

**FIRST QUARTER ISSUES PROGRAMS LIST FOR
TROY UNIVERSITY PUBLIC RADIO
January 1 – March 31, 2018
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Section I. Issues.

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community this quarter:

- A. Societal Issues:** Relations between South Koreans and Alabamians; Waterfowl; The Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., of Fostering Tolerance, Unity and Peace; Russia's Relations with the U.S.; Cold and Flu Season; Women in African Art; Alabama's Publicly Accessible Natural Areas; Food and Cultural Connections between the Eastern Canada's Acadians and those who migrated to the Southern U.S.; U.S. - Venezuela Relations; Transitioning from Prison to Society and Employment; Raptors; *Big Fish* the Book and its Story of the South; Arbor Week and Communities; Gun Violence and School Safety; Outdoor Tips for Hiking Safely; Travel Scams; Turkey Calling and Turkey Behaviors; Alabama Bicentennial Schools; Wintering Hummingbird Report.
- B. Historical Issues:** The Seminole - U.S. Wars; The Alabama Bicentennial and Its Architectural History; A Georgia Farm Family's Survival of the Civil War; The U.S. Civil Rights Trail and the Dexter Parsonage Museum; The Bicentennial Story of Alabama Statehood as Recorded by Early Historians; Milly Francis, the Creek Pocahontas; Early Indian Pottery Inspired Ceramic Artist; World War I Homes; Maxwell Air Force Base Centennial.

Section II: Responsive Programs.

The station has broadcast programming dealing with each of the above-referenced issues. Programming on *In Focus*, with host Carolyn Hutcheson, dealt with each issue in a 9-minute time frame, beginning at 12:40 p.m. Central time, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. On Mondays and Fridays, Don Dailey, Host- Producer of *Capitol Journal* on Alabama Public Television, does two 4-minute political review programs on *In Focus*, reflecting legislative and state government developments.

A. Societal Issues:

-Broadcast on January 9:

A discussion with guests Meesoon Hahn, Executive Director of A-KEEP, the Alabama - Korea Education and Economic Partnership, and Christa Springs, Assistant Program Coordinator, about the cultural and educational activities the organization is bringing to citizens and schools in Alabama. With Hyundai Motor Manufacturing's economic presence in the state, A-KEEP is cultivating more interaction between South Koreans and Alabamians.

-Broadcast on January 10:

A discussion for "Wildlife Wednesday" with guest Marianne Hudson, Conservation Education Specialist with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, about the status of waterfowl in our tri-state radio coverage area. Some of the waterfowl are migratory, whereas other species are native to the area.

-Broadcast on January 11:

A discussion with guest Dr. Tommie Stewart, educator and film actress (Tonea Stewart), about implementing the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to create a community of tolerance, unity, and peace. A community celebration of that legacy is sponsored by Alabama State University and Troy University on January 16 at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. at the Davis Theatre in Montgomery.

-Broadcast on January 16:

A discussion with guests - by Skype Troy Ambassador-in-Residence Jack Matlock, and from the Troy studio Dr. Doug Davis, Troy University Associate Professor of Political Science, about Russia - U.S. relations. Matlock is the former Ambassador to the Soviet Union and addresses the Alabama World Affairs Council on January 25th about Russia: Then and Now.

-Broadcast on January 17:

A discussion with guest Debbie Boutelier, Past President of the Herb Society of America and former Extension Agent, about coping with cold and flu season using old fashioned remedies from the garden. She shared her recipe for Elderberry Syrup.

-Broadcast on January 23:

A discussion with guest Associate Professor of Art History Kathryn Floyd of Auburn University serving as Guest Curator of the Troy University Rosa Parks Museum exhibit that celebrates the importance of women in African art, from the Donald and Kaye Kole collection, Savannah, GA. Also discussed was a large photograph of Rosa Parks greeting Nelson and Winnie Mandela, taken in Detroit following his release from prison.

-Broadcast on January 25:

A discussion with guests Ken Wills and Larry Davenport about Alabama's publicly accessible natural areas. Wills is a biologist and Davenport is a natural sciences professor at Samford University, and they set out to document outdoor areas of the state that are open to public access. They are authors of the book, *Exploring Wild Alabama, a Guide to the State's Publicly Accessible Natural Areas*.

-Broadcast on January 30:

A discussion by Skype from Halifax, Nova Scotia, with guest Simon Thibeault, a food writer with Acadian roots, about the cultural connections between Canada's Acadians and those who migrated to the U.S. South. In 1936, there was a reunion between Acadians and Louisiana Cajuns, organized by his great uncle. Thibeault wrote a book, *Pantry and Palate, Remembering and Rediscovering Acadian Food*.

-Broadcast on February 6:

A discussion with guests - by Skype with Professor Gabriel Aguilera of the Air War College at Maxwell AFB, and from the Troy studio with Associate Political Science Professor Doug Davis of Troy University, about the political turmoil in Venezuela and how the U.S. is impacted. The Alabama World Affairs Council will host Professor Aguilera as speaker on February 13.

-Broadcast on February 8:

A discussion with guests Nelson Smith, President of nonprofit Renascence, and Tricia Crowley, longtime Renascence volunteer, about the challenge of helping men coming out of prison transition to living in society and being employed. The Montgomery halfway home houses former inmates and helps them rebuild their lives, to avoid recidivism,

-Broadcast on February 14:

A discussion for "Wildlife Wednesday" with guest Marianne Hudson, Conservation Education Specialist with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, about the status of raptors in the environment. Accompanying her in the studio was a Red Tail Hawk. Valentine's Day is the general time that raptors mate.

