

Transcript of Interview with Jeremy Amble by Keely Berg

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Abstract: Keely Berg interviews Jeremy Amble, a 51-year-old entrepreneur who was paralyzed due to a spinal injury suffered in 1991. During the course of the interview the two discuss Jeremy's disability and how it has impacted his life over the past 30 years and how that changed during COVID. Then the two discuss how COVID has affected small businesses, farming, registered nurses, and the working from home craze. After this, they discuss family life, recreation, and hobbies and how these common aspects of life have changed due to COVID. Later skepticism of COVID by family and friends is discussed and how maybe social media and political figures may have played into aspects of vaccine skepticism and mask wear refusal. Lastly, Keely and Jeremy discuss experiences with the vaccine and the future of life post-COVID.

Keely Berg 00:00

So if you're all set, I'm gonna, I'm gonna get going.

Jeremy Amble 00:03

Yeah, lets get on it.

Keely Berg 00:04

Awesome. Today is May 3 2021. The time is currently 2:03pm. I'm here with Jeremy Amble for an oral histories interview regarding COVID-19. Currently, there are three or 32.4 million cases of COVID in the US, a total of 577,000 deaths in the US as well. Wisconsin specifically has had 60 or 662,000 cases of the virus with 7567 of those cases resulting in death. Currently, however, the number of vaccine doses administered is 146 million. So there we go. Anyways, so that is my little beginning spiel. Hi, Jeremy, thank you so much for joining me. Will, you start off by stating your some demographic information that we need to so your age, gender race.

Jeremy Amble 01:05

I'm 51 years old, I'm a male, Caucasian, living in Barneveled Wisconsin. So? That's kind of where I'm at married with four children.

Keely Berg 01:19

Okay, awesome. Have you always lived in Barneveled?

Jeremy Amble 01:23

Yes, I've lived here my entire life. Yeah.

Keely Berg 01:26

Okay, what was it like growing up in Barneveled?

Jeremy Amble 01:28

A small rural community, a lot of my friends and families were from farming backgrounds, and which have now changed, but it was nice, just kind of, you know, before social media before, all that stuff. So you play with your friends more you can get together and lotta outside work and just a lot of outside activities.

Keely Berg 01:54

That's fun. Yeah, I love Barneveled whenever I go to your house, and you live just down the street from the house that you grew up in, correct.

Jeremy Amble 02:02

Yeah, that's great. Yeah.

Keely Berg 02:03

Okay. Um, what are the primary things that you do on a day to day basis for example, like your job, I have extracurricular activities written down, but obviously that's for like a school aged person.

Jeremy Amble 02:16

the biggest thing I do the Barneveled [chopper] which is a town community paper. So that comes out every other week. So I'm kind of the I don't know, the do it all the graphics and the setting up advertising and the invoicing and all the stuff that goes along with it. It's nothing too overly demanding because it's an every other week paper for a small town, but that's something they kind of do daily, just checking in and emails responding to those and set up ads. And put the paper together. Just kind of enjoy spending time with family that's home right now because of COVID. Okay, that'd be a later question. But

Keely Berg 02:56

you're good.

Jeremy Amble 02:57

Yeah, and then I don't know. I guess it's just kind of you know, the daily the daily stuff,

Keely Berg 03:05

Right.

Jeremy Amble 03:07

Just enjoying the weather and the outdoors. Outdoor Living that we were able to have here.

Keely Berg 03:15

Yes. Um, so you mentioned that you grew up out like outdoors kind of have you always had like kind of an interest in agriculture and farming?

Jeremy Amble 03:26

Yes, yup, I grew up with a farming dairy farming background. My father and mother and so yes, I was really involved with the dairy farming and that's what I wanted to do before I was injured in a car accident. So that was my kind of my main thing was be a farmer.

Keely Berg 03:41

Right?

Jeremy Amble 03:41

And so yeah, but I always enjoyed that. I love the nature in a way and then of course, what better way to be living outdoors than farming, you know?

Keely Berg 03:50

Correct. So that sort of leads me into my next question, which is do you mind sharing a little bit about your accident? Like what happened? The results and how it impacted your life?

