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# Community News Break for Quarterly Report

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## Frigid Temps Amplify Need for Heating Help

Frankfort, Ky - The frigid cold snap is a powerful reminder of just how important the crisis home-energy assistance program is to thousands of low-income families in Kentucky. The annual program, which helps people avoid a disconnect from their utility, begins Monday. Comments from Michael Moynahan (MAWN-uh-han), Energy Program Director, Community Action Kentucky; and Peggy Sanchez, a single mother of five from Paris. Image available of thermometer.

**Intro:** As Kentucky emerges from its most brutal cold snap in years, the window opens for low-income families to apply for crisis home-energy assistance. Monday is the first day those who need help paying their heating bills can sign up for the crisis phase of the federal program, commonly known as LIHEAP. Michael Moynahan is with Community Action Kentucky, the agency which oversees the program.

**Cut 64250 :10** *"They have to be facing an emergency situation where they've either received a disconnect from their utility company or they have run out of their bulk fuel."*

**Tag:** Moynahan says the crisis assistance, which provides up to 400-dollars, is sent directly to the utility company or bulk fuel vendor. Moynahan says the average assistance amount is about 250 dollars.

**Second Cut:** Peggy Sanchez, a single mom of five from Paris, says the assistance from Community Action will help her family stay in the home they rent.

**Cut 65250 :06** *"Oh my gosh, without the assistance I wouldn't be able to pay my gas bills and we would be without heat and water."*

**Tag:** To be eligible, family income must be at 130 percent of the federal poverty level or below. For a family of four that's roughly 25-hundred dollars a month before taxes.

**Third Cut:** Moynahan says LIHEAP crisis funding dropped by about three and a half percent this year. Combine that with the frigid start to January and Moynahan expects the funds to be gone before the program ends March 31st.

**Cut 66250 :16** *"And so it's never enough to cover everyone that needs the program, and that's another issue with the crisis is it's based on a first-come, first-serve policy. So, we encourage anyone who is eligible for it and who's facing that disconnect status to apply as early as they can."*

**Tag:** Moynahan expects the crisis heating program will get around 100-thousand Kentucky families "through a tough patch" this winter. For more information, call 1-800-456-3452.

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**LEAD:** The frigid cold snap is a powerful reminder of just how important the crisis home-energy assistance program is open to thousands of low-income families in Kentucky. Greg Stotelmyer reports.  
**Cut 67250 :36** *Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

**Note to Editors:** Reach Moynahan at 502-875-5863; Sanchez at 859-340-9197.

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**Cost of Excessive Drinking in the Billions**

**Lexington, KY -** It's estimated that about one in six adults in the United States drinks "too much," and while excessive alcohol use can cause all kinds of health issues, only a small percentage of people say they discuss the issue with their doctor. Comments from Dr. Jane Maxwell, senior research scientist, School of Social Work, University of Texas at Austin; and Drew Smith, Director, University of Kentucky Division of Student Affairs, Office of Substance Education and Responsibility (SEAR). Image available: Photo of a drinking game at a bar.

**Intro:** A new report from the C-D-C finds at least 38-million Americans drink too much, and experts say the costs and dangers of binge drinking are especially acute for women. Research scientist Jane Maxwell says women who pre-party or try to keep up with men with their numbers of drinks are putting themselves at added risk of chronic health issues such as cirrhosis and cancers, and also for S-T-Ds and sexual assault.

**Cut 71250 :17** *"This is a risky combination, particularly if they play drinking games with the guys, like beer pong or some of these others. They're getting their BAC (blood alcohol content) up very high, very quickly, and a lot of times they don't really realize that they are at risk, losing control."*

**Tag:** Binge drinking also is linked to increased risks for car crashes, falls, burns and firearm injuries.

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**Second Cut:** At the University of Kentucky, an all-volunteer group of students (Student Wellness Ambassadors) is carrying the message to their peers about the harmful impacts of binge drinking. Drew Smith, director of UK's office of Substance Education and Responsibility (SEAR), says the message is not geared toward anti-drinking.

**Cut 72250 :12** *"They're not alcohol police and they're not morality police. The choice to drink is entirely someone's individual and personal choice. However, we do arm them with education."*

**Tag:** Smith says when it comes to talking about healthy, acceptable behavior, peer education works the best. In his words, "A voice of their own generation can communicate more effectively."

**Third Cut:** The C-D-C report notes that only about one in six people talks to a doctor about drinking, although alcohol screening and brief counseling could help heavy drinkers cut their consumption by 25-percent. In addition to a greater focus by health-care professionals, Maxwell says families also need to get involved.

**Cut 73250 :14** *"When I was growing up, one of the lectures from momma was, 'Don't get drunk because you might get pregnant.' When I ask people that I'm lecturing to, other than the older women, they look at me like I'm crazy - because mothers don't give that lecture very often."*

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**LEAD:** A new report from the C-D-C finds that at least 38-million Americans drink too much and experts warn the costs and dangers of binge drinking are especially acute for women. The details from Greg Stotelmyer.

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**Advocates for Internet Freedom say Appeals Court Strikes "Huge Blow"**

Washington, D.C. – "Net neutrality" advocates fear that a recent court ruling will lead to companies like Verizon not only charging more for higher download speeds, but blocking Internet content at will. A federal appeals court last week struck down Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules that required Internet service providers to give all traffic equal access through their networks. Comments from Josh Levy (LEE-vee), Internet campaign director, Free Press. Image available: photo of FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler.

**Intro:** It's being called a "huge blow to all Internet users" A federal court has ruled in favor of Verizon, striking down F-C-C rules that regulate the Web. The ruling means broadband providers like Verizon could charge content providers such as Netflix or E-S-P-N higher prices for faster download speeds, creating Internet "fast lanes." Josh Levy of the watchdog group Free Press says in its court arguments in the case against the F-C-C, Verizon revealed a broader goal.

**Cut 75250 :10** *"It actually said that it has the right to treat the Internet as a newspaper. and it would be the editor of that newspaper – and it would have the right to block or not block whatever content flows over its pipes."*

**Tag:** The F-C-C's new commissioner, Tom Wheeler, said the agency might appeal the ruling. Levy says the court's decision opens the door to the F-C-C drafting new and different rules. He also thinks a public outcry to protect net neutrality – like the one that nearly brought the Internet to a halt two years ago over proposed legislation called "SOPA" – could be another reaction.

