

KCDO-TV

2017 Quarter 3 Programs & Issues Report

The Aaron Harber Show airs Sunday's 11am-1130am and 1130am-12pm with host Aaron Harber interviewing a diverse group of local, national and international guests with topics relevant to Colorado and the nation. Listed below are the topics for the Sunday's in third quarter 2017.

July 2nd

Dambisa Moyo Part 1 –

In Part One of this two-part series, Dambisa Moyo, global economist, author, international speaker, and a member of the Board of Directors at Seagate, Barclays Bank, Barrick Gold, and Chevron, joins Aaron to discuss globalization, trade strategies and policies, how to improve education and the performance of schools and students. She also touches on her concerns about the Global Economy: technological advances, and the relationship between the jobless underclass and technology, especially as it related to future job creation. She posits that the demographics of the world --- now with 7.5 billion people and headed towards 10 billion --- demand extraordinary efforts to address underinvestment in education, income inequality, national resource scarcity, debt burden (especially in the U.S.), and lagging productivity growth.

Dambisa Moyo Part 2 –

In Part Two of this two-part series, Dr. Dambisa Moyo, global economist , author, international speaker, and a member of the Board of Directors of Seagate, Barclays Bank, Barrick Gold, and Chevron, discusses education and the strategies to improve it, the importance of having diverse minds in the business world, the mismatch between most election systems versus and the volume of problems we have which are long-term in nature and, as a result, are not readily solved with short-term solutions which may appeal to a particular political group or class. Lastly, Dr. Moyo discusses the qualities of a good leader and what real leadership is today.

July 9th

Pandora, James Cameron –

The creator of the movie, Avatar, James Cameron, talked to Aaron at the Walt Disney World experience, Pandora – The World of Avatar, about the creation of the experience, the upcoming movie sequels and his great passion of taking care of, and raising awareness about the environment.

Babur Ozden –

Babur Ozden, the founder of MAANA, explains his company's artificial intelligence software and the innumerable applications that it is being used for to excel productivity in industry.

July 16th

Pitkin Country Commissioners Part 1 -

In Part one of this two part series, four of the Pitkin Country Commissioners sit down with Aaron up in Aspen to talk about the extreme cultural and economic situations of all of the residents of their diverse county.

Pitkin Country Commissioners Part 2 -

In part two of this two part series, four of the Pitkin Country Commissioners sit down with Aaron up in Aspen to talk about their work to improve public transportation in the area and keep housing prices more affordable to the hundreds of people employed in the valley.

July 23rd

Mitch Landrieu –

The Mayor of New Orleans and President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, Mitch Landrieu, shares his thoughts about the current political atmosphere in the U.S. He discusses how mayors across the country face similar challenges regardless of their political affiliation and how they are able to work together in a bipartisan manner. He reveals how he won election because the citizens of New Orleans wanted someone to fix problems, including many which still carried over from the devastation of Hurricane Katrina.

Shannon Jaccard –

Shannon Jaccard, the head of NAMI San Diego, explains some of her work with the organization and how they work to combat mental illness and help those who are struggling.

July 30th

Andy Slavitt –

Andy Slavitt, the former Acting Administrator of the National Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, addresses the viability of both massive entitlement programs. Slavitt oversaw the implementation of the Affordable Care Act (“Obamacare”) and now is a Senior Advisor at the Bipartisan Policy Center. Slavitt discusses the high costs of medical care in the United States and the relatively poor return the country gets compared to other nations. In addition, they analyze the complicating factor of America's aging population.

Michael Brune -

Michael Brune, the Executive Director of the Sierra Club, joins Aaron to talk about

how to bring about the clean, healthy world everyone wants to live in. He explains the Sierra Club is working to be more inclusive as it works to alleviate problems due to Climate Change. They discuss how much more our leaders in government and business should be doing to combat Climate Change by supporting organizations directly addressing these challenges, such as the Sierra Club. Brune also explains what he believes are the critically important implications of President Trump's decision to remove the United States from the Paris Climate Accord and why he believes that decision is an abdication of leadership.

August 6th

Fairness of the Legal System & Judicial Selection Part 1 –

In the first set of programs in a series on the Legal System, former Colorado Supreme Court Justices Rebecca Love Kourlis ((Executive Director of the Institute for the Advancement of the American Legal System) and Gregory Hobbs (currently a Senior Water Judge) join University of Colorado Law Professor Melissa Hart and Legal System reformer Matt Arnold (Director of Clear the Bench Colorado) to debate Colorado's current system of selecting judges. They discuss the advantages of merit- and election-based systems as well as other aspects of the Legal System, how it can be improved, and what role politics plays in the process.

