

WOUB FM Radio Network

Issues/Programs List

January to March 2014

The economy, weather emergencies, the Affordable Care Act, state plans for dealing with calamity days for school snow closures, election laws, and education issues including common core were the major topics of interest during the first quarter of 2014.

In addition to our daily news reports and special features, WOUB broadcast news stories focused on local opponents and proponents of fracking, state implementation of the Affordable Care Act, how school districts should deal with the large number of school closings due to bad weather, tighter voting laws, and energy security.

Education stories were important in our coverage area. We covered the state of Ohio's debate implementation of common core standards, and continued opposition. We also carried President Obama's State of the Union Address, and Governor Kasich's State of the State Address.

We continue to provide an international perspective with BBC News Hour at 9am. Public affairs and news programming from NPR continue to be the prime focus of our weekday programming.

Rusty Smith

April 9, 2014

First Quarter 2014 Ascertainment Report
Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Story: 2013 Year In Review: House leaders look back on the last year and forward to 2014.

Description: There were 59 bills and two resolutions that were signed into law in 2013, but the Republican-dominated Ohio House actually passed 103 bills, nearly all of them with at least one Democratic vote, but some of them generating lots of Democratic debate. But perhaps the biggest story was an apparent split in the Republican Party. Ohio Public Radio's Karen Kasler sat down with the leaders of the House to reflect back on 2013.

Date: January 2, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Ohio's Department of Transportation has workers on 12-hour shifts statewide to clear roads.

Description: All of Ohio is dealing with a winter storm right now. The Ohio Department of Transportation has snow plows in motion right now, trying to clear major roadways. In an interview with Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles, Steve Falkner with ODOT explains his department is hard at work.

Date: January 3, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Big and small races this year could help determine future of Tea Party in Ohio.

Description: The threat by Tea Party activist to challenge Republican Gov. John Kasich in this spring's primary is over. Ted Stevenot, a Tea Party leader from the Cincinnati area had planned to announce his bid for the post tomorrow, but announced over the weekend that he would no longer pursue that action.

Date: January 7, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Task force makes suggestion to tweak policy on open enrollment for school districts.

Description: A task force has finished its review of guidelines on when and how school districts can take in students that live in other districts, and is recommending changes. It's a policy known as open enrollment, and as StateImpact Ohio reporter Amy Hansen reports, the lawmaker who pushed for creating the panel believes its report misses some key issues.

Date: January 8, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830

Story: State launches what it hopes is an aggressive anti-human trafficking campaign.

Description: Human trafficking has become a major crisis in Ohio, which is listed as one of the worst states for the crime. Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow follows a new announcement to help fight back against the offense.

Date: January 9, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Drivers in Ohio may not be able to renew their licenses right now.

Description: If you need to renew your Ohio Driver's license, you might want to call ahead to the Bureau of Motor Vehicles before making the trip. There's a problem right now that's preventing offices from issuing those renewals. In an interview with Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles, Lindsey Bohrer of the BMV explains the trouble started Monday.

Date: January 9, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: January 9, 2014

Story: Senate leaders review 2013, and look ahead to politics and bills in this election year.

Description: Lawmakers are back for the second year of the legislature's two year session. And while they passed nearly 60 bills last year, there are hundreds more bills that have been introduced – some are halfway through the legislature, some are awaiting hearings – and others have no chance of passing. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler sat down with the leaders in the Ohio Senate to talk about what's ahead for 2014.

Date: January 10, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630& 0830

Story: Kasich proposes moving State of the State speech to Medina on February 24.

Description: Gov. John Kasich will take his fourth State of the State speech on the road – this time to Medina, after holding it in Steubenville and Lima. As Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports, there may be special significance to that location.

