

The following is a summary of Issues/Programs as presented on WFNK, Lewiston, ME.

The following topics/issues were addressed via the weekly “Community Connections” program in the fourth quarter of 2018.

WFNK staged its fourteenth annual Season of Wishes fundraising campaign from December 3-December 21. The campaign invites listeners in all Maine communities to get to know the work of Maine’s chapter of the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Maine through daily recorded stories and live interviews of families who have received wishes, as well as perspectives from the caregiving and volunteer communities of Maine. Make-A-Wish of Maine grants wishes to seriously ill children statewide, giving these children and their families a time to be together, happy, and to give them a rallying point in dark times.

This year, WFNK was able to help raise \$123,177 in funds for Make-A-Wish, which allows them to secure 17 wishes. Per internal Make-A-Wish Maine statistics, the organization grants 78 wishes per year. This longstanding campaign is instrumental in the work Make-A-Wish does for children with serious illnesses across the state.

“Community Connections” is a weekly, 30 minute community affairs program spotlighting organizations and individuals in Maine who address issues affecting citizens, work to improve the quality of life in Maine, and deal with human interest topics across many disciplines. Here is a rundown of the program contents for Q4:

Show: Community Connections Airdate 10/7/2018 Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Gerard Queally, CEO; Stephanie Hanner, Community Engagement Officer, Spectrum Generations (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: Spectrum Generations offers help and services for seniors and disabled adults in six counties in Central and Midcoast Maine. Spectrum’s footprint covers one of the most demographically oldest areas in a state that is already known as the demographically oldest state in the nation. Spectrum Generations offers services like community centers, meal delivery, senior fitness and wellness classes, and resources and respite for caregivers as well. Spectrum Generations also serves as an advocate in Augusta and Washington for aging and health care related issues.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate 10/14/2018 Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Jasmine McLoughlin, Fundraising Coordinator, Muscular Dystrophy Association of Maine (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: The MDA of Maine is the local chapter that offers services, assistance and treatment for patients of neuromuscular diseases such as Muscular Dystrophy, and ALS/Lou Gehrig's Disease. MDA also offers summer camps for patients. We discuss the disease, how it's diagnosed and treated, the advocacy work done by MDA, as well as the return to locally focused fundraising events such as the Muscle Walks in Portland and Bangor, following the retiring of the national MDA Telethon.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate: 10/21/2018 Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Rebecca Hobbs, Executive Director, Through These Doors (*encore presentation*)

Topics/Issues: Through These Doors, formerly known as Family Crisis Services, is the Portland area's response center for, and organization for the prevention of domestic abuse. Through These Doors offers resources for individuals and families dealing with forms of abuse. TTD also works to help law enforcement professionals understand domestic cases better.

Show: Community Connections

Airdate 10/28/2018 Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Gerard Queally, CEO; Stephanie Hanner, Community Engagement Officer, Spectrum Generations (*encore presentation*)

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Show: Community Connections Airdate 11/4/2018 Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Jasmine McLoughlin, Fundraising Coordinator, Muscular Dystrophy Association of Maine (*encore presentation*)

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Show: Community Connections Airdate: 11/11/2018 Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Rebecca Hobbs, Executive Director, Through These Doors (*encore presentation*)

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Show: Community Connections Airdate 11/18/2018 Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Gerard Queally, CEO; Stephanie Hanner, Community Engagement Officer, Spectrum Generations (*encore presentation*)

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Show: Community Connections Airdate: 12/23/2018 Airtime: 5:30am

Guest: Rebecca Hobbs, Executive Director, Through These Doors (*encore presentation*)

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Show: Community Connections Airdate 12/30/2018 Airtime: 5:30am

Guests: Gerard Queally, CEO; Stephanie Hanner, Community Engagement Officer, Spectrum Generations (*encore presentation*)

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Respectfully Submitted,

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