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## QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

4th Quarter October - December 2023

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### PUBLIC AFFAIRS RELATED PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

#### Let's Talk

A 15-minute morning talk show with invited guests, covering a wide variety of topics airing Monday through Friday from 7:45 am to 8:00 am. The following summarizes a representative sample of programming that provided the most significant treatment of community issues during the past quarter. Programming frequently deals with more than one issue.

#### Coverage Addressing the Following Issues:

- 1) Health & Medical
- 2) Education
- 3) Sports & Recreation
- 4) Government
- 5) The Arts
- 6) Youth Programs
- 7) Continuing Education
- 8) Business and Commerce
- 9) Public Safety
- 10) The Environment
- 11) Social Issues
- 12) Agriculture

|                                   | Date       | Time    | Duration | Description of Segment  |
|-----------------------------------|------------|---------|----------|---|
| Health & Medical                  | 10/2/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | SHIIP Counselor Kathy Szary talks about the upcoming annual Medicare Part D review, changes in plans, how to choose the best plan for you, and how SHIIP Counselors can help you navigate the entire process.   |
| Local Government                  | 10/3/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 Min   | Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the October 2 city council meeting, including a decision regarding the future of the Veterans Memorial Building, a Community Catalyst Building Grant for the proposed School of Music, a request for a stop sign at 9th and Elm, an extension of a development agreement, and why the ambulance service has not changed over yet. |
| Education                         | 10/4/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Grinnell College Director of Outreach Programming and Events Sarah Smith talks about a number of events taking place at the college that are free and open to the general public, why you still see some masks around, and a presidential appointment for a recent grad.  |
| Business and Commerce             | 10/5/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Grinnell Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Rachael Kinnick talks about the new resident welcome party, another Connecting for Women event, the final weeks of Farmers Market and some trick or treating, the homecoming parade, and only six weeks to the Jingle Bell Holiday   |
| Government                        | 10/6/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Iowa 2nd District Congresswoman Ashley Hinson talks about the removal of the house speaker, the fire alarm incident, the continuing resolution for funding, border security or the lack of it, and what people in the district are thinking.  |
| Agriculture and Education         | 10/9/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Poweshiek County Extension Executive Director Cathy Lents and Signey Hilby Clover Kids Coordinator and Outreach Coordinator talk about 4H, continuing registration and deadlines, activities and programs within the 4H program for kids.   |
| Health & Medical                  | 10/10/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Dr. Anna Mensing, new general surgeon at Unity Point Health - Grinnell talks about weight loss surgery, what encompasses "general surgery", why making a move to a small town, and shares stories of surgical training.   |
| Public Safety                     | 10/11/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Grinnell Police Chief Michael McClelland talks about the recent incident involving college protesters, Vivak Ramaswamy, and a fender bender, and what is the real story, plus more on recruitment and retention and Halloween safety.   |
