

**KBUN-FM
BLACKDUCK, MN 56630
QUARTERLY "ISSUES PROGRAMMING" LISTING
JANUARY-MARCH, 2024**

Operations Manager Joel Hoover compiled the list for the first quarter of 2024

Issues Programs List

**Quarterly Issues Programs List for KBUN-FM
January 1-March 31, 2024
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Section I. Issues.

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

A. Community Enrichment & Improvement: Activities and events that enrich and/or improve the lives of community members.

B. Economy: Events, programs, and organizations that work to benefit economic growth in the community.

C. Education: Area schools, colleges and other organizations that promote and deliver education to the community, as well as issues that affect the educational opportunities in the area.

D. Health: Health issues in our region, including education and awareness as well as initiatives taken by health providers, organizations and agencies to make the area a healthier place to live.

E. Safety: Safety issues, be it public safety or individual. Topics include fire, crime and victimization and focuses on education and prevention, including agencies and organizations involved in safety and first response.

F. Youth Enrichment: Organizations, programs and events designed to enhance the lives, education and health of youth in our area.

G. Arts & Culture: Arts and culture offerings and educational opportunities for the community.

H. Environment: Programs, organizations and agencies dedicated to maintaining and improving the area's environment and natural resources

Section II. Responsive Programs

The station has broadcast programming dealing with each of the above referenced issues. Programming dealing with each issue is set out below.

A. COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT & IMPROVEMENT

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/21/24 at 7:00am

Topic: Bemidji Middle School dean of students Andra Vaughn spoke about the high school’s plans to improve existing fields and build new ones for competition and practice on high school grounds. With several teams of the school playing off campus around town, plans have been drawn up and fundraising is being undertaken to improve and build upon fields at the school.

Program Length: 14:55

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/21/24 at 7:20am

Topic: Bemidji mayor Jorge Prince was our guest to preview an upcoming city council meeting. Among the other city topics were a proposal on the Sanford Center shortfall, organization of the new Bemidji Planning & Zoning Commission, and what a city, its government, and transparency are.

Program Length: 21:15

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/28/24 at 7:00am

Topic: Knights of Columbus Walleye Classic tournament chair Phil Hodapp joined the show to preview this summer’s event. He talked about a larger prize up for grabs, an adjustment to the bag limit for competitors, and gave details on when registration will be open to the public.

Program Length: 24:55

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/18/24 at 7:00am

Topic: George Olson of the Sons Of Norway gave a preview of an upcoming presentation being offered by the organization. It would allow those with Norwegian roots to be able to further explore the details of their genealogy.

Program Length: 23:50

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/10/24 at 7:00am

Topic: Chad Trapier—the executive director of the Walker Area Food Shelf—stopped in for the show. He talked about the work of the food shelf, the needs of the greater Walker area, and why March is a good time to give to the food shelf.

Program Length: 16:59

B. ECONOMY

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/11/24 at 7:00am

Topic: Northwoods Habitat for Humanity community engagement coordinator Brandon Mustful talked about Habitat’s newest home project. He also shared how people become eligible for a home, volunteer opportunities in the organization, and talked about their upcoming fundraiser.

Program Length: 19:47

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/18/24 at 7:26am

Topic: Bemidji mayor Jorge Prince gave a preview of his upcoming State of the City Address. Along with a sneak peek of the message, he talked about details on new development on the south shore of Lake Bemidji, the forthcoming Bemidji Day at the state capital, and thoughts about the city’s railroad corridor.

Program Length: 18:46

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/17/24 at 7:18am

Topic: Ahead of the Home Energy Efficiency Expo, Angela Lyseng of Beltrami Electric, Brandon Johnson of Otter Tail Power and Linda Kingery of the Citizen’s Climate Lobby all stopped in. While talking about the event itself, they shared how it would provide information on state-of-the-art home energy systems and ways for homeowners to save money through incentives and tax credits.

