

WYLN-TV 35 QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT

**January
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March
2018**

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- 1. CRIME**
- 2. HEALTH**
- 3. CONSUMER**
- 4. GOVERNMENT**
- 5. ECONOMY**

Regularly scheduled programs produced by WYLN-TV 35 in which the above mentioned concerns are addressed:

WYLN News @ 5:30pm	Mon-Fri (5:30pm-6pm)
WYLN News @ 6:30pm (Rebroadcast)	Mon-Fri (6:30pm-7pm)
WYLN News @ 10pm (Rebroadcast)	Mon-Fri (10pm-10:30pm)
WYLN News @ 8am the following day (Rebroadcast)	Mon-Fri (8am-8:30pm)
Newsmakers	once per week – 30minutes
American Cancer Society Telethon 11pm)	February 24th (11am-
High School Basketball	16 games
Wilkes-Barre St. Patrick's Day Parade	March 11th 1:26:02
Locally Produced Shows	

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CRIME

01/02/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:22

NEW YEARS DAY SHOOTING- A New years day shooting in Freeland was ruled accidental. Police say 29 year old Rene Ramos Gonzalez walked to the police station after being shot.

01/04/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:24

HAZLETON ARSONESTS TO COURT – Two People that are charged with setting fire to a home and causing the death of a man is set for August. Thomas McQueen and Alice Reimiller are accused to setting fire to a boarding house on Mine Street in March of 2016.

02/01/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:31

BROWN BAG ROBBER WAVE HEARING – 22 year old Alec Jackson waved his hearing to county court, police say Jackson robbed the Brown Bag Store on Route 54 in Barnesville on December 27th. He is charged with robbery, terroristic threats, and simple assault among other charges.

02/08/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:38

JUVENILE ARSONEST ARRESTED – A juvenile was arrested for alledgely setting a fire in Hazleton. Police say they along with city fire were called to the 400 block of West Chapel Street. Police say found a 16 year old male who attempted to light a cardboard box on fire. The teen was charged with arson and taken to a juvenile detention center.

03/01/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:34

ONE MAN HAD TWO RUN INS WITH POLICE – A Barnesville man had two run ins with police in just a matter of hours. Police say 21 year old Rhett Baker first run in was following an incident with a female, he was charged with harassment. The second incident Baker approached police later that same day and appeared to be under the influence of a controlled substance.

03/06/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30 PM 00:19

SHOOTING IN DOWNTOWN HAZLETON – A fight in Hazleton ended in gunfire and a man veing treated for injuries. Police say it began inside the Hazleton YWCA on South Church Street with a group playing basketball and spilled into the street. A 27 year old man was injured, police are investigation

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HEALTH

**01/04/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 03:10**

LEHIGH VALLEY HOSPITAL, HAZLETON NOW OFFERING ROBOTIC SURGERY – Lehigh Valley Hospital Hazleton, showed off their new robotic surgery machine, the new robot can be used a number of surgeries.

**02/02/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 01:54**

CARDIAC CARE – Lehigh Valley, Hazleton’s Health and Wellness center celebrated two Cardiac Care patients of the year. The winners were chosen by staff who works with them every day. The man and woman chosen both had cardiac problems and are recovering.

**02/06/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 03:12**

BACK CARE THIS WINTER – We spoke with a local chiropractor about the right way and wrong way to shovel snow during the winter season. The doctor demonstrated what we should do and the damage that you could do to your back.

**02/13/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 03:21**

LED FORUM AT KINGS COLLEGE – A group of doctors and law makers discussed the impact of LED exposure and talked about testing.

**03/06/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 02:05**

COLON CANCER – March is colon-rectal cancer awareness month. Lehigh Valley Hospital Hazleton took the time to discuss with the community about prevention and awareness and testing that is available.

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CONSUMER

**01/08/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:18**

TURNPIKE RATES GOING UP– The PA turnpike announced that rates are going up, travelers will now see a 6 percent increase for cash and EZ pass paying customers. The increase is needed to make capital improvements.

**01/09/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:42**

PARKING METERS DOUBLE – The city of Wilkes Barre announced that the cost to park in the city will now cost more money. Parking meters will go up by \$1.00 per hour.

**02/08/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 02:51**

VALENTINE DAY RIGHT AROUND THE CORNOR- Valentine’s day is a big money maker for some business like flower shops, candy stores and local eateries. We stopped by some local businesses to see who busy they are getting ready for the big day.

