

On an ongoing basis, we maintain contact and confer with local government, civic, and business leaders, as well as members of the general public, about what they perceive as top-of-mind issues important to the communities we serve. Recurring priority topics include general crime; employment opportunities and workforce development; availability of quality housing; substance abuse; health care (access and cost); education; health of the local retail economy; and local infrastructure.

We strive to provide responsive and helpful programming. Further, we also work to educate and inform the people we are privileged to serve through a variety of public service announcements, local news coverage, community calendars, and other programs.

### **Issues and Responsive Programming**

WRFS broadcast programming dealing with various issues important to the community.

1. Community Calendar: Our community calendar aired four times each weekday in the 7:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., noon, and 4:00 p.m. hours. Length averaged two minutes and included local news and well as information solicited from and contributed by listeners, local organizations, and local government agencies.
2. Public Affairs: Sunday morning at 4:30 a.m., we aired InfoTrak, a half-hour program. Details are attached.
3. Public Affairs: Sunday morning at 5:00 a.m., we aired Viewpoints, a half-hour program. Details are attached.
4. Health & Wellness: Sunday morning at 5:30 a.m., we aired Radio Health Journal, a half-hour program. Details are attached.
5. Public Service Campaigns: In addition to long-form public affairs programming, we broadcast public service messages for many local, state (often in cooperation with the Alabama Broadcasters Association), and national organizations including:

Ad Council (for various public service campaigns)  
Alabama Adult Protective Services  
Alabama Army National Guard  
Alabama Clean Fuels Coalition  
Alabama Department of Human Resources  
Alabama Department of Labor  
Alabama Department of Public Health  
Alabama Department of Transportation  
Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs

Alabama Tourism  
AlabamaWorks  
American Diabetes Association  
American Heart Association  
American Humane  
Centers for Disease Control & Prevention  
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration  
People Against a Littered State  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
U.S. Department of Health & Human Services  
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

WRFS aired a total of 1,635 public service announcements during this quarter.



**Weekly Public Affairs Program**

Call Letters: WRFS

## **QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT, JULY-SEPTEMBER, 2023**

Show # 2023-27

**Date aired:** 07/02/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Nora Volkow, MD**, Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, part of the National Institutes of Health

Fentanyl overdoses are the leading cause of death for Americans ages 18 to 49, more than car accidents or suicides. On average, one person dies of a fentanyl overdose in the United States every seven minutes, and the number of Americans killed by the drug has jumped 94 percent since 2019. Dr. Volkow discussed why the problem has skyrocketed and what steps the federal government is taking to address it. She said that, while the epidemic was worse in certain rural areas of the US in past years, the problem has now overwhelmed every city and state. She talked about the importance of education and treatment programs, and also explained why fentanyl is a particularly troubling issue for pregnant women.

**Issues covered:**

**Substance Abuse and Treatment  
Government Policies**

**Length: 17:52**

Show # 2023-28

**Date aired:** 07/09/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Paul R. Lawrence**, former Under Secretary of Benefits at the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, author of "*Veterans Benefits for You: Get What You Deserve*"

Mr. Lawrence offered tips for veterans to successfully apply for benefits they have earned from their service. He explained several ways that a veteran can document a service-related injury, and how they can request their medical records with help from the National Archives and Veterans Administration. He also talked about the value of benefits not just to a veteran, but to his or her family, as well.

**Issues covered:**

**Veterans' Benefits  
Military Service**

**Length: 8:14**

**David Maimon, PhD**, Professor of Criminal Justice and Criminology, Georgia State University

Prof. Maimon explained how criminals are increasingly targeting US Postal Service blue collection boxes and residential mailboxes to steal filled-out checks. He said the thieves sell the stolen checks via social media platforms, then buyers alter the payee and amount on the checks to rob victims' bank accounts of thousands of dollars. He recommends that consumers only hand mail directly to a clerk at a US Post Office, or use other methods to send payments.

**Issues covered:**

**Crime  
Identity Theft  
Government**

**Length: 9:09**

Show # 2023-29

**Date aired:** 07/16/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Pam Baker**, freelance journalist who focuses on emerging tech topics like artificial intelligence, data analytics, and edge computing, author of "*ChatGPT For Dummies*"

ChatGPT has garnered an amazing amount of attention in just a few months. Ms. Baker explained how the rise of artificial intelligence has already begun affecting our daily lives. She talked about the importance of learning to use AI in the workplace, and why learning how to prompt AI is both the easy part and the most difficult part of using it.

**Issues covered:**

**Artificial Intelligence  
Education  
Career**

**Length: 9:05**

**Ruchi S. Gupta, MD, MPH**, board-certified pediatrician and health researcher, Professor of Pediatrics and Medicine at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine, Clinical Attending at Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, founding director of the Center for Food Allergy & Asthma Research

Dr. Gupta led a groundbreaking study of allergies in adults and found the prevalence of food allergy is highest among black, Hispanic and Asian individuals across all ages. She also found that food allergy is lowest among households earning more than \$150,000 a year. She talked about potential reasons for these findings and the importance of getting a proper diagnosis.

**Issues covered:**

**Food Allergies  
Minority Concerns**

**Length: 8:23**

Show # 2023-30

**Date aired:** 07/23/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Haywood Talcove**, CEO of LexisNexis Risk Solutions' Government Group, a multinational information and analytics company based in Atlanta

Mr. Talcove outlined a frightening new wave of scams: next-gen thieves are utilizing sophisticated new artificial intelligence tools to steal millions of dollars from consumers. He discussed the use of AI-generated voices--that criminals can now clone from social media profiles--to easily con parents or grandparents out of significant sums of money. He said the schemes are almost impossible to detect, but he suggested three steps every family should take to defend themselves

**Issues covered:**

**Crime  
Identity Theft  
Technology**

**Length: 8:49**

**F. Perry Wilson, MD, MSCE**, Associate Professor of Medicine, Director, Clinical and Translational Research Accelerator at the Yale University School of Medicine, author of *"How Medicine Works and When It Doesn't."*

Dr. Wilson explained how and why the doctor-patient relationship has eroded in recent years. He believes that profit-driven companies—from big pharma to healthcare corporations—have corrupted what should have been medicine's golden age. He offered several potential solutions to restore trust between patients and doctors.

**Issues covered:**  
**Personal Health**

**Length: 8:15**

Show # 2023-31

**Date aired:** 07/30/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Kate W. Bauer, PhD MS**, Associate Professor of Nutritional Sciences, University of Michigan School of Public Health

Prof. Bauer recently led a study that compared beverage consumption in low-income households that utilize taxpayer-funded food assistance programs. She found that families that used just one of the programs were in the normal range, but those that participated in both the Supplementation Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), consumed high amounts of sugar-sweetened beverages. She explained why this is a concern.

**Issues covered:**  
**Government Food Assistance**  
**Poverty**  
**Nutrition**

**Length: 8:00**

**Patrick Olsen**, Editor-in-Chief, CarFax

More than 2.5 million vehicles that have been issued a "Do Not Drive" or "Park Outside" safety recall remain unrepaired, Carfax data shows. Mr. Olsen talked about the most common reasons behind these serious recalls, and why consumers fail to take their cars to dealers to get the issue taken care of. He also explained how someone can check to see if their car is on a recall list.

**Issues covered:**  
**Auto Recalls**  
**Consumer Matters**  
**Transportation**

**Length: 9:22**

Show # 2023-32

**Date aired:** 08/06/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Bacall Hincks**, Family Advocate and Program Coordinator at Children's Service Society of Utah

More than one million American children now live with grandparents, primarily because of their parent's addiction to opioids and other drugs. Ms. Hincks said this growing trend is causing grandparents to put off retirement and plow through savings to rescue their grandchildren from dangerous situations. She discussed how these difficult experiences can negatively affect children's mental and physical health.

**Issues covered:**

Parenting  
Substance Abuse  
Foster Care  
Retirement

**Length: 9:17**

**Maryanne Wolf, PhD**, Professor of Child Development and Director of the Center for Reading and Language Research at Tufts University, author of *"Reader, Come Home: The Reading Brain in a Digital World"*

Prof. Wolf discussed the latest research into the human brain as we become increasingly dependent on digital technologies, rather than the printed word. She expressed concerns for both children's and adults' ability to "deep read," as the brain is literally rewired by huge amounts of short bursts of information. She offered suggestions for how the nation's education system needs to adapt.

**Issues covered:**

Literacy  
Education  
Technology

**Length: 8:04**

Show # 2023-33

**Date aired:** 08/13/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Paul Pilibosian**, a Houston attorney specializing in real estate law

It is a pattern being played out in many cities in the United States: squatters move into a home, refuse to leave, and homeowners have few options to evict them. Mr. Pilibosian explained why this trend is on the rise and what homeowners should do to try to discourage squatters from moving into a house in the first place.

**Issues covered:**

Crime  
Home Ownership  
Legal Issues

**Length: 8:50**

**Anupam Babu Jena, MD, PhD**, Joseph P. Newhouse Professor at Harvard Medical School, physician at Massachusetts General Hospital, co-author of *"Random Acts of Medicine: The Hidden Forces That Sway Doctors, Impact Patients, and Shape Our Health"*

Dr. Jena explained how unexpected—but often predictable—events can profoundly affect our health. He offered several examples of how randomness affects medical decisions and treatment options. He said a healthy diet and exercise are the wisest choices to lead a healthy life.

**Issues covered:**

Personal Health

**Length: 8:16**

Show # 2023-34

**Date aired:** 08/20/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Karl Brauer**, Executive Analyst at ISeeCars.com

The pain of inflation has hit every consumer's pocketbook in the past couple of years, but perhaps the impact has been greatest in the car buying market. Mr. Brauer shared research that found that while the value of used electric vehicles has been plummeting in 2023 (and the trend is accelerating), the

price of used cars in general has jumped 47% since 2019. He added that more than half of today's used cars also have 20% or more miles than they did three years ago.

