

WPBG Quarterly Issues Report
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Viewpoints Programs 13-01 through 13-13
Aired Sundays at 6AM – 30 minutes

Program # 13-01

Air week: 1/6/13

1:49 SEGMENT #1 - Companion Animals: Dogs and monkeys to the rescue! 11:17

SYNOPSIS: We all know how Seeing Eye dogs help the blind, but dogs help the disabled in other ways...and so do other animals. We talk to two women who have experience with unusual service animals and hear about how these companions help when illness strikes and provide their owners with friendship and the independence they wouldn't have had without them.

Host: Christopher Michael. Guests: Catherine Peters, owner and trainer of service dogs, and obedience judge for the American Kennel Club; Ellen Rogers, author of "Kasey to the Rescue: A remarkable story of a monkey and a miracle," (www.kaseytotherescue.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: disability issues; home healthcare; family issues, pets

13:51 SEGMENT #2- Verbs! How action words can help your writing and speech 11:39

SYNOPSIS: What makes writing sing? How is it that some books and speeches make you fall asleep, while others put you on the edge of your seat? We talk to a writer and teacher about the use of "verbs" in their various forms, and how they can spice up writing, create a mood and resonate with readers long after they close the book .

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Constance Hale, journalist, essayist, author of the book, "Vex, Hex, Smash, Smooch: Let verbs power your writing," (www.sinandsyntax.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: arts & literature; education; communication

Program # 13-02

Air week: 1/13/13

1:49 SEGMENT #1 - Dress for Success: More important now than ever 11:55

SYNOPSIS: With unemployment high, more people are vying for fewer jobs. It's important to get an edge on the competition, and one way that's possible is with your appearance. We talk to two authors who explain why it's important to "dress for success," and how men and women can accomplish that goal whether it's in a job interview, an important meeting or a "business casual" event.

Host: Christopher Michael. Guests: Glen R. Sondag, financial services professional, fashion aficionado, author of "Anything Other Than Naked," (www.anythingotherthannaked.com); Meryl Weinsaft Cooper, public relations professional, co-author of "Be Your Own Best Publicist," (<http://beyourownbestpublicist.com>).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: employment; business; communication; commerce; psychology

14:50 SEGMENT #2- Co-Housing: Building caring communities 10:36

SYNOPSIS: A small, niche market is building for an alternative type of neighborhood: co-housing. We talk to the man who helped bring the concept to the U.S. from Europe, and find out how it works, who is best served by the plan, how it encourages sustainable living options, and hear about the different types of residences there are around the country.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Charles Durrett, architect and co-author of "Creating Co-housing: Building Sustainable Communities," (www.cohousingco.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: housing; public assistance; education; conservation; family issues.

Program # 13-03
Air week: 1/20/13

1:41 SEGMENT #1 – Grieving: What it is; how we can help those in grief 12:05

SYNOPSIS: We all know people who have lost a loved one, or perhaps a job, or spouse in divorce, and we want to comfort them, but we don't know what to say. We talk to two grief experts about just what grief is, and how it affects the grief-stricken person, their family and friends. We'll also hear some advice on what to do and *not* do when comforting a grieving person.

Host: Christopher Michael. Guests: . Guests: Dr. Mary Lamia, clinical psychologist and psychoanalyst in private practice in Marin County, CA, author of the books, "Understanding Myself," and "Emotions!" (www.marylamia.com); Russell Friedman, Exec. Dir. of the Grief Recovery Institute, co-author of the book, "Moving Beyond Loss: Real answers to real questions from real people," (www.griefrecoverymethod.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: mental health, children and family issues, culture, crime

14:49 SEGMENT #2- Heads in Beds: Behind the scenes in the hotel business 10:34

SYNOPSIS: Have you ever wondered what goes on behind the desk at the major hotels in the U.S.? How come some guests always get the best rooms and service, and you end up in a room overlooking the alley? Why is it that you have to pay for your mini-bar peanuts and some guests never pay? We talk to a hospitality industry insider about his experiences in two large hotels; how hotels figure out who to put where; how the mini-bar and movies work; and how to get the best service from the staff that counts.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Jacob Tomsky, veteran of the hospitality business in hotels in New Orleans and New York City, author of the book, "Heads in Beds: A reckless memoir of hotels, hustles and so-called hospitality," (www.jacobtomsy.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: business, transportation, consumerism, labor & employment

Program # 13-04
Air week: 1/27/13

1:41 SEGMENT #1 – Back to School: Improving The Community College Experience 10:20

SYNOPSIS: Millions of Americans attend community colleges, and these institutions have changed over the years to accommodate their diverse needs. We talk to two education experts about how these schools have evolved through the years; what their mission is now, and how the educational experience can be improved for both the students and their teachers.

Host: Christopher Michael. Guests: Mike Rose, Prof. at the UCLA Graduate School of Education and Information Studies, author of "Back to School: Why everyone deserves a second chance at an education," (www.mikeroosebooks.com); Dr. Joseph Hankin, Pres. Westchester Community College, SUNY, Valhalla, NY, (www.sunywcc.edu).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: higher education, remedial education, economy, military, employment

13:08 SEGMENT #2- Back to School: Alternatives to a college degree 12:18

SYNOPSIS: Some young students and some older Americans are looking forward to graduating from high school so they can get right into the workforce. These workers would rather have a more hands-on learning experience than 2- or 4-year colleges usually provide. We talk to two men about the alternatives to a college degree: one who says the skilled trades are a great place to start a lifelong, good-paying and rewarding career; the other who took an entrepreneurial approach to his life's work.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Henry A. Kelly, Project Exec. Georgia Power Company, Atlanta, GA (www.gobuildgeorgia.com); David DiEugenio, owner, Cartridge World USA, Gainesville, FL (www.cartridgeworldusa.com/store849)

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: education, entrepreneurs, labor, business, construction, technology

Program # 13-05
Air week: 2/3/2013

1:50 SEGMENT #1 – Mass Killers: What makes them do what they do? 12:04

SYNOPSIS: The United States has had a number of mass killings during the past few years and the same questions come up each time: Why do people do such things? What's their motivation? We talk to a nationally renowned forensic psychiatrist about why people commit mass murder, what they have in common and how we might identify and help these individuals before they become dangerous.

