

KDKA-TV QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM LIST July 10, 2020

KDKA-TV Pittsburgh, PA CBS Broadcasting Inc. Second Quarter – April 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020

Attached are listings of broadcasts or broadcast segments, which, in the station's judgment, reflect the station's most significant programming treatment of ascertained issues during the preceding three-month period.

KDKA-TV News has ascertained that during the 2nd Quarter 2020, that these subjects were of concern to Pittsburgh, PA viewing area residents. KDKA-TV News broadcast several stories during this quarter on these subjects. KDKA-TV News is broadcast Monday through Friday at 4:30AM, 5:00AM, 6:00AM, 12:00PM, 4:00PM, 5:00PM, 6:00PM, and 11:00PM. KDKA-TV News is broadcast Saturdays at 5:00AM, 6:00AM, 7:00AM, 6:00PM, 7:00PM, and 11:00PM. KDKA-TV News is broadcast Sundays at 6:30AM, 7:00AM, 8:00AM, 6:30PM, and 11:00PM.

1. Health & Medical

Every day between April 1 – June 30, 2020, KDKA-TV aired daily data on Covid-19 as it related to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and locally for Allegheny County.

4/1/2020 - We investigated numerous complaints about a nursing home in Beaver County where dozens of patients contracted Covid-19, and some of the staff did, too. This story developed over several weeks, and we learned the state had cited the home for numerous health and safety violations.

4/1/2020 - Our medical correspondent looked into the practice of hospitals doing temperature checks and screenings for all people entering local hospitals. She walked through the process for viewers.

4/1/2020 - The University of Pittsburgh is at the forefront of trying to crack the Covid-19 code to begin the process of developing a vaccine. Pitt's center for medicine is named after

- Jonas Salk, who developed the Polio vaccine. Scientists are hoping for a similar breakthrough with Covid-19. We produced a 2-part report on this division and effort.
- **4/2/2020** We produced a report on how to properly disinfect your groceries when you come home from the store. We looked at boxed goods and fresh produce, and informed viewers on the proper ways to disinfect and clean.
- **4/2/2020** We produced an Around the Table segment where we solicited frequently asked questions about Coronavirus and asked them of our Medical Correspondent, Dr. Maria Simbra. We received numerous questions and provided valuable information.
- **4/2/2020** To mask or not to mask? Dr. Maria broke down the myths surrounding masks and also provided information on the proper way to wear one.
- **4/6/2020 -** We reported on UPMC's new efforts to test blood for immunities, in a new approach to dive more into what makes Covid-19 tick
- **4/7/2020** We produced another Around the Table discussion with a doctor from AHN about some of the frequently asked questions we and doctors –are getting about Covid-19.
- **4/7/2020** One of the side effects and impacts from being on a ventilator as a Covid-19 patient is all of the pre-producer drugs that need to be administered. Some hospitals are running short on doses, and we looked into how local hospitals are faring.
- **4/8/2020** Data we're getting from state and county resources is pointing to real problems inside local nursing homes, where Covid-19 cases continue to expand. We investigated the data and the homes who seem to be "hot spots."
- **4/9/2020** We reported on UPMC's efforts to launch trials with Hydroxychloroquine, a drug receiving more scrutiny as a possibly to slow the effects of Covid-19.
- **4/9/2020** Medical correspondent Dr. Maria Simbra talked with one of the first survivors of Covid-19 in the area, and what he experienced with hospitalization, treatment and lingering impacts of the disease.
- **4/13/2020** We profiled Vitalent blood bank and its announcement of a convalescent plasma program with AHN and UPMC. This is the investigational treatment with antibodies in the plasma of people who've recovered from Covid-19.
- **4/14/2020** We looked at Pittsburgh's role in a Mayo Clinic study about a possible treatment for Coronavirus, called "convalescent plasma."
- **4/16/2020** Coronavirus attacks the lungs, but other organs as well, including the heart. This makes diagnosis tricky because coronavirus can masquerade like a heart attack only when patients go to the lab, there's no evidence of a heart attack.
- **4/21/2020** What happens when you want to reschedule your regular medical appointment that got canceled because of Covid-19? Medical experts weigh in on telemedicine options and how long you might have to wait to physically go to the doctor's office.

- **4/21/2020** Should we distance 6 feet or 13? Coronavirus can travel up to 13 feet according to a study out of Wuhan, where Coronavirus emerged. Much of the evidence points to how health care workers contracted the virus in common areas of hospitals, and that the virus traveled 13-feet.
- **4/22/2020** We continued to follow-up on our investigative work into nursing homes, and how they're the "incubators" for the Covid-19 numbers we're seeing in Allegheny, Beaver and Westmoreland counties.
- **4/22/2020** Covid-19 has been especially tough on families with special needs children. We looked into how families are coping and how they're turning to virtual "rooms" to help them along the way.
- **4/23/2020** Whether the President was joking or not, we assembled a story on why you should NOT ingest or inject cleaning supplies into your body as a Covid-19 prevention technique. It turns out, we had some recent cases of this happening in the region. We provided poison control information in this report.
- **4/27/2020** When it's time for hair salons to re-open, what will the stylist and consumer experience be like? A lot of sanitizing, masks, shields, and a whole new experience. All in the name of keeping everyone safe and healthy in the pandemic.
- **4/28/2020** One of the trends coming out of Covid-19 health monitoring is how it's causing strokes in younger people who've contracted the virus. We talk with medical researchers about this new discovery.
- 5/1/2020 This day it was announced most all counties will in a week in Southwestern Pennsylvania, where we entered the yellow phase. We had team coverage on the health expectations with this phase and what could open and not.
- 5/5/2020 Investigative reporter Andy Sheehan continued his work into uncovering how significant the nursing home death rates are here in SW PA. These numbers have spiked at extreme levels, yet the homes are not always held accountable to accurate reporting.
- 5/5/2020 Covid-19 is creating sleep issues with many across the country. Our medical correspondent Dr. Maria Simbra talked with sleep experts about how Pittsburghers can get back on track with their sleep and offered guidance and tips on how they can do it.
- 5/6/2020 We reported on the latest with Covid-19 testing in Allegheny County from how many hospitals and kits are doing the testing the cost of those tests to the outcome of cases & how that's setting up our numbers.
- **5/6/2020** Covid-19 is creating hardship for parents of children with Autism. From services no longer in service, to children who continue to act out, Covid-19 is creating a new epidemic in the autistic community and some organizations are working overtime to get these families help.

- 5/6/2020 Carnegie Mellon University and the University of Pittsburgh are collaborating on what's called a "robo-ventillator." It's new technology that could help stem the need for traditional ventilators during this pandemic.
- 5/7/2020 Another day of reported deaths, and we expose two nursing homes that appear to be at the center of our spikes of Covid-19 cases in Allegheny and Beaver counties.
- 5/7/2020 As hospitals start to resume out-patient and lower-end surgeries and procedures, we look at the new protocols the medical profession and patients will need to take before heading into the hospital
- 5/8/2020 It's opening day for Yellow in most of our counties, except for Beaver, which will be staying in the Red phase. We had team coverage on how communities responded to reopening, and why Beaver was staying in the red.
- 5/11/2020 Dental offices are starting to re-open, but it's under much different circumstances with masks and sanitation. Your appointment time may take longer as a result, and there may be fewer appointment slots due to coronavirus prevention protocols.
- **5/11/2020** We went Around the Table with a doctor from Allegheny Health Network to talk about going into the Yellow phase and what citizens still need to do to maintain proper hygiene and masking procedures.
- **5/12/2020** Andy Sheehan updated his investigative reporting on nursing homes and how they're accounting for more than 2/3 of the covid-19 cases in the region and were the primary reason in holding Beaver County back into Red status.
- **5/12/2020** Allergies or Covid-19? With all of the rain and pollen produced from flowering trees and shrubs, how do you know if it's allergies or if you might be symptomatic with coronavirus? Telemedicine is getting flooded with questions about this.
- **5/12/2020** Local parents are worried after a previously unknown inflammatory syndrome is now being found in children living in coronavirus hotspots. Fortunately, doctors are not seeing these cases here in the Pittsburgh area.
- 5/13/2020 UPMC Hospitals were one of the first in the state to receive doses of Remdesivir, a drug that is reported to be helping patients who are hospitalized with Covid-19. Patients will receive the doses as trials to see if the drug helps as a long-term solution.
- 5/13/2020 As researchers look into Covid-19 more, they're taking an especially close look at men, who seem to be getting Coronavirus at a higher pace than their female counterparts. Researchers are looking at why, and if there is a particular age in which this is happening.
- **5/13/2020** We investigated a McCandless nursing home where workers claimed the owners were not providing proper Covid-19 protocols to keep staff and patients safe. We talked with a whistleblower and several guardians of patients in this facility to learn why their Covid-19 numbers were so high.
- **5/15/2020** If you have been putting off going to the doctor because of Covid-19 fears, doctors' offices are saying you should start booking your appointments now. Fears of

