

93.1 WMPA Ferrysburg
Issues and Programs List
3rd Quarter - July 1 - Sept. 30, 2022

Wednesday, July 12, 2022 at 4:30pm
Total Run Time – 25 minutes
Program – Money Wise with host Rob West
Subject - Credit Scores
Host Rob West

Having a good credit score can help you keep your money in your pocket by lower interest rates. If your score isn't all that great there are ways to boost your credit score. Number one way to do that is to have a strategy for paying off your credit card balances, but if you can't pay them off each month never use more than 30% of your available credit. Keeping your balance below 30% is your second most important step in increasing your credit score. Never make a late payment because even one late payment can wipe out any gain you may have made. Also dispute any errors on your credit report. You can get all three reports by going to annualcreditreport.com.

Monday July 25, 2022 at 4:00pm
Total Run Time – 29 minutes
Program – Strong Tower Radio Features
Subject – Grand Haven Coast Guard Celebration
Hosts Tom Mejeur and John Duman with guests Petty Officer Harron Ellis and Petty Officer Austin Fry

STRT Grand Haven Coast Guard

The Coast Guard located in Grand Haven, Michigan had its beginnings as a life-saving station starting in the year 1877. This station, funded by the local community, first used row boats in their mission of search and rescue. They operated 24 hours a day seven days a week. In 1915 the "Revenue Cutter Service" was called into operation by George Washington using Tall Ships to protect our merchant vessels combined with life-saving services to form what we know today as the US Coast Guard. On June 13, 1943, during WWII, the U.S. Coast Guard Cutter "Escanaba" was destroyed and only 2 out of 103 members of the crew survived. The crew was made of up of Grand Haven residence, so each year the U.S. Coast Guard in Grand Haven celebrates their birthday on the week of August 4th and on Friday of this week long celebration they honor the men that lost their lives during their service for the U.S. Coast Guard.

Monday Aug. 1, 2022 at 4:00 pm
Total Run Time – 25 Minutes
Program – Strong Tower Radio Features
Subject – Achieving with disabilities
Hosts Jilane Fenner and Tom Mejeur with guest Cindy Woods

Cindy Woods, President and founder of Clear Vision has the disability of blindness caused by a degenerative retinal disease which developed at nine years old. Through Clear Vision Cindy hopes to help people understand how to include the disability community.

After attending a summer camp meeting, she discovered there was not much accessibility for someone with a disability to participate in activities on their own, without a resource to tap into. Cindy's goal, after her experience at camp, is to train the community to know how to help those with disabilities to be able to participate in life with those who have no disabilities. To make places and events accessible some things need to be tweaked and she is willing to share those.

Cindy has a 3-part seminar that can be used in the workplace, clubs, schools, churches or anywhere people are that are willing to be educated.

Friday Aug. 5, 2022 at 4:30 pm

Total Run Time 25 minutes

Program - Money Wise

Subject - Property Tax Assessments

Host Rob West

Property values have gone up through the roof this past year with the downside being that usually means your tax assessment will be going up. In Spokane, Washington the average tax bill in 2019 was \$2500 but \$3000 in 2021, which is a 20% increase. 2022 looks like they may increase again this year. You do have the right to appeal your new tax assessment. First check for the appeal deadline so you don't miss that. Then find out how your home was assessed, in most cases that's a percentage of the market value. Make sure your local tax assessment office has applied any tax reductions or credits have been applied. You may be required to prove that you are entitled to a particular benefit. Lastly, look for any discrepancy and then compare your home with those that match yours' in your neighborhood.

Sunday Aug. 12, 2022 at 5:00pm

Total Run Time 59 minutes

Program – Strong Tower Radio Today

Subject - August Garden Guy

Hosts Tom Mejeur, Sue Mejeur and guest Gary Heilig

Gary Heilig, master gardener, shared that August begins the harvest season as the gathering of leafy greens starts to wind down. Some sweet corn is ripening, early melons like cantaloupe and summer squash and zucchini are ready for picking. He suggested that you can go online to find information on when to harvest certain vegetables and fruits. Beets are better when picked at 2 inches across, zucchini are best at 7-8 inches long and sweet corn taste best when the kernels are still milky. Pears ripen from the inside to the outside, so lightly press on the stem end to see if it's soft and ripening.

