

Quarterly Issues Report

July, August, September 2020

The following is a list of some of the more significant community issues addressed by radio station KPLN-FM for the quarter indicated.

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Station Operator

Filed: 10/2/2020

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/1/20**

Time Aired: **7:05a**

Duration: **2 minutes**

Content:

COVID-19 has officially become a problem for minor league baseball. What is the future of the Billings Mustangs? If the Mustangs are done, what does that mean for our community?

Community

COVID-19

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/2/20**

Time Aired: **6:35a**

Duration: **2 Minutes**

Content:

Tips to keep your pet calm during the Celebrate Freedom fireworks show in Billings.

Pet Health

4th of July Safety

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/2/20**

Time Aired: **8:35a**

Duration: **3 minutes**

Content:

Guin Ayers of Relay For Life of Yellowstone County and Dave Worstell (Relay Co-chair) discussed the COVID-adapted Street Edition of Relay For Life and how listeners could support area cancer patients.

COVID-19

Health

Supporting those fighting cancer

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/14/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed Riverstone Health's free drive-thru COVID testing beginning today.

Health
COVID-19

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/15/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah reminded listeners that today is Tax Day. Listeners were informed of Post Office closing times, etc.

Taxes

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/15/20**

Time Aired: **7:35a**

Duration: **3 minutes**

Content:

Liana Susott of Big Sky State Games talked about the upcoming event, COVID's impact on the event, and how the games inspire healthy and active lifestyles for Montanans of all ages and abilities.

Health
Physical Fitness
COVID-19

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/16/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah informed listeners of Governor Bullock's new face mask order.

Health

COVID-19

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/17/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Yellowstone County is the epicenter of the COVID-19 pandemic in Montana. Casey & Sarah discussed the experts recommendations for preventing the spread of COVID.

Health

COVID-19

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/21/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed School District 2's preliminary plan for going back to school.

COVID-19

Education

Our kids' safety in the midst of pandemic

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/1/2020-9/30/2020**

Time Aired: **8x/day**

Duration: **30 seconds**

Content:

COVID-19 Mask Up reminders.

COVID-19

Health

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **7/29/20**
Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**
Duration: **1 minute**
Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed the latest update to School District 2's Back To School plans.
COVID-19
Education

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**
Date Aired: **7/30/20**
Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**
Duration: **1 minutes**
Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed another update to School District 2's Back To School plans.
COVID-19
Education

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**
Date Aired: **7/31/20**
Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**
Duration: **1 minute**
Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed the closing of The HUB Drop-In Center in downtown Billings. The HUB is a mental health center providing a safe environment for those with chronic mental illnesses within the community.
Mental Health

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**
Date Aired: **8/3/20**
Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**
Duration: **1 minute**
Content:

Casey & Sarah informed listeners that evacuation orders had been lifted for the fire burning near Park City, and gave the latest instructions for those in the area from local authorities.
Public Safety

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/4/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah informed listeners that City Hall & Billings Public Library were closed after 3 employees tested positive for COVID-19.

COVID-19

Community

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/6/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed School District 2's announcement that fewer students had signed up for online classes than expected and reminded listeners of the sign-up deadline.

COVID-19

Education

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/7/20**

Time Aired: **7:35a**

Duration: **3 minutes**

Content:

Amy Reisinger of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Yellowstone County discussed the upcoming BBBSYC Golf Fore Kids Sake fundraiser. BBBSYC creates and supports one-to-one mentoring relationships that ignite the power and promise of youth.

Mentoring kids

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/12/20**

Time Aired: **7:35a**

Duration: **3 minutes**

Content:

Amy Reisinger of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Yellowstone County discussed how the community can help support the work of BBBSYC and the upcoming Golf Fore Kids Sake fundraiser.

**Mentoring Kids
Community**

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/14/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed informed listeners that Montana would be voting on legalizing recreational marijuana this fall.

**Legalizing Marijuana
Voting**

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/1/20-9/30/20**

Time Aired: **8x/day**

Duration: **30 seconds**

Content:

Register to Vote promos.

Voting

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/18/20**

Time Aired: **6a-4p**

Duration: **10 hours**

Content:

The station aired an Ales For Trails Radiothon in place of the annual Ales For Trails event to raise money for Billings TrailNet, a non-profit that builds trails in Billings for recreation and commuting.

Connecting our community through trails

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/19/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed Yellowstone County's announcement that no fans would be allowed at high school sports events this season.

COVID-19

Public Health

Safety of High School Athletics

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/20/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed the online petition to allow fans in the stands at high school games in Yellowstone County.

COVID-19

Public Health

Safety of High School Athletics

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/25/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed the announcement that spectators may be allowed at school sports in Yellowstone County in a few weeks.

COVID-19

Public Health

Safety of High School Athletics

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/28/20**

Time Aired: **7:35a**

Duration: **3 minutes**

Content:

Krista Hertz of the Education Foundation for Billings Public Schools discussed the COVID-adapted format to this year's Saturday Live fundraiser.

COVID-19
Public Health
Education

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **8/28/20**

Time Aired: **8:50a**

Duration: **4 minutes**

Content:

Amy Reisinger of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Yellowstone County discussed the organizations most pressing needs right now and how the community could help.

Mentoring Kids
COVID-19

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **9/10/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed Laurel Schools approval of a plan to allow fans at high school sports.

COVID-19
Public Health
Safety of High School Athletics

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **9/10/20**

Time Aired: **7:35a**

Duration: **2 minutes**

Content:

Planet listener Mark Cichosz discussed his Great Cycle Challenge fundraiser to benefit the Children's Cancer Research Fund.

Childhood Cancer

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **9/11/20**

Time Aired: **8:35a**

Duration: **3 minutes**

Content:

Tina Morgan of the Education Foundation for Billings Public Schools discussed the upcoming Saturday Live Superhero Fun Run fundraiser. All money raised goes back into programs at Billings Public Schools.

Education

Community

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **9/16/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah discussed the results of yesterday's Public Safety Mill Levy vote and what the passing of the levy means for Billings.

Public Safety

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **9/18/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Tina Morgan, co-chair of the Education Foundation for Billings Public Schools' Saturday Live Superhero Fun Run discussed how the community could still be involved despite no more availability for run times due to COVID restrictions.

COVID-19

Education

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **9/28/20**

Time Aired: **6:10a, 7:10a, 8:10a**

Duration: **1 minute**

Content:

Casey & Sarah informed listeners of the Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks new rules for hunters regarding Chronic Wasting Disease.

Responsible Hunting

Program: **The Morning Planet w/Casey & Sarah**

Date Aired: **9/30/20**

Time Aired: **7:35a**

Duration: **3 minutes**

Content:

Jennifer Boka, General Manager of the NILE, discussed this year's NILE 2.0 – a re-imagined NILE due to the COVID-pandemic. The NILE is dedicated to the promotion of livestock, agricultural education, and preserving the western way of life.

Agricultural Education

COVID-19