lot more social coming back." "Personally, I'm glad to be back with me being online I kind of procrastinated and was like oh you know I can do this later I've got time." (NAT- school bell) Students are back in their rhythm, changing classes, doing homework and more.. Only this time they are doing in it a mask and with extra safety protocols. "I think we're committed to remaining open, but more importantly we're remaining, committed to maintaining safe and hea	0:01:41

		A decision that took some Wayne County parents by surpriseâ€! "At first I was kind of angry, I guess that was my initial reaction." Another parent I talked to says she's worried about work.. "We will have loss of income because I can't work and do their hybrid learning at home on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday." Brittany Hodge also says she has serious concerns of learning loss when it comes to two of her four kids, who have special needs. "With kids that receive special needs, they need to be at school." Meanwhileâ€!Carrie Stewart says virtual learning is going to be tough but she's going to try her best to help her three kidsâ€!who're all in different grades. "It's been years since I've been in school. This Common Core stuff that they're doing, I really have to stretch myself and get on their level and learn what they're learning."	
8/20/2021 6PM OD	WAYNE CO. COVID SCHOOL CHANGES		0:01:11
8/20/2021 11PM OD	BRYAN: PARENTS REAX TO MASK MANDATE	Kristin Jaski's son attends McAllister Elementary. Last week he tested positive for COVID-19 and despite his parents being fully vaccinated, they were infected too. "It's been very anxiety provoking to watch and wait umm...and then to be sick ourselves and try to protect our daughter and wear masks around her and quarantine her in her room..it's been really, really hard." Jaski says they have been doing what's necessary to protect themselves and others so they don't understand why masks weren't always required. "It was a bit jarring to us, especially because we had been following the news and knew that Delta was already exploding." For the Lofton family, they received emails about COVID exposure days after school started. "It's scary." Mya Lofton has kids attending McAllister and Richmond Hill High School. She says she and her husband have a daily routine when	0:01:38

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8/21/2021	OD	BRYAN: 6AM PARENTS DAYBREAK REAX TO SATURDAY MASK MANDATE		0:51:00
8/22/2021	SUNDAY OD	BRYAN: PARENTS 7AM REAX TO DAYBREAK MASK MANDATE	"It's been very anxiety provoking to watch and wait umm...and then to be sick ourselves and try to protect our daughter and wear masks around her and quarantine her in her room..it's been really, really hard." Kristin Jaski's son attends McAllister Elementary. Jaski says they have been doing what's necessary to protect themselves and others so they don't understand why masks weren't always required.	0:24:00

"We have already encountered more cases than we had in the entire school year of 2021." Vo The school district says they're pausing in-school learning at Ridgeland-Hardeeville High School because it's the school that's had the largest number of infections and quarantines. They say the number of cases sits at 24 with 96 students and staff in quarantine. All that after just one week of school. So "We have lost containment in the sense that things have happened so fast that we have not had the opportunity to test everybody that needs to be tested or do the contact tracing." Vo Dr. Gault says the contact tracing will be done this week, but later in the video he joked about taking additional mitigating steps. So "Haven't talked to the superintendent into a mask mandate yet, but that's next on the agenda madam superintendent." Vo On that topic the superintendent said elsewhere in the sta

8/23/2021 6PM OD RIDGELAND HARDEEVIL LE HS VIRTUAL 0:01:22

To wear a mask or not? Beaufort County parents, children and more shared what they think is best for kids in Beaufort County Schools. "Yes COVID is dangerous we didn't ask for this but we have to be able to come together as a group of people to decide what is best." \*\*BUTTED\*\* "Why are we wasting our time putting masks on children? If you are really concerned about life and really are compassionate want to help grandma, than you should be doing something to help the elderly." According to the CDC, When you wear a mask, you protect others ,like the elderly, as well as yourself. (( NATSOUND)) Some speakers threatened the district with legal action if they put a mask mandate in place. "I can tell you myself, I will take legal action against everyone up here. That's all I have to say." Homeschooled high school senior Jesse Castrinos wants parents to have the choice when it comes to wearing a mask.

5AM BEAUFORT: 0:01:46  
DAYBREAK SCHOOL DISTRICT  
8/24/2021 OD

			While Georgia Southern University doesn't require vaccinations, they are encouraging it. Here at the Armstrong campus and over at the Statesboro campus, there are weekly vaccination clinics. However, university officials say it's not getting the turnout they'd like to see. A spokesman for GSU says the campuses' COVID cases reflect the state and region. John Lester says the only way to help lower their positive case numbers is by getting students and staff vaccinated. Plus, mask wearing...which is encouraged on GSU campuses. The University's data shows, last week, there were 96 university confirmed positive cases...and 338 unconfirmed self-reported positive cases, meaning reports submitted to the CARES center from those who claim to have a positive test result. Lester says the university's CARES Center plays a huge role in COVID-19 prevention and contact tracing. He added that it is the student's responsibility to report the results.	
8/25/2021 5PM OD	GSU CONTACT TRACING			0:01:39
5AM DAYBREAK 8/26/2021 OD	GSU CONTACT TRACING		John Lester, a spokesman for GSU says the only way to help lower their positive case numbers is by wearing masks and getting everyone vaccinated. The University's data shows, last week, there were 338 unconfirmed self-reported positive cases, meaning reports submitted to the CARES center from those who claim to have a positive test result. Lester says the university's CARES Center plays a huge role in COVID-19 prevention and contact tracing. However, responsibility lies with students to report positive test results to the CARES Center. From there, Lester says the CARES Center provides the individual with assistance when it comes to identifying close contacts...who are then notified.	0:01:01

		"They would set up, for instance, if you would need to be isolated in the dorms, if you need to have meals delivered, if you need help with your classes to make sure the instructor knows when you'll be out and when you're allowed to come back. The CARES Center on campus, staffed by faculty, staff and volunteers and that's our central resources for managing that." Lester says the University is looking at ways to increase turnout at vaccination clinics, possibly by offering incentives to get the shot.	
8/26/2021 NOON OD	GSU CONTACT TRACING		0:00:27
8/26/2021 4PM OD	SC ED DEPT REINSTATE MASK MANDATE ON BUSES	The agency says it will equip all state-owned school buses with an adequate supply of face coverings that meet C-D-C order requirements.	0:00:07
8/29/2021 SUNDAY OD	7AM SC COVID DAYBREAK UNDER 21 CASES	no lowers while data is up TRT :02:35 Vo First, the numbers from Beaufort county. You can see that since school started, people under 21 years old account for almost 34% of all cases. Clearly higher than the weeks before kids returned to the classroom. In Jasper county, an even bigger rise. Those under 21 now making up nearly 37% of total cases, compared to under 15% at the start of the month. Finally, Hampton county also has above 30% of their cases coming from people under 21 years old, with a near 14% rise from the week before in person learning began. Sot: (Dr. Frank Gambla, CMO Beaufort Memorial Hospital) "Schools, just by the nature of what happens in schools, are potentially super spreader events and so masks are important and whether they're mandated or not we strongly recommend masks and certainly recommend vaccination for anyone 12 or over."	0:47:00
8/30/2021 4PM OD	FAUCI RECOMMEN DS SCHOOL VAX MANDATES	Dr. Anthony Fauci says he believes mandating Covid-19 vaccines for school children that are eligible is a good idea. He says he likes the idea because it has a strong benefit-risk ratio and that there's precedent for requiring vaccines in public schools.	0:00:14

"I believe that mandating vaccines for children to appear in school is a good idea. This is not something new. We have mandates in many places in schools, particularly public schools, that if in fact you want a child to come in we've done this for decades and decades, requiring polio, measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis. So this would not be something new, requiring vaccinations for children to come to school."

	SARAH: BEACH 5AM DAYBREAK	VAX CLINIC	"The goal is familiarity, we want our students to feel comfortable taking care of their health and if they are in an environment that they are used to and around people that they know, they are more likely to trust us and do what needs to be done in terms of vaccination." Anybody who gets a shot today is entered to win one of two \$25 Visa Gift Cards. And the person that brings the most family members to get vaccinated will win a \$50 Visa Gift Card.	0:26:00
9/1/2021	OD			

			St. Joseph's Candler will be here giving out the FDA approved Pfizer vaccine to anyone 12 and older and they will also have Johnson and Johnson for anyone 18 or older that would like the single dose shot. They have 200 Pfizer doses and 60
	SARAH:		Johnson and Johnson shots that they can give out. LaSaundra
	BEACH		Wade who is organizing the clinic, hopes to give out their entire
5AM	HIGH		supply but does not know what to expect -- but no matter what
DAYBREAK	SCHOOL		she hopes to see students stopping by with their family
9/1/2021 OD	VAX CLINIC		members.
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			Dr.Lawton Davis / Caostal Health District "This year we are making a big effort to have in-person classes because we know the social adaptation of development is equally important for the development of our kids. So you have the perfect recipe there with probably more kids than typical already exposed to a more contagious virus and they are in school together so we see a lot of cases." Dr. Davis says the best line of defense it to get the COVID-19 vaccine -- which is available for everyone 12 and older.	
5AM DAYBREAK 9/1/2021 OD	SARAH: COVID IN SCHOOLS			0:01:17
			As we know this is not the only school struggling with covid cases -- several districts across the coastal empire are virtual this week. Dr. Lawton Davis from the Coastal Health District says he thinks the school year started off with many kids already exposed. Since case numbers were low in July -- many families probably went on the first vacation they have been on in a while -- with all that travel he expects kids were exposed before the year and now its spreading rapidly due to the very contagious delta variant.	
5AM DAYBREAK 9/1/2021 OD	SARAH: COVID IN SCHOOLS			0:00:27
			School district leaders say the more people they can help get vaccinated, the sooner they'll be able to look at peeling back restrictions. This clinic is the latest effort by Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools to put vaccine doses where more people can easily get to them. "We don't want them to have to search around. We want them to be able to come right to one of our facilities and get their vaccine." First in line today was school district employee, Shelonda Dumpson. She explained why she decided to get her vaccine this morning. "My daughter has congestive heart failure. So I don't want to risk it at all, and then plus, I work inside the school with a lot of children. So I have to protect me and her as well. I just got over my fear and said, let me go ahead and do it." The school district is planning more vaccine clinics at other locations, including ba	
BEACH HIGH VAX CLINIC 9/1/2021 5PM OD				0:00:53

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SAM:  
EFFINGHAM  
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PROTEST

9/2/2021 4:30PM OD

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(vo) Students mill through the Statesboro campus, some wearing masks and some not. They're equally split over whether or not to get vaccinated. (sot) I was kinda iffy about it and some of my friends over here are undecided about whether to get it or not. (vo) The university announced a campaign to reward students, faculty, and staff who get vaccinated. They can get a \$50 credit to their Eagle Express account on their first shot. Once they're fully vaccinated, they're entered to four weekly drawings this month for \$500 and two grand prizes of \$2,500 and \$5,000 in campus credits. University leaders say the money comes from federal covid funding. They believe it's an investment that could save the university and the community around it. (sot) Anything we can do to convince an individual to get a shot, it helps us on campus and in the community. We believe it's a safe way to lead us out

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Dr. Lawton Davis and I looked at McIntosh County's case numbers together. He says the virus is spreading amongst the 5-17 year old age group more than any other school age group in McIntosh Countyâ€¦even going on to say it is EXTREMELY HIGH. So let's take a look at the numbersâ€¦ According to data, as of yesterday, McIntosh County has had 2,670 newly confirmed covid cases per 100,000 people in the last 14 days. Whereas 0-4 years old is 1,351. 18-22 years oldâ€¦2,504. 23 and olderâ€¦1,315. Compare that to the case rate for 5-17 year oldsâ€¦which is 6,031. That's almost three times higher than the county's overall case rate. Dr. Davis says it was smart of McIntosh County Schools to pause in-person learning for a few weeks, as the numbers and studies show students are catching the virus easily and spreading it quickly. However, he is concerned as we enter the Labor Day weekendâ€¦saying there is the possibility of these number

9/2/2021 5PM OD MCINTOSH CO. COVID LATEST 0:01:54

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9/2/2021 7PM OD

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5AM DAYBREAK 9/3/2021 OD	0:00:47
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DAYBREAK OFFICES  
9/3/2021 OD CLOSED

Some school districts also decided to give staff and students the day off to encourage the COVID-19 vaccine -- all schools in Bulloch County and Bryan County will be closed today. The health department will have their vaccination and testing call centers operating as normal today. Health departments in Chatham, Bryan, Camden, Effingham, Glynn, Liberty, Long and McIntosh will be open to give vaccines today from 8:30 a.m. til 1 p.m.

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9/9/2021 5PM OD

MARY: SC  
PEDS  
VACCINES  
LAGGING

The state health department says part of that lag is because kids ages 12 to 15 weren't eligible to get the COVID vaccine until May. But the shot is widely available now -- so doctors say, there's more to it. "That age group can be very difficult to convince that they need a preventative health action, such as a vaccine, that they are not invincible and that this is important for themselves but also for everyone else." "If the parents haven't gotten vaccinated, they often won't get their child vaccinated." Meanwhile, South Carolina's four pediatric hospitals report a concerningly high number of kids need their care because of COVID -- and none of those who are currently in the hospital for the virus are vaccinated. Of course, no children in the U.S. who

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"In the last almost six weeks, except for maybe one or two nights, we have had full capacity in our pediatric intensive care. We have never had that situation before in my over 25, 30 years here." Right now - no one younger than 12 is eligible for the vaccine But the South Carolina Children's Hospital Collaborative says the majority of kids in the state's pediatric hospitals with COVID right now \*are able to get the vaccine. It reports the same is true for those children who are currently in critical care and on ventilators.

5AM  
DAYBREAK SC COVID & KIDS  
9/10/2021 OD

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"I'm very excited. I was worried that we wouldn't get to do in-person classes and for an art school it's really important to be able to do in-person classes. I visited here when I was a little kid and I've always loved it here, so I was really happy to actually get to go to college here." Prior to classes starting all students and staff were required to provide proof of being fully vaccinated or at least commit to weekly testing to help prevent possible COVID-19 outbreaks. SCAD says partially vaccinated or unvaccinated people who don't get the required testing won't be allowed on SCAD property or in SCAD transportation.

5AM  
DAYBREAK 5AM SCAD  
9/13/2021 OD LIVEHIT

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		(sot) Faculty here at Georgia Southern and around the state continue to gather and voice their concerns over what they say is a lack of covid protections during this pandemic. (vo) Today marked the third day of a week-long campaign to urge the Board of Regents to require masks and bring back more of the other protocols that were in place last year. Speakers pointed out local hospital case numbers and the strain felt in the medical community caring for covid patients. Faculty members say they feel especially vulnerable in large class settings where they're in even closer contact with people could be infected and not even know it. (sot) I actually had a class period where I was standing close to a guy who wasn't wearing a mask, and an hour later he messaged me that he had tested covid positive. (vo) Professors statewide have rallied as part of the American Association of Unive	
9/15/2021 6PM OD	GSU MASK BAN PROTEST		0:01:06
9/16/2021 5:30pm OD	STATESBO RO CAMPUS SHOOTNG	(sot) The victim in all this tells university police that he was in a minor accident just up the street at Georgia and Lanier Avenues near that traffic light. The victim said he started getting road rage behavior from the other driver and drove off to get away, but the other driver followed. He turned onto campus here at Kennedy Hall, but found himself blocked in and the other driver shooting at him. (vo) University leaders say open roads around campus bring traffic, but very rarely..random trouble like this. (sot) Georgia Southern's Statesboro campus roadways connect to roadways in and out of the community. As we're not a gated campus, there is access. (sot) Wise says the victim was injured from shattered glass and other debris from the shots..but not hit by a bullet. They're still trying to identify the accused shooter or what he was driving. If you have any information, conta	0:01:09

9/17/2021	OD	6AM DAYBREAK	RICHMOND HILL TEACHER LATEST	Laid out in the incident report are four people who came forward about Scott Strickland behavior. Two are listed as complaints. One of those is from the high school principal, and two are listed as witnesses, but the report doesn't go into further detail. We also obtained Strickland's resignation letter.	0:18:00
9/17/2021	OD	4:30AM DAYBREAK	RICHMOND HILL TEACHER LATEST	The incident report says four people came forward to report Scott Strickland's behavior. Two are listed as complaints. One of those is from the high school principal, and two are listed as witnesses, but the report doesn't go into further detail. We also obtained Strickland's resignation letter.	0:00:26
9/17/2021	6PM OD	CAMPUS MASK BAN PROTEST		From the Georgia House of Representatives... "We're not asking for mandatory vaccines for every student or every professor, we're not asking for mandatory testing. We're just asking that the system as a whole to enforce a mandatory mask policy, right?" ...to Chatham County... "Our students, our leaders, our children are not political pawns." ...to the City of Savannah... "They should be supporting these young people who they say are the future..." ...organizers of today's protest outside the student union building on Georgia Southern University's Armstrong campus had the support of local elected leaders. "All week long it has been primarily been faculty out here on the lawn protesting. But today, we are really feeling the support from the community and the fact that	0:01:18

			"There can be nothing more urgent or important than protecting the health and learning of all of our children in South Carolina." Leaders from two of the state's teachers associations say that learning's been even more challenging with so many people out. DHEC reports more than 22-thousand total students and staff have been isolated just since the start of the school year â€“ about a month ago. That means they've had a confirmed or probable case of COVID. And DHEC says more than 88-thousand students and staff have had to quarantine because they've been in close contact with someone who is infected.
9/21/2021 5PM OD	MARY: SCHOOL MASKS PROTEST	These numbers are what schools have self-reported, so doctors say they're likelier higher in reality. "Those two or three students that are quarantined this week, next week, it's a different two or three st	0:01:04
9/22/2021 4:30PM OD	COVID IN SCHOOLS	We do want to give you quick look into the covid-19 cases we're seeing in some schools in our area. Across Effingham County School district 36 students have tested positive for the virus while 6 staff members are out with the illness. That is only point two six percent of students but thirty-three percent of staff members. Across the Savannah-Chatham County School System. 43 percent of students have tested positive and 52 percent of staff. That is 154 students and 29 staff members.	0:00:34
9/22/2021 4:30PM OD	TESTING IN SCHOOLS CATCHES CASES SOONER	The findings were published today in the Jama Network Open - a medical journal. The researchers found that conventional covid-19 reporting mechanisms can fail to identify up to 9 in 10 cases among students -- and 7 in 10 cases among staff.	0:14:00

9/23/2021 NOON OD      CANDLER COUNTY SCHOOL HACKER      New at Noon. A warning for parents in Candler County. The Metter Police Department and Candler County Sheriff's Office say they are working with state and federal investigators after someone harassed children online.      0:02:33

9/23/2021 4:30PM OD      GA PROF MASK MANDATE      But first, new at 4:30. More than 50 Educators at the University of Georgia announced plans to require masks in their classrooms, despite the university system not mandating mask-wearing. The university currently urges masks and vaccinations, but does not require them to attend class. A UGA spokesman noted that the University System of Georgia's Board of Regents does not allow its institutions to enact mask or vaccine mandates.      0:00:24

9/23/2021 5PM OD      TATTNALL MIDDLE SCHOOL LOCKDOWN      Some breaking news - A scary situation at a Tattnall County School. A staff member was arrested after school district officials say they may have been armed.      0:00:09

Right now a lot of details remain unclear. However, when I spoke with the district's superintendent she did tell me the person arrested is a teacher, but she couldn't tell me for what grade or the person's name. Yesterday the district released a statement saying the middle school was on a precautionary lockdown after a student told a teacher that a staff member, now who we know is another teacher, may have had a weapon. School officials say the teacher was removed and that's when 911 was called. The teacher was then arrested. When I spoke with Superintendent Gina Williams she declined to comment about whether or not the teacher has been fired, what kind of weapon was found, if anything else was found in the teacher's possession or really anything having to do with the case until the investigation is done. The Glennville Police Department is handling the case. They, too, have declined to comment pending the investigation. We are working to gather

9/24/2021 6PM OD      TATTNALL CO. TEACHER ARREST FOLO      0:56

"Please be aware, the New Hampstead High School vs Groves High School Football Game scheduled for TODAY, Friday, September 24, 2021 at Pooler Stadium and the Jenkins High School vs Savannah High School Football Game scheduled for CANCELLED TOMORROW, Saturday, September 25, 2021 at Memorial Stadium have been canceled due to COVID Quarantine Protocols."

11PM END      SCCPSS GAMES      0:21:00  
9/25/2021 ZONE OD

organizers of yesterday's protest outside the student union building on Georgia Southern University's Armstrong campus had the support of local elected leaders. They say in a perfect world, both masks and vaccines would be required at schools within the University System of Georgia. But right now, they would like to see state officials at least allow universities to implement their own mask policies.

6AM      CAMPUS  
DAYBREAK      SATURDAY MASK BAN  
9/27/2021 OD      PROTEST      0:24:00

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9/27/2021 6PM OD	EFFINGHAM SCHOOL SPEED CAMERAS	"This is about safety. What we've done is we've looked at the data closely and have been able to observe that when automated speed enforcement is in a school zone, drivers comply."	0:01:47	
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According to the Center for Homeland and Defense and Security, there has been 152 non-active shooter incidents in grade schools so far this year, and 5 active incidents. The number is already higher than last year, when 112 non-active and one active shooting incidents were reported. But keep in mind - many classrooms were closed last school year as students learned virtually during the pandemic.

9/28/2021 4:30PM OD SCHOOL SHOOTING DATA 0:00:16

â€«(sot) In the wake of professors statewide protesting and demanding a mask mandate on campuses, one educator I spoke with said she speaks for another segment of the faculty who want things to stay the same. She says it's less about masks and more about mandates. (vo) Faculty from Georgia Southern and other schools in the state took part in protests coordinated through the Georgia chapter of American Association of University Professors. Those who attended advocated for mask mandates. They felt requiring masks would help protect them and their students. Christina Lemon says she and a different portion of faculty don't want a mandate. She believes people should be able to choose. (sot) It's about the principle, it's about the mandate. A one-size-fits-all does not take into account all the nuances. (vo) She believes faculty, students and staff should have to option to wear or not wear mask

9/28/2021 5PM OD GSU STAFF MASK OPPONENT S 0:52:00

BEAUFORT CO. SCHOOL SECURITY They already have them at the county's middle and high schools. The district's director of security says - it's all about student safety.

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Standup: (Tyler Manion - @TylerManionTV) Middle and high schools in Beaufort county have student resource officers in place... and soon each elementary school will have an armed guard with similar responsibilities. I asked the district's director of security if there have been any recent incidents that forced this change. Sot: (David Grissom - Director of Security Beaufort County School District) "I wouldn't say there's any issues that prompted this. This is just a general thing that we need to have security at all of our schools. There was no one incident or two that was like hey we're gonna have it, that didn't happen." Vo In fact Grissom said this plan has been in the making for a while. Sot: "It's been a two year process, COVID slowed it down a little bit and it's finally gonna happen. So I'm happy to report that sooner we're going to have security in all CO SCHOOL of our schools, which is a good thing for everybody." Vo SLED SECURITY will be partneri

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â€«(sot) Scenes like this have been around almost as long as High School homecomings and homecoming pranks. But police in Metter say some kids crossed the line beyond this now they're facing grownup trouble. (vo) Look around the neighborhoods of Metter this week and you might see more toilet paper in the trees than all the stores in town. Juniors and seniors prank each other during Homecoming week. But the damage to one parent's car prompted them to call police. Mustard, shaving cream, and washable paint ate through the clearcoat in some spots. The parent didn't want to comment on camera but showed me the damage left behind after several washings. Police charged two students with criminal damage to property. (sot) It's acceptable to do some things when they cause no harm. When people don't want their property destroyed, that crosses a line at that point. (vo) He hopes parents will talk

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**ISSUE 6 – SCHOOL SYSTEM PROPOSALS AND POLICIES-  
THIS ISSUE REFLECTS ON PROPOSALS IN SCHOOL  
SYSTEMS IN THE COMMUNITY. THIS ISSUE ALSO  
INCLUDES MEETINGS, TESTING, TEST SCORES, SCHOOL  
AND PROGRAMS TO BETTER EDUCATE A STUDENT AND  
EDUCATION STANDARDS. FUTURE BUSING PLANS,  
BACK TO SCHOOL COVID PLANS, STUDENTS PICK UP  
ISSUES, JASPER CO. BUS ISSUES, GSU COACH FIRED  
FOR MASK DISAGREEMENT, LONG CO. PRE K OPTIONS,  
SC AND GA SCHOOL SCORES, SCCPSS LEVETT ON  
LEARNING PLAN, SCCPSS RETREAT, SC STUDENT  
PROGRESS, SAVANNAH VACCINE INCENTIVES FOR  
SCCPSS EMPLOYEES, EFFINGHAM BOE SEAT VACANT,  
ENROLLMENT OF VIRTUAL SCHOOLS THIS YEAR  
VERSUS LAST YEAR, BEAUFORT VOTE DOWN MASK  
MANDATE**

**SOURCE: SCHOOL DISTRICTS,**

7/16/2021 5PM OD	SCCPSS FUTURE BUSING PLANS	<p>"We have learned a lot through this pandemic and one of the things that we have learned is the way that we've always done it in the past may not be the best way to do it in the future and so I think we can view this as an opportunity to work with our community and say hey we don't want to be in this situation again so let's find a system that will be more sustainable moving forward into the future." Savannah Chatham students will make a full return to the classroom on August 4th.</p>	0:00:40
7/16/2021 5PM OD	SCCPSS BUS PLAN PARENT REAX	<p>"With big changes coming to the Savannah-Chatham bus schedule for the incoming school year several families are forced to make tough decisions less than three weeks from the start of school." "We're almost forced to put her in a neighborhood school because it's a short amount of time we don't know what other options we have." Shalonda feels stuck after learning her daughter, a rising 10th grader will not be able to take the bus this coming year to Johnson High School. She was accepted into the International Baccalaureate program in eighth grade, a proud accomplishment. But now her spot is in jeopardy as they live 40 minutes from the choice program and her parents work full time. "It left me feeling worried, concerned number one of course for her safety, number two how would that affect my job if I had to take her, take off to take her to school or</p>	0:01:50

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7/19/2021 5PM OD	BACK TO SCHOOL: SCREVEN COUNTY	(vo) When Bulloch County Schools begin the new year, administrators say things will more closely resemble 2019 than 2020 for the roughly 11,000 students. Superintendent Charles Wilson says they'll reduce many of the mandatory protocols during the pandemic and bring more of their focus back to instruction. (sot) It comes back to our belief statement - that everyone can learn and grow. It comes back to our mission - providing success for students and enhancing community value. (vo) They're shifting back to in-person attendance for students. But he says the pandemic helped them learn lessons they can still use to serve students who might be away from school long or short term. (sot) "here's a Chromebook. You can tap into the classroom". It's more of an ongoing flow. (vo) This Fall, the district implements a Multi-tier System of Support or CO. BACK TO SCHOOL They'	0:01:22

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7/20/2021 5PM OD	CANDLER CO. BACK TO SCHOOL	(vo) Candler County students will return to schools that might more closely resemble 2019 instead of 2020 when it comes to covid and protocols. (sot) We're cautious as we come back in, but not quiet the level of anxiety that we can coming in last year. (vo) He says they're contracting with an outside cleaning company for regular visits and stressing for kids to stay healthy and stay home if they're sick. (sot) We're encouraging hygiene more than ever. We're encouraging social distancing. We're encouraging our teachers to be conscious of their proximity to students. (vo) They finished last year with only 10 percent of students still in virtual learning. They'll still offer that, but..... (sot) This year, there's a pretty stringent application process. We want to insure that the student has the desire, capability, and equipment. (vo) He says they're increasing their focus on early childhood li	0:01:32

	TATTNALL COUNTY BACK 2 SCHOOL	"We're looking forward to seeing their smiling faces." On August 2nd, Tattnall students will fill the hallways. And unlike last year, they are back to doing everything in-person. "If the pandemic taught us anything, it's that face-to-face learning is the most beneficial for our children. The majority of them are just much more successful when they have a teacher in front of them." A Tattnall Middle School father says he's happy his son Owen gets to finish middle school with in-person interaction before he transitions to high school. "Very thankful that for us we're able to have this year here at North Tattnall before high school with all that's been going on so there will be a sense of more normalcy going into this year." Superintendent Williams says it's possible some students suffered from learning slides during virtual instruction. "Th	0:02:06
7/21/2021 6PM OD	BACK TO SCHOOL: EFFINGHAM CO.	"It's been a great summer for us to recharge and plan and get ready for the opening of the school year." After a long challenging year Effingham County School District Superintendent Dr. Yancy Ford is looking forward to a hopefully ordinary school year. "You know, our plans are to open as normal." Meaning, aside from special exceptionsâ€œ! "We're only offering a face to face school so, no virtual at this time." And just as they finished the last school year, masks will once again be optional for students and staff. But that doesn't mean they aren't being cautious. "We're not that far out of COVID so I still thing it's very important that we continue to keep our guard." That means some of their COVID related changes from last year will be staying. Like bringing special cleaning crews. Keeping hand sanitizer stations available. And doing their best	0:02:01

(vo) Georgia Southern University students return to classes August 11. Southern's president says they'll see some differences from the past year of pandemic protocols. (sot) A regular schedule of classes with face to face offerings will be closer to the mix we had in 2019. (vo) They'll continue to offer covid testing and more. (sot) ..in fact, we'll have two mass vaccination opportunities scheduled on our campuses during the first week of classes. (vo) He says their focus will be on personal health and individual choices. (sot) ..social distancing and wearing masks are still strongly recommended. (vo) Dining halls will reopen to offer eat-in service. But they'll also have to-go options and even food trucks on campus. He says the university comes into this Fall after a year with a record freshman enrollment, record freshman retention from the previous class, record giving to the university. T

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School during the COVID-19 pandemic came with a ton of challenges and unknowns. "The biggest fear was, are my children going to bring it home?" Parents who found it difficult to put their children into virtual classes say this was one of their biggest questions during the 2020-2021 school year. However, this year Amy Wickstrom says she feels a lot more comfortable. "I'm treating it like it is going to be a normal school year. I really anticipate it being a normal school year." Interim Superintendent Mark Davidson says getting back to normalcy is their goal. Although some of the district's COVID protocols from last year will remain. STANDUP: "School officials say most of what was implemented for the safety of the students last year will be in effect this year. This includes things like temperature checks to get on the bus and inside the school." Davidson adds that students will still be required to mask up on

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	SCCPSS TRANSPORTATION LATEST	"You know we're constantly assess how many buses we have and what capacity they are. We are going to be very diligent the first 10 days in looking at ridership, who's not riding, we can remove those if we can start condensing routes, condensing those who create free buses and add more bus drivers then we're going to asses that probably starting you know the end of the first semester. We will start assessing if there is anything that we can add for priority four and five." When it comes to the concerns from current drivers about their payroll, officials at sccpss tell us they have created a task force to look into the system, but it's not an overnight change.	0:00:21
7/27/2021 5PM OD	BACK TO SCHOOL: LIBERTY COUNTY	It's back to school come August 3 for students in Liberty County. "We know there'll be challenges but we are excited to have all of our scholars back." Liberty County School System ended last school year with about half its student population learning virtually...the other...in-person. THIS school year...all students will be back in the classroom. Superintendent Franklin Perry Says virtual learning will be considered on a case-by-case basis. "If there are circumstances that we need to talk about, we have to handle those on an individual basis." Before students and staff head to school, the district is encouraging at-home screening...daily. The district has provided the following guidance to help determine if a student or staff member should report to school. If a student or staff tests positive for COVID-19, the district will follow the Georgia Department of Public Health guidelines. "We will be very s	0:02:17

			"Last year proved that even in a difficult time we can make gains. With the hopes of this year being more normal we feel like we can make even higher gains." Students in the Jeff Davis County School District will have a school year that looks a lot like it did toward the end of the last school year. Superintendent Chris Roppe says, however, they will not have regular temperature checks for staff and students. "Our community got behind what we were doing. Whether it was online learning, whether it was in person and when we had to make changes the community supported it." This year, Roppe says they're not offering a virtual learning option to students in grades Pre-K through 5th. Virtual schooling will be offered to students in the higher grade levels, but they will have to apply and get accepted. "If a student was not successful in online learning last year we don't want the	
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7/28/2021 5PM OD	BACK TO SCHOOL: TOOMBS COUNTY		For the first time since March of last year all of the students in the Toombs County school district will be back to face-to-face learning. PKG "I think our parents understand that student learning face-to-face in the classroom with the teacher in the classroom, there's no substitute for it. So we've had an overwhelmingly supportive community." Barry Waller, the district's superintendent, says they started the last school year with about 350 students doing virtual learning. By Christmas, he says, half of those students came back to the classroom and by the end of the year only around 90 students were taking classes virtually. Waller says remote learning is not an option this year as of right now. "We had a great school year." Waller says they want their school days to be as close to normal as possible. Masks will be optional both in school and on the bus and routine temperature checks are	0:53:00

On August 9th more than 380 students will return for in-person learning and their school days will look a lot like they did last year. VO Principal Peter Ulrich says they will be following all of the same COVID-19 safety protocols as last year including masking and temperature checks at the door. A big change for the school, though, is their partnership with Kelly Tours to help them bus students to and from school. Ulrich says Kelly Tours will provide hub locations for families who live off the island, which he says is about 80% of their families. The bell schedule has also changed. The school day will now be from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. Last year 6th grade was added and this year they're welcoming 7th grade. New buildings for the classrooms are

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under construction and Ulrich says they will be ready when school starts. SOT "Our parents and our students have become very familiar with how they can c

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"Our students and our faculty members are anxious to get back to normalcy, so we're going to try to make that happen for them." Wayne County School System is excited to welcome back all its students for in-person learning, after about 15-percent of them did virtual school last year. "There will be some exceptions made for students who have verifiable medical conditions that preclude them from coming to school, but for those students, the parents will have to provide some documentation." Masks are not required, but encouraged. If anyone tests positive for COVID-19, the district says they are required to quarantine. For those in close contact with a positive case, the response will depend on their vaccination status. "If they can show proof, documentation that they have been fully vaccinated, they would not have to go into quarantine." District leaders say they want

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		<p>McIntosh County Schools are busy preparing for the upcoming school year. Here at McIntosh Academy, students will come back to freshly-painted hallways and waxed floors. District leaders say they're eager to see students and staff in just a few weeks. The 2021-22 school year won't look that much different than how the district ended last school year. About 95-percent of students were already learning face-to-face. The district says, while virtual learning was successful, nothing beats in-person. "We have great, great teachers and they're experts at what they do. We need our students in the classroom, prepared and ready to receive instruction." Superintendent Jim Pulos says most of the virtual students fell behind last school year, but were able to catch up when they returned to in-person learning. This year...the district is prepared to again...address any learning loss. "We plan to</p>	0:01:38
7/29/2021 6PM OD	MCINTOSH COUNTY BACK TO SCHOOL	<p>Last year this office only served half the school district, because it was split into Hampton 1 and Hampton 2. Now, they're unified as one, and the main goal for the new school year is bringing the two districts together. It has been challenging to bring the two school districts together, but we started two years ago and we developed a plan at that time that we followed meticulously. Vo: Wilcox says merging the districts isn't the only obstacle they're facing this year. Sot: We got our test scores back recently and we noticed a drop in test scores and it has to be due to the COVID and students being out of school and so much online learning.</p> <p>To combat that, they are promoting in-class learning. Students in 4th through 8th grades that did well out of the classroom last year, will have the opportunity to stay online if they choose. For in-person learners,</p>	0:01:59

	FORT STEWART PLANS FOR SCHOOLS	DoDEA teachers on Fort Stewart spent this week preparing their classrooms for face-to-face instruction with their students. The community superintendent says the upcoming school year won't look much different compared to last year. Students and staff are still being asked to answer self-screening questions before heading into the school building—such as—are you experiencing any COVID-19 symptoms—have you been around someone with the virus in the last 14 days. Both staff and students are required to wear a mask. If someone contracts COVID-19 or is in close contact with a positive case, the response will depend on vaccination status and guidance from Winn Army Community Hospital. Superintendent Brian Perry says teachers are eager to see their students again, and they're ready to address any kind of learning loss.	0:01:19
7/30/2021 6PM OD	MARIAH: LONG CO.	LL Yesterday the school district announced that they were giving parents the option to have their children start today or wait another week due to the rise in COVID-19 cases in the community. PKG "We all thought we were starting a normal year and COVID was on the down swing and all of a sudden it's back, so just giving that parent choice." Parents who didn't feel it was safe to have their kids return to the classroom today were granted a 5-day extension with no attendance penalties. Superintendent David Edwards says he did expect a handful of parents to choose this option. "Most of our students did report today. We've had over 3,500 students that did report. What we asked for parents to do was to notify us today if they were making that selection and only 68 have notified us that they were doing that." Edwards says they had about 15 students from each school wait the extr	0:01:52

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Superintendent David Edwards says they've been monitoring the cases closely and the rise is concerning. VO While the majority of students did return today, Edwards says they had close to 70 parents notify them that they are choosing to take advantage of the 5-day extension and have their kids start next Monday. According to data on the Coastal Health District's website, in the last two weeks Long County has had 75 new cases of COVID-19. Edwards says there are a handful of staff and students who are already out because of COVID. He says this could mean they either tested positive or they are in quarantine after being exposed to someone who tested positive. Cleaning measures are still in place in the schools and masks are required on the bus and during class

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transitions, but not inside the classroom. SOT "In the classroom, I'd say that it's mixed. We have several students that are wearing masks and faculty

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8/2/2021 6PM OD      CLAXTON SCHOOLS DELAYED      District Superintendent Martin Waters says they were just as ready to welcome students back tomorrow as everyone else. They took multiple factors into consideration before making this decision. The superintendent says the reality is they're in a high transmission zone and a community activity led to several children in the district being infected. He says they are considering a hybrid model, but they really want students back face-to-face.      0:00:28

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"Each senior from Richmond Hill High School had a sign with their name and a special message from their family. Parents and staff say they're happy they can bring this tradition back." One assistant principal came up with the idea for a dunk tank. He says they were trying to get students excited to be back. "It's awesome. I think the families are happy to see it. You can tell we have more signs out there than we've ever had and for us it's just a great opportunity to get back to normal." A former senior says their start to the school year looked much different last year. And they're glad their friends and family can get to experience what they missed. "We all started online. You know, it was very different and so I love seeing this for him that he actually gets to have you know a first day, be on campus, be with al

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			"It's amazing. It's an experience that we've been looking forward to for the last year and it was exciting to be able to roll in this morning and just see smiling faces." Two schools under one roof, but it's only about 50 students more than what Godley Station is used to. School leaders say they worked hard to be equitable to both schools and give them their own identity though together as construction continues on New Hampstead k-8. "So they are with the New Hampstead teachers their uniform colors are different so it's kind of sort of separation but we really don't want a division." The K-8 schools say the bell change did create some hiccups this morning, but they are working with families as the year progresses. While all students will be masked and the mitigation strategies followed closely leaders at Godley Station say social distancing will take work.	0:01:34
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			" The goal is five days a week, in person instruction. We're doing it and we've shown today that we can do it and can do it safely." 37,000 Savannah Chatham County Public School students geared up for their first day of in person learning in over a year. Besides protecting students and staff from COVID, the district is also focused on catching kids up who may have lagged behind the year before. " there's nothing like the in person face-to-face learning. You can really connect to the students. They feed off of each other. You can feed off of them. Behind the screen it lacks that piece so you do the best you can but there's nothing like that in person experience." Many families have also had to pivot this year with changes to transportation and bell times. K-8 schools say the bell change d	0:01:28
8/4/2021 11PM OD	SCCPSS FIRST DAY BACK			

		Vo With the start of school fast approaching, Beaufort county is excited to get back to in-person learning. Sot: (Dr. Frank Rodriguez - Superintendent Beaufort County Schools) "This year we're beginning the year 5 days a week in school and we have a small pilot of virtual learning for middle school." Vo That virtual program will be for those who had success learning from home last year. Many students struggled though. Sot: "In terms of academic loss or learning loss, the state is projecting that in grades 3-8, 7 to 8 out of 10 kids are below grade level." Vo Rodriguez says they have a multi step plan to help kids catch up. Sot: "We will have after school programming, it's one of our key strategies to help the academic recovery because we will extend learning opportunities." Vo He says the rest of that plan includes progress monitoring, a continuous improvement model, and small group instruction. As far if the students will have to	0:01:52
8/5/2021 6PM OD	BEAUFORT CO. BACK 2 SCHOOL		
8/5/2021 6PM OD	SCCPSS STUDENT PICK UP ISSUES	Savannah-Chatham welcomed back nearly 37,000 students to their schools, but that didn't come without challenges according to some parents. "I was really upset because of the simple fact that you have my child standing outside for almost an hour and a half, two hours and the bus never came." Ashanti Littlejohn has three students at three SCCPSS schools. The bus driver shortage really put her in a bind, but she says it was worst for her 6th grader set to attend New Hampstead K-8. While she was picked up today, she says the bus was late. "Be more proactive and communicate and kind another resolution." But district leaders say they are working towards that now. Dr. Levett says they maximized their bus routes and are transporting more than 18,000 students. She says they know there were challenges with drop off and pick up and are looking to address those.	0:01:47

It's an exciting time for students in McIntosh, Wayne, Evans and Montgomery Counties as the 2021-2022 school year gets started this week. "Our students and our faculty members are anxious to get back to normalcy, so we're going to try to make that happen for them." Wayne County students will all be back for in-person instruction on Monday. The district initially decided to require that students and staff wear masks, but that has since changed. Now masks are only encouraged. Since some schools that started last week have already had some positive COVID-19 cases pop up, Wayne County school officials remind parents that if anyone tests positive for COVID they will be required to quarantine. "Field trips, all these things that the kids have missed out on I'm really looking forward to it." Heading over to McIntosh County, students will a

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"After a delayed start to the year, the superintendent of Evans County Schools says the first day back got off to a smooth start. He's happy the district can welcome students fully in-person so learning isn't disrupted." "About 10 minutes after the opening bell, everything was situated and settled and learning began for the 21-22' school year." A Claxton High senior says it feels great to start her last year, even with the current restrictions. "It feels good. It is a little sad that we still have to wear a mask but it's great to be in the new school." As a senior, she says she's happy to finally be around her friends and teachers again. "It feels great to actually be able to see them. It's a lot easier for work and stuff." Dr. Waters says part of why they didn'

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"She came home and told me 'Mom, I have to be quarantined because someone on the bus has COVID.' Danielle Fontaine's 16-year-old daughter has to spend the next 10 days at home, after the Long County School System announced Tuesday that students on bus route 26 must be quarantined. The assistant superintendent says that's 49 students...all in high school. Leaving families, like Fontaine, wondering how their child will continue with schoolwork. "I called the school and asked if virtual was an option, and they told me virtual was not an option this year." "So what are you going to be doing?" "I'm going to have to pay out of pocket and homeschool my kids." "For the rest of the school year?" "Yeah." I spoke to the superintendent this morning- who said quarantined students won't have a virtual instructor...but will get their assign

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Sot: (Kathy Corley - Red Cedar Elementary Principal) "On a scale of 1 to thrilling it was thrilling plus." Nat Singing Vo Kathy Corley is the principal at Red Cedar Elementary and while she's excited to start the year, she knows it may have twists and turns. Sot: "We have great plans for what's going to happen this year no matter what else happens if that makes sense, cause we're still not sure how things are going to go." Vo As for day number 1, no positive COVID cases were reported, but they did have students miss today for testing positive a few days in advance. Sot: "There are students who are quarantining now, I couldn't give you a number, but there are students who were not here today because we knew two or three days ago that they would need to quarantine." Corley BEAUFORT estimated between a quarter and a third of the students were CO. BACK masked, but she says social distancing was tough to enforce TO SCHOOL out of the classroom. Sot: "There was hug

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Some students got home as late as 10pm last night. Today, I spoke with the superintendent to find out what happened and she said it starts with the national bus driver shortage. "We have 10 drivers. 10 drivers for our entire district, and so dismissing school - even though we had a wonderful day at school - dismissal was a bit hectic, it was." Dr Anderson said ideally they'd have double that amount of drivers. The superintendent also says parents who didn't receive bus updates need to do their part and sign up for the notifications. Sot: "If your information in the computer is not current, you can't receive those messagesâ€|. That's a two way street for me. The same the district has to communicate, the same our parents have to communicate." She acknowledged nobody wants students getting home at 8 or 9 o'clock at night, and she says they're trying t

JASPER CO. BUS ISSUES

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Long County schools held a drive-through Chromebook and materials pickup today, as the district gets ready to transition to virtual learning. Every Long County student will have a Chromebook to use during the virtual learning period. However, this year's virtual learning will be done on Google Meet and and Google classroom. Whereas last school yearâ€;virtual learning was through an online curriculum called Edgenuity. Superintendent David Edwards says this means students will still be able to see their teachersâ€|just not in-person. Edwards is hoping students will return to school after the Labor Day holiday. The district will decide by September 1 if all students will continue with virtual learning, or give families the options of in-person or virtual. Some of the factors in that decision include COVID-19 case numbers and community spread. Edwards says the biggest concern the district has right now, and one of the reasons WHY they made the swi

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It's a sentiment that Effingham County School District Superintendent Dr. Yancy Ford has echoed time and time again since the pandemic began last year. "We're not afraid to make adjustments if it's going to help us stay in school and it's going to help keep our staff and students safe." And at Thursday's school board meeting Dr. Ford did just that. "I am going to ask the board to allow me to put a mask mandate, a mask requirement for our staff." That includes teachers, bus drivers and all other school staff. A change as they see their staff positivity rate climb to 3.5% "If I don't have enough staff to open the building then, you know, kids can't come to school." Of course, keeping students in the classroom has been the goal for the district all along. And although they opened this year allowing parents of those considered "close contact" the option on whether or not to quarantine, that too has now changed.

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(sot) Here at Ogeechee Tech, they're anticipating growth for the semester and for the year, while still trying to keep students and faculty safe. (vo) Students returned to the halls on the first day of classes. They expect to see 2,200 to 2,300 for the semester. (sot) We're coming off a strong year. So far, we're up six percent on our enrollment. (vo) Fall brings the first courses in a manufacturing engineering program. Instructors say graduates can careers maintaining high-tech equipment. (sot) We're seeing more robotics in the area. There are about a hundred in the area, I know of at least 70 at one manufacturer. (vo) In one class, students wore masks and the instructor spoke to them virtually. Covid safety remains a high priority. (sot) All of our safety protocols are still in place. The only difference now is that we don't require masks

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		Vo: Facebook comments galore. Many parents upset about how the JCSD has handled getting back in the classroom. "I understand that five days a week needs to be done, but OK, do five days a week for those parents that want their kids to be in that building, and make it virtual for us parents that want to stay virtual." Vo A specific point of concern... the continuing of in person learning for elementary and middle school students, while the high schoolers are virtual due to Coronavirus cases and quarantines. Sot: "They shut the high school down for Covid cases in the school. Elementary's got Covid cases in the school and they're only shutting down certain classrooms, that's positive cases in the school. They're not shutting down the whole school, why is that?" Vo Although the school district denied our interview request they did answer that question online. The statement says "the high school is whe	0:01:36
8/25/2021 6PM OD	JASPER CO PARENT REAX TO COVID		
8/26/2021 4PM OD	GSU INSTRUCTOR FIRED AFTER MASK DISAGREEME NT	GSU looks to the board of regents and the university system of Georgia for its policies -- which state masks and vaccinations are not required on campus. The university say many students are voluntarily wearing masks as it is, but with less than half of georgians fully vaccinated, the instructor hopes eventually both masks and vaccines can be required at all georgia institutions.	0:00:23

		"We think it's the best thing we can do at this particular point. Liberty County students won't be in their classrooms for two weeks. August 30 through September 10...ALL students will be learning virtually. Teachers will still report to the school for regular work hours. Superintendent Franklin Perry says the switch is because it was difficult to operate the schools. "We had staff out. We had bus drivers out. We had teachers out. We had children out." According to data from the Coastal Health District, Liberty County continues to be a high transmission area...with a community transmission index of 1100...as of yesterday. A concerning number for district leaders. "Most of the cases we were seeing, were actually coming from the community, from outside of the school district." The district will continue to monitor COVID-19 cases in the county...but the superintendent acknowledges the futur	
8/26/2021 5PM OD	LIBERTY CO. VIRTUAL SCHOOL		0:01:27
8/27/2021 6PM OD	SCCPSS VIRTUAL ACADEMY UPDATE	The school district says there are more than 500 students on the waitlist for the Savannah-Chatham E-Learning Academy. "Sarah Rodriguez is one of the parents who couldn't get on the waitlist before it cut off, but she started the year wanting a different option for her student. "Certain students do learn better being in that classroom environment rather than being at home and relying on themselves." Rodriguez changed her mind after noticing how the virus was spreading. "The numbers. The cases that kept rising. You know, even with the vaccination and people not being vaccinated. That rose a concern to me, especially for the well-being and health of my daughter." As of August 20, 437 students and 76 employees in the district were positive for COVID-19....that's about 1.2% of the school's population The E-Learning Academy principal says they have been getting a lot of	0:01:51

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The Long County School System is giving families an option to continue with virtual learningâ€|or to send their child back to school for in-person learning. In an emailâ€|the assistant superintendent said QUOTE- "â€| by offering an optional virtual learning program for at least the remainder of the first semester, we will be able to reduce the number of face-to-face students in our schools and allow for increased social distancing." For families with children in Kindergarten through 12th grade, who prefer virtualâ€|an application must be filled out. This means students must remain virtual from September 13-December 17. The district says the only factors that could possibly change reopening plans is an insufficient staffing due to positive casesâ€|or an unfavorable trend in local COVID data. I pointed out to district leaders that Georgia Department of Health Data shows the 2-week COVID-19 case rate per 100-THOUSAND for 5 to 17 year ol

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One Pre-K parent says she wants to be able to choose what's best for her daughter. "We should have the option to either send our child face-to-face or virtual." Another parent says her son and her family's health is at risk, if in-person is her only option. "I'm torn on the decision because I want my kid to have an education but I also don't want them to be in school, and God forbid get sick with anything." Stephanie Figueroa says her sixth grader will stay virtual come September 13, and would like her son in Pre-K to do the same. "As long as we get materials to help them learn. We can, as parents, do it with them and help them get through this." While Figueroa is torn on taking her son out of pre-K or sending him for in-person learning, Danielle Fontaine says her only option, right now, is taking her daughter out of school as her kids are immunocompromised.

9/1/2021 6PM OD      LONG CO. PRE K OPTIONS      0:01:48

Take pkg On cam: (Tyler Manion - @TylerManionTV) There's a lot of information in this state report card but we want to show some particularly interesting pieces of data. First... the percentage of students who met or exceeded grade level last year. Reading and writing are our top three bars here and as you can see we're looking at all three of our Lowcountry counties. As the numbers show Beaufort county had 45.3 percent of students at or above grade level for language arts, Hampton One 35.8 percent and Jasper county 17.2 percent. For perspective the state average was 42.6 percent. Right below that we've got math. State average here is 37.3 percent, so again Beaufort county students did better than state average, Hampton One just a bit below, and Jasper students more than 25% under the state's average. Vo: We know students weren't in the classroom for a lot of last year, which could be to blame for those numbers, but on a brighter note the gradu

9/2/2021 4:30PM OD      TYLER: SC SCHOOL SCORES      0:02:00

9/2/2021 6PM OD	SCCPSS LEVETT ON LEARNING PLAN	<p>While one school has temporarily reverted to all-virtual since the start of the school year, SCCPSS Superintendent Dr. Ann Levett says there are no plans for the entire district to do so, and explained why. "Schools being open is critical to making sure that families are able to get to work, that families can sustain themselves. So we put a lot into making sure the schools are open." Dr. Levett says she knows keeping schools open can be challenging, but put into perspective, the number of students and staff in quarantine is a small percentage. And if the school district does shut down in-person learning to go all-virtual, it would impact more than 25-thousand families. Dr. Ann Levett - SCCPSS Superintendent "While we have concerns, we're continuing to push vaccinations and other mitigation strategies." Dr. Levett added they will not stay open to the detriment of anyone's health. She says the District</p>	0:01:25
9/8/2021 4PM OD	SEAN: SCCPSS MEEETING	<p>â€One of those concerns had to do with driver and student protection from COVID. Transportation Executive Director Paul Abbott pointed out several strategies the school district has implemented, like stocking buses with PPE, and using on-board video for contact tracing and to make sure buses are thoroughly cleaned between routes. Vanessa Miller-Kaigler - Chief Operating Officer, SCCPSS (:16-:32) â€œAll of the mitigation strategies that we can put in place, not only to protect the drivers on the buses, but when theyâ€™re not on the bus. We social distance them in each of the park outs as well. We continue to address those, whatever those needs that we can meet, we make sure that we meet them.â€ Board President, Joe Buck, noted that out of all of the safeguards in place, getting more people vaccinated is still the best way to reduce the spread of the virus. Miller-Kaigler also addressed retirement benefits for district employees. Vanessa Miller-Kaig</p>	0:00:24

9/8/2021 11PM OD	SCCPSS BOARD MEETING: PROTESTS, SPLOSTS	"Wednesday was the second board meeting of the new school year. District leaders they're looking at more virtual learning options for families and updates on major projects throughout the district." Superintendent Dr. Ann Levett explained it is the district's intention to stay open for in person learning. However with the E-Learning Academy at capacity, they want families to go virtual if they choose to. "Our teachers have stepped up. Our principals have stepped up and we are reaching out to families who have expressed a concern about having a virtual option available to them at this point." Several people spoke before the board about masks in schools, better pay for bus drivers, and concerns for the safety students and staff. "We need to require mask mandates in our schools. If the medical professionals in our county can wear
9/8/2021 11PM OD	SCCPSS BUS DRIVER FOLO	0:01:44
		""We're under teacher retirement. And then there is a public school employee retirement. The decision that's made as to who is under which system is not our choice, it's not our decision. And we have explained that to drivers, I have provided them with that information as well," ***BUTTED** "Sometimes I have gotten the impression lately that the listening is going one way only. When we leave students out on the street, when we don't come into work like we should, it is really hard for me as a board member to hear what you're saying," Board members and staff also commended the job fill-in drivers did late last week and early this week, as well as those who didn't call out and drove several routes.

Dr. Quintina Miller-Fields says when they meet with students -- first they allow students to express how they are feeling and then the counselors and social workers can guide the conversation from there. She says they are the first immediate ones to respond to see how the students and staff are feeling. -- especially since many of the students already have a heightened anxiety around the ongoing pandemic.

