2nd Quarter, 2014 Issues For Nashville/Middle Tennessee

Cumulus Nashville WGFX 104.5 The Zone

Major Issues:

- Books/Authors: It's summer and that means time for a good read. Barbara Dab interviewed authors on a range of topics. These included travel, history, social issues, leadership and children's books.
- 2. Social Issues/Healthcare/Nonprofit/Environment: This quarter saw many social issues in the spotlight through the work of local and national nonprofits. Barbara Dab interviewed leaders in the areas of healthcare, the environment, social justice, children's issues, aging and the arts.
- 3. Technology/Education/Politics: Election season is just around the corner. And cuts to the Federal budget and a struggling Congress are keeping things running slow in Washington. Barbara Dab interviewed local election officials about how Tennessee is doing in delivering election services. She also spoke with leaders working to help support women seeking electoral office and she checked in with Congressman Jim Cooper about what's going on in Congress.

Zone About Town – April 6, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Nonprofit/Children's Issues

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Cathy Gurley, Executive Director of You Have the Power

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

When it comes to keeping children safe from sexual abuse, everyone should know how to spot the signs and be empowered to report it. And "You Have the Power," a local organization dedicated to education and victim advocacy, aims to arm all of us with that very important information. Barbara Dab spoke with Cathy Gurley, Executive Director of You Have The Power, to learn more.

Zone About Town – April 6, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: NonprofitAging/Lifestyle Issues

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Rob Romasco, National President of AARP

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

It's no secret that our country's population is aging at an historic pace. And Nashville's aging population is higher than even the national average. Are we ready for this wave? National AARP President Rob Romasco was in town this week and Barbara Dab spoke with him about everything from planning retirement to building livable communities.

Zone About Town – April 13, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Books/Authors

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed author Chervis Isom

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

It's been 50 years since the Civil Rights Act was passed, and much has changed. But for local author and attorney Chervis Isom, memories of his boyhood in Birmingham, Alabama, reveal some difficult truths about racism and prejudice in this country. His book "The Newspaper Boy" is a very revealing and personal memoir about his own evolution. Barbara Dab spoke with Chervis to hear more of his story.

Zone About Town - April 13, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Environment

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Mary Anne Hitt, Director of the Sierra Club's Clean Coal Campaign

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

According to the Sierra Club, the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation's standards for storage of coal ash are weak and unenforced. Multiple coal ash contamination accidents this year have placed local waters at risk and endangered public health. The Sierra Club is now urging the Environmental Protection Agency to put stronger protections in place immediately. Barbara Dab spoke with Mary Anne Hitt, Director of the Sierra Club's Clean Coal Campaign, to learn more.

Zone About Town – April 20, 2014 2014

Second Quarter

Issue: Election Issues

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed David Becker, Director of the Pew Charitable Trust's Election Initiatives

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

Election season is here and the Pew Charitable Trust's annual Elections survey measures how well states perform in areas like wait times, availability of online voting information and the like. Barbara Dab spoke with David Becker, Director of the Pew Charitable Trust's Election Initiatives to learn how Tennessee fared.

Zone About Town – April 20, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Books/Authors

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Todd Purdum, author of "An Idea Whose Time Has Come"

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the Civil Rights Act. It would be hard to find a bill in the last half century that meant as much to the nation as this one!!! And to mark this historical event, veteran journalist Todd Purdum releases his book, "An Idea Whose Time Has Come." Purdum takes readers through the crucial turns needed to pass this epic bill! He brings to life the exchanges between Lyndon B. Johnson and Robert F. Kennedy - adversaries forced by history to compromise! Barbara Dab spoke with Todd to learn more.

Zone About Town – April 27, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Nonprofit

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Charles Stewart, VP of Institutional Advancement at TPAC

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

Middle Tennessee is home to a wide variety of nonprofit organizations, all doing amazing work. All of these nonprofits rely on donor funding to be able to stay afloat. This coming week The Community Foundation is sponsoring "The Big Payback", an all day online event designed to make charitable giving easy and fun. One of the beneficiaries of "The Big Payback" is the Tennessee Performing Arts Center and Barbara Dab spoke with Charles Stewart, VP of Institutional Advancement, to learn more.

Zone About Town – April 27, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Books/Authors

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Julia Angwin, author of "Dragnet Nation"

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

In an age of smart phones, Google Maps, embedded Internet cookies, surveillance cameras with facial recognition software, hacker attacks and the NSA (to name a few), you have to wonder: Who is watching us? How will our most private information be safe in the new multibillion-dollar-a-year "surveillance economy"? Pulitzer Prize—winning investigative journalist, Julia Angwin, tries to get answers! She set out to erase her digital footprint, but found it was virtually impossible!! She chronicled her quest for digital privacy in her book "Dragnet Nation," and Barbara Dab spoke with her to learn more.