Host: Christopher Michael. Guests: Dr. Park Dietz, forensic psychiatrist, founder of the Threat Assessment Group, Newport Beach, CA (www.taginc.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: crime, gun issue, mental health, law enforcement, public safety

14:57 SEGMENT #2- Resolutions: How to keep them going *after* the New Year 10:28

SYNOPSIS: It's the first week of February and your New Year's resolution is beginning to falter. Why can't you stay on track with your diet, exercise or stop smoking program? We talk to two resolution specialists about why we make resolutions, how we can make them better and what we can do to keep focused on our goals long after the New Year.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dr. Duane Jackson, Prof. of Psychology and Chairperson of the Psychology Dept., Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA (www.morehouse.edu); Jeremy Dean, host of the popular psychology website, Psyblog, author of the book, "Making Habits, Breaking Habits: Why we do things, why we don't and how to make any change stick," (www.spring.org.uk).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: diet & exercise; health, relationships, culture

Program # 13-06
Air week: 2/10/13

1:50 SEGMENT #1 – Cyber Attacks: Who's mounting them and why 10:34

SYNOPSIS: Cyber attacks on government and business are on the rise, and hackers from around the world are stealing valuable information for international espionage, to sell or to embarrass countries and industries. We talk to two computer specialists about who is mounting these attacks, how much damage it could do to our country and what's being done to stop it.

Host: Christopher Michael. Guests: John Stuart, a high-tech entrepreneur, co-author with Caitlin Stuart of the cyber suspense novel, "Hiding in Sunshine," (www.hidinginsunshine.com); Jon Iadonisi, US Naval Acad. graduate, former Navy Seal, computer scientist with a degree in homeland security, and CEO of White Canvas Group, (www.whitecanvasgroup.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: homeland security, technology, terrorism, infrastructure, business, cybercrime

13:28 SEGMENT #2- The Myth of the Perfect Girl 11:59

SYNOPSIS: Girls these days are expected to do so many things: get good grades, excel in athletics, volunteer, be popular and make it into a good college and complete a degree program. This can put a lot of stress on anyone, but our guest says that teenage girls are especially susceptible to pressure and the idea that they have to be "perfect" in everything they do. We discuss how girls can be successful in school and life without over-taxing themselves physically and emotionally.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Ana Homayoun, nationally-recognized educator, speaker and consultant, founder of Green Ivy Educational Consulting, author of "The Myth of the Perfect Girl," (www.anahomayoun.com)

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: women's issues, education, mental health, technology, family issues

Program # 13-07
Air week: 2/17/13

1:51 SEGMENT #1 – Distracted Driving 9:55

SYNOPSIS: There are thousands of deaths each year due to distracted driving. Anytime a driver takes his or her eyes off the road, hands off the wheel or mind of what they're increasing their chances of a crash. We talk to a driving instructor who is also a father and author about how we become distracted in the car; what we can do to teach kids about the dangers of cell phone use and texting; and how we can make them better, more attentive drivers.

Host: Christopher Michael. **Guests:** Bob Ragazzo, author of "Seven Things Every Parent Must Teach their Young Driver BEFORE Handing Over the Keys," and the Save Your Teen Driver Online Program, (www.saveyourteendrivers.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: children & family, transportation, education, communication, technology

12:51 SEGMENT #2- Saving Money: Advice for young and old 12:37

SYNOPSIS: Personal finances are still tight, and people in all walks of life are looking for ways to get more for their money. We talk to two financial experts about how young people can deal with credit card debt, mortgages, and student loans; and how older people can make the most of their retirement funds by learning a few lessons about investing and the stock market.

Host: Marty Peterson. **Guests:** Jordan Goodman, frequent business contributor to CNBC, Fox, 'The View' and other television and radio shows, author of "Master Your Debt," (www.moneyanswers.com); John H. Graves, Independent Financial Advisor and Managing Partner, the Renaissance Group, LLC, author of "The 7% Solution: You can afford a comfortable retirement," (www.theretirementjournal.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: personal finance; retirement, housing, banking

Program # 13-08
Air week: 2/24/13

1:50 SEGMENT #1 – Lincoln: The man and the movie 12:59

SYNOPSIS: The film "Lincoln" has been out for a few months now and by just about everyone's measure it's a blockbuster. The movie just touches on the events surrounding the 13th Amendment to the Constitution that abolished slavery, without going into great detail about the events that led up to the activities in the film. We talk to a historian and author about the film, the men and events that led to the passage of the amendment and how the actors and craftspeople brought the people and the era to life.

Host: Christopher Michael. **Guests:** David Rubel, historian, author of "A Steven Spielberg Film – Lincoln, a Cinematic and Historical Companion," published by Disney Press, (www.davidrubel.net).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: the Presidency, the arts, slavery, African-American issues, war, government

15:53 SEGMENT #2- How to Survive the Big Break-up 9:34

SYNOPSIS: Millions of men and women didn't celebrate Valentine's Day – not because they're killjoys but because their sweetheart dumped them. A romantic break-up can be hard to take, and it can monopolize your thoughts, keep you from working, sleeping and getting on with your life. We talk to two break-up experts about some strategies for coming back from a romantic disaster stronger and wiser for the experience.

Host: Marty Peterson. **Guests:** Dr. Debora Phillips, behavior therapist in private practice in San Francisco, teacher at three medical schools, author of the newly revised edition of "How to Fall Out of Love," (www.drdphillips.com) Dr. Phillips invites listeners to email her with questions about break-ups at deborap@earthlink.net; Christine Arylo, teacher, speaker and author of the book, "Madly in Love with Me: The daring adventure of becoming your own best friend," (www.madlyinlovewithme.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: mental health, marriage and relationships, employment issues

Program # 13-09
Air week: 3/3/13

1:46 SEGMENT #1 - Are Kids Growing Up Too Fast or Too Slow? 12:42

SYNOPSIS: Are kids today growing up too fast? Or do parents hover around them, "infantilizing" their kids by making decisions for them? We talk to three psychologists who specialize in young people about maturity, and hear some ideas on how moms and dads can help their children grow up to be happy kids and independent adults.

Host: Christopher Michael. **Guests:** Dr. Beth Halbert, clinical child-family psychologist, (www.drbeth.com); Dr. Edward Christophersen, clinical psychologist, Children's Mercy Hospital, Kansas City, MO (www.cmh.edu); Dr. Robert Epstein, research psychologist, author of "Teen 2.0: Saving our families from the torment of adolescence," (www.drrobertepstein.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: children & family issues; employment; media & pop culture; technology

15:28 SEGMENT #2- Caregivers: Navigating the healthcare system 10:02

SYNOPSIS: When a loved-one becomes ill, their caretakers can suffer just as much as the patient. Navigating hospital rules and regs; trying to discuss the case with doctors – if you can find them – and dealing with nurses who seem more like wardens, can wear a caregiver out and change them into resentful relatives rather than loving spouses or children. We talk to an author who has been there about how she combined common sense, perseverance and humor to take care of her chronically ill husband in and out of the hospital.

Host: Marty Peterson. **Guests:** Jane Heller, humorist, novelist and author of the non-fiction book, "You'd Better Not Die or I'll Kill You: A caregiver's survival guide to keeping you in good health and good spirits," (www.janeheller.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: senior citizens; health care; family issues, legal issues; mental health.

