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**Quarterly Issues Report – Q3 Third Quarter, July 6-September 28, 2014
Radio Health Journal Programs 14-27 through 14-39 aired Sunday
mornings at 6am, 30 min**

During the third quarter of 2014 the following compliancy issues were covered:

Agriculture	Mental health
Business and industry	Mental illness;
Community activism	Parenting issues
Consumer safety	Pets and people
Consumerism	Police
Diet & Nutrition	Police brutality
Disabilities	Pollution
Economy	Poverty
Education	Prevention
Elderly and senior citizens	Prisons
Environment	Psychology
Family issues	Public health
Federal government and regulation	Public safety
Health care	Rehabilitation
Homelessness	School truancy
Interpersonal relationships	Technology
Laws and the legal system	Traffic and highway safety
Medicine & Medical Technology	Youth at risk

Program # 14-27

Air week: 7-6-14

SEGMENT 1: Cued speech for deaf children 11:36

Synopsis: The average deaf high school graduate reads at about a 4th grade level. Some schools are teaching a technique called cued speech to make phonics accessible to deaf people. Many educators say this helps with literacy. Experts explain and discuss.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Sarina Roffe, Executive Director, National Cued Speech Assn.; Angela Kuhn, Principal, Prek-K-8th Grade, Illinois School for the Deaf

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: education; youth at risk; school truancy; parenting issues; mental health issues

SEGMENT 2: Locked-In Syndrome 08:13

Synopsis: Some people who have a stroke in the brain stem suffer from a condition where they are fully conscious and aware, yet appear to be in a coma because they cannot move a muscle, except for sometimes the eyes. They may remain in this "locked-in" state for years.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Allison O'Reilly, Locked-In Syndrome survivor and author, Out Of the Darkness; Dr. Ralph Sacco, Chairman of Neurology, Univ. of Miami Miller School of Medicine and former President, American Heart Assn.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; disabilities

Program #14-28

Air week: 7-13-14

SEGMENT 1: Antibacterial Silver Nanoparticles 11:36

Synopsis: Silver nanoparticles provide germ resistant characteristics to anything containing them, so silver nano is being added to all kinds of consumer products, from teddy bears to computer hard drives. However, scientists aren't sure what the effects of silver nano is in the environment or on the human body.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Samuel Luoma, Research Ecologist, John Muir Institute of the Environment, Rosalind Volpe, Exec. Director, Silver Nanotechnology Working Group; Marina Quadros, Research Scientist, Virginia Tech Univ.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: technology; consumerism; business and industry; economy; health care; environment; consumer safety; federal government and regulation

SEGMENT 2: Back pain 7:07

Synopsis: Back pain hits 80 percent of Americans at some point in their lives. An expert discusses why it can be so hard to diagnose and treat.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. Steven Stanos, Director, Center for Pain Management, Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; public health; rehabilitation

Program #14-29

Air week: 7-20-14

SEGMENT 1: Talking to your baby 11:49

Synopsis: Scientists have discovered that the way parents talk to their infants has a huge effect on their intellectual development and later success. Experts discuss why and how parents should hold "conversations" with their babies.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Anne Fernald, Assoc. Prof. of Psychology, Stanford Univ.; Dr. Kimberly Noble, Assoc. Prof. of Pediatrics, Columbia Univ.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: youth at risk; education; parenting issues; economics

SEGMENT 2: Near drowning and secondary drowning 7:23

Synopsis: Some 700 American children under age 14 die of drowning each year. But when a child is pulled out of the water and revived, they may face lifethreatening peril hours or days later as the body reacts. Experts discuss.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Dr. Christopher Michos, emergency physician, St. Vincent's Medical Center, Bridgeport, CT; Dr. Luis Torero, Division Chief, Pediatric Critical Care, Advocate Children's Hospital, Oak Lawn, IL

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: youth at risk; parenting issues; public safety

Program #14-30 Air week: 7-27-14 11:14

SEGMENT 1: Fecal transplants

Synopsis: Doctors have discovered that a transplant of fecal material from a healthy person into a sick one can cure sometimes fatal c. difficile infections more than 90 percent of the time. In the past, the "ick factor" has contributed to the technique being seldom used. That is finally starting to change, and researchers are looking for ways to clean up the procedure.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Catherine Duff, founder and President, Fecal Transplant Foundation; Dr. Elizabeth Hohmann, Assoc. Prof. of Medicine, Harvard Medical School and Massachusetts General Hospital; Dr. Robert Orenstein, Chair of Infectious Diseases, Mayo Clinic--Arizona

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; public health; consumerism

SEGMENT 2: The psychology of weight loss surgery 8:31

Synopsis: People who get bariatric surgery often face drastically changed relationships with spouses, children, and friends. Their self image also often needs repair, all while they've lost their most reliable old coping mechanism--food.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Dr. Adam Crane, psychologist, Kane Center for Advanced Surgical Weight Solutions and Suburban Surgical Care Specialists, Hoffmann Estates, IL; Dr. Nick Nicholson, Medical Director, Nicholson Clinic for Weight Loss Surgery, Plano, TX.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; consumerism

Program #14-31 Air week: 8-3-14

SEGMENT 1: Are saturated fats as bad as we think? 12:18

Synopsis: Most Americans know that saturated fats are bad for their health. But some experts now say saturated fat has been unfairly villified, the victim of bad science in the 1950's. Many of these scientists say the real culprit is carbohydrates in combination with fats. Other experts say the truth is much more complicated. Experts on both sides discuss the evidence.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Nina Teicholz, author, Big Fat Surprise: Why Butter, Meat and Cheese Belong in a Healthy Diet; Dr. Eric Westman, Assoc. Prof. of Medicine, Duke Univ. Medical Center; Dr. Penny Kris-Etherton, Prof. of Nutrition, Penn State Univ.; Dr. Walter Willett, Chair, Dept. of Nutrition, Harvard School of Public Health

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; public health; consumerism

SEGMENT 2: Asperger's Syndrome from inside 7:31

Synopsis: Most people don't understand Asperger's Syndrome, which affects high functioning people with autism. Most of those with the syndrome can't express what their lives are like, but here, one person with the syndrome articulates his unusual world.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Aaron Likens, author, Finding Kansas: Living and Decoding Asperger's Syndrome

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: disabilities; mental health; education

Program #14-32 **Air week: 8-10-14** 11:48

SEGMENT 1: Police crisis intervention teams

Synopsis: Police confrontations with mentally ill subjects can quickly turn tragic, as neither side often understands the other. Specially trained crisis intervention teams have spread around the country to prevent deaths, injuries, and unnecessary incarceration. Experts discuss how CIT works.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Laura Usher, Crisis Intervention Team Program Manager, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI); Mary Neal, Director and co-founder, Assistance to the Incarcerated Mentally Ill; Dr. Randolph DuPont, clinical psychologist and Prof. of Criminal Justice, Univ. of Memphis; Sam Cochran, Major, Memphis Police Dept. (retired) and Project Coordinator, Univ. of Memphis CIT Center.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: public safety; mental illness; police and criminal justice; police brutality; education; community activism; prisons

SEGMENT 2: Zoobiquity: diseases and disorders we share with animals 8:11

Synopsis: Humans and animals share many diseases, and surprisingly, many behavioral disorders as well.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Dr. Barbara Natterson-Horowitz, cardiologist, UCLA Medical Center and co-author, Zoobiquity: What Animals Can Teach Us About Health and the Science of Healing; Kathryn Bowers, co-author, Zoobiquity

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: pets and people; psychology

Program #14-33 **Air week: 8-17-14**

SEGMENT 1: Alzheimer's from inside 12:42

Synopsis: Millions of Americans will experience the slow loss of memory due to Alzheimer's disease. But what is it like for those going through it. A journalist describes how he hopes to provide the most detailed look yet as he progresses through early-onset Alzheimers.