Jeremy Amble 04:01

Yeah, I was 21 years old and it was actually the anniversary of 30 years is coming up on May 25 1991. I was injured in a car accident. I was by myself so thank God no one was with me that got hurt also or potentially worse. Driving home early in the morning and my right front tire blew out over compensated and across the road and I think that I jumped out, memories I mean i dont remember, clearly but i must of because I was pretty close to the road that was kind of a last memories thing. I's reaching for the door handle for some reason. But the [inaudible] rolled about six or seven times, so maybe that was a blessing in disguise. I mean, sure I am a spinal cord injury but you know if I stayed in the car with no seatbelt on, who knows what would happen you know, maybe dead, its hard to say you know what to put us know, but since when that happens that Like I said in 30 years already, so we may level injuries, C4, 5 spinal cord injury, which is pretty much a pretty high level, C2, 3 would be from probably reliant on a ventilator. So luckily, I was a little lower than that to rely on, you know, mechanical means to stay alive. Yep. So anyways, I guess through the years, you learn how to do a lot of different things in a different way. That's kind of where I'm at always learning. Always doing something different.

Keely Berg 05:35

That's so I'm so glad that you were willing to share that. I think it's an inspiring story. And do you have any challenges that come up in life when you have a spinal cord injury that those who don't have one might not realize, like any challenges that you've encountered that you're like, wow...

Jeremy Amble 05:54

yes, yeah, accessibility is number one, you know, I mean, you just can't go into all your friends houses, because, you know, two or three steps, houses, you know, little something to get through, I mean, in theory ramps and stuff with it. That's kind of something that people don't think about all the time, like, oh, shoot, you know. And, of course, this was medical stuff. But the worry constantly about pressure sores from sitting on a chair all day long, which I want to be up and sitting around, because we're sitting the majority, because obviously, I want to do things. stuff, that's always something they gotta worry about. It's always, always an issue a lot of people that live their lives using a wheelchair. Anything else it's, you know, I don't wanna say common cold, because you're able to common cold, do you get sick at home, we're going to be talking about COVID details will take, maybe hit me a little harder. Just for the facts, my lung capacity is maybe 50% 60%, less than more, you know, running around before my accident. So you gotta worry about little stuff like that. But you know, it's always in the back of my mind. Well, is there?

Keely Berg 07:14

Yeah, no, I, I remember, your daughter had mentioned to me that you can't yell. And I was like, I never even thought about that. That like you don't have the capability to yell because you don't have that lung capacity, I would have never thought

Jeremy Amble 07:31

my diaphragm isn't there to get that extra oomph out, you know, thankfully, so really no one.

Keely Berg 07:39

Well, you can't ever yell at your kids then.

Jeremy Amble 07:41

Yeah, well I do, they get they a know when I'm upset.

Keely Berg 07:47

So moving on, you're kind of an entrepreneur, I would describe you as kind of an entrepreneur, what kind of small business do you own, I think you kind of went into that.

Jeremy Amble 07:55

you know, there's a lot of different things through the years because I do like a keep changing things. I guess, as far as, you know, knowing that certain interest right now we're into, we do and make shirts, graphic design for shirts and able to do cotton, crafts them at home. That's a lot of fun, because they love what some of my boys love, the creativity of stuff. I've loved that since I was in school, with art classes and everything else. So that's kind of on one hand now. I've done the photography, which is fun with creativity and stuff. So I've kind of dabbled in that in the past too. So, you know, a lot of little things that kinda deals with creativity, you know, artistic stuff, new graphic design,

Keely Berg 08:48

and your business is called everlasting impressions. Is that correct?

Jeremy Amble 08:52

Yeah, that's correct.

Keely Berg 08:53

All right.

Jeremy Amble 08:54

Yeah, we do. I do different variety stuff with a personalized things like look, glass blocks, lights, shirts, signboards. Oh, sort of stuff like that. Yeah.

Keely Berg 09:07

No, I yeah, I'm gonna grab mine, because I think it's cool to show. I just got this. You made this one for me.

Jeremy Amble 09:16

Yeah.

Keely Berg 09:17

Isn't that cool? Yeah, I don't know. I think you have an eye for it for sure. Okay, um, so I'm going to transition now to the COVID questions. So when you first learned about COVID-19 What were your thoughts on it? Do you remember?