Program # 13-10
Air week: 3/10/13

1:47 SEGMENT #1 – The Master of Disguise: The man behind the story of "Argo" 12:48

SYNOPSIS: When the movie "Argo" won the Oscar for "Best Picture" last month, Producer/Director/Actor Ben Affleck thanked a former CIA operative for sharing the story of the amazing caper with him. Eleven years ago, we talked to that operative and his wife who was also a spy, about what it was like to work undercover, how Hollywood contributes to spycraft and how the couple used simple and complex methods of deception to fool the enemy.

Host: Christopher Michael. **Guests:** Antonio and Jonna Mendez, former CIA agents, both served in the Office of Technical Services and both were Chief of Disguise. Antonio and Jonna are authors of the book, "Spy Dust," and Antonio is the author of "The Master of Disguise: My secret life in the CIA," (www.themasterofdisguise.com) (www.spymuseum.org).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: war & espionage; national security; films & media; crime

15:35 SEGMENT #2- Photographing the Beatles:A friend and photographer looks back 9:55

SYNOPSIS: If you're a baby boomer then you know all about the excitement and frenzy that occurred when the Beatles first arrived on the scene and traveled to America. We talk to a photographer who not only took many memorable pictures of the Fab Four, but who also became their good friend. We discuss what the musicians were like, how he gained their trust, what it was like to photograph the Beatles and other luminaries of the time, and how the profession of news photographer has changed in the last 50 years.

Host: Marty Peterson. **Guests:** Henry Grossman, professional photographer of the Beatles and others, author of the photographic book, "Places I Remember: My time with the Beatles," (www.curbender.com), (www.henrygrossman.com).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: visual arts & music; popular culture; media & journalism

Program # 13-11
Air week: 3/17/13

1:47 SEGMENT #1 – Seeing vs. Observing: Enriching life by being more observant 10:29

SYNOPSIS: How often do you walk around your neighborhood without noticing what really makes it interesting? Do you know what kinds of trees, wildlife, signage and minerals inhabit your little corner of the world? No? That's probably because you see your habitat, but you don't *observe* much about it. We talk to two psychologists about the difference between seeing and observing, find out how your neighborhood can become a whole new world if you walk with people with different perspectives, and discuss how anyone can learn to become more observant of their surroundings with company or alone.

Host: Christopher Michael. **Guests:** Dr. Alexandra Horowitz, psychologist, animal behavior and canine cognition specialist who teaches at Barnard College, and is the author of the book, "On Looking: Eleven walks with expert eyes," (www.on-looking.com); Dr. Duane Jackson, Chairperson of and professor in the Dept. of Psychology, Morehouse College, Atlanta, GA (www.morehouse.edu)

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: urban issues, the arts, science, architecture, ecology

13:19 SEGMENT #2- The Inventor and the Tycoon: The birth of motion pictures 12:09

SYNOPSIS: Watching the Best Picture clips during the Oscars® last month reminds us how technologically sophisticated movies are these days with special effects, gorgeous cinematography and amazing sound. It really wasn't that long ago when just seeing a few pictures move for a very few seconds was as exciting as 3-D movies are to us today. But who made the pictures first come to life? Was it Thomas Edison? Or someone else? We talk to an author about how two very different men – one a millionaire, the other an artist and a murderer – joined forces to make pictures move.

Host: Marty Peterson. **Guests:** Edward Ball, author of "The Inventor and the Tycoon: A gilded age murder and the birth of moving pictures," (www.facebook.com/EdwardBallAuthor).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: crime, law, government, transportation, the arts, technology, education, philanthropy

Program # 13-12
Air week: 3/24/13

1:47 SEGMENT #1 – 1968: The year that changed baseball forever 11:41

SYNOPSIS: Baseball is quite a different game today than it was 45 years ago, when players made middle-class wages, lived in the neighborhoods in which they played and were, for the most part, wholly-owned employees of their team owners. What a difference a season makes! We talk to an author about the events of the 1968 baseball season and how they changed the players, the business of baseball and the country forever.

Host: Christopher Michael. **Guests:** Tim Wendel, Writer in Residence, Johns Hopkins Univ., author of "Summer of '68: The season that changed baseball and America forever," (www.timwendel.com)

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: race, politics, recreation, business, media, labor issues

14:30 SEGMENT #2 – New Ideas on Race and Diversity 10:55

SYNOPSIS: Can race be taught as a school subject, like chemistry and foreign language? Are we doing those different from us a disservice by trying to "walk a mile in their shoes" as a way of understanding them? Are news stories giving the public a skewed view of what different factions in society and the world think of each other? Are racial tensions brought about just because of skin color? Or are there other factors in play? We talk to two researchers about the answers to these questions and take a slightly different look at race, ethnicity, religion and how they affect our perceptions of the world.

Host: Marty Peterson. **Guests:** Lawrence Blum, Prof. of Philosophy, Dist. Prof. of Liberal Arts & Education, Univ. of Massachusetts, Boston, author of "High Schools, Race and America's Future: What can students teach us about morality, diversity, and community," (www.umb.edu); Todd Pittinsky, Assoc. Prof. in the Dept of Technology and Society, SUNY-Stony Brook, lecturer at Harvard Univ., author of "Us + Them: Tapping the positive power of difference," (www.stonybrook.edu).

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: race, religion, ethnic concerns, education, media

Program # 13-13
Air week: 3/31/13

SEGMENT #1 – Making Tough Decisions: Inside the Supreme Court

SYNOPSIS: The U.S. Supreme Court will decide a number of high-profile cases this term, including ones on same-sex marriage, voting rights and election funding. The deliberations of the justices on these and other cases is done behind closed doors, so the public has little to no idea how they make their decisions. To get an idea of how the system works, we talk to two Supreme Court specialists about how the process works, and look at how decisions were crafted in past cases.

