

WOUB Radio FM Network
Issues/Programs List
April to June 2016

While the national scene was dominated by the presidential election cycle, conflict in the Middle East, and gun violence, locally the economy, local election news, fracking issues, economic innovation, veteran's issues, and educational issues were the major topics of interest during the second quarter of 2016.

In addition to our daily news reports and special features, the WOUB FM network broadcast news stories focused on local opponents and proponents of fracking, actions of the Ohio state legislature, state news of Kentucky and West Virginia, and energy security.

We continue to provide an international perspective with programming from the BBC from 9-10am on our FM network. Public affairs and news programming from NPR continue to be the prime focus of our weekday FM programming. The daytime format consists of Morning Edition, Diane Rehm, Fresh Air, Here and Now, and All Things Considered from NPR; the Takeaway from PRI, and the BBC Newshour. NPR News is used hourly (except midnight to 5am).

This quarter, we continued our special series of "Innovation Conversations" where Tom Hodson interviewed leaders in innovation in entrepreneurship and economic development in Ohio. These interviews were featured in half hour programs on our AM service, with five minute features used during Morning Edition and All Things Considered. The features were also made available for use state-wide, and placed on the public radio exchange (PRX).

We base our programming and production decision on a number of factors, including news stories and events in the region, letters and phone calls from listeners and efforts to find local angles to important national or international stories.

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July10, 2016

Second Quarter 2016 Ascertainment Report
Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Story: Amos Chapple: A Pioneer in Drone Photography Describes His Work

Description: Amos Chapple is a pioneer in drone photography and recently he shared his experiences with students from the Scripps College of Communication attending the annual Schuneman Symposium on Photojournalism and New Media. Chapple is a New Zealander who has traveled through 84 different countries taking pictures as a freelancer. His work has been seen regularly in The Guardian, The Atlantic and Italian Vanity Fair magazine.

He just recently took a job as the Chief Photographer for Radio Free Europe and will be stationed in Prague.

Chapple has produced a landmark drone photography project called AIR in which he took drone pictures of major architectural structures across Europe, Russia, and India. He was one of the early adopters of drone photography and he tells WOUB's Tom Hodson about the evolution of his aerial photography and the role it plays. He calls it the "golden age of drone photography."

Date: April 3, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 3:39

Story: Why Donald Trump Has A Better Shot Of Winning Nomination Now That Kasich Won Ohio

Description: Ohioans who voted for Gov. John Kasich in the presidential primary because they thought it would hurt business mogul Donald Trump's chances of winning the GOP nomination might not be happy with this story. Political analysts are saying a vote for Kasich could actually end up helping Trump win the nomination outright.

Date: April 3, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0745

Length: 4:20

Story: Gov. John Kasich's State of The State Speech Gets National Spotlight This Year

Description: Gov. John Kasich gives his annual State of the State speech is likely to be a little different this year. When he speaks Wednesday night in Marietta, he will be doing so as a presidential candidate. That could affect what he says, and there will be plenty of people listening.

Date: April 4, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 3:57

Story: Poet David Sanders Describes Creative Process, New Book

Description: Athens poet David Sanders has just released a new collection of poems titled *Compass and Clock*, published by Swallow Press of Ohio University Press.

It is a collection of poetry written by Sanders over about a 30 year period and selected specifically for this new work. The poems are different styles but all give insights into the poet and his creative processes.

Sanders considers himself more of a formalist poet instead of writing free verse yet his formalism does not get in his way or dilute his deftness of language.

Date: April 5, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 3:22

Story: Opponents Claim PUCO Coal Plant Rulings Provide Unfair Competitive Advantage

Description: Ohioans could see a new charge in their electric bills as early as June, now that state regulators have approved plans by FirstEnergy and AEP to guarantee income for struggling coal plants. But opponents of the costs say the fight isn't over.

Date: April 5, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0730

Length: 4:13

Story: The Buckeye Trail Traverses Ohio for Over 1,400 Miles and Loops the State

Description: The Buckeye Trail is a 1,440 mile loop around Ohio with both on-road and off-road paths through 48 of Ohio's 88 counties and through nearly 100 various communities.

It travels through the Hocking Hills State Park, Cuyahoga Valley National Park, the Little Miami Scenic Trail, the Miami and Erie Canal Towpath, the Ohio and Erie Canal Towpath, the northern terminus at Headlands Dunes State Nature Preserve on Lake Erie and the Ohio River Bluff at Eden Park in Cincinnati.

Conceived in 1959, the trail officially became Ohio's State Trail in 1967. Each year, hundreds of hikers trek over portions of the trail's circuitous route around the state.

Date: April 8, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 4:34

Story: As State Holds In Semi-Moratorium, Advocates Lobby Lawmakers To Ban Executions

Description: Ohio doesn't have an execution scheduled for nine months, and the state doesn't have the drugs to carry out that lethal injections. So advocates are seizing the opportunity to lobby lawmakers on abandoning the death penalty entirely. And they came armed with some powerful weapons – people who were sentenced to die but who were freed after the charges against them were dismissed.

Date: April 12, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 2:51

Story: Ohio House Introduces Its Bill To Allow Medical Marijuana

Description: After months of testimony, the Ohio House's task force studying medical marijuana has made its recommendations. As Ohio Public Radio's Jo Ingles reports, a bill will be introduced later this week that would allow a path for medical marijuana use in the Buckeye state.

