



QUARTERLY ISSUES-PROGRAM LIST
WTJX-FM St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
July 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023

The management of the Virgin Islands Public Broadcasting System (WTJX-FM 93.1) has determined that the issues/topics listed below to be of significant interest with the station's service area for the period of July 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023.

Business, Economics & Finance

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Natural Disasters, Climate Change & Renewable Energy

Health, Medicine & Wellness

Education

Arts & Entertainment

Aging & Retirement

Business, Economics & Finance

Weekend Edition Saturday

8:00-10:00 a.m.

07-01-22

Inflation has eased, but Americans are still on the lookout to save. Inflation is cooling off a bit, but prices do continue to climb, and many Americans are looking for ways to cut corners. According to the Commerce Department, personal spending rose just one-tenth of 1% in May.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

07-10-23

For the second consecutive month Black unemployment has increased. Nationally, unemployment remains at a historically low figure of about 3.5%, but that figure jumps to 6% for Black workers.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

07-12-23

UPS workers could be on course for a historic strike within weeks. Workers at UPS could be heading for a strike. If that happens, it would be the largest walkout against a single company in U.S. history.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

07-14-23

Neville James connects with Leia LaPlace, Territorial Planner at the Department of Planning and Natural Resources, to discuss the upcoming DPNR Townhall meetings on the Land & Water Use Plan and the impact it may have on local businesses, residents and the economy.

Here & Now

1:00-3:00 p.m.

07-28-23

How do you report online abuse? And what happens when you do? PEN America, which advocates for freedom of expression, and Meedan, a nonprofit centering on journalism technology, report that online abuse is getting more severe, and social media companies are failing to adequately respond.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

07-31-23

14 years ago the federal minimum wage was raised to \$7.25 an hour. It hasn't changed. After hearing from a low-wage worker in California, NPR's A Martinez talks to Rev. William Barber of

the Poor People's Campaign about why the federal minimum wage hasn't gone up in more than a decade.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

08-04-23

The advantages and challenges of converting vacant offices to housing. Could converting vacant offices into residential buildings be a solution for housing shortages in cities?

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

09-19-23

Neville James is joined by Parris Jordan, managing director, and Nicole Roantree, of HVS as they discuss the upcoming Caribbean Hotel Investment Conference & Operations Summit (CHICOS) happening on St. Thomas. CHICOS brings together over 300 regional and international investors and operators, as well as the region's leading decision makers to network and discuss the region's markets and possibilities, while analyzing the most important trends that can impact their investment decisions.

In Conversation with AARP VI

11:00-11:30 a.m. AST

09-23-23

Host Troy DeChabert-Schuster engages in an in-depth conversation with John Morosco, SBDC State Director, on expert advice and provide real-world information and insights on how you can start and grow a small business.

Government & Politics

Ability Radio

11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ADT

07-22-23

Host Archie Jennings is joined by V.I. disability advocates as they share the history of the Americans with Disabilities Act and events celebrating the 33rd anniversary of the bill in the USVI.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

07-26-23

The Biden administration is seeking to require insurance companies to beef up coverage of mental health services. NPR's Steve Inskeep speaks with White House adviser Neera Tanden.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

08-02-23

Neville James engages in a “Bush Tea Kallaloo” with Dwayne Henry, Devin Carrington and Donald "Ducks" Cole to discuss the legal and political ramifications of the third indictment announced for former president Donald Trump.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

08-14-23

New revelations raise more questions about Supreme Court ethics. NPR's Steve Inskeep talks to Supreme Court ethics expert Amanda Frost about Justice Clarence Thomas accepting more vacations and gifts from billionaire benefactors than previously reported

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

09-14-23

Neville James is joined by Governor Albert Bryan in a general discussion about current projects and their status, as they reflect on the status of a variety of topics to include derelict buildings, tax refunds, libraries, maintenance of the water guts and other topics.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

09-21-23

The world hopes to enact a pandemic treaty by May 2024. Will it succeed or flail?

Fresh Air

2:00-3:00 p.m. AST

09-28-23

Exposing the secretive company at the forefront of facial recognition technology. NYT reporter Kashmir Hill says Clearview AI has a database of billions of photos scraped from the internet, which it sells to governments and police departments.

Crime, Law Enforcement & Gun Control

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

07-04-23

Does the right to bear arms make the United States less free? NPR's Steve Inskeep talks with Dan Rodricks, a Baltimore Sun columnist, who recently wrote about the tradition of gun violence in America.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

07-06-23

Neville James is joined by Dwayne Henry as they discuss crime in the Virgin Islands and reflect on the tragic death of Detective Delbert Phipps while on duty during a possible ambush.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

08-20-23

Social media could be fueling gun violence among young people. Social media, where small boasts and disputes online can escalate into deadly violence in schoolyards and on street corners.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

09-01-23

An unwanted kiss from a Spanish soccer official has sparked a movement. The unwanted kiss a Spanish soccer official planted on a female player after the team won the FIFA World Cup has galvanized Spain's "se acabo" feminist movement: "That's enough."

