

## WDIY public files programming for Quarter 4, 2023

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### ***Cultural Vitality***

#### **Lehigh Valley Arts Salon-Weekly program Monday 6 pm - 30 minutes**

**10/2/23**

**Inside Dish edition**-Heidi Stahl begins by welcoming Tina and Jason Wilder from Stemie's 1818 Tavern of Easton to discuss the restaurant's historic atmosphere, the high standards they have for their delicious food, and their long list of specialty martinis that comes with the chance of joining the locally beloved martini club. Then Heidi talks with Mohammad Ayaz, co-owner and creator of Crispy Spice Halal Grill, a family-owned and operated restaurant that's looking to bring their love of halal food to the Lehigh Valley and expand on its possibilities with their fried food, gyros, desserts, and more.

**10/9/23**

Kate Scuffle talks with Bathsheba Monk and Kim Plyler, founders Pen to Performance, a new nonprofit dedicated to uncovering new theater works. The duo discuss their organization's inaugural play reading event this Thursday at the Ice House in Bethlehem.

**10/16/23**

As many film buffs in the Lehigh Valley get ready to make the drive south to attend the Philadelphia Film Festival later this week, Charles James steps in to host this week's edition of Lehigh Valley Arts Salon, previewing everything that's in store. His guests are Philadelphia Film Society executive director Andrew Greenblatt and artistic director/senior director of programming Michael Lerman.

**10/23/23**

*The Revolutionists!*, the rebellious comedy by America's most-produced living playwright, Lauren Gunderson, is coming to the Cedar Crest College stage this week. This week on Lehigh Valley Arts Salon, Kate Scuffle welcomes the play's director, Clair Freeman, to discuss bringing this French Revolution tale to life in Allentown.

**10/30/23**

Kate Scuffle welcomes Brandon Wunder, director of The Alternative Gallery in Allentown, to discuss their upcoming 'Dusty Cans' screening of rescued 16mm film prints at the Emmaus Theatre on Wednesday, November 8.

**11/6/23**

**Inside Dish Edition**-The first Monday of the month means a new episode of *The Inside Dish!* This month, Mike Drabenstott talks with Patrick Duffy and Carrie Havranek of the magazine *Edible Lehigh Valley* about their efforts to cover the area's food scene. Later, Andrea Rincon of Queso at Casa in Easton stops by to discuss her restaurant's modern twist on traditional cheesy raclette dishes.

**11/13/23**

This week's episode of *Lehigh Valley Arts Salon* focuses on capturing the captivating beauty of the night sky — more specifically, the upcoming photography exhibit, 'Dark Skies,' at the Bethlehem Rotunda Gallery. Photographer Scott Krycia, who specializes in astrophotography, discusses his exhibit today with host Kate Scuffle.

**11/20/23**

Act 1 DeSales University Theatre is celebrating the holidays with a fresh take on a beloved story with Rodgers and Hammerstein's *Cinderella*. Division Head of Performing Arts, Anne Lewis, joins host Kate Scuffle to talk about the production, Act 1's current season, and the overall performing arts program at the university.

**11/27/23**

Kate Scuffle previews the 24th Annual Christmas City Follies — Touchstone Theatre's annual holiday vaudeville that has become a Christmas tradition in the Lehigh Valley. Kate's guests are Touchstone artistic director and Follies director J.P. Jordan, along with Touchstone education director and ensemble member Mary Wright.

**12/4/23**

**The Inside Dish Edition**-Heidi Stahl talks with Dean Zannakis co-owner of the BBQ Boys, a barbecue restaurant in Phillipsburg, NJ, along with Lou, owner of Kinaya Ramen's Allentown location.

**12/11/23**

WDIY on-air music host Scott Sherk has the tables turned on him this week! Sherk is Kate Scuffle's guest on *Lehigh Valley Arts Salon*, discussing the upcoming exhibition at the Soft Machine Gallery in Allentown that he has curated with his organization, Third Barn Curatorial Projects. *Immersion* features sound installations by Brooklyn-based artists Michael J. Schumacher and Queens-based artist John Roach, along with a listening room featuring sound works and field recordings from a range of national and international artists. Sherk and Scuffle discuss the exhibition including the opening reception on December 16 that will feature a performance from UK-based sound artist

Simon Whetham. Tune in to hear a sneak peek of some of the sound clips from the exhibition!

**12/18/23**

Healing Through The Arts was founded in 2008 by melanoma survivor Heather Rodale. Tonight on Lehigh Valley Arts Salon, Kate Scuffle talks with Rodale about her organization and its 14th Annual Hope & Healing Juried Art Show coming to the Allentown Art Museum which showcases the contributed work of high school and college students.

