# WMEU-CA 3<sup>RD</sup> QUARTER- ISSUES REPORT July 1, 2012 – September 30, 2012

### **REGULAR SHOWS**

#### Monday - Friday

"Green Screen Adventures", 7:00-7:30AM (children's show that is explained in the FCC #398)

"First Business", 5-5:30AM

#### Saturday

"Animal Rescue", 7-7:30AM

#### Sunday

## "NOW.CHICAGO", 6:30-7AM

This a public affairs television program designed to address, discuss and disseminate information about concerns and issues that are relevant to Chicago and its communities with a distinct focus on highlighting the unique history and character of Chicago's historic neighborhoods as described below.

# 7/1/12 - NOWC1210 - Little Village

Little Village is one of the largest Mexican-American communities in the country. Centered around the 26<sup>th</sup> Street business district which Mayor Rahm Emanuel has referred to as second only to N. Michigan Ave, discover how this neighborhood keeps a balance between tradition and modernization. Our Guests: MICHAEL D. RODRIGUEZ, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ENLACE CHICAGO; NILDA ESPARZA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, LITTLE VILLAGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE; and ABIGAIL WOOD-LIZALDE, UPRISING YOUTH PROGRAM COORDINATOR, UNIVERSIDAD POPULAR

7/8/12 - "City Hunger Efforts" - From a mobile food bus to a very active "Chef In The Hood", efforts to address food insecurity in the City of Chicago are in full swing. Today, George meets with various people trying to reduce food deserts in the city and make sure everyone has access to fresh produce. Our guests: Connie Spreen, Exec. Director, Experimental Station; Ramona Baptiste, Founder/Chef, Chef In The Hood; Dara Cooper, Senior Project Manager, Fresh Moves: Mobile Produce Market; Julie Samuels, Community Garden Organizer, Openlands.

7/15/12 – "City Festivals" – Summer is here and Chicago is smokin' hot with its festivals. Learn what's new at the Green Music Fest, the Wicker Park Fest, West Fest and Design Harvest, including popular music venues and also find out about the ever so spectacular Sheffield Garden Walk and all the tours that will be available to you. Our guests: Adam Burck Executive Director, Wicker Park Bucktown Chamber of Commerce; Kara Salgado, Executive Director, West Town Chamber; Laury Lewis, Garden Walk Co-chair, The Sheffield Neighborhood Association

7/22/12 - "City Theater" - When most people think theater, usually Broadway is the first word that comes to mind. However, there are many independent theater companies in the city of Chicago putting out some great work and today you'll meet with three groups that specialize in interactive performance art and creative expression. Our guests: Marrakesh, Artist & Owner, ROOMS Gallery; Emily Schwartz, Artistic Director and Resident Playwright, Strange Tree Group; and Dieterich Gray, Actor & Director, Dog & Pony Theatre Company

7/29/12 – "City Animals" – There are some new additions to Chicago's zoological institutions. In this episode, you'll be introduced to the new baby Bison at Brookfield Zoo and the new Baby Dolphin at the Shedd Aquarium! And also learn the steps necessary in case you encounter a wild animal that may need a little help. Our guests: Andre Copeland, Interpretive Programs Manager, Brookfield Zoo; Andrea Smalec, Director of Communications & Public Relations, Shedd Aquarium; and Dawn Keller, Founder & CEO, Flint Creek Wildlife.

#### 8/5/12 -NOWC1218 - City Museums

Chicago has a plethora of Museums. Some of the more commonly known are the Field Museum and Museum of Science and Industry. But today's episode digs a little deeper into the city of Chicago to find museums that are a little smaller in size comparatively, but not smaller in importance. Today's guests: Connie Mourtoupalas, Director, National Hellenic Museum and Lisa Junkin, Education Coordinator, Jane Addams Hull House Museum.

8/12/12 – "City Museums, continued" – After nearly 25 years of hard work and sacrifice, the dream of a museum dedicated to preserving the dynamic history of broadcasting in America has found its home right here in Chicago. In this episode, we have an in-depth conversation with the founder of the Museum of Broadcast Communications and National Radio Hall of Fame. Our guest: Bruce Dumont, Founder.

#### 8/19/12 - NOWC1220 - City Arts

When talking about education, some say the arts haven't played a huge role in Chicago schools in a long time, but big changes are happening. Between the Chicago cultural plan 2012 and the Chicago Public Schools' arts education plan, the significance of art in the community is coming front and center. In this episode, three arts organizations share how they're helping students use art to better themselves and the world. Our Guests: Brook Woolf, Executive Director, Rumble Arts Center; Kaja Overstreet, Program Director, Art Resources in Teaching; and Mark Rodriguez, Executive Director, Changing Worlds

- 8/26/12 "City Hall Festivals" As the summer neighborhood festival season comes to a close, we take some time to highlight several festivals that are not only full of entertainment and leisure but also support higher causes from international cultural exchange, sustainability and recycling and community revitalization. Our guests; Shoshona Currier, Dir. Performing Arts, DCASE; Jen Gordon, Organizer, Ravenswood Remix and Cheryl Johnson, Urban Planner, 79<sup>th</sup> Street Renaissance Festival.
- 9/2/12 "Washington Park" Washington Park gained worldwide attention as the proposed home for the 2016 Olympic Games. Although Chicago lost the bid, the residents in this neighborhood have not given up on making it a winning place to live. Learn how land usage, housing, and redevelopment issues are being addressed in the neighborhood. Also, hear about new exhibits at the DuSable Museum. Our guests: Cecilia Butler, President, Washington Park Advisory Council; Brandon F. Johnson, Exec. Dir., Washington Park Consortium; Pemon Rami, Dir. of Educ. Services and Public Programs, DuSable Museum.
- 9/9/12 "City Museums continued" After nearly 25 years of hard work and sacrifice, the dream of a museum dedicated to preserving the dynamic history of broadcasting in America has found its home right here in Chicago. In this episode, we have an in-depth conversation with the founder of the Museum of Broadcast Communications and National Radio Hall of Fame. Our guest: Bruce Dumont, Founder.
- 9/16/12 "City War Monuments" In this episode, we take an in-depth look at Chicago history from the perspective of monuments and statues that memorialize great battles, wars and other conflagrations of historical significance. Featured are the monuments erected in honor of the Fort Dearborn massacre, the Haymarket riot and the Polish Blue Army memorial. Our guests; Sherry Meyer, Fort Dearborn Bicentennial Initiative; Dan Pogorzelski, Forgotten Chicago; and Tim Samuelson, City of Chicago Cultural Historian.
- 9/23/12 "City Hunger Efforts" From a mobile food bus to a very active "Chef In The Hood", efforts to address food insecurity in the City of Chicago are in full swing. Today, George meets with various people trying to reduce food deserts in the city and make sure everyone has access to fresh produce. Our guests: Connie Spreen, Exec. Director, Experimental Station; Ramona Baptiste, Founder/Chef, Chef In The Hood; Dara Cooper, Senior Project Manager, Fresh Moves: Mobile Produce Market; Julie Samuels, Community Garden Organizer, Openlands.
- 9/30/12 "Humboldt Park" We return to the west side neighborhood of Humboldt Park to discuss issues including the creation of a sit down dining restaurant focused on healthy food alternatives, bridging the technology gap with free computer and web design training for local residents and the re-birth of a community based performing arts center. Our guests: Chet Jackson, Exec. Dir., West Humboldt Park Development Council; Rishi Desai, NCP Smart Communities Program Manager, Bickerdike Redevelopment Corporation; and Marti Foster, Founder & Exec. Dir., West Humboldt Park Center For Performing Arts.