- languishing diseases and illnesses not getting addressed right away could lead to bigger problems down the road.
- 5/15/2020 With more doses of Remdesivir coming to Pennsylvania, who gets it, and how are those decisions made? Dr. Maria Simbra looked into the medical decision-making into this drug and how it'll be administered in local hospitals.
- **5/18/2020** Nursing homes continue to be the incubators of Covid-19 and more data emerged proving that point. We returned to Brighton Rehab facility to look into why that center is struggling, and to update the National Guard's help.
- 5/18/2020 With a step up to the Yellow phase, more places opening, and more people returning to work, we went Around the Table with a doctor about what you should expect in all of these scenarios as patron and employee.
- **5/20/2020** More data released pertaining to Covid-19 and more information pointing to nursing homes being the hot spots for the virus and giving leaders some direction in how to push for getting our region into the Green phase.
- **5/20/2020** As researchers look to learn more about Covid-19, they're discovering that it can also impact the heart and mimic heart attack-like symptoms. We look at this research and how local hospitals are directing patient recovery as a result.
- **5/21/2020** There is a new phenomenon with Covid-19 patients testing positive for Covid-19 again. Dr. Maria Simbra looked into how that's happening, and why.
- **5/22/2020** We're in the Yellow phase with Green on the horizon, and you might be headed back to work soon. We talked with healthcare experts about what to do to ensure a healthy and safe work environment for employers and employees.
- **5/22/2020** As more people spend time outside to get out of their homes, the emergence of Lyme Disease in people and pets is on the rise. We looked into the rising numbers and reported on why tick prevention is important for both species.
- **5/26/2020** Having a baby in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic? Labor and delivery wards have had to revamp their facilities, and work with expectant moms about pre and post-partum worries about Covid-19.
- 5/26/2020 We went Around the Table with a doctor to talk about proper wearing of masks. With being in the Yellow phase, and masks still required for the Green phase, we felt we needed to do another explainer, due to viewer feedback.
- 5/27/2020 We've been taught, during Coronavirus, not to touch our face or eyes. Why your eyes? Dr. Maria Simbra investigates why the eyes could be the strongest catalyst for the coronavirus to travel into your body.
- **5/28/2020** 24 hours before we expect the governor to move us from the yellow phase to the green phase, we looked at the health indicators (Covid-19 numbers) and the requirements necessary for a successful step into the Green world.

- **5/29/2020** We went to another mobile testing site to see how many people are showing up for Covid-19. Turns out hundreds did in the community of Duquesne.
- 6/2/2020 Vitalant, a local blood bank company, is working on plasma gathering to look into Antibodies for Covid-19. We looked into what the process is and how important the antibody step is in fighting Coronavirus.
- **6/4/2020** UPMC, the largest health care provider in the region announced progress report data in the covid-19 battle and how its partner, University of Pittsburgh is doing with vaccine development.
- 6/5/2020 If we were to have a second wave of Covid-19, how would we fare and what would we do differently? Medical correspondent Dr. Maria Simbra talked with leading health experts about what we could face.
- 6/8/2020 Contract tracing is the approach to determining community spread, and it is used to determine self-quarantining, too. We talked to a contact tracer about being on the front lines of data and research with Coronavirus.
- **6/11/2020** Death certificate data can inform the public and policy makers on the progress of the COVID-19 pandemic and provide important information about who is dying, where they are from, and what were their associated medical conditions. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted shortcomings that may compromise an accurate count of COVID-19 deaths.
- 6/12/2020 A significant number of people who have spent long periods on ventilators are taking much longer than expected to awaken from medically induced comas. When they do regain consciousness, they may need months of cognitive and physical rehabilitation, and some might never return to their previous level of functioning.
- **6/16/2020** FDA withdraws emergency use authorization of Hydroxychloroquine -- what does this mean? The evidence is against the drug as a treatment and as a preventative, leading to the FDA's loss of confidence in it. Hospitals are being encouraged to wind down use for COVID patients. State stockpiles are in limbo.
- 6/16/2020 We reported on the results of the state investigation into the Brighton Rehabilitation Facility, after it had reported significant spikes in Covid-19 cases. The results uncovered poor management of staff, not enough PPE, and a minimal plan in how to protect its patients.
- 6/17/2020 A common and widely available drug is the first to be shown to improve survival in COVID-19. Studies showed that dexamethasone reduced death rates by 20%. This type of steroid, which can be given orally or IV, has powerful anti-inflammatory effects. It is used to treat a variety of conditions, including rheumatoid arthritis, asthma, cancer, and more. We talked with doctors from St. Clair about this recent study.
- 6/17/2020 A new epidemic is emerging and it's happening in nursing homes and retirement facilities. It's elderly loneliness. With Covid-19 precautions preventing families from visiting, the elder population is starting to get and feel lonely. We looked at how some facilities are trying to combat this with technology help.

- 6/18/2020 Because flu and coronavirus will likely be circulating together, flu shots take on added importance this year. How and where people get a flu vaccine may need to change. CDC will have to figure out and provide guidance on how to vaccinate people without increasing their risk to respiratory germs. Workplaces may not offer vaccinations because of challenges of maintaining social distancing.
- 6/19/2020 On Juneteenth, we wanted to cover a story specific to the Black population. A recent poll showed that African Americans are disproportionately likely to say a family member or close friend has died of COVID.
- **6/23/2020** Local doctors are the first in the country to document a nerve disorder linked to Coronavirus. It's called Guillaine Barre Syndrome, and it's a problem where nerves have impaired signal transmission, resulting in leg and arm paralysis. Doctors who took care of a patient at AGH talked with us about it.
- **6/24/2020** Allegheny County's Covid-19 cases increased again, prompting questions about whether we're re-opening too fast. We learned that many of the current cases involve younger people who've likely been to beaches and bars.
- 6/24/2020 We received tips that a local restaurant was not having its employees adhere to mask protocols, and that patrons were not social distancing within the restaurant itself. The Heatlh Department cited the restaurant, and we investigated the specifics of those citations.
- **6/25/2020** With yet another up-tick of Covid-19 cases, there are conversations and fears that Allegheny County might need to return to the Yellow Phase. We talked with County Commissioners and health experts about what that could mean.
- **6/25/2020** Your blood type may play a role in learning how much of a risk you have for getting Coronavirus. Type A has a higher risk. Type O has a lower risk.
- 6/26/2020 Patients are calling to get a doctor's note to exempt them from wearing a mask. We talked with some local providers about the types of inquiries they're receiving and how they're handling them.
- 6/26/2020 Based on Joe Biden's policy remarks about masks, we went into local communities to get their reaction to the "mask mandate." With Covid-19 numbers increasing, more people claim they are masking up to stay safe.
- **6/28/2020** The data we were dreading to receive arrived. A record number of Covid-19 cases for Allegheny County. We covered the County's briefing on the matter and how the county plans to move ahead. One of those plans was to shut down bars by 5pm Tuesday.
- **6/29/2020** We continued to follow the numbers of Covid-19 cases, with another increase logged on the books today. We provided team coverage on the numbers, businesses who are doing the right things, and cases vs. Hospitalizations, which is a significant distinction.
- 6/29/2020 We went one-on-one with Allegheny Health Network's Dr. Brian Lamb about the warning signs we're seeing with the numbers combined with human behaviors.