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The University System of Georgia is not allowing universities to make their own policies, like mandating masks. Associate Professor of Sociology Ned Rinalducci at Georgia Southern University's Armstrong campus says the majority of his students, in very filled classes, are not wearing masks. He says he and many of his colleagues wish the universities could be like the k-12 schools who do get a say in mask wearing. Anyone who wants to take part in these protests will gather in the free speech zones on campus. Organizers stress that it's not a walk out or strike and instructional time won't be disrupted. The president of the Georgia American Association of University Professors says "by taking action, we can prevent illness and save lives."

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9/13/2021 OD LIVEHIT

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			(sot) As faculty members protest to the Board of Regents and ask that masks be required on campuses, some students I spoke to say they wear theirs..but they don't want to see a mandate. (vo) Local members of the American Association of University Professors gathered as part of a statewide protest. They want the Board of Regents and University System of Georgia to bring back mask mandates and other measures to protect people on campus from covid. (sot) What's really concerning is..in my 80-person classroom, it's virtually impossible for there not to be *a* case of covid. (vo) Faculty at the gathering said they spoke for many colleagues, staff and students. Some students I talked to today say they choose to wear masks, but want it to remain their choice. (sot) I see where they're coming from because you don't know where everybody's	
9/14/2021	OD	6AM DAYBREAK	USG MASK BAN PROTEST	0:01:16
			Dr. Ann Levert / SCCPSS Superintendent "I called on them and they responded. They recognize very well what we have been through the past 2 school years and it is really important for our children to be in school and we know that the best way to do that is to ensure what we are doing now -- vaccinations, masking and all the other mitigation strategies so when I called, they answered." The school district says they would like to see all their employees vaccinated by the holiday break in November. The district hopes to get a better idea of how many employees are vaccinated once the program rolls out today...	
9/14/2021	OD	5AM DAYBREAK	SAVANNAH VACCINE INCENTIVES	Right now -- the city of Savannah has 55 percent of its employees vaccinated, CAT has about 40 percent vaccinated and Chatham County has around 42-45 percent vaccinated.
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It's the first time in a year school administrative staff and Board of Education members have been able to meet in this kind of a setting, which is a little more laid back than regular or even informal meetings. "Board President, Dr. Joe Buck, says typically they try to have two of these retreats a year on the Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools-owned Oatland Island property. But during the pandemic, they've had to schedule an extra hour around the informal sessions to catch up on district matters that don't require motions or votes. Dr. Buck says a lot of what they talked about was the strategic plan that covers the next five years. That includes things like employee pay and improving academic scores. Today, Dr. Buck and his fellow board members talked about their roles as board members when addressing issues brought up by their constituents. That conversation included district staff. "One of the things we talked about was how we can better serve our community."

9/17/2021 5PM OD      SCCPSS RETREAT      0:01:12

LL Davidson says right now, between students and staff, there are less than 10 people out due to COVID-19. PKG "Anything we can do to stay at school, that's what we're going to do." Interim Superintendent Mark Davidson says before Labor Day the schools' COVID-19 numbers were so high that it was hurting their ability to have school in person. "We were prepared to do it. They knew what was coming." So, they made a quick switch to virtual for two weeks in hopes of getting the numbers down. Davidson says they got the number to drop below double digits and they're still working to keep everyone safe. "We're back to where we want to be and the trend is dropping, but we're encouraging our students to mask up."

MARIAH: Juniors Rome Thornton and Mason Connell say even though MONTGOMERY CO. they're used to virtual learning it still has its challenges, so they're happy to be back in the classroom again. Reporter: SCHOOLS "what are

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		They show the average score on the college entrance exam increased 34 points compared to the class of 2021. Georgia students also beat the national average by 39 points. But the improvements come with fewer students testing not just across Georgia, but across the country. Just 38 percent of the class of 2021 took the SAT at some point during high school. They say college board does not release participation percentages at the national level. But they say the group's raw numbers show more than half a million fewer students took the test in the class of 2021 compared to 2020.	
9/20/2021 5PM OD	GA 2021 CLASS SCORES		0:34:00
9/20/2021 5PM OD	MARY: SC STUDENT PROGRESS	SC READY scores show that the percentage of all South Carolina students, from grades 3 through 8, who meet or exceed where they should be for their grade level in language arts â€“ fell a little less than 3 percent from 2019 to 2021 â€“ after not being tested in 2020. Even before the pandemic â€“ African American students trailed in the general student population the most on average. But their language arts scores fell more â€“ 4.3% â€“ to just around 22 percent at or above their grade level. That's the largest drop of any student group by race or ethnicity. When it comes to math scores â€“ learning loss is even more significant. The number of all students at or above their grade level fell about 8 percent â€“ while the number of African American students fell about 10 percent â€“ to just 15% of those students considered at or above their grade level in math. "Our analysis last year p	0:01:06

Georgia Southern Athletic Director Jared Benko addressed the media Monday afternoon ... less than 24-hours after announcing the program parted ways with Head Football Coach Chad Lunsford ... who had been at the helm of the Eagles program since mid-2017. With a 1-3 start to the year ... and a video circulating online of senior nose tackle Gavin Adcock on top of a moving bus ... drinking what appears to be a beer pre-game Saturday ... Benko said it all factored into the decision ... and Adcock has been suspended indefinitely. "Every day is a evalution. Every day has a sense of urgency to it. Coaches and staff, and so what I share with you is everything up to the decision was factored in." Benko said that they informed Lunsford yesterday ... then he met with Interim Head Coach Kevin Whitley to ask him to take over ... then met with staff and players ... he says now his focus this week is to assemble a search committee ... and they'll de

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You have a chance to decide some high-impact elections this season. Checking on what's on the ballot in local races...  
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5AM BOE SEAT ON  
9/29/2021 DAYBREAK OD BALLOT  
Effingham County voters will choose who will represent the Board of Education District 2 seat.EFFINGHAM COUNTY - BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 2

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We're hearing from two lowcountry school districts about the federal judges ruling. The Hampton County School District's Superintendent saying in a statement quote, "The Hampton County School District will review the court decision with our attorney at our next Board Meeting on October 5, 2021. The Board passed a motion at its meeting on August 31st to immediately implement a mask mandate if the Supreme Court invalidates Proviso 1.108." 0:00:24

9/29/2021 6PM OD  
BO:  
HAMPTON CO. SCHOOLS STATEMENT

The Beaufort County School District also responding. The school district says they have called a special board meeting tomorrow to discuss a potential mask mandate. It will be held from 5 to 6 PM. And it will be streamed online. WTOC will be sure to bring you the very latest developments that come out of it. 0:00:17

9/29/2021 6PM OD  
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BEAUFORT CO SCHOOLS STATEMENT

		"I think it's here to stay, obviously. I've said that before COVID. We knew that virtual learning was increasing in number, and I expect that trend to continue." Bradley Mitchell is the director of South Carolina's Office of Virtual Education — which oversees Virtual SC — the state-sponsored, supplemental online program for students in public, private, and home schools. Virtual SC saw a big jump in enrollment from fall 2019, before the pandemic, to last fall. That number has dropped this fall, which Mitchell says they expected, with schools back to in-person learning. But it's still an increase from the last pre-pandemic school year. South Carolina Connections Academy, the state's largest online public charter school, also reports thousands more students applied this year than in years before the pandemic — though applications were down slightly from last year.	
9/30/2021 5PM OD	MARY: VIRTUAL SCHOOLS GROWTH		0:01:08
9/30/2021 11PM OD	BCBOE: VOTE DOWN MASK MANDATE	Several Beaufort County residents and families came to the special called meeting anxiously waiting to learn if their kids would have to wear a mask to school or not. "There are mitigating strategies that never stopped from last year so something is working. And something that just sticks with me, like Dr. Wisniewski said, that one size fits all." **BUTTED** "I support the motion because masks are important. We've been following the science and I don't think we should pick and choose when we should and when we should not." The board also had a long discussion on whether they'd be violating any kind of federal laws by not putting any masking requirements in place to protect students with disabilities. A district staff member says about 40 families of students with special needs have requested some kind of masking in Beaufort County schools. An advocate for children with disabi	0:01:41

**ISSUE 7—STATE AND LOCAL BUDGETS FOR SCHOOL SYSTEMS. SCCPSS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BUS DRIVER SHORTAGE, CROSSING GUARD JOB FAIR, BUS DRIVER ON PAY SYSTEM, SCHOOL Y BASE EMPLOYEE SHORTAGE,  
SC TAX FREE WEEKEND, GOING TO VIRTUAL HURTS FAMILIES WHO NEED DAYCARE, BUS DRIVER PROTESTS OVER PAY, SCAD ECONOMIC IMPACT ON SAVANNAH, SCHOOL ADMIN PAY,  
WTOC HELPING WITH WATER BOTTLES FOR STUDENTS, SOURCE: STATE LEGISLATORS OF GEORGIA AND SOUTH CAROLINA, SOURCE: CHATHAM CO., SCCPS, AND LIBERTY BOE, ETC**

7/13/2021 11PM OD	SCCPSS BUS DRIVER NEED	"It's important that we get drivers that are serious about what they're doing. Because when we pick up our students in the morning and drop them off in the afternoon its the first thing that they see and we set the tone for the school day. So its important that we get some good, good, steady drivers." You'll need a clean driving and background record to apply. Don't worry if you do not have a CDL, the district will provide training for the CDL permit.	0:00:30
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		Savannah-Chatham students will return to the classroom in a little over three-weeks. Right now the district is scrambling to hire staff. Savannah-Chatham is hosting job fairs to recruit crossing guards and school bus drivers. One of the fairs was held today at the Frank Callen boys and girls club in Savannah. The district is trying to fill 19 crossing guard positions. GED or HS diploma CDL for bus drivers - will provide training for people to earn it.	
7/13/2021 11PM OD	SCCPSS CROSSING GUARD JOB FAIR		0:27:00
7/4/2021 OD	4:30AM DAYBREAK	It's a district-wide certification process through the state Department of Education. The focus is on adding education opportunities that coincide with regional industries. In practice - the district says this means partnering with business, industry, and economic stakeholders in the community over the next school year. Next summer we'll find out if the district earns the designation.	0:00:05

		Of the responses so far 1,000 have declined transportation which helps the district as they have more needs in the elementary grades then they can accommodate. Transportation leaders say they have been working on bus routes for this coming school year since they got out of school last year. But it's a challenge with limited drivers. The Lead director of transportation says they have seen application request increase in the recent weeks, and are working to recruit with several events and inactivates, interviewing 6 days a week and training those who are ready. They also are looking at adding signing bonuses and have implemented bonus pay for current employees too. Officials say they have reached out to CAT to help with this transportation issues, but they face the same issue. District leaders say they are competing with all industries for workers.	
7/14/2021 6PM OD	SCCPSS BUS DRIVER SHORTAGE UPDATE		0:51:00
7/14/2021 6PM OD	SCCPSS BUS DRIVER SHORTAGE UPDATE	"This is not a budget issue, we have the budget. If we had the drivers we could pay them. This is not a bus issue, we have the busses we just got an award for how great our fleet is and this is not at least my intent and I don't think the intent of the district or any board members to stop busing choice students. I know some people it is not applied correct I think some people in the community think that this is just us oh and now we're going to get rid of choice bussing. This is a workforce issue, just like it's a workforce issue across the city, the county, the country." "I think this is also a money issue. We have repeatedly raised our pay, but so has everybody else and I contend for raising our pay even more. I fully support the retention and recruitment financial bonuses and considerations that we're doing." Dis	0:47:00

7/14/2021 11PM OD      SCCPSS: SCHOOL BUS DRIVER ON PAY SYSTEM  
"The main issue about the drivers, nobody is upset about the pay. The pay is great right now, the moves that you have made prove that you're dedicated to solving the issue, but the main issue right now is the pay roll system its self. We need to move from a 24-week system to a 26-week system." We've heard from school bus drivers about this issue before. You're looking at video of Savannah-Chatham school bus drivers protesting outside of school board meeting back in March. The district says when it took over transportation services, drivers went from being paid every week to being paid twice a month.      0:00:34

7/15/2021 OD      4:30AM DAYBREAK      SCCPSS: SCHOOL BUS DRIVER ON PAY SYSTEM  
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6AM DAYBREAK 7/15/2021 OD	SCCPSS: SCHOOL BUS UPDATE	"This is not something the district said "hey we're going to cut transportation services" we are a victim of circumstances just like so many other industries, businesses and organizations are in facing work force issues. we have a chronic driver shortage and we're doing everything in our power to address that and recruit bus drivers cause that's what we need. We got the budget, we got the buses, we just need the drivers." If you want to apply - all you need a clean driving and background record. Don't worry if you do not have a CDL, the district will provide training for the CDL permit.	0:00:47
YMCA STAFFING SHORTAGE 7/15/2021 6PM OD		"You'll find signs like this one posted all over local YMCA's as they face a critical shortage of workers ahead of the school year." "Right now we are looking at possibly not opening a couple of the sites because we just simply don't have enough staff to go around." The YMCA takes their Y-BASE program into 35 sites across chatham county. They need nearly 200 employees to make the enrichment successful, but are more than 70 employees short this year.. "It's really a great all around experience for the children. They are not just sitting around with nothing to do after school, but unfortunately without staff we're going to be very limited in who we can offer that too." In 2019 their last normal year the y base program had more than 3,400 students. Students like Taylor, a Stem 8th grader, who loves the	0:01:41

		The funds come from their annual Cars on the Burn event.	
	BETHESDA CHECK PRESENTAT ION	That event relocates their monthly Cars and Coffee event. The showcase featured 180 cars. All that money will go to Bethesda Academy. In the past - the group has been able to fund 9 full scholarships for deserving students at the school.	
7/21/2021 5:30pm OD			0:17
		A new scholarship for EMS and Paramedicine students has been established at Savannah Technical College. The scholarship is in memory of longtime professor and founder of the colleges EMS program Dr. Irving Victor. Two 750 dollar awards will be given out during the fall semester. Eligible students must be enrolled in EMS or Paramedicine program with a 2 point 7 GPA or higher. Students must have an intent to pursue emergency medicine as a career. Dock Donaldson established the scholarship, he says he hopes this is a perpetual fund that grows for years to come.	
7/29/2021 4PM OD	CARLO: EMS SCHOLARS HIP		0:00:36

A special education teacher from Barnwell, South Carolina, traveled two hours because she wanted a discount on school supplies for her classroom. "I'm actually closer to Augusta, Georgia, than I am Bluffton, but Georgia doesn't offer a tax free weekend so that's why I came down to Bluffton." She says getting a classroom together isn't cheap. "It's very expensive and it's a headache." The teacher says school is right around the corner for her district. "I'm so ready for the first day of school to see my babies...I am" "Hopefully, we can get back to normal and school don't shut down." Retail store Carolina Me Crazy hasn't really experienced a "normal" since opening their doors in March. "This is our first time. We're a new business in Tanger

11PM ALYSSA: SC  
WEEKEND TAX FREE  
8/8/2021 OD WEEKEND Tanger 0:01:18

Families already have limited daycare options in Wayne County. The owner of Little Miracles Daycare says when the district announced the switch to hybrid learning yesterday she had several parents calling desperate for childcare. Sandy Beasley says the calls continued today; some parents even showing up at the facility wondering if the daycare had room for their child. Unfortunately Little Miracles is already at their capacity of 48 children, and can't accept any more. Beasley says it's been hard to turn families away, as they told her other daycare options are also full. She added that, even IF she could accept more kids, helping with their virtual learning would be difficult. "We tried that last year when they went to virtual learning. It's tough. It's tough. Kids don't look at this as a school. This is a place to play and have fun, so when you try to instruct older kids, it ha

AMANDA:  
WAYNE  
COUNTY  
8/20/2021 4:30PM OD SCHOOLS 0:01:13

SARAH:  
5AM DAY THREE Latricia Brown / West Chatham Parent "I just really hope that  
DAYBREAK BUS the school board comes to a resolution something that is going  
9/8/2021 OD DRIVER to make both bus drivers and parents feel safe and like their  
PROTEST concerns are being heard." 0:00:08

SARAH: For the past two School days on Friday and Tuesday -- there  
5AM DAY THREE have been about 20 percent of bus drivers in the district calling  
DAYBREAK BUS out of work and not going on their routes. The lack of bus  
9/8/2021 OD DRIVER drivers with an already short staffed department has caused  
PROTEST delays in the district -- which has some frustration for parents.  
However one parent that spoke with WTOC says she has  
concerns with safety protocols on the bus as well. 0:00:32

	SARAH:
5AM	BUS
DAYBREAK	DRIVERS
9/8/2021 OD	CALL OUT

They want to make their voices heard to the school district about their concerns with safety protocol on the bus with quarantines and overcrowding. The district says in a statement that quote "The contact tracing process is conducted the same among bus riders/drivers as it is among students in the classroom." Savannah-Chatham schools also say they are always willing to listen to concerns brought by employees to administrators through the appropriate channels -- yet the bus drivers that have called out -- say they have not been able to speak to administrators this week about their concerns. That is another one of the key points from drivers is they would like better communication with the school board and the district administrators...

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5AM SCCPSS  
DAYBREAK BOARD  
9/9/2021 QD UPDATE

"Not only bus drivers and monitors but also teachers and janitorial workers receive allocated funds. We are asking people to put their lives on the line to serve our children, to help our children learn in a safe environment, that is the very least we can do to make sure that they are also safe and they have a living wage." Several people spoke before the board about masks in schools, better pay for bus drivers, and concerns for the safety of students and staff.

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5AM           SCCPSS  
DAYBREAK     BOARD  
9/9/2021 OD   UPDATE

The board also got an update on several ESPLOST projects. They're expecting millions of those dollars to come back to the district. They have already completed renovations, repairs, HVAC and roof replacements at several schools and currently have construction projects at schools, a gym, stadium and two auditoriums. When it comes to money allocated from the American Rescue Plan -- some parents spoke about how they would like to transparency of where that money is going.

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5AM           5AM SCAD  
DAYBREAK     LIVEHIT  
9/13/2021 OD

Move in started on Friday and by the end of the day yesterday everyone was all settled in. Students we spoke to at The Hive residence hall say it was a very organized experience. Of course with SCAD back in session it does have a great social and economic impact on the area. SCAD officials say the university's economic impact on the hostess city is \$577 million annually. SCAD students get involved in various volunteer opportunities in the community during the year as well. Classes do start today and students say they're excited to be back in the classroom.

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Touchscreen: Administrator salaries and how they compare to rate of students in poverty... I looked at the numbers of our three Lowcountry counties and you can see them here. Year over year, Beaufort and Hampton county didn't move more than 600 dollars apiece... but Jasper had administrator salary go up almost 5000 dollars. I asked an expert what goes into the pay of these school leaders. Sot: (Scott Price - Executive Director South Carolina School Boards Association) "From my perspective there's not a set formula for what a superintendent salary is going to be, there's a number of factors that go into that." Sot: "You have districts that have high numbers of poverty rate students and that just costs more, that's just a fact. It costs more to help students in poverty learn." Touchscreen: And that's backed up by the numbers. Here are three nearby counties, Allendale, Bamberg, and Colleton. Keeping in mind that Jasper's salary is \$89,774 and t

TYLER:  
SCHOOL  
9/22/2021 4:30PM OD ADMIN PAY

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**ISSUE 8- SPECIAL PROGRAMS ENLIGHTENING A STUDENT'S FUTURE INCLUDING SCHOLARSHIPS.**  
**LEOPOLD'S PLEDGE OF FOR ICE CREAM, MILITARY KIDS PROGRAM, SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE, MENTOR PROGRAM, CAMP BUDDY, JENKINS SOUVENIR BRICKS, SCCPSS TEACHER OF THE YEAR, SAV. TEACHER COVID DEATH, SCAD ANIMATION FEST, BULLOCH CO. ROBOT ACADEMY**  
**SOURCE: LOCAL COLLEGES, LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEMS, ORGANIZATIONS**

IPLEDGE  
FOR ICE  
CREAM

7/1/2021 11PM OD

"I pledge allegiance to my Flag to the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands one Nation under god, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all." Youngsters lining up today to get a free scoop of ice cream. This is the first day of Leopolds "I Pledge for ice cream" campaign. It's in coordination with Independence day and national ice cream month. any child 12 and under can get a free scoop of ice cream by going to the Broughton Street shop and reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

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IPLEDGE  
FOR ICE  
CREAM

7/1/2021 11PM OD

"It's our 11th year of I Pledge. Any child 12 and under that can recite the pledge of allegiance from memory gets a free ice cream cone. We're so excited about that because it's just great for the kids." "It represents us. Our whole flag is representation of all of us and that's why we never let it touch the ground/" The next one is on July 7th.

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7/5/2021 4:30AM OD      BRIA: OUR  
DAYBREAK      MILITARY  
KIDS  
PROGRAM

"With these grants, the surveys show that these grants allow children to relieve stress and build confidence and have some time that's theirs." "We give kids chance to pursue a passion through an extracurricular activity grant. The world is their oyster. They can choose whatever they want. Whatever makes them strong." Kids in the program say they are excited to have the opportunity to meet other people and learn from the new experiences. Our Military Kids was started a year after nine - eleven. Grants are available for children through their Severely Injured Veteran Program and Deployed Program. You can find more information about them on our website. Just look for this story.

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7/9/2021 4PM OD      ALYSSA: RH  
SCHOOL  
SUPPLY  
DRIVE

(ALYSSA JACKSON) It's that time of year again when parents need to start getting their kids ready for the school year, but for some parents the financial strain of the pandemic has made that even harder. Bryan County Family Connection and United Way host back-to-school donation drives each year for any families who might need help sending their kids back to school. Richmond Hill Kiwanis is new to the mix this year. Their key advisor is also a teacher who says he knows the cost of sending kids back-to-school just isn't feasible for some families right now. (STEPHEN PETERSON, RICHMOND HILL HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER) "I talked to several parents last year who really weren't even making it month-to-month and so yeah, it was...they wanted, they, they, couldn't even pay the internet bill and so it's a good thing they got help there." United Way will have pick-ups for Bryan County students from July 26 through the 27th. There will be food, prizes, backpacks.

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LL Kids who sign up for the program will be guided by their mentor through four one-hour lessons on things like how to write a business plan and budgeting. On August 21 they will bring their business plan to life. VO It's the first time the nonprofit program has come to Chatham County. It's geared toward children who are in 3rd through 5th grade. However, all kids are welcome. Jenny Rutherford brought the national program here because she says she wanted to make a difference in her community. Rutherford says the cities in the county are on board, some have even declared August 21 as Lowcountry Lemonade Day. Rutherford says the goal is to have 1,000 lemonade stands set up that day. Various sponsors are pitching in and all of the money that comes through the program will go toward giveaways including a bike and even some college scholarships too. SOT "Financial literacy is not taught in

MARIAH LEMONADE DAY

7/9/2021 5PM OD 0:01:30

â€«(sot) Organizers of this supply drive at the Y say some kids can only wish for the basic supplies they need to start back to school. (vo) Bags and boxes show what people have already donated since the drive started at the end of June. Dorsey Baldwin from the Statesboro YMCA says a new school year comes as many families still struggle from shutdowns during the pandemic. (sot) When we organized this, it was based on the need we saw in the community and we wanted to help people out. (vo) She says those families may be struggling to get school clothes and shoes for students. They're asking people donate backpacks, notebooks, pens, pencils and other basic supplies to help students get the year started. (sot) ...I STATESBO hear from so many teachers who go into their pockets to buy RO SCHOOL supplies because the kids can't afford them. So if we can help SUPPLIES the teachers and the students..why not? (vo) Sh

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7/15/2021 4PM OD 0:01:10

7/15/2021 6PM OD	CAMP BUDDY	<p>"Camp Buddy was virtual last year, and it was only 30 minutes a day." So, you can imagine how excited campers... And staff were to be back in person. "Getting to do it was a challenge, but we didn't want to not do it." Fitting a typical two-week camp, into just four days. "We get a lot packed into a little bit of time." And while it may look like no work and all play, well, that couldn't be further from the truth. "We do occupational things, we do speech therapy stuff with the kids, we do physical therapy and then we kind of focus on social skills." Many of the things these campers missed out on last school year. "That's something that I think especially with COVID recently has been taken away from children. As far as academics, their therapy goes. Their whole world has been flipped upside-down." Which is why Camp Buddy is so important. Helping flip things right side up bef</p>	0:01:49
7/16/2021 6PM OD	JENKINS SOUVENIR BRICKS	<p>"Of course Hershel V Jenkins, who the school is named after is a big proponent of community and giving back to community and that's the nature of Jenkins High School is that we have a strong community base. So, having a part of their school and being able to display that somewhere in their house and relish on old memories and tell their kids, and grandkids the stories is really exciting." As for the New 242-thousand square foot Jenkins High School they plan to have it open in August of this year just in time for the start of school.</p>	0:00:34

7/16/2021 6PM OD	JENKINS SOUVENIR BRICKS	<p>It was a unique celebration today at Jenkins High School as they looked forward to their new building while holding on to pieces of it's past. The brick-by-brick celebration offered those who may have taught, gone to, or just admired the old high school a chance to have something to remember it. In total they set aside 1000 bricks from the old Jenkins High School to be handed out during a drive thru ceremony. Although a simple brick may not mean a lot to some, for those who once walked the halls of Jenkins, it's a connection to part of themselves.</p>	0:00:24
7/19/2021 11PM OD	CCSO AND PEGASUS RIDING ACADEMY	<p>the Academy, located on the 25-hundred block of Tennessee Ave in Savannah, is a therapeutic riding program that serves special needs children throughout the low country and Savannah area, and is currently hosting a week-long summer camp. Members of the force introduced the children to rescue dogs and showed off some of their gear.</p>	0:00:54
7/21/2021 4:30PM OD	TYLER: CAMP LEO	<p>Vo Camp Leo is a place for kids... Nat *Kids playing* Vo to have fun. Nat *Kid dribbling* Sot "I get choked up very easily about it." Vo Ben Snead has run the camp that provides 30 children with legal blindness a place to sleep, eat, and enjoy for 40 years. He says this year was more important than ever. Sot: (Ben Snead - Camp Director for Camp Leo) "We've all been shut in for so long and they are the same, but they are also more restricted because of the disability and also because parents are a little more protective if their child has a disability." Vo With Covid not fully behind us, Snead took extra precautions. Sot "To come to this camp and be a camper, or be a volunteer, or be a counselor if they weren't vaccinated they needed to provide a COVID test within 72 hours of the start of the camp." Vo The campers come from all over the state, for some that journey helps in and of itself. Sot "I probably have</p>	0:01:16

			Students will be returning to a new beat when they come back to Savannah Classical Academy this year. "now, with these drums, it's another way for us to teach music to children and get them involved learning music. So, our children start learning music here in kindergarten. The K through 12 charter school's music program expanded in between school years with a donation this summer from the Gretsch Company of several dozen drums that Savannah Classical music teacher Lawanda Allen will put into use immediately. "I already have a lot of things in mind. When we have performances in the winter and in the spring, we're going to have our students showcased on these drums, performing all kinds of African rhythms obviously because they are African drums. And some of the pieces I plan on the kids performing, we'll incorporate these instruments in there as well. "This is going to be a great addition to her classroom. It w	0:02:17
MORNING BREAK OD	8/4/2021 08 04	SAV CLASSICAL GRETSCH DRUM DONATION	Parents, friends and family lined the walkway at Teideman Park as students walked across a red carpet and into the building for their final year of high school. Parents had signs and were cheering for the class of 2022 that has already had a very unique high school experience because of the pandemic. But kicking off the new school year, attending class in person with all their classmates -- seniors say they couldn't be happier.	0:25:00

8/5/2021 4PM OD	BLAIR SCCPSS: NEW SCHOOL	<p>"While it may be the start of a brand-new school year it's the opening of a brand new Savannah-Chatham school. Jenkins High School welcomed back their students to a new building." "Walking into the building was honestly super surreal because I was here, I was here my freshman year and some of my sophomore year at the old building and there I could do a lot of things, but here the opportunities are endless." Dan Ha just began his senior year at Jenkins and is excited to get to work on robotics in their new labs. He feels the new 239,000 square foot school will offer so much more to students. From academics to athletics leaders say students will see a big change. "I think one of the things you notice most is the size of the building. There are additional computer labs, some of our engineering, energy labs are much larger."</p>	0:01:49
8/5/2021 4:30PM OD	SAM: EFFINGHAM B2S	<p>"Alright ladies and gentlemen we're looking forward to a great day one." "I get butterflies every year before the first day of school. It's like you're getting ready to line up in a championship game." "I always tell kids if you got butterflies before a big game that means you're prepared." Effingham County School District Superintendent Dr. Yancy Ford hoping his first day butterflies mean just that. "This is a big event for us because there's a lot riding on the impact we can make on kids by having them in school." While most students in the county remained in person last year there is still about a thousand coming back into the classroom for the first time, something South Effingham says they've prepared for. "We have something in our schedule called instructional focus and during that time it's an opportunity for students to get extra help and accelerate." Despi</p>	0:01:47

8/6/2021 6PM OD	GSU MOVE IN DAY	(sot) This drive through check in looks drastically different from the traditional scene where people stand in a crowded line..in a crowded gym. (vo) Students and their families pulled into car lines based on which residence hall they'll call home. University housing leaders opted for this method to cut down on contact and move people through the line without getting out of their cars. Nearby, at places like Kennedy Hall, volunteers helped with Operation Move In. They helped families get the car unloaded and moved things to the student's apartment. Even in a pandemic, they feel it helps new students learn more about campus and the nearby community. (sot) Parents and students are meeting people from campus - a professor or people from another office. They're making those connections right away to the greater Georgia Southern community as well as the Statesboro or Savannah communities.	0:52
8/9/2021 4PM OD	JORDAN MCRAE LIBERTY BASKETBAL L CLINIC	Former NBA player Jordan McRae was back at his alma mater over the weekend. He held a Basketball clinic at Liberty County High School. While he was there - the former San Antonio Spur - also received his Covid-19 vaccine in hopes of inspiring other people to do the same.	0:00:15

JORDAN MCRAE LIBERTY BASKETBALL CLINIC

8/9/2021 4PM OD

"For me this is what it is all about, myself when I was growing up I used to have to go out of town for these type of opportunities and for me to bring some of the experiences that I have and bring it back here to Liberty County it means a lot to me." He also says that by being there and getting vaccinated he hopes that it instills confidence in the kids - that if he can do it so can they.

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DAL:  
STATESBORO TEACHERS DEATH

8/30/2021 4:30PM OD

As a Social Studies teacher, she'd been at Statesboro High more than a decade. Alumni from graduating classes over the years shared the news on social media and posted their condolences. Bulloch County coroner Jake Futch confirmed that Ms. Gary passed away while hospitalized at East Georgia Regional Medical Center. He said she died of complications from covid. I contacted the school district. A spokesperson said they're restricted from sharing any detailed information about employees or students.

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EAST GA  
COLLEGE  
BEE CLUB  
9/9/2021 5:30pm OD

When your son or daughter goes to college, you expect them to be busy as a bee, but you might not expect them to be hanging around the hive. (vo) Members of the East Georgia College Bee Club showed off how they open up the combs to harvest fresh honey. Last week they went to the bee boxes on campus and brought the wooden frames for the annual extraction. The club started three years ago. Most of the members join with no experience but learn how to safely handle the bees to harvest the honey as well as how to spin it, clean it and get it ready for bottling. (sot) You get to meet a whole lot of people from a lot of different backgrounds and so many different interests. You can blend that together for one common goal. (vo) She says club members learn about bees but also the plants and flowers that support them. Once a year at harvest, they invite the public to come see h

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SCCPSS  
TEACHER  
OF THE  
YEAR  
9/14/2021 5:30pm OD

"I'm very humbled. I'm very honored. It's still even to this day, it seems kind of surreal, even though it's been a while since everything has been announced, and I'm just incredibly proud to represent all the staff here at Hesse. As I mentioned earlier, we're a team. I appreciate everybody that I work with and everything that they have done as role models and and mentors and partners to bring me to this place." It wasn't just colleagues and school board members that recognized Ms. Dennis' contribution. Some of her former students got in on the action, too.

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		A statement Savannah-Chatham County Public Schools gave us today began by saying, "It is with great sadness that we share the passing of Mr. Federico Foster." The statement continued revealing Foster's track over the past six years, bringing music into the lives of children first at Beach High beginning in 2015. One year later, he transferred to Savannah High School where he taught band for five years. And it was at Savannah High that he was nominated, and won WTOC's Top Teacher award in 2019. In an interview after winning that award, Foster told WTOC it was music that changed his life, even helped him go to college on a full scholarship. A day after Foster's death, the Auburn University's Music Education Twitter page posted this, calling Foster a bright light, gentle soul, passionate music educator, and a wonderful student and researcher. Foster transferred to Savannah Arts Academy this past summer to become band director, and in a short time, the	
9/16/2021 5PM OD	SAVANNAH TEACHER COVID DEATH		0:01:20

		"So lost and so hurt by this." A loss...and pain...Federico Foster's family will never get over. "We were so looking forward to his future, and I think everybody was looking forward to his future. We were so looking forward to it." Ever since he was a child, the family says Rico's future looked promising. Rico was smart...genuine...hardworking...and shared the family's talent in music. "I knew drum was his favorite because Rico beat on everything." "EVERYTHING!" Those funny, childhood memories will remain in Rico's brothers' hearts. "Breaking stuff, holes in the wall. (laughs)" But the lesson that will stick with them for a lifetime...their brother's work ethic. "Understand what your strengths are, understand what your talents are, understand what your passion is, and go get your vision. Go get your goal." Ri	
9/18/2021 OD	6AM AA: SAV DAYBREAK ARTS BAND SATURDAY DIRECTOR DIES FOLO		0:47:00

"We want the students to share what they produce to Disney, because they want Disney to look at them and say, that's somebody we want to talk to." SCADFilm's annual festival for all things animation will be an all-virtual format... featuring three days of presentations, special guests and a showcase of student-produced content. "For us to be premiering 'Hex Limit' at Animation Fest is an honor to say the very very least." Senior Jordan Fleming directed the new animated short 'Hex Limit' from SCAD Animation Studio and will be a panelist when the film premieres during the festival. "It's incredible to be able to be amongst the panelists, and the different, huge animation productions that are coming in and telling students like, how do you get started, how do you get into this field that you're

KYLE: SCAD wanting to pursue as your career." "Students that are middle ANIMATION school and high school will be able to watch these programs FEST and see themselves sitting i

9/22/2021 6PM OD FEST and see themselves sitting i 0:01:45

(sot) Leaders for Bulloch County and Ogeechee Tech say worker training will be as important to the industries in the Mega Site as supplying power, water, or sewer. (vo) This afternoon, they announced plans for the Georgia Industrial Systems and Robotics Training facility. The county will supply a spot in the Gateway Industrial Park to help train crews who service and maintain industrial robotics equipment. (sot) Go to just about any advanced manufacturer in the world these days and you'll see a significant amount of robotics on the floor. (vo) Ogeechee Tech already offers robotics training. The new site would triple their room so they could serve more students and companies at a time. (sot) You don't want to have to send them two states away. What an attraction if you can send them just 15 miles.

BULLOCH CO & OT ROBOT ACADEMY      Georgia Tech all-day short robotics training. The new site would triple their room so they could serve more students and companies at a time. (sot) You don't want to have to send them two states away. What an attraction if you can send them just 15 miles or 30 miles up

9/28/2021 6PM OD ACADEMY 15 miles or 30 miles up 0:01:14

**ISSUE 9: NUTRITION OF STUDENTS IN SCHOOLS.SCAD  
SCHOOL FOOD DONATION, FREE LUNCH CONTUNUES  
FOR SCCPSS  
SOURCE: SCHOOLS**

"In collaboration with Feed the Hungry, we've identified 13 different places that we're delivering lunches to. In total, we provide about 15-hundred lunches each week and we will do that through out the 7 weeks of summer so these youth have nourishment and joy that the lunches bring." Linzey says all the

**SCAD FOOD DONATION** food being provided is by SCAD's dining services--Bon-appetite.

7/9/2021 6PM OD

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New at 6 - SCAD teaming up with Feed the Hungry to help keep children fed in the Savannah-Chatham County community. It's all part of the university's new initiative SCAD SERVE. The director says they came up with this idea after hearing from Georgia House Representative Carl Gillard. Gillard said students who are normally provided food during the school year can't get any for the summer. Now--each week

7/9/2021 6PM OD      SCAD FOOD SCAD and Feed the Hungry will provide boxed lunches to  
DONATION those in need at different locations.      0:00:27

"all students in SCCPSS will have opportunity to eat breakfast and lunch at no cost...regardless of income,, all students will have opportunity to enjoy breakfast and lunch at no cost" At

FREE Savannah-Chatham schools, meal applications are not a  
LUNCH requirement, and will not be processed this year. Students will  
PROGRAM be back in the cafeteria this year and the cafeterias will be

8/4/2021 5:30pm OD      CONTINUES sanitized in between meals.      0:00:45

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PRACTICE    FREE  
5AM           LUNCH  
DAYBREAK    PROGRAM  
8/5/2021 OD      CONTINUES

"all students in SCCPSS will have opportunity to eat breakfast and lunch at no cost...regardless of income,, all students will have opportunity to enjoy breakfast and lunch at no cost" At SCCPSS schools, meal applications are not a requirement, and will not be processed this year. Students will be back in the cafeteria this year and the cafeterias will be sanitized in between meals.

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**DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT  
TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.**

**MINORITY ISSUES**  
**JULY 1, 2021– SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**  
**CBS NETWORK PROGRAMMING**

**60 MINUTES**

07/11/21

**“Colson Whitehead”** – a profile of Pulitzer Prize-winning author Colson Whitehead. Whitehead's books weave fantasy and historic underpinnings to tell vivid stories that comment on race and society. Includes an interview with Julie Barer, his wife. (C: John Dickerson – P: Sarah Koch) (OAD: 02/28/21)

07/18/21

**“Talent on the Spectrum”** – a report on the employment opportunities being made available to people on the autism spectrum. As companies learn to work with and accommodate employees who are on the spectrum, they are participating in a mutually beneficial system in which people with autism can thrive. Includes interviews with Erik Rolan, Phillip Mitchell, Sarah Klaich, Matt Friedman, Brennen Novak, who all have autism; Dave Friedman, who has hired many employees with autism at his tech company Autonomy Works; Kelly Grier, Ernst & Young's U.S. Chairwoman; Maithilee Kunda, a computer scientist at the Frist Center; Dan Burger, a data scientist at the Frist Center; and Keivan Stassun, an astrophysics professor at Vanderbilt University who helped create the Frist Center. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Denise Schrier Cetta) (OAD: 10/04/20)

08/01/21

**“Darren Walker”** – a profile of Darren Walker, the first gay, Black president of the Ford Foundation. Walker leads the philanthropic society with the intent of distributing money to causes that will help combat inequality. Includes an interview with Beulah Spencer, Walker's mother. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shari Finkelstein) (OAD: 04/04/21)

08/22/21

**“Race in the Ranks”** – a report on the difficulties faced by minorities in the U.S. military. Overseen by the first African American Secretary of Defense Lloyd Austin, the military is working to address the racial disparities minorities have long struggled with in all ranks of the military. Includes interviews with Lloyd Austin, a former U.S. Army four-star general who is the current secretary of defense; General C.Q. Brown, the first African American to head the Air Force; Senior Master Sergeant Sapphira Morgan, a member of the Air Force; Chief Master Sergeant Michael Holland, a member of the Air Force; retired Admiral Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs during the Bush and Obama administrations. (C: David Martin – P: Mary Walsh) (OAD: 03/21/21)

**WTOC NEWSCASTS**

**ISSUE 10- HOW MINORITIES AND WOMEN HAVE BEEN AFFECTED IN THE COMMUNITY AND HOW COMPANIES AND ORGANIZATIONS ARE HELPING THEM THROUGH ENCOURAGEMENT AND MENTORING..  
MINORITY VACCINATIONS, WEEPING TIME FAMILIES, CBS VOTING RIGHTS MARCH INCLUDING GOOD TROUBLE RALLY, TYBEE BLACK HISTORY**

**SOURCE: MLK ORGANIZATIONS, 100 BLACK MEN, ETC.**

According to the CDC -- Nationwide , the breakdown is pretty jarring. 60 percent of the vaccines given out have been to white residents, while only 17 percent have gone to hispanic residents and 12 percent to black residents. Here in Chatham County -- of the residents with at least one dose -- 52 percent are white, Black 29%, Asian 5.2%, Hispanic 4% Dr. Elsie Smalls from Healthy Savannah says there are a variety of factors of why we're seeing vaccine hesitancy in those communities, but it's crucial to get everyone vaccinated.

6am  
7/22/2021 daybreak

MINORITY VAXS

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The entire goal of this program is to provide access, awareness and understanding of the covid-19 vaccine in minority communities here in the coastal empire. They are hoping to do that with help from the community members, spreading the word about the vaccine in their own neighborhood. Tonight during a listening session, they will be hearing from people about their experiences with the vaccine. Throughout the program they hope to gather about 65 health advocates -- who will complete a short training and then be in charge of planning an activity that helps spread the word about the vaccine in their own neighborhoods and community circles. Once complete -- they receive a \$500 stipend for helping... Healthy Savannah hopes this effort will address the disparities among minority communities in Chatham County -- of the residents with at least one dose -- 52 percent are white, 29 percent black and 5 percent Asian. Dr. Elsie Smalls / Operations Manager "Sometimes we form messaging or create a campaign that may not resonate with the folks that we are trying to reach so that is the purpose of having these listening sessions so that our approach is grounded in community." If you have some ideas that you would like to put into action to spread the word about the covid-19 vaccine, anyone is welcome to the listening session happening tonight at 6:30 at the African American Health Information and Resource Center. We have information to get you signed up on our website WTOC.com. In Savannah,

MORNING  
7/22/2021 BREAK MINORITY VAXS SW, WTOC News.

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Like many across the country hesitation kept people like Craig Butts from getting vaccinated. {CRAIG BUTTS, PRESIDENT, UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY} " just nervousness about it from that end. Not a big shot guy and of course you've got a lot of kind of urban legends out here about the particular shot itself. Especially as an African-American male there is a lot of urban legends and fear behind it so that was probably a lot to do with it." But Craig says after a conversation with his wife Sharon that hesitation changed. {SHARON BUTTS, SECRETARY, UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY} "Me at the high school. The two of us out in the community everywhere. It's important for us to know that as we're trying to help other people that we are going to be able to help other people." The Butts' are behind Unity In The Community. A non-profit organization with a mission to bring people together. Sharon says it was also important for them to get vaccinated - after people they know got COVID-19. They happened to find out about Friday's clinic.

{KRYSTLESTEINHOFF, OWNER AND DIRECTOR, THRIVE EARLY LEARNING Right now with vaccination rates being so low in Bryan County, we want to do anything and everything that we can do to help get those rates up." Owner KrystleSteinhoff hosted the clinic. Bryan County's community transmission index is the second-highest in our area. The Butts say -- it's important people of all ages... including young people... get the vaccine.{CRAIG BUTTS, PRESIDENT, UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY} " we want you to be around. We want you to be healthy and be around. I think that's the most important thing. \*\*BUTTED\*\* {SHARON BUTTS, SECRETARY, UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY}

BRYAN CO. VAX " take a chance. Get the vaccine. It's okay."  
CLINIC

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7/30/2021 11PM

11PM  
8/7/2021 WEEKEND

VAX CLINIC AT  
CONNOR'S  
TEMPLE

"We're really trying to push people to let's protect yourself and let's protect others around you." The Connors Temple Baptist Church Pastor Thomas Sills says as COVID-19 case numbers rise he wanted to provide an opportunity for not only his congregation, but for the whole community to have an accessible place to get vaccinated. "The church in times past has been a beacon of light to help people in the community and we wanted to do that." According to the latest DPH numbers, only 35% of African Americans in Chatham County have received at least one dose of the COVID vaccine. Sills says this is because there's still a lot of hesitancy, but he was glad to see that before the event even started there were people lined up waiting for their turn. "It's a blessing to see that people are really taking this serious." Sills reminds people to get the correct information about the vaccine. Cameron Griffin says he was hesitant to get it for a while because of the misinformation being spread around. "I said, nah that's not for me I'll just find another way of dealing with things." But Griffin says now that he knows more about the vaccine and after seeing the toll it's taking on people close to his heart ... he rolled up his sleeve. "As a father of four kids, I said 'hey it's time that I protect myself and my family as well.'" Sills says his congregation does have a high number of people vaccinated. However, he says, having service outside is still what's best for the health and well-being of his congregants. "The safest way to do it is a drive up service. You're safe and in your car. Until numbers start to go down and we get more people vaccinated." Mariah Congedo WTOC News.

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8/12/2021 6PM OD

WEEPING TIME  
FAMILIES

As the story goesâ€| March 2 through 3, 1859â€|the sun didn't shine in Savannah. And nowâ€|More than 160 years laterâ€|people joined together to remember a dark time in Southeast Georgia's history. "Roswell King was, in fact, so cruel, it is said in his later years in Roswell, Georgia, he sort of disintegrated psychologically as a result of the cruelty he inflicted on others." Virginia teacher Jane Banse learned about another side of her family's history in 2017â€|.a side left untold. She's a descendant of Roswell Kingâ€|a slave owner who managed Butler Island Plantation for 20 years. "When I realized that we had left this whole truthful part out because it was uncomfortable, I didn't see how we could continue that way. I felt that we just really had to tell the whole story." Banse, along with several descendants of Butler Island slaves, shared stories about The Weeping Timeâ€|the largest slave trade in US history.

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WKEND  
8/28/2021 7PM OD

GOOD  
TROUBLE  
RALLY

It's about the black women who are fighting hard every day in places like Georgia to make it easier for people to vote. I march because I'm tired of elected officials putting themselves first, to be honest I'm disgusted by the behavior of many of our leaders. Protesters rallied in cities across the country on Saturday, including Atlanta.

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7AM GOOD  
DAYBREAK TROUBLE  
8/29/2021 SUNDAY OD RALLY

STANDING SHOULDER TO SHOULDER, THE NATION'S TOP CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS LED THOUSANDS OF SUPPORTERS IN A CALL TO ACTION FOR FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS LEGISLATION (SOT - Rev. Al Sharpton/National Action Network // 14:37:03) "We are not going to let you filibuster away our voter protections!" (FARKAS CUTS + HEAD ON WALKUP + VOTE THIS WEEK?) THE GROUP WAS JOINED BY THE BROTHERS OF THE LATE CONGRESSMAN JOHN LEWIS. THEY TOUTED A BILL NAMED AFTER HIM THAT WAS PASSED IN THE HOUSE THIS WEEK AND URGED THE SENATE TO ACT -- (nats Henry Lewis) "It protects the right!" (MARCH NATS) (WIDE SHOT MARCH + DEVON @ 12:14:00ish) DEVON (DE-VAUGHN) DICKERSON TRAVELED ALL THE WAY FROM GEORGIA.. ONE OF MORE THAN A DOZEN STATES THAT HAS PASSED VOTER RESTRICTIONS THIS YEAR. (SOT -- Devin Dickerson/Augusta,Georgia // @ 12:13:33-35) (12:13:21) (VO) We feel the need that we need be in the place // (ON CAM) "Hopefully it's gonna protect our basic rights..to lessen s

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(Farkas feed @ 12:06:01\*\*\*) "Black Votes Matter!" STANDING SHOULDER TO SHOULDER, THE NATION'S TOP CIVIL RIGHTS LEADERS LED THOUSANDS OF SUPPORTERS IN A CALL TO ACTION FOR FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS LEGISLATION (SOT - Rev. Al Sharpton/National Action Network // 14:37:03) "We are not going to let you filibuster away our voter protections!" (FARKAS CUTS + HEAD ON WALKUP + VOTE THIS WEEK?) THE GROUP WAS JOINED BY THE BROTHERS OF THE LATE CONGRESSMAN JOHN LEWIS. THEY TOUTED A BILL NAMED AFTER HIM THAT WAS PASSED IN THE HOUSE THIS WEEK AND URGED THE SENATE TO ACT -- (nats Henry Lewis) "It protects the right!" (MARCH NATS) (WIDE SHOT MARCH + DEVON @ 12:14:00ish) DEVON (DE-VAUGHN) DICKERSON TRAVELED ALL THE WAY FROM GEORGIA.. ONE OF MORE THAN A DOZEN STATES THAT HAS PASSED VOTER RESTRICTIONS

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DAYBREAK CBS DC VOTING (12:13:21) (VO) We feel the need that we need be in the place // (ON CAM)  
8/30/2021 OD RIGHTS MARCH "Hop"

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9/23/2021 6PM OD

TYBEE BLACK  
HISTORY

The Tybee MLK Organization, Tybee Historical Society and GSU are partnering up to discover the stories of the black community that organizers say once thrived on the island. Pat Leiby is the Community Organizer for Tybee MLK. She says the project is focused on learning where the black community was located, so they can map it out for everyone to see. Leiby says what they've learned so far is that there was once a black church near the North end on Alger Avenue, a black-owned oyster business and inn on the south end as well as a night club.

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9/23/2021 6PM OD

TYBEE BLACK  
HISTORY

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5AM  
DAYBREAK TYBEE BLACK  
9/24/2021 OD HISTORY

"These stories need to be told. We need to understand history and hopefully understanding history will open the way for us to have a better understanding of each other." Leiby says they want people from the black community who have ties to the island or have stories to share ... to reach out to them so they can hear their stories. If you have a story or know someone who does, you can find her email listed on this story on our website WTOC.com.

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6AM  
DAYBREAK TYBEE BLACK  
9/24/2021 OD HISTORY

Right now the project is in its early stages, but it's aimed at informing visitors and residents about the island's Black history. This all stems from last summer when the island passed the Race and Equity Resolution. The Tybee MLK Organization, Tybee Historical Society and GSU are partnering with the Community Organizer for Tybee MLK --to focus on learning and mapping where the Black community was located.

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Nichele Hoskins / Communications Manager COVID Grant "I think a lot of organizations are frustrated because they have offered the vaccine and some people haven't taken it. We believe that because lots of communities have not been listened to and have been overlooked, we want to sit down and chat with folks to be sure at least as many people as we know can be heard." The information gathered during tonight's session will go towards the training of 65 community advocates working to inform people in their neighborhoods about the vaccine and covid-19 in general. They will be paid a stipend of 500 dollars and will begin their training next month.

5AM  
DAYBREAK 5AM COASTAL  
9/27/2021 OD GEORGIA YMCA

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This is just one more step the group has taken in their effort to give those communities access, awareness and understanding of the covid-19 vaccine. The project is a partnership with Healthy Savannah and the YMCA of Coastal Georgia -- funded through a grant from the CDC. Through word of mouth -- the campaign hopes to build trust among these groups to eventually lead to vaccination and knowing how to protect themselves during the pandemic.

5AM  
DAYBREAK 5AM COASTAL  
9/27/2021 OD GEORGIA YMCA

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9/30/2021 7PM OD

TYBEE ISLAND  
FORGOTTEN  
HISTORY

This area of Battery Creek Park is considered sacred land and soon it'll be developed into a historical display. VO In the 1760s Lazaretto Creek had a house on it. This was a place where people were quarantined before being sold into slavery in Savannah. For anyone who comes on or off the island, they're driving over sacred ground. Julia Pearce with the Tybee MLK organization says if they didn't live, they were buried in unmarked graves. Thousands of which are believed to be here at Battery Creek Park. The Lazaretto Creek Coalition, which includes the Tybee MLK, Tybee Historical Society, Hillary family, the City of Tybee and Georgia Southern University, are working on creating a memorial. SOT "When we come across that bridge we should think about that. Not in a morbid way, but think about it in a way that this was American history and where are we today and what are we still grappling with today and how much t

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**ISSUE 11- HOW MINORITIES AND WOMEN HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE IN THE COMMUNITY. AMBUCS ORGANIZATION HELPING PEOPLE WHO HAVE SPECIAL NEEDS, DINGLE SCHOOL-1ST FOR BLACK PEOPLE, GULLAH WEEK, 1ST AFRICAN AMERICAN SPELLING BEE WINNER, GOOD TROUBLE RALLY, GIRLS IN AVIATION DAY, HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH, SC NEW WOMAN OWNED BUSINESS SOURCE: MLK ORGANIZATIONS, 100 BLACK MEN, ETC.**

7/9/2021 4:30pm

SPELLING BEE  
WINNER

14 year old zaila (zah-ee-luh) avant-garde of louisiana twirled in excitement after winning the scripps national spelling bee --the first african american to do so. (sot {zaila avant-garde/spelling bee champion}) it felt really great to be the first african american champion because its been 100 years since no african american, it's not too surprising or anything but it's still kind of sad and stuff for their not to be any african american winners but it felt good. first lady and educator jill biden was on hand for the competition... which was modified because of the pandemic. only the 11 finalists got to compete in person. avant-garde says she wasn't nervous on stage. (sot zaila) it felt kind of like a dream come true because i've been working toward this goal for two years. the teenager told cbs this morning what she loved about spelling that made her practice hours and hours a day. i'm proud to name you the 2021 scripps national spelling bee champion. if yo like study and know the roots and suddenly it's really easy so just knowing roots is really helpful in spelling and i love that part of it.but spelling isn't avant-garde's only passion. she's also a basketball phenom. she holds three guinness world records for her dribbling skills and hopes to play in the wnba one day. diane king hall, cbs news, new york.

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7/14/2021 11PM OD

DARIEN:  
AMBUCS  
FUNDRAISER

"It gives a freedom that some people have never had and some people can regain. This is an opportunity for Will to go down the road, ride down the road with that freedom. If you ask anybody in Darien, they can tell you they've seen Will on his tryke, and it's quite amazing." So far...Tucker has raised more than 400-dollars for the organization. The fundraiser wraps up at the end of this month.