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Program # 13-01

Air Week: 1-6-13

2:06 **SEGMENT 1:** Music education and the brain 13:07

Synopsis: Many schools are slashing music education as "a costly frill" so students can concentrate on the 3 R's. But new research shows that music education changes the brain. Students who learn a musical instrument are much better learners in all subjects. Experts explain.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Chris Woodside, Assistant Executive Director for Advocacy and Public Affairs, National Association of Music Education; Dr. Nine Krauss, Director, Auditory Neuroscience Laboratory, Northwestern Univ.; Dr. Aniruddh Patel, Assoc. Prof. of Psychology, Tufts Univ.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: the arts; education; youth at risk; school funding

16:16 **SEGMENT 2:** Making cheerleading safer 7:49

Synopsis: Cheerleading, with its pyramids and throws, is the most dangerous school activity that a high school girl can pursue. An expert and study co-author explains changes advocated by the nation's pediatricians that would reduce catastrophic injuries.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. Jeff Mjaanes, Asst. Prof. of Orthopedic Surgery and Pediatrics and Director, Chicago Sports Concussion Clinic, Rush Univ. Medical Center

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: youth at risk; sports and recreation; education

Program # 13-02

Air Week: 1-13-13

2:04 **SEGMENT 1:** Compounding pharmacy safety 14:22

Synopsis: Drug contamination from a compounding pharmacy led to dozens of deaths and hundreds of illnesses this fall, calling into question the lack of regulation that could allow such an incident to happen. Experts discuss how compounding is regulated in pharmacies, loopholes that allow drug manufacture in the guise of compounding, and how consumers can protect themselves.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Joe Graedon, pharmacologist, and Dr. Teresa Graedon, medical anthropologist, co-founders and co-directors, The People's Pharmacy and co-authors, Top Screwups Doctors Make and How to Avoid Them; David Ball, spokesman, international Academy of Compounding Pharmacists; Dr. Sarah Sellers, former FDA regulator and President, Q-Vigilance drug safety consultants

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: consumer protection and consumer safety; federal government regulation; state government regulation; business and industry; health care

17:31 **SEGMENT 2:** Premonitions: evidence of reality 6:42

Synopsis: Research is showing that premonitions may be real, and explainable through quantum physics. A noted expert discusses the research and how premonitions could be exploited to people's benefit.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. Larry Dossey, author, The Power of Premonitions: How Knowing the Future Can Shape Our Lives.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: public health

Program # 13-03

Air Week: 1-20-13

2:04 **SEGMENT 1:** Flu and flu vaccines 13:25

Synopsis: This flu season is shaping up to longer and worse than usual. Experts discuss influenza and impediments to the development of a "universal" flu vaccine that would protect against all forms of flu for years at a time.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health; Dr. William Schaffner, chair, Department of Preventive Medicine, Vanderbilt Univ. Medical Center.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; public health; science and technology; prevention; consumerism

16:34 **SEGMENT 2:** Inside your eye exam 7:02

Synopsis: Eye exams are looking for a lot more than just eye diseases or how well you see. The eye is the window to the rest of our body's health, and many diseases can be spotted there first. An ophthalmologist explains.

Host: Lynn Holley. Guest: Dr. Christopher Starr, Asst. Prof. of Ophthalmology, Weill-Cornell Medical Center, New York.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: public health; health care; prevention; consumerism

Program # 13-04

Air Week: 1-27-13

2:06 **SEGMENT 1:** Reducing hospital readmissions 13:26

Synopsis: All too often, people who've been released from the hospital quickly get sick again and need to be readmitted, resulting in wasteful spending. Medicare now financially penalizes hospitals whose readmission rates are above average, so hospitals are embarking on measures to check up on released patients and keep them well. Experts discuss.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Joel Wright, Vice President, Health System Operations, Walgreen Co.; Dr. Amy Boutwell, President, Collaborative Healthcare Strategies and practicing physician, Newton-Wellesley and Massachusetts General Hospitals.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; federal government; Medicare; public health; consumerism and consumer safety; economics

16:35 **SEGMENT 2:** Reality TV: The new freak show? 7:31

Synopsis: Societies have attempted to stamp out carnival freak shows, but they always return. Many experts believe reality TV shows are this generation's incarnation of this phenomenon. Experts discuss the purposes they may serve society, efforts to legitimize such shows and the seemingly irresistible pull they have on many of us.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guests: Robert Bogdan, Distinguished Prof. Emeritus of Sociology and Special Education, Syracuse Univ.; Andy Denhart, Asst. Prof. of Journalism, Stetson Univ., and editor, RealityBlurred.com; Nadia Durbach, Assoc. Prof. of History, Univ. of Utah and author, Spectacle of Deformity: Freak Shows and Modern British Culture; Mark Andrejevic, Assoc. Prof. of Communication Studies, Univ. of Iowa.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: media and society; disabilities

Program # 13-05
Air Week: 2-3-13

1:56 **SEGMENT 1:** What makes a happy relationship and marriage? 12:41

Synopsis: Once the domain of pop psychologists, science has now tackled romantic relationships to show the secrets of success. Experts discuss what research shows couples need to know to maintain their relationship.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Alisa Bowman, author, Project: Happily Ever After and editor, ProjectHappilyEverAfter.com; Dr. Howard Markman, Prof. of Psychology, Univ. of Denver and author, Fighting for Your Marriage; Dr. Gary Lewandowski, Prof. of Psychology, Monmouth Univ.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: interpersonal relationships; family issues

15:41 **SEGMENT 2:** Superstitions 7:53

Synopsis: Research shows that about half of Americans are superstitious. Studies also show that superstitious rituals may improve performance by boosting confidence. Experts discuss the psychology of superstitions.

Host: Lynn Holley. Guests: Dr. Stuart Vyse, Prof. of Psychology, Connecticut College and author, Believing in Magic: the Psychology of Superstition; Dr. Alex Lickerman, author, The Undefeated Mind.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: pop culture; consumerism; sports and recreation

Program # 13-06
Air Week: 2-10-13

1:56 **SEGMENT 1:** Normal pressure hydrocephalus 11:49

Synopsis: As many as five percent of people diagnosed with Parkinson's or Alzheimer's diseases may in reality have a treatable disorder caused by "water on the brain." An expert and patient discuss.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: J.D. and Donna Cain, normal pressure hydrocephalus patient and his wife/caregiver; Dr. Marvin Bergsneider, Prof. of Neurosurgery and chief, Adult Hydrocephalus and ICP Disorders Program, UCLA

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; elderly and senior citizens

14:50 **SEGMENT 2:** How personality affects longevity 8:40

Synopsis: A unique 90-year study has uncovered how personality is one of the most important factors determining lifespan. One of the researchers involved in the study explains their groundbreaking findings.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. Leslie Martin, Prof. of Psychology, La Sierra Univ. and co-author, The Longevity Project.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: public health; pop psychology

Program # 13-07
Air Week: 2-17-13

2:05 **SEGMENT 1:** Preventing surgical "never events" 14:44

Synopsis: A new study finds that about 80 times per week in the US, errors occur in surgery that experts agree should never happen: operating on the wrong body part or the wrong person, or leaving an instrument or sponge behind in the patient. Experts discuss how these egregious mistakes happen and new efforts to prevent them.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Marty Makary, Assoc. Prof. of Health Policy, Johns Hopkins Univ. and author, Unaccountable: What Hospitals Don't Tell You and How Transparency Can Revolutionize Healthcare; Dr. Verna Gibbs, Prof. of Surgery, Univ. of California-San Francisco, staff surgeon, San Francisco VA Medical Center and Director, No Thing Left Behind; Coleen Smith, High Reliability Initiatives Director, Center for Transforming Healthcare, The Joint Commission

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: health care; public health; consumerism and consumer safety

17:50 **SEGMENT 2:** Eavesdropping 6:02

Synopsis: Most people consider eavesdropping to be rude, but one expert explains that the behavior has been vital to survival. Our psychological need to eavesdrop is so pronounced that today we outsource the practice.

