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Happy Sweet Sixteen! By Matt Murphy,

General Manager

On May 1st this wonderful grassroots collaboration of people, organizations, technology, philosophy, democracy, artistry and education known as Community Radio WERU-FM will celebrate sixteen years of broadcasting. Yup, our baby is now well into its teen years and growing up nicely because each year it continues to have a positive impact on the community it serves, which in turn continues to nurture and support it generously in a multitude of ways.

Among the many gifts for this year's birthday celebration is one that definitively says, "WERU makes a difference!" The board, staff and volunteers of WERU are both proud and humbled to have



the station recognized by Maine Initiatives as a 2004 Watering Can Award recipient. The award is given annually to a select few organizations, activists and philanthropists that "exemplify the spirit of social change in Maine." We are truly grateful to receive this honor from the good folks at Maine Initiatives, which is a "fund for change that cultivates social, economic, and environmental justice through grants and other support to grassroots organizations in Maine communities." This award is a wonderful affirmation of all the work and love dedicated to Community Radio by so many people over the years, from those you hear on the air to those who listen and then send in a check or some good energy for the community we serve. At WERU we strive to inform, entertain and inspire listeners so that community can grow and blossom all year round. Everyone who has contributed to WERU in any way, shape or form has helped us to flourish as a community resource and to earn this award. Thank you, sincerely, to everyone out there who supports WERU. (Learn more about the Watering Can Awards at www.maineinitiatives.org, and send Maine Initiatives an email or note of thanks for

recognizing our Community Radio Station as something special.)

So how about a party to celebrate? OK then, you are all invited to WERU's Sweet Sixteen Birthday Open House and Concert on Saturday, May 1st at WERU in East Orland (between Bucksport and Ellsworth on U.S. Route 1). We'll have a potluck supper beginning at 5 p.m. and a live broadcast variety concert featuring talented WERU volunteers and their friends at 6:00. Last year's bash was a hoot (and a really warm community gathering) so don't miss it this year, either in person or over the airwaves.

This is all sounding pretty good, huh? But wait, there's more! We can also celebrate the great job the station and community did with our March Pledge Drive, the first of the year, which ultimately raised over \$51,000 for Community Radio. Mail-in membership renewals got the drive off to a great start to the tune of \$10,000, \$35,000 was pledged during the week of on-air fundraising, and then another \$6,000-plus came in through the mail after we got back to our "regular programming."

What do successful pledge drives mean to WERU? They mean that we have funds to do things like repair or, when necessary, replace aging CD players, computers and other such technologies. They also mean that we have a solid financial base for our daily operations upon which we can build and support grants, when we are fortunate enough to receive them! Grant funding for special projects increase our capacity to serve listeners and engage the community, such as the WERU Local News Project and the Common Health Projects. (Read Ron Beard's articles about both initiatives in this edition of Salt Air). Listener support goes a long way in the right direction for WERU.

Of course volunteer power will always be essential and in late March through mid-April WERU training staff (paid staff and experienced volunteer programmers from our Programming Advisory Committee) welcomed new volunteers to the family by conducting new volunteer orientation and training sessions for approximately twentyfive interested people. We offer this free instruction in the basics of community radio broadcasting (generally in the spring and fall) in order to keep the pathways of opportunity at WERU open to new voices, music and information, and to help keep WERU open to the community. Training participants learn about the mission, history, governance and operating structure of WERU, and receive a hands-on introduction to our broadcast and (Continued on page 3)

WERU Presents Amy Goodman On the Waterfront

A Brunch & Book Signing Event in Belfast

By Denis Howard, Development Director



Amy Goodman is the acclaimed host of Pacifica Network's program *Democracy Now!*. WERU airs this program each weekday from 5 -6 PM. Amy, along with her brother David (also an accom-

plished author and journalist), has just written her first book and is embarking on a nationwide promotional tour.

Amy's book, *The Exception to the Rulers: Exposing Oily Politicians, War Profiteers, And the Media That Love Them,* examines civil liberty laws, fair and balanced reporting, corruption among media monopolies, and the domination of politics by corporate concerns.

WERU will be bringing Amy to The Boathouse at 34 Commercial Street in Belfast on Sunday, May 16^{th} from 10 AM - 12 PM. Amy will be speaking on the topics covered in

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Community Radio WERU

The mission of Community Radio WERU:

to provide a community based non-commercial radio service for the people living in the areas covered by WERU's signal;

to broadcast programs designed to serve the needs of those not currently served by other broadcast media;

to be a "voice of many voices" offering a wide variety of people an opportunity to share their experiences, concerns, and perspectives with their neighbors over the WERU airwaves.

