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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Judy Doyle, a parent advocate against the choking game. Judy's son died as a result of playing this "game." The choking game cuts off circulation to the brain. It causes a type of high feeling. The age group most noted as doing this is the 9-17 year old group. There are a number of other names for the choking game. Youth use a variety of ways to achieve this high or fuzzy feeling. Brain damage occurs from it. Judy discussed signs that could indicate an involvement- pinpoint facial bruising, bloodshot eyes and behavioral changes. Finding things like ropes, shoestrings and belts in unusual places can be a warning sign. A closet pole with wear marks and pillows in a closet can also be indicative of the game being played. Parents need to become informed and talk to their children about this. Counseling may be needed if a youth is doing it. Youth tend to think this is a safe way to feel high. But it is very dangerous.

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Dodge County Sheriff's Deputy Dale Schmidt- Lead Advisor for Explorer Post 9903, and Host Jackie Kahlhamer discuss introducing youth to a law enforcement career. It is important to create a relationship between law enforcement and youth who wish to pursue a law enforcement career. Being involved in the Post can give a student a step-up in college. Youth benefit by the teaching of leadership skills and by the reinforcement of positive character traits. It is good for the youth to understand what a law career is all about. Sometimes they realize it is not the right fit for them. The youth are involved in community projects- good for them and for the community. The youth impact their peers by avoiding things such as drinking parties.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Kathy Clark about early childhood intervention. Kathy is the Green Valley Enterprises Birth to 3 Program Coordinator. Birth to 3 is a very important stage of childhood development. Language, physical and social skills are being developed. For children with developmental delays, it is important for them to receive early intervention treatment. This can avoid them getting pulled out of classes in schools for speech therapy or extra help. Birth to 3 children are tested in several areas for delays. A 25% or greater delay will be documented. Children served can have a moderate delay to those with fragile medical conditions. Areas of delay need to be targeted so children can receive help by a therapist, who specializes in that area.

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Beaver Dam Municipal Court Judge Ken Peters, and Host Jackie Kahlhamer talk about reducing truancy. Any student who misses 5 or more full or partial days, or misses a class 5 times per semester is considered habitually truant. Last year 10% of the Beaver Dam student body was truant. This can ruin their grade point average and keep them from graduating. Judge Peters believes laziness is the leading cause of truancy and lack of parental involvement is a big concern. There needs to be responsibility and accountability on the student's part first and then the parents. Punishments for habitual truancy include taking away drivers license, (or if the student is under 16, then the ability to obtain one,) hunting and fishing rights, work permits and ordering homebound detention. A \$400 fine can be assessed, which can be lessened if the student stays in school. Additionally, a parent may be ordered to attend school with their child for 2-3 weeks. Without a high school diploma, a youth will lose their chance to get a decent job, or may not be able to enter the military. Common sense plays an important role in reducing truancy. It needs to be instilled into children the importance of graduating.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Lawton Merritt about helping youth raise their expectations. Lawton is the Founder & CEO of Lil Johnnie Ministries. Many youth are not encouraged and told that they can do something great. There is a need to challenge their belief systems and raise the standard. Many never imagined they could +do more. Often leaders do not address the hard issues because they may not know how to. The only way to understand youth is to talk to them- there must be communication. Many youth are mirroring wrong systems and need extra great support. Mentors who really care can be the difference between life and death. Lawton has partnered with Milwaukee Public Schools to provide a curriculum that will speak to kids at their level- at the street level. It is connected to literacy and gives youth a voice and validates their background. When youth realize and understand their purpose it gives them confidence and assurance. Youth need to know they can succeed even if they are living in the midst of dysfunction.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

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Sherry Scopp, President and CEO of Angie's Hope for You, and Host Jackie Kahlhamer talk about domestic violence. Sherry's daughter was murdered as a result of domestic violence. Public safety is compromised when domestic violence spreads out in the community. Innocent citizens can be in the path of the perpetrator. Domestic violence does not just occur behind closed doors. A new bill in the Legislature, if passed, would require active GPS monitoring of high risk individuals. Sherry talked about why victims often fail to leave the abusers. The abuser often control the victim. Victims need to know there is help available for them to leave an abusive situation.