Host: Lynn Holley. Guest: Dr. John Locke, Prof. of Linguistics, City University of New York and author, Eavesdropping: An Intimate History

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: interpersonal relations; public safety; entertainment; technology and society.

Program # 13-08
Air Week: 2-24-13

2:05 **SEGMENT 1:** Postpartum depression in men 11:56

Synopsis: Doctors are on the lookout for postpartum depression in new mothers. However, around 10 percent of new fathers may also experience depression in the first six months after their child's birth. Experts discuss differences in symptoms, warning signs, and preventive strategies.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Shoshanna Bennett, clinical psychologist, author, Postpartum Depression for Dummies and founder, DrShosh.com; Dr. Paul Ramchandani, Dept. of child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Imperial College, London; Dr. Will Courtenay, founding editor, International Journal of Men's Health, founder, MensDoc.com and PostPartumMen.com.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: women's issues; men's issues; children at risk; mental health

15:03 **SEGMENT 2:** Learning from traditional societies 8:48

Synopsis: An expert discusses his study of traditional native societies, which shows how human genetics have not adapted to change.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Jared Diamond, author, The World Until Yesterday: What Can We Learn from Traditional Societies?

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: evolution; population growth; youth at risk; public health

Program # 13-09
Air Week: 3-3-13

2:05 **SEGMENT 1:** Immune cell therapy 13:55

Synopsis: Researchers have succeeded in treating a small number of leukemia patients using their own immune systems. The patient's T-cells are altered to recognize and destroy cancer cells while affecting very few healthy cells, similar to the way T-cells kill a virus. It could mark a breakthrough in cancer treatment if further trials are successful.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Rebecca Gardner, University of Washington Seattle Children's Research Institute; Dr. Stephen Grupp, Director, Translational Research, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: technology, research and development; youth at risk; health care; cancer; HIV

17:04 **SEGMENT 2:** Primal fear in the modern world 6:53

Synopsis: Fear keeps many people from doing what they want, even when fear isn't reasonable or justified. A journalist who investigated the brain's fear pathways and roots discusses how this most ancient instinct often doesn't work in the modern world.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Jamail Yogis, author, [The Fear Project](#)

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: evolution; consumerism

Program # 13-10
Air Week: 3-10-13

2:05 **SEGMENT 1:** Workplace bullies and mean girls 12:10

Synopsis: Studies estimate that at some point in their careers, 35 percent of workers will be bullied badly enough to affect their health. Experts discuss the reasons for workplace bullying, the outcomes, and some of the few ways to prevent it.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Dr. Gary Namie, Director, Workplace Bullying Institute; Meredith Fuller, psychologist and author, [Working With Bitches: Identifying Eight Types of Office Mean Girls and How to Deal With Them](#)

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: workplace, employment and unemployment; economics; public health; legal issues; discrimination

15:17 **SEGMENT 2:** A new way to deal with tinnitus 8:43

Synopsis: Tinnitus, or ringing in the ears, affects millions of Americans, though many of them do nothing about it. Some who seek treatment cannot be helped with common masking solutions. An audiologist and inventor of a new technology for tinnitus symptoms discusses the issue.

Host: Lynn Holley. Guest: Dr. Jeff Carroll, Director, Clinical Services and Engineering, Soundcure Inc.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: public health; consumerism; disabilities

Program # 13-11
Air Week: 3-17-13

2:05 **SEGMENT 1:** Teen dating abuse 13:34

Synopsis: New studies show dating abuse among teenagers may be twice as prevalent as previously thought, and that it has bad effects on behavior years later. Experts discuss this new research, why such behavior may be so common, and resources for teens who may find themselves in abusive relationships.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Katie Ray-Jones, President, National Dating Abuse Helpline; Dr. Amy Bonomi, Assoc. Prof. of Human Development and Family Science, The Ohio State Univ. and author of new study; Deineria Exner-Cortens, doctoral candidate in human development, Cornell Univ. and author of new study

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: youth at risk; education and schools; interpersonal relationships; violence and abuse; technology

16:40 **SEGMENT 2:** Treating depression with Botox 7:20

Synopsis: A few studies have shown that treatment of frown muscles can effectively treat many cases of depression. The developer of the technique discusses how brain-muscular "feedback loops" affect mood.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. Eric Finzi, Dermatologic Surgeon and author, The Face of Emotion: How Botox Affects Mood and Relationships

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: consumerism; public health

Program # 13-12
Air Week: 3-24-13

2:03 **SEGMENT 1:** Undetected hearing loss 12:52

Synopsis: A man who went mostly deaf at age six but did not realize it explains his survival skills honed over 25 years. He and several experts discuss implications of hearing loss, use of cochlear implants, and teaching sign language to children.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Gerald Shea, author, Song Without Words: Discovering My Deafness Halfway Through Life; Dr. Bob Peters, President, Dallas Ear Institute and Dallas Hearing Foundation; Dr. Karen Emmorey, Prof. of Speech, Language and Hearing Science, San Diego State Univ.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: youth at risk; education; disabilities

15:58 **SEGMENT 2:** The birth of criminal forensics 7:55

Synopsis: Science is a routine part of today's criminal investigations (and TV shows about them). An expert discusses how the forensics revolution came about as a result of one man and a now-forgotten French serial murder case.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Douglas Starr, Prof. and Co-Director, Center for Science and Medical Journalism, Boston Univ. and author, The Killer of Little Shepherds.

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: crime; technology; police, courts and criminal justice system.

Program # 13-13
Air Week: 3-31-13

2:04 SEGMENT 1: Failing bridges

Synopsis: America's infrastructure is falling apart. Hundreds of bridges have failed the last 20 years, and thousands more are structurally deficient. Experts fear that the Minnesota bridge collapse in 2013, killing 13 and injuring 145, may be only the first of many tragedies or, at the very least, severe economic loss if state and federal governments fail to address the issue.

Host: Reed Pence. Guests: Barry LePatner, founder and senior partner, LePatner & Assoc. construction law firm, New York, and author, Too Big to Fall: America's Failing Infrastructure and the Way Forward; David Goldberg, Communications Director, Transportation for America

COMPLIANCY ISSUES COVERED: infrastructure; roads and bridges; state and federal government; public safety; taxes

Synopsis: Doctors now accept that mental illness is often the result of chemical imbalance in the brain. A researcher discusses the genetic inability of some people's bodies to process some nutrients, leading to imbalances, and the nutritional therapy that might correct them.

