

Issues Programming

January 15, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

William Penn Statue Removal, and Energy Grid Reliability

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features journalists Angela Couloumbis of Spotlight PA, and Jan Murphy, Capitol Reporter for PennLive/Patriot News, who discuss the William Penn statue removal, state capitol renovations, and more. Then, State Senator Scott Martin (R-13th District), joins host Terry Madonna for an update on a variety of important state issues, including human trafficking, avian flu, and energy grid reliability.

Issues Programming

January 22, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

House Election, Budget, and Financial Well-Being

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features journalists Charlie Thompson of Harrisburg Patriot News/PennLive, and Tom Lehman, Capitol Reporter for WGAL News 8, who discuss several important state topics, including state education funding, the special state House election, and Gov. Shapiro's budget priorities. Then, Nicola Foggie, Chief Regulatory Officer of the CrossState Credit Union Association, and Michael Thomas, President and CEO of Service 1st FCU, join host Terry Madonna to discuss the importance of, and path to, financial well-being.

Issues Programming

January 29, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

Missing Records, Cuss Words, and Missed Opportunities

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* has reporters Marc Levy, Associated Press, and Angela Coulombis, Spotlight PA, who discuss important state issues, including missing records, cuss words, primary elections and more. Then, Jeff Coleman, Principal, Churchill Strategies, joins host Terry Madonna an update on House Democrats and Republicans missing legislative opportunities.

Issues Programming

February 5, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

Energy Prices, 30 by 30, and Youth Mental Health

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features Terry Fitzpatrick, President and CEO of the Energy Association of Pennsylvania, who discusses energy prices, a formal energy policy, and "30 by 30." Then, Justin Donofrio, Program Services Manager for the Pennsylvania Family Support Alliance, joins host Terry Madonna for an explanation of the youth mental health crisis, social media and mental health, and family digital wellness.

Issues Programming

February 12, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

Business Response to Budget Address, and Doctor's Day

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features Luke Bernstein, President and CEO of the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business & Industry, and Carl Marrara, Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association, who respond to Governor Josh Shapiro's budget address. Then, Dr. Kristen Sandel, President of the Pennsylvania Medical Society, joins host Terry Madonna for a discussion on physicians in practice, as well as the recognition of Doctors' Day in the state.

Issues Programming

February 19, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

Trump Campaign in PA, and Overhauling Higher Education

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features journalists Charlie Thompson of Harrisburg Patriot News/PennLive, and Tom Lehman, Capitol Reporter for WGAL News 8, who discuss legislative elections and Donald Trump's campaign activity in the state. Then, Dr. Ken Mash, President of the Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties, joins host Terry Madonna for an update on overhauling public higher education in the state, Governor Shapiro's public higher education budget proposal, and more.

Issues Programming

February 26, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

Mail-in Ballots, Budget, and Public School Funding

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features journalists Jan Murphy of PennLive/Patriot News, and Tom Lehman of WGAL, who discuss mail-in ballot vote counting, the state budget hearings, and keeping college affordable. Then, Aaron Chapin, President of the Pennsylvania State Education Association, joins host Terry Madonna for an update on many aspects of the state's funding for the school public schools.

Issues Programming

March 11, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

Election Lawsuits, Cyber Attacks, and Tax Filing

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features journalists Angela Coulombis of Spotlight PA, and Zach Hoopes of Harrisburg Patriot News/PennLive, who discuss election lawsuits and cyber attacks. Then, Pamela Mohn, CEO of the York Educational FCU, and Bradford Simpson, CFO of the CrossState Credit Union Association, join host Terry Madonna for an update on dealing with the many problems and situations that occur with federal tax filing, and identity theft.

Issues Programming

March 18, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

Recent Consumer Scams, and Governor's Energy Plan

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features Consumer Investigator and Anchor Brian Roche at WGAL News 8, who provides an update on the most recent scams targeting consumers. Then, David Taylor, President and CEO of the Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association, joins host Terry Madonna for an examination of Governor Josh Shapiro's energy plan and the status of the economy.

Issues Programming

March 25, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

Voting in PA, and Budget Priorities

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features journalists Angela Couloumbis of Spotlight PA, and Marc Levy of the Associated Press, who discuss important topics related to voting in Pennsylvania. Then, State Representative and Appropriations Chairman Jordan Harris (D-186th District) joins host Terry Madonna to discuss budget priorities, allocation of state funds, and the challenges and solutions before the legislature.

Issues Programming

January 2, 2024 at 8:30

January 5, 2024 at 8:30

January 6, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

Options in Elementary Education – Charter Schools.

