

4Q2023 Issues

Issue: Legal Matters

Discussion of issue: Defense Attorney Kevin Sullivan discussed the Trump legal case involving assessment valuations of certain business properties in New York City. Sullivan maintains no one was defrauded by Trump. He also believes the verdict may be thrown out due to the statute of limitations.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends 10/04/2023 7:30am – 8:00am
 Guest: Kevin Sullivan, Attorney

Discussion of issue: Defense Attorney Kevin Sullivan gave his opinion of the Trump fraudulent assessment trial. Sullivan claims no one suffered any harm, the banks involved did not lose any money. Sullivan detailed Trump's process to appeal the court's decision under New York State's judicial system and then, if necessary, the appeals process under the US Supreme Court,

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends 10/11/2023 7:30am – 8:00am
 Guest: Kevin Sullivan, Attorney

Issue: Public Safety

Discussion of issue: 2nd Dist Peoria City Council person Chuck Grayeb discussed his push for restoring the police force strength to its former levels. He also voiced his concern over the catch and release of violent criminals. The purpose and process of TIF districts were explained. He also spoke about the purpose of the downtown street restructuring. And he informed the audience of where and how \$200 Million in federal money for road improvements was going. Whenever constituents contact their councilperson, their main concern is that of public safety.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends 10/18/2023 8:00am – 8:30am
 Guest: Chuck Grayeb 2nd Dist Peoria City Council

Issue: Economy

Discussion of issue: 2nd Dist Peoria City Council person Chuck Grayeb discussed the feasibility of Peoria buying the Illinois American Water Company's water system in Peoria. Every 5 years the question comes before the city council and so far there seems to be no political will to purchase it. The cost would be approximately 1/3 of a \$Billion.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends 10/25/2023 7:30am – 8:00am
Guest: Chuck Grayeb 2nd Dist Peoria City Council

Issue: Public Safety

Discussion of issue: There were 565th mass shooting this year. Psychiatrist Jonathan Metzl discussed why red and yellow flag laws don't work. For instance, many laws and policies have been passed and more are being passed that protect gun ownership. 440 million guns are already in circulation. Background checks and red flag laws are not enough, according to Mr. Metzl. Unfortunately the US does not have the collective political will to take serious action on mental health and the easy access to weapons of mass destruction. Other groups are focusing on electing officials who will enact more serious gun safety laws. As a practicing psychiatrist, Mr Metzl can't predict which mentally ill person will use a gun and which one will not. In fact, most people with mental illness are victims of gun violence, not perpetrators of it. In fact, most people who commit gun violence are not mentally ill. There are 48,000 gun deaths a year from all causes, accident, suicide, partner violence, gang shootings, and mass shootings.

Program: Background Briefing with Ian Masters 10/31/2023 4:00 am – 5:00 am
Guest: Psychiatrist, Jonathan Metzl

Issue: Public Safety

Discussion of issue: AMT is looking for EMTs and has a earn while you learn program. Josh reminded drivers to slow down and pull over to the right when they hear the siren and see the flashing lights. AMT provides ongoing CPR lessons. AMT took 113,000 calls last year. Professionalism and cooperation between the EMTs, Firemen and Police was mentioned.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends 10/31/2023 8:30am – 9:00am
Guest: Amy Leslie, Dispatcher, Josh Bradshaw, EMT, Advanced Medical Transport

Issue: Legal Matters

Discussion of issue: Defense Attorney Kevin Sullivan laid out his understanding of what the defense strategy would be in the Pere Marquette bankruptcy case. Sullivan claims there was no attempt to defraud anyone, it was simply a risky business deal that didn't work out. He would take the complicated corporate structure and simplify it for the jury to understand.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends 11/01/2023 7:30am – 8:00am
Guest: Kevin Sullivan, Attorney

Issue: Public Safety

Discussion of issue: 2nd Dist Peoria City Council person Chuck Grayeb discussed his push for the restoration of the fire rescue squad that had suffered severe cut backs in 2019, when 30 firefighters were released from the department. Two of the three rescue squads were eliminated, leaving only one. And that one and only rescue squad is severely under staffed and ill equipped. The squad had no less than 650 calls last year. The squad assists the fire department for victims trapped in vehicles, water rescues and situations like that. Council person Grayeb also bemoaned the catch and release of violent criminals.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends 11/02/2023 7:30am – 8:00am
Guest: Chuck Grayeb 2nd Dist Peoria City Council

Issue: Legal Matters

Discussion of issue: Defense Attorney Kevin Sullivan explained some of the actions, procedures and thoughts that the police have at the scene of a crime. His advice for how to handle a police stop is to cooperate while exercising your right to not say very much. He emphasized that being polite goes a long way.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends
Guest: Kevin Sullivan, Attorney

11/08/2023

7:30am – 8:00am

Issue: Legal Matters

Discussion of issue: Host Ralph Nader discusses with the founder of the Free Law Project, Michael Lissner why the American legal system is so hard to use and the ongoing fight to make it more accessible.

