

# WPRK Issues Programming Reports Q3 2020

What is your show?	What is broadcast's date?	Provide a brief narrative description of the issue(s) discussed	How did you determine this to be important to the community?
Outloud Orlando	7/14/2020	<p>This week we discuss the boycott of Goya foods and delve into our closets answering if he have Goya products and what we will do with them. One of our local entertainment venues, Parliament House, has opened on weekends with a food service allowance so we talk opinions about it as well as observations which leads to a conversation about where responsibilities lie in regards to businesses versus patrons or customers. As usual and especially through this time, we give our local shout outs to friends, past and present cast members of the show and community places with information on how to follow them.</p>	<p>Goya has a local distribution center and Central Florida has a large Hispanic and Latinx community. Both of us on this episode are Hispanic therefore it is something that we have in our houses as many people in the area do. Giving the information of why the boycott happened gives listeners the choice of whether they want or do not want to purchase Goya products. Parliament House is a longtime local LGBT+ establishment and one of a few in our community that has reopened partially therefore all eyes are on them with how it is being handled and we report what is seen in social media as compared to what the business wants customers to do. Not only in clubs, but everywhere the same questions arise as to the safety of patronizing a business. Local entertainers and friends are still out of work or are out of work again. We want to help them by giving out information for the events they are doing and how they can be followed on social media.</p>

Outloud Orlando	7/28/2020	<p>We talked about the Goya boycott last episode so now we talk about the "buycott" happening to support Goya. The Bear community has their own Pride flag but only the lighter colors are represented when the flag has shades of colors to represent diversity. Telehealth is used now more than ever with COVID-19 precautions so we wonder what can and can't be done different than an office visit.</p>	<p>Having a large Hispanic and Latin community in the area, Goya is a widely used product and some may not even know about this boycott versus "buycott". Like what is happening in our country and community with racism issues, the bears are catching flack for not having many other than Caucasian represented at events. Telehealth is widely used, even locally, for all types of appointments and some have never experienced one of these virtual appointments so it will hopefully help listeners who having had a Telehealth appointment with what to expect.</p>
Outloud Orlando	8/4/2020	<p>This week we are at a local park and discuss various issues like the woes Ellen Degeneres is facing with some of her staff. Trampoline gymnast Luke Strong comes out as bisexual and has a lot of inspiring things to say. Your Gay History goes back to the beginnings of the radio show and details the different transformations the show has had.</p>	<p>Ellen Degeneres is watched by many people and since COVID-19 she has had issues with her staff in stories making claims about workplace practices. This can be related to anyone as an employee or employer. Luke Strong had some very insightful things to say about being bisexual and coming out. This can help listeners who may be questioning themselves about bisexuality. This show started and has been with WPRK the entire time. We want students, listeners and the community to know the history of how long the show has been on the air, with WPRK.</p>

Outloud Orlando	8/11/2020	Orlando Mayor Buddy Dyer says that bars may not reopen until there is a COVID-19 vaccine. Bars have a valid argument yet are adapting. In-Fighting has been seen again with trans on trans but what is says about in-fighting within communities is discussed. Rupaul's Drag Grace Canada has the first "curvy male model" which promotes body positivity.	Many in the community are friends of the show and entertainers in the area. They are affected by bars and nightclubs or venues being closed, as well as those in the community that are patrons of places that are unable to open. In-fighting and the perception it puts out publicly about a general group of people is common in life. We just want listeners to know that people are going to be people, without generalization. Body shapes of all sizes are what make up the world. what is there not to want to put out there for listeners than letting them know that each one is as important and beautiful as the other no matter what shape, build or size.
To a Certain Degree	8/24/2020	The goal of the summer programming series is to feature past guests from the Orlando community. Rachel Simmons, a professor at Rollins College, discussed her experiences going to school at Rollins and her graduate experience at LSU. Kevin and Maria Ruiz discussed their Peruvian food popup Papa Llama and what it took to get it started. Debbie Goetz, from the Orlando Community Paper, and Chelsea Hilend, from the Annie Russell Theatre.	College experiences and new businesses are very relevant to the community at large. By learning about what is new in central Florida, more businesses may succeed. Sharing college experiences shows listeners what options may be available to them.
To a Certain Degree	8/17/2020	This episode featured six past guests from earlier interviews. We discussed coming out of high school and finding a career path in botany, non profits like Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida, and the history of the gay pride rainbow flag. The guests were Chris Crespo, Richard M Smith, Samantha Shumaker, Dave Krepcho, and Bri Sosa.	Career options are of interest to the WPRK audience, especially in the current environment. Second Harvest Food Bank is high on the list of best non profits in Central Florida, and speaking with their CEO about their approach to helping local residents was very enlightening on how the organization works. The rainbow flag was an interesting topic to learn more about as well, and it gave the audience some additional context on gay pride.