**Second Cut:** Levy responded to the ruling by the U-S Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

**Cut 76250 :13** *"We think this is a huge blow to all Internet users, who can now expect Internet service providers to block any content on the Internet, at will. And right now, there's no 'cop on the beat' that will be able to stop them from doing so."*

**Third Cut:** The court acknowledged that the F-C-C has the authority "to promulgate rules governing broadband providers' treatment of Internet traffic." Levy says this gives the agency a chance to rewrite the provisions

**Cut 77250 :09** *"They were struck down because they weren't passed in the right way. And so, what we need is for the FCC to pass strong protections for Internet users in the right way."*

**Tag:** Two years ago this month, Wikipedia, Google and hundreds of other websites coordinated a one-day Internet blackout in opposition to SOPA, a government effort to fight copyright infringement and counterfeiting. SOPA was seen as a threat to Internet freedom. Josh Levy says this month's court ruling will be viewed in the same way.

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**LEAD:** A "huge blow to all Internet users." That's how one observer is viewing a federal court ruling in favor of Verizon. Greg Stotelmyer reports on the decision that strikes down F-C-C rules regulating the Web.

**Cut 78250 :54** *Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

**Note to Editors:** Levy can be reached at (413) 585-1533, ext. 602.

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### Building a "Super I Way"

**Hazard, KY** - A multi-million-dollar promise to build a "Super I way" into eastern Kentucky, delivering high-speed, high-capacity broadband Internet to the region, has been made by Kentucky's governor and the congressman serving that area. The head of distance learning at one of the colleges in Appalachia says the project is "critically important" to improving educational opportunities. Comments from Ella Strong, Dean of Distance Learning, Hazard Community and Technical College; and U.S. Rep. Hal Rogers, R-Kentucky. Image available of broadband equipment.

**Intro:** Educators say bringing high-speed, high-capacity broadband Internet to rural parts of the state is "critically important" to improving opportunities for students and the region as a whole. Governor Steve Beshear and Congressman Hal Rogers have promised to build a "Super I way" into eastern Kentucky. Ella Strong, who teaches at Hazard Community and Technical College, says not having that technology is a hassle for her students.

**Cut 87250 :14** *"Because they don't have it at home. They either have low-speed DSL or dial-up or nothing. We have several students that take online classes and they don't even have access at home, they come on campus to do their course work for their online classes."*

**Tag:** Beshear and Rogers have announced a plan to extend urban level fiber cable into underserved areas of the state, beginning with eastern Kentucky. They say the project will be supported by 60 million dollars in state bonds, with another 40 million dollars coming from federal and private sources.

**Second Cut:** Saying the region is "not even in the ball game" right now, Rogers compares the project to what building the interstate highway system was to the country a half century ago.

**Cut 88250 :08** *"No need for horses. no need for super highways, no need for trucks or railroads or airplanes. It's done by cable."*

**Tag 1** Rogers says delivering high-speed, high-capacity broadband will eliminate the region's disadvantage of isolation.

**Third Cut:** Beshear says it will improve economic development, health care and education. Strong, who is the Dean of Distance Learning at Hazard Community and Technical College, agrees.

**Cut 89250 :10** *"It will allow more people in our region to be able to work from home because they would have that dedicated bandwidth to be able to do some of these tele-jobs right from their own home."*

**Tag 2:** The governor says it could take two to three years to build the nearly three-thousand miles of fiber infrastructure needed in the region. Strong says if the promise is fulfilled it would help remove the region's geographical and financial barriers.

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**LEAD:** A multi-million-dollar promise to build a "Super I way" into eastern Kentucky, delivering high-speed, high-capacity broadband Internet to the region, has been made by Kentucky's governor and the congressman serving that area. Greg Stotelmyer has more on how that could impact education and the economy.

**Cut 90250 :34** *Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

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**National Survey Shows Strong Support for Limits on Carbon Pollution**

Frankfort, KY - Despite the political backlash in coal states such as Kentucky, there's strong support for the EPA to limit carbon pollution from power plants, according to a new national survey commissioned by the Sierra Club. The poll (conducted by Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research) indicates an overwhelming majority of Americans want to move away from coal and invest in clean energy. Comments from Mary Anne Hitt, Sierra Club Beyond Coal campaign director; Alex DeSha (duh-SHAY), Sierra Club member from Whitesburg; Andrew Baumann, Vice President, Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research; and Bill Bissett, president, Kentucky Coal Association. Image available of coal.

**Intro:** There's majority support for moving the country "entirely away from coal," according to a new nationwide survey commissioned by the Sierra Club. The poll finds that 57-percent of those questioned support the idea. Mary Anne Hitt, who lives in West Virginia, heads the Sierra Club's Beyond Coal campaign.

**Cut 18250 :13** *"These results serve as a strong reminder that when we make choices about which path we're going to take the voices of American families are loud and clear. They want clean energy and they want it right away."*

**Tag:** The poll found that more than three out of every five Americans support investing in clean energy sources and energy efficiency instead of the traditional fuels - coal, oil and gas (61-percent clean energy to 33-percent traditional sources)

**Second Cut:** The president of the Kentucky Coal Association, Bill Bissett, says moving away from coal would hit Kentuckians in the pocketbook.

**Cut 19250 :11** *"Well I think the question needs to be restated that. 'Would you pay more money for electricity if we would switch to these renewable forms of energy?' and I think the vast majority of Americans would say no."*

**Third Cut:** The Sierra Club's Alex DeSha, who lives in Whitesburg, counters that coal is "no longer cheap." He sees the EPA's push for stricter rules on carbon emissions as a chance to broaden our energy mix.

**Cut 20250 :12** *"We've seen the coal industry lose its competitive edge to other resources. Investing in renewable energy and energy efficiency is the direction the nation as a whole is going. I look at the carbon rules as an opportunity for us to be innovative."*

**Fourth Cut:** While many political leaders in Kentucky are criticizing the EPA's actions, pollster Alex Baumann says the federal agency received "very solid ratings" from the cross-section of Americans surveyed.

**Cut 21250 :07** *"So, you know, the EPA, unlike some would have you believe, is not at all the bogeyman. It's actually quite popular and trusted."*

**Tag 3:** The poll found that 44 percent of those questioned had a favorable opinion of the EPA compared with 27 percent unfavorable. Bissett claims the survey comes from an "anti-coal polling firm." He says it's a "rallying call" for the industry to do a better job communicating.

