

WMGC-FM-HD2

PUBLIC AFFAIRS QUARTERLY REPORT
July 1 – September 30, 2016

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Section I – Community Issues

WMGC-HD2 is continually engaged in dialogue with community leaders and our audience to determine issues that affect our broadcast area. As a broadcast station, we are committed to addressing these issues in our issue responsive programming. Below is a list of the top issues of concern to the community that were addressed through public service programming during the quarter ending September 30, 2016.

- 1. Economy**
- 2. Terrorism / War**
- 3. Gender / Racial Issues**
- 4. Crime**
- 5. Government policy**
- 6. Parenting**
- 7. Environment**
- 8. Arts & Culture**
- 9. Presidential Election**

Section II – Public Affairs Program Listing

WMGC-HD2 aired the following public affairs program each Sunday between January 1 and September 30, 2016.

“The Peter Werbe Show”

Sundays, 6:00am – 7:00am

Written, produced, and hosted by WMGC-HD2 Public Affairs Director, Peter Werbe, the show features guests and community leaders discussing key issues affecting Metro Detroit with content mirroring issues of concern to our listening audience.

Section III – Public Affairs Programming and News Summary

Below is a summary illustrating how WMGC-HD2 addressed key community issues throughout the three month period ending September 30, 2016.

1. Economy

July 3, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Les Leopold, author, *Runaway Inequality: An Activist's Guide to Economic Justice*, said that it's not only about fairness of compensation, but also that wealth inequality harms the economy. 25 min.

July 10, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Robin Hahnel, author, *Of the People, By the People: The Case for a Participatory Economy*, discussed the impact the British withdrawal will have on that country and the effect on the U.S. economy and cities like Detroit. 25 min.

August 14, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Richard D. Wolff, author of the article, "When Systems Crumble: Looking Beyond Global Capitalism," said that traditional relationship of employer and employee has played itself out, now offering only crisis, and it is time to examine other ways to administer our economy. 25 min.

August 21, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Chuck Collins, director of the Program on Inequality at the Institute for Policy Studies, and co-author of the report, "The Ever Growing Gap," outlined the huge disparity in wealth between the white population and minority communities. 25 min.

2. War and Terrorism

July 17, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Norman Solomon, author, "The Most Important US Air Force Base You've Never Heard Of," in *The Nation* magazine described the role played by the Ramstein, Germany military facility in the many wars the U.S. is fighting abroad. 25 min.

August 7, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Joe Lauria, a foreign affairs journalist based at the UN, called from Erbil, Iraq to comment on the deteriorating situation in Aleppo, Syria, and the dangers to the U.S. of a confrontation with Russia. 25 min.

September 11, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Peter Kornbluh, Director of the Cuba and Chile Documentation Projects at the National Security Archives, and author, *The Pinochet File: A Declassified Dossier on Atrocity and*

Accountability, talked about the other 9/11, the 1973 CIA backed coup in Chile that overthrew an elected government and installed a military dictatorship. 25 min.

3. Gender/Racial Issues

July 24, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Comedian and Sirius XM talk show host, Dean Obeidallah, discussed the use of comedy as a way to bring attention to social problems such as anti-Muslim discrimination. 25 min.

July 24, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Ferris State Professor David Pilgrim, founder and curator of the Jim Crow Museum, a 5,000 piece collection of racist artifacts, said the museum uses objects of intolerance to teach tolerance. 25 min.

August 7, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Gerald Horne, author, *Confronting Black Jacobins: The United States, The Haitian Revolution, and the Origins of the Dominican Republic*, described the 1791 slave revolt in Haiti which created the first completely free republic and the impact it had on the American institution of slavery. 25 min.

4. Crime/Courts/Justice

August 28, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Roberto Gonzales, author, *Lives in Limbo: Undocumented and Coming of Age in America*, traced the impact on 150 Hispanic immigrants who arrived in the U.S. as children who have reached adulthood and now face an uncertain future. 25 min.

September 25, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Coleen Rowley, a former FBI agent, told of her whistleblowing following 9/11 regarding the mistakes made by the U.S. intelligence agencies. 25 min.

5. Government Policy

July 3, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Thomas P. Keenan, author, *Technocreep: The Surrender of Privacy and the Capitalization of Intimacy*, detailed how surveillance intrudes into almost all aspects of modern life. 25 min.

July 10, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Steve Lehto, author, *Preston Tucker and His Battle to Build the Car of Tomorrow*, told the story of how innovation and design fell victim to government and auto company opposition. 25 min.

August 14, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Sarah Jaffe, author, *Necessary Trouble: Americans in Revolt*, said that many people are involved in protests to reshape the country. 25 min.

September 18, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Andrew Cornell, author, *Unruly Equality: U.S. Anarchism in the Twentieth Century*, discussed anarchist participation in the great social movements of the 20th Century that changed laws and culture. 25 min.

6. Parenting

September 25, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Janice Fialka, author, *What Matters: Reflections on Disability, Community, and Love*, told the story of her son, Micah, who has an intellectual disability, and how their including him without differentiation into a community, allows him to live a rich life. 25 min.

7. Environment

July 31, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Roy Scranton, Iraq war veteran and author, *Learning to Die in the Anthropocene: Reflections on the End of a Civilization*, said the era of human domination based on fossil fuel energy sources will come to a bad end unless changes are quickly instituted. 25 min.

September 18, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

John H. Hartig, Refuge Manager, Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge, discussed his new book, *Bringing Conservation to Cities*, citing the need to engage urban areas in preserving our natural areas. 25 min.

8. Arts & Culture

August 21, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Tim English, author, *Sounds Like Teen Spirit: Stolen Melodies, Ripped-Off-Riffs, and the Secret History of Rock and Roll*, described the many songs that were taken from earlier melodies and the law suits that resulted. 25 min.

9. Presidential Election

September 4, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Thomas A. Kochan, Professor at the MIT Sloan School of Management, spoke about what workers should ask political candidates on Labor Day. 25 min.

September 4, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Investigative reporter, Greg Palast, discussed his Rolling Stone magazine article "The GOP's Stealth War Against Voters," about millions of people being purged from the voting rolls across the country, and how it will skew the coming election. 25 min.

September 11, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Matthew Charles Cardinale, CEO of State and Municipal Action for Results Today/Agenda for Legislative Empowerment and Collaboration (SMART ALEC) told of his group's efforts to create an organization to counter the American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) in the coming elections. 25 min.