Host: Reed Pence. Guest: Greg O'Brien, author, On Pluto: Inside the Mind of Alzheimer's

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; public health; consumerism; family issues; elderly and senior citizens; disabilities

SEGMENT 2: Seasonal eating 8:08

Synopsis: Eating fruits and vegetables that are locally in season has many health benefits, but consumers also need to be careful of pesticides. Experts discuss.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Jolene Hart, author, Eat Pretty: Nutrition for Beauty Inside and Out; Dr. Alex Lu, Assoc. Prof. of Environmental Exposure Biology, Harvard Univ. School of Public Health; Joan Dye Gussow, Prof. Emeritus and former Chair, Columbia Teachers College Nutrition Education Program and author, This Organic Life: Confessions of a Suburban Homesteader

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: Consumerism; agriculture; environment and pollution; public health

Program #14-34 Air week: 8-24-14

SEGMENT 1: Setting speed limits 11:28

Synopsis: Auto crashes kill more than 35,000 people in the US each year, but that toll is down dramatically even as speed limits have been going up. Engineers now realize that artificially slow speed limits can be more dangerous than high speeds.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: John Bowman, Communications Director, National Motorists Assn.; Lt. Garry Megge, Traffic Services Division, Michigan State Police; Dr. David Noyce, Prof. of Civil and Environmental Engineering and Director, Traffic Operations and Safety Laboratory, Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: traffic and highway safety; public safety; police, laws and legal system

SEGMENT 2: When summer bites 12:31

Synopsis: Summer vacation can be marred by mosquito and tick bites and by the rash of poison ivy. Home remedies abound on the internet, but do any of them work? What does? Experts discuss the best ways to avoid these problems and get relief.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Joseph Conlon, Technical Advisor, American Mosquito Control Association; Dr. Phillip Baker, Exec. Dir., American Lyme Disease Foundation; Dr. Jamie Weisman, scholar, American Academy of Dermatology and physician, Peachtree Dermatology Associates, Atlanta.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: consumerism

Program #14-35 Air week: 8-31-14

SEGMENT 1: Hypoplastic left heart syndrome 12:28

Synopsis: Newborns born with virtually "half a heart" can now be saved through a series of surgeries rerouting their heart blood flow. An expert, a cardiac nurse and the mother of one such child discuss the successes and questions these procedures raise.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Diana Scoles, mother of child born with hypoplastic left heart syndrome; Dr. Michael Gewitz, Physician In Chief & Chief, Pediatric Cardiology, Maria Fareri Children's Hospital, Westchester Medical Center, Valhalla, NY, Prof. of Medicine, New York Medical College and past Chair, Council of Cardiovascular Disease in the Young, American Heart Assn; Angela Boomsma, nurse in Advocate Medical Group Pediatric Cardiology Practice

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; youth at risk; technology

SEGMENT 2: Cystic fibrosis nutrition 7:49

Synopsis: Most people know cystic fibrosis as a disease that clogs the lungs with mucous, but the same sort of mucous also clogs ducts for digestive secretions, making it very difficult for CF patients to digest food and get adequate nutrition. Two experts discuss the results of this problem and ways patients get around them.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Sue Landgraf, mother of CF patient and Executive Director, Cystic Fibrosis Research, Inc.; Suzanne Michel, registered dietitian and Clinical Asst. Prof, Medical Univ. of South Carolina Cystic Fibrosis Center.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: consumerism; health care; youth at risk

Program #14-36 Air week: 9-7-14

SEGMENT 1: "Marriage 101" 7:54

Synopsis: Nearly half of marriages end in divorce in the US. A college course at Northwestern Univ. seeks to give students tools to build relationships that last, with lessons for all of us. The course's teacher and a student who recently took the course explain.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Alexandra Solomon, Asst. Clinical Prof. of Psychology, Northwestern Univ.; Denise Zou, student, Northwestern Univ.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: family relationships; interpersonal relationships; education

SEGMENT 2: TBI's and homelessness 11:24

Synopsis: New research is showing that a remarkably high proportion of homeless men have suffered a traumatic brain injury in the past, raising the possibility that TBIs may cause behaviors directly leading to homelessness.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Dr. Jane Topolovec-Vranic, Associate Scientist, St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, and Asst. Prof. of Occupational Science, Univ. of Toronto; Dr. Steven Hwang, Research Scientist, St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto, and Prof. of Medicine, Univ. of Toronto

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: homelessness; poverty; health care; rehabilitation; prevention

Program #14-37 Air week: 9-14-14

SEGMENT 1: Discoid lupus 9:23

Synopsis: Lupus results when the immune system turns on the body, producing inflammatory attacks on virtually any organ. A minority of patients have lupus only on the skin, and while this is not life threatening, it can still be psychologically devastating.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Christopher Hansen, Asst. Prof. of Dermatology, Univ. of Utah; Dr. Victoria Werth, Prof. of Dermatology, Univ. of Pennsylvania & Chief, Dermatology Section, Philadelphia VA Medical Center; Dr. Betty Diamond, Investigator, Fineststein Institute for Medical Research

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; consumerism; technology

SEGMENT 2: "Prozac kids" grow up

12:14

Synopsis: Use of prescription medications for mental disorders among children and adolescents is growing rapidly. An author, herself a Prozac user since age 17, discusses attitudes toward medications revealed in her extensive interviews with dozens of similar subjects.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Kaitlin Bell Barnett, author, Dosed: The Medication Generation Grows Up

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: youth at risk; mental illness; education

Program #14-38

Air week: 9-21-14

SEGMENT 1: Income and life expectancy

12:06

Synopsis: Average life expectancy in the US is increasing, but among lower income people it is not, and the lifespan gap between rich and poor is increasing. Even middle class people have shorter lifespans than the rich. Experts discuss how a large income buys extra years of life, and why a lower income produces barriers to a longer life.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. David Kindig, Emeritus Prof. of Population Health Sciences, Univ. of Wisconsin-Madison; Dr. Michael Reisch, Daniel Thursz Distinguished Prof. of Social Justice, Univ. of Maryland

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: public health; economics; poverty; youth at risk; employment; worker safety; health care; consumerism