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

09-14-23

Neville James engages with Office of Gun Violence Prevention Executive Director Antonio Emanuel in a discussion of firearms, the criminal penalties of having an unlicensed or unregistered firearm and their ongoing campaigns against crime and criminality.

Fresh Air

2:00-3:00 p.m. AST

09-19-23

What happened to 'The Gold'? This crime saga is focused on the aftermath of a real-life gold heist of 1983, in which thieves broke into a warehouse and made off with three tons of gold bars. But this six-part series is not the story of the heist. It's about the aftermath, a zippy saga propelled by a terrific cast, sharply drawn characters and a slyly pungent vision of the go-go '80s.

Ability Radio

11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ADT

09-30-23

Host Archie Jennings is joined by Maria Morris, a lawyer from the ACLU, working hard to create better conditions in Virgin Islands jails, as she shares information about the ACLU's lawsuit to improve the conditions of V.I. jails.

Natural Disasters, Climate Change & Renewable Energy

Fresh Air

2:00-3:00 p.m. AST

07-12-23

Our 'Scorched Planet' is getting hotter, and no one is immune to rising temperatures. Author Jeff Goodell warns a new climate regime is coming: "We don't really know what we're heading into and how chaotic this can get." His new book is *The Heat Will Kill You First*.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

07-28-23

Don't call it a heat 'wave': Expert weighs in after a month of record-breaking heat. All this month we have been reporting about heat across the country and not just the record-breaking temperatures but record-breaking streaks of high temperatures. Now some researchers argue that we should not call this a heat wave anymore.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

08-04-23

High temperatures — even overnight — have raised public health concerns. With more hot weather to come, those record-breaking warm nights are proving especially hard for people without housing.

In Conversation with AARP VI

11:00-11:30 a.m. AST

08-26-23

Host Troy DeChabert-Schuster engages Daryl Jaschen, the VI Territorial Emergency Management Agency Director, discussing Hurricane and Disaster Preparedness in anticipation of the most active time of hurricane season.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

08-30-23

Neville James is back and engages with Director Daryl Jaschen of the Virgin Islands Territorial Emergency Management Agency as they talk about Hurricane Idalia, hurricane preparedness and the current hurricane season. He is then joined by Director Kyle Fleming from the VI Energy Office as they continue discussing hurricanes and hurricane preparedness.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

09-04-23

How this summer's extreme heat waves are connected to flooding, hurricanes. We take a look at the role climate change might be playing in the unexpected extreme weather around the globe, including the cyclones in Brazil during the southern winter.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

09-12-23

Neville James takes the opportunity join Government House Communications Director Richard Motta as he calls in to discuss Hurricane Lee, the role of FEMA in recovery efforts and the efforts the territory has undertaken amidst its recovery efforts.

Medicine, Health & Wellness

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

07-03-23

Scientists have found part of the brain that triggers out-of-body experiences. Scientists have pinpointed a special part of the brain that, when stimulated, appears to produce out-of-body experiences.

Ability Radio

11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. ADT

07-08-23

Mother and advocate, Chari Richards-Meade, discusses parenting a child with autism, how integral therapy has been in assisting her son's development, and the importance of being your child's champion.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

07-11-23

Neville James engages with the Virgin Islands Housing Authority's Resident Wellness and Empowerment Department to include Resiliency Coordinator Safarah Emanuel, the Resident Council Coordinator Ajani Brown, and the Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinator Xawntoia Franklin detailing their collaborative efforts to provide the best possible options for residents.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

07-31-23

If you're feeling a bit brain-fogged these days, you might not be wrong to blame it on the heat. Yes, heat can affect your brain and mood. Here's why.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

08-29-23

Here are the first 10 drugs that Medicare will target for price cuts, deductions the government plans to achieve by negotiating the prices with drugmakers.

In Conversation with AARP VI

11:00-11:30 a.m. AST

09-02-23

An interview with Tina Comissiong, Esq., Chief Executive Officer and George Rosenberg, MD, Actg. Chief Medical Officer of Schneider Regional Medical Center discussing the future of the healthcare system.

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3:00-5:00 p.m.

09-12-23

Why panic attacks happen and how to prevent them. Matt Gutman has spent decades in front of cameras and microphones as a newscaster, reporting on current events across the globe. His calm, cool demeanor belied his internal struggle with a lifetime of panic.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

09-22-23

Medical debt could soon be barred from ruining your credit score. The Biden administration announced a major initiative to protect Americans from medical debt on Thursday, outlining plans to develop federal rules barring unpaid medical bills from affecting patients' credit scores.