**Issues covered:**  
**Consumer Matters**  
**Transportation**

**Length: 9:01**

**LeRoy Hood, MD, PhD**, biologist who has served on the faculties at the California Institute of Technology and the University of Washington, developed ground-breaking scientific instruments which made possible major advances in the biological and medical sciences, author of "*The Age of Scientific Wellness*"

Dr. Hood discussed the reasons that medicine is undergoing a major transformation from a reactive, hit-or-miss approach to a personalized, predictive, data-rich, and preventive one. He calls this new form of care "scientific wellness", which uses information from our blood and genes, as well as AI, to optimize our health and extend our "healthspan." He believes this new technology can eventually conquer heart disease, Alzheimer's disease and many other illnesses, with noticeable progress within five years.

**Issues covered:**  
**Personal Health**  
**Technology**

**Length: 8:15**

Show # 2023-35

**Date aired:** 08/27/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Anna Mills**, textbook author, English instructor at the College of Marin, member of a joint Artificial Intelligence task force with the Modern Language Association and College Conference on Composition and Communication

AI chatbots have triggered a panic among educators, who are flooding listservs, webinars and professional conferences to figure out how to deal with the technology in this new academic year. Ms. Mills explained why many professors are expecting chaos. She said few universities are offering clear guidelines for teachers or students. She also talked about the difficulty of detecting AI-generated cheating.

**Issues covered:**  
**Higher Education**  
**Artificial Intelligence**

**Length: 7:50**

**J. Scott Roberts, PhD**, Professor in Health Behavior and Health Education at the University of Michigan, Associate Director of a poll from the University of Michigan Institute for Healthcare Policy and Innovation

Prof. Roberts led a poll of people age 65 to 80 and found that while 80% adults see the benefit of tests that can give an early warning of memory and thinking decline, 80% of older adults said they haven't had a cognitive test in the past year to look for early signs of dementia, and 59% reported never having had such a screening. He said the poll also found very low awareness of blood tests that can help detect Alzheimer's disease.

**Issues covered:**  
**Personal Health**  
**Technology**

**Length: 9:17**

Show # 2023-36

Date aired: 09/03/23 Time Aired: 4:30 a.m.

**ChatGPT**, an artificial-intelligence (AI) chatbot

ChatGPT was launched as an artificial intelligence prototype on November 30, 2022, quickly gaining much attention for its detailed responses and articulate answers across many topics. It explained how was it trained and learns, and what its biggest weakness are. It acknowledged that the concerns about potential biases in its answers are legitimate. It also outlined the top 5 human endeavors in which it anticipates making the biggest impact.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 9:29**

Artificial Intelligence

Technology

Employment

**Andrew Houtenville, PhD**, Professor of Economics at the University of Hampshire, Research Director of the UNH Institute on Disability

Prof. Houtenville discussed recent findings from the National Trends in Disability Employment report, issued semi-monthly by Kessler Foundation and the University of New Hampshire. He explained what is driving historic highs in employment of people with disabilities, and why disabled employment has outstripped the non-disabled since the start of pandemic lockdowns.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 7:59**

Disabilities

Employment

Show # 2023-37

Date aired: 09/10/23 Time Aired: 4:30 a.m.

**Erica Eversman**, President of the Automotive Education and Policy Institute in Akron, OH

Drivers are looking for ways to save money on auto insurance as premiums rise rapidly. Ms. Eversman explained a new offering from some insurance companies: usage-based car insurance programs, where the insured agrees to share detailed data about their driving habits with their insurer via a phone app or an in-vehicle device. She said the data does permit insurance companies to evaluate risk better and better match the price of the insurance for the risk, but at a steep cost to consumers' privacy and legal rights.

**Issues covered:**

**Length: 8:55**

Consumer Matters

Auto Insurance

Legal Matters



**Caroline Leaf, PhD**, clinical and cognitive neuroscientist, author of *"How to Help Your Child Clean Up Their Mental Mess"*

Increasingly, children ages 3-10 are struggling with anxiety, depression, and mental health challenges. Dr. Leaf discussed the factors behind this trend and warning signs that parents should watch for. She said if left unaddressed, childhood mental health problems often follow kids into their teens and adulthood.

**Issues covered:**  
**Child Mental Health**  
**Parenting**

**Length: 8:15**

Show # 2023-38

**Date aired:** 09/17/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Ryan P. Burge, PhD**, sociologist, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Eastern Illinois University, co-author of *"The Great Dechurching: Who's Leaving, Why Are They Going, and What Will It Take to Bring Them Back?"*

The largest and fastest religious shift in US history is in progress. Prof. Burge co-authored a comprehensive study to learn who is leaving organized religion and why. He said the most common reason people stopped attending church was because they moved, and that lower-income people with a high school education or less are the most likely to leave. He also talked about societal effects when faith-based community services such as food banks, after-school programs and prison ministries disappear.

**Issues covered:**  
**Religion**

**Length: 9:22**

**Chris Carosa, MBA**, Certified Trust & Financial Advisor, Senior Contributor to Forbes.com, author of *"Hey! What's My Number: How to Improve the Odds You Will Retire in Comfort"*

A recent New York Life survey found that Americans believe they need \$4.3 million stashed away to retire comfortably. Unfortunately, the average person has around \$135,000 saved. Mr. Carosa explained how to determine how much money will really be needed for a comfortable retirement, along with simple steps to get there.

**Issues covered:**  
**Retirement Planning**  
**Personal Finance**

**Length: 8:03**

Show # 2023-39

**Date aired:** 09/24/23 **Time Aired:** 4:30 a.m.

**Diane Mullins**, founder of Deborah's Voice, a national non-profit women's advocacy organization

Pastor Mullins said that child trafficking has become the 2nd largest criminal activity in the world behind illegal drug sales. She said most Americans are unaware of the existence of human trafficking and forced prostitution in their own towns, but it is surprisingly prevalent – not just on dimly lit street corners, but at music concerts, VIP dinners, and sporting events. She talked about techniques used by human traffickers to select their victims.

**Issues covered:**  
Human Trafficking  
Women's Issues  
Crime

**Length: 7:26**

**Dawn Graham, PhD**, psychologist, employment and career expert, Director of Career Management for the Executive MBA Program at The Wharton School, author of "*Switchers: How Smart Professionals Change Careers -- and Seize Success*"

Dr. Graham offered job search advice, particularly for those in middle age who are considering career changes. She said a job search in a new field or occupation requires much more work than a typical job search. She offered suggestions on how to tailor a resume to sidestep age biases and other potential hurdles.

**Issues covered:**  
Career  
Aging

**Length: 9:45**



## Quarterly Report of Compliancy Issues & Programs List 2023-Q3 (July – September) Viewpoints Radio

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- Waste Management
- Wealth
- Youth Sports

**Program 23-28****Air Week:** 7/9/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: NO TRAVEL PLANS THIS SUMMER? HOW TO MAKE THE MOST OUT OF WHERE YOU ARE ALREADY****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 9:35

**Synopsis:** High demand for travel this summer is leading to exorbitantly high prices for flights, hotels and rental cars. If traveling out of state this summer is out of the question (or you just want to spend more time at home), we offer up some ways to rediscover your own town, city, or region and gain a new perspective.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Guests:** Jessica Mlinaric, Chicago resident, writer, author, Secret Chicago: A Guide to the Weird, Wonderful, and Obscure

**Compliance issues:** Arts, Cuisine, Culture, Exploration, History, Music, Personal Finance, Tourism, Travel

**Links for more info:**[Jessica Mlinaric \(@urbnexplorer\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)[urban explorer \(@urbnexplorer\) / Twitter](#)[How Will We Eat in 2023? Here Are 10 Predictions](#)**SEGMENT 2: WOULD YOU EVER SPEND \$63,000 ON A POUND OF RARE MUSHROOMS? SOME CHEFS SAY YES****Time:** 13:24**Duration:** 7:36

**Synopsis:** Purveying for the top chefs across America is an ever-changing series of requests dependent on food trends and tastes. While some chefs are seeking out rare microgreens, others are looking for the finest cuts of beef. And these small quantities of in-demand ingredients come at a hefty price. We highlight the many niche aspects of fine dining and how we can all take away some learning points to infuse into our own cooking at home.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Guests:** Carrie Nahabedian, co-owner, executive chef, Brindille, Kostali by Naha; Susan Spungen, food stylist, cookbook author, Open Kitchen: Inspired Food for Casual Gatherings

**Compliance issues:** Agriculture, Cooking, Cuisine, Culture, Fine Dining, Food Trends, Global Trade, Innovation, Tourism

**Links for more info:**[@susanspungen • Instagram photos and videos](#)[Susan Spungen](#)[Carrie Nahabedian \(@carrienaha\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)[Carrie Nahabedian \(@cna\) / Twitter](#)[Carrie Nahabedian | James Beard Foundation](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: THE 36-HOUR REBELLION WITHIN RUSSIA****Time:** 22:00**Duration:** 2:01

**Synopsis:** Who is Yevgeny Prigozhin? The elusive leader of the mercenary force, The Wagner Group, is now globally known for the recent rebellion he launched against the Russian regime. We discuss the short-lived coup that's now known as the biggest uprising in Vladimir Putin's 23-year-reign.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Compliance issues:** Conflict, Government, Politics, War

**CULTURE CRASH: WHY ARE STREAMING PLATFORMS ALWAYS CHANGING?****Time:** 24:01**Duration:** 2:27

**Synopsis:** It seems like there's always a new streaming app coming or going lately. Take the creators of HBO for instance. In a short span of time, the subscription platform has been called HBO Now, HBO Go, HBO Max and now it's just Max. We discuss the ever-evolving landscape of streaming.

