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WNAE HAS DETERMINED THE FOLLOWING ISSUES TO BE IMPORTANT TO LISTENERS DURING THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2019.

1. GOVERNMENT
2. VOLUNTEERISM
3. THE ARTS
4. YOUTH ACTIVITY
5. HERITAGE

## **PROGRAMS**

### **JULY 2019**

July 7: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Insight is a thirty minuter public affairs program that is produced locally and consists of a conversation with a government official, the director of a local non-profit agency or business owner, an entertainer appearing locally or the organizer for a community event. Thousands of parade enthusiasts lined Pennsylvania Avenue in Warren for the annual Fourth of July Parade. Mark Silvis went to the parade forming area prior to the start of the parade to speak with some of the parade participants. Those interviewed included: Eric Beckter - Director of the Rogues Hollow Drum and Bugle Corps; Pam Forsyth – General Manager of Lilly Broadcasting Company; Donny Rosey – public relations director for Miracle Mountain Ranch; Amy Lindegotto – founding member of the Warren Wrecking Dolls Roller Derby Team; Bob Reid – a parade judge; and Charmaine Check – director of the Enchanted Fairy Tale Troupe.

July 14: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Lacey Hanson and her father Miles Stitzinger, organizers for the Kinzua Sluggers Summer Slam youth baseball and softball tournament. Thirty two teams have signed-up for the weekend tournament. Boys and girls from age 8 to age 13 will compete for team trophies and cash prizes. Teams are guaranteed to play at least three games. This is the fourth year of this local event.

July 21: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Art Lane, Music On The Mountain chairman, about this annual drum and bugle corps competition at Sheffield High School Athletic Field. Eight Drum and Bugle Corps International groups are scheduled to perform and compete for DCI points to qualify for the national competition late this year. Young musicians with drum and bugle corps from New Hampshire, Michigan, New Jersey, Connecticut, Alabama, Florida, Ohio and Quebec, Canada are scheduled to arrive in the area two days before the competition. Their practices are open for public observation. Proceeds from the Music On The Mountain show benefit the music programs at Sheffield High School and Elementary School.

July 28: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Chris Bimber, race participant, and Mary Worley, team organizer, about the annual Kinzua Country TANGO Adventure Race. The race consists of a 13.1 mile run, a 20 mile bike ride, a 2.2 mile swim, a 6 mile orienteering course, a short 1 to 4 mile run and a 7 mile canoe race. Participants can enter solo, as a two person team or a team with up to 6 individuals. This is the 14<sup>th</sup> year for this event organized by and for the the Warren County YMCA. It is supported by a host of local corporations and business, who erect tents at the Kinzua Beach for employee parties during and after the one day event.

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### **AUGUST 2019**

August 4: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Rosalind Hupp, Artistic Director for the Warren Festival of The Arts, about this year's program to be held at the Library Theatre in Warren on Friday, August 9. Rosalind started this festival in 1979 to showcase the local talent in the Warren Area. Many of the entertainers are students who have studied voice with Rosalind and others are entertainers who have performed in other shows and venues in the Warren Area. Each year, the festival is performed under a theme. This year Caitlin and Will Strassburg are headed to Las Vegas. Also included on this Insight program, Mark Silvis spoke with State

Representative Kathy Rapp. The representative, who serves Warren, Forest and part of Crawford County, is on a summer recess. Topics discussed included: the 2019-20 state budget; increased state funding for education; the push for marijuana legalization; Representative Rapp's legislation on private insurance for victim's of lyme disease; health committee hearings on the safety of vaccines; and a visit of the House Environmental Resources and Energy Committee members to industrial sights in the Warren Area.

August 11: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Jeff Frailey, Elaine Robbins and Otis James, organizers for Rally In The Valley, a motorcycle rally to be held in Warren August 15 through August 17. The rally will feature nationally prominent blues musicians, barbeque food vendors and a motorcycle ride over the Kinzua Dam on the Allegheny Reservoir. The motorcycle riders will also visit a number of locations after the trip over the dam. Also included on this Insight program was a legislative report from State Representative Frank Ryan (R-Lebanon) who commented on how seniors can protect themselves from scammers.

August 18: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Kari Swanson, mental health therapist and founder of CORE ( Choosing Openness Regarding Experiences), about suicide prevention. CORE's mission is to provide mental health awareness and suicide prevention education to Warren County through programming, events and speakers in order to decrease the stigma associated with mental health. During the school year last year CORE provided over 70 mental health and suicide prevention education posters to all the elementary, middle and high schools. A fund raising golf outing is planned for August 25<sup>th</sup> at Blueberry Hill Golf Club and a Glow Walk is scheduled for September 28<sup>th</sup> at War Memorial Field in Warren. Also included on this Insight program, was a legislative report from State Representative Frank Ryan (R-Lebanon) who commented on legislation to eliminate school property taxes in Pennsylvania and the importance of moving to address future unfunded school pension obligations.

