

Issues/Programs List

Date Filed: 10/4/12
 Quarter Date: 3rd Qtr '12
 Title of Program: Info Track
 Time of Airing: See Below
 Duration Program: 25 minutes
 Stations & Airtime: WREZ 5a, WZZL 5a, WGKY 5a

Program Information

Date	Guest/Topic	Issue
7/1/12	Angela Garner – ER Drs. , Alan Ross – Safety, John Hartigan – Racially biased	Legal, Media, & Traffic Safety
7/8/12	Garth Sundem – Top Scientist , Milton Chen – Education Nation	Science, Education, Consumer Matters
7/15/12	Mark Hyman – most expensive game, Suzanne Kelleher – Travel expert	Parenting, Family, Youth At Risk
7/22/12	Carol Dunitz – Hunger in America, Paul Slocumb, Joseph Lyles – Sued	Hunger, Poverty, Consumer Issues
7/29/12	Sally Ride – Women In Space, Brandon Webb – Security	Education, Crime, Senior Issues
8/5/12	Kate Tulenko – Foreign Drs., Ulrich Boser – Reading	Healthcare, Education, Crime
8/12/12	Robert Vamosi – ID, Laura Vanderkam – Time	Mental Health, Community Health, Children's Issues
8/19/12	Nate Bonilla-Wanford – Computer work, John Gray – Research between men & women	Personal Health, Mental Health, Consumer Matters
8/26/12	Ruchi Gupta – High rates for allergies, Tammi DeVille – Volunteer	Allergies, Parenting, Volunteerism
9/2/12	Donald Kaufman – Prostate Cancer, Ernie Allen – Missing children	Cancer, Crime, Entrepreneurship
9/9/12	Danical McKellar – Math, Charles Duhigg – Habits	Education, Health & Fitness, Poverty
9/16/12	Timothy Mohin – Socially responsible, Madeline Levine – Focus on grades	Environment, Parenting
9/23/12	Eric Anderman – Cheating in school, Anthony Curto – Legal system	Education, Crime, Mental Health
9/30/12	Shawn Eddington – Abuse technology, Rick Maurer - Resistance	Parenting Concerns, Mental Health, Employment

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Weekly Public Affairs Program

QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT, JULY-SEPTEMBER, 2012

Show # 2012-27

Date aired: _____ Time Aired: _____

Angela Garner, MD, FACEP, emergency physician from Galveston, TX, President of the American College of Emergency Physicians

Many Emergency Room doctors say the fear of malpractice lawsuits results in extra blood tests and imaging scans that are not necessary. Dr. Gardner talked about this trend and why ER physicians are such an inviting target for legal action. She also offered suggestions on how to improve the situation.

Issues covered:

Length: 9:03

- Personal Health**
- Legal Issues**
- Government Policies**

John Hartigan, Jr., PhD, Director of the American Paredes Center for Cultural Studies and Associate Professor of Anthropology at the University of Texas at Austin, author of *"What Can You Say?: America's National Conversation on Race"*

How do Americans know whether a remark or incident is racially biased? Dr. Hartigan discussed the state of race relations in America and the media's role in it. He discussed ways that the first black President has affected attitudes regarding race relations.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:08

- Racial Issues**
- Media**

Alan L. Ross, DMD, President of the National Coalition for School Bus Safety

Although automobile safety technology has improved dramatically in the past two decades, school bus designs have changed very little. Dr. Ross explained the reasons behind this lack of progress. He believes seat belts should be mandated in all school buses. He talked about the expenses involved to retrofit the nation's school bus fleet.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:43

- Child Safety**
- Traffic Safety**
- Parenting Concerns**

Show # 2012-28

Date aired: _____ Time Aired: _____

Garth Sundem, science writer, author of "*Brain Trust: 93 Top Scientists Reveal Lab-Tested Secrets to Surfing, Dating, Dieting, Gambling, Growing Man-Eating Plants and More*"

Mr. Sundem set out to interview 93 of the world's top scientists, seeking practical advice for everyday tasks. He outlined some of the results, which touched on weight loss advice, ways to shorten trips to save gas, reducing gossip in the workplace and more.

Issues covered:

Length: 7:18

Science
Nutrition
Energy

Milton Chen, Senior Fellow and Executive Director Emeritus of the George Lucas Educational Foundation, author of "*Education Nation: Six Leading Edges of Innovation in Our Schools*"

Mr. Chen said the US education system is rapidly falling behind in today's technologically sophisticated world, and that learning is no longer limited by the traditional boundaries of schedule and location. He outlined major changes that he believes are necessary to encourage innovation in teaching and learning.

Issues covered:

Length: 10:03

Education
Government Spending

Nancy Trejos, personal finance columnist at the *Washington Post*, author of "*Hot (broke) Messes: How to Have Your Latte and Drink It Too*"

As a young columnist for the *Washington Post*, her job is to counsel thousands of people on personal finance, but Ms. Trejos found that she couldn't even pay her own bills. She explained how she got into financial trouble and the steps she took to get out. She believes it is possible for consumers to repair their finances without giving up some indulgences.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:57

Personal Finance
Consumer Matters

Show # 2012-29

Date aired: _____ Time Aired: _____

Mark Hyman, Adjunct Instructor, Sports Management, the George Washington University, author of "*The Most Expensive Game in Town: The Rising Cost of Youth Sports and the Toll on Today's Families*"

More than 41 million American kids participate in sports, and the fastest growing category is travel leagues. Mr. Hyman explained why he is concerned about the advent of year 'round leagues, including the huge commitment of time and money, and the higher risk of injury. He also talked about the value of traditional rec sports leagues in local communities and neighborhoods.