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**LEAD:** Despite the political backlash in coal states such as Kentucky, there's strong support for the EPA to limit carbon pollution from power plants, according to a new national survey. Greg Stotelmyer has more on the poll commissioned by the Sierra Club.

**Cut 22250 :49** *Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

**Note to Editors:** Reach DeSha at 606-210-0761; Hitt through Oliver Bernstein at 512-289-8618; Bissett at 859-233-4743. □□ Link to

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**Lawmaker Wants "Arbitrary and Unfair" Death Penalty Abolished**

Frankfort, KY - Republican State Representative David Floyd has filed a bill (HB 330) to abolish the death penalty in Kentucky and replace it with life without parole. A similar bill already had been filed in the state Senate (SB 77). Comments from Rep. Floyd, R-Bardstown; and Rev. Pat Delahanty, chairman, Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty. Images available of Floyd and Kentucky's death chamber.

**Intro:** A Republican state representative has filed a bill to abolish the death penalty in Kentucky. It's the first time since 1980 that a G-O-P lawmaker has introduced legislation to repeal capital punishment. Representative David Floyd says Kentucky's system is "arbitrary and unfair" and is not applied equally.

**Cut 27250 :09** *"For the sake of justice, are we willing to sacrifice a few innocent to kill the guilty? Is that collateral damage truly acceptable?"*

**Tag:** Floyd's bill (HB 330) would make life without parole the maximum sentence in Kentucky. Senator Gerald Neal, a Democrat from Louisville, already had filed a similar bill in the upper chamber, something he has done in previous legislative sessions as well.

**Second Cut:** Reverend Pat Delahanty, chair of the Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty, says Floyd's decision to file the bill illustrates growing momentum across party lines for getting rid of lethal injection.

**Cut 28250 :12** *"It certainly shows that what is beginning to happen at a national level is beginning to show up in Kentucky, and it has begun to have its effect among people who are politically conservative."*

**Third Cut:** Floyd says the state spends eight million dollars a year on death penalty-related court costs. He says since capital punishment was brought back in 1976 Kentucky has spent more than 100 million dollars on a system that has executed only three people. Delahanty says cost is one of the main arguments he hears from lawmakers for abolishing the death penalty.

**Cut 29250 :04** *"You have resources that are being wasted and people are beginning to realize that."*

**Tag 2:** Six states have abolished the death penalty in the past six years, but Kentucky remains one of 32 states where execution remains legal.

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**LEAD:** A Republican state representative has filed a bill to abolish the death penalty in Kentucky. Greg Stotelmyer has more on what that may mean for the push to get rid of executions in the Commonwealth

**Cut 30250 :39** *Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

**Note to Editors:** Reach Floyd at 502-564-8100, ext. 664; Delahanty at   Links to bills to abolish the death penalty, HB 330 - <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/14RS/HB330.htm>    
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## Undercover Probe of KY Hog Farm Alleges Inhumane Animal Treatment

Frankfort, KY - The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) says it has documented inhumane treatment of animals by an agribusiness producer in Kentucky. Results of the undercover probe at a factory hog farm in Owensboro were revealed Thursday. Comments from Paul Shapiro, HSUS vice president of farm animal protection; and Michael Blackwell, HSUS senior director of veterinary policy. Image available: Photo of sow in cage.

**Intro:** The Humane Society of the United States claims its undercover investigation of a factory farm in Kentucky shows how the pork industry is "still in the dark ages." The Humane Society's Paul Shapiro says the recent investigation at Iron Maiden Hog Farm in Owensboro found sows confined in cramped cages known as gestation crates.

**Cut 48250 :08** *"They're unable to turn around, essentially, for years on end. This state of immobilization causes the animals to, essentially, go insane."*

**Tag:** The organization is pushing for the state's Livestock Care Standards Commission to outlaw the practice. More than 60 major food companies have told their pork providers not to use gestation crates, and some large producers – including Cargill, Smithfield and Tyson – say they're moving away from their use.

**Second Cut:** The Humane Society investigation also found that caged sows were being fed ground-up intestines from piglets that had died from a highly contagious diarrheal disease (Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea Virus). Shapiro says more than 900 piglets died over a two-day period at the Iron Maiden Hog Farm.

**Cut 49250 :06** *"The pork industry is turning pigs into cannibals. We say, 'What happens when cows were fed back to cows?'"*

**Tag 2:** Shapiro says the practice is prohibited by Kentucky law and may violate a federal law, the Swine Health Protection Act. But, the Kentucky Livestock Coalition says the farm "appears to be using a widely accepted and veterinary-recommended management practice" to inoculate hogs from the virus, which involves using "intestines or stool from affected swine" to save others.

**Third Cut:** Noting the virus is plaguing pork production facilities nationwide, the Humane Society's director of veterinary policy, Michael Blackwell, puts it bluntly

**Cut 50250 :14** *"What we're talking about is your food supply. This recent outbreak is clear evidence that we need to still question an industry that says that they 'have everything under control.'"*

**Tag 2:** He says the hope is that the investigation leads to changes in what he calls "routine practices" at many hog farms. Attempts were made to seek comment from Iron Maiden but its phone number was not working.

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**LEAD:** The Humane Society of the United States says it has documented inhumane treatment of animals by an agribusiness producer in Kentucky. The recent undercover probe was at a factory farm in Owensboro. Greg Stotemyer reports.

**Cut 51250 :58** *Outcue...Stotemyer reporting.*

**Note to Editors:** Reach HSUS officials through Anna West at 240-751-2669, [awest@humanesociety.org](mailto:awest@humanesociety.org). □ □ Link to HSUS undercover video: <http://video.humanesociety.org/press/video.php?channel=931219457001>.

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## Obesity Among Young Kids Improving Nationwide, But Plenty of Work Remains in KY

Louisville, KY - While a new report (published in The Journal of the American Medical Association Wednesday) shows a 43 percent drop nationwide over the last decade in the obesity rate of young children, the needle isn't budging much here in Kentucky. The national report focused on 2- to 5-year-olds. Childhood obesity is an early warning sign of the potential for a myriad of health risks later in life. Comments from Susan Zepeda (ZUH-pay-duh), president/CEO of the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky; and Allison Tse (SEE), program specialist, Foundation for Appalachian KY. Image available of children playing.

