

## **Issues & Programs List**

Quarterly Issues Programs List for Station-WMOZ-FM January 1<sup>st</sup>-March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 Placed in Public File-April 3, 2024

The station has identified the following as significant issues facing our community in this quarter and the programming that fulfilled the public interest of those issues.

### 1-GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN CHARITY & COMMUNITY

\*On the second Thursday morning of each month at 8 a.m., Executive Director Sarah Buhs stops by the radio station to discuss happenings at the United Way of Carlton County, which supports a number of area non-profits and local agencies each year. Her interview generally lasts 10-15 minutes.

#### 2-COMMUNITY OUTREACH INVOLVING THE STATION

\*A-Squad with Jake on WKLK-FM and WMOZ-FM from 6-9 a.m. The annual "Sillies on the Sidewalk promotion to raise money and food for the Salvation Army Food Shelf and the Moose Lake Area Food Shelf was scheduled for Tuesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> (re-scheduled for April 2<sup>nd</sup>) as Brent Danielson, Neil Erickson, John Keith and Jake Kachinske took to the sidewalk in front of the radio station in downtown Cloquet to air their morning show, "The A-Squad." Dwight Cadwell later broadcast LIVE from KJ's Fresh Market in Moose Lake to take donations from that area. With several generous monetary donations from listeners, friends, local business owners and sponsors, along with several pounds of food dropped off, we were able to feed the hungry in our area for several months. The event was promoted on all company stations PRIOR TO THE EVENT (WKLK-FM, WKLK-AM and WMOZ-FM)

#### **3-FINANCE**

\*Nick Clark (every Tuesday at 8 a.m.) of Frandsen Investment Services in Cloquet, MN and Marta Vant (every Friday at 8 a.m.) of Frandsen Bank & Trust in Cloquet join us "live" in –studio to discuss financial matters, including investing and other services the bank provides for the community.

#### 4-EDUCATION

\*Every Wednesday at 8 a.m., officials from Fond du Lac Tribal & Community College in Cloquet come in to discuss on air the current semester events, classes and happenings at the college. The segment is recorded and put on our website's podcast page for all to listen to for playback whenever a listener wants to hear it.

#### **5-LOCAL HEALTH CARE**

\*Every other Monday at 8 a.m., Allie Ronning with Soulfeggio Care Consultation & End of Life Doula Services joins the A-Squad to talk about her support of people and families in honoring and upholding their end of life wishes.

#### 6-LOCAL NEWS

\*Each Friday, representatives from local newspaper "The Pine Knot News" come to the studios to discuss what's in that week's issue.

# **PUBLIC-AFFAIRS and OTHER PROGRAMMING ON OUR STATION(S)**

- \*Local News airs four times daily (M-F) at 7 and 8 a.m. and 12 and 5 p.m on WKLK-FM, WKLK-AM and WMOZFM. These newscasts may cover some or all of the subject matter listed above.
- \*Minnesota News Network provides our stations with several newscasts daily (M-Sat) and may cover some or all of the subject matter listed above.
- \*Local Sports reports air four times daily on all of our stations (M-F). All three stations also carry over 200 local sports broadcasts each year covering 12 area schools.
- \*Each September-May, "Coaches Corner," a locally-produced public affairs sports program, airs on WKLK 96.5 FM. It airs from 8-10 a.m. Saturdays and is hosted by Dwight Cadwell.

\*All of our stations air a "Community Calendar" of events M-Sat. during the 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. hours that may cover some or all of the subject matter listed above.

\*All of our stations air a public-affairs program produced by the Minnesota News Network called Minnesota Matters. It airs every Sunday morning during the 6:00 a.m. hour. The following is a list of program content during shows that aired during the 1st quarter of 2024.

# **Minnesota Matters Guests & Topics -- 1st Quarter 2024**

\*\*\* January 12th, 2024 "Jesse Ventura Shocks the World." Bill Werner talked with executive producer and fellow State Capitol reporter Mary LaHammer 2023 Food Shelf Use, Angelica Klebsch, Director of Community Partnerships Second Harvest Heartland (Tasha Redel) North

Stars book Mirage of Destiny, Author Kevin Allespach (Brent Palm) Gopher hockey player Carl Fish (Mike Grimm)