Issues covered:

Length: 9:55

Youth Sports
Parenting
Children's Health

Suzanne Rowan Kelleher, family travel expert, co-founder and Editor-in-Chief of WeJustGotBack.com

The higher cost of flying this summer may ground some family vacations. Ms. Kelleher outlined several policies that airlines have recently implemented that make travel significantly more expensive and inconvenient for families. She also offered tips for traveling with kids.

Issues covered:

Length: 7:22

**Consumer Matters
Family
Travel**

Bob Ragazzo, Certified Defensive Driving Instructor, Founder and President of Save Your Teen Driver, LLC, author of *"Save Your Teen Driver: 7 Things Every Parent Must Teach Their Young Driver Before Handing Over The Car Keys"*

Motor vehicle accidents are the top cause of death among 15 to 20 year olds. Mr. Ragazzo discussed several crucial safety tactics that drivers' education courses are not teaching students. He talked about the increasing number of distractions in the car, leading to higher accident rates.

Issues covered:

Length: 5:06

**Highway Safety
Government Policies
Youth at Risk**

Show # 2012-30

Date aired: _____ **Time Aired:** _____

Carol Dunitz, PhD, author of *"One Hungry Child"*

Dr. Dunitz talked about the problem of hunger in America, which she said is often overlooked and more common than most Americans know. She explained who is most at risk and talked about ways that people can donate time and money to help food assistance programs.

Issues covered:

Length: 6:54

**Hunger
Poverty
Charitable Giving**

Joseph Lyles, attorney, former JAG, and author of *"How You Can Avoid Legal Land Mines"*

Millions of Americans have been sued. Mr. Lyles talked about some of the most common legal pitfalls for people to avoid and offered practical suggestions to the everyday consumer.

Issues covered:

Length: 10:18

**Legal Issues
Consumer Issues**

Paul Slocumb, Ed.D., professional educator and author of *"Hear Our Cry: Boys in Crisis"*

Dr. Slocumb believes that today's cultural and media influences are creating a generation of youngsters with no remorse and no conscience. He explained why he feels that the childhood experience has changed dramatically, why boys are more at risk than girls, and steps parents should consider taking.

Issues covered:

**Youth at Risk
Child Safety
Mental Health
Parenting Issues**

Length: 4:46

Show # 2012-31

Date aired: _____ Time Aired: _____

Sally Ride, PhD, first American woman in space, founder and CEO of *Sally Ride Science*

InfoTrak interviewed Dr. Ride in 2006 and this week presents a look back at this American icon, who recently died of pancreatic cancer. In elementary school, roughly an equal number of girls and boys are interested in science and math. But around sixth grade, more girls than boys begin to drift away from these subjects. Dr. Ride explained why she was so energized to battle this trend. She also offered ideas for parents who would like to encourage their daughters to pursue careers in engineering and the sciences.

Issues covered:

**Education
Women's Issues
Parenting**

Length: 9:32

Brandon Webb, former US Navy SEAL and sniper instructor, intelligence and security specialist, founder of SofRep.com

In the aftermath of the horrific shooting incident in Aurora, Colorado, Mr. Webb outlined ways the average person can prepare themselves to react to a similar situation. He said before any type of emergency occurs in public places or at home, it is critical to analyze your environment and think about how you will react. He also talked about the importance of proper training for people who chose to own and carry a gun.

Issues covered:

**Crime
Personal Protection
Emergency Preparedness
Terrorism**

Length: 7:29

Sandy Markwood, CEO of the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging

Ms. Markwood shared the results of a study that found that most communities are making no preparations to deal with the coming wave of retiring Baby Boomers. She explained what types of government planning is necessary and how local volunteer groups may be able to help.

Issues covered:

**Senior Issues
Government Policy
Volunteerism**

Length: 4:51

Show # 2012-32

Date aired: _____ **Time Aired:** _____

Kate Tulenko, MD, MPH, physician and director of clinical services for the US Agency for International Development, a global health nonprofit, author of *"Insourced: How Importing Jobs Impacts the Healthcare Crisis Here and Abroad"*

Dr. Tulenko said 25% of physicians in the US are foreign-trained and foreign-born. She contends that this has caused tens of thousands of high-paying local jobs in the healthcare sector to effectively vanish from the reach of US citizens, weakened the healthcare systems of developing nations, and constricted an American university system that should be educating healthcare professionals.

Issues covered:

Length: 10:20

Healthcare
Education
Government Policies

Ulrich Boser, Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress, expert in education, criminal justice, and other social policy issues

Almost a third of eighth-grade students report reading less than five pages a day, either in school or for homework. Mr. Boser conducted an analysis that found that millions of students believe they are not being challenged enough in school. He discussed the reasons behind this trend and what can be done to improve education in America.

Issues covered:

Length: 6:42

Education
Government Policies
Children's Issues

Uchendi Nwani motivational speaker, former cocaine dealer and prison inmate, CEO of International Barber and Style College, author of *"The Millionaire Ex-Convict"*

Mr. Nwani shared his inspirational story. He came from a middle-class family but ended up in prison after a conviction for cocaine trafficking. He talked about the importance of faith in his life and how he became a millionaire businessman after this release from prison.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:52

Crime
Drug Abuse

Show # 2012-33

Date aired: _____ **Time Aired:** _____

Robert Vamosi, computer virus and security columnist for CNET, Analyst of Security, Risk and Fraud at Javelin Strategy & Research, a California-based company that focuses on financial services and payments industries

Mr. Vamosi said there is a new variation on identity theft—this time targeting children. He explained how online companies use sophisticated software to find existing but unused Social Security numbers, then sell the dormant numbers to thieves. Mr. Vamosi offered advice to parents who are concerned about protecting their child's social security number.