| Education                         | 10/12/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Interim Grinnell Newburg School Superintendent Stephen Barber recaps the October 11 school board meeting, including presentations by three search firms, where enrollment stands, in-service and parent-teacher conferences, and a change in getting a Suburban   |
| Local Government                  | 10/13/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Poweshiek County Supervisor Chair Jason Roudabush talks about county issues, including ongoing bridge and road work, an update on the proposed Sapphire Lake project, incoming and outgoing county personnel, the Poweshiek County Fair, and progress on the county radio system  |
| Social Issues                     | 10/16/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Jennifer Cogley with the CDAF, and Amy Blanchard with the GPCF, talk about the month of giving in October for the funds administered by their respective foundations, including matching challenges, where to find more information, and how to give.   |
| Local Government                  | 10/17/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the Oct. 16 city council meeting, including an extension for BAM, the question of water run-off, amending the budget, amending employee benefits, a water connect, and maybe a new restaurant coming to town.   |
| Social Issues/Sports & Recreation | 10/18/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Ashely Grundler from 100+ People Who Care Grinnell and Jordan Allsup Grinnell Parks and Recreation Director talk about the upcoming meeting of the 100+ Group, and the Inclusive Playground project that received the funds last quarter  |
| Government                        | 10/18/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | U.S. Senator Joni Ernst on being in the Middle East when Hamas attacked Israel, how we should respond, what lessons we should learn about our own border security, plus the Farm Bill, and the House Leadership.  |
| Arts & Education                  | 10/19/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Grinnell Area Arts Council Director of Operations Monica St. Angelo talks about the opening party for the "Spookytown" exhibition in the Stewart Gallery, the opening of "Frankenstein" in the Loft Theater, preparations for the Local Artist's Market at the Jingle Bell Holiday, and classes at the Stew.  |
| Health & Medical                  | 10/20/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | UPH-GRMC newest provider to the Grinnell Family Practice Clinic. Dr. April Forsyth talks about her background and training, why she chose "cradle to grave" practice, and practicing in a small town.   |
| Social Issues/Local Government    | 10/23/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Grinnell Mayoral candidate Kamal Hammouda talks about his background, his reasons for running, and what he sees as issues that important to Grinnellians.   |
| Social Issues/Local Government    | 10/24/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Grinnell Mayoral Candidate and Incumbent Dan Agnew talks about his background, why he is seeking another term as mayor, his accomplishments as mayor, and looking towards the future.   |
| Government                        | 10/25/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | United States Senator Chuck Grassley talks about what we should and shouldn't be doing in the Middle East, the chaos in the U.S. House, and why we won't see a Farm Bill anytime soon, plus the ongoing fentanyl problem, biofuels, and illegal guns and the ATF  |
| Education                         | 10/26/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min   | Grinnell Newburg Interim Superintendent Stephen Barber recaps the Oct 25th School Board meeting, including the official enrollment numbers for the year, the first meeting with the new search firm and a timeline for the Superintendent search, little victories, parent-teacher conferences, bus drivers, and an upcoming PPEL forum                           |