**12/25/23**

For a special Christmas Day edition of *Lehigh Valley Arts Salon*, enjoy a WDIY recording of Selkie Theatre's *A Child's Christmas in Wales*. Hear Dylan Thomas' famous poem read by actors Pat Kelly, Marcie Repp, Kate Scuffle, and George B. Miller.

Selkie Theatre's intimate, candle-lit readings of *A Child's Christmas in Wales*, directed by Selkie's George B. Miller, accompanied by musicians Rick Weaver and Fred Gilmartin of Piper's Request - and a hearty bowl of wassail - has become a holiday tradition here in the Valley over the years, performed in venues including historic grist mills, chapels, Donegal Square, the Bethlehem Area Public Library, and around the fireplace of a 200-year-old stone farmhouse.

***Business, education, political, social, environmental and economic topics***

**[Lehigh Valley public affairs-Weekly programs Thursday 6 pm - 60 minutes](#)**

**10/5/23**

**Teen Scientist Edition**-On this episode, Rayna talks with 16-year-old Pavi Dhiman about how her interest in science and her drive to solve world issues began at a young age. They discuss healthcare accessibility, AI assistance in medicine, and new technologies that could be groundbreaking in the medical field worldwide. *Teen Scientist* with host Rayna Malhotra brings you groundbreaking innovation in the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics disciplines - entirely from a teenage perspective. Catch it the first Thursday of every month from 6:00 to 6:30 PM following *All Things Considered*.

**10/12/23**

**Active Lehigh Valley Edition**-WDIY is excited to premiere our newest program, *Active Lehigh Valley!* The debut episode will feature a discussion about the upcoming St. Luke's D&L Race Fest. Race Director Mike Drabenstott, the Race Director, and

Executive Director of the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Claire Sadler join host Greg Capogna to talk about the race on the trail, the benefits of running, and more.

**10/19/23**

**Wellness LV Edition**-On this month's episode of Wellness Lehigh Valley, another space will be highlighted, the recently opened healing garden at Lehigh Valley Hospital Muhlenberg's south campus. This initiative was undertaken by Peter Yenawine, as a means of giving back for treatment that he received. Peter is president and chief designer of crystal signatures and a world renown artisan. In addition to his initiative for the garden, he created an amazing crystal fountain which adds to the calming effect of this garden. Listen in and learn about this wonderful gift to the Lehigh Valley — and its roots to our ancestral history.

**Charla Comunitaria Edition**-In the next half hour, Aurea Ortiz welcomes three powerful women from the Lehigh Valley to discuss their work, how they got to where they are, and leadership in the community, featuring: Delia Marrero, executive director of the YWCA Bethlehem, who is the first Latina woman to hold position, Rachel Leon, council member of Bethlehem City Council and Anna Smith, director of Community Action Development Bethlehem.

**10/26/23**

**Perspectives Edition**-What was the Fries Rebellion in colonial times? Guests Beth Clausnitzer and Ruthy Cruz of In the Wee Hours and ubiFire Video Production are preparing a film on the Fries Rebellion. It's a fascinating piece of our PA and LV history.

**Charla Comunitaria Edition**- Former *Charla Comunitaria* host Olga Negrón returns to the program as a guest to discuss what she has been up to since leaving the hosting chair, serving in Governor Josh Shapiro's administrations as Executive Director of the Governor's Commission on Latino Affairs.

**11/9/23**

**Active Lehigh Valley Edition**-Greg Capogna welcomes Holly Jones, director of content and social media at Discover Lehigh Valley to discuss some of the destinations that the Lehigh Valley has to offer for people to get involved and active — museums, art venues, and more.

**Let's talk edition**-In the next half hour, Dr. Batts welcomes Carmen Bell, director of healthy aging at the United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley to discuss her experience living as a Black woman of her generation, the needs of our elders, and forming community among seniors and between generations.

**11/16/23**

**Lehigh Valley Business Beat** Edition-The Lehigh Valley Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI), Rising Tide Community Loan Fund, recently joined in a partnership with the Pennsylvania Council of the Arts to provide loan opportunities for creative businesses. Listen in and learn about these loan opportunities and the scope of businesses considered “creative businesses.” Sarah Merritt, Director, Pennsylvania Creative Communities and The Creative Economy and Chris Hudock, Associate Executive Director for Business Development, Lehigh Valley Community Action explain the program, which is now available, with Sally Handlon.

**11/23/23**

**Perspective** Edition-Guest Carla Messinger, a descendant of Lenapes, talks about Native American women thru the ages, including now. How many tribes are there in the USA? You’ll be surprised to hear. Carla is Director, Cultural Educator, Consultant and Preservationist of Native American Heritage Programs.