Issues covered:

Length: 6:37

Crime
Identity Theft
Parenting

Laura Vanderkam, time-management expert, journalist, author of "*168 Hours: You Have More Time Than You Think*"

A week contains 168 hours, but most people complain about not having enough time at home or work. Ms. Vanderkam believes 168 hours is actually quite a bit of time, if managed properly. She offered practical tips on how to use time wisely to boost productivity, efficiency and happiness.

Issues covered:

Length: 10:28

Workplace Matters
Personal Productivity
Mental Health

Elizabeth T. Luman, PhD, epidemiologist at the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Dr. Luman led a study that determined that more than a quarter of American children are not meeting the US government's recommendations for childhood vaccinations. She explained why parents fail to keep up with vaccination schedules. She also talked about the risks involved in missed doses.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:52

Community Health
Children's Issues

Show # 2012-34

Date aired: _____ **Time Aired:** _____

Nate Bonilla-Warford, OD, FAAO, Tampa-based optometrist who specializes in computer vision syndrome

More than 40% of Americans spend three or more hours a day staring at a computer or hand-held digital device. Dr. Bonilla-Warford said the majority of his patients complain about headaches, fatigue, blurred vision or neck pain -- all symptoms of computer-vision syndrome. He explained the treatment options available and how to avoid problems in the first place.

Issues covered:

Length: 7:20

Personal Health
Workplace Matters

John Gray, PhD, relationship expert, author of "*Venus On Fire Mars On Ice: Hormonal Balance-The Key to Life, Love, and Energy*"

Dr. Gray said recent research has proven that the differences between men and women, and how they relate to each other, can be explained by hormones. He explained how hormones affect the ways that each gender reacts to stress. He talked about the importance of nutrition and how achieving hormonal balance can improve relationships and overall happiness.

Issues covered:

Length: 10:03

Women's Issues
Personal Health
Mental Health

Jeanne Salvatore, spokeswoman for the Insurance Information Institute

The expense of owning and operating a motor vehicle continues to rise. Ms. Salvatore explained the factors that influence the cost of insuring a car. She outlined several possible ways to reduce the costs of car insurance, and the pros and cons of each.

Issues covered:
Consumer Matters

Length: 5:03

Show # 2012-35

Date aired: _____ **Time Aired:** _____

Ruchi Gupta, M.D., M.P.H., Health Services Researcher and Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Northwestern University and Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago

Dr. Gupta was the lead author of a study that found that children in urban areas have much higher rates of food allergies than those in rural America. Her research found that city kids also are allergic to different foods than rural kids. She talked about the theories as to why population density and environment may have such a large impact. She offered advice to parents who have a child with food allergies. She also discussed the reasons why people often do not treat allergies as the life-threatening conditions they are.

Issues covered:
Allergies
Personal Health
Parenting

Length: 9:24

Tammi DeVille, author of "*Changing the World on a Tuesday Night*"

44 percent of adults volunteer, and many others would consider it, if they thought they had the time and skills needed. Ms. DeVille said that ordinary people can make a difference by volunteering as little as five minutes a day. She offered examples of opportunities to contribute time, often online, to non-profit organizations in their own community or across the globe.

Issues covered:
Volunteerism
Community Involvement

Length: 7:44

Bruce Anderson, Cybercrime Expert and Director of Investigations of Cyber Investigation Services in Tampa

Free Internet wi-fi access is everywhere these days--and so are computer hackers. Mr. Anderson talked about the dangers of using public Internet connections, what the riskiest locations are, and how the average computer user can protect himself.

Issues covered:
Crime
Consumer Matters

Length: 5:02

Show # 2012-36

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Donald S. Kaufman, MD, Clinical Professor in the Department of Medicine at Harvard Medical School, Director of Education at the Claire & John Bertucci Center for Genitourinary Cancers at Massachusetts General Hospital

Dr. Kaufman discussed the latest research into prostate cancer. He said a surprising number of cases involve cancers that will never be life-threatening, and research has found that actively watching these patients is more effective than actively treating the cancer. He talked about the importance of screening, starting at age 50.

Issues covered:

Length: 7:54

**Cancer
Personal Health
Men's Issues**

Ernie Allen, President and CEO of the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children

An analysis of five years worth of data from the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children identified the most common targets and scenarios for child abduction. Mr. Allen said that the person who most commonly stops an abduction is the targeted child himself, not an intervening adult. He offered advice for children on what to do if a predator approaches them.

Issues covered:

Length: 9:29

**Child Safety
Parenting
Crime**

Joel Comm, expert in online commerce, author of "*KaChing: How to Run an Online Business*"

Mr. Comm talked about the wisest ways to start an online business. He believes that online business offer many more options to make money than a traditional bricks-and-mortar store. He outlined several of these options, including affiliate programs, coaching and membership programs, and selling information products.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:50

**Entrepreneurship
Employment Matters**

Show # 2012-37

Date aired: _____ Time Aired: _____

Danica McKellar, actress, education advocate, author of "*Girls Get Curves: Geometry Takes Shape*"

Ms. McKellar majored in mathematics at UCLA, and now encourages middle-school girls to excel in math. She explained the reasons that girls mistakenly believe that they cannot be both popular and smart, and how math skills can improve their overall self-confidence. She also explained how basic geometry can apply to everyday life.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:35

**Education
Women's Issues**

Charles Duhigg, investigative reporter for the New York Times, winner of the National Academies of Sciences, National Journalism, and George Polk awards, author of "*The Power of Habit: Why We Do What We Do in Life and Business*"

