

Issues and Programs List

**Quarter #2
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Overview

Following the end of the regular semester, WPTC changed from a modern rock format during the week and jazz format on weekends to an all-jazz format on Monday, May 4.

Emergency Alert System (EAS)

WPTC transmitted 17 EAS weekly tests, monthly tests and weather emergency announcements during this quarter.

Event Notices

These hourly announcements of college and community events, such as bloodmobiles, theater and cultural presentations and volunteer drives, are included to make both the college and local communities aware of activities and opportunities, particularly for non-profit organizations. In addition to informing the audience, these notices help to showcase the benefits the college offers the local area. Most announcements were 10 to 15 seconds and ran for one to several weeks. They were aired at half past each hour during both the live and automated portions of the broadcast schedule.

Earth & Sky

This nationally syndicated program aired daily during the quarter at 7 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. *Earth & Sky* is a 90-second science program aimed at a general audience that explores earth science, astronomy and environmental topics. *Earth & Sky* addresses the need for more educational programming in the sciences both for general and college-age audiences.

Public Service Announcements

National and local public service announcement spots (PSAs) ran twice hourly during most hours of the live portion of the schedule and the top of the hour during most of the voice-tracked hours. At the end of the quarter, approximately 40 PSAs were in rotation.

As part of this rotation, WPTC aired the Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters' campaigns for the Pennsylvania National Guard called "A Reflection of Honor" (4/1-4/30) and "Real Life" (5/28-6/30). Several locally produced spots that aired during the student format portion of this quarter addressed the need of informing students about important services the college offered. Topics included: The Penn College Tutoring Center, the Penn college Fitness Center, Meningitis awareness, Career and Counseling Services, a fundraiser for cancer, the Inter Greek Council and a college club that worked to clean up local waterways. Additionally, because drug use is an ongoing issue on college campuses, spots produced by the nonprofit organization DrugFree Pennsylvania aired during this quarter.

A World of Possibilities

This nationally syndicated program addressed social issues not covered in detail or in depth by the mainstream media, one of the ongoing issues addressed by WPTC programming. This program aired Saturdays from 6-7 a.m. during the quarter. Topics are listed below.

April	04	Women Who Wouldn't Listen: Wangari Maathai and Frances Moore Lappe
April	11	Reviving the Forgotten Continent
April	18	We Believe in Freedom: Elder Women Reflect on Their Lives
April	25	Putting Our Heads Together
May	02	Building an Innovation Ecosystem
May	09	Have Gun, Will Travel: The Privatization of the Armed Forces
May	16	Peace, Justice—or Both
May	23	Quite Early Morning: The Live, Times and Legacy of Pete Seeger
May	30	Open Source for Science
June	06	Paid Sick Days
June	13	Red/Green Alert: Early Warning Systems for Public Health Threats
June	20	The Miner's Canary: First Peoples on Climate Change
June	27	Crowd Sourcing Information

Campus Week

This student-produced program aired Thursdays at 5 p.m. during the modern-rock format portion of the quarter: April 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30. Produced by students in the Electronic Journalism class, *Campus Week* focused on college and community issues and provided the only independent outlet for such information on the college campus. The following topics (hard copies of the scripts are part of the physical public file) were addressed in each of the programs. In addition, the programs will be archived online for the academic semester following their broadcasts.

April 2

Producer: Cates Girard

- * Penn College Designated a P.O.D.—Darren Eshenour
- * College Enrollment Decline—Logan Burnett
- * Recycling Mania—Marissa Koch
- * Featured Interview—Gail Landers, Energy Conservation Subcommittee
- * SGA Meeting—Thad Waters
- * SGA's Silent Auction for Scholarship—Jermaine Mitchell
- * New Additions to Greek Life—Justin Wisser
- * Party With the Wildcats a Success—John Burns

April 9

Producer: Marissa Koch

- * Stage Ten Construction Update—Cates Girard
- * SGA Student Parking Proposal—Thad Waters
- * Featured Interview—Chris Miller, Penn College Chief of Police
- * SGA Meeting—Jermaine Mitchell
- * SGA Elections—Justin Wisser
- * Texas Proposal to Allow Guns on Campus—John Burns
- * Penn College Dean Contributes to PBS Program—Darren Eshenour
- * Penn College Programs to Help Veterans—Logan Burnett

April 16

Producer: John Burns

- * Two-Year Anniversary Va Tech Shooting Observed—Thad Waters
- * College Alcohol Policy Review Complete—Logan Burnett
- * Alcohol Policy Leaves Some Confused—Cates Girard
- * John Deere to Provide College Scholarships—Darren Eshenour
- * Earth Science Center to Observe Earth Day—Marissa Koch
- * Spring Cascade Tomorrow—Justin Wisser