Besides fruits and vegetables, you can also grow medicinal herbs in your garden. Gary pointed out that if we come to a time when we can't buy food we can grow it. Also, if we can't get to a doctor with a minor injury that there are plants we can grow that may help us. Common plantain, which is readily available in Michigan is a great plant for its wound healing abilities and it's also edible both raw and cooked. He suggests to find someone that knows about these plants to help you know what to grow and how to use them.

Monday Aug. 15, 2022 at 4:00pm

Total Run Time – 29 minutes

Program – Strong Tower Radio Features

Subject – Local personality interview – Gray Knapp

Hosts Tom Mejeur and John Duman with guest underwater photographer and videographer

Guest Gary Knapp author of the book, "God's Beauty in the deep", Founder of the Fox Television Station in Cadillac, MI and Videographer of nature under the ocean.

Gary Knapp shared his dream of one day working in the radio and Television industry. He said when he was 6 years old he knew he was going to be a radio announcer. For 16 years Gary worked in radio. Then the Fox Television network came to Cadillac when Gary and several others built the studio on South 45 Road in Cadillac, MI. Gary retired at the age of 54. For 7 years after his retirement from media Gary was involved in gardening and then his interest turned to underwater exploration. As a child he was fascinated with the TV show, Sea Hunt. So at the end of his 5th decade he took his first diving course. His goal was to be a videographer. Gary has decided he wanted to explore the world God under the ocean and capture the pictures to share with the world. Due to his extensive work underwater he was able to produce 37 programs and wrote a book documenting his discoveries.

Monday Aug. 22, 2022 at 4:00pm

Total Run Time – 29 minutes

Program – Strong Tower Radio Features

Subject – Grand Haven Fountain Celebration

Host Tom Mejeur and guest Jerry Troke

The Grand Have Musical Fountain

Guest: Jerry Troke, President of Friends of the Musical Fountain

The Musical Fountain in Grand Haven Michigan is an amazing spectacle of water and lights that are creatively synchronized to a wide variety of musical selections. Each family friendly is approximately 20 minutes long and absolutely free. These shows run from Memorial day until Labor day.

This Fountain is found at the mouth of the Grand River where it flows into Lake Michigan, where there is a beautiful pier with a Lighthouse at the end. Visitors are invited to also enjoy the State park right next door as well as the beautiful Grand Haven city beach with all of its white sand.

Jerry Troke, President of Friends of the Musical Fountain shares wonderful details of how the Grand Haven Musical Fountain came into existence and the ways it has been improved upon through the years as it celebrates its 60th anniversary.

Sunday Sept. 11, 2022 at 5:00pm

Total Run Time – 59 minutes

Program – Strong Tower Radio Today

Subject - September Garden Guy

Hosts Sue and Tom Mejeur with guest Gary Heilig

Gary asked Sue and Tom some questions on roses. They went like this... Did roses have thorns in the

Garden of Eden? No according to Genesis 3:8. Where is the oldest living known rose found? I Germany. It's over 1000 years old, located on a cathedral wall. The earliest documentation of this rose is 1815 A.D. When and where were roses first cultivated? Most likely that would have been in China, 5000 years ago, around 500 B.C. What was the first culture to cultivate roses? Samaritans. What is the oldest color of roses? Pink What roses have a heavy fragrance? In the family of hybrid Tea roses is a variety called double delight which has an absolutely wonderful scent. A general indication of fragrant roses is darker colors and the ones with a very high petal count. September is turf improvement month. In order to have a plush, beautiful lawn, there are many inputs that need to be added to the yard. It's best not to cut your grass too short as that will encourage weed development. It is better to keep your mower at a 3-inch cut. There are many types of diseases that can get in your lawn, but if you can wait until the weather changes most of them will correct themselves. Gary talked about getting rid of grubs in the fall and other diseases.

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