**Intro:** Over the past decade the percentage of kids, ages two to five, who are obese has dropped a staggering 43 percent nationwide, according to a new federal report. But, Susan Zepeda, president of the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky, says in the Commonwealth childhood obesity remains a big problem. She points to underlying data from the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) that finds no change in the obesity rates. Zepeda says a lot of good things are being done in Kentucky to address the problem.

**Cut 56250 :15** "Preschool is obviously a great place to reach children but these data also suggest that we need to look at what's happening in our communities. We need to look at the awareness families have about the importance of early nutrition."

**Tag:** Health experts say a young child's weight is an early warning signal that he or she will be at a higher risk of heart disease, stroke and cancer later in life.

**Second Cut:** The good news from the national report is that children are consuming fewer calories from sugary drinks and that caloric intake, overall, is down. Allison Tse, the wellness coordinator in Perry County, says with school-age kids, ages five to 18, the focus is on three things ... □ □

**Cut 57250 :04** "Nutrition, physical activity and tobacco use"

**Tag 1:** While the news nationally is good for our youngest children, the federal report notes that one out of every three adults and nearly one in five youths in the U-S (17-percent) are still obese. Those rates have remained stable in recent years.

**Third Cut:** Here in the Bluegrass State, the Foundation for a Healthy Kentucky has launched a new initiative (Investing in Kentucky's Future) aimed at helping today's school-age kids grow up more healthy than their parents. Zepeda says the foundation has made a five-year investment in seven communities that have active health coalitions.

**Cut 58250 :11** "Bringing together not just the usual suspects, but other folks who care about the health and prosperity of their communities to bend the curve on key health issues for children."

**Tag 2:** Another sign the bandwagon against childhood obesity is picking up steam is the governor's recent rollout of Kentucky Health Now. It lists seven goals to improve the health and wellness of Kentuckians, and obesity is on the list.

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**LEAD:** While a new federal report shows a 43-percent drop nationwide over the last decade in the obesity rate of young children, ages two to five, the needle isn't budging much here in Kentucky. Greg Stotelmyer has more on childhood weight - a measuring stick for your child's health now and later in life.

**Cut 59250 :45** *Outcue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

**Note to Editors:** Contact Zepeda at 502-326-2583; Tse at 606-439-1357. □ □ Link to report:  
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**KY Smoke-Free Supporters Say 'Do It for Our Kids'**

Frankfort, KY - Healthcare and youth advocates are urging Kentucky lawmakers to consider the positive effects a smoke-free law would have on kids. Two months into the 2014 legislative session, a bill (HB 173) making indoor workplaces and other public places smoke-free still hasn't come up for a vote on the House floor. Comments from Dr. Bethany Hodge, University of Louisville Dept. of Pediatrics and Kosair Children's Hospital; and James Whittinghill, owner of Granny's Kitchen, a voluntarily smoke-free restaurant in Russellville. Image available: Photo of child reaching hands out.

**Intro:** A bill that proposes a statewide smoke-free law in public places awaits a vote in the Kentucky House, and supporters are urging lawmakers to think about what it could do for children's health. For example, pediatrician Bethany Hodge says secondhand smoke is a common trigger of asthma attacks.

**Cut 64250 :14** *"It may not be the worse trigger that they have in their whole list of things that cause them problems, but there's no kid that is going to benefit at all from being around from secondhand smoke and all asthmatics do seem to be affected negatively by secondhand smoke."*

**Tag:** When the state's first local smoke-free ordinance went into effect in Lexington ten years ago, emergency room visits for asthma among children dropped by 18-percent, according to a study in the Journal of Occupational and Environmental Medicine.

**Second Cut:** Only about a third of Kentucky's four-million-plus people are now protected by a hodgepodge of local smoke-free ordinances. Although Russellville doesn't have a smoking ban in public places, the owner of Granny's Kitchen, James Whittinghill, went smoke-free January first. He says it's a huge health benefit, both for his workers and customers.

**Cut 65250 :10** *"I read some information that the Health Department gave me that [said] if you were in a working environment of smoke, you know, where you had to breathe smoke eight hours a day, it was the same as smoking a pack of cigarettes yourself."*

**Tag:** Whittinghill says his lunch crowd has doubled since he banned smoking and other restaurants in town have followed suit. The Kentucky Chamber of Commerce is pushing for a statewide smoke-free law because its member business support the idea.

**Third Cut:** Doctor Hodge says pediatricians and others who work with children see themselves as advocates for those who don't have their own voice in the political process. So, she's sending a simple message to Kentucky lawmakers about the smoke-free bill.

**Cut 66250 :11** *"We feel like if children had the ability to say what was important to them, that this would be on their list - that they would feel better and be healthier if they weren't in an environment with smoke."*

**Tag 2:** She points out that smoke also impacts unborn children, raising the risks of low birth-weight and diseases later in life. The smoke-free bill passed in the House Health and Welfare Committee February 6th. Since then, five potential amendments have been filed, including ones by the bill's sponsors to exempt cigar bars and private clubs.

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**LEAD:** A bill that proposes a statewide smoke-free law in public places awaits a vote in the Kentucky House, and supporters are urging lawmakers to think about what it could do for children's health. Greg Stotelmyer has more.

**Cut 67250 :36** *Outcue...Stotelmyer reporting.*

**Note to Editors:** Reach Hodge at [bethany.hodge@louisville.edu](mailto:bethany.hodge@louisville.edu); Whittinghill at 270-726-0424. Link to HB 173: [www.lrc.ky.gov/record/14RS/HB173.htm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/14RS/HB173.htm). □ □

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## KY Lawmakers Hear Message of Innocence

Frankfort, KY - An exonerated death row inmate from Mississippi spent the last two days at Kentucky's statehouse telling lawmakers why she believes the death penalty is wrong. There are companion bills in both chambers of the Kentucky General Assembly to make life without parole the maximum sentence (Senate Bill 77 and House Bill 330) but neither has received a committee hearing yet. Comments from Sabrina Butler, former death row inmate who is a member of Witness to Innocence; and Sen. Gerald Neal, D-Louisville, sponsor of SB 77. Image available of Butler and Neal.

