

Issues Programs List

Quarterly Issues Programs List

Station:

WPDH, WPDA, WCZX, WEOK, WKXP, WZAD, WRRV, WRRB

October 1st – December 31st, 2023

Section I. Issues

The stations have identified the following topics as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

- **Community Awareness:** The Hudson Valley community is filled with individuals and organizations who set out to improve the quality of life of everyone each and every day. This quarter we spoke with organizations that are available to the community to offer support in various fields. Many of which were hosting bright and vibrant events for the holidays. Different groups discussed their purpose in the community, their upcoming events, and how they strive to better the lives of the community around them through their events and missions.
- **Health Awareness:** October was Bully Prevention Month. We discussed topics that centered around mental health and abuse. Also, many health organizations used the holidays as a great time to hold community events to help open the doors to new community members to spread awareness about their causes. Plus, with the new year around the corner, the topic of New Year's Resolutions came up a lot and how people could start healthy habits that will benefit them for months and years to come. The organizations we spoke with dove into how they are spreading awareness, breaking down stigmas, and making conversations easier.
- **Local Economy:** This quarter, we spoke to small businesses who are using their platforms to educate their community through philanthropic deeds. We also focused on the importance of tourism in the area as the weather turns cool for the winter and enjoy all the wonderful activities offered specifically for the holiday season and New Year's. We talked about programs that encouraged the public to get involved and become local leaders.
- **Arts & Education:** The Hudson Valley has a very strong cultural base that includes Arts and Entertainment. It factors into a lot of areas in the region including economic and community wellness. As mentioned in previous buckets, the holidays were at the core of our discussions this quarter. Various groups are using the arts to convey shared emotions within the community, along with educating and uniting people through the use of storytelling and presentation.
- **Legislation:** This quarter, we look to the future. We spoke with experts in their fields on how recent bills and legal cases will impact the lives of the Hudson Valley for years to come. Many things have been altered in a post-pandemic world, and we discuss the dark precedent that COVID has left on the fields of healthcare, insurance, law, nutrition, food service, and more.

Section II. Responsive Programs

“In Touch” is a locally produced public affairs program that runs on all eight Poughkeepsie stations.

The program airs every Sunday on WPDH, WPDA, WKXP and WEOK at 6am, WRRV and WRRB at 6:30am, and WCZX and WZAD at 11pm

| Date(s) Aired | Description of Issue Discussed | Duration |
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| 10/1/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Community Awareness, Health Awareness, and Arts & Education</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Chief Master Gerald Dunn from Karate 4 Excellence. October is Bully Prevention Month, and we talk about the difference between confrontation and bullying, how to build confidence and self-esteem, and how we can look out for others who are in distress. Besides the mental and emotion benefits that one gets from learning a martial art, we also discuss the physical discipline that goes into the training.</p> <p>Chief Master Gerald Dunn, Karate 4 Excellence</p> | 28:19 |
| 10/8/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Community Awareness, and Health Awareness</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured members of The Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse (CPCA), including their friendly service dog Peace. 1 in 15 children are exposed to intimate partner violence each year, and 90% of these children are eyewitnesses to this violence. October is both Bully Prevention and Domestic Violence Month. Each year, the CPCA serves approximately 15,000 children, adults, and families through prevention programming, educational training, and support services—all focused on ending the cycle of child abuse. We discuss the CPCA’s programs to assist victims of abuse, their efforts to prevent abuse, and upcoming events such as their Battle of the Badges Run on Saturday, October 21st!</p> <p>CPCA</p> | 27:16 |

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| 10/15/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Community Awareness, and Arts & Education</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured David Chernack, President of the Hudson Valley Bluegrass Association. David and Conor discuss their upcoming 2023-2024 Season shows. They also discussed their educational programs, jam sessions, and some of the history of bluegrass music.</p> <p>David Chernack, Hudson Valley Bluegrass Association</p> | 26:12 |
| 10/22/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Health Awareness</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Debbie Justs, health coach with the Pellegrino Healing Center, CEO of Metabolism Pro, Inc., and Author of “Stupid Easy: Clean Eating Recipes 101.” They talked about the importance of reading labels and the ingredients you should watch out for the next time you’re grocery shopping.</p> <p>Debbie Justs, Metabolism Pro</p> | 28:29 |
| 10/29/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Local Economy and Community Awareness</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Filomena Fanelli, CEO and Founder of Impact PR & Communications, which is an award-winning national PR and strategic communications agency with a relentless commitment to creative campaigns that connect people and purpose. They talked about the incredible story that led to the creation of Impact, how they service Hudson Valley businesses and Filomena’s recent Women’s Innovator award.</p> <p>Filomena Fanelli, Impact PR & Communications</p> | 24:00 |
| 11/5/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Local Economy, and Health Awareness</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Avery Edreira, Realtor®, Seniors Real Estate Specialist®, and Owner and Founder of Be Home HV. Avery and her team at Be Home believe that with adaptability and universal design, your home can become safer for you</p> | 26:50 |

