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High Court Tells EPA to Consider Power Plant Emissions Costs

Washington, D.C. – The U.S. Supreme Court has sent the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) back to the drawing board on its plan for reducing emissions from coal-fired power plants. In a 5-4 ruling, the nation's highest court ordered the federal regulatory agency to consider the costs to the industry. Comments from Jim Pew, staff attorney, Earthjustice; and Nachy (KNOCK-ee) Kanfer, regional representative, Sierra Club Beyond Coal campaign. Image available: Photo of smokestack at coal-fired power plant.

Intro: Saying the E-P-A should have considered the costs of tougher emissions standards on the power industry, the U-S Supreme Court has ordered the federal agency to take another look at its new rules on air pollution from coal-fired power plants. Of the 19 plants in Kentucky, plans have already been announced to retire five of them. Nachy Kanfer with the Sierra Club's Beyond Coal campaign says while the Supreme Court decision is "disappointing," the country is still marching toward cleaner air.

Cut 70250 :15 "In Kentucky, despite the Supreme Court's ruling, mercury from coal-fired power plants will be decreasing because of projects that have already started to either retire coal plants and replace them with something cleaner, or install new pollution-controls, like scrubbers, to get the mercury out of the smokestacks."

Tag: The E-P-A claims the economic benefits from cleaner air could reach 90-billion dollars a year. The more stringent rules, that are already in effect, will remain in place while the case goes back to a lower court to decide how the E-P-A should factor in the costs to the power industry.

Second Cut: The two dozen states that challenged the E-P-A, including Kentucky, claim the price tag for compliance is nine-point-six billion dollars annually. Jim Pew, an attorney with Earthjustice, says the E-P-A is facing, in his words, "a very well-funded, very deliberate propaganda campaign by the companies that don't want to pay to clean up their pollution."

Cut 71250 :14 "It's a big number, but the number looks a lot smaller when you compare it to what the cost is of not controlling this pollution. Nobody is really disputing that this rule is going to save between 4,000 and 11,000 lives every year."

Tag 2: Pew says delays mean more profits for the power companies, but Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell blamed the Obama administration for what he labels "massive and regressive regulations."

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Cut 72250 :50 Outcue... Stotelmyer reporting.

Note to Editors: Reach Pew at 202-745-5214; Kanfer at 614-625-3894. See the decision here: http://www.supremecourt.gov/opinions/14pdf/14-46_10n2.pdf.

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Same-Sex Marriage Ruling Opens Door to Health Care Enrollment

Frankfort, KY – Same-sex couples in Kentucky and across the country who get married are eligible for health coverage outside of the open enrollment period under Kynect, Kentucky's version of the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Comments from Montserrat (mont-SIR-ott) Caballero (cab-EYE-air-oh), Enroll America; and Carrie Banahan, executive director, Kentucky Health Benefit Exchange (Kynect). Image available: Photo of a wedding ring.

Intro: The U-S Supreme Court ruling legalizing same-sex marriage has far-reaching effects in Kentucky, including triggering the opportunity for couples to enroll in Kynect, the state's version of the Affordable Care Act. Montserrat Caballero with the nonprofit Enroll America, which helps people get coverage through the A-C-A, says marriage, like childbirth and adoption, is a "qualifying life event," which means some updates are in order.

Cut 79250 :11 *"The Supreme Court ruling reaffirmed same-sex marriage. and so really, after all the celebration, just making sure you look at those kind of logistical things that come with marriage."*

Tag: She says couples have 60 days from the date they marry to either get new coverage or change an existing health insurance plan.

Second Cut: The executive director of Kentucky's Health Benefit Exchange, Carrie Banahan, says she does not expect a significant enrollment increase due to the high court's ruling. She notes that prior to the decision, there was a federal regulation in place requiring health exchanges to recognize same-sex marriages performed in other states.

Cut 80250 :06 *"We did have some cases, and it was not a lot. Probably less than 50."*

Tag: Banahan says more than a half-million people have enrolled in Kynect, about 80 percent of them through the state's expansion of Medicaid. She says three new insurers will be added in 2016 and Kentuckians could have up to eight choices, depending on which county they live in.

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Cut 81250 :42 *Outcue...Stotelmyer reporting*

Note to Editors: Reach Caballero at 520-405-7550; Banahan through Jill Midkiff at 502-564-7042, ext. 3465. Enroll America info at enrollamerica.org. Kynect at <https://kynect.ky.gov/>.

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CDC Finds Link Between Prescription Painkillers, Heroin Use

Frankfort, KY – Heroin use is on the rise, more than doubling among young adults over the past ten years. Those are the findings of new research from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), which also finds connection to prescription painkillers. Comments from CDC Director Dr. Tom Frieden (FREE-den). Image available: Graphic from the report.

Intro: As Kentucky pins its hopes of combating heroin use on a new law, the C-D-C reports that abuse of the drug is rising in the U-S among most age groups and income levels. Usage has risen the fastest, more than doubling, for young adults. The reasons behind the rise are complicated, says C-D-C Director Dr. Tom Frieden. But one thing is clear – there’s a connection to opioid prescription painkiller addiction.

Cut 89250 :14 *"The chemical is essentially the same. So, when heroin is five times cheaper and much more widely available, it becomes something that's driving this trend of rapid increase in heroin use."*

Tag: Frieden says it may be a case of unintended consequences after limits were imposed on prescription painkillers. The C-D-C report says 45-percent of those who have used heroin had been dependent on prescription painkillers.

Second Cut: There's also been an uptick in heroin overdose deaths, more than eight-thousand in 2013. Frieden says quality and potency varies on the street, and overdose-reverse medications aren't always readily available in emergency rooms, although he says that needs to change. He underscores the need to keep opioid painkillers as medical treatment options despite the heroin connection, with pros and cons weighed carefully

Cut 90250 :18 *"If someone has excruciating pain from a surgical procedure, or a car crash, or a severe, terminal pain from cancer, you absolutely want to provide all palliation. For chronic non-cancer pain, you really have to look at the risks and the benefits."*

Tag: Kentucky's new law (Senate Bill 192) increases access to naloxone, a drug that can reverse the effects of an overdose. The law also puts more money into drug treatment, allows needle exchanges and imposes tougher penalties on drug traffickers

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Cut 91250 :39 *Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

Note to Editors: Dr. Tom Frieden available by request: media@cdc.gov. Report: "Today's Heroin Epidemic." <http://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/heroin/index.html>.