**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook

**Compliance issues:** Entertainment, Film Production, Media Business

**Program 23-29****Air Week:** 7/16/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: AVOIDING CONVERSATIONS AROUND MONEY? HERE'S HOW TO GET STARTED****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 9:23**Synopsis:** Only 1 in 4 Americans feels financially secure, according to a recent survey by consumer financial services firm, Bankrate. We speak with two financial experts about how more Americans can have productive conversations about their spending and come up with a plan to save and invest more for the future.**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante**Guests:** Lori Sackler, certified financial planner, financial wealth advisor, author, *The M Word: The Money Talk Every Family Needs to Have About Wealth and Their Financial Future*; Emily Guy Birken, financial expert, financial writer, author, *Stacked: Your Super Serious Guide to Modern Money Management***Compliance issues:** Aging, Consumerism, Economy, Parenting, Personal Finance, Relationships, Retirement, Wealth**Links for more info:**[About the Author - The M Word](#)[Evergreen Lane Wealth Management Group | Paramus, NJ | New York, NY](#)[Emily Guy Birken \(@EmilyGuyBirken\) / Twitter](#)[Emily Guy Birken – Forbes Advisor](#)**SEGMENT 2: HAS ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOREVER CHANGED THE MUSIC INDUSTRY?****Time:** 12:42**Duration:** 8:42**Synopsis:** Yes, ChatGPT isn't dominating media headlines anymore, but the technology is still leading to massive changes across America. One area where it's making waves is the music production industry. We speak with two experts within the field about how artificial intelligence is forcing them to rethink the future of music artistry and production.**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Tina Tallon, assistant professor, artificial intelligence, music composition and the arts, University of Florida; Robert Laidlow, classical music composer, fellow, University of Oxford**Compliance issues:** Arts, Career, Composition, Copyright Infringement, Entertainment Business, Music, Music Streaming, Social Media, Technology**Links for more info:**[Robert Laidlow](#)[Robert Laidlow \(@Robert\\_Laidlow\) / Twitter](#)[Tina Tallon](#)[Tina Tallon, Ph.D. \(@ttallon\) / Twitter](#)[Tina Tallon | Boston Conservatory at Berklee](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: PEDESTRIAN DEATHS HIT A 40-YEAR HIGH****Time:** 22:24**Duration:** 2:01**Synopsis:** What's fueling the staggering increase in pedestrian deaths in recent years? We discuss this alarming upward trend.**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Accessibility, Public Health, Public Safety, Transportation**CULTURE CRASH: IS THE LATE-NIGHT TALKSHOW FORMAT DEAD?****Time:** 24:25**Duration:** 2:02**Synopsis:** Jay Leno. David Letterman. Jimmy Fallon. Stephen Colbert. We highlight the rise and fall of late-night TV.**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, Entertainment, News, TV

**Program 23-30****Air Week:** 7/23/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: MARY LASKER: A PUBLIC HEALTH PIONEER****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 7:36

**Synopsis:** The National Institute of Health. National Cancer Institute. These are just some of the research foundations that are thriving today thanks to the work of health activist Mary Lasker. We speak with biographer Judith L. Pearson about the many big contributions Lasker made to cancer & heart disease research throughout the twentieth century.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Judith L. Pearson, biographer, author, Crusade to Heal America: The Remarkable Life of Mary Lasker**Compliance issues:** Government Funding, History, Medical Research, Medicine, Politics, Public Health, Science**Links for more info:**[Cancer Wars | Mary Lasker - Profiles in Science](#)[Amazon.com: Crusade to Heal America: The Remarkable Life of Mary Lasker](#)[Judith L. Pearson](#)**SEGMENT 2: THE INTERESTING ORIGINS OF CANNABIS****Time:** 11:25**Duration:** 9:27

**Synopsis:** Did you know that cannabis use dates back tens of thousands of years? While its earliest use traces back to Asia, it eventually spread to Europe and then America and was used in a variety of capacities. We speak with highly acclaimed pharmacology expert Dr. Richard Miller about the global history of cannabis and its controversial record over the last 70 years of American history.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Dr. Richard Miller, professor, pharmacology, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine**Compliance issues:** Cannabis Legalization, Culture, Drug Policy, Government, History, Public Health, War on Drugs**Links for more info:**[Richard J Miller : Faculty Profile](#)[The War on Marijuana in Black and White | American Civil Liberties Union](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: WHY IS AN END TO AFFIRMATIVE ACTION SUCH BIG NEWS?****Time:** 21:52**Duration:** 1:49

**Synopsis:** We break down how higher education will be affected by the Supreme Court's recent ruling ending affirmative action.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Education Access, Government, Higher Education, Inequality, Race**CULTURE CRASH: WHY WE CAN'T GET ONBOARD WITH CGI****Time:** 23:41**Duration:** 2:42

**Synopsis:** This week – we talk about the abundance (and overuse) of computer-generated images in recent blockbuster film releases. We also highlight a couple new summer drops that we're looking forward to.

**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, Film, Technology

**Program 23-31****Air Week:** 7/30/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: LOOKING THROUGH A NEW LENS: THE LARGEST & MOST POWERFUL TELESCOPE EVER BUILT****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 8:25

**Synopsis:** The James Webb telescope is the largest and most powerful space telescope ever built. A year and a half ago hundreds of thousands of people cheered after the telescope successfully launched and opened to begin capturing the universe in more detail than ever before. We speak with one astronomer about how this telescope will lead to greater discoveries – including the hunt extraterrestrial life.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante**Guests:** Jacob Bean, astronomer, professor, Department of Astronomy & Astrophysics, University of Chicago**Compliance issues:** Astronomy, Culture, Innovation, International Relations, Physics, Space Exploration, Technology**Links for more info:**[James Webb Space Telescope](#)[The Department of Astronomy and Astrophysics | Jacob L. Bean](#)[See amazing images from James Webb Space Telescope's 1st year gazing deep into the cosmos \(photos\)](#)[James Webb Space Telescope \(JWST\) — A complete guide](#)**SEGMENT 2: WILL SOCCER FINALLY SCORE BIG IN THE U.S.?****Time:** 12:14**Duration:** 8:37

**Synopsis:** Soccer has steadily gained a following in recent years in the U.S. Amongst Americans 18-29 years old, the sport is now more popular than baseball. We speak with soccer expert, G. Edward White about what's driving this shift and why it took so long for soccer to take hold in America.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster**Guests:** G. Edward White, David and Mary Distinguished Professor, Law, University of Virginia School of Law, author, Soccer in American Culture: The Beautiful Game's Struggle for Status**Compliance issues:** Entertainment, History, Nationalism, Parenting, Sports Culture, Technology, Youth Sports**Links for more info:**[G. Edward White | University of Virginia School of Law](#)[US Soccer](#)[Fútbol frenzy: Messi set to play first game for Inter Miami CF](#)[Fan Favorite: The Global Popularity of Football is Rising](#)[Amazon.com: Soccer in American Culture: The Beautiful Game's Struggle for Status \(Sports and American Culture\)](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: HOW MUCH ARE YOU PAYING FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS EACH MONTH?****Time:** 21:51**Duration:** 2:02

**Synopsis:** There seems to be a subscription for nearly every product or service these days. But how much is too much? And when you're ready to cancel, why does it always seem like it's a pain to go through the process? We uncover how some businesses use deceptive marketing tactics to keep consumers paying.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Business, Consumerism, Government, Law, Marketing, Technology**CULTURE CRASH: ALMOST THREE MONTHS LATER: WHY THE STRIKE IN HOLLYWOOD IS STILL MARCHING ON****Time:** 23:53**Duration:** 2:31

**Synopsis:** We discuss the ongoing screenwriters and actors strike that's halting production on a large array of TV shows and films.

**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, Film, Technology

**Program 23-32****Air Week:** 8/6/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: HOW ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE IS FUELING THE \$1.1 TRILLION IN ONLINE RETAIL SALES****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 6:15

**Synopsis:** Online retail sales are set to surpass \$1.6 trillion by 2027. With so much growth in the market, retailers are investing big in artificial intelligence software that improves customer interaction, usability, supply chain and more. We speak with the Chief Technology Officer of Zenni Optical about how retailers are setting up for this new era of digital dominance.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** David Ting, chief technology officer, Zenni Optical<**Compliance issues:** Business, Consumerism, Economy, Habits, Retail Trends, Technology, User Experience**Links for more info:**[With Zenni's AI-powered search, it's easier than ever to find a great pair of glasses | TechCrunch](#)[Zenni Optical](#)[AI in retail: Smarter stores, smarter product design | VentureBeat](#)[NRF | How artificial intelligence will change retail](#)**SEGMENT 2: WHAT'S HAPPENING IN HOLLYWOOD? THE STRIKE, EXPLAINED****Time:** 10:04**Duration:** 10:13

**Synopsis:** The screenwriters strike in Hollywood is now in its third month. Last month, the Screen Actors Guild joined forces with the Writers Guild of America and called a strike. We speak with two active voices in the industry about what's driving this strike and why these asks are so important to current and future professionals in this landscape.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster**Guests:** Sofya Levitsky-Weitz, playwright, screenwriter, "The Bear"; Irving Belateche, screenwriting professor, School of Cinematic Arts, University of Southern California**Compliance issues:** Artificial Intelligence, Career, Creative Arts, Economy, Entertainment, Inflation, Labor Issues, Labor Rights, Pay Equity, Personal Finance, Technology**Links for more info:**[Sofya Levitsky-Weitz \(@sofyalilyana\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)[Writers Strike: WGA Exec Says Studios Are Locked In "Mutual Suicide Pact" – Deadline](#)[Sofya Levitsky-Weitz](#)[Irving Belateche](#)[Writers Guild of America West \(@WGAWest\) / Twitter](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: CAN CHATGPT PERFECTLY MIMIC HUMANS?****Time:** 21:17**Duration:** 2:34

**Synopsis:** ChatGPT, the generative artificial intelligence platform, has been dominating media headlines since its release late last year. We discuss what sets humans apart from this network created by OpenAI.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Artificial Intelligence, Automation, Innovation, Labor, Software, Technology**CULTURE CRASH: THE POWER OF "BARBENHEIMER"****Time:** 23:51**Duration:** 2:36

**Synopsis:** Millions of Americans rallied last month as two of the biggest film releases hit theaters. Yes, we're talking about "Barbie" & "Oppenheimer" aka "Barbenheimer". We discuss the massive revenues these two movies drew.