April 23

Producer: Darren Eshenour

- * Walk-it-Out Event Fundraiser—Marissa Koch
- * Eating Disorder Awareness Week—Cates Girard
- * Featured Interview—Kristi Hammaker, Penn College Fitness Specialist
- * SIFE Canned Food Drive—Thad Waters
- * Changes to My Last Lecture Series—Justin Wisser
- * New Choices/New Options Program Renewed—Logan Burnett

April 30

Producer: Justin Wisser

- * The College Monitors Swine Flu—Marissa Koch
- * Featured Interview—Crystal Lewis of the local American Red Cross on the Penn College Bloodmobile
- * Study Shows College's Economic Impact--Darren Eshenour
- * Spring Sports Teams Excel--Thad Waters

War News Radio

War News Radio fills the gaps in the media's coverage of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan by providing balanced and in-depth reporting, historical perspective and personal stories. The program, produced by Swarthmore College, aired Mondays at 6:30 a.m. during the quarter.

Jim Hightower Common Sense Commentary

This nationally syndicated program aired Saturdays at 6 a.m. during the full quarter, Monday through Friday at 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. during the jazz portion and Monday through Friday at 6 p.m. during the modern rock format. Various studies have documented the conservative tilt of political talk and discussion on commercial radio. *Common Sense Commentary* offers a progressive perspective on a variety of topics that is rarely heard in the community on commercial radio outlets.

Documentaries

WPTC aired two documentaries during the quarter that addressed issues of national importance, again not usually found in the mainstream media. ***Picking Up the Pieces* aired May 23 from 7-8 a.m. and May 25 from 6-7 p.m.** This program, which aired on Memorial Day Weekend, visited with five families of veterans wounded by IEDs in Iraq and Afghanistan. The families are coping with the aftermath of traumatic brain injuries (TBI) and post traumatic stress (PTSD). This special breaks new ground by focusing on the parents, especially mothers, who have given up everything -- their jobs, retirement savings, and plans for the future - to step in and care for their sons. This issue has not gotten the attention it deserves. In the coming years, an additional tens of thousands of injured veterans return home. ***Mothers and Sons* aired as a special on May 11 from 6:30-7 a.m.** The program is a double portrait of the German sculptor Kathe Kollwitz (1867-1945), who created "The Grieving Parents," a memorial to her son who died in WWI, and the contemporary German-American sculptor Suse Lowenstein, who created a work to honor her son, a victim in the 1988 Lockerbie disaster. Both women describe how their work (18 years for Kathe, 15 years for Suse), became a path for their grief, bearing witness to the transforming power of art and creation.

Voices of Our World

This nationally syndicated program aired Mondays during the quarter from 6-6:30 a.m. *Voices of Our World* addresses a number of issues not reported in the mainstream media about the Third World, poverty and social injustice. *Voices of Our World* is produced by Maryknoll World Productions. Program synopses are below.

Air date: April 6, 2009

Part One: Advocating for a Future, Part 1

Should the naive mistakes of youth be punished as severely as the informed choices we make as adults? Isn't there a better option than to take away the future from a young person who is often a victim to begin with? Today we visit the DOME project in New York City to discuss their work with young offenders and alternative ways to keep kids out of jail. Our guest today is Richard Celestin, Director Of Advocacy and Development at the DOME Project in New York.

Part Two: Advocating for a Future, Part 2

DOME, which stands for Developing Opportunities Through Meaningful Education, was founded in 1973 to challenge the many threats to youngsters in the inner city. Since its beginning, the DOME Project has dedicated itself to meeting the complex needs of young people in trouble with the law, their schools, and themselves. In order to meet these goals, DOME has evolved into a multi-faceted youth organization, operating programs that are free and available to at-risk and disadvantaged youths from New York City. Our producer Michael Ramadan Jones visited the DOME offices to speak with their Director Of Advocacy and Development, Richard Celestin.

Air Date April 13, 2009

Part One: Pumpkin Power

When Maryknoll priest Father Richard Bauer was assigned as Executive Director of Catholic AIDS Action, the Church's outreach ministry in Namibia, he knew he'd need to assemble an "A" team. The 1st candidate on his list was MaryBeth Gallagher, whom he'd met in his Maryknoll orientation class in 1996. Rick wrote to MaryBeth that he'd not only pay her airfare to Namibia but then to anywhere she wanted to go if she were not convinced Namibia was where she was needed most. Bauer was right and his friend MaryBeth had found her new home. Her 1st year or so she struggled to make games out of scrap cardboard for the hundreds of AIDS orphans and vulnerable kids the CAA's Bernard Nordcamp Center feeds and cares for daily. She had even tried to get a group of little girls stirred-up over soccer but on a gravel playing field and without uniforms or proper shoes. But when MaryBeth returned to the U.S. to encourage donations, a young American team donated shoes and their bright orange uniforms and MaryBeth flew back to Namibia knowing "the Little Pumpkins would be born!"