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7/14/2021 11PM OD	DARIEN: AMBUCS FUNDRAISER	Will Howell who opened the food truck is one of the organization's clients. As Amanda mentioned he has cerebral palsy. AMBUCS is able to provide him, and hundreds of other kids and adults, with an Amtryke. With the public's help, the organization can provide even more help to those in need.	0:00:01
7/27/2021 4:30PM OD	ALYSSA: PEMBROKE HISTORIC SCHOOL	<p>"The Dingle School has been around for more than 70 years. The City of Pembroke says they've been working on saving this building to keep its history alive." The Mayor Pro Tem of Pembroke says the Dingle School was one of the first schools built for Black people in 1949. And he was a student in these classrooms. "It runs chills through my body...you know what I mean."</p> <p>Pembroke's City Council voted last month to accept this school from the Bryan County Board of Education. "We walked the building with the city council. Just to hear the stories and the history behind that building...there's not, there wasn't a better place to go than the City of Pembroke." When Miller walks through these doors, he says he can't help but think of all the memories...good and bad. "When Martin Luther King was shot back in 1963, I was sitt</p> <p>Gullah Geechee appreciation week started this past Saturday and will continue through this Saturday, but before you can understand why the events are so important to the Gullah Geechee people, it's important to understand who they are. Sot: {Marilyn Hemingway - CEO Gullah Geechee Chamber of Commerce}</p> <p>"We are descendants of enslaved Africans who were brought here because of their knowledge of how to control the water and manage the land. So you could grow rice, indigo, sugar, cotton and so on."Back to the annual appreciation week, Hemingway says instead of focusing on the hardships, they want to make sure the events honor how they've overcome them. "It is something that should be celebrated, not to celebrate the peculiar institution of slavery, but to celebrate those who survived it and those who had a dream and vision to be free. That is something to celebrate."But she says it's not just for Gullah people. "It is also to educate and share some of our knowledge, not all of our knowledge, not all of our culture to others so that they can also</p>	0:01:31
8/2/2021 7PM	GULLAH WEEK		1:22

It's a free, STEM-focused event for kids ages 8 to 17. Organizers say there will be hands-on activities for your kids to learn more about aviation and engineering. They'll also learn more about the history of women in the field, the science of flight and more. Good afternoon, Please find the Press Release information below for your review and distribution. Embry-Riddle Collaborates with STEM Organizations to Host Girls in Aviation Day 2021 Celebration at the National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air Force Media Contact: Gabriela Fimbres, Savannah Area Campus Director, (912) 450-0073/FIMBRESG@erau.edu Pooler, Ga. (Release: Sept. 21, 2021) â€“ Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University's Savannah-area campus, in collaboration with the Society of Women in Engineering and Women in Aviation, are hosting a Girls in Aviation Day celebration on Saturday, Sept. 25 at the National Museum of the Mighty Eighth Air

9/22/2021 5:30pm OD GIRLS IN AVIATION DAY

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9/22/2021 5:30pm OD HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Tonight- We're taking you to JJ's Bar and Grill in Hinesville, attached to the Econolodge off General Stewart Way.. Owner Jose Espada opened JJ's seven years agoâ€¦after spending 24 years in the military. At the time, he says, Hinesville didn't have a HUGE Hispanic populationâ€¦let alone Hispanic restaurants. That's why he decided it was time to introduce his culture to the City of Hinesville.

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MORNING BREAK OD 9/23/2021 09 23 HISPANIC HERITAGE: HINESVILLE RESTAURANT

JJ's Bar and Grill is attached to the Econolodge off General Stewart Way. It's hidden in the back of the hotel, but the owner saysâ€¦once customers find it, they can't stop coming back. "We do get people coming from all over the place - Savannah, Pooler, Brunswick." Owner Jose Espada opened JJ's seven years agoâ€¦after spending 24 years in the military. At the time, Espada says, Hinesville didn't have a HUGE Hispanic populationâ€¦let alone Hispanic restaurants. "We had a Dominican restaurant back then, but as far as Puerto Rican and Puerto Rican dishes, there was nothing in town at that time." The veteran, who would always travel to Savannah for food and entertainment options, decided it was time to introduce his culture to the City of Hinesville. "A lot of people have learned about Latino food, not just Mexican food." Like many businesses, JJ's took a hit from the pandemicâ€¦cutting some o

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		D'Corner got its roots in Richmond Hill two months ago, but that's not where they started. "The reason this even started was after Hurricane Maria, the owner of the restaurant.. they lost their house and they come over to Georgia where their sister and brother-in-law, he was in the service at the time, they resided here...well, in Hinesville, they came over because they lost everything." Denise says a lot of people after the hurricane had to leave the island to find work and Gerogia was one of those destinations for the D'Corner family. "We just wanted to create some thing for the Puerto Ricans at reside here to just give a taste of home to them and make them feel comfortable coming here and make them feel like they are at home but also share culture with Richmond Hill, with Georgia." Their Hinesville location has been around for about 2 years and they say with Richmond Hill growing so fast, it was where they	0:01:40
9/25/2021 OD	11PM WEEKEND	ALYSSA: HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH PREVIEW	
9/29/2021 7PM OD	SC NEW WOMAN OWNED BUSINESS	The road to success has been a long one for Takiya La'Shaune. "I got out of an abusive relationship, ended up homeless and needed to put food on the table. I entered the beauty industry unknowingly just as a way to take care of my young children at the time." But 11 years she's using her story, and her knowledge of the industry to give back with the opening of Girl Boss Studios. "Girl Boss Studios was started because, if I can take what I learned and help others get what I've gained more quickly then they don't have to go through the hard steps I went through." The beauty and business co-op offer both salon and business space for aspiring female entrepreneurs. Something Sheree Darien was more than happy help partner in. "We are boss babes who are not asking for permission. We are giving ourselves permission to stand in our truth and do what we do a	0:00:36

**DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT  
TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.**

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
**JULY 1, 2021 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

**CBS NETWORK PROGRAMMING**

**FACE THE NATION**

- 07/18/21      **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Ken McClure, mayor, Springfield, MO (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (3); Chris Krebs, partner, Krebs Stamos Group, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (4); Jill Schlesinger, CBS News business analyst (5); Admiral Mike Mullen, former chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff (6); David Becker, director & founder, Center for Election Innovation and Research (7)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
5) Topics include: uptick in consumer prices / impact of the pandemic on the economy / wages / how the Federal reserve will react to inflation indicators
- 07/25/21      **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Elizabeth Palmer, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (3); Dr. Jerome Adams, former U.S. surgeon general (4); Gina Raimondo, Secretary of Commerce, Biden administration (5); Quinton Lucas, mayor, Kansas City, MO (6); Carol Leonnig, co-author, I Alone Can Fix It (7); Philip Rucker, co-author, I Alone Can Fix It (7)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
5) Topics include: impact of the COVID resurgence on economic recovery / push by businesses for employees and their families to get vaccinated; tourism industry; current state of the infrastructure bill; problems faced by small business owners / importance of affordable childcare
- 08/01/21      **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (2); Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) (3); Neel Kashkari, president, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (4); Elizabeth Palmer, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (5); Dr. Sharon Alroy-Preis, director, Public Health Services, Israel (6); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (7)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent, contributor, CBS SUNDAY MORNING  
4) Topics include: effect of the Delta variant on the economy / impact the leverage workers now have on businesses / recovery timeline / inflation / supply issues; support for spending on infrastructure investment
- 08/22/21      **Guests:** Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (1); Kris Van Cleave, CBS News Congressional correspondent (2); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (3); Roxana Saberi, CBS News foreign correspondent (4); Antony Blinken, U.S. Secretary of State, Biden administration (5); Nikki Haley, former ambassador to the United Nations, Trump administration (6); Ryan Crocker, former U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, Obama administration (7); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (8); Governor Larry Hogan (R-MD) (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10)  
**Guest Moderator:** Major Garrett, CBS News chief Washington correspondent

9) Topics include: / assistance for those facing evictions due to the pandemic

09/05/21	<p><b>Guests:</b> Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1); Governor Phil Murphy (D-NJ) (2); Jessie Mitchell, CBS News reporter (3); Cynthia Lee Sheng, president, Jefferson Parish, LA (4); Representative Veronica Escobar (D-TX) (5); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (6); Sue Gordon, former principal deputy director of National Intelligence (7); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (8)</p> <p><b>Guest Moderator:</b> Weijia Jiang, CBS News senior White House correspondent</p> <p>2) Topics include: / federal assistance</p>
09/19/21	<p><b>Guests:</b> Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Francis Collins, director, National Institute of Health (2); Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) (3); David Martin, CBS News senior national security correspondent (4); Scott Kirby, CEO, United Airlines (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, <i>Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic</i> (6)</p> <p>3) Topics include: lowering prescription drugs / reconciliation package</p> <p>5) Topics include: United Airlines' vaccine mandate, resulting in a 90% employee vaccination rate / Delta variant's impact on travel / Biden administration's travel restrictions; support for the airport funding included in the 1.2 trillion-dollar infrastructure plan /</p>
09/26/21	<p><b>Guests:</b> Dr. Rochelle Walensky, director, Centers for Disease Control (CDC) (1); Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) (2); Representative Pramila Jayapal (D-WA) (3); John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst (4); Scott Morrison, prime minister, Australia (5); Recep Tayyip Erdogan, president, Turkey (6)</p> <p>3) Topics include: paying for the 3.5 trillion-dollar spending bill with taxes on the wealthiest and the largest corporations /</p>

## 60 MINUTES

08/08/21	<p><b>“Dynamic Robots”</b> – a report on Boston Dynamics, a robotics company that focuses on making robots with the capacity for life-like movement and mobility. The company continues to increase the capabilities of their robots and add additional functions, making possible an expanding range of jobs the robots can perform. Includes interviews with Marc Raibert, founder and chairman of Boston Dynamics; Robert Playter, CEO of Boston Dynamics; Hannah Rossi, a technician; Kevin Blankespoor, a lead engineer; and Bill Washburn, a roboticist specializing in car mechanics. (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Nichole Marks) (OAD: 03/28/21)</p>
08/15/21	<p><b>“Kings of the Road”</b> – a report on driverless truck technology. Truckers move 70% of the nation’s goods and many are at risk of losing work due to the rapid expansion of autonomous rigs. With major advances in sensor technology, experts say driverless trucks will be widespread by 2021. Includes interviews with Jeff and Tanner Widdows, Linda Allen, and Eric Richardson, all truckers; Chuck Price, chief product officer at TuSimple; Maureen Fitzgerald, a trucker testing autonomous vehicles; John Panttila, who monitors software in driverless trucks; Steve Viscelli, a sociologist at the University of Pennsylvania and an expert in freight transportation</p>

and automation; and Sam Loesche, legislative representative with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters. (See also: “Hands Off The Wheel”, OAD: 10/04/15; and “Artificial Intelligence”, OAD: 10/09/16) (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Michael Karzis) (OAD: 03/15/20; 1<sup>st</sup> Rebroadcast: 08/23/20)

- 08/29/21     **“Chips”** – a report on the increased demands for the semiconductors, or chips, required to manufacture a range of electronic products. The supply chain for chips is very fragile, and the current shortage will have a wide range of ramifications for the global economy. Includes interviews with Pat Gelsinger, Intel CEO; and Mark Liu, TSMC Chairman. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Shachar Bar-On) (OAD: 05/02/21)

#### **FULL COURT PRESS**

8/15/21 Rep. Debbie Dingell and Axios’ Chief Tech Correspondent Ina Fried on the microchip shortage

9/19/21     Economist Austan Goolsbee & Slice CEO Ilir Sela on vaccines and COVID’s impact on business

#### **WTOC NEWSCASTS**

**ISSUE 12-HOW THE ECONOMY AND OTHER SOURCES SUCH AS THE CORONAVIRUS ARE AFFECTING BUSINESSES. HOW BUSINESSES HAVE BEEN AFFECTED DURING THE CORONAVIRUS, BUSINESSES AND EVENTS AFFECTED BY THE PANDEMIC, RESTAURANT FLOODED FROM ELSA, 4TH OF JULY SALES, SHRIMP SEASON, HINESVILLE BUSINESS RECOVERY MONEY, TYBEE BUSINESS NEEDS, WTOC 144 CONSTRUCTION, BULLOCH FACTORY CLOSED DUE TO PANDEMIC, TYBEE NEW BUSINESS, RICHMOND HILL PHARMACY HIRING MORE WORKERS TO HELP WITH COVID SURGE THRIFT SHOP STRUGGLES, PATRIOT WEEKEND CANCELLED AGAIN, PHIL THE PARK PLANS DURING PANDEMIC, LABOR DAY PREPS, HHI ON GREAT SUMMER SEASON, GOLDEN RAY SALVAGE, RICHMOND HILL FIRE AFFECTING BUSINESSES, TYBEE TOURISM, POOLER PARKWAY WORK, GOLDEN RAY ECONOMIC IMPACT**

**SOURCE: CITY OF SAVANNAH, US GOVERNMENT , BUSINESS OWNERS, ETC**

4:30AM 4TH OF  
DAYBREAK JULY  
7/1/2021 OD FIREWORK  
SALES

"Folks are really getting into shooting fireworks more. We saw that last season and around the first and now we're seeing it even more now. So I'll tell you what, every day has been busy, it's been increasing this week especially this week it's been booming." Walker says despite high demand, they have not felt any supply issues.

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4:30AM HHI BIZ  
DAYBREAK JULY  
7/1/2021 OD FOURTH  
PREP

"We're exhilarated! After a year down with Covid and all the lockdowns and all the restrictions being lifted we're really anxious to have people back inside." Savarese also says they're offering workers bonuses to get people in on the weekend... On top of staff being excited to have people in the shop again. He says a great holiday weekend would be the perfect cherry on top of an already successful summer so far.

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7/1/2021	4:30AM DAYBREAK OD	HHI BIZ JULY FOURTH PREP	Local businesses say the crowds are bringing some optimism as economic recovery continues. The president and CEO of the Chamber of Commerce for the island says the 4th is historically their busiest week, responsible for over 1 billion dollars in the local economy.	0:16
7/1/2021	4:30AM DAYBREAK OD	BARS OPEN FOR THE 4TH	Speaking of drinks -- the city of Savannah will allow people to enjoy bars in the area this Sunday. The city is allowing them to open on the 4th. This is an exception for what are known as 'true bars.' These are businesses that make less than half of their revenue from food sales. The city usually prohibits those businesses from opening on Sundays. This is similar to past exceptions when holidays like New Year's Eve and St Patrick's Day also fell on a Sunday.	0:00:30
7/1/2021	4PM OD	MARIAH: 4TH OF JULY PLANS	In just two days this parking lot will be transformed into a block party-style 4th of July event. City leaders say they're excited to see everyone come together this year to celebrate. "It's such a blessing to be able to have it this year." Vidalia's Independence Day celebration is back. "We are ready to see people out, ready to see them come enjoy just what we do here in our community." The city's celebration will be held on Saturday at the Stage at City Park. City Manager Nick Overstreet says they'll have various food and drink vendors as well as activities for the kids. "This year we're doing something a little different. We're having a kids karaoke contest before the band comes out and performs." Gates open at 6:00 p.m. and Overstreet says everyone is invited to join in on the fun. "We expect people from all over Toombs County and surrounding areas to come." Vidalia's Onion Fest	0:01:41

			"We are ready to see people out, ready to see them come enjoy just what we do here in our community. The economic impact from an event like this is tremendous for us because we have people that come to town and spend money on food and gas." Admission is \$5 and kids 5 and under are free.	
4:30AM DAYBREAK 7/2/2021 OD	VIDALIA 4TH PLANS		Overstreet says people should bring lawn chairs, but no coolers are allowed. There will be fireworks - those start at 9.	0:00:18
4:30AM DAYBREAK 7/2/2021 OD	TYBEE FOURTH CROWDS		Restaurant owners we talked with say they're still short-staffed and recovering from the pandemic. Tybee Island City Manager Shawn Gillen suggests getting to the island by 9 a-m after that you can bank on sitting in traffic for about an hour. Traffic will be reduced to one lane each way this weekend to give emergency crews a lane to get through the traffic. Sarah Winkelmann joins us live on the news at daybreak with more updates from the island.	0:00:26
6AM DAYBREAK 7/2/2021 OD	SAVANNAH RIVERFRON T FIREWORK S		Another big local fourth of july event is back! For the first time since 2019, the Savannah Waterfront Association and City of Savannah will host the Independence Day Fireworks Show on the Savannah River. Thousands of people are expected to head down to River Street for the annual event. The show begins at 9:15 on Sunday but you'll want to get there early and grab a seat on the water. ALL parking at city owned garages, and the Savannah Convention Center, will be five dollars	0:00:20

MORNING BREAK OD 7/2/2021 07 02	SARAH TYB JUL4 CELEBRATI ONS	They will have the same traffic controls they have had in place every saturday so far this season. Both Saturday and Sunday -- they will have traffic down to one going off and coming onto the island to make sure emergency crews can get by if needed. Once you get on the island, if you see a parking spot -- just take it. Many people have already arrived on the island and are ready to celebrate.	0:23:00
FORTH OF JULY 7/2/2021 NOON OD	TRAVEL	Natpop fireworks Scott Kirby, United Airlines CEO: "What a difference a year makes." THIS 4TH OF JULY, TRAVEL IS BACK Natpop fireworks WITH A BANG. "You don't really appreciate how much you missed it until you get back to doing it again." FLYING? Natpop plane THE T-S-A SAYS MORE THAN 2 MILLION PEOPLE WENT THROUGH AIRPORT SECURITY CHECKPOINTS THIS PAST SUNDAY-- AND IT EXPECTS TO SEE EVEN MORE TRAVELERS THIS HOLIDAY WEEKEND. Scott Kirby, United Airlines CEO: "Leisure demand is more than 100 percent recovered." ON THE ROADS Natpop cars TRIPLE A EXPECTS MORE THAN 43 MILLION PEOPLE TO TRAVEL BY CAR-- MORE THAN EVEN BEFORE THE PANDEMIC. BUT YOU'LL PAY UP AT THE PUMP- - GAS PRICES ARE FORECAST TO STAY ABOVE A THREE DOLLAR AVERAGE THROUGH THE SUMMER. "People may generally feel more comfortable traveling by car. It gives you a little more cont	0:01:30
TYLER: HHI BIZ ON BEACH 7/2/2021 5PM OD	CROWDS	"If it's anything like what's been going on in the past we're gonna be extremely busy. The beach is crowded all the way up and down the beach, all the beach bars are doing a great business. It's just a wonderful time to be out here." The crowds have been there all summer, but Lisenby says he's been getting ready for this particular weekend for a while. Jim Lisenby "We know this is coming so we started prepping over three weeks ago. One of our most popular drinks, the lava flow, we have 35 gallons already made up ready of the purée that we use that in."	0:00:34
SEAN: WEDDING VENUE 7/2/2021 5:30pm OD	BOOKINGS	"We have a wedding actually this weekend, and this is a first for me. I've been here about two and a half years, and usually we don't have weddings in the summertime." Wilkes-Berry says being an outdoor venue, many couples don't want to battle the Savannah summer heat. But with calendar space filling up, clients are willing to be more flexible. That's also the case for indoor spaces like the ones offered at the Alida Hotel. "I think people are willing to do kind of whatever. So we've seen a lot of brunch weddings, a lot of week day weddings, a lot of willing to shift things just to get married." Tumlinson says her advice to couples still looking at booking venues, is do it sooner than later. The Alida along with other venues I've spoken to today say they're already booking weddings for 2023. The same goes for	0:01:12

From fireworksâ€œ! "They make a lot of noise and they just bomb, bomb, bomb, bomb." To live musicâ€œ, Savannah's Plant Riverside District kicked off their first Fourth of July celebration. "We're having a great time with mini golf, we've got dueling pianos, we got the Paris Island Military Band, we've got fire works going on tonight as well as our very own cirque show that is brought to you by Savannah Cirque and themed for a star spangled spectacular." Plant Riverside started planning this about 2-and-a-half months ago. "What's great about it is now without any restrictions, we're able to have fun with the City and give back to the community that we've been wanting to give back to for a long time." Businesses like Dockside Seafood have been at capacity all weekend. "We're grateful, there's always everyone out hereâ€œ, it

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() Decades ago the shrimping industry ran the waters on Hilton Head along with its economy. Now, tourism has taken over and the shrimping business isn't the same. Sot: () "The time of the local shrimper who had a trailer or house on the island and a little shrimp boat and goes out there during shrimp season and feeds his family for the year, those days are pretty much gone here." There are only a few people left in the game around Hilton Head and the big business of shrimping has drifted away for the most part. Sot: () "The shrimping industry here as a result of the cost of living has kind of been replaced by tourism, right? Where someone can rent their house for a whole bunch of money to visitors, they're not going to do a long-term rental for guys that are doing shrimping and stuff like that, so you don't see as many boats around

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7/5/2021 4:30PM OD SHRIMP

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"There's a lot of work that goes into it, and long hours, at times, that goes into it." It's four in the morning, as the Sundown and its crew leave the Wait-N-Sea dock in Townsend. "On our vessel right now, there's three of us on the back deck. One actually does shrimping as an actual occupation. The other two of us - this is our vacation gig. He actually works with ILA, and I work as a school teacher." Robert Todd has worked on the back of a shrimp boat for almost 25 years. "When I was younger, we did a lot of fishing the summer, especially in the month of July, catching brown shrimp, which is our summer crop." Shrimping is an industry that's seen some change. As James Mckinzie, who comes from a long line of shrimpers, puts it...some change has been for the better. "Technology advancements and things like that

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7/5/2021 4:30PM OD SHRIMP

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The ladies of Smash and Dash say they are bringing the "destruction" to you. I'm here in full smash proof protective gearâ€¦and I think we're ready?? "Let's do it" From TV's toâ€¦just about anythingâ€¦. \*break stuff\* All you have to do is Smash it and they'll take care of the rest. "Oh it feels greatâ€¦feels amazing." Becky and Tiffany are a local couple in Savannah. When the pandemic started, they both struggled financially to get byâ€¦ (BECKY THOMPSON, CO-OWNER OF SMASH AND DASH) "COVID changed everyone's lives. Um for us, both of us. Our job situations changed drastically. I went from working 50 plus hours a week in sales to staying home with our kids." While trying to figure out how to create an idea combining stress release and a good timeâ€¦the concept of Smash and Dash was born. "We get it. You know, we, we intimately experienced it and I know that's a lot of people." But â€¦this start-up came with a risk

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS: SMASH AND DASH

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(ALYSSA JACKSON) The owner says if the past year of the pandemic has taught them anythingâ€¦it's how to adjust. (BRIAN TORRES, CO-OWNER OF FORK AND DAGGER) "With that kinda downpour, I wasâ€¦I came here I think three in the morning. I had lost power at my house on the Southside so I was like pleaseâ€¦we had just prepped up everything so that would've been very bad. So power was on but I walk in and of course, you knowâ€¦it wasn't flooding all the way up but there was enough water so there was a few hours of

ALYSSA: SAV RESTAURA NT FLOODED FROM ELSA

doing that. But then also the dripping went from there to over the fryer so you can't open with the fryer on with water dripping." The owners and staff of Fork and Dagger were on vacation for a full weekâ€¦only to return and lose another day of business. "You look back and I was like well, the food's all good that's most important. Losing one more dayâ€¦it's not what we neededâ€¦" Torres says after the tough year or so of the pandemic, they aren't

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7/11/2021 6:30PM OD

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		A majority of the businesses and restaurants along Main Street and Commerce Street stayed open once the pandemic hit, Molly Maxine Boutique being one of them. I spoke to the owner, who says, if there's anything she's learned as a business owner this past year is to ALWAYS stay flexible. "(Sigh) It was hard." Closing the doors of Molly Maxine wasn't an option for owner Rhonda Thomas, so she figured out ways to adapt throughout the pandemic. "We relied a lot on social media. Obviously people weren't coming inside, so lots of home drop-offs, lots of mail-outs." Thomas even offered curbside pickup. "I mean people would just call in and order stuff just to kind of support, which was kind of cool." In addition to selling women's clothes, Molly Maxine sells Merle Norman cosmetics, which Thomas says, SURPRISINGLY, became a hot item, during the pandemic. "Obviously people were"	0:01:16
7/13/2021 4PM OD	TCB: AMANDA: HINESVILLE BIZ RECOVERY MONEY		
7/14/2021 5:30pm OD	DARIEN GROCERY STORE	James and Roxane Mckinzie are busy getting The Coastal Market ready for customers. The store's first load of groceries arrived over the weekend, and people are coming in every day for job interviews. "Everybody is excited about it." The Mckinzie's don't look at themselves as heroes. "I know there's a huge need for it. There's a lot of folks that don't have the availability to drive long distances to buy groceries: But to residents of Darien and even the store's new employees, that's what they are. "It was great to know that we were going to have a local citizen to actually own the store." The owners say after several months of residents wondering about the grocery store's future, they can now be assured it's here to stay. "What was the moment where you were like 'I need to do something.'" "When, when I rode by and I"	0:01:33

		<p>It's a common sentiment, in Richmond Hill. "THE AREA ITSELF IS WONDERFUL. THE PEOPLE ARE WONDERFUL. BUT THE ROAD CONSTRUCTION IS BAD SLOW." Don Maxwell just moved to the area from Alabama this year - to be closer to family. He doesn't understand why the street-widening project, has taken *this long. "THE BIGGEST THING I'VE SEEN IS HOW LONG ITS CONTINUED TO GO ON. THESE CONES HAVE BEEN THERE FOR A LONG TIME." "WE ARE LOOKING AT THE FINISH LINE." G-DOT spokeswoman Jill Nagel says - she understands the frustration. The 5-mile street-widening project started back in August of 2018. Crews are widening the highway from 2-to-4 lanes -- between Timber Trail and Belfast River roads. G-DOT awarded APAC-Atlantic with the 27-million-dollar contract... paid for through state and federal funds. The project was supposed to be finished last fall. But Nagel says, crews kept running-into unmarked utility</p>	
7/19/2021 6PM OD	WTOCI: HIGHWAY 144 CONSTRUC TION	I	0:02:21
		<p>Standup: Southern Barrel Brewing Company in Bluffton added a new menu at the beginning of July... for dogs. While it's a fun idea, they hope it will help the business after a tough year. Sot: "It was very difficult for us in the beginning. We closed for two months." Vo They say they were looking for a way to stand out. Sot: (Jessica Snider - Kitchen Manager Southern Barrel Brewing Co.) "It's the ultimate relaxation. You can sit here with your animal, drink a beer, eat a meal and that's not something that you're gonna get at most other restaurants." Snider says they offered basic dog options like an unseasoned burger in the past, but she wanted to turn it up a notch. Sot: "I was a little bored with those options and I love my dog like a child so I wanted to give people options to bring their dog up here and give them a full meal so they're not just stuck feeding them bites of chicken, they can actually have a plate for their dog and sit</p>	
7/20/2021 4PM OD	TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS		0:01:15

Vacationers are out and about on Tybee, but one business owner says the job pool is so low right now that having the staff to serve these customers is a huge challenge. PKG "There's so much competition for good people." Vicki Hammons is the owner of Lighthouse Pizza north and south and of Bernie's Oyster House. She says the problem they're facing isn't pay disputes but just having fewer people working on the island this year. "Our staff walks home at the end of the day with \$20 plus an hour, \$20-\$30 between their pay and their tips. The issues are a lot more complicated than just pay as far as we see." With this low recruitment comes having to adjust how business operates.

TYBEE Hammons says people are wanting to dine-in or get delivery, but they simply  
ISLAND BIZ don't have the staff to accommodate it. "Our employees can do more with carry-  
7/22/2021 5:30pm OD CHECK IN out customers than if they're waiting

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"I planted the first trees out here in January, 1972." It may not be a winter wonderland but it's always looking a little like Christmas at Brewer's Christmas Tree Farm in Midway. "We've already pruned them one time this year, and we need to prune them again, probably in late October early November." Paschal Brewer has been growing and selling his award-winning trees for decades. "We were four times grand champion at the state fair when they were doing them in the state fair." He brings in Fraser Firs from North Carolina to sell each year... But found his land was better for a different tree. "I've tried, tried a number of different trees. The main tree that we find that works well here is in Leland Cypress." "They came from Leland Hall England in the 1800s were a Monterey cypress going on the smallest area that you can imagine from Monterey, California crossed with an Alaskan Yellow Cedar." Brewer provides saws...

CHRISTMAS (IN JULY)  
TREES

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7/23/2021 4PM OD

"They call themselves pandemic survivors. La Casita Peruvian Restaurant says opening a new business during the pandemic was scary, but they hope bringing a restaurant like this to Richmond Hill, will help show the community they're here to stay." "I say what about, what if we don't have customers? Pero, oh my God..." "I always come to God and say protect to the people who are coming here and their family and everything. And I was filled...I was filled." La Casita is a family-owned and operated restaurant. Iris says so far God has brought her family and business through the pandemic with more than she could ask for. So now they want to host this festival to give back to other ethnic restaurants who need to get the word out. "My intention is people need to know...this is Richmond Hill." Iris says so far one food truck and four restaurants have signed up, but she wants that

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WKEND FOOD FESTIVAL  
7/25/2021 6:30PM OD

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For local business up and down Bay St here in Beaufort, the last 10 days brought tons of customers. So many that anyone trying to get a table for dinner would have to wait... up to 2 hours on the weekends. "This water festival was definitely the busiest in years and I'm sure it's because last year was canceled because of Coronavirus but the people were out." Vo: Mader, who runs operations for 3 restaurants on Bay Street, says it helped out all the local businesses. Sot "It really brought the hospitality industry as a whole, I think it really kinda lifted us all up and realized like hey we're still here." Vo Just down the road Kevin Cuppia, owner of Modern Jewelers, was the festival's commodore a little while back. Sot "1996, a few years ago. Just a couple years haha." Vo And having owned a business here for over 40 years, he knows better than anyone how big the festival is for

BEAUFORT WATER FEST WRAP  
7/26/2021 5:30pm OD UP

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The consensus for most businesses I talked to out here is that the 'mask required' signs won't be going back up on their doors. VO Now that some cities are enforcing masks again, several businesses on Tybee say they've been having this conversation with their employees lately. They say they're asking customers what they're comfortable doing. Latitude 32 says they're going to require masks again, but others say right now they're not. Susan Kelleher is the owner of Seaside Sisters and she says it's a hard call to make, but since her employees are all vaccinated she doesn't feel it's necessary. She says about 10%-15% of her customers do wear masks and that it should be their own decision. She says she doesn't want to have to be the door monitor any more. SOT "I don't want any more push back from anybody. I'm not going down that road again and by now you should know what you need to do. The only way we'll put on

TYBEE  
COVID BIZ  
LATEST  
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"The financial boost is always helpful. Sometimes you just don't realize what you're missing until you've got it back, so we're so glad to have it back. We saw a big increase this year, one of our best water festivals ever." Employees who participated in the festival say they are exhausted but it was worth it for a successful Beaufort Water Fest.

BEAUFORT  
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7/27/2021 OD 0:01:40

7/27/2021 4PM OD

TAKING  
CARE OF  
BUSINESS

For Miss Sophie's owner Teri Bell, the pandemic certainly felt like the end. "I told my husband I said, 'this is it. It's over. I mean there's no way we can survive this.'" But despite the initial fears Teri and her husband decided right then, quitting wasn't an option. "What really kept us from quitting was our employees. Because we have people who depend on us for a livelihood." And like many businesses they adapted. "We set up a little drive thru out front here at the museum." While Teri would love to say she didn't have her doubts, the truth isâ€œ "I never knew from week to week whether we were going to be open next week." But week after week, they pushed through. And although they decided to stay open for their employees, Teri says it's something else that made it possible. "That's what keeps us going is community and the way this community has come together

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7/30/2021 4:30PM OD

TYLER:  
ELSA  
DAMAGE  
HOUSE

Vo: Hidden in the trees of Burton is the home of Lillie and Claude Fields. A home thatâ€™s stood strong through storms for decades. Sot: (Lillie Fields - homeowner) "This house is the family evacuation house. This is where everyone comes when the storm is bad, because we know weâ€™re safe ever since the 70s.â€ Vo But Fields says Elsa was unlike any storm before. Sot "I actually heard it sound like there was a train going through the sky. That was different, totally different.â€ Vo This is the tree that fell on her roof. After 2 weeks of work by her son and nephew, this is what it looks like now. While itâ€™s not on top of the house anymore, the damage is done. Sot â€œThe roofer came out here and did an estimate on the roof and already given us a price of \$7000 for repair. We canâ€™t afford it, weâ€™re both disabled on disability.â€ Vo Lillie says they received a bit of help from the Red Cross and a she's still in the process of speaking to other organizations.

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8/6/2021 6PM OD	EFFINGHAM CHAMBER AWARDS POSTPONE D	<p>"It would have been our first major event since the beginning of the covid-19 pandemic." The event, the Effingham Chamber 35th Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet, at the Local on Laurel. One Chamber CEO Andrew Cripps was looking forward to. "Get back together, reconnect, network with each other, have fun, play casino games and enjoy some good food." But just two weeks ahead of the big night. "Our board voted unanimously to postpone the meeting." Something Cripps say they didn't come too easily. "It was a very serious decision by our board of directors. Within the space of perhaps a week we went from, "lets see if we can tweak the event as cases are surging,' to really getting a report on where we were with the pandemic." And where they are isâ€œ "We're in the RedZone for infections due to COVID and we want to make sure those numbers are at a better place before</p>	0:01:34
8/10/2021 4PM OD	TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS	<p>"I thought I could get rich and get enough money that I wouldn't have to work so hard and be my own boss." That was the dream for Lester Anthony when he opened Lester's Florist 50 years ago. But as we know dreams, don't come easy. "Starting out it took a lot of time and motivation to try to get to 50 years." Luckily for Lester, his job never really felt like work. "You've got to love what you do because not every day is going to be a good day." And for Lester some of the toughest days in half a century came this past year. "I thought we probably would fail." People cutting back on flowers, including some of his most reliable buyers. "A lot of things was happening like you couldn't get into the hospitals with the flowers." Not to mention funeral homes were limiting services if even holding them at all, taking a big chunk out of his bu</p>	0:01:49

(sot) The announcement of the plant's upcoming closure saddened many in this community, but they say it's not surprising. (vo) Parent company Apogee Enterprises announced on Wednesday that the Viracon plant opened in 1998 will close. The line of glass products made here "will be transitioned to the company's facility in Owatonna, Minnesota....". County economic developers say different industries have felt the impact of a pandemic in different ways and different stages. (sot) In some ways, Dal, they're like a canary in a coalmine for our local industry. Their orders tend to be so far out into the future, their internal folks are trying to forecast into the future as to where things will go. (vo) The plant has roughly 190 employees now. The company says production here will continue to mid-October. Thompson anticipates Georgia Department of Labor, nearby Ogeechee Tech and

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FACTORY  
CLOSING

8/12/2021 4:30PM OD

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Sot: (Amie Baima- Owner Skillets Cafe and Grill) "The season this year has been incredible. Couldn't ask for anything better except for more employees." Bye-ma, who owns Skillets Cafe and Grill, says just because local kids are getting back to the classroom doesn't mean all of her clients are, and that's good for business. Sot: "Historically it doesn't go down that much because so many other places around the country don't go back to school until Labor Day weekend or right before or right after Labor Day. So our business is still pretty strong." She pointed out a significant downside though, that will only aggravate an already existing issue. Sot: "A lot of our employees that live here, they're high school kids or college kids and they're back in school, so not only were we short staffed to begin with, but now we're gonna lose even more staff." Hmm. I wonder if there are any other downsides to this whole back to school thing...

HHI END OF SUMMER Let's ask

8/13/2021 6PM OD

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(sot) As cotton farmers hit the second half of their growing season, they say they could actually use a few more showers to get this crop across the finish line. (vo) Gray skies loomed over the fields as plants looked for rain to keep growing. David Cromley and his family planted more than 2,000 acres of cotton back in the dry weather of May. But rainfall since then has bounced the crop back into potentially good yeilds. But they'll need water as these flowery blooms give way to bolls. He says they can't afford to see these plants dry up in the final month. (sot) We really need to continue this moisture. A good inch to two inches a week would not be a bad thing. It would be great. (vo) He says they don't need a hurricane or tropical storm, but a spinoff shower or two would help. (sot) Ironically, near the end of hurricane season in late October, farmers will want these skies to be clear so th

8/16/2021 5:30pm OD COTTON & PEANUT WEATHER IMPACTS 0:00:59

"A Richmond Hill pharmacist says they've been busy everyday with COVID testing and administering the vaccine. He says a lot of people have had loved ones affected by this and we all need to do our part to stop the spread." Pharmacist Al Dixon says they've seen a large number of people trying to get tested, but also a lot of people stepping forward to get vaccinated. He says he's noticed more younger people are getting the vaccine, which is encouraging given the county's low vaccination rate of 41%. "I think we've all lost family and friends to COVID in the last year and a half and I think we're all just tired and we would like to see an end to this and the best way to do that is to get vaccinated. He says his staff are heroes. They are trying to accomodate everyone so they hired additional employees to meet the demand. With the current surge of COVID cases, Dixon says he feel strongly the best thing people can do is get va

8/17/2021 6PM OD BRYAN CO. COVID UPDATE 0:01:03

James Carlson's handy work can be seen all over downtown Springfield. "Anything he touches pretty much turns to gold." So, when he said this back in March. "Local on Laurel will become a full-service restaurant." It seemed like a bygone conclusion. Teaming up with Amy Moore of Simply Southern and her son Brice "James has the power to make it happen." But as successful as James has been, even he couldn't have prepared for the recent surge from the delta variant. "Opening a business during COVID is not profitable for anyone so unfortunately we had to end up tabling that decision." Between the increasing expense. "I mean getting something like a grease hood was crazy right now."

NO SPRINGFIELD RESTAURANT

D And the decreasing amount of available talent. "The labor market started going down. Like, there's a labor shortage everywhere." It became clear to James and his team that the Iron Exchange couldn't be what Sp

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MARIAH: TYBEE NEW BUSINESS

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DAYBREAK  
SATURDAY  
8/21/2021 OD

MARIAH:  
TYBEE NEW  
BUSINESS

Those Businesses range from restaurants to art galleries. Experts say the island's growing popularity is a contributing factor. But the main street program has also worked hard to help businesses stay afloat through things like grants so they can feel more comfortable opening or even expanding. Mi Vida is the newest business on the island and just opened their doors yesterday. Co-Owner Frank Bucci says he's glad to have a business on the island because the community and city are very supportive.

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		Standup: (Tyler Manion - @TylerManionTV) June 9th, 2019. That's the day an electrical fire took away one of Hilton Head's most beloved restaurants. Sot: "They just couldn't seem to get the fire out that day, so it was completely destroyed." It's been quite the journey since then. Sot: "We were closed for exactly 800 days so it was a long road from the fire to the reopening." There was a decision to be made. Sot: (Jerry Leonard - Owner Smokehouse) "I had a choice after the fire to close the business down, sell the property, take what insurance proceeds I got and move to Colorado or whatever the case may be, but I knew I couldn't really do that to our customers. So I had to bring it back." The pandemic made the rebuilding process more expensive, but since opening the doors again, sales have not been a problem. Sot: "We've been selling wings and ribs like crazy, and the bar's been packed every day." A local institution back with	
8/24/2021 4PM OD	TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS		0:02:22
8/25/2021 4:30PM OD	TYLER: THRIFT SHOP STRUGGLE	Sot: "I've been here a long time." Vo Linda Collins has run Calhoun Station for over 20 years, but now they're on the verge of shutting down. Sot: "We have some problems with the inside of the building that need some major repairs." Vo Every cent they make in sales, Nat Hangers Vo she says goes to community charities. Nat Wrap item Vo But Collins says chances of staying open are slim, and they'll need help from the community. Sot: (Linda Collins - Co-President Calhoun Station Thrift Store) "If anybody is out there that has a business, a building, a house, anything that we could operate our business out of free of charge, take it off of their taxes as tax deductible, we certainly would appreciate it." Vo If they don't get that help the Nat Clothing rack rolling Vo They'll have no where to go... so to make as much for the charities as possible... Sot: "Everything's a dolla." Vo Yeah you heard that right!	0:48:00

pkg: nats slide track 1: at the electric moon skytop lounge in savannah, georgia, you can pair a trip down a slide with your sliders and cocktail in an illuminated cup. nats hackysack track 2: the playful vibe allows customers to forget about covid and still socially distance. it's one of two rooftop bars that opened during the pandemic at the new j-w marriott. the other is the more upscale myrtle & rose. the hotel is part of the city's plant riverside district. "it's bringing a new energy to savannah's riverfront." track 3: there are now ten rooftop venues in savannah. a survey taken in mid-july shows why they're growing in popularity during covid. the enterprise technology company (graphic) morning consult finds 75 percent of american adults feel comfortable dining outside, versus 68 percent inside. (end graphic) nats track 4: more rooftop spaces also opened during the pandemic in chicago- i

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It's a weekend set aside to honor those who serve. "Primarily focusing on our first responders and the veterans and the military." After being cancelled last year due to COVID and the year before because of weather, The Greater Area Pooler Chamber of Commerce had been busy planning for the return Patriot Weekend. And with just two weeks to go. "Everything came together. You know, the staff worked diligently to make it happen and we were ready to go with it." But sadly, there was one thing they couldn't have anticipated, the delta variant forcing their hand. "It was a very tough decision. We talked among the staff, several health officials, the board of directors and we came to the agreement this was not the time to have gatherings of this extent." Of course, cancelling an event that brings in close to 10-thousand people comes at a cost.  
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MORNING BREAK OD 8/27/2021 08 27	POOLER PATRIOT WKND CANCELED	The Pooler Patriot Weekend has been canceled. You're looking at video from the 2016 event. The Greater Pooler Area Chamber of Commerce says it's canceling the event in light of the uptick in COVID cases - calling it a hard decision. The chamber says they plan to host it when cases go back down.	0:17:00
8/31/2021 4PM OD	TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS	<p>It's been a long road bringing what is now the Central Station, to life in downtown Springfield. "We bought the building in July of 2017 and we weren't able to start until the Spring of 2018." Taking what was once an old gas station turned fried chicken joint and transforming it into what it is now didn't come easily for co-owner Rebecca Tebeau. "It took us a little while. We had a couple of hiccups that kind of slowed us down." Of course, a few setbacks certainly weren't going to discourage Tebeau. "Well, I like construction and I like rebuilding and seeing things come to life again." But just as things were starting to come to life. "Then COVID came in." A roadblock Tebeau couldn't have seen coming. "Well, I really wasn't sure what to do. We went ahead and stuck our necks out and decided to go for it." Despite the pandemic</p>	0:01:40

"Over the next few days streetlights like the one behind me will be switched to LEDs in the city of Beaufort. A spokesperson from Dominion Energy says the project will do wonders for the area's energy consumption. "They're gonna reduce their energy consumption as a community by more than 386,000 kilowatt hours a year. To put that in some perspective an average household can use between 10,000-12,000 kilowatt hours a year." Vo That means the city will save the energy of about 38 households in the next year just by switching from this... to this. Fischer says going to LEDs has environmental benefits too. Sot: "By reducing that energy consumption with programs like this, we're also reducing our carbon footprint and that's great for the city of Beaufort, that's great for the environment, that's great for all of us." On cam: These workers told me there might be one other crew helping change all these

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oe This year's Savannah Philharmonic Phil the Park event will feature familiar music acts, like the U.S. Army 3rd Infantry Division band and Savannah Philharmonic chorus, as well as bring in the movie music of John Williams. But instead of filling the large open space of Forsyth Park with music, this year's event will be at the Trustees' Garden next to the Kehoe Iron Works building off east Broughton Street. "So while it was a shift for us, and we made the move from Forsyth to Trustees' Garden. We felt it was really important, because we are still gathering, we're coming together in a socially distanced, responsible manner...and we'll have a lot of fun." The announcement of the date and location change for Phil the Park comes just over a week after the City of Savannah announced permits for events in public spaces, like Forsyth Park, would be revoked for September, and permits for events in Oc

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City Manager Shawn Gillen says Labor Day weekend is always big here on the island. He says although he's not expecting record-breaking numbers, the city is still prepared and will have all hands on deck. PKG It's the last hoorah for many this holiday weekend as they celebrate summer coming to an end and Labor Day. City Manager Shawn Gillen says the city expects June-sized crowds. "We expect to see a lot of families out here this weekend. It typically is a pretty busy weekend for us." Anywhere between 11,000 to 12,000 cars, Gillen says, will come onto the island. This means traffic controls on Butler Avenue will be in place one last time until next season. "Saturday and Sunday we'll do those traffic controls because we do expect a large amount of cars coming on the island, again, weather dependent." Gillen reminds people to pay attention to the lifeguard flags for water conditions and to

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These numbers are down from the Memorial and 4th of July holidays -- but that is typical for the Labor day weekend. Joseph Marinelli the president of Visit Savannah says they have had some cancellations due to covid concerns but they have also had people recently add a trip to Savannah because they felt it was a safe outdoor destination. With some hesitancy to travel with the delta variant -- Visit Savannah is not sure just how big of an impact the virus will have on Labor Day this year.

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Joseph Marinelli / Visit Savannah President "It's the one thing that we can't predict and we don't know how it is going to play out but I think the city is ready, our hotels, restaurants, attractions, tours and so forth are all amped up, they have had a good summer but we are ready for it and looking forward to a good weekend." Marinelli also said that number of visitors have gone down in August -- but that is pretty typical once the kids go back to school. Even with that -- he says they might have had their best numbers on record this past August.

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SAVANNAH LABOR DAY 9/3/2021 4:30PM OD

Visit Savannah expects to see about 80 percent occupancy in the hotels around the coastal empire. That's down from the Memorial and 4th of July holidays -- but is typical for the Labor day weekend. With some hesitancy to travel with the delta variant -- Visit Savannah is not sure just how big of an impact the virus will have on Labor Day this year.

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			"We're just not that driven by the tourists I would say. Along with the restaurants, a lot of the restaurants have such a following that it doesn't go blank after the season is over." Sonfield and her furniture store represent that important piece of the island that's driven by locals, and while there are plenty of businesses who operate that way... we know tourism dominates the summer season, and fuels the economy. "I like to call the summer our super bowl because it's so important for a community like Hilton Head Island that we do have a great tourist season."	0:00:44
9/3/2021 6PM OD	HHI BEACH & BIZ	GOLDEN RAY SALVAGE OPS LATEST	Two pieces of the wreck remain, as you can see behind me. Today- crews are reconfiguring the cutting chainâ€ which ensures the cut will work efficiently. Removal operations of the Golden Ray wreck happen around the clock. The team will continue to cycle the chain 24 hours until the remainder of the wreck is separated into two sections." Section Five will be the first to get lifted and transported to Mayor's Point Terminal in Brunswickâ€,followed by Section Four. Unified Command doesn't have an exact date on when this will happen, but they're aiming for the end of the month. "Not only are we getting to the end of the wreck removal phase, but every day that passes, where we maintain our personnel safety and the public's safety is a day we take particular pride in." Petty Officer Michael Himes says there are several ways they are monitoring and mitigating any type	0:01:50

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â€œFor us, Iâ€™ve been doing this about 20 years in this industry and Iâ€™ve never seen consistent occupancy numbers like this and never seen revenue numbers to this level.â€ Vo Brown continued to glow about how great the summer tourist season was. Sot: â€œIt was definitely a crazy summer. We had record levels of occupancy and record levels of ADR, which is the average daily rate, so we saw an absolute boom when it came time to the summer time for rentals this year, it was pretty amazing.â€œ

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â€œWith a lot of folks already hitting the road to head home after the long holiday weekend, there were still a good number of visitors in the Historic District today. From retail to restaurants, I saw a lot of people going in and out of store fronts on Broughton Street all day. Visit Savannah leaders anticipated hotels around the Coastal Empire would see around 80-percent occupancy on average, which is lower than early or mid-summer holidays, but typical. I caught up with some visitors from Atlanta who wanted a less-crowded holiday weekend experience, and decided to make the trip to the Hostess City.

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		Narobia's Grits and Gravy is normally closed on Sundays. But for the long-awaited reopening of the neighborhood staple, that's exactly when they decided to open their doors a few weeks ago. "I've been in business since 2000, and I never open on Sunday's. But this particular time here, just to let everyone know I'm so grateful for their patience, I opened the doors on Sunday." Reid says it was a long journey to get back to this point, though. Narobia's renovations overhauling the dining area and kitchen began in December of 2019, just a few months before the COVID-19 pandemic temporarily halted life around Savannah. "It was a setback. And unfortunately for all of us, this was unexpected, something that just happened that shouldn't have happened. But it did." But the restaurant's fan base helped keep hope alive for a successful return.	
9/7/2021 4PM OD	TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS		0:01:44
9/7/2021 6PM OD	LABOR DAY TRAVEL AIRPORT FOLO	Labor Day Weekend has now come And gone And at the Savannah/Hilton Head International Airportâ€œ "We had a pretty strong weekend." A pretty strong weekend that capped off what turned out to be a very strong summer for travel. "We did great. We had record months." That's not to say it was easy, but at least it seemed to be worth it. "You know people were taxed and stretched but everybody was so glad to see passengers back and just to have the numbers we did have was really exciting. It makes us feel good for going forward again and staying on the positive track." As for what the fall and winter travel will look like, well, it's tough to say but they're hoping to stay on track. "September is a little bit slower for us and then things really pick back up in October and you, of course, have the holidays following right after that." While they've been able to reopen many of their stores and restaurant	0:01:30

		All summer around the island I've heard that this was one of the best summers ever. That didn't change today as I talked to the director of the Hilton Head airport, who says they saw more travelers than in any tourist season before. Sot: (Jon Rembold - Airport Director) "During the summer months we were seeing anywhere between 49,000 and 55,000 people coming through this terminal each month, which is total that we saw back in 2017 for the entire year." Vo A historically busy few months that Rembold taught them a few lessons, and gave management some things to work on. Sot: "What we're trying is just look to see for next year for the busy season, how can we move people through more smoothly, how can we give them more information when they travel? Just so they're more at ease." Vo He says at points this summer people had to wait outside in bad or extreme weather and he wants to fix that. Moving forward this year though, the travelers don't s	0:01:28
9/13/2021 4:30PM OD	TYLER: HHI AIRPORT WRAP	"Each day we just take it as it comes." Big Bon Pizza launched in 2016, serving wood-fired pizza from a food truck at pop-up events across Savannah. Over the last five years, the Big Bon brand has grown to include Big Bon Bodega where they serve fresh bagels and toppings of all kinds to include a kimchi cream cheese which is a nod to owner Kay Heritage's Korean background. "In order to serve our community the best way we need to just keep going." The Bodega made some tweaks to their operation during the pandemic.. adding online ordering.. and keeping safety first by closing indoor dining..adding to their outdoor seating..and more.. "If they don't want to talk to you and just want to order online and they literally come through that door, see their name, grab their sandwich and they walk out not even like no contacts a	0:02:02

		The Richmond Hill Bryan County Chamber of Commerce says this is one of their largest events and with it being cancelled last year and the year before, a lot of vendors that participate have been trying to find other ways to raise as much money as they do at the festival. In 2019 the event was stormed out and COVID cancelled it in 2020. This year there won't be too many changes to the festival. They will space out food vendors significantly. Recommend, but not require masks and for admissions and beer ticket sales, it will be card only to reduce time and congestion in line. "We're excited. We're working very hard.	
9/17/2021 5:30pm OD	OGEECHEE SEAFOOD FEST PREVIEW	This is kind of the crunch time so we're you know, excited that it's back. To have a year off was very difficult both financially and just you know, to not have the festival was sad." Like every year, Friday will be a day for students to have the f	0:01:11
		Kevin Bowes owns Dynamic Tax. He says his business sustained more water damage than anything. "It's hard to process hard taken at the exact same time got a post pone my business for a little while." Bowes was just outside this morning doing a notary in the middle of getting all his client's paperwork out of the building. "I can't shoulda coulda woulda myself I got a press forward my family depends on it." Jonathan Graham works across the street at Carpet Store Plus. He woke up to a text this morning that a building near his was on fire. "It's very heart touching and very sad. You know, again a small	
9/17/2021 4PM OD	RICHMOND HILL FORD AVE FIRE	community... a lot of these are small locally owned and operated businesses the owners are local we've seen a lot of the owners come and check out their offices and some already removing some personal belongings." There's	0:01:52

6AM DAYBREAK SATURDAY 9/18/2021 OD	GAGE: TYBEE TOURISM	<p>It's a story we've been hearing a lot in the 18 months since the first pandemic lockdown in march of 20-20... businesses have been struggling to get customers in the door, simply because they're staying home and social distancing... and that took a big toll on communities like Tybee that rely on tourism.</p>	0:18:00
SAM: POOLER PARKWAY 9/20/2021 4:30PM OD	WORK	<p>Traffic troubles, it's not a topic Pooler Mayor Rebecca Benton shies away from. "We're always behind on the traffic. By the time it's needed, we're behind, we're government." Which is why she and the city have their eyes on fixing many of those problem spots. "Adding lanes to Benton Blvd." "I-16 to Little Neck Road." "From SR-30 into Pooler." "At Blue Moon and the Parkway." While many of those projects are still early on, work is now underway at Park Avenue and Pooler Parkway. "The light itself only lets five or so through when you're turning." Meaning. "They get backed up." So, the solution. "There are going to be dual lanes off Park Avenue onto the Parkway." And although they just began work this past Friday Mayor Benton says it should be done before one of the busiest times of the year. "It will be usable by T</p>	0:01:20
TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS 9/21/2021 4PM OD		<p>Vo Airports struggled last year more than they could have imagined. Sot: Jon Rembold - Airport Director "April was abysmal. We saw, I think we saw 94, 96% drop off in business, which is something that nobody ever really fathoms, you know I drop that cataclysmic." Vo Although the months since have been much better, at the Hilton Head airport they know the business isn't all the way back to where it should be just yet. Sot: "We are still in recovery mode, not everyone is comfortable traveling yet, but as everyone does feel comfortable traveling then Katie bar the doors it's going to be a rush." Vo Now, they've announced United airlines will be going to a year round schedule into the airport from D.C. Rembold says this will be a huge help to the island's accessibility and bring more people through the airport than ever before. Sot: "From places that previously are not necessarily open so to speak to Hilton head Island travel, well now the</p>	0:01:18

	GOLDEN RAY		
9/23/2021 4:30PM OD	REMOVAL ENVIRON. IMPACT	The response team of the Golden Ray prepares to remove the last two parts of the wreck. Teams have secured section five away from section four in preparation for loading. Section four will be removed last.	0:00:14
	TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS	Despite her success Tatiana Cabral Smith remains humble. "It just feels like a nice surprise." In fact, five years ago, when it came to designing jewelry, she felt she couldn't quite cut it. "Because I didn't think I was an artist. I knew I liked art and aesthetics and I like to make things look better than they did before, but I didn't know I could make things." But turns out she could, and she has been ever since. Even through the pandemic. "So, definitely thankful I have an online shop because it's already set up so people could shop and support me." Support she not only felt from customers, but also from fellow artists. "Them buying my things and me buying their things and then promoting each other's things and doing cross promotional things on Facebook and Instagram has been super helpful." A feeling of support which was all too familiar to Tatiana.	0:01:53
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ISSUE 13-THE STATE OF NATIONAL, STATE AND COUNTY ECONOMY AND WHAT THE GOVERNMENT IS TRYING TO DO ABOUT IT. INFLATION LOCALIZED, CLAXTON FED MONEY USES, POOLER MILLAGE RATE, BROADBAND TO AREA COUNTIES, EFFINGHAM TSPLOST, GREAT DANE OF STATESBORO HIRING, SC RENTAL HELP, JASPER CO. PORTS PROJECT, SEN. WARNOCK ON INFRASTRUCTURE, EVICTION MORATORIUM ENDS, BEAUFORT LED LIGHTS HELPING TO REDUCE ENERGY CONSUMPTION, SAVANNAH HARBOR EXPANSION PROJECT, TOY SUPPLY SHORTAGE, BEAUFORT CO. END OF SUMMER ECONOMIC REPORT, SNAP BENEFITS INCREASE, JASPER CO. GETTING 100K RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT, SMALL BUSINESS COVID AID INCLUDING FISHING INDUSTRY, SPENDING SHUTDOWN, SAV. PORT INCREASED CAPACITY, TRAVEL CHANGES, GROCERY STORE SPENDING

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SEAN: Dr. Michael Toma - Professor of Economics, GSU "The numbers right now are grabbing all the headlines. Five percent, six percent, producer price index - six and a half percent, the biggest increases in twenty years, or whatever it happens to be. Those are headline grabbing data points that quite honestly are partially distorted by just where the economy was a year ago as compared to where it is now."  
INFLATION LOCALIZER

7/14/2021 4PM OD	SEAN: INFLATION LOCALIZER	â€¢Dr. Michael Toma, Professor of Economics at Georgia Southern Universityâ€™s Parker College of Business singled out used car prices now 40-percent higher compared to this time last year as an example of inflation. Even if youâ€™re not in the market for a used car, higher prices for groceries, gas and other consumer goods have many Americans passing on pricier items and finding cheaper substitutes. Dr. Toma says, though, itâ€™s important to look at the inflation numbers in context, especially when comparing an economy in the grips of a pandemic to one recovering.	0:00:28
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The City of Claxton received more than \$400,000 from the American Rescue Plan. The mayor says they plan to use most of this funding for infrastructure. "We've had work done on sewer, but all the lines are to the point where they need some additional work done on them. We have some that needs to be replaced so primarily what we'll be using the American Rescue Plan for is water and sewer." The Mayor says the funds don't have to be spent until 2024 -- and the additional money will help get the ball rolling on these critical infrastructure projects. The Mayor says they also hope to use some of the funds to recoup some revenue the City lost during COVID-19. In Claxton, Alyssa Jackson, WTOC News.