Board of Directors

WERU-FM is licensed to Salt Pond Community Broadcasting, a non-profit corporation actively run by an all-volunteer board of directors from the community that WERU serves. Board of Director meetings, as well as other various governance committee meetings, are open to the public. The current board members are:

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WERU-FM broadcasts from the top of Blue Hill Mountain in the town of Blue Hill at 89.9 FM and with a translator broadcasting from Bangor at 102.9 FM. WERU is a member of Maine Association of Broadcasters, Maine Association of Nonprofits, National Federation of Community Broadcasters, and the Grassroots Radio Coalition.

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Community Advisory Panel

The Community Advisory Panel seeks new members. The CAP is an independent group whose purpose is to assess whether WERU is meeting community needs with its programming. If you're interested, please call 469-6600 for more information.

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Letters from WERU Listeners

"Whenever I'm in the Blue Hill area, I listen to The Groove Shop with Holbrook Williams and Parker Waite. When at home in Cambridge, MA, I wish I could listen to WERU via webcast. To help support future webcasting and to support the general operations and diverse range of other fine programming on WERU, including Free Speech Radio News and Democracy Now!, I'm enclosing a contribution..."

- Cambridge, MA

"Thanks for the opportunity to share our excitement about watersheds with your listeners. WERU has been a real asset to the Union River Watershed Coalition in trying to connect with the public. I'm very grateful that this resource...is available for community organizations."

- Bar Harbor, ME

"I'm delighted that you've begun archiving some of your locally produced programming for internet access and have invited comment on the possibility of expanding this service. I would particularly like to have access to archives of Rob McCall's wonderful weekly 'Awanadjo Almanac,' either in audio or text transcript form... I live on the fringes of your signal, so it's not always possible for me to pick up your programming off the air. For this reason, it's particularly gratifying to be able to access some of your programming on the web. Thank you also for the many links you've already provided on your website to enable me to access some of your programming that's not locally produced."

- From somewhere on the fringes of the WERU signal

*Note: WERU is working to expand and improve it's website. Check it out at weru.org. We are also working to begin webcasting. We'll let you know when we're sending out music and public affairs over the internet to our fringe areas and beyond! We also have plans to work with Rob McCall to have transcripts of the Awanadjo Almanac on the website. You're welcome to send more comments about the website to sammy@weru.org.

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Many Thanks to David Merrill for donating his original art for the cover of this issue of Salt Air!

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production equipment. Our next training sessions will take place in the fall, but if you'd like to get involved at the station, either behind-the-scenes or on-the-air, give us a call anytime to find out about available opportunities (like volunteering for our next pledge drive in June or for the Full Circle Fair on July 24 and 25th.

On Sunday, May 16th at 10:00 a.m., the WERU community will welcome back Amy Goodman, in person, at The Boathouse in Belfast. This "Amy Goodman On the Waterfront" special event will feature a talk, question and answer session, and book-signing with the indominatable host of Pacifica Radio's Democracy Now!, (See article on page 1). There will also be a light continental brunch and some live and local music. Advance tickets are \$15 (\$10 for WERU members). Tickets purchased at the door will be \$20 for all. (All proceeds go to WERU!) Advance tickets are suggested! Order yours while they are up for grabs because Amy will have important perspectives to share with us.

With every sixteen year-old, the present seems really important, but it is also a good idea to have an eye and ear to the future as

2004 Membership Update: We're off to a great start! \$51,000!

As of April 2, 2004,	200,000
WERU has raised	- 180,000
\$51,000	ŕ
in memberships with the	- 160,000
help of our supporting	- 140,000
listeners. This is a great start to our year, thanks	- 120,000
to all the volunteers and	- 100,000
members who have made this possible!	- 80,000
This ammount includes	- 60,000
all pledges donated to	- 40,000
WERU pre, during, and	10,000

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well. 2004 is the final year of WERU's current strategic plan (which you can read in summary at www.weru.org). This makes it an excellent time for you, the listeners, to send the station ideas for what you want WERU to sound like and do in the next three to five years. To better serve listeners on the edges of our signal area and those that are part-time area residents, we are currently in the latter stages of planning for web casting (live online streaming of our broadcast signal as well as online archives of local public affairs programming). We are staying alert for developments with digital broadcasting that may effect WERU's plans to replace our transmitter on Blue Hill Mountain in the next few years, and we are applying for permission to try to improve our signal strength in Bangor, Waterville and Augusta. When you stop to think about it, WERU has a bright future!

If you'd like to share an idea or opinion about the past, present or future of Community Radio, you can always email, mail or call us at the station (see Page 2 for contact information), attend a station event or community event at which we have an outreach table, come to a station board or committee meeting (call for times and dates), read Salt Air and check out our web page, or attend a meeting of the WERU Community Advisory Board (CAB). The CAB will next convene on May 4th at 6:00 p.m. at WERU to discuss and give feedback to the WERU staff and Board of Directors on how well the station is living up to its stated mission statement and operating principles. If you are interested in attending please contact the station as soon as possible so that we can send you an CAB information packet and can plan appropriately for the light meal that will be served at the meeting.