Habits shape every aspect of our lives, often in ways we do not recognize. Mr. Duhigg summarized the results of recent scientific research that explains why habits exist and how they can be changed. He said tweaking even one habit, as long as it's the right one, can have staggering effects. He also explained how and why companies carefully study consumer habits.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:26

**Health & Fitness
Consumer Matters**

Jonathon Kozol, writer, educator, public education activist, author of "*Fire in the Ashes: Twenty-Five Years Among the Poorest Children in America*"

Mr. Kozol has been working with low-income children in inner-city schools for nearly fifty years. He talked about his experiences at a school in one of the poorest sections of New York City. He believes that because of vast differences in funding from one area to another, the nation's schools remain unequal and deeply segregated.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:54

**Poverty
Education
Government Spending**

Show # 2012-38

Date aired: _____ **Time Aired:** _____

Timothy J. Mohin, environmental advocate, author of "*Changing Business from the Inside Out: A Treehuggers Guide to Working in Corporations*"

American corporations are gradually becoming more socially responsible. Mr. Mohin outlined the reasons behind this trend, and explained how "treehuggers" working inside the system can lead the effort. He said young professionals now view "having an impact" as a much more important career goal than many other more traditional priorities.

Issues covered:

Length: 7:49

**Environment
Workplace Matters**

Madeline Levine, PhD, psychologist, co-founder of Challenge Success, a education reform project at the Stanford School of Education, author of "*Teach Your Children Well: Parenting for Authentic Success*"

Dr. Levine said while parents, educators, and the media express concern about the soaring rates of emotional problems, and poor learning skills in America's children, there are ways to reverse these trends. She believes many parents need to shift their focus from good grades, high test scores, and college acceptances to developing a sense of purpose, connection, and meaning in their children's lives.

Issues covered:

Length: 9:18

**Parenting
Education**

Miriam Rafailovich, PhD, materials engineering researcher, Professor of Materials Science and Engineering, Director of the Garcia Center for Polymers at Engineered Interfaces at Stony Brook University on Long Island

Dr. Rafailovich led a study that found that many compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs emit high levels of ultraviolet rays. She said that despite their large energy savings, consumers should avoid using compact fluorescent light bulbs at close distances.

Issues covered:

Length: 5:04

**Personal Health
Environment
Consumer Matters**

Show # 2012-39

Date aired: _____ **Time Aired:** _____

Eric Anderman, PhD, Professor of Educational Psychology, Director of the School of Educational Policy & Leadership in the College of Education & Human Ecology at Ohio State University

The rise of technology has made cheating in school easier than ever. Dr. Anderman talked about the new, high-tech tools that students use to cheat and why many kids see nothing wrong with it. He also talked about the countermeasures that teachers and professors have devised to combat plagiarism and other forms of cheating. He offered advice to parents who are concerned about their child's education.

Issues covered:

Length: 7:48

**Education
Parenting**

Anthony Curto, attorney, senior partner of Forchelli, Curto, Deegan, Schwartz, Mineo, Cohn, & Terrana on Long Island, author of "*The Time For Justice*"

Mr. Curto believes that America's legal system is broken, primarily because of excessive delays in courts. He explained that because most legal cases require years to resolve, people have lost confidence in the system's ability to deliver justice. He talked about the negative consequences of this problem, and offered ideas to streamline court schedules.

Issues covered:

Length: 9:31

**Legal Reform
Crime**

Regina Leeds, professional organizer, author of "*The 8-Minute Organizer*"

Nearly everyone can use some help in getting organized. Ms. Leeds talked about the reasons that keeping order in our lives and possessions is so difficult. She offered small, step-by-step suggestions on how establish goals to get organized, and how to create positive routines for the long-term.

Issues covered:

Length: 5:06

**Consumer Matters
Mental Health**

Show # 2012-40

Date aired: _____ Time Aired: _____

Shawn Edgington, expert in cyberbullying and textual harassment, author of "*The Parents Guide to Texting, Facebook and Social Media*"

Ms. Edgington said that the use and abuse of technology by youngsters is increasing at an alarming rate. She talked about the reasons that cyberbullying has become so pervasive and what parents can do to stay abreast of their children's cell phone and online activities.

Issues covered:

Length: 6:44

**Parenting Concerns
Youth Violence**

Nicholas Carr, author of "*The Shallows: What the Internet Is Doing to Our Brains*"

Mr. Carr believes that the ever-increasing amount of time we spend online might be eroding our capacity to read carefully and think critically. Recent research indicates that the brain actually begins to rewire itself when subjected to activities such as habitual use of the Internet. He offered examples of how distractedness has serious consequences, and what web users can do to minimize the problem.

Issues covered:

Length: 10:22

**Personal Health
Mental Health**

Rick Maurer, author of "*Beyond The Wall Of Resistance: Why 70% of All Changes Still Fail – and What You Can Do About It*"

Seventy percent of all major changes in organizations fail - and that number hasn't changed since researchers started examining success and failure rates some fifteen years ago. Mr. Maurer talked about the most common reasons for failure and what leaders can do about it.

Issues covered:

Length: 5:03

**Workplace Matters
Employment**

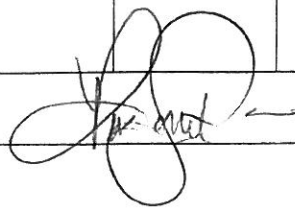
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7/15	5:25A	5 min.	Rebo calls	Political	WR52/WZ2L
7/29			kids well being	Public Health	
8/5			Waterway trash	Public Safety	
8/12			Coal Pollution	Air pollution	
8/26			Tax Code	Economy	
9/9			Soot Rules	Air pollution	
9/16			Recession Proof	economy	
9/23			Things coming	Drought	
9/30			VP Debate	Political	

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RoboCops Needed for KY Political Robocalls?

