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QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAM LIST

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October, November, December 2019

This is a sample of quarterly issues/programs presented on WCFM during the fourth quarter of 2019. Content is rotated throughout the broadcast day.

October 2019 – Issues/Program List:

Campus News - News supplied by the Williams Record (College Newspaper)

- **College helps fund new Williamstown police station**

Aired Oct 3 at 18:46 and 22:45 - 3 minutes

Issue\Need - Campus and Town Safety

Williamstown's new police station on Simonds Road opened for operation in July, made possible in part by a \$400,000 donation and an easement of land from the College.

The College's donation was a crucial part of allowing the town to construct the station with no net tax impact. Begun in 2017 and approved at the Williamstown town meeting in May 2018, the new station contains vast improvements from the old station, including areas for the public, crime victims, officers and those in custody to be out of sight and sound of one another. The old station also had a steep staircase leading down to the holding cells, posing a safety risk. The new station was built on the site of a former home for veterans, Turner House.

The College often plays an active role in specific public capital projects for the town, such as the police station or high school, with funding and in-kind donations. However, the College does not have a regular arrangement to provide funds to the town in lieu of property taxes save for a yearly payment to the fire district, which is a separate government entity from the town. Rather, it provides direct support to individual projects and initiatives. "This was a clear capital need for a long time," said Assistant to the President for Community and Government Affairs Jim Kolesar '72. "There were other projects lined up before it, such as the high school, but then it clearly became time."

- **Currier Quad art installation prompts student complaints**

Aired Oct 6 at 22:13, Oct 7 at 17:09 and 21:28 - 3 minutes

Issue\Need - Student Life, Art Installation Complaints

In response to student noise complaints, the Williams College Museum of Art (WCMA) will relocate the installation of Sonance for the Precession, an artistic project that required the placement of speakers outside windows of Currier Quad's residential buildings, to the Hopkins Observatory building. As part of the installation, speakers played music for 30 minutes at approximately 6 p.m. on several days last week.

The project is the work of Arthur Levitt '52 Artist in Residence Neil Leonard, who created the project with Hopkins Observatory in mind.

- **Williams College Strategic Planning**

Aired Oct 9 at 23:34 - 2 minutes

Issue\Need - College relations and engagement with town and surrounding towns

Williams College invites its neighbors to think out loud about ways that Williams and its students, faculty, and staff might become more fully and effectively engaged in the local community—and beyond.

Williams will host the following open forums to provide an opportunity for community voices to be heard and to contribute to shaping Williams' future:

* Thursday, Oct. 17, 5-6:30 p.m., The Green, 85 Main St., North Adams

* Tuesday, Oct. 22, 6 -7:30 p.m., Williamstown Youth Center, 66 School St., Williamstown

* Thursday, Oct. 24, 5:30 to 7 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church, 74 First St., Pittsfield.

- **Community, College join Global Climate Strike**

Aired Sept 30 at 20:03, Oct 17 at 17:36 - 5 minutes

Issue\Need - Environmental Concerns and awareness

Students at the college, as well students from local students, gathered on the steps of Paresky to call for environmental action. (Ethan Dinger/The Williams Record)

Members of the Williamstown community, as well as students, faculty and staff at the College, came together on Friday to participate in the Global Climate Strike, a coordinated worldwide movement, on the steps of the Paresky Center.

The Global Climate Strike, which is attempting to draw attention to the human-caused climate crisis, organized strikes last Friday, three days before the UN Climate Summit in New York City, and on Sept. 27, the anniversary of the 1962 publication of the book *Silent Spring*, an influential environmental science book. The movement encourages young people to “walk out of [their] workplaces and homes to... demand an end to the age of fossil fuels,” according to the Global Climate Strike website. An organization called Fridays For Future, founded by 16-year-old Swedish activist Greta Thunberg, is also mobilizing young people for a climate strike on both Sept. 20 and Sept. 27. Thunberg first became well-known after she took time off school to demonstrate outside the Swedish Parliament every Friday, calling for greater action on the climate crisis.

- **Vice President for Campus Life Steve Klass to retire in June**

**Aired Oct 23 at 21:32, Oct 27 at 22:05, Oct 28 at 17:09, 21:32, 22:52 and Oct 30
21:33 - 3 minutes**

Issue\Need - Vice president of Campus Life Retiring, Student life

President Maud S. Mandel announced to the campus community on Monday that Vice President for Campus Life Steve Klass will retire at the end of the academic year. The functions Klass oversees will

be redistributed to the offices of the dean of the College and the vice president for finance and administration, as part of a broader reorganization.