Date: January 13, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Tea Party leader slams blog over report on possible primary challenge.
Description: A top Tea Party leader has some harsh words for a conservative blog after it reported about a possible challenge to Gov. John Kasich in the Republican primary.
Date: January 13, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Education policy group gives Ohio a "below average" grade on latest nationwide report card.
Description: Ohio remained among the top ten states ranked and graded annually not for their student performance, but for their education policy. The "report card" comes from Students First, an advocacy group that aims to hold educators and government accountable for student outcomes. It measures how states are performing in three broad areas: elevating the teaching profession, empowering parents, and governance and spending.
Date: January 14, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Study shows extra services to address poverty strain rural, urban school dollars.
Description: A recent analysis of the average amount of money Ohio schools spend per student shows rural and urban districts have to stretch their dollars further than their suburban counterparts. The report's author says that's largely because of the concentration of high needs kids that rural and urban districts serve.
Date: January 14, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Two totally opposite lawmakers back bill to allow recall of elected officials.
Description: Two lawmakers who couldn't be more opposite in their views have united to sponsor a bill to allow for voters to toss out elected officials at any level.
Date: January 15, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: First-ever execution using new drug cocktail seems to be problematic.
Description: A convicted killer from western Ohio became the first person ever to be executed with a two-drug mix that the state of Ohio adopted as its execution method late last year. But as Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports, the execution apparently did not proceed smoothly.
Date: January 17, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: FitzGerald's new running mate says she's focused on job creation, women's rights.

Description: A Democratic candidate for governor has selected another running mate after controversy forced his first choice to drop out. As Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow reports, the new candidate for lieutenant governor is focused on job creation and women's rights issues.

Date: January 17, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: On this Martin Luther King Day, winners of state's MLK Oratory Contest are showcased.

Description: The winners of the state's annual Martin Luther King Jr oratory contest showed off their skills while paying tribute to the civil rights leader at a commemoration in Columbus last week. Here are some of their speeches

Date: January 20, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Reaction still coming in after last week's problematic execution.

Description: Reaction is still coming to last week's problematic and controversial execution, one of the longest ones on record in Ohio. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler has this roundup.

Date: January 20, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: On eve of Roe v Wade anniversary, both sides gear up for battle in possible abortion clinic shutdown.

Description: Pro-choice and anti-abortion advocates commemorate January 22 as the day the landmark Roe v Wade decision legalizing abortion was announced in 1973. This year, both sides are also noting the potential closure of another clinic in Ohio - very near the 41st anniversary of that critical decision.

Date: January 21, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Schools without calamity days left have another option - "blizzard bags".
Description: Many school districts throughout Ohio have been using their allotted calamity days this year during the severe cold weather and snowy conditions. And some are close to using all of the snow days they've set aside for the school year. That sometimes worries teachers and parents who fear spring breaks might be shortened or extra days might be added to the end of the school year. In an interview with Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles, John Charlton of the Ohio Department of Education explains current state law gives school districts a lot of leeway to deal with bad weather.

Date: January 21, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: After problems with latest lethal injection, Democrats once again call for all-out ban on executions.

Description: Several Democratic leaders want the state to stop the death penalty until more questions are answered regarding the latest execution. However, as Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow reports, while some just want a moratorium, others want a full out ban.

Date: January 22, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0830 & 0830

Story: Democrats say they want abortion to be key issue in this fall's statewide campaigns.

Description: It has been 41 years since abortion became legal in the United States. Yet the controversy over it continues as states adopt measures to restrict it, including Ohio, where several controversial abortion bills were passed and signed into law last year. Now, as Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles reports, it appears abortion might be on the front burner in this year's election.

Date: January 22, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Study by drilling-related industry group suggests slowdown of jobs in shale in Ohio.

Description: When oil and gas drilling in Ohio's Utica shale was in its infancy just a few years ago, energy companies and industry supporters claimed it would bring economic revival and thousands of new jobs to the state. Industry leaders still say that but there are signs of a slowdown.