Zone About Town – May 4, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Nonprifit/Election Issues

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Dia Cirillo, Public Policy Chair with the Tennessee Branch of the American Association of University Women

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

Nearly a generation has passed since the women's movement began. Today women occupy seats in the Boardroom, they are running for and winning elective office and gaining admission to the nation's top colleges and universities. But when it comes to equal pay women still lag behind men. Barbara Dab spoke with Dia Cirillo, Public Policy Chair with the Tennessee State branch of the American Association of University Women, to learn more.

Zone About Town – May 4, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Environment

Program: Barbara Dab interviewed John Garder of the National Parks Conservation Association

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

National Parks offer a terrific return on investment. Americans love -- and support funding for -- national parks, which as the shutdown showed, are critical to local economies. Congress is about to vote on the president's new budget which proposes a multi-year effort to fund the parks. Both Democratic and Republican presidents have recognized that the centennial is a timely opportunity to reinvest in our national parks and hopefully Congress will do the same. Barbara Dab spoke with John Garder with the National Parks Conservation Association to learn more.

Zone About Town – May 11, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Nonprofit/Human Rights

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Dawn Lott of "All Across Africa"

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

Happy Mother's Day! As families in Middle Tennessee gather to celebrate the women in our lives who care for us, it's important to remember that in other parts of the world women face tremendous hardships. One organization is in town helping these women create sustainable lives for themselves and their families. "All Across Africa" helps women artisans in Africa sell their fair trade crafts in the US and Barbara Dab spoke with local rep Dawn Lott to learn more.

Zone About Town – May 11, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

issue: Books/Authors

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed author Krista Bremer

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

What is the first word that comes to mind when you hear the word: JIHAD? Perhaps: violence, war or fear? Many Americans usually see the term jihad linked to violence - maybe it's because the word came into our every day vocabulary with such negative connotations. Jihad actually means: struggle something that doesn't always have to be dark and negative. Take the story of an American woman raised in California. In her new book, "My Accidental Jihad", Krista Bremer shares her struggle, one that many of us including those who have different shades of skin and who are part of a more "modern family" can relate to!!! Barbara Dab spoke with Krista to learn more.

Zone About Town – May 18, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

issue: Education

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Chris Reynolds, CEO of LEAD Public Schools

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

This coming week is a big one for graduating students and their families. At LEAD Academy High School this year is particularly special as the Charter school celebrates its first graduating class. There are other milestones for LEAD students and Barbara Dab spoke with Chris Reynolds, CEO of LEAD Public Schools, to learn more.

Zone About Town – May 18, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Children's Issues/Health

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Dr. Kevin Ess, Chief of Pediatric Neurology at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

At least two children born each day in the United States will have tuberous sclerosis complex, also known as TSC. However, many cases go undiagnosed due to obscurity of the disease. But thanks to the commitment and dedication of doctors and researchers around the country and right here in Nashville, great strides are being made in diagnosing and treating this disease. Barbara Dab spoke to Dr. Kevin Ess, Chief of Pediatric Neurology at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital, to learn more about TSC and its links to Autism and Epilepsy.

Zone About Town – May 25, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

issue: Books/Authors

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Mark Lee Greenblatt, author of "Valor: Unsung Heroes from Iraq, Afghanistan and the Homefront"

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

This weekend amidst the barbeques and beach trips, the country celebrates Memorial Day and honors the legacy of our men and women in uniform. Most of these brave folks remain unknown to us, but one author has highlighted just a few of these "unsung heroes." Barbara Dab spoke with Mark Lee Greenblatt about his book "Valor: Unsung Heroes from Iraq, Afghanistan and the Homefront," to learn more.

Zone About Town – May 25, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Health

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Dr. Michel McDonald

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

The sun is out, the pool is open, time to grab your towel and head on out. But, don't forget your sunscreen and hat. This time of year we are all at risk for sun damage, skin cancer and dehydration. Barbara Dab spoke with Dr. Michel McDonald, Director of Dermatologic Surgery at Vanderbilt Medical Center, to get the truth and debunk the myths about spf, skin cancer and how to stay healthy in the sun.