**Charla Comunitaria Edition**-In the next half hour, Aurea Ortiz speaks with Christopher Williamson, Northampton County Reentry Officer to discuss helping prisoners once they get released.

**11/30/23**

**The El-Chaar Chronicles Edition**-Karen El-Chaar discusses the recent PennEnvironment Microplastics report that focuses on microplastics found in our waterways with guests Faran Savitz, zero waste advocate with PennEnvironment Philadelphia, and Dr. John Cigliano, director of environmental conservation at Cedar Crest College.

**Inside the 610 Edition**-In the next half hour, Michael Frassetto welcomes Clarice James, executive director and founder of M.I.R.A. seeking to give immigrant, refugee, and asylum-seeking families the resources to succeed.

**12/7/23**

**Teen Scientist Edition**-Rayna Malhotra welcomes Adam Moussa, a high school researcher from the country of Lebanon. They discuss thermal conductivity using infrared spectroscopy.

**12/14/23**

**Active Lehigh Valley** Edition-Greg Capogna welcomes John Graham, senior network administrator at St. Luke's Fitness and Sports Performance, recently elected to the Nominations Committee of the National Strength and Conditioning Committee. They discuss Graham's recent book *Metabolic Training: The Ultimate Guide to the Ultimate Workout*.

**Let's Talk Edition**-In the next half hour, Dr. Batts welcomes Michael Richardson to discuss the struggles of growing up in the Bronx, his experience with addiction himself

and seeing his loved ones go through it, and his desire to be known simply as a loving father.

**12/21/23**

**Wellness Lehigh Valley Edition**-We are hearing much more these days about the condition of our water sources – and it is a world-wide concern. We are fortunate in PA and the Lehigh Valley to have the water resources that we have; but what can an individual or family do to help preserve quality and conserve? Brad Kunsman, Penn State Extension Educator, Water Resources and Master Watershed Steward, talks with Sally Handlon regarding our watershed components, their status, and the efforts we can take to make a positive impact on our water sources.

**Active Lehigh Valley Edition**-In the next half hour, the latest episode of *Active Lehigh Valley*. This month's way to stay active — finding the right workout for you. Greg Capogna welcomes John Graham, senior network administrator at St. Luke's Fitness and Sports Performance, recently elected to the Nominations Committee of the National Strength and Conditioning Committee. They discuss Graham's recent book *Metabolic Training: The Ultimate Guide to the Ultimate Workout*.

**12/28/23**

**Perspectives Edition**-John Pearce's guest is Rev. Sue Pizor Yoder, co-author of the new book *Hear Us Out, Six Questions on Belonging and Belief*, with research on today's society. Why are church pews more and more empty? What is important to Millennials and Gen Zers as they journey through life?

**Charla Comunitaria Edition**-In the next half hour, Rhonda Miller, Executive Director of OASIS Community Center joins host Aurea Ortiz to discuss how to manage the "holiday blues" and what it's like to be grieving either the loss of or not being with a loved one during the holidays while also trying to stay in the festive spirit.

**Chamber, city and township news and events**

**Community public affairs programs Monday 6:30 pm - 30 minutes**

**10/2/23**

**Plan Lehigh Valley Edition**-Greg Capogna, Becky Bradley, and Matt Assad talk about long-range transportation plans with Brian Hare, a PennDOT Bureau Director. Topics include open space preservation, highway improvements including bridge repairs and lane widening, the impact of additional warehouses and opportunities for public comment.

**10/16/23**

Host Greg Capogna along with co-host Edward Meehan welcome Yusuf Dahl, founder of the Real Estate Lab and executive director for The Century Promise. The group discusses how Yusuf's past made him who he is today and how it guided him toward the fight for housing equality.

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**10/30/23**

**A Closer Look edition**-Laurie Hackett returns for another spotlight on Lehigh Valley nonprofits. Her guests are Kurt Landes, president and GM for Lehigh Valley IronPigs and president of IronPigs Charities, and Tanya Tyler, an enthusiastic community leader and recipients of a 2023 ATHENA Leadership Award from the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce's Women's Business Council.

**11/6/23**

**Plan Lehigh Valley Edition**-Dive into the details of a record-breaking month for the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission and look at regional development during the third quarter of 2023. Host Sally Handlon will be joined by the LVPC's Becky Bradley and Matt Assad.

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**11/20/23**

**Healthbeat Edition**-Max Weintraub, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Allentown Art Museum, to discuss the positive effects art has on physical and mental health.

**11/27/23**

**A Closer Look Edition**-Laura McHugh, vice president of communication and marketing for the United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley, and Mike Butz of the Alvin H. Butz

Company, join host Laurie Hackett to discuss their involvement in giving back to the community, what inspires them to donate their time and resources, and the joy they gain from giving back.

