

WMGC-HD2

PUBLIC AFFAIRS QUARTERLY REPORT

July 1 – September 30, 2013

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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, 2013

- 1. Economy**
- 2. Terrorism / War**
- 3. Education / Parenting**
- 4. Environment/Energy Issues/Climate Change**
- 5. Health Care/ Health**
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- 10. Current Affairs**

Section II – Public Affairs Program Listing

WMGC-HD2 aired the following public affairs program each Sunday between July 1 and September 30, 2013.

“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 on September 30, 2013.

1. Economy

July 14,, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Brian Miller, co-author, *The Self-Made Myth: And The Truth About How Government Helps Businesses and Individuals Succeed*, discussed the false claim that business success is the result of heroic individual effort with little or no outside help. 25 min.

September 1, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Eric Laursen, author, *The People's Pension: The Struggle to Defend Social Security Since Reagan*, described the threat from those who want to destroy an important part of the well-being of millions.

2. War and Terrorism

August 4, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Norman Solomon, of the Institute for Public Accuracy, discussed the implications of the Bradley Manning Wikileaks trial. RootsAction.org is sponsoring a petition to nominate Manning for the Nobel Peace Prize. 25 min.

August 25, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Norman Solomon, of RootsAction.org returned to tell about his trip to Oslo to present a petition to nominate Bradley Manning for the Nobel Peace Prize. 25 min

August 25, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Robert Naiman, policy director of Just Foreign Policy, discussed the ongoing crises in Egypt following the military coup. 25 min.

September 29, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Jeff Cohen, associate professor of journalism, Ithaca College, described a recent trip he took to Israel and Palestine. 25 min.

3. Education / Parenting

July 21, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Carolyn Raffensperger, director, Science and Environmental Health Network, described how current laws regarding ecology, written decades ago, are inadequate for a globalized economy, and suggested a new framework based on the Precautionary Principle for teaching in colleges. 25 min.

4. Environment/Energy Issues/Climate Change

July 21, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

John H. Hartig, Refuge Manager, International Wildlife Refuge, told how the Detroit River has improved such that fish and bird species that have missing for decades are returning. 25 min.

July 28, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

James Gustave Speth, Yale University dean and author, *The Bridge at the Edge of the World: Capitalism, the Environment, and Crossing from Crisis to Sustainability*, discussed the ecological, social and political crises the planet faces, and said his organization, 1 Sky, is addressing them with solutions. 25 min.

September 8, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Richard Heinberg, Fellow at the Post Carbon Institute, and author, *Snake Oil: How Fracking's False Promise Imperils Our Future*, discussed how new methods of energy extraction will harm rather than help the environment, our health, and the economy. 25 min.

September 29, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Keith Gunter, co-chair, Alliance to Halt Fermi 3, described the dangers inherent in nuclear power and urged listeners to attend the "Know Nukes 101" conference, Saturday, Oct. 5, at Henry Ford Community College. 25 min.

5. Health Care/Health

July 7, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Irving Kirsch, author, *The Emperor's New Drugs: Exploding the Antidepressant Myth*, examined whether the drugs for depression are effective. 25 min.

September 1, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Suzanne Gordon, co-editor, *First, Do Less Harm: Confronting the Inconvenient Problems of Patient Safety*, described the urgent reforms needed for hospital reform to secure the health of patients. 25 min.

September 15, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Marion Nestle, author, *Eat, Drink, Vote*, discussed how food politics determine what we eat and ultimately our health. 25 min.

6. Gender/Racial Issues

July 7, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Beverly Bell, author, *Fault Lines: Views Across Haiti's Divide*, discussed the country's

terrible earthquake tragedy and the social forces which made it even more devastating. 25 min.

August 4, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Minky Worden, author, *The Unfinished Revolution: Voices from the Global Fight for Women's Rights*, explained areas of success and problems in securing full rights for women. 25 min.

7. Crime/Courts/Justice

September 22, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Wayne Kramer, former lead guitar for Detroit's MC5, discussed the history of the band, its breakup, his imprisonment for drugs and how that led to forming Jail Guitar Doors which assists prisoners with music education. 25 min.

8. Government Policy

August 18, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Heidi Boghosian, author, *Spying on Democracy: Government Surveillance, Corporate Power, and Public Resistance*, and Executive Director, National Lawyers Guild, spoke about the implication of NSA spying on American democracy and the U.S. Constitution. 25 min.

September 8, 6:30 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

9. Detroit

July 14, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Armando Delicato and Elias Khalil, authors, *Detroit's Cass Corridor*, discussed the important of the area to the city's arts and politics. 25 min.

August 18, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Leni Sinclair, co-author, *Detroit Rocks: A Pictorial History of Motor City Rock and Roll*, described the early years of music in the city and how it intersected with the political, cultural, and racial factors present. 25 min

10. Current Affairs

The Peter Werbe Show

July 21, 6:00 am

Ed Sanders, author, *Fug You: An Informal History of the Peace eye Bookstore, the Fug You Press, The Fugs, and Counterculture on the Lower East Side*, discussed how his personal history intersected with the political and cultural events of the 1960s. 25 min.

September 15, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Stephen Zunes, Professor of Politics and chair of Middle East Studies at the University of San Francisco, discussed the ongoing Syria Crisis. 25 min.

September 22, 6:03 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Larry Tye, author, *Superman: The High-Flying History of America's Most Enduring Hero*, tells the story of why the man of steel who supports truth, justice, and the American way remains popular today. 25 min.