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QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

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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
Business and Commerce	7/3/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Poweshiek Co. Naturalist Amy Andrews talks about the upcoming events during the month of April with Poweshiek County Conservation, including the last month of the Homeschool and Preschool Nature Explorers, Fleming Woods Wildflower Hikes, Earth Day Fox Forest Tour, Building Better Birders Workshop ,Hunter Education, and more
Local Government	7/5/2023	7:45 AM	15 Min	Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the July 3rd city council meeting, including the sale of land to three entities at the site of the proposed solar field, consideration of financial assistance to a local business, a number of street closings, and updates on various projects.
Education	7/6/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell College Director of Outreach Programming and Events Sarah Smith talks about the recent Ag Policy Roundtable held at the college, a new Smithsonian Exhibition coming soon, and ongoing construction at the Renfrow Hall site.
Agriculture & Education	7/7/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Poweshiek County Extension Executive Director Cathy Lents talks about an upcoming farm leasing workshop, Clover Kids and Outreach Coordinator Signey Hilby, and Intern Gavin Tindle talk about 4h and Clover Kids events coming up at the Poweshiek County Fair.
Business and Commerce	7/10/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Chamber of Commerce President & CEO Rachael Kinnick talks about the upcoming Ridiculous Days event and preparations for the RAGBRAI stop in Grinnell on the 27th.
Government	7/11/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	United States Senator Chuck Grassley talks about Whistleblowers, student debt and college costs, foreign influence, wehn we might see the Farm Bill, and what the Senator does and doesn't get on a stick at the Iowa State Fair.
Social Issues	7/12/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Station Clubhouse Board President Bill Hammen and Rynanne Jansen, Director, talk about the name change to Connections, the purpose and mission of the day program, and an upcoming open house lunch event.
Education	7/13/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Interim Superintendent of the Grinnell Newberg School District Steve Barber recaps the July 12th meeting, including a number of construction projects underway and their progress, a salute to the softball team and a police officer, and how he views his role as interim superintendent.
Local Government	7/14/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Poweshiek County Supervisor Chair Jason Roudabush updates projects including new cells at the landfill, an update on the bridge on the north end of Brooklyn, and where things stand with the proposed crush plant and Sapphire Lake projects.
Public Safety	7/17/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Police Chief Michael McClelland talks about preparations for the RAGBRAI stop in Grinnell, recruitment issues for the department and how they are dealing with staffing issues, and a good year for fireworks,
Local Government	7/18/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the latest city council meeting, including public hearings on land purchase agreements, what happens if there is a delay in the solar fields, police recruitment and EMS issues, and looking for Trustees for the Campbell Fund.
Sports & Recreation	7/19/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Parks and Recreation Director Jordan Allsup talks about the season so far at the Aquatic Center, an update on the surveys of the two city lakes and what's next, preparations for RAGBRAI in Central Park, and an update on the proposed inclusive playground at Central Park.
Social Issues / Public Safety	7/20/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Police Officer Dalton Kies and Grinnell Optimist Club member Patrick Hatting talk about the 19th Annual National Night Out event in Central Park, how it got started, the purpose of the event, the free ice cream and root beer, and a lot of free stuff for the kids.
Arts & Education	7/21/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell College Museum of Art Director Susan Baley talks about the newly expanded hours of operation, the current exhibition, wrapping up the summer outreach program, and two exhibitions that will open at the start of the next school term
Social Issues	7/24/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	100+People Who Care Grinnell Board Member Ashley Grundler & Local Foods Connection Executive Director Tommy Hexter talk about the upcoming 100+ People quarterly meeting, how it works, and how the over 13 thousand dollars donated last quarter was used by LFC.
Arts & Education	7/25/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Area Arts Council Director of Operations Monica St. Angelo talks about the success of the recent GCT show, wrapping up another season of the Music in The Park, the current exhibition in the Stewart Gallery and what is coming next, classes at the Stew Makerspace, and a job opening at the GAAC.
