

# WAIC, Springfield, Massachusetts

## Issues/Program List

January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2024

During this quarter, programming about local issues produced by NEPM's *The Fabulous 413* (January 6-February 10) and *The Round-Up* (February 17-March 30) was broadcast on Saturday mornings between 5:00 and 6:00 AM. Hosts Monte Belmonte and Kaliis Smith talk with a variety of guests about stories in western Massachusetts on *The Fabulous 413* and Carrie Saldo talks with local journalists and newsmakers on *The Rundown*.

### **Issues**

Arts & Culture  
Economic Development  
Education  
Energy/Environment  
Hunger  
Justice,  
Law & Public Safety  
Politics/Public Policy  
Public Health  
Race  
Science

**Classical NEPM Quarterly Issues**

<b>Arts &amp; Culture</b>	1/13/24	5:35 AM	13:40	Damien Sneed, Jason Flowers and Mebrakh discuss the Springfield Symphony Jazz & Classics program for MLK Day.
<b>Economic Developmet</b>	1/20/24	5:19 AM	11:08	Valley Community Development Corporation discusses various regional projects.
<b>Education</b>	2/3/24	5:31 AM	12:50	Representatives of the Art of Soul Gallery discuss classes for teenagers designed to bring art and equity together in an accessible way.
<b>Politics &amp; Public Policy</b>	2/17/24	5:06AM	50:00	The Rundown: Carrie Saldo and panelists give their previews of what 2024's top stories are likely to be, from tax rates to west-east rail; a look at water issues affecting towns adjacent to the Quabbin Reservoir; and commemorating the 50th anniversary of an act of civil disobedience that sparked a nationwide movement to stop construction of nuclear power plants.
	2/24/24	5:06 AM	50:00	The Rundown: host Jill Kaufman and a group of journalists discuss allegations of a racial incident at Southwick High School and the ongoing controversy surrounding the governor's nomination of a former romantic partner to be a Supreme Judicial Court justice; Carrie Saldo speaks with Press Nembhard about her work and many volunteer activities in Franklin County.
	3/2/24	5:06 AM	50:00	The Rundown: panelists discuss results from the Super Tuesday balloting, local towns considering Gaza cease-fire resolutions, the strike by workers at the Mass MoCa art museum in North Adams, and the governor's \$20-million push to end homelessness among the state's veterans.
	3/9/24	5:06 AM	50:00	The Rundown: panelists discuss results from the Super Tuesday balloting, local towns considering Gaza cease-fire resolutions, the strike by workers at the Mass MoCa art museum in North Adams, and the governor's \$20-million push to end homelessness among the state's veterans.
	3/16/24	5:06 AM	50:00	The Rundown: host Carrie Saldo and a panel of journalists examine the fallout from a gunfire incident at Springfield's Sci-Tech High School, the governor's visit to the region to promote an economic-development bill, the race to succeed retiring state representative Smitty Pignatelli, and the comeback of the bald eagle in New England.
	3/23/24	5:06 AM	50:00	The Rundown: host Carrie Saldo and guest journalists examine fallout from racial incidents at high schools in Southwick and Pittsfield, along with a look at the region's role in a statewide energy infrastructure plan, and thoughts on fast-tracking repairs for a dam in the Berkshires.

	3/30/24	5:06 AM	50:00	The Rundown: Carrie Saldo and panelists review ongoing concerns over the state's migrant shelter system, the outcome of court proceedings from the 2020 covid outbreak at the Holyoke Soldiers' Home, the prospect of Holyoke regaining control of its schools after years of state receivership, and the state's congressional delegation challenging the White House's refusal of a disaster declaration for three counties impacted by last summer's floods.