## KELA CENTRALIA WA SIGNIFICANT TREATMENT OF ISSUES October 1 thru December 31, 2020 (4<sup>th</sup> QUARTER)

## **QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST**

(For programming aired October 1 thru December 31, 2020)

This Quarterly Issues/Programs List is a list of non-entertainment programming which, in the opinion of the management of the Station, represents the most significant treatment by the Station of certain issues believed to be of community concern. The list is not intended to be a comprehensive list of <u>all</u> of the Station's non-entertainment programming. Nor is it designed to list every program broadcast by the Station that is responsive to the selected issues. Included are only those programs in which the Station devoted significant time or depth to the various issues.

<u>ISSUE</u>	RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING	DATE/TIME/DURATION
1. PUD Rate Increase	<u>Program:</u> "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced)	October 2, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes
	<u>Description:</u> Lewis County PUD recently announced a rate increase for its customers. Many callers weighed in on the issue including those supporting the challenger in the upcoming election.	
2. Free Speech, Businesses Supporting Politics	Program: "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced)	October 5, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes
	<u>Description:</u> Calls were mixed on the show but two main topics included free speech. One caller asked if being asked to dress a certain way at work is infringing on free speech. Also, big topic was businesses supporting certain political issues and are they being pressured to support issues. Host took calls on both sides.	
3. Lewis County Commiss Races	ioner Program: "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced)	October 9, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

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Description: The Lewis County Commissioner race was a HUGE topic of the day. One caller spent his time going thru his thoughts on both commissioner races and who he is supporting and why. This then led to other callers giving their thoughts including one that disagreed with the previous caller!

4. PUD Rate Increase

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** The upcoming PUD Rate increase was again a hot topic. Calls included questions about power production and why the rates are being raised. Host also gave his thoughts on the Commissioner race as well.

5. Flood Retention Plan

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** One of the architects of a proposed flood retention plan was in studio for the entire half hour. He explained how the retention facility would work and explained that it was not a dam. He took calls from listeners who have questions about how the facility would work and the architect explained that it would indeed work to limit flooding.

6. Meet the Candidates

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** In the first of a series of Candidate Forums, the Lewis County District 2 Commissioner Race was the focus. Challenger Lindsay Pollock spoke first and answered a series of questions about her candidacy and

October 12, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

October 13, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

October 15, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

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what she would attempt to accomplish if elected. She talked flood mitigation and her plan to grow the county. Current Commissioner Bobby Jackson went next and talked about what he had accomplished in the previous 4-years and how he wanted to continue to work on the projects. He also challenged his opponent on whether she would be able to handle the position if she was elected.

### 7. Meet the Candidates

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced)

Description: The Lewis County
Commissioner race was highlighted
again with District 1 candidates
answering questions. Challenger Sean
Swope went first and talked about his
plan to forward the county. He
responded to some mud slinging that
his opponent had been doing and
answered questions about flood
mitigation. Current commissioner
Edna Fund went next and talked about
what she had accomplished the
previous 8 years of her holding office.
She also answered questions about
flood mitigation.

## 8. Meet the Candidates

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** Our series of Meet the Candidates shows continued with the Lewis County PUD race. First up the challenger Michael Kelly answered questions about his candidacy. He railed against the proposed PUD rate increase as well as giving his plan for rural broadband internet service and how the PUD would be the leader in implementing it. Next it was the

October 16, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

October 19, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

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current PUD Commissioner Ben Kostick. He spoke about his candidacy and explained the rate increase. He said that as much as they didn't want to pass it he felt they had to so they could continue to provide power to the county. He also gave his plan for rural broadband internet.

### 9. Meet the Candidates

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

Description: Interviews with Legislative Candidates was highlighted. Local Centralia resident Peter Abbarno, running for District 2 Legislator was interviewed on the show. Among the topics discussed included the pandemic and how to balance the state budge when in the midst of the pandemic. He also discussed flooding and how to mitigate it.

## 10. Meet the Candidates

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

Description: Interviews with Legislative Candidates was highlighted. In the second of two days of this race with candidates Marianna Everson and Ed Orcutt. They were asked questions about their platform as well as about current issues facing our community including questions about the pandemic and health care along with the budget deficit.

## 11. Vaccines, School Openings

<u>Program:</u> "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**<u>Description:</u>** Host posed a question about diseases and eliminating them.

October 20, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

October 21, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

October 23, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

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The subject of vaccinations both good and bad points were made. He also took calls about schools opening. Local schools have begun opening their doors to a limited amount of students daily. He also talked with a local volunteer for a Leadership Academy who talked about how they enrich children's lives.