6/30/2020 - The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends children return to school in the fall. The group says children are less likely to contact Coronavirus and that remote learning contributes to social, emotional and health issues.

6/30/2020 - The Commonwealth's top doctor, Dr. Rachel Levine, talked with us one-on-one about the worst spike we've seen to date of Covid-19 cases and what that means for the region, and how we should manage and cope with the data.

2. Diversity

4/10/2020 - One of the hardest hit communities in the viewing area is Clairton, where we profiled the Black community there and the significant need for assistance. One group stepped up, and it's called the Clairton Moms Group.

4/13/2020 - The State's Attorney General put out his stance on evictions due to missed rent payments or Covid-19 economic matters. We focused on the Black community, as the AG noted that most eviction impacts targeted the African American community.

5/1/2020 - We covered a protest about rent issues in Pittsburgh. Many property owners and landlords are not adhering to guidelines to relax rent deadlines, mostly in Black communities. We covered the protest and dove into the issue facing this community.

5/4/2020 -We observed the death of Greg Zanis, the man who built wooden crosses with victims' names and placed them at mass shooting sites across the country, including right here in Pittsburgh at the Tree of Life Synagogue. Zanis was very outspoken about groups targeting Jews and carried a message of anti-white-supremacy until his death.

5/5/2020 - Today is Giving Tuesday and we profiled local non-profit organizations offering assistance in lower socio-economic areas and with diverse needs across the community.

5/17/2020 - We profiled the Black Political Empowerment Project (or B-PEB as it's called) and Get out the Vote movement. Because of district consolidation due to Covid-19, and a switch to mail-in ballots, members of this organization wanted to make sure those in Black communities knew about the changes.

5/21/2020 - In the sea of testing for Covid-19, we publicized in advance that AHN was going to have a testing site set up in the Hill District. This is a primarily African American neighborhood.

5/25/2020 - On this Memorial Day, and just over a week away from the Primary Election, we headed to Craddock to talk with a diverse group of citizens about the issues they're having with the mail-in ballot system. They want to make sure their votes count.

5/28/2020 - As we began to learn more about the death of George Floyd at the hands of Minneapolis police, we covered a community prayer service in Penn Hills.

- **5/30/2020** We covered several Black Lives Matter protests in and around the City of Pittsburgh. While Pittsburgh's started out peacefully, it erupted into significant violence and destruction with police officers pelted with rocks, and storefronts shattered.
- **5/31/2020** We covered the peaceful protest in Westmoreland County in light of the police brutality death of George Floyd and others.
- **5/31/2020** We covered a prayer motorcade in Wilkinsburg, in line with social justice demonstrations around the state.
- **5/31/2020** We covered the Pittsburgh I Can't Breathe protest in downtown at Market Square. The march was peaceful, but verbal confrontations did ensue. We included remarks from Governor Wolf about the statewide protests.
- 6/1/2020 Another group protesting police brutality and racial injustice protested in East Liberty. We covered this through our evening newscasts and continued onto our streaming service as the peaceful protests turned violent.
- 6/3/2020 In our ongoing efforts to capture the Black Lives Matter movement, we covered protests in the West View, Pleasant Hills, and in Market Square.
- 6/5/2020 We covered several more protests in the Black Lives Matter movement. This time, we were in the communities of Bloomfield, Dormont and Beechview.
- **6/6/2020** The weekend brought with it more protests against racial injustice. This day, we were in Bakery Square in East Liberty, Coraopolis, Irwin and the City of Washington for peaceful marches and speeches.
- 6/7/2020 Three peaceful protests emerged, and we attended both. The largest one was at Point State Park, followed by a smaller gathering in the Hill District. A third protest in Market Square rounded out the day.
- 6/7/2020 A mural showed up on the under-pilings of the 6th Street Bridge in Downtown Pittsburgh. We talked with the man who designed the Black Lives Matter mural. It included faces of black men killed by police, including Antwon Rose, II, a local victim
- 6/8/2020 The staff and students with Pittsburgh Public Schools held their own peaceful protest to reinforce their stance on Black Lives Matter.
- 6/8/2020 The Pittsburgh Post-Gazette newspaper pulled some of its Black staff members from reporting on the BLM protests around the city. It stemmed from a satirical tweet that got shared by thousands. We covered the news conference held by the Black staff members, talking about what they claim is systemic racism in their newsroom.
- **6/10/2020** We followed up our reporting on the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette. Executive Editor Keith Burris wrote and published a response in the Op-Ed section of the paper that drew a mixed bag of criticism and praise about racism and inclusion in the newsroom.
- 6/11/2020 In our continuing coverage efforts on the Black Lives Matter peaceful protests, we were in the Bellevue and Dormont neighborhoods covering those activities.

- 6/11/2020 A Scott Township Commissioner made an inappropriate remark against the LGBTQ+ community. We covered the issue, and the response from commissioners condemning the remark, stating their township and commissioners are inclusive.
- **6/12/2020** We were in McKeesport for another peaceful protest to shine a light on the Black Lives Matter movement.
- **6/12/2020** Some students who were recent graduates of Seneca Valley High School formed a group to lobby the school board to develop a specific curriculum for African American History. The group of students felt that was lacking in their school system and shared their presentation with us.
- 6/13/2020 We went one-on-one with the CEO of Giant Eagle, Laura Karet to talk about the steps they're taking to fight racism and social injustice. This was an exclusive interview that occurred on the same day all stores closed up for a full hour of inclusion training. Employees also stood outside, silent for 8:46.
- **6/13/2020** In our efforts to cover the BLM peaceful protests, we covered events in Squirrel Hill, Flagstaff Hill, Homewood, and at the Allegheny County Jail.
- 6/14/2020 Cyclists took to the streets on their bikes in a unique way to peacefully protest racial injustices. We followed the Black Lives Matter bike ride and talked to participants about why they protested in this way.
- 6/15/2020 The Black Lives Matter group collected a list of demands together and delivered them to the Pittsburgh City Hall. Mayor Peduto didn't greet them to collect their list; however, one of his employees did, and the Mayor vowed some type of action.
- **6/15/2020** The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that gay and transgender Americans cannot be fired or discriminated against simply because of their sexual orientation or identity. The majority opinion cited the civil rights act of 1964, which was created to address the problems of race and gender discrimination. We sought local reaction.
- **6/17/2020** The Urban League of Pittsburgh facilitated a food drive for those who are struggling with unemployment amidst the Coronavirus pandemic.
- 6/17/2020 We talked with Tanisha Long, an aspiring civil rights lawyer and Pittsburgh BLM activist. Her focus is eliminating racism "at the root" in children (she calls the racism in the Washington Co. Town where she grew up is "baked into the foundation.") She's raising money to buy books about Black history and the civil rights movement to donate to kids.
- 6/18/2020 The Supreme Court ruled against President Donald Trump in a set of cases over his effort to end the Obama-era immigration program known as Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA. We talked with local immigration attorneys and immigrants about today's ruling.