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As KY Explores Deep-Well Fracking, Conservationists Watch the Water

Frankfort, KY – A new study from the U.S. Geological Survey finds the amount of water used for hydraulic fracturing is increasing across the country. It has conservationists in Kentucky arguing the state to update its oil and gas regulations in case the deep well boom digs into the Bluegrass. Comments from Tom FitzGerald, director, Kentucky Resources Council; and Ted Auch (‘owk), Great Lakes Program coordinator, FracTracker Alliance. Image available: photo of stream.

Intro. The amount of water used in hydraulic fracturing is increasing across the nation, with the Marcellus and Utica shale formations in neighboring Ohio and West Virginia among the most active. New findings from the U-S Geological Survey show the average horizontal gas well consumed more than five-million gallons of water in 2014, up from around 177-thousand gallons in 2000. While the deep well boom hasn't reached Kentucky yet, conservationists are urging the state to continue updating its regulations to address concerns over high-volume hydraulic fracking. Tom FitzGerald is director of the Kentucky Resources Council.

Cut 92250 :11 *"Trying to get out in front of this, so that the operator identifies the method that they'll use to protect surface and groundwaters from contamination. We need to be prepared."*

Tag: The first step came earlier this year when the Kentucky Legislature added before-and-after water sampling at hydraulic fracking sites to the state's oil and gas regulations.

Second Cut: FitzGerald says Kentucky is currently on the low end of the water-use spectrum, because all the fracking so far has been on shallower formations.

Cut 93250 :10 *"And because of that, you're dealing with a matter of thousands of gallons rather than hundreds of thousands of gallons. So, the wastewater management issues are much smaller."*

Tag: That could be changing, however. Companies are scrambling to see if Kentucky has the volumes of oil and gas needed to make deep-well drilling worthwhile. The state has issued two production permits on the Rogersville Shale in eastern Kentucky.

Third Cut: In neighboring Ohio, Ted Auch with the FracTracker Alliance isn't surprised by the federal report on the rapid rise of water use. His group's research indicates fracking has used up to seven percent of the available water from the Muskingum Watershed, and Auch says it's likely to exceed 10 percent in the next two years.

Cut 94250 :16 *"In good years when it's raining cats and dogs like it is right now, there is excess water. But that excess water buffers that watershed against drought in subsequent years. If you keep pulling water out and putting it down in the geology underneath, you are really compromising the integrity of that watershed."*

Tag: However, some in the oil and gas industry say fracking uses significantly less water than many other processes, and that companies are increasingly recycling and reusing water.

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LEAD: The amount of water used in hydraulic fracturing is increasing across the nation, with the Marcellus and Utica shale formations in neighboring Ohio and West Virginia among the most active. Greg Stotelmyer reports, that has some asking, 'Is Kentucky next?'

Cut 95250 :50 *Outcue... Stotelmyer reporting*

Note to Editors: Reach FitzGerald at 502-451-2492; Auch at 802-343-6771. Study: <http://goo.gl/ruKemm>.

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Test Drilling Intensifies Calls for Ban on Fracking in KY

Hazard, Ky - Opponents of deep-well fracking in Kentucky have been making their concerns known to the state at public meetings this month across the commonwealth. The last one is scheduled for tonight (Thursday) in Hazard. Comments from Kim Walters, Johnson County resident; and Andrew McNeill, executive director, Kentucky Oil and Gas Association. Image available: Photo of pipeline.

Intro: Eastern Kentucky has become ground zero for testing of potential high-volume, hydraulic fracturing in the state. Tonight in Hazard, the Energy and Environment Cabinet concludes a series of public meetings across the state on oil and gas development. Kim Walters says she will be there to call for a ban on fracking. Two test wells have been drilled in the Rogersville Shale Formation, one in Lawrence County, the other in Johnson County, where she lives.

Cut 23250 :08 *"Until they can prove that it's an actually safe method of extraction, I don't think that it should happen in Kentucky."*

Tag: Walters is a member of Kentuckians For The Commonwealth, a grassroots organization whose members have been turning out in force to push for clean-energy jobs over deep-well fracking.

Second Cut: The executive director of the Kentucky Oil and Gas Association, Andrew McNeill, downplays calls for a ban, claiming they are based, in his words, "on very marginal concerns."

Cut 24250 :11 *"It's radical and way outside of the mainstream, and reflects, I think, a very ideological position of these groups. Just not a serious or reasonable proposal."*

Tag 1: McNeill says the industry is in the research and development phase, testing to determine whether resources can be produced consistently in Kentucky.

Third Cut: Clean-energy proponents have a wide range of safety, health and environmental concerns about fracturing thousands of feet underground to find oil or natural gas. Walters wonders, how much water will it take and what will be in the wastewater it creates? □ □

Cut 25250 :12 *"The byproduct is probably going to be the most dangerous, but I think if you look at the amount of water that it takes to do the fracking, I mean, they're both, neither one are good."*

Tag 2: Earlier this year, lawmakers updated the state's oil and gas regulations, including requiring before-and-after water sampling at hydraulic fracking sites. McNeill says the new rules are "strong, common-sense" protections, but opposition groups claim the changes will not protect landowners or the environment. New York and Maryland have banned hydraulic fracking.

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Cut 26250 :42 *Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

Note to Editors: Reach Walters at 606-792-2760; McNeill at 502-226-1955. The meeting begins at 6 tonight at the Jolly Center on the Hazard Community & Technical College campus.

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Gauging Kentucky's Soil From Space

Frankfort, KY – Farmers in Kentucky and around the country could benefit from a partnership involving the U.S. Department of Agriculture and NASA, which should lead to a better understanding of soil moisture levels. Comments from USDA Deputy Secretary Krysta Harden; Don England, Arizona hay and cotton farmer. Image available: Photo of farm.