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| The Arts / Education/ Youth Programs | 10/27/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Cast members Lydia Singleton, Camryn Brennan, Izzy Roorda talk about the upcoming production of "Into The Woods" at Montezuma High School, the cast, the music, and living up to expectations.   |
| Education/Social Issues              | 10/30/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell-Newburg School Board At-Large Candidate Chris Gundler talks about his background, his reasons for running for school board, and what he sees as issues facing the schools.  |
| Social Issues/Local Government       | 10/31/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell City Council Ward 4 candidate Matt Karjalahti talks about his background, his campaign, why he wants to serve on the council, and what he sees as issues facing the city in the future.   |
| Education/Social Issues              | 11/1/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell/Newburg School Board At-Large candidate Joshua Yeager talks about his background, his reasons for running for school board, and the issues he sees facing the district.   |
| Social Issues/Local Government       | 11/2/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell City Council Ward 4 Candidate Rob Corry talks about his background, why he is running for city council, and his proposed 10 point plan for Grinnell   |
| Social Issues/Local Government       | 11/3/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | City of Grinnell Mayoral Candidate Gary Glandon talks about his background, why he is running for Mayor, and what issues he feels are important to Grinnellians  |
| Education/Social issues              | 11/7/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell College Director of Outreach Programming and Events Sarah Smith talks about the Cross County team's Midwest Conference Championships, A presentation by the curator of the Smithsonian exhibition at the Drake Library, and an upcoming Civic Action Academy Conference.                |
| Local Government                     | 11/8/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps both the regular city council meeting, and the special meeting to terminate the Ambulance Agreement with Midwest Ambulance, plus speed cameras, new businesses, and other city projects  |
| Business and Commerce                | 11/9/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell Area Chamber of Commerce President/CEO Rachael Kinnick talks about preparations for "Jingle Bell Holiday"   |
| Arts & Education                     | 11/10/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | GAAC Operations Director Monica St. Angelo talks about the upcoming Winter Artist's Market kickoff during Jingle Bell Holiday, some weekend fabric art workshops, auditions for "Its A Wonderful Life" Live Radio Play, the "Stew" memberships make a great Christmas gift.                      |
| Agriculture and Education            | 11/13/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Poweshiek County Extension & Outreach Executive Director Cathy Lents and Clover Kids and Outreach Coordinator Signey Hilby talk about the 2024 Master Gardener Calendar, the upcoming Ag Marketing program, Awards night, Beef Blast, and 4H/FFA Beef Weigh-in                                   |
| Public Safety                        | 11/14/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell Police Chief Michael McClelland talks about the proposed speed cameras on the interstate, and a portable one for in-town use, the rationale for their use, the process that will be used, and also a quick plug for "Shop With A Cop"   |
| Sports & Recreation                  | 11/15/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell Parks and Recreation Director Jordan Allsup talks about the good and the bad of the late warm weather, inching closer to meeting the goal for the Inclusive Playground, changing hours on the park bathrooms, and more  |
| Government                           | 11/16/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | U.S. Senator Joni Ernst talks about the continuing resolution, border security and abuse of children at the border, the president meeting with the Chinese, and Standing Up for Israel   |
| Local Government                     | 11/17/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Poweshiek County Supervisor Diana Dawley talks about the election canvassing procedure and County Conservation Director Tylor Nelson talks about taking over the department, what he does, and plans for the future of the Conservation dept.  |
| Education                            | 11/20/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell-Newburg School Interim Superintendent Steven Barber recaps the November school board meeting, the special organizational meeting following the second election canvass, early resignation policy changes, and the next step in the search for a new superintendent.                     |
| Arts & Education                     | 11/22/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell College Museum of Art Director Susan Baley talks about the final weeks of the two current exhibitions on display, Stephen Appleby-Barr: Correspondence, and Old Friends and Psychopomps, a preview of the spring term exhibitions, and what will be in the gallery during the holidays. |
| Health & Medical                     | 11/24/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Mary Waechter, RN, CDCES, UPH/GRMC Diabetic Educator talks about the causes, treatments and preventative measures of diabetes in recognition of National Diabetes Month  |
| Education /Social Issues             | 11/27/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Bill Hammen & Phyllis Meredith talk about the "Glad Tidings and Good Cheer" program at Heritage Park, a history of the park, and the importance of preservation projects   |
| Government                           | 11/28/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | U.S. Senator Chuck Grassley talks turkey, extending the spending bills, funding for Israel and Ukraine, the president's meeting with the Chinese president, and of course, the Farm Bill, or lack of one.  |
| Education                            | 11/29/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | GHS Debate Coach Todd Crites talks about his team clinching a third-in-a-row Central Iowa Debate League Championship, how real debate differs from those presidential things we see on tv, all district honors, and the upcoming winter season.  |
| The Arts                             | 11/30/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Playwriter, Director and cast member of A Wonderful Christmas Story Josh Gerard talks about the holiday production at the Brooklyn Opera House, his inspiration, the cast, putting on a show at the historic Opera House.  |
| Health and Medical                   | 12/1/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | UPH/GRMC Foundation Director of Development Donna Fischer talks about the "Delivering The Future" campaign, the need for the expansion and renovation of the birthing suites, and the challenges of charitable giving  |