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Beaver Dam Police Officer Rich Dahl- leader of the Neighborhood Watch program and Host Jackie Kahlhamer discuss Neighborhood Watch. People often forget who their neighbors are. Neighbors need to be good neighbors, but not be nosy. When neighbors know each others lifestyles and comings and goings, they are more able to spot if something unusual is occurring. If that happens, the police should be called. There should not be confrontations or vigilante actions. People should keep an eye on their senior neighbors. Things like mail not being picked up for several days could indicate a problem. Seniors are often home during the day and up at night and can see what's going on when others are sleeping. Neighborhood Watch Captain LeeAnn Heiden talked about being involved in the program. Although her neighborhood was safe, she feels it is now even safer. Officer Dahl talked about crosswalk safety and driver responsibility to stop for pedestrians. The city has been seeing a lot of property crime. Citizens should remove valuables from their vehicles and lock them.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Lt. Trace Frost, of the Dodge County Sheriff's Dept., about highway safety. Drivers should call 911 if there is an emergency. They should call the sheriff's department later if a situation is a non-emergency. Situations could include the need for signage such as curve ahead or no passing. A missing stop sign, downed trees and road blockage or damage would be considered an emergency. If there is a need to warn oncoming vehicles, a motorist should pull over and put their hazard lights on and notify a local law enforcement agency. It is important to remain safe. There are many distractions affecting motorists including pets, reading, applying makeup, etc. Texting is a problem. The driver's eyes are taken off the road. Driving while impaired is a huge problem. Speeding and not obeying traffic laws compromise public safety. It is recommended that citizens should pull over and call in complaints about unsafe drivers. Causing an accident because of distraction could result in a citation and possible criminal charges. Lt. Frost believes it is very important to drive defensively, of which he gave several pointers of how to be a defensive driver. He recommends that a driver should not assume that other drivers have the proper driving attitude.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Janet Kehl about snowmobile safety. Janet is a Snowmobile Safety Education Instructor for the DNR's sponsored snowmobile safety course. Anyone born after 01/01/85 must have a safety course certificate to ride on Wisconsin trails. It is a good idea to take a snowmobile safety course, even if you are not required to. A snowmobile driver has to be in control and responsible and follow all laws and regulations. Operating under the influence is illegal. It causes impaired vision and judgment. Accidents and property damage must be reported. It is safest to stay on marked trails. Unmarked trails can have snow concealed dangers. Snowmobile operators are not to chase or harass wildlife. Janet talked about proper clothing to wear. Riders should never cross a frozen body of water without an inflatable jacket and ice picks. Snowmobiles must yield to road traffic. Vehicle drivers still should be aware when they see a snowmobile. Janet believes that snowmobile accidents can be reduced by practicing safety measures.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Tim Anderson, Environmental Health Supervisor for the City of Watertown, which is a Designated Radon Information Center, about radon. Radon is a radioactive gas that can come into homes through cracks or holes in the basement. It is the second leading cause of lung cancer behind smoking. It is recommended that all homes be tested. There are no symptoms to exposure, nor are there any discernable characteristics of radon in a home. The only way to tell is by using a test kit, which are given out at local county health departments. Tim showed a test kit and talked about where and how to place a test kit in a home. He discussed what would be recommended if the test results came back showing a high level of radon in a home.

## FAMILY

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Apostle David King, Founder & CEO of Milwaukee God Squad, and Host Jackie Kahlhamer discuss restoring families. Unemployment and crime affects families. When families are poor, frustration, blaming each other and bitterness can set in. An unemployed husband needs to be encouraged by his wife when he is seeking a job. The value of marriage and the understanding that it is a covenant agreement is often missing. This means going together through the good, the bad and the ugly. Dysfunctional parents have dysfunctional homes. Children suffer the most. Husbands and wives need to know their roles and realize they are a team. Becoming selfless and thinking of each other first is necessary. Spouses need to encourage each other and to communicate.

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Marilynn Gundrum, President (of the soon to begin) Family Promise of Washington County, and Host Jackie Kahlhamer discuss helping homeless families. High unemployment has helped to increase the number of homeless families in the county. There are not enough shelters for families, who are then sent to other counties, and are split up. Females go to one shelter, males to another. Help for the families often starts at Social Services or a charity, who network together to meet the needs that are assessed for each family. It means everything for a family to become independent. Family Promise works on 5 key components- utilizing the faith community to provide shelter, having people go to a job or a day center where they receive help, using agencies in the community, volunteers and transportation. Loneliness and depression can affect homeless families. The hope is to see families get low income housing and employment. Schools have seen the effects of homelessness on children, such as falling asleep in class. Some homeless families are hidden under the radar, some are not. They may be people you work with, or are in school with. Many are surprised to find themselves in this place, as they were once the ones who donated and now they themselves need help.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Senator Glenn Grothman about Human Growth and Development teaching in public schools. A proposed bill would take away the power of local school boards to set their own curriculum. He does not believe this bill is family friendly. It would force graphic sex education on all districts that have Human Growth and Development classes. Senator Grothman believes abstinence is the preferred teaching, while the proposed new law would present it as an option. Parents are able to call their local school board and ask to see the curriculum being taught in school. Parents should be involved in everything their children are reading. Senator Grothman does not believe this bill honors the more conservative parents.