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| | <p>by offering the assistance you may need to remain as independent as possible. Whether that is adapting your current home, assisting you in finding a new home to adapt or preparing your home for a loved one to reside in.</p> <p>Avery Edreira, Be Home HV</p> | |
| 11/12/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Local Economy, Legislation, and Community Awareness</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Joseph Cavaccini, Dutchess County Legislator and Wappinger Town Historian. The episode dove into the expansive history of Dutchess County, and how that history impacts our industries, political systems, and local culture today.</p> <p>Joey Cavaccini, Wappinger Town Historian</p> | 28:22 |
| 11/19/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Health Awareness and Community Awareness</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Nancy Sorbella, Associate Director of the Arthritis Foundation of New York. They discussed how arthritis is more than just a condition for the elderly. They specifically touched on juvenile arthritis and the misconceptions around it. Nancy and Conor also talk about their upcoming Jingle Bell Run happening Saturday, December 2nd at Manhattanville College!</p> <p>Nancy Sorbella, Arthritis Foundation</p> | 29:18 |
| 11/26/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Local Economy, Legislation, and Community Awareness</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Melaine Rottkamp from Dutchess Tourism returning to give the local lowdown on Dutchess County's upcoming holiday and winter activities! This episode included everything from the Sinterklaas Festival in Rhinebeck to the Holiday Tours at the Historic Sites, local light displays, tree cutting, and so much more!</p> <p>Melaine Rottkamp, Dutchess Tourism Inc</p> | 29:43 |

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| 12/3/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Local Economy, Community Awareness and Arts & Education</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured 92.7/96.9 WRRV's Shop With a Cop, where WRRV teams up with Hudson Valley law enforcement officers to help local children and families this holiday season who may not have the means. They raise funds and then surprise local children with a shopping spree at the Poughkeepsie Galleria just before Christmas.</p> <p>Nick Kessler & Sgt. Alonzo Montanya, WRRV Shop with a Cop</p> | 26:45 |
| 12/10/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Health Awareness and Arts & Education</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured health expert Dr. Redcross about recent online health trends. It can be tough to sift through all the influencers posing as "TikTok Docs." Dr. Redcross broke down the credibility of recent health trends so you know what to trust going into the new year.</p> <p>Dr. Ken Redcross, Concierge Physician</p> | 27:04 |
| 12/17/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Health Awareness, Local Economy, and Legislation</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Lisa Wilson and Jeff Feldman from Hudson Valley Hospice. Together, they discussed Hudson Valley Hospice's revolutionary upcoming Hospice House which is set to open soon in Hyde Park. They also demystified what Hospice truly is and how it helps families in the Hudson Valley with end-of-life care.</p> <p>Lisa Wilson & Jeff Feldman, Hudson Valley Hospice</p> | 28:59 |
| 12/24/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed Local Economy and Health Awareness</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Jim LaValle, clinical pharmacist, and author of, "Cracking the Metabolic Code." Grocery prices are more mind-boggling than ever at the current moment. LaValle says you can stay healthy and budget conscious, and it's</p> | 29:34 |

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| | <p>actually easier than you think! LaValle shares six strategies for staying healthy on a budget.</p> <p>Jim LaValle, Author of “Cracking the Metabolic Code”</p> | |
| 12/31/2023 | <p>Our locally-produced public affairs program discussed</p> <p>Conor Walsh hosted the show which featured Jaclyn Miller and Lauren Kropft-Zuckerman from the Maternal-Infant Services Network. The C.H.A.O.S. (Cultivating Health, Acceptance, Opportunity, and Soul) Podcast features the team of CAPP Community Health Educators and a variety of guest speakers. The CHAOS Podcast aims to empower youth, personally and professionally, by discussing the topics most affecting their lives.</p> <p>Jaclyn Miller & Lauren Kropft Zuckerman, MiSN</p> | 28:36 |