

KTRL 90.5 FM – Stephenville, Texas

Issues/Programs Report – 2nd Quarter 2023

April 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023

During the second quarter of 2023, KTRL has identified and provided responsive coverage of many issues of importance to Stephenville, Granbury, Glen Rose and surrounding communities. Examples of the programming that significantly addressed important issues are listed below:

- A. Education
- B. Science
- C. Politics
- D. Technology
- E. Pharmaceuticals
- F. Environment
- G. Medicine & Health
- H. Women
- I. Religion

Most issues were addressed on **NPR news programs (Morning Edition and All Things Considered)**, which air from 6-9 a.m. and 4-6 p.m. Monday to Friday, during peak listening hours. **KUT's Texas Standard** also addressed many issues from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. and 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Monday to Friday and **KERA's Think** addressed many issues Monday to Friday 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. NPR's Weekend Edition airs Saturday and Sunday from 7-9 a.m. A list of some issues and the specific stories on these programs that addressed them are above.

Other issues are addressed during programs such as:

TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE (Sundays, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon):

Science – The World Is A Laboratory

4/23/2023: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon:

- Manu Prakash discusses his invention of a paper microscope that's now being used in research labs and classrooms around the world.
- Jamie Wheal explains the science behind flow states.

Women – For the Love of Moms

5/14/2023 10 a.m. to 12 Noon:

- Stephanie Land's 2019 book "Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay and a Mother's Will to Survive" detailed her personal experience struggling with precarious work as a housecleaner while raising a young child.
- Jacqueline Plumez describes how every caring woman has greater strength than she imagines and gives some examples of "mother power" in action, from MADD to the Mall of America.
- Writer Amanda Henry explains how the time a person spends carrying their child during a pregnancy is only a brief time compared to the time they'll spend being a mother, and how that time goes differently for everyone, shaping who they are.

Health – What Can Psychedelics Teach Us About Dying?

4/9/2023 10 a.m. to 12 Noon:

- Roland Griffiths discusses his personal LSD journey after receiving his own terminal diagnosis
- Palliative medicine physician Lou Lukas advocates for psychedelic-assisted therapy – especially for people living in fear near the end of life.
- Tony Bossis shares his fascinated by how the mystical experiences of the great religions map onto psychedelic experiences.

Environment– Avian Obsessions

6/18/2023: 10 a.m. to 12 Noon:

- Author Jennifer Ackerman discusses how owls are cryptic, hard to find, and difficult to understand.
- Mark Obmascik speaks about the biggest competition in North American bird-watching and how he got drawn into the quest.
- Producer Charles Monroe-Kane shares his passion for ravens and it's meaning from legend to art.
- Christopher Benfey discusses why there was a hummingbird craze in 19th century Massachusetts, how artists and poets used them as symbols, and why they seem like winged jewels.

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY (Saturdays, 6-7 a.m.):

Health:

5/6/2023, 6:00 a.m.: Were The Old Wives Right?

Dr. Craig Hopp of the National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health discusses why doctors so often dismiss home remedies as old wives tales.

Health:

4/22/2023, 6:00 a.m.: What 80+ Years Of Research Tells Us About Happiness

Dr. Sonja Lyubomirsky examines the question of what accounts for happiness.

Think (Weekdays, 6 p.m. to 7 p.m.)

Social Studies/Law/Culture:

6/22/2023, 6:00 p.m.: What Will It Take For Texas To Embrace Clean Energy?

Time magazine senior correspondent Justin Worland discusses how politics is getting in the way of progress toward renewable energy and why the state continues to incentivize carbon-heavy methods.