Intro: A partnership involving the U.S. Department of Agriculture and NASA could benefit farmers in Kentucky as the nation adjusts to the impact of climate change. U-S-D-A Deputy Secretary Krysta Harden says the agreement will expand cooperation on space-borne remote sensing efforts to gather soil moisture data to develop maps that can help farmers.

Cut 27250 :15 *"We know that the climate is changing and we have to adapt. we have to mitigate. We want to give our producers all those tools to make sure they know as well in advance who is going to be impacted and when, so we can farm and ranch differently if we need to in certain parts of the country "*

Tag: Harden adds that the NASA satellite images also will help Forest Service firefighters and first-responders better detect wildfires and predict their behavior.

Second Cut: While it has been a wet year in Kentucky, with rainfall totals in some parts of the state ten or more inches above normal, the Southwest has been ravaged by drought. Don England, a hay and cotton farmer in Arizona, says technology can provide a critical edge for farmers during drought. He uses drones for thermal imaging that can determine soil health down to the acre.

Cut 28250 :07 *"Now I'm able to just break out the drones, with the cameras on those now, I can really look and see and get a bird's eye view and cover more ground."*

Tag England says the thermal imaging can save farmers a fortune by knowing exactly where to add fertilizer or other soil amendments

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Cut 29250 :39 *Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

Note to Editors: Reach Harden through the U.S.D.A. Office of Communications at 202-720-4623; England at 520-258-2821.

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Power Plant Neighbors Hoping for Cleaner Air

Louisville, KY – Advocates for cleaner air say while the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) new Clean Power Plan will benefit everyone's air quality, people who live closest to pollution sources will gain the most. Comments from Sean Hardy, who grew up in an industrial area of Louisville; Janice Nolen, assistant vice president for national policy, American Lung Association; and Lane Boldman, director, Kentucky Conservation Committee. Image available: Photo of power plant smokestacks above a neighborhood.

Intro: As the Obama administration's 15-year plan to cut carbon emissions by nearly one-third begins, an American Lung Association report underscores the challenges ahead. The "State of the Air 2015" report says 44 percent of Americans – or more than 138-million – live where pollution levels are too often dangerous to breathe. Sean Hardy grew up in an industrial part of Louisville known as Rubbertown. Now 29, and having recently moved away, Hardy recalls his childhood years.

Cut 43250 :12 *"We were incredibly ignorant to what was going on. You know, I smelled something in the air, but you don't really consider that maybe what I'm smelling is some type of carbon pollution that is doing this harm to me."*

Tag: The E-P-A projects 45-billion dollars in health and climate-related savings from the Clean Power Plan. It requires states to engage low-income and minority communities as they develop their plans to curb power plant emissions.

Second Cut: Janice Nolen with the American Lung Association says that will directly benefit low-income communities, where many coal-burning plants are located.

Cut 44250 :13 *"Under the plan, as it's in place now, the requirements would be that we have to make sure that we're not harming lower-income neighborhoods, which means that for the first time they may actually get more cleanup than they would otherwise."*

Tag: However, the National Black Chamber of Commerce claims the pollution-cutting rules could more than double power and natural gas rates. The White House estimates the average American family will save nearly 85 dollars on its annual energy bill in 2030, when the plan is fully implemented.

Third Cut: In addition to savings and health benefits, Kentucky Conservation Committee Director Lane Boldman says the plan is designed to help low-income households transition to cleaner energy.

Cut 45250 :13 *"More incentives for energy retrofits; it rewards more energy efficiency. So, all of these come down to the bottom line of your utility bill, and that's always a good thing for low-income communities."*

Tag: Boldman says there also are federal incentives to help low-income households install solar panels.

Fourth Cut: Sean Hardy sees the plan as an opportunity for clean energy and better air quality in neighborhoods like the one he grew up in, although most of his home-state politicians have blasted the Obama administration's new rules. Hardy has a message for Kentucky's leaders.

Cut 46250 :05 *"Take charge and use this as an opportunity for us to move forward, with those on the ground in mind."*

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LEAD: As the Obama administration's 15-year plan to cut carbon emissions by nearly one-third begins, a report from the American Lung Association underscores the challenges ahead. Greg Stotelmyer has more on how the Clean Power Plan could help those who live on pollution's doorstep.

Cut 47250 :46 *Outcue...Stotelmyer reporting.*

Note to Editors: Reach Hardy at 502-271-0262; Boldman at 859-552-1173; Nolen at 202-715-3444.

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Dollars Wanted for Diversifying KY's Coalfields Economy

Harlan, KY - As coal production declines - a victim of cheaper power alternatives, costly mining and tougher regulations - ideas for diversification flow in. A congressman from the coal region of northeastern Pennsylvania has filled a bill (Coal Royalty Fairness and Communities Investment Act) aimed at investing in hard hit areas of Appalachia, including Kentucky. Comments from Rep. Matt Cartwright, (D), PA; and Dan Mosley, Harlan County Judge Executive.

Intro: U.S. Representative Matt Cartwright says "coal built this country" and now it's time to help those regions diversify their economies. The congressman from northeast Pennsylvania has filed the Coal Royalty Fairness and Communities Investment Act, which proposes pumping 100 million dollars into struggling coal communities across Appalachia, including Kentucky.

Cut 59250 :12 "To help build economic resilience, diversify industries and promote new job creation opportunities, as well as job training and reemployment for displaced workers. "

Tag: Cartwright wants to funnel the money through competitive grants from economic and employment based agencies (Economic Development Agency, Employment and Training Administration, Small Business Administration and the Appalachian Regional Commission). The coal royalty portion of his legislation mirrors a Senate bill that would ensure the federal government receives fair compensation for coal extracted from federal lands. That issue revolves around mining in western states.

Second Cut: Harlan County Judge Executive Dan Mosley says economic transition in eastern Kentucky is not an overnight fix because it's a massive region with geographical obstacles. He says the state's broadband initiative will bring the infrastructure backbone to the coal region, but ...

