

KYRS Quarterly Report for the 1st Quarter of 2023

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KYRS has identified the following as significant issues in our community for the quarter:

- Public Health
- Environmental Issues
- Diversity, Youth, & Culture
- The Arts
- Government and Politics

KYRS programs addressing these issues are described below:

Issue: Public Health

Program Addressing the Issue: This Won't Hurt a Bit

Date: 3/12/2023

Broadcast Time: 10:00 AM PST

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Covid-19 update: We're coming up on the 3 year anniversary of the Washington State's "stay at home" covid order. On today's This Won't Hurt a Bit, Mark & Erika will reflect on the changes in attitude and policy three years hence. We also take a crack at explaining the current knowledge around the origin of covid and discuss a recent article regarding the meta-analysis of studies comparing gained immunity of vaccination vs. infection.

Issue: Public Health

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 3/7/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM PST

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Talked with Michelle Grove and Julie Griffith from STIX Diabetes Programs. Michelle is the President of the Board and Julie is the Executive Director (and my sister – nonexecutive sister). We talked about the work STIX does in the community for kids living with diabetes and their

parents, how people can get involved and the signs and symptoms to look for if you suspect your child might be diabetic. I learned a great new term for kids with diabetes who become friends at one of STIX's camps – “Diabesties.”

Issue: Public Health

Program Addressing the Issue: This Won't Hurt a Bit

Date: 2/26/2023

Broadcast Time: 10:00 PM PST

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: On today's This Won't Hurt a Bit, we welcome back John Everett, MD from Pulse Heart Institute Cardiology, Cardiothoracic and Vascular Services. To close out our February (and American Heart Month), Erika and John explore a class of drugs meant to treat diabetes, but also have beneficial effects for heart health.

Issue: Public Health

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 1/8/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM PST

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: We have a special guest on today's This Won't Hurt a Bit... Dr. Adam Noyes (DJ Sports Doc), Medical Director of the Sports Cardiology at Pulse Heart Institute in Spokane, Washington. With the recent cardiac event suffered by NFL player Damar Hamlin in the headlines, Erika & Mark thought this would be a great opportunity to have the inland NW leading expert live on air to discuss just what might have happened.

Issue: Environmental Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: Earth Matters Now

Date: 3/14/2023

Broadcast Time: 12:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Mike and guest host Les Stephens did stories on Pi origins, how bumblebees pollinate plants, breaking down

PFAS with an enzyme, Yellowstone National Park at 150, how AI is helping wildlife populations, how the gas industry has withheld information about the toxicity of indoor gas appliances and new oil drilling in the Arctic.

Issue: Environmental Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: Earth Matters Now

Date: 2/28/2023

Broadcast Time: 12:00 Pacific

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Laura and Mike did stories on a letter forest and climate groups sent to European Union Policymakers opposing burning primary forest biomass, the East Palestine bomb train, changes in sperm counts and penis length in men, Mexico's Indigenous communities fighting for ecological preservation, and complicity between the EPA and a mining company.

Issue: Environmental Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: Earth Matters Now

Date: 1/24/2023

Broadcast Time: 12:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Laura and Mike did stories on the importance of keeping housecats indoors, native seeds and pollinators and where to obtain them, Gov Inslee request for funding salmon and mitigation planning, a potential energy storage by using old mine shafts and gravity, Republican House leaders and their indifference to climate change, and a call for National Parks to recognize Indigenous history and culture.

Issue: Diversity, Youth & Culture

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 2/28/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Grant Ogren, the executive director of SAN (formerly known as the Spokane Aids Network) was on hand to discuss two of their upcoming events – Drag On Ice and the 19th annual Red Ribbon Gala which are coming up on March 11 and March 12. We also discussed what SAN is doing for the community right now through their HIV testing and food pantry, their plans for the future (restarting the Strength for the Journey retreat and possible expansion) and their history. We talked about how Grant got involved in doing this work and how others can get involved as well. Their website is <https://www.sannw.org>.

