

WEEF 1430am & 99.1fm
3rd Quarter Issues Report 2023

3rd QUARTER TOP TEN ISSUES REPORT FOR 2023

1. **ECONOMY** (Inflation, cost of living, credit, real estate)
2. **HEALTH CARE** (Covid-19, vaccine, insurance coverage, cancer, hospital safety)
3. **PUBLIC SAFETY** (Ukraine War, Covid, social distress, crime)
4. **EDUCATION** (school closings, safety concerns, in home education)
5. **GOVERNMENT** (taxes, federal/state reforms, election concerns, women's rights)
6. **IMMIGRATION** (citizenship, deportation, borders, discrimination)
7. **AGING** (home care safety for elderly, social security, retirement plans)
8. **ENVIROMENT** (pollution, recycling, changing climate, natural hazards, traffic)
9. **TECHNOLOGIES** (privacy issues, cybercrime, costs of being connected)
10. **ARTS/CULTURE** (tolerance. issues, maintaining heritage beliefs, cost of arts)

The above list was compiled by the following methods. Views, opinions by brokers, producers. Letters, Calls and emails from listeners. Staff and management analyst. Local and national news media as well As social media.

This quarter carried over many of the topics and concerns from the previous report.

Immigration continues to be an issue for the bordering states as well as other areas in the country taking in the masses of immigration. The Chicagoland area is reaching its limits as far as handling the population of the new arrivals. **Public safety, health and safety** issues are all criteria that need to address rather quickly. Many of the areas are already in **economic stress** and have a high rate of **violent crime** activities to deal with.

During the preparation of this report another **government shutdown** threat is looming. With 2024 elections nearing, political maneuvering is in high gear. Hopefully a deal can be made before the deadline. The Illinois Secretary of State has made some changes as on procedures on how to get and update on getting drivers licenses and other services at the DMV. The new system is to avoid lines and is primarily a by appointment only procedure with exceptions for **seniors** at certain locations.

Along with the Writers and Actors that have been on strike for months, unions for the automakers have just begun their strike across America. Hotel and other service type industries have also seen this kind of activity. This will affect car parts, traveling, availability of certain entertainment and arts just to name a few of the aspects that are and will be affected by strikes and shutdowns.

Polnet feels that the importance of localized programming communicates all the issues mentioned above a local understanding for the benefit of the listener.

Media Tracks located in Des Plaines produces 2 localized programs (RADIO HEALTH JOURNAL and VIEWPOINTS). Both shows are syndicated nationwide and are nationally popular. But being based local, many guests are from local areas and information is of particular interest to this area. While these 2 programs not only fulfill the public issues needs for this period, the programs are of local origin and each program has multiple subjects being covered, just makes this an essential informative source to all our listeners.

Polnet is proud that all programming that originates from our Northbrook facility, is locally based in the Chicagoland area. The Chicago Greek Hours as heard on WEEF is based out of Morton Grove. The Entertaining and informative multiple Russian programming that airs on WKTA all originate in areas of Northbrook/Wheeling locations.

All these programs produce live news/community programming daily. Our brokers have the ability to inform of events and happenings in the home language of their broadcast. This is one of the reasons why free broadcast local radio is an essential broadcast tool to our specialized listening audience. Many of our producers have web streaming, publications, and direct phone lines so listeners can connect multiple ways with their news source.

Local community institutions still provide many free services and events which we provide information to our audience in a public service announcement form. Sources such as the Northbrook Public Library provide many seminar types of services open to the public as well as the Lake County Health Department will have free health screenings on various concerns such as high blood pressure and diabetes.

Polnet is always looking to bring the best quality of sound and information to its listeners. Therefore, we encourage listeners to communicate back to us so we can be more informed of their interests, thoughts and concerns, as well as events. Communication is key to our business and to our listeners.

POLNET NORTHBROOK PRODUCER PUBLIC AFFAIR PROGRAMMING

WKTA PRODUCER BROADCAST PUBLIC AFFAIR

RUSSIAN PROGRAM “**Reklama Radio**” (M–F 7am-Noon)

Broadcast live 5 days a week. This program dedicates a good portion of content on news, politics and community interest and happenings.

LA MEGA (VARIOUS TIMES)

In house production featuring Spanish music, News, Community interest of the greater Gurnee Lake County Area. Airs up to date, real time happenings that are concerns of the Hispanic area such as Immigration support, legal and medical services. Interviews with community leaders where listeners can obtain support as to food pantries and employment opportunities.

WEFF PRODUCER BROADCAST PUBLIC AFFAIR

CHICAGO GREEK HOURS - M - F 7:00am to 11:00am

This morning daily broadcast appx of 60 minutes of news and additional 30 minutes of community and PSA content which covers local and international interest. Topics of economy, immigration, terrorism, health care, education, cultural and international affairs and are discussed on a daily basis. Host Sam Rekoumis has been on the scene since the 80's when he took over the helm of producing duties from Georg Kafolapoulis. He also publishes a monthly paper with news of all interest.

36.6 This Russian Health/Medical program is produced by Dr. E. Koles and airs Saturdays from 10am-1pm.

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WPJX PRODUCER BROADCAST PUBLIC AFFAIR

REBEL_RADIO 24/7 programming on WPJX participate in many local charity fundraisers and activities. A regular standard of daily PSA's air on this Heavy Metal program. Every Sunday WPJX airs MEDIA TRACKS programming that is locally produced in Des Plaines. Media Tracks provides 2 programs (RADIO HEALTH JOURNAL and VIEWPOINTS. Both shows are syndicated nationwide and are extremely popular coast to coast. But being locally based, many guests on the programs are from local areas and information is of particular interest to the community of the program's listenership.

WEEF, WKTA AND WPJX also when availability offers, will broadcast up to a minute of PSA product from the AD COUNCIL, IBA and other national and local non-for profits that have importance to the listening community. All stations airs Media Track's Radio Health Journal and Viewpoint.



WEEF-6am Sun

WKTA-4:30am Mon

WPJX-7:00am Sun

About RHJ *Radio Health Journal* is an award-winning, contemporary radio magazine focusing on the latest in health, science, and technology. Featuring interviews with renowned medical experts, doctors, scientists, and professors, *Radio Health Journal* has a 25+ year track record of providing you with information you can trust. *Radio Health Journal* is currently airing on over 525 radio stations and available on your favorite podcast platform.

Meet the hosts Nancy Benson was one of the founding hosts of *Radio Health Journal* when the program debuted in 1992. A former news reporter/anchor for WMAQ radio in Chicago, she has won numerous awards for reporting. Since joining the faculty of the University of Illinois, where she is Professor of Journalism, Benson has also become heavily involved in training journalists internationally. Previously, she worked in Rome as a public affairs consultant with the United Nations World Food Program.

Shel Lustig

Shel began his career in informational radio programming at Chicago's NPR affiliate, WBEZ, where he was a longtime host and producer of news magazine programs. At the PIA Radio Network, he produced Health Care and PIA Public Affairs before co-founding MediaTracks Communications, producer of Radio Health Journal. Lustig has won awards from organizations as varied as the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the Education Writers Association and the International Radio Festival of New York.

Meet the producer Reed Pence

Reed has been reporting on medicine since 1983, when he became host/producer of the Associated Press Radio Network's daily health feature. He later joined the PIA Radio Network as a producer of its programs Health Care and PIA Public Affairs. Since 1992, Pence has been

host and lead producer of *Radio Health Journal*. He is a winner of numerous national and regional media awards from groups such as the Chicago Headline Club/Society of Professional Journalists, the Board of Directors of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, MADD, and the National Hearing Conservation Association. Pence is a Kappa Tau Alpha honors graduate of the Medill School of Journalism at Northwestern University.



WEEF- 7am Sun

WKTA- 4:30am Tues

WPJX- 6am Sun

Viewpoints

**Award-winning reporting on current issues, featuring
America's leading experts**

About Viewpoints

Viewpoints is an entertaining, highly-produced, contemporary radio magazine with two major stories weekly. Each week, *Viewpoints* features interviews with guests that have expertise and real-world experience regarding current events, social commentary, entertainment and more. The program is currently airing on over 650 radio stations throughout the country.

Meet the hosts

Marty Peterson

Marty became co-host of *Viewpoints* in 2008 and brings a unique background to the program. After earning a bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College and an MBA from Northwestern University, Marty entered the broadcast field in 2003, and since then has done numerous projects for outlets including National Geographic, The History Channel and the Weather Channel. She also serves on the Women's Board of a variety of non-profit organizations including the [Field Museum](#), the [Lincoln Park Zoo](#), and [Northwestern University](#).

Gary Price

Viewpoints co-host Gary Price is a veteran radio programmer and voice-over talent. He has been the program director of legendary stations such as WOKY/Milwaukee and Chicago's WLS-FM, WCFL, WTMX, and WMET, as well as operations director for Infinity's WJJD-WJMK. Recently, Gary has done numerous projects for outlets including the United Nations, NASA, the Smithsonian Institution, and the New York Stock Exchange.

PSA - COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS - ALERT NOTIFICATIONS

As with all multi-language stations} there is a specific and unique audience that is supporting and listening to its airwaves. Our producers know that to keep their listeners "in the know" with events, programs, notifications, seminars, fairs ... is a way to connect the audience and return the audience and in return, the audience stays in tune with the program.

All the programs broadcast these entities mostly in the homeland language to make all information dear and timely to its audience.

Polnet Communications LTD] has always supported the PSA venders such as the:

AD COUNCIL

IBA

Lake County Health department and Lake County College

Along with other state and local non-for-profits organizations. Usually we are able to provide a 60 seconds spot on top of each hour along with the station legal !.D.