Program Length: 9:48

C. EDUCATION

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/7/24 at 7:00am

Topic: Bemidji School District Superintendent Jeremy Olson updated what’s happening in Bemidji schools as we move into 2024. He talked about upcoming public meetings about extending the current referendum, contract negotiation status, continued plans to implement the district’s five year goals and the efforts to balance the budget.

Program Length: 26:06

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/4/24 at 7:17am

Topic: Bemidji School District Superintendent Jeremy Olson visited to talk about the latest on teacher contract negotiations, an update on the referendum, implementation of the READ Act, board work sessions, and events in the near future.

Program Length: 25:05

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/24/24 at 7:20am

Topic: John Eggers was today’s guest to discuss his work with Project Graduate 100%, a local initiative to help area schools reach a 100% graduation rate. His latest update included the recent creation of a Dropout Prevention Hotline that can be called.

Program Length: 16:42

D. HEALTH

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/11/24 at 7:22am

Topic: In light of February’s American Heart Month, Sanford physician assistant Josh Kelsey stopped by to discuss heart and vascular health. He also shared information about special programs taking place at Sanford during the month.

Program Length: 11:41

“High Noon” sports talk program---Air Date 2/7/24 at 12:22pm

Topic: Dr. Mark Carlson of Sanford Orthopedics & Sports Medicine joined for the show’s bi-weekly “Health & Sports” segment. This week’s topic was his job as a sports medicine physician, as he shared about how he got into the job, what kind of schooling requirements are necessary for the field, and advice he would give to people interested in pursuing this line of work.

Program Length: 18:05

“High Noon” sports talk program---Air Date 2/21/24 at 12:25pm

Topic: Dr. Mark Carlson of Sanford Orthopedics & Sports Medicine joined for the show's bi-weekly "Health & Sports" segment. This week he discussed the injury "tennis elbow", describing how this is an injury that goes beyond being from tennis. He talked about root causes of the injury, how it can be treated, and who may be most susceptible to the problem.

Program Length: 14:50

"High Noon" sports talk program---Air Date 3/20/24 at 12:20pm

Topic: Dr. Mark Carlson of Sanford Orthopedics & Sports Medicine joined for the show's bi-weekly "Health & Sports" segment. He spoke this week about an injury called "mallet finger", an ailment at the tip of the finger caused by a tear or break that leads to a bend in the finger. He also gave details on how it can be healed by time in a splint.

Program Length: 15:40

E. SAFETY

"Community Spotlight Program"---Air Date 1/14/24 at 7:00am

Topic: Chris Latzke, the Executive Director of the Northwoods Battered Women's Shelter, updated the progress on the capital campaign. Ground breaking is set but there's still some dollars to be raised. She also promoted their new fundraiser, the "Give From The Heart" dinner at The Tavern and previewed the May Gala

Program Length: 8:38

"Community Spotlight Program"---Air Date 1/14/24 at 7:09am

Topic: In honor of Law Enforcement Appreciation Day, Beltrami County Sheriff Jason Riggs, Bemidji Police Dept Captain Dave Lazella and Minnesota State Patrol Lieutenant Brian Norland discussed each department's role in law enforcement and public safety and how they work together to keep our communities safe.

Program Length: 25:53

"Community Spotlight Program"---Air Date 3/31/24 at 7:15am

Topic: The area's SWAT team was the subject of today's discussion, including their tasks, responses, and leadership. Beltrami County sheriff Jason Riggs, Beltrami County investigator Jade Hayft, and Bemidji Police patrol sergeant Trent Senenfelder all stopped in to share about the SWAT unit.

Program Length: 24:48

F. YOUTH ENRICHMENT

"High Noon" sports talk program---Air Date 3/19/24 at 12:00pm

Topic: Nevis boys basketball head coach Scott Kramer was the guest of the show to discuss the team's recently captured fourth straight section title. He spoke about how the success of the last several years and influence of winning the state football championship contributed to the team's great season, learning from losses to quality teams during the regular season, and the impressive self-driven leadership of the student-athletes.

