

Community Issues Reports - WLER

1st Quarter 2019

Morning Show
15 Minutes
1/7/19

Issue: Safe Driving

Mark Sparky Mares in studio from PennDot to talk about Winter Driving tips in the New Year.

Morning Show
15 Minutes
3/20/19

Issue: Veterans Needs

Clint Kiddle from Speedfreak Motorsports and Dave Jackson in studio to promote a motorcycle raffle that proceeds will benefit the Veterans In Need organization.

Morning Show
15 Minutes
3/26/19

Issue: Special Olympics

Scott Dittman in studio for 5 minutes to talk about Ales for Athletes. A benefit 4/6 for Ryan's Run and Special Olympics.

Morning Show
15 Minutes
3/27/19

ISSUE: Summer Traffic Safety

Mark Sparky Mares and Brent Piccola from Pen Dot in studio for 10 minutes to talk about Summer safe construction driving tips and the upcoming National Work Zone Awareness Week 4/8-12th.

Morning Show
15 Minutes
3/28/19

ISSUE: Child Safety

Spoke to Michael Braunold CEO of Elepho, Inc, the company that created [eClip](#). eClip is a device that attaches easily inside the car and connects to a cell phone via Bluetooth. It alerts parents if they walk more than 25 feet from their car without removing their child. With summer coming we talked about forgotten baby syndrome and the dangers of leaving children in the hot car. 5 minutes.

Special Reports during the First Quarter

March, 2019 – News Special Reports

A series of stories regarding two special elections that will take place this May. The reasons for the special elections came about during the first quarter- the sexual assault allegation against State Rep. Brian Ellis, and the resignation of state Sen. Don White due to health issues. We then covered the process of how candidates were selected to be on the ballot this May to fill the seats.

February – March, 2019 – News Special Reports

How elections are done in Pennsylvania, and Butler County. Following the 2016 presidential election, there were accusations that the state's election system may have been compromised. We did several stories in 2017 and 2018 with Butler Co. Election Director Shari Brewer on the county's election system and security. That story continued into 2019 as the county begun narrowing down companies that could provide the county with a new voting system. A company was selected in March 2019. We covered several angles to that story: why the county had to get a new system; what companies were evaluated; which criteria they were evaluated on; how a decision was made to choose one; and how this will affect voters when they go to cast their ballot.