The following are a sample of resources and sources of materials used to provide our PSA and community announcement choices. We also do not manipulate our producers with announcement choices} we *feel* that they know what is concerning and is of importance to their listenership.

Also during our self produced programming (MUSICLfNES) we run several spots of PSA. material during these times.

Environmental Health

The Environmental Health Services Unit is the regulatory arm of the Cook County Department of Public Health and is empowered to enforce Cook County and Illinois state laws related to environmental health issues within suburban Cook County. Environmental health inspectors

regularly inspect, monitor, regulate, educate and advise the public on environmental health concerns that adversely impact human health..



Flood Safety Information

FOIAs



Food Safety



Healthy HotSpot



Laws and Rules



Lead Poisoning



Nuisances



Other Health Safety Topics



Permits and Licenses



Pest Control



Rabies



Reportable Diseases



Swimming Pools & Spas



Tanning, Body Art & Piercing



Tick Bite Prevention



Water and Sewage

Environmental Health

- [Fight the Bite Cook County](#)
- [Flood Safety Information](#)
- [Food Safety](#)

- [Lead Poisoning](#)
- [Nuisances](#)
- [Other Health Safety Topics](#)
- [Pest Control](#)
- [Rabies](#)
- [Swimming Pools and Spas](#)
- [Tanning, Body Art & Piercing](#)
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Quarterly Report of Compliancy Issues & Programs List

2023-Q3 (July - September) Radio Health Journal

- Abusive Relationship
- Accessibility
- Addiction
- Adolescents
- Affirmative Action
- Ageism
- Aging
- Air Pollution
- Air Quality
- Allergic Reactions
- Alternative Sweeteners
- American Population
- Amino Acids
- Ancestry
- Anxiety
- Aspartame
- Autoimmune Disease
- Bacteria
- Bed Rest
- Bioethics
- Biology
- Birth
- Birth Control
- Blood Disorder
- Blood Test
- Bone Density
- Bone Health
- Botox
- BPA
- Breast Cancer
- Bug Repellant
- Caffeine
- Cancer
- Carcinogens
- Cardiac Surgery
- Chemical Intolerance
- Chemical Reactions
- Chemotherapy
- Clothing Industry
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- College
- College Admissions
- Communication
- Communication Technology
- Concussions
- Congenital Heart Disease
- Consumerism
- Contraception
- Contraceptives
- Coping Strategies
- Deductible
- Deet
- Defense Mechanisms
- Delusions
- Depression
- Diabetes
- Diet
- Diet Soda
- Dietary Protein
- Disability Rights
- Disease
- Diversity
- DNA
- Drug Addiction
- Drug Use
- Economics
- Emotional Behavior
- Employee
- End of Life Care
- Energy Drinks
- Eponyms
- Ethics
- Ethnicity
- Evolution
- Exercise
- Family
- Fashion
- Fertility
- Fertility Preservation
- Flu
- Frontal Lobe
- Gender Issues
- Genealogy
- Genetic Conditions
- Genetic Disorders
- Genetic Sequences
- Genetics
- Genomics
- Geriatrics
- Gestational Diabetes
- Gynecology
- Hallucinations
- Hashimoto's Disease
- Health Insurance
- Healthcare
- Healthy Lifestyle
- Hearing Aids
- Heart Disease
- Heart Health
- High Blood Pressure
- High-Risk Pregnancy
- History
- Hormone Production
- Hormones
- Humanity
- Immune System
- Immunocompromised
- In Vitro Fertilization
- India
- Infant Safety
- Infants
- Infection
- Infectious Disease
- Injectable Filler
- Invention
- IUD
- Labor
- Lung Health
- Lyme Disease
- Mammals
- Marketing
- Mask
- Medicaid
- Medical Access
- Medical Culture
- Medical Ethics
- Medical History
- Medical Insurance
- Medical School
- Medical Technology
- Medicare
- Mental Health
- Mercury
- Metabolism
- Miscarriage
- Mobility
- Mosquitoes
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Muscle Repair
- Natural Disasters
- Natural Selection
- Nazi Party
- Neonatal Intensive Care
- Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome
- Neurology
- Neurons
- Neuroplasticity
- Neuroscience
- Nutrition
- Obesity
- Obstetrics
- Office Culture
- Open Heart Surgery
- Opioid Crisis
- Opioid Use Disorder
- Overdose
- Parasites
- Parenthood
- Pathology
- Patient Access
- Patient Safety
- People of Color in Medicine
- Pharmaceuticals
- Physicians
- Picaridin
- Politics
- Precision Medicine
- Pregnancy
- Pregnancy Loss
- Pregnancy Test
- Psilocybin
- Psychedelic Therapy
- Psychedelics
- Psychotherapy
- Public Health
- Public Policy
- Public Safety
- Public Transportation
- Race
- Radiation Therapy
- Rare Disease
- Rash
- Relationships
- Reproductive Issues
- Research Ethics
- Respiratory Disease
- Rheumatology
- Scholarships
- Self-image
- Sensitive Skin

- Sickle Cell Anemia
- Sickle Cell Disease
- Sickle Cell Trait
- Skeletal Muscle Health
- Smart Phones
- Smoke
- Social Infrastructure
- Social Pressure
- Southeast Asia
- Standard Care
- Stem Cells
- Stigma
- Stimulants
- Stress
- Stroke
- Sub-Saharan Africa
- Sugar
- Suicide
- Survival
- Technology
- Therapy
- Thyroid
- Tick-Borne Disease
- Toxic Chemicals
- Traumatic Brain Injury
- Travel
- Uniforms
- Universal Healthcare
- Vaccine
- Vasculitis
- Vector-Borne Disease
- Virus
- Vulnerable Populations
- Weight Loss
- Wildfire
- Women in Medicine
- Youth at Risk

Program 23-27

Air Week: 07/02/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: WILL HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVES WORSEN YOUR AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE?

Time: 1:50

Duration: 12:47

Synopsis: Of the 24 million Americans with autoimmune diseases, about 80% are women. A 2020 paper in the American Journal of Nursing estimates that nearly 90% of women who could become pregnant but don't want to use contraception – which may worsen a preexisting disease. Our experts explain what to do if you fall into this category and how to safely use hormonal contraceptives.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah, Reed Pence

Guests: Dr. Lisa Sammaritano, Professor of Clinical Medicine, Weill Cornell Medical College; Dr. Kristen Demoruelle, Rheumatologist, Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Colorado School of Medicine; Kristy Griffin, patient

Compliance issues: Autoimmune Disease, Birth Control, Diabetes, Gender Issues, Patient Safety, Contraceptives, Hashimoto's Disease, Hormones, Immunocompromised, IUD, Multiple Sclerosis, Rheumatology, Thyroid

Links for more info:

[M. Kristen Demoruelle, MD, PhD](#)

[Dr. Kristen Demoruelle | LinkedIn](#)

[Lisa Rose Sammaritano Professor of Clinical Medicine](#)

SEGMENT 2: DO YOU FEEL PRESSURED TO WORK WHILE YOU'RE SICK?

Time: 15:39

Duration: 7:11

Synopsis: Though the pandemic changed a lot about traditional offices, by now many people are back working in communal spaces. While this is great for building relationships, it's also a surefire way to spread disease. Our experts discuss how office culture feeds into putting yourself and others at risk.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah, Reed Pence

Guests: Richard Deosingh, District President, Robert Half International; Dr. Joseph Ladapo, Professor, University of Florida College of Medicine, State Surgeon General of Florida

Compliance issues: Infectious Disease, Patient Safety, Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Employee, Flu, Office Culture, Vaccine

Links for more info:

[Richard Deosingh - District President - Robert Half | LinkedIn](#)

[Joseph A. Ladapo, MD, PhD \(@FLSurgeonGen\) / Twitter](#)

[State Surgeon General | Florida Department of Health](#)

Program 23-28**Air Week:** 07/09/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: HOW CAN WE SAVE INFANTS FROM THE EFFECTS OF OPIOID ADDICTION?****Time:** 1:50**Duration:** 10:08

Synopsis: Though we've known about neonatal opioid withdrawal syndrome (NOWS) since the 1970s, there has never been a standard treatment plan across all hospitals. In fact, the scale that's used to determine a diagnosis is complicated and outdated. Experts discuss a promising new treatment approach and how to fix the root cause of NOWS.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Stephen Patrick, Neonatologist, Director, Vanderbilt Center for Child Health Policy, Vanderbilt University; Dr. Diana Bianchi, Director, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH

Compliance issues: Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Drug Addiction, Drug Use, Infant Safety, Neonatal Intensive Care, Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome, Opioid Crisis, Opioid Use Disorder, Standard Care

Links for more info:

[Stephen W. Patrick, MD, MPH, MS, FAAP | Department of Health Policy](#)

[Stephen Patrick, MD, MPH \(@stephenwpatrick\) / Twitter](#)

[Diana W. Bianchi, MD](#)

[Diana W. Bianchi, M.D.](#)

[Eat, Sleep, Console Approach or Usual Care for Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal | NEJM](#)

SEGMENT 2: "THERE'S NO 'NORMAL' PERSON": THE INTERSECTION OF ETHICS AND DISABILITY**Time:** 13:00**Duration:** 10:02

Synopsis: Bioethicists help governments, universities, hospitals, and patients make the best possible judgement calls based on cultural and personal values. But they don't always get it right. Experts explain how the disabled community is often left behind in society, medicine, and bioethics.

