

Programs and Issues
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WNAE has determined the following issues to be important to listeners during the first quarter of 2021.

1. Government
2. Coronavirus Pandemic
3. Economy
4. Mental Health
5. Healthcare

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Community Matters is broadcast each Sunday Morning at 8:00 AM. Community Matters is a thirty minute public affairs program that features interviews from the Warren County School District, The Warren County Chamber of Business and Industry, The Warren Public Library System, and the Warren County Commissioners. A list of Community Matters programs that aired during the first quarter of 2021 is attached.

Insight is broadcast each Sunday morning at 8:30 AM. Insight is a thirty minute public affairs program highlighting interesting people and events in and around Warren County. A list of Insight programs that aired during the first quarter of 2021 is attached following the Community Matters program list.

Community Matters Programs

Air Date; 01/03/2021: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: Mental Health in the Pandemic

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee was joined by Jada Swartz and Dr. Michael Philhower of Sunrise Collaborative to discuss mental health struggles that people have been facing during the pandemic and ways that counseling may be beneficial to individuals depending on what they are suffering from. They also talked about setting goals and how to successfully set a goal and make an achievable plan in the context of New Years resolutions.

Air Date;01/07/21: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: Children's Advocacy Center

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee was joined by Melissa McLean of the Children's Advocacy Center to talk about what the center does and what are some of the things to look for in children that may be suffering from abuse or how to spot abuse in children.

Air Date; 01/17/21: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: Political Transitions

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee had discussion with Matt Knoedler the Washington D.C. Political Correspondent for Lilly Broadcasting covering the unrest in the capital, discussing the riots that occurred on January 6th, and the peaceful transition of power from the Trump administration to the Biden administration. They talked about the importance of the riots, in regards to the danger presented to the members of congress.

Air Date; 01/24/21: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: Warren Public Library.

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee talked with the Warren public library members Jenn Franklin and Beverly Leonhardt. They discussed a variety of different aspects that the library can assist with in the realm of employment. The group talked about the different ways they can help the unemployed find jobs, opportunities for skills trainings for people that want them, as well as online learning programs and certifications available through the public library that can give people a new marketable skill or ability. The discussion was valuable information to any of those looking to improve themselves and find new skills, or people that are job seeking or in need of employment in the community by teaching people where to find these resources.

Air Date;1/31/2021: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: Substance Abuse In Our Community

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee talks Andrew Cauley the director of Substance Abuse Services at Family Services of Warren County. They discussed the different causes that are most common for people that begin abusing substances, the most common substances that are abused in the community, and how that came to be. They also discussed some treatment options for people that are looking to slow down or quit their substance use or abuse. Finally they ended the discussion by providing information to the public about how to get help if you know someone dealing with substance abuse disorder or if you are dealing with it yourself.

Air Date; 2/07/2021: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: COVID Vaccine Distribution Locally

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Joe Akif the Chief Nursing Officer at Warren General Hospital to discuss their vaccine distribution plans, how their distribution has been received thus far, and how they plan to play a major role in the eventual roll out from the state government in Pennsylvania. They talked about how to sign up for a vaccine, how to tell if you are eligible, and who Warren General would prioritize serving the vaccine to as they receive their doses.

Air Date; 2/18/2021: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: Goodbye Jen and Bev

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Kelli Knapp, Susan Slater, Jennifer Franklin, and Beverly Leonhardt. They talked about the careers that Jennifer and Beverly had from teaching in local schools to working for the library, to their moving on to new pastures. The discussion also covered the programs that the library used to offer, and the ones that they will be temporarily dropping due to the loss. The talk then moved to Kelli and Susan with the topic changing to being about what programs are going to be continuing, what Susan has been working on, and what they would usually do for their national readers day but isn't happening this year.

Air Date; 2/26/2021: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: WMG Eye Care Clinic

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee met Wendy Donahue of the Warren Medical Group Eye Care Clinic. They highlighted common vision problems people face as they age, and how to best take care of your eyes to help prevent issues from arising. They covered the variety of different treatment options offered at the WMG Eye Care Clinic, and how people can best take advantage of those treatments to prevent vision loss or impairment permanently.

Air Date; 3/7/2021: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: Warren County Substance Abuse Services

At 8:30 AM the Community Matters Program was broadcast. Aaron Mee was joined by Andrew Cauley of Family Services of Warren County once again to talk about the problem of Substance Abuse in the community. They talked about the differences between abusing legal and illicit substances, and the different challenges or barriers to treatment that each situation can create, how people can work to better themselves, and they provided ways to allow people to find help in the community.

Air Date; 3/14/2021: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: WGH Cancer Care

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Dr. Bernard Eden of the Warren General Hospital Cancer Center. They talked about their new Linear Accelerator project that they are starting construction on this year. The discussion covered the new available treatments using that accelerator, as well as their partnership with AHN Saint Vincent to provide virtual appointments with a variety of oncologists with varying specializations.

Air Date; 3/21/2021: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: Kellar's Magic and Comedy Club

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Bobby Borgia, the entrepreneur that is opening the new Kellar's Magic and Comedy club on State Street in Erie. They talked about the history of magic in Erie starting with Kellar, and how he taught Houdini, then the discussion covered some of the learning that Bobby has done in the realm of magic and tricks as well. They covered the different events that Bobby has performed at, the various TV and movie work that he has done, and how he will be integrating it into a dining experience.

