

## 2nd Quarterly Issues Report\*

### April 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023

\*KSLU over-the-air broadcast signal went silent May 27, 2022 under STA # 0000190921. Program operations continue online at [www.KSLU.org](http://www.KSLU.org) until Hurricane Ida-related repairs are made to broadcast facility. Following a network intrusion on the campus of Southeastern Louisiana University, streaming operations have been down since February 24, 2023. The over-the-air broadcast signal returned on April 30, 2023. Streaming operations returned on July 3, 2023.

### The Best of Our Knowledge

WAMC's long-running program on education, research and ideas now airs on KSLU.

DATE	TIME	SHOW #	TOPIC
5/7/2023	30:00	1702	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: Engineering students at the University at Albany show off their award-winning invention that aims to help workers with physical limitations succeed in their careers
5/14/2023	30:00	1703	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: a new lab at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute seeks to accommodate students with different styles of learning; an online school based in the Bronx is graduating hip hop lyricists; and the Vermont State University system is reversing a plan to remove books from shelves and create digital libraries.
5/21/2023	30:00	1704	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: a new study shows only 51 percent of college students complete their studies, plus drone soccer, and a look at Eastern U.S. forests.
5/28/2023	30:00	1705	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: the pandemic changed the way students learn, including the widespread adoption of remote learning. But how did the pandemic affect schooling that was already online?
6/4/2023	30:00	1706	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: a New York education policy is requiring school districts to remove Native American names, mascots, and imagery
6/11/2023	30:00	1707	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: students are participating in an oral history project to preserve the stories of the workers in an area known as Slate Valley.

6/18/2023	30:00	1708	There is currently no known cure for Alzheimer's disease, but researchers are continuing to study drugs that can improve the lives of people suffering from the disease. We'll speak with neurologist Dr. Richard Holub about his latest research.
6/25/2023	30:00	1709	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll speak with John Flansburgh of rock band They Might Be Giants. John and co-founder John Linnell have been making records for more than 40 years, with several albums written to entertain and educate kids.
7/2/2023	30:00	1710	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: the pandemic exposed the connectivity gap at a time when more children are learning online. We'll speak with U.S. Education Secretary Miguel Cardona about a push by the White House expand broadband access

## The Book Show

Each week on The Book Show, host Joe Donahue interviews authors about their books, their lives and their craft. It is a celebration of both reading and writers. Joe holds interesting conversations with a variety of authors including Malcolm Gladwell, Lawrence Wright, and Emily St. John Mandel. As the son of a librarian, Joe has been part of the book world since childhood. His first job was as a library assistant, during college he was a clerk at an independent book store and for the past 25 years he has been interviewing authors about their books on the radio.

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5/6/2023	30:00	1815	Bestselling author Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah is the author of the debut novel, "Chain-Gang All-Stars," the story of two top women gladiators fighting for their freedom within a depraved private prison system.
5/13/2023	30:00	1816	"Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus is the #1 New York Times bestselling novel featuring Elizabeth Zott, a headstrong, gifted chemist in 1960s California whose career takes a detour when she becomes the unlikely star of a beloved TV cooking show. Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.

5/20/2023	30:00	1817	Susanna Hoffs co-founded the pop-rock band The Bangles in 1981 before embarking on a critically acclaimed solo career. Now, she has written a rock and roll rom-com novel entitled "This Bird Has Flown."
5/27/2023	30:00	1818	Abraham Verghese is The New York Times bestselling author of "Cutting for Stone." His latest, "The Covenant of Water," is a stunning epic of love, faith, and medicine, set in Kerala, South India, following three generations of a family seeking the answers to a strange secret known as "the condition."
6/3/2023	30:00	1819	Ann Napolitano took the literary world by storm with her tear-jerker of a novel "Dear Edward." Her latest, "Hello Beautiful," is an homage to Louisa May Alcott's classic, "Little Women." "Hello Beautiful" is a portrait of what is possible when we choose to love someone not in spite of who they are, but because of it.
6/10/2023	30:00	1820	Acclaimed New York Times bestselling author, Dennis Lehane's latest, "Small Mercies" is a brutal depiction of criminality and power and an unflinching portrait of the dark heart of American racism. Mary Pat Fennessey, propelled by a desperate search for her missing daughter, begins turning over stones best left untouched.
6/17/2023	30:00	1821	Novelist Susanna Moore's eighth novel, "The Lost Wife," is an immersive story about a seminal and shameful moment in America's conquest of the West. Drawing partly from a true story, it brings to life a devastating Native American revolt and the woman caught in the middle of the conflict.
6/24/2023	30:00	1822	Steven Wright is one of the most significant and influential stand-up comedians in history. His first novel, "Harold," documents the meandering, surreal, often hilarious, stream-of-consciousness ruminations of the title character during a single day in class.
7/1/2023	30:00	1823	Set in an alternate version of America's recent past, Elliot Ackerman's latest, "Halcyon," is a chilling novel about two self-made men confronting a world that seems to be moving on without them. It grapples with what history means, who is affected by it, and how the complexities of our shared future rest on the dual foundations of remembering and forgetting.

## The Media Project

The Media Project is an inside look at media coverage of current events with former Albany Times Union Editor-at-Large Rex Smith, WAMC President and CEO Alan Chartock, Daily Freeman Publisher Emeritus Ira Fusfeld, Former Editor, Investigative Journalist and current UAlbany Professor, Rosemary Armao, and Former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, Judy Patrick. The panel speaks about everything from how the media covers coronavirus to how news is digested via social media and whether journalists are doing their jobs as expected.