Finally, and it cannot be said, written, demonstrated or thought enough... thank you to everyone in this great community of WERU supporters. Volunteers, board members, paid staffers, station founding mothers and fathers, contributors, partner organizations, supporting local businesses and listeners... together we all make Community Radio WERU what it is and what it will become as we negotiate times of challenge and opportunity. Good thing we've got this swell new Watering Can to keep those grassroots growing!

WATER TO THE ROOTS and plenty of it.

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her book with current examples, followed by fielding questions from the audience.

After Amy talk, she will be available to sign your copy of *The Exception to the Rulers*. WERU, along with help from Mr. Paperback of Belfast, will offer copies for sale at this event.

WERU is promoting advance tickets to this event. Advance tickets are \$10 each for WERU members and \$15 for the general public. All tickets sold at the door on the morning of May 16th will be \$20 each.

Reserve your tickets by calling 469-6600 during weekday business hours, sending an email message to denis@weru.org, or you can purchase your tickets at The Green Store or Mr. Paperback Books & Music, both located in Belfast.

The Green Store is also sponsoring this event! Thank you!

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WERU EVENT: Amy Goodman On the Waterfront			
Who: Where:	Amy Goodman & WERU The Belfast Boathouse		
When:	(34 Commercial St.) May 16th at 10:00 A.M.		
What: Tickets:	Brunch & Book-signing \$15 (\$10 for WERU members) in advance & \$20 for all at the door		

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WERU Membership Form

There is no better time than the present to become a member of WERU! Just fill out this form or use our secure on-line pledge form at www.weru.org.

post our Spring Pledge Drive. Thank you to all who have donated! - 20,000

Thank you for your pledges and support!

Help us keep the ball rolling! You can always hop online to weru.org or give us a call during weekday business hours at 207-469-6600 to make a donation. You can also fill out the membership form and mail it in with your donation!

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Programming Notes

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By Samantha Riegel, WERU Underwriting & Publications Manager

WERU's program schedule hasn't changed much over the winter, but change seems to come with spring. WERU now has a few important changes to announce. There are two new Morning Maine short features, one long-time volunteer programmer has left, and another long-time volunteer has returned!

WERU's newest short features are Healthy Tips and EarthSense.

Healthy Tips airs weekly on Tuesday morning at 7:30. Cynthia Swan is the producer of both Heathly Tips and Healthy Options (an hour long program on the third Wednesday of the month). When asked why she decided to volunteer her time to produce these programs, Cynthia responded, "I came to the realization that I wanted to be a voice for the things that I am passionate about: health & wellness."

With Healthy Tips, Cynthia explores with listeners the various aspects and realms of health and well-being for humans and the planet.

EarthSense also addresses the health of humans and the planet, but with a different twist. Volunteer producer, Phil Bailey, shares with listeners information about environmental issues. In his words, "From From 'green' cars to greenwashing, Earth Sense investigates and brings practical solutions to environmental issues." Tune in Wednesdays at 7:30 AM to catch Phil's newest commentary.

A warm WERU welcome goes out to both Cynthia Swan and Phil Bailey!

We must also say a farewell to a wellloved, long-time volunteer, Cynthia Smith. Cynthia hosted WomenFolk starting in 1996, and her last show was on March, 30th, 2004.

Joel Mann, the station's Program Director, had the following to share about Cynthia:

"The first time I heard Cynthia Smith on WERU, I had to sit down. Who was this programmer who sounded so real, so animated, so scared? It must have been her very first time on the air back in 1996. I couldn't wait to meet the face behind that voice.

Cynthia loves music and her community, that's what brought her to WERU-FM. Over the years, she has been involved at the station



Cynthia Smith at the mic, during her farewell edition of

in many behind the scenes efforts as well as an "On Air" programmer. At one time, she was even producing Voices.

I love what she did with the WomenFolk; her own poetry that she started each show with and the music she chose to play. Always one to explore new music, she took her show from folk music by women to Womenfolk who perform all genres of music. And how she prepared for her shows... Cynthia put so much into her themes (like playing all black women musicians during February) and special celebrations (like her all Joni Mitchel shows during pledge drives), and she always had a blast doing it.

She helped me in so many ways, thinking about the station first and herself second. She never carried an ego and has always been friendly and loving and kind.

Cynthia is moving to New York state to be with her family, and she has hinted that she may get involved with a community radio station located where her new home will be. What a lucky station! We here at WERU wish her all the best in her journey. If you ever heard her on WERU, I'm certain you will miss her as much as we will. Thank you, Cynthia."

With Cynthia leaving, WERU was left with a significant space in our program schedule, and another long-time volunteer has returned to fill that space with a different kind of music program. Haydee Foreman hosted Planet Dance on Saturdays for 10 years, and last November decided to sub on various shows instead. Now she has returned "full-time" to fill the space with the Blues, the Bourgeois Blues to be precise.

