



News Release

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WVEC 13News announces veteran Joe Flanagan as permanent weekend Daybreak anchor.

Norfolk, VA – WVEC 13News is pleased to announce that news veteran Joe Flanagan has been named the permanent anchor of the newscast ‘Weekend Daybreak,’ which airs every Saturday and Sunday from 6am to 8am.

Flanagan, an integral part of the WVEC newsroom for more than 26 years, has served many key roles during his tenure. Feature reporter, weatherman, special projects executive producer and 11pm News Anchor are just some of the many responsibilities he has taken on. Many Hampton Roads’ viewers fondly remember ‘Joe’s Job,’ which featured Flanagan visiting area businesses and taking on the role of an employee at the business.

Among Flanagan’s many accomplishments are his multiple awards, including an EMMY for outstanding achievement in talent in 1977 while at WXIA in Atlanta, and an EMMY award for ‘Joe’s Job’ in 2006. He’s also served as the host of the ‘Navy Christmas/Holiday Salutes’ program every year since its inception in 1986.

“Joe will bring a wealth of experience and that special Flanagan charm to the weekends,” said Rich Lebenson, Executive News Director at WVEC. “We are very excited about Joe taking on this new role and know our viewers will welcome Joe into their homes every weekend.”

Tod Smith, WVEC President and General Manager added, “Joe’s presence and experience will be the perfect fit for our viewers on the weekends. I can’t think of anyone better to fill this important role of bringing the latest news and information to our loyal viewers on Saturday and Sunday mornings.”

Flanagan will join Meteorologist Julie Wilcox, who continues in her role as the weekend Daybreak meteorologist, a position she has held since 2002.

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