Host: Nancy Benson**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Jeffrey Bishop, Tenet Endowed Chair in Bioethics, Professor of Health Care Ethics, Saint Louis University; Dr. Brooke Ellison, Associate Professor, Stony Brook University, Author, Look Both Ways

Compliance issues: Accessibility, Consumerism, Ethics, Healthcare, Medical Technology, Public Safety, Research Ethics, Bioethics, Communication Technology, Disability Rights, End of Life Care, Medical Ethics, Mobility

Links for more info:

[Brooke Ellison | Center for Medical Humanities, Compassionate Care, and Bioethics](#)

[About | Brooke Ellison — Look Both Ways](#)

[Brooke Ellison | LinkedIn](#)

[Jeffrey P. Bishop, M.D., Ph.D. : SLU](#)

[Jeffrey Bishop - Tenet Endowed Chair in Health Care Ethics - Saint Louis University | LinkedIn](#)

Program 23-29

Air Week: 07/16/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: BIOETHICS PART 2: SHOULD YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO END YOUR OWN LIFE?

Time: 1:50

Duration: 10:49

Synopsis: In this follow-up to last week's discussion on bioethics and disability, we dig into Dr. Brooke Ellison's life as a quadriplegic. Using her own experience, she explains the public policies and technological advances needed to help people with disabilities live life to the fullest. Along with Ellison, Dr. Jeffrey Bishop -- a bioethicist -- explores the many ethical decisions that surround end-of-life care.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Jeffrey Bishop, Tenet Endowed Chair in Bioethics, Professor of Health Care Ethics, Saint Louis University; Dr. Brooke Ellison, Associate Professor, Stony Brook University, Author, Look Both Ways

Compliance issues: Accessibility, Consumerism, Ethics, Healthcare, Medical Technology, Public Safety, Research Ethics, Bioethics, Communication Technology, Disability Rights, End of Life Care, Medical Ethics, Mobility

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SEGMENT 2: IS PSYCHEDELIC THERAPY THE FUTURE OF MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT?

Time: 13:41

Duration: 9:12

Synopsis: Compass Pathways is leading the charge for psychedelic therapy. The research is currently in stage three trials and is expected to receive FDA approval in the next few years. An expert explains how the treatment works and if the therapy will be covered by insurance.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Steve Levine, Senior Vice President for Patient Access and Medical Affairs, Compass Pathways

Compliance issues: Consumerism, Depression, Healthcare, Mental Health, Therapy, Medical Insurance, Psilocybin, Psychedelic Therapy, Psychedelics

Links for more info:

[Steve Levine, MD | LinkedIn](#)

[NIMH » Sequenced Treatment Alternatives to Relieve Depression \(STAR*D\) Study](#)

[Single-Dose Psilocybin for a Treatment-Resistant Episode of Major Depression | NEJM](#)

[Psilocybin](#)

Program 23-30

Air Week: 07/23/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: “WE LIVE IN AN AGEIST SOCIETY”: HOW TO ENJOY OLD AGE

Time: 1:49

Duration: 12:29

Synopsis: Everyone ages, so why are so many of us not prepared to grow old? Dr. Rosanne Leipzig, a gerontologist, says most of her patients don't know what changes to expect in their old age – and often fight against the inevitable transition. She explains what's normal, what's not, and how to enjoy your later years in life.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Rosanne Leipzig, Professor and Vice Chair, Education of the Brookdale Department of Geriatrics and Palliative Medicine, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, Author, Honest Aging

Compliance issues: Ageism, Aging, Bone Density, Bone Health, Botox, Geriatrics, Hearing Aids, Injectable Filler, Public Health, Public Transportation, Social Infrastructure, Social Pressure, Suicide, Stigma

Links for more info:

[Rosanne M Leipzig - Internal Medicine | Mount Sinai - New York](#)

[Rosanne Leipzig](#)

[Rosanne M Leipzig MD PhD \(@leipzig_rm\) / Twitter](#)

SEGMENT 2: ARE YOU PROTECTED FROM TICK-BORNE DISEASES?

Time: 15:20

Duration: 7:03

Synopsis: Summer is a season of activities, but it's also the favorite season of blood-sucking bugs like ticks. Do you know how to best protect yourself, your family, and your pets? Dr. Bobbi Pritt explains which repellants are worth your money, and the most effective way to remove a tick to avoid diseases.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah, Tabor Brewster

Guests: Dr. Bobbi Pritt, Professor of Laboratory Medicine and Pathology and Director of Clinical Parasitology, Mayo Clinic

Compliance issues: Autoimmune Disease, Bug Repellent, Deet, Infection, Lyme Disease, Mosquitoes, Parasites, Pathology, Picaridin, Public Safety, Tick-Borne Disease, Vector-Borne Disease

Links for more info:

[Bobbi S. Pritt, M.D. - Mayo Clinic Faculty Profiles](#)

[Bobbi Pritt, MD \(@ParasiteGal\) / Twitter](#)

[Creepy Dreadful Wonderful Parasites](#)

[Bobbi Pritt | LinkedIn](#)

Program 23-31

Air Week: 07/30/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: HONORING NAZI DOCTORS AND CRIMINALS: THE DARK SIDE OF MEDICAL EPONYMS

Time: 1:50

Duration: 10:51

Synopsis: Eponyms honor people who discover diseases, treatments, and procedures. You may be familiar with ones like Alzheimer's disease, named after Alois Alzheimer, or Hodgkin's lymphoma, discovered by Thomas Hodgkin. However, Our experts explain how eponyms can go awry and place honor on criminals or even the wrong person.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Sabine Hildebrandt, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Boston Children's Hospital & Harvard Medical School; Dr. Eric Matteson, Professor Emeritus of Medicine, Mayo Clinic

Compliance issues: Ethics, History, Medical History, Vulnerable Populations, Eponyms, Gynecology, Medical Culture, Nazi Party, People of Color in Medicine, Vasculitis, Women in Medicine

Links for more info:

[Sabine Hildebrandt | Global Health and Social Medicine](#)

[Eric L. Matteson, MD, MPH, Section Editor, Rheumatology](#)

SEGMENT 2: HIGH-RISK PREGNANCY? BED REST MAY NOT BE THE ANSWER

Time: 13:43

Duration: 8:36

Synopsis: Bed rest is one of the most common interventions prescribed for high-risk pregnancies, but does it work? There's no research that proves bed rest prevents preterm labor, however multiple studies show that this intervention harms a woman's physical and mental health. Our experts break down the evidence and explain alternative interventions.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah, Polly Hansen

Guests: Dr. Michelle Mottola, Embryologist & Professor, Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Western Ontario, Director of the Exercise and Pregnancy Laboratory, R. Samuel McLaughlin Foundation; Dr. Cynthia Gyamfi-Bannerman, Professor & Chair of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences, University of California San Diego, President-Elect, Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine; Aileen Weintraub, Author, Knocked Down

Compliance issues: Bed Rest, Birth, Depression, High Blood Pressure, Patient Safety, Pregnancy, Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Gestational Diabetes, High-Risk Pregnancy, Labor, Obstetrics

Links for more info:

[Michelle Mottola, PhD, FACSM - School of Kinesiology - Western University](#)

[Cynthia Gyamfi-Bannerman, MD, MS, FACOG - Obstetrics & Gynecology | UC San Diego Health](#)

[LinkedIn: Cynthia Gyamfi-Bannerman](#)

[Aileen Weintraub](#)

[Aileen Weintraub \(@AileenWeintraub\) / Twitter](#)

Program 23-32

Air Week: 08/06/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: HIDDEN HEART DISEASE: WHAT MAKES A HEALTHY, 33-YEAR-OLD HAVE A STROKE?

Time: 1:49

Duration: 10:48

Synopsis: Bicuspid Aortic Valve is a rare heart condition that's twice as likely to affect men. While it can be easily managed on its own, BAV can lead to hidden, secondary conditions that may cause heart malfunction. An expert explains the signs and symptoms to watch out for, and what to do if you're diagnosed with BAV.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Chris Malaisrie, Attending Cardiac Surgeon, Northwestern Medicine, Professor of Surgery, Northwestern University; Alexander McKeown, BAV & Aortic Aneurysm Patient

Compliance issues: Cardiac Surgery, Mental Health, Patient Safety, Vulnerable Populations, Congenital Heart Disease, Genetic Conditions, Heart Health, Open Heart Surgery, Rare Disease, Stress, Stroke

Links for more info:

[S. Christopher Malaisrie, MD | Northwestern Medicine](#)

[S Chris Malaisrie \(@ChrisMalaisrie\) / Twitter](#)

[LinkedIn: Alexander C. McKeown](#)

SEGMENT 2: KITCHEN CHEMISTRY: IS ASPARTAME TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE?

Time: 13:38

Duration: 9:19

Synopsis: Aspartame has been studied for more than 40 years, but people are still skeptical of its safety. The World Health Organization recently released a report that reaffirms the sweetener's safety and didn't find any evidence of cancer-causing properties. Experts break down the new research and explain the effects of having aspartame in your diet.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. John Sievenpiper, Professor of Nutritional Sciences and Medicine, University of Toronto; Dr. Daniele Wikoff, Principal Scientists & Director of Health Sciences Practice, ToxStrategies

Compliance issues: Alternative Sweeteners, Aspartame, Cancer, Carcinogens, Consumerism, Diabetes, Nutrition, Obesity, Public Health, Public Safety, Diet Soda, Healthy Lifestyle, Sugar, Weight Loss

Links for more info:

[Wikoff, Daniele, Ph.D. | ToxStrategies](#)

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Program 23-33

Air Week: 08/13/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: HAVE WE CHEATED NATURAL SELECTION?

