

WGBG-FM

July - September 2022

Issues & Programs Report

Program: On Delmarva
Airs: Sunday mornings 6-6:30am

ISSUE: Supporting our Military

Airdate: Sunday, July 3

Spoke with George Jackson of American Corner, MD about his ongoing mission to organize scrolls to send to our troops overseas. For several decades, George has set up long scrolls at various Delmarva events, so that festival goers can sign messages of love, support and thanks to our troops. After each signing, he ships the scrolls overseas.

ISSUE: Patriotic Event

Airdate: Sunday, July 3

Spoke with Brian Nelson, organizer of Red, White and Boom about the upcoming 4th of July Fireworks Extravaganza set to take place on July 4th in Salisbury. This is an annual event that attracts hundreds of folks in and around Wicomico County, Maryland. The event also features food trucks.

ISSUE: Volunteer Fire Company Fundraiser

Airdate: Sunday, July 10

Spoke with Howard Bowden about the upcoming Sharptown Fireman's Carnival. This annual old-time carnival has been held yearly for ALMOST a century. It features a ferris wheel, carousel, numerous kiddie rides, games, bingo and their famous oyster sandwiches. This year, the firemen are excited to debut their new family roller coaster. The event is set to take place in August.

ISSUE: Charitable Event

Airdate: Sunday, July 17

Spoke with Michelle Wright of Wright's Market about their annual Watermelon Festival. This event, held each summer, features a princess contest, watermelon seed spit event, watermelon eating, bounce houses, hayrides and more. Several charities are in attendance with booths raising awareness about their cause. The Wright's donate some proceeds to Relay For Life. This year's festival is set to take place at the end of July.

Airdate: Sunday, August 7

Spoke with Adam Corry and Brad Taylor, organizers of the Tangier Classic Fishing Tournament. This is an annual charity fishing tournament. This year, the event is set to help Lakelyn Dramheim, a young girl with DIPG, a rare brain cancer. We discussed the actual tournament and how people could get involved and help.

Airdate: Sunday, September 4

Spoke with Susan Kummer of the Salisbury Elks Post 817 about their upcoming CASH BASH. Susan is the chair of the event and was very excited about the many donations being offered. The CASH BASH is one of the largest fundraisers of the Elks which donates over \$100,000 annually to other charitable organizations in the local area. Attendees purchase a ticket with an opportunity to win cash several times throughout the afternoon. The event includes food and entertainment.

Airdate: Sunday, September 25

Spoke with Natalie VonParis, chairperson of Salisbury Christian School's Night Under The Stars event. This annual outdoor festival features worship teams, entertainment, kids' activities, a corn hole tournament, food and more, all to benefit Salisbury Christian School. It is one of their largest fundraisers of the year.

ISSUE: Suicide Prevention

Airdate: Sunday, July 24

Spoke with Ron Piling of the Jesse Klump Foundation about the new suicide prevention number which has now switched to a simple three-digit format of 988. The old number will still work indefinitely, but the new short number is now in effect. We also spoke about Jesse, a young man, aged 17 when he took his own life. The foundation was created to honor his memory and spread awareness of suicide and how to prevent suicide. They have an annual kayak fundraiser called Jesse's Paddle, which happens in September. We also discussed this upcoming event and how to be a part of it.

ISSUE: Developmental Disabilities Fundraiser

Airdate: Sunday, July 24

Spoke with Janine Lis of the Benedictine School about their Chrome City Ride. This motorcycle ride raises funds for the Benedictine School which serves those with developmental disabilities. It's one of the largest events of its kind on the East Coast.

ISSUE: Health Cancer Treatments

Airdate: Sunday, July 31

Spoke with Dr. Matthew Witek of the Maryland Proton Therapy Group about new cutting-edge technology in cancer treatment. Proton Therapy concentrates on a more defined area of cancer and often shows fewer side effects than traditional cancer treatments.

Airdate: Sunday, August 21

Spoke with Rich Swift, organizer of the Trey Mancini Foundation Homerun Derby. This event was set to help raise funds for cancer research.

ISSUE: Family Community Events

Airdate: Sunday, August 14

Spoke with Bill Christopher, the President and CEO of the Dorchester Chamber of Commerce about the many upcoming events and activities being offered through the end of September in Dorchester County.

Airdate: Sunday, September 11

Spoke with Stephanie McVey about the upcoming Shore Living Expo, a local trade show that celebrates health, wealth and home services in the area. In addition to many home related vendors, crafters would participate as well. This free event was set to take place in October at the Wicomico Civic Center in Salisbury.

Airdate: Sunday, September 18

Spoke with Bill Christopher, CEO and President of the Dorchester Chamber of Commerce about fall events in Dorchester County for the month of October.

ISSUE: Youth Athletic Activities

Airdate: Sunday, August 28

Spoke with Mark Naugle, coach of the Delmar Majors Softball team about their recent performance and return from competing in the Little League World Series. This was a major event in the town of Delmar, MD. They were the first team from Maryland to qualify and compete for the Little League World Series. I also had the opportunity to speak briefly with some of the girls about their experience.

ISSUE: Health Organ Donations

Airdate: Sunday, September 25

Spoke with Traci Russell of the Double T Foundation of Delaware. The Double T Foundation of Delaware is a non-profit that connects possible living donors for various procedures including kidney transplant. Their mission is to spread awareness of the many ways you can be a living donor through blood donations, hair donations and even breast milk. They have helped at least 5 individuals find kidney donors, and plan to continue their mission. To raise funds, they are hosting a health expo and ambassador competition.