Social Issues/Public Safety	7/26/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Chamber President & CEO Rachael Kinnick talks about what to expect with the arrival of RAGBRAI in Grinnell, how the heat will effect plans, routes and street closures, and some changes to plans
Arts & Education	7/27/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Historical Museum Board Member Allison Haack talks about the museum celebrating 65 years . . . of what . . .not quite sure . . .could be founding of the organization, opening of the McMurry house location,, and an update on the new museum location on West Street
The Enviroment / Education	7/28/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Nancy Corona with the Neal Smith National Wildlife Refuge talks about the Free Bison Day Family Festival, activities for families, what you will find at the Refuge, the importance of tall-grass prairie, and is there a difference between a Bison and a Buffalo

Social Issues/ Education	7/31/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	P.E.O Chapter NF member Barb Lease talks about the 39th annual Barn Sale, how it got its start, what will be available, where the money goes, and what the PEO is all about.
The Arts / Education/ Youth Programs	8/1/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell School of Music Executive Director Erin Bustin & Grinnell State Bank President Austin Jones talk about the Bank's recent donation of 100k to the school in honor of the late Marion Austin Jones, how the funds will be used, when and where the school will open, and how far they are from their fundraising goal
Education	8/2/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell College Director of Outreach Programming and Events Sarah Smith talks about the arrival of the Class of 2027, some interesting statistics about the class, updates on the Renfrow Hall construction, and the search for an Innovator
Business and Commerce	8/3/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Kendra Vincent, Grinnell Chamber of Commerce Member Engagement Coordinator recaps the recent RAGBRAI visit, and its impact, national farmers markets week, upcoming area events, and recent business closures.
Education/Youth Programs	8/4/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Read2Lead Co-Chair Megan Farrell and board member Lisa Cirks talk about the Ride for Reading fundraiser, the Dolly Parton Imagination Library, and the Kindergarten Kickoff program.
Government	8/7/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	U.S. Senator Joni Ernst talks about her latest "Squeal Award", " Bidenomics", a recent forum on Chinese threats , the incident with Sen. McConnell and age limits, progress on the Farm Bill, and the Iowa State Fair.
Local Government	8/8/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the Aug 7 City Council meeting, including an update on the water department, back to square one with the old GTE site, the future of the Veterans Memorial Building, two Parks and Recreation projects and more.
Health & Medical	8/9/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Brittney Jansen, MSN, ARNP, FNP-C is the latest provider to join the Unity Point Health Grinnell General Surgery and Weight Loss Surgery Clinic, and talks about her background, the types of surgery provided, and who is a good candidate for a procedure.
Education	8/10/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Newburg Interim School Superintendent Steven Barber recaps the Aug. 9 School Board meeting, including a technology refresh, revisions to the middle and high school handbooks, fundraisers, a change in the hail damaged vehicle purchase, and getting ready for back to school.
Local Government	8/11/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Poweshiek County Supervisor Diana Dawley gives an update on the proposed Sapphire Lake project and options for the county, an update on county road projects, having a full-time engineer, and the Home-Base Iowa program
Agriculture/Continuing Education	8/14/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Poweshiek County Extension Exec. Director Cathy Lents and 4H Youth Coordinator Signey Hilby talk about upcoming events and deadlines, including registration for the Poweshiek Leadership Class, registration for Clover Kids, recapping the county fair, Master Gardener training, and more.
Public Safety	8/15/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Police Chief Michael McClelland talks about the ongoing issue of officer retention and what can be done about it, an update on the recent attempted car burglaries and what's being done, the National Night Out, and back to school safety.
Education	8/16/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Angie Askelsen, Regional Representative with Homeschool Iowa, talks about homeschooling, how the perception of homeschool has changed, what is required to homeschool, and an informational "homeschool 101" presentation at the Drake Community Library.
