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WETA-FM and WGMS-FM cover areas of interest for the greater Washington, Frederick and Hagerstown communities through broadcasts produced by NPR and PBS. These programs are selected for quality and appropriate content, presentation and technical excellence, with our audience – real and potential – in mind.

We continue to broadcast NPR's "From the Top." From the Top is a non-profit organization that encourages and celebrates the commitment of young people to music and the arts through a variety of media, including nationally broadcast radio shows. The show aims to entertain, educate and connect young musicians, their parents and teachers. It features young musicians who, along with the host, Chris O'Reilly, demonstrate that classical music has a place in youth culture.

We also continue to broadcast PBS' NewsHour, a news program hosted by Gwen Ifill and Judy Woodruff that airs each weekday from 7-8 PM. NewsHour presents coverage of a wide range of subjects, as below:

The Supreme Court heard several cases this quarter, upholding a Michigan ban on affirmative action in college admissions, and the right to pray in town meetings. The high court struck down campaign contribution limits, overturned Florida's rigid IQ cutoff for death penalty eligibility, and ruled that some employers with religious objections can refuse to pay for contraception.

In National news, there were several controversies covered. The Justice Department accused the Albuquerque PD of unjustified force; the V.A. came under scrutiny after accusations that a V.A. hospital in Phoenix, Arizona, falsified scheduling reports, and that up to 40 veterans died awaiting treatment; a deal to free American prisoner of war, Bowe Bergdahl, generated criticism; and, in Nevada, armed militia members and states' rights protesters showed up at the site of a dispute between the Bureau of Land Management and a cattle farmer who has refused to pay fees for grazing his animals on public lands for two decades.

This quarter's International news was led by increasing tension and violence in Russia, Iraq, and Africa. The Kremlin announced that Russian President Putin ordered the 40,000 troops massed on the Ukrainian border to retreat to their home bases, however, the NATO secretary general said he sees no sign of movement; and Ukraine's President Petro Poroshenko traveled to Brussels to sign the trade agreement that sparked the crisis in Ukraine late last year. His

Kremlin-backed predecessor had balked at further integrating with Europe, and move away from Russia. Iraq is facing disintegration as a Sunni insurgency gains ground, and militants have been capturing strategic Iraqi towns. The abduction of hundreds of schoolgirls by Boko Haram in Nigeria provoked strong feelings of distrust and anxiety about the disorganization and vulnerability of the government there; and the slaughter of hundreds of civilians is the latest act of reprisal violence in South Sudan that began as a rivalry between two politicians of different ethnic groups. The World Cup was held in Brazil, drawing international attention. As transit workers and others have protested, some argue that the \$15 billion spent to host the celebration has diverted spending from health care, education and other public resources.

Media, Arts and Culture marked the passing of several artists and activists of note, including photojournalist Anja Niedringhaus, prizefighter Rubin "Hurricane" Carter, and writers Peter Matthiessen, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, and Maya Angelou. The Kepler telescope may have discovered the most "Earth-like" planet yet; circling a star about 500 light-years away, planet Kepler 186-F may be the right temperature to allow liquid water to flow on its surface. In other science news, the potential to revive extinct animals raised ethical questions. New York City paid \$40 million to five black and Latino men who 25 years ago were wrongly convicted of raping and beating a woman in Central Park. Their conviction was vacated in 2002, but it took until now to close the book on the decade-long civil rights lawsuit.

Health and Healthcare covered both National and International issues. Signaling a new public health emergency, the World Health Organization warns that if polio is not completely eradicated it could become endemic again. Worldwide, 74 cases of the crippling disease have been confirmed this year, with Syria, Cameroon and Pakistan leading with the most occurrences. In Africa, more than 100 people have died so far in the worst outbreak of the Ebola virus in years, which began in Guinea before spreading to Liberia. Nationally, President Obama announced that 8 million Americans have signed up for health care through the ACA. Battles over whether to expand Medicaid under the federal health care law are still being waged. In Virginia, Republicans prevented Gov. Terry McAuliffe from opting the state into the expansion. Meanwhile, Republican governors in a handful of states are considering participation, but with added restrictions and requirements. In other parts of the country, former inmates stand to gain Medicaid under a new expansion.

