

# WQED/WQEJ-FM QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

(For the period of April 1 through June 30, 2018)

## GENERAL NOTES:

WQED/WQEJ-FM broadcasts 24 hours a day. WQED/WQEJ-FM news broadcasts occur from one minute to six minutes after the top of the hour during these hours (Eastern Time):

Monday through Friday: 6am, 7am, 8am, 9am, 12pm, 4pm, 5pm, and 6pm.

Saturday: 12pm.

All newscasts include three minutes of BBC News from London, England, followed by one to two minutes of local and regional cultural related news coverage between 6am and 9am.

All items in this report have been summarized from the news and business reports read by WQED/WQEJ-FM Announcers, WQED/WQEJ-FM music and arts programming, and *The WQED Morning Show*: Jim Cunningham live with Local Arts, BBC News, Traffic, Weather and Morning Classical Favorites, airing Monday thru Friday from 6-10am.

**WQED/WQEJ-FM has addressed the following major concerns of the communities within the station's service area for the period of April 1, 2018 through June 30, 2018:**

### AMERICAN HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY

This is the 215th anniversary of perhaps the greatest real estate deal in American history — one that doubled the size of the nation, putting it in position to become a world power. The year was 1803, and the deal was the Louisiana Purchase. Profile America; 4/30/18; 6pm; 1 minute

The American dream of owning — and keeping — a home got a lifeline on this date 85 years ago with the passage of the Homeowners Loan Act. The 1933 act provided emergency relief in the depths of the Great Depression, helping homeowners ward off foreclosure. Profile America; 6/13/18; 6pm; 1 minute

America's first accident insurance company was chartered this month in 1863 in Hartford, Connecticut. It was the Travelers Insurance Company, and its first policies insured against loss during periods of travel only. Profile America; 6/18/18; 6pm; 1 minute

America's first commercial oil refinery was put in operation this month in 1860. It was built in Titusville, Pennsylvania, on the banks of Oil Creek. That town was the site of the country's first productive oil well in 1859, and these developments made

the area, some 100 miles north of Pittsburgh, the cradle of America's oil industry. Profile America; 6/28/18; 6pm; 1 minute

## **BUSINESS/INDUSTRY**

Local dairy farms are roiled by Dean Foods pullout. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/2/18; 6am; 1 minute

Hershey is spending \$500 million in the hopes of producing its iconic chocolate kisses from more sustainable cocoa. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/4/18; 6am; 1 minute

In a move to return to fresh-roasted whole bean coffee, the first Starbucks opened in Seattle's historic Pike Place Market this week in 1971. Profile America; 4/5/18; 6pm; 1 minute

Three weeks after a self-driving Uber struck and killed a pedestrian in Arizona, the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation has released voluntary interim guidelines to set up oversight of automated vehicles. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/10/18; 7am; 1 minute

The first time a paying American audience assembled to watch a motion picture was this month in 1896, at the Koster and Bial's Music Hall on West 34th Street in New York City. Profile America; 4/12/18; 6pm; 1 minute

Clark Bars are selling like hotcakes. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/16/18; 7am; 1 minute

On this date in 1836, Massachusetts became the first state to prohibit children under age 15 from working in factories. Profile America; 4/16/18; 6pm; 1 minute

The Flying Squirrel, a vintage toy and hobby shop in Carnegie's business district will close its doors on May 11<sup>th</sup>. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/27/18; 6am; 1 minute

The Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh has notified the state Department of Labor and Industry that it intends to lay off 76 employees. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/8/18; 8am; 1 minute

Starbucks views occasional afternoon visitors as a source of future sales growth. Wall Street Journal; 5/9/18; 6am; 1 minute

Downtown's Market Square Farmer's Market opens Thursday and runs through October. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/10/18; 6am; 1 minute

Amazon appears to find the Strip District appealing. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/15/18; 7am; 1 minute

The owner of the iconic Pitt bar, Piper's Pub, to make last call next Friday. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/18/18; 7am; 1 minute

A fizzy lemon flavored alcoholic drink that went on sale in Japan marked Coca-Cola's first fling at selling alcohol in its 132-year history. Wall Street Journal; 5/29/18; 7am; 1 minute

Federal antitrust regulators have granted agribusiness giants Bayer and Monsanto permission to merge. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/30/18; 8am; 1 minute