With the ever increasing strain on our education system, today's discussion centers around the pressing questions of what determines a good school and what is the best way to educate children? Alternatives to traditional education are many and our parents are faced with choices not available even 10 years ago.

Stephen Flavell is the founder and chief operations officer of Executive Education Academy Charter School in Allentown, Pennsylvania. He joins us to talk about those questions and more and spotlights and explains exactly what is a Charter School and if it may be an option for our viewers.

Steven Flavell, founder, and chief operations officer of Executive Education, discusses the running of a charter school and how it differs from that of a traditional school. Historically, charter schools promote innovation, and as part of the approval process, they must be unique and different from the school district they are in. Steven tells how the staff approach education, with teams assigned to a group of students meant to build a community, be an example of a leader, as well as a reliable resource. What sets this school apart is its goal of promoting business and leadership, building leaders of the next generation.

Issues Programming

January 8, 2024 at 8:30 PM

30 min.

Program: Pennsylvania Newsmakers

14th Amendment, Education Funding, and Consumer Scams

This week's *Pennsylvania Newsmakers* features journalists Marc Levy of the Associated Press and Tom Lehman, Capitol Reporter for WGAL News 8, who discuss the use of the 14th Amendment to keep candidates off the ballot, the education funding fix, and skill games. Then, Brian Roche, Consumer Investigator for WGAL News 8, joins host Terry Madonna for a review of the latest consumer scams.

Issues Programming

January 16, 2024 at 8:30

January 19, 2024 at 8:30

January 20, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

Addressing graduating high Schools senior's options whether college or a job.

Century Promise

Can we promise our graduating high school students College enrollment or a job after High School Graduation. Our guest thinks we can and is taking steps to accomplish this.

The Century Promise Organization addresses this opportunity by developing skill-based and career-focused pathways that lead to industry certifications, community college credits, jobs at or above the median area wage, and college opportunities.

Allentown school district has a College Readiness of just 7.7 out of 100. Most youth are not equipped to delve into the challenges of higher education. Why are so many students not job or college ready after graduating high school? How can that change? Century Promise works to create a different reality. Century Promise helps students who commit to the program, making them college ready and guaranteeing them a job after completing the program. Guest Yusef Dahl, Executive Director of Century Promise, joins Sam Chen to talk about the work being done in the Allentown area.

Yusef Dahl, Executive Director of Century Promise, explains why this project is meaningful to him and why he invests so much time into it. He was brought up by a single mother and eventually ended up in prison. While there, he met a man who thought he was smart and invested in him. After getting out of prison, Dahl was eventually awarded a full scholarship to Princeton University. He is now returning that encouragement he received and investing in the community through Century Promise.

Issues Programming

January 23, 2024 at 8:30

January 26, 2024 at 8:30

January 27, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

Serving those who served and addressing Veteran Suicide

Did you know that the veteran suicide rate is at least 1.5 times higher than regular rates in the country? The Department for Veteran Affairs or VA is meant to help veterans but often falls short of that mark. Generally, veterans that come looking for help need a more holistic approach, not just treating the leg that's broken, but also the brain that is dealing with PTSD. America's Warrior Partnership stands in that gap partnering with organizations and communities around the nation. Not only do they help veterans that come to them, but they actively search out those people who might be contemplating suicide. Darrel Owens joins Sam Chen as they discuss what this organization does and its impact on our communities.

Darrel Owens is the Director of Government relations with the America's Warrior Partnership. He himself is a veteran and after returning home from deployment in Poland, got a sense of the hopelessness many veterans go through. Shortly after returning home, he was given the opportunity to work for the America's Warrior Partnership, helping his fellow veterans navigate life after deployment.

Issues Programming

January 30, 2024 at 8:30

February 2, 2024 at 8:30

February 3, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

Serving Those Who Serve – Raising Awareness of Veteran Suicide.

We continue in our discussion on veteran suicide, making people aware of this issue, and the impact for good we can have on those veterans.

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February 13, 2024 at 8:30

February 16, 2024 at 8:30

February 17, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

2024 Presidential Election Preview

What are some of the challenges facing the primary voters? Who are the options for president? What does each candidate offer to the voters of Pennsylvania? Dr. Christopher Borick is the director of Muhlenberg College Institute of Public Opinion, a professor of Political Science and he also runs a pole with the Moring Call that constantly receives great marks. He is uniquely situated to discuss the potential answers to these questions and give some insight into them.

