

WBBZ-TV
Buffalo, NY
Quarterly Issues/Program Report
April 1 – June 30, 2020

The Station addressed the following community issues during this Quarter:

Politics / Government
COVID-19 Impact
Community Events / Organizations
Local / Business
Women's / Family Issues
Health / Wellness
Education

With the onset of the Coronavirus and Covid-19 Emergency Measures, WBBZ-TV changed the dynamic of "Big Picture" to air every weeknight, starting Wednesday March 18th through the height of the pandemic, with some weekend encores Saturday at Noon and Sunday at 10:30am

Lutheran Services - Sunday March 29th 10am - and every Sunday at 10am through the pandemic. Parkside, and Zion Lutheran Churches partnered with the station to offer on-air religious services weekly.

Politics / Government

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Friday April 3 / Monday April 6

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How will tax season be impacted by pandemic delays. What is the new Government stimulus all about? Esther Gulyas, President of EG Tax explains the rules and changes in filing requirements with Phil Arno from her office in Tonawanda.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Wednesday April 15

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How has the justice system changed during the pandemic? United States attorney James Kennedy from the Department of Justice explains how local, state, and country wide rules have changed.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Thursday April 16 / Sat. April 18 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: What happens when the man in charge of the Erie County Department of Emergency Services tests positive and battles Covid-19? Meet Daniel Neaverth, Jr. via ZOOM from the Emergency headquarters.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Monday April 27

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How have postal workers been handling the pandemic while serving the community? US Postal representative Karen Nordaby talks with Phil Arno from the Tonawanda headquarters. Plus, an update on Feed More WNY and what is needed to help the community from Catherine Shick.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Monday June 1

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Erie County Comptroller Stefan Mychajliw updates Phil Arno on the financial state of the county and how Coronavirus related deficits will be covered. Plus, Stefan talks about his candidacy seeking the US House of Representatives seat for the NY 27th District.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Saturday June 6

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Erie County Clerk Mickey Kerns updates us on how the County Clerk's office are handling permits, paperwork, and licenses during the pandemic.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Monday June 8

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Democratic candidate for the US House of Representatives NY 27 district Nate McMurray joins via ZOOM to talk about his platform.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Wednesday June 10 / Saturday June 13- Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How has the court system changed during the pandemic? Erie County District Attorney John Flynn visits to explain.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Monday June 15

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Republican candidate for the US House of Representatives NY 27 district Beth Parlato joins Phil Arno in studio to talk about her platform.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Friday June 19

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Republican candidate for the US House of Representatives NY 27 district Chris Jacobs joins Phil Arno in studio to talk about his platform.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Saturday June 20 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Democratic candidate for the US House of Representatives NY 27 district Nate McMurray joins via ZOOM to talk about his platform.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Sunday June 21 - 10:30am

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Erie County Comptroller Stefan Mychajliw updates Phil Arno on the financial state of the county and how Coronavirus related deficits will be covered. Plus, Stefan talks about his candidacy seeking the US House of Representatives seat for the NY 27th District.

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Airdate: Sunday June 21 - 11am

Host: Phil Arno

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Airdate: Monday June 22 - 8pm (special hour)

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Debate with 4 of the candidates seeking the US House of Representatives seat for NY District 27. Phil Arno moderated with candidates: Democrat Nate McMurray; Republican Beth Parlato; Libertarian Duane Whitmer; Republican Stefan Mychajliw. Republican Chris Jacobs declined.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Wednesday June 24 / Saturday June 27 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Political analyst Vic Martucci from Masiello, Martucci, and Calabrese offers Primary Day election analysis as Chris Jacobs declared victory in the NY 27th rade.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Thursday June 4 (special hour) / Sunday June 7 - 10:30am

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Racial unrest has come upon the nation and WNY since the murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis. Phil Arno welcomes Rev. Darius Pridgen, from True Bethel Baptist Church, and also President of the Buffalo Common Council. Plus, WBEN Radio reporter Tim Wenger, who was at recent Buffalo riots covering them. Phil also welcomes a protestor who talks about why he marched.

COVID-19 Impact

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Airdate: Thursday April 23

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Hometown heroes at the Erie County Medical Center were recognized for their extra effort treating Covid-19 patients. CEO Tom Quatroche is interviewed from the parking lot of the hospital. Plus, how have entertainment venues changed during the pandemic? Celine Kazan from Shea's Buffalo joins us via ZOOM to talk about how the theatre has gone virtual for promotional connection

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Friday April 24 / Saturday April 25 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Prominent dentist Dr. Todd Shatkin from Aesthetic Associates Center has started private practice Covid-19 testing at his offices. Todd also explains how dentistry is changing during the pandemic.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Wednesday April 29 / Saturday May 2 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Will food festivals be cancelled this summer? Wing Festival organizer Drew Cerza joins via ZOOM to talk about his event, and how the world of crowded concerts and shows will be changed.

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Airdate: Thursday April 30

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How has Coronavirus impacted entertainers, including those working in Las Vegas? Entertainer Michael Nugent from WNY (who also works in Nevada) talks about charity shows coming up.