Part Two: **3 Trophies and 15 Smiles**

So, the right shoes and a sea of orange fabric brought 15 little Namibian girls to life. They took their new found pride to the field and when you meet them today all 15 "Little Pumpkins" smile from ear to ear and point to the 3 gold cups they've won sitting in a glass case at the Bernard Nordcamp Center.

Air Date April 20, 2009

Four Letter Word, H*A*T*E

Hate has shadowed humanity since we emerged from the primordial slime. We hate that which we fear and we fear that which we deem different. In 1998 several white men in Jasper Texas dragged James Byrd, an African American tied to the back bumper of their truck, decapitating him. Later that same year in Jamaica Bay, Queens, New York, a group of white men rode on a float in a Labor Day parade in blackface, wearing Afro wigs and dragging a headless cloth dummy tied to the rear of the float. Our individual perceptions of such an event may teach us a great deal about hate itself *and* about ourselves. Up first today, we talk today with Tad Stahnke, Director for Policy and Programs at Human Rights First.

Air Date April 27, 2009

Part One: **Traffick Cops, Part 1**

Despite the global recession, the business of human trafficking is booming. This is especially true in South East Asia, where corruption, poverty, and lack of awareness combine to create a climate in which humans are shipped like merchandise, and buyers and vendors from all over the world eagerly set up shop in a sordid marketplace of exploitation and despair. Join us as we examine the global phenomenon of human trafficking and the efforts to combat this form of modern day slavery. Our guest is Frank J. Weicks co-founder of South East Asia Law Enforcement Training Associates, or SEALETA.

Part Two: **Traffick Cops, Part 2**

We speak with Frank J. Weicks, the co-founder of South East Asia Law Enforcement Training Associates, or SEALETA in the city of Chiang Mai in northern Thailand. The impact of drug and human trafficking, sex tourism, HIV/AIDS, child labor, statelessness and corruption at all governmental levels is felt throughout South East Asia. These issues affect both Asian societies and economies, and its toll cannot and should not be underestimated. However law enforcement alone is not the answer. Much of SEALETA's work involves training officials and social workers to spot the subtle nuances associated with these problems as they occur in South East Asia. By using actual case studies and practical exercises to demonstrate the complexity of these issues, SEALETA hopes to provide an objective understanding of the core nature of these problems so that students and professionals of all types can begin to properly and effectively address human trafficking and its causes.

Air Date May 4, 2009
Earth Day Everyday

Biofuel si!, gasoline no!...no? Well, this may be one of those cases where things aren't as they seem to be. Reporter and author Heather Rogers latest article for Mother Jones Magazine, *Slash and Burn; How Biofuels Could Destroy the Planet Even Faster Than Petroleum*, explains how this assumed green alternative may actually be causing environmental harm. Multi-national corporations in league with agri-giants like Archer Daniels Midland are deforesting large areas of native territories in Indonesia to establish palm-oil plantations. The trouble is the original forests they're destroying absorbed far more greenhouse gases than the palm-oil tress do and the energy expended to create these new plantations end-up cancelling out the good of the biofuels manufactured. We talk with Heather Rogers.

Air Date May 11, 2009
The Volunteer Experience

Whether in Mexico, Vietnam, Namibia, or their own local communities in the U.S., Maryknoll Lay Missioners and volunteers seek not only to help, but to get involved in the lives of those they serve with the hope of sharing cultures, languages and beliefs... Our world today is full of opportunities for anyone looking to give their time to the causes of peace, equality, and justice; and volunteering to help others can often be an effective way to not only make the world a better place, but to enrich one's own life spiritually and culturally as well... Join us as we speak with Maryknoll Lay Missioner Amy Braun in Bangkok, Thailand about how simply volunteering to help those in need has led her down a path of cultural and spiritual awareness that has changed her life, and her world.

Air Date May 18, 2009
Dignity and Justice for All

What do we mean when we use the term human rights? Peace... Justice... Equality... Morality? Join us today as we examine the evolution of human rights and the seemingly endless struggle of humankind to treat each other with dignity, respect and decency. Our guest today is Dr. Michael Hays, Chair of the Masters Program of Human Rights Studies at Mahidol University in Bangkok, Thailand.

Air Date May 25, 2009
Border Blues

The Voices of Our World radio crew recently journeyed to El Paso, Texas, and its sister city Juarez, Mexico, to observe the work of some of the Maryknoll Lay Missioners assigned to Maryknoll's border team. While in Juarez, we had the pleasure of visiting with Maryknoll Lay Missioners Jim and Karen Halberg Weaver to discuss the dire situation in Juarez and what life is like as a Maryknoll Lay Missioner... The good, the bad... and the extraordinary... That's today on Voices of Our World.