Frankfort, KY – Some folks in Kentucky can tell the election season is gearing up by the ringing of their phone. While robocalls from telemarketers are illegal for numbers on the National Do Not Call Registry, and to cell phones, political calls are exempted. One round of calls in many states this past week focused on the Affordable Care Act ruling. Comments from Shaun Dakin (DAY-kin), CEO and founder of nonprofit National Political Do Not Contact Registry. (Nat sound of a recent robocall available. Image also available; telephone.)

Intro: Hold the phone! Robocall season is under way in Kentucky, along with election season. Political robocalls are exempted from National Do Not Call Registry regulations, and some families have been targeted for several calls a day. Shaun Dakin founded the National Political Do Not Contact Registry in 2007, in hopes candidates would use the list to refine their calling logs. He describes robocalls as “disrespectful” of voters because they’re one-sided conversations.

Cut 11250 :11 *“Robocalls are kind of the perfect example of a marketing political machine with no civil discourse. no debate, no democracy. It's phone spam. You can't have a debate with a robocall.”*

Tag: He says many times, a call sounds like it’s coming from a candidate, but it’s really from a PAC – and the “disclaimer” is impossible to understand unless the call is recorded and listened to several times. In Kentucky, automated calls used for conducting polls must identify the caller and are limited to 8:00 AM to 9:00 PM.

Second Cut: Dakin says the calls are more than annoyance. He’s collected stories from around the country about how the calls tie up lines being kept open for emergencies, disrupt the sleep of night-shift workers, and cause disturbances for people with mental-health issues.

Cut 12250 :10 *“Senior citizens answer the calls, they have dementia, they get confused, they get agitated, the adult children have to leave their jobs, and have to come and they have to take care of their parents.”*

Tag: He adds that there has been some research done showing the calls are ineffective, and can alienate voters who support the cause. He’s also documented cases where families have received ten political robocalls in one day.

Nat Sound: PAC-funded Robocall [Recording of a robocall paid for by a PAC, right after the Supreme Court ruling on the Affordable Care Act. Garbled disclaimer at the beginning.]

Cut 13250 :45 *“[recorded robocall]”*

OPTIONAL REPORTER WRAP: uses first soundbite(s)
LEAD: Hold the phone! Robocall season is under way in Kentucky, along with election season. Tom Joseph has the sometimes annoying details
Cut 14250 :50 *Outcue...I'm Tom Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Shaun Dakin is at 703.829.0854. Website: StopPoliticalCalls.org. Source of state restrictions

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KY's Changing Families - Not Good News for Kids' Well-being

Frankfort, KY - The Annie E. Casey Foundation KIDS COUNT Data Book released today (Wednesday) puts Kentucky in the bottom fifteen states for overall child well-being. Comments from Dr. Terry Brooks, executive director, Kentucky Youth Advocates.

Intro: Kentucky has landed in the bottom fifteen states for the overall well-being of children - according to the new Annie E. Casey Foundation KIDS COUNT Data Book released today (Wednesday). Dr. Terry Brooks with Kentucky Youth Advocates says more and more kids in the state are being raised in single family homes, or by grandparents or other relatives. Over the past decade, the number of Kentucky children living in kinship arrangements has doubled. He says this means Kentucky needs to rethink the way it delivers services.

Cut 31250 :18 *"Faith communities, and local leaders, and school principals, and state legislators need to understand that the family today is not the family of even a decade ago. And so we've really got to change in thinking about how to reach out to those families."*

Tag: The Data Book looks at 16 indicators of child well-being in categories related to economic health, education, and family and community connections. Brooks says one area where the data is misleading is education. Kentucky ranks 35th overall, and 28th in education, but Brooks says despite that relatively high ranking for education, two-in-three students in Kentucky don't meet national standards for proficiency in reading and math.

Second Cut: Brooks says a bright spot in the report is children's health - where Kentucky stands in 25th place. He says we should recognize the policy changes for kids eligible for Medicaid and KCHIP that contributed to the rate of uninsured children in Kentucky falling by 14 percent between 2008 and 2010. □□□□

Cut 32250 :14 *"And figure out what are the conditions, and what are the factors, and who were the players that came together to literally change the landscape of health for kids in the Commonwealth in the last four or five years?"*

Third Cut: Kentucky scores a "needs improvement" for economic health of families Brooks says more than 37 percent of Kentucky kids live in homes where neither parent had full-time, year-round employment.

Cut 33250 :19 *"The economic well-being front in Kentucky is one that absolutely demands action immediately, whether that's a state earned income tax credit, whether that is a better system of accessing benefits. We've got to do something and we can't wait."*

OPTIONAL REPORTER WRAP: uses first soundbite(s)

LEAD: Kentucky has landed in the bottom fifteen states for the overall well-being of children - according to the new Annie E. Casey Foundation KIDS COUNT Data Book released today (Wednesday). Tom Joseph reports.

Cut 34250 :59 *Outcue...I'm Tom Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Contact Brooks at 502-895-8167. See the full Kids Count report for Kentucky at <http://datacenter.kidscount.org>.

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Looking for Kentuckians Who Can 'Get Into' Their Local Waterways

Lexington, KY - The Sierra Club Cumberland Chapter is looking for volunteers who can help with water testing efforts where they live to make sure waterways are safe and clean enough for people to use. Comments from Sherry Otto, chapter coordinator and conservation manager.