**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, Film, History



**Program 23-33****Air Week:** 8/13/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: THE GROWING RISK OF WILDFIRES FROM COAST TO COAST: ARE YOU PREPARED?****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 8:55

**Synopsis:** It's been the deadliest year on record for wildfires in Canada. While California is typically the focus point for these events, the new reality of human-caused climate change is that wildfires are becoming a greater threat in areas never seen before. We speak with Dr. Adrienne Edwards, a botanist and wildfire expert, about how Americans can best prepare for wildfire season and help stop the spread.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Dr. Adrienne Edwards, botanist, author, *Firescaping Your Home: A Manual for Readiness in Wildfire Country***Compliance issues:** Climate Change, Emergency Response, Environment, Government, Natural Disaster, Public Health**Links for more info:**[Firescaping Your Home: A Manual for Readiness in Wildfire Country](#)[We Made Wildfire an Enemy for 110 Years. It Could Have Been an Ally](#)[Firescaping The WUI \(@firescaping\\_the\\_wui\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)[Firescaping Your Home](#)**SEGMENT 2: FEELING DISTRACTED & DISCONNECTED? HERE'S HOW TO SLOW DOWN****Time:** 12:44**Duration:** 8:29

**Synopsis:** In 2012, researchers at the University of California-Irvine estimated that the average human's attention span was around seventy-five seconds. In recent years, this number has dropped to forty-seven seconds. What's leading to this continuing decline in our attention spans? We speak with one mindfulness expert to get some tips on how people can slow down, increase their focus, and feel less chronically stressed.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster**Guests:** Christian Madsbjerg, professor, applied humanities, New School, author, *Look: How to Pay Attention in a Distracted World***Compliance issues:** Career, Chronic Stress, Health, Mental Health, Psychology, Self-Development, Social Media, Technology**Links for more info:**[Look: How to Pay Attention in a Distracted World: Madsbjerg, Christian: Amazon.com](#)[5 Reasons You Should Unplug From Social Media - CNET](#)[6 Skills to Help You Be Mindful | Psychology Today](#)[14 Strategies for Leaders to Adopt or Practice Mindfulness](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: AN END TO FINDING NEWS CONTENT ON SOCIAL MEDIA IN CANADA****Time:** 22:13**Duration:** 1:41

**Synopsis:** Meta – the parent company of Facebook and Instagram – has decided to ban all news content on these platforms in Canada. We talk about what's driving this big move and how it's going to impact both Canadians and media outlets.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Government Regulation, Journalism, News, Politics, Social Media, Technology**CULTURE CRASH: WILL MARVEL BOUNCE BACK?****Time:** 23:54**Duration:** 2:34

**Synopsis:** The Marvel Cinematic Universe has had a series of flops in recent years. In a landscape with so much content, will this production company be able to bounce back and rebuild its brand name?

**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Business, Culture, Film

**Program 23-34****Air Week:** 8/20/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: FROM COW'S MILK TO SALTWATER OYSTERS: THE FIRST PEOPLE TO DIVE INTO THE UNKNOWN****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 6:45

**Synopsis:** Whoever thought, "This white, liquid substance from this animal looks like it is safe enough that I'm going to drink it." Out of the many items we have today (whether it's food, drink, or something else) there was a person who first took the risk in trying it themselves. We explore the many firsts throughout history and how key archeological evidence plays a role in accurately telling these narratives.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster**Guests:** Cody Cassidy, writer, author, *Who Ate The First Oyster? The Extraordinary People Behind the Greatest Firsts in History***Compliance issues:** Archaeology, Culture, Food Industry, Food Science, History, Innovation, Invention, Medicine, Technology**Links for more info:**[Who Ate the First Oyster? by Cody Cassidy | PenguinRandomHouse.com: Books](#)[Who Invented Beer? | HISTORY](#)[Who Ate the First Oyster? Cave May Hold an Answer : NPR](#)**SEGMENT 2: SEPARATING FACT FROM FICTION: ARE YOU A VICTIM OF MISINFORMATION?****Time:** 10:34**Duration:** 9:58

**Synopsis:** Conspiracy theories have been around for hundreds of years. From secret projects to secret government societies, these theories are prevalent across society. We speak with two conspiracy experts about how these stories arise, why they're so pervasive online and why artificial intelligence may make these narratives more difficult to detect.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Aunna Beranek**Guests:** Colin Dickey, writer, author, *Under the Eye of Power: How Fear of Secret Societies Shapes American Democracy*; Dr. Erik Nisbet, Owen L. Coon Professor of Policy Analysis & Communication, Northwestern University**Compliance issues:** Artificial Intelligence, Culture, History, Journalism, Media, News, Politics, Presidential Election, Social Media, Technology**Links for more info:**[Erik C. Nisbet](#)[Fake News, Big Lies: How Did We Get Here and Where Are We Going?](#)[Colin Dickey \(@colindickey\) / X](#)[Under the Eye of Power by Colin Dickey | PenguinRandomHouse.com: Books](#)[Disinformation Researchers Raise Alarms About A.I. Chatbots - The New York Times](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: THE SECRETS OF VENUS****Time:** 21:32**Duration:** 2:21

**Synopsis:** We highlight the deeper intricacies and theories behind Venus' unusual surface.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Astronomy, Physics, Science, Solar System, Space Exploration**CULTURE CRASH: WHY DO WE LIKE WATCHING SCI-FI SO MUCH?****Time:** 23:53**Duration:** 2:33

**Synopsis:** From *Black Mirror* to *The Twilight Zone*, we explore why the sci-fi genre has always been a hit amongst American audiences.

**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, TV

**Program 23-35****Air Week:** 8/27/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: 'NEVER GOOD ENOUGH': A RISE IN MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AMONG ADOLESCENTS****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 7:31

**Synopsis:** With summer break over and millions of students back in school, it's a good time to talk about the importance of mental health. After all, adolescents today face an excessive number of demands both in and outside of the classroom. This week on Viewpoints - We speak with author Jennifer Breheny Wallace about the importance of sharing how a person's value should never be linked to their performance.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante**Guests:** Jennifer Breheny Wallace, journalist, writer, author, *Never Enough: When Achievement Culture Becomes Toxic – And What We Can Do About It***Compliance issues:** Adolescent Development, Education, Mental Health, Parenting, Psychology, Self-Growth**Links for more info:**[Authentic Connections](#)[Never Enough: When Achievement Culture Becomes Toxic-and What We Can Do About It: Breheny Wallace, Jennifer: Amazon.com: Books](#)[Join the program - Challenge Success](#)[Mental Health and Academic Achievement](#)[We're Missing a Key Driver of Teen Anxiety - The Atlantic](#)**SEGMENT 2: WHEN GREEN ENERGY TURNS TOXIC: RE-TOOLING SOLAR PANELS****Time:** 11:20**Duration:** 8:50

**Synopsis:** Solar energy is big business in the U.S. and is only set to expand in the coming years, with an annual growth rate of 21%. But after these solar panels die, where do they go? How 'green' is this technology if we're dumping thousands of used, toxic panels into landfills? We speak with two experts in the solar panel recycling space about how innovation is driving this shift and what more needs to be done to make this energy source truly sustainable.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Polly Hansen**Guests:** Adam Saghei, Chief Executive Officer, We Recycle Solar; Jesse Simons, co-founder, Chief Commercial Officer, SolarCycle**Compliance issues:** Environment, Local Government, Politics, Renewable Energy, Sustainability, Technology, Waste Management**Links for more info:**[We Recycle Solar](#)[Solarcycle](#)[Solar Panel Recycling | US EPA](#)[As Millions of Solar Panels Age Out, Recyclers Hope to Cash In - Yale E360](#)[Long-Lived? Highly Recyclable? Priorities for Solar Panels in a Circular Economy | News | NREL](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: AN UNCERTAIN FUTURE FOR COMMUTER RAILS****Time:** 21:10**Duration:** 1:38

**Synopsis:** Covid-19 shook up norms for many public transit agencies including commuter rail companies that pre-pandemic largely catered to commuting office employees. We highlight how several businesses are re-framing their strategy during this period.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Business, Infrastructure, Labor Trends, Transportation

**CULTURE CRASH: IS COMEDY DEAD OR DOES IT JUST LOOK A LITTLE DIFFERENT?****Time:** 22:48**Duration:** 3:39**Synopsis:** Some people argue that the comedy genre is on its way out. But this week, we discuss how comedy isn't going anywhere— it's just adapting to the changing times.**Host:** Tabor Brewster**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Tabor Brewster**Compliance issues:** Comedy, Culture, Social Media