Time: 1:50

Duration: 11:38

Synopsis: Natural selection is the driving force behind evolution and has helped humanity survive for thousands of years. But now that we've invented objects that let us dive deep in the ocean or live in Antarctica, have we cheated this ancient process? An expert reveals how natural selection works and how humans may be its best ally.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Steve Reilly, Assistant Professor of Genetics, Yale School of Medicine

Compliance issues: Biology, DNA, Evolution, Genomics, Neurology, Public Health, Genealogy, Genetic Sequences, Humanity, Mammals, Natural Selection, Neurons, Stem Cells, Survival

Links for more info:

[Steven Reilly, PhD](#)

[LinkedIn: Steven Reilly](#)

[Reilly Lab](#)

[The functional and evolutionary impacts of human-specific deletions in conserved elements](#)

SEGMENT 2: MERCURY HATS, ARSENIC DRESSES, AND POISONED SHOES: TOXIC FASHION

Time: 14:30

Duration: 8:25

Synopsis: Clothes have always been a main form of non-verbal communication, but is this display of individuality worth the cost of our health? Alden Wicker, author of To Dye For, exposes the fashion industry's frequent use of harsh and toxic chemicals that are serious threats to our health.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Alden Wicker, Award-Winning Journalist & Author, To Dye For, Founder, EcoCult

Compliance issues: Allergic Reactions, BPA, Consumerism, Public Health, Chemical Intolerance, Chemical Reactions, Clothing Industry, Fashion, Mercury, Rash, Respiratory Disease, Sensitive Skin, Toxic Chemicals, Uniforms

Links for more info:

[Alden Wicker](#)

[Ecocult](#)

[Alden Wicker | LinkedIn](#)

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Program 23-34

Air Week: 08/20/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: REVEALING THE HIDDEN SYMPTOMS AND STIGMAS SURROUNDING BRAIN INJURIES

Time: 1:50

Duration: 11:58

Synopsis: Traumatic brain injuries can range from mild to severe, but there are symptoms that may not show up until months or years after the incident. Personality changes, hallucinations, and delusions are all common occurrences. Dr. Sandeep Vaishnavi, a cognitive neuroscientist, reveals the best practices to heal from a TBI, including meditation and nutrition.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Sandeep Vaishnavi, Cognitive Neuroscientist, Faculty Network Member of the Duke Institute for Brain Sciences, Duke University, Co-Author, Healing The Traumatized Brain

Compliance issues: Anxiety, Delusions, Depression, Mental Health, Neuroscience, Patient Safety, Vulnerable Populations, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Concussions, Frontal Lobe, Hallucinations, Neuroplasticity, Traumatic Brain Injury

Links for more info:

[Sandeep Vaishnavi | Duke Department of Medicine](#)
[Healing the Traumatized Brain | Hopkins Press](#)

SEGMENT 2: EVOLUTION PT.1: HOW OUR ANCESTRY IS REVOLUTIONIZING PRECISION MEDICINE

Time: 14:50

Duration: 8:08

Synopsis: Science has come to learn that one treatment plan or medication won't work the same for every patient. We need to tailor every dosage and application specifically for each person to have the best results. Our expert this week explains that in order to move into this new era of medicine, we need to take a look back at our evolutionary path.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Tony Capra, Associate Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of California San Francisco

Compliance issues: Ancestry, Bacteria, Evolution, Healthcare, Precision Medicine, Race, Virus, Disease, Genealogy, Genetic Sequences, Heart Disease, Immune System, Invention, Natural Selection, Travel

Links for more info:

[The influence of evolutionary history on human health and disease | Nature Reviews Genetics](#)
[Capra Lab](#)
[Capra Lab \(@capra_lab\) / Twitter](#)
[Codirector Tony Capra, PhD](#)

Program 23-35

Air Week: 08/27/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: SICKLE CELL DISEASE: AN EVOLUTIONARY PROTECTION TURNED DEADLY

Time: 1:50

Duration: 11:47

Synopsis: Sickle cell disease is the most common genetic disease in America. Red blood cells become crescent-shaped and die much earlier than healthy cells. Oddly enough, the cause of this disease stems from an evolutionary advantage against malaria. Our experts explain the health and financial burdens of sickle cell disease.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Russell Ware, Pediatric Hematologist, Director of Hematology, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center; Dr. Grace Onimoe, Pediatric Hematologist-Oncologist, Cleveland Clinic, Board Member, American Sickle Cell Anemia Association

Compliance issues: Blood Disorder, Evolution, India, Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Genetic Disorders, Infants, Pharmaceuticals, Sickle Cell Anemia, Sickle Cell Disease, Sickle Cell Trait, Southeast Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa

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[American Sickle Cell Anemia Association](#)

[Sickle Cell Disease Association of America](#)

[Russell E. Ware, MD, PhD](#)

SEGMENT 2: EVOLUTION PT.2: IS THE SUCCESS OF HUMANITY BASED ON LUCK?

Time: 14:39

Duration: 7:44

Synopsis: Last week Dr. Tony Capra, an epidemiologist, explained how evolution protected our ancestors based on their environments. Today, we're breaking down how this same genetic history affects our current biological makeup – including our vulnerability to disease: where it comes from and why we haven't yet evolved to be fully protected from illness.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Tony Capra, Associate Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of California San Francisco

Compliance issues: Ancestry, Bacteria, Biology, Evolution, Genetics, Healthcare, Immune System, Precision Medicine, Race, Virus, Disease, Genealogy, Invention, Natural Selection, Travel

Links for more info:

[The influence of evolutionary history on human health and disease | Nature Reviews Genetics](#)

[Capra Lab](#)

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[Codirector Tony Capra, PhD](#)

Program 23-36

Air Week: 09/03/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: “YOU DON’T DESERVE TO BE TOLERATED”: HEALING FROM TOXIC RELATIONSHIPS

Time: 1:50

Duration: 11:37

Synopsis: Many of us have experienced a toxic relationship at one point in our lives – whether we were the aggressors or the victims. Jaime Mahler, a psychotherapist, specializes in helping people move past this relationship pattern. She explains how to notice when you’re in an unhealthy situation and how to start your journey of healing.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Jaime Mahler, Licensed Psychotherapist, Author, Toxic Relationship Recovery

Compliance issues: Communication, Mental Health, Relationships, Therapy, Vulnerable Populations, Abusive Relationship, Coping Strategies, Defense Mechanisms, Emotional Behavior, Psychotherapy, Self-image, Survival

Links for more info:

[Jaime Mahler, MS, LMHC \(@recollectedself\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)

[Toxic Relationship Recovery | Book by Jaime Mahler | Official Publisher Page | Simon & Schuster](#)

[Jaime - Licensed Therapist \(@recollectedself\) | TikTok](#)

SEGMENT 2: IS THERE SUCH THING AS A ‘SAFE’ AMOUNT OF CAFFEINE FOR TEENS?

Time: 14:29

Duration: 8:36

Synopsis: Energy drinks have only gotten more popular since their creation in 1949. Today, many products market to younger audiences through sweet flavors like ‘tropical punch’ or ‘blue raspberry’ that contain up to 200 milligrams of caffeine. Doctor Holly Benjamin, a professor of pediatrics, discusses the dangers of adolescents consuming high amounts of caffeine.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah, Tabor Brewster

Guests: Dr. Holly Benjamin, Professor of Pediatrics & Orthopedic Surgery and Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Chicago

Compliance issues: Addiction, Adolescents, Caffeine, Diet, Mental Health, Patient Safety, Public Safety, Vulnerable Populations, Energy Drinks, Overdose, Stimulants, Sugar

Links for more info:

[Holly J. Benjamin, MD](#)

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[Sports Drinks and Energy Drinks for Children and Adolescents: Are They Appropriate? | Pediatrics |](#)

[American Academy of Pediatrics](#)

[Caffeine and Children](#)

Program 23-37

Air Week: 09/10/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: CAN WE FIX OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM WITHOUT STARTING FROM SCRATCH?

Time: 1:49

Duration: 10:05

Synopsis: America's healthcare system is full of patchwork legislation. Some experts say we should keep pushing forward with the status quo, while others want to completely rebuild from the ground up. And though many universal healthcare proposals skew more toward left-wing politics, Dr. Amy Finkelstein, a professor of economics, has a plan that aims to please both sides of the political divide.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah, Tabor Brewster

Guests: Dr. Amy Finkelstein, Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Author, *We've Got You Covered*; Dr. Jonathan Oberlander, Professor and Department Chair of Social Medicine, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill School of Medicine

Compliance issues: Consumerism, Economics, Health Insurance, Patient Safety, Politics, Public Health, Public Policy, Deductible, Medicaid, Medicare, Universal Healthcare

Links for more info:

[Amy Finkelstein | MIT Economics](#)

[We've Got You Covered by Liran Einav, Amy Finkelstein | PenguinRandomHouse.com: Books](#)

[Jonathan Oberlander | Department of Social Medicine](#)

[Jonathan Oberlander \(@OberlanderUNC\) / X](#)

SEGMENT 2: THE 'PERFECT PREGNANCY' DOESN'T EXIST: CHILDBIRTH THROUGHOUT HISTORY

Time: 12:56

Duration: 9:55

Synopsis: Modern technology has saved countless pregnancies. Instead of mothers worrying if they'll survive childbirth, they're now able to focus on the child they're expecting – which Dr. Lara Freidenfelds, a historian, says has shifted our view of pregnancy. Dr. Lara Freidenfelds explains how our mindset has changed over time and the repercussions that follow.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Lara Freidenfelds, Historian of Health, Reproduction, and Parenting in America, Author, *The Myth of the Perfect Pregnancy*

Compliance issues: American Population, Consumerism, Contraception, Pregnancy, Technology, Family, Marketing, Miscarriage, Parenthood, Pregnancy Loss, Pregnancy Test, Smart Phones, Youth at Risk

Links for more info:

[Lara Freidenfelds](#)

[The Myth of The Perfect Pregnancy | Lara Freidenfelds](#)

[Dr. Lara Freidenfelds \(@larafreidenfeld\) / X](#)

[LinkedIn: Lara Freidenfelds](#)

Program 23-38

Air Week: 09/17/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: HOW WILL THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BAN AFFECT HEALTHCARE?