Host: Nancy Benson. Guest: Dr. William Walsh, President, Walsh Research Institute, and author, Nutrient Power.

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

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APATHY & COMMUNICATIONS

Date: January 4, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A new Illinois law requires licensed day care centers to test for radon, which is a radioactive gas. The state Emergency Management Agency says it's highlighting the new law because January is Radon Action Month. Experts say radon is the second-leading cause of lung cancer.

Date: January 10, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Work is shut down at Peoria's ADM plant after an explosion and several fires on Wednesday. A company spokesperson says the initial explosion and fire occurred in the maintenance area but the cause remains unclear.

Date: January 14, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Need some legal advice. Get some for free this weekend. Attorneys with the Chicago Bar Association are planning to host a free legal advice hotline. Officials say callers may explain their situations to a lawyer who will then suggest self-help strategies. It'll run 3 hours on Saturday.

Date: January 14, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The OSF Saint Francis Foundation says its Angel Ball this past weekend was a huge success .. raising more than 3-point-seven million dollars for the OSF Endowment Fund. Nearly 12 hundred people attended. The event is held every five years.

Date: January 15, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Wal-Mart Stores Incorporated is making a pledge to hire every veteran who wants a job. The company says it projects it will hire more than 100,000 veterans in the next five years. The hiring pledge covers veterans within 12 months of leaving active duty.

Date: February 20, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Hundreds of medical students may not be able to start their residency programs in Illinois this summer because of licensing delays. The delays are the result of layoffs in the state office that processes the residents' license applications.

Date: February 18, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: For the first time, you can get your state tax refund on a debit card. A spokesperson for the Illinois Department of Revenue says having your return direct deposited into your checking or savings account is still the quickest way to get your money but for those who don't have a personal account and have had to wait for a check to cash, this new debit is a great option.

To get a refund on a debit card you need to file state tax return online at tax-dot-illinois-dot-gov.

Date: February 21, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The 32nd annual St. Jude Memphis to Peoria run is looking for runners. Stop by an informational meeting March 4th at the Church of the Brethren next to the St. Jude office on Sheridan Road.

Date: January 22, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice tells a Peoria Martin Luther King Jr. luncheon crowd true modern freedom will come through education. Rice gave the keynote address in front of about 1,600 at Peoria Civic Center over the noon hour Monday.

Date: January 24, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Rhode Island may become the next state to allow gay and lesbians to marry. There's a

house vote today and supporters and opponents of the legislation expect it to pass easily. Both sides say the bill could face a challenge in the Senate.

Date: February 6, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: There'll be no more mail delivery on Saturdays starting in August. The move is supposed to save the Postal Service about \$2 billion a year. The agency does still plan to deliver packages six days a week.

Date: February 12, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: U.S. homeowners are doing a better job at keeping up with their payments. Credit reporting agency TransUnion says the trend is helping bring down the U.S. mortgage delinquency rate to the lowest level in four years.

Date: February 15, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Illinois is a step closer to legalizing same-sex marriage. The Illinois Senate has approved lifting a gay marriage ban and sent the bill to the House. Governor Pat Quinn says the "historic legislation" will let "all committed couples" have the legal protections and benefits of marriage.

Date: March 7, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Ameren says customers who are behind on their utility bills can enroll in a new payment plan through the end of the month. The plan lets customers pay 10 percent of their outstanding balance and then pay monthly installments.

Date: March 7, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Susan G. Komen is a household name in the field of Breast Cancer Research. Every May, the organization puts on the Race for the Cure. Now, she is organizing Promise Run and Relay ... a 13.1 mile race that will include a two-person relay, and will take place October 20th.

Date: March 12, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The District 150 School Board is placing a sales tax referendum on the spring primary ballot next year. If the referendum passes, a one percent sales tax would be enacted on certain items and 150 would get \$9 million dollars a year for building and infrastructure improvements.

Date: March 13, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: If you missed yesterday's deadline to register to vote in the April election .. there's good news. You still can take advantage of grace period voting which goes from today through April 6th. That's when you show up in person at the election commission or the county clerk's office and register to vote and cast your ballot at the same time.

Date: March 19, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Spring is almost here and that means the city's collection of yard waste is about to begin. Starting April 1st, people served by Peoria Disposal Company can get rid of grass, limbs and brush if its in appropriate containers such as garbage cans marked "Yard Waste Only" and tote carts compatible with the lift mechanism on PDC vehicles.

Date: March 21, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The nation's most influential pediatrician's group is endorsing gay marriage. The American Academy of Pediatrics says a stable relationship between parents regardless of sexual orientation contributes to a child's health and well-being.

Date: March 26, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The nation's highest court hears arguments today on California's voter-approved ban on same-sex marriage. It's the Supreme Court's first examination of gay rights in 10 years. People have been waiting in line since Thursday for coveted seats to witness the argument over California's Proposition 8.

Date: March 26, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A well-known cancer researcher has resigned from the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Peoria. Dr. Jasti Rao is leaving the college due to health concerns. Rao, was one of the driving forces behind the Cancer Research Center, which opened in 2011.

BUSINESS

Date: January 23, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Peoria has moved up six spots in a national Best Performing Cities List. The study by Milken Institute ranks Peoria 62nd among U-S communities in 2012. Peoria ranked 68th last year and 87th in 2010. Jobs, wage and technology performance are the main performance guides. Peoria ranked ahead of Madison, Wisconsin, Des Moines and Omaha on the list.

Date: March 6, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Target in East Peoria has opened its doors in the Levee District. Shoppers Tuesday got an early preview of the store. The opening follows recent opening Costco's. Coming soon to the Levee District are Gordman's, Ulta Beauty and Red Robin. The official grand opening for East Peoria's Target is Sunday, March 10th.

Date: March 8, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: June 30th is now the target date for the new Marriott Pere Marquette in downtown Peoria to open. Developer Gary Matthews of EM Properties says he will turn the keys over to Marriott on June 1st. Marriott then needs about 30 days to finish training staff and making it's final preparations for opening.

Date: March 8, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration has charged Komatsu America with safety violations at its Peoria plant in the death of an employee. Stanley Musgrave Jr. died last August after his arm was severed while testing hydraulic equipment. OSHA also proposed an 82-thousand dollar fine against the company.

Date: March 14, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Rolling layoffs at area Caterpillar plants have begun and are expected to continue through May. Randy Smith, who will take over as union president June 1st, says the layoffs started in January

Date: March 22, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Officials with Caterpillar say global sales of its heavy equipment fell 13 percent for

the three-month rolling period that ended in February. Those sales were hurt by a steep drop in Asia Pacific demand. Caterpillar warned in January that its 2013 profit could shrink if the global economy does not pick up in the second half of the year.

