

WNJR-FM
QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS LIST

(For the period of April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023)

General Information:

WNJR-FM is a noncommercial educational radio station operated by Washington & Jefferson College in Washington, Pennsylvania. WNJR-FM broadcasts twenty-four hours a day, including music, syndicated programming, and live shows hosted by W&J students, faculty, and staff.

Issues of Local Importance:

The following programs have addressed issues of concern for the communities within WNJR-FM's service area during the period of April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023:

Student/Faculty/Staff Programs That Addressed Community Issues:

COM 242: Radio Performance or Production

Washington & Jefferson College students enrolled in the COM 242: Radio Performance or Production course discuss various issues/current events. Selected broadcasts:

- **“Tornadoes, Violent Storms, and Emergency Preparedness”**
Description: This has been an above-average year for tornadoes and other violent storms. [<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2023/03/30/us-tornado-forecast-why-so-many-tornadoes-2023/11563605002/>]
Questions considered: Have you ever experienced a violent storm or weather-related emergency? Do you and your family have a readiness plan in place for various emergencies? What would you put into your own emergency preparation kit?
(Aired 4/3/2023; 4:15-5:15 PM, 1 hour)

- **“International Week”**
Description: This week is “International Week” at Washington & Jefferson College (April 11-17).
Questions considered: In your experience, what is the value of learning and speaking a second language? What is the value of international travel? Describe a memorable experience traveling/studying abroad.
(Aired 4/10/2023; 4:15-5:15 PM, 1 hour)

- **“Earth Week”**
Description: April 14 to April 22 is “Earth Week,” part of “Earth Day 2023.” This year’s theme is “Invest In Our Planet.” [<https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2023/>]
Questions considered: How can we work to increase education around environmental issues, and improve climate literacy around the world? What are some of the problems with the “fast fashion” industry, and what can be done to support sustainable fashion? Have you ever taken part in a community cleanup activity? What

steps do you take to minimize your impact on the environment, in terms of non-reusable plastics and other waste products? Is there a particular aspect of nature or the outdoors that you enjoy and hope to preserve for many years to come? Is there a particular environmental or educational program that you think needs more funding?
(Aired 4/17/2023; 4:15-5:15 PM, 1 hour)

- **“National Library Week”**

Description: April 23-29 is “National Library Week,” sponsored by the American Library Association (ALA). This year, the theme is “There’s More to the Story.”

[<https://www.ala.org/conferencesevents/celebrationweeks/natlibraryweek>]

Questions considered: In celebration of National Library Week, discuss some of your favorite books and authors. These can be novels, academic books, comic books, children’s books, magazines, etc. How have books made an impact in your life? From the website: “What role has the library played in your life? Did you find inspiration in a book? Get help finding a job or starting a business? Have you made new friends at the library?” Discuss our college library and your local community library, and the kinds of programs, events, and people you’ve encountered (and how librarians have helped you).
(Aired 4/24/2023; 4:15-5:15 PM, 1 hour)

- **“Mental Health Awareness Month”**

Description: May is “Mental Health Awareness Month.” Each year the sitting President issues a traditional Presidential Proclamation establishing the month of May as “Metal Health Awareness Month.” According to this year’s proclamation: “During National Mental Health Awareness Month, we honor the absolute courage of the tens of millions of Americans living with mental health conditions, and we celebrate the loved ones and mental health professionals who are there for them every day.”

[<https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/presidential-actions/2023/04/28/a-proclamation-on-national-mental-health-awareness-month-2023/>]

Questions considered: How have you recognized the importance of mental health in your own life or in the lives of others? What are some of the things that you can do to support the mental health of others, and reduce the stigma surrounding mental health care? As we wrap up another academic year, discuss some of the challenges involved in balancing “student life” with “real life,” and some of the strategies that you have found helpful along the way.

(Aired 5/1/2023; 4:15-5:15 PM, 1 hour)

The Red & Black News Hour

The “Red & Black News Hour” features conversations with newsmakers from Washington & Jefferson College and the local community, and the student journalists who report on them.

Presented by the *Red & Black* student newspaper. [<https://www.wjredandblack.org/>] Selected broadcasts:

- **“April 6, 2023”**

Topics Covered: An interview with Professor Dan Shaw about the upcoming Spring 2023 production of “Journey’s End.”

(Aired 4/6/2023; 5:00-6:00 PM, 1 hour)

The Darkness Within Our Minds

“The Darkness Without Our Minds” is a true crime podcast that explores the ethical implications of true crime media, and our fascination with the genre. Produced by Riley Anderson as part of the COM-401: Senior Capstone course at Washington & Jefferson College. See flyer on the following page.

