

Bruce Johnson | Weekend Anchor & Reporter

Working on special assignment for W*USA 9, Johnson has covered stories in Rome, Moscow, Paris, Stockholm, Budapest, Bangkok, Tokyo, Dakar and Haiti. Bruce is recognized in Washington as an expert on city government and politics for his Mayoral and City Council coverage. Some of his finest reporting has come from inner city communities, where residents struggle with a myriad of complex social and economic issues.

In 1992 while on assignment, Bruce suffered a massive heart attack, and his recovery was documented on videotape leading to a nationally acclaimed series of reports on cardiovascular disease. Years later and after extensive training, Bruce completed the Marine Corp Marathon. He continues to be an avid runner and logs in an average of 25 miles a week.

Johnson has several print articles to his credit. He recently published a book, "Heart to Heart," about the father he never knew and the men who stepped into the void to make a difference in his life.

Bruce serves on the Board of Trustees for Saint John's Catholic High School where his son graduated and his stepdaughter now attends. He is also on the Board for "Super Leaders", a teen counseling program that operates in several high schools and is headed by former Redskins player Brig Owens.

Bruce has been a reporter/anchor for 9NEWS NOW since February of 1976. He began his career at WCPO-TV in Cincinnati, Ohio. He has an undergraduate degree in Political Science from Northern Kentucky State University and a Master's degree in Public Affairs (MPA) from the University of Cincinnati.

Reading is Bruce's passion. He enjoys books including The DaVinci Code, Angels and Demons and Deception Point, all by Dan Brown. His favorite movies are Gladiator and Ray. "My favorite recording artists are Marvin Gaye and Stevie Wonder," with his favorite song being Gaye's epic, "What's Going On."

Bruce has a favorite mantra: Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could, some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; you shall begin it well and serenely.

His favorite newsroom moment: "That Thanksgiving years ago when I convinced most of my newsroom colleagues to give me their \$25 Safeway gift certificates which I then gave away to homeless people."

His favorite pet is Simba, his boxer.



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