



WAWC Issues and Programs List  
Fourth Quarter of 2023

October 1, 2023 – December 31, 2023

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Regularly Scheduled  
News and Public Affairs Programming  
Broadcast by WAWC

Program Name	Schedule and Description
National Newscasts	Two minute news segments broadcast daily at the top of each hour; Fox News Radio covers news stories affecting the nation and world.
Local Newscasts	Three minute news segments broadcast at two minutes past each hour; Covers news stories affecting the local cities, counties, and states.
Weather Forecasts	30 second segments broadcast two times each hour between 6 am and 12 midnight; Forecasts of the weather and updates on weather related watches and warnings.
Smart Money Management	30 minute program broadcast each Saturday at 7:15 a.m.; Interviews with local Certified Financial Planners that have expertise and real-world experience regarding financial planning.
IN the Know	30 minute program broadcast each Sunday at 6:00 am; Interviews with guests that are local newsmakers, those impact local economic development and/or individuals who are promoting local not-for-profit events that may interest the community.
Legally Speaking	15 minute program broadcast each Saturday at 7:45 a.m.; Interviews with guests that are law professionals who have expertise and real-world experience regarding the law and legal matters.

## Issues of Concern to the Communities Served by WAWC

Subject	Description
Economy	News Coverage of economic conditions and challenges faced on a national, state, and local level were broadcast via National and Local newscasts once per hour. Reporting topics included local job openings, hiring events, in addition to government budgeting, and national debt.
Transportation	Coverage of traffic and commute issues were broadcast to the listening audience, which included road closures, traffic delays due to crash(es), as well as local and regional road construction projects.
Environment	Information was disseminated to the local broadcast audience regarding severe weather warnings in the coverage area, closings caused by severe weather, as well as warnings for personal and public safety in regards to severe weather.
Education	Local school and education matters were broadcast via local and national news coverage in regards to graduation rates, increasing local students' GPA's, learning levels and available scholarship opportunities.
Health	Disease outbreaks in the local coverage area were shared with the listening audience, along with ways to prevent disease spread. Product safety recall information was also broadcast regarding products that may have been purchased in the local area.
Public Safety	Coverage of public safety issues faced on a national, state and local level including violent crimes against people, property crimes and ways to combat crime locally.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: October 7, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Warsaw Mayor Joe Thallemer discussed a variety of issues, including airport funding and several redevelopment projects.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: October 14, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Dr. David Hoffert, superintendent of Warsaw Community Schools, talked about back-to-school issues, attendance, testing and testing issues.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: October 21, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Randy Polston, with Combined Community Services, talked about three upcoming holiday programs that serve the community, especially low-income families.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: October 28, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Kosciusko County Sheriff Jim Smith and PIO Doug Light talked about several law enforcement issues, including the distribution of ipads to most inmates, which has led to a significant decrease in problems in the jail blocks.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: November 4, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Warsaw Mayor Joe Thallemer discussed a variety of issues, including a huge Sycamore tree that had been scheduled to be removed to make room for a sidewalk. Another subject was Mentore Media, a company that opened a new facility in the city's tech park.



## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: November 11, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Sea Grandon, owner of a new art gallery talked about her history in art and the impact the gallery is having on the downtown.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: November 18, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Bob Vitoux, director of OrthoWorx, talked about the \$30 million initiative made available by the state legislature and the rapid growth of orthopedics in Warsaw.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: November 25, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Ami Pitt, an employee with CCS who heads up Toy Time, a holiday toy collection effort that's been happening for 25 years.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: December 2, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Alan Tio, executive director of Kosciusko Economic Development Corporation, talks about economic development and numerous initiatives he's launched in recent years.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: December 9, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Dr. David Hoffert, superintendent of Warsaw Community Schools, talked about the new fall schedule, testing and funding.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: December 16, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Warsaw Mayor Joe Thallemer recapped some of the highlights and lowlights in his 12 years in office.

## Most Significant Issue Responsive Programming

Issues Addressed: Community Affairs

Program/Segment Title: In The Know

Broadcast Date: December 30, 2023

Broadcast Time: 7:00 AM

Duration: 24:00

Summary: Rob Parker, with the Kosciusko Chamber of Commerce, looked back at 2023 and related issues involving the chamber, downtown and Mayor Thallemer.