Program Length: 15:08

"High Noon" sports talk program---Air Date 3/13/24 at 12:03pm

Topic: Fresh off Fosston girls basketball reaching the state tournament, head coach Kelly Viken joined the show for a chat about the team's season. He detailed the team's success working through a gauntlet section tournament slate, challenging regular season games that prepared the team for their postseason success, and the collective qualities of the group that helped them reach state. He also previewed their upcoming state quarterfinal game.

Program Length: 16:06

“High Noon” sports talk program---Air Date 3/5/24 at 12:02pm

Topic: Bemidji High School state girls wrestling champion Kylie Donat was the guest of the show, joined by BHS girls wrestling head coach Rance Bahr. Among the topics discussed were her run to the state title the previous weekend, coming back from a season-ending injury the year before and the lessons she learned from it, and how Donat got into wrestling through her family and Bahr's creation of the program.

Program Length: 18:21

“High Noon” sports talk program---Air Date 2/14/24 at 12:40pm

Topic: Bemidji High School mock trial head coach Jeff Aas was joined by senior Sylvia Heglund and freshman Ivy Blumenshein to chat about the team's successful season. They previewed the upcoming Greater Minnesota Division Finals, sharing about the case that was the subject of the trial, the team's progress during the season, and how each of the students became interested in mock trial.

Program Length: 18:05

G. ARTS & CULTURE

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/7/24 at 7:26am

Topic: Bemidji Symphony Orchestra Executive Director Katy Lutz previewed the BSO's upcoming fundraiser, “The Bloody Mary Battle”. Eight Bemidji area restaurants will do their best Bloody Marys and patrons will vote on them. She has all the details, previews upcoming concerts and discusses how the orchestra works with young musicians, as well as the expenses incurred each year.

Program Length: 10:57

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/28/24 at 7:27am

Topic: Lee Furuseth and Julie Bengtson stopped in to preview eCubed—the Elevated Epicurean Experience—at the Headwaters Science Center. In addition to the event's usual outstanding food, auction items, and wine wall, the event has made a weekend partnership with the Bemidji Symphony Orchestra. The BSO's executive director Katy Lutz joined to provide more details.

Program Length: 17:13

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/4/24 at 7:00am

Topic: Ahead of the Bemidji Community Theatre's upcoming production of *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*, show director Derrick Houle stopped in to talk about the show, its production, and show times.

Program Length: 14:13

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/25/24 at 7:00am

Topic: The 2024 Gigazone Gaming Championship and TechXpo is returning to the Sanford Center on April 20. Paul Bunyan Communications representative Brian Bissonette gave a full preview of the event, the contests open to attendees, and details on the TechXpo portion of the event—including this year’s special guest speaker, Danielle Feinberg of Pixar Animation Studios.

Program Length: 14:55

H. ENVIRONMENT

“Paul Bunyan Country Outdoors”---Air Date 2/1/24 at 1:00pm

Topic: DNR Fisheries specialist Storm Kettlehut came on to talk a variety of tech topics. The DNR has started a technology work group to determine the effects (good or bad) that technology is having on fishing and fish health. Social media, live scope, mapping, and more were the subjects of discussion.

Program Length: 36:30

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/17/24 at 7:00am

Topic: Habitat For Humanity and beyond were discussed when Geri Hickerson of Habitat and Valerie McClannahan joined the show. They talked about the latest Habitat projects in progress, but also detailed a new grant project that is aimed at making improvements to trees.

Program Length: 15:03

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/31/24 at 7:00am

Topic: Beltrami County’s Solid Waste director Brian Olson was our guest to talk community cleanliness. Among the subjects were disposal of waste and trash, dealing with THC vape pens, and summer hours for disposal.

Program Length: 12:05