



ISSUES REPORT - WICU-FM 3rd QUARTER, 2020



COMMUNITY ISSUE	DESCRIPTION	DATE	TIME	AMOUNT OF TIME DEVOTED
CARE FOR THE NEEDY	Erin Fessler and Mike Batchelor from Erie Community Foundation were interviewed on air to inform listeners of the 10th annual Erie Gives event which in 2019 raised \$5.5 Million from nearly 9,000 donors for local non-profits.	8/10/20	8:05 AM	5 minutes
COMMUNITY / CULTURE	HAPPI morning personality participated in the Warren Marching Band fundraiser, noting how the band contributes to community pride in Warren.	9/13/20	11:00 AM	2 hours
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	7/1/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	7/8/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	7/15/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	7/22/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	7/29/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	8/5/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	8/12/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	8/19/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	8/26/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	9/2/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	9/9/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes



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COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	9/16/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
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COMMUNITY SAFETY	Erie County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper was interviewed on current COVID-19 issues	9/30/20	8:45 AM	4 minutes
ECONOMY	Insider guest John Persinger, CEO of Erie Downtown Development Corporation (EDDC) discussed how the organization charged with attracting investment to revitalize the center city of Erie has been impacted by COVID-19. He updated the community on renovation and restoration projects at several historic buildings that had to be delayed by Pennsylvania's construction shutdown during the pandemic. He explained new investment in Erie's designated opportunities zones and the goal of creating market-rate housing and amenities to revitalize the city's urban core in the poorest zip code in the state.	7/26/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes
ECONOMY	James Grunke, President/CEO Erie Regional Chamber and Brett Wiler, Director of Capital Formation appeared on Insider to discuss the upcoming virtual Erie Homecoming conference focused on Erie's Economic Evolution. They share information on the key speakers, a panel from newly formed Erie's Black Wallstreet and an investment catalogue with videos from 25 local businesses and organizations offering specific opportunities to invest in Erie's future.	9/27/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes
ECONOMY / CITIZENSHIP	Aaron Lonki from the City of Erie Census was interviewed to remind the public the importance of fulfilling their responsibility in completing the census in light of future economic funding of our area.	8/7/20	8:45 AM	5 minutes



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ECONOMY / CITIZENSHIP	Aaron Lonki from the City of Erie Census was interviewed to remind the public the importance of fulfilling their responsibility in completing the census in light of future economic funding of our area.	9/18/20	8:45 AM	5 minutes
ECONOMY / COMMUNITY CULTURE	Daniel Meyer, Music Director of the Erie Philharmonic orchestra was a guest on Insider to discuss the challenges to arts organizations unable to perform large venue concert events. He outlined a plan to offer a series of free televised concerts to the public beginning in October and explained the generosity of the community in helping to fund the plan. He also explained safety measures that will be used to keep the musicians safe and offered an update on renovation of the Warner Theatre, the orchestra's home, which was delayed by COVID-19 but is back on track.	9/20/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes



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EDUCATION	Insider guest Dr. Ralph Ford, Chancellor of Penn State Behrend University, discussed the “back to state” plan for university students to return to campus and classes for the fall semester. Dr. Ford explained the decision-making process for a return to campus, who has been involved and what measures and policies the university is putting into place to keep students and faculty safe. the interview covered the concerns of students, international students, faculty, parents of students and look at the efficacy of online instruction.	7/12/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes
EDUCATION	Tim McNair, Chair of Empower Erie, discussed on Insider the plans to move forward on an Erie Community College now that the concept has received approval from the Pennsylvania Board of Education. McNair, chair of the organization that lobbied for the approval and funding for a community college explains how a board of trustees will be selected and a site will be selected for the college. He also discussed how the curriculum will be tailored toward workforce development.	8/2/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes
EDUCATION	Dr. Joseph Nairn, President of the Northern Pennsylvania Regional College and Rick Smith, Interim Vice President of Advancement and Engagement for NPRC were guests on Insider. These leaders of the “virtual college” which provides courses across 9 counties offered an update on enrollment and how the the college is surviving during the pandemic. Because the founders of this school have lobbied against the start of a community college in Erie County, they offered an update on why, how their model is different and who they are targeting as prospective students. They explain their online model of learning in place even before the pandemic. This program offers balance the the previous week’s program.	8/9/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes



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EDUCATION	Brian Polito, Superintendent of Erie's Public Schools and Teresa Szumigala, Assistant Superintendent of Schools discussed on Insider the district's decision to do remote learning for the first quarter of the school year. They explained that in spite of a plan to return with an A-B day model, ventilation issues in the district's aging buildings need to be addressed before it's safe for large groups of students. Faculty will be in buildings. The district discussed distribution of chrome book technology and what they're doing to enhance wi-fi to ensure equal access to education. They also provided information on resources for parents, students and distribution of free lunches.	8/23/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes
EDUCATION	President of Gannon University Dr. Keith Taylor, provided an update on the university return to campus plan and how it moved from the planning stages to reality on the Insider episode. This conversation included information on a student return to campus kit, how Gannon University instituted its own COVID-19 testing program, how positive faculty and student cases are being handled and how students and staff are required to take their temperature and check in on an app each time they come to campus.	8/30/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes
EDUCATION	Insider guest Jim Gallagher, Superintendent of Catholic Schools Education for the Diocese of Erie discussed return to schools plans across 13 counties. There are 90 districts within the 10 thousand square mile diocese. He discusses hybrid learning models and professional development for faculty and administrators to stay on top of legal concerns, government recommendations and academics, as well as the role of faith in catholic schools.	9/6/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes



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HEALTH CONCERNS	Mandy Fauble, PhD, Director of Clinical Services for UPMC Western Behavioral Health at Safe Harbor. was a guest on Insider, discussing how the pandemic is impacting our mental and behavioral well-being across the region and the nation. She touched on symptoms people may notice in themselves and others that are a cause for seeking help; tele-health as an option for access to care, an increase in drinking and substance abuse; and how people already under a mental or behavior health diagnosis have been impacted.	7/5/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes
HEALTH CONCERNS	Dr. Howard Nadworny, Infectious Disease Specialist, appeared on Insider. As the physician who enrolled Erie in a national COVID-19 sewage testing program through Biobot, a Boston based analytics firm, he is the go-to medical professional during the pandemic. Erie is one of 400 communities taking part in the study that aims to track trends in the level of illness across our county based on the presence of the virus that is shed in stools. Dr. Nadworny shared how the data is collected, if the study provides health officials with useful data and how long the study will continue.	7/19/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes
HEALTH CONCERNS	Guest: Emily Shears, Epidemiologist – Director of Infection Prevention at UPMC Hamot Medical Center discusses what the hospital locally and the entire University of Pittsburgh Medical Center has learned about preventing the spread of COVID-19. She touches on measures inside of the hospital and outside in the community. The discussions covers topics from the spread in nursing homes to confusion about types of testing, antibody testing, wisdom on the return to school, mask wearing and face shields.	8/16/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes



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HEALTH CONCERNS	Insider guest Dr. Nancy Weissbach – Chief of Infectious Diseases at AHN Saint Vincent Hospital discussed hospitalizations for COVID-19, how treatments have evolved and the success of a clinical trial utilizing convalescent plasma (donated by people who have recovered from the virus and have developed antibodies). She explained which patients get hospitalized, staff protection measures, and if convalescent plasma has helped patients recover. Dr. Weissbach offered advice on when to get tested and updated info on the timetable for a vaccine.	9/13/20	6:00 AM	30 minutes
PET CARE / SAFETY	HAPPI morning personality hosted Facebook Live on the Because You Care site to promote their upcoming fundraiser walk	7/1/20	11:00 AM	1 hour
PET CARE / SAFETY	Nicole Bawol from the Erie Humane Society was interviewed live in support of Clear the Shelters, and annual event designed to unite shelter animals with forever families.	8/12/20	7:45 AM	5 minutes
PET CARE / SAFETY	Representatives from French Creek Rescue were on hand to remind listeners about Clear the Shelters.	8/19/20	7:45 AM	5 minutes
PET CARE / SAFETY	Mary Grace Lacoste from Orphan Angels was a guest interviewee who explained why this is a good time to adopt shelter animals.	8/26/20	7:45 AM	5 minutes
PET CARE / SAFETY	HAPPI participated in taping with sister TV station WICU for a Clear the Shelters Special program to air on WICU on 9/12, 7:30-8PM.	9/7/20	1:00 PM	90 minutes
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