Zone About Town – June 1, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Entertainment

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Laurel Dorman, Producer of Nashville Dancin'

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

Summer is nearly here and for Nashville locals, that means there are lots of opportunities for outdoor fun. And if you've been around awhile, you may remember Nashville Dancin', a summer block party of sorts that was popular way back when. Well, Nashville Dancin' is back for the second year and Barbara Dab spoke with Laurel Dorman, the event's Producer, to find out what you can expect starting June 12th.

Zone About Town – June 1, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Books/Authors

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed children's author Jean Reagan

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

If you have grandkids, chances are you want to spend a lot of time with them. And what better way to enjoy that time than with a sleepover. But for some kids, spending time away from home can be stressful. To help make the most of those precious moments author Jean Reagan has written a hilarious picture book, "How To Babysit a Grandma." Barbara Dab spoke with Jean to learn more about what inspired her book, and how parents can help their kids enjoy those special slumber parties.

Zone About Town – June 8, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

issue: Books/Authors

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed football coach and author Bill Courtney

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

What is your secret for success? Do you have a plan for getting where you want to go in life? For inspirational football coach and businessman Bill Courtney, success means living according to 14 basic characteristics and getting outside your comfort zone. Bill, who is also the subject of the Academy Award winning documentary "Undefeated," shares his story in his book "Against The Grain." Barbara Dab spoke with Bill to learn more.

Zone About Town – June 8, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Nonprofit/Social Issues

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Kathleen Wright, with the Tennessee chapter of Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

The recent killings in Santa Barbara highlights, once again, the issue of gun violence and gun control. The tragedy led to creation of an unprecedented social media campaign to send a message to congress about the need for background checks. Locally, the effort is being spearheaded by the organization Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America. Barbara Dab spoke with Kathleen Wright of the Tennessee chapter to learn more.

Zone About Town – June 15, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Real Estate/Social Media

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Beth Dodson, co-founder of HomeZada

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

Do you own your home? Do you plan to put your house on the market this Summer? Are you just wanting to get a better handle on managing your home? A brand new web application is designed to do all of those things. It's called HomeZada and it can really help you understand your house and how you can make the most of this all important investment. Barbara Dab spoke with Beth Dodson, co-founder of HomeZada, to learn more.

Zone About Town – June 15, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

issue: Books/Authors

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed author Steven Pressfield

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

Forty-seven years ago the Six Day War changed the Middle East forever. The tiny state of Israel, surrounded on all sides by sworn enemies, was on the brink of complete destruction, yet in six fearless days wiped out the combined military might of Egypt, Syria, and Jordan. You can't understand the Middle East without understanding the Six Day War. And author Steven Pressfield's new book "The Lion's Gate," takes you right to the front lines and inside the tanks through the eyes of the soldiers who were there. Barbara Dab spoke with Steven to learn more.

Zone About Town – June 22, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Politics

Program:

Barbara Dab interviewed Congressman Jim Cooper of Nashville's 5th District

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

The U.S. Congress recently passed a bipartisan bill designed to improve our personal and national security. The bill was sponsored by Congressman Jim Cooper of Nashville's 5th District. Barbara Dab spoke with Congressman Cooper to discuss the impact of the bill and to get some other important updates about what's going on in Congress this summer.

Zone About Town – June 22, 2014 2014 Second Quarter

Issue: Books/Authors

Program: Barbara Dab interviewed author Brad Smeltzer

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

The recent 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act shows just how far our country has come in the struggle to ensure equal rights for everyone. And of course, leading that charge was none other than Rosa Parks. Best-selling author Brad Smeltzer has written a book designed to teach children about the birth of the Civil Rights movement, "I am Rosa Parks," is part of his "Ordinary People Change The World" series and Barbara Dab spoke with him to learn more.

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Issue: Travel/Technology

Program: Barbara Dab interviewed tech journalist Jennifer Jolly

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

Summer is here and that usually means it's time to plan a vacation. And in today's world, vacation usually includes technology. Phones, computers, tablets or e-readers top most people's packing list. But taking your tech on vacation can be expensive and risky. So, Barbara Dab spoke with Emmy Award-winning consumer tech journalist Jennifer Jolly to get some tips on how to save money and how to protect your device if it gets damaged in transit.

Second Quarter

Issue: Books/Authors

Program: Barbara Dab interviewed author Sandra Tsing Loh

Format:

This 30-minute show airs Sunday mornings at 6:00am on 103.3

Synopsis:

Middle aged women are America's largest demographic group and today's world finds this group juggling a lot! Dealing with life's challenges can be comical and at the same time, frustrating and downright tragic. Author Sandra Tsing Loh's memoir "The Madwoman in the Volvo," tells about her own struggles with what she calls "mid-life madness." Barbara Dab spoke with her to learn more.