

**Federal Communications Commission Section 73.3527  
Community Issues Programs for January 2017  
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**Friday, January 6, 2017 at 7:30 pm & Saturday, January 7, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB – 1  
Prairie Pulse 1414** – [30-minute News PA program] (origin: Prairie Public - Fargo)

CEO John Harris interviews former North Dakota Lieutenant Governor Drew Wrigley. He talks about his 6 years as Lt. Governor, achievements and disappointments. And talks about his future plans and his decision to not run for Governor in 2016. Story is on Foley, Minnesota artist Lisa Hinkemeyer.

**2017 Governor Burgum's State Of The State And Democratic Response - January 9, 2017**

Newly elected North Dakota Governor Doug Burgum addresses a joint session of the North Dakota Legislature discusses how his administration will address the state's revenue challenges and property tax relief, improve relations with tribal governments in the wake of protests against Dakota Access Pipeline, and his priorities for education and addiction treatment. Following the governor's address, legislators for the Democratic minority respond.

**Prairie Pulse 1415; Dr. Chuck Allen; D Mills and the Thrills – Friday, January 13, 2017 at 7:30 pm on Saturday, January 14, 2017 at 5:00 pm – Primary Channel PPB – 1** [30-minute News PA program] (origin: Prairie Public - Fargo) Interview with long-time Bismarck physician Dr. Chuck Allen. He trains regional EMT personnel, and he also trains ski patrol personnel and various ski resorts in the region. He also talks about various issues facing medical profession, including merger of hospitals, and cures for Cancer. Story is music performance from D Mills and the Thrills, a regional band with members in North Dakota and Minnesota.

**North Dakota Legislative Review 1701 - Friday, January 13, 2017 at 8:00 pm and Saturday, January 14, 2017 at 5:30 pm on Primary Channel PPB – 1** [30-minute News PA program] (origin: Prairie Public – Bismarck) Prairie Public's Dave Thompson interview House Majority Leader Al Carlson (Republican, Fargo) about the start of the 2017 North Dakota legislative session. Carlson discusses new Governor Doug Burgum and how his style may differ from previous Governor Jack Dalrymple. Also, Carlson talks property tax relief, paying fees related to the Dakota Access Pipeline, the no pay increase for state employees, and continuing funding for K-12 public education. He also talks about willingness to work with Democrats, when possible, despite a dwindling number of Democrats in the state legislature.

**Friday, January 20, 2017 at 7:30 pm & Saturday, January 21, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1  
Prairie Pulse 1416** – [30-minute News PA program] (Origin: Prairie Public - Fargo)

CEO John Harris interviews CCRI Inc. of Moorhead Development Director Jody Hudson. She talks about the services her organization provides to people with disabilities in Fargo-Moorhead area, jobs they find for their clients, special services they provide, and how families can take advantage of these services. Also a story on Akeley, MN wood sculptor Paul Albright, who makes marvelous sculptures of animals and nature settings.

**North Dakota Legislative Review 1702 - Friday, January 20, 2017 at 7:30 pm and Saturday, January 21, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB – 1** [30-minute News PA program] (origin: Prairie Public – Bismarck)

Prairie Public's Dave Thompson interview New Rockford Democrat Senator Joan Heckaman about budget issues facing the state, how Democrats can actually try and make a difference, despite being a decided minority. Heckaman also talks about education funding, property taxes, and higher education issues.

**Friday, January 27, 2017 at 7:30 pm & Saturday, January 28, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1  
*Prairie Pulse 1417* – [30-minute News PA program] (Origin: Prairie Public - Fargo)**

CEO John Harris interviews retiring NDSU Professor of Anthropology Jeff Clark, specifically about his longtime research into the origins and beginnings of culture in American Samoa, where he has gone on excavations for years with students. Also, a story on Camp Rabideau near Bemidji, MN, which is the last surviving Civilian Conservation Corps camp from the 1930's, built by unemployed men during the depression.

**North Dakota Legislative Review 1703 – Friday, January 27, 2017 at 8:00 pm & Saturday, January 28, 2017  
at 5:30 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1 [30-minute News PA program] (Origin: Prairie Public - Bismarck)**

Prairie Public's Dave Thompson interviews Senate Majority Leader Rich Wardner of Dickinson. Wardner talks about streamlining government, thoughts on doing away with some possibly unneeded agencies, like Treasurer. He also talks about a new bill that will spell out how medical marijuana is dispensed and used in North Dakota, after voters approved it in November.

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**Friday, February 3, 2017 at 7:30 & Saturday, February 4, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1  
*Prairie Pulse 1418* – [30-minute News PA program] (Origin: Prairie Public - Fargo)**

CEO John Harris interviews North Dakota Farmers Union President Mark Watne. He talks about sagging farm prices, the 2018 farm bill, and the differences between the Farmers Union and North Dakota Farm Bureau. Also, a music performance from Singleton Street from Delano, Minnesota.

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**North Dakota Legislative Review 1704 – Friday, February 3, 2017 at 8:00 & Saturday, February 4, 2017 at 5:30 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1 (Origin: Prairie Public - Bismarck)**

Prairie Public's Matt Olien interviews Grand Forks Democratic representative and house minority leader Corey Mock. Mock talks about Sunday Blue Law repeal bill which passed, also the refugee bill that would allow cities to limit refugee resettlement. He also discusses how his minority party is coping with heavy Republican leadership. He also talks about why some lawmakers have it out for higher education, and how ending budgets could impact UND.