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Airdate: Friday May 1 / Sunday May 3 - 10:30am

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Buffalo born entertainer Frankie Scinta joins us via ZOOM from Las Vegas, on how the world of LIVE entertainment has changed. Plus, Frankie makes a surprise ZOOM virtual visit with hospitality icon Russell J. Salvatore, who has taken to YouTube to sing an inspirational song everyday during the pandemic.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Monday May 4 / Saturday May 9 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Sports broadcaster, and host of our bowling show "Beat The Champ" Paul Peck talks about how the pandemic has changed the world of sports, and what WBBZ is doing to show encores of special games from our hometown bowling show.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Tuesday May 5

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How has the pandemic impacted college sports? Meet the coaches from the Cornell University hockey teams. How did the sudden stop in sports change the goals of athletes at Cornell, and colleges across the country.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Wednesday May 13

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: The Kaleida Health Foundation have changed their mission to help frontline workers at area hospitals. Vice President Carol Horton talks via ZOOM to explain how the Foundation is helping, and how the largest area hospitals are handling the pandemic.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Monday May 18

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How are nurses handling the pandemic, especially at Oishei Children's Hospital. Plus, how has Covid-19 impacted children? Nurse Cassie Church talks about that via ZOOM from the hospital.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Thursday May 21

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Erie County Health Commissioner Dr. Gale Burstein joins Phil Arno through ZOOM to talk about how the WNY community is handling the outbreak of the virus.

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Airdate: Friday May 22

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Covid-19 claimed the life of prominent actor and musician Joey Giambra. Now his friends remember him. Theatre diva Mary Kate O'Connell, filmmaker Harry Lipsitz, and actor Richard Sargent join Phil Arno with their memories, photos, and music.

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Airdate: Saturday May 30 - 10:30am

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Airdate: Friday June 14 / Sunday June 14 - 10:30am

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Attorney Jed Dietrich talks about how the legal process has changed for personal injury, and other claims during the pandemic.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Friday June 26 / Sunday June 28 - 10:30am

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Father Leon Biernat from St. Gregory the Great Church talks about how the recent lifting of certain restrictions will change how Catholic Masses can be held in church.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Monday June 29

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Attorney Jed Dietrich returns to talk about any claims someone may have if their loved one died or got sick with Covid-19 in a senior nursing home. Did New York State make mistakes in handling seniors during the pandemic?

Community Events / Organizations

Palm Sunday Mass. Sunday April 5th 11am

WBBZ-TV presented a service from Notre Dame Academy in South Buffalo on this Holy Day of the Lenten season.

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Airdate: Thursday April 9 / Sat. April 11

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How have religious institutions changed with online and on-air services? Rev. Msgr. David LiPuma from Our Lady of Victory Basilica discusses this remotely from the church, while preparing for a virtual Easter Mass. Plus, how have local lawmakers responded to changes in how to govern their districts? Erie County Legislator Frank Todaro discusses from his Collision Masters location.

Easter Sunday Mass. Sunday April 12th - 10:30am

WBBZ-TV presented a service from Our Lady of Victory Basilica in Lackawanna.

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Airdate: Monday April 13 / Sunday April 19 - 10:30am

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Happy Birthday Russell Salvatore. WNY's most philanthropic hospitality icon celebrates his 86th birthday with a special ZOOM interview from his hotel, while continuing to donate to area hospitals during the pandemic.

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Airdate: Monday April 27

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How have postal workers been handling the pandemic while serving the community? US Postal representative Karen Nordaby talks with Phil Arno from the Tonawanda headquarters. Plus, an update on Feed More WNY and what is needed to help the community from Catherine Shick.

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Airdate: Friday May 8

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Will the "BASH" to benefit Mercy Flight happen in August? Retired Walt Disney Company Vice President Bryan Wittman is coordinating that event, and also has insight into how the Disney properties are handling the pandemic. Plus, meet a local businessman who is marketing thermal temperature control devices to help manage crowd control.

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Airdate: Monday May 11

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: The Independent Health Foundation has kicked off a Healthy Living virtual contest tied to the Buffalo Bills. Public Relations specialist Kathy Gleico explains how it works. Plus, our hometown camera visited a parade at the Brothers of Mercy facility in Clarence, to celebrate workers there and residents. Michael Nugent sang through the window to a resident who turned 101.

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Airdate: Tuesday May 19

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Despite the pandemic, the Italian Cultural Society is still moving forward with plans to build the Italian American Cultural Center. Former Buffalo Mayor Anthony Masiello joins retired NYS Supreme Court Judge Sal Martoche to update Phil Arno on the progress. Plus, Buffalo State College President Katherine-Conway Turner previews the upcoming virtual fundraiser on WBBZ-TV, titled "Bengalathon"

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Airdate: Friday June 5 (special hour)

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Special presentation of an "Evening With Ed Asner" - this iconic actor visited WBBZ-TV and WNY in the summer of 2019. This special presentation is a benefit for the Jewish Repertory Theatre.

Local / Business

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Topic: Happy Birthday Russell Salvatore. WNY's most philanthropic hospitality icon celebrates his 86th birthday with a special ZOOM interview from his hotel, while continuing to donate to area hospitals during the pandemic.

