Community Issues Report

Station WLIN

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<u>Issues</u>:

- 1. Education
- 2. Local Crime
- 3. Community Issues / Policies
- 4. Health and Wellness
- 5. Community Outreach Programs
- 6. Tourism
- 7. Recreation
- 8. Significant Court Cases

WLIN serves it listeners by addressing community issues primarily through local news cast. Local news is scheduled 15 times per week and features local voices of the community addressing problems and concerns. Special news cast and information segments may be added if a need arises. A text version of the stories is also posted to the station website.

Examples include:

- 1-3-24 State Government-- Local legislator Jason White assumes role of Speaker of the House and discusses plans and priorities
- 1-15-18-24 Public Safety-- National Weather Service and local emergency management discuss the dangers of the cold and icy weather

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- 1-23-24 Health-- MS Medical Marijuana Association Executive Director Henry Crisler talks about quality control issues which disrupted product supplies
- 1-30-24 Public Education-- Parents Campaign Executive Director Nancy Loome discusses proposals to change the school funding formula
- 2-14-24 Public Safety-- National Weather Service's Michael Hill talks about tornado drill during Spring Severe Weather Awareness Week.
- 2-15-24 Agriculture-- MS Forestry Commission discusses the impact of the 2023 drought on the state's forestry resources.
- 2-20-24 Tourism-- Visit Mississippi director Rochelle Hicks talks about plans to boost tourism
- 2-21-24 Broadband Accessibility-- BEAM director Sally Doty discusses efforts to expand access to high speed internet across MS
- 2-22-24 Environment-- Mayor discusses sewage lagoon issue causing odor problem in Kosciusko
- 2-29-24 Prisons-- Justice Department discusses constitutional rights violations at Mississippi prisons
- 3-11-24 Public Safety-- State Forester Russell Bozeman talks about the increased danger of wildlfires this spring after the 2023 drought resulted in millions of dead trees
- 3-19-24 Public Safety-- State Insurance Commissioner Mike Chaney discusses a program to encourage Mississippians to make their homes more storm-resistant
- 3-28-24 Youth Safety-- Executive Director of the MS Dept of Rehabilitation Services Chris Howard talks about a program which encourages smart decision on Prom Night