The Military once again was focused on Iraq, as militants from the Sunni group ISIL moved into strategic areas of the country. President Obama said that he will not put U.S. forces on the ground in Iraq, but he is weighing other military options. He also pointed to problems within the Iraqi government and security forces. Ultimately, the President announced the deployment of up to 300 military advisors to Iraq. In other military news, the Pentagon has seen a 50 percent rise in cases of sexual assault being reported, following escalated measures to

prevent and combat rampant attacks within the ranks and amid growing pressure from Congress and the White House.

Concerning politics and campaigns, President Obama issued two executive orders aimed at income disparity based on gender on what the White House proclaimed Equal Pay Day. But Republicans charged the president and Democrats were playing politics rather than improving policy. The House of Representatives moved to form a special committee to investigate the attacks on the American consulate in Benghazi, Libya. House Speaker John Boehner says there are valid questions to pursue over the Obama administration's role in the aftermath, but some Democrats dismiss the efforts as politically motivated. Congressional primaries in Kentucky, Georgia and Oregon gave a boost to candidates favored by the Republican establishment as opposed to their more conservative opponents. The results raised GOP hopes to stretch the political map to take back control of the Senate.

Reports on Education included demystifying the ins and outs of college expenses and aid, how colleges should ensure diversity, using dancers' discipline as a leaping off point for academics, and harnessing boys' strengths to improve academic achievement. New Orleans works on rebuilding their education with charter schools, and in Chicago, a special academy reinvigorates teens with an arts focus.