**Program 23-36****Air Week:** 9/3/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: DROWNING IN DEBT? YOU'RE NOT ALONE: A NEW WAVE OF CREDIT CARD DEBT IN AMERICA****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 7:32

**Synopsis:** Credit card debt in the U.S. just surpassed one trillion dollars and payment delinquency rates are also on the rise. One factor that's feeding into these increases are a growing amount of credit card accounts. The Federal Reserve Bank of New York reports that there are 70 million new accounts since 2019. This week – we discuss the effects of escalating debt and how listeners can start taking back control.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Chloe Elise, certified financial coach, author, *Deeper Than Money***Compliance issues:** Banking, Consumerism, Economy, National Debt, Personal Finance, Psychology, Self-Development**Links for more info:**[Credit-card debt hits \\$1 trillion --- that milestone comes at a very tricky time - MarketWatch](#)[Amazon.com: Deeper Than Money: Ditch Money Shame, Build Wealth, and Feel Confident AF eBook : Elise, Chloe: Kindle Store](#)[Here's how much of your monthly income should go toward debt repayment](#)[What do I need to know about consolidating my credit card debt? | Consumer Financial Protection Bureau](#)**SEGMENT 2: ACTORS & WRITERS ARE ON STRIKE, BUT WHY AREN'T MUSICIANS PICKETING AS WELL?****Time:** 11:21**Duration:** 9:56

**Synopsis:** Screenwriters and writers aren't the only ones feeling the pinch in this new media landscape dominated by streaming. Hundreds of thousands of musicians are struggling to make a living from the substandard pay they receive from platforms like Spotify and Apple Music. We cover just how the music sector has changed and why these artists don't have the same protections as other creatives.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** David Lowery, senior lecturer, Music Business Certificate Program, University of Georgia; Rene Kladzyk, volunteer, Union of Musicians and Allied Workers**Compliance issues:** Creative Arts, Entertainment Business, Equal Pay, Labor Rights, Personal Finance, Technology**Links for more info:**[Bandcamp](#)[Union of Musicians and Allied Workers](#)[Music Workers Alliance](#)[David C Lowery \(@davidclowery\) / X](#)[René Kladzyk \(@ziembavision\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: THE ESCALATING LEVELS OF CAFFEINE IN ENERGY DRINKS****Time:** 22:17**Duration:** 2:07

**Synopsis:** Over the past two decades, caffeine levels have continued to creep higher and higher. We cover how much caffeine is packed inside many of these newer energy drinks and the consequences of consuming higher-than-needed amounts.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Adolescent Health, Marketing, Mental Health, Parenting, Public Health**CULTURE CRASH: A NEW ERA FOR POST MALONE****Time:** 24:24**Duration:** 2:01

**Synopsis:** We give our review of American rapper, singer and songwriter, Post Malone's newest album titled, "Austin".

**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, Music

**Program 23-37****Air Week:** 9/10/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: WHY DOES EVERYONE, INCLUDING PARENTS, WANT TO BE INFLUENCERS?****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 7:16**Synopsis:** Two out of three people on Earth are on social media. With so many eyeballs online, it's big business to have a large social media following and work as an influencer. We highlight this ever-evolving lucrative industry and how new laws are better protecting those who've been previously taken advantage of.**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Stephanie McNeal, senior editor, Glamour, author, Swipe Up for More: Inside the Unfiltered Lives of Influencers**Compliance issues:** Career, Ethics, Law, Mental Health, Parenting, Politics, Psychology, Social Media, Technology, Wealth**Links for more info:**[Stephanie McNeal \(@stephemcneal\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)[Stephanie McNeal \(@stephemcneal\) / X](#)[Swipe Up for More!: Inside the Unfiltered Lives of Influencers: McNeal, Stephanie: Books](#)**SEGMENT 2: FROM DRUG TRAFFICKER TO INFORMANT: HOW EX-CRIMINALS ARE AIDING INVESTIGATORS****Time:** 11:05**Duration:** 9:59**Synopsis:** We speak with ex drug trafficker, Margarito Flores Jr. about his entry into the illicit drug trade at an early age and when he decided to get out of the business and start working for the other side. We also speak with Sgt. Ryan Wasson about the critical role informants play in aiding law enforcement, but why it's important to avoid glorifying the work of people like Flores.**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Margarito Flores Jr., federal drug informant; Sergeant Ryan Wasson, detective, Kane County Sheriff, officer, Homeland Security Investigations Task Force**Compliance issues:** Crime, Drug Trafficking, Health, International Issues, Law Enforcement, Parenting, Technology**Links for more info:**[SAMHSA](#)[Sheriff's deputies assigned to drug task force get federal credentials – Shaw Local](#)[Margarito Flores, Chicago cocaine kingpin who helped bring down El Chapo, will teach cops how to catch drug traffickers](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: AMERICA'S STRUGGLING CITIES****Time:** 22:04**Duration:** 1:50**Synopsis:** We highlight recent population trends across America in a post-pandemic world. Several once prominent cities have struggled to bounce back after a mass exodus of urban residents.**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Climate Change, Culture, Local Business, Population Trends, Poverty**CULTURE CRASH: FROM LIVE CONCERTS TO FILM: THE DOMINANCE OF TAYLOR SWIFT****Time:** 23:54**Duration:** 2:32**Synopsis:** It's the end of summer and we're still talking about Taylor Swift's "Era's Tour". Swift is continuing the mania (and profits) with the upcoming release of the movie simply titled: "The Era's Tour".**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, Music

**Program 23-38****Air Week:** 9/17/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: X (AKA TWITTER) VS. THREADS: THE STORY BEHIND META'S NEW SOCIAL PLATFORM****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 8:00

**Synopsis:** Do you remember the hype when Threads, Meta's new version of X, debuted earlier this summer? Everyone seemed to jump on the new platform at a moment's notice. But what happened to all the buzz? We speak with two social media experts about Meta's big investment in Threads and what needs to change in the coming months to avoid its quick demise.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante**Guests:** Carolyn Garavente, associate director, paid social, Brain Labs Media; Danielle Carter, account director, paid social, Croud Digital**Compliance issues:** Adolescent Development, Creativity, Education, Life Skills, Mental Health, Parenting, Self Help**Links for more info:**[Threads will now let you search for posts - The Verge](#)[How brands are still finding their feet with Threads one month since launch](#)[According to Elon Musk's own math, the company formerly known as Twitter has lost 90% of its value and could be worth just \\$4 billion](#)**SEGMENT 2: SCHOOL, SPORTS, STANDARDIZED TESTS: WHEN IS THERE TIME TO BUILD LIFE SKILLS?****Time:** 11:50**Duration:** 9:20

**Synopsis:** As an academic advisor, Ana Homayoun has had thousands of conversations with students, parents, and administrators. Many of these talks typically center around grades, college admissions, career paths and other key academic to-dos. Yet, what's not as commonly talked about is the importance of life skills. This means cultivating independence, setting good habits and more. We speak with Homayoun about why so many teens seem to struggle post-high school and how adults can better prepare their kids in the long-term rather than focusing solely on short-term academic markers.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Ana Homayoun, academic advisor, early career development expert, author, Erasing the Finish Line: The New Blueprint for Success**Compliance issues:** Adolescent Development, Creativity, Education, Life Skills, Mental Health, Parenting, Self Help**Links for more info:**[Mental Health | DASH | CDC](#)[Erasing the Finish Line: The New Blueprint for Success Beyond Grades and College Admission](#)[Opinion: We're thinking about teens and social media all wrong](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: CHINA'S DEEPENING ECONOMIC WOES: WHAT'S FUELING THIS DECLINE?****Time:** 22:10**Duration:** 1:45

**Synopsis:** Less jobs. Lower property values. Tightened consumer spending. These are just some of the challenges China's been facing over the past several months. Will this global superpower be able to avoid a full-fledged recession? We talk about why Americans should care about this developing international economic news.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Global Economy, International Policy, Job Security Real Estate**CULTURE CRASH: A SLOW CALENDAR FOR PRIME TV SEASON****Time:** 23:55**Duration:** 2:31

**Synopsis:** We cover how the screenwriter and actor's strike in Hollywood is slowing down TV series releases this autumn.

**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, TV



**Program 23-39****Air Week:** 9/24/2023**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey**SEGMENT 1: ARE YOU MAKING THE MOST OUT OF CHAT GPT?****Time:** 1:47**Duration:** 8:05

**Synopsis:** There's been a lot of hype around Chat GPT and generative AI this year, but is the average person actually using the new tech? We highlight how leaders in education policy are integrating AI into certain processes to create positive for teachers, administrators, and students in classrooms nationwide. From there, we breakdown what are some of the biggest ways AI helps with tasks and how you can go about interacting with these chatbots to get the answer you're looking for.

**Host:** Gary Price**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri, Grace Galante**Guests:** Perpetual Baffour, Research Director, Learning Agency Lab**Compliance issues:** Career, Education, Innovation, Productivity, Technology, Time Management**Links for more info:**[ChatGPT](#)[Overview - The Learning Agency Lab](#)[GPT-4: how to use the AI chatbot that puts ChatGPT to shame | Digital Trends](#)[ChatGPT beginners guide - Geeky Gadgets](#)**SEGMENT 2: ONE AFTER ANOTHER: HELPING PEOPLE RECOVER IN A WORLD WHERE NATURAL DISASTERS ARE ALL TOO COMMON****Time:** 11:54**Duration:** 8:50

**Synopsis:** The reality: Human-induced climate change is leading to more frequent and powerful extreme weather events. In the U.S. and around the world, millions struggle to get back on their feet following the damage and destruction these disasters bring. As bystanders, how can we pitch in and help? We cover the physical and mental toll these hardships cause and why it's important to step up and give back in any way you can.