Barnes and Noble's business picture is bleak, with sales falling 5.8% in its most recently reported quarter. Wall Street Journal; 6/5/18; 8am; 1 minute

Southwest Airlines and Allegiant Air are both dropping their flights to New Orleans, leaving Pittsburgh International Airport without any nonstop service to the Big Easy. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/5/18; 7am; 1 minute

After teasing a name change, IHOP changed its name to IHOb, with the B standing for Burgers. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/12/18; 7am; 1 minute

With parking eliminated on both sides of Smallman Street in the Strip District because of a Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority project, some business people say they are seeing a sales downturn. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/14/18; 8am; 1 minute

After raising some ticket prices for its theme parks by more than 20% over the past 5 years, Walt Disney Co. will offer die hard fans the chance to attend a 6 hour preview of a new attraction at Disneyland – for \$299. Wall Street Journal; 6/19/18; 7am; 1 minute

## **COMMUNITY POLITICS/GOVERNMENT**

Senator Scott Wagner of York County won Tuesday's primary fight for the Republican nomination for governor. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/16/18; 7am; 1 minute

Lou Barletta handily defeated state Rep. Jim Christiana in the Republican primary. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/16/18; 7am; 1 minute

Rick Saccone is defeated again, this time by Guy Reschenthaler in the 14<sup>th</sup> Congressional District. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/16/18; 7am; 1 minute

## **CULTURE**

PICT Classic Theater's "Jane Eyre" comes with a behind the scenes comeback story. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/4/18; 7am; 1 minute

Shock Rocker Alice Cooper joins actors from Star Wars, Star Trek and more this weekend at Steel City Con. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 7am; 4/12/18; 1 minute

After nearly a decade, Pittsburgh Ballet Theater has completed its campaign to raise \$21.2 million, the company announced. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/12/18; 8am; 1 minute

A tribute to opera star Claudia Pinza will feature local and international artists. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/30/18; 7am; 1 minute

The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Pittsburgh Cello Fest kicks off Saturday at Carnegie Mellon University's School of Music. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/3/18; 7am; 1 minute

The Greater Pittsburgh Arts Council seeks equity in awarding grants to arts groups. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/9/18; 8am; 1 minute

Andy Warhol's 1962 colorful silkscreen of actress Marilyn Monroe sold for \$3.615 million at Phillips auction house in New York. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/18/18; 8am; 1 minute

Symphony East will present 6 musical theater vocalists in a performance at Redstone Highlands. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/18/18; 8am; 1 minute

Pittsburgh Filmmakers/Pittsburgh Center for the Arts has cancelled its fall adult courses in film and photography and plans to sell its building on Melwood Avenue in Oakland where those classes are held. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/24/18; 7am; 1 minute

Mark Masterson returns as artistic leader of City Theater. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/25/18; 6am; 1 minute

The Pittsburgh Area Theater Organ Society will conclude its 17-18 season with a performance by Tedde Gibson at Keystone Oaks High School. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/25/18; 6am; 1 minute

The 59<sup>th</sup> Three Rivers Arts Festival opens Friday. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/31/18; 8am; 1 minute

Jazz pioneer and longtime head of the jazz studies program at Pitt, Nathan Davis, was celebrated at a memorial at Heinz Memorial Chapel. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/4/18; 7am; 1 minute

Thrill seekers ride the Thunderbolt 50 times in honor of Kennywood coaster's anniversary. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/4/18; 7am; 1 minute

Commercial Street and Forward Avenue in Swisshelm Park and Squirrel Hill will be closed through Friday due to a landslide. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/14/18; 8am; 1 minute

## **EDUCATION**

America's oldest school in continuous existence is celebrating its 383rd birthday today. The Boston Latin School started in 1635 with a handful of students meeting in the headmaster's home. Profile America; 4/23/18; 6pm; 1 minute

America's first medical college was established on this date in 1765. Students at the College of Philadelphia — now the University of Pennsylvania — were able to enroll in “anatomical lectures” and a class about “the theory and practice of physik.” Profile America; 5/3/18; 6pm; 1 minute

Before the school year draws to a close and summer vacation takes over, it's time to say thanks to America's teachers. Today is Teacher Appreciation Day, falling on the second day of Teacher Appreciation Week. Profile America; 5/8/18; 6pm; 1 minute

Students from the Pittsburgh Obama school plan a protest as a result of their musical's cancellation by Pittsburgh Public School. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/23/18; 6am; 1 minute