Cut 60250 :15 "Getting it to the businesses and getting to the places we need to get it to from that point is not funded at this point. I think a big portion of that money could be very well invested in this broadband initiative to help get us through the middle mile. "

Final Cut: President Barack Obama has faced an intense backlash from many Kentucky leaders over his efforts to clean up dirty power plants, but he says his administration is ready to help revitalize coal communities with a nearly ten billion dollar investment. Whether it's Obama's POWER+ Plan, or Cartwright's much more modest bill, Mosley wants to believe there's a bright future for Harlan and Kentucky's other coal counties.

Cut 61250 :12 "We've got to wipe away our tears over the situation that the coal industry's in and just

try to find a way to put these people back to work. People haven't left; they're waiting on something to come here so that they can stay. "

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LEAD: s coal production declines - a victim of cheaper power alternatives, costly mining and tougher regulations - ideas for diversification flow in. Greg Stotelmyer has more.

Cut 62250 :41 Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.

Note to Editors: Reach Mosley at 606-573-2600; Cartwright at 202-225-5546. Link to Cartwright's bill: <https://www.congress.gov/bill/114th-congress/house-bill/3303/titles>

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Kentucky College Students Getting Hit With a Double Whammy

Owensboro, KY – Sticker shock from the cost of a college education keeps zapping budgets in Kentucky, while state general fund support continues to decrease. A report from the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities spotlights what students are facing as the fall semester begins. Comments from Lacey Parham, Owensboro Community and Technical College sophomore and Student Government Association president; and Robert King, president, Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education.

Intro: As students return to Kentucky's 24 public colleges and universities to begin the fall semester, the price they are paying continues to escalate, while lawmakers continue to slash state support. According to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Kentucky is among the five states with the highest increase in the average cost of tuition since last year. The nearly four percent (3.9 percent) jump averages 344 dollars a student. Lacey Parham, student government president at Owensboro Community and Technical College, says tuition has become a major factor in students' plans.

Cut 63250 :14 "Tuition holds people back from being able to go to the college they want to go to. Sometimes that can be in the means of having to wait another year or two to save money. Sometimes that can be the means of having to go a completely different route with their education."

Tag: According to the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Kentucky lawmakers made the largest funding cut per student, in the nation this year at 179 dollars a student.

Second Cut: Kentucky, Oklahoma and West Virginia are the only states that have cut funding to higher education over each of the last two years. Robert King, president of the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, says general fund cuts have come each year since 2008 – totaling 900 million dollars.

Cut 64250 :13 "What we're really doing is undermining the capacity of the state to have a highly-skilled, highly-educated workforce. Without that it is very difficult to support economic growth in the future."

Third Cut: King says the state's current general fund allocation to the higher education system is 173 million dollars less than what it was when the recession hit in 2008. He notes that from 2000 to 2009, Kentucky made the most progress in the nation in the number of degree holders, but has now slipped "well down in the pack."

Cut 65250 :13 "I think our legislators know that there is a relationship between state funding and

tuition. I think the performance indicators really are the, kind of the canary in the coal mines. And, look these cuts are starting to have an impact."

Fourth Cut: The funding report shows lawmakers have reduced state support nearly 28-percent (27.6 percent) from its pre-recession level, while tuition has increased 28-percent (28.1 percent). A double whammy on students, which Parham, a sophomore, says puts the college in a no-win situation.

Cut 66250 :08 "You know, I think students and others are often quick to blame the college, and I understand that, but really it's often beyond their control."

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LEAD: As students return to Kentucky's 24 public colleges and universities to begin the fall semester, the price they are paying continues to escalate, while lawmakers continue to reduce state support. Greg Stotelmyer has more.

Cut 67250 :48 Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.

Note to Editors: Reach Parham at 270-903-6341; King through Sue Patrick at 502-573-1555. Link to report: <http://www.cbpp.org/research/years-of-cuts-threaten-to-put-college-out-of-reach-for-more-students>.

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Hearing in Kentucky on New Coal Mining Pollution Rules

Lexington, KY - The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement is considering new pollution protections, and Kentuckians have a chance to weigh-in on the "Stream Protection Rule" tonight (Thurs.). A public hearing in Lexington (5:00-9:00 p.m.) is one of six being held nationwide this month. Comments from Teri Blanton, member, Kentuckians For The Commonwealth; and Hank Graddy (GRAD-ee), water committee chair, Sierra Club Cumberland Chapter.

Intro: The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement holds a public hearing in Lexington tonight (Thurs.), about a proposed rule to determine how water pollution from mining operations is tested, regulated, controlled and enforced. Teri Blanton, a member of the grassroots organization, Kentuckians For The Commonwealth, says in the past there's not been enough done to protect Kentucky's 92-thousand miles of streams - and her group would like to see a stronger rule.

Cut 72250 :10 *"The most important thing out of all of this is enforcement. Will our state actually enforce these new rules? We can only hope that it lives up to its name, Stream Protection Rule."*

Tag: Tonight's hearing in Lexington is one of six being held across the country this month (the others are in Denver, St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Big Stone Gap, VA and Charleston, WV.)

Second Cut: Hank Graddy, who chairs the Sierra Club's water committee, says while the proposed rule is not as protective as the Sierra Club would like, it does take significant steps to better protect streams, fish and wildlife from the adverse impacts of surface mining. In particular, Graddy sites the new focus on "material damage" outside of a permit area.

Cut 73250 :16 *"This has been a great failure of the existing program and it allowed mining operations to basically ignore the impact they would have off-site, or downstream. That lead to, frankly, the loss of over a thousand miles of streams in Appalachia."*

Tag: Graddy says the Stream Protection Rule would require collection of pre-mining data and adequate stream restoration. The National Mining Association calls the regulations "costly and unnecessary" and has urged Congress to block the rule claiming it will cause job losses.

Third Cut: Graddy says the coal industry has never wanted to acknowledge the adverse environmental impacts of mining.

Cut 74250 :10 *"Over the years we've tried to hold the industry to their promise of stewardship and*

they always fight. They don't want to be held to the promise that they will take care of the land."