6/19/2020 - As the nation moved towards observing Juneteenth, the anniversary of the end of slavery in America, we assembled a story to explain the significance of the day. It's gained momentum from the Black Lives Matter movement.

6/19/2020 - On this Juneteenth, we also covered a variety of peaceful marches to commemorate the day. The first one was a balloon release to mark the 2nd anniversary of the shooting death of Antwon Rose, II at the hand of a while police officer. We also covered a march at Freedom Corner in Pittsburgh, and another protest march in Wilkinsburg.

6/20/2020 - We profiled JB's Walk for Wings, which was a protest march to re-open the investigation into the death of Marquis Jaylen Brown, who was a young African American student at Duquesne University. It was originally viewed as a suicide, but the family – and their attorney, Lee Merritt – have always maintained someone killed Brown.

6/22/2020 - Anchor Ken Rice went one-on-one with August Wilson's nephew to talk about lessons on racism. Wilson was an American playwright and author from Pittsburgh who wrote about Black American life. His nephew carried those messages forward in this story.

6/23/2020 - The University of Pittsburgh's Black Senate compiled a list of demands of the University. We talked with them about their initiative and how it was received when the list was handed off to the school's Board of Trustees.

3. Government & Politics

4/16/2020 - In our weekly Around the Table political segment, Stacy Smith tackled the week's issues, including the recent mandate by Gov. Wolf for PA citizens to wear masks everywhere. Additionally, our panelists analyzed the federal response to the pandemic.

4/16/2020 - We went one-on-one with Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto about the city's pandemic response and the impact on lost revenue, the move of the election to June, and all of the ramifications of managing this crisis.

4/17/2020 - We investigated the most commonly asked question: When is our region of the state going to re-open. Turns out the answer isn't so easy and depends a lot on where we stand in flattening the curve. It's a political pendulum for Governor Wolf and Dr. Rachel Levine.

4/20/2020 - We interviewed Vice President and democratic Presidential hopeful Joe Biden in an exclusive one-on-one interview. We asked about his potential running mates and his stance on fracking, which is a hot button issue in SW PA.

4/21/2020 - We compiled an update on the PPP- or small business loans – process and how it's a struggle for small businesses to get the money and live up to the requirements to use it.

4/23/2020 - In our weekly Around the Table political segment, Stacy Smith asked his panel of analysts to break down what would happen with Governor Wolf's re-opening plan for the state – the winners and losers.

- **4/27/2020** With the primary election moved to June, Allegheny Co, as a protective measure, consolidated hundreds of polling precincts and encouraged mail-in ballot voting. We looked at the impact of both decisions.
- **4/28/2020** A bill is moving through the Statehouse to allow restaurants to sell take-out alcoholic drinks. The bulk of restaurant revenue comes from alcohol sales, and this will help some restaurants that are struggling.
- **5/5/2020** Political editor Jon Delano looked at the political arguments emerging at the statehouse level in which law makers are being asked to take a pay freeze. Not everyone agrees with this proposal.
- **5/6/2020** For the third time in six years, the US Supreme Court took up the question of whether employers with religious or moral objections to contraception are required to provide birth control to their workers. The case is Pennsylvania-based. We reported on the oral arguments and the debate.
- 5/6/2020 We went one-on-one with Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao to talk about funding for SW PA airports and road needs. The region is getting millions in federal funding for infrastructure needs.
- 5/7/2020 In our weekly political roundtable, Around the Table, we addressed the latest government response to Covid-19 and how our counties moving into their respective phases is working or not.
- 5/7/2020 Political editor Jon Delano was able to go one-on-one with Vice President Mike Pence. They talked about the current federal Covid-19 response, aid for SW PA, and what will the political campaigns look like in a coronavirus world.
- **5/8/2020** The 2020 Election is shaping up to be the biggest yet, and Pennsylvania is finding itself right in the middle of swing state status. Political advertising spending has increased, and public sentiment has, too.
- **5/12/2020** Former Second Lady Jill Biden visited "virtually" via Zoom with some Pittsburgh Public School students. They were 10th graders from the Science and Technology Academy & Dr. Biden took the opportunity to remind them they should always learn even from home.
- **5/12/2020** A new poll is out showing that Governor Tom Wolf's approval rating is above 75% for how he's handled the Coronavirus pandemic in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We dive into the numbers and get reaction to the poll.
- 5/14/2020 We went Around the Table with our political analysts to talk about the entry phase into Yellow and how it's going, Gov. Wolf's approval rating, and a little bit about what's ahead for the 2020 Presidential campaign.
- **5/14/2020** We went one-on-one with Pittsburgh mayor Bill Peduto to talk about how the city will emerge from the Covid-19 crisis. He talked candidly about concerns with

workforces returning; economic downfalls, and the constant health threat until a vaccine is found for Coronavirus.

- 5/15/2020 We received emails from viewers who were receiving duplicate and in some cases triplicate mail-in ballots for this year's primary election. With the mail-in deadline looming, we confronted the election board about the issues.
- **5/18/2020** We've gone into the Yellow Phase and people are starting to return to work, but there are still people who, after more than 2 months, still have not received their unemployment benefits. We talked with the Labor and Industry leaders about the struggles of getting Unemployment checks to those who need them.
- **5/19/2020** Lots has been reported on hydroxychloroquine, and we looked into whether local hospitals would be using the drug in Covid-19 treatments and what the benefits and pitfalls might be from it.
- **5/19/2020** In the midst of Covid-19, the Vaccine vs. Anti-Vaccine discussion has amped up considerably. We looked into both sides of the debate, especially as work is underway to develop a vaccine for Coivd-19
- **5/19/2020** With the June Primary two weeks away, we profiled the congressional race where incumbent democrat Rep. Mike Doyle has a challenger in University of Pittsburgh law professor, Jerry Dickenson. The two squared off in our candidate profile.
- **5/20/2020** In our commitment to profile contested primary races, we took a look at the State Senate race between longtime incumbent Jay Costa, and local businessman, Bill Brittain, who says it's time for a change.
- **5/21/2020** We went Around the Table with our political analysts to address how the state's management of Covid-19 is coming along, and we looked ahead to the June Primary and how that will shape things up for November.
- **5/21/2020** In our commitment to profile contested primary races, we took a look at the 37th District State Senate GOP race where two republicans want to the chance to win back the seat for the party. We talked with Jeff Neff and Devlin Robinson about their qualifications for the job.
- **5/22/2020** Westmoreland County was one of the few counties that has not consolidated voting precincts to address Covid-19 concerns. In the second largest count of our viewing area, primary election day will be status quo.
- 5/22/2020 We went one-on-one with the secretary of state about the mail-in ballot situation across the state. We addressed everything from late ballots to duplicate ballots to confusion about who and what's on the ballot for voters to drop in the mail.
- **5/26/2020** The mail-in ballot deadline has been extended to after the June 2nd primary date. Too many issues reported with duplicate ballots, confusion about post-date deadlines and a general increase of awareness led to the decision.

