

First Quarter Issues for 2017

1. addressing the special needs of older drivers
2. how to teach and promote healthier lifestyles.
3. the issue of housing for homeless women
4. what are the legal issues for caregivers in homes?
5. uncovering the challenges presented by Leukemia and Lymphoma
6. protecting yourself from tax scams
7. Volunteer organizations and their needs
8. raising money to provide hospice services in Abq.
9. finding employment opportunities in rural areas of the state.
10. getting more people to sign up as organ donors.

Jan 21/22 :30 minute show hosted by Pat Allen. Guest was Mark McCracken, C-O-O for Safer New Mexico Now. We talked about the on-going mission of the group to improve highway safety in the state. The discussion covered the issue of older drivers and the problems they face due to aging.

Jan 28/29 :30 minute show hosted by Pat Allen with Leigh Caswell from Presbyterian Center for Community Health and Meta Hirschl with Adelante. We discussed the Healthy Here Program that targets two areas of Albuquerque, teaching and promoting healthier lifestyles. The areas are the International District and the South Valley.

Feb 4/5 :30 minute show with Connie Chavez, Executive Director of the Barrett Foundation, and Eilene Vaughn-Pickrell, Development Director for the Foundation. We talked about the work Barrett does to provide housing for homeless women and their families. We also discussed the International Night of Passion, a big fundraiser for the foundation.

Feb 11/12 :30 minute show hosted by Pat Allen with the Alzheimer's Association, New Mexico Chapter. We reviewed the presentation on "legal issues for caregivers" program on February 16th. Guests were Chris McCaffrey, program director and Chris Chaffin, Media Coordinator for Alzheimer's Association, NM Chapter.

Feb 18/19 :30 minute show hosted by Pat Allen with representatives from the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society/New Mexico/El Paso. The guests included NYra Keckin, the Director of the Man/Woman of the Year fundraising effort, Kristja Falvo, Managing Director of the LLS and current Man of the Year, Andrew Jaynes who raised over 60 thousand dollars in last year's competition. The next Man/Woman of the Year campaign launches on March 30 and runs through the middle of June.

Feb 25/26 :30 minute show hosted by Pat Allen with Brian Watson Special Agent/Public Information Officer with the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigation Phoenix Field Office. We talked about tax scams and how to avoid them.

Mar 4/5 :30 minute show with representatives from two Civitan clubs in New Mexico on the work they do in the community. Past President Carol Kline and Larry leyva were the guests.

Mar 11/12 :30 minute show hosted by Pat Allen with Julie Bowdich with the Presbyterian Hospital Foundation, and Therese Jordan, a Presbyterian hospice social worker. We talked about the Daffodill Days fundraiser that raises money for the Hospice program at Pres.

Mar 18/19 :30 minute show with Mark Lautman with a group called Soloworks. It trains and places hard to employ individuals with companies that can utilize the employee from home. Primarily with residents in the Grants area.

Mar 25/26 :30 minute show with Evelyn Rivera and Joyce Manchester with the Organ Transplant Awareness Program of New Mexico. They are both organ donor recipients and advocate for more people becoming donors. We promoted their 5-k walk coming up in April.

April 1/2 :30 minute show hosted by Pat Allen with Casa Angelica. The conversation covered the work that's done at Casa Angelica, helping people with very special needs.

April 8/9 :30 minute show with Cy Stanton and David Gonzales with NAMI New Mexico

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and Dalilah Naranjo with Crossroads for Women. These are the non-profits that will be supported this year by Mayor Berry's Charitable Ball.

April 15/16 :30 minute show with Dave Coulie on helping families of fallen officers.also Jim Lehner, both are with the 100 club of new mexico. the group gets immediate financial help into the families affected by fallen police officers or firefighters. they've been doing it statewide since 1969.

April 22/23 :30 minute show and the interview was with Benny Jacquez with the Department of Health and Michelle Cruz with "Rescue", and the 24-7 program to keep tobacco out of schools statewide. Benny is with the tobacco use prevention and control, or "Tupac"

April 29/30 :30 minute show with Twauna and Mike Paupp with Loving Thunder Therapeutic Riding. They work with special needs children and veterans, using horses as therapy.