Tag: The hearing is from five to nine, tonight, at the Lexington Civic Center.

OPTIONAL REPORTER WRAP: uses second soundbite(s)

LEAD: The Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement holds a public hearing in Lexington tonight (Thurs.), about a proposed rule to determine how water pollution from mining operations is tested, regulated, controlled and enforced. Greg Stotemyer has more.

Cut 75250 :53 Outcue...Greg Stotemyer reporting.

Note to Editors: Reach Blanton at 859-582-0312; Graddy at 859-229-4033.

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Court Ruling Backs Bees Against EPA

San Francisco - A federal appeals court (Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals) has rejected the EPA's approval of a bee-killing insecticide (sulfoxaflor/soul-FOX-a-floor), a decision which is being hailed as a victory for beekeepers, their bees and consumers. Comments from Michele Colopy (CALL-uh-pee), program director, Pollinator Stewardship Council.

Intro: A win for beekeepers, their bees and consumers after a federal court overturns the E-P-A's approval of sulfoxaflor - an insecticide that pollinators say is bad for their honeybee colonies. The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals blocked the use of the Dow Chemical insecticide Thursday, ruling the E-P-A failed to do reliable studies on the pesticide's impact. Michele Colopy is with the Pollinator Stewardship Council, one of the groups that filed the suit.

Cut 84250 :13 *"EPA did not follow through with its own requirement of getting scientific-based evidence to prove that the pesticide was not going to adversely impact pollinators."*

Tag: There is a waiting period before the decision is final, and Dow could ask for a re-hearing. But Earthjustice, which represented beekeepers and their trade groups in court, says scientists are pointing to pesticides as the cause of widespread bee colony collapse.

Second Cut: Colopy says a key finding by the appeals court is that sulfoxaflor is a subclass of neonicotinoids (nee-oh-NICK-en-ten-oids) - which are thought to be a factor in honeybee declines. With several "neonics" on the market, she says says the pollinator ecosystem needs careful consideration when any pesticide is approved or used.

Cut 85250 :14 *"It is not looking at the entire organism of a hive. It's not about just the adult forager bee. Bee colonies are an organism and if one aspect of the workforce gets damaged, it damages the entire organism of the colony."*

Tag 1: Colopy notes one in every three bites of food depends on bees for pollination. Kentucky has approximately 20-thousand bee hives. Cash receipts for honey totaled 811-thousand dollars in 2012 according to the U-S-D-A's Economic Research Service.

OPTIONAL REPORTER WRAP: uses first soundbite(s)

LEAD: A win for beekeepers, their bees and consumers after a federal court overturns the E-P-A's approval of sulfoxaflor - an insecticide that pollinators say is bad for their honeybee colonies. Greg Stotemyer has more

Cut 86250 :39 *Outcue...Greg Stotemyer reporting.*

Note to Editors: Reach Colopy at progdirector@pollinatorstewardship.org or 832-727-9492. Link to court decision: <http://earthjustice.org/documents/legal-document/sulfoxaflor-opinion>

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A Challenge to KY from Murder Victims' Families

Frankfort, KY – Six families whose loved ones were murdered have issued a challenge to others in Kentucky to support abolishing the death penalty. Their call to make life without parole the maximum sentence includes a matching-fund challenge supporting the Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty. Comments from Ben Griffith, brother of murder victim; and Rev. Pat Delahanty, chair, Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty.

Intro: Family members of six murder victims have issued a matching-fund challenge to others in Kentucky to support repealing the death penalty. Collectively, they have raised just over 16-hundred dollars to match donations to the Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty. Frankfort resident Ben Griffith says some people are surprised he's against capital punishment when they learn his brother was murdered in Missouri in 1986. But, he says his reasoning is simple.

Cut 11250 :11 *"Responding to violence, the violence of murder, with another murder is not right. You know, there's something wrong with that and inside, it bothers us."*

Tag: A letter sent to 23-hundred supporters, signed by Griffith, describes victims' family members as "important voices in the movement to repeal the death penalty."

Second Cut: Reverend Pat Delahanty, who chairs the coalition opposed to execution, says those voices have played a key role in the seven states that have outlawed the death penalty in recent years.

Cut 12250 :17 *"It doesn't work for them when it seeks to kill others; that's not what they're looking for. They're looking for guilty people to be held accountable. People like Ben Griffith find that life without parole is the penalty that works."*

Third Cut: State lawmakers in Kentucky have repeatedly rejected making life without parole the maximum sentence, often citing the death penalty as a crime deterrent. Griffith believes that prolongs the agony for victims' families.

Cut 13250 :21 *"What you have is decades of the family reliving, reliving, each time there's an appeal (:06) But when there is life without parole, the victim family has about a couple years of appeals, and then it's settled, and the families get to an earlier point of resolution. It's healthier for us."*

Tag: Griffith says after initially wanting his brother's killer put to death, he changed his mind – a view he held privately until around the time of the execution, 11 years after the crime

OPTIONAL REPORTER WRAP: uses first soundbite(s)
LEAD. Family members of six murder victims have issued a matching-fund challenge to others in Kentucky to support repealing the death penalty. Greg Stotelmeyer has more.
Cut 14250 :47 Outcue. Stotelmeyer reporting

Note to Editors: Reach Griffith at 502-330-4989; Delahanty at 502-494-3298.

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Fall Arrives: A Reminder to Help Older Kentuckians Prevent Falls

Frankfort, KY – Fall has arrived, a perfect time for friends and loved ones of older Kentuckians to check for fall risks around their homes, encourage strength and balance training, and perhaps make an appointment for a fall risk evaluation. Comments from Dr. Sascha (sah-sha) Dublin, internal medicine physician and investigator, Group Health Research Institute.

Intro: This first day of fall is also Falls Prevention Awareness Day - two reasons to call attention to the frequency and seriousness of falls among older people. It's estimated that one in three people over age 65 takes a major, unexpected tumble at least once a year, and it should signal that a closer look at their fall risk may be in order. A fall risk evaluation includes a person's gait and balance, his or her health conditions, medications and home environment. Internal medicine physician Sascha Dublin says it can be a challenge getting an older relative or friend to agree to this checkup, but it's important to try.