To a Certain Degree	8/10/2020	This episode featured nine past guests from earlier interviews. Five of the guests discussed founding their businesses in Orlando. The other four talked about their college experiences, starting a cooking show online, writing music, and working on social media. The guests were Robin Hofmann, Bethany Renee Williams, Allison Steedle, Cat Ridgeway, Jose Henao, Kali Friend, Anthony Bencomo, and Sam and Marco DiGeorge.	Hearing from people who have started their own business locally may help inspire listeners to start their own ventures and/or support locals. Robin Hofmann started a cooking show to help bring awareness to the dietary restrictions of people with certain diseases. And Allison Steedle discussed having multiple career and higher ed goals to find work that is fulfilling.
Outloud Orlando	9/1/2020	This week we take a trip to Fleet People's Dog Park on Lake Baldwin. Ellen Degeneres has been a subject talked about before so we visit the updates with her daytime show. Cincinnati Reds and Fox News broadcaster Thom Brennaman was suspended immediately during a double header for an anti-gay slur said on a hot microphone. Local HIV/AIDS activist, Peer Mentor and group leader, Stephen Addona, passed away this week so we take a moment to celebrate his life.	The Ellen Degeneres situation with a toxic environment behind the scenes of her daytime talk show is a mainstream story that continues to unfold further. When issues, although not local, happen like this talking about it raises awareness which helps everyone. Stephen Addona has been involved in the local community for a long while and is well known and liked. He worked for a local HIV Service Organization, Hope and Help, and reached many throughout his time with his community works.
To a Certain Degree	9/14/2020	Today's show featured two artists, a podcaster, a band, and a non-profit director from the Orlando area. We discussed the creative process, partnering with others in the community, and writing music. All the clips were from past episodes, so I reached out to each of them for an update on their work and lives.	The non profit Page 15 does amazing work in Orlando with reading and writing programs for kids. Macrame Momma is supporting a number of local programs with the sale of her DIY kits. And the other guests are all doing great work while living in Orlando.
Outloud Orlando	9/15/2020	Today we discuss anti-gay slurs and offensive slurs used within communities by the same type of people. Raysa is back and gives financial tips. Your Gay History is a segment which tells of rarely know gay history facts.	People are always expressing words that others can be offended by so self awareness is important. Everybody can use financial tips to save money which is Raysa's specialty. Gay history facts that many do not know are fun to learn about and lets everyone know the times that have led to the present.

Outloud Orlando	9/22/2020	This episode is a highlight reel from episodes one through sixteen. Today is the Autumn Equinox which is for reflection so it seems fitting to have a show reflecting the beginning of this incarnation of the show. The different highlights include all of the cast members and guests that have been on through my time hosting the show, along with special local shout outs.	Many may not know what Autumn Equinox is about so this highlight show is an example of reflection that is described. This is a way for people to learn about it through example. Using a highlight reel show(s) gives an opportunity to promote guests that have been on the show as well as local businesses, performers and community leaders again.
Interview	9/14/2020	Rollins President Grant Cornwell joined Greg Golden to talk to about COVID-19's impact on Rollins, and the social justice issues that continue to affect the nation.	Listeners learned about Rollins's efforts to educate students during the pandemic, and how it reconciles with its own history and the country's history of racial injustices.