

WNIN-TV Program Topic Report

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Topic: Local Politics
Program: Shively and Shoulders
Length: 60 Minutes
Type: Interview/Discussion

Aired Thursdays

10/4/07,10/11/07,10/18/07,10/25/07,11/1/07,11/08/07,11/15/07,12/6/07, 12/13/07 from 7pm to 8pm.

Each week, hosts Les Shively and Pat Shoulders discuss the National, State, and local political news. Each program features one or more guests discussing local topics such as education, environmental issues, local government, etc.

Topic: Local Government
Program: County Council and Commissioner's Meetings
Length: Varies
Type: News

Council meetings are aired delayed on Sundays at 6am and the Commissioner meetings are aired delayed Sundays at 11pm each week.

Topic: War
Program: Answering The Call: WWII and the Tri State
Length: 30 Minutes
Type: Interview

Aired 10/3/07 at 9:30pm, 11/14/07 at 10:30pm, 11/29/07 at 11pm, 11/29/07 at 7pm.

This locally-produced program featured several of the 40 interviews WNIN recorded with WWII Veterans in the tri-state as they told their stories of battles, experiences and time served both as a soldier and as a war worker.

Topic: Art
Program: The New Harmony Project
Length: 30 minutes
Type: Documentary

Aired 12/4/07 at 11:30pm

This locally-produced documentary highlighted the New Harmony Project's efforts to bring together writers and artists from all over the country to discuss their professions and hone their skills.

Topic: Politics
Program: The Candidates
Length: 2 hours

Type: Live Debates
Aired 10/14/07 at 6pm

This series of live debates featured Evansville/Vanderburgh County candidates running for City Council, County Council and County Commission.

Topic: Politics
Program: A Conversation with Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel
Length: 1 hour
Type: Discussion/Interview
Aired 10/22/07 at 7pm

This one-on-one live interview and discussion featured Evansville Mayor Jonathan Weinzapfel as he was interviewed by Bob Dion about issues affecting the upcoming election.

Topic: Politics
Program: A Conversation with David Nixon
Length: 1 hour
Type: Discussion/Interview
Aired 10/25/07 at 8pm

This one-on-one interview featured mayoral candidate David Nixon as he discussed issues relevant to the upcoming election.

Topic: Youth
Program: Make Joyous Noise
Length: 60 minutes
Type: Performance
Aired 11/22/07 at 7:00pm

This holiday program featured local high school, middle school, and alternative school choirs as they sang both traditional and non-traditional Christmas and Holiday songs.

Topic: History
Program: Feel The History
Length: 30 minutes
Type: Documentary
Aired 12/15/07 at 6:00pm

This program was produced by local high school students and featured several segments on various historical aspects and events from Evansville.

Topic: Arts
Program: American Masters Good Ol' Charles Schulz
Length: 90
Type: Documentary
Aired 10/29/07 at 8:00pm

This is a quintessentially Midwestern story of an unassuming, self-doubting man who, through expressing his unique view of the world, redefined the comic art form. His genius lay in depicting the daily collisions of insiders and outsiders, of mundane cruelties and transcendent hopes - seeing the extraordinary in the ordinary. The "Peanuts" cast of characters is as familiar to us as our own siblings; their trials and tribulations speak of our families and evoke our childhood desperations. They are portrayed with whimsy and poignancy - and always with love and tolerance, each representing different facets of Schulz' personality and his perspectives on 20th-century America.

Topic: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement
Program: Bill Moyers Journal
Length: 60 minutes
Type: Interview/Discussion
Aired 11/9/07 at 8:00pm

Thomas Cahill: Bill Moyers interviews best-selling historian Thomas Cahill in a far ranging interview that takes viewers from the Coliseum in Rome to death row in Texas and examines what our attitudes toward cruelty can tell us about who we are as Americans. The Tale of Dominique Green: The story of Dominique Green, executed at 30 by the State of Texas and the subject of recent research by Thomas Cahill. Archbishop Desmond Tutu: Bill Moyers sat down with Archbishop Tutu in 1999 discussing his chairmanship of the South African Truth and Reconciliation. Pakistan in Peril?: A Bill Moyers essay on the turmoil in America's ally in the war on terror.

Topic: Education
Program: NOVA Judgment Day: Intelligent Design on Trial
Length: 120 minutes
Type: Documentary
Aired 11/13/09 at 7:00pm

One of the latest battles in the war over evolution took place in a tiny town of Dover in eastern Pennsylvania. In 2004, the local school board ordered science teachers to read to their high school biology students a statement that suggested there is an alternative to Darwin's theory of evolution. Called Intelligent Design, the idea is that that life is too

complex to have evolved naturally and therefore had to have been designed by an intelligent agent. The science teachers refused to comply with the order; alarmed parents filed a lawsuit in federal court accusing the school board of violating the separation of church and state. Suddenly, the small town of Dover was torn apart by controversy, pitting neighbor against neighbor. NOVA captures the emotional conflict in interviews with the townspeople, scientists and lawyers who participated in the historic six-week trial, *Kitzmiller, et. al. v. Dover School District, et. al.*, which was closely watched by the world's media. With re-creations based on court transcripts, NOVA presents the arguments by lawyers and expert witnesses in riveting detail and provides an eye-opening crash course on questions such as "What is evolution?" and "Does Intelligent Design qualify as science?" For years to come, the lessons from Dover will continue to have a profound impact on how science is viewed in our society and how it's taught in the classroom.