

KYRS Quarterly Report for the 2nd 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
- Community Issues

KYRS programs addressing these issues are described below:

Issue: Public Health

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

Date: 6/18/2023

Broadcast Time: 10:00 AM PST

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: On this week's This Won't Hurt a Bit, Mark & Erika welcomed Spokane's own Cris Currie from Health Care for All – Spokane. Among other topics, we discuss the new documentary "American Hospitals", which will be screening at the Spokane Central Library on June 22nd.

Issue: Public Health

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

Date: 5/21/2023

Broadcast Time: 10:00 AM PST

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: On today's This Won't Hurt a Bit, Mark & Erika discussed some recent medical news. We looked at new information regarding diabetes/weight loss drugs and lean muscle loss, an FDA approval for a drug to combat menopausal hot flashes, lifting the restrictions on blood donations

by our MSM population and a study showing a link between viral infections and Alzheimer's.

Issue: Public Health

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

Date: 4/23/2023

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, Erika focused on Stress Recognition Month, April 2023. What is stress? What causes it? How does stress impact your overall health and how can a person combat stress? Mark focused on the news of the week... updated COVID-19 vaccine recommendations, Mifepristone and the Supreme Court and Washington House Bill 1134 which adds resources to the state 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.

Issue: Environmental Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: Earth Matters Now

Date: 6/20/2023

Broadcast Time: 12:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Laura and Mike did stories on rare apple varieties, wolverines, Pollinator Week, how insurance companies are pulling out of flood and fire risk clients, a quickly mutating Covid type found in a wastewater test, and a rare dolphin in the Gulf of Mexico.

Issue: Environmental Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: Earth Matters Now

Date: 4/25/2023

Broadcast Time: 12:00 Pacific

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Laura and Mike did stories about the history of Earth Day, recent protests on Earth Day, bison in Yellowstone

National Park, an old growth survey helped by NASA images, and a thorough review of the Washington legislative session, including which bills passed and how the budget funded programs.

Issue: Environmental Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: Earth Matters Now

Date: 4/4/2023

Broadcast Time: 12:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Laura and Mike did stories on Indigenous people and their history with horses, a new study questioning assumptions about historic fire and forests in the West, selenium coming into the US from BC mining, and several stories about how bumblebees think, learn and adapt to climate.

Issue: Diversity, Youth & Culture

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 6/6/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: A couple of technical difficulties for sure, but still a quality show. Why? Because I had a quality guest. Matt Matthew Danielson, El Presidenté of Spokane Pride! We talked about this weekend's Pride Festival. Matt is expecting 60,000 plus attendants. We also talked about me being the parade announcer and the radio simulcast of the parade. What?!?! Like I used to tell my friends at SFD, I thrive in chaos.

Issue: Diversity, Youth & Culture

Program Addressing the Issue: Dragonflies

Date: 6/4/2023

Broadcast Time: 3:00 PM Pacific

Duration:1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: DJ's Marigold, Poppy, Henry, Lauren, Theo, Lewis and Soren discussed school projects this week. Descriptions of their many activities included biology research (including mountain lions and lynx), writing and producing plays and developing a historically accurate "wax museum." Students also shared about their favorite podcasts, books and research interests. In addition, DJs discussed projects they are preparing or plan to do by the end of the school year. Some of the DJs recently returned from Montessori campout and shared a little about the fun of that experience. Some excitement about upcoming summer activities was also shared.

Issue: The Arts

Program Addressing the Issue: Spokane Open Poetry

Date: 6/24/2023

Broadcast Time: 11:00 AM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Trishanna Jones read her dynamic poems.

Issue: The Arts

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 5/2/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: I talked with Dominique Betts and Taylor Cummings – the co-artistic-directors of Bright Comet Theatre. We chatted about their upcoming show – a punk rock retelling of the Lizzie Borden story – *LIZZIE!* We also discussed what it was like to start a theater company, how they met and what their inaugural production – *Lord of the Flies* was like for them.

Issue: The Arts

Program Addressing the Issue: Spokane Open Poetry

Date: 4/1/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Stephen Pitters read poems from his upcoming book and played songs from earlier poems.

Issue: Community Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 5/30/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Interview with Matt Santangelo. Matt is heading up the Expo 74 -- 50th anniversary celebration for next year. We talked about Expo 74, the plans for the anniversary celebration, Matt's career in basketball and Hoopfest and, why, in my opinion, he is the perfect person to lead the charge on this celebration.

Issue: Community Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 4/25/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Christopher Armitage was back in the studio to talk about his new book – *Bad Cop, No Donut*. Chris is a former police officer and author. We talked about some aspects of public safety reform, and how the system that we have right now is not good for anyone – including our police officers.

Issue: Community Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: Out & About

Date: 4/18/2023

Broadcast Time: 4:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: My guests were Omar Santana and Angela Vera Webster from Washington State's Office of Equity. This is a fairly new endeavor and the first of its kind in the nation. It basically looks at the state government systems that are in place and addresses how to make those systems more equitable. We talked about equity as a concept, how this office came to be and what the future might hold. Right now, they are launching a project to bring citizens across the state to the table in addressing these issues. Their website is <https://equity.wa.gov>.

Issue: Community Issues

Program Addressing the Issue: No Vote Needed

Date: 4/30/2023

Broadcast Time: 1:00 PM Pacific

Duration: 1 Hour

Narrative of Issue and how programs addressed the issue: Join me today in part 1 of 2 of my findings and notes on the recent Spokane controversies. Soci-political conflict and free speech on today's menu.