

Catamount Radio Issues List

Catamount Radio (WDVT, WJEN, WJJR, WSYB, WZRT) serves our city of license (Rutland/Killington) and beyond to the surrounding areas by gearing our programming to meet the areas of concern to our community members through our issues list.

Our radio stations' staff meets regularly to discuss these issues of importance and based upon recommendations from community leaders, and news topics, both local and regional. We arrive at our issues list and focus our *public service and public affairs* in that direction.

We integrate guests (usually local experts) into our regular programming. Our issues, although addressed in pre-recorded PSA's, are also presented in a more informal fashion with "live" in-studio interviews with representatives from the police department, schools, hospitals and various community leaders.

The stations also broadcast numerous free announcements from non-profit community organizations who request such time to promote their causes.

We also execute a number of "on-location" broadcasts if the event warrants such activity. Catamount Radio believes that *public service is more than lip service*. We know we can encourage more people by example, rather than just more talk.

WEATHER RELATED EVENTS

HEALTHCARE AND INSURANCE

ECONOMIC CLIMATE

CHILD AND YOUTH WELFARE

ENERGY

WJEN Quarterly Issues for 4th Quarter 2019

WEATHER RELATED EVENTS

Program: Our Town

12/07/19 @ 6:30am Duration 29 minutes

FEMA Emergency Management regional supervisor Rita Egan was in to discuss the new programs that the Federal Emergency Management Agency is offering for victims of floods, including flood insurance. Our guest also gave out numbers so that people could contact FEMA and ask questions about unresolved claims since Hurricane Irene devastated Central and Southern Vermont several years ago.

HEALTHCARE AND INSURANCE

Program: Our Town

10/19/19 @ 6:30am Duration 29 minutes

Our guest was Nanci Gordon the local director of 2-1-1 a companion network of the United Way of Rutland County. Nanci talked about some severe Federal cut-backs to their funding and the agencies new hours. Nanci gave some of her experience based stories about how 2-1-1 works for those it serves.

Program: Our Town

11/9/19 AND 11/30/19 @ 6:30am Duration 29 minutes

Sarah Cosgrove, Respiratory therapist at RRMC (Rutland Regional Medical Center) led a discussion on teen vaping and the use of JUUL devices. The incidence of lung disease nationally is increasing because of e-cig usage according to the centers for disease control. E-sig use in schools has also now evolved into the use of cannabis ingestion and increased lung ailments.

Program: Our Town

12/14/19 @ 6:30am Duration 29 minutes

Turning Point Center director, Tracie Hauck, and assistant director, Tonya Wright were guests on the program. Recent events sponsored by the Center are discussed and ongoing programs are explained. Special guest today was Andrew Peltier a former Federal Inmate who served time for possession. Andrew told his story and also offered some advice to young people on how to avoid peer pressure and stay away from the temptation of using.

ECONOMIC CLIMATE

Program: Our Town

10/26/19 AND 11/23/19 @ 6:30am Duration 29 minutes

The Vermont Student Assistance Corporation was the topic of discussion. We spoke with the Vice President for Financial Aid Services, Research and Marketing, Marilyn Cargill out of the VSAC office in Winooski Vermont. How can families plan to help finance their student's College education? We answered many of those questions during our discussion.

CHILD AND YOUTH WELFARE

Program: Our Town

10/5/19 @ 6:30am Duration 29 minutes

Roger Loizelle, Board President and Rutland Salvation Army Capitan Schaffer discussed the move the new location, the consolidation to Field Ave from Howe Center, the Halloween Parade, new programs to be expected at the new location, and the Kettle Christmas volunteers this year were all discussed.

Program: Our Town

10/12/19 @ 8:05am Duration 29 minutes

Dan Warnneke of The United Way of Rutland County was in to discuss the current funding drive for UWRC and the member agencies who receive funding. We took a look at the Rutland Vermont community and surrounding communities and how they have benefited over the past 75-plus years of United Way leadership.

Program: Our Town

11/16/19 @ 6:30am Duration 29 minutes

Robert Schlacter, firefighter, former Chief in Rutland and current Wilderness first Responder, was in to discuss and take phone calls about home and business fire safety. The Vermont winter heating season is problematic. A discussion evolved into the area of Co2 mitigation in a home setting because the gas is odorless and tasteless; making the victim unaware that they are being affected. Clothes Dryer vent cleaning was also discussed because it is a major area of concern and was responsible for a fatal fire in North Hero this past fall.

Program: Our Town

12/21/19

@ 6:30am

Duration 29 minutes

Our guest was Rutland City Acting Superintendent of Schools David Wolk. The discussion centered around 5-elements: Drugs and Violence at home for some students, Dealing with the current and coarse National Political conversation for students, Racism in our schools and community, The future of education, What the current foundation in the school system is looking like that we are building on for the future was also discussed.

ENERGY

Program: Our Town

11/2/19

@ 6:30am

Duration 29 minutes

David Eamons, who heads up the Lake Saint Catherine Conservation Fund was in to discuss the declining water quality in the southern section of the lake known as the Lilly Pond. Eutrophication is beginning to clog the lake in that area. David discussed with listeners the ongoing conversations he is having with the DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) to see if the state will help residents living on the lake mitigate the ongoing problem.