

**KLLZ-FM
WALKER, MN 56484
QUARTERLY "ISSUES PROGRAMMING" LISTING
JANUARY-MARCH, 2023**

Operations Manager Kevin Jackson compiled the list for the first quarter of 2023

Issues Programs List

**Quarterly Issues Programs List for KLLZ-FM
January 1 through March 31, 2023
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Section I. Issues.

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

A. Community Enrichment & Improvement: Activities and events that enrich and/or improve the lives of community members.

B. Economy: Events, programs, and organizations that work to benefit economic growth in the community.

C. Education: Area schools, colleges and other organizations that promote and deliver education to the community, as well as issues that affect the educational opportunities in the area.

D. Health: Health issues in our region, including education and awareness as well as initiatives taken by health providers, organizations and agencies to make the area a healthier place to live.

E. Safety: Safety issues, be it public safety or individual. Topics include fire, crime and victimization and focuses on education and prevention, including agencies and organizations involved in safety and first response.

F. Youth Enrichment: Organizations and Activities to provide opportunities and experiences for youth in the community.

G. Environment: Events, Organizations, Individuals and Initiatives promoting conservation and environmental enhancement. The environment is an important part of community health, quality of life and the economy.

H. Arts & Culture: Arts and culture offerings and educational opportunities for the community.

Section II. Responsive Programs

The station has broadcast programming dealing with each of the above referenced issues. Programming dealing with each issue is set out below.

A. COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT & IMPROVEMENT

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/22/23 at 6:12am

Topic: Bemidji Mayor Jorge Prince discussed the big issues facing the city in 2023. Among the big issues will be the replacement of filters for the wastewater treatment plant and a big road improvement project that will add bike lanes and slow traffic through a residential area. The mayor also discussed the long term planning continuously going on in the city.

Program Length: 20:30

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/12/23 at 6:11am

Topic: Gary Guggenburger, a Vietnam war veteran and POW survivor, was in to discuss the Veteran’s Memorial in Bemidji. He is the chair of the committee that oversees it and discussed the fund raising campaign they are doing to improve the memorial and what may happen to the memorial when some upcoming development is done near it. He also discussed veteran’s organizations in the area.

Program Length: 17:28

Z99 Morning Show---Air Date 2/13/23 at 8:30am

Topic: Denae Alamano, Executive Director of the United Way of Bemidji Area, discussed the Spread The Love Event at Bemidji Brewing. Throughout the week, Bemidji Brewing is donating 10% of all proceeds to the United Way to kick start their upcoming 2023 campaign. In addition, on Thursday, they’ll have the campaign celebration there announcing the totals from the 2022 campaign.

Program Length: 10:03

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/12/23 at 6:28am

Topic: Director of Bemidji’s new Veteran’s Home, Kevin Gish and Head of Nursing Dani Churnes discussed the soon to be open home and the many benefits it will bring the community, not the least of which is a better quality of life for aging veterans and those with serious health issues. The home also brings a number of good paying jobs. All of those topics were discussed, along with the timeline before opening of the home in the fall.

Program Length: 12:56

B. ECONOMY

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/5/23 at 6:19am

Topic: Bemidji Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Abby Randall and Justin Frederick discussed business in Bemidji. They talked about the importance of locally owned businesses, about local businesses doing business with other local businesses and advocating for policies locally, statewide and nationally that will help small businesses who provide the bulk of the jobs in the nation and area.

Program Length: 15:12

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/12/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Bemidji Community Food Shelf Executive Director Mike Olson discussed the importance of the Bemidji Community Food Shelf to many area families’ financial situation. With inflation, food costs are taking up a larger percentage of family budgets and that takes its toll on low income families. Being able to use the food shelf alleviates some of that cost, allowing more money for other needs.

Program Length: 10:46

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/12/23 at 6:11am

Topic: Bemidji Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Abby Randall joined Chamber members Suzy and Hondo of Suzy and Hondo’s School Of Dance to discuss their unique business. They talked about surviving in the Covid era when dance lessons could only be done remotely. They also talked about their business extension of developing a curriculum to help other dance studios get started in smaller towns. Suzy and Hondo also talked about how they were able to create their dream business.