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August 13th

Peter Wittig –

Peter Wittig, German Ambassador to the United States, addresses the challenges President Donald Trump has created for the relationship between Germany and America but maintains his own positive outlook on how important the two countries are for each other and how well they continue to work together. Ambassador Wittig also discusses issues related to international trade and references the large presence German manufacturing companies --- especially for vehicles --- have in the U.S. and the value that provides (including innovation Germany is bringing to the U.S. via such initiatives as its apprenticeship programs). Wittig references Germany's increased commitment to defense spending and the critical importance of NATO.

Alicia Georges –

Alicia Georges, incoming President of AARP, joins Aaron to discuss the current healthcare crisis in the U.S. and what her goals are at AARP to bring better healthcare to the aging generation of Americans.

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Marshall Summar –

Marshall Summar is the Division Chief for Genetics and Metabolism at Children’s National Hospital as well as the Chairman of the National Organization for Rare Disorders and the President of the Society of Inherited Metabolic Diseases. He reveals the astounding progress since the completion of the Human Genome Project, which cost \$1½ billion and now can be duplicated today for an astounding one-hundred thousandth of that cost. He and Aaron discuss the newest uses for DNA Technology and the how the interpretation of DNA test results can vary. Dr. Summar discloses the realities of Personalized Medicine and how some unrealistic promises for cures and preventions have been made.

August 27th

Melvin Mar –

Melvin Mar is the Executive Producer of ABC’s “Fresh off the Boat.” He explains what it was like growing up as an Asian American man, and how he has sought in his work to change the way that Asian American men are portrayed in mainstream media. He describes how the show was cast and process of choosing the perfect actors that now make up the cast of the show.

Maria Zuber –

Maria Zuber, Vice President for Research and Professor of Geophysics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, shares her insights into various NASA Planetary missions and the information that they were able to collect from these missions. She ponders the question, of where did the water go on Mars. She also talks about ways that women should be more involved in the sciences; why women are highly skilled and valuable to have in the science and information industry, and how she is working to get younger girls excited about studying the sciences.

September 3rd

Bob Costas –

Bob Costas, NBC Sports Anchor and Host, joins Aaron to share his insights on doping in sports and shares which of the many sports he covers is his favorite!

Karl Mecklenberg –

Karl Mecklenburg is a former Denver Broncos Captain and All-Pro Linebacker. He played in 6 Pro Bowls and 3 Super Bowls, has played all 7 defensive front positions, and is honored on the Broncos Ring of Fame. He is an author and motivational speaker, and is the founder of the Karl Mecklenburg REACH Foundation for children.

September 10th

Scott Pruitt –

Scott Pruitt, Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, joins Aaron to discuss his plans for the Agency and talks about how he is going to work with both energy producers and environmentalists to find the best solutions to striking reasonable balances between energy production and today's environmental issues. He also gives his perspectives on the need for environmental clean-ups, such as Superfund sites, as well as how the country needs to expand efforts to ensure citizens continue to have access to clean water.

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Ulrich Spiesshofer –

Ulrich Spiesshofer, President at CEO of ABB, starts the conversation explaining what makes a great leader, and why great leadership is so vital to his work and his industry. He describes the importance of improving education around the world to increase the quality of the available workforce for industries and companies like ABB.

September 24th

Mei Fong Part 1 –

In Part one of this two part series, Mei Fong, the author of “One Child,” a book about the one child policy that existed in China for tens of years. She explains the personal impact that that policy has had on her life as a Chinese woman and also talks about working to gain professional respect in male dominant China.

Mei Fong Part 2 -

In Part two of this two part series, Mei Fong, the author of “One Child,” explains more about the global impacts of the Chinese one child policy in terms of world wide adoptions, the current state of childbirth rates in China and the struggle of the Chinese government to control the size of their population.

Public Service Announcements:

KCDO-TV aired 2,940 PSA's during Q3 2017 for the following organizations:

- Rosie's Ranch
- Hurricane Harvey Relief
- Men's Suit Drive
- CO Department of Public Health
- Coalition for Sepsis
- Colorado 811
- Take Meds Back
- Disabled Vets