Social Issues	8/17/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Veterans Memorial Committee member Randy Hotchkin talks about how a change in the law has effectively ended any hope of saving the Veteran's Memorial Building, what the next steps will be, and how the veterans in the area need to become more involved.
Arts & Education	8/18/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell College Museum of Art Director Susan Baley talks about the start of the fall term, and how the museum is utilized by instructors for their classes, how new acquisitions are selected, and previews the upcoming fall exhibition.
Arts & Education	8/21/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Area Arts Council Director of Operations Monica St. Angelo talks about auditions for the October production of "Frankenstein", the start of "Studio 6" classes, an exhibition of local artist Joe Lacina, and the return of "Spookytown".
Local Government	8/22/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the August 21 city council meeting, including the approval of development agreement for a business park out by the interstate, and emergency water connection agreement, and a discussion about sidewalks.
Education/Social Issues	8/23/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell College Director of Outreach Programming and Events Sarah Smith talks about the opening of a new Smithsonian Institution traveling exhibit at the Drake Community Library Caribbean Indigenous Resistance / Resistencia indigena del Caribe ¡Taíno Vive! The exhibition examines the history of these Spanish and English-speaking islands, and the impact and legacy of Caribbean Indigenous knowledge throughout the world
Education	8/24/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Newburg Interim Superintendent Steven Barber talks about the first day of school, how the buildings are handling the excessive heat, looking to extend the PPEL levy in November, the process for a superintendent search, and updates on construction projects
Sports & Recreation	8/25/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Parks and Recreation Director Jordan Allsup talks about the DNR approval to move forward on the next phase of studies on the two city lakes, the end of the season at the aquatic center, update on the inclusive playground project, trunk or treat, and the fall/winter brochure

Agriculture & Education	8/28/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Lions Club members Al Henderson and Dave Stokes talk about the annual Ag Appreciation Day, the schedule of events, this year's guest speaker, the vendors and displays, and of course tractors and the Tractor Parade!
Government	8/29/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	US District 2 Congresswoman Ashley Hinson talks about the "EATS Act" and how Prop 12 in California is a threat to interstate commerce, China's involvement with Mexican Cartels and the need for border security, the sell-off of border wall materials, the IRS and other "initial agencies" being weaponized, and the latest indictment of Donald Trump
Government	8/30/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	US Senator Chuck Grassley talks about wrapping up another 99 county tour, what folks are telling/asking him at town halls, issues with the IRS and FBI, using pseudonyms, the status of the Farm Bill, and more
Social Issues	8/31/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Build A Better Grinnell project coordinator Bel Kugel talks about the completion of Phase 2, the 7 top identified priorities, and the process for Phase 3 including listening sessions, focus groups, and what happens with the final results.
Health and Medical	9/1/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	UPH/GRMC Vice President of Finance and Operations Kyle Wilcox talks about a number of constructions projects at the hospital, including the "Delivering Our Future" campaign to upgrade and add to the delivery suites, separating waiting areas for the E.R. and Radiology, and the ongoing merger of Unity Point Health and Presbyterian and how you probably won't see any difference.
Sports & Recreation	9/4/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Poweshiek County Conservation Naturalist Amy Andrews talks about the activities scheduled for the fall months, including more kayaking opportunities, the nature explorers program, building better birders, and the upcoming Trunk or Treat.
Education/Social Issues	9/5/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell College President Anne Harris talks about the start of the fall term at the college, research at the college, recent donations to community projects, an update on the Renfrow Hall project and addresses issues with its architect.
Local Government	9/6/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the Sept. 5th city council meeting, including the city takeover of the ambulance service at the end of Sept, the availability of lots to purchase on 13th ave, the city's involvement with the Sapphire Lake project, sidewalks, and police recruitment and retention
Business and Commerce	9/7/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Chamber of Commerce President & CEO Rachael Kinnick talks about the potential benefits of the Sapphire Lake project, welcoming new residents with a party, bite-size learning, trick or treat at the Farmers Market, and recent business closures.