**Intro:** Bills in both the Kentucky Senate and House would abolish the death penalty, but neither has received a committee hearing. So one of the bill's sponsors, Senator Gerald Neal, decided to, in his words, "make it a little more personal." During a floor speech, he introduced exonerated Mississippi death row inmate Sabrina Butler who was sitting in the gallery.

**Cut 75250 :11** "Sabrina Butler is not the exception because the system, quite frankly, is broken, it's broken."

**Tag:** Neal told his fellow senators that 144 people have been freed from death rows nationwide since 1973 because they were wrongly convicted. Butler is the only woman. Kentucky is among 32 states where the death penalty remains legal.

**Second Cut:** Neal's bill, and companion legislation in the House, would make life without parole the maximum sentence. After spending five years behind bars, Butler was exonerated in 1999 for the death of her infant son. She is now part of Witness to Innocence, an organization dedicated to letting those freed from death row speak out against execution. She tells lawmakers ...

**Cut 76250 :06** "As long as there is a human element surrounding the death penalty, we will always get it wrong."

**Third Cut:** The Mississippi Supreme Court overturned Butler's conviction, finding that her son's death was the result of a kidney-related illness, and that the bruises on his body were from his mother's efforts to save him.

**Cut 77250 :16** "Being wrongfully accused and sitting on death row, it was a very scary thing for me and it just upset my life. I don't know, I guess you could say I'm really basically a loner. I don't really mingle much unless I'm doing this advocacy work because I still live in the same town."

**Tag 2:** Butler has been married for 18 years and now has three children. In addition to the bills to abolish the death penalty in Kentucky, there is also a proposal (Senate resolution 131) to study the cost of the death penalty.

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**LEAD:** Bills in both the Kentucky Senate and House would abolish the death penalty, but neither has received a committee hearing. As Greg Stotelmyer tells us, that's not keeping death penalty opponents from trying.

**Cut 78250 :42** *Oucue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

**Note to Editors:** Reach Butler through the Kentucky Coalition to Abolish the Death Penalty at 502-636-1330; Neal at 502-564-8100, ext. 718. □□ Links to three death penalty related bills or resolutions - SB 77: <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/14RS/SB77.htm> HB 330: <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/14RS/HB330.htm> SCR 131: <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/14RS/SC131.htm>

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**Safe Harbor Helping Children Trafficked in Kentucky**

Frankfort, KY - One year ago today (March 19), Gov. Steve Beshear signed Kentucky's tougher law against human trafficking, which took effect in July 2013. The legislation (House Bill 3), which passed unanimously in the House and Senate, provides safe harbor to minors forced into the sex trade. Comments from Gretchen Hunt, staff attorney, Kentucky Association of Sexual Assault Programs. Image available: Photo of hands bound, "Help Me" message. □□

**Intro:** More than 50 cases of child trafficking have been reported to the state since Kentucky updated its laws against the crime in July of last year. The key change was providing minors what is known as "safe harbor" – treating them as victims in these cases, not criminals. Gretchen Hunt is with the Kentucky Association of Sexual Assault Programs.

**Cut 82250 :07** *"We are literally seeing children rescued and given services that probably would have been locked up in detention prior to the passage of the law."*

**Tag:** Human trafficking was made a felony in Kentucky in 2007. With last year's update, law enforcement can now seize the assets of both the trafficker and customer in a child sex-related case.

**Second Cut:** Often called modern-day slavery, Hunt says victims of human trafficking can be any age. She says more are now being identified in Kentucky, and referrals to community-based services are increasing.

**Cut 83250 :09** *"And what we're really heartened to see is that not only are they victims of sex trafficking, but we have higher referrals for victims of labor trafficking."*

**Tag 2:** According to Hunt, there has been a 105 percent increase in calls from victims in Kentucky to the National Human Trafficking Resource Center hotline, run by the Polaris Project – the largest spike in the country.

**Third Cut:** Hunt says the surge in awareness also has led to more training among law enforcement and government agencies, and there has been an uptick in prosecutions.

**Cut 84250 :08** *"I think that the law will continue to make it more risky for traffickers to operate in Kentucky."*

**Fourth Cut:** Because victims of human trafficking face a different kind of trauma, Hunt says the key to long-term success is creating what she calls a "well funded, well supported" infrastructure of services.

**Cut 85250 :16** *"They have PTSD, they are completely cut off from society many times, and they have to relearn how to make choices, how to get a job, how to get safe housing. And that's going to take a while for that infrastructure to really be built up in Kentucky."*

**Tag 3:** She adds that human trafficking is the world's fastest-growing criminal enterprise, a 32-billion-dollar a year global industry.

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**LEAD:** One year ago today, Governor Steve Beshear signed Kentucky's tougher law against human trafficking, which took effect in July of 2013. Greg Stotelmyer has more on the impact of the new law.

**Cut 86250 :45** *Oucue...Greg Stotelmyer reporting.*

**Note to Editors:** Reach Hunt at 502-226-2704. Link to legislation [www.lrc.ky.gov/record/13RS/HB3.htm](http://www.lrc.ky.gov/record/13RS/HB3.htm). Link to association website: [www.kasap.org](http://www.kasap.org). Link to Polaris Project: [www.polarisproject.org](http://www.polarisproject.org).

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### "Alarm" Over Landline Bill

Frankfort, KY - One of the nation's leading security and alarm companies (ADT) is voicing its displeasure with legislation in Kentucky (Senate Bill 99) which, if passed, would allow major phone carriers to no longer provide landline service in parts of the state. Consumer advocates say the concern further underscores the need to delay landline deregulation until the FCC conducts experimental trials on the transition to wireless. Comments from Steve Shapiro, Vice President of Industry Relations, ADT; and Tom FitzGerald, director, Kentucky Resources Council. Photo available of landline phone.

**Intro:** One of the leading providers of electronic security and alarm monitoring services in the U-S, A-D-T, wants Kentucky lawmakers to back off deregulating landline phone service in the state. A-D-T's Steve Shapiro claims that discontinuing what's known as POTS, Plain Old Telephone Service, could leave some Kentuckians without "reliable access" to life-safety alarm services.

*Cut 91250 :13 "There is some likelihood that alarm systems and/or medical alert systems may not be able to send signals to ADT's monitoring centers."*

**Tag:** Senate Bill 99 would allow major phone carriers to stop providing landline service in parts of the state and the traditional service would not have to be provided to any new customers. The bill is now awaiting a vote in the House.