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Barb Ditrach, Director of Snappin Ministries, and Host Jackie Kahlhamer discuss families with special needs children. Parents need support for the caregiving of special needs children. Parents find their definition of normal will be redefined when they have a special needs child. They often need to advocate for their child with schools, insurance companies and the community. There is a lot of fatigue involved- mentally and physically. Divorce rates are higher for parents with special needs children. Monthly meetings with other parents can help them to connect with other parents and learn from professionals about their special situations. Barb's #1 coping tool is humor, which shrinks the size of the problem. Families with special needs children share a unique bond. They share information and encouragement. Parents who need time away can utilize respite care from area organizations. In the midst of the challenges, there is joy, especially by helping others along. Siblings can be affected in a huge way. They may feel left out and undercared for. They may have more responsibility than their peers. There can be a lot of jealousy. But directed the right way, the siblings can become amazing, caring adults. It is good for parents to stay connected to other parents to give support and receive support. Counseling may be needed to avoid divorce.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Alixe Bielot about family library use. Alixe is the Director of the Mayville Public Library. The library has lots of materials for all age groups. In hard economic times, usage increases. Families can avail themselves to the many things available. Alixe discussed how a family might best use of what is offered at the library. Computer usage has really been up due to persons looking for work. Parents can use library usage as a tool to teach responsibility- for proper care of library materials and for the library card. Parents can encourage their children to read. A study has shown that every tax dollar spent for a library brings a \$4.06 return.

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**CRIME**

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Jerry Wallendal, Youth for Christ Fresh Start Director of Ministries and Host Jackie Kahlhamer discuss working with the incarcerated. Jerry works with youth who are high-risk. He talked about the 40 essentials- such as respect, love, responsibility and being truthful. Youth need to have at least 10 of these. Reaching high-risk kids before incarceration has been very successful. Jerry talked the common types of crimes the youth have committed. While in jail, youth need to have a fundamental underpinning to give them direction and adult mentors to come alongside them. Many come from a rocky home life. Youth are affected by parents lacking parental skills and peer pressure. They need very specific boundaries and to consider the consequences of their actions. Once released, involving them in lots of activities leaves less time to get in trouble. Many need to be taught life skills, such as leaving a basic phone message. As they become more productive, they feel good about themselves. Many have had lots of negative things spoken into their lives.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Apostle David King, Founder & CEO of the Milwaukee God Squad, about crime's effect of the communities. Crime is very serious in the inner city, being senseless and there is no value of life. People have become prisoners in their homes. They know to hit the floor when there is a loud noise. Crime stems from a lack of hope, finances and education. The criminal mindset has given up on dreaming. A cycle of failure and a fear of success keep people stuck. People need to be educated to know that it's okay to be successful and to come out their comfort zones. Apostle King works with individuals, such as drug dealers, to get them to see that they can start a legitimate business. A lot want a way out of a criminal lifestyle but may need a push in the right direction. When one person turns away from crime, it has a big effect on the community for the better.

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Lawton Merritt, Founder & CEO of Lil Johnnie Ministries, talks with Host Jackie Kahlhamer about falling in and out of a criminal lifestyle. Lawton talked about his former lifestyle of criminal activity and what often leads to that. Criminal activity lead to committing progressively worse crimes for some, but not for others. Consequences often don't stop someone from committing a crime. Blaming others can be common, sometimes it is justifiable. Society is not supportive of ex-offenders. They may lack schooling and training and are often set up for failure. A mind set change is needed while still in prison to be able to succeed when released. They need support upon release. There is not enough available, although more agencies are seeing the need. Being a convicted felon can make getting a job harder. They need to realize what they are bringing to the table (skill sets) and may need to go in the backdoor, first by volunteering. Lawton encourages to never give up, there is always hope.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Lori Groen, a United States Postal Inspector, about mail fraud. Loris discussed different types of mail fraud- counterfeit checks, chain letters, sweepstakes and lottery fraud, reshipping and others. The victim can find themselves being part of fraudulent activity especially in the reshipping scheme. It is important to know who you are dealing with, be cautious giving out personal information and ask other for advice. If an offer seems too good to be true, then it probably is.

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Nancy Franke, the Executive Director of Restorative Justice for Dodge County, Inc., and Host Jackie Kahlhamer talk about Restorative Justice. The approach of Restorative Justice is different from the traditional approach to addressing crime. It acknowledges that crimes are committed against victims and the community. Offenders often fail to realize how many lives were affected by their offense. Victim Impact Panels are done for drunk driving offenses. A panel of those affected by someone's drunken driving discuss how their lives are affected. Nancy is taking Restorative Justice into the local schools. Discipline measures tend to be punitive. Using Restorative Justice techniques is a shift in how schools think. It can help to repair relationships and harm done. It will also help to keep kids in school. Offenders are held responsible and accountable for their actions. Restorative Justice gives the victim a voice. Sitting eyeball to eyeball with the offender is a very powerful thing. Restitution still must be in place.