**02/15/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 01:21**

FREE LUNCH FOR ONE LOCAL SCHOOL- The Berwick Area School District will be offering free breakfast and lunch for all students in 2018-2019 school year. The district is taking part in a program through the state department of education.

**03/13/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 02:13**

HOW TO AVOID SCAMS – The PA state department of revenue put out a warning to taxpayers and tax professionals to take extra precautions to protect their computer systems and data following recent scams regarding tax information.

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GOVERNMENT

01/03/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 04:53

INAUGUATION DAY AT HAZLETON CITY HALL – Hazleton City Council welcomed three new members to council Allison Barletta, Tony Colombo and James Perry. Once the new council was seated they voted Bob Gavio in as Council President and Allison Barletta as Vice President.

01/03/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 01:49

WEST HAZLETON GETS NEW MAYOR – For the first time in 8 years, the borough of West Hazleton has a new mayor after Frank Schmidt chose not to seek reelection. John Chura was sworn in to take the reins as mayor.

02/05/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:52

GOVERNOR WOLF'S NEW BUDGET– Governor Tom Wolf will roll out his 2018-2019 budget for the state and he is expected to seek a 3 percent increase in spending most in education, skills training and opioid Addiction.

02/06/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 02:06

HAZLETON CITY COUNCIL MEETING – Hazleton City Council voted to raise taxes by 29.7% for the first time since 2013. Council also voted to hire 5 new police officers to bring the force up to 40 officers.

02/20/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 04:07

REDISTRICTING CONGRESSIONAL MAPS – The state Supreme Court released their map for the congressional district in the state. The process has been a long and confusing one for tax payers and candidates.

03/12/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:27

FARMERS WANTED – Luzerne County Council is looking for farmers, the county has land available to lease to farmers for soil cultivation and crop production.

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ECONOMY

01/02/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:56

ST. LUKES & BLUE MOUNTAIN HEALTH MERGER – Saint Luke’s University Health and Blue Mountain Health Systems merged together. The merger became official on January 1. They systems got the final ok from state and federal officials. St. Luke’s said some changes will be coming to the entire network.

01/04/2017
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 01:03

KMART TO CLOSE – Kmart officials announced that the Kmart at the Laurel Mall in our area will close along with 63 other locations. The mall location opened in 1994 and will close by end of March.

01/18/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:29

STAPLES IN WEST HAZLETON CLOSING – The staples store in West Hazleton will be closing after 20 years in the area. The last day for the store will be March 3rd. Officials say they cannot compete with online stores anymore.

02/01/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:39

GRANT MONEY FOR GREATER HAZLETON SEWER AUTH. – The Greater Hazleton Sewer Authority received a grant for work to be done at their facility in the Valmont Industrial Park. The money will be used for a sewage sludge incinerator project.

02/26/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 00:30

KNOBELS’ JOB FAIR – Knobels’ is gearing up for their annual job fair for the 2018 season. 108 seasonal jobs are up for grabs.

03/09/2018
WYLN NEWS
5:30PM 02:36

KIT KAT COMING TO HAZLE TOWNSHIP – The Hershey company broke ground to build a new \$60 million expansion to bring Kit Kat making to their Hazle Township location. The expansion will create 100 new jobs.

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NEWSMAKERS

MON 5PM-5:30PM
TUE 6PM-6:30PM
WED 10AM-10:30AM / 5PM-5:30PM
THURS: 4-4:30PM
FRI 5PM-5:30PM / 7:30PM-8:00PM
SAT 11:30PM-12PM/5:30PM-6PM
SUN 9AM-9:30AM/7PM-7:30PM

TOPIC A LIVE AT 5 – This is a program produced each week and hosted by Gary Perna. Guests on the show talk about issues of local, regional and statewide importance, along with important upcoming events that concern the public. This program is community oriented, and features local politicians, community leaders, and non-profit organizations. Topic A Live at 5, rebroadcasts seven times over the course of a week. This program is a continuation of two earlier programs, **Topic A** and **35 Weather**. Those two programs had the same goals, but were done in separate half-hour programs. They began in 2010. They were combined into one program in the second quarter of 2011 and official changed during the 2nd quarter.

WED 8PM-8:30PM
THUR 6PM-6:30 / 9:30-10PM
FRI 10:30AM-11AM / 4-4:30PM / 9-9:30PM
SAT 5PM-5:30PM
SUN 11AM-11:30AM
MON 8PM-8:30PM
TUES 10AM-10:30AM / 5PM-5:30PM / 9:30PM-10PM

THE STORM - Each week host, Tiffany Cloud, discusses issues and concerns of a political nature and important issues that are taking place in the area. Previously known as **Storm Politics**, which main focus was on political issues. The name change was made to increase the topic matter, and allow more guests to voice their opinions and concerns on the program. (video copies of shows available at WYLN in Hazleton).