(Aired 5/11/2023 and 5/17/2023; 9:30-10:00 PM, 30 minutes)



91.7 FM WJLR PRESENTS

"THE DARKNESS WITHIN OUR MINDS"

BY: RILEY ANDERSON

THURSDAY, MAY 11 & WEDNESDAY, MAY 17 AT 9:30 PM

TUNE IN TO 91.7 FM OR LISTEN ONLINE AT WNJR.ORG

A PODCAST EXPLORING THE QUESTION OF WHY SO MANY PEOPLE LOVE TRUE CRIME MEDIA. MIMICKING OTHER TRUE CRIME PODCASTS, THIS PROGRAM ANALYZES POPULAR TRUE CRIME SERIES AND DISCUSSES ETHICAL IMPLICATIONS THEY HAVE FOR AUDIENCES AND THOSE INVOLVED.

Syndicated Programs That Addressed Community Issues:

Saturday Light Brigade

SLB Radio Productions, Inc. (SLB)

[<https://slbradio.org/>]

Every Saturday, from 6:00 AM to 12:00 PM, WNJR-FM broadcasts the “Saturday Light Brigade,” produced by the nonprofit SLB Radio Productions, Inc. (SLB) out of the Children’s Museum of Pittsburgh. According to their mission statement: “SLB Radio Productions, Inc. (SLB) uses radio and audio to encourage, amplify, share and archive the ideas, stories, and feelings of children, youth and families.” This family-oriented program includes information about community organizations and programs, featuring interviews with providers and users of the community programs.

Program aired on the following dates, from 6:00 AM-12:00 PM (each program 6 hours):

- April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- May 6, 13, 20, 27
- June 3, 10, 17, 24

The Allegheny Front

Allegheny Front

[<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/>]

Every Sunday, from 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM, WNJR broadcasts “The Allegheny Front.” According to their “About” page: “The Allegheny Front is an award-winning public radio program covering environmental issues in Western Pennsylvania, airing on WESA in Pittsburgh and on stations throughout the region.” Programs aired:

- **“Episode for March 31, 2023”**
[<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-march-31-2023/>]
When the train carrying hazardous chemicals derailed in East Palestine, students there were weeks away from the opening night of their school musical. They decided the show must go on. We’re there for the dress rehearsal. We’ll also hear from the author of a new book about the 1948 air pollution disaster that made Donora, Pennsylvania famous. Plus, the Pennsylvania Game Commission is holding meetings to get feedback about bringing back the American marten to the state’s forests.
(Aired 4/2/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)
- **“Episode for April 7, 2023”**
[<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-april-7-2023/>]
We have the details about a tentative settlement between U.S.Steel and plaintiffs in a lawsuit over the 2018 fire at its coke works that knocked out pollution controls for three months. We also hear from the author of a new book about phosphorus, why humans have gone to great lengths to get it for farming, and how it is fueling harmful algal blooms in the Great Lakes. Plus, we meet critters that are using a new, springtime habitat

in the Laurel Highlands. And the largest coal-fired power plant in Pennsylvania will be closed by July.

(Aired 4/9/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)

- **“Episode for April 14, 2023”**

[<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-april-14-2023/>]

A decade ago, a train derailed in New Jersey, releasing vinyl chloride – the same chemical from the East Palestine disaster. Residents still have questions about long-term health impacts. Meanwhile, lawmakers and unions are pushing for stronger railroad safety regulations. Plus, in Ohio, a new law was signed by the governor requiring state-owned land, like state parks, to be leased for gas drilling. Environmental groups are suing. We'll also hear from the new Democratic chair of the Pa. House energy committee on his priorities.

(Aired 4/16/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)

- **“Episode for April 21, 2023”**

[<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-april-21-2023/>]

Thousands of tons of contaminated soil from the train derailment in East Palestine are going to an incinerator near the Pennsylvania border in East Liverpool, Ohio. Activists say it has a history of violating the Clean Air Act. We'll also hear why a conservation group named the Ohio River the second most endangered river in the country. Plus, Senator Casey touts federal investment for cleaning up waterways polluted by coal mining pollution. A new map highlights renewable energy projects in all 67 Pennsylvania counties.

(Aired 4/23/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)

- **“Episode for April 28, 2023”**

[<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-april-28-2023/>]

EPA testing of soil around East Palestine shows no contamination from the derailment. But some residents say their own tests show they're still being exposed to toxins. We'll also hear from investors putting their money behind startups that help fight climate change. Plus, a new study is trying to find out if the aggressive, springtime behavior of a typically shy, forest-dwelling bird could be genetic. Also, why Pennsylvania may be seeing more displays of the northern lights in the coming years.