August 25: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with J. Scott Newton, owner and pharmacist at Gaughn's Drug Store, about CBD pharmaceuticals. CBD, or cannabidiol, is derived from the hemp plant, which is a cousin of the marijuana plant. While CBD is a component of marijuana, by itself it does not cause a “high”. According to a report from the World Health Organization, there is no evidence of public health related problems associated with the use of pure CBD. CBD has not received FDA approval, but all 50 states have laws legalizing CBD with varying degrees of restriction. Scott commented on questions asked by local users of CBD products and their personal testimony as to the effect of CBD in relieving certain symptoms they have experienced. CBD is sold in various forms: tablets, liquid and vapor. Scott advised listeners to speak with their doctor or health care provider before using CBD. He noted some pitfalls when purchasing CBD over the internet. He commented that CBD is growing in popularity and use. Also included on this Insight program was a legislative report from State Representative Martin Causer (R-McKean-Potter-Cameron) who commented on an update from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources on the status of local state parks, a Penn DOT Jobs Fair, new Agriculture Grants and a Fire/EMS Grant Application Period opening soon.

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### SEPTEMBER 2019

September 1: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Tom Traub, a member of the Board Of Directors for the Martz-Kohl Observatory, about the equipment and programs at the observatory located outside of Frewsburg, New York. The observatory houses several telescopes which photograph the night sky and transmits the more significant photographs to various scientific agencies. The observatory houses one of the largest public robotic telescopes in the Northeastern United States. The Martz-Kohl Observatory is an all-volunteer, non-profit association and does not charge for admission. Revenue to support the organization are received through grants and private contributions. During summer and autumn, weekly programs with noted speakers are scheduled for the public to attend. Memberships are available for individuals, families and students.

September 8: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Phyllis Wright and Jennifer Bliss, members of the Suffrage Centennial Celebration Committee, and Michelle Gray, Director of the Warren County Historical Society, about events scheduled to commemorate the anniversary of the passage of the constitutional amendment granting women the right to vote. Christina Rausa, from Fredonia, New York will portray Susan B Anthony in a performance at the Struthers Library Theatre in Warren on Tuesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. Susan B Anthony was a national suffragette that fought for Women's Right to Vote and made a few appearances in Warren County in the early twentieth century. A suffrage rally will take place outside the theatre prior to the performance.

September 15: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Lisa Thompson, Executive Director of CASA of Warren and Forest County, and Dennis Johnson, Secretary for the Board of Directors of CASA, about the CASA of Warren Super Hero 5K fund raiser to be held at the Pleasant Township Fire Hall on Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is part of a national network of community-based, non-profit organizations that recruit, screen, train and supervise volunteers to “Speak Up for a Child” removed from a home due to abuse or neglect. CASA works one-on-one with the abused or neglected child and attends each court appearance with the child. This second annual Super Hero 5K will include the 5K run and a one mile fun run/walk with costume contest and age group race awards. Post race refreshments will be available and children under five may participate for free. Organizers are soliciting police officers, firemen, teachers, ems providers and other local heroes to form teams and be part of a gauntlet to high five children as they cross the finish line. Every participant is given a cape to wear with their costume or running gear. Also on this Insight program, Mark Silvis spoke with Mary Brown, Director of the Women's Care Center of Warren, about a fund raising talent show scheduled for October 13<sup>th</sup> at Warren Area High School. The Women's Care Center is a pregnancy resource center offering counseling, support and offering some medical tests at no charge to clients. The center relies on private donations and fund raisers to cover the expenses incurred. This is the first attempt at a talent contest, which is open to anyone willing to pay the \$25 entry fee to perform and compete for cash prizes.

September 22: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Lacey Hanson, Executive Director of the United Fund of Warren County, about the kick-off event for the 2019 Fund Raising Campaign. The kick-off event will be held at the Jefferson DeFrees Family Center in Warren on Friday, September 27. The price of admission is a potato, which is donated to the Salvation Army. Organizers hope to form the world's longest potato chain and, as in past years, the evening will feature a potato peeling contest with several local contestants. Representatives from the twenty local non-profit agencies that receive funds from the United Fund will speak about their programs and how the money will be used. The goal for this year's campaign is \$680,000.

September 29: 10:25 AM till 10:55 AM – Insight was broadcast. Mark Silvis spoke with Tom Paquette, artistic painter and a member of the board of directors for the Cray Art Gallery, and Kimberly Turner, photographer and sculptor, about the next show at the Cray Art Gallery. Kimberly is one of two artists who will have works on display and for sale starting with the opening reception on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>. Kimberly was raised in Dunkirk, New York and was educated at SUNY Fredonia before moving to Indiana to further her art education. After several years in Indiana and Michigan, she has returned to Warren and spoke about her photographs and other art work that will be displayed. Mark Silvis spoke via telephone with Mark King, artistic painter from Cleveland, Ohio, who will be the other artist in the upcoming Cray Art Gallery Show. Mark will display large-scale oil paintings that draw deeply from nostalgic imagery and old photographs. Mark is retired from teaching and is now devoting his full time to his paintings.