- 5/27/2020 With the Primary less than a week away, we continued with our commitment to profile contested primary races. We looked at the State Representative race between incumbent Daryl Metcalfe and republican challenger Scott Timko.
- **5/28/2020** When Summer Lee defeated Paul Costa 2 years ago, she was not only the first African American woman elected to the state House of Representatives from this area, but she was also the first Democratic Socialist. North Braddock Councilman Chris Roland says the 34th District in the eastern suburbs needs a representative focused on hometown issues.
- 5/28/2020 We went Around the Table with our panel of political analysts to talk about the up-coming June 2^{nd} primary, the mail-in ballot issues, and what could be the precursor to a rocky November.
- 5/29/2020 Adam Ravenstahl was elected state representative when his brother Luke was mayor, but long after Luke was gone, Adam's been re-elected and re-elected. Now, he faces a democratic challenger in Attorney Emily Kinkead who says it's time for change.
- **6/1/2020** Political Editor Jon Delano put together a preview of what to expect in the next 24 hours with the June 2nd primary in Pennsylvania. He talked with analysts about expected voter turnout and the confusion over mail-in ballot delays in the deadline.
- 6/1/2020 The state's largest township, Hempfield Township, reported in a filing that its collection of property taxes has decreased by more than \$400k due to a lack of business development. The primary issue is Covid-19, halting commerce and construction.
- 6/2/2020 On this Primary Election Day, we had comprehensive coverage on turnout, how social distancing was working at key precincts in and around Allegheny County, leading up to results we were able to partially deliver in our late news. Many races won't be resolved for at least a week, due to mail-in ballot deadline extensions and ballot tabulations.
- 6/2/2020 Not only is it Election Day, it was also a day we were afforded an opportunity to talk with Vice President Mike Pence again. We discussed the groundswell of voices clamoring for police reform, justice for George Floyd, and looking ahead to a significant election.
- 6/3/2020 Political editor Jon Delano assembled a story, breaking down all of the nuances of the June 2^{nd} Primary. He addressed winners and losers, along with many of the races that were not resolved yet.
- 6/4/2020 Based on how the election results turned out in the June Primary, there will be more women in Harrisburg from Southwestern Pennsylvania in the Commonwealth's history. We talked with some of the politicians who got us to this milestone.
- 6/5/2020 They are still counting ballots in the Auditor General primary race on the democratic ticket. Legacy politician, Michael Lamb lost his stronghold against a challenger in Philadelphia. The lag in ballot-counting due to mail-in delays is contributing to this situation.

- 6/6/2020 We caught up with Congressman Connor Lamb at a local protest in Coraopolis and talked with him about federal measures for police reform.
- 6/8/2020 Pittsburgh City Councilman Ricky Burgess is proposing a police reform measure in light of the anti-racial injustice movement that is afoot. He outlines his case with us before he introduced to the council.
- 6/8/2020 We updated the Auditor General Race as the mail-in ballots are still being counted. The gap has closed significantly, and it looks like local contender Michael Lamb will fall in defeat.
- **6/9/2020** With Covid-19 concerns at the forefront of daily life, several gun stores report an increase in gun permits, gun sales and ammunition. We talked with local gun shops and owners about why Covid-19 is creating a safety concern.
- 6/10/2020 Statehouse Speaker Mike Turzai, one of the most powerful Republicans in the Pennsylvania legislature, announced Wednesday that he will resign his seat just months before he was set to retire. We went one-on-one with him to ask why. He has a private sector job lined up that required his stepping away.
- 6/11/2020 In our weekly Around the Table political segment, the analysts took a look at the protests around the region and country. They talked about what national and local political leaders should be doing to address systemic racism.
- 6/12/2020 Vice President Mike Pence visited Pittsburgh to visit with Black clergy, tour a facility that's on an economic rebound, and talk about Covid-19 recovery. We also provided democratic response to Pence's visit to the area.
- **6/16/2020** President Trump held a Rose Garden press conference to talk about a meeting he had with members of Black families directly impacted by racial injustice and police brutality. One of the families he claimed he met with was Antwon Rose II's family, which the family disputed and denied.
- **6/17/2020** We talked with members of the NAACP, who held a virtual meeting with the media to talk about why the Black vote will matter in the up-coming election. Between the Covid-19 pandemic and the racial injustice issues,
- 6/19/2020 We provided an update report on the status of Senator Jay Costa's bills, looking for ways to enact police reform and accountability in the midst of the Black Lives Matter movement. The bills were named in honor of Antwon Rose, II, who was gunned down by a white police officer two years ago.
- **6/25/2020** In our weekly Around the Table political segment, we talked with our analysts about the increases in Covid-19 numbers in our region and state, and how leadership is handling the crisis. We also talked about new polling data that shows Biden with a lead against Trump in PA.
- 6/25/2020 We were invited to Lancaster, PA to interview former VP Joe Biden and presumptive democratic presidential nominee in one of his first face-to-face interviews with

local media. This was an exclusive interview, and we broke national news with Biden's stance on requiring everyone to wear masks

4. Business & Economy

- **4/1/2020** We looked into the fact that it's the first of the month after several weeks of Covid-19, and what that could mean for mortgages, rent, and general bills that are due the first of the month. It was our first indication that we're headed for an economic downturn.
- 4/2/2020 Unemployment numbers were issued and as the numbers rose, the frustration continues to increase for citizens who were still trying to get their unemployment benefits. The state was understaffed and unprepared for the process.
- **4/2/2020** Grocery stores are changing their store footprint, and they're changing their hours to accommodate customers who are elderly or immuno-compromises. We looked at one of our largest retailers, Giant Eagle, was doing to accommodate shoppers.
- **4/2/2020** The supply chain appears to be dwindling in grocery stores so as a companion piece to stores, we looked at the supply chain and the struggle truckers are facing to meet the demands of a new Covid-19 world.
- **4/3/2020** We looked into the bankruptcy filing for Levin Furniture store. Another deal fell through to try to help the company and its customers out of financial straits.
- **4/3/2020** We profiled Phillips Respironics, a company receiving a federal contract to make respirators and masks for the Covid-19 front lines.
- **4/6/2020** We reported on the Food Bank of Greater Pittsburgh's food distribution which took care of thousands of families in need. We also looked at the growing need and sustainability of those who are unemployed and seeking help.
- **4/10/2020** We reported on all of the insurance companies that began to lower rates for auto policy holders, who are no longer driving as much. With much of the workforce working from home, there are fewer accidents on the road.
- **4/12/2020** In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, we interviewed Mathieu Stevenson, CEO of Snagajob about the job situation in Pittsburgh. Apparently, job openings are off about 45% in Pittsburgh, but there are still 16,000 job openings, including 3,300 jobs that employers are desperate to fill.
- **4/13/2020** The unemployment situation took another turn with PennDot laying off hundreds of its staff, and new numbers out revealed Pennsylvania is still under-delivering where its system continues to be bogged down with thousands of people unable to file because they can't get through.
- **4/14/2020** We continued our push for accountability with the state's unemployment office and unprocessed claims affecting thousands of SW PA workers who have been laid off or furloughed.

- **4/15/2020** On this traditional Tax Day, we took a look at the stimulus funds and how they were to be delivered and under what stipulations for people who urgently need the money.
- **4/15/2020** In a combo of reports on local business, we looked into Chinese company bankruptcies and the effects on PA businesses, while also monitoring the PA senate vote on what was deemed an "essential" business.
- **4/17/2020** We looked into the ethics of what's called an "immunity certificate." Countries, including the US, are issuing immunity passports based on antibody testing. Some see it as a resource to help re-start the economy, but it raises issues involving the science of antibody tests themselves.
- **4/19/2020** In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, our guest Rich Walton, CEO of Noble Environmental. In our brief segment, we talked primarily about how Noble is using the household trash in their sanitary landfill in Westmoreland County to produce gas that is converted into a fuel for their waste hauling tracks. "Your trash is my gas!"
- 4/21/2020 Local restaurants are hurting, and we looked into programs to help them get back up and running with gift card initiatives, PR campaigns by communities to help, and take-out business plans.
- **4/23/2020** Money Editor Jon Delano explains what the Allegheny Co. "RAD" tax is and how it's impacted by people shuttered due to Covid-19. The lack of tax revenue will trickle down and hurt 100 organizations it was intended to help.
- **4/26/2020** In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, our guest was David Ross from Bowser Automotive about what the new car rules mean for customers. With restrictions now lifted due to new legislation, car sales can move forward, but in a different way due to Covid-19.
- **4/27/2020** PPP (small business loans) funding is helping some businesses get back on their collective feet. We profiled Wade Heating & Cooling which was able to bring some of its workforce back in to keep the business going.
- **4/28/2020** PPP Round two is about to open and we talked with businesses who were shut out of round one. They're applying again and have learned some things since about how to claim money to keep their businesses afloat.
- **4/28/2020** A new report out paints a dire picture for restaurants, especially non-franchise, local establishments, where losses could go beyond half of the industry. We talked with local restaurants about the obstacles they face, the longer the pandemic stretches on.
- **4/29/2020** A month after reports of dairy farms having to dump milk supplies due to supply chain issues, we headed back to Mercer and Butler counties to check in on these farms. They're still having to dump product.