Air Date; 3/28/2021: 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM

Program: Community Matters

Topic: Women's History Warren

At 8:30 AM Community Matters was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Janet Anderson of Northwest Pa Job Connects, Melissa McLean of the Children's Advocacy Center, Beth Pellegrino of Whirley Drink Works, and Pam Forsyth of Lilly Broadcasting. They did individual interviews discussing their work experience, history in the workplace, struggles they faced as women working in male dominated fields primarily, and advice that they had to offer to people entering the workplace for the first time.

Insight Programs

Air Date; 1/03/2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Mental Health

At 8:30 AM Insight was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Jada Swart and Michael Philhower to discuss how to set a goal and achieve it, how to create a lasting and successful new year's resolution, and what mental health challenges people have been facing with virtual appointments becoming the normal.

Air Date; 1/10/2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Children's Advocacy Center

At 8:30 AM Insight program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Melissa McLean of the Children's Advocacy Center. During their discussion they covered what the Children's Advocacy Center is, what they do, and how the community can best help support them. The conversation covered their involvement in setting up a safe space for kids to talk about abuse and maltreatment and neglect where multiple people can be present to record the experience so that the abused child does not have to repeatedly live through the trauma of retelling that story to people through the court process. They also talked about the signs to look for in abused children and what to do if you suspect abuse.

Air Date; 1/17/2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Family Services of Warren County

At 8:30 AM Insight program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Andrew Cauley the director of Substance Abuse Services of Family Services of Warren County to talk about what Family Services of Warren County is, and how they serve the community. They talked about different treatment and therapy options for people looking to quit substance abuse, about the rates and prevalence of substance abuse in the county, and what some of the factors are that prevent people from seeking help or treatment.

Air Date; 1/31/ 2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Warren Public Library

At 8:30 AM Insight program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Kelli Knapp, Beverly Leonhardt, Susan Slater, and Jennifer Franklin of the Warren Public Library. They discussed the upcoming news that Jennifer and Beverly will be leaving the library to pursue careers in other areas. The discussion then turned to the spring programming at the library and what Susan will be taking over and managing, and they also highlighted some of the achievements had by Jennifer and Beverly during their time with the library.

Air Date; 2/7/2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: 2nd Harvest Food Bank

At 8:30 AM Insight program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Zachary Webb, and Natalie Massing of the 2nd Harvest Food Bank to discuss their upcoming Military Share Food Drive that they had occurring on the 18th of the month. They talked about who is eligible for the drive, how they will be distributing the food, how people can sign up for it, where to go to get the food, and how much food each participant is eligible for and what that would consist of. The discussion ended with talking about the supply chain of 2nd harvest and recapping all of the other communities that they serve.

Air Date; 2/14/2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Erie Bayhawks

At 8:30 AM Insight program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Matt Breese of the Erie Bayhawks basketball team. They talked about the NBA G league that the team is currently playing in, and they talked about how they were preparing to start their shortened playoff season in Florida. The discussion covered how our local audience can watch and listen to the play by play from the games, and the steps that they as well as Lilly Broadcasting were taking to make the broadcasts feel as close to home as possible, including bringing in the home announcers to cover the play by play. They ended the conversation with a talk about their first few upcoming opponents and what the team is going to be facing in that battle.

Air Date; 2/21/2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Schormann Center Grief Counseling Covid

At 8:30 AM Insight program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Jody Bevevino and Ellen Scalise of the Schormann Center to talk about their Yoga for grief relief program and their frontline worker grief program. They talked about the different types of grief that people might face and how to deal with it, they also covered some of their free programs and how people can find them online. The conversation also covered their new program with a focus on helping healthcare workers that have had to watch people suffer losses due to Covid 19 to try to ensure they have good access to mental health resources in the community.

Air Date: 2/28/2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Warren General Cancer Treatments

At 8:30 AM Insight program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Dr. Bernard Eden to talk about some of the upcoming projects that Warren General is preparing for. One of those projects being a Linear Accelerator which can be used in very precise eradication of cancer cells. They then talked about their available team of doctors on staff with experience in treating these diseases. They also covered the available oncologist team from the Allegheny Health Network of doctors that they are partnered with.

Air Date: 3/7/2021 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Substance Abuse Problems in the County

At 8:30 AM Insight program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Andrew Cauley of Family Services of Warren County to once again cover the topic of "addiction" or what is really Substance Abuse Disorder. They talked about what the different aspects of substance abuse disorder can manifest themselves as. They also covered some of the factors that will lead someone to begin substance use or abuse, and the social stigma associated and how that can have an effect on people wanting to seek help.

Air Date: 3/14/2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Conewango Creek Watershed Association

At 8:30 AM Insight program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Jean Gomory and Liz Dropp to discuss what the Conewango Creek Watershed Association is, and what their goals are, along with how the public can help achieve those goals. They talked about being a nonprofit and finding volunteers and the issues that Covid caused in that regard. Then discussions moved into their annual conewango river cleanup day, and how they are planning to do it as a virtual month long event. This information was great to get out to the public to hopefully drum up support for cleaning the rivers and keeping them clean locally.

Air Date: 3/21/2021: 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Program: Insight

Topic: Law Enforcement Officer Cindy Schick

At 8:30 AM Insight Program was broadcast. Aaron Mee met with Officer Cindy Schick of the Pennsylvania State Police to discuss their resource officer program, and what a community services officer does differently from a patrol officer. They talked about the presentation programs that Officer Schick would do for local schools, to lockdown drills that she would offer for local businesses in the area to train and prepare for any threats. They also covered some of the reasons why Officer Schick became a member of the force initially.