Jeremy Amble 09:36

Oh, yeah, for sure. Because, you know, you started seeing that TV like everybody else because like, What the heck is this and you know, everybody's kind of in you know, watching TV of course, the plan up here. What the heck was going to be happening going on whether you didn't realize it was gonna be going on in their world or grades is gonna affect us, you know, so, you know, that was kind of a big thing. And then of course, [inaudible] and all the information they're receiving about, you know, shutting down clinics and in, you know, everybody staying at home to work, then as you see, things are

getting shut down as far as, as it has drastically closing restaurants and bars and public places, and it's just amazing that that's happening to 2021 or 20220 at that time, you know, ya kind of, really kind of get maybe get scared about [inaudible] scared to go outside, you know, like a movie, like an apocalypse, you know, don't get next to someone, he made a COVID and it's gonna be the end of ya. So it's kind of scary, because they know what like, like myself, having been, you know, diminished lung capacity and stuff, and it's kind of stressful. Hey, gosh if I get this stuff you know, I've had a few bad calls where I've been doing, you know, well, the doctor, just, you know, maybe some that can be treated, you know, as far as, antibiotic or something. So, I mean, it's kinda like, I don't wanna be gettin this when you started seeing the TV and give me all the numbers of the cases and the death tolls, after effects that started coming out. So it's very scary time.

Keely Berg 11:19

It was scary. I agree with you on that one. I think you kind of touched on this as well, but what issues have most concerned you about the COVID 19 pandemic?

Jeremy Amble 11:30

Yeah, just so you know, if a person does get COVID, what's the long term effects because we still are never going to know till things happen. It's just like the chicken pox way back when that was a common thing, my age and before and now those get older people are getting shingles. And that's an after effect years down the road. Very painful and awful. Some of that happened to that. So, you know, hopefully, COVID isn't as bad, but you're kind of starting to see people that, you know, you hear people that are getting a little secondary and effects from it some that's kind of some worrisome so. But just, you know, just the uncertainty of things you worry about down the road, and how long we're gonna have to deal with this. It's gonna be like, [inaudible] flu shots every fall and do the same thing or what.

Keely Berg 12:21

I agree with you. It's all kind of a matter of what's going on in the world. And how are we going to solve this problem? I think a lot of confusion too at first. Did COVID specifically affect your small business? Like what you did with everlasting impressions? Did it make an impact on that?

Jeremy Amble 12:40

Not really, because I was selling stuff online. So if anything, if anything, it kind of made me boost a little bit, because I was making some nursing ones. We're in this together.

Jeremy Amble 12:52

A couple of them down at once, and some nursing ones and that kind of really good outcome and selling some of those. And then I was able to sell the middle probably till the middle to the end of last summer, I was able to go to the farmers market and do some farm a support farmers shirts, where I was donating \$3 A shirt to a local food pantry. So that kind of ya know, that was kind of a thing, which I want to do this summer again, and just kind of maybe expand into some other just been a fun, different things. So

Keely Berg 12:52

Yeah.

Keely Berg 13:26

Gotcha.

Jeremy Amble 13:26

Yeah. So I mean, they agree that effect, just as I said, a lot online anyway, so it wasn't a brick and mortar.

Keely Berg 13:33

Right. That was my next question. I wanted you to discuss what you did with "they farm So we can eat" that campaign, not campaign that

Jeremy Amble 13:42

Yeah. You know, the farmers are all thinking everybody's taking a hit. But farmers have, this is kind of like they're coming from farming and all these people. Farmers have always been up and down and up and down market [inaudible] of selling their beef for meat or dairy or for the cheese and or whatever. It's always been up and down market where I mean, three years ago, you were getting the same price that you were at, for the price of milk that you do. So it's gonna it's all based on supply and demand. And then whoever, whoever dictates it's, it's ridiculous. You know, in this day and age where one tractor, costs over \$150,000 When my parents bought the farm for \$40,000 in 1973 Well, you know, buying a farm versus buying a tractor 50 years later. Unbelievable. You know,

Keely Berg 14:40

I agree. I never really thought about the effect that this had on farmers until I met you and your family. I just sort of thought like, you know, farmers are always gonna have a job because they provide what we need to eat.

Jeremy Amble 14:56

Yeah

Keely Berg 14:57

It's so dependent upon The supply and demand chain, the economy and stuff like that. And I actually had absolutely no idea that that that tied together. So I'm really glad you talked about that.

Jeremy Amble 15:08

it's something that you run your own business and you have and you have no, you have no say on what your, your product or your product is worth. I mean, you know, like I said, getting [inaudible] the same

prices in the 1980, literally, I mean, they're getting paid to get down to be \$10 per 100 pounds of milk. That's \$1 a pound for milk, which, you know, year 2, 2018. That's crazy.

Keely Berg 15:38

Yeah.

