

# Quarterly Issues & Programs Report

WMEZ (FM)  
Pensacola, FL

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Attached are descriptions of issue-responsive programming broadcast by this station during the reporting period.

The listed programs aired on the station during the reporting period on the days and times indicated. Each program regularly provides information or addresses current local issues of concern to listeners in the area where the station is located.

## LOCAL ISSUES ADDRESSED DURING THE QUARTER

The following are local issues of concern to the community. Programs that addressed these issues during this reporting period are listed on the following pages.

Local Issue/Concern	Brief description of local issue or concern
Social Issues	Public discourse, equality, and community action and activism, women's issues, environment, psychology
Health & Education	Public health concerns and educational information about physical health and mental health, technology
Crime & Safety	Crime, violence, police action, safety education, cyber
Military/Government Issues	Military, veterans, government affairs, history

## PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS LOCAL ISSUES

The following programs that aired during the relevant reporting period regularly address local issues and concerns in the station's city of license and within its service area. Specific episodes and segments of these programs and the issues they addressed are listed on the following pages.

<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Schedule (Day/Time)</b>	<b>Brief Generic Description (Note whether local, syndicated or network)</b>
Viewpoints	Sundays, 6 AM	30 minute syndicated program addressing multiple issues in our community and providing additional information and resources

## ISSUE-RESPONSIVE PROGRAMMING

**Local Issue:** Social Issues

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
Viewpoints	1/1/23	6 AM	7:56	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> There are more than 68 million young people in the U.S. who make up Generation Z – that is anyone born between 1997 and 2012. Research shows that this cohort is the most racially and ethnically diverse than any other previous generation and are progressive in their mindsets. On top of this, they're extremely tech-savvy and believe that mental health is equally as important as physical health. Culture expert John Schlimm helps us understand who Gen Z is and what impact they'll have on the future world.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> John Schlimm, researcher, professor, author, What Would Gen-Z Do? Everything You Don't Know About Gen-Z But Should.</p>
Viewpoints	1/8/23	6 AM	8:37	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Experts estimate that between 4-6 percent of prisoners behind bars are innocent. We explore what factors feed into these wrongful convictions and how advocates in the arena are fighting for justice.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Isaac Wright Jr., practicing attorney, author, Marked for Life: One Man's Fight for Justice From the Inside; Samuel Gross, Thomas and Mabel Long Professor Emeritus of Law at the University of Michigan – Ann Arbor, founder, senior editor, The National Registry of Exonerations.</p>
Viewpoints	1/15/23	6 AM	1:15	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> As winter takes hold on Europe, Ukrainian soldiers defending their country face subzero temperatures, power outages and increasing challenges.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Ebony McMorris</p>

Viewpoints	1/22/23	6 AM	9:16	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> From sundials to mechanical clocks to atomic clocks, humans – throughout the centuries – have kept track of time using many different methods. Physics and astronomy professor Chad Orzel joins us this week to highlight just how much we rely on accurate clocks and how timekeeping technology has evolved across human history.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Chad Orzel, associate professor, physics, astronomy, Union College.</p>
Viewpoints	1/29/23	6 AM	11:37	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Books have been taken off shelves since the colonial period, but, in recent years, more books than ever have been deemed unsuitable for young readers. We discuss the controversy by highlighting two differing perspectives on the debate.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Jonathon Friedman, director, free expression &amp; education programs, Pen America; Tia Bess, volunteer, Moms for Liberty</p>
Viewpoints	2/12/23	6 AM	9:07	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> The Wild, Wild West: cowboys, shootouts, open prairies &amp; gold mines galore. While this is a common stereotype surrounding the colonial West, there's much more about this region and period than meets the eye. For thousands of women, living out West meant greater independence, and an opportunity to start anew. Historian and author Winifred Gallagher joins us to share how the women of the Old West paved the way for women across the U.S.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Producer:</b> Amirah Zaveri</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Winifred Gallagher, historian, author, New Women in the Old West.</p>

