

**WAPJ
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ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST

2nd Quarter-2022

(April 1 through June 30, 2022)

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LISTING OF SOME OF THE SIGNIFICANT ISSUES RESPONDED TO BY WAPJ, TORRINGTON, CT ALONG WITH SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMMING TREATMENT OF THOSE ISSUES FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL THROUGH JUNE, 2022. THE LISTING IS BY NO MEANS EXHAUSTIVE. THE ORDER IN WHICH THE ISSUES APPEAR DOES NOT REFLECT ANY PRIORITY OR SIGNIFICANCE. ALL TIMES ARE EASTERN TIME.

WAPJ Q2 2022

ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: April 10, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Saudi Arabia

Guest(s): David Rundell, the former chief of Mission at the U.S. Embassy in Saudi Arabia and author of the new book "Vision or Mirage: Saudi Arabia at the Crossroads."

Description: Discussion of Saudi Arabia and it's relation to the US.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: April 17, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Drama, acting, entertainment

Guest(s): Mariah Sage Seymour, author of the new book "Start Standing: Audition Technique for Actors and Presenters."

Description: Discussion of drama, acting and the entertainment business.

WAPJ Q2 2022

ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: April 24, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Music

Guest(s): Music icon George Winston on the release of his new album "Night" from RCA Records.

Description: Interview with musician George Winston.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: May 1, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Writing

Guest(s): John LeMay, author of the new book "Cowboys & Monsters: Vampires, Mummies, and Werewolves of the Wild West,"

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall interviews John LeMay, author of the new book "Cowboys & Monsters: Vampires, Mummies, and Werewolves of the Wild West."

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: May 8, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Music

Guest(s): Acclaimed singer-songwriter-author Dar Williams

Description: Interview with Dar Williams.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: May 15, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): The entertainment industry

Guest(s): Michael Oliver, a Hollywood-based tarot card reader and mystic

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall discusses tarot cards and astrology with Michael Oliver, a Hollywood-based tarot card reader and mystic who stars on YouTube channel Bunny Tarot.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: May 29, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Cinema, art

Guest(s): Award-winning indie filmmaker
Michael Mongillo

Description: Phil Hall interviews Michael
Mongillo.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: June 5, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Cinema

Guest(s): Various

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall takes a look at the tumultuous story behind the making of John Huston's 1961 film "The Misfits" starring Marilyn Monroe, Clark Gable and Montgomery Clift.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: June 12, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Music, art, the entertainment industry.

Guest(s): Singer/songwriter Stephanie Urbina Jones

Description: On this week's episode, Phil Hall interviews singer/songwriter Stephanie Urbina Jones, who brings a unique fusion of country and mariachi music to the Grand Ole Opry stage and concert venues around the world.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: June 19, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Acting, TV, Media

Guest(s): Dierdre Friel, the versatile actress who plays Greta on Apple TV+'s comedy "Physical."

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall interviews Dierdre Friel, the versatile actress who plays Greta on Apple TV+'s comedy "Physical." Ms. Friel discusses her career.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Nutmeg Chatter

Date: June 26, 2022 **Time:** 1 pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s):

Guest(s): Dr. Jennifer P. Wisdom, author of "Leaving Revolution"

Description: On this episode, Phil Hall interviews Dr. Jennifer P. Wisdom, whose new book "Leaving Revolution" delves into the concept of leaving as an essential component of living.

WAPJ Q2 2022

ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: April 17, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Crime, media

Guest(s): Various

Description: This week on CounterSpin: A longtime reporter, at Philadelphia's WPVI-TV since the 1960s, remembered spending shifts in his early days just listening to a police scanner, waiting for a crime to happen. The station's decision to adopt a then-novel "Action News" format dictated that hyper-focus on crime. But, as detailed in a new report from the Philadelphia Inquirer, it also dictated that the scanner being monitored was in Kensington, a multi-racial, working-class neighborhood struggling with poverty and its attendant ills—and not someplace else.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: April 25, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Media, journalism.

Guest(s): Various

Description: This week on CounterSpin: News media coverage of taxes falls broadly into two camps: There are, especially in April, lots of “news you can use”-type stories—like NBC’s Today show on April 14 warning viewers to be mindful of typos and not be lazy about filing for extensions, or NBC Nightly News on April 18, noting that if you filed by mail, you might wait five to eight months for your return, due to backlogs at the IRS. Taxes as an “oh well, what are you gonna do” thing that all of us have to deal with.

WAPJ Q2 2021

ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: May 1, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Hyper-Policing

Guest(s): Various

Description: This week on CounterSpin: There are reasons that so much news media is consumed with crime. Not just any crime, not wage theft, not lethal pollution—but street crime, random, individual crime. “If it bleeds, it leads” journalism draws eyes to the set, doesn’t bother advertisers, is cheap to produce and lets news outlets look as though they’re tracking an important event in real time, and pretend as though they’re protecting real people...as they forcibly distract from actual humane efforts to respond to the ongoing crises—homelessness, poverty, addiction—that lead to crime, but are

less cheap and easy to cover than cops and robbers. It's a story old as journalism, but it's still messed up. We'll talk about that with activist and writer Josmar Trujillo, working now with Copwatch Media, a community-based project that reports on the effects of hyper-policing on communities.