**Host:** Marty Peterson**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Guests:** Vickie Mays, clinical psychologist, distinguished professor, psychology, health policy & management, University of California-Los Angeles**Compliance issues:** Climate Change, Emergency Response, Mental Health, Natural Disasters, Nonprofits, Psychology, Public Health, Trauma, Volunteerism**Links for more info:**[Vickie M. Mays | UCLA](#)[Build A Kit | Ready.gov](#)[Survival Kit Supplies - Redcross.org](#)[How does climate change affect mental health? | APA.org](#)**VIEWPOINTS EXPLAINED: WHY ARE PRISON BREAKS BECOMING MORE COMMON?****Time:** 21:44**Duration:** 2:15

**Synopsis:** Aging infrastructure, fewer correctional officers, and a large inmate population. These are just some of the factors feeding into why prison breaks, and then large-scale manhunts, seem to be popping up more these days.

**Host:** Ebony McMorris**Producer:** Amirah Zaveri**Compliance issues:** Correctional System, Government, Incarceration, Public Safety**CULTURE CRASH: OUR FALL INDIE FILM PICKS****Time:** 23:59**Duration:** 2:28

**Synopsis:** We highlight some of our favorite, small-production movie picks as we head into fall film festival season.

**Host & Producer:** Evan Rook**Compliance issues:** Culture, Film



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| • Cognitive Behavioral Therapy | • Healthy Lifestyle      | • Opioid Crisis                       | • Therapy                |
| • College                      | • Hearing Aids           | • Opioid Use Disorder                 | • Thyroid                |
| • College Admissions           | • Heart Disease          | • Overdose                            | • Tick-Borne Disease     |
| • Communication                | • Heart Health           | • Parasites                           | • Toxic Chemicals        |
| • Communication Technology     | • High Blood Pressure    | • Parenthood                          | • Traumatic Brain Injury |
| • Concussions                  | • High-Risk Pregnancy    | • Pathology                           | • Travel                 |
| • Congenital Heart Disease     | • History                | • Patient Access                      | • Uniforms               |
| • Consumerism                  | • Hormone Production     | • Patient Safety                      | • Universal Healthcare   |
| • Contraception                | • Hormones               | • People of Color in Medicine         | • Vaccine                |
| • Contraceptives               | • Humanity               | • Pharmaceuticals                     | • Vasculitis             |
| • Coping Strategies            | • Immune System          | • Physicians                          | • Vector-Borne Disease   |
| • Deductible                   | • Immunocompromised      | • Picaridin                           | • Virus                  |
| • Deet                         | • In Vitro Fertilization | • Politics                            | • Vulnerable Populations |
| • Defense Mechanisms           | • India                  | • Precision Medicine                  | • Weight Loss            |
| • Delusions                    | • Infant Safety          | • Pregnancy                           | • Wildfire               |
| • Depression                   | • Infants                | • Pregnancy Loss                      | • Women in Medicine      |
| • Diabetes                     | • Infection              | • Pregnancy Test                      | • Youth at Risk          |
|                                | • Infectious Disease     | • Psilocybin                          |                          |
|                                | • Injectable Filler      |                                       |                          |

**Program 23-27**

**Air Week:** 07/02/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: WILL HORMONAL CONTRACEPTIVES WORSEN YOUR AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE?**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 12:47

**Synopsis:** Of the 24 million Americans with autoimmune diseases, about 80% are women. A 2020 paper in the American Journal of Nursing estimates that nearly 90% of women who could become pregnant but don't want to use contraception – which may worsen a preexisting disease. Our experts explain what to do if you fall into this category and how to safely use hormonal contraceptives.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah, Reed Pence

**Guests:** Dr. Lisa Sammaritano, Professor of Clinical Medicine, Weill Cornell Medical College; Dr. Kristen Demoruelle, Rheumatologist, Associate Professor of Medicine, University of Colorado School of Medicine; Kristy Griffin, patient

**Compliance issues:** Autoimmune Disease, Birth Control, Diabetes, Gender Issues, Patient Safety, Contraceptives, Hashimoto's Disease, Hormones, Immunocompromised, IUD, Multiple Sclerosis, Rheumatology, Thyroid

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[Lisa Rose Sammaritano Professor of Clinical Medicine](#)

**SEGMENT 2: DO YOU FEEL PRESSURED TO WORK WHILE YOU'RE SICK?**

**Time:** 15:39

**Duration:** 7:11

**Synopsis:** Though the pandemic changed a lot about traditional offices, by now many people are back working in communal spaces. While this is great for building relationships, it's also a surefire way to spread disease. Our experts discuss how office culture feeds into putting yourself and others at risk.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah, Reed Pence

**Guests:** Richard Deosingh, District President, Robert Half International; Dr. Joseph Ladapo, Professor, University of Florida College of Medicine, State Surgeon General of Florida

**Compliance issues:** Infectious Disease, Patient Safety, Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Employee, Flu, Office Culture, Vaccine

**Links for more info:**

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**Program 23-28**

**Air Week:** 07/09/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: HOW CAN WE SAVE INFANTS FROM THE EFFECTS OF OPIOID ADDICTION?**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 10:08

**Synopsis:** Though we've known about neonatal opioid withdrawal syndrome (NOWS) since the 1970s, there has never been a standard treatment plan across all hospitals. In fact, the scale that's used to determine a diagnosis is complicated and outdated. Experts discuss a promising new treatment approach and how to fix the root cause of NOWS.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Stephen Patrick, Neonatologist, Director, Vanderbilt Center for Child Health Policy, Vanderbilt University; Dr. Diana Bianchi, Director, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH

**Compliance issues:** Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Drug Addiction, Drug Use, Infant Safety, Neonatal Intensive Care, Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome, Opioid Crisis, Opioid Use Disorder, Standard Care

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[Eat, Sleep, Console Approach or Usual Care for Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal | NEJM](#)

**SEGMENT 2: "THERE'S NO 'NORMAL' PERSON": THE INTERSECTION OF ETHICS AND DISABILITY**

**Time:** 13:00

**Duration:** 10:02

**Synopsis:** Bioethicists help governments, universities, hospitals, and patients make the best possible judgement calls based on cultural and personal values. But they don't always get it right. Experts explain how the disabled community is often left behind in society, medicine, and bioethics.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Jeffrey Bishop, Tenet Endowed Chair in Bioethics, Professor of Health Care Ethics, Saint Louis University; Dr. Brooke Ellison, Associate Professor, Stony Brook University, Author, Look Both Ways

**Compliance issues:** Accessibility, Consumerism, Ethics, Healthcare, Medical Technology, Public Safety, Research Ethics, Bioethics, Communication Technology, Disability Rights, End of Life Care, Medical Ethics, Mobility

**Links for more info:**

[Brooke Ellison | Center for Medical Humanities, Compassionate Care, and Bioethics](#)

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**Program 23-29**

**Air Week:** 07/16/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: BIOETHICS PART 2: SHOULD YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO END YOUR OWN LIFE?**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 10:49

**Synopsis:** In this follow-up to last week's discussion on bioethics and disability, we dig into Dr. Brooke Ellison's life as a quadriplegic. Using her own experience, she explains the public policies and technological advances needed to help people with disabilities live life to the fullest. Along with Ellison, Dr. Jeffrey Bishop -- a bioethicist -- explores the many ethical decisions that surround end-of-life care.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Jeffrey Bishop, Tenet Endowed Chair in Bioethics, Professor of Health Care Ethics, Saint Louis University; Dr. Brooke Ellison, Associate Professor, Stony Brook University, Author, Look Both Ways

**Compliance issues:** Accessibility, Consumerism, Ethics, Healthcare, Medical Technology, Public Safety, Research Ethics, Bioethics, Communication Technology, Disability Rights, End of Life Care, Medical Ethics, Mobility

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**SEGMENT 2: IS PSYCHEDELIC THERAPY THE FUTURE OF MENTAL HEALTH TREATMENT?**

**Time:** 13:41

**Duration:** 9:12

**Synopsis:** Compass Pathways is leading the charge for psychedelic therapy. The research is currently in stage three trials and is expected to receive FDA approval in the next few years. An expert explains how the treatment works and if the therapy will be covered by insurance.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Steve Levine, Senior Vice President for Patient Access and Medical Affairs, Compass Pathways

**Compliance issues:** Consumerism, Depression, Healthcare, Mental Health, Therapy, Medical Insurance, Psilocybin, Psychedelic Therapy, Psychedelics

**Links for more info:**

[Steve Levine, MD | LinkedIn](#)

[NIMH » Sequenced Treatment Alternatives to Relieve Depression \(STAR\\*D\) Study](#)

[Single-Dose Psilocybin for a Treatment-Resistant Episode of Major Depression | NEJM](#)

[Psilocybin](#)

**Program 23-30**

**Air Week:** 07/23/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: “WE LIVE IN AN AGEIST SOCIETY”: HOW TO ENJOY OLD AGE**

**Time:** 1:49

**Duration:** 12:29

**Synopsis:** Everyone ages, so why are so many of us not prepared to grow old? Dr. Rosanne Leipzig, a gerontologist, says most of her patients don't know what changes to expect in their old age – and often fight against the inevitable transition. She explains what's normal, what's not, and how to enjoy your later years in life.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Rosanne Leipzig, Professor and Vice Chair, Education of the Brookdale Department of Geriatrics and Palliative Medicine, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, Author, Honest Aging

**Compliance issues:** Ageism, Aging, Bone Density, Bone Health, Botox, Geriatrics, Hearing Aids, Injectable Filler, Public Health, Public Transportation, Social Infrastructure, Social Pressure, Suicide, Stigma