In this episode we touch on if former President Trump be the nominee, will Nikki Haley continue in the race to vie for a potential Vice President ticket? We also discuss the likelihood President Biden being the Democrat nominee and if he should. With those questions in mind Dr. Borick dives into some of the lead issues facing the people of the Lehigh Valley and how the candidate's policy will best sway those swing voters who will sway the election towards either eventual President.

Issues Programming

February 20, 2024 at 8:30

February 23, 2024 at 8:30

February 24, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

Can States Ban Trump from the Ballot?

Sam Chen discusses with Adam Carrington, Associate Professor of Politics at Hillsdale College whether states can ban former President Trump of the ballot. The discussion delves into the section 3 of the 14th amendment, what its purpose was originally, what precedent the courts have to use in the case, and what affect the courts barring Trump from the ballot would have on this nation. Dr. Carrington also discusses what an insurrection is, if January actually was one, and if so, is that applicable to President Trump.

Issues Programming

February 27, 2024 at 8:30

March 1, 2024 at 8:30

March 2, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

Broadband Infrastructure

The heralded bipartisan infrastructure bill passed by Congress in 2021 promised to bring high speed internet to America's most rural communities. But the process to accomplish this isn't always straightforward and there have been challenges to achieve the goal. Sam Chen speaks with Anthony Hennen, a journalist for the Center Square, to break down how getting high-speed internet to rural communities has gone so far and what the challenges ahead are. They discuss the various needs this is meant to fill, beyond personal uses such as streaming movies or playing games, from schools, to emergency services and small businesses that increasingly rely on the internet to operate. They also discuss the budget, development and deployment of the plan.

Issues Programming

March 5, 2024 at 8:30

March 8, 2024 at 8:30

March 9, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

American Red Cross Programs and Honoring Heroes

Peter Brown, the exec. director of the PA Rivers Chapter of the American Red Cross, talks with Sam Chen about an upcoming event honoring local heroes such people who gave life giving CPR. Peter also highlights some day to day programs the Red Cross provides to the community beyond disaster relief. One such program is the "Sound the Alarm- Save a Life" where they partner with local fire departments and volunteers going door to door to provide home fire safety information as well as smoke alarm inspections and free smoke installation to those that need them. Since 2015 they have installed over 7,000 smoke alarms just in the Lehigh Valley, and over a million across the country. They also provide programs targeted at a range of ages to help teach what to do in case of an emergency, such as a coloring book series called "Pedro the Preparedness Penguin" for young children and "The Pillowcase Project" for older kids. They also give the viewer information on how to access these tools or volunteer with the Red Cross in their area.

Issues Programming

March 12, 2024 at 8:30

March 15, 2024 at 8:30

March 16, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

Judicial Elections and the effect our election of Judges have on our communities.

Each state chooses their judges differently. In Pennsylvania, we the people elect who will be our arbiters of the law. In this segment we ask some tough questions such as: What are the consequences of a judicial election? What biases might the judge bring? How does that judge interpret the constitution? What is the difference between a constitutionalist and a progressive judge? And how does choosing the right judges shape our local community? Frank DeVito, attorney at Napa Legal Institute joins with Sam Chen to discuss these topics and more.

Issues Programming

March 19, 2024 at 8:30

March 22, 2024 at 8:30

March 23, 2024 at 4:30

30 min.

Program: Face the Issues

2024 PA Budget

Governor Shapiro has just proposed his vision for the 2024 Pennsylvania budget. Our guest Greg Moreland, PA State Director of the National Federation of Independent Business, discusses with Sam Chen what the governor is proposing, how that would affect our state, and what a proposed bill really is. Moreland goes on to explain how the governors want to spend our rainy-day funds over the course of the next 5 years, increasing spending 7-8% per year, with no real plan for making that money back up. How will this spending influence people and business over the next 5 years? What is the wisest course of action for the future? And how does the governor who ran on not raising taxes, plan to fill this budget deficit?

Issues Programming

Weekdays 11am to 12pm

Repeated 9pm to 10pm

60 Minutes

1 hour live call in

Program: Your Health with Richard and Cindy Becker

Live call in program regarding all things Health related. Viewers are encouraged to call to ask questions.

Richard L. Becker, D.O. is a physician and he and his wife, Cindy, host the daily television talk show, Your Health with Dr. Richard and Cindy Becker. The Becker's bring a practical approach to health education through timely topics, interesting and renowned guests, and live viewer calls. Cindy demonstrates healthy cooking with easy to make economical dishes for a healthy lifestyle.