SEGMENT 2: Traveling with a disability

8:19

Synopsis: Leisure travel is possible for people with disabilities if they plan well in advance and communicate their needs ahead of time. A travel writer with a disability discusses.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Kendra Williams, Executive Editor, MStravels.org.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: disabilities; consumerism

Program # 14-39

Air week: 9-28-14

SEGMENT 1: High school starting times

12:41

Synopsis: Research is piling up showing that high school age students have a natural circadian rhythm that calls for them to sleep from about 11:00pm to 8:00am. Most schools start class before 8:00, leaving most students with a severe and detrimental sleep deficit. Experts discuss how a growing number of schools are pushing classes to later in the day for student benefit.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Kyla Wahlstrom, Director, Center for Applied Research and Educational Improvement, Univ. of Minnesota; Dr. Terra Ziporyn Snider, Co-Founder & Exec. Director, Start School Later.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: public health; education; youth at risk

SEGMENT 2: The search for why we yawn

6:59

Synopsis: Virtually all vertebrates yawn, but no one really knows why we do it. Experts discuss theories and the evidence behind them.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Dr. Robert R. Provine, Prof. of Psychology, Univ. of Maryland-Baltimore County; Dr. Andrew Gallup, Asst. Prof. of Psychology, State Univ. of New York at Oneonta

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: consumerism

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African-American Issues
Agriculture
Animal Welfare And Abuse
Arts & Literature
Bullying
Business
Celebrity Culture
Children & Family Issues
Civil Rights
Commerce
Communication
Construction Trades
Crime
Depression & Anxiety
Ecology

Education
Employment
Environment
Farming
Film & Media
Finance
Folklore
Government
Health & Well Being
Health Care
History
Hobbies
Interpersonal & Business Communication
Labor
Law, Legislation & the Court System
Medicine
Mental Health
Non-Profit Organizations
Politics
Pop-Culture & Pop-Media
Poverty
Prisons
Racism
Recreation
Schools
Science & Technology
Small Business
Sports & Recreation
Suicide
Therapy
Wildlife & Endangered Species
Youth At Risk

Program #14-27

Air week: 7/6/14

SEGMENT #1 – Thrillers: What they are and why we love them DURATION: 10:49

SYNOPSIS: When vacation time comes, people head for the pool, the beach and to resorts for some rest and relaxation. Many of them take along a good “beach read” - a book that lets them get out of themselves and enjoy an exciting, romantic or mysterious story. Thrillers are among the most popular vacation books, and we talk to two best-selling authors about what it takes to write in the genre.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Steve Berry, author of the Cotton Malone series of thrillers, the most recent, “The Lincoln Myth,” and Steve Martini, author of the Paul Madriani series of thrillers. Both authors are contributors to the thriller anthology, “Face Off”.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: arts & literature; recreation; business; film & media

SEGMENT #2- Making a Success of Your Life – After Prison DURATION: 10:44

SYNOPSIS: It's still not easy to get a job these days, but for men and women coming out of prison, it's even harder. We talk to a former three-time convict who had a wake-up call while in prison and turned his life around. We discuss how he came to the realization that his problems were of his own making, how he changed his attitude and created a mindset to facilitate his ambition to make it in business – legally – and how anyone with perseverance and positive thinking can achieve their goals.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Weldon Long, entrepreneur, trainer, speaker, author of "The Power of Consistency,".

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: prisons, crime, business, education

Program #14-28 Air week: 7/13/14

SEGMENT #1 – Letters: What they teach us and why they're important DURATION: 09:16

SYNOPSIS: When was the last time you wrote or received a real, handwritten letter in the mail? It's sad that there are young people today will never experience the joy of getting or writing a personal letter during their lives. We talk to a writer and editor about the importance of letter writing, and what we can learn from reading letters from notables and unknowns of the past.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Shaun Usher, writer, editor of the book, "Letters of Note: An eclectic collection of correspondence deserving of a wider audience,".

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: arts & literature, media, African-American issues, crime, history.

SEGMENT #2- Animation in the Movies: How good can it get? DURATION: 12:27

SYNOPSIS: It seems like there are more animated films making their way to theaters these days, and more animation being used in live action movies as well. We talk to an Oscar- and Emmy-winning filmmaker and animator, and a film critic about animation in film, the hits and misses of the past, and why it's difficult to get computer-generated reality just right.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: William Joyce, Oscar-winning filmmaker, animator, author of the children's book, "The Numberlys". Dann Gire, film critic for the Chicago Daily Herald.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: arts & media, technology, business

Program #14-29 Air week: 7/20/14

SEGMENT #1 – The Benefits of Eating Local DURATION: 10:55

SYNOPSIS: We keep hearing how eating locally grown fruits, vegetables, meats and grains can help us maintain a healthy body and grow the local economy. We talk to three local food devotees about how to incorporate more organic and locally grown produce, hand-made artisan breads and even wild game into our diets without having to completely change our lifestyles.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Myra Goodman, Founder of Earthbound Farm, co-author of the cookbook, "Straight from the Earth: Irresistible vegan recipes for everyone,". Josey Baker, artisanal baker, author of

"Josey Baker Bread," Miles Olson, outdoorsman, hunter, author of "The Compassionate Hunter's Guidebook,".

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health, agriculture, small business, wildlife, hobbies, schools

SEGMENT #2 The Underwater Museum: Art that helps heal the oceans DURATION: 10:47

SYNOPSIS: Artists have always enjoyed having their paintings, sculptures and other works displayed in museums for the entire world to see and admire. But only one creates artwork that sinks to the bottom of the ocean – on purpose! We talk to a sculptor about his unusual statues that not only create beautiful art beneath the waves, but also provide a home for coral, lichen, and other sea creatures around the world.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Jason deCaries Taylor, sculptor, author of "The Underwater Museum,"

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: ecology, endangered species, art

Program #14-30 Air week: 7/27/14

SEGMENT #1 – How Green Building and Agriculture Can Help the Environment DURATION: 11:12

SYNOPSIS: Carbon dioxide in the atmosphere has reached unhealthy levels, but how can we lower it and keep it from increasing in the future? Our two guests discuss how agricultural practices and green building can help decrease the carbon already present, as well as prevent an overabundance of CO2 and other unhealthy gasses from reaching our atmosphere in the years to come.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Courtney White, founder of the non-profit Quivira Coalition, author of the book, "Grass, Soil, Hope: A journey through carbon country,". David Gottfried, CEO of Regenerative Ventures, author of "Explosion Green,".

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: environment, construction trades, agriculture, business, health & well being, technology

SEGMENT #2- Refeathering the Empty Nest DURATION: 11:26

SYNOPSIS: When the last child leaves home for college, marriage or that first job, parents are often sad and at loose ends about how the rest of their lives will progress. We talk to a therapist and author who's experienced her own children leaving home about the emotions of "the empty nest" and what parents can do to reframe their lives when the children go out on their own.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Wendy Aronsson, psychotherapist and author of "Refeathering the Empty Nest".