Time: 1:50

Duration: 11:28

Synopsis: The US Supreme Court recently voted to ban affirmative action, a topic that's been debated for decades. Our experts break down how this will affect medical school enrollment, as well as the healthcare career opportunities for minority populations.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah, Polly Hansen

Guests: Dr. Dayle Davenport, Associate Dean for Health, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, Pritzker School of Medicine, Emergency Medicine Physician, University of Chicago Medical Center; Dr. Mark Henderson, Professor of Internal Medicine, Associate Dean for Admissions, UC-Davis School of Medicine; Dr. Geoffrey Young, Senior Director for Transforming the Health Care Workforce, Association of American Medical Colleges

Compliance issues: Affirmative Action, Diversity, Healthcare, Patient Safety, Race, College, College Admissions, Ethnicity, Medical School, Physicians, Scholarships

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[Mark C Henderson \(@MCHenderson4\) / X](#)

[Mark Henderson, M.D. | Executive Leadership | UC Davis Health](#)

[Geoffrey Young | LinkedIn](#)

SEGMENT 2: HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM AIR POLLUTION

Time: 14:20

Duration: 8:04

Synopsis: Wildfire smoke has affected cities across America, but it's not the only reason for our poor air quality. Polluted air leads to 7 million deaths each year worldwide, according to the World Health Organization, so how can you protect yourself? Dr. Nikki Vars McCullough, a respiratory expert, gives advice on how to stay safe even when inside your home.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Nikki Vars McCullough, Respiratory protection Expert, 3M Company

Compliance issues: Air Pollution, Air Quality, Natural Disasters, Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Lung Health, Mask, Smoke, Stroke, Wildfire

Links for more info:

[Nicole McCullough | LinkedIn](#)

[Air pollution](#)

[Maui wildfire one of deadliest in U.S. history | NFPA](#)

Program 23-39

Air Week: 09/24/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: WHY FERTILITY PRESERVATION IS CRUCIAL FOR CANCER PATIENTS

Time: 1:50

Duration: 11:54

Synopsis: A cancer diagnosis is often life changing, but many people don't realize that the side effects can be just as serious, like the risk of infertility. Patients only have a short window of time to preserve their fertility through sperm or egg retrieval. An expert explains what the process looks like for both genders and why we need to increase access to fertility clinics.

Host: Elizabeth Westfield

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Kara Goldman, Medical Director of Fertility Preservation, Northwestern Medicine, Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Northwestern University; Shelly Battista, Breast Cancer Survivor

Compliance issues: Breast Cancer, Cancer, Chemotherapy, Ethics, Fertility, Health Insurance, Medical Access, Vulnerable Populations, Fertility Preservation, In Vitro Fertilization, Patient Access, Radiation Therapy, Reproductive Issues

Links for more info:

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[Kara N. Goldman, MD \(@karagoldmanMD\) / X](#)

[After losing both ovaries, breast cancer survivor gives birth to identical twins on her two-year cancer-free anniversary](#)

[A Geospatial Analysis of Disparities in Access to Oncofertility Services | Oncology](#)

SEGMENT 2: KITCHEN CHEMISTRY: THE FACTS (AND MYTHS) OF DIETARY PROTEIN

Time: 14:46

Duration: 8:10

Synopsis: There's been a growing emphasis in the fitness community on protein consumption – but do we have all the facts? Dr. Emily Lantz, a professor of nutrition, breaks down how our body uses protein, how much protein we need in a day, and who needs extra supplementation.

Host: Nancy Benson

Producer: Kristen Farrah

Guests: Dr. Emily Lantz, Assistant Professor in the Department of Nutrition, Metabolism, and Rehabilitation Science, University of Texas Medical Branch

Compliance issues: Bone Health, Diet, Exercise, Nutrition, Public Health, Amino Acids, Blood Test, Dietary Protein, Hormone Production, Metabolism, Muscle Repair, Skeletal Muscle Health

Links for more info:

[Emily Lantz, PhD - Nutrition, Metabolism and Rehabilitation Sciences](#)

[Emily Arentson-Lantz, PhD: LinkedIn](#)

[Dietary protein quality evaluation in human nutrition](#)



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- Self-Development

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Program 23-28**Air Week:** 7/9/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: NO TRAVEL PLANS THIS SUMMER? HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OUT OF WHERE YOU ARE ALREADY****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 9:35

Synopsis: High demand for travel this summer is leading to exorbitantly high prices for flights, hotels and rental cars. If traveling out of state this summer is out of the question (or you just want to spend more time at home), we offer up some ways to rediscover your own town, city, or region and gain a new perspective.

Host: Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

Guests: Jessica Mlinaric, Chicago resident, writer, author, Secret Chicago: A Guide to the Weird, Wonderful, and Obscure

Compliance issues: Arts, Cuisine, Culture, Exploration, History, Music, Personal Finance, Tourism, Travel

Links for more info:

[Jessica Mlinaric \(@urbnexplorer\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)

[urban explorer \(@urbnexplorer\) / Twitter](#)

[How Will We Eat in 2023? Here Are 10 Predictions](#)

SEGMENT 2: WOULD YOU EVER SPEND \$63,000 ON A POUND OF RARE MUSHROOMS? SOME CHEFS SAY YES**Time:** 13:24**Duration:** 7:36

Synopsis: Purveying for the top chefs across America is an ever-changing series of requests dependent on food trends and tastes. While some chefs are seeking out rare microgreens, others are looking for the finest cuts of beef. And these small quantities of in-demand ingredients come at a hefty price. We highlight the many niche aspects of fine dining and how we can all take away some learning points to infuse into our own cooking at home.

Host: Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

Guests: Carrie Nahabedian, co-owner, executive chef, Brindille, Kostali by Naha; Susan Spungen, food stylist, cookbook author, Open Kitchen: Inspired Food for Casual Gatherings

Compliance issues: Agriculture, Cooking, Cuisine, Culture, Fine Dining, Food Trends, Global Trade, Innovation, Tourism

Links for more info:

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[Susan Spungen](#)

[Carrie Nahabedian \(@carrienaha\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)

[Carrie Nahabedian \(@cnaaha\) / Twitter](#)

[Carrie Nahabedian | James Beard Foundation](#)

VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: THE 36-HOUR REBELLION WITHIN RUSSIA**Time:** 22:00**Duration:** 2:01

Synopsis: Who is Yevgeny Prigozhin? The elusive leader of the mercenary force, The Wagner Group, is now globally known for the recent rebellion he launched against the Russian regime. We discuss the short-lived coup that's now known as the biggest uprising in Vladimir Putin's 23-year-reign.

Host: Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

Compliance issues: Conflict, Government, Politics, War

CULTURE CRASH: WHY ARE STREAMING PLATFORMS ALWAYS CHANGING?**Time:** 24:01**Duration:** 2:27

Synopsis: It seems like there's always a new streaming app coming or going lately. Take the creators of HBO for instance. In a short span of time, the subscription platform has been called HBO Now, HBO Go, HBO Max and now it's just Max. We discuss the ever-evolving landscape of streaming.

Host & Producer: Evan Rook

Compliance issues: Entertainment, Film Production, Media Business

Program 23-29**Air Week:** 7/16/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: AVOIDING CONVERSATIONS AROUND MONEY? HERE'S HOW TO GET STARTED****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 9:23**Synopsis:** Only 1 in 4 Americans feels financially secure, according to a recent survey by consumer financial services firm, Bankrate. We speak with two financial experts about how more Americans can have productive conversations about their spending and come up with a plan to save and invest more for the future.**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante**Guests:** Lori Sackler, certified financial planner, financial wealth advisor, author, *The M Word: The Money Talk Every Family Needs to Have About Wealth and Their Financial Future*; Emily Guy Birken, financial expert, financial writer, author, *Stacked: Your Super Serious Guide to Modern Money Management***Compliance issues:** Aging, Consumerism, Economy, Parenting, Personal Finance, Relationships, Retirement, Wealth**Links for more info:**[About the Author - The M Word](#)[Evergreen Lane Wealth Management Group | Paramus, NJ | New York, NY](#)[Emily Guy Birken \(@EmilyGuyBirken\) / Twitter](#)[Emily Guy Birken – Forbes Advisor](#)**SEGMENT 2: HAS ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOREVER CHANGED THE MUSIC INDUSTRY?****Time:** 12:42**Duration:** 8:42**Synopsis:** Yes, ChatGPT isn't dominating media headlines anymore, but the technology is still leading to massive changes across America. One area where it's making waves is the music production industry. We speak with two experts within the field about how artificial intelligence is forcing them to rethink the future of music artistry and production.**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Tina Tallon, assistant professor, artificial intelligence, music composition and the arts, University of Florida; Robert Laidlow, classical music composer, fellow, University of Oxford**Compliance issues:** Arts, Career, Composition, Copyright Infringement, Entertainment Business, Music, Music Streaming, Social Media, Technology**Links for more info:**[Robert Laidlow](#)[Robert Laidlow \(@Robert_Laidlow\) / Twitter](#)[Tina Tallon](#)[Tina Tallon, Ph.D. \(@ttallon\) / Twitter](#)[Tina Tallon | Boston Conservatory at Berklee](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: PEDESTRIAN DEATHS HIT A 40-YEAR HIGH****Time:** 22:24**Duration:** 2:01**Synopsis:** What's fueling the staggering increase in pedestrian deaths in recent years? We discuss this alarming upward trend.**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Accessibility, Public Health, Public Safety, Transportation**CULTURE CRASH: IS THE LATE-NIGHT TALKSHOW FORMAT DEAD?****Time:** 24:25

Duration: 2:02

Synopsis: Jay Leno. David Letterman. Jimmy Fallon. Stephen Colbert. We highlight the rise and fall of late-night TV.