Local Government	9/8/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Poweshiek County Supervisor Jeff Tindle talks about bridge repairs, the delay in the V18 bridge in Brooklyn, the Sapphire Lake project, a boo-boo with one of the new county radio towers, and more.
Agriculture & Education	9/11/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Poweshiek County Extension Executive Director Cathy Lents and Clover Kids and Outreach Coordinator Signey Hilby talk about the Iowa Youth Tour, recapping the Iowa State Fair, Clover Kids & 4H registration, intermediate camp, and the Illuminate performance and how kids can get free tickets.
Public Safety	9/12/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Police Chief Michael McClelland talks about a recruitment and retention workshop with the city council, what are some of the options, and what alternatives there are. Mac also talks about the start of school, a spate of recent fatal accidents, and more.
Sports & Recreation	9/13/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Parks and Recreation Director Jordan Allsup talks about memorial trees and a memorial bench, the upcoming water study for both city lakes, the fall/winter program brochure, the ice rink, the aquatic center, and trunk or treat
Arts & Education	9/14/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell College Museum of Art Director Susan Bailey talks about two exhibitions running thru the fall term at the museum, how the two are related, and additional programs that will be running in conjunction with the exhibitions.
Education	9/15/2023	7:24 AM	15 min	Grinnell-Newburg Interim School Superintendent Stephen Barber talks about the Sept. 13th school board meeting, including adjusting substitute teacher compensation, the difference between certified enrollment and students served.
Social issues/Local Government	9/18/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	The Grinnell Veterans Commission is recommending replacing the Veterans Memorial Building with some type of monument. Local attorney Dale Lamb thinks that the building can and should be saved.
Local Government	9/19/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Mayor Dan Agnew recaps the Sept. 18 city council meeting, including a public hearing for a CBDG grant, housing needs assessment, a possible extension for development of the Stella Ridge property, final plat for the newly named James M. White subdivision, and more
Government	9/20/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	United States Senator Chuck Grassley talks about the looming government shutdown and ways to avoid it, getting a 5-year farm bill done, a 1.7 trillion dollar deficit, reforming H-1b and L-1 visas, wearing pants on the Senate floor, and turning 90 .
Continuing Education / Social Issues	9/21/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell CEC Bucket Course Advisory Board member Dr. Karla Erickson talks about the purpose of the "Bucket Courses", how topics and presenters are chosen, and the line-up of presentations for the fall term at the Drake Library.
Social Issues / Education	9/22/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Historical Museum board member Allison Haack and Team Renfrow member Monique Shore talk about a cemetery walk that talks about the African-American population of Grinnell focusing on the family of Edith Renfrow Smith
Sports & Recreation	9/25/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Rotary Club member and event organizer Bruce Blakenfeld talks about the 7th annual Kites Over Grinnell Festival, including expanding to the soccer fields at Ahrens Park, and an added night flight event!

Government	9/26/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	U.S. Senator Joni Ernst talks about the Energy Dept. EV debacle, DEFEND Act, her Entrepreneur Expo, getting Govt. workers back in the office, and her take on the "Fetterman Rule"
Social Issues	9/27/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell United Way Board Member Ashley Grundler talks about this years campaign, the goal for the year and how they determine what that is, the partner agencies they serve, how they are chosen, and how to donate.
Education	9/28/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Grinnell Newberg School District Interim Superintendent Stephen Barber recaps the Sept. 27th board meeting, including discussing enrollment, the on-going superintendent search process, the upcoming school board election, and an auction of old athletic items.
Health & Medical	9/29/2023	7:45 AM	15 min	Outgoing UPH/GRMC CEO Jennifer Havens talks about her new position within the UPH system in Dubuque, the reasons for the change, and reflects on what has been accomplished during her tenure with GRMC, and what will happen going forward.