Cut 18250 :15 *"One of the things I find my patients are particularly responsive to is, there may be things they really don't want to work on, but when I talk about how important it is to you to stay in your own home and stay independent they're often really highly motivated to do things that will let them stay independent as long as possible"*

Tag: Dublin says people who use balance aids such as canes or walkers often need a little training to use them correctly, and may be using a hand-me-down piece of equipment that isn't the right size or height and can put them at greater risk of a fall. Among seniors who take a major fall, she says two-thirds will fall again within six months.

Second Cut: Dublin recommends preventive steps including exercise as people age – not just any exercise, but those that can improve strength, balance and coordination. Tai chi is at the top of her list, but there are others.

Cut 19250 :18 *"Many people don't realize how much improvement they may be able to get with becoming more physically active. (.05) So for instance, there have been randomized trials that took 90-year-olds to do very gentle weight-lifting in the gym, and found substantial benefits from just small amounts of gentle weight-lifting to strengthen leg muscles"*

Tag: Dublin adds it's important to tell a doctor or physical therapist about a person's over-the-counter medication use, not only prescriptions. She says cold medications and sleep aids often contain antihistamines, which can make the user drowsy or dizzy.

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LEAD: This first day of fall is also Falls Prevention Awareness Day - two reasons to call attention to the frequency and seriousness of falls among older people. Greg Stotemyer reports

Cut 20250 :45 *Outcue. Stotemyer reporting*

Note to Editors: Reach Dr. Dublin through Jackson Holtz, 206-448-2728.

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Show # 2015-27

Date aired: 7/5/15 Time Aired: _____

Sonya Madison, Workplace Attorney and Legal Analyst, based in Atlanta

Ms. Madison said a drunk driving conviction can severely damage a person's chances of finding or even keeping a job. She noted that most large employers typically conduct background checks on potential employees today. She explained why negatives such as a DUI conviction often will remove the applicant from consideration for a job opening.

Issues covered:

**Drunk Driving
Employment**

Length: 7:47

Jeff Strohl, PhD, Director of Research at the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce

Dr. Strohl co-authored a recent study that determined that although more Hispanics and African-Americans are going to college, their access to the most selective schools isn't keeping pace. He said there are major income differences between those with a top education compared to graduates of other schools. He explained the reasons behind this problem, and why it is so difficult to address.

Issues covered:

**Minority Concerns
Education**

Length: 9:21

Janet Champ, co-author of "*Ripe: The Truth About Growing Older and the Beauty of Getting on With Your Life*"

Ms. Champ talked about challenges and myths faced by women as they age. She said many women feel discarded and undervalued as they reach their forties. She believes that this phase of life is rich in often underappreciated beauty and that women who adapt to these changes can offer much to society.

Issues covered:

**Women's Issues
Aging
Senior Citizens**

Length: 4:39

Jonathan Levav, PhD, Associate Professor of Marketing at the Stanford University Graduate School of Business

Wise decision-making is perhaps the greatest factor that determines success or failure in life and business. Professor Levav talked about his study of "decision fatigue." He explained the surprising influences on decisions, and how individuals can improve decision-making by recognizing and controlling those variables.

Issues covered:
Workplace Matters
Mental Health

Length: 8:40

Bernard Biermann, MD, PhD, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry at the University of Michigan, Medical Director of the Child/Adolescent Inpatient Unit at Mott Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor, MI

Dr. Biermann recently completed a study that found that parents severely underestimate their teens' use of drugs and alcohol. While just ten percent of parents thought their kids drank alcohol in the past year, 52 percent of teens admitted to doing so. He talked about the possible reasons in the huge disparity, and offered advice for parents on how to recognize the signs of alcohol and drug use in their teenager.

Issues covered:
Substance Abuse
Parenting
Youth at Risk

Length: 5:07

Show # 2015-30

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Armon B. Neel Jr., PharmD., consulting pharmacist, author of "*Are Your Prescriptions Killing You?: How to Prevent Dangerous Interactions, Avoid Deadly Side Effects, and Be Healthier with Fewer Drugs*"

Mr. Neel said that patients and doctors often don't recognize when prescription drugs may be interacting dangerously with one another. He discussed the financial costs to our nation's healthcare system, and explained how patients can reduce the number of medications they're taking.

Issues covered:
Personal Health
Senior Citizens
Consumer Matters

Length: 7:17

Catherine Steiner-Adair, EdD., clinical psychologist, school consultant, author of "*The Big Disconnect: Protecting Childhood and Family Relationships in the Digital Age*"

The digital world is here to stay, but what are families losing? Dr. Steiner-Adair believes that today's parents often pay more attention to their smartphones than their children. She discussed the emotional impact felt by kids, and outlined how parents can set boundaries on the use of hi-tech devices for both themselves and their children.

Issues covered:
Parenting
Youth at Risk

Length: 10:00

Jack Canfield, co-creator of the Chicken Soup for the Soul book series, author of "*The Success Principles*" series

Mr. Canfield talked about the keys to success and how to overcome self-defeating beliefs, fears and habits. He also offered principles on building good teams and better relationships at the office, and how to set goals to improve your life and finances.

Issues covered:
Workplace Issues
Education
Personal Finance

Length: 4:51

Show # 2015-31

Date aired: 8/2 Time Aired: _____

Sheila Markin Nielsen, career counselor with more than 25 years of experience, author of "*Job Quest: How to Become the Insider Who Gets Hired*"

The search for a job can seem intimidating and frustrating for most people. Ms. Markin Nielsen said the most critical component in any successful job search is to establish personal relationships. She outlined strategies to create personal connections and trust with key people. She discussed the usefulness of online tools such as LinkedIn, along with the value of resumes in today's employment environment.

Issues covered:
Employment
Career

Length: 10:25

Jennifer Suor, researcher, PhD candidate in clinical psychology at the University of Rochester

Ms. Suor's research found that children from low-income families are at risk of stunted cognitive functioning before they even start kindergarten. Her team found that young children with emotionally distant caregivers and who lived in an unstable home also had high levels of the stress hormone cortisol, which appears to significantly affect their cognitive abilities.