## UNEMPLOYMENT

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Jerry Wallendal, Youth for Christ Fresh Start Director of Ministries, about why ex-offenders need employment. Jerry believes that there is absolutely a connection between unemployment and crime. If someone is in a survival mode, they justify activities that are illegal and immoral. Many of the incarcerated lack basic life skills. It can be very difficult for someone to get a job if they have committed a felony. Ex-offenders need to have someone encourage and challenge them. They may only be able to find a low paying job. Jerry feels that churches or service clubs could help ex-offenders by working with them and helping them out so they don't fall back into the survival mode.

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Apostle David King, Founder & CEO of Milwaukee God Squad, and Host Jackie Kahlhamer talk about reducing unemployment. Unemployment is a big problem in the city areas which he serves. A number of companies have closed down and there is a lack of transportation to where the jobs are. Challenges to getting jobs include being a felon, education and transportation. Apostle King has worked to provide transportation for a number of individuals who got jobs outside of the inner city. People need to be taught job readiness and job skills. People need to look at their jobs as careers and work to advance. When there are not enough jobs available, the entrepreneurial minded person can create their own job and also employ others.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Jeri Stevenson, Employment Training Coordinator for Experience Works, about helping unemployed seniors become employed. Those 55+ may need some extra help finding a job. Some can be housewives without work skills, those with disabilities, those who have lost long-held jobs due to the economy or retirees who need to find a job. Skills may need to be updated, especially computer. Other areas of retraining are also provided. People are placed with a non-profit until they find a job. Skills are developed there. To get a job, people need an updated resume and interviewing skills, which they may need help developing. Some people are ready to re-enter the workforce and others need a lot of encouraging and to find their self-esteem again. Jeri has seen lives changed when a job is found.

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Host Jackie Kahlhamer talks with Tom Bergerud, Executive Director of The Threshold, Inc., about helping those with disabilities become employed. The unemployment rate for those with disabilities is 75-85%, compared with 12% for the general population (Washington County rates.) Having a disability often multiplies the difficulties of obtaining employment in the current economy. A number of disabled have entry level jobs and they are usually the first to be laid-off. Unemployment impacts the lives of the disabled by affecting their self-esteem and worth, and has a terrible economic impact on them. The disabled are the poorest minority population in the country. There are government resources for them, but they are limited. It is best for the economy for them to be on the contributing end, rather than the receiving end. One of the biggest challenges to getting a job is the misperception, that the disabled are not as productive and that accommodations will be very expensive. Statistics show that the disabled are very loyal with less absenteeism and that accommodations can often be done very inexpensively. There can be tax credits available to an employer when hiring someone with a disability. Hiring someone with a disability can be beneficial to the employer's bottom line. It can be a win-win situation for both sides.

## CIVIC AFFAIRS

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Tom Kennedy, Mayor of Beaver Dam, and Host Jackie Kahlhamer discuss city Beaver Dam issues. The city is still looking at departmental requests for 2010 projects. Grant monies will help to pay for some of them. The downtown project is moving ahead. Stimulus money will help to pay for some of the street projects. Mayor Kennedy talked about the new police department and sidewalk reconstruction. The city has not had layoffs or furloughs, even with the coming year seeing decreased state revenues and an 11% increase in health insurance. Phase II of the downtown reconstruction should start next year. Mayor Kennedy talked about his vision for the future of the downtown. He is working to start the Dodge County Leaders Consortium. The leaders will be able to come together to discuss what has worked in their communities and to look at possibly collaborating services and purchases. He believes Beaver Dam's future is very bright. Grant money was received for the wastewater treatment plant.

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Senator Glenn Grothman and Host Jackie Kahlhamer discuss state budget and bills that affect the economy. He is very disappointed in the budget. It has a lot of growth in government which means more restrictions in freedom. Wisconsin is not considered a business friendly state. Sen. Grothman discussed combined reporting and how that hurts multi-state corporations. There is a need to reign in high taxes and excessive regulation. The QEO, which limited the amount school districts could increase the salaries and benefits of teachers, has been rescinded. Sen. Grothman believes this will cause taxes to go up. He does not believe global warming is real and new laws will mean more government control over our lives and create new tax revenue. He believes it would be foolish to pass laws regarding it. It would raise utility rates. Other things he discussed were: mental health parity, higher auto insurance rates, workplace discrimination claims increased payouts, and how these will affect businesses. The business climate of the state must be improved. Regulations must be removed and the tax rates cut.

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