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A joint venture is expected to bring reliable, high-speed broadband to customers in Liberty, Long and Bryan counties. The Georgia Public Service Commission made the announcement this morning in a meeting with Governor Brian Kemp. in 2019, Senate Bill 2 is what paved the way for electric membership cooperatives to provide broadband service. The legislation gave the Public Service Commission compliance authority over EMC's broadband service. The chairman of the commission says they are working to set rates that are fair and reasonable for everyone.

7/20/2021 5:30pm OD      POOLER MILLAGE RATE      0:29

The city released this graphic over the weekend to help better explain the increase. It breaks down exactly what a millage rate isâ€¢ which is the amount paid per \$1000 of assessed value of your home. Now in Pooler the assessed value is 40% of market valueâ€¢ meaning if your home's market value is \$100-thousand you only pay taxes on \$40-thousand of that value. According to the city that would mean an average increase of about \$70 per household annually if this mill increase is approved.

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As for what that additional money would go to. Well, the city would use it to address growing issues within the city like traffic. Giving them funds to do road work along Pooler Parkway. It will also allow them to dedicate a team to canal maintenance and widening projects to help deal with flooding in the city. Along with this they would be able to build and staff a new fire station and add five more police personnel positions among other improvements. Pooler Councilman Aaron Higgins sent the following statement regarding the proposal which reads in part:

		Here off Timbergate drive in Rincon. "We've needed it repaved for quite a while now." Residents have been eager for a more permanent fix for their road. "They come by quite often filling in the potholes but when it rains it washes them away, you know, people bouncing on them." A frustration shared by Effingham County Manager Tim Callanan. "There's nothing worse than having people tell you there's an issue with their roads and not being able to offer them a solution, and that's how it was without TSPLIST." Although TSPLIST passed in November the county had to wait until April for their \$30 million bond to come through allowing them to start taking bids on the work, and Tuesday night voting to award the contract and start the work. "It's a relief to tell folks help is on the way." Work is now slated to begin in the next week or two on nearly 25 different stretches of road in the count	
7/21/2021 6PM OD	EFFINGHAM TSPLIST		0:01:48
		Vo Sandy Gillis, executive director of the Deep Well Project, says while the moratorium helped many families keep their homes, it also created a new challenge of rent stacking up. Sot: (Sandy Gillis - Executive Director Deep Well Project) "Sometimes that just makes the bill get bigger and bigger. It's not a rent forgiveness program, it's purely a 'we're gonna put this off to give you time to get back on your feet.'" Vo And now... that time is up. Deep Well Project helps pay people's rent in emergency situations. The pandemic brought a lot of those. Sot: "Pre pandemic, 2019, we helped about 200 families with an emergency rent or mortgage payment... fast forward to 2020... those numbers went from about 200 families to about 800 families, and the line item in our budget completely imploded." Vo In 2021 they've helped over 200 families with rent already, but now that the threat of eviction is back, Gillis expects that n	
8/4/2021 4:30PM OD	TYLER: SC EVICTION STATUS		0:51:00
		Many people have lost or left their jobs because of the pandemic -putting renters in a vulnerable place leaving many unable to make ends meet. Financial experts like Tina Browning want families to work with the money they have coming in and prioritize essentials. "They need to take a look at what they have, make sure they have a savings set-up to put the income that they do have with the essentials at least to cover those first two months that they know that they might have to wait to have other forms of income to come in."	
8/5/2021 11PM OD	EVICTION BAN FINANCIAL ADVICE	Individual renters can not make more than 99 thousands dollars last year. They must also prove the pandemic caused their financial hardship. Browning says more people and employers are reaching out for financial advice to overcome them.	0:02:20

		Sot: (Tracy Ray - Owner L + B Boutique) "The tax free weekend, we think is great. We have a small business here and one in Georgia, and Georgia doesn't offer that. This is our first year here at Tanger in South Carolina, so we're super excited for the volume and the flow of people that we've had in the store today and can't wait to see what Saturday and Sunday holds" Ray says this is their first year at this location, so she sees this weekend as a big opportunity. Sot: "We don't know anybody locally, so it's gonna help us build a base, a foundation, for the local people here and the tourists can be the icing on the cake for us."	
8/6/2021 6PM OD	SC TAX FREE WEEKEND		0:34:00
8/20/2021 5:30pm OD	STATESBO RO GREAT DANE HIRING	Folks here at Great Dane say the pay increase and job fair are to help them get the employee numbers they need to keep up with demand for business. (vo) The company announced they'll now pay trailer assemblers between \$14 and \$18.50 per hour, with an extra \$1.50 an hour for starting pay on night shift. (sot) We do need a lot more people. We're currently in the middle of a production ramp. We have to get to levels we haven't been at in a long time. (vo) He says they're seeing more orders for refrigerated trailers that can haul food to stores, restaurants, schools and other places. He says they're looking for people in a range of departments and with a range of experience. (sot) A lot of times people see manufacturing and get intimidated and think "that's not for me". In reality, we'll bring you in, we'll train you, we'll give you the skills you need to be successful out there. (vo) H	0:01:14

Standup: (Tyler Manion - @TylerManionTV) SC Stay Plus set up here at the Beaufort Public Library last Monday. What was initially supposed to be just one week of helping people, is now extended through the end of September because of its success. Vo The organization provides rent and utility assistance for those financially affected by COVID-19. Sot: "What brought me here today cuz you know I need my bills paid." Shelia Mccarthan, who was being helped today, says it's been difficult to earn money during the pandemic. Sot: (Shelia Mccarthan - Resident Seeking Loan Assistance) "It was hard and you know everything from COVID shutting down, you just had to make ends meet and." She says her work opportunities, disappeared. Sot: "People I was doing for saying, not today, not today, no work today." Vo When she found out about the rent assistance program... well, I'll let her describe it. Sot: "A family member called and said they

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"You've had 10s of millions of dollars in private capital invested in Jasper county over the last couple 3 years." Vo Davis says it won't just bring investment, but also employment. Sot: "We are already see economic development in Jasper County creating jobs, we're going to see more once this deal between Jasper County and the Georgia ports authority gets ironed out, finalized and made public." Vo When it was first approved for Jasper County to take over the state of South Carolina's stake in the project, all the details were supposed to be worked out by the start of September... but Davis says that's now been delayed. Sot: "September 1st was the day initially contemplated for JASPER CO. their consent. It's been agreed that that will be extended to sometime in PORTS January of next year, which will give ample time for Jasper County and the PROJECT Georgia ports authority to hammer out the particulars." Vo The negotiatio

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"Georgia is a multi-modal state." A state that will see positive benefits from the nearly \$1-trillion-dollar infrastructure bill, according to Senator Raphael Warnock. "There's money for transit. There's money for roads and highways." The senator also says Georgians should expect to see support for the rail system—so 18-wheelers won't need to travel on roads. "It has implications for the long term sustainability of the roads and ecological sustainability." And no matter if you live in Savannah—or a smaller, more rural part of Georgia, Senator Warnock says, after talking with local leaders, infrastructure improvements are needed EVERYWHERE. "I'm going to use my influence on the banking committee, on the commerce committee to make sure that Georgians, whether they live in cities or in our small towns, they get the resources they need." Warnock says he's ready to work with state and local leaders to ca

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"As a landlord myself, my position is is that you communicate. You don't just not pay your rent. You communicate you know, I'm having an issue, I don't have all of it but here is some of it. You build that relationship so that you're able to use that relationship so that you're able to leverage it when times like this come."

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For months they have been continuing to host hiring events and get new employees trained. But with an increase of 25 percent in the Savannah Port -- their Chief Administrative Officer says they just need more person power. While they work to fill the workforce shortage -- covid quarantines have made it even more difficult to keep up with all the work at the Savannah Port.

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530 The Savannah Harbor Expansion Project -- also known as SHEP the high-tide  
SAVANNAH depth will be 54 feet. This will allow for not only bigger vessels to call on the  
5AM HARBOR port of Savannah -- but make it so large vessels do not have to rely on the tide  
DAYBREAK EXPANSION for timing. That dredging project is the number one focus right now -- the  
9/7/2021 OD PROJECT second priority project is the Mason Mega Rail -- which has already improved  
rail productivity at the Garden City Terminal.

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"We've been able to, through protocols, keep people largely safe and very quickly respond to those exposures and certainly those that have been diagnosed with COVID. We are very sympathetic and empathetic to the folks that have been more severely impacted than some of us may be individually but it is an absolute reality everybody is dealing with today." McCurry says they are just encouraging the COVID-19 vaccine and says since it is a personal choice -- they will not be requiring the vaccine for their staff.

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530 "It will allow us to handle up to 2 million TEU's of capacity on rail directly here at  
SAVANNAH the Port Authority. It's a very unique opportunity we have by having both class  
5AM HARBOR one railroads that serve this part of the county with direct access to the facility."  
DAYBREAK EXPANSION The 220 million dollar project is now completed phase one and is moving into  
9/7/2021 OD PROJECT the second phaseâ€|. 0:00:39

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"Reaching out to the residents, reaching out to the state historic preservation office because this does go through some old historical plantations, reaching out to the environmental folks because this does require wetlands and mitigation so there were a lot of parties involved here." The project is led by the Georgia D-O-T and is expected to be complete by April of 2025. Since this is a new road -- there will not be many detours during construction except one near the end of construction.

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"It is a large scale industrial site and so there's a lot of existing assets around water and gas and other things that large industrial tenants would find appealing." Carmen Bergman is the Corporate and Community Relations Director for Dulany Industries, which is the parent company of the SeaPoint Industrial Terminal Complex. Bergman says the types of tenants they look for are manufacturers, those with a heavy reliance on logistics and who are focused on sustainability and environmentalism. "NANTRenewables is going to be investing up to \$29 million to build a bioplastics manufacturing plant at SeaPoint. That's going to generate over 130 high wage jobs. They manufacture a variety of bio-based renewable products." These products include BIOPLASTIC biodegradable straws, cutlery and plates as well as products that are used in the agricultural and pharmaceutical industries. Bergman sa

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9/21/2021 5PM OD	CBS: TOY SUPPLY DELAYS		
9/23/2021 4:30PM OD	TYLER: BEAUFORT CO. END OF SUMMER	Standup: Here in downtown Beaufort, the start of fall means the end of summer tourists, but Mayor Stephen Murray says the city won't actually see too much of a loss in business. Sot: (Mayor Stephen Murray - City of Beaufort) "One of the things that's happened over the last few years in Beaufort is that we don't see that seasonal dip and peak like historically have seen. Actually what we're seeing is a more leveling out of the tourism year round in Beaufort." Vo He's not just a city official though, he also owns Kazoobie Kazoos and knows personally how important that flow of tourists is. Sot: "As a business owner and as the mayor it's been a challenging year/year and a half. With COVID and our business it almost killed us, almost put us out of business because we're dependent on events and tourism and live music." Vo Although tourism in Beaufort has balanced out year-round, Murray says they are currently seeing a lull and expects it to last	0:01:19

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Disaster loans are available for small business owners... as the country faces the next chapter of the COVID-19 pandemic: the delta variant. "You can use these funds to invest in your business to get it onto recovery track." Veronica Pugin (pu-HEEN), a senior advisor with the Small Business Administration says the COVID Economic Injury Disaster Loanâ€"or EIDL (idle) loan program will continue through the end of the year. She says borrowers can apply to receive up to 2 million dollars from the SBA to help cover pandemic-related expenses. "The repayment terms are much more generous than other expenses and financial demands that we're seeing businesses grappling with today." The SBA has so far approved over 3.8 million loans totaling nearly 260 billion dollars. But some small business owners are wary of the commitment of a loan.

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GA FISHING Nearly \$2 million dollars in financial aid is now available for commercial marine  
INDUSTRY businesses in Georgia that suffered losses during the pandemic. 0:00:10

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"the motion is not agreed to." (track 1) senate republicans blocked a key test vote on a house-passed bill to temporarily fund government and suspend the federal debt limit. this sets up a showdown ahead of friday's shutdown deadline. (sot - sen. chuck schumer / (d-ny) majority leader ) "the republican party has solidified itself as the party of default." (track 2) republicans in the evenly-divided senate say they will only support a clean vote on the continuing resolution... (sot - sen. mitch mcconnell / (r-ky) minority leader ) "we're not willing to help the democrats raise the debt ceiling while they write a reckless taxing and spending spree." (standup - natalie brand / cbs news / capitol hill ) "congressional republicans have called out democrats over plans to spend trillions of dollars on their massive budget reconciliation bill in their opposition to raising to debt ceiling...but democrats say the increase is about paying the debts

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9/28/2021 4PM OD	SAVANNAH PORT TO ADD CAPACITY	Part of the money will go to purchasing more than 22 acres adjacent to the Georgia Port Authority's West Expansion property. The board also providing funds to begin developing another 18 acres of land next to the Peak Capacity project. In total, the developments will add 230 acres of container handling space. They will open in phases and be fully complete in 2023.	0:00:23
9/28/2021 5PM OD	CBS: TRAVEL CHANGES	warren luciani (loo-see-ann-ee) owns an excavation business. he was planning to take a break and travel to a friend's wedding in europe. (file) but with the coronavirus delta variant spreading he decided against it. "I'm afraid that if I get down there and I test positive, I'll get stuck there for 14 days under quarantine. And with my business and me being the owner, I just can't take that chance." luciani is among a growing number of people avoiding air travel. (gfx) adobe analytics says flight bookings in august fell 24 percent compared to july. (Elise) "are you surprised that it shifted that much." (Vivek) "Well, travel and flight bookings are the sectors that are very prone to changes in the pandemic case rates." (track 3) adobe's vivek (viv-eck) pandya (pan-dee-yuh) says (file) the trend continued in sept	0:01:28

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As always-- set a budget and STICK to it. If it's just you-- maybe you budget 60 bucks a week. If you're a family of four-- try 120 a week at the grocery store. Now-- watch what you spend. Look for deals and buy one get ones. Whatever store you use, kroger, wegmans, publix, food lion-- use their app and make sure to upload the coupons. standardize your menu-- to certain types of food-- it will narrow your focus at the store. don't shop hungry-- you'll end up spending more. cycle in leftovers-- try to use everything and not throw away food... eat it before it goes bad. THe more you meal plan and buy for specific recipes-- the easier it will be to follow a list when you shop. With this Investigate TV Watching Your Wallet, I'm Rachel DePompa

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The U.S. Department of Agriculture reevaluated the Thrifty Food Plan that's used to determine SNAP benefits. The increase in funds comes from looking at 4 major categories: current food prices, what Americans typically eat, dietary guidance, and the nutrients in those food items. In Chatham County there are nearly 23-thousand families receiving SNAP benefits totaling over \$9 million-dollars in assistance. Step Up Savannah says the change was a long time coming and they are excited for the families to have an extra amount of funds each month.

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The Home Depot is adding a new distribution center in Jasper County. They county will get a \$100,000 rural infrastructure fund grant to help pay for the project. It will create just a handful of new jobs, but its economic impact on a historically undeveloped area could be far reaching. In a statement, Jasper County Council Chairwoman Barbara Clark explained this is just another step in the county's industrial development... "We are thrilled that the Home Depot, a nationally and internationally recognized company, is the latest company to invest in operations at the Riverport Commerce Park in Jasper County. The company will be a great addition at this growing industrial park, which is perfect for distribution, just minutes from the Port of Savannah and the future Jasper Ocean Terminal." The state's governor, Henry McMaster, also sees the growth coming to the rural county and has nothing but good things to say. Sot:

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(GENE SEROKA LA PORT DIRETCOR) On average, they're sitting nearly six days at the port waiting for trucks and nearly 11 and a half days waiting to get loaded on rail. PORT OF LA DIRECTOR, GENE SEROKA, SAYS IMPORT SHIPPING FROM OVERSEAS IS UP (KEYABLE) 50% THIS SUMMER. UP TO 70 SHIPS ARE CURRENTLY WAITING A WEEK OR MORE JUST TO GET INTO THE PORT. CE: What's going on here? Is it just that we're buying a lot more stuff? GS: Yeah, the American consumers buying strength is so strong and epic that we can't absorb all this cargo. (TRACK) RETAIL SALES JUMPED UNEXPECTEDLY IN AUGUST, AS THE DELTA VARIANT CAUSED AMERICANS TO ONCE AGAIN CHANGE WHERE THEY SPEND THEIR MONEY. (Keyable) LESS ON DINING AND TRAVEL â€; MORE ON CONSUMER GOODS LIKE FURNITURE. VYAS: I just hope that it doesn't disrupt our food supply chain. NICK VYAS IS A GLOBAL SUPPLY CHAIN EXPERT. HE ANTICIPATES MORE \*COVID-RELATED\* HOLD-UPS FROM

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			Typically, SNAP benefits increase is around 1 percent each year -- but now it is increasing 15 percent which is about \$35 a month per family. The U.S. Department of Agriculture reevaluated the Thrifty Food Plan -- used to determine SNAP benefits. The increase in funds comes from looking at 4 major categories: current food prices, what Americans typically eat, dietary guidance, and the nutrients in those food items. Jeb Bush the executive director of Forsyth Farmers Market says the increase in benefits will not only help them purchase more food but healthier food. Forsyth Farmers Market and their 912-food pharmacy collects SNAP benefits -- but also doubles their value. So every SNAP dollar equals 2 dollars for purchases. In the past 12 months -- they have had more than 70 thousand dollars in SNAP sales -- equaling about 35 thousand dollars in SNAP dollars spent on food. Fresh produce can often be more expense than the canned or frozen foods -- so th	0:01:50
9/29/2021 5:30pm OD	SARAH: SNAP BENEFITS INCREASE	5AM DAYBREAK	Kimberly Paulk / Public Benefits Program Manager "It's a great positive supplement that our partners are providing to us and I would just say to use that money and use it wisely and hopefully it will help cover some of those costs." While the demand for SNAP increases, so does the denial rate. Between 2018 and 2021 -- the number of families denied have doubled in Chatham County. During the 2021 fiscal year -- more than 7,000 families in Chatham County did not meet the criteria. The change impacts families already receiving benefits -- there is still no change for those who do not qualify.	0:01:10

	SARAH: FORSYTH FARMERS MARKET SNAP BENEFIT	In the past 12 months -- they have had more than 70 thousand dollars in SNAP sales -- equaling about 35 thousand dollars in SNAP dollars spent on food. Jeb Bush the executive director of Forsyth Farmers Market says the increase in benefits will not only help them purchase more food but healthier food. Fresh produce can often be more expense than the canned or frozen foods -- so the increase combined with their 2 for 1 program -- Bush hopes families will take advantage to afford more nutritious meals.	0:25:00
9/29/2021 OD	SARAH: FORSYTH FARMERS MARKET SNAP BENEFIT	Jeb Bush / Executive Director of Forsyth Farmers Market "We started our 912 food pharmacy program for this year and did surveys with those, all of those participants are on SNAP or WIC and 67 percent of those participants said they could not afford to eat balanced meals throughout the month so this increase is long overdue and hopefully we can continue to see changes for the better." The changes go into effect on October first for families that received SNAP benefits...increasing about 36 dollars a month.	0:00:23
9/29/2021 OD	SARAH: SNAP BENEFITS INCREASE	The U.S. Department of Agriculture reevaluated the Thrifty Food Plan -- used to determine SNAP benefits. The increase in funds comes from looking at 4 major categories: current food prices, what Americans typically eat, dietary guidance, and the nutrients in those food items. Nearly 42 million Americans receive benefits nationwide -- In Chatham County there are nearly 23,000 families receiving SNAP benefits -- totaling over 9 million dollars in assistance. Step Up Savannah says the change was a long time coming and they are excited for the families to have an extra amount of funds each month.	0:01:35

**ISSUE 14-HOW CHARITBATBLE AND FEDERAL ORGANIZATIONS ARE HELPING THE COMMUNITY. SAFE SHELTER UPDATE, BRYAN CO. ANIMAL SHELTER FULL, SAVANNAH FAMILY PROMISE, STATESBORO EXCHANGE CLUB FUNDRAISER AFTER LAST YEAR'S CANCELED EVENT, FRANK CALLEN PROPERTY PURCHASE, UNITED WAY FUNDRAISER, MEMORIAL FOOD DONATION TO WORKERS, FREE DENTAL CLINIC, DOGS RESCUED FROM IDA, HELPING VICTIMS IN LOUISIANA, NEW MANNA HOUSE BUILDING, BLOOD CONNECTION DRIVE, GLASS RECYCLING, ABILITIES UNLIMITED RESTARTS AFTER CAMP NAMESAKE DIES, GUYTON HURRICANE RELIEF, SOURCE: NON-PROFITS,**

4:30AM DAYBREAK 7/9/2021 OD	TELFair COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS GRANT	This money is meant to support exhibitions and outreach. Leaders at Telfair say they will be using the money for its free outreach programs for Savanna's at-risk youth and adults. 135 other organizations in the peach state also received a similar grant. The museum says this is the largest grant Telfair has ever received from the state.	0:20
7/9/2021 5:30pm OD	SAFE SHELTER UPDATE	Safe Shelter Center for Domestic Violence Services has an outreach branch that helps people in abusive relationships apply for temporary protective orders through the courts. "It's a very strong order. The police, city and county, take it very seriously. But, it was restricted." Even with the previous limitations of the TPO's, Cheryl Branch, Executive Director of Safe Shelter, says their outreach office was busy helping people apply in the Savannah area. Branch: "Last year they did over 350 protective orders. So we see a lot of people that really do need them." And Branch says with the new law, she believes that number will climb. Branch: "Probably, I don't see how it wouldn't." Branch calls the new law a game-changer for those in relationships outside of marriage or formerly married. Branch: "That leaves out a lot of people. People in dating violence, dating situations where there's be	0:01:25

		(ALYSSA JACKSON) Bryan County Animal Control only has one kennel open right now. They said that part of this is because it's kitten and puppy season. They say they've been pushing their capacity limits, but still finding homes for any animal that comes through their doors. There hasn't been much downtime for many animal shelters in the Coastal Empire. The past few months haven't been normal, especially in Bryan County. "May and June were the biggest influx...kittens all over the place. Puppies all over the place." They call it kitten and puppy season. (LAURA LEWIS, BRYAN COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL COORDINATOR) "That's really our main influx. Dogs that aren't sprayed and neutered or just people don't, either they don't do it or when they do decide to do it their cat and dog gets out and they come home and they come home pregnant." But Bryan County Animal Control says the pandemic could also be playing a role in the numbers they're seeing. "Some	0:01:43
7/9/2021 5:30pm OD	BRYAN CO. ANIMAL SHELTER FULL		
7/29/2021 6PM OD	SAVANNAH FAMILY PROMISE REAX	Sean: The executive director for Family Promise of the Coastal Empire says their phones have been ringing off the hook in recent days, people calling looking for rental assistance and for shelter. "This is something that we actually started preparing for last year. We knew that at some point the eviction moratorium would end." Family Promise Executive Director, Katrina Bostick, says her organization is now encouraging families facing an eviction to reach out. Bostick: "For the last couple of months, the last year, we've been really paying rents up towards five, six, seven, eight months. As far as mortgages, really the same thing, and utilities. And it's pretty much been the same." As unemployment benefits and pandemic related assistance runs out, Bostick anticipates Family Promise's services will only be in more demand. For that reason, they are trying to be as ac	0:01:21

It was a big day for the team at the Dwaine and Cynthia Willett Children's Hospital "We have always been able to do neonatal transports." But now thanks to their newest ambulance they can better serve all children. "This now allows us to do that for all the pediatric population. All the way up to the age of 18." The new Pediatric and Neonatal Transport is specially made just for children. "We have all kind of specialized equipment that are specifically made for pediatric patients instead of adult patients." Bringing their equipment and more importantly their team right to those in need. "It's really significant because it allows us to get a nurse and respiratory therapist to that other hospital to start providing care immediately for those patients who need high level of care, specialized care, that we're able to provide." And like the design of the Children's Hos

8/3/2021 6PM OD PEDIATRIC AMBULANCE E 0:01:30

(sot) Things are just getting started here at The Clubhouse in Statesboro for the annual Strike Out Child Abuse. It's hosted by the Exchange Club of Statesboro and they say they're excited to be having this once again after cancelling last year due to covid. (vo) It brings together bowling teams from local businesses and other civic clubs to raise money and raise awareness to the issue. The club uses the proceeds to fund local scholarships as well as helping local agencies like Fostering Bulloch, CASA, Safe Haven Domestic Violence Shelter and others. Organizers say they're eager for tonight after last year. (sot) We were so disappointed last year not to have it. We feel those agencies that we support missed our donations and we missed out on giving back to our community. (vo) This marks their fourth year and Harrell says they're ready to get back on track.

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8/23/2021 6PM OD	FRANK CALLEN PROPERTY PURCHASE	A new recreational learning center could soon be coming to Savannah. The Frank Callen Boys and Girls Club announced today it has purchased 15-acres on ACL Boulevards parcel right out outside of Liberty City. The Boys and Girls club says their plan is to build a new state of the art facility for children. The executive director of the club says they hope to have the project complete in the next couple of years.	0:01:45
8/24/2021 OD	FRANK CALLEN PROPERTY PURCHASE	The Boys and Girls club says their plan is to build a new state of the art facility for children. According to the executive director of the club, they hope to have the project complete in the next couple of years.	0:12:00
8/24/2021 OD	5AM DAYBREAK 5AM CARE PROGRAM	The Coastal Awareness and Responsible Ecotourism program launched in collaboration with Manomet and it's grant funded. We took a ride around Wassaw Island yesterday to talk about the five week program. It focuses on recreational use and potential disturbance of coastal habitat, coastal ecology, human connections to the coast and more. Marine Educator at UGA Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant, Katie Higgins says Georgia's beaches provide a vital habitat where animals, like shorebirds, feed and rest during long migrations. Higgins says if ecotour guides know more about the coast and its wildlife they can teach others how to protect these animals.	0:00:26
8/24/2021 6PM OD	UNITED WAY FUNDRAISE R PREVIEW	With funding down and needs up, we need this funding to help provide services for people to have food at home, to help kids go to a safe place after school and get a hot meal. The event is Thursday night in the GSU Russell Union. Tickets are still available. Our Dal Cannady will serve as the emcee.	0:00:56

		The 11th annual Tasting Statesboro brings dozens of local restaurants together to offer samples of some of the best food in town. It benefits United Way of Southeast Georgia. Organizers pushed back the 2021 event from the start of the year due to covid. They say the pandemic makes this event even more.	
8/24/2021 7PM OD	UNITED WAY FUNDRAISE R PREVIEW	vital.	0:00:17
		"we really felt strongly that we wanted to make sure that we put this money to the best use that we could." "I still get goosebumps because it was so impactful to walk around Forsyth Park and see those children and see them cheering us on. Us. We're just walking and having fun. But the community comes out. But the kids, that's what is so inspirational." Jarrell says along with the donation, they still will also take part in the virtual buddy walk .	
8/25/2021 6PM OD	DOWN SYNDROME DONATION		0:00:35
		The Lowcountry Down Syndrome Society receiving a generous donation today. Savannah Area Realtors presented a \$15-hundred dollar check to them. Each year they say they use a certain amount of funds to give to charities they support. Lowcountry Down Syndrome Society is one of them. The money will be used to help support the Buddy walk in the fall. Savannah Area Realtors says after hearing the buddy walk would be going virtual this year, they wanted to help anyway they could.	
8/25/2021 6PM OD	DOWN SYNDROME DONATION		0:00:27
		It comes as no surprise that members of Memorial Health's ICU have been busy. "The last couple of weeks we definitely have seen a larger influx of COVID patients." An influx that has given them little time to do anything else. "We're here every day working our hardest and trying to provide the best care for these patients and their families." And while they spend hours caring for others, taking care of themselves often takes a back seat. "We joke that we will eat anything. Snacks, donuts, whatever you can get." But on this day, the menu expanded a little. "Shrimp bowls, some of them are chicken bowls and some of them are veggie bowls." In total 70 meals provided by a local chef who knows just how important this food is. "My wife is an ICU nurse here and she went through the first wave of COVID." Chef Thomas partne	
8/25/2021 5:30pm OD	MEMORIAL FOOD DONATIONS		0:01:37

		DO NOT RUN Last week we heard this plea from Effingham Health System. "Get vaccinated because that is the absolute single best thing that we can finally do to break this cycle." And it appears at least a couple businesses in Springfield were listening, including Carlson & Co. which teamed up with the Health System to host a vaccine clinic Wednesday. "We actually had a line of people and they ended up actually running out of vaccines. So, they didn't leave because they had to, and people weren't showing up, they left because they didn't have enough." A big turnout that was welcome news for owner James Carlson who has seen the tragic impact of the virus firsthand.	
8/26/2021 6PM OD	STEP UP SPRINGFIELD D VAX CLINIC	"Unfortunately, we had a member of our team at Carlson & Co. this week and James knew he had to do something. He wanted to do something." Of course, they aren't the only ones who've seen what the delta variant can do to a community.	0:52
8/27/2021 7PM OD	STEP UP SAVANNAH SURVEY	"Covid greatly exacerbated or disproportionately impacted the LMI community and really ravished their ability to be self-sufficient and although we hear that, to see it on paper was quite something else." The survey showed during the pandemic, the biggest need and most accessed resources was food assistance and trying to find low-cost healthcare. Taking on some of these specific issues -- they are going to have some roundtable discussions this fall. You can watch the full presentation on our website - WTOC dot com.	0:00:37
8/27/2021 5AM OD	DAYBREAK CLINIC	REGINALD LEE CHATHAM COUNTY SAFETY NET PLANNING COUNCIL "one of the benefits of our clinic is it doesn't require insurance or any fees to pay for the service. all they need to do is come to the clinic at 5 am on saturday and 5 am on sunday."	0:00:21

		"It's a wonderful thing. I think it's great to have this out here for the people." Remote Area Medical is a major nonprofit provider with a mission to give people in need high quality health care. "I call it my heart therapy because it's just so rewarding." For the first time, RAM was invited to Savannah by the Chatham County Safety Net Planning Council. Council members say they spent about a year getting this weekend planned and they surveyed 600 people to see if a clinic like this was something people needed. "They found that there were quite a bit of people that didn't have access to dental care and therefore their total health was suffering." Rhodes says anyone is welcome to come to the clinic and the services they're offering include cleanings, fillings, extractions and dental x-rays. DeBorrah Weathers says she doesn't have good dental insurance right now and	0:01:35
WKEND 8/28/2021 6PM OD	MARIAH: FREE DENTAL CLINIC	Beaufort County Animal Services is helping evacuate animals from shelters in the path of Hurricane Ida. The facility went to Atlanta yesterday to pick up a dozen dogs from Gulfport, Mississippi. They're being called the "Gulfport Dozen." The dogs will be heading to Hilton Head Humane. If you're interested in adopting one, call the shelter.	0:00:29

(sot) The director of Christian Social Ministries says he started this drive almost before the storm had passed. He knew he and the community had to do something. (vo) John Long says donations started coming as soon as he put out the call. The devastation from New Orleans to Baton Rouge and places in between has folks responding. (sot) I called our contact in Lake Charles, where we went last year. We have a relationship with them. They put me in touch with a pastor in Walker, Louisiana which is a suburb of Baton Rouge. (vo) Long and others in this community took supplies last year and stayed days in order to help. He says they have several pallets of non-perishable food to take this time. He says, even in a pandemic, most in this community have a roof over their head and clean water to drink. The suffering \*there\* prompts him and others to share. (sot) ..we were spared. But

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DAYBREAK 9/1/2021 OD LOUISIANA DONATIONS 0:01:01

9/3/2021 5:30pm OD      NEW  
MANNA  
HOUSE  
BUILDING

New tonight - WTOC got a look at the new Liberty County Manna House building. The group has been serving the area since 1992 as a local food and clothing bank. They're hosting an open house tomorrow that includes a walk-through and a food bag giveaway. The walk through starts at 10 a-m and includes a meet and greet time. The drive through food bag giveaway starts at right after noon.

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9/9/2021 4:30PM OD

MARIAH:  
TYBEE  
HURRICANE  
DONATIONS

LL As soon as Hurricane Ida made landfall, City Manager Shawn Gillen said he was bombarded with emails and calls from city members and the community Asking to help. VO So, the Tybee Island Police Department took up the initiative and reached out to businesses and community members for donations. Gillen says places like Ace Hardware, Lowe's and Chu's Convenience Mart, on Tybee, as well as many individuals have donated pallets of water, cleaning supplies and personal hygiene products. If you're looking to make some last minute donations, the department is asking for things like medical supplies and canned goods. There are some specific items they need including damp rid and disinfectants to help with water cleanup. Gillen says Tybee has been helped before after hurricanes, so they try to help others when they can. SOT "It feels good, but we wish we could do more. We know what it's like to be in the middle of what they're in. We've been through i

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		The camp is actually named after Lindsey Hart who had cerebral palsy. Abilities Unlimited here is a place she came to learn daily life skills and gain her strength. Last month, Lindsey passed away and Abilities Unlimited and Lindsey's Place say it took a big piece of their hearts. That's why this year, there's even more momentum behind keeping the camp going in her memory. "It's not gonna be just this camp. It's not just gonna be October 29-31, but I want to keep it going. So as long as we can have camp, and even without camp, at the gym, I'm always gonna have something here for her and we're always gonna remember her." These are pictures of the camp provided by Lindsey's Place. This year, they'll have camp fires, tie die shirts and several activities throughout the weekend. Space for the camp is limited. They are able to accomodate 12 children and young adult	
9/20/2021 7PM OD	LOCAL CHARITY RESTARTS		0:01:16
MORNING BREAK OD	SARAH: THE BLOOD CONNECTIO	Today -- the best part about this blood drive is any donations made today -- will stay right here in the Savannah community. They are hoping you will stop by today if you have some time to fill the urgent need for blood. Here to tell us more is Mercy Myers from the Blood Connection. Tell us about the need right now. Who can donate today? What do people get for making a donation?	0:22:00
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9/21/2021 5PM OD	WTOC BLOOD DRIVE	Make plans to come out and join the Blood Connection and WTOC for a blood drive happening RIGHT NOW. You're taking a LIVE look. It's being held at the Blood Connection's new donation center on East Victory Drive in the Victory Square shopping center until 7 tonight. Our Sam Bauman will be joining us LIVE in the 5-o-clock hour with more on what you need to know if you plan to go.	0:00:26

		"if you're out having an adult beverage, your glass could be turned into this tomorrow." Savannah Alderman Nick Palumbo says - THIS is what Savannah's recycled glass, could soon look like. A quick refresher on Savannah's recycling dilemma. Savannah still accepts glass in its single-stream recycling program. But your glass - does *not get recycled. That's partly because China recently quit taking America's recycled goods. Meaning, there just isn't a market for it. City officials estimate glass alone - costs the city 150-thousand-dollars per-year. They say, last year - 25-percent of Savannah's recyclables... including roughly 1-thousand *TONS of glass... ended-up in the landfill. Palumbo says - that's created some confusion, and distrust. "we recycle paper, we recycle plastics, we recycle aluminum. The thing we don't recycle today is glass." "we'r	0:02:39
9/22/2021 7PM OD	WTOCI: GLASS RECYCLING	"It's not uncommon for us to get phone calls about, people need food, people need vaccines. We have those resources out there to help." The Director of Chatham County Animal Services Dr. Jake Harper says rescues like Renegade Paws Rescue are one of those resources. "We're not going to turn down an intake from the community just because a pet needs help. We really want to make sure that pet has the best opportunity to survive and thrive." Cody Shelley is a volunteer and helps foster dogs with Renegade Paws. She says they offer medical services like vaccinations, spay and neuter operations, food pantries and other services for families who may need extra help. **nat pop** They'll even take in puppies or dogs and put them in a loving home until they can be adopted, no matter their condition.	0:47:00

MORNING  
BREAK OD      ALZHEIMER  
9/24/2021 09 24      S WALK

It is all happening tomorrow at Lake Mayer Community Park starting at 8 a.m. They are expecting fewer people at the walk this year because they are still encouraging you to walk from your own neighborhood if you feel more comfortable. Despite that, their donation numbers are still going strong and slightly ahead of last year. The money raised will go towards research and continuing other services for caregivers like the 24-7 helpline and support groups. Making sure those services are still available during the pandemic is a top priority for Alzheimer's Association.

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7AM            ALYSSA: RH  
DAYBREAK      FUNDRAISE  
9/26/2021 SUNDAY OD R

WTOC spoke with the organizer of a fundraiser called "Rebuild Richmond Hill" that will happen at the Richmond Hill City Center October 7th. The City Center is offering the space for free. There will be a silent auction, bingo, dinner and giveaways... Based on the demand they're seeing, they expect to raise between 12 and 15-thousand dollars. The organizer says if there's anything Richmond Hill does...it's come together for their own.

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A team from Toombs County spent Saturday pounding the pavement - for a good cause - raising money to fight breast cancer. They've taken part in statewide breast cancer walks in Atlanta for the past 13 years. This year, the Georgia 2-Day walk opted for one day virtual and one day in person. Their participation over the past four years has brought \$96,000 in grant money back to Toombs County for mammograms and more.

9/27/2021 6PM OD      TOOMBS CO. CANCER WALK      0:24:00

"For the last couple weeks, we've been collecting goods, six days a week." Collecting goods for victims of Hurricane Ida. Putting out a call for help, which community members in Effingham County didn't hesitate to respond to. "Once we put the word out about what we're doing and the needs of the people. People began to say, 'when can I help?' 'Where can I drop off?' 'What time?' 'I'm on my way.'" In fact, the community response was so great thatâ€œ "We have two trucks. We thought we were only going to have one but now we have two." These trucks and trailers full of items that may seem commonplace to many, but to those trying to rebuild, they're priceless. "When you lose everything, anything that is needed to help start over again or just make it to the next week or next day even is a great help." Making the gesture a little more personal, is where they're going, Harvey Louisiana. "It's

9/30/2021 5:30pm OD      GUYTON HURRICANE RELIEF      0:01:27

**ISSUE 15--HOW VOLUNTEERS ARE A GREAT ASSET TO NON PROFITS AND THE COMMUNITY. VOLUNTEERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN COMMUNITY. HOW VOLUNTEERS ARE HELPING PEOPLE IN NEED THROUGH THE PANDEMIC. VOLUNTEER-HHI THERAPY DOGS DEPLOYED TO SURFSIDE CONDO RESCUE AND RECOVERY, GA POWER HELPING WITH HENRI DAMAGE, SC FIRST RESPONDERS TO IDA, TYBEE ISLAND RECYCLING UPDATE INCLUDING BEACH CLEANUPS  
SOURCE: VOLUNTEERS, ETC.**

		Nat Dog sniffing Vo: Meet Zoara Nat 'Zoara sit' Vo She's lives on Hilton Head and was one of 9 therapy dogs from around the country deployed to Surfside Florida by Lutheran Church Charities. Sot: (Rachelle Jeffery - 'Top Dog' of Island Lutheran Therapy Dog Program) "We went down and we would stand by the memorial wall and any family members that were there they could come up and they could pet the dogs." Vo Zoara went through 2000 hours of training to learn commands... Nat 'Zoara lap' Vo But you can't teach the joy she brought first responders who were working on the devastating scene. Sot: "They looked very tired going across the street then they saw the dogs and you could see their eyes light up and their smiles on their face." Sot: "it was probably one of the best moments of our deployment, we felt like we were really making a difference and being there to help them unwind a little bit from the stress that they were going under." The gr	
7/29/2021 4:30PM OD	TYLER: THERAPY DOG		0:50:00
8/23/2021 6PM OD	GA POWER HELPING WITH HENRI DAMAGE	"Our storm team is comprised of crews from across the state, more than 100 Georgia Power personnel. That includes lineman, engineers, safety and logistics personnel." All 100, including eighteen from Savannah, hitting the road early Sunday to help do what they do best. "These guys area always eager to go and help out. They love getting the lights on whether it's working for our own customers or when they can lend a hand." And this time they'll be lending a hand to those dealing with the aftermath of Hurricane Henri near Hartford, Connecticut. "It's a long way up there but they're actually still traveling today." A long trip but one that is not uncommon for Georgia Power. "Georgia Power has long been a part of the mutual assistance network and that allows us to help our neighbors in need after a storm like this or another emergency." Crews can expect to be there for at the most two weeks dependi	0:01:42

Nat: Storm Vo Ida raging through. Bringing flooding and power outages to Louisiana streets. To help, the Bluffton Fire department sent 4 men this morning. One of them, Derek Franks, is intimately familiar with helping this area of our country. Sot: "16 years ago yesterday I was in for Katrina." Vo He's ready for similar scenes this time around. Sot: "I'm expecting a lot of the same kind of damage, just massive amount of flooding." Vo Franks says they train four or five times a year for these situations. Sot: (Derek Franks - Battalion Chief Bluffton Fire Department TRT :36-.41) "When you have an incident like this and you have storm surge, you have rain backing up and just the floodwaters, this is what we've trained for." Vo When times are as dire as Franks expects, he says he wants to help in ways large or small. Sot: "We want to be able to make the biggest difference that we can and whatever that may be, whether that's actual

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8/30/2021 4PM OD

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NAT "I think it does feel good to know that your materials at least aren't going to landfill or are becoming something that'll fund future beach cleanups and maybe be around for a very long time." Tim Arnold is a Tybee Clean Beach Volunteer. His goal is to educate the community about plastics and upcycling. "When you start to try to take raw material and turn it into something else you realize that recycling is a really tough thing to do." So, that's when Salt Island Fish & Beer co-owner Emily Liebtag stepped in to help. The restaurant collected about \$5,000 to pay for this 3-in-1 Upcycle machine. "We wanted to look at the needs around Tybee, see where we can improve things and make life for Tybee residents and our tourists a little bit better." Now, people like Arnold and Liebtag can continue raising awareness about litter by using this

TYBEE  
ISLAND  
RECYCLING  
UPDATE

9/17/2021 6PM OD

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11PM SAVANNAH  
WEEKEND CLEANUP  
9/18/2021 OD DAY

"I would say its important to have days like today to get more people out cause people might not do it on a regular basis. So these days people would feel the need to actually go clean up." The main goal was to beautify the streets of Savannah. But they also hoped to use this event to raise awareness of the trash problem the city faces. Organizers want to remind residents of Savannah to clean up after themselves and join them on a cleanup day. We have more information on more cleanup days on our website WTOC dot com.

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**ISSUE16 DELEVOPMENT AND GROWTH OF ORGANIZATIONS,  
BUSINESSES AND TOURISM AND HOW IT WILL AFFECT PEOPLE IN THE  
COMMUNITY. FAIRGROUND LOCATION DEVELOPMENT, BEAUFORT  
WATERFEST, STATESBORO PARKS RENOVATION, TYBEE STRAND  
AVENUE PLAN, MOHAWK LAKE PARK, NEW ARENA NAMED ENMARKET,  
GA CITRUS TREES, HINESVILLE PARK RENOVATION, VIDALIA BLIGHT  
REDEVELOPMENT, CHATHAM COUNTY SKIDAWAY RD PROJECT OPEN  
HOUSE, CHATHAM CO. AMPITHEATER PROPOSAL, 1ST BEAUFORT CO.  
FIXED TRANSPORTATION ROUTE, EFFINGHAM PARKWAY, FORSYTH  
MASTER PLAN, SJCH NEW BRYAN CO HOSPITAL, YEMASSEE BIG  
ACRES COMMUNITY,  
BROUGHTON ST. LANDSCAPE, LOOK INSIDE NEW ENMARKET ARENA**  
Source: City of Savannah, Chamber of Commerce, , MEMORIAL HEALTH,  
SAVANNAH CITY COUNCIL, etc

TYBEE  
STRAND  
AVE PLAN  
7/12/2021 5:30pm OD LATEST

"The construction is not completed on the dunes because part of the project was to do additional structures along the dune area." This project plan ... outlined by these markers posted along Strand Avenue. While a bit hard to read, it shows that there would be 12 changing rooms, 6 restrooms and 3 showers in the span of 6 blocks. "The layout not only impacts the character of the dunescape and the views of all the condos that are in this area, but also impacts the dunes themselves." Jennifer Fassos's condo faces the area where the project design focuses on. She says she understands the need for more restrooms but worries there's not enough space between the dunes and the sidewalk for them. "It makes the most sense to all of us to put the majority of the facilities at the base of the pier, that's the busiest year-round, and then maybe do something on a smaller scale down h

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Thank you for joining us on The News at 4:30. I'm Jessica Savage. And I'm Mike Cihla... The city of Savannah is hoping to get one step closer to coming up with a plan for the future of the fairground on Medding Drive. Today -- city leaders are having the first of two open houses to get community feedback. The city of Savannah purchased the fairground site about 5 years ago. Since that time --the 67 acre property has sat largely unused. Last fall -- Savannah city council was looking into three proposals about the space when the interim city manager Micheal Brown called the process into question. Now -- the city of Savannah is hoping to get some plans into action with this property that work on poverty reduction, neighborhood revitalization and increased public safety.

7/13/2021 4:30PM OD FAIRGROUN DS PREVIEW 0:00:40

The former Coastal Empire Fairgrounds property has been a topic of discussion for years for the city. Mayor Van Johnson and Mayor Pro Tem Alderwoman Estella Shabazz will be here tonight to speak with people to hear what they'd like to see done with the 67-acre property. Those three proposals being considered include recreation facilities, a mini police station, a health clinic and more. Mayor Pro Tem Alderwoman Estella Shabazz told us she hopes with the help of residents, they can get some plans into action.

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7/13/2021 6PM OD

BEAUFORT  
WATER  
FESTIVAL  
PREVIEW

Standup: (Tyler Manion - @TylerManionTV) The Beaufort Water Festival will last for 10 days starting this Friday and people I talked to are ready to celebrate now after the pandemic cancelled so many events. Sot: "It was heartbreaking that the festival didn't happen last year unfortunately because of the pandemic, the even bigger heartbreaking part is that hit that all these businesses down here took and just to the overall community." Businesses are excited too, but for one art gallery, the increase of customers isn't what they're most looking forward to. "We do get increased traffic, the biggest thing is we get to see old friends that only visit once a year. They come during water festival to see all the people they went to high school with or businesses that they've always gone to every year when they come down, so i

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7/13/2021 6PM OD

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RO PARKS  
RENOVATIO  
N UPDATE

(sot) Crews have a few odds and ends jobs, like spraying a liner in this pool, to finish to get these parks open for these neighborhoods. (vo) Contractors put down asphalt and other projects around Luetta Moore Park. The park once featured just a ballfield, basketball courts and a few slides. The city, the county, and the recreation department expanded it to include the pool as well as a splashpad, a bigger playground and improved basketball courts. They're paying for it through special purpose sales tax funds. The SPLOST manager says construction has been delayed due to a wetter-than-usual summer and what he calls "supply chain" delays. (sot) Trying to get parts..there's be a lot of issues because of places being shut down due to the pandemic. Then places try to get ramped up and going again and sending out different stuff. (vo) Blocks away, the WD Kent park will include three cov

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		Over the next two weeks this will be a rare sight at the Beaufort Inn. Three *empty* and stationary luggage carts, that will be on the move a lot to keep up with all the visitors they're expecting for the water festival. "We're slammed. We're gonna be totally busy. We've had people who have booked rooms for the whole time a year ago because they're so excited about even the possibility of it happening, when it didn't happen last year. They went ahead and made their reservations for this year as soon as they knew the dates or even the window of dates." Vo: She believes most of those guests are repeat visitors who come back every year. Sot: "I think a lot of them are from South Carolina and so they've been here before for the festival and so, like I said, they've made their plans in advance to be here." Tag: It's been a busy summer so far, but Parkerson says the Water Festival is	
7/14/2021 5PM OD	BEAU WATER FEST: HOTELS PREPARE		0:01:00
7/14/2021 11PM OD	FINAL FAIRGROUN D PUBLIC MEETING	"What Knott development is proposing is a community and neighborhood focused development that brings, athletics, community and gathering spaces to this area." "Our development is very mixed use, so we have an employment center, film and television studio, a lot of housing geared toward elderly housing, we have a rec complex, both outdoor ball fields and indoor and the fourth element is a nature preserve for the wetlands that are there." "What we included is a community garden, a community kitchen a community center so what we anticipate is the same training will be utilized while that facility is being built." city council members will be presented with the three proposals at their city council meeting Thursday. Alderwoman Estella Shabazz says they'll also be able to ask questions about the proposals and hear from developers.	0:00:12

7/16/2021 6PM OD	MOHAWK PARK	A ribbon cutting for Mohawk Lake Park was held today. The park is on the southside of the city on Mohawk Street. It has a new walking and jogging trail, two dog parks, a playground and more. The city broke ground on the project back in 20-19. City leaders were there today as it opened--including 6th District Alderman Kurtis Purtee and Savannah Mayor Van Johnson.	0:00:23
7/16/2021 6PM OD	MOHAWK PARK	"We've got more going on here with this project here. More going on with the park, the lake. You'll see more projects come in the future. This is just the completion of the first phase of this park. So stay tuned for more on what's coming next." "We know our southside residents have already loved Mohawk Lake for fishing and kayaking. And new park amenities make this place even more special for people to enjoy." The more than \$1.2 million dollar project was funded by SPLOST money.	0:00:31

7/20/2021 4PM OD

ARENA  
NAMING

"The name of the arena will be..." You just heard from the \_\_\_\_ ... The name of the new Savannah area was unveiled just a few hours ago. The Enmarket Arena is scheduled to open in January 2022. The naming rights for the new arena were unveiled by the City of Savannah and the firm they contracted to manage the arena - Oak View Group. Oak View Group was awarded that job by the last council, and that means they handle things like food vendors, entertainment and even the naming rights process for the arena. Savannah Mayor Van Johnson says the city had no role in naming the area.

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7/27/2021 5:30pm OD

GA CITRUS  
TREES

(sot) Citrus may still be an emerging crop in Georgia, but growers say "the more the merrier". (vo) Michael Thompson planted trees four years ago and prepares this year for his first commercial crop. (sot) It's good for a small operation. You don't have to have a 100 acre farm. (vo) Growers in Georgia already have almost 400,000 trees planted. Today, he and other growers \*and\* potential growers heard from agents of the UGA Extension Service. They offered up info on which varieties seem to be thriving more than others in our region's climate. They also showed off 60 test trees recently planted at the research farm along the Toombs/Tattnall line. (sot) This place used to be just for onions. This place is big enough to do all kinds of vegetables or specialty crops or whatever. (vo) They're trying to gauge how many acres are already pl

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(sot) This new pool at Luetta Moore Park could be bustling. Tomorrow, the city, the county, and the recreation department officially cut the ribbon on a major renovation project that they hope makes this a destination for local families..especially those that live close by. (vo) Crews put down rubber mulch under the massive playground. It's part of a nearly \$3 million dollar renovation to a park that's been around for generations, even under a different name. (sot) Blitch Street was great. They had the pavillion, that was shaded. They had the kiddie pool, the big pool. (vo) Frank Reed grew up across the street in the house where his mother still lives. He's glad to see new focus on a park that had become run down. A deadly shooting on the basketball courts two years ago had him wanting his mom to move. Statesboro's mayor says this project is about giving families a safe place in their neihb

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6AM DAYBREAK SATURDAY 7/31/2021 OD	HINESVILLE PARK RENOVATIO N			
VIDALIA BLIGHT REDEVELO PMENT 8/13/2021 6PM OD			LL The Econo Lodge has been around for more than 20 years and over time, Mayor Doug Roper says it's become an area for criminal activity. PKG "We want to develop this property out and have an economic impact for the betterment of our community for years to come." The mayor says the motel, in the heart of downtown Vidalia, hasn't always been in a positive light. "Unfortunately, we've had to deal with an uptick in drugs, violence, gang activity. Just criminal activity in general." That's why he says the city has wanted to do something about it for a while. "We want this area to thrive." The process really picked up over the last 8 months. Mayor Roper says the motel didn't have to sell, but they decided to. By November 1, the motel will be shut down and the city will own the large plot of land. "This can be the hub. Everything else can branch off of this future development." In June, the c	0:01:27

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PROJECT  
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HOUSE

8/26/2021 NOON OD

Allen Blake / Chatham County Department of Engineering "Where we are now is a preliminary design so we have something for people to look at and see what we have in mind in general. It is not complete yet so we are hoping to get some information from the neighborhood that maybe could help make it a better plan." Once they hear from community members tonight, it will be about one year before they actually begin work on the intersection. If you have questions about the changes to the intersection -- the open house is open to anyone tonight from 5 to 7 at the Chatham County Public Works building.