WAPJ Q2 2021

ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: May 8, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Racism, education, media

Guest(s): Various

Description: This week on CounterSpin: Listeners are aware of the no-less-destructive-for-being-baseless assault on critical race theory. Just like with affirmative action (where conservatives said, “steps toward racial equity really means unfair quotas”), media took this charge, “steps toward racial equity really means telling white children to hate themselves,” and made it into “something some folks are saying”—while, of course, out of fairness they’ll acknowledge, “others disagree.” (Media themselves, they suggest, occupy the intellectually and morally superior center.) A

new website engages the attack more productively, by using critical race theory as a prism to explore the current range of threats to multi-racial democracy and our ability to fight for it. The site's called The Forum; we'll talk with editor-in-chief Chris Lehmann.

WAPJ Q2 2021

ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: May 15, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Primary, law, abortion

Guest(s): Julie Hollar and Tesnim Zekeria

Description: This week on CounterSpin: Corporate news media want you to be alarmed about an “extraordinary breach” of privacy. It’s the privacy of the institution of the Supreme Court which, one CBS expert told viewers, had been dealt a “body blow” by the leak of a ruling overturning the landmark Roe v. Wade decision allowing the right to terminate a pregnancy to remain between the pregnant person and their doctor. And corporate media are in high dudgeon about protecting people from invasions of their right to privacy—but again, only if by that you mean protecting Supreme Court justices and

their “right” to never be confronted by people who disagree with the life-altering decisions they make.

WAPJ Q2 2021

ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: May 22, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Gun violence

Guest(s): Matt Gertz, Eric K. Ward

Description: This week on CounterSpin: Ten human beings were killed and three wounded in Buffalo, New York. By the killer's own admission, he sought to kill Black people because they are Black, and he is a white supremacist who believes there's a plot to "replace" white people with Black and brown people, a plot run by the Jews. If you're news media, you could go all in on media outlets and pundits and political figures whose repeated invocations to this white replacement theory are the obvious spurs for this horrendous crime. Or you could be the Washington Post, and tweet that Joe Biden

“ran for president pledging to ‘restore the soul of America.’ A racist massacre raises questions about that promise.”

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: May 29, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Gun violence, gun control

Guest(s): Igor Volsky and Pat Elder

Description: This week on CounterSpin: CBS News' website featured a story about the "grim task" of planning funerals for 19 children—shot dead, along with two teachers, in a Texas elementary school on May 24—right next to a story about Oklahoma's governor signing the country's strictest abortion ban, the prominent sign behind him declaring "life is a human right." Welcome, as they say, to America—where these ideas are presented as somehow of a piece, where

news media tell us day after day how exceptionally good and worthy we are, the world's policeman and a global beacon for human rights and the good life.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: June 5, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Supreme Court

Guest(s): Liliana Segura, Barry Lee Jones, David Martinez Ramirez

Description: This week on CounterSpin: AP's May 23 headline told readers: "Supreme Court Rules Against Inmates in Right to Counsel Case." Those who got past the idea of being interested in "inmates" were favored with a lead that explained that "the Supreme Court ruled along ideological lines Monday against two Arizona death row inmates who had argued that their lawyers did a poor job representing them in state court." For which many readers might be excused for saying,

essentially, "Boo hoo, people courts have said are guilty are upset with that fact, next story please." Had AP headlined its story, "Supreme Court Rules Evidence of Innocence Is Not Enough to Avoid Execution by the State," perhaps more readers might've read past the big letters.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: June 12, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Covid, Vaccine Equity, insurance

Guest(s): Lori Wallach, Steffie Woolhandler

Description: This week on CounterSpin: Some of the worst work that corporate news media do is convince us that simple things are actually, if you just ignore the role of power, more complicated than you could hope to understand. So, yes, Covid is killing millions of people, and yes, there are tests and treatments and vaccines for it, and yes, many countries in need of them—but no, we can't put those things together, for reasons that you shouldn't worry your head over. There are in fact people and policies, with names, preventing developing countries from accessing life-saving vaccines.... A story being ugly doesn't mean it isn't

understandable. We talk about it with Lori Wallach, executive director of the group Rethink Trade.

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ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: June 19, 2022 **Time:** 2:30pm

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): Asian American issues

Guest(s): Helen Zia, Alec Karakatsanis

Description: This week on CounterSpin: The New York Times didn't address the brutal 1982 murder of Chinese-American Vincent Chin until 1983, in response to ongoing protest centered in Detroit's Asian-American community, about the killing and the lack of justice—at which point the paper ran a story with a lead claiming that when “two men were quickly charged and prosecuted...the incident faded from many memories.” One, the process was hardly that tidy. And two, whose memories, exactly?

WAPJ Q2 2021

ISSUES/PROGRAMS

Program: Counterspin

Date: June 26, 2022 **Time:** 2:30

Dur: 30m

Issue(s): the Presidency, Saudi Arabia

Guest(s): Raed Jarrar, Lindsay Koshgarian

Description: This week on CounterSpin: Elite news media are saying that Biden has to go to Saudi Arabia in July despite his pledges to make the country a "pariah" for abuses including the grisly murder of a Washington Post contributor, because...stability? Shaking hands with Mohammed bin Salman makes sense, even in the context of denying Cuba and Venezuela participation in the Americas Summit out of purported concerns about their human rights records, because...gas prices? It's hard to parse corporate media coverage of Biden's Saudi visit, because that coverage obscures rather than illuminates what's going on behind the euphemism "US interests." We talk about the upcoming trip with Raed Jarrar,

advocacy director at DAWN—Democracy for the Arab World Now.

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Q2 2022

Program: Democracy Now

Duration: 60 min

Time: 3pm **Dates(s):** Mon-Friday

ISSUES: Various

DESCRIPTION: 60 minute daily newscast that aired Monday through Friday throughout Q2.