Jeremy Amble 15:39

A lot of things a lot more to take a lot of money to put a feed into a cow and all the electric and all everything all the expense that go in here. That's [inaudible]

Keely Berg 15:49

Exactly and then there's also issues with like, governments want you to plant more corn, or they're gonna pay you a specific amount to plant this amount of corn. And that ties into it as well. I'm not totally well versed on that, but I know it exists.

Jeremy Amble 16:02

Yeah, but does they want just one or the other Yeah.

Keely Berg 16:10

Um, so do you know how I think you kind of discussed this already. But how has COVID-19 affected the employment of people that you know? So I was talking about farmers, obviously, your RN?

Jeremy Amble 16:24

Yeah, nowadays, a registered nurse. So she was that the work for the home and we visited the COVID [inaudible], she shared an office with three other co workers, and of course, with the spacing and everything else. And it sounds like this might be a forever thing now working from home, which, for me, that's not the worst thing. You know, that's great work. We're able to travel in the [inaudible]. And I think that they're gonna find that their hospitals and stuff don't need as many clinics per se for, you know, people that she doesn't have to see patients every day. So that's the thing. You know, when they have patients come in that wants to see can still go do that and just, you know, make arrangements. When the patient comes in, so then of course, we just really with the homeschool kids, it's been a it's it's been amazing. It's been nice here, because having the kids home. I don't know, that a Little House on the Prairie, maybe everybody's home and living in to play on. You know,

Keely Berg 17:26

I agree.

Keely Berg 17:26

that's [inaudible]

Jeremy Amble 17:26

I mean, and then, of course, you got some relatives like my, brother, one lost a job. Because he was in a food service. He's a cook in a restaurant, he went his whole life working in food restaurant business and lost his job because the restaurant shut down permanently. So you see how that happens. But then, you know, I mean, the government they the 600 dollars plus over unemployment, which is either good or bad for the short term, but I think it's bad for the long term.

Jeremy Amble 17:58

To some people get used to that money. Making more than they were, but five years, we'll look back and [inaudible].

Keely Berg 18:13

yeah. So you kind of touched on this as well, which is, how has COVID affected you and your family's day to day activities? You were talking about how now your wife stays home and does...

Jeremy Amble 18:27

Yeah, like I said last spring when this all happened. Of course, we stayed home pretty much every single day throughout the whole spring and summer. You know, grocery shopping I don't think I left the house literally the first few months doing anything because you know, there's uncertainty of everything. You know, we still get groceries, but we did the drive up approach with pickups until their screwing the heck out of that up screwing that up so bad where being at home, we pick up the groceries and end up a three bags short so it's very important to get groceries. But it was it was very enjoyable to spend time at home during the summer. Enjoying our porch and the nice weather and this and having to be running someplace.

Keely Berg 19:12

And we're able to go fishing too. That was fun.

Jeremy Amble 19:14

Yeah, the fish.

Keely Berg 19:17

Fish and then you have your pet ducks and

Jeremy Amble 19:20

yeah.

Keely Berg 19:20

Did you get the ducklings in?

Jeremy Amble 19:23

I think when they came in June, they come in June I think.

Keely Berg 19:26

I don't remember but those were fun

Jeremy Amble 19:28

yeah, I think the finally came in june.

Keely Berg 19:32

So then I was going to ask you what have you and your family or friends done for recreation during COVID? I know that you now are an expert smoker with...

Jeremy Amble 19:43

Yeah, smoking last couple months. Yeah smoking meat. Love this smokng the meat.

Keely Berg 19:51

[inaudible] Like you made [inaudible]

Jeremy Amble 19:53

Yeah i started out with a DIY Filing cabinets. Uh after the second or third use it wasn't working out as good. So I broke down and baught an electric smoker, they had a lot of fun. We just did another batch of pulled pork that tastes really good.

Keely Berg 20:11

I'm sure!

Jeremy Amble 20:13

my obsession is real about two or three Facebook pages with smoking noobs see all these foods that other people are making, it was kinda fun.

Keely Berg 20:24

So cool you're so into that, I think it's funny, but they taste, you did so good. Like when I had some of it, it was really good. So, um, any other hobbies that you like, we're like, really into during quarantine?

Jeremy Amble 20:38

Well we did the fishin like we said...fishin. I do have a setup, which I really need to get set up for myself. The only real ambition thing, so I gotta really gotta do that. And it's been just fun watching the kids [inaudible] especially when everybody's everybody can catch fish all the time. It's, you know, watching, watching and, you know, funny [inaudible] to touch a worm or take the fish off and scared.