Viewpoints	2/26/23	6 AM	9:10	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Have you thought about end-of-life planning? Would you like to be buried or cremated – or possibly have a green burial? While death may be a topic that's shied away from, it's something that each one of us eventually confronts head on. This week – We talk about the importance of being involved in the death process of loved ones and learning about what burial options are available when that time comes.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Hayley Campbell, journalist, author, All the Living and the Dead; Cassie Barrett, Director, Cemetery Operations, Carolina Memorial Sanctuary.</p>
Viewpoints	1/8/23	6 AM	1:42	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> We discuss the sad state of prison meals in the U.S. All too often, these dishes are spoiled, full of preservatives and don't have enough calories. If the end goal of incarceration is rehabilitation, shouldn't these meals adequately feed and nourish prisoners?</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Ebony McMorris</p>
Viewpoints	1/15/23	6 AM	8:47	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> We speak with University of California – San Francisco professor and health psychologist Dr. Elissa Epel about how listeners can better manage their stress this year by employing certain lifestyle habits.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Dr. Elissa Epel, health psychologist, professor, vice chair, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of California – San Francisco, author, The Stress Prescription: Seven Days to More Joy and Ease.</p>

Viewpoints	3/12/23	6 AM	9:31	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> More than six million companion animals enter U.S. shelters each year, and a little over four million are adopted. Sadly, shelters still rely on euthanizing when facilities are overcrowded, and an animal has been there for a while. Author Laurie Zaleski has made it her life's work to rescue hundreds of these unwanted pets and care for them on her farm. We speak with Zaleski as well Dr. Joshua Fisher, an animal expert, about the importance of caring for these animals and heading to shelters to adopt instead of a pet store or breeder.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Laurie Zaleski, author, <i>Funny Farm: My Unexpected Life with 600 Rescue Animals</i>; Dr. Joshua Fisher, Director of Animal Services, Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, North Carolina.</p>
Viewpoints	3/26/23	6 AM	10:18	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Women's History Month is a time to look back and honor the women of the past who've made a difference. One of these stories is that of Edith Wilson. On paper, she's known as Woodrow Wilson's second wife and first lady, but her story is much more fascinating than what meets the eye. Author Rebecca Roberts joins us to share the story of this fierce and independent woman.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Rebecca Roberts, author, <i>Untold Power: The Fascinating Rise and Complex Legacy of First Lady Edith Wilson</i>.</p>

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
Viewpoints	1/8/23	6 AM	8:47	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Do you have trouble falling or staying asleep? If so, you'll know that not getting good rest can take a big toll on how you feel both physically and mentally. This is amplified in space for astronauts who sleep in a zero-gravity environment that relies on an artificial day/night cycle. This week, we explore the fascinating science and study of how humans sleep in space and its effects on the body.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Dr. Fred Turek, professor, biology, Northwestern University, director, Center for Sleep and Circadian Biology, Northwestern University; Dr. Emmanuel Urquieta, chief medical officer, Translational Research Institute for Space Health, assistant professor, Center for Space Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine.</p>
Viewpoints	1/22/23	6 AM	8:37	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Long-distance runner Lauren Fleshman won five NCAA championships and two U.S. national championships in women's track and field. Early on in her career, she was a prized hopeful for bringing home the Olympic gold, but this dream came crashing down after a series of injuries and setbacks. Fleshman joins us this week to talk about the toxic culture present in many elite running organizations and what needs to change to better support these young, vulnerable athletes.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Lauren Fleshman, former elite long-distance runner, author, Good for a Girl: A Woman Running in a Man's World.</p>
Viewpoints	1/22/23	6 AM	1:42	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> The World Health Organization recently reported that no amount of alcohol is healthy to consume. In fact, the agency says even light or moderate alcohol intake has been linked to cause seven different types of cancer.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Ebony McMorris</p>