- **4/30/2020** One of the follow-ups from the dairy farm story is the glut of cheese. We went back north to talk with a farmer/processor who is sitting on 2-million pounds of cheese. He's just waiting to ship it south and east to companies that want to sell it.
- 5/1/2020 With the June primary now one month away, there is a concern about whether there is enough PPE to equip poll workers in SW PA. This is in addition to more deep-diving into how each county will operate.
- 5/3/2020 In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, we talked with Jeff Kotula, president of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce. The focus was the Chamber's STAY campaign to combat COVID19.
- 5/4/2020 One of the positive business stories to emerge out of Covid-19 is the significant increase of bike sales. Many stores are reporting a booming business, even if they can't physically open. Online sales and service shops are seeing a boon.
- 5/7/2020 As re-opening is almost a full week in motion, we're noticing that not everyone is coming back into their work offices. Downtown office space is empty, and the office space of the future is changing. Cubicles are back, and open floor plans are gone.
- 5/8/2020 Today it was announced we're a week away from re-opening in the Yellow Phase for most all counties in our region. We went to some local storefronts and restaurants to see how it's going in a new Covid-19 environment for employees and customers. Many are hopeful and happy to be open to start getting the economy going again.
- 5/8/2020 We traveled to Grove City, which had been open a couple of weeks prior to Allegheny Co and others to see how business is going in the yellow phase. This community is poised to go Green in a couple of weeks, and business is picking up.
- **5/9/2020** One business that saw an increase in business during the pandemic was local sign companies. Because graduations and commencements were canceled for 2020, they found a business boom with families wanting to purchase celebratory signs for their Class of 2020 graduates.
- **5/10/2020** In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, we talked with Marya Kaminski, artistic director of the Pittsburgh Public Theater. She describes the impact of the Coronavirus on their now-suspended performances AND "Play Time," the PPT's free offering on Zoom every Thursday and Friday night of play readings with actors.
- **5/11/2020** Daycares are now able to re-open, but under extreme sanitation procedures and limits for children. Are parents headed back into work and putting their kids in daycares again? Early numbers show that numbers of children are low.
- **5/13/2020** A new report out paints a bleak picture for restaurants. Many are not going to make it out of the pandemic, and we profiled some local establishments that have already folded because they don't have the customer base to remain open.
- **5/14/2020** Businesses are preparing to open, but will their entire workforce return? Many are sitting out because they're making more from stimulus money than they were in salary.

- **5/14/2020** Zoom, the new teleconferencing platform that went from 0 to 100 mph in a month because of Covid-19 is going to open a regional headquarters in Pittsburgh. With Google, Amazon and other tech companies here, it made sense for Zoom to join them.
- 5/14/2020 Hair stylists are clamoring to go back to work but can only do so in the Green phase. Many talked with us about why they should be considered as part of the Yellow phase of workforce re-entry and are worried they're going to lose their businesses and livelihoods.
- 5/15/2020 We've re-opened into the yellow phase and provided team coverage on what this looked like for businesses in several counties. We were in Allegheny, Butler, and Westmoreland counties for our coverage.
- 5/17/2020 In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, we talked with Dr. Amesh Adalja, a Pittsburgh infectious disease physician with the Center for Health Security at Johns Hopkins University. He expressed concern about seeing more Covid cases in the Yellow phase and the lingering impacts on business.
- **5/18/2020** We investigated Grub Hub and how the third-party delivery service app is entering into contracts with local businesses, but taking more revenues from an industry that is struggling to emerge from Covid-19
- **5/18/2020** with many July 4th fireworks festivals and shows canceled for the year, we reached out to local pyrotechnics and fireworks company, Zambelli Fireworks to see how they're faring in the midst of Covid-19.
- **5/19/2020** -Food prices are going up as the supply chain faces struggles, and residents continue to stock up. We compared prices and store shelves in several local grocery stores.
- 5/22/2020 PA's unemployment benefits continue to have problems. KDKA Investigative reporter Andy Sheehan posed questions to the Labor and Industry leaders about why things have been held up for so long, and when they'll get the program resolved.
- **5/24/2020** In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, Eric Booth of Desmone Architects. Do you know the LEED standard for environmentally sound buildings? Well, now we have something called the WELL Gold Certificate for buildings that focus on the health and wellness of its occupants, now of growing interest because of Coronavirus.
- 5/28/2020 Even with Green on the horizon, many are still struggling due to unemployment, and state is still behind in fulfilling benefits requests. We talked with some workers who've waited nearly $2\frac{1}{2}$ months and are struggling.
- **5/29/2020** This was the announcement most in the region were waiting for and expecting. In a week, most of SW PA would be headed into the Green phase. We had team coverage on the announcement, what it meant for health & safety, and what it meant for re-starting the community.
- 5/29/2020 We went one-on-one with Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar as he paid a visit to Beaver County. Much of his visit had to do with how Brighton Rehab, the

- subject of many KDKA-TV investigations, was a problem in the Covid-19 battle. He met with health care experts to learn more about why this county was a hot spot for Coronavirus.
- **5/29/2020** -We talked with a local doctor about cancer treatments and diagnoses during the pandemic. We learned many patients had to be strategic and scarce with treatments, which could create its own epidemic.
- **5/31/2020** In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, our guest was County Councilwoman Bethany Hallam, an Elections Board member. The focus was everything you need to know about when you go to the polls next Tuesday.
- 6/3/2020 Restaurants continue to struggle, and city council members are looking for innovative ways to help them. One of the solutions might be in the form of an app that can help customers find better parking. Many restaurants have no parking and leave it to patrons to fend for themselves in the streets.
- 6/4/2020 We're a day away from entering into the Green Phase for most all of Southwestern PA and we provided team coverage on what this will mean for the region from a health and economics aspect.
- 6/7/2020 In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, we interviewed Jeff Nobers, executive director of Pittsburgh Works Together, which is beginning an ad campaign to promote this region as the center for post-pandemic manufacturing recovery so that USA is no longer dependent in the supply chain on Asia and Europe.
- 6/9/2020 The casinos in SW PA have re-opened, and we got a tour of one of them to see how the layout of the gaming rooms have changed, and how the work force has changed.
- **6/10/2020** Kennywood, the local amusement park, announced its re-opening plans. This is a huge economic force in Pittsburgh as it brings in money and jobs. It will have a dramatically different approach this year, due to Covid-19, with pre-paid tickets, social distancing, and reservations for certain rides.
- **6/11/2020** It was announced that Beaver County would finally be going into the Green phase, after weeks of confronting nursing home Covid-19 issues that were skewing their exposure and death rates. Many businesses thumbed their noses at the governor and opened anyway, prior to this distinction.
- **6/11/2020** With Covid-19, and a tough economy, it seems our spending habits are changing, and not necessarily for the better. We're spending more online for things we may not need! We talked with a consumer counselor about how to handle "need" vs. "must have."
- 6/11/2020 After our investigation into GrubHub's business practices, we received several emails from local restaurants about how the delivery app is creating "microsites" to mimic local restaurants' items. GrubHub is reportedly up-charging, and customers are blaming the restaurants.