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| Education               | 12/4/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Melody Bro talks about a "Food Preservation - the 4 Corner Pantry" presentation at the Traer Public Library, types of food preservation, home canning, and what the Woman Land and Legacy program is all about.   |
| Education/Social Issues | 12/5/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell College Director of Outreach Programming and Events Sarah Smith talks about the end of the fall term, future collaborations with the Smithsonian, end of term concerts and programs, the Renfrow Hall project progress, and community use of facilities.                                     |
| Local Government        | 12/6/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the Dec 4 City Council meeting, including approving a development agreement for an Indian restaurant near the interstate, update on city street projects and the water treatment plant, the changes to the ATV ordinance, and more.                                   |
| Business and Commerce   | 12/7/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell Chamber President & CEO Rachael Kinnick talks about the impact of the "Jingle Bell Holiday" as well as the "Black Friday" and "Small Business Saturday" events on local retail sales, new businesses opening, and local events thru the holidays.  |
| Local Government        | 12/8/2023  | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Poweshiek County Supervisor Jeff Tindle talks about the ongoing dispute between the Poweshiek County Fair Board and Poweshiek County Extension, a retirement reception for Mark Vavroch, updates on bridge work and the delay in the County 911 Tower project, and the upcoming budget.               |
| Agriculture & Education | 12/11/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Poweshiek Co. Extension Executive Director Cathy Lents and Clover Kids and Outreach Coordinator Signey Hilby talk about Ag Marketing, the 2024 Master Gardener Calendar, private pesticide training, VITA, and 4H deadlines to note.  |
| Social Issues           | 12/12/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | GPCF Program Manager Amy Blanchard talks about the launch of the Poweshiek County Alliance Grant Application for 2024, what the grant is, who can apply and how, who has benefitted in the past, and the deadline for applications  |
| The Arts                | 12/13/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Director Kate Baumgartner and cast members Rita Mertins and Zach Bey talk about the GCT production of "Its A Wonderful Life" radio play.  |
| Education               | 12/14/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell-Newburg Interim Superintendent Steven Barber recaps the Dec. 13th school board meeting, including an update on the superintendent search, bus purchases, an explanation of revenue streams, enrollment and absenteeism, and efforts above and beyond.  |
| Government              | 12/15/2023 | 7:24 AM | 15 min | District 2 Congresswoman Ashley Hinson talks about the effectiveness of the House leadership so far, what is getting done before the holidays, border security issues, and do we really need another impeachment inquiry  |
| Government              | 12/18/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | U.S Senator Joni Ernst talks about her ongoing efforts to get federal workers back to work AT work, government waste, her reaction to Hunter Biden's snub of a congressional subpoena, border security and coming home for the holidays   |
| Local Government        | 12/19/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the Dec. 18th city council meeting, including an update on the city EMS service, a pair of public hearings, moving meetings in January, and more  |
| Public Safety           | 12/20/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell Police Chief Michael McClelland talks about two retired Grinnell police officers who will be assisting with some projects, recruiting more officers, the "Shop with a Cop" program, and mysterious booms around town.  |
| Sports and Recreation   | 12/21/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Grinnell Parks and Recreation Director Jordan Allsup talks about the ice rink at Ahrens Park and the un-cooperative weather so far, how the warm weather has also affected the assessments of the city lakes, holidays and the GARC hours, and deadlines for programs and new programs being offered. |
| Public Safety           | 12/22/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Iowa State Patrol Public Relations Officer Robert Conrad talks about the increase in traffic deaths this year, the impact of distracted driving, dispels some myths about getting a ticket, and what everyone should do to stay safe traveling during the holidays.                                   |
| Government              | 12/26/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Iowa House District 53 Representative Dean Fisher talks about the repercussions of the last session, and what he feels will be hot button issues in the upcoming session that starts January 8th. And yes, he also talks racoons.   |
| Youth/Education         | 12/27/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | Drake Community Library Director Karen Neal and Board of Trustees President Adrienne Hardin talk about the development of a 5 year strategic plan for the library, how it was accomplished, and what is in it.  |
| Government              | 12/28/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | State District 27 Senator Annette Sweeney talks about HF718 and the meetings she has held to try to explain it affected parties, what issues she feels will be addressed in the upcoming Legislative session, and what bills she will be working on.  |
| Health & Medical        | 12/29/2023 | 7:45 AM | 15 min | UPH/GRMC PWA Fitness Center's Holly Pettion talks about the services offered at the PWA Fitness Center, classes offered, the importance of a healthy lifestyle, and how you can get fit in 2024   |
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