(Aired 4/30/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)

- **“Episode for May 5, 2023”**

[<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-may-5-2023/>]

At dusk in fields in Pennsylvania and throughout the Great Lakes region in springtime, an odd-looking bird takes to the sky for an elaborate, acrobatic display. We take you there. We also look at how people in East Palestine are working through their anxiety with few mental health resources available. A developer pulls the plug on a Clinton County power plant. And invasive spotted lanternfly eggs are hatching. How to take care of these pests, even the young ones.

(Aired 5/7/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)

- **“Episode for May 12, 2023”**
[\[https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-may-12-2023/\]](https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-may-12-2023/)
 Shell's ethane cracker in Beaver County has gotten off to a rocky start, with excessive emissions and reported odors. Now, some supporters are not questioning if Shell can be a good neighbor. And a new book looks at the opportunities and challenges of reducing our exposure to chemicals to reduce cancer risk. Plus, energy efficiency programs that are climate- and budget-friendly. The "Dirty Dozen" list of big climate polluters in Pennsylvania is out.
 (Aired 5/14/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)
- **“Episode for May 19, 2023”**
[\[https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-may-19-2023/\]](https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-may-19-2023/)
 After a coal-fired power plant closed, people gathered at a public performance to memorialize what it meant to the community. And, we talk with The Incline about a seven-newsroom collaboration that examines air pollution and misinformation in southwestern Pennsylvania. Plus, researchers are looking at how drinking water from private wells might increase the risk of illness among children. News about federal proposals to curb pollution from power plants and leaks from pipelines.
 (Aired 5/21/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)
- **“Episode for May 26, 2023”**
[\[https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-may-26-2023/\]](https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-may-26-2023/)
 If you shine a black light on a southern flying squirrel, it glows pink. But why? We dive into the questions about biofluorescent animals. Plus, we'll hear about how researchers are using a program trained to identify bird species from hours of birdsong recorded in the forest. It's helping in forest and bird conservation. Plus, a \$10 million fine for Shell for air pollution violations at its Beaver County ethane cracker and news about the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative.
 (Aired 5/28/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)
- **“Episode for June 2, 2023”**
[\[https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-june-2-2023/\]](https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-june-2-2023/)
 Some residents of the Mon Valley say money from an air pollution settlement with U.S. Steel isn't being spent on the public health and environmental projects it was supposed to fund. We'll also dig into state-led efforts to thwart ESG investment strategies that consider risks like climate change. And, teenagers who live in the shadow of a massive new petrochemical plant and nearby the East Palestine train derailment are becoming more aware of environmental threats.
 (Aired 6/4/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)
- **“Episode for June 9, 2023”**
[\[https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-june-9-2023/\]](https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-june-9-2023/)
 Beaver County residents protested Shell's ethane cracker because of recent air pollution violations. Meanwhile, officials met with residents in East Palestine, Ohio, to discuss the results of health surveys taken after the train derailment and fires there. But many people affected are still wondering where to get help for their symptoms. And we talk with a

Penn State researcher about a UN treaty that could end global plastic pollution, maybe. Plus, climate activists are looking to change the way investment firms do business. (Aired 6/11/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)

- **“Episode for June 16, 2023”**

[<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-june-16-2023/>]

We talk with the EPA regional administrator about environmental test results on farms near East Palestine, after the train derailment and fires there. And, we visit a Black urban farmer in Pittsburgh's Hill District in our series, "Sowing Soil with Soul." Plus, every part of this invasive poison hemlock, now common along Pennsylvania roadsides, is poisonous.

(Aired 6/18/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)

- **“Episode for June 23, 2023”**

[<https://www.alleghenyfront.org/episode-for-june-23-2023/>]

National transportation officials held hearings in East Palestine, Ohio, to find answers about the Norfolk Southern train derailment. Testimony casts doubt on the decision to vent and burn vinyl chloride. Plus, wildfire smoke is pouring into the U.S. from Canada. How does that impact youth sports? The spongy moth damages Pennsylvania forests every summer. We talk with DCNR about what it's doing to prevent the worst damage. Plus, the garden of a refugee community helps sustain its own members and the neighborhood where it grows.

(Aired 6/25/2023; 8:00-8:30 PM, 29 minutes)

National and World News:

Feature Story News (FSN)

[<https://www.featurestorynews.com>]

(Aired daily; Once per hour, 3 minutes)

Description: Every hour, at the top of the hour, WNJR-FM broadcasts a three-minute anchored news bulletin from Feature Story News (FSN). From Monday-Friday, the bulletin is a regularly-updated stream of their “World Headlines” program. On Saturday and Sunday, the bulletin features their “Week in Review” program.