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**SEGMENT 2: ARE YOU PROTECTED FROM TICK-BORNE DISEASES?**

**Time:** 15:20

**Duration:** 7:03

**Synopsis:** Summer is a season of activities, but it's also the favorite season of blood-sucking bugs like ticks. Do you know how to best protect yourself, your family, and your pets? Dr. Bobbi Pritt explains which repellants are worth your money, and the most effective way to remove a tick to avoid diseases.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah, Tabor Brewster

**Guests:** Dr. Bobbi Pritt, Professor of Laboratory Medicine and Pathology and Director of Clinical Parasitology, Mayo Clinic

**Compliance issues:** Autoimmune Disease, Bug Repellent, Deet, Infection, Lyme Disease, Mosquitoes, Parasites, Pathology, Picaridin, Public Safety, Tick-Borne Disease, Vector-Borne Disease

**Links for more info:**

[Bobbi S. Pritt, M.D. - Mayo Clinic Faculty Profiles](#)

[Bobbi Pritt, MD \(@ParasiteGal\) / Twitter](#)

[Creepy Dreadful Wonderful Parasites](#)

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**Program 23-31**

**Air Week:** 07/30/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: HONORING NAZI DOCTORS AND CRIMINALS: THE DARK SIDE OF MEDICAL EPONYMS**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 10:51

**Synopsis:** Eponyms honor people who discover diseases, treatments, and procedures. You may be familiar with ones like Alzheimer's disease, named after Alois Alzheimer, or Hodgkin's lymphoma, discovered by Thomas Hodgkin. However, Our experts explain how eponyms can go awry and place honor on criminals or even the wrong person.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Sabine Hildebrandt, Associate Professor of Pediatrics, Boston Children's Hospital & Harvard Medical School; Dr. Eric Matteson, Professor Emeritus of Medicine, Mayo Clinic

**Compliance issues:** Ethics, History, Medical History, Vulnerable Populations, Eponyms, Gynecology, Medical Culture, Nazi Party, People of Color in Medicine, Vasculitis, Women in Medicine

**Links for more info:**

[Sabine Hildebrandt | Global Health and Social Medicine](#)

[Eric L. Matteson, MD, MPH, Section Editor, Rheumatology](#)

**SEGMENT 2: HIGH-RISK PREGNANCY? BED REST MAY NOT BE THE ANSWER**

**Time:** 13:43

**Duration:** 8:36

**Synopsis:** Bed rest is one of the most common interventions prescribed for high-risk pregnancies, but does it work? There's no research that proves bed rest prevents preterm labor, however multiple studies show that this intervention harms a woman's physical and mental health. Our experts break down the evidence and explain alternative interventions.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah, Polly Hansen

**Guests:** Dr. Michelle Mottola, Embryologist & Professor, Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry, University of Western Ontario, Director of the Exercise and Pregnancy Laboratory, R. Samuel McLaughlin Foundation; Dr. Cynthia Gyamfi-Bannerman, Professor & Chair of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences, University of California San Diego, President-Elect, Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine; Aileen Weintraub, Author, Knocked Down

**Compliance issues:** Bed Rest, Birth, Depression, High Blood Pressure, Patient Safety, Pregnancy, Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Gestational Diabetes, High-Risk Pregnancy, Labor, Obstetrics

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**Program 23-32**

**Air Week:** 08/06/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: HIDDEN HEART DISEASE: WHAT MAKES A HEALTHY, 33-YEAR-OLD HAVE A STROKE?**

**Time:** 1:49

**Duration:** 10:48

**Synopsis:** Bicuspid Aortic Valve is a rare heart condition that's twice as likely to affect men. While it can be easily managed on its own, BAV can lead to hidden, secondary conditions that may cause heart malfunction. An expert explains the signs and symptoms to watch out for, and what to do if you're diagnosed with BAV.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Chris Malaisrie, Attending Cardiac Surgeon, Northwestern Medicine, Professor of Surgery, Northwestern University; Alexander McKeown, BAV & Aortic Aneurysm Patient

**Compliance issues:** Cardiac Surgery, Mental Health, Patient Safety, Vulnerable Populations, Congenital Heart Disease, Genetic Conditions, Heart Health, Open Heart Surgery, Rare Disease, Stress, Stroke

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**SEGMENT 2: KITCHEN CHEMISTRY: IS ASPARTAME TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE?**

**Time:** 13:38

**Duration:** 9:19

**Synopsis:** Aspartame has been studied for more than 40 years, but people are still skeptical of its safety. The World Health Organization recently released a report that reaffirms the sweetener's safety and didn't find any evidence of cancer-causing properties. Experts break down the new research and explain the effects of having aspartame in your diet.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. John Sievenpiper, Professor of Nutritional Sciences and Medicine, University of Toronto; Dr. Daniele Wikoff, Principal Scientists & Director of Health Sciences Practice, ToxStrategies

**Compliance issues:** Alternative Sweeteners, Aspartame, Cancer, Carcinogens, Consumerism, Diabetes, Nutrition, Obesity, Public Health, Public Safety, Diet Soda, Healthy Lifestyle, Sugar, Weight Loss

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**Program 23-33**

**Air Week:** 08/13/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: HAVE WE CHEATED NATURAL SELECTION?**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 11:38

**Synopsis:** Natural selection is the driving force behind evolution and has helped humanity survive for thousands of years. But now that we've invented objects that let us dive deep in the ocean or live in Antarctica, have we cheated this ancient process? An expert reveals how natural selection works and how humans may be its best ally.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Steve Reilly, Assistant Professor of Genetics, Yale School of Medicine

**Compliance issues:** Biology, DNA, Evolution, Genomics, Neurology, Public Health, Genealogy, Genetic Sequences, Humanity, Mammals, Natural Selection, Neurons, Stem Cells, Survival

**Links for more info:**

[Steven Reilly, PhD](#)

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[The functional and evolutionary impacts of human-specific deletions in conserved elements](#)

**SEGMENT 2: MERCURY HATS, ARSENIC DRESSES, AND POISONED SHOES: TOXIC FASHION**

**Time:** 14:30

**Duration:** 8:25

**Synopsis:** Clothes have always been a main form of non-verbal communication, but is this display of individuality worth the cost of our health? Alden Wicker, author of To Dye For, exposes the fashion industry's frequent use of harsh and toxic chemicals that are serious threats to our health.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Alden Wicker, Award-Winning Journalist & Author, To Dye For, Founder, EcoCult

**Compliance issues:** Allergic Reactions, BPA, Consumerism, Public Health, Chemical Intolerance, Chemical Reactions, Clothing Industry, Fashion, Mercury, Rash, Respiratory Disease, Sensitive Skin, Toxic Chemicals, Uniforms

**Links for more info:**

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**Program 23-34**

**Air Week:** 08/20/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: REVEALING THE HIDDEN SYMPTOMS AND STIGMAS SURROUNDING BRAIN INJURIES**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 11:58

**Synopsis:** Traumatic brain injuries can range from mild to severe, but there are symptoms that may not show up until months or years after the incident. Personality changes, hallucinations, and delusions are all common occurrences. Dr. Sandeep Vaishnavi, a cognitive neuroscientist, reveals the best practices to heal from a TBI, including meditation and nutrition.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Sandeep Vaishnavi, Cognitive Neuroscientist, Faculty Network Member of the Duke Institute for Brain Sciences, Duke University, Co-Author, Healing The Traumatized Brain

**Compliance issues:** Anxiety, Delusions, Depression, Mental Health, Neuroscience, Patient Safety, Vulnerable Populations, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Concussions, Frontal Lobe, Hallucinations, Neuroplasticity, Traumatic Brain Injury

**Links for more info:**

[Sandeep Vaishnavi | Duke Department of Medicine](#)  
[Healing the Traumatized Brain | Hopkins Press](#)

**SEGMENT 2: EVOLUTION PT.1: HOW OUR ANCESTRY IS REVOLUTIONIZING PRECISION MEDICINE**

**Time:** 14:50

**Duration:** 8:08

**Synopsis:** Science has come to learn that one treatment plan or medication won't work the same for every patient. We need to tailor every dosage and application specifically for each person to have the best results. Our expert this week explains that in order to move into this new era of medicine, we need to take a look back at our evolutionary path.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Tony Capra, Associate Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of California San Francisco

**Compliance issues:** Ancestry, Bacteria, Evolution, Healthcare, Precision Medicine, Race, Virus, Disease, Genealogy, Genetic Sequences, Heart Disease, Immune System, Invention, Natural Selection, Travel

**Links for more info:**

[The influence of evolutionary history on human health and disease | Nature Reviews Genetics](#)  
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**Program 23-35**

**Air Week:** 08/27/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: SICKLE CELL DISEASE: AN EVOLUTIONARY PROTECTION TURNED DEADLY**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 11:47

**Synopsis:** Sickle cell disease is the most common genetic disease in America. Red blood cells become crescent-shaped and die much earlier than healthy cells. Oddly enough, the cause of this disease stems from an evolutionary advantage against malaria. Our experts explain the health and financial burdens of sickle cell disease.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Russell Ware, Pediatric Hematologist, Director of Hematology, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center; Dr. Grace Onimoe, Pediatric Hematologist-Oncologist, Cleveland Clinic, Board Member, American Sickle Cell Anemia Association

**Compliance issues:** Blood Disorder, Evolution, India, Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Genetic Disorders, Infants, Pharmaceuticals, Sickle Cell Anemia, Sickle Cell Disease, Sickle Cell Trait, Southeast Asia, Sub-Saharan Africa