Program Length: 16:57

C. EDUCATION

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/15/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Beltrami County Historical Society Executive Director Emily Thabes discussed the many ways the Society provides education and information about the history of the area. She also discussed the Museum’s home, a historic Depot built by James J. Hill, and its designation as a Minnesota Historical Building. Emily discussed the importance of holding on to history and learning from it and previewed many of the exciting things they have planned for 2023.

Program Length: 10:24

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/29/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Lee Furuseth, Executive Director of the Headwaters Science Center updated all the cool things going on at the Science Center, including their latest “critter”, a sand boa from Kenya. He also discussed all the other things at the Center and the soon to be busy season of school field trips. The Headwaters Science Center also has its annual gala, e-Cubed coming up in February as well as its new exhibit, “Women Of Science”.

Program Length: 22:00

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/5/23 at 6:13am

Topic: Bemidji State University President John Hoffman and Northwest Technical College’s Kimani Kouanchau discussed the latest updates at Bemidji’s post-high school institutions. They discussed the long process of reacclimating to in person learning and the challenges of getting kids back in school. They also talked about a number of new program offerings and variations on existing programs at Northwest Tech and the many new programs in place to help students afford post secondary education.

Program Length: 21:20

D. HEALTH

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/8/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Angie Clark of Minnesota North College Customized Training discussed workplace wellness programs. She described the services she provides to Bemidji State University and other businesses and organizations. She also talked about the importance of workplace wellness for employee well being and productivity and how it can benefit a company with fewer sick days and issues. Plus, many of their group activities enhances relationships and camaraderie.

Program Length: 15:19

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/29/23 at 6:22am

Topic: Gary Rorick of the Sanford Health Parkinson’s Support Group. Gary discussed what Parkinson’s Disease is, the effects it has on health, and quality of life. The group provides support and fellowship for those suffering from Parkinson’s Disease and care givers. Gary also discussed the importance of staying abreast of new therapies.

Program Length: 11:19

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/5/23 at 6:10am

Topic: New Years Resolution or not, many people are trying to eat better and healthier. Alicia Van Den Heuval, a dietician at Sanford Health, discusses the keys to making life long changes to the way we eat and what we eat. She also discusses being realistic in

goals but indeed having goals. A healthy diet is key to avoiding diseases like Type 2 diabetes, heart disease, obesity, etc.

Program Length: 8:37

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/19/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Dr. Antony Chu, a cardiologist at Sanford Health, discussed heart health for National Heart month. He discussed all the aspects of heart health...exercise, proper diet, controlling stress, etc. He also discussed the growth of the cardiology department at Sanford.

Program Length: 10:14

E. SAFETY

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/22/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Beltrami County Sheriff Jason Riggs and Chief Deputy Jared Walton were in to discuss law enforcement and public safety issues in Beltrami County. They discussed the steps being taken to determine how to proceed with getting a needed new jail and the reasons it's needed. In addition they talked about the opiate crisis that continues to plague the area and some ice safety issues on Lake Bemidji with ice anglers.

Program Length: 11:56

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/5/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Beltrami County Sheriff Jason Riggs and Joe Clezek of the Paul Bunyan Drug Task Force updated what's going on in public safety and law enforcement in the area. Among the topics was the latest update on getting a new jail and how the county currently has to deliver inmates to other counties until it is taken care of. In addition they discussed the drug issues in the area including, like most places, a severe uptick in fentanyl use.

Program Length: 12:45

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/19/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Beltrami County Sheriff Jason Riggs discussed a number of safety issues in the community. He once again discussed the fentanyl crisis in the region and also discussed marijuana. Edible marijuana products are now legal in Minnesota and the push continues for recreational marijuana use. The sheriff pointed out the strength of THC in many of today's marijuana products and how much more dangerous and deadly they can be. He also discussed the highway and road improvements being done and how the changes are having a positive impact on road safety.

Program Length: 19:22

F. YOUTH ENRICHMENT

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/5/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Bemidji High School Choir Director Chris Fettig discussed an upcoming concert to raise funds for the Choir’s trip to New York to perform at Carnegie Hall. The concert will feature the songs the choir will perform at another upcoming event, the Minnesota Music Educator’s conference, a high honor. Fettig discussed the great opportunity the two event will provide for choir students. They will get incredible instruction and mentoring and a once in a lifetime opportunity to perform on the stage of Carnegie Hall.