ISSUE	PROGRAM DESCRIPTION	SOURCE	AIR DATE	TIME	DURATION
<b>Courts</b>	Supreme Court strikes down campaign contribution limits	NewsHour	2-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court declines appeal in same-sex wedding photographer case	NewsHour	7-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court upholds Michigan ban on affirmative action in college admissions	NewsHour	22-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court takes on warrantless cellphone searches	NewsHour	29-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court upholds EPA emissions limits	NewsHour	29-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court upholds right to pray at town meetings	NewsHour	5-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court overturns Florida's rigid IQ cutoff for death penalty eligibility	NewsHour	27-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	SCOTUS: Children over 21 go to back of visa line	NewsHour	9-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court enforces ban on straw purchase of guns, upholds challenge to political speech law	NewsHour	16-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court limits EPA's authority to regulate carbon dioxide emissions	NewsHour	23-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court voids 35-foot abortion clinic buffer	NewsHour	26-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Supreme Court rules some employers with religious objections can refuse to pay for contraception	NewsHour	30-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	<b>National Affairs</b>	GM CEO offers apology but no explanation yet for recall lag	NewsHour	1-Apr-14	7:00 PM
Drugs used in lethal injections come under scrutiny		NewsHour	9-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Justice Dept. accuses Albuquerque PD of 'unjustified force'		NewsHour	10-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
One year later, Boston pauses to remember marathon bombings		NewsHour	15-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
After threats of painful cuts, Detroit to protect pensions		NewsHour	17-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Rancher's government dispute draws armed protesters		NewsHour	18-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Arkansas residents push ahead in wake of tornado damage		NewsHour	28-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Seattle restaurants torn over minimum wage hike		NewsHour	30-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Veterans Affairs secretary grilled by Senate panel		NewsHour	15-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Will GM's reputation stall out over recalls?		NewsHour	21-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
As Louisiana's coast shrinks, a political fight grows		NewsHour	27-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Kerry defends Obama foreign policy		NewsHour	29-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Deal to free American prisoner of war generates criticism		NewsHour	2-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Low-wage jobs drive gains in U.S. employment	NewsHour	6-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
What's holding up the closure of Guantanamo Bay?	NewsHour	11-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Why so many migrant kids are coming to the U.S. alone	NewsHour	20-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Missing IRS emails prompt cover-up allegations	NewsHour	24-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
<b>International Affairs</b>	Looking inside Homs, central battlefield of Syria's war	NewsHour	1-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Afghan women share stories of surviving abuse	NewsHour	4-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Swiss consider welfare overhaul with guaranteed income	NewsHour	7-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Kiev faces 'critical choice' in addressing latest protests	NewsHour	7-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	'Long way to go' in reform of Bangladesh's garment industry	NewsHour	9-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Examining the pro-Russian campaign in Eastern Ukraine	NewsHour	14-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Inside Myanmar's transition from isolation to openness	NewsHour	14-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Wave of deadly militant attacks roil Nigeria	NewsHour	16-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Political divisions deepen amid unrest in Venezuela	NewsHour	18-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Searching for the abducted schoolgirls in Nigeria	NewsHour	22-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Will violent rivalry tip South Sudan toward famine?	NewsHour	23-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Approaching elections, Iraq faces violence and division	NewsHour	29-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Small steps for improving plight of India's domestic workers	NewsHour	1-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Pro-Russian separatists control symbols of power in Donetsk	NewsHour	1-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Thousands of Senegalese boys forced into begging system	NewsHour	2-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Distress over kidnapped girls fuels protest in Nigeria	NewsHour	5-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Syrian opposition: We just want weapons to defend ourselves	NewsHour	7-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Capitalism in Cuba	NewsHour	7-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Will Eastern Ukrainians turn out for secession vote?	NewsHour	9-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	What are China's ambitions in dispute with Vietnam?	NewsHour	14-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Can India's next leader deliver on economic promises?	NewsHour	16-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	NATO disputes Russia's word on pulling troops from border	NewsHour	19-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Will Credit Suisse crackdown lead to more bank prosecutions?	NewsHour	20-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Russia-China gas deal may influence U.S. strategy on Ukraine	NewsHour	22-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Why far-right and far-left parties are gaining in Europe	NewsHour	26-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Amid Mideast tensions, Pope performs 'balancing act'	NewsHour	26-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Healing wounds of Rwanda's genocide through reconciliation	NewsHour	28-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Syria holds presidential election widely condemned as rigged	NewsHour	3-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Silence covers 25th anniversary of Tiananmen Square Massacre	NewsHour	4-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Pakistani Taliban attacks Karachi airport	NewsHour	9-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Soccer-loving Brazilians feel left out of World Cup wealth	NewsHour	11-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Kurdish troops take Kirkuk after Iraqi forces flee	NewsHour	12-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Iraq faces disintegration as Sunni insurgency gains ground	NewsHour	12-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Militants capture Iraqi town near Syrian border	NewsHour	16-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Shia militiamen rally in place of Iraq security forces	NewsHour	17-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
	Iraqi Shiite leader calls for working government	NewsHour	20-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
How ISIL capitalized on vulnerabilities of Iraq's army	NewsHour	24-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Getting to the root of malnutrition in Guatemala	NewsHour	25-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Vibrant Cambodian lake may face less-fishy future	NewsHour	26-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Trade deal locks Poroshenko and Russia in standoff	NewsHour	27-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Ukraine signs EU trade pact over Russian objections	NewsHour	27-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	