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**SEGMENT 2: EVOLUTION PT.2: IS THE SUCCESS OF HUMANITY BASED ON LUCK?**

**Time:** 14:39

**Duration:** 7:44

**Synopsis:** Last week Dr. Tony Capra, an epidemiologist, explained how evolution protected our ancestors based on their environments. Today, we're breaking down how this same genetic history affects our current biological makeup – including our vulnerability to disease: where it comes from and why we haven't yet evolved to be fully protected from illness.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Tony Capra, Associate Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics, University of California San Francisco

**Compliance issues:** Ancestry, Bacteria, Biology, Evolution, Genetics, Healthcare, Immune System, Precision Medicine, Race, Virus, Disease, Genealogy, Invention, Natural Selection, Travel

**Links for more info:**

[The influence of evolutionary history on human health and disease | Nature Reviews Genetics](#)

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**Program 23-36**

**Air Week:** 09/03/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: “YOU DON’T DESERVE TO BE TOLERATED”: HEALING FROM TOXIC RELATIONSHIPS**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 11:37

**Synopsis:** Many of us have experienced a toxic relationship at one point in our lives – whether we were the aggressors or the victims. Jaime Mahler, a psychotherapist, specializes in helping people move past this relationship pattern. She explains how to notice when you’re in an unhealthy situation and how to start your journey of healing.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Jaime Mahler, Licensed Psychotherapist, Author, Toxic Relationship Recovery

**Compliance issues:** Communication, Mental Health, Relationships, Therapy, Vulnerable Populations, Abusive Relationship, Coping Strategies, Defense Mechanisms, Emotional Behavior, Psychotherapy, Self-image, Survival

**Links for more info:**

[Jaime Mahler, MS, LMHC \(@recollectedself\) • Instagram photos and videos](#)

[Toxic Relationship Recovery | Book by Jaime Mahler | Official Publisher Page | Simon & Schuster](#)

[Jaime - Licensed Therapist \(@recollectedself\) | TikTok](#)

**SEGMENT 2: IS THERE SUCH THING AS A ‘SAFE’ AMOUNT OF CAFFEINE FOR TEENS?**

**Time:** 14:29

**Duration:** 8:36

**Synopsis:** Energy drinks have only gotten more popular since their creation in 1949. Today, many products market to younger audiences through sweet flavors like ‘tropical punch’ or ‘blue raspberry’ that contain up to 200 milligrams of caffeine. Doctor Holly Benjamin, a professor of pediatrics, discusses the dangers of adolescents consuming high amounts of caffeine.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah, Tabor Brewster

**Guests:** Dr. Holly Benjamin, Professor of Pediatrics & Orthopedic Surgery and Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Chicago

**Compliance issues:** Addiction, Adolescents, Caffeine, Diet, Mental Health, Patient Safety, Public Safety, Vulnerable Populations, Energy Drinks, Overdose, Stimulants, Sugar

**Links for more info:**

[Holly J. Benjamin, MD](#)

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[Sports Drinks and Energy Drinks for Children and Adolescents: Are They Appropriate? | Pediatrics |](#)

[American Academy of Pediatrics](#)

[Caffeine and Children](#)

**Program 23-37**

**Air Week:** 09/10/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: CAN WE FIX OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM WITHOUT STARTING FROM SCRATCH?**

**Time:** 1:49

**Duration:** 10:05

**Synopsis:** America's healthcare system is full of patchwork legislation. Some experts say we should keep pushing forward with the status quo, while others want to completely rebuild from the ground up. And though many universal healthcare proposals skew more toward left-wing politics, Dr. Amy Finkelstein, a professor of economics, has a plan that aims to please both sides of the political divide.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah, Tabor Brewster

**Guests:** Dr. Amy Finkelstein, Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Author, *We've Got You Covered*; Dr. Jonathan Oberlander, Professor and Department Chair of Social Medicine, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill School of Medicine

**Compliance issues:** Consumerism, Economics, Health Insurance, Patient Safety, Politics, Public Health, Public Policy, Deductible, Medicaid, Medicare, Universal Healthcare

**Links for more info:**

[Amy Finkelstein | MIT Economics](#)

[We've Got You Covered by Liran Einav, Amy Finkelstein | PenguinRandomHouse.com: Books](#)

[Jonathan Oberlander | Department of Social Medicine](#)

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**SEGMENT 2: THE 'PERFECT PREGNANCY' DOESN'T EXIST: CHILDBIRTH THROUGHOUT HISTORY**

**Time:** 12:56

**Duration:** 9:55

**Synopsis:** Modern technology has saved countless pregnancies. Instead of mothers worrying if they'll survive childbirth, they're now able to focus on the child they're expecting – which Dr. Lara Freidenfelds, a historian, says has shifted our view of pregnancy. Dr. Lara Freidenfelds explains how our mindset has changed over time and the repercussions that follow.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Lara Freidenfelds, Historian of Health, Reproduction, and Parenting in America, Author, *The Myth of the Perfect Pregnancy*

**Compliance issues:** American Population, Consumerism, Contraception, Pregnancy, Technology, Family, Marketing, Miscarriage, Parenthood, Pregnancy Loss, Pregnancy Test, Smart Phones, Youth at Risk

**Links for more info:**

[Lara Freidenfelds](#)

[The Myth of The Perfect Pregnancy | Lara Freidenfelds](#)

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**Program 23-38**

**Air Week:** 09/17/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: HOW WILL THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BAN AFFECT HEALTHCARE?**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 11:28

**Synopsis:** The US Supreme Court recently voted to ban affirmative action, a topic that's been debated for decades. Our experts break down how this will affect medical school enrollment, as well as the healthcare career opportunities for minority populations.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah, Polly Hansen

**Guests:** Dr. Dayle Davenport, Associate Dean for Health, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, Pritzker School of Medicine, Emergency Medicine Physician, University of Chicago Medical Center; Dr. Mark Henderson, Professor of Internal Medicine, Associate Dean for Admissions, UC-Davis School of Medicine; Dr. Geoffrey Young, Senior Director for Transforming the Health Care Workforce, Association of American Medical Colleges

**Compliance issues:** Affirmative Action, Diversity, Healthcare, Patient Safety, Race, College, College Admissions, Ethnicity, Medical School, Physicians, Scholarships

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[Mark Henderson, M.D. | Executive Leadership | UC Davis Health](#)

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**SEGMENT 2: HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF FROM AIR POLLUTION**

**Time:** 14:20

**Duration:** 8:04

**Synopsis:** Wildfire smoke has affected cities across America, but it's not the only reason for our poor air quality. Polluted air leads to 7 million deaths each year worldwide, according to the World Health Organization, so how can you protect yourself? Dr. Nikki Vars McCullough, a respiratory expert, gives advice on how to stay safe even when inside your home.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Nikki Vars McCullough, Respiratory protection Expert, 3M Company

**Compliance issues:** Air Pollution, Air Quality, Natural Disasters, Public Health, Vulnerable Populations, Lung Health, Mask, Smoke, Stroke, Wildfire

**Links for more info:**

[Nicole McCullough | LinkedIn](#)

[Air pollution](#)

[Maui wildfire one of deadliest in U.S. history | NFPA](#)

**Program 23-39**

**Air Week:** 09/24/2023

**Executive Producer:** Amirah Zaveri

**Production Manager:** Jason Dickey

**SEGMENT 1: WHY FERTILITY PRESERVATION IS CRUCIAL FOR CANCER PATIENTS**

**Time:** 1:50

**Duration:** 11:54

**Synopsis:** A cancer diagnosis is often life changing, but many people don't realize that the side effects can be just as serious, like the risk of infertility. Patients only have a short window of time to preserve their fertility through sperm or egg retrieval. An expert explains what the process looks like for both genders and why we need to increase access to fertility clinics.

**Host:** Elizabeth Westfield

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Kara Goldman, Medical Director of Fertility Preservation, Northwestern Medicine, Associate Professor of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Northwestern University; Shelly Battista, Breast Cancer Survivor

**Compliance issues:** Breast Cancer, Cancer, Chemotherapy, Ethics, Fertility, Health Insurance, Medical Access, Vulnerable Populations, Fertility Preservation, In Vitro Fertilization, Patient Access, Radiation Therapy, Reproductive Issues

**Links for more info:**

[Kara N Goldman: Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology](#)

[Kara N. Goldman, MD \(@karagoldmanMD\) / X](#)

[After losing both ovaries, breast cancer survivor gives birth to identical twins on her two-year cancer-free anniversary](#)

[A Geospatial Analysis of Disparities in Access to Oncofertility Services | Oncology](#)

**SEGMENT 2: KITCHEN CHEMISTRY: THE FACTS (AND MYTHS) OF DIETARY PROTEIN**

**Time:** 14:46

**Duration:** 8:10

**Synopsis:** There's been a growing emphasis in the fitness community on protein consumption – but do we have all the facts? Dr. Emily Lantz, a professor of nutrition, breaks down how our body uses protein, how much protein we need in a day, and who needs extra supplementation.

**Host:** Nancy Benson

**Producer:** Kristen Farrah

**Guests:** Dr. Emily Lantz, Assistant Professor in the Department of Nutrition, Metabolism, and Rehabilitation Science, University of Texas Medical Branch

**Compliance issues:** Bone Health, Diet, Exercise, Nutrition, Public Health, Amino Acids, Blood Test, Dietary Protein, Hormone Production, Metabolism, Muscle Repair, Skeletal Muscle Health

**Links for more info:**

[Emily Lantz, PhD - Nutrition, Metabolism and Rehabilitation Sciences](#)

[Emily Arentson-Lantz, PhD: LinkedIn](#)

[Dietary protein quality evaluation in human nutrition](#)