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8/26/2021 NOON OD

Holly Holdsworth / Chatham County Parks and Rec Facilities Manager "We're excited about the opportunity to put a facility together like this for the community and expand the Chatham County parks and recreation role in providing cultural resources and so that is the next step is having a good representation of an arts park, where those things can happen and we are real excited about this project." The audience capacity would be around 15-hundred people. But there is no final design approved yet. Later this month, the county is applying for a grant that would help fund the nearly \$350-thousand dollar project. We'll be right back with more news.

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			Taylor Owenby / Kat-5 Studios "Kat-5 studios is positioned to be America's first purpose built sustainable film studio complex.Putting in green space measures, our 2 for 1 tree planting initiatives, the solar farm on the roof, our water reclamations and other environmental considerations, it takes a little more time, we feel like it's worth it." David Paterson / Kat-5 Studios "Let's build something that would be long standing, good for the environment, good for the community and build it now because with the slow down, it is the perfect time, the demand is there and why not be the first kids on the block in Savannah." The pandemic has made it difficult to get supplies -- but they hope to break ground in a few weeks and expect a 8 to 12 month build once they get started on the brand new Kat-5 studios.	
MORNING BREAK OD 8/30/2021 08 30	SARAH STUDIO COMPLEX			0:01:10
TYLER: SHELTER COVE PARKING 8/31/2021 4:30PM OD	WALKING	Veterans memorial park on Hilton Head is surrounded by other areas where people go to relax or have a good time. Problem is, right now none of those areas are connected by walking paths so people have to drive from place to place. Vo: That's where the town's Shelter Cove Connectivity Plan comes in. After a few months of construction, they say it will be much easier to get around. Sot: (Shea Ferrar - Landscape/Urban Design Associate) "The shelter Cove connectivity project will include new public art location, it will include pathway improvement, parking, lighting, landscaping, and signage." Vo Ferrar says the project will help out the art scene on Hilton Head as well. Sot: "Not only will the project involve the additional pathway connections, it will also become home to our public art program and will put in the foundation for the towns rotating art exhibits." Vo She says people will be able to see 10 different exhibits along one connect		0:01:19

Beaufort county's first ever year-round, fixed-route transportation system started yesterday. It's called the Bluffton breeze and it began with one major question... Sot: (Mayor Lisa Sulka - Bluffton) "How do we get workers great pay, wonderful places to work, a little bit further outside of where they reside and with easy transportation?" Vo Bluffton, like most towns, is facing a worker shortage... mayor Sulka hopes this new bus route will help fix that. Sot: "They're needing the employees on that side that live a little farther away and a lot of those workers don't want to drive in... so that's where the breeze comes in." Vo The shuttle service will be free until 2022, and then it'll cost a dollar per trip. But Sulka says many employers will pick up that cost to further entice workers. Sot: "A lot of businesses are paying for their riders to ride. It's needed in this region. Vo The fleet of buses and shuttles already provides trans

9/8/2021 5:30pm OD      BLUFFTON BREEZE BUS SERVICE      0:01:05

Effingham Parkway will be a 2-lane roadway that stretches 6 miles -- beginning at Highway 30 in Chatham County and ending at Blue Jay Road in Springfield.

5AM      530 LIVE  
DAYBREAK      REPORTER HIT

The new parkway is being funded from TSPLST funding, some money from SPLOST and state funds as well. Decades of planning and research went into this project since it is very unique to build a new road from scratch.

9/10/2021 OD      0:00:24

When completed, the Effingham Parkway will provide commuters going in and out of Effingham County with another route, something County leaders say will help reduce traffic issues. "This is so instrumental, so monumental for our county to have another access in and out. With Jimmy DeLoach attaching to I-16, and this going down Benton Boulevard to 95, Jimmy DeLoach...it's going to relieve a lot of our issues for our constituents." But it's not only residents who will benefit, according to the region's Georgia Department of Transportation representative, Ann Purcell. "It's benefiting our businesses, it's benefiting our tourists, it's benefiting families that want to come visit, and it certainly is a big benefit to the Georgia Ports with all the development that we see around in our community." The total length of the Effingham Pa

9/10/2021 5:30pm OD      EFFINGHAM PARKWAY GRND BEAKING      0:01:03

For almost a full year -- the City of Savannah and Friends of Forsyth have been using community feedback combined with expert opinions to form the final stages of the master plan. The goal of the plan is to see the park preserved for generations to come with its tree canopy, open green space and historic integrity. After nearly 4500 responses from the community -- the planning committee is ready to release their draft for final public comment before taking it to the city council for approval. Meb Ryan the Co-Chair of the Trustees Garden Club who is funding the master plan -- says that they have made some changes since the last draft in April and that there will be no big design changes to the way Forsyth Park is currently structured.

9/14/2021 OD      5AM FORSYTH DAYBREAK MASTER LIVEHIT      0:00:30

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DAYBREAK MASTER  
9/14/2021 OD LIVEHIT

"The other thing that we heard also is don't add parking in the park and so that is something that is off the table. Other things that were said over and over is yes, we do want to see bathrooms on the southern end, yes, we do want to see a way to alleviate the tension between bikes and pedestrians in the park. I feel like we have come up with some great compromises and ideas to bring those ideas and wishes to fruition without taking away open space, inserting parking in the park so we are really encouraged and excited. The Forsyth Park Master Plan project will move into the final design phase in October and go to council for approval by the end of the year.

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"Now, I think the plan is pretty solid. I actually like it." For anyone who frequently enjoys Forsyth Park ... these big banners are not necessarily a new site to see. However, Saturday is the first of two Saturday's where the Friends of Forsyth are giving people an in-person look at this banner .... the latest draft plan. "Talk to the community face to face and be able to explain and answer questions that they may not be able to get out of the information that's on the website." The community has until the end of the month to continue filling out surveys and making suggestions. "This is the last phase of the community engagement." Over the last 11 months, Friends of Forsyth has had three community engagement phases. "At the end of the day this plan is made by the community." "That shows that they re

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It will bring healthcare to part of a rapidly growing county that currently doesn't have any nearby options that will be comparable. Paul Hinchey - President/CEO, St. Joseph's/Candler "It will be very attractive with Urgent Care, primary care, workmans comp, pre and post physicals, surgery physicals..." St. Joseph's/Candler President and CEO Paul Hinchey says the hospital group submitted a purchase agreement to Bryan County for six acres just off I-16 at the Highway 280 interchange. On that land, will be a medical office building that will house healthcare services and space for the Development Authority of Bryan County. Hinchey: "It's the first time it's been done in the State of Georgia, where you have a health partner shake hands, hold hands, with a development authority. And they both need each other." Hinchey says having both the development authority and hospital services in one strategic location, near the Bryan County mega site, coul

ST. JO BRYAN CO 9/23/2021 6PM OD CANDLER NEW FACILITY Bryan County. Hinchey: "It's the first time it's been done in the State of Georgia where you have a health partner shake hands, hold hands, with a development authority. And they both need each other." Hinchey says having both the development authority and hospital services in one strategic location, near the Bryan County mega site, coul

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LL City officials here in Lyons tell me this is the biggest event they have all year. It not only encourages people to come see what Lyons has to offer, but it's a big revenue booster for the local businesses. VO The Real Squeal BBQ & Music Festival is a jam-packed, two-day outdoor event. It kicks off on Friday, October 8 in downtown Lyons on Broad Street and then moves to Partin Park on Saturday. The event features professional BBQ teams from all over the country who compete for \$15,000 as well as other BBQ competitions anyone can be a part of. Other elements of the event include a car show, a disc golf tournament, carnival rides, a music showdown, fireworks and more. Event organizers say the event itself is free, but all those visitors spend money around the community while they're here. SOT "Through this we've been able to revitalize new roofs, new businesses and really tran

**MARIAH: LYONS PIG FESTIVAL** tournament, carnival rides, a music showdown, fireworks and more. Event organizers say the event itself is free, but all those visitors spend money around the community while they're here. SOT "Through this we've been able to revitalize new roofs, new businesses and really tran

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When you look out at all of this land you don't really see a whole lot just yet... Vo but soon these over 1300 acres could be turned into a private living community. Something the rural small town of Yemassee doesn't have much of. Sot: "This is actually the first residential subdivision the town has permitted in well over a decade." Vo Once completed, there would be 20 houses on the property... and while that may not seem like a lot, town clerk Matthew Garnes explains that for this place... it is. "South of the broad river places like Bluffton, Hilton Head Island and Hardeeville have seen an exponential amount of growth over the last decade. The town of Yemassee hasn't really seen that, and we know with full build out happening down there the growth is going to eventually inch it's way up here, but this property's been sitting here and it was very restricted as to what it could be used for... and now it

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9/29/2021 5:30pm OD

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After years of planning and months of construction the enmarket arena is a little more than 100 days away from opening its doors. What you see right now is the venue that will hold more than 9,000 seats. We caught up with the general manager Monty Jones about what you can expect with the project " Right now we're at the point we're building the jumbotron..great imagery, we'll have people all around up on the big screen. Do the kiss cam like you always do. Also next week we'll be putting in our seats so that's another milestone we're hitting. We're fully enclosed right now, so that's great,especially it's fall. A little cooler.

INSIDE  
LOOK AT  
ENMARKET  
ARENA

Things are going and we're currently on schedule. AECON Hunt and the City have been great with getting us and keeping us on schedule to move things forward. It's going to bring a lot of economic impact here to the city with some of the great events we're going to bring here, with our announcement w

9/29/2021 6PM OD

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		<p>â€¢The block between Barnard and Whitaker Streets is the more active section right now. In the Cityâ€™s latest report, they say the effort is to complete sidewalks on the south side of the block to allow for greater pedestrian access and minimize the impact on businesses. â€œWe want to make sure that we get the work done on the project, but that we do so in such a way that we have the least impact on the adjacent businesses.â€ But the block of Broughton Street currently under construction has seen business turnover, with one closing its doors less than a week ago, and other neighboring businesses unsure how the remaining work along the corridor will affect themâ€especially going into the holidays. Broker: â€œWe know itâ€™s fourth quarter, itâ€™s the holidays. We want our businesses on Broughton to do well. And so we are working with the contractor to make sure sidewalks stay open and we have the le</p>	0:01:15
9/30/2021 5:30pm OD	BROUGHTON STREET SCAPING LATEST		
9/30/2021 6PM OD	BEAUFORT CO WHITEHALL PARK COMPROMISE SE	<p>Standup: "Much like this beautiful oak behind me this entire park is filled with history. History that many wanted to protect." "The people of Lady's Island have always had this property and this view as kinda the gateway for visitors and residents entering the island." Vo What to do with Whitehall park became a community controversy. Nagid says the county purchased about half the 20 acres to turn into a slightly more developed park, with picnic tables and parking. But the other half... Nat Construction Is being built into a living community and multi-use area. Nagid believes the split of land struck a solid compromise between the area's people and the developer. Sot: "I think it would be a good balance between what the community is concerned about, regarding the high density and the amount of traffic, versus the developers concerns of being able to make a nice, live-able, walka</p>	0:00:56

**DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT  
TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.**

**TERRORISM/NATIONAL SECURITY**  
**JULY 1, 2021– SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

**CBS NETWORK PROGRAMMING**

**FACE THE NATION**

- 07/04/21      **Guests:** Omar Villafranca, CBS News correspondent (1); Charles Burkett, mayor, Surfside, FL (2); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (3); Jeffrey Zients, White House COVID-19 response coordinator (4); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (5); Governor Spencer Cox (R-UT) (6); Governor Kate Brown (D-OR) (7); Representative Andre Carson (D-IN) (8)  
**Guest Moderator:** Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent  
8) Topics include: this weekend's ransomware attack; recent Pentagon report on unidentified aerial phenomena (UAP), formally known as UFOs
- 07/11/21      **Guests:** Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (2); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (3) (7); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Jeh Johnson, former Secretary of Homeland Security (5); Scott Kirby, CEO, United Airlines (6)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
4) a report from Kabul, as U.S. military presence in Afghanistan nears its end  
5) Topics include: current situation in Afghanistan; four categories of cyber conflict / possible consequences for Russia due to the recent ransomware attacks
- 08/15/21      **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (2); Roxana Saberi, CBS News foreign correspondent (3); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Representative Steve Scalise (R-LA), Republican Whip (5); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (6); Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul (D-NY), incoming Governor of New York (7); Dr. Rosalind Osgood, chair, Broward County School Board (8); Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (9)  
**Guest Moderator:** Nancy Cordes, CBS News chief White House correspondent  
3) a report from Kabul on the current state of the Afghan capital, as the Taliban reached its gates  
4) a report from London on the speed of the Taliban offensive, as it made its way to Kabul  
5) Topics include: criticism of the Biden administration's handling of the withdrawal from Afghanistan;  
6) Topics include: deterioration in Afghanistan / evacuation of U.S. embassy personnel / speed in which the Taliban has retaken Afghanistan
- 08/22/21      **Guests:** Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (1); Kris Van Cleave, CBS News Congressional correspondent (2); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (3); Roxana Saberi, CBS News foreign correspondent (4); Antony Blinken, U.S. Secretary of State, Biden administration (5); Nikki Haley, former ambassador to the United Nations, Trump administration (6); Ryan Crocker, former U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, Obama

administration (7); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (8); Governor Larry Hogan (R-MD) (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10)

**Guest Moderator:** Major Garrett, CBS News chief Washington correspondent

- 3) a report from London on the situation in Afghanistan, as people attempt to flee the Taliban
- 4) a report from Doha, Qatar, on the conditions for Afghan evacuees at Al Udeid Air Base
- 5) Topics include: evacuation of American citizens from Afghanistan / security at Karzai International Airport / evacuating those who assisted the U.S. / U.S. – Taliban relations / speed in which the Taliban has retaken Afghanistan / fear that the threat of terrorism has increased, now that the Taliban is in control
- 6) Topics include: criticism of the Biden administration's evacuation and withdrawal plan for Afghanistan / praise for the deal negotiated with the Taliban by the Trump administration / belief that Mr. Trump would have done a better job
- 7) Topics include: / fear of Taliban reprisals / need to concentrate on evacuations / 'global crisis' created by the events of the last two weeks
- 9) Topics include: Afghanistan;

08/29/21

**Guests:** Omar Villafranca, CBS News correspondent (1); Mireya Villarreal, CBS News correspondent (2); Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (3) (11); Governor Jon Bell Edwards (D-LA) (4); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (5); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (6); Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) (7); Jake Sullivan, White House national security adviser, Biden administration (8); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10); Sharon Weston Broome, mayor, (D-Baton Rouge, LA) (12)

**Guest Moderator:** Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent

- 5) a report from Doha, Qatar, on the possibility of another terrorist attack at the airport, after the U.S. drone strike response against ISIS militants
- 6) Topics include: this morning's U.S. airstrike on a suspected ISIS suicide vehicle / Thursday's attack at the airport by a suicide bomber / America's retaliatory strike against ISIS leaders / impact of troop withdrawal from Afghanistan on taking down terrorist organizations / mood at the Pentagon
- 7) Topics include: examples of how the Senator would have handled Afghanistan differently / advice to the Biden administration to not 'legitimize this terrorist takeover of Afghanistan' / belief that President Biden should be impeached for a dereliction of duty over Afghanistan
- 8) Topics include: terrorist threats to Americans outside of the U.S. / continuation of 'over-the-horizon' strikes against ISIS-K facilitators and plotters / promise of safe passage for any American still in Afghanistan after August 31<sup>st</sup> / economic leverage against the Taliban / embassy presence in Afghanistan / President Biden's morale / story behind the commitment to end the mission in Afghanistan prior to the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of September 11<sup>th</sup>

09/05/21

**Guests:** Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1); Governor Phil Murphy (D-NJ) (2); Jessie Mitchell, CBS News reporter (3); Cynthia Lee Sheng, president, Jefferson Parish, LA (4); Representative Veronica Escobar (D-TX) (5); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (6); Sue Gordon, former principal deputy director of National Intelligence (7); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (8)

**Guest Moderator:** Weijia Jiang, CBS News senior White House correspondent  
6) a report from Doha, Qatar on the situation in Afghanistan, as the Taliban works to secure its leadership to govern the country  
7) Topics include: belief that from a counterterrorism perspective, the United States is safer / benefits of intelligence secured by having a regional presence / President Biden's July phone call with former Afghan President Ashraf Ghani  
8) 9/11: View From The Pentagon: Reporter's Notebook: days before the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11, the terrorist attack that started the war in Afghanistan, a look back at the stories presented by David Martin and his long-time producer, Mary Walsh

- 09/12/21      **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (2); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (3); Representative Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) (4); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (5); Michael Morell, former acting and deputy CIA director, CBS News senior national security contributor (6); Alberto Carvalho, superintendent, Miami-Dade County public schools, FL (7); Dr. James Versalovic, interim pediatrician-in-chief, Texas Children's Hospital (8)  
3) a report from Islamabad, Pakistan on the impact of the withdrawal from Afghanistan on the United States, specifically regarding intelligence matters  
4) Topics include: 'over the horizon capability' / withdrawal from Afghanistan; this coming Saturday's rally supporting those arrested for the January 6<sup>th</sup> attack on the Capitol / call for Republicans to speak out against domestic terrorism;  
5) a report from Riyadh, Saudi Arabia on how that country is fighting extremism  
6) Topics include: intelligence work needed to keep al Qaeda at bay / threats facing the United States / 'over the horizon' capability / articles in *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post* raising questions about the drone strike targeting ISIS members / how the U.S. withdrawal from Afghanistan inspired jihadists
- 09/19/21      **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Francis Collins, director, National Institute of Health (2); Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) (3); David Martin, CBS News senior national security correspondent (4); Scott Kirby, CEO, United Airlines (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (6)  
3) Topics include: news that the U.S. military killed 7 children and 3 adults in last month's drone strike / immigration reform /  
4) Topics include: details behind last month's U.S. military drone strike that killed 10 civilians / tracking al Qaeda member's return to Afghanistan  
6) Topics include: / need to view pandemics as a national security threat /
- 09/26/21      **Guests:** Dr. Rochelle Walensky, director, Centers for Disease Control (CDC) (1); Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) (2); Representative Pramila Jayapal (D-WA) (3); John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst (4); Scott Morrison, prime minister, Australia (5); Recep Tayyip Erdogan, president, Turkey (6)  
2) Topics include: treatment of Haitian migrants at the border  
disappointment that the Biden administration is keeping the Trump administration's pandemic era immigration policies  
5) Topics include: threat from China / U.S. defense partnership with Australia to provide them with nuclear-powered submarines, at the expense of U.S. ally France / Australia's current relationship with China / France's reaction to the deal the United States brokered with Australia;  
6) Topics include: working with the new Taliban government in Afghanistan /

human rights abuses in Turkey / President Erdogan's 2017 visit to Washington

**60 MINUTES**

- 07/04/21     **"SolarWinds"** – a report on the Russian cyberattack that compromised heavily protected American computer systems last March. The malware gained entry to confidential computer systems across many government organizations and major corporations via the popular program SolarWinds. The breach is widely considered to be ongoing. Includes interviews with Brad Smith, president of Microsoft; Kevin Mandia, CEO of FireEye; Chris Inglis, former Deputy Director of the National Security Agency; and Jon Miller, CEO of Boldend. (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Graham Messick, Jack Weingart) (OAD: 02/14/21)
- 07/11/21     **"Handcuffed to the Truth"** – a report on the 10th anniversary of the Syrian Uprising. Efforts are still being made to hold the Syrian government and President Bashar al-Assad accountable for the war crimes in their country. Includes interviews with Stephen Rapp, American lawyer and former United States Ambassador-at-Large for War Crimes Issues in the Office of Global Criminal Justice; Caesar (alias), a former Syrian military photographer; Sami (alias), Caesar's friend who uploaded photos; and Ali (alias), who was imprisoned in Syria. (C: Scott Pelley – P: Nicole Young) (OAD: 02/21/21)
- 08/08/21     **"Incoming"** – a report on the ballistic missile strike carried out by Iran against American troops in January 2020. The missiles were a response to an American drone strike that killed Iranian general Qasem Soleimani and threatened to start a war between the two countries. Includes interviews with Major Alan Johnson, General Frank McKenzie, Lieutenant Colonel Tim Garland, Lieutenant Colonel Staci Coleman, Master Sergeant John Haines, and Sergeant Kimo Keltz, who were all at the Al Asad Air Base during the missile strike. (C: David Martin - P: Mary Walsh) (OAD: 02/28/21)
- 08/29/21     **"UAP"** – a report on the Pentagon's acknowledgement of unidentified aerial phenomena, or UAPs, more commonly known as UFOs. UAPs spotted by military officials are the current subject of investigation by the Pentagon and other intelligence organizations. Includes interviews with Luis Elizondo, a former U.S. Army Counterintelligence Special Agent and leader of the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program; Lieutenant Ryan Graves, former Navy pilot; David Fravor and Lieutenant Alex Dietrich, who reported an encounter while in a government aircraft; Chris Mellon, who served as deputy assistant secretary of defense for intelligence for Presidents Clinton and George W. Bush; and Senator Marco Rubio (R-FL). (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Graham Messick) (OAD: 05/16/21)
- 09/05/21     **"The Ritchie Boys"** – a report on the Ritchie Boys, a secret U.S. intelligence unit from World War II. Many members of the unit were German-born Jews, who were rigorously trained to gather information before they were sent back to Europe to assist with the Allied effort to defeat Nazism. Living members of the Ritchie Boys discuss the role they played in helping to end the war. Includes interviews with Guy Stern, Paul Fairbrook, and Victor Brombert, former members of the Ritchie Boys; and David Frey, a professor of history and director of the Center for Holocaust Studies at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point. (C: Jon Wertheim – P: Katherine Davis) DOUBLE LENGTH SEGMENT (OAD: 05/09/21)
- 09/12/21     **54<sup>th</sup> Season Premiere**

**“9.11: The FDNY”** – a report on the 9/11 terrorist attacks and its impact on the Fire Department of New York. Firefighters who were at Ground Zero on that day discuss the tragedy and recall fallen colleagues. Includes interviews with Joe Pfeifer, Chief of Counterterrorism; Sal Cassano, fire Commissioner; Peter Hayden, Chief of Department; Dan Nigro, FDNY Commissioner; John Peruggia, EMS Division Chief; John Sudnik, Chief of Department; Regina Wilson, Jeff Coniglio, Jamie Efthimiades, James McGlynn and Bob Bacon, firefighters who were there that day; Captain Peter Ganci III and Battalion Chief Chris Ganci, sons of the late chief of department Peter Ganci; Josephine Smith, a firefighter whose late father Kevin Smith passed away on 9/11; John Palombo and Tommy Palombo, both firefighters whose father Frank Palombo passed on 9/11; and Mike Florio, a firefighter whose father John Florio passed on 9/11. (C: Scott Pelly – P: Maria Gavrilovic) THIS SEGMENT RUNS THE FULL HOUR.

09/26/21

**“Take the Fight to the Night”** – a report on the new technology aiding California firefighters. Using the Quick Reaction Force computer controlled helicopters, they have adapted to combat the deadly wildfires at night. Includes interviews with Brian Fennelly, Orange County Fire Chief; Wayne Coulson, CEO of Coulson Aviation; Joel Lane, Orange County Air Attack Officer; and Britt Coulson, Wayne Coulson’s son who works on technology at Coulson Aviation. (See also: “The Age Of Mega-Fires”, OAD: 10/21/07; “In the Path of Fire”, OAD: 05/28/17; and “Paradise Lost”, OAD: 12/02/18) (C: Bill Whitaker – P: Heather Abbott)

## CBS NEWS: 9/11: 20 YEARS LATER

CBS News provided in-depth and division-wide coverage marking the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. In addition to the reporting on regularly scheduled news programs, CBS News presented the following CBS NEWS SPECIAL and CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT:

09/10/21

**CBS NEWS SPECIAL: RACE AGAINST TIME: THE CIA AND 9/11** (8:00 – 10:00p) – a documentary on the efforts of top officials and elite operatives within the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) to warn the United States about the potential for a cataclysmic terrorist attack orchestrated by Osama bin Laden, founder of al Qaeda. September 11, 2001 marked the greatest failure in the history of the nation’s premiere spy agency, but also sparked what became its greatest success -- helping to find bin Laden. For the spies inside the CIA, it was a race against time to get bin Laden - a race that began long before 9/11 and ended long after. Interviewed: Michael Morell (CBS News senior national security contributor, former CIA acting and deputy director and intelligence briefer to President George W. Bush); Marty Martin (former operations officer, CIA); Cindy Storer (former senior intelligence analyst, CIA); George Tenet (former director, CIA - from a 2015 SHOWTIME interview); Richard Clarke (former national counterterrorism coordinator); Steve Coll (Pulitzer Prize-winning author); Tracy Walder (former Central Intelligence Agency staff operations officer); John McLaughlin (former acting director, CIA); Leon Panetta (former director, CIA); Hank Crumpton (former deputy director, Counterterrorism Center, CIA); Nada Bakos (former analyst, CIA); Jose Rodriguez (former director, National Clandestine Service, CIA); Ali Soufan (former special agent, Federal Bureau of Investigation – from a 2011 interview for 60 MINUTES); and Sarah Carlson (former targeting analyst, CIA). (Narrator: Jeff Wilburn. Executive Producer: Mitch Weitzner. Senior Producer: Sasha Reuther. Producers: Josh Gaynor, Beein

Gim).

09/11/21      **CBS NEWS SPECIAL REPORT: 9/11: 20 YEARS LATER** (8:30a – 1:00p) – live coverage of the ceremonial events marking the 20th anniversary of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States and commemoration of those who died that day at the World Trade Center in New York City, the Pentagon and in Shanksville, Pennsylvania. Coverage includes: (1) reports from the Pentagon and Engine Company 54 in midtown Manhattan; (2) remarks from Michael Morell, who was with President George W. Bush while America was under attack; (3) ceremonial events at Ground Zero, including musical performances by the Young People's Chorus of New York ("The Star-Spangled Banner"), Bruce Springsteen ("I'll See You In My Dreams"), Kelli O'Hara ("You'll Never Walk Alone"), Randall Goosby and Zhu Wang ("Adoration"), and Chris Jackson ("Never Alone"); (4) live remarks by former President George W. Bush, from Shanksville, PA; and (5) a report from Shanksville, PA, including earlier video footage of President Joe Biden and First Lady Dr. Jill Biden laying a wreath at the site of the United Flight 93 Memorial. Correspondents / Contributor: Norah O'Donnell (anchor, Ground Zero, New York City); John Dickerson (Ground Zero, New York City); Margaret Brennan, (Ground Zero, New York City); David Martin (at the Pentagon); Mola Lenghi (at Engine Company 54, New York City); Michael Morell (CBS News senior national security contributor, at CBS News Washington); and Nikole Killion (in Shanksville, PA).

### **CBS SPECIAL REPORT**

On **Monday, August 16**, a CBS News Special Report (President Biden remarks on Afghanistan) aired for 31:11 from 4:00:25-4:31:36pm cnyt, live to all stations.

On **Friday, August 20**, a CBS News Special Report (President Biden remarks on Afghanistan crisis) aired for 31:08 from 1:49:10-2:20:18pm cnyt, live to all stations.

On **Sunday, August 22**, a CBS News Special Report (President Biden update on Afghanistan extraction) aired for 1:30 from 5:16:31-5:18:01pm cnyt, live to all stations.

On **Thursday, August 26**, a CBS News Special Report aired for 6:29 from 11:00-11:06:29am cnyt (Explosion outside Kabul Airport in Afghanistan) and for 35:35 from 5:24:31-6:00:06pm cnyt (President Biden remarks on the terror attacks at Hamid Karzai International Airport and the U.S. service members and Afghan victims killed and wounded.), both live to all stations.

On **Tuesday, August 31**, a CBS News Special Report (President Biden remarks on the end of the Afghan War) aired for 36:37 from 3:26:04-4:02:41pm cnyt, live to all stations.

### **In addition:**

- On Thursday, August 12, a CBS News squeeze and crawl aired for :46 from 2:52:32-2:53:18pm cnyt (U.S. Troops evacuate personnel in Afghanistan).

- On Thursday, August 26, a CBS News squeeze and crawl aired for :51 from 10:36:35-10:37:26am cnyt (Explosion at Kabul Airport in Afghanistan).
- On Friday, August 27, a CBS News squeeze and crawl aired for :56 from 10:39:57-10:40:53pm cnyt (U.S. air strike against Isis).

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7/11/21	Former Defense Secretary Leon Panetta discusses the US withdrawal from Afghanistan
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**ISSUE 17--OUR MILITARY FIGHTING THE WAR ON  
TERRORISM. HAPPENINGS AT FORT STEWART, PARIS  
ISLAND AND HUNTER, ATTACKS IN KABUL, US  
SOLDIERS LEAVING AFGHANISTAN, COMBAT MISSION  
IN IRAQ COMING TO END, AFGHANISTAN TALIBAN  
AGREEMENT, LOCAL VETS REACT TO AFGHANISTAN  
FALLEN TROOPS HONORED, VETERANS TRAIN  
SERVICE DOGS  
SOURCE: PRESIDENT , THIRD INFANTRY SOLDIERS,  
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, ETC.**

across the country, districts are falling to the taliban like dominoes. as us forces head for the exit and militants inch ever closer to the capital, the us embassy has been taking a hard look at its own security situation. the top us diplomat in afghanistan is ross wilson. (sot: {ross wilson / u.s. ambassador to afghanistan}) rs: "we have added some additional quick reaction capabilities in the event that something happens." cd: "worse case scenario evacuation plans are in place." rs: "at this point. i don't think it's imminent, but planning for evacuations in any post like this is serious business. "it's only a few miles from the us embassy to the airport. but on the streets of kabul, if it ever comes to an emergency evacuation, the road is a no-go. for extracting thousands of staff, the only way is up." even now, american diplomats shuttle between the embassy and the airport by helicopter. but what if the compound gets stormed? (sot: president biden "there's going to be no circumstance for you to see people being lifted off the roof of the embassy of the united states from afghanistan."the 'saigon' moment the president was referring to: the emergency airlift of americans from the then capital of vietnam in 1975more recently, the storming of the us consulate in benghazi, libya, that left four americans dead, including us ambassador chris stevens. no one here believes that moment is imminent. but even tightening the noose around the capital is a concern: (sot ross wilson) "we're concerned about the taliban moves to gain control over some of the highways that are important points of supply for our embassy."

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(standup bridge: {charlie d'agata / cbs news} / charlie tag) "the taliban say they're not planning a military takeover of kabul or intending to storm the us embassy. but they also consider any foreign troops left behind as invaders, and therefore legitimate targets."

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VETERANS  
ON AFGHAN  
WAR END

Retired Marine infantry officer Kyle Bibby was inspired to join the military after witnessing firsthand the devastation of September 11. "From where I live, you could see smoke...people in the New York City area, it was particularly traumatizing." Bibby deployed to Afghanistan during the Obama-era surge, eager to fight terrorism...eventually he became disillusioned with America's involvement. For Bibby, the troop draw-down brings about mixed emotions. "Most of the veterans I know are support ending the war. They do think that 20 years has been too long." Now Bibby works for Common Defense – a progressive veterans advocacy group – that fights for greater transparency of the dozen or so US military operations abroad. "It's not just about ending the conflicts. It's about figuring out a process that is accountable to the American people." Georgia Congressman Austin Scott says leaving Afghanistan allows the US to focus on other growing security threats, like China. Military leaders recently testified before Congress that China is disrupting Latin American nations by funding criminal organizations...and destabilizing parts of West Africa through illegal fishing. "China does not play by the rules. China has zero respect for human rights and China creates a tremendous amount of disruption." Critics of the troop draw-down like Senator Lindsey Graham say leaving now is a mistake...He says quote, "...conditions are developing in Afghanistan for a reemergence of al-Qaeda and ISIS which will directly threaten the American homeland and our allies.." President Biden says he has confidence the training and equipment shared with Afghanistan's defense forces remains strong...and that the US will continue supporting security efforts. In Washington I'm Alana Austin.

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COMBAT  
MISSION IN  
IRAQ  
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\*nats-iraq war/gunshots\* after nearly two decades.. america's combat mission in iraq, that began in the years following the september 11 terror attacks, is set to come to a close by the end of the year.. sen. mazie hirono, (d) hawaii / senate armed services committee chair: "any news that we are ending our presence in iraq is as far as i'm concerned good news." president biden, along with the iraqi prime minister making it official monday.. president joebiden: "we're not going to be by the end of the year in a combat mission." american troops will remain in iraq in a non-combat role.. the world leaders saying their new joint-goal is fighting terror in the region.. mustafa al-kadhimi, iraqi prime minister: "america, they help iraq. together we fight and defeat isis." president joebiden: "our shared fight against isis is critical for the stability of the region and our counterterrorism cooperation will continue even as we shift to this new phase we're talking about." general john hyten says its new threats that's shifting the united states' focus from the middle east... gen. john e. hyten, vice chairman, joint chiefs of staff: "we have to not ignore the threats in the middle east, but deal with the threats in middle east in a different way, with a smaller footprint, so we can divert more of our body on the threats in china and russia. so that's, that's where we're moving there." i'm john lorinc reporting.

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THE FIRST INTERNATIONAL PASSENGER FLIGHT, CARRYING AMERICANS AND OTHER FOREIGNERS, DEPARTED FROM KABUL TO DOHA THURSDAY...MORE THAN A WEEK AFTER THE LAST AMERICAN TROOPS LEFT THE COUNTRY. (SOT) certainly today's departure was a welcome step... we were glad to see it happen. THE FLIGHT MARKED PROGRESS IN TALKS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND AFGHANISTAN'S NEW TALIBAN LEADERS...SINCE THE GROUP TOOK POWER LAST MONTH.(SOT) this is not a favor we need or seek from the Taliban... this is a commitment that the Taliban has made. EARLIER THIS WEEK...SECRETARY OF STATE BLINKEN SAID IT WAS BELIEVED THERE WERE AROUND 100 AMERICANS STILL WANTING TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY. BUT IT'S UNCLEAR HOW MANY AFGHAN ALLIES WILL BE ABLE TO GET OUT. (STANDUP: Natalie Brand/ CBS News/ Capitol Hill) THE BIDEN ADMISTRATION ESTIMATES THAT 65-THOUSAND VULNERABLE AFGHANS WILL BE BROUGHT TO THE U.S. BY THE END OF THE MONTH...INCLUDING SOME UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN. THIS FAMILY CRIED TEARS OF JOY INSIDE HOUSTON'S BUSH AIRPORT WEDNESDAY. (SOT) "I was very worried about all of them" FOUR OF THE YOUNGER CHILDREN WERE ORPHANED WHEN THEIR MOTHER DIED IN LAST MONTH'S TERROR ATTACK AS THE FAMILY WAITED TO BOARD A FLIGHT TO THE U-S. IT TOOK TWO WEEKS.. BUT THEIR AUNT AND COUSINS WERE FINALLY LOCATED IN TEXAS. (SOT) "we are sad and happy at the same time/because they made it here//but sad 'cause they're mom couldn't make it." IN INDIANA, THIS ORGANIZATION IS WORKING WITH THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE ESSENTIALS LIKE DIAPERS AND TOYS FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES NOW LIVING IN THE U.S.. (SOT) "They left their country and for all intents and purposes they will never go back"..A MUCH-NEEDED FRESH START IN A NEW COUNTRY. NATALIE BRAND CBS NEWS CAPITOL HILL.

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Tosa Coffee Company Owner Eric Rice knows firsthand what's happening in Afghanistan can be a trigger for those who served. He says his doors are open for any veterans who need an outlet. Rice served 21 1/2 years in the army. His last deployment was in Afghanistan. "Opening up to people who haven't been there is...is a challenging thing cause you can't have that open cordial conversation just to get it off your chest." David Goodell says he and other veterans feel pain seeing the 20 years US soldiers served in Afghanistan ending this way. "It brings up a lot of old memories from people who served there multiple times in many cases and it does open up old wounds." He served about 17 years in the army and spent 15 months in Afghanistan. "We took a lot of casualties in our batallion. A lot of soldiers died so everytime that

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The images out of Afghanistan this week have been difficult to watch - for none more so than U.S. service members who invested their time, effort and energy into securing that country over the last 20 years. "I'm disheartened. It's sad. We buried a bunch of people who put their life on the line to do what our country asked us to do and we did it. For some local veterans - like Kiettisak Bennett, who deployed twice to Afghanistan -- the days after the withdrawal of American troops from Afghanistan was announced were hard to deal with. "for me and other veterans, they probably feel humiliated for the past couple of days or the past couple of weeks that they see on television or on the news that the Taliban is creating chaos for the life of the people that we tried to make it better for them. Several veterans who settled into Savannah after retiring served together in an air assault company out of H

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8/17/2021 7PM OD	LOCAL VETS REACT TO AFGHANIST AN		0:01:44
8/24/2021 6PM OD	AFGHANIST AN LATEST SET UP	Veterans across the U-S who served in Afghanistan are experiencing many emotions. The VA Savannah Outpatient Clinic says they've heard more veterans come in to talk about what they have seen on the news these last few weeks. Officials say now is the time to reach out for help if you are struggling.	0:00:22
8/24/2021 6PM OD	VA MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	"We've got so many services here. We've got video based support so you can have the convenience of being at home and see your therapist or medication management provider that way. We've got military sexual trauma related care, covid related care. So many different services both in person and video for people to take advantage of."	0:00:21

8/24/2021 7PM OD      AFGHANISTAN LATEST SET UP      The VA Savannah Outpatient Clinic says they've heard more veterans come in to talk about what they have seen on the news these last few weeks. They also say now is the time to reach-out for help if you are struggling.      0:00:00

(pkg) (track 1) multiple explosions and gunfire were reported outside the airport in kabul, afghanistan. pentagon press secretary john kirby tweeted: (/gfx) "the explosion at the abbey gate was the result of a complex attack that resulted in a number of us & civilian casualties. we can also confirm at least one other explosion at or near the baron hotel, a short distance from abbey gate." (/gfx) there had been intelligence reports of a possible attack with the state department issuing a warning overnight for americans to stay away from the airport. president biden was briefed on the attack as he met with his national security council this morning. (track 2) it remains to be seen what kind of impact this will have on efforts to evacuate the estimated 15-hundred americans...or the tens of thousands of afghan allies...before the august 31st deadline.

CBS:      AFGHANISTAN LATEST      0:01:41

"We believe it is their desire to continue those attacks, and we expect those attacks to continue, and we're doing everything we can to be prepared for those attacks. That includes reaching out to the taliban who are actually providing the outer security cordon around the airfield, to make sure they know what we expect them to do to protect us, and we will continue to coordinate with them as they go forward."

8/26/2021 4PM OD      AFGHANISTAN UPDATE      0:00:21

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AN LATEST  
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UPDATE

"Two suicide bombers assessed to be isis fighters detonated in the vicinity of the Abbey gate of Karzai International Airport and in the vicinity of the Baron Hotel which is immediately adjacent. The attack on the Abbey gate was followed by a number of ISIS gunmen who opened fire on civilians and military forces. " (GFX / ) PENTAGON PRESS SECRETARY JOHN KIRBY SAID, IN A STATEMENT: "We can confirm that a number of U.S. service members were killed in today's complex attack at Kabul airport. A number of others are being treated for wounds. We also know that a number of Afghans fell victim to this heinous attack. " (/GFX) "president biden met with his national security team in the situation room in the aftermath of the blasts...several planned white house events -- including the president's meeting with the israeli prime minister -- were postponed."

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8/26/2021 6PM OD

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Here's what else we know - President Biden says he will grant additional forces to Afghanistan if military leaders request it. On the Taliban, President Biden says, "No one trusts them. We're just counting on their self-interest to continue to generate their activities." President Biden also had a message to those who carried out the attack.. take a listen..

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the pentagon says thousands of evacuees are still being processed at kabul's international airport... after nearby attacks killed several u-s servicemembers and many more afghan civilians. "two suicide bombers assessed to be isis fighters detonated in the vicinity of the abbey gate of karzai international airport and in the vicinity of the baron hotel which is immediately adjacent. the attack on the abbey gate was followed by a number of isis gunmen who opened fire on civilians and military forces." (sot - president joe biden / today, the white house ) "we will hunt you down and make you pay." (track 2) the president addressed the nation -- amid heightened criticism over his administration's handling of situation in afghanistan.... (sot - president joe biden / today, the white house ) "i've instructed the military, whatever they need, additional force i will grant it."

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AFGHANISTAN LATEST

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president biden vowed retribution against isis-k for the kabul airport attack that killed more than a dozen u-s troops and scores of afghan civilians. (sot/biden) "we will not forgive. we will not forget. we will hunt you down, and make you pay." 17:29:30 (track 2) the terror group isis k claimed responsibility, posting a picture of the alleged suicide bomber. (sot/biden) "i've also ordered my commanders to develop operational plans to develop plans to strike isis k assets, leadership and facilities." (track 3) despite the terror, president biden said the evacuation of americans and afghan allies is pressing ahead. (sot/biden/5:30pish ) 'we will not be deterred by terrorists. we will not let them stop our evacuation.' (track 4) (map en) thursday's carnage at the airport and a nearby hotel came just 5 days before u-s troops were set to pull out of afghanistan entirely. general frank mckenzie...who is overseeing the afghanista

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8/26/2021 6PM OD      NATIONAL GUARD AT MEMORIAL      "Doing the vaccinations and the testing, you kind of see, you won't see healthy people, but you see people that are moving up and around. Coming in the hospital, you see, okay this is really for real. People are really getting sick and dying from it."      0:00:00

Four members will help with administrative needsâ€¢answering telephones,helping nurses with patients. The other halfâ€¢clinical needs. This group will focus more on the healthcare assistance. I asked Lieutenant Colonel Faney Hilliard what the first day was likeâ€¢ She says phones were ringing nonstop in the ICU, and all the nurses were inside rooms with patients. So the guard members stepped in to help answer phonesâ€¢a simple task, she says, they were grateful for. This is just the latest example of the National Guard being called in by state leaders to help with COVID-19 related challenges. We've seen them help with testing at the Savannah Civic Center, plus at the mass vaccination site at Gulfstream. Hilliard compared these experiencesâ€¢saying being in the ICU gives her a different perspective about just how serious this virus is locally.

8/26/2021 11PM OD      3RD ID NEW APACHE HELICOPTER FIELDING      "Just between the older delta models now have the range the ceiling the amount of fire power they can carry its pretty significantly increased over the Delta model not to mention the system upgrades that it brings with its respects to being able to intragrate with unmanned aerial systems." The 3rd ID has a goal of becoming the most modern division in the U.S. Army by summer 20-23.      0:00:00

"We continue to focus on the protection of our forces and the evacuees as the evacuation continues. Let me be clear: While we're saddened by the loss of life, both U.S. and Afghan, we're continuing to execute the mission. Our mission is to evacuate U.S. citizens, third country nationals, Special Immigrant Visa holders, U.S. embassy staff, and Afghans at risk. Despite this attack, we are continuing the mission

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DAYBREAK AN ATTACK  
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pkg u-s military commanders say they're on alert for more violence by islamic state on the airport in kabul. (nat) gunshots yesterday, twin suicide attacks killed more than a dozen american service members and wounded more than a dozen others. it was the deadliest day for the u-s military in over a decade. (sot â€“ president biden) "we will not forgive. we will not forget. we will hunt you down, and make you pay." president biden said the withdrawal of american citizens, u-s troops and afghan allies will continue. (sot - president biden) "we will not be deterred by terrorists. we will not let them stop our mission. we will continue the evacuation." scores of afghans were also killed and wounded. thousands are hoping to get out of the country by the end of the monthâ€¢with many living in makeshift camps outside the airport. the terror group isis-k claimed responsibility. (nat - gen. frank mckenzie, jr. / commander, united states central command ) "the thr

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6AM AFGHANIST (sot/Biden/5:30 ) 'We will not be deterred by terrorists. We will not let them stop our  
DAYBREAK AN evacuation.' President Biden called the fallen service members heroes. At the  
8/27/2021 OD BOMBING White House, the flag was lowered to half staff in their honor.

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(pkg) (track 1) the flag at the white house is at half-staff in honor of the 13 u-s service members killed in the bombing outside the kabul airport. (track 2) the group known as isis-k â€“ which counts both the u-s and taliban among its enemies - claimed responsibility. the attack killed dozens of afghans hoping to flee the taliban... and families mourned as they claimed the bodies today. (nats) (track 3) outside the gate where the bomb exploded... a taliban fighter stands guard. on the other side... flights have resumed as the u-s tries to evacuteae as many people as possible before the august 31st deadline. " (track 4) crowds of afghan civilians are back at airport hoping to get on a flight... despite the threat of more attacks before the withdrawal is complete.

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THE PENTAGON NOW SAYS THERE WAS ONLY ONE SUICIDE BOMBER IN THURSDAY'S ATTACK OUTSIDE KABUL'S INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT â€“ SETTING OF AN EXPLOSION THAT KILLED 13 U-S SERVICE MEMBERS AND MANY MORE AFGHAN CIVILIANS. THE GROUP KNOWN AS ISIS-K HAS CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY. (SOT - John Kirby / Pentagon Press Secretary ) "We still believe there are credible threats, in fact I'd say specific credible threats." (TRACK 2) PRESIDENT BIDEN MET WITH HIS NATIONAL SECURITY TEAM FRIDAY -- AHEAD OF HIS FIRST FACE-TO-FACE SIT DOWN WITH ISRAEL'S NEW PRIME MINISTER -- NAFTALI (NAHF-TAH-LEE ) BENNETT. (SOT - President Joe Biden / Today, The White House ) "(We) evacuated more than 12,000 additional people out of the airport in the last 24 hours. // We will complete the mission." (STANDUP: Skyler Henry / CBS News / The White House ) "The White House says -- U-S Commanders updated the President on plans to develop ISIS-K targets...and told him the next f

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President Biden is calling the evacuation mission a worthy cause after he says more than 12-thousand additional people have been removed from the country in the last 24 hours.

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8/27/2021 4PM OD      KABUL ATTACKS VICTIMS ID      This is Navy medic Maxton Soviak from northern Ohio. Soviak, believed to be in his early 20s, was helping with evacuation efforts at the airport when he was killed.  
news source: LOCAL SOLDIER KILLED-VO      0:00:11

8/27/2021 4PM OD      KABUL ATTACKS LATEST      12-thousand people have already poured-into the United states -- and are being held for processing at 4 military bases. Today, Pentagon officials announced that there was only one explosion -- carried-out by a suicide bomber -- correcting reports that there was a second near the Baron Hotel. Officials also announced two more bases are being added to that list.      0:00:22

8/27/2021 5PM OD      AFGHANIST AN LATEST      "There are approximately 500 American citizens we are currently working with who want to leave and with whom we are communicating directly to facilitate their evacuations." You just heard from the U-S State Department - giving an update tonight as evacuation efforts push forward in Afghanistan. Defense officials say they are prepared for and expect more attack attempts in Kabul -- one day after a suicide bombing killed more than 150 people -- including 13 U.S. servicemembers. officials say the roughly 5-thousand u-s troops on the ground are taking "maximum force protection measures" ....as they continue to evacuate thousands from kabul airport.      0:00:48

evacuations are pressing forward in afghanistan-- under the threat of more violence we still believe there are credible threats. in fact, i would say specific credible threats and we want to make sure we're prepared for those. crowds at kabul's airport visibly thinner following thursday's deadly terrorist attack president joe biden: our hearts go out to all those who we lost. president joe biden met with his national security team friday to discuss the dangers still ahead president joe biden: we met about yesterday's attacks and the measures to complete the mission. and we will complete the mission according to the white house--- the u-s military and coalition flights managed to evacuate more than 12-thousand people the day of the attack bringing the grand total to 105-thousand people since august 14th, (nats kabul airport) now-- with the august 31st deadline fast approaching-- the pentagon is looking to keep the

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MORNING WOMAN TO "...It gets me choked up thinking about it." Bauernschmidt is also a member of the  
BREAK OD COMMAND U.S. Naval Academy Class of 1994, which was the first graduating class in which  
8/27/2021 08 27 CARRIER women were allowed to serve on combatant ships and aircraft.

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THE DAY AFTER THE DEADLY ATTACK ON THE KABUL AIRPORT... U.S. MILITARY FORCES CONDUCTED A COUNTERTERRORISM OPERATION AGAINST ISIS-K IN THE NANGARHAR PROVINCE OF AFGHANISTAN. INITIAL INDICATIONS ARE THE UNMANNED AIRSTRIKE KILLED THE TARGET â€“ AN ISIS-K PLANNER. ON FRIDAY, EVACUATION EFFORTS AT THE AIRPORT PRESSED AHEAD EVEN WITH THE THREAT OF MORE BLOODSHED.

(sot/FRI0158/Jen Psaki / White House Press Secretary) "The national security team, the president, met with this morning advised the president and vice president that another terror attack in Kabul is likely." (track 2) WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY JEN PSAKI WAS ASKED HOW PRESIDENT BIDEN PLANNED TO FOLLOW UP ON HIS VOW OF RETRIBUTION FOR THURSDAY'S ATTACK.

7AM (sot/Jen Psaki / White House Press Secretary/ FRI0168) "I think he made clear  
DAYBREAK yesterday that he does not want them to live on the Earth anymore." (track 3) THE  
SATURDAY AFGHANIST GROUP KNOWN AS ISIS-K CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACK

8/28/2021 OD AN UPDATE THAT KILLED 13 A

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the u-s military carrying out a targeted drone strike in retaliation for a deadly suicide bombing claimed by isis-k thursday in kabul. "two high-profile isis targets were killed and one was wounded and we know of zero civilian casualties." a u-s defense official tells cnn they believe at least one of the targets had links to "potential future attacks" on the airport. pentagon spokesman john kirby says the targets were hit in a single strike....and they were all "isis-k" planners and facilitators." "the threats are still very real. they're very dynamic and we are monitoring them literally in real

WKEND CNN: time." afghan journalists who visited the site of the drone strike near jalalabad ...  
8/28/2021 6PM OD AFGHANIST say it killed a man, woman and a child ... and injured several other people. the u-s  
AN military retaliating ....just days ahead of the deadline to withdraw from the count

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			the pentagon says two isis-k members were killed and one injured in a u-s drone strike in afghanistan's nangarhar province. (SOT/JOHN KIRBY/PENTAGON PRESS SECRETARY) "in this strike they lost a planner, they lost a facilitator and got one wounded." defense officials have not said whether the three played a role in the deadly attack on the kabul airport. the defense department released the names of the 13 service members killed in the suicide bombing at a perimeter gate. they included 11 marines, one army and one navy service member. cheryl merola's son dylan was a marine corps lance corporal. (SOT/SAT0015/CHERYL MEROLA/MOTHER OF MARINE CORPS LANCE CPL DYLAN MEROLA) "...my son was over there helping people to come home and he serves his country. to the greatest of his extent and made the ultimate sacrifice for us." after nearly two decades in afghanistan, the u-s plans to complete its withdrawal by president biden's tuesday	0:01:39
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11PM WEEKEND 8/28/2021 OD	CBS: AFGHANISTAN AN LATEST		the u-s embassy is warning of a "credible threat" near the kabul airport. it is telling all u-s citizens to leave the airport immediately. earlier, president biden warned that the threat of more terrorist attacks on the airport remains high. in a saturday statement, he said an attack is highly likely in the next 24 to 36 hours...according to his military advisers. "threats to our forces and to this operation remain real and significant." (track 2) the president said quote, 'we will continue to hunt down any person involved in that heinous attack and make them pay.' the u-s began retaliating with a deadly drone hit on isis-k in afghanistan's nangarhar province. "in this strike they lost a planner, they lost a facilitator and got one wounded and the fact that two of these individuals are no longer walking on the face of the earth, that's a good thing." (track 3) defen	0:01:31
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		EITHER PLANES TAKING OFF OR MORE PEOPLE ENTERING THE GATES) The mass evacuation at Kabul's airport has now entered the final phase. And also the most dangerous....made even more volatile by concerns of ISIS retaliation for that drone strike that killed two of its own. (COALITION AIRCRAFT) Most European coalition aircraft and forces have already left, with the UK's final flight today. The British Ambassador vowed not to abandon Afghans at to the mercy of the Taliban. (SIR LAURIE BRISTOW) "WE HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN THE PEOPLE WE LEAVE BEHIND AND THE DECENT AFGHAN PEOPLE THAT DESERVE TO LIVE IN PEACE IN FREEDOM." (STERN TALIBAN MANNING CHECKPOINTS) But there are reports that Taliban fighters may be preventing Afghan nationals from leaving as they tighten security and checkpoints around the airport in the wake of the devastating ISIS suicide bombing. New eyewitness accounts have also emerged...accusing US and Turkish forces of opening fire on the c	0:01:45	
8AM DAYBREAK 8/29/2021 SUNDAY OD AN UPDATE	AFGHANIST	TRANSFER OF SERVICE MEMBERS FROM AN 11PM WEEKEND AFGHANIST	President Biden joined grieving families at Dover Air Force Base for the "dignified transfer" of the 13-fallen heroes. Eleven of those killed were marines, one was an army soldier, and one was a navy corpsman. Their remains-- each held in flag-draped cases-- were carried from a military cargo plane and onto mortuary vans. They are the first u-s troops killed in hostile action in Afghanistan since February 2020. This was also President Biden's first dignified transfer as president. Before the "dignified transfer"-- he met with the families of the fallen service members.	0:00:00

President Biden met in solemn privacy Sunday with the families of the 13 U.S. troops - becoming the fourth commander in chief to bear witness to the remains of fallen US troops returning from Afghanistan. First lady Jill Biden joined the president at Dover Air Force Base to grieve with loved ones as the "dignified transfer" of remains unfolded, a military ritual for those killed in foreign combat.