**Second Cut:** Both A-D-T and consumer advocates want lawmakers to delay deregulation until after the F-C-C has finished experimental trials on the switch to Internet protocol-based networks. Tom FitzGerald with the Kentucky Resources Council warns that moving to wireless without further study could lead to a loss of essential phone services.

*Cut 92250 :18 "If they were to explain to the landowner, you will lose the ability for 911 to find you, you will not be able to have medical monitoring done, your alarm system will no longer function, then customers might be more wary about switching to wireless."*

**Tag:** AT&T has led the push for deregulation, claiming it needs the freedom to use money it currently spends on landline service to continue building its high-speed broadband infrastructure.

**Third Cut:** Shapiro says while A-D-T accepts the transition toward wireless, some of its customers who have made the change voluntarily have had troubles "after the fact."

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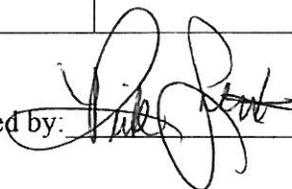
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Weekly Public Affairs Program

**QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT, JANUARY – MARCH 2014**

Show # 2014-01

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**Marlene Targ Brill**, childhood development and education expert and author of "Raising Smart Kids for Dummies"

Ms. Brill talked about simple steps that parents can take to raise well-rounded kids and help them to become academic achievers.

**Issues covered:**  
**Parenting Issues**  
**Education**  
**Children's Issues**  
**Family**

**Length: 10:54**

**Ken Druck, PhD**, psychologist and founder of the Families Helping Families program, has worked with families at Columbine and Santana High Schools and at other sites of tragedy

Dr. Druck talked about the ongoing epidemic of school shootings and other violence, and its possible causes. He also discussed the safety issues every parent needs to discuss with their children and how to do it.

**Issues covered:**  
**Violence**  
**Education**  
**Child Safety**  
**Police & Crime**

**Length: 6:23**

**Kimberly Thompson**, Creator and Director, Kids Risk Project at Harvard University and Co-Founder and Director of Research, Center on Media and Child Health, Children's Hospital in Boston, and **Kevin Haninger**, a doctoral student at Harvard

Professor Thompson and Mr. Haninger discussed their study that found that 48 percent of video games rated for teenagers have more sex, violence, substance abuse and gambling than is described on the game box. They gave tips for concerned parents on how to make sure the game their teen is buying is within the boundaries parents set.

**Issues covered:**  
**Parenting Issues**  
**Youth at Risk**  
**Consumer Issues**

**Length: 4:37**

Show # 2014-02

Date aired: 1/12 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**Phil Gaddis**, President, Executive Search at the Addison Group, a Chicago-based provider of professional staffing and search services

Recent statistics show that the average American changes careers seven times. Mr. Gaddis explained why the turnover has increased so rapidly in recent decades, and offered advice for people who are considering a career change.

Issues covered:  
Employment

Length: 8:04

**Lance LoRusso**, Atlanta-based attorney, former law enforcement officer, author of *"When Cops Kill: The Aftermath of a Critical Incident"*

Mr. LoRusso said police officers are well-trained on when and how to use their weapons, but are ill-prepared for what to do in the aftermath. He explained how the investigation of a police shooting differs significantly from one involving a civilian. He estimated that 75% of officers involved in a deadly force incident are the target of a civil lawsuit, whether the shooting was justified or not.

Issues covered:  
Police & Crime  
Violence  
Legal Matters

Length: 9:10

**Jonathan T. Jefferson, PhD**, school administrator, author of *"Mugamore: Succeeding without Labels—Lessons for Educators"*

Dr. Jefferson said he believes that today's education system needs to change the way it handles problem students. He said zero tolerance policies and the application of labels to students who have behavioral or learning disorders causes many of them to be left behind. He believes that schools personnel need to exercise more patience with immature students to give them time to grow into productive students.

Issues covered:  
Education  
Youth at Risk

Length: 5:07

Show # 2014-03

Date aired: 1/19 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**Dara Feldman**, award-winning teacher, Director of Educational Initiatives for The Virtues Project, author of *"The Heart of Education"*

Ms. Feldman noted that 50 percent of new teachers get burned out in their first five years on the job and end up leaving the profession. She explained why this is such a costly problem and how it damages our nation's education system. She offered suggestions for concerned parents who would like to help and encourage stressed-out teachers.

Issues covered:  
Education  
Parenting

Length: 8:57

**Sheldon Krantz**, Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law at the University of Maryland Carey School of Law, former dean of the University of San Diego Law School, former law professor at the Boston University Law School, former federal prosecutor, author of *"The Legal Profession: What Is Wrong and How to Fix It"*

Mr. Krantz said legal services should be available to every American, whether they can afford it or not. He said attorneys do not provide nearly enough pro bono services. He said many of today's law students would be willing to work in the public interest, but are often mired down in student debt. He would like to see loan forgiveness programs or other new initiatives that would enable young lawyers to help lower-income litigants.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 8:09**

**Legal Matters**

**Poverty**

**Government Policies**

**Brenda Shields, M.S.**, research coordinator, Center for Injury Research and Policy, Columbus Children's Hospital in Ohio

Ms. Shields discussed a recent study into the increasing dangers for young people involved in cheerleading. Her research found that emergency room visits are becoming much more common as cheerleading routines have added complex gymnastic moves. She outlined the questions that parents should ask, to be sure coaches are properly qualified.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 4:45**

**Personal Health**

**Children**

**Parenting**

Show # 2014-04

**Date aired:** 1/26 **Time Aired:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Karl Pillemer, PhD**, Hazel E. Reed Professor in the Department of Human Development and Professor of Gerontology in Medicine at the Weill Cornell Medical College, Founder and Director of the Cornell Institute for Translational Research on Aging, author of *"30 Lessons On Living: Tried and True Advice from the Wisest Americans"*

Dr. Pillemer interviewed more than 1,000 Americans over the age of 65 to seek their counsel on all of life's big issues: children, marriage, money, career and aging. He explained why younger people should take advantage of this rich resource of older Americans' wisdom. He recommends that young people talk to older members of their own family before it is too late.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 9:17**

**Senior Citizens**

**Personal Health**

**Career**

**Scott Bittle**, policy analyst, Senior Fellow and Founding Editor of PublicAgenda.org, a non-partisan public opinion research organization, author of *"Where Did the Jobs Go And How Do We Get Them Back?"*

The subject of unemployment remains the public's top concern in polls and is continually marked as the most damaging result of the Great Recession. Mr. Bittle explained why the issue is so complex and why the nation needs to take a long-term approach to resolving it. He also analyzed various solutions proposed by each side of the political spectrum.