### 12. Local Charities

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** Local charities was a big topic of discussion host brought up a few and highlighted what they do including: Rotary Clubs, Big Brothers, Boys and Girls Club, Lions Club, God's Portion, Health and Hope Medical Outreach, Hub City Mission, Kiwanis, and Lewis County Food Banks.

October 26, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

#### 13. Law Enforcement

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** Host talked about the attacks on law enforcement. He brought up all the good they do and that it should not be overshadowed by the few that are not doing good. He highlighted what they've done in the fight against child trafficking and how he feels we can all get behind that work. He said we should focus on the good not the bad.

October 30, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

### 14. Commissioner Races

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

<u>**Description:**</u> Host talked a lot about the Lewis County Commissioner Races

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and received numerous calls with callers saying who they were voting for and why. One caller said the county needs an experienced Commissioner and is supporting Edna Fund. Says he is voting for her in spite of her negative advertising and how much he doesn't like it.

## 15. New County Commissioners, PUD Assistance

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** Host talked about the election and discussed the fact that there are now two new Lewis County Commissioners so how will they handle the strategic plans they campaigned on. Callers also wanted to discuss the presidential election and express their disgust. One caller brought up assistance with your PUD bill and how to go about getting it.

### 16. Shutdown and Politics

<u>Program:</u> "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

Description: Local newspaper editor was in studio as guest of host. They discussed the governor shutdown of the state, particularly as to whether the governor was "suggesting" or "edicting" people not to have Thanksgiving celebrations with their families. National government issues were discussed as well including Presidential vetoes.

#### 17. Economic Stress

<u>Program:</u> "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

<u>Description:</u> Economic stress was the main topic of discussion with the host

November 6, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

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November 20, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

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and his guest. Talking about family's facing economic stress as the economy remains mainly shutdown. Callers talked about what they are doing to combat it and host offered some ideas as well.

# 18. Initiative 1114, Restore Washington

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** A representative of Initiative 1114, which is an attempt to limit the powers of the Governor and let the people have a say. A representative from Restore Washington also was a part of the show. Restore Washington is an organization that helps write/create initiatives for citizens.

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

# 19. School Services, Community Services

**Description:** Host talk mainly about local schools and the services they are providing families who are struggling with the hybrid school schedule. That includes Chromebooks for students and providing meal services to its students. Also host talked about what some local charities and how they are helping out families in need.

# **20. Local Enforcement of Governor's Restrictions**

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** The topic of the state governor and restrictions that he has put upon local businesses, churches, and families and how local law enforcement is supposed to enforce the restrictions. Are they required to do

November 25, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

November 27, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

December 4, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

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so? This is in light of a local restaurant, Spiffy's, who has defied the governor's orders and has opened their restaurant to indoor seating. Sheriff's office has refused to enforce.

## 21. Biased Reporting

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** Local newspaper editor was in studio for entire half hour and discussed biased reporting. The subject of how to eliminate bias was admitted to be a hard thing. Callers weighed in on the issue as well and the consensus was that most people don't realize the bias they report even when reporting facts.

December 11, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

## 22. Enforcing Restrictions, Economic Recovery

<u>Program:</u> "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

December 18, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

**Description:** Enforcing restrictions was the main topic of discussion. One caller felt that local law enforcement should enforce the mask mandate. The host talked about if they were to enforce the mask mandate by actively pursuing people not following it, then they wouldn't have time for calls for domestic violence, burglaries, or other more serious crimes. He also talked about economic recovery and how as a small business owner himself, they are doing well in spite of the pandemic and many other businesses are as well.

#### 23. Frustration with Restrictions

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**<u>Description:</u>** Callers dominated the show with many airing their

December 22, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

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frustrations with the governor's restrictions and voicing their support for businesses like Spiffy's who have defied the orders. Also discussed was what a new stimulus bill would do to our national debt and take us further in debt.

# 24. Making the Pandemic Political, Stimulus

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

Description: Host talked a lot about the latest stimulus and how so much of the money doesn't even stay in America. Caller voiced her frustration with how this "pork" is unacceptable. Host also talked about his battle with Covid and how it sent him to the hospital. He added that he doesn't like how politics have been a part of the pandemic.

December 24, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

## 25. Housing Development, Spiffy's Restaurant

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** Housing Development was one of the topics discussed as in how is our county progressing. Also callers mentioned Spiffy's Restaurant and its court battle which included a Lewis County judge recusing himself due to being a family member of an employee at the restaurant.

December 28, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes

## 26. Rally at Courthouse

**Program:** "Let's Talk About It" a daily local call in program (locally-produced).

**Description:** The rally at the courthouse in support of Spiffy's Restaurant was the main topic of today's show. One caller mentioned that if you are going to be a part of a rally make sure you don't bring a gun

December 29, 2020 8:30 am 30 minutes