

Issues Today Quarterly Summary-3rd Quarter, 2023

1. Health
2. Education
3. Economy
4. Youth
5. Environment
6. Consumerism
7. Racism
8. Homeless
9. Seniors
10. Veterans

There were a total of 37 issues covered this quarter.

Issues Today 23-26

Date Aired: 7/1/23 Time Aired: 7:30 AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Dr. Catherine Kelso, Deputy Executive Director of Geriatrics & Extended Care, Veterans Health Admin.

She detailed geriatric care programs for vets. She also talked about support services for family members.

Issues covered:

1. Veterans
2. Seniors

2. Robert Schmidt, Social Media Expert and Author

He commented on the dangers of social media on teens. He also talked about mental health in general and the need for more care.

Issues covered:

1. Youth
2. Mental Health

3. Taylor Poisall, Regional Communications Director of Red Cross

She detailed their various programs. She also talked about the need for more volunteers.

Issues covered:

1. Emergency Preparedness
2. Volunteerism

Issues Today 23-27

Date Aired: 7/8/23 Time Aired: 7 AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Dr. Michael Kiley, Nat. Program Director of Oncology, U.S. Dept of Veterans Affairs

He detailed their cancer treatment programs for veterans. He also talked about new cancer research that is going on.

Issues covered:

1. Veterans
2. Health

2. Matt Howard, Senior Vice President of VIRTRU

He detailed security concerns with medical data being stored on the cloud. He also talked about consumer privacy.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Consumer Privacy

3. Carol Menaker, Author and Researcher

She talked about the need for jury reform. She also discussed her experiences in a murder trial and her misgivings about the guilty verdict.

Issues covered:

1. Justice System
2. Racism

Issues Today 23-28

Date Aired: 7/15/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Dr. William Forstchen, Professor of History at Montreat College

He detailed the dangers of EMP strikes on the country. He also talked about the need for the U.S. to better prepare for military conflicts.

Issues covered:

1. Nuclear Disarmament
2. Environment

2. Laura Podesta, Public Relations Director for Fiverr

She talked about the plusses of freelancers on the economy. She also discussed the results of the Economic Impact Report survey.

Issues covered:

1. Unemployment
2. Economy

3. Irene O'Neal, Cheryl Barent, Comfort Danco, Members of Sarah's Oasis for Women

They talked about the relationship between domestic violence and homelessness. They also discussed the need for more housing programs for victims of trafficking and violence.

Issues covered:

1. Domestic Violence
2. Homelessness

Issues Today 23-29

Date Aired: 7/22/23 Time Aired: 7 AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Jane Spinak, Clinical Professor of Law Emeritus at Columbia Law School

She talked about the shortcomings of the family court system. She also talked about how some of the court proceedings are based in racism.

Issues covered:

1. Legal System
2. Racism

2. June Gjata, Eating Disorders Expert and Author

She detailed symptoms of eating disorders. She also talked about foods that are bad for the diet.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Eating Disorders

3. Audra Fordin, ASE Certified Mechanic

She talked about how to save money on car repairs. She also gave pointers on what parts of the car need attention before summer travel.

Issues covered:

1. Auto Safety
2. Consumerism

Issues Today 23-30

Date Aired: 7/29/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Diane Gayeski, Professor and Higher Education Consultant

She commented on low-paying college degrees. She also stressed that some disciplines can help with other careers that aren't necessarily directly connected.

Issues covered:

1. Education
2. Student Loans

2. Dr. Mark Miller, Executive Vice President of Health Care at Arnold Ventures

He discussed rising medical costs. He also talked about Site Neutral bills and how they would lower hospital costs.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Consumerism

3. Caroline Schneider, Registered Dietician

She detailed why SNAP benefits should include payments for Vitamin D. She also talked about the benefits of Vitamin D.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Education

Issues Today 23-31

Date Aired: 8/5/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Richard Vague, Former Secretary of Banking and Securities, Pennsylvania

He commented on deficits and how they affect the economy. He also talked about the origins of economic problems in prior fiscal emergencies.

Issues covered:

1. Economy
2. Personal Debt

2. Michael Robbins, Chief Asset Officer, Larson Financial

He discussed the growing phenomenon of using AI for investments. He also talked about state of the economy.