Education

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

07-07-23

The Supreme Court ruling on affirmative action may impact workplace hiring practices. NPR's Scott Detrow speaks with Harvard law professor Noah Feldman on the implications the Supreme Court decision on affirmative action will have on businesses.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

07-14-23

More than 800,000 borrowers will receive federal student loan forgiveness. The debt erasure applies to long-time borrowers who should have qualified for loan forgiveness under the rules of the government's income-driven repayment plans, but haven't received it.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

07-24-23

Representatives with the University of the Virgin Islands, College of Business Dean Kendra Harris and Dr. Eustace Esdaille join Neville James to discuss the newest offering, an Executive Master of Business Administration being offered at the University of the Virgin Islands as they highlight the dedication of UVI to better serve the students.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

08-03-23

Neville James is joined by the Leadership Team of the VI Dept of Education: Commissioner Dionne Wells-Hedrington, St. Croix Insular Superintendent Ericilda Ottley-Herman, Assistant Commissioner Victor Sommes, and St. Thomas Insular Superintendent Stefan Jurgen to discuss the readiness of the schools for the start of the new school year on August 7, 2023.

On Point

10:00-11:00 a.m.

08-10-23

What a decline in rural colleges means for rural communities

Rural colleges in America are struggling. Due to enrollment and funding shortages, many have had to close or slash core majors to stay afloat. Andrew Koricich joins Meghna Chakrabarti.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

08-15-23

As the school year starts in Puerto Rico, students deal with mental health stressors. Puerto Rico has been pounded by natural disasters in the past few years – hurricanes, earthquakes, floods, landslides. Those disasters have taken a heavy toll on student mental health.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

09-20-23

Neville James engages with Commissioner Dionne Wells-Hedrington and Insular Superintendent Ericilda Ottley-Herman as they endeavor to update the public on the revised school schedule for schools on St. Croix and the challenges they are facing with the heat and lack of adequate ac's and electric grid in the schools.

Arts & Entertainment

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

07-10-23

Soccer is a popular youth sport. Why does the pro game still fall short in the U.S.? NPR's Michel Martin talks to Kevin James of Vienna Youth Soccer in Virginia, about soccer's popularity in the U.S. ahead of Argentine superstar Lionel Messi's arrival to Miami.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

07-25-23

Clema Lewis and Alexander Emanuel join Neville James to highlight the variety of upcoming events that make up the VI Salsa Festival amid a discussion of the intergenerational impact of music and dancing.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

07-28-23

What Barbie's professional history says about women in the labor force. With more than 200 careers under her pink belt, Barbie has always been a hard worker. What can the types of professions Barbie's done tell us about women in the U.S. labor force?

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

08-09-23

Crista Ann Molloy, local artist and entrepreneur, joins Neville James to discuss her VI Legends/VI Greats Art Exhibit, a collection of 20+ hand painted amazing portraits of VI Legends and VI Greats past and present.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

08-20-23

Fans react to Spain's Women's World Cup win. Spain defeated England to win its first title in the Women's World Cup.

Morning Edition

6:00-8:00 a.m. AST

09-20-23

The NBA announces stricter rules for resting multiple star players. NPR's A Martinez talks to James Herbert, CBS senior NBA writer, about new rules to reduce the practice of strategically resting star players to prevent injury — known in the league as load management.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

09-21-23

Neville James engages with Gabrielle Querard "The Digital Griot" according to SITl magazine, as they discuss her history and involvement in preserving Caribbean history and stories.

Aging & Retirement

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

07-13-23

Older athletes find competition and community at the National Senior Games.

Morning Edition

5:00-8:00 a.m. AST

07-25-23

As part of the Main Character of the Day series, with a spotlight on people and things worth talking about — and the stories behind them. The next 'Bachelor' is 71. Here's what dating after 50 really looks like.

In Conversation with AARP VI

11:00-11:30 a.m. AST

08-06-23

Host Troy DeChabert-Schuster interviews with the Veterans Affairs Health Administration, discussing the Fraud Crisis Targeting Our Veterans as part of AARP's Veterans Fraud Prevention and Awareness initiative.

Analyze This

8:00-10:00 a.m. AST

08-15-23

Neville James engages with Dr. Pamela Wirsiy and Mr. Dale Gaubatz from the University of the Virgin Islands in a discussion about opening day, free tuition for Virgin Islanders, orientation, opportunities for seniors, and the beginning of the fall semester.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

08-31-23

Politicians now tend to be older than they've been historically. It's causing issues.

All Things Considered

5:00-8:00 p.m. AST

09-08-23

Here are some life-enhancing habits from communities where people live the longest. Dan Buettner has spent decades exploring the lifestyles and diets of people in remote places where living to 100 is more common. Here are life-enhancing habits from these 'blue zones.'