Date: February 19, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Democrats lay out their plan for budget in advance of Governor's big speech.
Description: Just days before Gov. John Kasich is set to make his State of the State speech, Democrats in the Ohio Senate are releasing their priorities for the budget update he's expected to unveil soon. As Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles reports, the Democrats' list starts with restoring some tax breaks cut by the legislature last year.
Date: February 20, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Ohio's small businesses working to sort out details of federal health insurance law.
Description: Small businesses around Ohio are struggling to sort out the details of the Affordable Care Act. As Lewis Wallace reports from Ohio Public Radio member station WYSO, it's unclear whether recent delays in the law help or hurt the confusion.
Date: February 20, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Backers of same-sex marriage amendment weigh effect of lawsuit on their ballot effort.
Description: Earlier this week, a couple from Northeast Ohio filed a federal court suit, saying they are being denied a family insurance plan on the federal health care exchange because of Ohio's amendment banning gay marriage. Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles takes a look at what effect, if any, that lawsuit will have on the effort to repeal that amendment.
Date: February 21, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: State of the State speech Monday in Medina promises to be a big event.
Description: Gov. John Kasich's fourth State of the State address is Monday in Medina in northeast Ohio. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler has a preview of what's expected to be a big speech.
Date: February 21, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Kasich delivers big in his fourth State of the State, and gets expected reaction from Democrats.

Description: Gov. John Kasich gave his fourth State of the State speech last night in Medina, and as perhaps fitting for an election year, it was unlike any other he's delivered. Statehouse correspondents Karen Kasler and Andy Chow have coverage of the speech, and reaction to it.

Date: February 24, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Republicans who battled against Kasich over Medicaid expansion react to his speech.

Description: Gov. Kasich spoke for over an hour in his State of the State address, but not once did he directly mention what may have been his most significant achievement of 2013: Medicaid Expansion.

Date: February 24, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time:

Story: Critics say Ohio's "religious freedom" bill very similar to controversial bill passed in Arizona.

Description: Arizona's Governor is expected to veto a bill in that state that could give businesses the right to refuse service to gay customers on religious grounds. There's a bill addressing religious freedom that's been introduced in the Ohio House.

Date: February 25, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Longtime medical marijuana supporter doubts new poll will translate to new laws.

Description: The latest Quinnipiac poll shows Ohioans approve of allowing medical marijuana use in the Buckeye State by an 8-1 margin. Yet proposals that would allow medical marijuana use in Ohio have been stalled in the Ohio legislature. Ed Orlett with the Drug Policy Alliance has been fighting for medical marijuana in Ohio for more than a dozen years. In an interview with Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles, Orlett explains he's not surprised by the results of the new poll.

Date: February 25, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Religious freedom" bill similar to Arizona's is being pulled by Ohio lawmakers.

Description: A controversial so called "religious freedom" bill in the Ohio legislature is being pulled. The legislation, that is similar to the bill that recently passed in Arizona, has been widely criticized for opening the door to discrimination against LGBT people. Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles reports on why the Ohio legislation is dead for now.

Date: February 26, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Ohio Supreme Court grills attorneys on who gets a say on where drilling happens.

Description: The courtroom was packed. Nearly twice as much time was allotted. And the Ohio Supreme Court grilled attorneys on all sides in a drilling case that began in Summit County and has environmentalists, communities and corporations nationwide watching closely. For Ohio Public Radio, WKSU's M.L. Schultze has more on today's arguments.

Date: February 26, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: City and state battle over fracking regulations could set a national precedent.

Description: The battle between a city and an oil and gas company has made it all the way to the state's top court. As Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow reports, the ruling could have a major impact on how the industry is regulated in Ohio.

Date: February 27, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Calamity days law in place next year means some districts will have them, some won't.

Description: As state lawmakers continue to mull over plans to allow Ohio's public schools more snow days, many schools are looking forward to next year when snow days won't be such a big issue. In an interview with Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles, the Ohio Department of Education's John Charlton explains why.

Date: March 3, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: EPA seeks to reduce sulfur in gasoline in the next few years, and that could benefit some Ohioans.

Description: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has laid out new standards to continue to try to cut pollution coming from vehicles. Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow says this could mean a boost for some Ohio-based researchers.

Date: March 3, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Hearings held on whether Libertarians in Governor and Attorney General races will stay on ballot.

Description: Libertarians filed for the five statewide executive offices this year – but only two had enough valid signatures. And protests have been filed against both of them that could get them tossed off the ballot entirely.

