# Quarterly Listing of Community Issues and Programs January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024 Prepared by: Jasen Sokol, Director, WJCU-FM

### **News/Current Events**

Program: Feature Story News	Producer: Feature Story News
Air Date: Daily Monday-Friday	Time: 8:00 AM, 12:00 PM, 5:00 PM (05:00)

Feature Story News is a five-minute roundup of national and international news. WJCU airs these news roundups three times each weekday.

## **Health: Health Benefits of Having Pets**

Program: With Good Reason	Producer: Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
Air Date: January 7, 2024	Time: 6:00 AM (29:00)

With Good Reason is a weekly, syndicated talk show that explores a wide range of topics with leading scholars.

In the earlier stages of the pandemic, when many people were still staying as close to home as possible, nearly 1 in 5 American households adopted a pet. Furry cats and snuggly dogs—and some temperamental pigs. Sherrie Clark is a veterinarian who treats and studies pet pigs. She says they make good pets—for the right family. And: Relationships between dogs and humans go back 10,000 years. Nancy Gee says that today relationships between people and pooches improve health outcomes for everyone with two or four legs.

### **Education: Free Speech on Campus**

Program: The Best of Our Knowledge	Producer: WAMC
Air Date: January 7, 2024	Time: 6:30 AM (30:00)

The Best of Our Knowledge is a syndicated show that focuses on issues related to education.

On this episode of The Best of Our Knowledge: The Israel-Hamas war has intensified debate over free speech on college campuses. And we'll speak with an internationally-known advocate for human rights in the West Bank about how the war has affected learning and the natural environment.

### **Health: The Next Pandemic**

Program: With Good Reason	Producer: Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
Air Date: January 21, 2024	Time: 6:00 AM (29:00)

With Good Reason is a weekly, syndicated talk show that explores a wide range of topics with leading scholars.

Beverly Sher has been teaching her "Emerging Diseases" seminar since 1996. From AIDS in the 1990s, SARS in 2003, the H1N1 pandemic in 2009 and the modern COVID-19 pandemic, students realize what public health crises reveal about the psychology and sociology of a nation. And: Since it was first identified in the United States in 1975, Lyme disease has become the world's most common disease to spread from animals to humans through the bite of infected ticks. The sooner it's treated, the better the possible outcome for the patient. This is good news. Except that current testing for Lyme disease takes weeks. Brandon Jutras and his team are working on a rapid, at-home Lyme detection test.

## **Artificial Intelligence: Teaching AI**

Program: The Best of Our Knowledge	Producer: WAMC
Air Date: January 28, 2024	Time: 6:30 AM (30:00)

The Best of Our Knowledge is a syndicated show that focuses on issues related to education.

On this episode of The Best of Our Knowledge: Universities across New York state studying AI are banding together to unlock the potential of the technology to benefit public good. We'll speak with a researcher who has been working to develop classroom curricula surrounding the rapidly advancing technology. And 2023 was the warmest year on record. We'll learn more from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

#### **Education: Teacher Education**

Program: The Best of Our Knowledge	Producer: WAMC
Air Date: February 4, 2024	Time: 6:30 AM (30:00)

The Best of Our Knowledge is a syndicated show that focuses on issues related to education.

This week on The Best of Our Knowledge: we'll learn about a science degree program offering a unique look at the future of fermentation. And we'll hear how one institution in New York state is adapting to proposed changes in teaching standards.

### **Education: Free Speech on Campus**

Program: The Best of Our Knowledge	Producer: WAMC
Air Date: February 11, 2024	Time: 6:30 AM (30:00)

The Best of Our Knowledge is a syndicated show that focuses on issues related to education.

Following the resignation of former president Claudine Gay, Harvard University is at the center of the debate over free speech on college campuses. On this episode of The Best of Our Knowledge, we'll speak with a member of a faculty organization defending the rights of students to protest violence against Palestinians. And we'll speak with the supervisor of the Onondaga Nation Farm.

### **Education: Music and Journalism Education**

Program: The Best of Our Knowledge	Producer: WAMC
Air Date: March 3, 2024	Time: 6:30 AM (30:00)

The Best of Our Knowledge is a syndicated show that focuses on issues related to education.

On this episode of The Best of Our Knowledge: A mild winter allows for an early prescribed fire. We'll speak with acclaimed jazz trumpeter and music educator Sean Jones. And a push by public colleges and universities in New York aims to get more students involved in producing local news

### **Education: Adventure Education**

Program: The Best of Our Knowledge	Producer: WAMC
Air Date: March 10, 2024	Time: 6:30 AM (30:00)

The Best of Our Knowledge is a syndicated show that focuses on issues related to education.

Beyond teaching a life-saving skill, competitive swimming can forge life-long bonds. We'll visit a club swim team in the Hudson Valley. A college in Colorado offers a unique major in Adventure Education. And a student research project at the University of West Florida is shining a light to help detect Alzheimer's disease.

### **Economy: Vacation Destinations**

Program: With Good Reason	Producer: Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
Air Date: March 17, 2024	Time: 6:00 AM (29:00)

With Good Reason is a weekly, syndicated talk show that explores a wide range of topics with leading scholars.

About 80% of Americans have visited Disney World in Florida. Marc Williams says that Disney World has both shaped and been shaped by American identity. And: Anita Zatori sees an increase in young people choosing vacation destinations not to be there, but to create content of themselves being there.

## Veterans' Issues: Returning to Civilian Life

Program: With Good Reason	Producer: Virginia Foundation for the Humanities
Air Date: March 24, 2024	Time: 6:00 AM (29:00)

With Good Reason is a weekly, syndicated talk show that explores a wide range of topics with leading scholars.

When Latorial Faison meets somebody, she can almost immediately tell if they attended a Black school during segregation. She says they carry themselves with a special sense of pride. It's actually what set her on her journey to writing her book, The Missed Education of the Negro: An Examination of the Black Segregated Education Experience in Southampton County, Virginia 1950-1970. And: Franklin County, Virginia once boasted a whopping 177 schools. Most were tiny one room buildings built by local communities in the first half of the 20th century. Benny Gibson and his son, Abe Gibson, have been consulting old maps and knocking on doors to recover what they call the Vanishing Schools of Franklin County.

## **History: History of Popular Music**

Program: The Best of Our Knowledge	Producer: WAMC
Air Date: March 24, 2024	Time: 6:30 AM (30:00)

The Best of Our Knowledge is a syndicated show that focuses on issues related to education.

In an age of smartphones and streaming, where physical media is disappearing, we'll take a trip to the largest collection of popular music in the world – and meet the man who has dedicated most of his life to cataloguing recordings and historic materials. And we'll attend a groundbreaking for a new middle school in Holyoke, Massachusetts.