Issues covered:
Education
Parenting

Length: 6:44

Andy Cohen, CEO, Caring.com

In the past year, approximately 14 million drivers have been in a road incident caused by an elderly driver, according to a survey by Mr. Cohen's organization. He discussed how other motorists view the safety and competence of senior drivers. He also explained how to determine whether an older loved one is no longer fit to drive, and how to approach the topic with them.

Issues covered:
Senior Citizens
Traffic Safety

Length: 5:10

Show # 2015-32

Date aired: 8/6 Time Aired: _____

Deirdre Maloney, author of "*Bogus Balance: Your Journey to Real Work/Life Bliss*"

These days, nearly everyone struggles to balance their work and home lives. Ms. Maloney said that no one can achieve a perfect balance. She said it is possible to find real balance and satisfaction by setting priorities and accepting that you can't have it all. She explained why it is important to analyze your own values and priorities on a regular basis.

Issues covered:

Length: 9:28

Career
Parenting
Mental Health

Doug Whiteman, Insurance Analyst at Bankrate.com

37% of Americans with children under age 18 do not have any life insurance, according to a new Bankrate.com study. And about one-third of the parents who do have life insurance have no more than \$100,000 of protection. Mr. Whiteman explained why this is such a great concern. He also offered suggestions on how to shop for life insurance and how to determine how much coverage is necessary.

Issues covered:

Length: 7:46

Personal Finance
Parenting

Richard Johnson, PhD, Senior Fellow at the Urban Institute, an independent non-partisan organization that evaluates social and economic issues

Dr. Johnson studied Americans who change careers after age 50. He found that most take pay cuts and accept lesser health benefits, but are still happier in their new jobs. He explained why these workers decide to switch careers, and offered advice for older job hunters.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:50

Senior Citizens
Workplace Matters
Unemployment

Show # 2015-33

Date aired: 8/16 Time Aired: _____

Nick Corcodilos, employment expert, headhunter, founder of AskTheHeadhunter.com, author of "*Fearless Job Hunting*"

Mr. Corcodilos said that the way companies recruit, evaluate and hire employees is a disaster. He said employers misuse computer screening software and sites like LinkedIn, in the hope of finding a mythical perfect candidate, then complain that the American workforce is undertrained and unqualified for today's high tech jobs. He offered advice for people who are seeking a new job.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:57

Employment
Job Training

Scott Barry Kauffman, PhD, cognitive psychologist, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Psychology at New York University, author of "*Ungifted: Intelligence Redefined*"

Dr. Kauffman said that the traditional methods of measuring the intellectual potential of children, such as IQ and standardized tests, don't work. He shared his own story of being labeled as "learning disabled" as a child, yet eventually completing his PhD in cognitive psychology at Yale University. He noted that there are many paths to greatness, and argued for a more customized approach to achievement that takes into account each individual's goals, psychology, and developmental trajectory.

Issues covered:
Education
Children's Issues

Length: 7:56

Gary Brienzo, Communications Manager, National Arbor Day Foundation

Mr. Brienzo talked about the growing disconnect between children and nature, as youngsters spend more time indoors with smartphones, video games and the Internet. He talked about the benefits of encouraging children and families to spend time outdoors, including better awareness of the environment.

Issues covered:
Environment
Community Health
Parenting
Volunteerism

Length: 4:42

Show # 2015-34

Date aired: 8/23 Time Aired: _____

David Gumpert, food rights advocate, author of "*Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Food Rights*"

Mr. Gumpert believes that Americans should have the right to privately obtain foods directly from farmers, neighbors, and local producers, in the same way that previous generations did. He said government regulations are making it increasingly difficult for consumers who wish to get raw milk, custom-slaughtered beef and pastured eggs outside the government regulatory system. He outlined the potential health concerns about mass-produced, processed food sold at supermarkets.

Issues covered:
Food Safety
Government Regulation

Length: 8:29

Noël Janis-Norton, learning and behavior specialist, founder and director of The New Learning Centre in London, author of "*Calmer, Easier, Happier Parenting: Five Strategies That End the Daily Battles and Get Kids to Listen the First Time*"

Ms. Norton offered advice to parents who are tired of nagging, pleading or yelling just to get their kids to do simple tasks. She offered examples of how parents should use positive reinforcement to encourage children to cooperate. She also offered tips on how to make homework a more positive and pleasant task each day.

Issues covered:
Parenting
Children's Issues

Length: 8:40

Virginia Reichert, former director of the Center for Tobacco Control at North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System

Ms. Reichert talked about a study she conducted that discovered many smokers incorrectly believe that nicotine causes cancer. This misperception makes them less like to use nicotine patches or gum to help them stop smoking. She explained how comprehensive programs can greatly increase the success rate of smokers who want to quit.

Issues covered:
Addiction
Community Health

Length: 4:58

Show # 2015-35

Date aired: 8/30 Time Aired: _____

Emily Rogalski, PhD, Neuroscientist, Research Associate Professor in Cognitive Neurology and Alzheimer's Disease Center at the Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

Dr. Rogalski is in the early stages of a study of "SuperAgers" — men and women who are in their 80s and 90s, but with brains and memories that seem far younger. She explained what has been learned so far from these exceptional seniors, and what she hopes to discover as the study progresses. She said the research may eventually find ways to help protect others from memory loss.

Issues covered:
Personal Health
Senior Citizens

Length: 8:01

Amanda Ripley, investigative journalist, author of "*The Smartest Kids in the World--and How They Got That Way*"

Over the past fifty years, math and science skills have remained largely flat in the US, while soaring in Canada, Finland and many other developed countries. Ms. Ripley explained why some new "education superpower" countries have rapidly improved test scores, and how their policies differ from the US. She said teachers' college programs in the US should become much more selective, only accepting top students.

