

KTRL 90.5 FM – Stephenville, Texas

Issues/Programs Report – 1st Quarter 2024

January 1, 2023 through March 31, 2024

During the first quarter of 2024, KTRL has identified and provided responsive coverage of many issues of importance to Stephenville, Granbury, Glen Rose and surrounding communities. Examples of the programming that significantly addressed important issues are listed below:

- A. Education
- B. Science
- C. Politics
- D. Technology
- E. Pharmaceuticals
- F. Environment
- G. Medicine & Health
- H. Women
- I. Religion

Most issues were addressed on **NPR news programs (Morning Edition and All Things Considered)**, which air from 6-9 a.m. and 4-6 p.m. Monday to Friday, during peak listening hours. **KUT's Texas Standard** also addressed many issues from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Monday to Friday and **KERA's Think** addressed many issues Monday to Friday 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. NPR's Weekend Edition airs Saturday and Sunday from 7-9 a.m. A list of some issues and the specific stories on these programs that addressed them are above.

Other issues are addressed during programs such as:

TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE (Sundays, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon):

Art/Culture – Docupoetry:

1//14/2024: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon:

- Poet Phillip Metres writes an original poem in his docupoetry style
- Journalist Kaia Sand on her use of journalism and poetry
- Documentary poet Camille Dungy on approaching more intimate subjects for her poetry

Technology – Cult of the Self:

2/4/2024 10 a.m. to 12 Noon:

- Angelo Bautista on presence on the internet vs existence
- Tara Burton on how personal branding became an internet religion
- Alissa Quart on why rugged individualism is a dangerous myth
- Andrea Wulf on the philosophers that invented the “modern self”

Science – In Your Dreams:

2/25/2024: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon:

- Psychologist Rubin Naiman on sleep deprivation causing dream deprivation
- Psychologist Kelly Bulkeley on the lives we live inside our dreams
- Cartoonist Roz Chast on how dreams help us process our most bizarre thoughts
- Annabel Abbs-Streets on embracing your sleepless hours

Religion – One Nation Under God?:

3/10/2024: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon:

- Journalist Jeff Sharlet on the potential violence around Christian Nationalism
- Professor Beth Barr on the role of Southern Baptist women
- Pastor John Onwuchekwa on why he and his congregation left the Baptist convention

Science/Technology – Does AI Dream?:

3/31/2024: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon:

- Computer scientist Walter Scheirer on why we should stop worrying about deep fakes
- Essayist Meghan O’Gieblyn on the question of the difference between humans and AI in relation to the mind and the soul
- Painter Sougwen Chung on using AI in her art

PEOPLE’S PHARMACY (Saturdays, 6-7 a.m.):

Healthcare:

1/27/2024, 6:00 a.m.: America’s Pharmacist Compares Natural Healing and Pharmaceuticals

Suzy Cohen, known as America’s most trusted pharmacist, on the effectiveness of both medications and natural healing and the side effects of certain drugs

Mental Health:

3/30/2024, 6:00 a.m.: Why Psychotherapy Matters

A conversation with Dr. Robert Waldinger on how studies show the importance of both psychotherapy and medicine

Think (Weekdays, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.)

Science:

2/22/2024, 6:00 p.m.: The Mysteries of the Moon

Science journalist and columnist at Atlas Obscura discusses the partnership between the Earth and the moon and why it is so critical for life on Earth.

Health:

3/14/2024, 6:00 p.m.: What Counts As Sober Today?

New York Times reporter, Ernesto Londono, discusses the changing views on sobriety and why some medical professionals believe that total abstinence is unrealistic.