6/14/2020 - In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, our guest was the CEO of Astrobotic, which recently made news with a nearly \$200 million contract for a new Mars rover.

6/21/2020 - In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, we talked with Megan Stanley, executive Director of the Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations. She explains what employers need to do to comply with the Supreme Court's recent gay rights ruling.

6/24/2020 - We reported on the GNC bankruptcy filing. GNC is a Pittsburgh-based company, and we looked into the impact this would have on the community.

6/28/2020 - In our weekly Sunday Business Page segment, our guest was Dr. Angela Reynolds, the new CEO of the YWCA of Greater Pittsburgh. She explains the new mission of the YWCA, which is to improve racial and gender equality.

6/30/2020 - We broke the story about a city council proposal to earmark funding specifically for Black neighborhoods that are already in – or on the brink of – blight.

5. Education

4/9/2020 - Governor Tom Wolf announced the closing of all public schools for the remainder of the school year. We looked at the impact on students, parents and teacher who are having to complete a school year remotely.

4/14/2020 - We talked with three students who recently graduated. Two from college and one from high school about what they were going to do post-graduation. The job market is tough, and Covid-19 continues to make it challenging. All were going to return to college for additional education options and remote learning.

4/15/2020 - A week after the declaration to close public schools, Pittsburgh Public Schools doesn't have enough laptops to circulate to students and staff to maintain remote learning for the remainder of the semester. We investigate why. The district wasn't prepared.

4/20/2020 - We interviewed a West Virginia teacher who penned a poem she read to her classes that went viral very quickly. It resonated with an audience that needed to be lifted up and reminded that education is relevant to everyone.

4/23/2020 - From Capitol Hill to international security conferences to the campus of Carnegie Mellon University, Dr. Colin Clarke is widely recognized as an expert on terrorism and threats to global stability. He's made Covid-19 part of his curriculum – and he and his students will be watching closely.

4/24/2020 - We went one-on-one with Pittsburgh Public Schools Superintendent Anthony Hamlet about how the district was doing with remote learning, and trying to compensate for the lack of tech.

4/27/2020 - We looked at the impact on home and virtual learning on music education and learned that schools are flourishing where music and learning are combining. Music ed majors are doing a lot of the teaching!

- **4/28/2020** One of the discoveries in remote learning is that parents have a new appreciation for what teachers experienced in the classrooms. Teachers are still going above and beyond and teaching/coaching the parents in how to school their children.
- 5/4/2020 We addressed the concern emerging in education and parenting circles about how students might lose more than they gain in the learn-from-home environment. Lack of structure, poor home influences and technology issues are key ingredients for a learning gap.
- 5/5/2020 In our new On A Positive Note franchise, we profiled a Baldwin Music Teacher who's going above and beyond in encouraging, empowering and influencing students to achieve musical education even if it's from home.
- **5/8/2020** With the future of schools uncertain, Pittsburgh Public Schools plans to have laptops for all of its students by the time fall arrives. When Covid-19 hit, the district realized all too quickly that it had a large deficiency of technology.
- 5/8/2020 We talked with Pittsburgh Public School leaders about what the fall plan could look like with the potential for remote learning. Surveys are going out to parents to get in front of what could be a "new normal" in education.
- 5/13/2020 Learning in the fall is going to be dramatically different, based on what we're learning from collegiate insiders and public-school leaders is that school calendars will likely be changing, along with expectations for class loads and technical prowess.
- 5/13/2020 Summer camps are, for the most part, canceled for the entire summer, leaving parents in a jam for what to do with their bored kiddos. We looked at how some local camps are revising their plans to make camp a "virtual" experience.
- **5/13/2020** Robert Morris University's president talked one-on-one with us about what reopening for this campus would look like. This was the first local university to announce plans to resume classes in the fall; however, it will be a hybrid approach. In-classroom learning until Thanksgiving break; then virtual learning for the remainder of the semester.
- 6/3/2020 We're two months into Covid-19 and schools have been closed for nearly just as long, can schools return to normal in the fall? We talked with education experts about what they're learning about re-entry issues several months away.
- 6/5/2020 A group of Black women are not happy with Pittsburgh Public School district's approach to remote learning. Delays in laptop disbursement and significant delays in learning has created a deficit in education for 20,000 students. This group is calling for the Superintendent to resign.
- 6/10/2020 In our bi-weekly installment of Kidsburgh, we looked at a how to talk with children about the recent protests. We talked about how to combat racism and be inclusive with their peers and adults.

6/11/2020 - South Park school district is facing impending cuts to creative arts programs because of Covid-19 and budget issues. School libraries are also a part of the cuts. The school board will be debating the issues.

6/12/2020 - We talked with Pittsburgh Public Schools Superintendent Anthony Hamlet about the end of the up-coming school year and how he'd grade the district in the midst of the Coronavirus pandemic.

6. Military

4/5/2020 - The 911th Air Wing sent ten airmen to New York to help fight Covid-19. They sent to provide medical assistance to first responders and other local authorities.

4/6/2020 - We had an exclusive interview with the Pittsburgh native who is the 2nd in command on the USNS Comfort, the naval hospital ship that has docked in NYC several days prior. In this two-part interview, we talked about the ship's mission in NY and how being separated from her family at home is tough.

5/10/2020 - Members of the Pennsylvania National Guard are now helping the Brighton Rehabilitation and Wellness Center in Beaver County with Covid-19 residents. This nursing home community has had the most significant spikes of Coronavirus cases in the region.

5/11/2020 - We followed up on the PA National Guard with more specifics on their critical response to the Brighton Rehab Center in Beaver County.

5/19/2020 - Members of the 911th Airwing did a flyover of several SW PA hospital communities to salute the frontline health care workers in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic.

5/20/2020 - We helped a local military outlet recruit volunteers to help place flags on graves for military servicemen and women buried at the Cemetery of the Alleghenies in time for Memorial Day. Our reporting resulted in an overwhelming response.

5/23/2020, 5/24/2020 & 5/25/2020 - We learned of two World War II veterans who were turning 100 in a couple of days. Their families and the VFW put together a birthday parade for the two of them on Memorial Day. Prior to the parade, we sat down with both men, who are among the Greatest Generation of war heroes.

5/24/2020 - Due to Covid-19, the annual Memorial Day ceremony at the National Ceremony to honor fallen veterans had to be re-imagined. Only television cameras were able to capture the ceremony as no visitors or guests were able to attend. We televised and streamed the ceremony.

5/25/2020 – KDKA-TV was proud to participate in the "Taps Across America" initiative, started by CBS News' Steve Hartman. We profiled several buglers and trumpeters who played Taps at 3p in several communities across Southwestern PA.

6/12/2020 - We profiled a local veteran who is a double amputee. He received a service dog from a local organization, which came to be through a connection the veteran made with the CBS program, SEAL Team. The Westmoreland Co. Native was grateful for the outreach and assistance.