Intro: If rolling up your sleeves, and your pant legs, in the name of clean water sounds like a worthy effort, the Sierra Club Cumberland Chapter wants you. Chapter Coordinator and Conservation Manager Sherry Otto says through their work with Kentucky Watershed Watch, they're looking for people to become volunteer water-testers on the streams, rivers and lakes where they live. □ □

Cut 43250 :10 *"They're also trained on how to perform a basic biological and habitat assessment that involves sampling and identifying some specific forms of aquatic life."*

Tag: Otto says volunteers also evaluate the vegetation in a waterway and other physical characteristics of the stream. She describes the training as "comprehensive but user-friendly," and says all samples are evaluated by a professional laboratory to certify the results. She explains the samples can not only determine ongoing water issues, but can also reveal warning signs and help prevent extensive damage.

Second Cut: Otto says the services of volunteers come in handy during most of the year. □ □

Cut 44250 :16 *"In the spring, we evaluate for pesticides and herbicides. In the summer, it's mostly looking for levels of E.coli in the water. And then in the fall, we do a broad spectrum testing, for nutrients and chemicals and metals. □ □"*

Third Cut: She says a recent sampling of the Kentucky River watershed is a good example of why the work is so important. □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □

Cut 45250 :09 *"Eighty-eight of 112 waterway samples for E.coli came back with levels of contamination higher than the safe swimming standard."*

Tag 2: Potential water-testers can find out more at kentucky-dot-sierraclub-dot-org.

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LEAD: If rolling up your sleeves, and your pant legs, in the name of clean water sounds like a worthy effort, the Sierra Club Cumberland Chapter wants you. Tom Joseph explains
Cut 46250 :43 *Outcue...I'm Tom Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Reach Otto at 859-296-4335.

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Kentucky Tops Coal-Driven Toxic Air Pollution List

Frankfort, KY – A new report from the Natural Resources Defense Council puts Kentucky number one on its Toxic 20 list of states in terms of air pollution coming from coal-fired power plants. Comments from John Walke, clean air director, N.R.D.C.

Intro: More air pollution is coming from the smokestacks of coal-fired plants in Kentucky than from any other state in the nation, says a new report from the Natural Resources Defense Council. The non-profit environmental group says those plants emitted more than 40 million pounds of chemicals in 2010, accounting for 78 percent of all the air pollution in the state. N-R-D-C clean air director, John Walke, says not only were Kentucky's emissions up 27 percent from 2009, they run counter to a nationwide 19 percent decrease during the same time, attributed to two major factors.

Cut 50250 :11 *"The increasing use by power companies of natural gas, which is a cheaper and less polluting fuel. The second factor is the installation of state-of-the-art pollution controls by many plants."*

Tag: The report says Kentucky is home to three of the top ten power plant polluters in the country; the Tennessee Valley Authority's Paradise plant, A-E-P's Big Sandy facility, and the Mill Creek plant operated by P-P-L. The numbers used in the report come from the EPA's Toxic Release Inventory, which is a national database of toxic emissions provided by industrial sources.

Second Cut: Walke says E-P-A Mercury and Air Toxics standards going into effect in 2015, will cut mercury air pollution by nearly 80 percent from 2010 levels and will also reduce illnesses nationwide attributed, in part, to air pollution.

Cut 51250 :12 *"Up to eleven thousand premature deaths. 130 thousand asthma attacks, 47 hundred heart attacks, and 28 hundred cases of chronic bronchitis."*

Third Cut: Walke says while some plant operators may be making conscious choices to start reducing emissions ahead of the upcoming EPA standards, it's likely that more are doing so for a different reason.

Cut 52250 :16 *"Changes in the natural gas market and the prices are the single most influential factor in the decisions to convert to natural gas or to retire units or even entire plants."*

OPTIONAL REPORTER WRAP: uses first soundbite(s)
LEAD: More air pollution is coming from the smokestacks of coal-fired plants in Kentucky than from any other state in the nation, says a new report from the Natural Resources Defense Council. Tom Joseph reports.
Cut 53250 :53 *Outcue...I'm Tom Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Reach Walke at 202-289-6868. See the full report at <http://www.nrdc.org/media/2012/120809.asp>.

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Commission Continues Work to Better Balance Tax Code in Kentucky

Lexington, KY - The Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Tax Reform has been hearing from Kentuckians concerned about fairness, competitiveness and other factors that should make the state tax code work better for more residents. Comments from Alan Smith, who testified before the panel in Bowling Green.

Intro: Kentuckians from around the state have been telling two dozen members of the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Tax Reform stories about how the state tax code affects them and how it could be better. More testimony is happening this [Tuesday] evening in Lexington. Alan Smith is a state resident who testified before the panel in Bowling Green. He says his decision to get involved is based on a notion that a tax system should constitute a level playing field for all those who pay into it. □ □

Cut 70250 :15 *"Our tax code, as it's currently set up, does have more negative impacts on middle incomes and lower incomes than it does on our higher incomes so there's a basic fairness question there."*

Tag: The commission, led by Lt. Governor Jerry Abramson, includes people from both the public and private sector and is being advised by state finance, economic development, revenue and tax officials. Governor Beshear has said an ideal tax system will allow the state to invest in the services and priorities that best position citizens for success. □ □

Second Cut: Smith says his testimony centered largely on his decision to think about returning to his alma mater, Western Kentucky University, to continue his education. He says the tuition difference, now compared to then shows how education costs are being shifted from the state to the shoulders of students, making college less affordable for many.

Cut 71250 :20 *"In '99, tuition was just a little over a thousand dollars a semester, and so last year, when I started looking at going back, I found out that tuition had risen to four-and-a-half thousand a semester, so we're talking a huge jump there. □ □"*

Third Cut: Smith says the tax system fails Kentuckians in any number of other ways, by not providing adequate funding for vital services

Cut 72250 :08 *"There's a lot of things that need more funding than they're currently getting, and those problems are only going to continue to get worse."*

Tag 2: You can see a full list of commission meetings at ltgovernor.ky.gov/taxreform.