CRIME & DRUGS

Date: January 8, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Peoria's becoming a safer place to live, at least according to the numbers. The city's 2012 crime summary shows that overall crime dropped five percent last year. Murders were down 38 percent. Criminal sexual assault increased by 20 percent last year.

Date: January 11, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Some Illinois prison inmates may be getting out of jail early. The Department of Corrections is introducing a new early-release program. Officials say they've started reviewing records of potentially eligible prisoners.

Date: January 17, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: President Barack Obama is calling for background checks on all gun sales and a ban on both military-style assault weapons and high-capacity ammunition magazines. Obama also signed 23 executive actions, including orders to make more federal data available for background checks.

Date: January 17, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A former Dunlap teacher has admitted to videotaping up the skirts of middle school students. 52-year old Gordon Mills pleaded guilty to a charge of unauthorized videotaping and was sentenced to six months in jail and two and a half years probation.

Date: February 5, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Officials with South Side Bank says someone is sending text messages to customers informing them their debit card has been deactivated. The scammer tells them to call a number to reactivate. South Side Bank says it never asks for financial information via text message, email or phone. Contact your bank if you think you've been scammed.

Date: February 19, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Peoria's police chief says progress is being made in the investigation into the shooting death of a woman on the city's far north side. During a news conference on Monday, Chief Steve Settingsgard says police continue to get tips and Crimestoppers calls about the murder of 39-year old Denise Leuthold last week but nobody is in custody.

Date: March 6, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A 15-year old boy has been sentenced to state juvenile prison for firing gunshots into the ceiling at Normal Community High School last September. The boy could stay in the prison until he is 21. The Judge says the boy (whose name was sealed in court records) "terrorized a room full of young people" and rocked the community." Nobody was injured.

Date: March 6, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Peoria Police are investigating a shooting that left a Manual High School student injured. Peoria Police say a 17-year-old male was walking away from Manual with another person around 3:00 Tuesday afternoon, when he was shot in the leg. Call Peoria Police or Crimestoppers if you info.

Date: March 11, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The State Crime Commission says heroin use is an epidemic, and officials says it should be declared a medical emergency. The commission says all first responders and educational facilities should be required to have personnel trained and equipped with a heroin overdose antidote kit, and says the state's new 911 Good Samaritan law should be better publicized and strictly enforced.

EDUCATION

Date: January 23, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: More American high-schoolers are earning their diplomas. The Education Department says the nation's high school graduation rate is the highest it's been since 1976. But the study also says more than 20 percent of students are still taking longer than four years to graduate. And a higher percentage of girls than boys finish high school.

Date: March 6, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Governor Pat Quinn will deliver a proposed state budget calling for \$400 million in cuts to education. His speech today will also call for significant attempts to pay down the state's backlogged bills.

Date: March 26, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Scientists say about 1 in 5 adults in the U.S. lack the math competence expected of a middle-schooler, meaning they have trouble with ordinary tasks and aren't qualified for many of today's jobs. Researchers at the University of Missouri say what children know about numbers as they begin first grade seems to play a big role in how well they do everyday calculations later on.

EMPLOYMENT

Date: January 4, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The latest government employment statistics show that hiring held up during tense fiscal cliff negotiations in Washington. The unemployment rate also remained steady at 7.8 percent last month.

Date: January 11, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Here's some good news for the job market. Ford says it wants to hire 2,200 engineers, computer programmers and other white-collar workers this year as U.S. demand for new vehicles picks up. Honda and Nissan also say they're going to do some hiring.

Date: February 18, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Illinois' growing medical industry and its old-standby, manufacturing, may be the best places to look for a job this year. But experts say some of the positions will require higher levels of education and training and many won't pay what they did a few years ago. According to a survey from the staffing firm ManPower Group, 17 percent of Illinois employers plan to add staff during the first quarter

Date: February 19, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Younger military veterans who've served since the Sept. 11 attacks are having a hard time finding work. The unemployment rate for veterans between 18 and 24 was more than 20 percent last year. It was also in double digits for those 25-34.

Date: March 22, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The state's jobless rate jumped to 9-point-five percent for February as more people look for work. That's up from nine percent in January. Despite the increase .. the state says over 12-thousand jobs were added last month. The national jobless rate for February was 7.7 %.

Date: March 25, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: U.S. government statistics show there's been little progress in getting more people with disabilities into the workforce. Government labor data show 18 percent of the disabled population have jobs. It was 20 percent four years ago.

Date: January 24, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The number of Americans applying for unemployment benefits is at its lowest level in five years. It's evidence that employers are cutting fewer jobs and that they may step up hiring. Weekly claims fell 5,000 last week to a seasonally-adjusted 330,000.

Date: January 25, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: United Airlines is cutting about 600 management and administration jobs and many of them could be in Chicago. The layoffs come as United reports a loss of \$723 million for last year. It's reducing flying this year, which is one reason for the layoffs.

Date: March 8, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The nation's unemployment rate is down to 7.7 percent, after employers added 236,000 jobs in February. Illinois' unemployment rate jumped to 9 percent in January. That's up from 8.7 percent in December.

Date: March 8, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Google says it's cutting 1,200 more jobs in its Motorola division. The latest reductions come on top of the 4,000 Motorola job cuts Google announced last summer. Motorola has been struggling to compete with Apple and Samsung.

Date: March 15, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Unemployment jumped into double figures in January in the Peoria Metro Area. State numbers show the jobless rate at 10 percent .. up 1.7 percent from December.

ENVIORNMENT

Date: January 10, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: CityLink is investing in an environmentally friendly fleet of new buses for the city of Peoria.. CityLink bought the new buses with a grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation. Each ew bus uses biodiesel, has a new mechanism for collecting fares and a selective catalyst reduction system, reducing exhaust fumes to a mix of nitrogen and water.

GOVERNMENT

Date: January 9, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Illinois House has approved legislation allowing illegal immigrants to obtain driver's licenses. House lawmakers approved the bill yesterday, and it now heads to Governor Pat Quinn's desk.

Date: January 10, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The new Illinois General Assembly has been sworn in. State lawmakers have re-elected Michael Madigan as House speaker and are giving John Cullerton another two years as Senate president. Madigan says the pension crisis is the most pressing issue facing lawmakers.

Date: January 16, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Gary Sandberg is back on the ballot for the 1st District Peoria City Council seat. Sandberg was previously thrown off the ballot because of residency issues. A judge's ruling puts him back on. Sandberg faces Denise Moore and Randy Emert in February.

Date: February 7, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Illinois Governor Pat Quinn says no one should work 40 hours a week and live in poverty. In his State of the State address yesterday, Quinn proposed an increase in the minimum wage from \$8.25 to ten bucks an hour. His speech also included talk about solving the state's 96 billion dollar pension problem and a ban on military style assault weapons.

