

Quarterly Issues and Programs
WSOU FM South Orange, NJ
1st Quarter 2023 Jan 1- March 31

Issue: Continued Violence in schools and in low income neighborhoods. School districts are trying to come up with safety measures to insure safety. In addition community groups are battling local police over excessive reaction to minorities.

Programming: The issues were addressed as part of ongoing coverage by the WSOU news department. The weekly News program Pirate News Desk covered school violence in its January 15th program with interviews involving local school officials. The Program Making Contact tackled school violence in its March 18 episode. Reporting covered parts of the nation that have seen increases in school violence, mainly in urban areas. The Concerns over police violence were also part of Making Contact in the February 18 program. Local community leaders were part of the talks that looked at the causes and the efforts to work with police and authorities, especially following some high profile cases of police responses to incidents involving young black men. Total time dedicated was 60 minutes.

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Issue: Antisemitic attacks continued during the first few months of 2023. There were several incidents of violence against local synagogues.

Programming: Pirate News Desk covered the issue of anti-semitism in its weekly program. The issue was reported on January 15 with discussion involving professors from Seton Hall University, including Father Lawrence Frizzell. Father Frizzell also covered the issue in his weekly program, the Kinship of Catholics and Jews. He discussed anti-semitism on several programs in February and March. Total time covered: 1 and a half hours.

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Issue: Black History Month and the continuing concerns by minorities. Faced with more confrontations with police the black community continues to voice its concerns because of spreading white supremacy and hate.

Programming: The issue was covered on an almost weekly basis on Pirate News Desk, the weekly program produced by the WSOU News Department. Thank God For Monday addressed Black History month and ongoing issues during February On programs February 11 and February 25. Making Contact discussed the issues of growing hate and white nationalism on February 18. Making Contact also covered the issue of the fight for racial equality. Quest, a weekly program dedicated to minority issues and the impact on youth made it part of its regular discussion. Total time dedicated to coverage 2 hours.

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Issue: The ongoing fight in congress over student loan forgiveness and the mounting debt being faced by college graduates.

Programming: Student loan forgiveness was a major topic of discussion on a number of WSOU programs. Pirate News Desk covered the issue on January 29th, February 12th and March 5th. Another program, Leadership, covered the effects of student debt on its Feb. 11th show. Making Contact handled the issue on its program March 4th. Total Coverage time was 1 and a half hours.

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Issue: Ongoing concern over international tensions as a result of the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the fight over china's involvement and the fight in congress on US support.

Programming: The topic was a major coverage issue by WSOU's international news program, Global Current. On an almost weekly basis the program discussed the effects on security for Americans and eastern European nations. Programs on January 8, January 15, Feb. 11, Feb. 25 And March 17 discussed the latest status of fighting and negotiations. Total time for coverage of this issue was 2hours.

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Issue: Inflation has had a severe impact on people's lives and created a crisis for families. People are looking to the government to help relieve the stress.

Programming: Inflation talk was a regular topic in daily news reports by the WSOU news department. A number of programs dealt with the impact of inflation. Making Contact discussed the effect on workers and pay on Jan. 28. Pirate News Desk addressed the issue in its March 18th program. Leadership program covered the issue in its March 25 show with the impact on employment. Total time dedicated to the topic: 2 hours.

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Issue: Seton Hall University is a Catholic School and part of its mission is to promote Catholic values. There are numerous social issues that have an impact on young people programming is often geared to help them make good choices.

Programming: WSOU carries several religious based programs designed to promote Catholic values and address many of the issues confronting young people such as abortion, violence and the effects of social media. Personally Speaking and Christopher Closeup are weekly programs that highlight famous people who have maintained their religious values in the face of controversial issues. Among the guests were Baseball star Mike Piazza, Actress Patricia Heaton, newsman Greg Kelly.

Locally produced shows are The Knightly Message, Thank God For Monday and Kinship of Catholics and Jews.

Jan. 8 Knightly Message covered the need for peace in America.

Jan. 16 Knightly Message discussed finding God in our daily lives

Feb. 6 Knightly Message talked about the effects of Social Media

Feb. 13 Knightly Message discussed getting back to our roots.

March 5 Knightly Message discussed the meaning of sacrifice

March 19 Knightly Message Talked about the coming holiday of Easter

Jan. 8 TGFM covered the issue of using faith to help your career

Jan. 15 TGFM Discussed helping your workplace environment

Feb. 4 TGFM discussed Black History Month

Feb. 11 TGFM discussed the challenges of starting your career after college

Feb. 25 TGFM discussed keeping God in your daily life

March 11TGFM discussed not losing your focus on values.

March 25 TGFM discussed the challenges for women in the workplace

Total time: 10 hours

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Issues: The three month period was filled with numerous issues that required reporting and programming that dealt with the situations. Pirate News Desk, the weekly news program discussed many of the issues.

Programming: Pirate News desk is a weekly news show that handled the ongoing issues .

- Jan. 8 The new Congress Speaker controversy
- Jan. 23 -New AI and its issues
 -Alec Baldwin ruling
 -debt limit reached
 -auburn bans tiktok
- Jan. 30 Student Loan Forgiveness
 Covid Vaccine Plan
 NJ Woman Pretends to be High School Student
 Splash Mountain closes down (and controversy around the ride)
 The Oscars
- Feb. 4 Youtuber Mr beast pays for 1000 eye surgeries
 - Elon Musk plans to charge for twitter API.
 -case in the murder of a transgender person closed
 -Former italian mobster arrested after over 15 years.
 -chinese balloon in united states
- Feb. 11 -Kevin Durant to the suns
 -chinese balloon shot down
 -starlink shut down in ukraine
 -baby seal in new jersey
- Feb. 18 John Fetterman checks into hospital for depression
 Ohio chemical train derailment
 Logan Airport international delays
 Bally Sports goes bankrupt

Paul Pierce gets fined \$1.4 million by the SEC
Japan discovered new islands off their coast

March 12 march madness
 children stuck under storm draining
 -world baseball classic
 -potential tiktok ban
 -man forgets to check powerball, he had won though

March 25 School Violence
 March Madness continues
 Trump facing indictment
 Political divide

Total time : 6 hours