\*\*\* January 19th, 2024 The "Great American Think-Off, Betsy Roder, executive director of the New York Mills Regional Cultural Center (Bill Werner) 2024 Minnesota State Fair preview, CEO Renee Alexander (Brent Palm) Commissioner Rebecca Lucero, Minnesota Department of Human Rights, Pregnancy Discrimination Case Settlement Agreement (Ashley Walker) Big Ten VP of Women's Basketball Megan Kahn (Mike Grimm)

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\*\*\* January 26th, 2024 State Trooper Ryan Londregan in the shooting death of Ricky Cobb the Second, Hamline University Legal Expert David Schultz (Bill Werner Two Segments) Flu and COVID Season Upon Us, MDH Commissioner Brooke Cunningham (Tasha Redel) Big Ten VP of Men's Basketball David Taylor (Mike Grimm)

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\*\*\* February 2nd, 2024 U of M Search Continues for new President, Regent Mary Davenport (Bill Werner) Dry Mild Winter Increases Wildfire Danger, National Weather Service Meteorologist Tyler Hassenstein (Jake Griffith) State courthouse Valentine's Day weddings, Kim Pleticha, Judicial Branch Public Affairs (Brent Palm) Gopher women's gymnastics coach Jenny Hansen part 1 (Mike Grimm)

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 \*\*\* February 16th, 2024 Lawmakers returned to the State Capitol this week, and MNN's Bill Werner reports that the opening of the 2024 legislative session brought dessert first, followed by a plate of hot-button issues that could run through May adjournment into the November election. Measles cases in Minnesota, MDH Epidemiologist Emily Banerjee (Brent Palm) Elizabeth Wrigley-Field, University of Minnesota, COVID Deaths Undercounted During Core Pandemic Years (Ashley Walker) Gopher baseball coach John Anderson (Mike Grimm)

- \*\*\* February 23rd, 2024 Burnsville Officer Shootings, Governor Walz, Police Chief Tanya Schwartz, BCA Superintendent Drew Evans (Tasha Redel) In the aftermath of last weekend's tragedy in Burnsville, state lawmakers are trying to address another issue affecting police officers: School Resource Officers (Bill Werner) Burnsville firefighter tribute, MN Fire Chiefs Association President Eric Bullen of Albertville (Brent Palm) Youth Sports in Minnesota, Lindsey Hartfield Coon Rapids Basketball Club, Representative Zach Stephenson (Blois Olson)
- \*\*\* March 1st, 2024 Minnesotans and the nation remembered and honored Burnsville Officers Paul Elmstrand and Matthew Ruge and Firefighter/Paramedic Adam Finseth, who gave their lives when a domestic call turned into a standoff -- and then into tragedy (Bill Werner) 988 Crisis Line Implementation, Carolina De Los Rios, United Way (Tasha Redel) Record meteorological winter in MN, Pete Boulay, State Climatology Office (Brent Palm) Long-Term Health Care Needs, Deputy Majority Leader Nick Franzen (Blois Olson)
- \*\*\* March 8th, 2024 "Super Tuesday" presidential primary" (Bill Werner) Minnesota flu season update, MDH Epidemiologist Melissa McMahon (Brent Palm) DEED encourages Businesses to hire Minnesotans with disabilities, Belos Cipriani, Oleb Media (Tasha Redel) Sports Betting Bill Movement, Minnesota Retailers Association President Bruce Nustad (Blois Olson)
- \*\*\* March 15th, 2024 School Resource Officer Bill Signed by Governor Walz (Bill Werner) Minnesota Goat Tests Positive for Bird Flu, Dr. Brian Hoefs Board of Animal Health (Tasha Redel) Brad Hokanson, University of Minnesota, Creativity vs. Intelligence (Ashley Walker) Sports Betting Bill Clears Another Hurdle, Senator Matt Kline Chief Author (Blois Olson)
- \*\*\* March 22nd, 2024 Legislative Weekly Re-Cap, Budget Surplus, Wizard of Oz (Bill Werner) Minnesota E-15 sales record in 2023, Brian Werner of Mn-Biofuels Association (Brent Palm) Tackling Credit Card Debt, Shannon Doyle LSS Financial (Tasha Redel) Sports Betting Bill is Still Alive, Representative Pat Garofalo (Blois Olson)

\*\*\* March 29th, 2024 Governor Walz State of the State Recap (Bill Werner) Minnesota Releases 2023 Graduation Rates, Representative Peggy Bennett (Tasha Redel) 51st annual Twin Cities Auto Show, Minnesota Auto Dealers Association president Scott Lambert (Brent Palm) Delta weighs in on a DOT decision that could impact their Mexican partnership (Blois Olson)