Klass first came to the College in 2006 as vice president of operations, a new position at the time.

Campus Happenings

- **10/19: Sage City Symphony to Host Waltz Night at Park-McCullough**

Aired Oct 5 at 18:02, Oct 6 at 20:43, Oct 7 at 17:08, Oct 13 at 15:20 and Oct 15 at 21:32 - Duration - 2 minutes

Issue\Need - Arts Education and Exposure

Sage City Symphony (sagecitysymphony.org) will host its annual Waltz Night at the Park-McCullough House Carriage Barn, One Park Street, North Bennington, on Saturday, October 19, from 7:00-9:30 p.m. Musicians from the symphony, conducted by Gerald Lanoue, will play a variety of waltzes, polkas, popular dance tunes, and Latin selections. (Dance instruction will be available.)

Tickets are \$25 per person and include a sumptuous buffet of sweet and savory light fare, as well as coffee, tea, and sparkling water; a cash bar will offer beer and wine. Reservations may be made by calling (802) 375-9263 or emailing ralpharp@gmail.com by October 17.

- **Have unwanted clothes? Swap them in the Winter Clothing Swap!**

Aired Oct 28 at 22:51, Oct 29 at 20:45 and 23:22, Oct 30 at 17:30 - 2 minutes

Issue\Need - Student Life, Winter clothing swap

The Davis Center Community Engagement Fellows are running a winter clothing-focused clothing swap. The week of October 28th, boxes will be left at the entrances of dorm residences where students can leave any winter clothing they have that they no longer want or need (including coats, hats, gloves, boots, pants, sweaters, scarves, and any other warm attire). The gathered items will then be brought to the Davis Center sometime in November for folks to come through to peruse and choose winter items they need. Information will be left at the boxes in the form of a flier and any folks with accessibility needs can fill out the corresponding Google Form.

November 2019 – Issues/Program List:

Campus News - News supplied by the Williams Record (College Newspaper)

- **College Council (CC) forms committee to restructure**

Aired Nov 17 at 22:05, Nov 18 at 21:29 and 22:07, Nov 19 at 19:51 and Nov 20 at 21:34 - 2 minutes

Issue\Need - New student government committee

At its Nov. 12 meeting, College Council (CC) passed a resolution to form a committee charged with drafting a proposal for a new student government. The resolution, authored by CC co-presidents Ellie Sherman '20 and Carlos Cabrera-Lomelí '20, passed by a vote of 11-9.

The resolution sets out guidelines for a "Student Government Task Force," which will meet over Winter Study in order to draft the proposal. It will present the finished product to the student body by the end of February.

- **Williams College Museum of Art to potentially move to old inn**

Aired Nov 21 at 18:37 - 5 minutes

Issue\Need - Possible new Museum location and facilities

Members of the administration, faculty, staff and trustees have identified the former Williams Inn location as the designated site for a potential relocation of the Williams College Museum of Art (WCMA).

The latest decision comes after years of deliberation about WCMA and conditions in Lawrence Hall, where the museum is currently housed. Between 2014 and 2017, a building committee investigated issues in Lawrence Hall's art storage and building space, but discussions came to a halt before a recommendation could be made.

According to Provost Dukes Love, 15 separate sites were explored as potential relocation spots, including Clark Hall and a location on Water Street, but the College ultimately halted these discussions.

"At the end of the day, the College made the decision...to put that project on pause because there was both a question about a site and also a really fundamental question about the shared future of the arts on campus between the museum and the folks in the arts departments," Love said.

Since then, the College has engaged in a strategic planning process surrounding the arts more broadly on campus, entitled The Future of The Arts.

"It's not about a museum," Love said. "It's about music and theater and dance, integrative arts, interdisciplinary arts and recognizing the fact that the arts are both historically an essential part of the college experience here and also clearly, looking at this place from the outside, it should be one of the great comparative strengths of Williams College."

According to Rita Coppola-Wallace, the College's executive director for design and construction, Lawrence Hall's piecemeal construction has contributed to some of its issues surrounding the storage of art, which led to WCMA's delayed accreditation last year. Furthermore, the building's skylights, mechanical systems, sprinkler placement and energy efficiency are all issues that the College would have to address if it were to decide to keep WCMA in Lawrence Hall.