MON-FRI DURING WYLN NEWS TIMES

COMMUNITY AND YOU: A DAILY SEGMENT THAT FEATURES LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS AND BUSINESSES THAT SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

**16 Games Total
Each Approximately 01:40:00**

Live local sporting event featuring local teams. The basketball games, which run approximately an hour and a half long, are produced between January and February of the first quarter. District Play-off games are included when warranted.

AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY TELETHON

**02/24/2017
11am-11pm**

The annual telethon was held at the Health and Wellness Center at Hazleton for 12 hours straight. With music and dancing from local performers. The telethon raises thousands of dollars which go directly to the Cancer Society so they can provide services to the people of the Greater Hazleton Area.

SEASONAL PROGRAMMING

**03/11/2015
2PM-3:26PM**

WILKES-BARRE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE – The parade was aired live on March 11th at 2PM. It was hosted by WYLN Personalities Gary Perna and Paula Deginan. The parade was rebroadcast several times through out the following week.

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LOCALLY PRODUCED SHOWS

**WED 8:30PM-9PM
THUR 2:30PM-3PM / 7:30- 8PM
FRI 10AM-10:30AM / 9:30PM-10PM
SAT 1:30PM-2PM
SUN 3PM-3:30PM / 7:30- 8PM**

WARRIOR SUMMIT OUTDOORS: It's an outdoors show that features veterans using outdoor activities to help heal the often invisible wounds of war. Hosted by Staff Sargent Erik Olson, a wounded warrior. The show began airing on June 4th, 2014.

MON 10AM-10:30AM

WOMEN TODAY: A show for women, hosted by Liz Tolan, covering topics on dating, makeovers, home decorating, women in business, etc.

**MON 9:30PM-10PM / 11PM-11:30PM
TUES 8-8:30PM / 11PM-11:3-PM
WED 11PM-11:30PM
THUR 10AM-10:30AM / 8:30PM-9PM
FRI 11PM-11:30PM
SAT 3:30PM-4PM / 8PM-8:30PM
SUN 1:30PM-2PM / 9:30PM-10PM**

OFF THE BEATEN PATH: A locally produced program that features three separate segments highlighting the fun and interesting people and places in Pennsylvania. Hosts include, Jeff Bonomo, Ken Cara, Chris Fulmer.

**MON 11AM-11:30AM
TUES 10:30PM-11PM
WED 4-4:30PM
THUS 11AM-11:30AM / 5PM-5:30PM
SAT 6PM-6:30PM
SUN 3:30PM-4PM**

WELLNESS THRU PHYSICAL THERAPY: Hosted by Paula Deginan, the show features a local Physical Therapist Thing Oh who talks about health issues that can be treated through physical therapy.

SUN 8PM-9PM

PPW, HIGH VOLTAGE: An independent wrestling show from Northeastern Pennsylvania that runs every Sunday night.

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LOCALLY PRODUCED SHOW CONT.

**MON 6PM-6:30PM
TUES 11AM-11:30AM / 7:30PM-8PM
WED 7:30PM-8PM
THUR 10:30-11AM
FRI 6PM-6:30PM
SAT 12PM-12:30PM
SUN 11:30AM-12PM/5:30PM-6PM**

LET'S TALK CHIROPRACTIC: Locally produced show that features two Chiropractors from the Hazleton area. Hosted by Liz Tolan along with co-hosts Dr. John Degenhart and Dr. Stacie Sando from the Degenhart Chiropractic Health Center . Guests on the show discuss health issues that were treated by Dr. Degehhart and Dr Sando.

**WED: 10:30-11AM
WED: 6PM-6:30PM
THURS: 1-1:30PM
SAT: 7:30-8
SUN: 10:30-11AM
MON: 10:30-11AM
TUES: 9-9:30PM**

Chow Bella: Locally produced show that features cooking segments hosted by Isabella Falvello.

**WED: 9:30-10PM
THURS: 1:30-2PM
FRI: 8-8:30PM
SAT: 11-11:30AM
SAT 6:30-7PM
SUN: 4:30-5PM
MON: 8:30-9PM**

WINE HOPS AND ROAD STOPS: Locally produced show that features cooking segments from local road stops along with spot lighting new wines and beers that are on the market. Hosted by Jeff Bonomo.

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