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Media, Arts & Culture	What does a medieval lit scholar see in 'Game of Thrones'?	NewsHour	3-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Remembering photojournalist Anja Niedringhaus	NewsHour	4-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Remembering writer Peter Matthiessen	NewsHour	7-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Echoes from Marian Anderson's defiant performance	NewsHour	9-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Pulitzer Prize renews debate over NSA surveillance reporting	NewsHour	14-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Kepler telescope spots a planet that seems a lot like home	NewsHour	17-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Remembering the literary magic of Gabriel Garcia Marquez	NewsHour	18-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Remembering a prizefighter who fought for freedom	NewsHour	21-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Should science revive the woolly mammoth?	NewsHour	22-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Politics, miracles and the process of picking a modern saint	NewsHour	25-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	All the world's a stage at Shakespeare's 450th anniversary	NewsHour	25-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	NBA commissioner announces fine, lifetime ban for Sterling	NewsHour	29-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Preserving the LA story, one block at a time	NewsHour	12-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	60 years on, school segregation isn't yet American history	NewsHour	16-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Encouraging poetry through community service	NewsHour	20-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	What quality of life can minimum wage workers afford?	NewsHour	22-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Remembering Maya Angelou's iconic voice	NewsHour	28-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Passing down the passion for preservation with hands-on work	NewsHour	10-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Why more American dads are choosing to stay home	NewsHour	13-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	High hopes for a budding cannabis industry	NewsHour	16-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Medal of Honor awarded for marine's selfless action	NewsHour	19-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Why the tide is turning in support of same-sex marriage	NewsHour	19-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Struggle by 'Central Park 5' ends in \$40 million settlement	NewsHour	20-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	'Freedom Summer' leaders recall pivotal fight against racism	NewsHour	24-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Hillary Clinton on running for president	NewsHour	25-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Health	Easing the burden for families of long-term caregiving	NewsHour	8-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		Unprecedented Ebola outbreak crosses borders in West Africa	NewsHour	8-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		Obama: 8 million Americans have signed up for health care	NewsHour	17-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		New Hepatitis-C drug raises hope at a hefty price	NewsHour	23-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		FDA cracks down on 'wild west' of e-cigarettes	NewsHour	24-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		Once nearly eradicated, polio makes fresh comeback	NewsHour	6-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		Does decades-long fuel leak threaten Albuquerque's water?	NewsHour	13-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		Former inmates stand to gain Medicaid under expansion	NewsHour	15-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		NIH requires drugs be tested on animals of both sexes	NewsHour	20-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		What's 'The Cost of Not Caring' for mentally ill Americans?	NewsHour	23-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		Drama over Medicaid expansion continues in some states	NewsHour	10-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
		Searching for the holy grail of snake bite antidotes	NewsHour	18-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.
Pediatric cancer survivors face additional health challenges		NewsHour	30-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Military	Pentagon reports rise in reports of military sexual assault	NewsHour	1-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	How realistic is Obama's new Afghanistan timeline?	NewsHour	27-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Weighing U.S. options as Iraq spirals closer to war	NewsHour	13-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	President Obama announces deployment of up to 300 military advisers to Iraq	NewsHour	19-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Politics & Campaigns	Obama signs executive orders on pay transparency	NewsHour	8-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Obama names budget chief his choice of successor for Sebelius	NewsHour	11-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Examining the record money hitting the midterm elections	NewsHour	16-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Midterm political ads get more positive spin	NewsHour	1-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Will establishment GOP candidates make a primary comeback?	NewsHour	5-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	House GOP pursue Benghazi inquiry ahead of midterm races	NewsHour	8-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	How will the primaries shake up the gender mix in Congress?	NewsHour	19-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Will Democrats face a more united GOP in November?	NewsHour	21-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	In upcoming Miss. runoff, all eyes on tea-party's McDaniel	NewsHour	4-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Incumbents strike back in close primary races	NewsHour	25-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Ted Olson and David Boies team up against Prop 8	NewsHour	26-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.		
Education	Will expanding preschool give kids a lasting advantage?	NewsHour	1-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Demystifying the ins and outs of college expenses and aid	NewsHour	3-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	UN initiative aims to put 57 million kids in school	NewsHour	10-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Why states are beginning to drop Common Core standards	NewsHour	11-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	How should colleges ensure diversity?	NewsHour	23-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Are private charter schools monopolizing public resources?	NewsHour	24-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	What's driving gains in high school graduation rates?	NewsHour	28-Apr-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Why some schools still insist on lessons in elegant cursive	NewsHour	6-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Harnessing boys' strengths to improve academic achievement	NewsHour	7-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Using dancers' discipline as leaping off point for academics	NewsHour	21-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Temporary portable classrooms get sustainable makeover	NewsHour	27-May-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	New Orleans rebuilds education system with charter schools	NewsHour	5-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Will forgiving loans offer long-term student debt solution?	NewsHour	9-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Special academy reinvigorates Chicago teens with arts focus	NewsHour	11-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
	Helping homeless students reach graduation from Skid Row	NewsHour	17-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.	
Documentary explores why higher education has a higher price	NewsHour	23-Jun-14	7:00 PM	20 mins.		