**12/4/23**

**Plan Lehigh Valley Edition**-Greg Capogna along with co-hosts Becky Bradley and Matt Assad from the Lehigh Valley Planning Commission welcome guest Brian Dietrich, a third generation farmer and the owner of Lynnacres Farm, one of the region's largest dairy operations. They discuss our farming economy, the size and work of Lynnacres Farm, and the ways that agriculture is still a big part of the Lehigh Valley's identity.

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**12/18/23**

**Health Beat Edition**-Greg Capogna and co-host Dr. Samantha Shaak welcome guests David Park and Shawn Duncan of Focused Community Strategies (FCS), an organization doing place-based work in South Atlanta, Georgia. They discuss holistic community improvement, what it means, and why it's the most effective method.

**12/25/23**

**A Closer Look Edition**-On this month's nonprofit spotlight, Laurie Hackett welcomes guests Brittany Keal and John Dodds to discuss getting involved young to make it easier to stay involved throughout the rest of your life. Brittany Keal is Vice President of Diversity Councils at the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce; John Dodds is a WDIY on-air host and board member, a member of the Lehigh Valley Chamber's Nonprofit Council, board member of VNA at St. Luke's University Health Network, and owner of his own branding and marketing consulting company.

***Financial Awareness for consumers and business owners***

**[Your Financial Choices-Weekly program Wednesday 6 pm - 60 minutes](#)**

**10/4/23**

This week's episode: The How and Timing of Charitable Giving. Just in time for the Fall Membership Drive, Laurie Siebert will discuss charitable giving. Phone lines will be



closed to take Membership Drive donations. Listeners can also submit questions for Laurie's next program at [yourfinancialchoices.com](https://yourfinancialchoices.com)

**10/11/23**

This week's episode: Your Financial Planning Fingerprint. Laurie Siebert will be live in the studio. Listeners can ask questions during the show at 610-758-8810 or anytime in advance at [yourfinancialchoices.com](https://yourfinancialchoices.com).

**10/18/23**

This week's episode: Milestone birthdays — important ages in planning. Laurie Siebert will be live in the studio. Listeners can ask questions during the show at 610-758-8810 or anytime in advance at [yourfinancialchoices.com](https://yourfinancialchoices.com)

**10/25/23**

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**11/01/23**

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**11/8/23**

This week's episode: Mortgage market update and stories to share. Topics include reducing high interest rates in 2024, to sell or not to sell and strategies for minimizing other expenses. Laurie Siebert will be live in the studio with guest Stan Reinford of Movement Mortgage. Listeners can ask questions during the show at 610-758-8810 or anytime in advance at [yourfinancialchoices.com](https://yourfinancialchoices.com)

**11/15/23**

This week's episode: Medicare Continued. Laurie Siebert will be live in the studio with guest Dan Banks, president and founder of Silvercrest Insurance. Listeners can ask questions during the show at 610-758-8810 or anytime in advance at [yourfinancialchoices.com](https://yourfinancialchoices.com)

**11/22/23**

Enjoy a program from the *Your Financial Choices Archives*. Laurie Siebert will not be live in the studio. Questions can be submitted anytime for Laurie's next live show at [yourfinancialchoices.com](http://yourfinancialchoices.com)

**11/29/23**

This week's show: Financial Considerations for Blended Families. Laurie Siebert will not be live in the studio. Listeners can ask questions live during the program at 610-758-8810. Questions can also be submitted anytime before the program at [yourfinancialchoices.com](http://yourfinancialchoices.com).

**12/6/23**

This week's show: 2023 market wrap-up and 2024 predictions. Laurie Siebert will be joined live in the studio by Bill Henderson, CIO of Valley National Financial Advisors. Listeners can ask Laurie and Bill questions live during the program at 610-758-8810. Questions can also be submitted anytime before the program at [yourfinancialchoices.com](http://yourfinancialchoices.com).

**12/13/23**

This week's show: Cybersecurity Tips. Laurie Siebert will be joined live in the studio by Rob Ziobro, Asst. VP of Technology from Valley National Financial Advisors. Listeners can ask Laurie and Rob questions live during the program at 610-758-8810. Questions can also be submitted anytime before the program at [yourfinancialchoices.com](http://yourfinancialchoices.com).

**12/20/23**

This week's show: Discussing Your State Planning and Gifting. Laurie Siebert will be live in the studio. Listeners can ask questions during the program at 610-758-8810. Questions can also be submitted anytime before the program at [yourfinancialchoices.com](http://yourfinancialchoices.com)