- **Student support for faculty, Mandel remains high as College Council approval declines**

Aired Nov 23 at 18:04, Nov 24 at 22:18, Nov 25 at 21:32, Dec 2 at 17:07 and Dec 3 at 19:30 - 2 minutes

Issue\Need - Student approval ratings results, Student Life

This past week, the Record sent out its semiannual approval ratings survey, giving students the options of “approve,” “disapprove” and “neutral” for a variety of campus institutions. Of the 500 randomly-selected students to whom the survey was emailed, 192 responded, a response rate of 38 percent.

For consistency, the fall 2019 approval ratings survey will be compared to the fall 2018 survey rather than spring 2019, unless otherwise noted.

Campus Happenings

- **Hot Wing Wednesday 11/13 at 9:30PM in Baxter**

Aired Nov 10 at 21:22, 22:13 and 23:30, Nov 11 at 21:46 and 22:07, Nov 12 at 23:30 - 2 minutes

Issue\Need - Student Life, New student club

Come by Hot Wing Wednesday on November 13 to participate in Hot Sauce Club's second Hot Wing event! More wings, new sauces, same location!

As you hopefully know by now, Hot Sauce Club hosts Hot Wing Wednesday in Baxter Hall (center Paresky) on one lucky Wednesday every month. At Hot Wing Wednesday, we provide free wings, wing-alternatives, and eight hot sauces to taste test. Four of the sauces range from mild to hot, and four will be 'superhot' hot sauces that will test the strength of our tastebuds.

The only thing we ask from you all is to rank the sauces you try from 1-10 in terms of both flavor and heat with ballots we provide you. With these rankings, we plan to host a Super Hot Wing Wednesday where the brave among us eat food covered in all of the semester's hottest sauces, voted by us during our monthly meetings! If superhot sauces don't sound like your thing, we will have our top-voted, most flavorful sauces at Super Hot Wing Wednesday, too!

- **Thanksgiving Door Hangers for Students Remaining on Campus During Break**

Aired Nov 11 at 20:20, Nov 18 at 20:03, Nov 19 at 00:05 - 2 minutes

Issue\Need - Student Life

Thanksgiving Break is quickly approaching! If you plan to stay on campus during any part of the Thanksgiving Break, please stop by the Office of Student Life to pick up a door hanger.

Students who remain on campus are expected to have these hangers filled out and hung on their room door for the duration of the break. It is helpful for Facilities and CSS to be able to see which rooms are occupied.

- **Dem Debate Watch Party @9PM on Wednesday (11/20) in Baxter! Food provided!**

Aired Nov 18 at 20:05 and 21:39, Nov 19 at 19:32, Nov 20 at 17:25 - 2 minutes

Issue\Need - Educational opportunity, Student Life

EphVotes, the poli-sci dept. and a host of other student organizations (CLiA, Williams Democrats, Society for Conservative Thought, Womxn in PoliSci, Williams Forum) are co-sponsoring a Dem Debate Watch Party in Baxter Hall in Paresky this Wednesday at 9 PM! Come ready to enjoy some food and watch a lively debate! Note that Williams College and all sponsoring organizations do not promote campaign events or support particular candidates for office, but encourage everyone to participate in the electoral process. The sponsoring entities for this event plan to offer a similar one for a Republican Presidential Debate (or some variation) should one take place. Email jmf5@williams.edu for more information.

December 2019 – Issues/Program List:

Campus News - News supplied by the Williams Record (College Newspaper)

- **College releases draft of stricter guidelines for animals on campus**

Aired Dec 5 at 21:48, Duration 5 minutes

Issue\Need - Student Life, Changes to Animals on Campus Policy

The College released a draft of new guidelines for on-campus animals on Thursday, Oct. 24 that would require CSS registration for all animals on College grounds and prohibit non-service animals from certain campus locations. According to a daily message announcing the release of the draft, the aim of the changes was to “help set clearer expectations regarding the presence, care and supervision of animals on campus.”

The process of formalizing guidelines for animals on campus has been ongoing for over 18 months, according to Matthew Sheehy, associate vice president for finance and chair of the enterprise risk management (ERM) committee, which spearheaded the creation of these guidelines. The ERM committee is responsible for mitigating risk on campus and handling the College's compliance with various municipal, state and federal regulations. The review process consisted of stakeholders ranging from faculty and staff owners of pets and support animals to the office of accessible education, campus safety and security (CSS), facilities, safety and environmental compliance and President Maud S. Mandel and her staff.