**Issues covered:**  
Unemployment  
Government Policies  
Economy

**Length: 7:57**

**John Hayes, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Food Science and Director of the Sensory Evaluation Center at Penn State University

Nine out of 10 Americans get too much sodium in their diets. Dr. Hayes discussed a recent government report that found that just 10 foods are responsible for 44 percent of the sodium in the average diet. He outlined steps to cut sodium intake and the reasons why everyone should do it.

**Issues covered:**  
Personal Health

**Length: 4:54**

Show # 2014-05

Date aired: 2/2 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**Yasmin Hurd, PhD**, Professor of Psychiatry and Neuroscience at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai Hospital in New York

Dr. Hurd's research found that teenagers who smoke marijuana may make their future offspring more vulnerable to substance abuse problems. She believes that marijuana use causes structural changes in DNA that may last for generations. Dr. Hurd said much more research into the health effects of marijuana is needed. She also explained how parents can deal with the mixed messages society is conveying to young people about marijuana.

**Issues covered:**  
Substance Abuse  
Government Regulations  
Parenting

**Length: 9:22**

**Chris Malone**, Managing Partner of Fidelum Partners, a research-based consulting and professional services firm, author of "*THE HUMAN BRAND: How We Relate to People, Products and Companies*"

Mr. Malone explained why upstart businesses have surged in popularity while many traditionally dominant companies and brands have been falling behind. He outlined the reasons that social media has become such a valuable tool for both consumers and the companies they do business with. He said business schools fail to teach students how to nurture relationships with customers, causing much less loyalty to brands and products.

**Issues covered:**  
Consumer Issues  
Education

**Length: 7:52**

**Janet Larson**, Director of Research, the Earth Policy Institute

The US is the world's largest consumer of bottled water. Ms. Larson talked about the huge environmental impact of bottled water, both in its manufacture and disposal. She also explained how consumers can wisely decide whether to use bottled water.

**Issues covered:**  
Environmental Issues  
Energy  
Consumer Issues

**Length: 4:54**

Show # 2014-06

Date aired: 2/9 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**Lisa J. Servon, PhD**, Professor and former dean at the Milano School of International Affairs, Management, and Urban Policy at The New School in New York

Alternative financial providers such as check cashers and payday lenders are often accused of preying on the poor, with high fees and interest rates. Dr. Servon conducted a study that examined why many lower income residents make the conscious decision to use these services, rather than traditional banks. She was surprised to find that the choice actually makes sense for many people who live paycheck to paycheck.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 11:05**

**Poverty  
Government Regulations  
Personal Finance**

**Dan McCue**, Research Manager, Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University

The cost of renting an apartment or house has jumped in the past decade, according to a study led by Mr. McCue. A 6% rise in prices, combined with the drop in renter incomes, has made affordability a major concern. Much of the jump in prices is because of increased demand for rental homes as a result of the mortgage crisis. He said a quarter of all U.S. households are paying more than half of their income for housing, which is dangerously high.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 6:07**

**Affordable Housing  
Poverty  
Consumer Issues**

**Debbie Magids, PhD**, psychologist, author of "*All the Good Ones Aren't Taken*"

Dr. Magids discussed the trend of serial dating and why dating is so difficult for women in particular. She explained the most common dating errors and suggested ways that a person can analyze their own patterns of behavior, to clear the way for more fulfilling relationships.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 4:48**

**Mental Health  
Women's Issues**

Show # 2014-07

Date aired: 2/14 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**Russell E. Johnson, PhD**, Assistant Professor of Management in the Eli Broad College of Business at Michigan State University.

Dr. Johnson's research has found that that people who check their work emails on smartphones at night could end up hurting their ability to work the following day. He found that smartphones appeared to have a greater effect on people's energy levels and sleeping abilities in comparison to other electronic screens. He offered several suggestions on how to control smartphone use at night.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 7:24**

**Personal Health  
Workplace Matters  
Career**

**Daniel J. Siegel, MD**, neuropsychiatrist, Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the UCLA School of Medicine, Executive Director of the Mindsight Institute, author of "*Brainstorm: The Power and Purpose of the Teenage Brain*"

Dr. Siegel said that between the ages of 12 and 24, the brain changes in dramatic and important ways. He believes this brain development is the explanation for sometimes erratic, unusual and creative behavior in teens. He said that if parents understand the science behind these changes, they can better help their teenagers navigate this challenging phase of life.

Issues covered:  
Parenting  
Personal Health

Length: 9:36

**Kenneth Dautrich, PhD**, Associate Professor of Public Policy, University of Connecticut

Dr. Dautrich recently conducted a survey of students to learn their attitudes toward the First Amendment. He found that schools are spending more class time on the First Amendment, but a sizeable number of students either do not view the First Amendment favorably or take its protections for granted.

Issues covered:  
Citizenship  
Education

Length: 4:52

Show # 2014-08

Date aired: 2/23 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**John M. Leventhal, MD**, Professor of Pediatrics and Medical Director of the Child Abuse and Child Abuse Prevention Program at Yale Medical School, expert in child abuse prevention

Dr. Leventhal has dedicated his career to the prevention of child abuse. He recently conducted a study that found that the first year of life is the most dangerous for children. He said that parents from any income, educational or social level can be the perpetrators of abuse, largely because they are unprepared to deal with infants' crying. He believes that educational programs for new parents could help reverse the trend.

Issues covered:  
Child Abuse  
Parenting

Length: 8:31

**Erin Botsford**, financial planning expert, author of "*The Big Retirement Risk: Running out of Money Before You Run Out of Time*"

For many baby boomers, the recession didn't wipe out their nests egg completely, but it did shrink it considerably. Ms. Botsford discussed the turbulence in today's economy and how it has changed retirement planning. She explained how people approaching their golden years can assess their financial needs and take steps to ensure a sound retirement.