The first state sponsored veterinary school in America opened on this date in 1879 at Iowa State College — now university — in Ames, Iowa. Profile America; 5/23/18; 6pm; 1 minute

After two years of construction, the Carnegie Science Center unveiled the \$33 million PPG Science Pavilion, which will provide 48,000 more square feet for exhibits and educational programs. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/12/18; 7am; 1 minute

The first Chinese student to graduate from an American college was Yung Wing, a naturalized American who received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut, this month in 1854. Profile America; 6/19/18; 6pm; 1 minute

## **ENVIRONMENT/NATURE/NATURAL DISASTERS**

Swapping Pennsylvania's diesel-fueled busses for electric versions would be beneficial to the environment, but is still far off from happening. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/4/18; 7am; 1 minute

## **HEALTH/HEALTH CARE**

National Public Health Week begins today — a time to recognize the partnership of government, business and nonprofit organizations that has worked to make American public health among the best in the world. Profile America; 4/2/18; 6pm; 1 minute

Today is Vitamin C Day, celebrated — if that's the word — every April 4 on the anniversary of the isolation of this vitamin. The breakthrough was made in 1932 by two doctors at the University of Pittsburgh. Profile America; 4/4/18; 6pm; 1 minute

On this date in 1859, Massachusetts established the first state milk inspection program. Profile America; 4/6/18; 6pm; 1 minute

Cereal Makers return to a sugary past after healthier versions failed to break a decline in sales. Wall Street Journal; 4/6/18; 8am; 1 minute

Vitamin D and calcium supplements may not always protect bones, a Journal of the American Medical Association article finds. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/24/18; 8am; 1 minute

UPMC transplant surgeon and entrepreneur Paulo Fontes has been hired by West Virginia University as the director of research and innovation. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/8/18; 9am; 1 minute

What is perhaps the nation's foremost professional organization, the American Medical Association, was founded this month in 1847 in Philadelphia. Profile America; 5/11/18; 6pm; 1 minute

Late-blooming spring for trees is giving allergy sufferers fits. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/14/18; 7am; 1 minute

Despite the rain, thousands of runners and walkers turn out for Race for the Cure. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/14/18; 8am; 1 minute

The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine is one of eight Pennsylvania centers now approved to conduct clinical research for the state's medical marijuana program. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/15/18; 6am; 1 minute

Billionaire David Tepper tells of overcoming abuse in his keynote address to the graduating class of Carnegie Mellon University. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/21/18; 8am; 1 minute

An unnamed company is interested in operating a medical marijuana dispensary and a cultivation facility in Wilkesburg. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/25/18; 7am; 1

minute

A higher percentage of Erie residents were diagnosed with major depression in 2016 than were residents across Pennsylvania or the United States. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/29/18; 6am; 1 minute

A Point Breeze firm has demonstrated real-time identification of critical tissue structures during surgery in pre-clinical trials conducted at Allegheny General Hospital. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/1/18; 6am; 1 minute

The worst flu season in recent years has finally ended. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/11/18; 6am; 1 minute

## **MEDIA**

The first all-news radio format in America was heard on this date in 1965, as WINS-AM in New York City switched from rock and roll to rip and read. Profile America; 4/19/18; 6pm; 1 minute

After breaking opening weekend records, “Avengers: Infinity War” continued to dominate in its second weekend in theaters. Wall Street Journal; 5/7/18; 7am; 1 minute

The Fred Roger’s company tweaks its name to “Fred Rogers Productions.” Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/8/18; 7am; 1 minute

The nation’s first daily newspaper, the short-lived Pennsylvania Evening Post, began publication on this date in 1783, printed by Benjamin Towne in Philadelphia. Profile America; 5/20/18; 6pm; 1 minute

Female-led heist film “Ocean’s 8” bumps Solo from its No. 1 spot. Wall Street Journal; 6/11/18; 8am; 1 minute

## **MINORITIES/CIVIL RIGHTS**

Spanish language Easter Mass draws hundreds to St. Catherine’s of Siena Church in Brookline. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/2/18; 7am; 1 minute

On this date 50 years ago, the Civil Rights Act of 1968 became law. Profile America; 4/11/18; 6pm; 1 minute

Three community forums over the next 10 days will center on selecting a statue of an African American woman to replace the Stephen Foster statue in North Oakland. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/24/18; 6am; 1 minute