Haydee describes her new show as, "African American influenced folk music from acoustic-roots blues to gospel, spirituals and civil rights traditions. Think Odetta, Lead Belly, Tracy Chapman, Eva Cassady, Sweet Honey & the Rock, Toshi Regan, Mississippi John Hurt, and more!"

You can tune in from 9:00 to 10:00 AM on Tuesdays to hear the Bourgeois Blues.

I have two more quick notes about Programming at WERU. Sometime this past winter, one of the programming trio of the late-night program, Northern Journeys, decided to stay until Sunrise Service begins on Wednesday morning. Melisenda Ellis is now hosting her program, Insomniac's Mix every early Wednesday morning from 2:00 AM to 5:00 AM. If you're looking for a real late night / early morning music program that's interesting and full of various genres, check out Insomniac's Mix!

Finally in programming news, WERU recently had our Volunteer Orientation gatherings and welcomed more friendly faces into the volunteer training program. As this group of enthusiastic, community-minded people goes through the training, we all look forward to what these new volunteers will offer the WERU community! Stay tuned!

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Jazz Review

by Radio Jones, Co-Host of *Jazz Plus*

It has been some time since I've written for this esteemed publication, so I was just tickled pink when asked to contribute some of my deathless prose once again.



One of the most interesting albums to come across my jazz DJ earwaves in recent times is In What Language? from pianist Vijay Iyer and rap lyricist Mike Ladd. The recording is an impressionistic mix of spoken word, jazz, hiphop and electronica, sometimes playful, at other times downright stark and sobering. In What Language? was originally performed with visuals accompanying live musicians and actors on stage. The pieces feature monologues by characters whose lives revolve around the activities of an international airport. It could be anywhere, but sounds a lot like New York. The title track comes from the experience of Iranian film maker Jafar Panahi who was detained in transit between Hong Kong and Buenos Aires in April of 2001. He was unaware that Iranians, being citizens of the 'axis of evil' were required to possess transit visas in the U.S. He was detained by INS, handcuffed and shackled to a bench and then deported, in cuffs, back to

Hong Kong. After the event, he wrote of his humiliation and his inability to communicate with the various international travelers who looked askance at the man chained to his seat. "I'm not a thief! I'm not a murderer! I am just an Iranian,

Scan picture from CD book

a film maker. But how could I tell them? In what language?" Panahi wrote.

In the service of journalistic integrity, let me note that I hate to fly and have done so just a handful of times in my life, so my knowledge of airports is limited, but it seems to me they are everywhere and nowhere all at the same time. Travelers from all corners of the planet pass each other in great numbers and in relative anonymity. *In What Language?* is a series of vignettes, comparable to one's fleeting impressions upon being herded through a great metropolitan airport, hearing snatches of conversation, gazing momentarily at passing faces, in an ever-shifting kaleidoscope.

We hear from people, mostly of color, who service the vast, impersonal maw of the modern international airport. Security guards, cabdrivers, the Indian guy running the magazine shop, smugglers, refugees and hustlers all interact in this universal airport scenario. The pieces run the gamut from somewhat playful (*Security*) to downright chilling (*Asylum*) to the romantic, post 9-11 piece *Taking Back the Airplanes*, which describes a night time rooftop scene in which passing aircraft don't conjure nightmare images of destruction.

Iyer and Ladd have expanded the relationship between jazz and the spoken word (Ellington, Keroac, Lord Buckley) in a most intriguing and 21st century manner with *In What Language?* The 11-piece ensemble features Iyer at the piano, Liberty Ellman on guitar, Rudresh Mahanthappa on saxophone, Ambrose Akinmusire on trumpet, Dana Leong on cello and trombone, Stephan Crump on bass and Trevor Holder on drums, along with poet Latashia Diggs, actors Ajay Naidu and Allison Easter and Mike Ladd on the spoken-word portions of the album.

It's worth the audio trip through the airport of your imagination. *In What Language?* is available from PI Records.



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Ernie Hawkins

Hawkins has been building his reputation as one of the (perhaps the) finest purveyors of solo acoustic blues guitar playing in the world. David Little Maine Blues Society



Roberta Kuriloff

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Youth Radio Update

by Heather Candon, WERU Production Manager

In January, they examined the history of body modification, and focused on tattoo art and body piercing. In February, they wanted to know if America's youth were being overmedicated. They cited increasing numbers of children and teens taking psychoactive and mood-altering drugs, as prescribed by doctors or recommended by school officials. In March, they sought to explore the ways in which our society defines marriage, and they made a case for gay marriage. In April, they talked about feminism, homeschooling, unschooling, "Schools That Do Too Much", and siblings in Iraq.