Issues covered:
Education
Government

Length: 9:10

Dana Gunders, Project Scientist, Natural Resources Defense Council's Food and Agriculture program in San Francisco

Ms. Gunders recently co-lead a study with Harvard researchers that concluded that dates printed on packaged foods often confuse consumers, leading many to throw out food before it actually goes bad. She said the dates are intended to indicate freshness rather than whether a product is unsafe to eat. She would like to see new government regulations that would standardize food labeling and make it less confusing for consumers.

Issues covered:
Food Safety
Consumer Matters
Government Regulations

Length: 4:55

Show # 2015-36

Date aired: 9/6 Time Aired: _____

Ann Dowsett Johnston, award-winning journalist, author of "*Drink: The Intimate Relationship Between Women And Alcohol*"

Ms. Johnston said women have closed the gender gap in the past decade, not only in their professional and educational lives, but also in terms of alcohol abuse. She noted that corporations have developed marketing strategies and products targeted exclusively to women. She expressed particular concern that alcohol manufacturers are now using social media to target teenage girls for marketing messages.

Issues covered:
Substance Abuse
Women's Issues

Length: 9:27

Kathryn Edin, PhD, Professor of Public Policy and Management at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, co-author of "*Doing the Best I Can: Fatherhood in the Inner City*"

Dr. Edin studied fatherhood among inner city men who are sometimes called "deadbeat dads." She said the term does not accurately describe today's urban fathers, many of whom take pride in being involved in the lives of some of their children. She explained how economic and cultural changes have transformed the meaning of fatherhood among the urban poor.

Issues covered:
Inner City Issues
Parenting
Poverty

Length: 7:36

David L. Roth, Ph.D., Director of the Johns Hopkins University Center on Aging and Health

Dr. Roth's research found that caregivers assisting chronically ill or disabled family members had an 18 percent lower death rate than similar people who were non-caregivers. He talked about the possible reasons behind this surprising finding.

Issues covered:
Senior Citizens
Personal Health
Family

Length: 4:49

Show # 2015-37

Date aired: 2/13 Time Aired: _____

Mark Rank, PhD, Professor of Social Welfare at Washington University in St. Louis

Dr. Rank led a study that found that, between the ages of 25 and 60, almost two-thirds of Americans will live in poverty for a year or more. He shared other statistics from his study that illustrate how common poverty is. He discussed the reasons behind the problem and why a surprising number of Americans move from poverty to the middle class or higher, then back to poverty again.

Issues covered:
Poverty
Education

Length: 8:31

Sandeep S. Grewal, MD, MS, nutrition and weight loss expert, co-author of *"Fat-Me-Not: Weight Loss Diet of The Future"*

Most parents believe preparing and packing a healthy lunchbox is a difficult task. Dr. Grewal explained why lunches parents send to school are so critical to their kids' development and learning. He talked about the worst things parents can include in a lunch, and why hot lunches at school are not always a better option. He also discussed the most effective ways to lose weight.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:33

Parenting
Nutrition

Jim Quiggle, Director of Communications at Coalition Against Insurance Fraud

Mr. Quiggle discussed Medicare fraud, which has become a multi-billion dollar industry. He explained how fraudsters rapidly evolve their techniques as investigators close in on a specific scam. He outlined common warning signs of a scam that senior citizens should recognize, such as cold-call solicitations and requesting Medicare numbers over the phone.

Issues covered:

Length: 5:00

Medicare Fraud
Senior Citizens

Show # 2015-38

Date aired: 9/20 Time Aired: _____

Meredith Jones, author of *"Women of The Street: Why Female Money Managers Generate Higher Returns (and How You Can Too)"*

Ms. Jones said her research found that women typically make better investment decisions than men. She explained how women's and men's investment behaviors differ. She also offered advice to young women who may be considering a career as an investment professional.

Issues covered:

Length: 10:32

Personal Finance
Women's Issues

Todd Herrenkohl, PhD, Professor of Sociology, Interim Associate Dean for Research for the Office of Research, University of Washington

Dr. Herrenkohl led a study that found that troubling behaviors exhibited by abused children can predict criminal activity when they grow up. He explained what the most common indicators are and how they differ between boys and girls. He discussed the importance of recognizing kids at risk and getting treatment for them as quickly as possible.

Issues covered:

Length: 6:38

Child Abuse
Crime
Youth at Risk

Bruce Schneier, internationally recognized security technologist, Chief Technology Officer of Resilient Systems, a fellow at Harvard's Berkman Center, and a board member of Electronic Frontier Foundation, author of "*Schneier on Security*"

Mr. Schneier discussed a recent study that examined the most commonly hacked computer passwords. Many people choose passwords that are far too easy to guess. He outlined ways to choose and remember a very secure password.

Issues covered:
Crime
Consumer Matters

Length: 5:14

Show # 2015-39

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Brad J. Bushman, PhD, Professor of Communication and Psychology, Margaret Hall and Robert Randal Rinehart Chair of Mass Communication at Ohio State University

Dr. Bushman's research found that gun violence in movies rated PG-13 has more than tripled since PG-13 was introduced in 1985. In fact, he found that today's PG-13 films depict more violence than R-rated movies. Dr. Bushman explained why parents should be concerned. He said the patchwork of different rating systems for TV, movies and video games is confusing for parents and should be standardized.

Issues covered:
Parenting
Media

Length: 9:01

Stewart D. Friedman, PhD, Professor at the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania, Founding Director of the Wharton Leadership Program and Wharton's Work/Life Integration Project, author of "*Baby Bust: New Choices for Men and Women in Work and Family*"

Dr. Friedman studied two classes of Wharton School of Business students, and found stunning results: the rate of graduates who plan to have children has dropped by nearly half over the past 20 years. He outlined the reasons for this disturbing trend and explained why this could be a huge problem for our society. He also offered some potential solutions.

Issues covered:
Parenting
Career
Education

Length: 8:04

Chris & Toren Volkmann, co- authors of "*Our Drink: Detoxing the Perfect Family*"

Chris and Toren offered their perspective on college drinking, as a mother and son who personally suffered the effects. They discussed warning signs of excessive drinking that both parents and college students should be aware of, and talked about the changing attitudes on college campuses.

Issues covered:
Substance Abuse
Youth at Risk
Parenting Matters

Length: 4:36