7. Crime & Public Safety

- 4/3/2020 Parks and police are in a bit of a quandary in how to enforce social distancing, especially as the weather starts to improve, and people want to get out of their homes after self-quarantining. We looked at the policing efforts made in several parks.
- 4/4/2020 Police are having a tough time cracking down on teens who are bored and going deep into parks and wooded areas to have drinking parties. There is no social-distancing occurring, and it's clear the teens are trashing these areas.
- **4/9/2020** We talked with US Attorney Scott Brady about the attempted scam, through a McCandless broker, to sell 2 million N95 masks to Kaiser Permanente for \$7 million, masks purportedly made in Kuwait and being brokered through Australia. Brady says they believe that the Pittsburgh man caught up in the sham was NOT part of the fraud. The investigation is ongoing.
- **4/30/2020** Jail employees are starting to test positive for Covid-19 creating a public safety risk with staffing issues at the Allegheny Co. Jail. Inmates are also complaining about close quarters in jail cells, prompting some to be released early, due to safety.
- **5/4/2020** Following our weekend in the Yellow, we looked at all of the public safety and health concerns after this key weekend. Everything from mental health, to lack of maskwearing, to what it means for our future of going Green.
- 5/5/2020 Covid has had a dramatic impact on fire departments around the region when it comes to rising costs of PPE and keeping their equipment decontaminated. Couple that with diminishing fundraising dollars, local departments are struggling.
- 5/5/2020 The state released its audit about the backlog of rape kits in the state of Pennsylvania. There is encouraging news to report the state has significantly caught up in the work needed to address this growing public safety issue.
- 5/8/2020 Many are taking the opportunity while they're working from home and quarantining to clean out their offices, closets and files. We provide tips on what needs to be shredded and what you need to keep to protect yourself from identity theft.
- **5/14/2020** We investigated three different police departments from large to small about how they're policing in the middle of a pandemic. We looked at sanitation measures, PPE, and general mental well-being of the officers who are on the front lines of Coronavirus.
- **5/22/2020** Pennsylvania is following the national trend. With fewer cars on the roads, motorists are speeding well beyond the limits, creating dangerous situations. State police have a warning for people who are going too fast, even if traffic is light.

- **5/26/2020** Because of courtroom closures due to Covid-19, there is a significant backlog of cases. We talked with court administrators about what re-opening will look like once the county gets into the Green phase.
- **5/26/2020** With the advent of companies and schools using Zoom for work teleconferencing and remote learning, there is an increase of Zoom-bombing, and using pornography as a disrupter. The FBI is investigating, and we learned of some cases here in SW PA that are on the fed's radar.
- 5/31/2020 As cleanup in Downtown Pittsburgh took place from protests that turned into riots, we talked with Public Safety leaders and businesses who are increasing security to keep their businesses safe and protected from looters.
- **6/1/2020** City leaders and public safety officials held a news conference to reinforce the need for peaceful protests and to stop the riots/looting. The mayor asked for calm as voices are raised to push for racial justice.
- 6/1/2020 We went one-on-one with the Executive Director of the Pittsburgh Citizen Police Review Board, Elizabeth Pittenger. For 23 years, we've had this organization. And with protests clamoring for change in the midst of racial injustice, Pittenger is calling for change.
- 6/2/2020 After two destructive situations involving protests, KDKA Investigates looked into the situation with policing tactics, and how several leaders in the Black community are calling for change and reform in the City of Pittsburgh.
- 6/2/2020 Several attorneys are coming to the aid of protestors by offering Pro Bono legal assistance to protestors who were arrested Saturday night and Monday night.
- 6/3/2020 During protests in Downtown Pittsburgh, police initially said they did not use tear gas canisters to shoot into crowds. Our analysis of video and eyewitness accounts called this stance into question, and we turned the questions to police.
- **6/4/2020** Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto announced action he was taking to look into police reforms, based on data and media reporting on the violence in Downtown Pittsburgh May 30th and June 1st.
- 6/9/2020 The city council is debating its budget and at the center of the battle is how much money to fund public safety. In the light of racial injustice and protests, the council is considering a 10% cut to the department and to divert those funds to inclusion training.
- **6/12/2020** Pat Knepp, the Vice President of the Pittsburgh Fraternal Order of Police wrote a strongly worded statement to Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto and his Chief of Staff Dan Gilman. The statement comes after Peduto and Gilman announced their support for police reform and in response to an investigation into whether officers used tear gas against protesters in East Liberty.
- 6/16/2020 Now that unemployment checks are going out, we learned of a situation where people who've had their identity stolen are having unemployment claims made in their name.

We talked to a victim who received thousands of dollars in checks that she didn't ask for. We provided information on what to do if you receive one of these checks.

6/18/2020 - An arson that targeted a Uniontown American Legion Post left behind a bigger problem: Veteran members not having a kitchen to use for food fundraisers. Money raised from food sales allows the Legion to provide different programs and services for the community.

6/22/2020 - Protestors took to the streets again to march against Pittsburgh Public Schools and its use of city police officers as School Resource Officers in their schools.

6/26/2020 - With most 4th of July fireworks shows canceled, citizens are taking matters into their own hands and lighting off fireworks at all hours of the day. The City of Pittsburgh formed a task force to start enforcing fireworks ordinances, after receiving nearly 400 complaint calls in a 24-hour period.

6/27/2020 - We looked into a social media trend where students at Point Park University took to Twitter to talk about their sexual assaults and attacks while on the college campus. We took the data to the university's president, who vows to follow-up with complaints as it relates to Title IX guidelines.

8. Science & Technology

4/4/2020 - Meteorologist Ray Petelin explains the science behind soap and how it gets your hands clean in a time where washing hands is needed and necessary in this time of Covid-19.

4/10/2020 - We have a local astronaut on the International Space Station, who will soon be re-entering the Earth's atmosphere to come home. The interesting thing is that he's watched the whole Coronavirus situation unfold from outer space

4/11/2020 - Meteorologist Ray Petelin showed viewers how perspective and optical illusions can make the size of the moon look so big during certain times of the year.

4/18/2020 - Meteorologist Ray Petelin explained to viewers about why atmospheric pressure is a major part of meteorology and helps him in his forecasting. He performed an experiment to demonstrate movement in the atmosphere to make his case.

4/25/2020 - Meteorologist Ray Petelin dives into a scientific explanation of springtime storms and why we get so much hail. He explained the correlation with thunderstorms and why moisture high up in the atmosphere is the key ingredient.

5/2/2020 - Meteorologist Ray Petelin uses math and science to explain how you can determine how far away lightning is when you hear thunder.

5/16/2020 -Meteorologist Ray Petelin explains how you can boil water by cooling the air with ice cubes. This experiment, done from home, helps explain to kids about atmospheric conditions and the science behind it.

- **5/23/2020** Meteorologist Ray Petelin explains how science is involved in the differences between sea breezes and land breezes and the differences between night and day.
- **5/30/2020** Meteorologist Ray Petelin is back with another "Hey Ray" science segment. He explains how to create a cloud in a bottle and how kids can do this at home.
- 6/2/2020 A geological situation known as "mine substance" creates shifts in land, and then shifts in homes' foundations. This occurred over the past 24 hours in a plan in Westmoreland County and we went to see how bad the damage was, while explaining the geological issue with homes being built on top of old mines.
- 6/6/2020 Meteorologist Ray Petelin explains why, on really hot days, you may hear a meteorologist tell you to wear light-colored clothing. Why? It has to do with Albedo, which is how reflective a surface is.
- 6/11/2020 Astrobotic in Pittsburgh was awarded a nearly \$200 million contract to soon be making deliveries to the moon. Astrobotic is a space delivery company that has landed a contract to build a special rover to deliver to the South Pole of the moon in 2023.
- 6/13/2020 Meteorologist Ray Petelin explains the science of sweat. As it gets hotter outside how does sweat form? Ray explains the science behind evaporation cooling.
- **6/16/2020** Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto went on the record to talk about how important climate change and environmental issues are at the top of his list in the up-coming presidential election. He sits on the board of Climate Power 2020 and claimed President is a science-denier.
- 6/20/2020 Meteorologist Ray Petelin explains how we arrived at the summer solstice today at 5:43pm and what that really means. He used props to explain orbits and the earth's tilt to arrive at our 4 seasons.
- 6/27/2020 Meteorologist Ray Petelin explains how Sunsets in this area become so beautiful, and why a dust storm called "Godzilla" will made them even more colorful. And it's actually not so unusual.