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: children & family issues, mental health

Program #14-31 Air week: 8/3/14

SEGMENT #1 – Fantasy Sports: What's the allure? DURATION: 10:17

SYNOPSIS: It's almost time for fantasy football leagues to start their draft research and choose their teams. What is it about picking a football – or baseball, basketball, hockey, golf or even sumo wrestling -- team and keeping track of their progress through the season? We talk to ESPN's fantasy sports guru and also to a college professor who has studied the fantasy sports industry, about who plays and why.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Matthew Berry, ESPN's "Talented Mr. Roto," and author of "Fantasy Life: The outrageous, uplifting, and heartbreaking world of fantasy sports from the guy who's lived it," (twitter: @MatthewBerryTMR); Brody Rauhley, Asst. Prof. of Sport Administration, Univ. of Cincinnati, co-author of the book, "The Fantasy Sport Industry: Games within games,"

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: sports & recreation, business, media DURATION: 12:20

SEGMENT #2-Monster Fish: Hunting the biggest, baddest freshwater fish

SYNOPSIS: Sport fishing is usually a relaxing form of recreation. You sit in a boat or on the pier and cast your line into the water, hoping to catch something on the end of your hook. But for our guest and his crew, fishing is anything BUT relaxing. We'll talk to a scientist who travels the world looking for the biggest and most unusual freshwater fish to study and tag, and learn about why these fish are an important part of the food chain.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dr. Zeb Hogan, biologist, Assistant Research Prof. Univ. of Nevada-Reno, host of National Geographic Wild's show, "Monster Fish,"

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: environment, wildlife, science, education

Program #14-32 Air week: 8/10/14

SEGMENT #1 – Incarcerating Juveniles: Does it hurt more than help DURATION: 11:46

SYNOPSIS: Thousands of juveniles are incarcerated each year for everything from felonies to truancy or loitering. Some of the institutions – "training schools" or "reform schools" – are as bad as prison and kids are often abused and neglected or become abusers themselves. We talk to two researchers and advocates about how kids get into trouble, what incarceration does to them, how much it costs and hear about alternatives to institutionalization.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Nell Bernstein, journalist, author of "Burning Down the House: The end of juvenile prison," Elizabeth Clarke, attorney, founder and president of the Juvenile Justice Initiative of Illinois.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: children's issues, crime, education, prisons, government, mental health

SEGMENT #2- Brain Games: How your brain can sometimes trick you DURATION: 10:47

SYNOPSIS: Why do we become addicted? Believe in superstitions? How can we read body language? We talk to a TV host and a scientist about the nature of the brain, how it sometimes distorts reality in our daily lives, responds to stimuli, and enables us to read subtle signs of communication from other humans.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Jason Silva, host of National Geographic Channel's "Brain Games," Dr. Sri Sarma, Asst. Prof. in the Dept. of Biomedical Engineering, Johns Hopkins University.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: science, media, communication, health

Program #14-33

Air week: 8/17/14

SEGMENT #1 – Robogenesis: Cyborgs in fact and fiction DURATION: 09:32

SYNOPSIS: We're all familiar with the cyborgs of science fiction writers' imaginations, but have you ever met a real life cyborg? We talk to a sci-fi writer and an artist with an unusual prosthetic that enables him to see colors – through sound waves – about how technology is enabling people with disabilities to live normal lives, why some people oppose it, and the future of cyborg technology.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Daniel H. Wilson, scholar, author of the novel, "Robogenesis". Neil Harbisson, Cyborg artist, ([facebook.com/neilharbisson](https://www.facebook.com/neilharbisson)), founder of the Cyborg Foundation.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: medicine, technology, literature, art

SEGMENT #2- Man's Best Friend: How dogs enrich our lives DURATION: 11:47

SYNOPSIS: Dogs have been man's companions for centuries, helping us in our work, play and in times of joy and deep sadness. What is it about a dog that fascinates us so? And what can we learn from them? We talk to three dog people about their pets, and how their relationships with their dogs changed their lives.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Julie Klam, author of "You Had Me at Woof: How dogs taught me the secrets of happiness". Larry Levin, author of "Oogy: The dog only a family could love". Nancy Stanley, author of "Pillow With a Heartbeat".

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: non-profit organizations; mental health; animal welfare and abuse; children and family issues

Program #14-34

Air week: 8/24/14

SEGMENT #1 – Mississippi Eyes: Remembering the Freedom Summer, 1964 DURATION: 10:59

SYNOPSIS: The Freedom Summer of 1964 was a pivotal moment in American history. In the South, segregation was the rule, poor black residents were fighting for the right to vote and to be included in the Democratic National Convention, and three civil rights workers were brutally murdered in Mississippi. We talk to a man who headed up a group of young photojournalists who risked their lives to document that summer in Mississippi, about these events and his experiences with the people who lived that summer in the South, 50 years ago.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Matt Herron, photojournalist, author of "Mississippi Eyes."

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: civil rights; politics; racism; the arts; crime, poverty

SEGMENT #2- Cheetahs: Saving a unique animal and helping farmers in Africa DURATION: 11:30

SYNOPSIS: Cheetahs are the fastest of all land animals – they can reach speeds of up to 70 mph in short bursts. Despite their speed and hunting ability, cheetahs are endangered in Africa and Asia, and don't breed especially well in captivity. In Africa, they can attack livestock herds for food, and that puts them in danger from the subsistence farmers who need to protect their flocks. We talk to a wildlife expert who lives in Namibia, Africa and who has studied cheetahs for decades, and a wildlife photographer who spent three years documenting the lives of a family of cheetahs and other animals, about this amazing cat and why it's important to protect it for future generations.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dr. Laurie Marker, cheetah researcher, founder and executive director of the Cheetah Conservation Fund, author of "A Future for Cheetahs". Suzi Eszterhas, award-winning wildlife photographer, who created photographs for "A Future for Cheetahs".

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: wildlife, farming, environment, science

Program #14-35 Air week: 8/31/14

SEGMENT #1 – Villains: The characters we love to hate DURATION: 09:57

SYNOPSIS: These days, it's sometimes difficult to tell the good guys from the bad guys in popular films and on TV. With serial killer, Dexter, being hailed as a hero; and Tony Soprano being portrayed as a sympathetic family man, the idea of villains has changed a lot over the decades – or has it? We talk to two men who research and write about heroes and villains about the differences between villains and monsters; why some villains are hailed as heroes, and how people who do wrong are often held in higher regard than the people who try to expose them.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Dr. Travis Langley, Prof. of Psychology, Henderson State University, AR, author of "Batman and Psychology: A dark and stormy knight," (twitter: @superherologist); Chuck Klosterman, journalist, ethicist for the NYTimes Magazine, author of "I Wear the Black Hat."