Public Service Announcements (Pre-Recorded):

Twice every hour, or approximately every thirty minutes, WNJR-FM broadcasts a rotating selection of public service announcements concerning the following issues of concern for the communities within WNJR-FM's service area:

Alzheimer's Awareness

Sponsor: Alzheimer's Association

[<https://www.adcouncil.org/campaign/alzheimers-awareness#radio>]

- "Tom" (00:30)
- "Tom" (00:60)
- "Cynthia" (00:30)
- "Cynthia" (00:30)
- "Hopeful – Judith" (00:30)

Gun Safety

Sponsor: Brady/End Family Fire

[<https://www.adcouncil.org/campaign/gun-safety#radio>]

- "Service Never Stops - Chris A" (00:30)
- "Service Never Stops - Chris B" (00:30)

Discovering Nature

Sponsor: U.S. Forest Service

[<https://www.adcouncil.org/campaign/discovering-nature#radio>]

- "Look Through Their Eyes" (00:30)
- "Imagination Grows" (00:30)
- "Forest Trail" (00:30)

Texting and Driving

Sponsor: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

[<https://www.adcouncil.org/campaign/texting-and-driving-prevention#radio>]

- "Just Don't" (00:30)
- "You Can Wait" (00:30)
- "Text and Whatever" (00:60)

Ending Hunger

Sponsor: Feeding America

[<https://www.adcouncil.org/campaign/ending-hunger#radio>]

- "I Am Hunger" (00:30)
- "I Am Hunger" (00:60)
- "I Am Hunger 2" (00:30)
- "I Am Hunger 2" (00:60)

Veterans Affairs - Make the Connection

Sponsor: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

[<http://radio.tvaccessspotsources.com/veterans-affairs-make-connection>]

- “A Path Forward” (00:30)
- “A Path Forward” (00:60)
- “Finding Purpose” (00:30)
- “Finding Purpose” (00:60)
- “Turn Hope into Action” (00:30)
- “Turn Hope into Action” (00:60)
- “A Pledge To Veterans” (00:30)
- “A Pledge To Veterans” (00:60)
- “Strength Over Silence” (00:30)
- “Strength Over Silence” (00:60)

Youth Fentanyl Awareness

Sponsor: Ad Council

[<https://www.adcouncil.org/campaigns/youth-fentanyl-awareness#radio>]

- Real Deal - 2 Milligrams (00:30)
- Real Deal – Potent (00:30)

Local Public Service Announcements (Read Live On-Air):

Approximately 2-3 times every hour, during staffed station hours, WNJR-FM’s work-study student hosts read a rotating selection of public service announcements from local community organizations. Selected PSAs:

Domestic Violence Services of Southwestern PA (DVSSP)

Sponsor: Domestic Violence Services of Southwestern PA (DVSSP)

[<https://www.peacefromdv.org/>]

See following pages for selected examples:



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24/7 Toll-Free Hotline: 800-791-4000
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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS (:30)

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TODAY'S DATE: MAY 30, 2023
RELEASE DATE: JUNE 1 - 30, 2023

TAKE THE "NO MORE PLEDGE" TO END DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE

NO MORE Pledge :30 PSA #1

IT IS UP TO ALL OF US TO END DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE. THE EARLIER WE START TALKING TO YOUNG PEOPLE ABOUT HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS AND RESPECT, THE MORE LIKELY THEY ARE TO SAY SOMETHING WHEN THEY SEE VIOLENCE OR ABUSE HAPPENING IN THEIR COMMUNITIES. THIS FATHER'S DAY, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES OF SOUTHWESTERN PA IS ASKING EVERYONE TO STAND UP AGAINST DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE, AND TO MODEL HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS FOR OUR CHILDREN. LEARN MORE ABOUT THE NO MORE PLEDGE AND HOW YOU CAN PREVENT VIOLENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY AT PEACEFROMDV.ORG.

NO MORE Pledge :30 PSA #2

NOBODY IS BORN ABUSIVE; WE KNOW THAT IT IS A LEARNED BEHAVIOR. ONE OF THE MOST COMMON WAYS THAT CHILDREN LEARN BEHAVIORS IS BY OBSERVING WHAT THEIR PARENTS AND ROLE MODELS DO. BY MODELING HEALTHY BEHAVIORS IN YOUR RELATIONSHIPS, THE YOUTH THAT LOOK UP TO YOU WILL START TO ACT HOW YOU DO. THIS FATHER'S DAY, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES OF SOUTHWESTERN PA IS ASKING EVERYONE TO SAY NO MORE TO DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE BY MODELING HEALTHY BEHAVIORS FOR OUR CHILDREN. LEARN MORE ABOUT THE NO MORE PLEDGE AND HOW YOU CAN PREVENT VIOLENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY AT PEACEFROMDV.ORG.

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TAKE THE “NO MORE PLEDGE” TO END DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE – PAGE 2

NO MORE Pledge :30 PSA #3

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