Keely Berg 21:07

[inaudible name] wouldn't break the worms in half.

Jeremy Amble 21:12

Yeah.

Keely Berg 21:16

absolutely. No, I do remember gettin, doing that. That was so fun. I kissed my first fish that I ever caught.

Jeremy Amble 21:22

Yeah there you go.

Keely Berg 21:26

Okay, moving on. That was a good chat. What have been the biggest challenges that you faced during the COVID 19 Outbreak? Again, I think you've said this to anything else to add for that.

Jeremy Amble 21:40

Um, nah I guess the biggest, ah some other thing is, you know, having the vision of family, friends who have different beliefs. Some I'm not believing that it's true, that it's real. [inaudible] we'll go back to thanking our leadership of our country for throwing a lot of these things out. That's, that's the big one that's really hard because, you know, some immediate family to take things the wrong way, or they don't take it serious or, you know, whatever. So that's a hard one too. know, I tend to trade building breakdown bridges or building a bridge, I guess I'm feeling bad. But like, you know, get to the point where we'll let it go. And it's been here done that. [inaudible]

Keely Berg 22:31

I had a question about that. I was going to ask if anybody that you knew personally had concerns about the vaccine, or like, chose not to get it? Or?

Jeremy Amble 22:43

Yeah, I got a couple of brothers that don't. They don't believe in that. Because A, their ex President didn't believe in it. Whatever. It's like, what he's pushing for it. He probably got his but you know, just how easily? You know, I think they say the same thing, how we feel about, they want to say how easily a person to be swayed, or believe or follow or follow the sheep herd? Like we're all sheep. Well, you know, what, we got to pick a tie, you know, I like to choose and pick the side of science and pick the side of whatever.

Keely Berg 23:19

Do you want to inject some Lysol or some bleach. Should we do that?

Jeremy Amble 23:22

yeah yeah maybe, shoot some of that up. That that might be better for us all. But yeah. Yeah. I mean, that's kind of frustrating. You know, people want to get it like, well, it's flu shot, or polio. And, you know, the years when polio was way back, people did not question. You know, and I, I'm sorry, I think a lot of the social media so much stuff gets spread rumors, you know, I mean, should we question our government and push the things? Yes, there's times that we should. But when it comes to something like this, where, what is this benefit the government of shutting down for a year? You know, all this stuff, and as needed a flu shot to stop a worldwide pandemic? Virus? What does that benefit the government? You know, so I mean people are so skeptical about it, but then yeah, you know?

Keely Berg 24:17

Do you have any thoughts on the anti mask movement?

Jeremy Amble 24:23

Yeah, same thing. selfish, selfish, not worried about other people. You know, people, there's figure that people think that there's civil, civil liberties are being stepped on, that they can't do what they want to do. It's like, wow, you know, I want to I want to analyze it like I think so. That's nice. And people that don't want to wear masks are usually the ones having illegitimate children to from not taking birth control precautions, you know, I mean, it just is safe. They don't think outside themselves for that moment, you know, and say, oh, I don't want to infringe on that moment of time. Whatever. And, you know, nobody's gonna tell me what to do, and here we are, you know, and then maybe people have gotten COVID because they didn't wear a mask. And it wasn't that bad. So they're like, well, what's the big deal? You felt sick for a couple days? Well, maybe granny down the street didnt feel that way. And, you know, they dont think about the after effect, maybe two or three people down the road? Did they spread it to? You know, it's like that. We call like, the cat thing, you know, if you had two a pair of cats, and six months later a year later you got 40 cats.

Jeremy Amble 25:34

And all that does is it spreads

Keely Berg 25:34

Right.

Keely Berg 25:36

It does.

Jeremy Amble 25:38

People don't [inaudible]

Keely Berg 25:42

I don't understand why it's so difficult to wear a mask. But, I mean..

Jeremy Amble 25:51

[inaudible]

Keely Berg 25:52

Right? I know, I'm almost I don't know if this is you too, but do you ever watch like a program on TV? And you think, Oh, my gosh, they're too close together? Or oh, my gosh,

Jeremy Amble 26:03

I know it

Keely Berg 26:04

I do that all the time.

Jeremy Amble 26:05

Yeah I know it.

Keely Berg 26:06

No, I, and sometimes I'll see people in public without masks on and I'm like, Whoa, I like it, like, takes me back. It's like, Gee, I didn't forget what it's like to not wear a mask.

