

Public Affairs Programming
Q3-2022

Program: Perspective

Airdate: July 3

Runtime: Approximately 29 Minutes

Guests: Daniel Cameron
Attorney General
Commonwealth of Kentucky

Nick Storm
Political Analyst/Blogger: Kentucky Fried Politics

Topics: Overturning Roe v. Wade: Losing the Right To Choose?

Nine days ago--Supreme Court turned the tables in the battle over abortion : when it reversed its ruling of nearly half a century ago --that made abortion legal as part of the U.SConstitution's right to privacy.

Kentucky has found itself near Ground Zero since. The Commonwealth's two providers--shutting down --when Kentucky's trigger law took effect.

It bans virtually all abortion--except procedures necessary to save the mother's life or to prevent permanent damage to a life-sustaining organ.

As of last Thursday--though--those clinics are running,

They're suing on grounds those laws violate rights guaranteed under Kentucky's own Constitution. A Judge issuing a temporary restraining order--putting those laws on hold.

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Air Date: July 10

Runtime: Approximately 30 minutes

Guests: U.S. Representative Andy Barr
Kentucky-6th District

Bob Babbage
Former Kentucky Secretary of State & State Auditor
Principal: Babbage Co-Founder

TOPIC(S): Gun mandates, Governor's races & Pregnancy Rights

Independence Day's made for a short work-week, but a week far short from work--in Frankfort or DC.

Major developments in the battle over gun rights and gun controls and on abortion: a woman's right to choose.

A Judge in Louisville hearing arguments as to whether the Commonwealth's own so-called Trigger Law violates Kentucky's Constitution --

which, pro-choice supporters maintain --guarantees a woman a right to medical privacy-- including abortion.

This--even as President Biden steps in with Executive Orders--to give women access to abortion medication and to legal protection-to cross state lines for abortion procedures.

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Airdate: July 17

Runtime: Approximately 29 minutes

Guests: Governor Andy Beshear
Commonwealth of Kentucky

Dr. Steven Stack
Commissioner of Public Health
Commonwealth of Kentucky

Topics: Covid, Monkey Pox, Medical Marijuana & Potpourri

Covid infections back up this summer.

Kentucky confirming the two most recent variants of Omicron are most responsible.

What Governor Andy Beshear and Public Health Commissioner Dr. Stephen Stack describe as a slow climb--rather than a spike.

Nonetheless-- 51 short of 11 thousand new cases confirmed in the week following Independence Day-- 758 more than the week before. The percentage testing positive--almost 17. Up almost 1 and a quarter point from seven days prior.

Dr. Stack puts the numbers, the recommended court of action--in Perspective.

Takes questions regarding the Monkey Pox threat.

While Governor Beshear gives his take--on who shouldn't be Kentucky's next federal Judge-- who deserves credit for the Commonwealth's record Budget surpluses--and where he stands on action to legalize medical marijuana.

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Airdate: July 24

Runtime: Approximately 29 minutes

Guest: Riley Gaines
Swimmer: University of Kentucky
Nominee: NCAA Woman Athlete of the Year

Topic: Transgender Athletics

School--from Kindergarten through college--will be back in session before you know it.

And the Commonwealth finds itself dead-center of a debate regarding how to define a quote -- level playing field in sports.

Should transgender girls or women --male to female --be allowed to compete--to play against girls or women?

Depending upon where you stand-- Kentucky lawmakers either have pro-active -- or jumped the gun.Last Legislative session --they banned transgender girls from participating in girls or women's sports-- on their teams--from 6th grade through college.

The proverbial lightning rod for such actions: Lia Thomas--swimming for the University of Pennsylvania for three years --sitting out a year to transition -- then competing as woman her third year.

She's Penn's nomination for this year's N-C-Double-A's Woman of the Year --an action that's outraged the University of Kentucky's nominee--swimmer Riley Gaines-- who's called the nomination nothing less than a slap in the face--turning a prestigious award into a laughingstock.

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Airdate: July 31

Runtime: Approximately 30 minutes

Guests: Governor Andy Beshear
Commonwealth of Kentucky

DeAnne Criswell
Director
Federal Emergency Management Agency

Topic: Southeastern Kentucky Flooding

Between 6 and 9 inches of rain--hitting 13 of Kentucky's Southeastern Counties in a little more than a day-and-a-half: bracing for more in the next two days.

Going into this weekend: the death toll 20 and rising: including four children in one family 8 months to eight years old.

The devastation different--but in many ways equal to the tornadoes that tore through Western Kentucky in December.

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Airdate: August 7

Runtime: Approximately 30 minutes

Guests: Governor Andy Beshear
Commonwealth of Kentucky

Rep. Chris Fugate
District 84: Breathitt, Owsley & Perry Counties

Topic: Fighting the Flood: Repair, Rebuild, Recover

Nine days since the devastating flooding began in Eastern Kentucky. And victims have spent the past two days bracing--worrying that rain will undone some or all the progress they've made in recovery.

Folks in ten counties--eligible to apply--for federal grants and loans to repair, replace and rebuild--but finding difficulty in qualifying—or at least understanding the paperwork.