Date: March 4, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Rate at which prisoners are locked up again in Ohio hits another all-time low.

Description: The rate at which ex-convicts go back to prison has reached an all-time low in Ohio and top officials say many factors are playing a role. As Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow reports, prison officials credit several factors, including a strong program that helps them once they're out.

Date: March 6, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Activist claims Ohio GOP leaders are saying Tea Partiers are backed by Democrats.

Description: In this election year, it was inevitable that there would be some unusual political stories that would circulate – some true, some doubtful. Statehouse correspondent explains one that's circulating around the state.

Date: March 7, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Libertarians say they'll go to federal court to get back on the ballot.

Description: The Secretary of State says Libertarian candidates won't be on the primary ballot in two high profile races. But as Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports, Libertarians say the fight isn't over yet.

Date: March 7, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Advocates say "Third Grade Reading Guarantee" treating some kids differently than others.

Description: Educational advocates are pointing out an alleged discrepancy in the laws that lay out Ohio's third grade reading guarantee. As Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow reports, state officials agree with the advocates and believe a change should be made.

Date: March 10, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Kasich's budget update bill out tomorrow, likely with income tax cut and cigarette tax.

Description: Republican Gov. John Kasich's budget update bill comes out tomorrow, and it could include a tax hike to pay for a tax cut. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler has a preview.

Date: March 10, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: MBR's income tax cut with cigarette and driller hikes gets mixed reviews.

Description: The governor's budget update bill includes another state income tax cut – paid for by increases in two existing taxes. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports the idea is either good or bad, depending on the economist looking it over.

Date: March 11, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Budget update includes items targeted at low-income Ohioans, but they're getting mixed reviews.

Description: Republican Gov. John Kasich's budget update includes a tax cut aimed at the top income earners in Ohio. But it also includes some measures designed to help the state's poorest people. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports those items are getting blasted as well as praised.

Date: March 12, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Health advocates urge schools to expand public access to their playgrounds and gyms.

Description: Health advocacy groups say they're looking at every possible option when it comes to promoting a healthy, active lifestyle. As Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow reports, they're now asking for a change to Ohio law to bring more activity to school playgrounds and gymnasiums.

Date: March 12, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Health groups offer big praise for big tax increase in governor's budget update.

Description: Opponents and supporters are clashing over a proposed tax hike to a pack of cigarettes. As Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow reports, this provision will most likely be a focal point in the debate over the governor's budget update moving forward.

Date: March 13, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Debate over teachers and snow days dragged on debate over calamity days bill.

Description: As this brutal winter finally shows signs of ending, school districts will likely get extra four days that they don't have to make up. And both students and teachers are included in those four days. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler examines why it took so long for the calamity days bill to pass.

Date: March 14, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Researcher believes Mahoning earthquakes are likely linked to shale drilling.

Description: State officials are trying to figure out what's behind a recent string of earthquakes in northeast Ohio. As Andy Chow reports, a national geological expert believes shale drilling is the cause.

Date: March 14, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Activists working now to set up summer food service programs for kids.

Description: This horrible winter weather seems finally to have given way to warmth and sunshine, and that has many people looking ahead to summer. But as Ohio Public Radio's Karen Kasler reports, for some, that's not about putting together summer vacation plans, but about considering how they're going to get a basic need met during those months away from school.

Date: March 18, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: House passes bill to allow expulsion of students deemed threats but haven't committed crimes.

Description: Lawmakers in the Ohio House have approved a new way for superintendents to deal with students they fear are a threat to others, to school staff or to the district. But as Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports, the bill didn't pass without a fight.

Date: March 19, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Grant to colleges and universities aims to increase internship opportunities around the state.

Description: The state's board of regents will hand out nearly \$11 million to more than 25 colleges and universities, along with several state technical centers, to expand their internship and co-op programs. This is the second round of funding from the "Ohio Means Internships and Co-Ops" grant program, supported through the distribution of one-time casino licensing fees. It's expected to boost the link between colleges and businesses while creating and sustaining internships for nearly 2,500 Ohio students. StateImpact Ohio's Amy Hansen reports.

