

WMGC-HD1

PUBLIC AFFAIRS QUARTERLY REPORT
January 1 – March 31, 2015

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Section I – Community Issues

WMGC-HD1 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 March 31, 2015

1. **Economy**
2. **Terrorism / War**
3. **Gender / Racial Issues**
4. **Crime**
5. **Government policy**
6. **Detroit**
7. **Current Affairs**
8. **Education/Parenting**
9. **Environment**

Section II – Public Affairs Program Listing

WMGC-HD1 aired the following public affairs program each Sunday between January 1 and March 31, 2015.

“The Peter Werbe Show”

Sundays, 6:00am – 7:00am

Written, produced, and hosted by WMGC-HD1 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-HD1 addressed key community issues throughout the three month period ending on March 31, 2015.

1. Economy

January 11, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

David Barsamian, host, Alternative Radio, discussed the impact of dropping gas prices on the economy. 25 min.

February 1, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

George Caffentzis, co-editor of *The Debt Resisters' Operations Manual*, said much of the staggering debit Americans suffer is illegitimate and offered strategies, both individually and politically, to address the issue. 25 min.

February 8, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Graham Casano, author, *A New Kind of Public: Community, Solidarity, and Political Economy in New Deal Cinema, 1935-1948*, discussed how popular culture has a deeper content than audiences perceive at a surface level. 25 min.

March 29, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Scott Myers-Lipton, author *Ending Extreme Inequality: An Economic Bill of Right to Eliminate Poverty*, said that extending what President Roosevelt put forth as what should be the birthright of every American, would end the vast gulf of wealth and poverty in this country. 25 min.

2. War and Terrorism

January 25, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Kathy Kelly, Co-coordinator, Voices for Creative Non-Violence, described her campaign against the U.S. use of drones in Iraq and Afghanistan where she has traveled extensively. 25 min.

February 15, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Bruce Gagnon, founder, Global Network Against Weapons and Nuclear Power in Space, described an upcoming conference in NYC, February 28-March 1, entitled, *The Dynamics of Possible Nuclear Extinction*. 25 min.

February 22, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Marjorie Cohn, Professor at Thomas Jefferson School of Law and past president of the National Lawyers Guild, gave reasons why Congress should refuse President Obama's request for an Authorization of Use of Military Force. 25 min.

March 1, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Alfred McCoy, author of the article, "The Real American Exceptionalism," discussed the dangers in the proliferation of war drones to other countries. 25 min.

March 15, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Alice Slater, New York Director, Nuclear Age Peace Foundation and Abolition 2000, spoke about the threat the 17,000 nuclear weapons still possessed by nations continue to pose a threat. 25 min.

3. Gender/Racial Issues

February 22, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Miriam Frank, author, *Out in the Union: A Labor History of Queer America*, interviewed over 100 LGBT union workers to demonstrate how they were in the vanguard of rights for gay people. 25 min.

March 1, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Larry Tye, writer, talked about the importance of Black History Month, using baseball pitcher Satchel Paige and the Pullman car porters as examples of suppressed histories. 25 min.

4. Crime/Courts/Justice

February 15, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Bruce Dancis, author, *Resister: A Story of Protest and Prison During the Vietnam War*, talked about how his resistance to the military draft led to his imprisonment during the U.S. conflict in Indochina. 25 min.

5. Government Policy

January 4, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Reese Erlich, author, *Dateline Havana: The Real Story of U.S. Policy and the Future of Cuba*, discussed the recent decision of the U.S. to begin talks regarding the normalization of relations with the island. 25 min.

January 18, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Gar Alperovitz, author, *What Then Must We Do? Straight Talk About the Next American Revolution*, proposes a possible next system that is not corporate capitalism, not state socialism, but something else entirely—and something entirely American. 25 min.

February 1, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Ray Raphael, author, *Constitutional Myths: What We Get Wrong and How to Get It Right*, discussed how contemporary politics are often rooted in incorrect interpretations of the country's foundation document. 25 min.

March 8, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Grant F. Smith, director, Institute for Research: Middle Eastern Policy, commented on Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's speech to Congress, and the hidden history of that country's nuclear weapons program. 25 min.

March 8, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

David Swanson, campaign coordinator for Roots Action.org, discussed the political implications of the Netanyahu speech regarding negotiating a nuclear treaty with Iran. 25 min.

March 15, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Robert Scheer, author, *They Know Everything About You: How Data-Collecting Corporations and Snooping Government Agencies Are Destroying Democracy*, said surveillance over-reach by official and private bureaucracies invade our privacy and interfere with the rights of citizens. 25 min.

March 22, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Tom Hayden, author, *Listen, Yankee: Why Cuba Matters*, discussed the future of American-Cuban relations and its importance to our country. 25 min.

6. Detroit

January 4, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Frank Joyce, author of the article, "Beware of Grand Bargains," gave an analysis of the Detroit Plan of Adjustment which brought the city out of bankruptcy. 25 min.

January 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.

7. Current Affairs

January 11, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Victor Pickard, author, *America's Battle for Media Democracy: The Triumph of Corporate Libertarianism and the Future of Media Reform*, discussed the monopolization of the public airwaves and how citizen participation can democratize them. 25 min.

January 25, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Dave Lindorff, investigative reporter, analyzed President Obama's State of the Union speech. 25 min.

8. Education/Parenting

March 29, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Frederick Lane, attorney and educational consultant, described the pitfalls the internet poses for teachers and school administrators. 25 min.

9. Environment

February 8, 6:00 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Dave Foreman, founder, The Rewilding Institute and author of *Man Swarm: How Overpopulation is Killing the Wild World*, said the growing human population is creating a growing threat to the earth's other creatures. 25 min.

March 22, 6:30 am

The Peter Werbe Show

Michael Dorsey, board member of Islands First and the Sierra Club, said that the recent cyclone that devastated Vanuatu is an indicator of climate change and the severe weather that can be expected to increase. 25 min.

Section V - Public Service Announcements.

During the three-month period ending March 31, 2015. WMGC-HD1 aired the following Public Service Announcements.

WMGC-HD1 PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT SUMMARY

January 1 - March 31, 2015

American Red Cross	93
Energy	30
March of Dimes	7
Peace Corps	166
Project hope	35
RADD	81
Recycling	20
Special Olympics	17
ST Jude	201
World Wildlife Fund	21
Wounded Warrior	48

Total of 719

Section V – Community/Charity Events/Donations

During the three-month period ending March 31, 2015, WMGC-HD1 created and/or participated in the following donations in support of each with on-air mentions.

Clark Park Winter Carnival

Afternoon hosts Drew Lane and Marc Fellhauer interviewed Fox 2 Detroit's M.L. Elrick and defense attorney Michael Rataj on February 20 to promote the Clark Park Winter Carnival Charity game February 28 in Detroit. Funds raised by the game helped maintain the park.

Leinenkugel Snow Softball Classic

Detroit Sports 105.1 and Leinenkugel teamed up for a celebrity softball game February 28 at Canton Sports Center. Donations were made to benefit CATCH, a charity founded by former Tigers manager Sparky Anderson. The organization helps improve the quality of life of pediatric patients at Children's Hospital of Michigan and Henry Ford Hospital.