Date: April 13, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 3:46

Story: Award-Winning ‘Business Remixed’ Promotes Jobs in Athens County
Description: The Athens County Economic Development Council (ACEDC) goes by the brand name “Business Remixed” and its purpose is to develop and promote jobs and economic progress in Athens County.

The non-profit public-private partnership was recently given an award for Excellence in Economic Development Marketing from the Ohio Economic Development Association for its “Start it Up Nelsonville” program – promoting businesses and community spirit in the Nelsonville area.

It also led a group of investors to Equilibrium Solar, a local Athens company. The ACEDC found the new company a place to operate and helped finance some of its early work. The company now has 30 employees and adds more than \$1 million dollars per year to the local labor market.

Date: April 14, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 3:44

Story: Central Asian Countries Highlighted in New Ohio University Press Book
Description: David Mould, a Professor Emeritus in the School of Media Arts and Studies in the Scripps College of Communication, is an expert in the countries in Central Asia that were parts of the former Soviet Union.

He has just written a new book about that region called *POSTCARDS FROM STANLAND: Journeys in Central Asia*, published by the Ohio University Press. Trained as a journalist in the United Kingdom, Dr. Mould spent 30 years at Ohio University as a professor and an administrator. For over 20 years, he has worked and sometimes lived in Central and South Asia and in Southern Africa as a teacher, trainer, researcher and media consultant. He also has worked with UNICEF.

Recently, Dr. Mould talked with WOUB about the difficult issues facing countries such as Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan since the fall of the Soviet Union.

Date: April 15, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 4:51

Story: German Professor Guenther Heydemann Examines American Presidential Politics

Description: In the heat of the American presidential primary season, it is interesting to compare our extended campaigns, our political party power, and our campaign financing practices to those in Germany and other European countries. Dr. Guenther Heydemann is a Professor of Modern and Contemporary History at the University of Leipzig and director of the Hannah Arendt Institute for Research on Totalitarianism in Dresden, Germany.

He studies contemporary politics and governmental structures.

On a recent visit to Athens, he spoke with WOUB about the differences between American and German politics and campaigns. His observations are timely for the American political scene.

Date: April 20, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 4:29

Story: More Than A Sixth of Ohioans Live In Poverty, And Half Are In Suburbs And Rural Areas

Description: 16% of Ohioans lived all of last year in poverty, and nearly a third were under the federal poverty line for at least some of 2015. Those are among the findings in a report from community groups that work on the front lines of the war on poverty in Ohio.

Date: April 27, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 3:20

Story: Supreme Court To Decide If Online Businesses With No Ohio Offices Must Pay Ohio Business Tax

Description: The state's highest court will decide whether internet retailers which have no offices or employees in Ohio but sell products to Ohio residents have to pay a tax that nearly all Ohio businesses pay. And the question before the court centers on what the definition of doing business in Ohio actually is.

Date: May 3, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 3:16

Story: From The Power Plant To Your Electric Bill: Critical Point For The Future of Energy In Ohio

Description: Ohio's largest energy companies are trying to figure out what they're going to do with their coal power plants as they navigate through a vital time in the utilities industry. For the final installment of his three-part series, Statehouse correspondent Andy Chow explores the different paths those utilities can take and what that means for Ohioans who pay to keep the lights on.

Date: May 18, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 4:13

Story: Memorial Day Feature: Wreath Laying Ceremony At Ohio Statehouse

Description: The annual Memorial Day Wreath Laying Ceremony was held at the Ohio Statehouse, Friday, May 27th at noon. The event honored those who have lost their lives while serving their country. This is a sound portrait of the event. It features SFC Amy Saltis (Ohio Army National Guard), Jennifer Rozanski (Gold Star wife), Lieutenant Governor Mary Taylor, Buglers from the 122nd Ohio Army National Guard Band and the Fifth Grade Choir from St. Paul the Apostle Parish in Westerville, Ohio.

Date: May 27, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 3:50

Story: Entrepreneur Ethan Schultz Is In the Vanguard of Innovative Toy Development

Description: Ethan Schultz graduated from Ohio University in 2015 with a degree in Fine Arts but instead of taking a job with a major company, he decided to start his own creative toy company called Opa.

Opa produces “high quality educational toys, that accelerate early developmental skills in children while remaining fun and engaging,” Schultz says. “Opa sees play as a vehicle for education and provides educators with toys to create games, stories, and beautiful works of art as a tool for playful learning.”

Schultz produces brightly colored wooden pieces of multiple shapes and sizes. The pieces are magnetized and fit on a magnet board either on a flat horizontal surface like a table or vertically like a wall.

Date: June 9, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 4:46

Story: Governor Kasich's Back

Description: For the first time since halting his presidential campaign last month, Gov. John Kasich spoke to Statehouse reporters after a bill signing at a state park near Columbus.

Date: June 14, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 2:06

Story: Athens Mayor Patterson Begins a Monthly Series of Talks with WOUB

Description: Athens Mayor Steve Patterson has spent just six months on the job but he feels he already has made some progress on his agenda and vision for the City of Athens.

Mayor Patterson shared some of the highs and lows of his first few months in office during a conversation with WOUB. He will be a regular monthly guest on WOUB's Conversations from Studio B to talk about issues facing the city and the region.

Date: June 27, 2016

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0630 & 0830 & 1630

Length: 4:31