Viewpoints	1/29/23	6 AM	7:34	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> The first crossword was published in 1913 by journalist Arthur Wynne. Since then, the timeless puzzle has stayed in style and graces newspapers from the New York Times to USA Today. Self-acclaimed lovers of crosswords are known as ‘cruciverbalists’ and compete online as well as create these puzzles for publishing. We speak with crossword expert Adrienne Raphel to find out more about this beloved word game.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Adrienne Raphel, author, Thinking Inside the Box.</p>
Viewpoints	2/5/23	6 AM	10:37	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Higher prices at the grocery store – from eggs to meat to specialty items – dictate what many Americans buy and cook throughout the week. While it can be difficult to pull back on the items we like, this shift in diet is nothing new. Across history – war, famine, and economic instability has affected what Americans choose to spend their money on. Even today, the current economic uncertainty has shifted recipes and food trends. This week, we rewind back to the Great Depression, which forced millions of Americans to find new recipes and get creative with the limited number of ingredients they could afford.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Jane Ziegelman, food historian, author, A Square Meal: A Culinary History of the Great Depression.</p>
Viewpoints	2/19/23	6 AM	9:24	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> It can be hard to explain what it’s like to feel in awe. For me, I can remember feeling this way after reaching the top of a mountain after an hours-long climb and looking onto the vast horizon, or after watching the film Inception in theaters for the first time and being blown away by the soundtrack. We speak with renowned social psychologist Dacher Keltner about awe and what experiences elicit this emotion.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Dacher Keltner, professor, psychology, University of California-Berkeley, author, Awe: The New Science of Everyday Wonder and How It Can Transform Your Life.</p>

Viewpoints	3/5/23	6 AM	8:32	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> A young Joanne Chang envisioned a prominent career in business. She graduated from Harvard University with a degree in applied mathematics and economics and went into consulting in her twenties. Despite career success, she decided to switch gears and become a chef. We sit down with Chang to hear about her culinary career journey and the advice she has for others who may be in a similar boat.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Joanne Chang, pastry chef, owner, Flour Bakery, Myers + Chang.</p>
Viewpoints	3/5/23	6 AM	9:11	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Online sports betting is a multi-billion-dollar industry and is only increasing in size year over year. We cover this burgeoning sector, the lack of overhead regulation in the U.S. and the risks this pervasive form of gambling has on a younger population.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Dr. Lia Nower, professor, School of Social Work, Rutgers University, director, Center for Gambling Studies, Rutgers University; Dr. Timothy Fong, clinical professor, psychiatry, University of California-Los Angeles, co-director, UCLA Gambling Studies Program.</p>
Viewpoints	3/12/23	6 AM	7:37	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Acclaimed therapist and social worker Nedra Glover Tawaab joins us this week to talk about boundaries. We often don't think about our own boundaries and the boundaries we need in our relationships – whether it be with friends, colleagues, family, or romantic relationships. Tawaab breaks down how to set these boundaries and approach difficult conversations.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Nedra Glover Tawaab, licensed therapist, social worker, relationship expert, author, Drama Free: A Guide to Managing Unhealthy Family Relationships.</p>

Viewpoints	3/19/23	6 AM	10:47	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> You're probably familiar with the saying: 'You are what you eat.' It's no secret that the foods we consume directly correlate to how we feel, look and more. But there's more to food than just providing us with energy and nourishment. A lack of certain nutrients can exacerbate depression, anxiety, and other mental health disorders. We speak with food expert and author, Mary Beth Albright about food's intimate connection to how we feel.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Mary Beth Albright, food systems &amp; policy expert, food correspondent, The Washington Post, author, Eat &amp; Flourish: How Food Supports Emotional Well-Being.</p>
Viewpoints	3/19/23	6 AM	7:21	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Late last year, more than 48,000 graduate students, researchers and teaching assistants unionized and went on strike against the University of California system, encompassing nine college campuses. Across the state, schools like Berkeley, UCLA and University of California-San Diego to name a few came to a standstill as thousands demanded higher pay, better healthcare and other improved benefits. We speak with master's student, Kelsey Wardlaw (who went on strike) about her experience and why unionizing felt like the right path forward.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Kelsey Wardlaw, masters candidate, Latin American Studies, University of California-San Diego.</p>
Viewpoints	3/19/23	6 AM	1:24	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Pharmaceutical giant, Eli Lilly, has decided to cap their monthly insulin costs at \$35/month. For millions who rely on insulin to treat Type I Diabetes, this high price tag was something they've long been fighting to change.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Ebony McMorris</p>