Host & Producer: Evan Rook

Compliance issues: Culture, Entertainment, News, TV

Program 23-30**Air Week:** 7/23/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: MARY LASKER: A PUBLIC HEALTH PIONEER****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 7:36

Synopsis: The National Institute of Health. National Cancer Institute. These are just some of the research foundations that are thriving today thanks to the work of health activist Mary Lasker. We speak with biographer Judith L. Pearson about the many big contributions Lasker made to cancer & heart disease research throughout the twentieth century.

Host: Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Judith L. Pearson, biographer, author, Crusade to Heal America: The Remarkable Life of Mary Lasker**Compliance issues:** Government Funding, History, Medical Research, Medicine, Politics, Public Health, Science**Links for more info:**[Cancer Wars | Mary Lasker - Profiles in Science](#)[Amazon.com: Crusade to Heal America: The Remarkable Life of Mary Lasker](#)[Judith L. Pearson](#)**SEGMENT 2: THE INTERESTING ORIGINS OF CANNABIS****Time:** 11:25**Duration:** 9:27

Synopsis: Did you know that cannabis use dates back tens of thousands of years? While its earliest use traces back to Asia, it eventually spread to Europe and then America and was used in a variety of capacities. We speak with highly acclaimed pharmacology expert Dr. Richard Miller about the global history of cannabis and its controversial record over the last 70 years of American history.

Host: Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Dr. Richard Miller, professor, pharmacology, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine**Compliance issues:** Cannabis Legalization, Culture, Drug Policy, Government, History, Public Health, War on Drugs**Links for more info:**[Richard J Miller : Faculty Profile](#)[The War on Marijuana in Black and White | American Civil Liberties Union](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: WHY IS AN END TO AFFIRMATIVE ACTION SUCH BIG NEWS?****Time:** 21:52**Duration:** 1:49

Synopsis: We break down how higher education will be affected by the Supreme Court's recent ruling ending affirmative action.

Host: Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Education Access, Government, Higher Education, Inequality, Race**CULTURE CRASH: WHY WE CAN'T GET ONBOARD WITH CGI****Time:** 23:41**Duration:** 2:42

Synopsis: This week – we talk about the abundance (and overuse) of computer-generated images in recent blockbuster film releases. We also highlight a couple new summer drops that we're looking forward to.

Host & Producer: Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, Film, Technology

Program 23-31**Air Week:** 7/30/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: LOOKING THROUGH A NEW LENS: THE LARGEST & MOST POWERFUL TELESCOPE EVER BUILT****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 8:25

Synopsis: The James Webb telescope is the largest and most powerful space telescope ever built. A year and a half ago hundreds of thousands of people cheered after the telescope successfully launched and opened to begin capturing the universe in more detail than ever before. We speak with one astronomer about how this telescope will lead to greater discoveries – including the hunt extraterrestrial life.

Host: Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante**Guests:** Jacob Bean, astronomer, professor, Department of Astronomy & Astrophysics, University of Chicago**Compliance issues:** Astronomy, Culture, Innovation, International Relations, Physics, Space Exploration, Technology**Links for more info:**[James Webb Space Telescope](#)[The Department of Astronomy and Astrophysics | Jacob L. Bean](#)[See amazing images from James Webb Space Telescope's 1st year gazing deep into the cosmos \(photos\)](#)[James Webb Space Telescope \(JWST\) — A complete guide](#)**SEGMENT 2: WILL SOCCER FINALLY SCORE BIG IN THE U.S.?****Time:** 12:14**Duration:** 8:37

Synopsis: Soccer has steadily gained a following in recent years in the U.S. Amongst Americans 18-29 years old, the sport is now more popular than baseball. We speak with soccer expert, G. Edward White about what's driving this shift and why it took so long for soccer to take hold in America.

Host: Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster**Guests:** G. Edward White, David and Mary Distinguished Professor, Law, University of Virginia School of Law, author, Soccer in American Culture: The Beautiful Game's Struggle for Status**Compliance issues:** Entertainment, History, Nationalism, Parenting, Sports Culture, Technology, Youth Sports**Links for more info:**[G. Edward White | University of Virginia School of Law](#)[US Soccer](#)[Fútbol frenzy: Messi set to play first game for Inter Miami CF](#)[Fan Favorite: The Global Popularity of Football is Rising](#)[Amazon.com: Soccer in American Culture: The Beautiful Game's Struggle for Status \(Sports and American Culture\)](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: HOW MUCH ARE YOU PAYING FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS EACH MONTH?****Time:** 21:51**Duration:** 2:02

Synopsis: There seems to be a subscription for nearly every product or service these days. But how much is too much? And when you're ready to cancel, why does it always seem like it's a pain to go through the process? We uncover how some businesses use deceptive marketing tactics to keep consumers paying.

Host: Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Business, Consumerism, Government, Law, Marketing, Technology

CULTURE CRASH: ALMOST THREE MONTHS LATER: WHY THE STRIKE IN HOLLYWOOD IS STILL MARCHING ON

Time: 23:53

Duration: 2:31

Synopsis: We discuss the ongoing screenwriters and actors strike that's halting production on a large array of TV shows and films.

Host & Producer: Evan Rook

Compliance issues: Culture, Film, Technology

Program 23-32**Air Week:** 8/6/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: HOW ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IS FUELING THE \$1.1 TRILLION IN ONLINE RETAIL SALES****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 6:15

Synopsis: Online retail sales are set to surpass \$1.6 trillion by 2027. With so much growth in the market, retailers are investing big in artificial intelligence software that improves customer interaction, usability, supply chain and more. We speak with the Chief Technology Officer of Zenni Optical about how retailers are setting up for this new era of digital dominance.

Host: Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** David Ting, chief technology officer, Zenni Optical<**Compliance issues:** Business, Consumerism, Economy, Habits, Retail Trends, Technology, User Experience**Links for more info:**[With Zenni's AI-powered search, it's easier than ever to find a great pair of glasses |](#)[TechCrunch](#)[Zenni Optical](#)[AI in retail: Smarter stores, smarter product design | VentureBeat](#)[NRF | How artificial intelligence will change retail](#)**SEGMENT 2: WHAT'S HAPPENING IN HOLLYWOOD? THE STRIKE, EXPLAINED****Time:** 10:04**Duration:** 10:13

Synopsis: The screenwriters strike in Hollywood is now in its third month. Last month, the Screen Actors Guild joined forces with the Writers Guild of America and called a strike. We speak with two active voices in the industry about what's driving this strike and why these asks are so important to current and future professionals in this landscape.

Host: Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster**Guests:** Sofya Levitsky-Weitz, playwright, screenwriter, "The Bear"; Irving Belateche, screenwriting professor, School of Cinematic Arts, University of Southern California**Compliance issues:** Artificial Intelligence, Career, Creative Arts, Economy, Entertainment, Inflation, Labor Issues, Labor Rights, Pay Equity, Personal Finance, Technology**Links for more info:**[Sofya Levitsky-Weitz \(@sofyalilyana\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)[Writers Strike: WGA Exec Says Studios Are Locked In "Mutual Suicide Pact" – Deadline](#)[Sofya Levitsky-Weitz](#)[Irving Belateche](#)[Writers Guild of America West \(@WGAWest\) / Twitter](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: CAN CHATGPT PERFECTLY MIMIC HUMANS?****Time:** 21:17**Duration:** 2:34

Synopsis: ChatGPT, the generative artificial intelligence platform, has been dominating media headlines since its release late last year. We discuss what sets humans apart from this network created by OpenAI.

Host: Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Artificial Intelligence, Automation, Innovation, Labor, Software, Technology**CULTURE CRASH: THE POWER OF "BARBENHEIMER"****Time:** 23:51**Duration:** 2:36

Synopsis: Millions of Americans rallied last month as two of the biggest film releases hit theaters. Yes, we're talking about "Barbie" & "Oppenheimer" aka "Barbenheimer". We discuss the massive revenues these two movies drew.

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Host & Producer: Evan Rook

Compliance issues: Culture, Film, History

Program 23-33**Air Week:** 8/13/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: THE GROWING RISK OF WILDFIRES FROM COAST TO COAST: ARE YOU PREPARED?****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 8:55

Synopsis: It's been the deadliest year on record for wildfires in Canada. While California is typically the focus point for these events, the new reality of human-caused climate change is that wildfires are becoming a greater threat in areas never seen before. We speak with Dr. Adrienne Edwards, a botanist and wildfire expert, about how Americans can best prepare for wildfire season and help stop the spread.