They are the teens who, each month, put together The Teen Talk show. If you haven't had a chance to tune in to this program yet, make sure to keep your radio on during the second Monday of each month at 6pm. Here's a run down of the people you hear when you tune into The Teen Talk Show.

> Brianna Alley Eighth grade, homeschooled

Nick Alley Sophomore, Sumner High School

Theresa Dziezyk Senior, Mount Desert Island High School

Nikki Gordon Junior, George Stevens Academy

Brandon Moore Senior, The Liberty School

Ariel Porada Eighth grade, Conner School

Abby Stivers Senior, Mount Desert Island High School We will continue to bring The Teen Talk

Show to the WERU listening audience throughout the summer, and will be welcoming MDI H.S. student Marni Berger to the ranks of producer and host for The Teen Talk Show. Marni will be training under the tutelage of Abby Stivers, the supremely capable host of many a Teen Talk Show.

The Teen Talk Show continues to hold true to its mission of youth empowerment through direct media access. If you know of any teens who may be interested in getting involved either on-air or behind the scenes, please contact Heather Candon at WERU FM by calling 469-6600 during weekday business hours or by emailing her at heather@weru.org.



The DFS

By Magnus Johnstone, WERU Programmer of The Matrix

"I'm kinda tired of this foreign pillaging policy business.

Killing so we can win this next commission for Haliburton.

Operation 'ffhiihht!', killing Iraqi civilians. we're really fighting for Freedom, a contradiction perhaps,

but we believe nothing says "peace" like a cap in your ass." - Gabe Weiss of The Down East Funk Syndicate

The Down East Funk Syndicate are not fooling around. The four Blue Hill peninsula High School seniors have formed a rap group and are "spittin" some seriously sophisticated lyrics.

They are not imitating the popular rap on the radio. The only concession to the "gangsta" style coming out of the urban ghetto in the above is a defiant attitude and the phrase "a cap in your ass", slang for a shooting. "Yep, that old chestnut, biogenetic Cessnas

Full Service

the pressure is growing as hate and loathing festers.

Messed up, fed up, civilians swelling, plotting rebellion.

That will no doubt lead to corporate greed and mindless killing.

Forces conflicting and resisting real life. Only internal transformation leads you into the light." - Sam D. Koch

Flipping from political to inner space, Sam



From Left to Right: Gabe Weiss, Sam Kestenbaum, Sam D. Koch, & Brendan Murray

Koch casually refers to the current world dread, then skips to the personal with deceptively deft wordplay.

"My third eye's gouged out on some mismatched Oedipus sh-.

I think I got what Daedalus missed. Commercial grade laser kid with my eyes made for razor slits

Collaborating with the spirits of ancestors and clones.

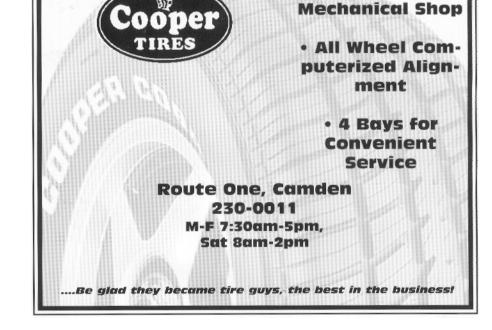
I go beyond and below the sub conscience." - Brendan Murray

When the Syndicate first walked into WERU, I was curious to hear what Down East rap might sound like. Back in Boston I did a rap show for 3 years and had many of Roxbury, Mattapan, Cambridge, etc.'s best rap groups perform live on the radio. Many groups sent me their basement tapes which were sometimes, but not always, good. With a few exceptions, all of these kids were black and from the

The North Atlantic Blues Festival July 10 & 11, 2004

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ghetto. Their lyrics were usually somewhat imitative, but rap was just beginning then, and carving out an identity for itself.

Since then the form has evolved and become more complex, but nothing prepared me for the fierceness of "The DFS".

I almost fell on the floor with delight at the references to Classical Mythology, Haliburton, personal transformation etc. These guys have some juice.

Their dj, Sam Kestenbaum, otherwise known as "Funkmaster D-Spot, provides their "beats".

Watch out for them.

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Local News Project Update

by Ron Beard, WERU host of Various WERU Local Public Affairs Programs

"We want 'news we can use."" That's what WERU has heard from listeners and community members in focus groups held this winter in Blue Hill, Bucksport, Ellsworth, Bangor, Belfast and Rockland. The focus groups were part of a six-month feasibility study to determine content and format of potential ways to increase local news reporting on WERU. Funded by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the project is allowing a project team to learn from listeners, volunteers and staff what they would find valuable and useful to add to existing news and public affairs programming at the station.

Participants in the focus groups identified gaps in other broadcast news within the WERU listening area. One

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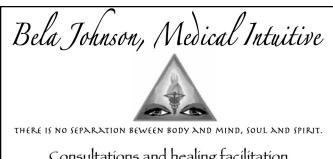
example: hearing people speak in their own voices about the issues and events that they are facing, including how national and statewide issues are affecting people locally. These "voices" and the context that is often provided when reporters "investigate" a story, going beyond headlines and sound-bites, are at the heart of what listeners said they wanted.