Local Issue: Crime and Safety

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
Viewpoints	2/5/23	6 AM	1:37	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Just 12 percent of police officers are women and only 3 percent are in leadership positions. We cover one initiative that's dead set on getting more women into this sector."</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Ebony McMorris</p>
Viewpoints	3/26/23	6 AM	7:02	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Did you know that our federal government classifies more than 50 million pieces of documents each year? Why are so many documents marked as classified? And why is there such a long lag time for them to be unsealed? We uncover this outdated process and focus on one new method that's aiming to make this process more efficient and speedier.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Matthew Connelly, professor, International and Global History, Columbia University, principal investigator, History Lab, author, The Declassification Engine: What History Reveals About America's Top Secrets.</p>

Program	Date	Time	Duration	Description
Viewpoints	1/1/23	6 AM	10:27	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> This past November, thousands of Taylor Swift fans were left frustrated and disappointed after Ticketmaster's platform failed to deliver on general sale tickets for her upcoming tour. We discuss how this recent failure has stirred a larger conversation about the consequences &amp; long-term effects of monopolies.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Diana Moss, president, American Antitrust Institute; Krista Brown, senior policy analyst, American Economic Liberty Project.</p>
Viewpoints	1/15/23	6 AM	8:37	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> In recent years, power attacks on electric power stations in the U.S. have become more common. We discuss what's driving this uptick, how power companies and government organizations are responding and what you should know as a consumer.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Adrienne Lotto, senior vice president, Grid Security, Technical, and Operations at the American Public Power Association.</p>
Viewpoints	2/5/23	6 AM	7:22	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Economic uncertainty is on the minds of millions of Americans. Part of this uncertainty stems from continuing inflation and instability plaguing global markets. We speak with longtime economist and banker, James Rickards about the factors feeding into these rising costs and supply chain woes.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> James Rickards, economist, former Wall Street banker, author, Sold Out: How Broken Supply Chains, Surging Inflation, and Political Instability Will Sink the Global Economy</p>

Viewpoints	2/12/23	6 AM	12:57	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> Last month, the Federal Aviation Administration grounded all departing flights across the U.S., leading to thousands of delayed flights and major headaches for travelers. In short, this outage was caused by a widespread system failure of the air traffic control system. Without it, pilots are essentially flying dark with no news of ground conditions, weather updates, etc. In the days and weeks following, this incident has raised many questions about the aging software and systems that we heavily rely upon. We speak with two aviation experts about this recent fiasco and what it means for all technology-reliant industries.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Marty Peterson</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Laurie Garrow, professor, co-director of the Center for Urban and Regional Air Mobility at the Georgia Institute of Technology; Michael McCormick, assistant professor, air traffic management, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.</p>
Viewpoints	2/19/23	6 AM	1:12	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> The most dreaded time of year is soon upon us: tax season. We talk about tax help resources and what to expect once you file.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Ebony McMorris</p>
Viewpoints	2/26/23	6 AM	8:12	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> For Scarlett Cochran, money management wasn't a topic of conversation growing up. Her parents never went to college and money was always a touchy subject for her family. It wasn't until she was in her early twenties and struggling with money that she realized the importance of budgeting and accruing savings. We sit down and speak with Cochran to learn about her inspiring journey and path to financial wealth.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Gary Price</p> <p><b>Guests:</b> Scarlett Cochran, attorney, financial expert, author, It's Not About the Money: A Proven Path to Building Wealth and Living the Rich Life You Deserve.</p>

Viewpoints	2/26/23	6 AM	2:05	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> The massive earthquake earlier this month in the Middle East is nearing 50,000 lives lost. It's been discovered that more than 75,000 buildings within the earthquake zone in Turkey were improperly constructed and did not meet earthquake resistant regulations.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Ebony McMorris</p>
Viewpoints	3/12/23	6 AM	2:11	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> We discuss the future of the student loan cancellation program that was heavily touted by the Biden administration last year.</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Ebony McMorris</p>
Viewpoints	3/26/23	6 AM	2:00	<p><b>Synopsis:</b> The Environmental Protection Agency recently announced a new initiative aimed at removing some of the most toxic forever chemicals from Americans' water supply</p> <p><b>Host:</b> Ebony McMorris</p>