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Airdate: Tuesday April 14 / Saturday April 18 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: The most precious commodity during the pandemic is hand sanitizer. Phil Arno takes you to an energy plant in Medina, NY that is manufacturing it in an environmentally friendly way, to meet worldwide demand.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Wednesday May 6

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Will the economy get better? What is happening with Wall Street and retirement funds? Financial analyst David Hartzell from Cornell Capital Management returns for an update.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Tuesday June 2

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How will Government surplus checks and debit cards stimulate the economy. Plus, why is it taking the NYS Unemployment Office so long to work out compensation, and how will that impact the economy? David Hartzell from Cornell Capital Management updates us.

Women's / Family Issues

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Friday April 17

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Are incidents of domestic violence on the rise? Tracy LeBlanc from Best Self Behavioral Health offers advice, what the warning signs are, and how to seek help even while quarantined. Plus, Dave Jickster takes us to the Food Bank of WNY where Public Relations Director Catherine Shick explains what is being done to help those who are hungry in our hometown.

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Health / Wellness

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Airdate: Wednesday April 1 / Sunday April 5 - 10:30am

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Dr. Raul Vazquez from G-Health Services has tested positive for Covid-19, along with his daughter. He joins us remotely through ZOOM to talk about his health, and how the need for testing is increasing to make sure at risk populations are safe.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Thursday April 2 / Saturday April 4 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How are those with "underlying causes" protected during the pandemic? Judith Christian, head of the Lupus Alliance of Upstate New York discusses that with Phil Arno.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Tuesday April 7

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How has the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority changed their practices to make the subway, and bus system safe? Public Relations specialist Helen Tederous joins Phil from the NFTA Headquarters.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Wednesday April 8 (encore to make up for the 3/27 date when clips did not play out)

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Psychic Medium Karyn Reece, who hosts her own program on WBBZ-TV, connects with Phil Arno on how meditation and a healthy mind, body, and soul will help us get through these times.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Tuesday April 14 / Saturday April 18 - Noon and local business

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: The most precious commodity during the pandemic is hand sanitizer. Phil Arno takes you to an energy plant in Medina, NY that is manufacturing it in an environmentally friendly way, to meet worldwide demand.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Tuesday April 21 / Sunday April 26 - 10:30am

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Dr. Raul Vazquez joins us via ZOOM from his G-Health Headquarters on Niagara Street to show us his new Covid-19 testing facility, and what is involved in the test. He also updates us on how he beat the virus, and why it seems to impact minority communities.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Wednesday April 22

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Mental health counselors are now working remotely. How will those who have needs be serviced? How is our community coping? Meet the Executive Director of Compeer Services, Timothy Boling via ZOOM.

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Airdate: Thursday April 23

Host: Phil Arno

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Airdate: Friday April 24 / Saturday April 25 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Prominent dentist Dr. Todd Shatkin from Aesthetic Associates Center has started private practice Covid-19 testing at his offices. Todd also explains how dentistry is changing during the pandemic.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Tuesday April 28 (encore)

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: Mental health counselors are now working remotely. How will those who have needs be serviced? How is our community coping? Meet the Executive Director of Compeer Services, Timothy Boling via ZOOM.

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Thursday May 7 (clip did not run properly this edition) / Sunday May 10- 10:30am

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How have first responders been handling how to interact with crime fighting during the pandemic. Meet long time Buffalo Police officer Phil Gramaglia, and psychologist Dolores Howard, on how the mental health of law enforcement is being tested.

Program: Big Picture

Program Description: Host Phil Arno offers commentary on local and national politics and other topics, while welcoming various community leaders to discuss issues with the big picture perspective for the Western New York community.

Airdate: Tuesday May 12

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How have first responders been handling how to interact with crime fighting during the pandemic. Meet long time Buffalo Police officer Phil Gramaglia, and psychologist Dolores Howard, on how the mental health of law enforcement is being tested.

Education

Program: Big Picture

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Airdate: Monday April 20 / Saturday May 16 - Noon

Host: Phil Arno

Topic: How have area colleges and institutions of higher learning adapted to virtual classrooms and learning? The President of Canisius College, John Hurley joins Phil Arno via ZOOM from his home to explain

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Airdate: Tuesday May 5

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Topic: How has the pandemic impacted college sports? Meet the coaches from the Cornell University hockey team. How did the sudden stop in sports change the goals of athletes at Cornell, and colleges across the country.

"Passionate Living"-

starting Tuesday June 9th, and airing every Tuesday and Thursday at 8pm, WBBZ-TV introduced a lifestyle magazine titled "Passionate Living" hosted by Catherine Miller, with topics of interest for health, wellness, and celebrity discussion.

The public affairs program "Big Picture" began to drop back in airings, and continues to move away from all Covid-19 content.

For the period of March 24th through July 3, 447 (:30) second announcements aired on WBBZ-TV in the Buffalo, New York market as provided by the National Association of Broadcasters, New York State Broadcasters, Centers for Disease Control (CDC), and locally produced spots to offer information about COVID-19, Coronavirus, and Western New York not for profit agencies.