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; youth at risk; technology

SEGMENT #2- Big, Bad, Botany: Amazing common and exotic plants DURATION: 10:35

SYNOPSIS: Plants are amazing! They've survived through the millennia and are found in the depths of the ocean and on the tops of mountains, evolving to avoid predators, flood, drought and extreme temperatures. We talk to a man who studied a wide assortment of plants about their history, folklore, and their ingenious ways of surviving in a hostile world.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guest: Michael Largo, author of "The Big, Bad Book of Botany,"

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: folklore, health, science, environment. health care; youth at risk; technology

Program #14-36 Air week: 9/7/14

SEGMENT #1 – Mindshift: NASA technology goes mainstream DURATION: 10:55

SYNOPSIS: NASA has created some spectacular technology that's gotten us to the moon; sent space probes to check out the farthest reaches of the universe, and sent robots to investigate Mars. Now the space agency is using its Mindshift biofeedback technology to try to help people who have trouble focusing on their work, families who enjoy computer games and the disabled. We talk to two NASA researchers and the man whose company is helping them bring that technology to the public about how it works and how it can be integrated into the daily lives of millions.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Alan Pope and Chad Stephens, research scientists, NASA's Langley Research Center, Hampton, VA. Scott Dromms, Manager for Intellectual Property, Edison Nation

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED science & technology; commerce; the disabled, children & families, recreation

SEGMENT #2-Television: Is it becoming too raunchy for our kids? DURATION: 11:45

SYNOPSIS: With so many channels on TV today, you can find programs that cater to everyone's tastes. However, some parents think that there's not much out there in prime time that is safe for families with children to watch. They say that even network TV is becoming raunchier with "pixelated" or blurred nudity becoming more common, and bad language and sexual references made even on some animated shows.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dan Isett, Dir. of Public Policy for The Parents Television Council. Dr. Charles Coletta, instructor in the Department of Popular Culture, Bowling Green State Univ.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: children & family issues; government; media; censorship; popular culture

Program #14-37 9/14/14

SEGMENT #1 – The Complicated Issue of Suicide and Prevention DURATION: 09:46

SYNOPSIS: The high-profile suicide of actor/comedian Robin Williams has brought the issue of depression back into the public's consciousness. We talk to a psychologist and to the director of a mental health organization about what might make someone want to take their own life, the stresses of success, and the different treatments available for those in distress.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Dr. Frank Farley, psychologist, professor at Temple University, Philadelphia, PA, and former president of the American Psychological Association. Stella Kalfas, Exec. Dir. of the Mental Health Association of Greater Chicago,.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: suicide, depression, the arts, health, children & family issues

SEGMENT #2- Pirates! The real story behind those salty sailors DURATION: 10:55

SYNOPSIS: International Talk Like a Pirate Day is celebrated every year on September 19, and many people join in the fun by dressing, acting and talking like the pirates they've enjoyed in movies such as "Pirates of the Caribbean" and books like "Treasure Island." But were pirates really the peg-legged, eye-patched, parrot-loving sailors depicted in popular culture? We talk to two pirate researchers about who these men were, their exploits, and what their lives were really like.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Charles Ewen, Prof. in the Dept. of Anthropology, East Carolina University, co-editor of "X Marks the Spot: The archeology of piracy"; Pat Croce, author of "The Pirate Handbook: A rogue's guide to pillage, plunder, chaos & conquest'.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: arts & literature, pop media, crime, history & culture

Program #14-38 9/21/14

SEGMENT #1 – Whatever Happened to the Funny Papers? DURATION: 12:17

SYNOPSIS: Newspapers are getting smaller and smaller, and so are their comics sections. How is this affecting the cartoonists who create some of our favorite comic characters? We talk to a veteran of the cartoon industry about the digital revolution in comics, how it affects the cartoonists' income and the way they draw their strips, how cartoonists keep old time comics up-to-date, and where the public can access their favorite funnies.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Guy Gilchrist, cartoonist for the "Nancy" comic strip and author of the new book, "Nancy" (www.nancyandsluggo.com) (www.gocomics.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: art, commerce, technology, media

SEGMENT #2- The Curious Case of the Sherlock Holmes Copyright

DURATION: 10:18

SYNOPSIS: This summer, a case came to the U.S. Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals involving the use of the characters of Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson in new works. The case was unusual in that the bulk of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's stories of the great detective were in the public domain – but some weren't. The question was, if there are still some stories that are copyrighted, does that keep the characters copyrighted also? We talk to a Holmes aficionado and a copyright attorney about the case and its current resolution.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Ed Fizzle, Portal editor for Everything Sherlock Holmes.com (www.everythingsherlockholmes.com); Edward Lee, Professor of Law, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, Dir. of the Intellectual Property Program (www.kentlaw.edu).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: literature, law & property rights, courts

Program # 14-39

Air week: 9/28/14

SEGMENT #1 – John Marshall and the Transformation of the Supreme Court DURATION:10:45

SYNOPSIS: The Supreme Court wasn't always tasked with hearing cases about the constitutionality of a state, local or federal law. In fact, the purpose of the Court isn't even clear in the Constitution itself. We'll hear about the amazing man who changed all that and made our highest court what it is today.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Harlow Giles Unger, author of "John Marshall: The Chief Justice Who Saved the Nation," (www.harlowunger.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: laws & courts, commerce, government, history, civil rights

SEGMENT #2- Making Conflict Work for You at Work

DURATION: 10:58

SYNOPSIS: Conflict in the workplace can cause hurt feelings, lower productivity, animosity and, sometimes, cause workers to leave. It can also spur creativity and help workers and their companies achieve higher goals. We talk to two conflict specialists about how conflict works, and how workers and employers can deal with it in a way that is beneficial for both.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Peter T. Coleman, professor of psychology & education, Columbia Univ., co-author of "Making Conflict Work: Harnessing the Power of Disagreement," (www.makingconflictwork.com); Steven G. Blum, attorney, professional negotiator, author of "Negotiating Your Investments: Use proven negotiation methods to enrich your financial life," (www.negotiatingtruth.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: labor, mental health, business, relationships

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APATHY & COMMUNICATIONS

Date: July 1, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Delavan is a bit closer to becoming a hub for medical marijuana in Central Illinois. The city council still needs to vote. A public hearing will be held tonight.

Date: July 22, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Central California company has issued a voluntary nationwide recall of specific lots of its fresh peaches, plums, nectarines and plums over concerns of possible listeria contamination. Retailers that received the fruit include Costco and Trader Joe's.

Date: July 25, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Rock Island Trail is complete after four decades of work. Officials held a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Rock Island Greenway Bridge on Thursday a span that connects the biking and walking trail across Knoxville Avenue in Peoria.

Date: July 29, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Experts say what has been a cool, wet summer is limiting West Nile Virus in Illinois. The State Department of Health says two years ago, 14 percent of the mosquitoes trapped carried West Nile. Last year it was 4 percent. This year its just one percent.

Date: July 29, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The St. Jude Memphis to Peoria runners are leaving central Illinois. The caravan of motor homes took off from Peoria and are bound for Memphis. The runners will start back to Peoria on Wednesday, arriving on Saturday in time for the St. Jude Telethon.

Date: August 4, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: It was a record breaking year for the St. Jude Telethon and St. Jude Runs. The Memphis to Peoria St. Jude Runners alone brought in just over \$1 million, up \$150,000 from last year. The total for all runs was a little more than 4.1 million. The total for the telethon was 8.3 million.