Host: Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Dr. Adrienne Edwards, botanist, author, *Firescaping Your Home: A Manual for Readiness in Wildfire Country***Compliance issues:** Climate Change, Emergency Response, Environment, Government, Natural Disaster, Public Health**Links for more info:**[Firescaping Your Home: A Manual for Readiness in Wildfire Country](#)[We Made Wildfire an Enemy for 110 Years. It Could Have Been an Ally](#)[Firescaping The WUI \(@firescaping_the_wui\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)[Firescaping Your Home](#)**SEGMENT 2: FEELING DISTRACTED & DISCONNECTED? HERE'S HOW TO SLOW DOWN****Time:** 12:44**Duration:** 8:29

Synopsis: In 2012, researchers at the University of California-Irvine estimated that the average human's attention span was around seventy-five seconds. In recent years, this number has dropped to forty-seven seconds. What's leading to this continuing decline in our attention spans? We speak with one mindfulness expert to get some tips on how people can slow down, increase their focus, and feel less chronically stressed.

Host: Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster**Guests:** Christian Madsbjerg, professor, applied humanities, New School, author, *Look: How to Pay Attention in a Distracted World***Compliance issues:** Career, Chronic Stress, Health, Mental Health, Psychology, Self-Development, Social Media, Technology**Links for more info:**[Look: How to Pay Attention in a Distracted World: Madsbjerg, Christian: Amazon.com](#)[5 Reasons You Should Unplug From Social Media - CNET](#)[6 Skills to Help You Be Mindful | Psychology Today](#)[14 Strategies for Leaders to Adopt or Practice Mindfulness](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: AN END TO FINDING NEWS CONTENT ON SOCIAL MEDIA IN CANADA****Time:** 22:13**Duration:** 1:41

Synopsis: Meta – the parent company of Facebook and Instagram – has decided to ban all news content on these platforms in Canada. We talk about what's driving this big move and how it's going to impact both Canadians and media outlets.

Host: Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Government Regulation, Journalism, News, Politics, Social Media, Technology**CULTURE CRASH: WILL MARVEL BOUNCE BACK?****Time:** 23:54**Duration:** 2:34

Synopsis: The Marvel Cinematic Universe has had a series of flops in recent years. In a landscape with so much content, will this production company be able to bounce back and rebuild its brand name?

Host & Producer: Evan Rook

Compliance issues: Business, Culture, Film

Program 23-34**Air Week:** 8/20/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: FROM COW'S MILK TO SALTWATER OYSTERS: THE FIRST PEOPLE TO DIVE INTO THE UNKNOWN****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 6:45

Synopsis: Whoever thought, "This white, liquid substance from this animal looks like it is safe enough that I'm going to drink it." Out of the many items we have today (whether it's food, drink, or something else) there was a person who first took the risk in trying it themselves. We explore the many firsts throughout history and how key archeological evidence plays a role in accurately telling these narratives.

Host: Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster**Guests:** Cody Cassidy, writer, author, *Who Ate The First Oyster? The Extraordinary People Behind the Greatest Firsts in History***Compliance issues:** Archaeology, Culture, Food Industry, Food Science, History, Innovation, Invention, Medicine, Technology**Links for more info:**[Who Ate the First Oyster? by Cody Cassidy | PenguinRandomHouse.com: Books](#)[Who Invented Beer? | HISTORY](#)[Who Ate the First Oyster? Cave May Hold an Answer : NPR](#)**SEGMENT 2: SEPARATING FACT FROM FICTION: ARE YOU A VICTIM OF MISINFORMATION?****Time:** 10:34**Duration:** 9:58

Synopsis: Conspiracy theories have been around for hundreds of years. From secret projects to secret government societies, these theories are prevalent across society. We speak with two conspiracy experts about how these stories arise, why they're so pervasive online and why artificial intelligence may make these narratives more difficult to detect.

Host: Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Aunna Beranek**Guests:** Colin Dickey, writer, author, *Under the Eye of Power: How Fear of Secret Societies Shapes American Democracy*; Dr. Erik Nisbet, Owen L. Coon Professor of Policy Analysis & Communication, Northwestern University**Compliance issues:** Artificial Intelligence, Culture, History, Journalism, Media, News, Politics, Presidential Election, Social Media, Technology**Links for more info:**[Erik C. Nisbet](#)[Fake News, Big Lies: How Did We Get Here and Where Are We Going?](#)[Colin Dickey \(@colindickey\) / X](#)[Under the Eye of Power by Colin Dickey | PenguinRandomHouse.com: Books](#)[Disinformation Researchers Raise Alarms About A.I. Chatbots - The New York Times](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: THE SECRETS OF VENUS****Time:** 21:32**Duration:** 2:21

Synopsis: We highlight the deeper intricacies and theories behind Venus' unusual surface.

Host: Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Astronomy, Physics, Science, Solar System, Space Exploration**CULTURE CRASH: WHY DO WE LIKE WATCHING SCI-FI SO MUCH?****Time:** 23:53**Duration:** 2:33

Synopsis: From Black Mirror to The Twilight Zone, we explore why the sci-fi genre has always been a hit amongst American audiences.

Host & Producer: Evan Rook

Compliance issues: Culture, TV

Program 23-35**Air Week:** 8/27/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: 'NEVER GOOD ENOUGH': A RISE IN MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AMONG ADOLESCENTS****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 7:31

Synopsis: With summer break over and millions of students back in school, it's a good time to talk about the importance of mental health. After all, adolescents today face an excessive number of demands both in and outside of the classroom. This week on Viewpoints - We speak with author Jennifer Breheny Wallace about the importance of sharing how a person's value should never be linked to their performance.

Host: Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante**Guests:** Jennifer Breheny Wallace, journalist, writer, author, Never Enough: When Achievement Culture Becomes Toxic – And What We Can Do About It**Compliance issues:** Adolescent Development, Education, Mental Health, Parenting, Psychology, Self-Growth**Links for more info:**[Authentic Connections](#)[Never Enough: When Achievement Culture Becomes Toxic-and What We Can Do About It: Breheny Wallace, Jennifer: Amazon.com: Books](#)[Join the program - Challenge Success](#)[Mental Health and Academic Achievement](#)[We're Missing a Key Driver of Teen Anxiety - The Atlantic](#)**SEGMENT 2: WHEN GREEN ENERGY TURNS TOXIC: RE-TOOLING SOLAR PANELS****Time:** 11:20**Duration:** 8:50

Synopsis: Solar energy is big business in the U.S. and is only set to expand in the coming years, with an annual growth rate of 21%. But after these solar panels die, where do they go? How 'green' is this technology if we're dumping thousands of used, toxic panels into landfills? We speak with two experts in the solar panel recycling space about how innovation is driving this shift and what more needs to be done to make this energy source truly sustainable.

Host: Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Polly Hansen**Guests:** Adam Saghei, Chief Executive Officer, We Recycle Solar; Jesse Simons, co-founder, Chief Commercial Officer, SolarCycle**Compliance issues:** Environment, Local Government, Politics, Renewable Energy, Sustainability, Technology, Waste Management**Links for more info:**[We Recycle Solar](#)[Solarcycle](#)[Solar Panel Recycling | US EPA](#)[As Millions of Solar Panels Age Out, Recyclers Hope to Cash In - Yale E360](#)[Long-Lived? Highly Recyclable? Priorities for Solar Panels in a Circular Economy | News | NREL](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: AN UNCERTAIN FUTURE FOR COMMUTER RAILS****Time:** 21:10**Duration:** 1:38

Synopsis: Covid-19 shook up norms for many public transit agencies including commuter rail companies that pre-pandemic largely catered to commuting office employees. We highlight how several businesses are re-framing their strategy during this period.

Host: Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Business, Infrastructure, Labor Trends, Transportation

CULTURE CRASH: IS COMEDY DEAD OR DOES IT JUST LOOK A LITTLE DIFFERENT?

Time: 22:48

Duration: 3:39

Synopsis: Some people argue that the comedy genre is on its way out. But this week, we discuss how comedy isn't going anywhere— it's just adapting to the changing times.

Host: Tabor Brewster

Producer: Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster

Compliance issues: Comedy, Culture, Social Media

Program 23-36**Air Week:** 9/3/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: DROWNING IN DEBT? YOU'RE NOT ALONE: A NEW WAVE OF CREDIT CARD DEBT IN AMERICA****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 7:32

Synopsis: Credit card debt in the U.S. just surpassed one trillion dollars and payment delinquency rates are also on the rise. One factor that's feeding into these increases are a growing amount of credit card accounts. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York reports that there are 70 million new accounts since 2019. This week – we discuss the effects of escalating debt and how listeners can start taking back control.

Host: Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Chloe Elise, certified financial coach, author, Deeper Than Money**Compliance issues:** Banking, Consumerism, Economy, National Debt, Personal Finance, Psychology, Self-Development**Links for more info:**

[Credit-card debt hits \\$1 trillion --- that milestone comes at a very tricky time - MarketWatch](#)

[Amazon.com: Deeper Than Money: Ditch Money Shame, Build Wealth, and Feel Confident AF eBook : Elise, Chloe: Kindle Store](#)

[Here's how much of your monthly income should go toward debt repayment](#)

[What do I need to know about consolidating my credit card debt? | Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#)

SEGMENT 2: ACTORS & WRITERS ARE ON STRIKE, BUT WHY AREN'T MUSICIANS PICKETING AS WELL?**Time:** 11:21**Duration:** 9:56

Synopsis: Screenwriters and writers aren't the only ones feeling the pinch in this new media landscape dominated by streaming. Hundreds of thousands of musicians are struggling to make a living from the substandard pay they receive from platforms like Spotify and Apple Music. We cover just how the music sector has changed and why these artists don't have the same protections as other creatives.