8/30/2021 OD            FALLEN TROOPS ARRIVE HOME  
5AM DAYBREAK            CBS newspath - I slightly altered their script            0:00:00

track 1) Smoke rose near the airport in kabul following an early morning rocket attack. Nearby...a car on fire showed where the launch originated. Five shells were fired...some missed their mark or were destroyed by a missile defense system.  
(sot: antony blinken/u.s. secretary of state/credit: abc "this week") "this is the most dangerous time in an already extraordinarily dangerous mission." (track 2) Sunday - u-s forces carried out a drone strike after two men were seen loading explosives into the trunk of a car. (sot: gen. William "hank" taylor/joint staff deputy director for regional operations) "this strike prevented a high-profile attack against both coalition/u.s. forces and afghan civilians." (track 3) In the final hours of the withdrawal...evacuation flights continue but most of the seats on the planes leaving the airport are filled with u-s soldiers. (sot: john kirby/pentagon press secretary)  
"making sure that right up u

CBS:  
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AN  
WITHDRAWAL  
8/30/2021 NOON OD            AL            0:02:09

		President Biden and first lady attended the solemn arrival of the remains of 13 troops killed in last week's airport attack. Approximately 300 U-S citizens remain in Afghanistan who want to leave before Tuesday's deadline. There also are roughly 280 others who have said they are Americans but told the State Department they plan to remain in the country or are still undecided. According to the latest totals-- about 114-thousand people have been evacuated since the Taliban takeover	
8/30/2021 4PM OD	AFGHANISTAN WITHDRAWAL L UPDATE	August 14th.	0:00:27
		As we have all seen too vividly in the last day, the threat remains high and it remains real. What I can assure you is that General McKenzie, and Admiral Vasily, General Donahue there on the ground, they have worked out a very carefully coordinated method of safely completing this retrograde. And that's about as far as I think I can go. As for the airport, the airport will remain operational through our final flights.	
8/30/2021 4PM OD	AFGHANISTAN WITHDRAWAL L UPDATE		0:00:43
8/30/2021 5:30pm OD	FINAL US PLANES LEAVE AFGHANISTAN AN	Officials say In the 18 days, U.S. and Coalition forces evacuated more than 123-thousand civilians. That included 6-thousand Americans. General McKenzie said there were no evacuees left at the airport when the final flights left.	0:00:20

\*NATS-TALIBAN GUNFIRE\* TALIBAN FIGHTERS FIRING OFF CELEBRATORY ROUNDS.. AFTER NEARLY TWENTY YEARS.. THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN IS OFFICIALLY OVER... Gen. Kenneth F. McKenzie, Commander, U.S. Central Command: "It's a mission that brought Osama Bin Laden to a just end along with many of his al-Qaeda co-conspirators and it was not a cheap mission. The cost was 2,461 U.S. service members and civilians killed and more than 20,000 who were injured." THE U-S MILITARY CONDUCTING WHAT IT CALLS ITS LARGEST "NON-COMBATANT" EVACUATION IN HISTORY OVER THE LAST EIGHTEEN DAYS.. Antony Blinken, U.S. Secretary of State: "More than 123,000 people have been safely flown out of Afghanistan. That includes about 6,000 American citizens." DESPITE THE UNITED STATES' HISTORIC EFFORTS.. THE UNITED STATES' TOP GENERAL IN THE MIDDLE EAST SAYS THAT THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO GET EVERYBODY OUT THAT THEY WANTED TO GET OUT. Gen. Kenneth F.

AFGHANISTAN LATEST McKenzie, Commander, U.S. Central Command: 0:01:27

"They can inspect all they want, they can look at them, they can walk around, but they can't fly them. They can't operate them. We made sure to demilitarize to make unusable all the gear that is at the airport. All the aircraft, all the ground vehicles, the only thing that we left operable are a couple of fire trucks and some forklifts so that the airport itself can remain more operational going forward."

GEAR LEFT Taliban fighters have plenty of weapons, ammunition and vehicles provided by the IN U-S that they seized from military bases in other parts of afghanistan as they took AFGANISTA over the country. The group has pledged to allow people who still want to leave, but N couldn't make it to the airport to do so. 0:00:38

AMERICANS "Simply because we have left, that doesn't mean the opportunities for Americans REMAIN IN that are in Afghanistan that want to leave and Afghans that want to leave, they will AFGHANISTAN not be denied that opportunity." The Biden administration insists the U-S is AN committed to getting those Americans who still want to leave out of Afghanistan. 0:00:19

9/9/2021 5PM OD      G

911 ARMED  
FORCES  
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"I was actually in college when 9/11 hit." Jeffier Fortenberry is a former Blackhawk helicopter pilot. She did 2 tours in Afghanistan, and one in Iraq. She says 9/11 - drove her to serve. "We all literally saw our country under attack, on our own soil." Fortenberry was already enrolled in ROTC training at the University of South Florida. She says she'll never forget a speech her Colonial gave that day, after the attacks. "He had us all standing there in formation, and he was pacing back-and-forth, looking every single one of us in the eye. And he said, 'every single one of you need to think long and hard about what you're doing here. Because every single one of you is going to war.'" "Everybody stepped up to the plate and answered the call." "It just felt surreal. I couldn't take it in." Sean Hamilton is one of thousands - who committed to serve in th

THE DAY AFTER THE DEADLY ATTACK ON THE KABUL AIRPORT... U.S. MILITARY FORCES CONDUCTED A COUNTERTERRORISM OPERATION AGAINST ISIS-K IN THE NANGARHAR PROVINCE OF AFGHANISTAN. INITIAL INDICATIONS ARE THE UNMANNED AIRSTRIKE KILLED THE TARGET â€“ AN ISIS-K PLANNER. ON FRIDAY, EVACUATION EFFORTS AT THE AIRPORT PRESSED AHEAD EVEN WITH THE THREAT OF MORE BLOODSHED.  
(sot/FRI0158/Jen Psaki / White House Press Secretary) "The national security team, the president, met with this morning advised the president and vice president that another terror attack in Kabul is likely." (track 2) WHITE HOUSE PRESS SECRETARY JEN PSAKI WAS ASKED HOW PRESIDENT BIDEN PLANNED TO FOLLOW UP ON HIS VOW OF RETRIBUTION FOR THURSDAY'S ATTACK.  
(sot/Jen Psaki / White House Press Secretary/ FRI0168) "I think he made clear yesterday that he does not want them to live on the Earth anymore." (track 3) THE GROUP KNOWN AS ISIS-K CLAIMED RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE ATTACK

6AM  
DAYBREAK  
SATURDAY  
9/14/2021 OD

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AN UPDATE  
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5AM DAYBREAK 9/23/2021 OD	SC NATIONAL GUARD RETURN FROM IDA	Officials say about 75 soldiers returned to their training center after spending time with recovery efforts in Louisiana. The South Carolina National Guard sent a total of about 200 members from engineer .. military police.. and transport units to help after the storm made landfall as a Category 4 Hurricane last month.	0:00:17
MORNING BREAK OD 9/24/2021 09 24	VETERANS TRAIN SERVICE DOGS	TRAINING A DOG ISN'T EASY. Nats: "Alright, come here." DON'T LET BENNY'S CURRENT CALM DEMEANOR FOOL YOU. Robert Odell/Ret Army Staff Sergeant: "Very energetic. Always wants to play. Eats everything." Nats: "Good, now tell him stay again." THAT'S WHERE JONI BONILLA COMES IN. Nats: "Good boy, Sarge." JONI AND HER NONPROFIT OPERATION AT EASE HELP VETERANS TRAIN THEIR OWN SERVICE DOG - A PROCESS SHE SAYS IS EYE OPENING. Joni Bonilla/Founder of Operation at Ease: "The dogs just change their lives." ROBERT ODELL SERVED IN THE ARMY FOR THIRTEEN YEARS, INCLUDING A TOUR IN IRAQ. HE'S BEEN WORKING WITH BENNY FOR ABOUT SIX MONTHS NOW. BUT THE PARTNERSHIP ALMOST DIDN'T HAPPEN - AFTER HE WAS CONCERNED HAVING A DOG WOULD ONLY DRAW MORE ATTENTION TO HIM. Robert Odell/Ret Army Staff Sergeant: "I backed out originally because of that, and then, you know, it was brought up again through some of the other people that I work with, and decided, you know, to give it a try." N	0:02:05

facing questions about the chaotic final weeks in afghanistan and the suicide bombing that killed 13 american service members and 169 afghans, top military leaders gave their account before lawmakers for the first time publicly. (sot: lloyd austin / u.s. defense secretary) "we helped build a state, but we could not forge a nation. the fact that the afghan army we and our partners trained simply melted away â€“ in many cases without firing a shot â€“ took us all by surprise." (sot: gen. mark milley / chairman of the joint chiefs of staff) question: what did we miss?

CBS: answer: "we absolutely missed the rapid 7-day collapse of the afghanistan military and the collapse of the government // i think one of the clear factors we missed was that we pulled out our advisors 3 years ago." u-s defense secretary lloyd austin laid out challenges facing troops on the ground during the withdrawal and evacuation.

9/28/2021 NOON OD QUESTIONS (sot: lloyd austin / u.s. defense secretary) 0:01:54

MILITARY LEADERS TESTIFY ON AFGHANISTAN

Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin is defending the Biden administration's handling of the withdrawal from Afghanistan today. A Senior Defense officer says Secretary Austin will discuss the planning and decision making throughout the execution process. He stresses that President Biden listened to the Defense Department's views during interagency discussions in a normal, though somewhat accelerated decision making process.

9/28/2021 4PM OD 0:00:21

			The new project is part of a 100-million dollar authorization, announced by u-s Senators Raphael Warnock and Jon Ossoff today. the new housing facility will accommodate over 370 soldiers. This comes after a nation-wide problem.	
	FT STEWART BARRACKS CONSTRUC	TION	According to the Military family Advisory Network, tens of thousands of complaints were reported nation-wide. Those complaints include maintenance repairs, mold, and structural concerns. Housing improvements at Fort Benning and Fort Gordon are also being discussed.	0:00:33
9/28/2021 4PM OD				
			General Mark Milley was just some of the testimony provided to the Senate Armed Service committee. He and General Frank McKenzie of US Central Command both testified they had believed it would be best to keep at least 25 hundred troops in the country... Back in August, President Biden denied his commanders made such a recommendation.	
6AM DAYBREAK	AFGHAN WITHDRAW	AL		0:00:19
9/29/2021 OD				
			Today, the house armed services committee grilled top u-s military leaders defense secretary Lloyd Austin -- general Mark Milley -- and general Kenneth McKenzie testified. They CONCEDED THAT MAINTAINING A PRESENCE *beyond August WOULD HAVE put U-S TROOPS at greater risk of bring harmed.	
9/29/2021 5PM OD	AFGHANIST AN HEARING			0:10:00

9/30/2021 11PM OD      NEW M17  
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STEWART      The Army is replacing the standard M-9 pistol with the M-17. According to the U.S. military, the M-17 pistol is more reliable and durable. Soldiers from 6th Squadron, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team had the opportunity to qualify with the new weapon this week.      0:11:00

**ISSUE 18: HOW THE MILITARY IS HONORED AND REMEMBERED. TINY HOMES PROJECT, 3RD ID MUSEUM, 200 CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT, 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11, WWI AWARDS, GSU MILITARY SCHOLARSHIP, NATIONAL GUARD RETURN FROM IDA,  
SOURCE: VETERAN ORGS., ETC**

7/6/2021 6PM OD      3RD ID  
MUSEUM      "My curator and I are tired of looking each other, we'd like someone else to look at." James Atwater is the director of the 3rd Infantry Division Museum at Fort Stewart. He's spent most of the last year taking stock... and waiting to share. "We fall underneath what's known as the center of military history, and they decided since we were closed to the public do complete inventories 100%, plus we were doing cleaning of exhibits, changing some exhibits around." The museum tells the story of the U-S Army's 3rd Infantry Division... "The Division is known as the Rock of the Marne which goes back to World War One and the last great German offensive. The Marne and held the line." The museum features uniforms and weaponry of the 3rd I-D -- from present day vehicles... to the guns fired in France 100 years ago. "Most people think we were issued with American equipment that's actually not true. We are a lot of British and French equipment were      0:01:53

11PM  
WEEKEND  
7/25/2021 OD

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HOMES  
PROJECT

The Tiny Homes on Dundee Street have been around for a couple of years. Alderwoman Linda Wilder Bryan credits the Savannah Homeless Authority for the housing for veterans, but says the City realizes they need to reach more of the community. "Remember when the pandemic started they were like...you need to wash you gotta wash your hands for 25-30 seconds. I'm like, they don't even have water to drink." Interim City Manager Heath Lloyd says it's important they continue the vision of how to deal with homelessness in Savannah. "It's really about the evolution of a solution. Today, we might not have all the pieces in place, but these pieces when put together will help us find that final solution." The City is still looking at the cost-effectiveness of the homes and funding. The manufacturing cost of this home is \$7,000. They will be located at the Dundee vill

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AWARDS

8/9/2021 4:30PM OD

A World War One Lieutenant was presented long overdue award today. 1st Lieutenant Thomas Beasley died in combat more than 100 years ago however, for an unknown reason his family never received his awards. Major General Charles Costanza and The Fort Stewart 3rd Infantry Division Command team awarded the Purple Heart and Common Allied Service medals to his family today. Lieutenant Beasley was a native of Reidsville, Georgia and graduated from the University of Georgia in 1917 before enlisting in the Army. This presentation is to properly recognize the service and sacrifice of Lieutenant Beasley. Major General Costanza says that this is one of the most special moments of his career.

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Dozens are set to tee off tomorrow morning at The Club at Savannah Harbor. It's part of the Two Hundred Club of the Coastal Empire's annual Heroes Golf Tournament. You're looking at video from the 2019 event. Each year, the event serves as a fundraiser for scholarships and additional support to the families of first responders who die in the line of duty. The event always includes tribute to Police officers, firefighters and EMTs with a moving ceremony.

9/7/2021 6PM      200 CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT      NT      It also honors those who lost their lives in the September 11th attacks.      0:32

After the initial shock of the attacks, Mayor Johnson says he was angry, wanted those responsible to pay, and was worried about his loved who worked near the towers. {MAYOR VAN JOHNSON} "My mind went immediately to my brother-in-law my family and friends. I had a family that I have that worked in the world trade center around the World trade Center could not reach anybody for quite some time." Mayor Johnson grew up in Brooklyn, New York. While he was not living in New York on Sept. 11, he remembers clearly being pulled out of a meeting to watch the news. "My initial thought was to drive to New York and was talked out of that. It was really a very helpless feeling." He says his parents home is in the flight path of John F. Kennedy International Airport and they didn't know what was going to happen. "If planes are the weapons then the planes could be anywhere or fall anywhere." {MAYOR VAN JOHNSON} "I knew of some people I knew a family members who had people who died but you felt connected to all of them." Mayor Johnson says he was glued to the TV for weeks....and with the recent fall of Afghanistan, it brings all of those memories back up.{MAYOR VAN JOHNSON} "We're still suffering Terror attacks just recently losing 13 service members. We're still under attack." As a public servant who has worked for county, city and law enforcement for 25 years, the sacrifice of first responders running toward the danger feels different."I gained a real appreciation for police officers and firefighters and EMS and I think the nation did as well. We extended the

9/7/2021 7PM      VAN JOHNSON ON ATTACKS      1:28

			"we were all walking, I mean to get through those days in the beginning was just like unbearable ... Frank Siller has been putting one foot in front of the other every day for two decades now -- like anyone who lost a loved one in the September 11th attacks, still seeking a way to cope with the pain. But now, he walks like never before. "Because it was the 20th year since 9-11, I wanted to do something unique and special in honor of my brother and all those who perished in 9-11. That's all the
	TIM:		chairman and CEO of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation has done for 20 years,
	TUNNEL TO		keeping alive the memory and remarkable sacrifice his brother, Stephen, made that
	TOWERS		day. Stephen Siller had just gotten off duty from his Brooklyn firehouse when the
	NEVER		first plane flew into the World Trade Center. He sped toward Manhattan, and when
	FORGET		he found the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel closed to traffic, he strapped on 60 pounds of
9/7/2021 6PM OD	WALK		gear and ra
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			"part of the purpose of this journey is so these young parents talk to their kids about what happened 20 years ago ... we're going to shine a big light on what happened 20 years ago and we don't want it to happen again so American families don't have to live through what we lived through and American lived through. Over 42 days, Siller will walk 550 miles through six states, with parades and ceremonies at several stops along the way. This week, the Never Forget Walk will keep Siller on a schedule that has him arriving at the Sept. 11th memorial on the 20th anniversary of the attacks along with his family
5AM	TUNNEL TO		
DAYBREAK	TOWERS:		
9/8/2021 OD	TIM		0:00:01

			this is really a celebration of their sacrifice and their families' sacrifice. we can never leave out the families. And it's an opportunity to pay tribute to the 27 line of duty deaths that we have responded to over the past years with over \$3.5 million given to those families. Awareness about what we do and why we do it is extremely important but sure, the dollars absolutely count. Because it's about a \$250,000 commitment every time we respond to a family and we have to be prepared for the future. The 200 Club has been holding its golf tournament for more than a decade. They play it the week of September 11th every year to tie in with the way that date has become a time to honor first responders everywhere.	0:00:43
9/8/2021 5PM OD	200 CLUB GOLF TOURNAMENT	NT	Hank Reed went from the Citadel to the Army, Vietnam, and all over the world before landing in Brussels Belgium at NATO headquarters. That's where he was on September 11th, 2001. 19:03 my secretary said turn on your tv, so I went in there, we saw the second plane hit the tower..they were replaying the first one...and we all, just, what the hell does this mean? nobody did for the first few hours More than 3,000 miles away from Ground Zero, leaders at NATO immediately prepared for the worst. 19:35 we locked everything down..no one could go in or out...we had security on perimeters all around..people didn't know And then went to work. 19:51 inside NATO there was a big scramble right away to get intelligence 20:13 everyone had to get ideas from their own country about what it meant 20:21 is it a nonstate actor or nation state? thats the first thing Within 24 hours of the terrorist attacks in New York City...history was made in Brussels. 22:35 b	0:02:19

Within minutes of getting settled at work on the 65th floor... Sheryl Fields "All of a sudden I heard this loud noise and the building started shaking . You could hear I guess actually the ceiling in the building falling down above us. It sounded like dominoes falling down. " Supervisors yelled for them to leave the building, but no one knew what was going on. They headed for the stairwell. Sheryl Fields "Basically just get out until we saw the firemen come and then they started bringing down injured people Who were badly burned I think that's what it really hit us that something very serious what's going on. When we got to the 23rd floor something else happened. We thought it was just dust or smoke coming into the building. That's when the second plane hit The other building and it blew the windows out in the stairwell where we were. So the debris started coming in the stairwell. They told us to go back up and switch to another stairwell. so we went back up. We went back up about five floors and switched over .When we got to the fifth floor, the lights went out. It was dark in the hallway we couldn't see where we were going. All of a sudden water started coming down the stairwell like a waterfall behind us. I wasn't scared before we got to the fifth floor and somebody said come back up. I got very afraid. I just stopped and prayed for God to send somebody to get us out and all of a sudden a fireman came around the corner with a flashlight and said I'm taking you guys out. " He took them to the ground level called the plaza. Sheryl Fields "I have never told anybody what I saw in the plaza because it was all devastating. I think that's when I really knew this was horrible we have been attacked and the world look like it was about to come to an end because there were people scattered all over the plaza (oh lord ) and it was just horrible." Fields joined the crowd walking away from the towers. Sheryl Fields "As we got to church street, that's when we heard the fireman say run. Naturally we turned around and saw the buildings coming down. All we saw was people moving with their mouths open. we couldn't hear anything. All of a sudden it was like the building took his last breath and it was like a puff. That big dust cloud came around the corner and hit us in the face. All I could think about was I needed to get to the phone to call my mother . " Her mother was recovering from a stroke in Savannah with her sister, Pamela Oglesby. It took about 3 hours for the family to get the word that Sheryl had survived. Pamela Oglesby" I'm jumping up and down and all around and say thank you Jesus! Thank you God!"

KEEPING  
MEMORIES  
ALIVE

9/10/2021 6PM

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9/10/2021 4PM OD

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First Baptist Church of Richmond Hill says every year for September 11, they remember the sacrifices of first responders by giving back to their own. The church stopped by the Richmond Hill Police Department, Bryan County Sheriff's Office, all of the local city and county fire stations. Each first responder received a Thank You card and gift certificate to Smokin Pig barbecue restaurant in Richmond Hill. "We always like to do this on 9/11 because on 9/11 so many first responders lost their lives and there are so many who still serve that are willing to put their lives on the line for us. So we appreciate their service to our community and this is just a small way we can thank them and let them know we're here to serve them as well." The pastor says we should never forget the sacrifice of so many. He says he encourages everyone to do what they can to serve first responders.

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9/10/2021 4:30PM OD

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MEMORIAL

(sot) 835 miles separate this spot in Statesboro, Georgia from Ground Zero in New York. But those who share a bond with the lives lost there believed this community needed a way to remember their sacrifice. (vo) Bird Hodges remembers September 11 vividly. He was at a mortuary conference in Brunswick when federal agents dashed from the hotel. People rushed to TVs to watch the Twin Towers erupting in flames. (sot) ...at that point, everybody realized it was some kind of attack on the country. (vo) The nation watched as fire crews rushed inside the buildings to try and save lives before they lost their own. Hodges says he felt that loss, as a former volunteer firefighter for 25 years. (sot) when you put on the gear and become a fireman, it's a brotherhood whether you're in Statesboro, Georgia or New York City. (vo) He and his employers, a funeral home company that owned this cemetery

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9/10/2021 6PM OD	911 TWIN TOWER SURVIVOR		0:03:13
9/10/2021 6PM OD	911 TWIN TOWER SURVIVOR	" I was just amazed at how everybody helped everybody . I was praying so hard that it would stay that way. We had no races that day, we had no color that day. Everybody was just a person helping another person. It was so much love and caring on that stay in for a while after it it was just so beautiful. And I was praying it will stay that way . "	0:00:39

MORNING  
BREAK OD 9 11 STAIRS  
9/10/2021 09 10 SSU

Just this morning Georgia southern's own ROTC Eagle Battalion spent some time honoring the first responders who served on september 11th. About 80 Cadets participated in a 9/11 stair climb... climbing the 2 thousand 200 Steps of the world trade center in full uniform. Georgia southern's patrol lieutenant explains why this commemoration is so important.

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MORNING  
BREAK OD 9 11 STAIRS  
9/10/2021 09 10 SSU

"It's very important because most of these kids on the field weren't even born yet, they dont know that America for one day was one color one creed one nation. there were no differences that we were all americans and right now that is what this country needs it needs kids like this to come out and be one and show us that we can do it again." Lieutenant Olsen also says he was thinking about those who died that day during every step he took. He says they never quit which inspires him to never quit.

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9/21/2021 6PM OD      DAL: GSU  
MILITARY  
SCHOLARS  
HIP

â€«(sot) This scholarship is designed to help a different aspect of the military community get the funds to get an education. (vo) Members of The Landings Military Family Relief Fund established an ongoing scholarship for military spouses. Leaders at Georgia Southern's Department of Military and Veterans Services say veterans and active duty service members have access to the GI Bill and other funds, but those don't always extend to spouses. They believe this can make a difference, especially with Georgia Southern's footprint in a military region. (sot) It's a great fit for those at Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Air Field. But also, how about for Fort Gordon? How about Parris Island? How about Coast Guard Savannah? How about the Georgia National Guard, which has active members serving every day? (vo) He estimates they'll be able to offer four or five scholarships

4:30AM      DAL: GSU  
DAYBREAK      MILITARY  
SCHOLARS  
9/22/2021 OD      HIP

Members of The Landings Military Family Relief Fund established an ongoing scholarship for military spouses. While the GI Bill and other funds can help out veterans and active-duty servicemembers, those benefits don't always extend to their loved ones. They believe this can make a difference, especially with Georgia Southern's footprint in a military region.

**ISSUE 19: HOW THE GOVERNMENT IS PROTECTING OUR NATIONAL SECURITY IN THE UNITED STATES AND AMERICAN CITIZENS IN OTHER COUNTRIES. SAVANNAH CYBERSECURITY, JANUARY 6TH COMMITTEE, 9/11 TSA, MIGRANTS AT BORDER, DC BOMB THREAT SUSPECT, TSA ON MORE WEAPONS IN AIRPORTS**

**SOURCE: PRESIDENT BIDEN, DEPT. OF HOMELAND SECURITY, TSA, NSA, FAA, ETC**

7/14/2021 6PM OD

SAVANNAH  
CYBER  
SECURITY

"The seminars give you a chance to learn how to speak the language a little bit. Not feel so uncomfortable asking if you are not comfortable with technology. To ask a question and actually know what you are asking about and then having a consultant answer you to the best of their knowledge as to how to help you get what you need in your structure and organization to fight the cyber security and hacking pieces that are going on." Hudzinski says some of the precautions you can take to prevent a cyber attack is to make sure all your electronics are secure. And to also have the tools like firewalls in place as well as having a consultant come in to see if you are getting hits from the dark web.

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JANUARY  
6TH  
COMMITTEE

7/27/2021 11PM

skyler henry, cbs news, capitol hill.

1:37

"what we were subjected that day was like something from a medieval battle. we fought hand to hand, inch by inch..."four police officers described the terror they endured when the mob of trump supporters attacked the capitol. nats...screaming officer daniel hedges was trapped between a door and the attackers. he described one as foaming at the mouth. (sot: officer daniel hedges / dc metropolitan police dept.) "if i stayed there, then i was gonna, pass out from lack of oxygen or get dragged down into the crowd." the severely outnumbered officers said they feared for their lives as the angry crowd closed in.nats..."you're gonna die tonight."(sot: sgt. aquilino gonell / us capitol police dept.) "i could feel myself losing oxygen and recall thinking to myself, is this how i am going to die"(sot: officer michael fanone / dc metropolitan police dept.) "i heard chanting from some in the crowd: 'get his gun and kill him with his own gun."one officer testified the crowd hurled racial slurs at him. (sot: officer harry dunn / us capitol police dept. ) "one woman in a pink maga shirt yelled, you hear that guys? this n\*\*\*\*\* voted for joe biden." officers urged the committee to place blame for the breach on former president trump. sot: sgt. aquilino gonell / us capitol police dept.) "all of them were telling us 'trump sent us.'" (sot: officer harry dunn / us capitol police dept.) " if a hitman is hired and he kills somebody, the hitman goes to jail, and not only does the hitman go to jail, but the person who hired them does. there was an attack carried out on january 6, and a hitman sent them."(skyler henry / cbs news, capitol hill) while democrats promise a thorough investigation, many republicans continue to embrace former president trump's downplaying of the attack – prompting frustration from officers.(sot: officer michael fanone / dc metropolitan police dept.) "the indifference shown to my colleagues is disgraceful!"nearly 540 people have been arrested in the months since the breach. officials promise more will be held accountable.

There are roughly 50- thousand transportation security officers nationwide. The agency has grown tremendously since it was first formed in November of 2001 - just two months after the Sept 11th attacks. It's also coming up on its 20-year anniversary. According to TSA, the agency screens an estimated 2 million passengers each day and is responsible for the security of 440 federalized airports. The weight of that responsibility can be felt by the employees every day.

9/8/2021 4:30PM OD 911 TSA 0:00:29

(track 1) FACING EXTREME HEAT AND FOOD SHORTAGES, MIGRANTS CROSSED THE RIO GRANDE BETWEEN MEXICO AND THE UNITED STATES MONDAY TO GET SUPPLIES. (TRACK 2) at one point -- AROUND 12- THOUSAND MIGRANTS SET UP CAMP NEAR THE BORDER CROSSING IN DEL RIO, TEXAS...MOST OF THEM FROM HAITI. (NATS Rolin Petit) (TRACK #2) THIS MAN SAYS HE IS AFRAID TO RETURN TO HIS HOME COUNTRY, SAYING THERE IS NO SAFETY AND NO WORK... REFERENCING THE RECENT ASSASSINATION OF HAITI'S PRESIDENT. MANY OF THE PEOPLE HERE HAD FLED HAITI AFTER THE 2010 EARTHQUAKE AND SETTLED IN CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA BEFORE MAKING THEIR WAY NORTH. (SOT Alejandro Mayorkas/Homeland Security Secretary) it is tragic and it is

CBS: heartbreaking (track #3) HOMELAND SECURITY SECRETARY ALEJANDRO DEPORTATION MAYORKAS TRAVELED TO SOUTHERN TEXAS MONDAY WHERE THE U.S. ONS AT THE HAS BEGUN MASS DEPORTATIONS. ON SUNDAYâ€"MORE THAN 300 BORDER HAITIANS INCLUDING FAMILIES WERE FLOWN BACK. (SOT Alejandro

9/20/2021 5PM OD 3:30 Mayorkas/Homel 0:01:22

TX: Thousands of \*migrants\* camped out on the border in Texas will now be allowed to  
MIGRANTS \*remain\* in the U-S, while they seek asylum. President Biden says his  
ALLOWED Administration is handling the influx of mostly Haitian migrants at the southern  
TO REMAIN border. But Republican Texas Governor Greg Abbott is expressing doubts that all  
IN US the migrants would be processed soon.

9/22/2021 4PM OD 0:00:19

(track 1) the department of homeland security says some haitian migrants at the u-s southern border are being placed in ice detention facilities or released into the u-s with notices to appear at an immigration office ... others still face immediate deportation. "If they're, can't be expelled according to Title 42 they're placed expedited removal or in alternatives to detention." (track 2) the biden administration is getting harsh criticism over the treatment of the haitian migrants -- especially after footage surfaced this week of horse-mounted border patrol agents aggressively pursuing them... wednesday, members of the congressional black caucus met with white house officials to discuss the border situation. "What we witnessed was worse than what we witnessed in slavery..." "We are addressing this

CBS:  
MIGRANT  
CRISIS 3:30

9/22/2021 5PM OD

with tremendo

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Wednesday, the court deemed Floyd Ray Roseberry competent to stand trial. The suspect also pleaded NOT guilty to the two federal charges against him. Last month, prosecutors say Roseberry drove up from North Carolina and threatened to set off explosives near the Library of Congress. There was an hours-long standoff with police before Roseberry surrendered peacefully. Prosecutors say during the standoff the suspect took to social media about his frustrations with Democratic leaders in DC, including President Joe Biden. Court documents reveal Roseberry's mental health is a central issue in this case. Roseberry's attorney says Roseberry has been receiving new medications and treatment while being held in a DC Jail. Roseberry told the judge today during a teleconference hearing that he's feeling much better and understands the charges against himâ€¢ which are threatening to use a weapon of mass destruction and an explosive device.

DCB: DC  
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THREAT  
SUSPECT

9/22/2021 5PM OD

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(ON CAM) THE SELECT COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED SUBPOENAS OF \*FOUR\* CLOSE ALLIES TO FORMER PRESIDENT TRUMP. (gfx) THAT INCLUDES FORMER WHITE HOUSE CHIEF OF STAFF MARK MEADOWS, MR. TRUMP'S FORMER DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF FOR COMMUNICATIONS DAN SCAVINO, KASHYAP PATEL, WHO IS A FORMER DEFENSE DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL, AND STEVE BANNON, A CLOSE ADVISER TO PRESIDENT TRUMP. (end gfx) (vo capitol attack) THE PANEL BELIEVES THESE FOUR HAVE RELEVANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE BUILD-UP TO THE INSURRECTION, AND HAVE ASKED THEY PRODUCE DOCUMENTS AND APPEAR AT DEPOSITIONS IN OCTOBER. (gfx) THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN WROTE TO MEADOWS THAT THE PANEL HAS "CREDIBLE EVIDENCE" OF HIS INVOLVEMENT, AND TO BANNON, "YOU ARE QUOTED AS STATING ON JANUARY 5, 2021, THAT ALL HELL IS GOING TO BREAK LOOSE TOMORROW." IN A STATEMENT, THE

CBS: JAN 6 FORMER PRESIDENT CRITICIZED WHAT HE CALLED "HARASSMENT  
SUBPOENA SUBPOENAS," AND VOWED TO FIGHT THEM WITH "EXECUTIVE PRIVILEGE."  
9/24/2021 4:30PM OD S 11:30 (Jiang on cam) THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT

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According to the Transportation Security Administration... about 79-hundred weapons have been found so far this year. Of those.. about 45-hundred are what the T-S-A calls "live weapons" -- which includes loaded guns. Last year... officers found more than 32-hundred guns... and 83 percent were loaded. T-S-A regulations permit traveling with guns that are unloaded, packed in hard containers, and checked into the cargo hold.

TSA MORE  
WEAPONS  
IN  
AIRPORTS  
9/28/2021 4:30PM OD

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## **DESCRIPTION OF WTOC (TV) PROGRAMS PROVIDING THE MOST SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF COMMUNITY ISSUES.**

### **GOVERNMENT** **JULY 1, 2021– SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

#### **FACE THE NATION**

- 07/04/21      **Guests:** Omar Villafranca, CBS News correspondent (1); Charles Burkett, mayor, Surfside, FL (2); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (3); Jeffrey Zients, White House COVID-19 response coordinator (4); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (5); Governor Spencer Cox (R-UT) (6); Governor Kate Brown (D-OR) (7); Representative Andre Carson (D-IN) (8)  
**Guest Moderator:** Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent  
2) Topics include: praise for President Biden and Florida's local and national elected officials  
4) Topics include: partisanship of getting vaccinated / surge response teams dispatched to states experiencing COVID-19 outbreaks / questions surrounding possible booster shots  
5) Topics include: reaction to the White House's event, celebrating independence from the coronavirus pandemic  
6) Topics include: / vaccine incentives / partisan divide on vaccinations; / Republican work on climate change  
7) Topics include: addressing climate change in Oregon / examples of federal assistance needed by the Western states to address changing climate patterns;
- 07/11/21      **Guests:** Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (2); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (3) (7); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Jeh Johnson, former Secretary of Homeland Security (5); Scott Kirby, CEO, United Airlines (6)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
2) Topics include: / process for securing approval / possible public health challenge in requiring a booster;  
6) Topics include current government mask order for air travel; economic and employment recovery in the travel industry; impact of climate change on the airline industry; how the pandemic strengthened workplace culture
- 07/18/21      **Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Ken McClure, mayor, Springfield, MO (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (3); Chris Krebs, partner, Krebs Stamos Group, former director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (4); Jill Schlesinger, CBS News business analyst (5); Admiral Mike Mullen, former chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff (6); David Becker, director & founder, Center for Election Innovation and Research (7)  
**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES  
2) Topics include: message to counties with low vaccination rates  
3) Topics include: reaction to the CDC director's phrase 'epidemic of the unvaccinated' / undercounting of infections in the United States / role of vaccination rates in stopping the Delta variant vaccine misinformation  
4) Topics include: pandemic-related misinformation campaigns / election-related misinformation campaigns / Facebook and other social media platforms / vaccine disinformation;  
6) Topics include: reports that General Mark Milley was concerned that former President Trump would stage a coup or start a conflict with Iran to stay in power / praise for General Milley / mistakes made in Lafayette Square  
7) Topics include: state laws making it more difficult to vote and run elections; low

number of fraud cases surrounding the 2020 election / election integrity / challenging voting laws, in Congress or at the local level

07/25/21

**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Elizabeth Palmer, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (2); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (3); Dr. Jerome Adams, former U.S. surgeon general (4); Gina Raimondo, Secretary of Commerce, Biden administration (5); Quinton Lucas, mayor, Kansas City, MO (6); Carol Leonnig, co-author, I Alone Can Fix It (7); Philip Rucker, co-author, I Alone Can Fix It (7)

**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, correspondent, 60 MINUTES

- 2) protests against vaccine passports and global good news regarding vaccine and overall lower death numbers
- 3) Topics include: criticism against the CDC for only tracking breakthrough infections when people get hospitalized / possible timeframe for making vaccinations available to children under twelve-years-old
- 4) Topics include: reaction to Alabama Governor Kay Ivey's remarks – 'it's time to start blaming unvaccinated folks...' / licensing vaccines to make them mandatory /
- 7) an interview with the authors of I Alone Can Fix It, a new book on the unbridled final year of the Trump presidency.

08/01/21

**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (2); Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV) (3); Neel Kashkari, president, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (4); Elizabeth Palmer, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (5); Dr. Sharon Alroy-Preis, director, Public Health Services, Israel (6); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner (7)

**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent, contributor, CBS SUNDAY MORNING

- 1) a report from Atlanta on the surge of the COVID-19 Delta variant, national vaccination rates, and defiance of restrictions and mandates
- 2) Topics include: reason behind the CDC's decision to change its mask guidance / breakthrough infections / societal responsibility / Provincetown study / vaccination rates
- 3) Topics include: bipartisan negotiations for the infrastructure bill / signaling from the progressive movement in the House of Representatives that they will block infrastructure unless the Senate passes the budget bill / concerns about the budget bill and the environmental provision / President Biden's desire to include immigration provisions included in the budget bill; lapsed eviction moratorium
- 6) Topics include: / reinstated mask mandates

08/08/21

**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Governor Asa Hutchinson (R-AR) (2); Brittany Comisso, ("executive assistant #1) NY Governor Andrew Cuomo accuser (3); Miguel Cardona, Secretary of Education, Biden administration (4); Alberto Carvalho, superintendent, Miami-Dade County Public Schools (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (6); Amanda Ripley, author, *High Conflict: Why We Get Trapped and How We Get Out*

**Guest Correspondent:** Jericka Duncan, CBS News national correspondent (3)

**Guest Moderator:** John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst, CBS News senior national correspondent, contributor, CBS SUNDAY MORNING

- 2) Topics include: reasons why the Governor now regrets signing a law banning state mask mandates / lack of support for a vaccine mandate; allegations against New York Governor Andrew Cuomo
- 3) an excerpt of a CBS THIS MORNING and the Albany Times Union's interview with Brittany Comisso on why she's filed a criminal sexual harassment

	<p>complaint against Governor Cuomo</p> <p>4) Topics include: / discussions with Texas and Florida officials over measures taken to forbid mask mandates in their states / mask fatigue / / support for all eligible individuals to get vaccinated</p> <p>6) Topics include: / upcoming decision from the Biden administration on boosters</p>
08/15/21	<p><b>Guests:</b> Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (2); Roxana Saberi, CBS News foreign correspondent (3); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (4); Representative Steve Scalise (R-LA), Republican Whip (5); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (6); Lieutenant Governor Kathy Hochul (D-NY), incoming Governor of New York (7); Dr. Rosalind Osgood, chair, Broward County School Board (8); Anthony Salvanto, CBS News elections and surveys director (9)</p> <p><b>Guest Moderator:</b> Nancy Cordes, CBS News chief White House correspondent</p> <p>2) Topics include: steps the federal government is taking to assist medical officials in southern states / need to get more people vaccinated / recent Minnesota study comparing the efficacy of the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines against the Delta variant / boosters for the immunocompromised</p> <p>serious COVID situation in Louisiana / vaccine hesitancy / mask mandates</p> <p>7) Topics include: transition into the role of Governor of New York / Governor Andrew Cuomo's interview on his decision to step down / her lack of a relationship with the current Governor / women who were allegedly harassed by Governor Cuomo; focus on the COVID pandemic; criteria for lieutenant governor candidates</p> <p>8) Topics include: vote to impose a mask mandate / threats from the Florida Governor / types of support from the Biden administration</p> <p>9) Topics include: poll results out of California on how the vaccinated feel about the unvaccinated, the recall election against Governor Gavin Newsom, vaccine mandates, and the wildfires impacting their state</p>
08/22/21	<p><b>Guests:</b> Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (1); Kris Van Cleave, CBS News Congressional correspondent (2); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (3); Roxana Saberi, CBS News foreign correspondent (4); Antony Blinken, U.S. Secretary of State, Biden administration (5); Nikki Haley, former ambassador to the United Nations, Trump administration (6); Ryan Crocker, former U.S. ambassador to Afghanistan, Obama administration (7); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (8); Governor Larry Hogan (R-MD) (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, <i>Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic</i> (10)</p> <p><b>Guest Moderator:</b> Major Garrett, CBS News chief Washington correspondent</p> <p>7) Topics include: Crocker's concerns about President Biden's competency, based upon his decision to withdraw and its execution / criticism of the deal negotiated by the Trump administration /</p> <p>9) Topics include: / mask and vaccine mandates / booster shots / potential impact of full FDA approval on vaccine hesitancy / / steps taken by professional, college and high school sports teams /</p> <p>10) Topics include: lack of accuracy regarding the number of Delta variant infections, / anticipated Pfizer vaccine approval from the FDA</p>
08/29/21	<p><b>Guests:</b> Omar Villafranca, CBS News correspondent (1); Mireya Villarreal, CBS News correspondent (2); Jeff Berardelli, CBS News meteorologist and climate specialist (3) (11); Governor Jon Bell Edwards (D-LA) (4); Charlie D'Agata, CBS</p>

News senior foreign correspondent (5); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (6); Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) (7); Jake Sullivan, White House national security adviser, Biden administration (8); Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (9); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (10); Sharon Weston Broome, mayor, (D-Baton Rouge, LA) (12)

**Guest Moderator:** Ed O'Keefe, CBS News senior White House and political correspondent

12) Topics include: how the city of Baton Rouge has prepared for Hurricane Ida / adjusting storm preparedness to accommodate coronavirus patients; how Louisiana's response to hurricanes has changed since Katrina

09/05/21

**Guests:** Dr. Anthony Fauci, chief medical adviser to President Biden, director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (1); Governor Phil Murphy (D-NJ) (2); Jessie Mitchell, CBS News reporter (3); Cynthia Lee Sheng, president, Jefferson Parish, LA (4); Representative Veronica Escobar (D-TX) (5); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (6); Sue Gordon, former principal deputy director of National Intelligence (7); David Martin, CBS News national security correspondent (8)

**Guest Moderator:** Weijia Jiang, CBS News senior White House correspondent  
1) Topics include: Biden administration's plan to start administering COVID booster shots on September 20<sup>th</sup>

2) Topics include: / need for New Jersey to update its storm response playbook / call on Congress to act on the infrastructure bill

4) Topics include: her meeting with President Biden / asking evacuees not to return, due to critical infrastructure problems

5) Topics include: criticism of Texas' anti-abortion law, now the strictest in the country / Biden administration's support in the fight for women's healthcare / her tweet, calling for expanding the Supreme Court and abolishing the filibuster / problems associated with how the law is written, such as outsourcing its enforcement to private citizens / finding common ground with constituents who support the law

09/12/21

**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Scott Gottlieb, former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (2); Charlie D'Agata, CBS News senior foreign correspondent (3); Representative Adam Kinzinger (R-IL) (4); Holly Williams, CBS News foreign correspondent (5); Michael Morell, former acting and deputy CIA director, CBS News senior national security contributor (6); Alberto Carvalho, superintendent, Miami-Dade County public schools, FL (7); Dr. James Versalovic, interim pediatrician-in-chief, Texas Children's Hospital (8)

2) Topics include: President Biden's vaccine mandate // vaccine booster shots / expectation that COVID vaccines will eventually be included in the childhood immunization schedule

President Biden's vaccine mandate / Republican opposition

7) Topics include: his opposition to the Florida governor's ban on mask mandates / high coronavirus positivity rate in the community / Florida's legal restrictions against mandating vaccines / President Biden's mask mandate

09/19/21

**Guests:** Mark Strassmann, FACE THE NATION senior national correspondent (1); Dr. Francis Collins, director, National Institute of Health (2); Senator Bernie Sanders (I-VT) (3); David Martin, CBS News senior national security correspondent (4); Scott Kirby, CEO, United Airlines (5); Dr. Scott Gottlieb,

former FDA commissioner, author, *Uncontrolled Spread: Why COVID-19 Crushed Us and How We Can Defeat the Next Pandemic* (6)

2) Topics include: FDA advisory panel's decision against widespread booster shots for adults / belief that a decision to extend boosters beyond what was just approved will happen / vaccines for children under five; this week's U.N. General Assembly as a possible super spreader event

3) Topics include: / Biden administration's 'over the horizon' policy; 3.5 trillion-dollar spending bill /

5) Topics include: / support for the climate change provisions included in the 5.5 trillion-dollar spending bill

6) Topics include: mistakes made during the early stages of the coronavirus pandemic / origins of COVID / coronavirus booster shots / Republican's use of the civil liberties argument against vaccinations and masks / criticism of the governor of South Dakota's handling of the pandemic / Dr. Gottlieb's role in the Trump administration / White House's interference with the CDC's initial recommendation of 10 feet of distance between people / mistakes made by the Trump administration

09/26/21

**Guests:** Dr. Rochelle Walensky, director, Centers for Disease Control (CDC) (1); Senator Tim Scott (R-SC) (2); Representative Pramila Jayapal (D-WA) (3); John Dickerson, CBS News chief political analyst (4); Scott Morrison, prime minister, Australia (5); Recep Tayyip Erdogan, president, Turkey (6)

1) Topics include: who is considered high risk, making them eligible for a coronavirus booster shot / risk, benefit, and safety profiles of people who have gotten a third dose of the vaccine / crisis levels of care in some states / infections among children / advice for Halloween

3) Topics include: / disagreements within the Democratic Party;

4) Topics include: solving the disagreements within the Democratic Party / poll results indicating that President Biden's numbers are down with the groups who helped get him elected / 'paradox in the presidency'

5) Topics include: Australia's COVID protocols

## 60 MINUTES

08/01/21

**"Ingenuity & Perseverance"** – a report on the newest technological advancements in efforts to explore Mars. *Ingenuity* and *Perseverance*, a robotic helicopter and rover, respectively, have both landed successfully on Mars and have already began to transmit new information about the planet back to earth. Includes interviews with Mimi Aung, an engineer and project manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory and the lead engineer on *Ingenuity*; Matt Keennon and Ben Pipenberg, engineers at AeroVironment who helped create *Ingenuity*; Al Chen, the leader of the landing team at NASA; Matt Wallace, project manager at NASA; and Ken Farley, who leads the science team that will direct *Perseverance*. (See also: "Perseverance", OAD: 05/31/20) (C: Anderson Cooper – P: Andy Court) (OAD: 05/09/21)

08/15/21

**"Hell Flight"** – a report on the handling of one of the earliest recorded coronavirus super-spreader events, a transatlantic cruise called the Costa Luminosa. After an outbreak of the virus onboard the ship, the Costa Luminosa eventually docked in France and allowed passengers to disembark, traveling home unrestricted through airports across the world. Health organizations have failed to take responsibility for the safety oversight, which ultimately enabled the rapid spread of the virus. Includes interviews with Bob Anderson, Sue Anderson, Kelly Edge, and Jenny Catron, who

were all passengers on the flight; and Dr. Ali Khan, the dean of the University of Nebraska's School of Public Health and former director of the CDC's Office of Public Health Preparedness and Response. (C: Sharyn Alfonsi – P: Guy Campanile) (OAD: 10/18/20)

09/26/21

**"Rep. Liz Cheney"** – a profile of Representative Liz Cheney. The Republican congresswoman from Wyoming discusses her criticism of Donald Trump and its possible impact on her re-election, as well as her role as vice chair on the House Select Committee investigation of the January 6<sup>th</sup> attack on the Capitol. (C: Lesley Stahl – P: Richard Bonin)

## THE FBI DECLASSIFIED

08/18/21

**THE FBI DECLASSIFIED: "Enemy of the State"** (10:00 – 11:00p) – In October 2015, the FBI received a tip from a government informant on Edward McLarnon (aka Zed McLarnon), a 67-year-old Massachusetts man and anti-government conspiracy theorist. The source reported McLarnon wanted to buy weapons to kill Federal Judge Dennis Saylor, former attorney general for Massachusetts Martha Coakley and the Undersecretary for Homeland security Lisa Monaco. During the undercover investigation, McLarnon identified a potential fourth victim – the social worker who reviewed his court case for a child custody dispute and later married his ex-wife. After money and weapons were exchanged at a rest stop in Seabrook, NH, McLarnon was arrested. McLarnon claimed he was writing a movie and purchasing weapons was part of his research. The trial lasted six days and McLarnon represented himself. After just four hours of jury deliberation, he was sentenced to 25 years in prison. Interviewed: Mike Gibeley, FBI special agent; Michael R. McGowan, former FBI special agent; Brian LeBlanc, FBI special agent; Alyssa Dietrich, FBI tactical analyst; and Daniel R. Romanzo, supervisor in charge of the SWAT team during the McLarnon case. (Narrator: Alana De La Garza - Producers: Josh Gaynor, Resa Matthews)

## CBS NEWS SPECIAL BROADCAST

On **Thursday, July 29**, a CBS News Special Report (President Biden delivers remarks on Covid-19 restrictions, new incentives to get vaccinated, new details on the Delta variant) aired for 42:22 from 4:22:49-5:05:11pm cnyt, live to all stations.

On **Tuesday, August 3**, a CBS News Special Report (Letitia James press conference) aired for 13:05 from 11:09:02-11:22:07am cnyt, live to all stations.

On **Tuesday, August 10**, a CBS News Special Report (Governor Andrew Cuomo resigns) aired for 17:53 from 12:06:10-12:24:03pm cnyt, live to all stations.

On **Tuesday, September 21**, a CBS News Special Report (President Biden address to the United Nations General Assembly) aired for 38:40 from 10:01:03-10:39:43am cnyt, live to all stations.

**FULL COURT PRESS**

8/1/21 Gov. Gretchen Whitmer on historic flooding in Michigan, Infrastructure deal & climate change

8/8/21 Fmr. US Surgeon General Jerome Adams & CIDRAP Dir. Dr. Michael Osterholm on the Delta variant

9/5/21 Louisiana Sen. Bill Cassidy & Dr. Catherine O'Neal on the damage left in Hurricane Ida's wake

**WTOC NEWSCASTS**

**ISSUE 20 ALERTING THE PUBLIC ON FEDERAL, LOCAL, STATE, CYBERSECURITY GRANTS, BULLOCH ELECTION CHIEF, CHILD TAX CREDIT, GATEWAY FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT, VACCINE MANDATES, GOV KEMP ON COVI SURGE, OPOID SETTLEMENTS IN CHATHAM EVICTION MORATORIUM, COVID BOOSTER TALKS RESUME, PFIZER KIDS NEW VACCINE RESEARCH, BIDEN UN SPEECH, HHI AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN, SC CONFEDERATE MONUMENT PROTECTION LAW, IMPACT OF GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN, INFRASTRUCTURE BILL INCLUDING SAVANNAH, BEAUFORT CO. ELECTION PREP, KEMP 1ST RESPONDER BONUS, SC VOTER REGISTRATION, GA NEW DISTRICT PROPOSAL, SC SUPREME COURT ON MASK MANDATES, YOUTUBE CRACKDOWN ON FALSE VAX CLAIMS SOURCE: PRESIDENT BIDEN, CBS, CONGRESS, SENATE GOV. KEMP, GOV. MCMASTER, BUDDY CARTER, ETC**

4:30AM CYBERSEC Georgia is giving the state's defense contractors a chance to step up their digital security. New grants focus on protecting them from crooks, along with keeping up with new cybersecurity safety standards. Vice President and C-O-O of Cyber Security Solutions Zach Hodges says security requirements from the U-S Department of Defense went into effect last November. 0:00:00  
DAYBREAK URITY  
7/1/2021 OD GRANTS GA

"They have to upload the results into a DoD score card but more importantly it shows what kind of vulnerabilities are out there it also is going to identify the steps that they're going to take going forward to meet that compliance." About 100 of these contractors combined to employ nearly 6 thousand people throughout Coastal Georgia. In June alone, they accounted for over 979 million dollars in sales -- from vehicle supplies to plane construction and more. The state would cover a large share of applying for the new grants. Businesses will pay 500 dollars out of pocket compared to at least 6 to 10 thousand dollars. 0:00:37  
4:30AM CYBERSEC  
DAYBREAK URITY  
7/1/2021 OD GRANTS GA

7/1/2021 5PM OD      WH ON GA  
DOJ  
LAWSUIT

"he was deeply disappointed in the decision that came out this morning. he feels that what we should be doing from the government, whether you're the courts or others, is making it easier to vote. so its going to really re-double his efforts to get a bill passed- the for the people act- and make that the law of the land, but it doesn't change anything about the department of justice's actions."

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7/6/2021 11PM OD      REP.  
CLYBURN  
TOWN HALL

The focus of the tour is to explain how the American Rescue Plan will benefit those in his district. The Congressman says one of the biggest benefits he's hoping to highlight is the expanded Child Tax Credit. This credit will provide qualified parents with advanced monthly payments of up to \$300 per child starting next week. Money that he feels can change lives.

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"So, all of the experts that have looked at this have said that of all the children currently living in poverty, this new child tax credit will lift half of them out of poverty." Congressman Clyburn has also partnered with local health centers to provide vaccines to all eligible South Carolinians before each town hall. The congressman will be making four more stops across his district for his tour, the next one is Thursday in Manning, South Carolina.