Date: August 5, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Eighteen members of the Illinois Air National Guard Security Forces are coming home Wednesday from a seven-month deployment to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Enduring Freedom.

Date: August 5, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Neighbors looking out for neighbors. That's the idea behind National Night Out Against Crime. More than 30 Peoria neighborhoods will turn on the porch light and gather for food and conversation tonight. It's also an opportunity for police to get out in the community.

Date: August 8, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: State inspectors have been deployed to check the rides at this year's Illinois State Fair. The Illinois Department of Labor says five inspectors were at the Springfield fairgrounds checking the rides. The inspectors will stay at the fair to make sure rides are safe.

Date: August 18, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Illinois' public colleges are going smoke-free - indoors and out - starting next summer. Gov. Quinn has signed a law that bans indoor and outdoor smoking at all state-supported colleges and universities.

Date: August 18, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: State officials want to demystify Illinois' new medical marijuana law...They'll be in Peoria today to answer questions about applying for cultivation center, dispensary, and patient licenses at the downtown library at 11:00 this morning (Monday).

Date: August 19, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: If you own a Honda Accord .. you better lock up. And that may not even help. The National Insurance Crime Bureau just released its report on the most stolen cars of 2013 . . . and the Honda Accord came in first. The Honda Civic is second. Chevy pickups are third.

Date: August 21, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Helping homeless veterans. That's the mission of Peoria's Veterans' Haven at 711 NE Monroe in Peoria. The South Side Office of Concern bought and fixed up the house to provide shelter and housing for homeless veterans and other adults.

Date: September 3, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Remember the polar vortex that plunged much of the U.S. into the deep freeze? They could become frequent according to researchers. That's because of shrinkage in ice in the seas off Russia.

Date: September 3, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Believe it or not, two new studies just found the key to a great nap is drinking COFFEE right before you lie down. It takes the caffeine from coffee about 20 minutes to make you less tired and if you sleep during those 20 minutes, you'll wake up extra refreshed.

Date: September 7, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: East Peoria's Fifth Quarter Bar held a benefit for the children of Lori Moore over the weekend and raised nearly 45-thousand dollars for Moore's children. Moore and her boyfriend Lance Griffel were killed inside the bar on June 14th by Lori Moore's ex-husband.

Date: September 10, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Student loan debt isn't just a problem for the young. A Government Accountability Office report says 4 percent of Americans ages 65 to 74 carried student debt in 2010. About 80 percent of the debt was for their own education while the rest was taken out for their children.

Date: September 18, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: There's a new top cop in Peoria. Veteran Jerry Mitchell has been named the city's new police chief. Mitchell joined the Peoria Police Department in 1991 and has been serving as interim chief.

Date: September 19, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Home Depot says a data breach that lasted for months at its stores in the U.S. and Canada affected 56 million debit and credit cards. The nation's largest home improvement retailer says the data breach happened between April and this month, and the malware has been eliminated.

Date: September 23, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Local emergency personnel are practicing for real emergencies today. The Fondulac Park District Police and the US Coast Guard are hosting a full scale emergency preparedness exercise on the Illinois River between the Peoria Lock and Dam and the Murray Baker Bridge.

Date: September 23, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Ameren Illinois says customers who refuse to have a new electricity meter installed at their home will be charged an extra \$20 on their monthly bills. Those new meters can be read remotely and Ameren says the extra charge will cover the cost of sending out a person to check the older ones.

Date: September 25, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Jimmy John's is the latest company to fall victim to a hacker. The company says it learned on July 30th of a security breach involving credit and debit card data at Jimmy John's owned stores and franchise locations. Dozens of Illinois stores were affected, but none in Peoria.

Date: September 25, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Major league baseball star Darryl Strawberry will be in Peoria today. He's speaking at the 40th annual Mayor's Prayer Luncheon today in at the Pere Marquette. Strawberry will also speak to students and athletes at Manual Academy and at Proctor Center.

Date: September 26, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Peoria's new police chief has appointed his second in command. Jerry Mitchell has appointed Captain Mike Eddlemon as his Assistant Chief. Eddlemon will be responsible for the day-to-day operation of the "Don't Shoot" Program.

Date: September 26, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Some of the biggest names in comedy are coming to Peoria to help Recognize Richard. D.L. Hughly, Cedric the Entertainer, George Lopez, Eddie Griffin and Mike Epps, who's playing Richard Pryor in an upcoming movie about his will play the Peoria Civic Center on November 2nd. The comedy show will raise money to build a statue of Richard Pryor in Peoria.

BUSINESS

Date: July 2, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A private survey shows U.S. business hiring surged in June, a sign of stronger economic growth. Payroll processor ADP says private employers added 281,000 jobs last month, up from 179,000 in the previous month.

Date: July 23, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Four Points by Sheraton hotel in downtown Peoria remains closed and will stay that way probably through the rest of this year. It's been closed since last October and was originally slated to be back open in February.

Date: July 25, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: While second quarter sales and revenue at Caterpillar were down slightly compared to last year, profit was up. Cat reports profit per share of \$1.57 this second quarter, compared to a \$1.45 the same period last year.

Date: July 30, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: No baseball in North Peoria this year. A delay in the sale of the property which will one day hold the Louisville Slugger Sports Complex means it will not be ready to host events by this winter, as originally planned.

Date: July 30, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: After a dismal winter, the U.S. economy sprang back to life in the April-June quarter, growing at a fast 4 percent annual rate on the strength of higher consumer and business spending.

Date: August 1, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Central Illinois is seeing more tourists. Visitors last year spent about 643-million dollars in Peoria and its surrounding counties -- nearly a 2-percent increase over 2012. The state tourism director says Peoria is "primed" for more growth -- with things like the Louisville Slugger Sports Complex set to draw bigger crowds.

Date: August 6, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Walgreen plans to keep its roots firmly planted in the U.S., saying it will no longer pursue an overseas reorganization of the company.

Date: August 27, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A new state law makes Illinois a safer place for working moms. The governor has signed a measure aimed at curbing workplace discrimination against pregnant women. Workplace protections will include requiring employers to consider accommodations on manual labor and break space for breast feeding. The law takes effect in January.

Date: August 28, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Peoria Riverfront Museum is making progress. The museum has recovered from a deficit of about \$680,000 left over from the fiscal year that ended in June. The Museum's President and CEO says after dealing with a \$680,000 deficit, the museum is now breaking even each month.

Date: August 29, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Peoria Civic Center lost a significant amount of money in fiscal year that ends this month. Civic Center lost \$875,000 and attendance for events was down 23-percent from last year. As a result, the Civic Center has had to cut full-time staff by 25-percent.

Date: September 3, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: CVS is tweaking its corporate name and making changes at the checkout. CVS Caremark will now be known as CVS Health. The cigars and cigarettes that used to fill the shelves behind store cash registers have also been replaced with nicotine gum.

Date: September 4, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Hundreds of workers from McDonald's, Taco Bell, Wendy's and other chains are expected to walk off their jobs today in a national protest . Organizers are trying to push the companies to pay their employees at least \$15 an hour.