-Broadcast on February 15:

A discussion by Skype with guest Daniel Wallace, author of the book, *Big Fish*, which was made into a movie filmed in the Alabama River Region, about his late father, who became the figurative model for the role of Edward Bloom. The Southeast Alabama Community Theatre is presenting the musical, *Big Fish*, March 13-17 and hosting Daniel Wallace February 17.

-Broadcast on February 21:

A discussion with guest Will Liner, Urban and Community Partnership Coordinator for the Alabama Forestry Commission, about Arbor Week and the importance of trees in the environment as the “lungs of the planet.” Liner is traveling the state to help communities plant trees, and he shared tree-planting steps with the listeners.

-Broadcast on February 27:

A discussion with guest Tony Garrett, Executive Director of Central Alabama Crimestoppers, about gun violence and the safety of school students. He shared success stories and statistics from the Crimestoppers initiative to get guns out of schools. Plans are to take the initiative statewide. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms provides the monetary incentives and rewards for guns turned in.

-Broadcast on March 6:

A discussion with guest Jimmy Harris, longtime Scoutmaster, Hiking instructor and Alabama Wildlife Federation Marketing Director, about navigating the outdoors safely while hiking or backpacking. Harris shared tips to introduce adults and children to the outdoors. He has been asked to teach a hiking class for the City of Prattville.

-Broadcast on March 13:

A discussion with guest David Smitherman, President and CEO of the Better Business Bureau Serving Central and South Alabama, about travel scams and precautions to take in booking Vacations.

-Broadcast on March 14:

A discussion with guests Steve Barnett, District Five Supervising Wildlife Biologist with the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries, Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, and Marianne Hudson, the Departmental Conservation Education Specialist, about turkey calling and turkey behaviors. Barnett illustrated various turkey calls and their meanings, while Hudson discussed research on turkeys in the state.

-Broadcast on March 15:

A discussion with guest Steve Murray, Director of the Alabama Department of Archives and History and Co-Chair of the Education Committee for the Alabama Bicentennial Commission, about Bicentennial K - 12 Schools and the various designations and honors they can earn.

-Broadcast on March 21:

A discussion with guest Fred Bassett, Federally Licensed Master Bird Bander, about the numbers of wintering hummingbirds he has banded in our tri-state radio coverage area, plus the twenty hummingbirds that have returned from previous years. Bassett's findings are carried on the nonprofit hummingbirdresearch.net website.

B. Historical Issues

-Broadcast on January 18:

An on-location discussion in Malone, Florida, with guest Dale Cox, Florida historian, about the U.S.- Seminole Wars, the longest wars with Native Americans in U.S. history. He talked about the events surrounding Fowltown, which is the subject of one of his eighteen books.

-Broadcast on January 24 and March 8:

A discussion with guest Melissa B. Tubbs, pen and ink artist, about her depiction of Alabama's architectural history. The Alabama Bicentennial Commission commissioned Tubbs to document 200 years of the most distinctive structures in the state. Her subsequent catalog is *Celebration and Preservation: Drawing Alabama's Architectural History*. This was a two-part interview, with the second program broadcast on March 8.

-Broadcast on January 31:

A discussion with guest Mary Jo Woodham about her family Bible, which survived Union General William T. Sherman's March to the Sea as he burned Georgia in the Civil War. Her family migrated from northeast Georgia to Bainbridge, bringing the fire-singed Bible with them, and she told family stories about their south Georgia life on the farm.

-Broadcast on February 1 and 28:

A on-location discussion with guests Dr. Shirley Cherry, Tour Director of Montgomery's Dexter Parsonage Museum, and Lee Sentell, Alabama Tourism Director, about the new U.S. Civil Rights Trail and the home of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his family from 1954 to 1960. The home was bombed on September 30, 1956, but King and his family remained and continued their fight for civil and voting rights. The program was a two-part interview, with the second program broadcast February 28.

-Broadcast on February 7:

A discussion with guest historian Mary Ann Neeley about the events leading to Alabama statehood, as recorded by early historians. The historians traveled to the corners of the territory to document events as they unfolded. At the Cultural Crossroads Symposium, an Alabama Bicentennial event, historians will share their stories on February 10.

-Broadcast on February 20:

An on-location discussion in Malone, Florida, with guest Dale Cox, Florida historian, about Milly Francis, the Creek Pocahontas, whose bravery in the U.S.- Seminole Wars led to the release of a white American soldier being held as prisoner. The story was carried in newspapers across the U.S. and led to a re-evaluation of the portrayal of Indians as savages. Cox wrote about Milly Francis in a book of the same name.

-Broadcast on February 23:

A discussion by Skype with Bluffton, S.C. potter Jacob Preston about the early coastal Indian pottery designs that inspired his ceramic art - the methods and animal motifs that translated into his own coastal themes.

-Broadcast on March 7:

A discussion with guest historian Jeff Benton about World War I homes and their utilitarian designs, which reflected an effort to provide affordable housing for returning soldiers and their families. On March 11, Landmarks Foundation will sponsor a driving tour of World War I era homes in Montgomery.

-Broadcast on March 22:

A discussion with guests Dr. Bob Kane, Maxwell AFB Air University Historian, and Captain Whitney Bertsch, Commander Military Personnel Flight 42nd Base Wing, about the early history of Maxwell AFB, its namesake, and its ties to Wilbur and Orville Wright. The air base is observing its centennial and its ties to the Montgomery community.