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Airdate: August 14

Runtime: Approximately 30 minutes

Guests: Governor Andy Beshear
Commonwealth of Kentucky

Topic: Floods of Summer: Progress & Problems

Two weeks since Kentucky suffered what may be its worst natural disaster this century: the floods that have devastated more than a dozen counties in Eastern Kentucky.

We knew nature's worst would bring out neighbor's best.

President Biden --promising America in general --FEMA in particular--would make the victims whole.

But already--signs that may be falling short.

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Air Date: August 21

Run Time: Approximately 26 minutes

Guests: Chief Lawrence Weathers
Lexington Police

Linda Gorton
Mayor
Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government

Topic:

Heading into the fourth week of August--Lexington is ahead of itself to set a record nobody wants to break: death by violence.

29 homicides so far this year --without factoring in two deaths considered suspicious --under investigation: those of a 35-year-old woman, and an 18-month old boy.

Police Chief Lawrence Weathers and Mayor Linda Gorton adamant that law-enforcement is moving- --to keep the Urban County Safe.

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Air Date: August 28

Runtime: Approximately 30 minutes

Guests: Governor Andy Beshear
Commonwealth of Kentucky

Sen. Robert Stivers
Presiding Officer

Rep. David Osborne
Speaker of the House

Rep. John Blanton
Bill Sponsor

Rep. Angie Hatton
Chair: Mountain Caucus

Topic: Stop-Gap for the Flood

Four Weeks and a day after floods devastate Eastern Kentucky, lawmakers end a three-day Special Session by sending more than 200 million state dollars to help.

What leaders of the Republican Supermajority and a Democratic Governor call non-partisan--but Stop-Gap.

Buying time for victims as colder weather approaches to start rebuilding their lives and find some place to call home--temporarily--until they can figure out what Uncle Sam will or won't fix.

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Air Date: September 4

Runtime: Approximately 30 minutes

Guest: Gov. Andy Beshear
(D) Commonwealth of Kentucky

Topics: Trailer-ing the Floods of Eastern Kentucky

The Labor Day weekend--offers little rest for our neighbors in Eastern Kentucky--four and a half weeks into recovery from devastating floods.

The power's back on--to most businesses and homes still safe enough to use it.
Major progress restoring drinking water.

It's late--but at least two school districts begin classes this coming week.

Two more Districts --Letcher and Knott --are weeks away.

This week's Perspective--Governor Andy Beshear's Progress Report: and why many will find their immediate--intermediate home--in a travel trailer.

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Airdate: September 11

Runtime: Approximately 24 Minutes

Guests: Bill Strauss
Freelance Photographer

Topic: In Memoriam: HRH Queen Elizabeth II

Today marks 21 years since the Attack on America forever changed our country.

The first Ally to join what would become our War on Terror: our staunchest since our War for Independence and our reconfirmation of it in 1812: the United Kingdom and its Commonwealth of Nations.

This week's Perspective focuses on the Life of its Longest Serving Sovereign: Her Majesty-- Queen Elizabeth The Second.

First--A look back--with Fox's Simon Owen.

The way forward--with His Majesty--Charles the Third.

And finally—the vman who chronicled her Majesty's Love affair with thoroughbreds and the Bluegrass: with Bill Straus: Photographer who documented her five trips here

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Air Date: September 18

Runtime: Approximately 30 minutes

Guests: Mayor Linda Gorton
Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government

Chief Lawrence Weathers
Lexington Division of Police

Devine Carama
Musical Artist
Executive Director: 'One Lexington'

Topic: Rx Stemming Lexington's Gun Violence

Beginning the second full week of September--Lexington was three shy of tying the record for lives lost to violence in a single year.

37 set only last year.

Last weekend: nine people shot, in four incidents.

Monday--the 35th victim: 22-year-old Doricky Harris--killed at Coolavan Apartments--site of one of the Saturday shootings.

The shockwaves prompting Mayor Linda Gorton to call what some have described as a frank and candid news conference detailing their strategies for stemming the crime--and the challenge to citizens to help.

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Program: Perspective

Airdate: September 25

Runtime: Approximately 28 minutes

Guests: Governor Andy Beshear
(D) Commonwealth of Kentucky

Jeremy Slenker
Director of Emergency Management
Commonwealth of Kentucky

Bob Babbage
Principal: Babbage Co-Founder

Topics: Seasons Change

Summer ends, September's ending & Autumn begins with a countdown toward the November elections, amid issues aplenty for Commonwealth & country.

This week's Perspective is a 'taking of temperature' more than pulse.

The questions for Governor Andy Beshear--begin with when he'll make a move on Medical Cannabis, to an update on why Kentucky's outdated-degenerated into dysfunctional --system for processing unemployment benefits--could have its update deferred to four years rather than two, What and whom he blames.

Progress reports on economic development, the COVID fight, and Eastern Kentucky's recovery from floods.

Then--the lens widens: where Kentucky stands year's Governor's race-- and where both parties stand period--in the fight for who controls Congress-- with former State Auditor and Secretary of State--turned Political Consultant and Lobbyist--Bob Babbage.

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