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5/7/2023	30:00	1665	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Judy, Rosemary and Rex discuss the firing of Tucker Carlson from Fox News, social media and the Supreme Court, and much more.
5/14/2023	30:00	1666	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and and Daily Freeman Publisher Emeritus Ira Fusfeld. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Rex, Judy and Ira discuss the upcoming town hall with Donald Trump and whether CNN should be hosting it, journalists concerns about press freedoms, and much more.
5/21/2023	30:00	1667	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Judy, Rex and Rosemary discuss the town hall with Donald Trump and whether CNN should have hosted it, some of this year's Pulitzer prize-winners, and much more.

5/28/2023	30:00	1668	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, and Daily Freeman Publisher Emeritus Ira Fusfeld. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Rosemary and Ira discuss the fallout from the town hall with Donald Trump, the perils of the "impartial middle" in journalism, and much more.
6/4/2023	30:00	1669	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and Barbara Lombardo, former Editor of the Saratogian and a Journalism Professor at the University at Albany. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Judy and Barbara discuss a bogus story and how it made its way into the press, how to write the obituary of a public official, and much more.
6/11/2023	30:00	1670	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, and Daily Freeman Publisher Emeritus Ira Fusfeld. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Judy, Rosemary and Ira discuss how the media is covering artificial intelligence and the debt ceiling, how newsrooms do more with less, and more.
6/18/2023	30:00	1671	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, and WAMC News Director Ian Pickus. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Judy, Rosemary and Ian discuss how high school sports coverage can save democracy, the downfall of the CEO of CNN, and more.
6/25/2023	30:00	1672	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and WAMC News Director Ian Pickus. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Judy, and Ian talk about coverage of the

			indictment of former President Donald Trump, how to cover a UFO whistleblower, and more.
7/2/2023	30:00	1673	With Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, Barbara Lombardo, former Editor of the Saratogian and Adjunct Professor at the University at Albany, and WAMC News Director Ian Pickus. On this week's Media Project, Judy, Rosemary, Barbara and Ian talk about ProPublica's investigation into Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito and the Wall Street Journal's decision to publish an op-ed from Alito, artificial intelligence, the OceanGate submersible and more.

## Strange Universe with Bob Berman

Astronomer Bob Berman sheds light on the mysteries of space and time. Always fascinating and fun, Strange Universe will take you places you never knew existed. Learn why Betelgeuse sometimes goes weirdly dim and how after the totality in 2017 in places like Wyoming and the Carolinas, millions finally got to see a total solar eclipse.

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5/6/2023	2:30	265	The Big Dipper is so recognizable, it's been an old friend to most of us since childhood. Its shape is mutating and will appear different in just a few thousand years -- but it hasn't changed a bit since we were kids. These nights, the Dipper is highest in the sky and hovers almost overhead in the north. The Big Dipper floats forlornly in a dark and desolate region of the sky, far from the Milky Way. Hence, the Dipper guides our eyes away from our own galaxy and toward the emptiness of the rest of the universe.
5/13/2023	2:30	266	By this summer we will see the brilliant star Vega in all its glory. This week hear how Vega, appearing slightly blue-white, is the sky's reference point for the magnitude system.
5/20/2023	2:30	267	The universe's four forces are identical everywhere. So, any physical truth that applies to our galaxy must be identical everywhere else and throughout all of time. In the 1930s, future Nobel-winner Paul Dirac wondered whether time has always passed the same way and whether light's speed is

			truly a constant. But despite such doubts, the cosmos certainly appears to be the same always and everywhere. This week we'll explore where the universe is heading.
5/27/2023	2:30	268	It's time to have some serious sky-fun. This coming Tuesday and Wednesday evening, the nearest celestial bodies will perform some tight gymnastics for our enjoyment. You don't even need unpolluted country skies — city streets will work for this one.
6/3/2023	2:30	269	Starting next week, the nearest star to the Moon will be the bluest of them all, which is Virgo's brightest star, Spica. Hear why Spica, one of the brightest objects in the constellation of Virgo, is one of the 20 brightest stars in the night sky.
6/10/2023	2:30	270	Earth's sister planet has heated up the evening sky all year. No doubt you've seen that dazzling "star" after sunset: This has been its best showing since 2015. This eight year interval is no accident. So happens, Venus takes 224.8 days to orbit the Sun, so that 13 of its "years" ( $13 \times 224.8$ ) is the same number as eight Earth years ( $8 \times 365.25$ ). They both work out to 2,922 days. What this means is that after eight years, we on Earth see an exact duplicate of Venusian behavior.
6/17/2023	2:30	271	It's often hard to separate coincidence from correspondence, like the 11-year sunspot cycle. Powerful solar storms must affect us, but there are thousands of potential rhythms from political events to earthquakes we could try to match up with it. It's challenging to know which are related and which are merely the mischief caused by the law of averages.
6/24/2023	2:30	272	It's widely misunderstood where in the heavens the sun sits at the time of the solstice. Traditionally it was the zodiacal sign of Cancer, hence "Tropic of Cancer" as the earthly place where you'd see the midday sun standing straight overhead. But despite the lingering name, the solstitial sun drifted out of Cancer and into Gemini two thousand years ago. This week: a special solstice.
7/1/2023	2:30	273	Four forces are woven into every crack and crevice in the universe. Neither stars, galaxies, nor puppies would exist without all of them. Two have influence only within atoms. The other two – gravity and electromagnetism – manifest in everyday life.