Program: Ralph Nader Radio Hour
Guests: Michael Lissner

11/11/2023

6:00 am – 7:00 am

Issue: Legal Matters

Discussion of issue: Defense Attorney Kevin Sullivan explained how and why plea bargains are used. Many times it saves the justice system time and money. Also discussed the fiduciary responsibility of members of a board of directors. Organizations usually carry insurance to indemnify the board of directors.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends
Guest: Kevin Sullivan, Attorney

11/15/2023

7:30am – 8:00am

Issue: Public Safety

Discussion of issue: Dr. Gene Sidler discussed the impact of vaping. He explained in detail how the oil droplets from vaping coat and scar the inner lining of the lungs in a short time causing permanent impairment of lung function. Many young people are unaware of the harm they are causing to themselves.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends
Guest: Physician, Dr. Gene Sidler

11/15/2023

8:00am – 8:30am

Issue: Healthcare

Discussion of issue: Open enrollment period of Medicare explained. Medicare Advantage “no-premium” plans discussed. Advantage plans are managed care insurance plans that are essentially HMO or PPO networks, so be sure your doctor or hospital are in the network of the Advantage plan you are considering to participate in. Rates are based on zip code in which you live. In setting up Medicare, Congress inadvertently created a dough-nut hole between benefits and age and income of the insured. Therefore benefits may change as a person grows older. Mr Lillie pointed out the quicker response and better service from a local agent as opposed to dealing with an 800 number representative.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends
Guest: Sam Lillie, Ins Agent

12/13/2023

6:30am – 7:00am

Issue: Legal Matters

Discussion of issue: Defense Attorney Kevin Sullivan explained the role and history of the public defender. He mentioned that there's a shortage of prosecuting attorneys and a greater shortage of public defenders. He also brought up a disturbing trend in the media to sensationalize and reveal too much information as to make it difficult for a defendant to receive a fair trial. The prosecutors are also concerned because the news about the case may prejudice the jury pool and/or cause the defense to request a change of venue which increases costs for the county to prosecute the case.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends
Guest: Kevin Sullivan, Attorney

12/13/2023

7:30am – 8:00am

Issue: Public Safety

Discussion of issue: 2nd Dist Peoria City Council person Chuck Grayeb discussed the Crime prevention grants mostly given to the Peoria Police Department, Health Department, and School District 150. Grayeb noted it's too early to evaluate any progress on violence prevention efforts in the city. And an additional half million dollar grant from the State of Illinois must be allocated by mid 2024. Due to the short time frame it will all go to the police department, Grayeb said. A lack of Peoria Park District summer programs structured for youth was also brought up for discussion. Those programs would help keep young people occupied with productive activities.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends
Guest: Chuck Grayeb 2nd Dist Peoria City Council

12/19/2023

7:30am – 8:00am

Issue: Legal Matters

Discussion of issue: Colorado Supreme Court determined that Donald Trump is not qualified to be on the Presidential ballot due to his attempted insurrection against the US. Peoria Defense Attorney Kevin Sullivan claims the Colorado court has no evidence or jurisdiction concerning that. Trump has not been tried or convicted of insurrection by the Colorado Court system. The US Supreme Court most likely will overturn the Colorado Supreme court, Sullivan said.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends
Guest: Kevin Sullivan, Attorney

12/20/2023

7:30am – 8:00am

Issue: Public Safety

Discussion of issue: Dr. Gene Sidler discussed the impact of the respiratory virus RSV. Hospitals local and nation wide are seeing an increase of RSV among infants and toddlers, while the number of cases of the Flu virus are increasing among adults. A slight up-tick was seen in cases of COVID. The severity of disease while being vaccinated was discussed. The Flu vaccine is approximately 60% effective. A person's general health and immune system strength is most likely the determining factor for a person's success in not being adversely affected by these common viruses.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends
Guest: Physician, Dr. Gene Sidler

12/27/2023

7:00am – 7:30am

Issue: Legal Matters

Discussion of issue: After the Colorado Supreme Court determined that Donald Trump is not qualified to be on the ballot his legal team appealed to the US Supreme Court to reverse the ruling. Peoria Defense Attorney Kevin Sullivan outlined the procedure that the US Supreme Court will now take from appeal to decision.

Program: Breakfast with Roger & Friends
Guest: Kevin Sullivan, Attorney

12/27/2023

7:30am – 8:00am