The focus groups also posed the question about the qualities listeners want in the people who are collecting, producing and reporting local news. There was consensus in the responses: fairness, accuracy, operating from a base of knowledge about the issues being reported, and providing a variety of news that cause people to think, but not telling them "what to think." In other words, listeners would want reporters and news producers to have the training and support to offer news that adheres to standards of good journalism and the spirit of Community Radio (as exemplified by our many fine local public affairs interview and call-in programs).

The local news project consists of several parts. Focus groups and surveys in *Salt Air* and at www.weru.org were part of collecting information from listeners, stakeholders and possible collaborators in gathering and reporting local news. That information, along with a summary of "best practices" from other community radio stations that utilize volunteers to gather and report news, was summarized and forwarded to a study circle of 11 people: community members, current WERU volunteers and staff and a WERU board member. (Study circles were also used in the recent Common Health project, reported elsewhere in this edition of *Salt Air*.)

As the study circle began its work, General Manager Matt Murphy set some "givens" about any expanded news service: there would not be any dramatic change in the overall balance of music and public affairs/news during the broadcast day (at least not in the near future, as that issue was discussed at length publicly last year with no clear consensus or majority emerging in favor of changing the current balance); there is no money budgeted





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Draft design principles for local news at WERU:

- The news service should be grounded in a strong "database" of community people who can suggest story ideas and serve as sources of local news, and who will give constructive feedback on the quality of the news service.
- Any news service will build our volunteer and staff capacity; we would start by expanding & coordinating what we do now, using an incremental approach over time: trying something, evaluating it and building on the experience.
- We would want our expanded news service to include both coverage of special events and emergencies, as well as ongoing local news from communities throughout our listening area (and within topical or issue "beats" covered by volunteers).
- The station needs to establish a clear "news guiding and deciding" function, a single point of coordination for volunteers who would be gathering and producing news, and possibly a "News Advisory Committee."
- WERU would need to set up an excellent training and support process for those volunteers (and staff) who are gathering and producing news, including clear expectations around the ethics of journalism.
- A good local news service would depend on a dedicated production studio and equipment for use by volunteers (modestly expanding current station facilities).
- WERU can begin expanding its local news service first by raising listener awareness about what we are already doing in the news and public affairs arena, by coordinating how we promote programs in advance and making more of our excellent, local public affairs programs available online as audio archives

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for an expansion of news production or for staffing during the remainder of 2004; and that any expanded news service would have to adhere to the WERU mission.

Working with members of the project team (Jim Campbell, Matt Murphy, Renee Johnson and Ron Beard) the study circle participants suggested some basic "design principles" and format ideas for a pilot local news effort (to compliment existing public affairs programming).

Along with design principles, study circle participants made suggestions to the project team for places and formats where news might best fit during the broadcast week. By June, the team will draft a comprehensive model of incremental expanded local news programming including suggested news beats and formats, training materials for volunteers and staff, and other procedures as the foundation for a news service. Members of the recent study circle and others, including WERU volunteer producers/programmers and community members with journalism experience, will be invited to review the draft materials with an eye for improvements prior to any pilot local short news features airing over the summer and fall. Study circle members also said that they wanted a clear time frame for piloting any expanded news service, and an evaluation process that would allow the station to keep quality high, to assure that what we are doing is sustainable and true to the station's mission.

The project results, including the design of the focus groups, the study circle guide and design principles, along with the eventual local news service model and volunteer training materials, will be made available to other rural community radio stations by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting and through networks like the National Federation of Community Broadcasters (NFCB).

The grant is allowing some members of the project staff, WERU staff, study circle participants and volunteer news producers to attend the April NFCB conference to share the project process and results so far, and to

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Ron Beard, of University of Maine Cooperative Extension and a member of the Local News Project Team, wrote this summary and serves as a project ombudsman. Contact him if you have questions, suggestions or concerns about the project. He can be reached via rbeard@umext.maine.edu or by calling 207-667-8212.



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Host of *The Doll House*, 8 -10 PM Fridays By Abigail Curtis, Volunteer *Salt Air* Contributing Writer

Jane Clarke, DJ for WERU's delightfully different 80s show, *The Dollhouse*, does not schlump to the station in any old rag she has lying around. No, Clarke—who is also an actor and playwright—dresses for the part, donning an elegant black dress and dangly silver jewelry for her show's March Pledge Drive edition. With her black hair and dramatic makeup, Clarke cut a slightly Gothic, exotic figure as she darted around the station to find the esoteric requests that listeners phoned in. She and her *Dollhouse* are like an edgy night to the ordinary day of mainstream radio's repetitive 80s shows. And she wouldn't have it any other way.