Issue: Diversity, Youth & Culture

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 2/14/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration:1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Talked with Jenny Seibert, sister trans woman and author of the Warp Lane series of science fiction novels. We talked about science fiction, trans women in the creative and technical arts, AM Coast to Coast, the singularity, the AI takeover of labor – especially in the creative fields, Jenny's story and her previous work for the treasury department.

Issue: Diversity, Youth & Culture

Program Addressing the Issue: Dragonflies

Date: 2/20/2023

Broadcast Time: 3:00 PM Pacific

Duration:1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Dragonflies on Thin Air is an elementary aged youth produced radio show. DJ's this week Marigold (11), Poppy (10), Abe (9) and Theo (8) discussed President's Day and what it means to them. Leadership qualities of the President were discussed as were the types of presidents that exist in the world. Marigold shared some historical facts about Abraham Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt. All DJs attempted to answer a few questions from the US citizenship test.

Issue: The Arts

Program Addressing the Issue: Spokane Open Poetry

Date: 1/23/2023

Broadcast Time: 11:00 AM Pacific

Duration: 30 Minutes

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Olivia Evans and TS Pearson to discuss art and other areas.

Issue: The Arts

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 1/17/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Talked to the director and some of the castmates of Photograph 51 – a humorous and moving portrait of Rosalind Franklin, one of the great female scientists of the twentieth century, and her fervid drive to map the contours of the DNA molecule. A chorus of physicists relives the chase, revealing the unsung achievements of this trail-blazing, fiercely independent woman. Performance in the FIRTH J. CHEW STUDIO THEATRE January 13 – Feb 5

Issue: The Arts

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 1/10/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: We had Troy Rickards and Kevin Von Steuben in the studio to talk about their album *Pyrolysis*. We talked about the process of transforming sorrow and anxiety into art, namely music. We played some lovely tracks from the album. A great conversation and awesome music – interplay between piano and guitar which was provocative and moving. Worth a listen for sure! More info and a link to listen to their music

is [here](https://troyrickards.hearnow.com/?fbclid=IwAR1kzPB-4kJuA1PFmCUteKqBEWS_jeBUTeo1qkiOCaoTBs3vBARyykOSqF8) https://troyrickards.hearnow.com/?fbclid=IwAR1kzPB-4kJuA1PFmCUteKqBEWS_jeBUTeo1qkiOCaoTBs3vBARyykOSqF8

Issue: The Arts

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 3/14/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: A nice conversation with Pablo David Laucerica. Pablo is Jared Kleinman in the Broadway touring production of Dear Evan Hansen. I talked to Pablo over the phone while the company was in San Francisco. He was very cool to talk with. Evan Hansen is one of those shows that has everything and really makes you think for a long time about the story. It is not like anything you might have seen before and is quite lovely, funny, sad and joyous.

Issue: Government & Politics

Program Addressing the Issue: Generational Warfare

Date: 2/4/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Ry and E are joined by Inlander senior investigative reporter Daniel Walters to discuss the use of social media by local elected officials.

- [Politicians put themselves in the public eye — perfect targets for inflammatory, insincere, digressive and cruel attacks from critics and harassers.](#)
- [SPD Chief Meidl got chided by city for Facebook comments defending officers against false claims.](#)
- Sheriff [Ozzie vs. the Media](#)

Issue: Government & Politics

Program Addressing the Issue: Generational Warfare

Date: 1/28/2023

Broadcast Time: 9:00 AM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Ry and E are joined by Valerie Osier from Range Media and friend of the show Zach to chronicle the long road to Spokane's landlord-tenant ordinance.

Issue: Government & Politics

Program Addressing the Issue: No Vote Needed

Date: 2/5/2023

Broadcast Time: 1:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Today we are touching on new university courses and political relations to everyday issues. Why and how are Western Politics so diversified? How can you make your own middle ground with reliable collectivity? Also touching up on current news and seeing what's all going on in the world.