Date: March 20, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: This was a record winter for people who treat roads and those who rescue cars.

Description: The long, harsh winter is officially over, and it was a busy one for AAA roadside mechanics and assistants. As member station WCPN's Brian Bull reports, emergency calls were up significantly as motorists contended with the intense cold.

Date: March 20, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: High stakes tests and incentives to cheat make for dangerous combo for some.

Description: Ohio third-graders are gearing up to take a reading test that could determine whether they are promoted or held back. In some states, high-stakes testing has driven educators to do the unthinkable: cheat. Mandie Trimble of Ohio Public Radio member station WOSU reports safeguards are in place in Ohio to lessen the chance of a standardized testing scandal.

Date: March 21, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Preservationists say they want to cooperate with oil and gas interests.
Description: The gas and oil industry has come up against controversy on a number of fronts: environmentalists are concerned about pollution; economists warn of inflated job projections; landowners question whether energy companies are living up to their lease agreements. Now the industry is being asked to consider yet another angle in the debate over drilling: the harm done to ancient cultural sites. On Friday, advocates for energy production and preservation met in Pittsburgh to begin to map out some common ground.

Date: March 24, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Governor wants more focus on career tech education for middle school students.

Description: The Ohio Department of Education estimates more than 120,000 high school students take part in some type of vocational education classes every year. Now, Gov. John Kasich says he wants to boost that number by offering hands-on classes to kids as early as the seventh grade. In fact, state rules already allow it. But as StateImpact Ohio's Amy Hansen reports, educators are uncertain about how this new chapter to a long-existing program might work

Date: March 25, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Democrats allege "hit list" at ODNR isn't the only one in a state agency.

Description: A month ago, questions were raised about an alleged list of people at the Ohio Department of Natural Resources who were supposed to be treated as enemies. Now, some Democrats tell Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles a similar list existed at the Ohio Department of Education.

Date: March 25, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: New county health rankings show Southern Ohio has unhealthiest counties in state.

Description: The Ohio Department of Health's new county by county rankings show Geauga, Putnam and Delaware counties are among the healthiest while Jackson, Lawrence and Scioto counties rank among the unhealthiest. But Joe Mazzola of the Ohio Department of Health says these rankings are not meant to put one county above another. He says the goal is to figure out what counties high on the scale are doing right and how to help counties that are lower on the scale. The three top counties are above average where state income is concerned and Mazzola says that does have some effect on the rankings.

Date: March 26, 2014

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: Schools get more snow days they don't have to make up with new law.
Description: Ohio's elementary and secondary schools will have four more snow days this year. As Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles reports, Gov. John Kasich has signed a bill into law that would keep schools from having to make up so many days due to closures because of winter weather.
Date: March 26, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Industry, research groups square off on what Ohio's oil and gas tax should be.
Description: Top policymakers are split when it comes to where Ohio should go with its tax on oil and gas drilling. As Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow reports, comparing the tax to other states' rates can get complicated.
Date: March 27, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Story: With spring really on the way, Ohio prepares to become a key spot in birding season.
Description: The start of spring means big things for Ohio which becomes a hot spot attraction for bird watchers around the country. Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow talked to some of the state's top bird experts about the coming migration season.
Date: March 27, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0730 & 1730

Story: Environmental activists and farmers sound off on fertilizer and manure rules.
Description: While there are plenty of jokes that could be made about lawmakers debating a bill about fertilizer, it's no laughing matter to environmentalists and to farmers. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports on a debate over a bill to put new regulations on this key part of the agriculture industry.
Date: March 28, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0630

Story: Democrats don't want Ohioans to forget anniversary of Senate Bill 5.
Description: Democratic candidates for statewide office will be at events this week to mark the third anniversary of the signing of senate bill five. That's the controversial anti-collective bargaining law that was passed and later repealed back in 2011. Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles reports on what happened back then - and the future for anti-union legislation.
Date: March 31, 2014
Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered
Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630