REP.  
CLYBURN  
TOWN HALL

7/6/2021 11PM OD

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(sot) Bulloch County's new election supervisor may be new to the position..but she's hardly new to the office. (vo) Shontay Jones has worked with voter registration more than 20 years, back before it split off from the Probate Judge's office. She's seen Georgia elections shift from paper ballots to electronic voting. But those changes have some voters confused about the process. She says she hopes to give voters more info. (sot) I'd like to do more voter education..get to a place where we can do an evening forum and do "Voter 101". (vo) She says the changes to Georgia voting law, and the federal lawsuit over them, have elections offices across the state waiting to see what happens. Meanwhile, they work year-round to register new voters and make sure the voter roles stay up to date. (sot) To me, when a voter knows more about what's going on, the confidence level is there. When

DAL: NEW  
BULLOCH  
ELECTION  
CHIEF

7/14/2021 4:30PM OD

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7/15/2021 5:30pm OD      WARNOCK ON "that investment must continue for years to come. and so we took a major  
CHILD TAX CREDIT first step to expand this tax cut in the american rescue plan. and i'm going  
CREDIT to keep fighting to make these tax cuts permanent."      0:00:17

7/22/2021 5:30pm OD      GATEWAY FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT ENT  
The speaker of the Georgia House just announced a plan -- that would put 7-million-dollars toward helping people experiencing a crisis, including drug addiction. Just hours ago -- we shot this video, at Gateway Behavioral Health Center. The commissioner of Georgia's Department of Behavioral Health & Developmental Disabilities met with lawmakers there - to talk about the plan. All of that money would go toward more crisis beds - at rehab centers like Gateway. They want people to know - there are resources out there, if you're struggling with addiction or going through a mental health crisis.      0:00:35

		Elected officials, Georgia Ports Authority leaders, U.S. Customs and Border Protection officials and more cut the ribbon to a new container freight station. The refrigerated building is owned by 'N-Laws Produce.' It will be used to inspect produce for the Port of Savannah. The refrigerated warehouse allows Customs and Border agents to inspect food that could be damaged if stored in hot temperatures.	0:00:02
8/3/2021 11PM OD	REFRIGERATE D PORT SERVICES	"Every product that comes in from an import stand-point fresh fruit and vegetables. We want to protect our domestic producers from disease or from insects those type of things that might come in." "We knew that we could handle the job. We are used to federal inspectors and this was just, instead of a USDA inspector this was a CBP ag inspection." The facility is starting with mandarin oranges from Peru. then will shift to blueberries and avocados.	0:00:32

Corporations across America are starting to \*require their employees to get vaccinated. Just this week, New York City announced it will make people \*prove that they're vaccinated - before they can enter restaurants, gyms, and other indoor venues. We wanted to find-out what people in Coastal Georgia - think about this trend. "IT SHOULD NOT BE FORCED ON ANYONE, BECAUSE THAT'S ACTUALLY TAKING AWAY SOMEONE'S RIGHTS." "IT'S ALSO UNCONSTITUTIONAL FOR YOU TO MAKE ME SICK!" The debate is far from settled. Jesse Maxwell and his young family already had COVID. So far - they've opted not to get vaccinated. "EVERYBODY SHOULD HAVE FREE WILL TO MAKE THAT CHOICE, WHETHER THEY DECIDE TO GET IT OR NOT."

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VACCINE  
MANDATES  
8/5/2021 6PM OD  
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Maxwell - a musician, who preaches unity - says he feels requiring or pressuring people into getting vaccinated, is not the solution. "IF YOU ENFORCE IT, AND THEY DECIDE NOT TO DO IT, NOW YOU'RE FORCING T

LLINTRO The Secretary of State's Office says the people who receive this letter are people who haven't had any contact in the election system in the last five years. VO Collin McRae is the Chairman of the Chatham County Board of Registrars, he says it's important that people take action if they get this notice because it ensures that they won't become permanently inactive or cancelled later down the road. McRae says Chatham County has, what he feels, is a high number of inactive voters already, which he says is around 20,000. The more than 4,000 getting these letters this week is in addition to that. McRae says a few ways to get off the inactive list are to cast a vote, submit a new voter registration application, request an absentee ballot, submit a change of address or respond to the notice within

CHATHAM CO. 30 days. McRae says he wants to remind people that this letter does not mean their right to vote was taken away. SOT  
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VOTER ROLLS  
8/6/2021 6PM OD

8/16/2021 5PM OD

GOV. KEMP  
COVID LATEST

"to expand those efforts I'm announcing today that the commissioner and her team will increase the total number of state supported hospital staff from 13hundred to 28 hundred more than doubling our staffing assistance to date." As WTOC continues to track a rise in hospitalizations across the state - Georgia's top elected official says more help is on the way...marking one of the first LIVE updates we've heard from the governor since the spring. The state is more than doubling the number of state supported staff - sending 28-hundred people - up from the 13-hundred promised through October. We're working to get more details on what this means for area hospitals. And we're working to get more from the press conference online right now.

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COVID LATEST

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A nearly \$26 billion dollar proposal is on the table with opioid drug distributors McKesson Corporation, Cardinal Health, Amerisource Bergen Drug Corporation and drug maker Johnson and Johnson. The settlement being considered by the Georgia Attorney General's Office would mostly pay for drug prevention and treatment. "We don't like that settlement. That's what's happening in Georgia and we're negotiations obviously to make that work for everybody." Attorney Mark Tate represents Chatham County in a pending lawsuit against the opioid industry. He says the offer on the table with the state doesn't go far enough to right the wrongs of an industry. "The money that's being paid out is being paid out over close to two decades. That's outrageous. These companies - this is not going to make any difference to them." He says the deal also doesn't give Chatham County power to decide how to best spend the money.

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SETTLEMENT  
8/19/2021 DAYBREAK OD PROPOSAL

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"I have ordered flags on City of Savannah buildings to be lowered to half staff today through tomorrow in honor of the life and the legacy and the contributions of Rep. Mickey Stephens." "Like so many others, Mr. Edward Mickey Stephens Sr. had a great impact on my life. He served as my little league football coach when I was a young, young fellow." "At basketball practice he would never let us give up. He always encouraged us regardless of how big the teams were...we didn't have a large team, but he made us think we were invincible" "We make decisions and we have to count on people to give their honest opinion and Mickey was always good for that and he's gonna be truly missed and he's gonna be hard to be replaced."

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STEPHENS  
8/24/2021 5:30pm OD VISITATION Those who knew him say thi

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8/25/2021 5PM OD

BUDDY  
CARTER ON  
HERSHEL  
SENATE

"I fully intend to continue my work in Congress, fully intend to continue to serve the people of the First Congressional District if they will have me. I look forward to pushing forth good legislation and to continue in our work in health care and making sure the first We know of at least one other person who's announced they're running for this seat. Savannah attorney Wade Herring is running as a Democrat. We have more from our interview with him last month posted in a previous story on WTOC dot com.

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8/26/2021 11PM OD

SC RENTAL  
HELP

(Shelia Mccarthan - Resident Seeking Loan Assistance) "It was hard and you know everything from COVID shutting down, you just had to make ends meet and." The program is being expanded to the Lobeco and Bluffton Branch Libraries. Renters applying will need identification and proof of income and unemployment, and evidence of financial hardship. We have more details on WTOC.com

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		Last weekâ€”The Supreme Court blocked the extension of the Biden administration's covid-related eviction moratorium. This means renters can now be evicted. A census report shows more than 96-thousand South Carolinians have "no confidence" in their ability to pay rent next month. So-South Carolina housing is offering rental aid relief through federal funds. 90 percent of that money for South Carolina hasn't been touched. S-C housing says its only given out 17-million dollars out of its 272 million that's available.	0:00:30	
8/30/2021 4:30PM OD	EVICTION MORATORIU M ENDING	KEMP ON COVID	Today the executive order I signed earlier also enables activation of up to 2,500 Georgia National Guard troops to be deployed at the discretion of General Carden in coordination with the department of community health based on need.	0:00:00

9/2/2021 4PM OD

MARIAH:  
VACCINE  
HOLIDAY

Governor Kemp announced a few weeks ago that tomorrow, September 3, is a day he's giving all state employees off to continue the state's vaccination efforts. VO City Manager Shawn Gillen says city hall will be closed in alignment with the governor's effort. Emergency personnel, however, will still be working. Gillen says he hopes the staff uses the time off to go get vaccinated or to go get advice from their doctor about it. Gillen says while he doesn't know an exact number, he does feel as though a lot of employees have already been vaccinated. SOT "I think we have a good percentage that are. We just want people who either haven't had the opportunity or who maybe have some questions about it, here's an opportunity for you to go find out and maybe get some information on that." LLTAG Gillen says emergency personnel and public works crews will still be working tomorrow, but they will be given a

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5AM 530 STATE  
OFFICES  
9/3/2021 DAYBREAK OD CLOSED

Even though state offices in Georgia are closed -- there is one exception - and that is the health department. They will be open to offer vaccines today.

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"It's a great set of strategies that build on strategies we've been working on.. "That would allow us to get a lot more people vaccinated and a lot more people protected." President Biden announced a plan with six approaches...based off science, officials say...that will prevent the spread of COVID-19 and more.. "So lucky to have three vaccines that are very safe, very effective against the variants that we're seeing but we have to do everything we can to prevent that replication of the virus, that more community spread, so that we can also prevent further mutation." The President's plan calls for vaccine requirements in workplaces of 100 people or more...or weekly tests. But we asked WHO would pay for these mandatory COVID-19 tests..the employers or the workers.. We also asked if local departments...like police and fire...would be included.. This is all th

VAX  
ANNOUNCEMENT REAX

9/10/2021 6PM OD

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Savannah-native Clinton Young officially announced today he is running to fill the remaining term of the late State Representative Mickey Stephens. The district spans from the Savannah River all the way down to Vernonburg, and includes Thunderbolt, portions of Savannah's Historic District and east side. Young says one of the reasons he decided to run is to help eliminate crime within the district.

CLINTON  
YOUNG 165TH CANDIDATE

9/10/2021 6PM OD

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THE F-D-A'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE IS DEBATING TO DISCUSS WHETHER TO APPROVE A THIRD BOOSTER SHOT FOR THE PFIZER VACCINE. (SOT: Dr. Marion Gruber/Director, FDA Office of Vaccines Research and Review) "Findings of effectiveness of the additional dose, while necessary, is not sufficient for the FDA approval. A determination that the additional dose is safe for the intended use is also required." (track 2) DR. MARION GRUBER - WHO ANNOUNCED HER RETIREMENT THIS WEEK - CO-AUTHORED A PAPER QUESTIONING THE NEED FOR BOOSTERS FOR THE GENERAL POPULATION. SUPPORTERS POINT TO ISRAEL WHICH IS ALREADY DEPLOYING THE BOOSTER SHOTS. DATA FROM THAT COUNTRY SHOWED THE SHOT INCREASED PROTECTION AGAINST SEVERE ILLNESS NEARLY TWENTY-FOLD IN PEOPLE 60 AND OLDER. (SOT: Dr. Ashish Jha/Brown University) "I think people who are vulnerable, people who are older, people with chronic diseases, immunocompromised, they would benefit from a third shot. I think it is necessary for

9/17/2021 NOON OD      FDA COVID BOOSTER      1:10:00

vaccine advisers to the fda have voted to recommend emergency use authorization of booster doses of the pfizer vaccine for people 65-and-older and those. at high risk of severe covid-19....six months after they received their first shots. but they didn't approve booster doses of the vaccine for everyone 16 and older...citing a lack of data about the safety and efficacy of a third dose. dr. william schaffner/prof., division of infectious diseases, vanderbilt univ. "they did make a more conservative decision than i anticipated, but this is an example of science being out there and good-hearted, well-intentioned smart people debating how to turn that science into public policy." the centers for disease control and prevention makes the final decision on the shots... the agency meets with its vaccine advisers next week. but booster shots aren't the key to turning the pandemic around, according to officials and health experts. dr. paul offit/director, vaccine educ

11PM      COVID: BOOSTER TALKS      9/18/2021 WEEKEND OD      RESUME      0:01:26

9/20/2021 5PM OD

PFIZER KIDS  
NEW VAX  
RESEARCH

that could be a big step towards making the vaccine available to that age group and it comes at a time when covid-19 cases in children have been skyrocketing. the company says it plans to submit to the u-s food and drug administration for emergency use authorization soon. according to a pfizer spokesperson, there were no instances of myocarditis, a type of heart inflammation that's linked with m-r-n-a vaccines.

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9/21/2021 NOON OD

CBS: BIDEN  
U.N. SPEECH

standing before world leaders for the first time since u-s troops left afghanistan, president biden defended his decision to end the war. (sot - biden) "for the first time in 20 years with the united states not at war. we have turned the page. all the unmatched strength, energy and commitment, will and resources of our nation are squarely focused on what's ahead of us." mr. biden also called for intensive diplomacy to combat climate change and covid-19. (sot - biden) "bombs and bullets cannot defend against covid-19 or its future variants. to fight the pandemic we need a collective act of science and political will." (standup bridge: michael george / cbs news / united nations) "president biden was only here at the u-n for about an hour...the white house says due to covid concerns.

tomorrow, he'll convene a virtual covid-19 summit. monday, the u-n secretary general (gfx) told reporters the relationship between the

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		they were expecting to receive the monthly installment by september 15-th. the i-r-s says it distributed 15 billion dollars in credits to about 35 million families last week. the agency is aware some families have not yet received their payments... and is looking into it. eligible families can get up to three hundred dollars for each child up to age six... and 250 dollars for each one between the ages of 6 and 17.	0:00:25
9/22/2021 5PM OD	CHILD TAX CREDITS DELAYED	(nats/protests, Texas capital) (TRACK 1) THE NATION'S MOST RESTRICTIVE ABORTION LAWâ€¢ (nat pop/protests) â€¢ IS FORCING WOMEN TO FLEE TEXASâ€¢ (nat pop/receptionist, 094246 ) "are you currently pregnant (TRACK 1A) â€¢;IN SEARCH OF CLINICS LIKE THIS ONE IN COLORADOâ€¢ THAT CAN BARELY MEET DEMAND. (nat pop/receptionist to caller) "I am booked for the rest of the weekâ€¢ (clinic shots) (TRACK 2) CBS NEWS HAD RARE ACCESS TO THE FACILITY IN DENVER... (nats/staff meeting: "six-week surgical with sedation") (TRACK 2A)â€¢ WHERE NEARLY HALF THE PATIENTS ARE TEXANS. (JS) When is the last time you've seen an infâ€¢lux like this in this clinic to this degree? (RC) We haven't. //We haven't see numbers like this ever.. (TRACK 3) (RC) Abortion can be painful. People can hurt. But this is different./We are seeing people who are traumatized when they arrive. (TRACK 4) WOMAN LIKE 34-YEAR-OLD MOTHER	0:01:33

	BIDEN VIRUTAL COVID SUMMIT	The President announcement includes that the United States is doubling its purchase of Pfizer's COVID-19 shots to share with the world. The purchase comes as the goal is set to vaccinate 70 percent of the global population within the next year.	0:00:26
9/22/2021 4PM OD	HOUSE PASSES GOVT FUNDING	December Third could be the new deadline on the calendar when it comes to funding the federal government. The House of Representatives passed a measure overnight that raises the debt ceiling and avoids a government shutdown at the end of this month. The bill received no Republican support. The bill now goes to the Senate, where it's not clear if it will pass or fail.	0:00:19
9/22/2021 5PM OD			

9/22/2021 5:30pm OD      **SETUP: CDC BOOSTER REC MTG**      It's a normal process drawing new attention - the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is set to tackle the same question the Food and Drug Administration considered last week - will most Americans need a booster dose of the COVID-19 vaccine?      0:00:16

at a virtual summit, president biden pushed wealthy nations to do more to increase global vaccination rates. (POTUS SOT) the only way to get this done is for everyone to step up. (track #2) the president said the u.s. is stepping up -- buying another half billion doses of the pfizer covid-19 vaccine to share with the worldâ€¢ (gtx) bringing the u.s.total to more than 1 billion doses. (POTUS) To beat the pandemic we have to beat it everywhere. (track #3) currently--less than 45 percent of the world population has received at least one dose.. and in some low-income countries, the rate is as low as 2 to 3 percent. World leaders participated in the Global COVID Summit as the discussion continues in the United States

**CBS: BIDEN COVID LATEST**      over booster shots. (track 4) an fda announcement is expected shortly after its advisory committee recommended a third dose for americans 65 and older as well as those      0:01:39

Sot: "These are opportunities that we would not have been able to do through our regular budget process, and so since these federal funds are available, we are going to work to deploy them in an impactful way." Vo Of all the projects this money will go to, of particular note are a million dollars to Town Hall security and another million to development of infrastructure dedicated to workforce housing. Sot: "We're excited about both projects." Vo About a month ago anti-mask protestors disrupted a town council meeting, and Troyer says the building's update is overdue. Sot: "Town hall is a wonderful facility, but it's got a few years on it and so it needs some upgrades. It needs some upgrades for security, in modern times it needs some upgrades for technology." Vo As far as the land developments, the town will be developing around 3 acres of land to be ready for lower income living.

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AMERICAN  
RESCUE PLAN  
FUNDS

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â€¢Dr. Keith Seibert, a pediatrician with SouthCoast Health, says questions are coming in from parents who want their children vaccinated, but theyâ€™re just outside the approved age range. With Pfizer announcing their reduced dose vaccine is safe for children 5-11 just this week, those questions might become more and more frequent for pediatricians. Dr. Keith Seibert - SouthCoast Health â€œThese are very well-intended questions, well-meaning questions. But certainly by the end of the day Iâ€™ve had patients or parents ask me if I had any doses left in one of my vaccine vials, if I could give it to their 11 and a half year old, or their 11 year old. And I understand, I know where their heart is.â€ But Dr. Seibert says itâ€™s important for people to realize that administering doses off label, or outside the FDA and CDC recommended and approved uses isnâ€™t a good idea. Dr. Keith Seibert - SouthCoast Health â€œI understand people want to protect their children. The

SE: PFIZER  
VAX OFF  
LABEL FOR  
KIDS

9/22/2021 7PM OD

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SC  
CONFEDERATE The South Carolina Supreme Court is ruling a state law preventing anyone  
MONUMENT from moving a Confederate monument without the Legislature's  
PROTECTION permission \*is legal. This also applies to changing the historical name of a  
LAW street or building. 0:00:12  
9/23/2021 4:30PM OD

HOUSE  
APPROVES 1B  
FOR ISRAEL'S The House of Representatives has approved one billion dollars in funding  
9/23/2021 4:30PM OD IRON DOME for Israel's iron dome defense system. The final vote was 420 to nine... 0:00:35

		In his resignation letter to Secretary of State Antony Blinken... Foote wrote the U-S approach to Haiti is quote "deeply flawed." He says Haiti is unable to provide basic services and security to its citizens... and that will have consequences in the U-S and its neighbors. Thousands of Haitian migrants are still encamped in Del Rio, Texas...where they face tough conditions and immediate expulsion. Debra Alfarone has the latest.	0:00:16
9/23/2021 4:30PM OD	US SPECIAL ENVOY RESIGNS		

		Today, a C-D-C advisory panel voted to recommend Pfizer's booster shot.
PRIZER		It's already received emergency use authorization from the F-D-A. The
BOOSTER		panel recommends the extra doses for people 65 and up... nursing home
AUTHORIZATI		residents... and people older than 50 with underlying conditions. They also
9/23/2021 7PM OD	ON	gave the green light to those 18 and older with underlying conditions.
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9/24/2021 DAYBREAK OD ON      4:30AM PRIZER BOOSTER AUTHORIZATI

The advisory panel recommends an extra dose for anyone 65 and older, nursing home residents, and people between 18 and 64 who have underlying medical conditions. All of this comes after the boosters got emergency use authorization from the FDA. Dr. Fauci weighed in with a warning -- saying work still needs to be done to get everyone a first shot.

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9/24/2021 5PM OD      MCMASTER VISITS SUN CITY

The palmetto state Governor spoke at Sun City retirement community today to a packed pavilion. After.. he answered our questions, including how he plans to combat president Biden's vaccine mandate for big companies. "Most if not all of the Republican governors intend to oppose that as vigorously as we can every way we can, because it's unconstitutional, and not only is it unconstitutional it's just not the best way to do it and that's why it's unconstitutional." Vo We also asked about proviso 1.108 that keeps school districts from requiring masks in the state Sot: "A lot of the schools want to rely only on masks. Well there are a lot of other tools that are good tools according to the experts. We ought to be using all of them without forcing anybody to do anything." Vo The governor also stated his support for the Jasper ports project and rural economic development happening in the lowcountry and also

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11PM 9/25/2021 WEEKEND OD     HOUSE BUDGET ADVANCES RECONCILIATI ON BILL

The three-point-five trillion dollar reconciliation bill is going to the house floor. Holding a rare Saturday meeting, the house budget committee voted to advance the proposed package. The final tally was 20 to 17, with all republicans and democratic representative scott peters voting against the bill. This vote was needed for the bill to move forward and gather possible amendments.

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8AM 9/26/2021 SUNDAY OD     CNN: DAYBREAK BILL COVERS CHILD CARE

nats what can you buy for three-point-five trillion dollars? high on the deliverables list is education - the plan would put two-hundred billion dollars into pre-k, educating three and four year olds, affecting roughly five million kids. it would provide two years of tuition-free community college for older students with the feds picking up seventy-five percent of the tab - states covering the rest. there is eighty-two billion for public school improvements. also more money for universities that serve minority groups... including historically black colleges "the d in democrat is for deliver. we need to deliver for the american people." there is help with child care so middle to low income families with kids under five would spend no more than seven-percent of their income on such services. it proposes to help low-income families save money by making the earned income tax credit permanent. and it would pump thirt

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a vote on a bipartisan infrastructure bill is still under construction. house speaker nancy pelosi, who committed to a september 27-th deadline last month, now says she won't bring it to the floor until she has enough support. "you cannot choose the date. you have to go when you have the votes in a reasonable time, and we will." while republicans are against the infrastructure bill's pricetag..... "i will certainly be voting no if the democrats insist on combining the debt ceiling increase or suspension with the continuing operations of the government." there's also a stalemate within the democratic party between progressive and moderate members over the infrastructure bill's topline figure and the programs included in the biden-supported three-point-five trillion dollar spending bill. "we are not going to leave behind women who desperately need

WKEND  
9/26/2021 6:30PM OD

CNN:  
INFRASTRUCTURE BILL LATEST

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PFIZER: FDA APPROVAL Pfizer says the company is ready to ask the FDA for authorization to give its FOR KIDS 5 TO 12 vaccine to kids from ages 5 to 11. The Pfizer CEO says they will submit the data in the coming days.

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		<p>the house begins debate today on a nearly one trillion dollar infrastructure package. (sot: rep. nancy pelosi/(d-ca) speaker of the house/abc "this week") "you know, i'm never bringing a bill to the floor that doesn't have the votes." however - house speaker nancy pelosi has pushed back the vote on the bill from this afternoon until thursday as she attempts to shore up support for the plan. congresswoman pramila jayapal - the head of the congressional progressive caucus - says she has at least 60 votes to block the infrastructure bill. progressive democrats are demanding the house and senate first pass a three-point-five trillion dollar spending bill that includes new funding for the child tax creditâ€¢;universal pre-kâ€¢;home health careâ€¢;and much more. (sot: rep. pramila jayapal/(d) washington) "if somebody wants less than three and a half trillion, tell us what you want to cut. do you want t</p>	
9/27/2021 NOON OD	CBS: BIDEN AGENDA & INFRASTRUCTURE		0:01:27
9/27/2021 4PM OD	PFIZER TO APLLY FOR KIDS VACCINES	<p>In a matter of days -- Pfizer's CEO says the company plans to apply to the FDA for use of its vaccine in younger children. He says that if approved the company will be ready to start manufacturing vaccines right away. For months Pfizer has been testing one-third of the dose now given to adults in children ages 5 to 11. The company says this formulation is safe for that age group but the F-D-A and C-D-C will have the final say.</p>	0:00:11

If you're a Beaufort county voter, go run and grab the calendar or your phone and mark this Friday September 1st, because that's when the board of voter registration and elections behind me, is holding a public test at 10 am. The board's director told me that's when you'll have all your questions answered and get an inside look at the whole process. Sot: (Marie Smalls - Director Board of Voter Registration and Elections Beaufort County) "We want our public to know that the election process is a transparent process and you are invited to come and see how that process actually works." Vo Smalls knows the relationship between her office and the community is now as important as ever, with so many people focused on election integrity. Sot: "With all the mistrust going on right now and election being such a hot topic, we are inviting everyone who may have a doubt about how this system works." Vo She says they have this event before every election fo

TYLER:  
BEAUFORT  
CO. ELECTION  
PREP

9/27/2021 4:30PM OD

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when dr. katharine lee got her covid vaccine, she experienced something unexpected. "I ended up with really strong cramps and a little bit of breakthrough bleeding after both vaccines. (track 2) after a friend and fellow scientist had similar changes after the shot, they created a survey that has received more than 150-thousand responsesâ€” describing excessive or more frequent bleeding, more pain, and missed periods. the information that we have is anecdotal (track 3) now the national institutes of health has launched a new study to investigate if there's a connection

CBS: VAX &  
CYCLE

9/27/2021 5:30pm OD

CHANGES 3:30 control group to be

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9/27/2021 5:30pm OD      KEMP FIRST RESPONDER BONUS      New tonight - COVID aid will go towards paying bonuses for first responders in Georgia. Governor Brian Kemp announced this afternoon every police officer, deputy, firefighter, and emergency medical technician statewide will receive a thousand dollar bonus.      0:00:15

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	PRESIDENT		
9/27/2021 7PM OD	GETS BOOSTER SHOT	President Joe Biden got his COVID booster shot today. The president got his first two doses of the Pfizer vaccine in January. Before getting the shot, the President urged people to get vaccinated.	0:00:09
	FMR FDA COMMISH	"The virus isn't going away but prevalence levels will decline to a level that feels more manageable." Optimism from a former F-D-A commissioner comes as we're starting to see a drop in the average of new COVID cases across the country Doctor Scott Gottlieb saying today he thinks the U-S could be in a much better place by Thanksgiving. Right now - the C-D-C says that average is closer to 114-thousand...down from 160-thousand cases a day at the peak of the Delta surge.	
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9/28/2021 DAYBREAK OD	OUTLOOK		

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SAM GA  
5AM VOTER  
9/28/2021 DAYBREAK OD REGISTRATION Chatham County residents registered to vote. 0:00:11

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. there will be volunteers at Technical College of the Lowcountry to help voters with any questions they have about getting

SARAH: SC  
VOTER  
registered for the first time or updating their registration. Throughout the year last year the organization in Beaufort helped register more than 300

SAM REGISTRATION voters. Today -- they hope to not only register voters but just encourage  
9/28/2021 DAYBREAK OD DAY anyone 18 and older to take part in the voting process in November. 0:00:26

Jane Caffrey / President of League of Women's Voters -- Beaufort "What I would urge is that your vote is your voice. There have been elections in the past where the decision has been made by a handful of votes so you could be that difference. Do your research, do your education, talk to people and find out what is important to you and show up and stay informed." If you want to vote in the upcoming election on November 2nd -- you need to have your registration completed by October 4th.

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Dr. Patricia Harris / Chair of Social Action Committee "We are engaged and embracing voters, we want to make sure that their privilege and their rights are upheld. We decided to make it a crusade so that we could bring in our partners and our partners are going to be as engaged as we are, helping to facilitate our endeavor." They will be stationed at 4 locations today -- including in the student union on Georgia Southern's Armstrong Campus and Abundannt Life in Garden City. In Savannah they will be at St. James Church on Broad Street from 11-4 and St. Philips on MLK Blvd. from 11-7.

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5AM REGISTRATION

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A federal appeals court says it will wait to weigh in on a restrictive Georgia abortion law that a lower court blocked. The court says they want to see how the U.S Supreme Court rules on a separate Mississippi abortion case before making their decision. A federal judge ruled last year that the

COURT TO WAIT ON GA ABORTION	LAW RULING	Georgia law cannot take effect because it's unconstitutional. The state appealed that ruling to the 11th U.S Circuit Court of Appeals. The law sought to ban abortions once a detectable human heartbeat is present, with some limited exceptions.	0:00:19
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Both the C-D-C and F-D-A say operations would continue---but staff would be limited. According to C-N-N--only 38-percent of C-D-C staff would be retained during the shutdown. The F-D-A would retain 70-percent. Our team will break down the local impacts of a government shutdown coming up on The News at 5.

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"Social Security checks, Medicare benefits, veterans' benefits, small business All this and more are now on the chopping block" // "We will not provide Republican votes for raising the debt limit." The Senate could bring the funding measure back up for a vote this weekâ€¢ without the debt ceiling extensionâ€¢, which isn't needed until mid-October. If Congress can't GOVERNMENT agree on a plan to avert a partial government shutdown by Friday, that will SHUTDOWN leave about 800-thousand Government workers without a paycheck.

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"Both sides of the political aisle agree that the debt ceiling does need to be raised, so that's a good thing because it means that everyone involved is incentivized to make sure this is resolved." Research economist Joseph Von Nessen says Congress needs to raise the debt ceiling to allow the federal government to pay its bills — to keep funding programs and obligations it already has, like Social Security. If lawmakers don't do this in time — Von Nessen says it could have consequences — like shaking up financial markets and increasing interest rates — which could affect people or businesses trying to get a loan. Von Nessen believes lawmakers on both sides of the aisle don't want this to happen — especially now. "They both recognize that this economic recovery that we have seen throughout the year as we recover from the COVID pandemic has been very st

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"I would hope that by the end of October we'll be there." Meanwhile - parents of kids and pre-teens are pretty split on whether or not to vaccinate their kids. That's according to a new Axios poll. surveyors asked more than 11-hundred people about their vaccination plans. for parents of kids ages five to eleven-- 44-percent said they were likely to vaccinate their children. 42-percent said their kids were unlikely to get a covid vaccine.

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PROPOSAL  
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It is National Voter Registration Day. But you do have until next Monday, October 4th, to get registered for this November's election. Since 2012, four and a half million people have been registered to vote during National Voter Registration Day according to Chatham County Board of Registrars Chairman Colin McRae. "Hopefully, we can duplicate or exceed that this year." McRae points out that even though it's not a mid-term or Presidential Election year, there's still a county-wide decision voters will need to consider. "It's not just an election for the municipalities, although there are a number of municipalities that will have elections for their council and commission seats. There is a county-wide vote for the very important ESPLOST measure." Once you are registered to vote, and decide

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"In the event that it isn't resolved, even for a very brief period of time, that could have some practical consequences because we will see, likely see financial markets a bit rattled, consumer and business confidence could take a hit." UofSC Research Economist Joseph Von Nessen says that could translate to interest rates going up â€“ affecting anyone trying to get a personal or business loan. He says the debt ceiling needs to be raised so that the government can pay its bills â€“ and fund programs and obligations it already has, like Social Security. On Tuesday, Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen sent this letter to House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, saying SC IMPACT OF POSSIBLE SHUTDOWN the country "would be left with very limited resources that would be depleted quickly" if Congress doesn't increase the debt limit in the next three weeks. Republicans have said Democrats should do this on their own

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9/29/2021 DAYBREAK OD MANDATES

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5AM REGISTRATION  
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(track 1) senate majority leader chuck schumer says they will vote on a resolution to avoid a partial government shutdown set to begin friday. "we can approve this measure quickly and send it to the house so it can reach the president's desk before funding expires at midnight tomorrow." (track 2) (gfx) but there is still an october 18th deadline to raise the debt limit which allows the government to pay its bills. (/gfx) republicans say they oppose raising the debt limit because democrats are working to pass a three-point-five trillion dollar spending bill on their own using a senate tool called reconciliation. "democrats reckless taxing and spending spree will earn it zero votes from senate republicans." president biden cancelled a planned trip to chicago in order to continue negotiations

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9/29/2021 NOON OD LATEST

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9/29/2021 4:30PM OD      GA COURT      A federal appeals court says a Georgia city did \*not violate the  
BANS      constitutional rights of a Sons of Confederate Veterans group when it  
CONFED. FLAG      banned the Confederate battle flag from its annual parade honoring  
IN PARADE      veterans of American wars.      0:00:21

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South Carolina's leaders say they're prepared to fight all the way to the U-S Supreme Court to defend the law adopted here, at the State House, limiting school masks mandates. But some of the people who filed the lawsuit challenging that law say â€" they're not concerned. "I honestly don't know how it can be reversed at this point. This is a clear violation of disability rights." Kimberly Tissot's organization, Able South Carolina, is one of the plaintiffs that filed this lawsuit challenging the temporary state law regulating school mask requirements. On Tuesday, a federal judge sided with them â€" putting a temporary stop on the law from being enforced.

MARY: SC SUPREME COURT MASKS      Tissot says she was thrilled and relieved at the ruling â€" and hopes districts will now do all they can to protect the health, safety, and rights of their students with disabilities. "It is pure

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-nats- a bitter battle over funding the federal government is underway on capitol hill...with the clock ticking away. With so many critical issues to address, the last thing the American people need right now is a government shutdown. congress has until midnight thursday to avert a shutdown that could furlough thousands and hamper government agencies. We've been saying for weeks now -- put a clean CR bill out there, keep government operating. We should never ever let the government shut down. That's simply unacceptable. republicans remain opposed to approving a funding bill tied to raising the debt ceiling...something congress must do by october 18 or face a new recession. "Democrats reckless taxing and spending spree will earn it zero votes from Senate Republicans."

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If Congress does not pass it... the U.S. government will run out of money tomorrow night. And, if they fail to raise the debt ceiling by the middle of October - the government could default on its loans for the first time in history. WTOC sat-down with Georgia Senator Raphael Warnock today.

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**SHUTDOWN** Here's what he had to say about the deep divide over these issues. 0:00:01

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(PKG) A TRILLION DOLLAR, BI-PARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE PACKAGE  
REMAINS IN LIMBO AS HOUSE SPEAKER NANCY PELOSI TRIES TO RALLY THE  
VOTESâ€¢ (SOT Pelosi) 16:24 We're on a path to win the vote. I don't want  
to even consider any options other than that, that's just the way that's,  
that's our culture. THE HOUSE SPEAKER SET A THURSDAY VOTEâ€¢ BUT  
DISAGREEMENT AMONG DEMOCRATS COULD BRING IT TO A HALT. (SOT  
Jayapal) ":54 she knows that our members or the majority of our members  
are going to vote no on the infrastructure bill without the reconciliation bill  
BRIDGE: Before they pass the infrastructure bill, PROGRESSIVES ARE  
PUSHING FOR AN AGREEMENT ON a LARGER SOCIAL SPENDING  
BILLâ€¢ WITH SENATOR BERNIE SANDERS URGING HOUSE DEMOCRATS TO  
dig in their heels. (sanderson) 2:20 I want the infrastructure bill to pass. I  
voted for it. I want it to pass. I'm a former mayor, but we got to pass both  
of them. BUT KEY MODERATES INCLUDING SENATOR JOE

CBS: BIDEN  
INFRASTRUCTURE 3:30

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Also happening now - a trillion dollar, bi-partisan infrastructure package  
remains in limbo as house speaker nancy pelosi tries to rally the votesâ€¢  
The house speaker set a vote todayâ€¢ but disagreement among democrats  
could bring it to a halt. Before they pass the infrastructure bill, progressives  
are pushing for an agreement on a larger social spending bill. The White  
House says the discussion and negotiations are ongoing and that  
BO: INFRA & BUDGET BILLS compromise is inevitable. WTOC will track that vote and let you know when  
it happens.

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youtube is now banning all false claims about medically-proven vaccinations. the video-sharing service already blocked anti-covid-vaccine information at the height of the pandemic. but now it's cracking down on \*all\* claims that vaccines are dangerous or cause health issues: like cancer, infertility or autism. "it takes a stand." dr. jeanine guidry (gid-ree) studies the influence of media on public health. she says even the best-intentioned people can be swayed by false claims. "if that information is less available, it's less likely they're going to encounter it. and that, that CBS: YOUTUBE matters because ultimately it's going to protect people." facebook, twitter CRACKDOWN and other social media outlets have been trying to

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"I'd also like to thank all of the state employees who took advantage of the extra day off of work on September 3rd to get vaccinated. 20,000 Georgians rolled up their sleeves that day which is the highest total for the entire month of September.' The governor also commended the front line works in the state.

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**ISSUE 21- ALERTING THE PUBLIC ON LOCAL CITY AND COUNTY ORDINANCES AND STAFF CHANGES. HOW LOCAL LEADERS ARE GUIDING RESIDENTS THROUGH THE PANDEMIC, GA STVR TAX CHANGES, TYBEE COUNCIL ON TEMP FIRE CHIEF, FAIRGROUNDS OPEN HOUSE, SAV. BUDGET WORKSHOP INCLUDING MONEY COMING IN FROM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT, SAV. AFFORDABLE HOUSING, HHI BUSINESS LICENSE, GULLAH LAND RULES, SAV. MILLAGE RATE, SAV .FAIRGROUNDS, WEEPING TIME PROPERTY STUDY, SAV. ARENA, CEMA HURRICANE ON COVID PLANS REINSTATED SAV. MASK MANDATE, FINES FOR STARFISH THIEVES, VIGIL FOR JOHN LEWIS, CITY MANAGER UPDATE, RICHMOND HILL TAX ALLOCATION, BUILDING CODES, HHI SOE REINSTATED, CHATHAM COUNTY REDISTRICTING, CAT TSA MASK MANDATE, SAV BIZ REACT TO GOV ORDER, VACCINE INCENTIVES FOR SAV. WORKERS, STATESBORO VACCINE INCENTIVES, VAN JOHNSON ON 9/11, MEETINGS ON TRANSPORTATION IN AREA, STATESBORO AFFORDABLE HOUSING, TYBEE STVR NEW RULES, RICEBORO MAYOR DIES OF COVID, MYR JOHNSON EVENT PERMIT UPDATE, TYBEE WATER AND SEWER ISSUES, NEW SAV CITY MANAGER MEET, SAV. VACCINE INCENTIVES, SARAH CITY EVENT PERMITS, RICHMOND HILL HALLOWEEN VOTE, SAV. COMMUNITY CENTERS REOPENING SOURCE: CHATHAM CO. COMMISSION,, SAV. CITY COUNCIL, ETC**

â€¢The President and CEO of the Tourism Leadership Council in Savannah says the new law levels the playing field between short term vacation rentals and traditional lodging. â€œIn a couple of ways it does. First off, for the first time, the \$5 hotel/motel fee will now be applicable to all short term vacation rentals and inns that have fewer than five rooms.â€ Another component of the new law also says short term vacation rentals also have to pay local excise tax, something Owens says has already been happening in Savannah. Owens: â€œWe have got really extraordinary compliance with short term vacation rentals operating here remitting all of the appropriate taxes. A lot of that has to do with the work that we did with the City and stakeholders several years ago.â€ Owens adds the new fees for STVRs arenâ€™t a tax on the businesses, rather, on the visitor. Owens: â€œOf course that visitor is helping in our community,

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"We'll see how it interacts with land. We'll see how it moves up the coast. We know it's coming. We just don't know where. It could veer to the west and we'd be totally out of the cone or it could push to the east and now we'd have a more significant event. Right now there are no plans to close anything. We're keeping a weather eye out for that. We're working with our partners at CEMA and in emergency management to advise us."

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TYBEE  
ISLAND  
CITY  
COUNCIL

PREVIEW

In just a few hours the council will gather here at the public safety building. City Manager Shawn Gillen says he's not sure if action will be taken tonight, but they will be discussing solutions for both of these topics. MINI Over the last few months, residents on the Island have voiced concern about the removal of the benches from several crossovers that were recently repaired. City Manager Shawn Gillen says the current permit they have with the DNR doesn't allow the pylons the benches sit on to be wider than 6 feet. This is for the protection of the dunes. Residents have asked the city to get a new permit to fix that. At tonight's (Thursday) meeting Gillen says the council will talk about the process of getting a new permit, but he's not sure it'll be voted on or not. If it does and it gets passed, Gillen says there's still an extensive process. SOT "If council wishes to do that we'll start the process of getting

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Council did not vote on a proposed agreement with Chatham Emergency Services. The original proposal came with strong opposition from residents. "we've got to keep our fire department in this community and not farming out to someone else. I'm devastated at the thought process could happen." "Chatham and American have a 30 minute response time. I think everybody in this room knows that." "As a business owner how will that set the Insurance, taxes, response time it will there be a subscription fee?" Council instead voted to expand the list of options outside of Chatham EMS with a physical presence on Tybee to temporarily fill the role as Fire Chief and Assistant Chief. The city manager and city attorney will have the next 7 to 10 days to find people to fit the role, if possible. As well as put the word out for a new chief to fill the Chief position permanently. The city is also looking to get feedback from the fire department as a whole. O

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DS OPEN  
HOUSE

Mayor Van Johnson and Alderwoman Estella Shabazz are hosting two open house community meetings for you to ask questions and talk with city leaders and the developers of the three proposals on the table. Those proposals include recreation facilities, a mini police station and a health clinic.

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They covered a lot of ground in the long meeting, including looking  
for a temporary fire chief and even voted on a first reading of a new  
marijuana ordinance. PKG "We want to make sure our staff, our  
firefighters, are getting led in a way that they can do their job without  
the additional stress of kind of leading each other." Mayor Shirley  
Sessions says the council decided to drop the proposed 90-day  
agreement with Chatham Emergency Services and instead instructed  
the city attorney and city manager to find someone to fill the role  
temporarily. "Within 7-10 days we expect to have recommendations  
on a temporary chief. At the same time open up, send out the  
application for a permanent chief." Sessions says this person could  
be someone from Savannah Fire or other surrounding fire  
departments. She says the person will be paid by the city and will be  
on the island as much as a permanent chief woul 0:02:15

7/12/2021 6PM OD      HHI 278 UPDATE      0:01:03

The popular road doesn't just get people onto the island... It also cuts through land, leaving many affected citizens with strong feelings on its future. Specifically the Gullah people have spoken out about how it can affect their traditional land. Last Wednesday the project was opened up to the voices of those it affects, as the town announced a public hearing website. Here's what they're looking for. "Just to understand the impact associated with what they think about it, just a comment in general. We'll take the comments back and look and see if there are areas that need to be tweaked as part of this or what was the general public sentiment on it. We're going through an environmental process that's very outlined in how the steps are taken to move through it, so this is the next step." On cam tag: For details on how you can voice your opinion, head over to this story on WTOC.com, and if you're int

7/12/2021 5PM OD      HHI BUSINESS LICENSE      0:01:41

As of right now, if your South Carolina business makes money in different cities or towns, you have to file paperwork with every town individually, and they don't all use the same system. Proponents of Act 176 say it will standardize the entire process, basically making everything to do with business licenses easier to figure out. Vo Here's what will change. April 30th will become the statewide due date to apply for a license. The business license tax year will be set as May 1st to April 30th. There will be one payment portal and the tax rate classification system will be simplified. Hilton Head town leaders says that change in tax rate affects nearly half of all businesses in the state. (Things for graphic standard April 30th due date for business license Standard license tax year May 1st - April 30th Standard payment portal Standard classification system for businesses)

Effingham County Chamber of Commerce CEO Andrew Cripps won't be walking halls of their West Third Street location much longer. "Well, for the next couple of weeks we're going to be moving." The Chamber packing up nearly 20 years of history, preparing for their next chapter. "We're moving eventually into the Co-Op Business Center in downtown Springfield." He says eventually because well, the building isn't ready quite yet. "James Carlson and his team will be renovating, much like they did the Carlson and Company building downtown." Work on the Co-Op building will start in about 60 days, and when completed. "The Co-Op Building will house three major businesses in the Springfield area. We are so excited to bring businesses and jobs to the area." Putting the Chamber right in the heart of a downtown that's prime for tremendous growth. "We're just so excited about stayi

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CHAMBER  
MOVING  
LOCATION

7/13/2021 7PM OD

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But the 55 and a half million dollars coming in through the American Rescue Plan Act has conditions on how and where it can be spent. Today, Savannahâ€™s chief financial officer broke down all the options, and what he says is likely the best way to spread the funds around. â€œWhen you boil it all down, when you look at these optionsâ€œwell what is the best way for Savannah to classify itâ€™s expendituresâ€œI think the best way is the third option there, to replace lost public sector revenue.â€ Maxwell backed up that recommendation, supported by interim City Manager Michael Brown, with this explanation. Maxwell: â€œBecause thatâ€™s the easiest, and it gives you the most latitude on how you actually spend the funds.â€ At-Large Alderwoman Alicia Miller Blakely asked about the funds being broken up to cover things like lost revenue, as well as helping residents directly with things like water bills. Interim City

SAVANNAH  
BUDGET  
WORKSHOP

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â€œWhen you boil it all down, when you look at these optionsâ€¦well what is the best way for Savannah to classify itâ€™s expendituresâ€¦I think the best way is the third option there, to replace lost public sector revenue.â€ Interim City Manager Michael Brown supports this idea. At-Large Alderwoman Alicia Miller Blakely asked for the money to go towards helping residents directly with things like water bills. Brown pointed out Chatham County also got 50-million dollars which could go toward those things. The mayor wants to see the money be used to bring city employees to a 15 dollar minimum wage and provide funding for non-profit agencies. None of the federal aide has been used yet.

6AM SAVANNAH  
DAYBREAK BUDGET  
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The Housing Savannah Task Force outlined five Strategies and Action Items in their report, and part of the first calls for a Housing Savannah Non-Governmental Organization to be formed by the end of this year. "Our vision was that there needed to be someone, some independent neutral advocate who was waking up everyday thinking about how to advance quality housing in our community." If formed, the task force would include representatives from the City of Savannah, Chatham County, the business community and philanthropists. Other strategies formed by the forty-member task force outline ways to help up to 15,000 homes by improving living conditions, and increasing and sustaining housing investments to 100-million dollars by 2032.

SAVANNAH Brynn Grant: "We had to develop some sort of road map that we AFFORDABL believed could meet the needs of this community. And there was a lot E HOUSING of difference of opinion on that

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Estimates from the Chatham County Board of Assessors Office show overall property values in Savannah are up by almost 7 percent from last year. The increased values mean the city will collect more property tax revenue if it keeps the current millage rate. Another option being considered is the rollback rate. The rollback rate would keep overall property tax revenues the same as last year which is why it's called the rollback rate. Here's where it gets personal. Take a look at your assessed property value for this year. You should have received a notice in the mail back in June. Your value is another factor in how much taxes you'll pay. Take for example a home in Savannah valued at \$250,000. In 2020 - the millage rate was 12.739. The homestead tax bill come out to 1,248.42. But this year - the appraised value went up by 7 percent. So your home is now valued at \$267,500 Take a look - If the city adopts the rollback rate - you're still lookin

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"What you see is a council that really wants to hear from residents and so this is an opportunity for us to be able to do that. This is an important decision and so we should have all the input that we should have, but ultimately the council elected by the citizens makes that decision."

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Developers presenting included the Savannah Bridge Development Team, the Knott Development Team and the P3 Joint Venture Group. The City opened this process up to the public this week so the community could see what could be built in their neighborhoods. Residents have made it clear they want facilities built that push the community forward. Throughout today's presentations, which included athletic fields, film production spaces and elderly housing, some concerns from council members ranged from possible gentrification, access and traffic. Mayor Johnson says public input and accountability are at the center of what they're trying to accomplish.

7/15/2021 6PM OD SAVANNAH FAIRGROUNDS MEETING 0:01:05

Back in 2019 the Hilton Head town council set 37 recommendations that would help the Gullah people. Next week two of those, land use rules called "family compound" and "family subdivision," could take a step closer to reality. Current rules prevent some of these family-owned lands from being built up, meaning some Gullah families have to sell their family land in hopes of finding somewhere else that they can actually build on. Sot: (Sheryse DuBose - Historic Neighborhoods Preservation Administrator) "It allows people to be able to use their property. The family compound family subdivision allows people to just build on that property and live on it, rather than be compelled to sell it because they can't build on it." Vo: TYLER: HEIRS PROPERTY LEGISLATION Passing down family land is tradition in these neighborhoods, so selling and losing it is devastating for them and the island. Sot: "Gullah people are tied to the land and once they start to leave that's the culture of this is 0:01:32

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ii Three developers...two hours and plenty of questions from city council members. That's how today's workshop on the Fairgrounds went. Developers spent time trying to tackle a wide range of issues pressing residents of the 5th district. From gentrification (43:03) "There's no reason why the apartments or any of the housing that would be developed on the Fairgrounds site to generate gentrification." Poverty (1:49:55) "Savannah's poverty rate is 22%. And the poverty rate for the Fairground community as stated in a memorandum by City Manager Michael Brown, is 36.6%. It's way past time to strategically tackle this within our city." And food insecurity...(54:00) "We recognize food deserts and food insecurities are real challenges for this area. we are more than happy to entertain opportunities to br

7/15/2021 11PM OD COUNCIL ON FAIRGROUND PROPOSALS 0:01:49

Sean: With the delay of the budget a few weeks back, there were pay increases for county employees that were delayed. Commission made sure that they took care of that today. Chairman Chester Ellis - Chatham County Commission "There are 64 employees who were due raises as of July 1, we did not pass the budget. But we can make it retroactive so that they can get their raises that they're entitled to." The budget approved today was the same proposed by county staff. County Commission Chairman Chester Ellis said that could change down the road. Ellis: "Pass the budget now, and then we'll come back in January at mid-term. We calculated on two percent rather than four." Chairman Ellis is referencing the projected tax digest for the next fiscal year, or how much the county will receive from property CHATHAM CO. taxes. Ellis added by passing a balanced budget that isn't factoring in as 2022 BUDGET much tax revenue as expected, that could leave the County with additiona 0:01:52

"this is the notice. I mean I think I was very clear when we lifted the mask mandate that if the numbers kept on a downward trend we would release those, but at the point at which they started getting back in the dangerous range which we are now that some of these restrictions would come back." The mayor says conversations with medical professionals are happening as he seeks their guidance. In the last two weeks our Community Transmission Index more than doubled and in just the last 24 hours it's gone up 10%. For Mayor Johnson seeing us above this benchmark might mean masking and capacity limits, but it's not a popular decision. "We don't get into this job to do what's popular we get into this job to do what's right. And so for us, the reason why our city has been able to recover so quickly is because we did what was right and not what was popular and we reaped the benefits of that." As

SAVANNAH  
MASK RULES  
LATEST

7/16/2021 6PM OD

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Good Trouble...that's the message being spread throughout the country tonight in honor of Representative John Lewis. Two of Savannah's former Mayors. And current Mayor Van Johnson credited their ability to hold positons in office to him. "Someone battled. Soneone died so I would have the ability and the opportunity to be able to follow in the great footsteps of these great leaders. To add to that Floyd Adams...to be able to sit where I sit today." Calling for action... "I remember the struggle of the 60's and here we are fighting the same fight all over again." And the passage of the John Lewis Voting Rights Act. "Somebody that endured being bussed across his head. So we would have the opportunity to assemble where we are today and demand re-dress from our government. It's named in honor of a man who fought the good fight and has finished his course." The Mayor says voter s

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11PM JOHN LEWIS

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		"There will be no further council action on this matter." Mayor Van Johnson says - the city is officially moving-on from the debate, over the site at 2305 Augusta Avenue. The city hired Brockington & Associates to do an archeological survey on the land. They found the land it is NOT where the Weeping Time slave auction happened. But opponents say - they aren't done fighting. "We are here today to present our disappointment in the city's review." The 'Weeping Time Coalition' held a press conference today - to express their disappointment with the findings. They accuse the city of pushing for a biased study... and say they didn't get a seat at the table during it. "Today, we're fighting for the soul of savannah... to the people of west savannah. we have not even been given the crumbs off the table." Mayor Johnson says - he understands the desire, to better honor the Weeping Time.	
7/20/2021 6PM OD	WEEPING TIME PROPERTY STUDY		0:00:01
7/20/2021 6PM OD	SAVANNAH ARENA LATEST	â€¢The Enmarket Arena is nearly weathered in, meaning the inside will be completely protected from the elements. So now, crews have essentially begun transitioning to the interior work like dry wall. Soon they'll also start pouring the floor where the ice will go for the hockey team, and then installing seats. City staff tells me they're approaching the portion of the project where they'll have the highest number of workers inside the arena, about 300 workers a day starting in the next couple weeks. On the banner revealing the new name of the arena today was a line saying it's opening this coming January, and city staff explained why that is.	0:00:00

We expect full operations, complete project in February. We're working with the operators to schedule a show at partial capacity in January, more details will come on that. But the operators, they want a chance to work out all the kinks, make sure that all the operations are working, have sort of a live dress rehearsal before we have a full-capacity show.

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Sometimes a vote helps, and just to get past it. That's also the way that democracy works. There's a vote and then a decision happens, and government moves on until that issue is revisited. I think what I can do is find common ground, and make sure that they understand the common ground, and give them an opportunity to work together. So the short answer is, find common ground. At the end of the day, what I see is a lot of times that type of behavior is out of distrust, because they don't trust people. And sometimes it just takes a neutral party to come in to help reunite that, and be the party that is just moving things forward.

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â€¢Sean: Mayor Johnson told us during the weekly news conference on Tuesday that council will discuss which of the three city manager finalists they want for the job during executive sessionâ€¢; and if they reach a consensus, 5 to 4 or better, then theyâ€™ll add a vote to the regular meeting agenda tonight. Vo: This has been more than two years in the making, as weâ€™ve seen now two interim city managers take the helm of the city administration since former city manager Rob Hernandez stepped down. Current interim city manager committed to staying on as interim until council offered the job permanently to a candidate, so weâ€™ll see if that happens tonight with one of the three finalists. Tag: Executive session is closed to the public, but no official votes will be taken during that meeting, they can only vote in open session. The regular meeting begins at 6:30 tonight. In Savannahâ€¢!

4PM PRACTICE  
7/22/2021 NEWSCAST

SEAN SAVANNAH CITY COUNCIL

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Experts say the number and kind of starfish that have washed up here on Tybee is an unusual sight to see. They say the last time this many washed up was about 20 years ago. VO Since mid-July Dr. Joe Richardson with Tybee Beach Ecology Trips says starfish have washed up on the beach by the hundreds. Richardson says he believes this has happened because of recent storms stirring up the ocean floor causing the starfish to be lifted up and carried away in the current. He says it's totally safe for people to pick them up, but that they must put them back in the water afterward. If starfish are left out of the water they'll dry up, become brittle and die. Tybee police also say taking a live animal, like a starfish, off the beach can be a \$300 fine. SOT "This kind of starfish, the Gray Starfish, lives out off shore in deeper water and they're not a normal shoreline sort of animal. I don't know how long

MARIAH:  
STARFISH  
THIEVES

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Hilton Head town council passed two rules for land use, called "Family compound" and "family subdivision," on Tuesday. The Gullah community and town of Hilton Head hope they both help protect native land going forward... which they say is the most important thing to continue their culture. "Everything is about the land, it's the heart of the community, it's what we were raised to keep and preserve and save for future generations." Vo: They hope it's one step toward better protecting Gullah land. DuBose says the town's next move will help the community in a different way. Those next plans involve creating a Gullah market and allowing roadside signs for people selling seasonal items. Sot: "It's giving entrepreneurial opportunity for Gullah people as well as promoting the culture, because when you're selling your wears, when you're selling Gullah arts and crafts you're, you know, s

7/23/2021 4:30PM OD      GULLAH LAND RULES FOLO      0:01:13

The president and CEO of the Tourism Leadership Council here in Savannah said the 9-0 vote was encouraging, especially on a decision as big as naming the head of the city's administration. "I think a nine and oh vote speaks volumes about the qualifications of this individual, and what our leadership believe he's going to be able to accomplish in our community." The TLC's Michael Owens says it's crucial for the city and private business to have a working relationship, adding some of the most successful programs that Savannah has seen in times of need are thanks to public/private partnerships. Owens: "It's working together that we've accomplished the best things in our community, and we'll certainly have to have a city manager who understands the importance of bringing all folks into helping government, and for government helping them. It is a symbiosis." Owens also says ha

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7/26/2021 5PM OD

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"I could sit here and talk about a novela of what's went on within the last year, but as a small businesses, as a savannnahian, as a Broughton Street business I mean you know we're here and we've gone through things before, but most of all we just, we show up and suit up and put out." Ruel Joyner is owner of 24E and says they are starting to build back after the past year and a half. He says the mayor's change to the mask guidance won't change anything in his store. "I think it's great that the mayor is being proactive, but you know I think overall that people just need to use common sense and most of all stay calm." Just down the road is Namaste Savannah where staff are back to wearing their masks despite being fully vaccinated. They say they aren't sure what else will be required or how it changes the return of customers they have seen.