The JFilm Festival marks 25 years of celebrating Jewish culture and community. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/25/18; 7am; 1 minute

Pitt archivist helps tell the story of French Jews sent to Auschwitz. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/27/18; 7am; 1 minute

By presidential proclamation, this month recognizes one of the nation's fastest-growing population groups — those of Asian and Pacific American heritage. Profile America; 5/9/18; 6pm; 1 minute

On this date in 1954, the U.S. Supreme Court issued one of its most historic decisions, changing the social landscape of the nation. The justices ruled unanimously in Brown v. Board of Education that segregation of public schools based solely on race was unconstitutional. Profile America; 5/17/18; 6pm; 1 minute

President Donald Trump granted a rare posthumous pardon to boxing's first black heavyweight champion, clearing Jack Johnson's name more than 100 years after what many see as his racially charged conviction. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/25/18; 8am; 1 minute

Members of the LGBTQ community and supporters came out in full force for the EQT Equality March and PrideFest in Downtown Pittsburgh. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/11/18; 7am; 1 minute

## **RECREATION/LEISURE/SPORTS**

Hockey Announcer Mike "Doc" Emerick makes hockey sound amazing, now you can hear him read "the Cat in the Hat." He's also narrated the making of a sandwich at Pittsburgh's famous Primanti Brothers. Wall Street Journal; 4/16/18; 7am; 1 minute

Josh Harrison exits game after a pitch hit his hand in 7-3 win. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/16/18; 7am; 1 minute

Pittsburgh based nationally ranked chess teen believes the game can change lives. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 6/19/18; 7am; 1 minute

## **RELIGION/ETHICS**

Pope Francis calls for peace in Easter message to estimated 80,000 faithful. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 4/2/18; 6am; 1 minute



## **SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY**

AI/Robotics fair draws about 40 venture capital firms. Pittsburgh Post-Gazette; 5/24/18; 7am; 1 minute

Amazon.com said one of its Echo home speakers recorded a private conversation without permission and sent it to a person in the owner's contact list, an incident that raises security questions of such voice-operated devices. Wall Street Journal; 5/25/18; 8am; 1 minute

Dealing with one of the oldest challenges to house cleaning — dust — motivated Ives McGaffey of Chicago to patent the first vacuum cleaner in the United States this week in 1869. Profile America; 6/15/18; 6pm; 1 minute

## **OTHER PSAS AND EVENTS READ ON AIR:**

PNC Broadway Across America  
Carnegie Mellon University School of Music  
River City Brass  
Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra  
Point Park University  
Shadyside Academy  
Butler County Symphony Orchestra  
Chatham Baroque  
Attack Theater  
Steinway Society of Western Pennsylvania  
Chatham University  
Pittsburgh Ballet Theater  
Pittsburgh Public Theater  
The REP – Pittsburgh Playhouse  
City Theatre  
CLO Cabaret  
Prime Stage Theater  
Frick Art & Historical Center  
Pittsburgh Playwrights Theater  
Tuesday Musical Club  
Renaissance City Winds  
PICT Classic Theater  
Pittsburgh Musical Theater  
Pittsburgh Cultural Trust  
Pittsburgh Song Collaborative  
Pittsburgh Opera  
Chatham University  
Duquesne University School of Music  
Undercroft Opera

Renaissance & Baroque Society  
Pittsburgh Youth Symphony Orchestra  
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh  
Mendelssohn Choir of Pittsburgh  
Organ Artists Series  
Pittsburgh Youth Philharmonic Orchestra  
Westminster Music & Arts Series  
Tiffany Concert Series  
Thiel College  
Resonance Works | Pittsburgh  
Pittsburgh Dance Council  
University of Pittsburgh Department of Music  
East Liberty Presbyterian Church  
Carnegie Museum of Art  
OvreArts

### **WEEKLY PROGRAMS AND LIVE CONCERT BROADCASTS**

***Performance in Pittsburgh:*** A weekly 2-hour program featuring highlights from area concerts produced by WQED-FM, airing Friday nights from 7-9pm.

On Friday April 20th, 2018, WQED-FM broadcast a live concert by the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra at Heinz Hall; 8 pm to 10 pm

On Friday June 8th, 2018, WQED-FM broadcast a live concert by the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra at Heinz Hall; 8 pm to 10 pm