Date: March 12, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Securities and Exchange Commission is charging Illinois with securities fraud. The federal government says Illinois misled investors about the health of its troubled pension system from 2005 to 2009. The state's pension system is \$97 billion in debt.

NUTRITION/HEALTH

Date: January 2, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Scientists say that for the first time, imaging tests show that fructose can trigger brain changes that may lead to overeating. A Yale University endocrinologist says MRIs show that after drinking a sugary beverage using fructose, the brain doesn't register the feeling of being full as it does when simple sugars are consumed.

Date: January 17, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A new government study is calling popular energy drinks "a rising public health problem" that is sending more and more people to the emergency rooms. The study is from a survey of U.S. hospitals by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Date: February 21, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A new government study says on average, roughly 11 percent of adults in the U.S. get their calories from fast food. That number, that covers the years 2007 to 2010, is down 2 percent from the survey that covered 2003 to 2006. Young adults eat more fast food than their elders.

Date: February 19, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Researchers say hip replacements are more likely to fail in women than in men. A study published Monday in JAMA Internal Medicine looked at more than 35,000 surgeries and found that a small number of the hip implants failed overall, but women were 29 percent more likely than men to need a repeat surgery within three years.

Date: March 4, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: There's promising news in the search for better ways to fight pediatric AIDS. Scientists say a baby born with HIV appears to have been cured thanks to faster and stronger treatment than is usual for newborns. The child is now 2 1/2 and has been off HIV drugs for about a year with no signs of infection.

Date: March 5, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A new study finds that U.S. women 75 and younger are dying at higher rates than previous years in nearly half the nation's counties. Many of those women are in rural areas and in the South and West. Some researchers blame higher smoking rates, obesity and less education.

Date: March 26, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The flu season, which is now winding down, killed 105 children so far this year which is about average. The season started about a month earlier than usual, sparking concerns it might turn into the worst in a decade. It ended up being very hard on the elderly, but was moderately severe overall, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Date: March 26, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: U.S. Senator Dick Durbin is asking energy drink companies like Red Bull, Rockstar and Monster to stop marketing their products to children. Durbin sent a letter to the companies yesterday over growing concerns about the drinks' potential health risks.

TRANSPORTATION

Date: January 3, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Subaru is recalling nearly 634,000 cars and SUVs in the U.S. because lights beneath the doors can overheat and cause fires. The recall affects all Outback and Legacy cars from model years 2010 and 2011. Also included are Tribeca SUVs from 2006 through 2012 and Forester SUVs from 2009 through 2012.

Date: January 8, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: There are a few new state laws that may affect drivers. According to IDOT, motorists cannot use a hand held cell phone in any work zone – regardless of whether the speed limit has been reduced in that area. Another law bans commercial truck and bus drivers from using a hand held cell phone at all while driving.

Date: January 14, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Toyota has dethroned General Motors as the world's top-selling automaker. The Japanese company says it sold 9.7 million cars and trucks worldwide last year, although it's still counting. GM says it sold 9.29 million.

Date: January 17, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The U.S. is grounding Boeing's 787 while investigators look into reports of possible battery fires. The Federal Aviation Administration's emergency safety order will require U.S. airlines to temporarily

cease operating Boeing's newest and most technologically advanced plane nicknamed the Dreamliner.

Date: January 18, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The airport in Peoria is celebrating a record 2012. The General Wayne A Downing Peoria International Airport saw a 13 percent increase in passengers last year compared to 2011. New routes include flights to Atlanta and Fort Myers, Florida.

Date: January 18, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Toyota has settled the first in a group of hundreds of pending wrongful death and injury lawsuits involving sudden, unintended acceleration by Toyota vehicles. The case involves a man and woman killed when their Camry slammed into a wall in Utah in 2010.

Date: February 5, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A new study says the nation's traffic jams are costing people big money and lots of wasted time. The report from Texas A&M Transportation Institute says in 2011 Americans wasted an average of \$818 per person sitting in traffic. And nationwide, drivers spent 5.5 billion additional hours in their vehicles because of traffic congestion.

Date: February 15, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: There's a new service being offered on the campus of Bradley University. Zip Car rents cars the hour. Zip Car started in major cities where many people don't own their own car. Now, the company has expanded to college campuses. Unlike other rental cars, even Bradley students under age 25 can rent a car.

Date: March 8, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Flight attendants, pilots, federal air marshals and even insurance companies are part of a growing backlash to the Transportation Security Administration's new policy allowing passengers to carry small knives and sports equipment onto planes. The Flight Attendants Union Coalition says it is coordinating a nationwide legislative and public education campaign to reverse the policy.

Date: March 15, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Police across Illinois will be stepping up efforts to catch drunk drivers over the St. Patrick's Day weekend. Hundreds of officers will be on patrol ... through Sunday. More than 1000 roadside safety checks will be conducted.

YOUTH

Date: January 2, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A Springfield ordinance that bans people under 18 from commercial tanning beds has gone into effect. The State Journal-Register reports that aldermen approve the ban in October. The young people can't tan, even if their parents say it's OK.

Date: January 25, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: The Education Department says students with disabilities must be given a fair shot to play on a traditional sports team or have their own leagues. That message was being delivered to the nation's schools today. The order is reminiscent of the Title IX expansion four decades ago of athletic opportunities for girls and women.

Date: January 25, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Junior high and high school students will be required to receive a booster shot against tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis for next school year. The Illinois State Board of Health recently approved the expanded requirement for the Tdap vaccine.

Date: February 4, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Low-income Illinois students can soon apply for free summer food programs. The Illinois State Board of Education say the application period is March 4th through June 15th. Officials say the programs help fill the nutritional gap between the last day and first day of school.

Date: February 12, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Parents and teachers at Peoria's Von Steuben Middle School are concerned about the safety of their kids at school. The District 150 school board on Monday heard about incidents of bullying, fights and disrespect toward teachers.

Date: February 18, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: Parents say their young children have been getting into deep trouble at school lately because educators are hypersensitive in the wake of the mass shooting in Newtown, Conn., in December. Parents in Pennsylvania, Maryland and Massachusetts say school officials have suspended or threatened to suspend students over minor infractions involving pretend weapons. The parents say administrators are projecting adult fears onto children who pose no threat to anyone.

Date: March 20, 2013

Program: WPBG Newscast

Program Summary/Length: A new government study says 1 in 50 U.S. children has autism. That figure surpasses a previous government study that estimated autism in 1 in every 88 kids. Researchers say the results don't necessarily mean that autism is occurring more often. But it does suggest that doctors are diagnosing autism more frequently, especially in children with problems. Also, parents were surveyed in the second study, whereas the previous one relied on medical and school records.