Host: Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** David Lowery, senior lecturer, Music Business Certificate Program, University of Georgia; Rene Kladzyk, volunteer, Union of Musicians and Allied Workers**Compliance issues:** Creative Arts, Entertainment Business, Equal Pay, Labor Rights, Personal Finance, Technology**Links for more info:**

[Bandcamp](#)

[Union of Musicians and Allied Workers](#)

[Music Workers Alliance](#)

[David C Lowery \(@davidclowery\) / X](#)

[René Kladzyk \(@ziembavision\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)

VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: THE ESCALATING LEVELS OF CAFFEINE IN ENERGY DRINKS**Time:** 22:17**Duration:** 2:07

Synopsis: Over the past two decades, caffeine levels have continued to creep higher and higher. We cover how much caffeine is packed inside many of these newer energy drinks and the consequences of consuming higher-than-needed amounts.

Host: Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Adolescent Health, Marketing, Mental Health, Parenting, Public Health

CULTURE CRASH: A NEW ERA FOR POST MALONE**Time:** 24:24**Duration:** 2:01**Synopsis:** We give our review of American rapper, singer and songwriter, Post Malone's newest album titled, "Austin".**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, Music**Program 23-37****Air Week:** 9/10/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: WHY DOES EVERYONE, INCLUDING PARENTS, WANT TO BE INFLUENCERS?****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 7:16**Synopsis:** Two out of three people on Earth are on social media. With so many eyeballs online, it's big business to have a large social media following and work as an influencer. We highlight this ever-evolving lucrative industry and how new laws are better protecting those who've been previously taken advantage of.**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Stephanie McNeal, senior editor, Glamour, author, Swipe Up for More: Inside the Unfiltered Lives of Influencers**Compliance issues:** Career, Ethics, Law, Mental Health, Parenting, Politics, Psychology, Social Media, Technology, Wealth**Links for more info:**[Stephanie McNeal \(@stephemcneal\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)[Stephanie McNeal \(@stephemcneal\) / X](#)[Swipe Up for More!: Inside the Unfiltered Lives of Influencers: McNeal, Stephanie:](#)[Books](#)**SEGMENT 2: FROM DRUG TRAFFICKER TO INFORMANT: HOW EX-CRIMINALS ARE AIDING INVESTIGATORS****Time:** 11:05**Duration:** 9:59**Synopsis:** We speak with ex drug trafficker, Margarito Flores Jr. about his entry into the illicit drug trade at an early age and when he decided to get out of the business and start working for the other side. We also speak with Sgt. Ryan Wasson about the critical role informants play in aiding law enforcement, but why it's important to avoid glorifying the work of people like Flores.**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Margarito Flores Jr., federal drug informant; Sergeant Ryan Wasson, detective, Kane County Sheriff, officer, Homeland Security Investigations Task Force**Compliance issues:** Crime, Drug Trafficking, Health, International Issues, Law Enforcement, Parenting, Technology**Links for more info:**[SAMHSA](#)[Sheriff's deputies assigned to drug task force get federal credentials – Shaw Local](#)[Margarito Flores, Chicago cocaine kingpin who helped bring down El Chapo, will teach cops how to catch drug traffickers](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: AMERICA'S STRUGGLING CITIES****Time:** 22:04**Duration:** 1:50**Synopsis:** We highlight recent population trends across America in a post-pandemic world. Several once prominent cities have struggled to bounce back after a mass exodus of urban residents.**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Climate Change, Culture, Local Business, Population Trends, Poverty*Viewpoints Radio is a registered trademark of American Urban Radio Networks*

CULTURE CRASH: FROM LIVE CONCERTS TO FILM: THE DOMINANCE OF TAYLOR SWIFT

Time: 23:54

Duration: 2:32

Synopsis: It's the end of summer and we're still talking about Taylor Swift's "Era's Tour". Swift is continuing the mania (and profits) with the upcoming release of the movie simply titled: "The Era's Tour".

Host & Producer: Evan Rook

Compliance issues: Culture, Music

Program 23-38**Air Week:** 9/17/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: X (AKA TWITTER) VS. THREADS: THE STORY BEHIND META'S NEW SOCIAL PLATFORM****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 8:00

Synopsis: Do you remember the hype when Threads, Meta's new version of X, debuted earlier this summer? Everyone seemed to jump on the new platform at a moment's notice. But what happened to all the buzz? We speak with two social media experts about Meta's big investment in Threads and what needs to change in the coming months to avoid its quick demise.

Host: Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante**Guests:** Carolyn Garavente, associate director, paid social, Brain Labs Media; Danielle Carter, account director, paid social, Croud Digital**Compliance issues:** Adolescent Development, Creativity, Education, Life Skills, Mental Health, Parenting, Self Help**Links for more info:**[Threads will now let you search for posts - The Verge](#)[How brands are still finding their feet with Threads one month since launch](#)[According to Elon Musk's own math, the company formerly known as Twitter has lost 90% of its value and could be worth just \\$4 billion](#)**SEGMENT 2: SCHOOL, SPORTS, STANDARDIZED TESTS: WHEN IS THERE TIME TO BUILD LIFE SKILLS?****Time:** 11:50**Duration:** 9:20

Synopsis: As an academic advisor, Ana Homayoun has had thousands of conversations with students, parents, and administrators. Many of these talks typically center around grades, college admissions, career paths and other key academic to-dos. Yet, what's not as commonly talked about is the importance of life skills. This means cultivating independence, setting good habits and more. We speak with Homayoun about why so many teens seem to struggle post-high school and how adults can better prepare their kids in the long-term rather than focusing solely on short-term academic markers.

Host: Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Ana Homayoun, academic advisor, early career development expert, author, Erasing the Finish Line: The New Blueprint for Success**Compliance issues:** Adolescent Development, Creativity, Education, Life Skills, Mental Health, Parenting, Self Help**Links for more info:**[Mental Health | DASH | CDC](#)[Erasing the Finish Line: The New Blueprint for Success Beyond Grades and College Admission](#)[Opinion: We're thinking about teens and social media all wrong](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: CHINA'S DEEPENING ECONOMIC WOES: WHAT'S FUELING THIS DECLINE?****Time:** 22:10**Duration:** 1:45

Synopsis: Less jobs. Lower property values. Tightened consumer spending. These are just some of the challenges China's been facing over the past several months. Will this global superpower be able to avoid a full-fledged recession? We talk about why Americans should care about this developing international economic news.

Host: Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Global Economy, International Policy, Job Security Real Estate**CULTURE CRASH: A SLOW CALENDAR FOR PRIME TV SEASON****Time:** 23:55

Duration: 2:31

Synopsis: We cover how the screenwriter and actor's strike in Hollywood is slowing down TV series releases this autumn.

Host & Producer: Evan Rook

Compliance issues: Culture, TV

Program 23-39

Air Week: 9/24/2023

Executive Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Production Manager: Jason Dickey

SEGMENT 1: ARE YOU MAKING THE MOST OUT OF CHAT GPT?

Time: 1:47

Duration: 8:05

Synopsis: There's been a lot of hype around Chat GPT and generative AI this year, but is the average person actually using the new tech? We highlight how leaders in education policy are integrating AI into certain processes to create positive for teachers, administrators, and students in classrooms nationwide. From there, we breakdown what are some of the biggest ways AI helps with tasks and how you can go about interacting with these chatbots to get the answer you're looking for.

Host: Gary Price

Producer: Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante

Guests: Perpetual Baffour, Research Director, Learning Agency Lab

Compliance issues: Career, Education, Innovation, Productivity, Technology, Time Management

Links for more info:

[ChatGPT](#)

[Overview - The Learning Agency Lab](#)

[GPT-4: how to use the AI chatbot that puts ChatGPT to shame | Digital Trends](#)

[ChatGPT beginners guide - Geeky Gadgets](#)

SEGMENT 2: ONE AFTER ANOTHER: HELPING PEOPLE RECOVER IN A WORLD WHERE NATURAL DISASTERS ARE ALL TOO COMMON

Time: 11:54

Duration: 8:50

Synopsis: The reality: Human-induced climate change is leading to more frequent and powerful extreme weather events. In the U.S. and around the world, millions struggle to get back on their feet following the damage and destruction these disasters bring. As bystanders, how can we pitch in and help? We cover the physical and mental toll these hardships cause and why it's important to step up and give back in any way you can.

Host: Marty Peterson

Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Guests: Vickie Mays, clinical psychologist, distinguished professor, psychology, health policy & management, University of California-Los Angeles

Compliance issues: Climate Change, Emergency Response, Mental Health, Natural Disasters, Nonprofits, Psychology, Public Health, Trauma, Volunteerism

Links for more info:

[Vickie M. Mays | UCLA](#)

[Build A Kit | Ready.gov](#)

[Survival Kit Supplies - Redcross.org](#)

[How does climate change affect mental health? | APA.org](#)

VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: WHY ARE PRISON BREAKS BECOMING MORE COMMON?

Time: 21:44

Duration: 2:15

Synopsis: Aging infrastructure, fewer correctional officers, and a large inmate population. These are just some of the factors feeding into why prison breaks, and then large-scale manhunts, seem to be popping up more these days.

Host: Ebony McMorris

Producer: Amirah Zaveri

Compliance issues: Correctional System, Government, Incarceration, Public Safety

CULTURE CRASH: OUR FALL INDIE FILM PICKS

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Time: 23:59

Duration: 2:28

Synopsis: We highlight some of our favorite, small-production movie picks as we head into fall film festival season.

Host & Producer: Evan Rook

Compliance issues: Culture, Film