

ISSUES & PROGRAM REPORTS
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ISSUES OF CONCERN TO UTICA, NY (ONEIDA COUNTY) ADDRESSED IN RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING IN THE 2ND QUARTER OF 2019:

NEWS & POLITICS

A sudden rise in opioid overdoses and deaths in the City of Utica was the subject of the April 7th show. Months after the longest government shutdown in American history ended, a closer look at the impact of that shutdown locally on April 14th. Congressman Anthony Brindisi reached 100 days in office and was on May 12th and May 19th discussing accomplishments, townhall meetings, and infrastructure. I-81 will be undergoing a massive reconstruction over the next few years and was the subject of the June 2nd show.

VETERANS ISSUES

Memorial Day was celebrated during the quarter and we took a deep dive on holiday celebrations for local veterans and how dogs can be helpful to vets on March 26th.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

State lawmakers were considering amending a vaccination bill already on the books, which was featured on June 9th. On June 16th, we found why there's a sudden outbreak of measles in the news both locally and nationwide.

TOURISM

Spring and summer are big for the tourism industry in the Mohawk Valley, and that was featured on April 28th, May 5th, and June 30th.

ENVIRONMENT

There's a big push to keep the Mohawk Valley clean, which was discussed on April 21st.

WTLB-AM program that addresses community issues is 'For The Record with Joe Salzone.' It airs Sunday mornings at 6 o'clock.

2nd Quarter 2019 (4/1/19-6/30/19)

4/7/19

Guest: Lt. Brian Coromato, Utica Police Department

Topic: Spike in opioid overdoses in Utica

4/14/19

Guest: Sean O'Keefe, SU

Topic: DC political climate post-shutdown; impact locally

4/21/19

Guest: Jamie Tuttle, Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority

Topic: Keep Mohawk Valley Clean initiative and FAQs about recycling

4/28/19

Guest: Kelly Blazosky, Oneida County Tourism (part 1)

Topic: Spring and summer tourism spots

5/5/19

Guest: Kelly Blazosky, Oneida County Tourism (part 2)

Topic: Trends in tourism and use of social media

5/12/19

Guest: Rep. Anthony Brindisi (part 1)

Topic: 100 days in office and townhall meetings around the district

5/19/19

Guest: Rep. Anthony Brindisi (part 2)

Topic: Infrastructure

5/26/19

Guests: Earl Fontenot and Ryan Woodruff, Clear Path for Veterans

Topic: Memorial Day activities for area veterans and dog training program

6/2/19

Guest: Mark Frechette, NYS Department of Transportation

Topic: I-81 open house on reconstruction project

6/9/19

Guest: Erin Jones, March of Dimes

Topic: Vaccination legislation pending in the NYS Legislature

6/16/19

Dr. Quoc Nguyen, community health expert

Topic: Why the measles are spreading statewide and nationally

6/23/19

Guest: Mike Frasciello, Dean, University College at SU

Topic: Discount tuition for part-time students and military veterans

6/30/19

Guest: Kelly Blazosky Oneida County Tourism

Topic: Summer tourism