Program Length: 10:00

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/26/23 at 6:00am

Topic: John Marcum, Tournament Director of the Knights Of Columbus Walleye Classic updated this year’s event. The tournament is a BIG supporter of many youth activities and organizations, raising over \$1 million dollars for various youth organizations over the years. He discussed the donations, this year’s event and urged people to get registered.

Program Length: 9:51

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/26/23 at 6:33am

Topic: Marcia Larson, Director of Bemidji Parks & Recreation and Recreation Coordinator Jamie Anderson previewed the many great activities they have planned for the spring and summer, most aimed at youth. In addition to many great parks with many activities for kids, they also have a number of day camps and programs designed to give kids great outdoor fun for the summer.

Program Length: 14:06

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/19/23 at 6:20am

Topic: Executive Director Ebony Warren and Family Support Specialist Daniel McFarlane of Evergreen Youth and Family Services were in to talk about a number of things, including their annual fund raising gala. Evergreen provides a number of services for youth in crises including a shelter, drop in center and life skills services. In addition to being a safe place for kids, they also engage in family counseling. All of the

services are free for anyone in need. Daniel also gave some tips for common issues in family dynamics and conflicts.

Program Length: 20:46

G. ENVIRONMENT

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/8/23 at 6:15am

Topic: Assistant Park Manager Shannon Bungart and Park Naturalist Christa Drake were in to talk about Lake Bemidji State Park. The park is celebrating its 100th anniversary and they previewed the special events that will be coming throughout the year. In addition, they previewed the many events set for January and February and talked about the importance of state parks in educating people about the natural environment and preserving areas for experiencing nature and natural resources.

Program Length: 18:34

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/19/23 at 6:10am

Topic: Lee Furuseth and Julie Bengtson of the Headwaters Science Center discussed the upcoming e-Cubed Extravaganza. The event is a fundraiser for the Headwaters Science Center, but is also a model of sustainability. The goal is to have a completely carbon neutral event. They use dinnerware that is compostable, and everything else is recyclable. The event provides examples and information on how we can all contribute to saving the environment.

Program Length: 10:42

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/26/23 at 6:10am

Topic: Robyn Dwight of the Upper Red Lake Association and DNR Conservation Officer Nick Prachar discussed the “Keep It Clean” initiative that has been implemented on Upper Red Lake. The initiative looks to keep trash, garbage and other waste off area lakes during the ice fishing season. They discussed the damage trash that goes into the lakes once the ice melts can cause and the problems of human waste and other “left behind items” washing up to the shores. They also talked about ways other lake associations can get involved and some concrete steps they’ve taken (like providing waste disposal sites on high traffic areas) to help alleviate the problem.

Program Length: 23:20

H. ARTS & CULTURE

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 1/15/23 at 6:10am

Topic: Bemidji High School Choral Director Chris Fettig was in to talk about the 28th Annual Vocalmotive Dinner Show. Vocalmotive is the cornerstone Showchoir at Bemidji High and provides the opportunity for kids to participate in high quality vocal and choreography performance. The Dinner show is a time for the community to see the show, as the rest of the year they are performing at competitions out of the area. It is also a vital fundraiser to help keep the program competitive.

Program Length: 16:32

Z99 Morning Show---Air Date 2/3/23 at 8:30am

Topic: Derrick Houle of Bemidji Community Theatre discussed the latest play at the playhouse “One Flew Over The Cuckoo’s Nest”. In addition to discussing the play and its differences with the movie, he also promoted the theatre, which exists to provide affordable fine arts entertainment for the community and a place for local theatre enthusiasts to “scratch their itch”. It also provides a boost for downtown restaurants and bars whenever there’s a production going on.

Program Length: 9:37

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 2/12/23 at 6:00am

Topic: Bemidji area author Pat Mason discussed her latest book and where it is available. She also talked about the writing process and how local authors can get their works published. She promoted libraries and local book stores as the keys to keeping options open for aspiring writers.

Program Length: 10:33

“Community Spotlight Program”---Air Date 3/5/23 at 6:35am

Topic: Emily Thabes, Executive Director of the Beltrami County Historical Society and Ara Gallo of the Bemidji Public Library are teaming up for a month of story telling. There will be several story tellers telling tales of immigration and cultural histories of the area. In addition to stories and books, musicians will come and sing old folk songs as well. The event is done each March as a celebration of the cross cultural tradition of storytelling.

Program Length: 12:12