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â€œWill folks be required to wear masks at those events while indoors?â€  
Mayor Van Johnson - City of Savannah â€œCorrect. Yes.â€ The Mayor making clear there the most recent mask mandate extends to events at the city-owned Civic Center. The building is actually managed by Oak View Group, the company contracted by the city to handle operations. OVG sent us a statement today saying their events will continue as plannedâ€; and MASKS AT THE that theyâ€™ve strengthened their already rigorous sanitation process and SAV CIVIC procedures throughout the Savannah Civic Center. Oak View Group went CENTER on to say -in part - quoteâ€;

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		Last week, Savannah City Council unanimously voted to appoint Lloyd to the role, just before voting for Lloyd's fellow finalist to take the job permanently. I asked Lloyd how he feels about Council not selecting him as the next city manager, but entrusting him with the role on an interim basis for the next six weeks. "I think the message from Council is, again the word that you used, is trust in me. I think the message from Council is that I need a little more time and there are other things that I can work on to be a better city manager." For the next six weeks, Lloyd says he's going to soak in the experience and learn as much as he can, and prepare the organization for transition. Lloyd: "I think the next six weeks are going to be a function of what are the important things that I need to hand off to the permanent city manager." Lloyd says that includes budget items, public safety updates an	
7/30/2021 6PM OD	SAVANNAH INTERIM CITY MANAGER		0:00:00
8/2/2021 6PM OD	CHATHAM CO. AMERICAN RESCUE FUNDS	â€¢This is something we saw the city of Savannah start to hash out during their mid-year budget retreat a couple weeks ago. Like the city of Savannah, the county will get a direct deposit of American Rescue Plan Act funding because they serve a population larger than 200-thousand. Unlike the city of Savannah, Chatham County has tougher rules on how they use the funding, thatâ€™s according to County Manager Lee Smith. For instance, the county has less time to tell the feds how theyâ€™ll spend their first ARPA installment of just over 28-million dollars. The first draft has to be done by the end of this month. I caught up with one commissioner during that exercise to see what was most eye opening about todayâ€™s talks.	0:00:01

		Savannah Alderwoman At-Large for Post 1 Kesha Gibson-Carter and Alderwoman At-Large for Post 2 Alicia Miller-Blakely spoke with dozens of residents about issues the city faces now. One topic was property taxes increasing and the city of Savannah's millage rate. City council will vote on whether to keep the millage rate at 12.739 mills, next week. Both Alderwomen say they'd like to see the city roll back the rate. "12.4 will bring us just as much revenue as the previous year. On August 12, we will have the opportunity to roll it back." Another topic discussed tonight is what the city could do with money from the American Rescue Plan. The city received \$55.5 million from the Biden Administration. "We need to do something to assist our constituents with those high water bills with that ARP money." Both alderwomen also like to see citizens included in the discussion on where the funds wil	
8/3/2021 11PM OD	ALDERWOME N AT LARGE TOWN HALL		0:02:23
	MAYOR JOHNSON COVID UPDATE	Mayor Van Johnson - City of Savannah "Personally, I think that this demand is backwards. And if more people were getting vaccinated, there would not be an increased need for testing. Think about itâ€¢ more people would be vaccinated, there wouldn't be a need for testing. So if people can take the time to get tested, they can take the time to get vaccinated."	0:00:22
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		Mayor Johnson also pointed out at today's news conference a change coming this week to a vaccine site that's been hosted by the city for months. Starting Thursday, vaccines will be given at the Savannah Fire Department headquarters on Oglethorpe Avenue, replacing the vaccine clinic at the Savannah Civic Center. Mayor Johnson says this will allow health care workers to focus on the increased demand for COVID-19 testing at the Civic Center instead.	0:00:25
8/3/2021 6PM OD	MAYOR JOHNSON COVID UPDATE		

Meanwhile it's been just over a week since Savannah re-implemented a mask mandate, covering places like city government buildings, hospitals and early childhood centers. Mayor Van Johnson says they'll know in a few weeks whether the change is having a positive effect on the virus' transmission rate, and can be walked back. He also said starting Tomorrow, vaccines will be given at the Savannah Fire Department headquarters on Oglethorpe Avenue, replacing the clinic at the Savannah Civic Center. He said this will let healthcare workers focus on the increased demand for testing at the Civic Center instead.

The City of Beaufort is instituting a mask mandate inside all city facilities in an effort to slow the growing number of hospitalizations at Beaufort Memorial. The city's mayor says if cases continue to rise, all measures are on the table.

LL City Manager Shawn Gillen says people have been recommended for the interim role, but no one has been selected. VO Gillen says the city is still working with Chatham Emergency Services to find a qualified person to be the interim fire chief. This is all being done while the search for the permanent fire chief is also going on. Gillen says within the next week council will decide if they even still want to move forward with finding an interim chief or if they'd prefer the on-duty lieutenants to continue leading the department for the time being. SOT "Right now our lieutenants are handling things on a day-to-day basis in a really great way, but we don't want to overburden them for a long period of time. So, we're going to make a decision here over the next week or so which direction we want to go with that." LLTAG Gillen says, of course, if there's ever a time when the lieutenants need ext

TYBEE FIRE CHIEF SEARCH 8/5/2021 6PM OD 0:01:00

The Mayor of Richmond Hill says the Tax Allocation District has been in the works for a couple of years. He says the way it works, is the city will leverage the tax base of a specific area for development. "A developer will partner with the City and use some of this TAD money to build new infrastructure, new commercial space to attract obviously new business to Richmond Hill." Mayor Carpenter says this is just another tool in the toolbox that will help their quickly growing city keep up. "I'm looking forward to a new Exit 87 and other areas, not just there along the interchange...but some revitalization and new development to get ahead of the game, especially with the infrastructure, which we're usually trying to catch up. So maybe this will help us be ahead of it." He wants taxpayers to know your bills aren't going up. "It's

RH TAX ALLOCATION 8/6/2021 6PM OD 0:01:10

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8/7/2021 SATURDAY OD ALLOCATION

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SAVANNAH  
CHAMBER  
COVID  
UPDATE  
8/11/2021 6PM OD

â€¢ The Savannah Area Chamber of course supports the Governor's efforts to get as many Georgians vaccinated as possible. And what we're on that end is trying to, not trying to, but reminding our members in the business community to encourage their employees to get vaccinated. Jared Downs handles governmental relations for the Savannah Area Chamber. He says right now, in addition to a still diminished workforce, a lack of vaccinated employees is one of the issues employers are dealing with in the Hostess City. Downs: â€œThe more that get vaccinated, the less that are going to get sick or seriously ill. And right now, hospitals are filling up. So if you're sick, you're not able to work. So that's an issue.â€ Last summer, the Chamber and City partnered up on the Savannah Safe Pledge help the business community curb the spread of COVID-19. Downs says Chamber leaders are again discussing star

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"You know everyone who comes in the room says it's beautiful, but I stumble a lot when I come back here." To show us just how uneven the floors are... Brenda Shaw grabbed a golf ball. She rolls the ball one way and then it starts to roll backwards - following the slope of the floor. According to this private home inspection report, the foundation is not level. In some places, it's off by more than one inch with enough room to fit a No. 2 pencil. One estimate to fix it? "Sixty one thousand one hundred dollars. And they tell me there is no fixing, it has to be demolished because of the foundation." So how did things get to this point? In 2017, Brenda Shaw and her husband hired Johnny Fleming with A&E Construction to build a 400 square foot addition to their home in Hinesville. But the permit he pulled from the city of Hinesville... was in someone else's name. City building inspectors came out to her house and approved the work, every

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8/16/2021 5PM OD REINSTATED this emergency action right now on WTOC dot com. 0:00:14

8/16/2021 NOON OD      MAYOR JOHNSON COVID UPDATE

"COVID is growing out of control in our city. And if things don't change quickly, increased measures will be necessary to protect public health, safety and welfare." Mayor Johnson says those increased measures could include postponing or cancelling events in public spaces and revoking event permits. The Mayor is meeting with local health care leaders later this week to discuss next steps.

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8/16/2021 4PM OD      HILTON HEAD ISLAND STATE OF EMERGENCY

"It also gives the town manager the latitude to implement some additional precautions here within the town and what he has done is his extended, we are all currently wearing masks when whenever we are in common spaces or in direct contact with anyone, so when he's done is his extended that to include the public. So anyone who visits a town facility will be required to wear a mask." Hilton Head Island town council is discussing if they should add more COVID-19 mitigating strategies during tomorrow's council meeting.

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Sean: COVID was around during last years hurricane season, so potentially evacuating in a pandemic is something CEMA says they're prepared for. "Last year we put in protective measures in order to be able to safely evacuate people out of the county while still in that COVID environment." CEMA Director Dennis Jones says that means people will still report to an evacuation staging area, with masks required. People who are not part of the same family unit will be socially distanced, including on the buses and eventually at shelters in inland Georgia counties. Jones: "Prior to the COVID environment, we were able to maximize the space inside of a bus. Now that we're in this environment, we have to make sure non-family units are socially distanced. So that does require more assets, this requires more people obviously, and also in the destination it's going to require more space at the destination." Jones says those p

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Dozens of Hilton Head residents filled the halls and town council meeting room Tuesday to protest against masks "If you are truly saying "We are all in this together" then let us do what is right for us and do not force your masks on us." This comes just 24 hours after Mayor John McCann signed a state of emergency declaration. "Quite frankly we don't trust you. You haven't given us any reason to trust you over the past 18 months and we believe that somewhere in the state of emergency the next thing is going to be the masks and that's why we're here and that's why we're here and we're not happy with them today.â€ Adults and

HHI ANTI some children held signs and chanted. \*\*nat pop\*\* SHAME! SHAME!  
MASKERS CUT SHAME!" One by one multiple residents took turns speaking in front of  
MEETING council including resident Arlene Brown. "It's not good for our community.  
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8/17/2021 11PM OD      SHORT      It's not good for our country. It's not good for the world to be put one ag      0:01:44

"We're looking at the county employees. We've had several departments affected. Folks who have been vaccinated, they live with folks who are unvaccinated or they're around some and they've been carrying it into the workplace. So we looked at our numbers and the county workforce is just at 43 percent, so we need to do something about that right away. Ellis says getting more people vaccinated is a priority - especially because we now know the delta variant is leading to breakthrough cases.

8/19/2021 5PM OD      CHATHAM COMMISH LEG. BREAKFAST      0:00:09

Since representing Chatham County's seventh district, Commissioner Dean Kicklighter has seen some massive changes. What once included Port Wentworth and the Georgetown areas, Kicklighter's district now only covers a portion of Garden City, most of Bloomingdale and Pooler and some portions of unincorporated Chatham. Commissioner Dean Kicklighter - Dist. 7 "West Chatham County, we're leading the county with growth. Last time it absolutely exploded, and the seventh district had to lose over half of its land mass just to redistrict and have equal numbers." Though the latest Census data numbers are still being crunched, Commissioner Kicklighter says he expects much the same this Census cycle. Kicklighter: "I expect a huge shakeup in the seventh district, in the eighth district which runs into Port Wentworth, and also in the fifth district which runs out on the southwest side of the county. So fifth, seventh and eighth will probably have massive

8/19/2021 6PM OD      CHATHAM CO. REDISTRICTIN G PLAN      0:01:20

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Sean: The extension of the federal mask mandate on board the buses was something CAT representatives say they saw coming, especially with a recent spike in COVID cases locally. TSA announced the extension this week, adding requiring masks is meant to minimize the spread of COVID-19 on all public transportation. CAT says their ridership has largely been understanding of the measure, realizing it's meant to protect them and CAT drivers and employees alike. CAT adds they still have plenty of masks to hand out to riders that don't have one. A representative for the transit system says they thought we'd be at a point in the pandemic where restrictions would start to be scaled back, like increasing capacity on buses, not extending restrictions. Eric Curl - Chatham Area Transit "I was hoping CAT TSA MASK we wouldn't be talking about masks, we'd be talking about increasing POLICY capacity. But unfortunately things are going the wrong way. So we won't be UPDATE able to do that at 0:01:10 8/20/2021 5PM OD

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6AM CAT TSA MASK  
DAYBREAK POLICY  
8/21/2021 SATURDAY OD UPDATE

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7AM CHATHAM CO.  
DAYBREAK REDISTRICTIN  
8/22/2021 SUNDAY OD G PLAN

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One of the events affected for the second year in a row by pandemic-related restrictions is the Savannah Jazz Festival. In its 40th year, it was supposed to happen September 23-26 at Forsyth Park. The festival's Interim Executive Director, Paula Fogarty, tells me the show will go on and be live-streamed from Savannah Station. The Savannah Philharmonic's "Phil the Park" event - formerly known as picnic in the park - is another major upcoming music event that could look different this year. Organizers tell me it won't be cancelled, but that they're finalizing their contingency plan and will announce their decision on how the event will happen next week, as well as if and when they decide to change it. Organizers add it will not be virtual only. "The City will offer whatever assistance we can to ensure that these events can be executed in a virtual or hybrid format." Mayor Johnson added no new permits will be issued

SEAN:  
EMERGENCY  
ORDER  
UPDATED  
8/24/2021 5PM OD

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VAN JOHNSON OUTCUE: "...this is a race to the bottom that we're trying hard to seem to win." The governor said last week the executive order is aimed at making sure businesses don't get shutdown.

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They approved a vaccination clinic at City Hall on September 1 that will offer \$50 gift cards to the first 200 people who get the shot. They also approved a plan that would let people come here after they've been vaccinated and show their card. That would get them registered in a drawing for cash prizes like \$500, \$1,000, or a grand prize of \$5,000.

DAL: STATESBORO VAX INCENTIVES

8/24/2021 4:30PM OD 0:00:50

	DAL: STATESBORO VAX INCENTIVES	So this is the space we're in. And what we want to do is use that positive behavior support and let people know that this is an "all of us" thing. They'll offer drawing prizes like laptops, headphones and more for those under 18 who want to get vaccinated.	0:00:07
8/24/2021 4:30PM OD	CITY OF SAV VACCINE INCENTIVE	"I'm proposing for council's agenda a resolution to direct the city manager to work with his counterparts at the county, school board and CAT to create and implement such a program with consistent incentives and (inaudible)...by dates. We believe that this will be a significant step in helping our community become vaccinated."	0:00:26

8/25/2021 5PM OD

TYBEE CITY  
COUNCIL  
PREVIEW

Just last week Tybee Island leaders added the STVR moratorium resolution to their agenda. A broker with the Jenny Rutherford Real Estate team says not only did residents have short notice about it, but a moratorium is not something the town even needs. "We've got over 34 properties on Tybee under contract that are in the middle of going to closing that are at jeopardy. A lot of these buyers are planning to use their property as a vacation rental." However, others disagree. Resident Mack Kitchens says there's too many STVR's already and the island isn't designed to accommodate the amount of people they bring in. "If you put two people in each one of those bedrooms we are doubling our residency here. Over doubling." The moratorium would prevent people from registering their property as an STVR for at least six months. The idea is that it'll give the city time to reso

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8/26/2021 5PM OD

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MAYORS  
REVISION

"The way that I see that helps our local health systems is that right now, we're in a tremendous surge, and events like large gatherings that would create the risk of many people being infected all at once is part of what creates, complicates these surges. If we can avoid large numbers of individuals being exposed and infected during this resurgence period, it will help out the health system." WTOC will keep tracking this data and updates from community leaders. More information about COVID-19 in your area is available right now on WTOC dot com.

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After getting advice from local health leaders on COVID cases in our area, the time to act was now. " We need to really sound the alarm that things are dangerous out there. We just have to do all we can from our end to ensure that we keep people safe." With changes to the emergency order official, now the city's trying to increase vaccination rates among their staff and the county's staff. Interim City Manager Heath Lloyd will meet with leaders at Chatham Area Transit, Chatham County Commission and Savannah Chatham County Public School System leaders to put together a plan to vaccinate more city and county employees. "We're not working in silos anymore. It's very important that this wheel that we are trying to maintain, all of the missing parts are going in the same direction." The mayor says less than 50 percent of city employees are vaccinated. The city fea

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8/27/2021 DAYBREAK OD	6AM	630AM CHATHAM CITY COUNCIL	SAV:COUNCIL VAX INCENTIVES

			At 5 PM on September 3, the Moses Jackson center, along with 16 other community centers in Savannah, will close. The Director of recreation and leisure services says while this decision is upsetting, it is one way to protect the community. VO The Director says he didn't expect the closures to come but looking at the community's COVID-19 case numbers, he says the closures will help stop the spread of the virus. But the closures will also affect lots people, especially the seniors and kids, who use the community centers. "Kids aren't able to socialize, nor are seniors, with their friends. You know, if you can remember back when you were a kid, that was a big part of life." The Director hopes the closures are temporary and believes the community can help open the centers back up. "The more people that get vaccinated, the closer we'll get to being able to reopen. Hopefully that will happen soon in la	
8/27/2021 5PM OD	SAV COMM. CENTERS CLOSED FOLO			0:01:18
			" i'll be honest with you the most of them have been employees. We've had 41 positive cases in our Police Department. The couple that with some of the concerns we're dealing with as a relates to vacancies, you see the problem that we're going to have." Van Johnson says less than half of city employees are vaccinated, and the city fears a shutdown may be in the future if more cases keep popping up. He says there have been 107 positive cases in staff since July 23rd.	
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Stephen Murray / City of Beaufort Mayor "I think a lot of us were sad and disappointed to see the spike come back and we are talking with our medical providers on a weekly basis and our hospital capacity is seriously strained and heading in the wrong direction. I think I had hoped that once vaccines were out there, people would just go and get them, we would beat covid and a high percentage of folks that received the vaccines so I am sad to see we are in this position again." Mayor Murray says that the way to get through this is coming together as a community and talk about the issues and get questions answered,

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8/31/2021 5PM OD

MAYOR  
JOHNSON

COVID LATEST incentive program for City staff by next week. "Ob

Mayor Johnsons says the numbers speak for themselves. "Last week, all eight counties in the Coastal Health District set new records for COVID-19 transmission and hospitalizations also hit an all-time high." With Labor Day approaching and a busy month of events in October, the Mayor says what the rest of the year looks like will be purely cause and effect. "If we hunker down now, and do what we're supposed to do, and our numbers are trending down...or holding steady..then we get the opportunity to talk about October. If we have a significant bump in September, then we start cancelling stuff for October and November." The mayor has said less than 50-percent of city staff are fully vaccinated and they want that number to grow. "In terms of mandatory vaccinations for our employees. It's still on the table." The mayor is hoping to have more information on the vaccine

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Today -- Beaufort Memorial and the city of Beaufort are teaming up for a new effort to relieve strain on hospitals and get the community vaccinated. Beaufort Memorial E-R Doctor Luke Baxley will join Mayor Murray for a Facebook Live discussion about the current situation in the hospital because of covid. After an update -- they will start taking some questions on the facebook feed about the vaccine -- this can be anything from it's efficacy, booster shots, vaccines for children and any concerns about fertility. They expect the live stream to last about 45 minutes. We have a link to the discussion on our website, WTOC.com.

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4:30AM 9/1/2021 DAYBREAK OD	PROGRAM		

(sot) The vaccine clinic here at Statesboro City Hall drew dozens of people to get their shot..and drew vocal opposition. (vo) A few at a time, people registered outside to go inside for the vaccination. Some say they planned for this and others came on the spur of the moment. (sot) I was coming by and saw the sign about the free shots and I thought "if they're having it at City Hall, it must be important." (vo) City leaders say they picked September 1 for a reason. (sot) First of the month is when we have quite a bit of traffic coming into City Hall. In this case, we're trying to capitalize on people coming through. (vo) Outside, two women distributed flyers with anti-vaccination information and links to articles. They gave one to folks signing up for the shot. (sot) ..and it's very important that all people who receive anything into th

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STATESBORO  
VACCINE  
INCENTIVES

9/1/2021 4:30PM OD

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Chatham County Commission Chairman Chester Ellis set the tone at the beginning of today's meeting. "We will not be drawing lines today. We will be getting to know the process." Chatham County Commissioners and Board of Education members, along with their respective administrators and legal teams lined the sides of the room, listening in as Metropolitan Planning Commission Executive Director Melanie Wilson explained the process of using Census data to re-balance Chatham County's eight districts. "First we look at the population. That is first and foremost. And then we go back and look at what the distribution of race and ethnicity and things of that nature." According to the latest Census data, the County's population climbed from around 265-thousand to 295-thousand people over the last ten years. Experiencing the most growth, is the western edge

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First of the month is when we have quite a bit of traffic coming into City Hall. In this case, we're trying to capitalize on people coming through. City leaders say the gift cards might not be the only incentive they have in store

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STATESBORO They say they're still finalizing the details of a sweepstakes project where people could get vaccinated and sign up for a chance at cash and prizes. He expects to have the details at Tuesday's council meeting.

5AM VACCINE  
9/2/2021 DAYBREAK OD INCENTIVES

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"Sunday I will be declaring September the 12th as Savannah Day. Savannah September the 12th. 9-1-2. And I'm asking all Savannahians to do something special to show love for the place we all love and the place we are blessed to call home." You just heard from Savannah Mayor Van

VAN JOHNSON Johnson. He has declared September 12th as Savannah Day. Mayor Van SAVANNAH Johnson made the announcement the new day today. He says its a day to celebrate our great city.

9/7/2021 4:30PM OD DAY

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"We will see in two weeks what the unofficial end of summer did to our covid metrics here in Savannah. In Chatham County our 7 day rolling average of new cases still sits at around 270 after peaking a 306.1 last week." Mayor Johnson went on to say that the covid-19 community VAN JOHNSON transition index was the second highest we've seen last week. That's next UPDATE: to the highest CTI chatham county has seen which was recorded the week COVID before.

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After the initial shock of the attacks, Mayor Johnson says he was angry, wanted those responsible to pay, and was worried about his loved who worked near the towers. "My mind went immediately to my brother-in-law my family and friends. I had a family that I have that worked in the world trade center around the World trade Center could not reach anybody for quite some time." Mayor Johnson grew up in Brooklyn, New York. While he was not living in New York on Sept. 11, he remembers clearly being pulled out of a meeting to watch the news. "My initial thought was to drive to New York and was talked out of that. It was really a very helpless feeling." He says his parents home is in the flight path of John F. Kennedy 911: VAN International Airport and they didn't know what was going to happen. "If JOHNSON ON planes are the weapons then the planes could be anywhere or fall ATTACKS anywhere." BUTTED - "I knew of some people I knew a family memb

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	VAN JOHNSON: PARKLET PROGRAM	"It has to be evaluated city-wide, first of all. Secondly, there has to be rules associated with that. There has to be some design standards about how we would expect for parklets to be maintained, then there has to be a fee assessed. Because as you know, parking is very valuable, it's a premium, that's a cost to the city. And we need to be able to recover that cost." Johnson says it's his expectation that the program details will be finalized by the beginning of next year.	0:00:31
9/7/2021 5PM OD	VAN JOHNSON UPDATE: LABOR DAY COVID	"At the end of the day, our actions now dictate what happens to us in the coming weeks. On one end of it, we see pictures, we see videos of people...young people and older people...in public spaces, very close proximity, no masks. Then we're wondering why our positivity rate in our schools are up. Well, if parents are not vaccinated or acting responsibly, then obviously they go home, their children catch it. So again, we just have to decide as a community what it is we want to be able to do."	0:00:44

(sot) Holding a sweepstakes to motivate people to get their vaccinations sounds like a good idea, but Statesboro city leaders found out it isn't that easy or simple. (vo) City manager Charles Penny told mayor and council the Georgia Municipal Association advised them not to hold a contest where vaccinated people registered for cash and prizes. Instead, he said, the city can fund the cash and prizes but must find a non-profit group to run it. (sot) So we're excited about the opportunity. We know we've got several non-profit organizations that have worked well with us in the past. (vo) At the same time, they talked about some of the large community events on the horizon - like the Kiwanis Fair parade in October that packs sidewalks all the way through town. With covid case numbers where they are, big crowds could lead to a big spread. (sot) I want the fair. I want the parad

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VACCINE  
INCENTIVES

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Come election time ,all Chatham County polling locations will be open.

CHATHAM CO That's according to Chatham county Board of elections member Antwan  
ELECTIONS Lang. As WTOC toured the new Board of Elections Annex today, Lang said  
RECRUITING the majority of poll workers are older. But that's changing this cycle.

9/8/2021 11PM OD

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TRANSPORTATION MEETING

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A public meeting was held tonight to get input from the four county region on transportation in the region - Hampton, Colleton, Jasper and Beaufort counties. This input will help to identify transportation needs for the next 20 years. Residents could join in online as well as in person. Two different plans are happening. One focusing on rural areas in the four counties.

Another focusing on the urban areas in the four counties. The council is

open to any and all input on how to improve transportation in the lowcountry.

9/8/2021 4:30PM OD

DAL:  
STATESBORO  
AFFORDABLE  
HOUSING

â€¢ (sot) Statesboro's new Affordable Housing plan took months to prepare. But city leaders hope it can help people for years and decades to come. (vo) Council members approved the city's plan Tuesday with little fanfare. But they hope it helps them help homeowners and landlords improve the quantity and quality of affordable housing. (sot) We've identified several neighborhoods to the west of downtown and to the Northeast of downtown. We've put them in what we call an Urban Redevelopment Area. (vo) The city will put some of their federal covid funds toward helping improve disadvantaged housing. But the housing plan will also help them qualify for more funding in the future. (sot) We believe that we can transform this community over the next five years where every child can come home to a house that they can be proud of. (vo) Field says the plan is

		LL These three ordinances are in their second reading tonight. This means they will officially go into effect if council votes for them to pass. VO The big talker out of the three is the new fee structure for short term vacation rentals. Previously, owners had to pay a \$100 renewal fee every year with no additional charges. City Manager Shawn Gillen says Tonight's vote would make it a \$200 base fee for renewals plus other fees based on the number of people staying there. Gillen says this is because when there's more people who stay overnight there's more need for police, code enforcement and fire services. SOT "So it's a three tiered structure. People who have STVRs that on their application put 1-5 occupancy will pay \$10 per person on top of a \$200 base rate. The 6-10 occupancy level, they'll pay \$15 per person and over ten it'll be \$20 per person. The bigger your STVR the more you'll pay." LL Like we mention	0:00:59
9/9/2021 4PM OD	MARIAH: TYBEE COUNCIL PREVIEW		
9/10/2021 4:30PM OD	SEAN: CHATHAM CO SEA LEVEL	"We're going to be looking at Chatham County in its entirety. A lot of folks think when we're talking about climate change, when we're talking about ocean rise, we're just talking about Tybee. But it's more than that, it's the entire Chatham County." The meeting will be live-streamed and broadcast on the County's channel. If you want to attend in person, you're encouraged to sign up now, as space is limited in Commission Chambers.	0:00:10
9/14/2021 5:30pm OD	FORSYTH PARK PLAN MEETING	"We're proposing to remove the band shell, because the existing band shell has structural, lighting and ceiling issues, and also gets slippery when kids come out of the splash pad. So we're proposing to replace the band shell with a stage of the same area or larger, but pull it away from the cafe dummy fort to create more space for loading and unloading during events."	0:00:00

5AM SAVANNAH  
9/14/2021 DAYBREAK OD VACCINE

To fund this new program -- CAT, the school system and Chatham County government are using federal relief dollars -- while City of Savannah leaders say they've found money in their general fund that will cover the cost. Each agency will use an independent, third-party firm to verify employee's vaccination status and receiving the 500-dollar incentive pay. Leaders agree that the money spent on this program is an investment in the health and welfare of the community and agree this is the necessary next step to take together.

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CITY OFFICES  
MOVING

"This is an opportunity where a citizen, a developer, a resident can come to one location and they can get the permits that they need if they're building or adding onto their property. They can get the permits that they need if they're developing a property. They can talk to our traffic folks." In addition to making the City easier to do business with, Lloyd points out the new building is more efficient than some of the older facilities they're transferring employees out of. "This gives us an opportunity to really have things like HVAC in one location, so we're only doing maintenance on one facility." Lloyd says between the energy efficiencies, more employees carpooling and fewer leases, the City is saving hundreds of thousands taxpayer dollars. "Consolidation has saved us, in lease space once we

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9/15/2021 6PM OD

NEW SAV CITY  
MANAGER  
INTVW

"I'm excited to have been chosen... permanent leadership and stability, that's what i'm committed to providing." Melder is faced with guiding a divided city council. I asked him how he plans to come in and unify the council... in order to get things done for Savannah residents. Here's what he had to say.

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NEW SAV CITY  
MANAGER  
INTVW

"The silver lining there is that, in all of my conversations with each member of the council and the mayor, all their priorities are aligned..... their city achieve as well."

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Here he takes on the huge job of guiding the city council on things like budget and play a critical role in policymaking. He says he's already working around the close for Savannah residents, making sure people can rely on

NEW SAV CITY core government services. 3 main challenges jump out to him: violent  
4:30AM MANAGER crime, affordable housing, and homelessness. Having started his career  
9/17/2021 DAYBREAK OD INTVW working in homeless services, it's an issue especially close to his heart.

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NEW SAV CITY  
MANAGER  
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So far the city has held two town hall meetings. One was in-person and one virtual. Mayor Shirley Sessions says these have been extremely helpful and they've been able to gather a lot of recommendations from the community. VO Mayor Sessions says a lot of residents and folks in the STVR industry have participated in the meetings. The city is hearing many of the same issues they've heard in the past, like the noise, trash and infrastructure issues often associated with the number of STVRs on the island. But finding common ground is a challenge. Sessions says some residents say they want to see things like occupancy restrictions and a cap on neighborhood rentals while those in the industry say "no" to these suggestions. Part of the moratorium includes a survey. So far, Sessions says they've had more than 1,000 responses. However, the city is getting complaints about how the survey is written. Sessions says it incorporates all of the major components and inc

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TYBEE STVR  
NEW RULES  
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6AM TYBEE STVR  
DAYBREAK NEW RULES  
9/18/2021 SATURDAY OD LATEST

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9/21/2021 NOON OD

RICEBORO  
MAYOR DIES  
FROM COVID

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Some sad news to report--- We've learned Riceboro Mayor Joseph Harris passed away this morning in the hospital following complications of covid-19. That's according to Riceboro's Mayor Pro-Tem Mayor Harris served as the Mayor since 20-20. The Mayor pro-tem tells us service arrangements have not yet been finalized by the family. We will continue to update this story as more information becomes available.

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		"If it's not working in October, then we know what we have to do to November...then we pull back on November. We've got several big events, and again, if the numbers are not there, then our position is we won't have them." Mayor Johnson gave the example of the Rock N Roll Marathon as a big November event they're keeping an eye on. "Again, we're keeping our eyes open on that. We know this is a big event for our community, but I think we prioritize safety. If it's not safe to do it, then we will not do it."
	MAYOR JOHNSON EVENT PERMIT UPDATE	Mayor Johnson says at this point, the City is trying to balance the need to keep people safe with the need to keep the economy going. The Mayor also says the City is walking back permitting restrictions and granting permits for events with five hundred people or less in outdoor, public spaces if they have safety measures in place.
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	MAYOR JOHNSON EVENT PERMIT UPDATE	This announcement comes on the heels of the cancellation of this years Publix Savannah Women's Half Marathon and 5-K. Sean Evans joins us live from downtown Savannah with what the Mayor is saying about the future of events beyond October.
9/21/2021 5PM OD		0:00:21

"We're deeply saddened by the loss of our mayor who was a young man who was very ambitious, had a lot on his plate. We were working hard to improve life here in Riceboro." Axson tells us arrangements have not yet been finalized by the family. The City is asking everyone to respect his family's privacy right now before any more details are released. We will continue to update this story as more information becomes available.

9/21/2021 5PM OD RICEBORO MAYOR COVID DEATH 0:00:33

Mayor Johnson says at this point, the City is trying to balance the need to keep people safe with the need to keep the economy going. His announcement comes just after the Publix Savannah Women's Half Marathon and 5K -- scheduled for October was cancelled. While those large events will not be able to happen this October -- Mayor Van Johnson says starting next month some permits will be given out to smaller outdoor events since we are seeing case numbers trending down in Chatham County.

SARAH: CITY  
SAM EVENT  
9/22/2021 DAYBREAK OD PERMITS 0:00:23

"Such a young man, with such a bright future." Joseph "Joe" Harris was 33 years old when he was sworn in as mayor of Riceboro in 2019. The youngest mayor<sup>â€¢</sup>, but he was a mayor with a VISION. "When I started as state representative 20 years ago, Joe wasn't old enough to vote. To see him come along and pledge his efforts, his work and his time - it's inspiring." Mayor Harris worked closely with the Coastal Georgia Minority Chamber, as he wanted to see Riceboro GROW and FLOURISH. "He had a vision of making the city a place where people actually lived, worked and played." A leader who saw potential in his community<sup>â€¢</sup> and his students.

AA: RICEBORO "Being that example and by giving back and making a difference in my own  
MAYOR community, I know that they'll have a chance, a lasting chance." In this  
REMEMBERED 2019 interview with WTOC- Harris spoke about his mentorship

9/22/2021 6PM OD

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Mayor Van Johnson says he met with city staff and the medical advisory team to come to an agreement that is it not time to relax the events rules

SARAH: CITY just yet They will meet again in mid-October to take a close look at the  
CBS CUT-INS EVENT COVID-19 transmission rate, and if numbers aren't where they'd like them  
9/22/2021 OD PERMITS to be, that could very well put November's permitted events in question.

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During the workshop session this afternoon at 4 -- he will go over his 90-day action plan. Following that -- the Savannah Affordable Housing Task Force will present the first affordable housing plan to the city council. Affordable housing issues and homeless services are something Melder says are top priorities to address and it's the same area of public service where he started his career, he hopes to bring that experience to Savannah.

530 COUNCIL  
5AM MEETING  
9/23/2021 DAYBREAK OD LIVEHIT

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"Being in the permanent spot and being the city manager allows me and allows this organization to start making some hard policy decisions and some hard leadership decisions that are going to help advance Savannah forward and do a little bit more down range thinking, down range planning and down range decision making to set Savannah up for Success." During his first meeting today -- Melder will be asking council for approval on a number of items on the agenda -- including spending 92,800 dollars out of their general fund for a 10-month long impact fee study. This would determine what type of fees could be appropriate for a new development if the city decided to move forward with the plan. Bryan County has a similar

530 COUNCIL  
5AM MEETING  
9/23/2021 DAYBREAK OD LIVEHIT

impact fee in place for transportation on the south side. However, Savannah is looking into the impact fee on a wide range of developments including public facilities like police,

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9/23/2021 5PM OD      **HAPPENING NOW: SAV CITY COUNCIL MTG** Happening now - a city council workshop marks the first meeting Savannah's new city manager will attend in the role. Taking a LIVE look from the WTOC Downtown Savannah Skycam. Jay Medler was set to go over his 90-day action plan with the council when that session started at 4.      0:00:09

"To date we haven't really come very close to the daily averages that we are limited at. It would take a significant amount of water usage to increase to get us to that limit." City Manager Shawn Gillen says some residents are concerned that the island might reach that limit faster than is expected. "The most concern is that If we get more and more tourism that that water capacity limit will start to be reached and there is some truth to that." Gillen says having more overnight capacity also drives up water usage. Some questions being asked are ... "They're asking questions like can we restrict the number of STVRs, can we restrict the occupancy levels?" Gillen says these are all things the council is having discussions about. Just this month the city implemented a new water rate structure that increases peoples' monthly bill significantly if they use 10,000 gallons of water or more. This is also to

9/23/2021 5:30pm OD      **TYBEE WATER & SEWER ISSUES**      0:01:38

9/23/2021 11PM OD      SAV CITY COUNCIL:FIRS T CITY MANAGER MEET

New City Manager Jay Melder discussed his 90 Day Plan to introduce himself to the community, prioritize task force findings, COVID safety and council priorities. "It stretches beyond a vast net across the priorities we have to tackle. I'm excited about laying the foundation and getting some action steps in place to advance on these priorities." The Housing Savannah Task Force also shared their findings on how to increase affordable housing in the city up to 2032. They say about 40% of families cannot afford quality housing and are spending a third of their paychecks for it. However, some council members want to know what the city is doing now to help.. "Right now we have families and children staying in hotels. Families with children who are in overcrowded conditions with families and friends. We have men and women who are on the streets of Savannah. Individuals wh

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TYBEE WATER & SEWER ISSUES

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RICHMOND  
HILL  
HALLOWEEN

4:30AM VOTE

9/28/2021 DAYBREAK OD

With October and Halloween right around the corner, the City of Richmond Hill is asking people when they want to celebrate. Since Halloween falls on a Sunday this year, the city posted a poll to social media, asking if people are in favor of rescheduling the day to Saturday instead. The date change would only affect people living within the City of Richmond Hill limits. That poll closes Wednesday. Find a link to it on our website, WTOC dot com.

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SAVANNAH  
RESTARTING  
COMMUNITY  
PROGRAM

9/29/2021 4PM OD

The City of Savannah is once again restarting community programs. The cultural arts, resource and community centers will reopen on Monday.

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9/29/2021 11PM OD	SAV COMMUNITY CENTERS REOPENING	Almost a month after Savannah's community centers shutdown, their doors will reopen. The City of Savannah's Director of Recreation and Leisure Services Kelly Ledbetter says their team, Mayor and city manager made the decision to reopen. "As conditions continue to improve hopefully, we won't be challenged with another closure." While their doors were closed, they were able to continue to feed kids and seniors and used the time to deep clean centers and train staff. Ledbetter believes the increased number of vaccinations also played a role in reopening centers. He hopes vaccination rates increasing will help keep the hundreds of kids they serve in centers. "We are comfortable and confident that we can safely continue to provide programming for the youth, adults and seniors in our community." Ledbett
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9/30/2021 5:30pm OD	FORSYTH PARK FEEDBACK ENDS	WTOC has a link to give online feedback posted in a previous story on our website WTOC dot com. Again, today is the last day you can share your comments. The Forsyth Park Master Plan project will move into the final design phase in October and go to council for approval by the end of the year.

TYBEE CITY  
COUNCIL  
CANDIDATE  
FORUM

9/30/2021 6PM OD

No matter the turnout of the election ... there will be at least one new face on Tybee's City Council. Mayor Sessions says she hopes people really take the time to educate themselves on each candidate before they cast a vote on November 2. PKG "Those people have very specific platforms and people need to understand what they represent." The people who qualified for the Chatham County Municipal Elections on the island are incumbent Monty Parks, incumbent Michael "Spec" Hosti, Elaine McGruder, Marie Rodriguez, Brian West and Mack Kitchens. "This is a very important election as we go forward on Tybee. We continue to see, like other communities, challenges and opportunities and I think that the people who serve us, I would like to see people who look at challenges as opportunities and I think we have six people who are willing to do that." Mayor Sessions reminds people to educate them

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**PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**JULY 1, 2021 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

**July-September PSA'S on WTOC 11.1 BOUNCE 11.2**

**200 CLUB**

PSA'S promoting this organization that helps families of law enforcement that have been killed in line of duty.

**AD COUNCIL**

PSA'S that include topics about Childhood cancer, coronavirus, toy foundation

**ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION**

Psa promoting annual walk emceed by WTOC's own Jamie Ertle

**Blood Connection**

PSA promoting a Blood Drive on 9/21

**GAB-**

A variety of PSA's produced by the Georgia Association of Broadcasters on Operation Lifesaver, Highway Safety, 811, Sheriff's Association, , texting and driving, Georgia Power, Ga Farm Bureau, Emergency kit and Hurricane Season, National Guard, Rental Assistance, Joshua's Law, Motorcycle Safety, GHA Vaccine

**LIFT UP LOUISIANA**

Gray Television in partnership with the Salvation Army raising money for the victims of Hurricane Ida in lousiana

**SAVANNAH HILTON HEAD AIRPORT**

PSA campaign to help bring soliders home for the holidays

**ST. JOSEPH'S/CANDLER**

PSA promoting the annual LEUKEMIA REGATTA and the Smart Women(postponed due to Covid)

**TMOBILE**

PSA helping veterans getting cellular service

**UNITED WAY OF THE COASTAL EMPIRE**

A variety of PSA's promoting the annual campaign in the coastal empire. Also, volunteering for their agencies.

**WTOC**

Back to School PSA's to make sure kids hands are washed. Plus, spots promoting back to school coverage. First Alert Weather Apps and Weather team spots, Hurricane preparedness, Special Investigation stories, Forward to School Expo, Community Calendar,911 coverage. Plus, two shows that we aired (Service to America, Everyday Heroes), Keeping kids safe during summer

WTOC 11.1  
PSA REPORT  
3RD QTR 2021

Channels	Air Date	Aired Length	Material Description	Aired House #	How #
WTOC	7/6/2021-8/1/21	:30,:20	1st Alert WX Day	SAV301407-08	28
WTOC	9/25/2021-9/30/21	:30	1st Alert Tropical Weather	SAV301746	15
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/29/21	:30	200 Club Line of Duty, Talk About	SAV400254-55	32
WTOC	9/9/2021-9/12/21	:04	9/11 20th ID	SAV301732	17
WTOC	9/13/21-9/30/21	:30	Airport Home for the Holidays	301733	37
WTOC	8/24/2021-9/24/21	:15,:30	Alzheimer's Walk 21-15	SAV400296-97	83
WTOC	7/1/2021-7/22/21	:30	Autism Speaks Big Day 30	SAV400256	11
WTOC	7/19/2021-8/6/21	:30	Back to School 5 and 6 gen	SAV301612-14	74
WTOC	9/8/2021-9/21/21	:30	Blood Connection Drive 9/21	SAV400302,301744	41
WTOC	7/2/2021-8/30/21	:15	Blood Connection PSA	SAV400278	16
WTOC	7/21/2021	1:00	Childhood Cancer PSA	SAV400174	1
WTOC	7/27/2021-8/25/21	:30	Daybreak BTS	SAV301642	37
WTOC	7/1/2021-7/3/21	:15	Everyday Heroes Sat 7:30	SAV301588-89	14
WTOC	7/2/2021-9/30/21	:30,:15	FA WX APP SavHHA	SAV301593-94	39
WTOC	7/5/2021-7/19/21	:30	FAW Personal Hurricane	SAV300079	19
WTOC	7/2/2021-9/24/21	:15	First Alert Radar	SAV301476	7
WTOC	7/6/2021-9/24/21	:15	First Alert Radar Fand F	SAV300276	17
WTOC	7/2/2021-7/19/21	:30	First Alert Summer Storms	SAV301105	10
WTOC	7/15/2021-7/23/21	:30	Forward School Expo ThsWeek	SAV301615-16	46
WTOC	7/1/2021-8/25/21	:30	GHA Vaccine	SAV400266	8
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/26/21	:30	GOERGIA 811-New Home	SAV400015	40
WTOC	7/1/2021-8/17/21	:30	GovOfficeSafety-MotorcycleSafety	SAV400277	8
WTOC	7/1/2021-7/2/21	:30	Hhurricane Bucket POP	SAV301591	6
WTOC	7/6/2021-9/16/21	:30	Highway Safety	SAV400028	6
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/21/21	:30	Hurricane History	SAV301124	22
WTOC	7/2/2021-8/31/21	:30	Hurricane Names 2021	SAV301587	24
WTOC	7/21/2021-7/30/21	:30,:10	Hurricane Ready Nxt Wk-21	SAV301627-30,634-35,39	69
WTOC	7/28/2021-7/30/21	:30	Hurricane Spl 7.31 Sat	SAV301640,43	15
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/25/21	:30	Hurricane Story	SAV301590	43
WTOC	7/2/2021-9/30/21	:30,:15	Hurricane Team	SAV301592, 604	118
WTOC	7/23/2021-9/30/21	:30	Joshua's Law	SAV400284	41
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/29/21	:30	Keep it Clean	SAV400273	5
WTOC	9/2/2021-9/30/21	:10,:15,:30	Lift Up Louisiana10	SAV400298-00	107
WTOC	7/19/2021-9/9/21	:30	LIVE HERE SERVE HERE	SAV400109	4
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:30	Nat Guard: Covid19 Response	SAV400207	25
WTOC	7/4/2021-9/29/21	:30	Nat Guard: Fire Response	SAV400208	15
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/2/21	:30	Nat Guard: Serve Close To Home	SAV400210	7
WTOC	7/17/2021-9/25/21	:30	Nat Guard: Trade Skills	SAV400209	5
WTOC	7/18/2021-9/27/21	:30	National Guard:I will	SAV400094	5
WTOC	9/15/21-9/30/21	:15	NewsApp	SAV301704	10
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:30	Operation Lifesaver-BlueWhite	SAV400276	6
WTOC	9/7/2021-9/11/21	:15	OpryLive 9/11 Sat	SAV301727	15
WTOC	7/27/2021-8/1/21	:15	POP BTS EXPO	SAV301645	28
WTOC	8/16/2021-9/30/21	:30	Rental Assistance Program	SAV400265	11
WTOC	7/1/2021-7/29/21	:30	Safe Summer PSA	SAV400283	25
WTOC	9/18/21-9/30/21	:30/:15	SJCH Leukemia Regatta	SAV400306-07	43
WTOC	7/13/2021-8/20/21	:15,:30	Smart Women21-Spon15	SAV400291-92	89
WTOC	8/21/2021	:30	Stay Healthy Georgia	SAV400272	1
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:15	Storm Chaser Arsenal	SAV300286	21
WTOC	7/7/2021-7/10/21	:15	SVC to Am 2021 Sat	SAV400285-90	20
WTOC	7/11/2021-9/20/21	:30	Texting and Driving	SAV400034	6
WTOC	7/5/2021-7/11/21	:15	Tracking Elsa POP	SAV301603,06	29
WTOC	7/1/2021-7/25/21	:30	TRUST is News	SAV301406	8
WTOC	9/9/2021-9/27/21	:30	UW Campaign-Brynn,Cecelia	SAV400304-5	32
WTOC	7/1/2021-8/1/21	:30	UW Vol Greenbriar, Sal Army	SAV400268-9	9

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DTOC	9/24/2021-9/29/21	:30	1st Alert Tropical WX	SAV301746	8
DTOC	7/3/2021-7/31/21	:30	1st Alert WX Day	SAV301407	8
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:30	200 Club Line of Duty, Talk About	SAV400254	163
DTOC	9/13/2021-9/30/21	:30	Airport Home for Holidays	SAV301733	34
DTOC	8/25/2021-9/24/21	:15,:30	Alzheimer's Walk 21-15	SAV400296-97	76
DTOC	7/3/2021-7/26/21	:30	Autism Speaks Big Day 30	SAV400256	5
DTOC	7/18/2021-8/6/21	:30	Back to School 5 and 6 gen	SAV301612-14	47
DTOC	9/9/2021-9/15/21	:30	Blood Connection Drive 9/21	SAV400302	17
DTOC	7/9/2021-9/5/21	:15	Blood Connection PSA	SAV400278	15
DTOC	7/27/2021-9/3/21	:30	Daybreak BTS	SAV301642	62
DTOC	7/1/2021-7/3/21	:15	Everyday Heroes Sat 7:30	SAV301588-9	5
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/29/21	:30,:15	FA WX APP SavHHA	SAV301593-4	106
DTOC	7/5/2021-7/31/21	:30	FAW Personal Hurricane	SAV300079	39
DTOC	7/6/2021-9/23/21	:15	First Alert Radar	SAV301476	19
DTOC	7/4/2021-9/22/21	:15	First Alert Radar Fand F	SAV300276	16
DTOC	7/2/2021-7/30/21	:30	First Alert Summer Storms	SAV301105	59
DTOC	7/16/2021-7/23/21	:30	Forward School Expo ThsWeek	SAV301615-16	49
DTOC	7/7/2021-8/24/21	:30	GA Peanut Comm-GA Peanut	SAV400181	11
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:30	GA Power EE Tips	SAV400103	10
DTOC	7/4/2021-9/30/21	:30	GHA Vaccine	SAV400266	28
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/16/21	:30	GovOfficeSafety-MotorcycleSafety	SAV400277	29
DTOC	8/15/2021	:10,:15,:30	GreatHealthDivideSat10	SAV301693-4,96	17
DTOC	7/1/2021-7/2/21	:30	Hhurricane Bucket POP	SAV301591	6
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/27/21	:30	Hurricane History	SAV301124	103
DTOC	7/1/2021-8/29/21	:30	Hurricane Names 2021	SAV301587	93
DTOC	7/21/2021-7/29/21	:30	Hurricane Ready Nxt Wk-21	SAV301627	25
DTOC	7/28/2021-7/31/21	:30	Hurricane Spl 7.31 Sat	SAV301640,43	3
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/25/21	:30	Hurricane Story	SAV301590	112
DTOC	7/4/2021-9/30/21	:30,:15	Hurricane Team	SAV301592,604	52
DTOC	7/20/2021-9/30/21	:30	Joshua's Law	SAV400284	80
DTOC	7/9/2021-7/10/21	:30	Judicial Council	SAV400267	2
DTOC	7/7/2021-9/30/21	:30	Keep it Clean	SAV400273	8
DTOC	9/12/2021-9/23/21	:10,:15,:30	Lift Up Louisiana10	SAV400298-00	42
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:30	Nat Guard: Covid19 Response	SAV400207	38
DTOC	7/2/2021-9/30/21	:30	Nat Guard: Fire Response	SAV400208	25
DTOC	7/7/2021-9/3/21	:30	Nat Guard: Serve Close To Home	SAV400210	29
DTOC	8/20/2021-9/30/21	:15	NewsApp-2021-15	SAV301704	27
DTOC	7/2/2021-9/30/21	:30	Operation Lifesaver-BlueWhite	SAV400276	42
DTOC	9/7/2021	:15	OpryLive 9/11 Sat	SAV301727	2
DTOC	7/27/2021-7/31/21	:15	POP BTS EXPO	SAV301645	2
DTOC	7/7/2021-9/29/21	:30	Rental Assistance Program	SAV400265	47
DTOC	7/2/2021-7/31/21	:30	Safe Summer PSA	SAV400283	51
DTOC	9/17/2021-9/30/21	:30,:15	SJCH Leukemia Regatta	SAV400306-07	24
DTOC	7/15/2021-8/21/21	:15	Smart Women21-Spon15	SAV400292	99
DTOC	7/3/2021-9/30/21	:30	Stay Healthy Georgia	SAV400272	28
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:15	Storm Chaser Arsenal	SAV300286	35
DTOC	7/7/2021-7/10/21	:15	SVC to Am 2021 Sat	SAV400285-86,90	9
DTOC	7/5/2021-7/7/21	:15	Tracking Elsa	SAV301603	4
DTOC	7/1/2021-7/31/21	:30	TRUST is News	SAV301406	34
DTOC	9/13/2021-9/30/21	:30	UW Campaign-Brynn, Cecelia	SAV400304-05	42
DTOC	7/2/2021-8/1/21	:30	UW Vol Greenbriar, Salvation Army	SAV400268-9	41
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:30	VA T-Mobile-TMST0035000H	SAV400275	65
DTOC	9/1/2021-9/10/21	:30	WTOC 9/11 Cov.	SAV301725	13
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	1:00	WTOC Community Calendar	SAV301393	171
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:30	WTOC News App 2021	SAV301564	35

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DTOC	8/8/2021-9/19/21	:10	WTOC news App Alert	SAV301575	2
DTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:30	WTOC Weather Accurate Team	SAV301523	128
DTOC	7/1/2021-8/11/21	:15	WTOC WX Alerts	SAV301477	46
DTOC	7/4/2021-8/29/21	:10	WTOC WX App Alert-SHHA	SAV301602	4
DTOC	7/3/2021-7/30/21	:30,:15	WX Dependable Image	SAV300059,57	41
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WTOC	9/1/2021-9/11/21	:30	WTOC 9/11 Cov. All Ths Wk,Nxt	SAV301724-25	47
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	1:00	WTOC Community Calendar	SAV301393	85
WTOC	7/26/2021-9/4/21	:15,:30	WTOC Inv Generic	SAV301644,301626	45
WTOC	7/2/2021-9/30/21	:30,:15:10	WTOC News App 2021,alert	SAV301564,574-75, 704	182
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/22/21	:30	WTOC Weather Accurate Team	SAV301523	31
WTOC	7/1/2021-8/10/21	:15	WTOC WX Alerts	SAV301477	43
WTOC	7/1/2021-9/30/21	:10	WTOC WX App Alert	SAV301572-3,601-02	155
WTOC	7/2/2021-8/7/21	:10,:15	WX Dependable Image	SAV300057-58	14

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**SPECIAL WTOC PROGRAMS**  
**JULY 1, 2021– SEPTEMBER 30, 2021**

**M-F 9-9:30AM**

**MORNING BREAK-- 9AM**

A weekday talk show airing at 10am featuring guest interviews, performances, weather and news.

**7/4/21 7:30pm**

**EVERYDAY HEROES SPECIAL**

One hour special featuring the heroic accomplishments and sacrifices of our military veterans as they defend our freedoms.

**7/31/21 7:30PM**

**WTOC HURRICANE READY SPECIAL**

The First Alert weather team looks at the 2021 hurricane season with preparation tips.

**8/21/21 10PM**

**BRIDGING THE GREAT HEALTH DIVIDE**

A one hour documentary by Gray television and Investigate tv focusing on health care challenges facing the Appalachian and Delta regions.

**7/10/21 7PM-8PM**

**SERVICE TO AMERICA AWARDS**

Showcasing the community service work of local radio and television stations throughout the US.

**9/20-09/24-11:20PM-11:35PM-EVERY FRIDAY**

**WTOC END ZONE**

WTOC sports anchors Lindsay Gough and Jake Wallace host this 15 minute high school football show with highlights from all the high school games of the region.

**9/11/21 11:35pm**

**OPRY LIVE 2 HOUR SPECIAL**

OPRY LIVE commemorates the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11 with a 2 hour special.