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LEAD: Kentuckians from around the state have been telling two dozen members of the Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Tax Reform stories about how the state tax code affects them and how it could be better. Tom Joseph reports.
Cut 73250 :49 *Outcue...I'm Tom Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Contact Green through 606-878-2161. □ □

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Report: Summer's Signs of Things to Come

Frankfort, KY – A new report from the National Wildlife Federation says climate change is making its presence known this summer through heat waves and drought, wildfires and West Nile Virus, and record ice melt in the coldest places on earth. Comments from N.W.F. senior scientist Doug Inkley. PHOTO: Dong Inkley

Intro: Summer in Kentucky is telling us a lot about climate change and where we're headed in the future, according to a new report from the National Wildlife Federation. N-W-F senior scientist Doug Inkley says the heat waves we've been experiencing are just the tip of the iceberg.

Cut 78250 :15 *"We now have a record low amount of ice in the arctic, we have a record amount of ice melt in Greenland. You put all three of these together and global warming is extremely apparent."*

Tag: Inkley says the same conditions are contributing to devastating wildfires, crop damage and an influx of destructive pests and the diseases some carry, like West Nile Virus. N.W.F. points out that the past twelve months are the hottest ever recorded in the U.S. In terms of financial impact, the report notes that the cost of battling wildfires, now about three billion dollars a year, has tripled since the 1990s. The N-W-F report recommends Congress pass legislation that limits greenhouse gas emissions while spurring clean energy such as wind and solar power.

Second Cut: Inkley says some scenarios we're seeing this summer, such as large fish kills, also lend insight into what wildlife face in the months to come.

Cut 79250 :15 *"You have thousands of fish dying because the water is simply too warm for them. I think wildlife throughout this coming winter will be stressed because the productivity of the natural foods they eat is way down because of the drought and they could easily starve to death."*

Third Cut: Inkley says the issue of climate change is collective in nature; we all face the consequences and each of us can participate in the solution.

Cut 80250 :12 *"It hurts us in our pocketbook, it hurts us in our food sources, it hurts us in our ability to endure the hot summers, and we need to do something about it and we can, but we need to have the guts, as a nation, to step forward."*

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LEAD: Summer in Kentucky is telling us alot about climate change and where we're headed in the future, according to a new report from the National Wildlife Federation. Tom Joseph reports.

Cut 81250 :54 *Outcue...I'm Tom Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Contact Inkley through 1-800-822-9919. See the full report at www.nwf.org.

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Experts Say Kentuckians' Health Riding on Strong Soot Rules

Frankfort, KY - Around 400 thousand people chimed in on new regulations affecting pollution levels from soot. The EPA just finished up its comment period and heard from a record number of people backing new rules to limit soot, which is linked to a number of health problems. Comments from Dr. Denise Salerno, pediatrician; and Peter Iwanowicz (eye-WAN-oh-witz), director of the Clean Air Campaign, American Lung Association. **IMAGE AVAILABLE: Smog's impact.**

Intro: After collecting around 400 thousand comments from people concerned about soot pollution, the Environmental Protection Agency is in the final stages of crafting new rules to curb the amount of soot in the air we breathe. The move gets strong support from doctors such as pediatrician Dr. Denise Salerno. She says exposure to soot is a major health concern, especially to our kids.

Cut 86250 :15 *"Short term, we can see irritation to their eyes, we can see exacerbations in people with chronic lung disease, especially asthma, which we see a lot of in children. It can cause things such as headaches, nausea, allergic-type reactions."*

Tag: The American Lung Association says long-term soot exposure contributes to and causes chronic respiratory illnesses. Some studies have shown that it is associated with lung cancer and heart disease, and causes tens of thousands of premature deaths annually. The EPA needs to determine what levels of soot pollution are acceptable and identify likely sources of that pollution. The rule has to be in place by the end of December.

Second Cut: Salerno says a major problem with soot is that it's difficult to say that any amount is less than harmful.

Cut 87250 :13 *"We don't really know the threshold below which is safe and doesn't have an effect on people's health, so I don't think that we could say that within this many miles, or within this threshold, everyone's fine."*

Third Cut: Peter Iwanowicz is director of the Clean Air Campaign for the American Lung Association. He disputes some of the comments heard during testimony from opponents who feel new rules are unnecessary.

Cut 88250 :14 *"We saw oil industry representatives at public hearings this summer saying a little soot is actually OK for you. Scientists tell us that's not the truth. Soot is a killer. it triggers disease and we're really shocked to see industry try to try out these arguments for further delay in cleaning up soot standards."*

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LEAD: After collecting around 400 thousand comments from people concerned about soot pollution, the Environmental Protection Agency is in the final stages of crafting new rules to curb the amount of soot in the air we breathe. Tom Joseph reports.

Cut 89250 :46 *Outcue...I'm Tom Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Contact Salerno and Iwanowicz through Keven Kennedy at 1-202-276-3159.

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Kentucky's Poorest Finding Longest Road Out of Recession

Frankfort, KY - New numbers from the U.S. Census Bureau show median household income dropped in 2011, and poverty figures that remained high in a post recession economy. Comments from Rob Jones, executive director, Community Action Kentucky.