"Saturday night is 80s night on all the stations. But they play pretty standard stuff. I'm not too threatened," said Clarke.

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 Any local news service must rely on ongoing listener feedback for review and improvement, including using the Program Advisory Committee to recommend formal changes. underwrite one of WERU's daytime programs for the summer (3 months) for \$180.

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Clarke has been doing *The Dollhouse* for about three years now, and describes it most accurately as an 80s-based program. "We play 80s music or other decade work by 80s artists, or anything else that can be tied to the 80s one way or another—preferably New Wave or alternative music." On WERU's Program Schedule, *The Dollhouse* is described as "All Things 80s."

"That's not entirely accurate," she said, smiling. "It should say, 'All things 80s that don't suck,' or 'all good things 80s.""

The strongest proof of this is that Def Leppard has been banned from *The Dollhouse*. But before fans feel too offended, they should understand that just about any heavy metal band will not get played.

"Or anything by the Grateful Dead," Clarke said, "So stop trying."

Clarke is, however, glad to take listener requests, though she asks that callers keep their phone calls short, because 80s songs tend to be brief and she needs to attend to her DJ duties. She is especially glad to take requests during WERU's pledge drives.

"If we're asking them for money, the least we can do is play the songs people ask for," she said.

She also gets lots of calls during her thrice-yearly "cheesy smash hits" show, and during occasional on-air surveys for 80s information.

"Last week I asked listeners to call and let me know what their favorite 80s shows were. I heard 21 Jump Street, Knight Rider, Max Headroom, MacGyver, A-Team, Buck Rogers, Friday the 13th, and Radio 1999."

Generally, Clarke decides in advance what the theme of that night's show will be.

"I usually try to say up front this is going to be a dance-y show, or a Gothic show, or a cheesy smash hit show. I know I have listeners who will check in at the beginning and will listen if they like it."

And many do. *The Dollhouse*, which is notable for its eclectic and fun spirit, was singled out by *Esquire* Magazine last summer as a "killer 80s show." The magazine had listed WERU as one of the nation's top radio stations. Clarke was taken aback by the attention.

"I felt baffled, and surprised. And, you know, I also felt a bit happy and proud. I also felt sort of bad. Because I think that a lot of DJs know more, and put more time and effort, and should be recognized," she said. "I am not the 80s goddess. I do not know everything about the 80s. At all. I certainly have more knowledge than the average Joe. And I am learning as I

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go," she said.

But Clarke is no 80s novice. Much of her show's success is due to her passion for, and knowledge of, that decade's music.

"1983-84 was my musical awakening," she said. "I grew up in Ellsworth and listened to a lot of WTOS, before they switched to heavy metal. It was great. So insanely great. They had a Sunday night jazz program, they played all kinds of 12-inch singles, all the New

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Wave, and really off-beat songs and bands."

Clarke, who has such happy memories of that WTOS, also remembers the sadness she and other listeners across Maine felt when the station changed management and formatting sometime in 1987 or 1988. The alternative songs stopped playing, and the loud metal music began. Fans held a mock funeral for their beloved radio station. They walked slowly down the streets of Skowhegan holding up a fake coffin, she said.

The demise of WTOS strongly affected Clarke, and may be why she so enjoys sharing her knowledge of alternative 80s music with WERU fans.

Clarke is precise about the relative merits of music from each year in the 80s. 1980 to 1982 were very good years. At that time, said Clarke, there was either "scary" top 40, or good alternative music, but it was very divided.

"The good stuff was under the Top 40 garbage," she said. "And I think that they started to balance out more. Duran Duran came to the forefront. Howard Jones came to the forefront. He's a phenomenal keyboardist, like Herbie Hancock."

And things were even better during the late New Wave years of 1983 to 1985.

"By the time '83 and '84 rolled around, the alternative bands started to take over the video scene," Clarke



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said.

1986 and 1987 had a little bit of a different feel ---music was a little less keyboard-driven and a little more drum-oriented, according to Clarke.

"Now, '88 and '89-crap. Paula Abdul, Janet Jackson, Bobby Brown. All that dance/rap stuff," sniffed Clarke dismissively.

Her love of music was, perhaps, increased by a difficult time at Ellsworth High School.

"I had a really hard high school experience. I just kind of hung out and listened to a lot of music. I watched a lot of MTV. And then there's Live Aid. That was the event of the 80s for me."

Clarke's exposure to massive amounts of music have inoculated her against the "crap" of the 80s, and also given her the ability to know instantly if she likes a song or not. It's a skill that she thinks she has passed down to her nearly five-year old son, Shilo, along with a precocious taste for good music.

"'Tainted Love' was Shilo's first official song. He would dance around his crib to that when he was eight months old. And 'Mr. Roboto' was a really big hit when he was oneand-a-half years old. I made him a special tape with all his favorites-it has Bloodhound Gang, Men Without Hats, 'Da Da Da', 'Centerfold', and 'Night Fever'. He liked that a lot."