Jeremy Amble 26:23

Me, anybody that all the years of not wearing a mask, and one year wearing one. And how our minds are set through like, Oh, my God, they're not wearing a mask?

Keely Berg 26:32

I know.

Jeremy Amble 26:34

They didn't have to wear one. So it was so intrusive having to wear one.

Keely Berg 26:39

Right? I do also remember, I'm sure you do as well, when we weren't able to, like the government had asked us to not wear masks because we didn't have enough PPE for those who were in.

Keely Berg 26:52

And I think people are still taking they think like, well, Fauci told us not to wear masks in the beginning. So obviously, the circumstances were different then so did what were your primary sources of news during the pandemic? So were you...

Jeremy Amble 26:52

Yeah.

Jeremy Amble 27:14

television, you know, you watch ABC. I always look at google news, which led to the updated news from wherever Washington Post, New York Times whatever. So I always, always read that a couple times a day. And see what see what's kind of up on that kind of stuff, too. And that's kind of the primary sources.

Keely Berg 27:39

Um, do you think that the government did a good job of keeping people safe during this pandemic?

Jeremy Amble 27:46

Well, it's once it'll say, once in a lifetime, because some people lived through the 1918 or whatever the the first, you know, Spanish flu, whatever. But I mean, there's I shouldn't say that. Because that people the other stuff that's happened through the years with polio and measles, I guess some people have gotten their immunizations just because of what happened with that stuff. But, you know, I mean, I'm gonna say probably as good as you can, you know, to everything was uncertain when he has a new virus, which has characteristics of a the SARS has been on for a while. So they had an idea. I think that's what's the scary part for scientists and stuff was, okay, we know what SARS can do. But now, this one is doing something different. And it's not reacting to what we have for the SARS protocols and stuff. So then I guess the probably is does it I mean, your mind is set. Ex President to his two cents out there. You know, I mean, him in his part is zero. They let the scientists do their work. You know, so I mean, when I say government, when our government they coulda said throw Fouchi into that, because he was the head of the infectious disease, what he tried to do instead of because without being told by Trump, you know,

Keely Berg 29:26

I can't believe how much backlash he faced, even though he's so educated. He's such an educated guy...

Jeremy Amble 29:34

yeah, but he's worked for all different all different political parties too the last 40 years. So like, he's a has an agenda for one or the other. You know, he just a scientist, you know that he said, It is common sense. He wouldn't get a scientist that telling you one thing, but then Trump doesn't believe in the scientists who tells us global warming either and so, you know, you got a guy that he's probably in it for the now. They want much money he didn't He and his family so you don't give a crap about, you know, the rest of the world what its gonna be in 50 years cause he'll be long gone, you know,

Keely Berg 30:08

I know. Well, I don't really understand how science I don't think science is biased. I think science speaks its own and

Jeremy Amble 30:15

science is what it is.

Keely Berg 30:16

Right?

Jeremy Amble 30:16

Yeah.

Keely Berg 30:17

It's way science.

Jeremy Amble 30:18

Its Black or White, ya know. This works. This doesn't work.

Keely Berg 30:22

Exactly. So you are fully vaccinated now, right?

Jeremy Amble 30:27

Yes. Finally,

Keely Berg 30:29

yay. What was your experience? Like getting access to the vaccine? Was it difficult for you to get it?

Jeremy Amble 30:36

you know, the pre existing condition stuff, but it came up a lot earlier.

Jeremy Amble 30:40

But I definitely understand the healthcare, teachers, and in the first line, you know, I understand that that would be the first you know, first go around, but just kind of waiting my turn and put my name into three different places I was able to get in at our local Coplain Hills health care clinic. So yeah, but now the look at how much changes you know, now you walk into anywhere now there, which is good. And accessibility is there now, but not less and less people are getting them. So that's 60% of the country to go, you know,

Keely Berg 30:40

Right.

Keely Berg 31:20

it's depressing that slowing down but

Jeremy Amble 31:23

here today, I think I heard in the news and I don't know if that's I don't think it's Moderna but they're not

Keely Berg 31:30

Pfizer,

Jeremy Amble 31:31

Pfizer. I think it's gonna maybe open it up to the younger crowd, the 15 year old or 12 year old that not that he made open it up pretty soon.

Keely Berg 31:40

Well, that's...