Issues covered:

1. Economy
2. Artificial Intelligence

3. Meghan, Stroke Survivor/Dr. Sheryl Martin-Schlid, Stroke Medical Director at Touro Infirmary

Meghan described her experience of having a stroke at the age of 31. They also detailed symptoms of a stroke and some prevention procedures.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Education

Issues Today 23-32

Date Aired: 8/12/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Dr. Robert Okin, Chief of Psychiatry at San Francisco General Hospital

He gave some ideas on how to solve homelessness. He also called on governments to build more affordable housing.

Issues covered:

1. Homelessness
2. Affordable Housing

2. Matt Dibara, Affiliated with Contractors Consultants

He discussed the growing problem of worker shortages in the construction industry. He also commented on some new apprenticeship programs.

Issues covered:

1. Economy
2. Education

3. Dr. Julie, Co-Founder of Florida Wellness Institute

She gave tips on keeping foods safe during summer cookouts. She also defined some food borne illnesses.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Food Safety

Issues Today 23-33

Date Aired: 8/19/23 Time Aired: 7 AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Cheryl McCarron, Director of Community Relations, General Motors

She talked about the outreach that the auto industry has on the American economy. She also discussed local outreach programs that the industry has.

Issues covered:

1. Education
2. Economy

2. Edward Bartlett, Founder of SAVE

He detailed possible changes in rules for Title 9 programs. He also talked about the need for more parental involvement in local school policies.

Issues covered:

1. Youth
2. Education

3. Taylor Poisall, Regional Communications Director of Red Cross

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Issues covered:

1. Emergency Preparedness
2. Volunteerism

Issues Today 23-34

Date Aired: 8/26/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. David Crenshaw, Retired Master Sargeant

He discussed the K9's for Warriors Project that pairs up comfort dogs to vets.
He also detailed the extensive training program the dogs go through.

Issues covered:

1. Vets
2. PTSD

2. James Ruvalcaba, Special Ed. Educator

He talked about what parents can do to help kids adjust to a new school year.
He also gave some tips on managing emotions.

Issues covered:

1. Youth
2. Education

3. Jeffrey Stephens, Ronald Raymond, Co-Authors of "The Road to Splitsville"

They gave tips on how couples can have more-friendly divorces. They also
talked about the need for better communication for all pairs.

Issues covered:

1. Divorce
2. Communication

Issues Today 23-35

Date Aired: 9/2/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. David Schenck, Former Director of Ethics, Univ. of South Carolina

He discussed the growing problem of healthcare worker burnout. He also talked about the need for better wages as well.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Mental Health

2. Brian Walsh, Student Loan Manager at Sofi

He gave some tips on how to save money on student loans. He also talked about work study programs that can help to ease the burden.

Issues covered:

1. Student Loans
2. Economy

3. Dr. Nikki McCullough, Respiratory Expert at 3M's Personal Safety Division

She commented on bad air that is being generated by wildfires around the country. She also talked about how to control indoor air pollution.

Issues covered:

1. Environment
2. Air Pollution

Issues Today 23-37

Date Aired: 9/16/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Dr. Cheryl Green, Author of "Heal Your Daughter"

She talked about growing depression in teenage girls. She also detailed how parents can better cope with the growing problem.

Issues covered:

1. Women
2. Depression

2. Mike Malterre, Environmentalist

He commented on how many chemical sunscreens are damaging the environment. He also talked about protecting kids from harmful rays.

Issues covered:

1. Environment
2. Pollution

3. Alana Best, Author of "Around the World in Black and White"

She talked about her worldwide experiences of being in a bi-racial marriage. She also discussed the effect on their children.

Issues covered:

1. Racism
2. Discrimination

Issues Today 23-38

Date Aired: 9/23/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Trevor Wagner, Chief Economist of Research Center at the Computer and Communications Industry Assn.

He commented on how AI is aiding small business growth. He also talked about new apps that are developed daily.

Issues covered:

1. Economy
2. Consumerism

2. Afton Hassett, Assoc. Professor and Director of Pain and Opioid Research at Chronic Pain and Fatigue Research Center

She discussed her book "Chronic Pain Reset" which emphasizes pain reduction without drugs. She also talked about the growing drug abuse problem in the country.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Drug Abuse

3. Tom Kamber, Executive Director of Older Adults Technology Services (AARP)

He discussed how seniors can better plan for emergencies. He also talked about new technology that is available for seniors.

Issues covered:

1. Seniors
2. Disaster Preparedness

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3. Ruth, Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc. (Santa Barbara County)

She detailed their various programs that serve the area. She also talked about the work done at the Santa Maria office.

Issues covered:

1. Homeless
2. Poverty