Date: September 9, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: East Peoria is considering sales pitches from three businesses that want to set up marijuana dispensaries in Fondulac Plaza, Farmdale Road, and on North Main Street, near the casino. The City Council will look at the issue next week.

Date: September 10, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The City of Peoria is going to help potential medical marijuana dispensary and cultivation center operators. The City Council last night narrowly approved issuing letters of support for prospective medical pot business owners interested in setting up shop in Peoria. The state, which will ultimately decide who will grow and sell medical marijuana, and where.

Date: September 12, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A big economic boost could be coming to Tazewell County. The Federal Bureau is looking to build another federal prison in Pekin. It's not known when the project would begin but if a new high security prison is built .. it would bring more than 300 new jobs to the area.

Date: September 22, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: It's crunch time for potential medical pot business owners. People interested in operating dispensaries and cultivation centers in Illinois have until 3:00 this afternoon to apply. The state will grant 60 dispensation licenses and allow up to 21 cultivation centers to operate.

Date: September 25, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: State are sifting through more than 350 applications submitted by people interested in setting up medical marijuana businesses in Illinois either as a cultivation center or a dispensary. State officials expect medical marijuana won't be available to patients until Spring 2015.

Date: September 25, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A Peoria bargain store is closing for good. The Kmart store at 901 W. Lake Ave. will close to the public in early December. Kmart stores in Pekin and Morton will remain open.

Date: September 26, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The latest report on the economy finds that it grew at an annual rate of 4.6 percent in the spring -- the fastest pace in more than two years.

CRIME & DRUGS

Date: July 29, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Don't Shoot anti-gang violence initiative is a big reason for a dip in crime in Peoria. That's according to local law enforcement. Compared to 20-10, a particularly violent year for Peoria, 44 fewer people have been shot so far in 20-14.

Date: August 7, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The City of Peoria is getting a federal grant to help keep the community safe. The nearly 88-thousand dollar Justice Assistance Grant, or JAG grant, will be used for law enforcement purposes and to buy equipment.

Date: August 13, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: If you get a call from someone saying your computer has a virus, and they want money to clean it, hang up. District 8 Troopers have gotten a number of calls about this phone scam where the caller says they represent Southend Enterprises, and they can clean up your computer remotely for a fee.

Date: August 19, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A man suspected of trying to kidnap a child in Pekin has been arrested after trying to abduct a second child. 55-year-old Thomas Anthony was picked up at Walmart in Lincoln, where he allegedly approached another young boy.

Date: October 20, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Local police are once again preparing to appeal to Peoria's most violent criminals. The fourth "call-in" is set for tonight. It's an integral part of the anti-gang violence program known as "Don't Shoot," aimed at telling gang members how their actions affect their communities.

Date: August 21, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: East Peoria Police are warning homeowners about a repair scam. They say a Chicago-based group is soliciting homeowners to do driveway seal coating and tree trimming, but their services are often not completed or the work is shoddy. In some cases, workers serve a distraction while others commit burglaries. East Peoria Police say they are specifically targeting the elderly.

Date: August 21, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Put down your guns or face jail time...that's the message of last night's 4th "Don't Shoot Call In" in Peoria. Eleven individuals who police say have ties to local gangs were invited to the event that gives them a chance to turn their lives around. They were told to spread the city's message of zero tolerance for guns.

Date: September 11, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: He'll probably never be a free man. Nathan Leuthold has been sentenced to 80 years in prison for killing his wife at their north Peoria home on Valentine's Day 2013. Leuthold was accused of shooting his wife so he could pursue an affair with a 21-year-old Lithuanian woman.

Date: September 24, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Bradley University has revised its policies on sexual assault to make it clearer on what support is available to students who are victims. As part of the plan, the director of student support services will work with victims to make sure they know how to report a crime.

Date: September 25, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A Bradley University basketball player has been officially charged with a Class-A Misdemeanor in Peoria County Court. BU senior Auston Barnes, who appeared in court Wednesday, is facing a domestic abuse charge for an incident last month.

EDUCATION

Date: July 3, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Illinois children must now enter kindergarten by the time they are 6, and young adults seeking driver's licenses must pass a six-hour driver's education course. The changes come from new laws effective this week. Another new law requires students to learn CPR.

Date: July 31, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: As you get the kids ready to go back-to-school, don't forget to check their health records. For the first time, kids in Kindergarten, 6th, and 9th grades must have 2 chicken pox vaccines. Students in K-12 are also required to have 2 Rubella and mumps vaccines.

Date: August 6, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Illinois State University is expecting a large incoming freshman class this year. The Pantagraph reports the school's freshman class should be between 3,500 and 3,600 students this fall the largest in over 20 years according to ISU.

Date: August 21, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Freshman enrollment at Bradley University is expected to be down this fall and the private university is looking at budget cuts. BU president Joanne Glasser expects about 940 incoming freshman to start school this fall. That would be a drop of 140.

Date: August 25, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The American Academy of Pediatrics is recommending later school start times for teens - at least until 8:30 am. The influential group says teens should be getting 8 1/2 to 9 1/2 hours of sleep on school nights. And it says a lack of sleep can lead to poor health, bad grades, car crashes and even depression and suicide.

Date: September 16, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Nearly 100 organizations are joining together to push Illinois lawmakers to pass a school funding reform proposal in the spring. The legislation would overhaul Illinois' dated school funding formula, first put in place in 1997. While there's wide agreement that the state's funding formula should be altered, how it should be changed remains under debate.

EMPLOYMENT

Date: August 1, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: American employers have kept on hiring, continuing the surge into July by adding 209,000 jobs. It's the sixth straight month of job growth above 200,000, a sign that businesses are no longer showing the caution that had marked the 5-year-old economic recovery.

Date: August 22, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The unemployment rate in the Peoria Metro area is 7.6 percent .. up slightly from June. Comparing year to year though .. the agency says July rates fell in every Illinois metro area and most are at six year lows.

Date: September 19, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Illinois unemployment fell in August to 6.7 percent, the sixth straight month its declined. One year ago the rate was 9.2 percent.

Date: September 26, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Peoria metro jobless rate is down year to year but up slightly month to month. The unemployment rate in August was 7.7 percent down slightly from the same time last year.

GOVERNMENT

Date: July 8, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The City of Washington is getting \$7.7-million in statewide tornado relief. Governor Quinn was in town Monday to make the announcement. The cash will help the city recoup some of the \$12-million it's spent, so far, toward tornado recovery efforts. Pekin and East Peoria are also getting money.

Date: August 21, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A question about term limits can't be on the Illinois ballot in November .. according to an appeals court. The group seeking term limits led by Republican governor candidate Bruce Rauner is now expected to take the dispute to the Illinois Supreme Court.

Date: August 22, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The City of Washington will have financial assistance in rebuilding it's wastewater system. The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency is providing a \$5 million investment to repair, upgrade and improve its aging wastewater treatment plant since the last November's tornado.