Jeremy Amble 31:41

very interesting. Only got up to the end of the month, and they can get theirs as they turn 16. Okay, somewhere, that'd be great. And then we'll be all vaccinated.

Keely Berg 31:50

Yeah, I look forward to that. My family all just got vaccinated, too. Did you have any side effects to your vaccine?

Jeremy Amble 31:57

Not the second shot, little shoulder pain, neck pain, I thought I was gonna get a headache because I was getting pain, but never really came to a headache. And just a little tired. Nothing, Nothing, not expected. A lot of people do with the second one.

Keely Berg 32:14

Yes, absolutely. definitely would recommend it to anybody to who, who was thinking about getting it the side effects are worth it.

Jeremy Amble 32:23

Yeah,

Keely Berg 32:24

in my opinion, at least. I kind of skipped around a little bit on my my questionnaire sheet. But I think you really touched on a lot of the things that I was going to ask you. I guess I'm just going to ask a couple last questions. Have you learned anything about yourself from this pandemic? At all? If not, that's okay, too.

Jeremy Amble 32:48

Well, I learned many years ago that I'm patient, just from my accident, I guess. So having patients is always[inaudible]. So didnt really need to learn that. Just I learned how other people either ignorance, not wanting to learn, not wanting to whatever they've learned the kind of learn who maybe some people are on their selfishness of not wanting to wear masks, and then you kind of learn a divide of people.

Keely Berg 33:29

Yeah,

Jeremy Amble 33:30

that goes with our President and President divided if you like him, then you kind of like the divide of not wearing the masks too so or the vaccine. That should not even go hand in hand, but you can learn it, why some people are really followers of a scary person who reminds you didn't learn how these dictators come into power, you know, I mean, that's a big thing. You get to learn from some of the people in your family and friends and you know, what their beliefs are whatever else, you know,

Keely Berg 34:04

you think you know somebody and then you go into a global pandemic, and

Jeremy Amble 34:07

I don't want to, I don't want to use that whole, this whole thing is to justify a friendship or a family relationship either because, you know, we enjoyed that person so much before and then they find out that oh they're a Trump lover or they're not believing in the vaccine, I don't want to use that as a as a main [inaudible], I never talked to them again. Because up until that point, I've always enjoyed that person. It's just sometimes you just don't talk about

Keely Berg 34:35

right,

Jeremy Amble 34:35

you know, religion, politics and whatever else if [inaudible],

Keely Berg 34:41

right. No, I understand. Are your What are your hopes for the future for this pandemic? Other than I'm sure you've...

Jeremy Amble 34:50

It'd be nice if its done here, I think it's kind of slowing down and hopefully it's slowing down but like the, like the scientists doctors are warning usually There's been respiratory stuff there's a winter a fall winter busy or sick illness. So, you know, kind of buckle your belts don't get too overconfident that it's gone away. That's why, you know, they've tried to promote the vaccines especially because once Well, it's the things running. So hopefully that people are close enough to hurt me in theory, his numbers won't be as high but I will keep up with my vaccines and figure out and go from there has been this has been happening the places you like to spend time at.

Keely Berg 35:43

Hopefully I think overseas too, because I know Italy's still kind of going through some challenges. Hopefully they can start getting their their stuff figured out as well. Hopefully, finally, we can. I don't know if normal is necessarily the right term, because I don't know if we're ever gonna really go back to normal but back to not insanity. I would say. I'm looking forward. But yeah, thank you so much for joining me today. Jeremy. I love talking with you. You are truly you're I think you're so funny. And you offer a really good perspective to this to this COVID archive. I hope people in the in the future can look back on this and your perspective.

Jeremy Amble 36:27

Yep. It'll be something and when people look back that especially the ones that are young and are not born or younger, whatever else to see that oh, boy, that happened.

Keely Berg 36:36

Yeah, absolutely. I appreciate you talking with me.

Jeremy Amble 36:41

Okay, sounds good Keely.

Keely Berg 36:43

Thank you. You have a wonderful rest of your day, Jeremy.

Jeremy Amble 36:46

Okay, you too.

Keely Berg 36:47

Thank you.

Jeremy Amble 36:48

good luck cutting and pasting

Keely Berg 36:50

Oh, I will. I'll send you a copy of the transcript when I'm done.

Jeremy Amble 36:54

Okay, sounds good.

Keely Berg 36:55

Thanks, Jeremy.

Jeremy Amble 36:56

Bye

Keely Berg 36:57

bye.