Air Date June 1, 2009

Walking a Mile in the Shoes of Another: Once in a great while, events offer us a chance to reflect and an opportunity to forge a new and right relationship with the lands we live on and the neighbors we share this planet with? For Christians and Catholics this may provide the occasion to re-examine what we mean when we use the term "mission". Recently Robert Ambrose, the new C.O.O. of the Maryknoll Fathers and Brothers, a Catholic organization devoted to overseas mission, recognized that it would be highly appropriate to experience the work of Maryknoll missionaries. And the new Assistant General of Maryknoll's General Council, Reverend Paul Masson was delighted to bring Bob with him on a visit to his former parish in Juarez, Mexico. On today's program Bob Ambrose and Paul Masson discuss their shared experience.

Air Date June 8, 2009

Part 1—Till Fear Do Us Part: Nearly 5.3 million incidents of domestic violence occur each year in the U.S. These result in 2 million reported injuries and at least 1,300 deaths annually. 25% of all women and 7.6% of all men, age 18 and up, have either been physically assaulted or raped by a partner or date in their lifetime. Still embedded in our culture is the attitude that the victim somehow triggered the event. On today's program we will do our best to reset attitudes and empower victims to reach out for help. We will speak with Joanne Rodda and Elizabeth Grant, both former victims of domestic abuse who did just that and saved their own lives.

Part 2—Independence Day: In 1994, the Violence Against Women Act led to the creation of the National Domestic Violence Hotline, 1-800-799-7233 or 800-799-SAFE. The hotline helps more than 16,000 callers a month and sadly the volume of calls is steadily increasing. In the case of our guests on today's show, Joanne and Elizabeth got help and met each other through the Putnam / Northern Westchester Women's Resource Center. Their growing self awareness helped them to a spin-off empowerment group, W.A.M., Women Achieving More. We continue our conversation with Joanne Rodda and Elizabeth Grant.

Air Date June 15, 2009

Part 1—And Justice For All (Pt. 1): In the aftermath of World War II and the Nuremberg and Tokyo Tribunals the need for a permanent international court was clear. And yet the atrocities of Rwanda, Yugoslavia and Darfur, Sudan would come to pass and the phrase "never again" would remain but a phrase. But finally the International Criminal Court became a reality in 2002. Today there are 108 member states with conspicuous exceptions being Russia, China, India and the United States. President Bill Clinton did sign the Rome Statute, the founding treaty of the ICC but his successor George W. Bush withdrew the U.S. signature. Now the Court has issued a warrant for the arrest of Sudanese President, Omar al Bashir for war crimes. Today we talk with Erna Paris, award-winning journalist and author of *The Sun Climbs Slowly; The International Criminal Court and the Struggle for Justice*.

Part 2—And Justice For All (Pt. 2): In the wake of mammoth human tragedies such as the Rwandan genocide many of us lean toward the "let's just move on" position. But others warn that any lasting peace rests on the foundation that is justice. The International Criminal Court acts only when a nation lacks the ability, infrastructure or political will to address a crime or crimes that rise to the level of those prosecuted at the Nuremberg Tribunal. Americans will watch what does or doesn't happen to President al Bashir with great interest, wondering if a case will be made against American leaders who approved torture.

Air Date June 22, 2009

America's Prison Problem: The United States of America, the land of the free, currently incarcerates over 2.2 million people in the many prisons that dot the nation's landscape, that's about 1 prisoner per every 100 adults. Perhaps even more shocking is that the United States accounts for only 5% of the world's population, yet it has 25% of the world's prisoners. These statistics should be a cause of concern for any nation, and especially so for one that purports to spread freedom. So just what are the shortsighted policies and antiquated philosophies that have led to our country's prisons becoming overcrowded, abusive, and ineffective? Join us as we examine America's prison problem.

Air Date June 29, 2009

Part 1—Odd Man Out: As a kid Jonathan Mooney was labeled a slow learner; he was a "short bus" candidate. The fact is Jonathan Mooney's trouble paying attention turned out to be Dyslexia and that "slow learner" would later earn an Honours degree from Brown University, win the prestigious Truman Scholarship and write and publish his first book, Learning Outside the Lines, by age 23. Remembering his own childhood mistreatment, Mooney drove his own short bus across the country visiting other allegedly imperfect individuals, all of which he chronicled in his latest book, The Short Bus; A Journey Beyond Normal.

Part 2—Outsiders All: Jonathan Mooney, a father himself now certainly doesn't dismiss clinical designations such as ADA, ADHD, OCD, Autism and so on, as phony diagnoses nor claim that medication is never warranted. But, having been there himself, would assert that each of us is born with both positive and negative attributes and our flaws needn't be viewed as deficiencies let alone illness. As the co-founder of Project Eye to Eye Mooney walks the walk, matching learning disabled students with tutors, mentors and role models who give them hope and restore their pride.