**Friday, February 10, 2017 at 7:30 & Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1  
*Prairie Pulse 1419* - [30-minute News PA program] (Origin: Prairie Public - Fargo)**

Prairie Public CEO and Host John Harris interviews Valley City Joyologist Jodi Rae Ingstad who received a \$100,000 prize from the KIND Snacks foundation because she brings joy to people's lives by visiting nursing homes in the Valley City area. Also, a music performance from the Randy James Band from Mandan.

**North Dakota Legislative Review 1705 – Friday, February 10, 2017 at 8:00 & Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 5:30 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1**

Prairie Public's Dave Thompson interviews one of the longest serving legislators, Senator Ray Holmberg of Grand Forks (Republican). Senator Holmberg discusses difficult budget choices looming, also says higher ups in higher education may have to be cut as well, in order to show faculty they are serious about streamlining higher education. He compares and contrasts budgets between former Governor Dalrymple and current Governor Burgum. Holmberg also talks about how difficult it is to have a session where there isn't any money to spend.

**Friday, February 17, 2017 at 7:30 & Saturday, February 18, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1  
*Prairie Pulse 1420* – [30-minute News PA program] (Origin: Prairie Public - Fargo)**

Prairie Public CEO and Host John Harris interviews famed Fargo Poet Tim Murphy as he reads from his new book of poems "Devotions" which is a combination of spiritual meditation and also poems about hunting and encounters in his life. Also, a profile of Prairie Public graphic artist and Pelican Rapids, Minnesota artist, Les Skoropat.

**North Dakota Legislative Review 1706 – Friday, February 17, 2017 at 8:00 & Saturday, February 18, 2017 at 5:30 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1**

Prairie Public's Dave Thompson interviews West Fargo Republican Senator Judy Lee. Senator Lee is Chair of the Human Services committee and talks about budget cuts and priority need funding in various areas of her budget. She also discusses the controversial implementation of the Medical Marijuana bill, and says it often takes states months and months to implement such legislation in order to get things right.

**Friday, February 24, 2017 at 7:30 & Saturday, February 25, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB-1  
*Prairie Pulse 1319* – [30-minute News PA program] (Origin: Prairie Public - Fargo)**

Prairie Public CEO and Host John Harris interviews Great Plains Food Bank CEO Steve Sellent. Steve talks about hunger needs in Fargo area and across North Dakota, which organizations contribute food and are partners with them, and also discusses how people can access services from their organization. Also, a story on Glyndon, Minnesota artist and historian Orabel Thortvedt.

**North Dakota Legislative Review 1707 – Friday, February 24, 2017 at 8:00 & Saturday, February 25, 2017 at 5:30 pm on Primary Channel PPB –1**

Prairie Public's Dave Thompson interviews Governor Doug Burgum. Wide ranging topics include Dakota Access Pipeline, Higher Education funding cuts, redeveloping downtowns with his Main Street initiative, and his future plans to be able to move budget dollars within agencies in between legislative sessions.

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***Prairie Pulse 1320*** – [30-minute News PA program] (Origin: Prairie Public - Fargo)

Prairie Public CEO and Host John Harris interviews Fargo Theatre Executive Director Emily Beck about the upcoming 17th annual Fargo Film Festival, which runs March 21-25. She talks about the history of the festival, exciting things at this year's festival, guests, and films. After her interview we show clips from the 8 winning films at this year's festival, from 8 different categories.

**Program Note:**

**Prairie Public March Pledge – Friday, March 3 at 8:00 pm through Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 10:30 pm.**

**Friday, March 25, 2017 at 7:30 & Saturday, March 26, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB-1**

***Prairie Pulse 1423*** – [30-minute News PA program] (Origin: Prairie Public - Fargo)

Prairie Public CEO and Host John Harris interviews longtime downtown Fargo businessman Greg Danz, the owner of Zandbroz Variety bookstore. He talks about his company and how it withstood challenges from box stores like Barnes and Noble. He also talks about how development in downtown took off in the last 15 years or so. Also, a story on the journey of two sisters in 1859 who came from Scotland to settle in the Red River Valley.

**North Dakota Legislative Review 1709 – Friday, March 25, 2017 at 8:00 & Saturday, March 26, 2017 at 5:30 pm on Primary Channel PPB-1**

Dave Thompson interviews House Majority Leader Al Carlson (Republican, Fargo) about balancing the budget and issues regarding higher education, self-funded insurance as a new concept in health insurance, ACA medi-caid expansion and the Water Commission Budget. A substantial conversation focused on the complications of Medical Marijuana and the issues of decriminalizing it, where it can be grown and sold, recreational vs medicinal benefits, and the fees associated with it. Finally, Oil Impact Aid and Sales tax were addressed.

**Friday, March 31, 2017 at 7:30 & Saturday, April 1, 2017 at 5:00 pm on Primary Channel PPB-1**

***Prairie Pulse 1424***

Prairie Public CEO and Host John Harris interviews longtime NDSU History professor Tom Isern, now Distinguished University Professor, about his PlainsFolk columns, research in New Zealand, the many books he's written, and his love of the northern plains.

**North Dakota Legislative Review 1710 – Friday, March 31, 2017 at 8:00 & Saturday, April 1, 2017 at 5:30 pm on Primary Channel PPB-1**

Dave Thompson interviews House Minority Leader Corey Mock, Democrat-Grand Forks, about the final month of the session, difficult budget cutting decisions that still have to be made, and about the long term fiscal outlook of the state, which according to Mock, doesn't look good. Primarily because he talks about funding commitments from recent years, like roads, which now have to be maintained into the future.