Date: August 22, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Illinois Department of Transportation is eliminating 58 positions that are at the center of a lawsuit alleging questionable hiring practices. The move is designed to boost "accountability and restore public trust according to IDOT, which is also creating a board to evaluate hiring.

Date: August 26, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The City of Pekin has entered the race for a medical marijuana cultivation center. The City Council on Monday unanimously approved annexing roughly ten acres of land for a pot production facility. The land is located on Route 29, near the federal prison. The application process begins next month.

NUTRITION/HEALTH

Date: July 1, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A major medical association is calling for an end to annual pelvic exams for most healthy women. The American College of Physicians says routine pelvic exams don't benefit women who have no symptoms of disease and who aren't pregnant, and they can cause harm.

Date: July 28, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Fist bumps spread fewer germs than handshakes and even high-fives. That's what researchers in Wales say. A researcher says fist bumps spread only one-twentieth the amount of bacteria that handshakes do.

Date: July 31, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Illinois is placing tight restrictions on a new hepatitis C drug that is extremely expensive. Medicaid patients must meet 25 criteria and get prior approval before the government health care program will pay for Sovaldi which costs \$1000 per pill.

Date: August 11, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A new study says women with a strong family history of breast cancer should be tested for a mutation of PALB2. Carriers of the mutation are 35-percent more likely to develop breast cancer by the age of 70. G

Date: August 12, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A Tazewell County resident is a confirmed case of Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. The health department says the patient did not require a hospital stay and is recovering at home.

Humans can get the disease through the bite of an infected tick. Peak months for tick borne diseases are April through July.

Date: August 14, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Women without insurance, between the ages of 40 and 64, can get a free mammogram without an appointment. The Tazewell County Health Department is bringing the UnityPoint Methodist Mammogram Van will be at the Mackinaw Christian Church tomorrow from 8:30 to 11:00 am.

Date: August 19, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The state's first human case of West Nile virus has been reported this year. A woman in her 70s got sick last month. Health officials say it's a good reminder to use insect repellent when outdoors.

Date: August 29, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The World Health Organization has a warning. The spread of Ebola in West Africa appears to be getting worse. The U.N. health agency said more than 500 cases were recorded over the past week, by far the worst toll of any week so far.

Date: September 23, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The World Health Organization says the number of Ebola cases could reach 21,000 in six weeks unless more is done to curb the outbreak in West Africa. There's a shortage of hospital beds, health workers and even soap in Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia.

Date: November 24, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: With flu season right around the corner, the Peoria City/County Health Department suggests getting your flu vaccine early. This year, the CDC is recommending everyone 6 months of age and older to get a flu vaccine. Flu season typically runs November through May.

TRANSPORTATION

Date: July 1, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: General Motors has added 8.2 million vehicles to those being recalled because of faulty ignition switches. The latest models with the problem include the Chevrolet Malibu from 1997 to 2005, the Pontiac Grand Prix from 2004 to 2008 and the 2003-2014 Cadillac CTS
Here's Ken Zurksi with traffic.

Date: July 3, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: If you're taking to the road this holiday weekend, you should find fewer delays from highway construction. The Illinois Department of Transportation is suspending non-emergency roadwork where possible starting this afternoon through Sunday evening.

Date: July 7, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Governor Pat Quinn has approved several laws aimed at increasing boater safety. Quinn signed the three measures Saturday that require safety courses, set down rules for towing people on water tubes, and impose stricter DUI penalties. The new boating rules go into effect in 2016.

Date: July 23, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Chrysler is recalling up to 792,000 older Jeep SUVs worldwide because the ignition switches could cause engine stalling. The recall covers 2005-2007 Grand Cherokees and 2006-2007 Commanders.

Date: July 30, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: An option for bus riders on Peoria's north side. CityLink is considering six sites for a transfer zone on the upper end of the city -- effectively creating a secondary hub for the service. Officials are looking at locations along north University, west Forrest Hill, War Drive, and North Sterling.

Date: August 1, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Ignition switch problems that have plagued General Motors and Chrysler have now turned up in Harley-Davidson motorcycles. Harley-Davidson is recalling more than 3,300 FXDL Dyna Low Rider bikes because engine vibration can turn the switches from "run" to "accessory."

Date: August 8, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: For a third time, General Motors is recalling five makes of SUVs. GM says a power window switch problem could result in a fire, and it's telling some SUV owners to park their vehicles outside until they're fixed.

Date: August 20, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Allegiant Air has announced non-stop service to Orlando, Florida beginning November 14th. Allegiant also flies out of Peoria to St. Petersburg, Punta Gorda, Mesa, Arizona and Las Vegas.

Date: August 22, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A new road project is in the works in Woodford County.. the 2.9 million dollar effort announced by Gov. Pat Quinn will resurface and upgrade County Highway 1 between Washburn and Low Point. The project is part of Quinn's 31-billion dollar Illinois Jobs Now program.

Date: September 12, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: August was another record-breaking month for Peoria's airport. 56-thousand people traveled through the PIA terminal last month .. a seven percent increase from the year before. There's a plan to build a second terminal to handle more flights.

Date: September 26, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A fire in Aurora results in flights to and from Peoria being delayed. The fire forced the evacuation of the air traffic control center that takes over flights that get 50 miles out of Peoria. If you're affected, call your airline.

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Date: July 21, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Illinois Governor Pat Quinn has signed legislation that will allow minors with epilepsy to use medical marijuana. It allows children with seizures to consume oil from the marijuana plant with a parent's consent.

Date: July 23, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: More teens in the US are experimenting with human growth hormones. The Partnership for Drug Free Kids found HGH use by America's teens more than doubled in the past year. The survey says 11 percent of students reported using synthetic HGH at least once.

Date: July 31, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The governor says this will improve safety at schools in the state. Under a new law signed yesterday, trained personnel will be able to administer so-called Epi-Pens if a person is having a strong allergic or anaphylactic reaction. Previously, only school nurses could do so.

Date: August 13, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Armed police officers will patrol Peoria District 150's three high schools and Woodruff Career and Technical Center. The City Council signed off on the agreement last night a day after the school board approved it.

Date: August 19, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Kids are expensive. According to the newest report from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, it now costs an average of \$245,000 to raise a child, not including college. That includes housing, food, transportation, clothing, health care, education, childcare, and random things like haircuts and presents.

Date: August 21, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: High school coaches and athletic directors now must take a concussion training course under a law signed by the governor. It requires the Illinois High School Association to develop an on line certification program designed to reduce and prevent concussions among athletes.

Date: August 29, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A good news, bad news situation among Tazewell County teens. The 2014 Illinois Youth Survey shows fewer teens are driving drunk, but, the survey also shows a significant rise in the number of teens driving high.

Date: September 7, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Hundreds of kids in 10 states are visiting emergency rooms and clinics with an outbreak of an uncommon virus. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says health officials in those states have asked for help in deciding whether something unusual and dangerous is going on.

Date: September 23, 2014

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: More and more children in the state and across the nation are being considered homeless. Illinois saw a record number of homeless students during the 2012-2013 school year, according to the state Department of Education.