Intro: The gap between the 'haves and the have-nots' is growing in Kentucky, according to new figures from the U-S Census Bureau. The numbers show income inequality rose between 2010 and last year. Rob Jones is executive director of Community Action Kentucky, which provides social services to low- and moderate-income residents. He says we may officially be out of a recession, but demand for services ranging from Meals on Wheels, to energy assistance, to employment training remains high. □ □

Cut 11250 :10 *"They are not the ones that are currently participating in the recovery, or at least gaining the benefits we see other income levels getting from the current recovery."*

Tag: The report also says poverty levels didn't improve last year. That has some in Washington arguing that government programs for the poor don't work. Jones counters that without these safety net programs in place, the poverty rate in Kentucky, and nationwide, would be even higher.

Second Cut: Jones says because the road to recovery is so slow for lower income folks, the need for social services is especially high.

Cut 12250 :09 *"A.) in getting out of poverty, but B.) to the extent that they must deal with the situations of poverty as they currently exist, (so) that they can get by."*

Third Cut: Jones says current conditions create a perfect storm, of sorts, for Kentucky's most vulnerable. □ □

Cut 13250 :14 *"The fact that we are facing budgetary constraints at the same time that we are facing greater need for the services we're providing. It's a classic. 'do more with less,' and it's really stretched to the breaking point. □ □"*

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LEAD: The gap between the 'haves and the have-nots' is growing in Kentucky, according to new figures from the U-S Census Bureau. Tom Joseph reports.
Cut 14250 :45 *Outcue...I'm Tom Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Contact Jones at (502) 875-5863. See the Census Bureau data at http://www.census.gov/newsroom/releases/archives/income_wealth/cb12-172.html.

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Kentucky Plays Opening Act for Nation's Only VP Debate

Danville, KY - Next month, on the day the candidates for U.S. Vice President debate, Centre College in Danville and AARP Kentucky are collaborating on a free festival and debate watch party, featuring some old-fashioned rock 'n roll and some frank talk on issues affecting seniors. Comments from AARP State Director Ron Bridges; and "Debate Watch" Co-Chair, Dr. Clarence Wyatt.

Intro: Kentucky gets a taste of the national spotlight next month when Centre College and A-A-R-P Kentucky co-host a Vice Presidential Festival on the same day the "V-P" candidates square off in their only scheduled televised debate. A-A-R-P State Director Ron Bridges says the day-long, free event will help bring senior issues to the forefront, and get students into the mix as well. □□

Cut 15250 :11 *"Social Security, Medicare, the entire financial security, health security debate, that needs to take place. not for just this generation, but for future generations."*

Tag: The festival happens October 11th starting at noon, and is free to the public. The Marshall Tucker Band headlines the entertainment including Kentucky cellist Ben Sollee and other local performers, and the event includes a debate watch party on Centre's festival lawn beginning at 8:30 P-M.

Second Cut: Festival Co-Chair Dr. Clarence Wyatt says ahead of the event, Centre College is also hosting policy discussions on campus

Cut 16250 :14 *"One of the things that we are committed to do all the time, is to help our students see how important issues play out – not just in the classroom, but every day in their lives, the lives of their families and friends."*

Third Cut: Bridges says there are major benefits to using an 'inter-generational' approach to issues that A-A-R-P embraces.

Cut 17250 :11 *"AARP members are not simply concerned about their current situation, with regard to Social Security and Medicare. We want it to be available for our children and grandchildren."*

Tag 2: Details about the debate festival are available online, at 'centre.edu.' □□□□ □□□□

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LEAD: Kentucky gets a taste of the national spotlight next month when Centre College and A-A-R-P Kentucky co-host a Vice Presidential Festival on the same day the "V-P" candidates square off in their only scheduled televised debate. More from Tom Joseph.
Cut 18250 :36 *Outcue...Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Contact Bridges and Wyatt through Scott Wegenast at 502-394-3425. □□

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Kentucky to Mark Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Frankfort, KY – Monday will be officially marked as the start of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, and with that comes new initiatives to educate about and bring an end to the problem. Comments from Jessica Morgan, prevention coordinator, Kentucky Domestic Violence Association.

Intro: The horror of domestic violence and efforts to end it in Kentucky will take center stage Monday, designated as the official start to Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Jessica Morgan, prevention coordinator with the Kentucky Domestic Violence Association, says her group is also using Monday to release its Speak My Name 2012 list.

Cut 27250 :17 *"That's an annual list that's collected through Kentucky newspapers and then also from information that we receive from the domestic violence programs across the state, of the homicide victims by county in Kentucky. This year we have 26 on the list."*

Tag: There are fifteen domestic violence programs in Kentucky. They started out as shelters, providing a safe haven for victims, but now also provide a myriad of services, including case management, housing assistance, resume writing, and help with drug and alcohol issues.

Second Cut: Morgan says aside from helping people after they've become victims, there's an effort now in Kentucky aimed at preventing domestic violence before it happens.

Cut 28250 :15 *"We're releasing a new poster campaign called 'Yes to Healthy Relationships.' We're moving with our prevention work into targeting younger people, talking about domestic violence and healthy relationships in a context that makes sense to teenagers, but also to young adults."*

Third Cut: Morgan says they've been able recently to get a more candid look at the issue through the National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey conducted by the C-D-C.

Cut 29250 :14 *"Those phone interviews, and especially the anonymity that went with them, kind of helped us to have a new idea about the numbers, so one in four women, and I also believe it's one in seven men. will experience intimate partner violence in their lifetimes."*

OPTIONAL REPORTER WRAP: uses first soundbite(s)
LEAD: The horror of domestic violence and efforts to end it in Kentucky will take center stage Monday, designated as the official start to Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Tom Joseph reports.
Cut 30250 :41 *Outcue...I'm Tom Joseph reporting.*

Note to Editors: Reach Morgan at 502-209-5382.