- **Tensions on Hoxsey rise as residents negotiate College, town relations**

Aired Dec 9 at 21:30, Dec 10 at 19:26, Dec 12 at 18:55 and 21:38 and Dec 15 at 17:30 - Duration 3 minutes

Issue\Need - College property disputes, Town relations, Student life

On Hoxsey Street, all three of Williamstown's major stakeholders — town residents, students and the College — come together. Located in the geographic center of campus, the street is a perfect example of the gray area between on-campus and off-campus, the College, and the town. After large student parties have raised tensions between student residents and local Williamstown landlords, questions and concerns over who is responsible for managing the space have come to the fore.

Carol DeMayo, a longtime landlord on Hoxsey Street who rents to non-students, is upset with how the space is being used, and she says she is not alone. For DeMayo, responsibility lies with the students living on the street. In the past few years, she said they have become ruder and less responsive to her requests to moderate noise and trash on the street. "The College is trying to do the right thing," she said. "The student's lack of consideration and adult behavior is causing the problem."

DeMayo raised the annual daytime party known as "Sensations Hoxsey" as a specific trigger point for disrespect and lack of neighborly care, citing trash that stayed on the road for weeks, the inability of EMS services to access the street and, a "dead couch out on the lawn" that stuck around for a few months. She even recalled stepping out of her house one morning to see "some guy urinating." "Aren't they supposed to have a little bit of respect?" she said.

The College, however, views the situation differently. Matt Sheehy, associate vice president for finance at the College, said he sees the College's role as one similar to any other landowner on the street. For him, Hoxsey Street represents opportunities for the College's real-estate portfolio to grow. The College recently put in an unsuccessful bid for the property at 66 Hoxsey Street, which Sheehy said is strategically important to the College because of its proximity to the campus. He said that the College is "in extreme need of residential housing for faculty and staff" that would allow more professors to live within walking distance of the campus and business district.

Campus Happenings

- **Want to stay connected to a therapist over break and while studying abroad? TalkSpace can help.**

Aired Dec 11 at 23:45 - Duration 2 minutes

Issue\Need - Student life, Mental health support

TalkSpace is an innovative online therapy service that is now available, at no cost and effective immediately, to all enrolled students, twelve months a year and even while traveling abroad.

TalkSpace connects users to a dedicated, licensed therapist from a secure, HIPAA-compliant mobile app and web platform. Their roster comprises more than 5,000 licensed clinicians from across the country, who collectively speak over forty languages. You can send your therapist a text, voice or video message anytime, from anywhere, throughout your time at Williams. Integrative Wellbeing Services provides this service to students in addition to all of our existing on-campus offerings in psychotherapy, psychiatry and on-call crisis services, as well as the wellbeing promotion events, workshops and groups we organize throughout the year.

- **2020 WOOLF Leader Info Session -- Monday Dec. 9 @ 7:30pm, Paresky Auditorium**

Aired Dec 6 at 22:15, Dec 7 at 14:20 and Dec 8 at 22:20 - Duration 2 minutes

Issue\Need - Welcoming new students, Student Life

Calling all first-years who want to help welcome the class of '24 through WOOLF. You do NOT need to have done WOOLF to be a leader. Also, no prior outdoor experience necessary. Monday, December 9 @ 7:30PM in Paresky Auditorium! Hope to see you there!

- **WCJA Hanukkah Party**

Aired Dec 7 at 18:07 - Duration 1 minutes

Issue\Need - Religious Observation, Student Life

Come celebrate Hanukkah at the JRC starting at 6:30 pm on Sunday, December 8th! We will also be cooking latkes starting at 10 am. Sign up for a slot here:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1LMX6V1bP52u8P9hPuTkOaopylZiJeE3NKnKXPyCrN-Q/e>

- **Looking for assistance with Adventures in Learning woodworking class in January**

Aired Dec 9 at 21:22 and Dev 10 at 20:45 - Duration 1 minutes

Issue\Need - Volunteer opportunity, Educational

I need help with a woodworking class on Thursdays and Fridays in January. Volunteer for one or both days. Classes begin on 1/9. The classes are at the Williamstown Elementary School from 3-5 for 3rd – 6th graders. NO experience necessary. You will have the chance to learn some woodworking skills while you assist the children in building some small projects. For more information please contact David Morrison at dmorriso@Williams.edu.