Issues covered:  
Retirement Planning  
Senior Citizens  
Personal Finance

Length: 8:41

**Aaron W. Smith**, Senior Research Specialist with Pew Research Center's Internet & American Life Project

Mr. Smith surveyed 1,000 US adults and found that more half of consumers used cell phones in stores during the holidays. He outlined the most common ways that consumers use their phones as shopping tools. He also explained how brick-and-mortar stores may react to the trend by changing policies, products and prices.

Issues covered:

Economy  
Consumer Matters

Length: 5:01

Show # 2014-09

Date aired: 3/2 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**John A. Eterno, Ph.D.**, Professor, Associate Dean and Director of Graduate Studies in Criminal Justice at Molloy College, former Captain with the New York City Police Department, co-author of "*The Crime Numbers Game: Management by Manipulation*"

Dr. Eterno conducted the first scientific examination of crime statistics manipulation in the New York City Police Department. He explained how increasing pressure to show decreasing crime rates by any means necessary has affected police departments throughout the United States. He discussed how this affects crime victims and explained what citizens can do, to ensure that their local police department is reporting crime statistics in an honest manner.

Issues covered:

Crime  
Government Policies

Length: 8:47

**Kristen Copeland, MD**, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center

75% of young children in the US are in some form of pre-school or daycare outside the home. Dr. Copeland conducted a study that found that most children in day care get far too little exercise. She explained the reasons behind this trend and why parents should be concerned. She outlined the types of questions parents should ask when they are looking for a pre-school or daycare center.

Issues covered:

Children's Health  
Parenting  
Education

Length: 8:24

**Phil Reed**, Senior Consumer Advice Editor at Edmunds.com

Today's cars no longer need to have their oil changed every 3,000 miles. Mr. Reed talked about design improvements in recent years, and how drivers can decide when it really is time for an oil change. He talked about the positive effects of this rapidly advancing technology for both the environment and consumers' pocketbooks.

Issues covered:

Environment  
Consumer Matters

Length: 4:52

Show # 2014-10

Date aired: 3/9 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**Brian Fleming**, combat veteran, co-author of "*Redeployed: How Combat Veterans Can Fight the Battle Within and Win the War at Home*"

Mr. Fleming discussed Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and other difficulties faces by combat veterans and their families. He noted that the suicide rate among veterans under the age of 30 has risen by 44% in the past several years. He said no one prepares veterans to successfully make the transition back home. He offered strategies for both vets and their families who are struggling with a return to civilian life.

Issues covered:

**Military Families Issues**

**Government Policies**

**Mental Health**

Length: 9:16

**Bradley F. Bale, MD**, heart attack and stroke prevention specialist, Medical Director of the Heart Health Program for Grace Clinic, Lubbock, TX, author of "*Beat the Heart Attack Gene: The Revolutionary Plan to Prevent Heart Disease, Stroke, and Diabetes*"

Heart disease affects 81 million Americans and is the culprit in one of every two deaths in the United States. Dr. Bale said most people think that they are not at risk of a heart attack if they control their cholesterol and blood pressure, but they aren't aware of other major risk factors. He outlined some relatively inexpensive lab tests than can uncover arterial inflammation and its underlying causes. He also talked about the importance of simple changes in lifestyle that can dramatically cut the risk of heart attack and stroke.

Issues covered:

**Personal Health**

Length: 9:16

**Alfie Kohn**, education watchdog, author of "*The Homework Myth: Why Our Kids Get Too Much of a Bad Thing*"

Mr. Kohn shared results of a study that found that more homework is being assigned to younger students each school year. He believes that homework provides no benefits in elementary school. He explained why homework is still so widely accepted, despite evidence against it.

Issues covered:

**Education**

**Government Policies**

**Children's Issues**

Length: 4:37

Show # 2014-11

Date aired: 3/16 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deborah Serani, Psy.D.**, licensed psychologist, Adjunct Professor at the Gordon F. Derner Institute of Advanced Psychological Studies, co-author of "*Depression and Your Child: A Guide for Parents and Caregivers*,"

Childhood depression is on the rise in America. Dr. Serani discussed the major challenges faced by families of children with mental illness. She talked about the most common symptoms that indicate clinical depression or suicidal thoughts in children. She also outlined the most effective treatments.

Issues covered:

Length: 10:56

Mental Health  
Parenting  
Suicide

**Julie Angwin**, Pulitzer Prize-winning investigative journalist, author of "*Dragnet Nation: A Quest for Privacy, Security and Freedom in a World of Relentless Surveillance*"

Ms. Angwin explained why Americans should be concerned about the rapidly increasing ways that the government, private companies, and even criminals use technology to indiscriminately sweep up vast amounts of our personal data. She outlined tools that people can use to reduce their digital footprint. She also talked about possible reforms that could be implemented to slow the erosion of privacy rights.

Issues covered:

Length: 6:17

Privacy  
Government Policies  
Consumer Matters

**Russell Pate**, PhD, Professor of Exercise Science at the University of South Carolina

A third of U.S. adolescents are unfit, according to Dr. Pate's National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey, and he believes that it's time to get them moving. He said that kids who are unfit are likely to become unfit adults, with greater risks of developing diabetes, high cholesterol, high blood pressure and other illnesses. Dr. Pate offered simple ideas for parents on how to increase their kids' level of exercise.

Issues covered:

Length: 4:57

Health  
Children's Issues

Show # 2014-12

Date aired: 3/23 Time Aired: \_\_\_\_\_

**Stephen Downing**, retired Deputy Chief of the Los Angeles Police Department, board member of the nonprofit organization Law Enforcement Against Prohibition

Mr. Downing explained why he believes that the war on drugs has failed. He said that his on-the-job experience demonstrated the futility of trying to enforce current drug laws. He discussed the many negative consequences of the war on drugs, particularly on children. His organization believes that drugs should be legalized, controlled and taxed.

Issues covered:

Length: 8:38

Drug Abuse  
Government Policies  
Crime

**Laurence Shatkin**, PhD, career information expert, author of numerous books on choosing a career, including "*150 Best Jobs for a Secure Future*"

Dr. Shatkin shared his research into the most secure jobs during hard economic times. He ranked occupations by pay, growth prospects, and number of potential openings, along with the amount of education or training required. He offered advice for young people who are considering their career options and for older workers thinking about a mid-life career change.

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