

People & Perspectives

Airs Sundays at 6 AM
Program length: 20 minutes

Date: April 1, 2018

Issue: Pink Hands of Hope. Brian and his wife, Laurie, started Pink Hands of Hope after her battle with Stage 1 breast cancer. As she was going through the process, they discovered a lack of items covered by health insurance and didn't want others to face the same problems. The organization is a non-profit with a thrift store set up to help with the costs. The proceeds from the store go directly to women fighting breast cancer. This includes providing wigs, prosthesis, bras, chemo caps and shawls. The organization also holds a fashion show each year with breast cancer survivors as the models.

Guest: Brian Gaughen, Co-Founder, Pink Hands of Hope

Date: April 8, 2018

Issue: The ARC of Dauphin County. The ARC is an organization for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The organization was founded by a group of parents wanting a better life for their loved ones with disabilities. They wanted to keep their children at a home and advocated for their education. ARC is holding a golf outing this year to raise money for the non-profit.

Guest: Ashley Carter, Director of Finance & Human Resources

Date: April 15, 2018

Issue: Brethren Housing Assn. The Brethren Housing Association provides a holistic program of secure housing, supportive services, and loving relationships. They help homeless and low-income individuals and families achieve their God-given potential. The volunteers minister to the whole person by attending to physical and emotional needs as well as helping with rehab.

Guest: Jessica Johnson Vinton, Director of Development & Crystal Brown, Executive Director

Date: April 22, 2018

Issue: Crusaders Against Bullying. Stand for the Silent was started in 2010 by a group of high school students in OK after they heard about an 11-year-old who took his own life after being bullied for more than 2 years. Gary heads up the Palmyra chapter of this organization. The mission is to offer education and tools that help prevent bullying. There is a support line that anyone can call for help.

Guests: Gary Dunkin, President of Crusaders Against Bullying SFTS – The Palmyra Chapter

Date: April 29, 2018

Issue: Hungry Pests. April is Invasive Plant Pest and Disease Awareness Month. Greg talked about the latest threats to PA and how to safely buy pest-free plants and seeds, including online. The damage from these pests cost the country \$40 billion each year. They have few natural predators and wreak havoc on our environment, ecosystems and economy, putting our agricultural exports and many jobs in jeopardy.

Guest: Greg Ibach, Under Secretary for US Dept. of Agriculture's Marketing and Regulatory Programs

Date: May 6, 2018 (technical issues, did not air on all stations – re-aired next week)

Issue: Highmark Walk. This year's Highmark Walk is on Saturday, May 19th at HACC. Highmark provides local non-profits an avenue to host a walk without all of the administration. Dozens of health and human service organizations take part in the Walk, many of which do not have the resources to host their own event. 100% of the money raised by walkers goes to the participating non-profits.

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Issue: LOOP BNG. Left Out Organization Project Boys & Girlz (LOOP BNG) is a non-profit program that provides educational and recreational activities for the youth of Harrisburg. The organization provides quality after school and summer programs that provide safe, engaging and fun learning experiences to help children and youth.

Guest: Melisa Burnett, Executive Director & Anthony Burnett, CEO

Date: May 27, 2018

Issue: Camp Dragonfly. Camp Dragonfly is a service of Hospice of Central PA and is a special weekend camp for youth grieving the death of a family member. Heather spoke about the family services offered by Hospice, including Camp Dragonfly. Stephanie talked about what kids do at the camp and why it's important to provide this support to kids. She is in charge of the volunteers and stressed how beneficial volunteering is and the need for all kinds of volunteers for the Camp.

Guest: Susan Resavy and Katelyn Carmody

Date: June 3, 2018

Issue: PCADV. PA Coalition Against Domestic Violence - PCADV's 60 community-based programs and statewide office are joined in a coalition acting hand-in-hand on behalf of domestic violence victims and their children. The goal is to break the generational cycle of violence for children, teens and young adults by changing public attitudes and social norms to create a future in which lives are neither lost to nor limited by domestic violence.

Guest: Kristen Herman, Prevention Manager

Date: June 10, 2018

Issue: Paxton Ministries. Paxton Ministries provides affordable housing and support services for adults who may be challenged with poverty, mental illness, or intellectual disability. The staff provides a personal care home, apartment-style living facility and lodge program. The monthly occupancy fee is based on a sliding-scale structure or percentage of income basis. Staff members assist residents in managing their daily needs, such as medication administration, healthy meals, laundry and finances.

Guest: Jodie Smiley, Executive Director

Date: June 17, 2018

Issue: Infertility. Infertility is a common issue, but rarely talked about. There are some major advancements in fertility care. Genetic screening of embryos can affect the success rate of live births. Dr. Gutmann talked about contributing factors to infertility and when someone should consult a doctor.

Guest: Dr. Jacqueline Gutmann, OB/GYN and American Fertility Assn. Board Member

Date: June 24, 2018

Issue: Tick Talk. Ticks are a big problem in PA. Carrie has first-hand experience with the issues Lyme disease patients face as her daughter suffers from the disease. She talked about various ways to prevent ticks, ways to remove ticks and signs to look for to determine if you were bitten by a tick. She also issued the "Lyme Disease Challenge" in hopes it goes viral and creates more awareness.

Guest: Carrie Perry, Ambassador for Project Lyme