Shilo also has the good taste to appreciate WERU.

"I always keep a picture of him in the studio with me. Shilo loves the radio station, by the way. He loves it there," Clarke said.

He's not the only one.

"I think WERU is great. I love it. I wish I were more involved. And all the good things I say in the pledge drive are true," Clarke said. "I only say the things I believe in."



Would you like to know more about a business that supports WERU?

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Common Health Update: What Does Good Health Care Sound Like?

By Ron Beard, Co-Host of Common Health (among other WERU local public affairs program!)

While Common Health continues as a radio program in WERU's public affairs line up (airing live on the third Wednesday of each month from 10-11 a.m.) the project that launched the series has formally ended with a multi-media final report sent off to funders and policy makers in early April.

WERU received a total of \$94,000 over two years in support of the project, including support from the Maine Health Access Foundation, Sound Partners for Community Health (a project of the Benton Foundation, with support from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation) and from local partner organizations.

The project consisted of 12 monthly radio broadcasts, featuring the voices and views of consumers, health care providers and policy makers focused on how Maine can expand the quality of and access to health care. "Because the project paralleled introduction, debate and passage of Governor Baldacci's Dirigo Health program and the beginning stages of implementation, WERU and its listeners benefited from having a first-hand view of the issues and the policy proposals," said WERU General Manager Matt Murphy.

The project also drew on the experience of four partner organizations in the project: The Healthy Peninsula Project of Blue Hill Memorial Hospital, the Hancock County Planning Commission, University of Maine Cooperative

Extension and the Study Circles Resource Center. Through a series of study circles in

Gouldsboro, Stonington, Ellsworth, Unity and Bangor, participants

learned about the health status of their communities, something about the health care and insurance system and about basic policy alternatives. Included in the alternatives was coverage for all citizens, as envisioned in the



Dirigo Health Plan, and payment for health care through a single payer, which has been studied by Maine's Health Security Board, as championed by former area legislator Paul Volenik, of Brooklin.

"Overall, study circle participants wanted to assure that everyone had access to good quality care, wanted to find ways to hold down costs,



Common Health is a live call-In program with guests, co-hosted by Ron Beard and Barbara Peppey.

and greatly simplify reimbursement procedures for consumers and providers," said Jim Fisher, of the Hancock County Planning Commission (and principle author/compiler of the Common Health final report). "Those results confirm the direction that Maine seems to be taking with Dirigo."

"When people with health insurance encountered people without insurance, they couldn't very well look them in the eyes and say 'you don't deserve the health support I get.' It became a 'there but for the grace of God go I' moment," according to Barbara Peppey, of the Healthy Peninsula Project, who facilitated several of the study circles and serves as cohost and producer of the Common Health radio series.

"This project demonstrated our ability to manage a fairly complex project, with great community partners. The outcomes for the station and its listeners included high quality programming, our first experiment with on-line archiving those programs for listeners who couldn't tune in when they first aired, and expanded use of our website for providing other informational resources to the community," said Murphy.

The complete project report, including findings, the study circle guide and resource materials, as well as audio files of the radio programs is available at www.weru.org (click on "Common Health" on the left side of our home page).

Ron Beard of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension is co-producer and host of Common Health.



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Underwriter Profile: Center Harbor Sails, Brooklin

by Samantha Riegel, WERU's Publications Manager and Jed Siebert, co-owner of Center Harbor Sails

Center Harbor Sails has been underwriting weather reports on Morning Maine for four years, and WERU would like to thank everyone at Center Harbor Sails for their generosity!

I contacted the owners of Center Harbor Sails, Marti and Jed Seibert, and offered them a chance to tell WERU what they offer at Center Harbor Sails. I also asked why they like to underwrite WERU programming. Here is their response:

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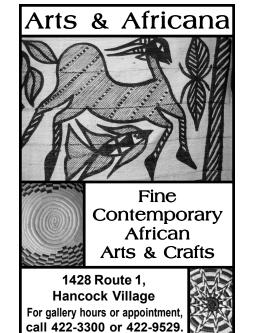
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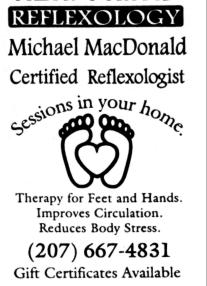
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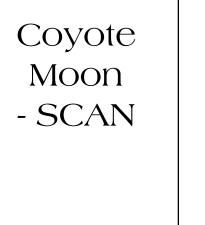


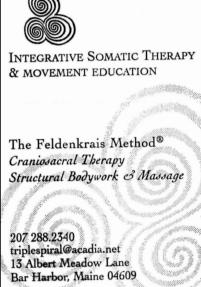
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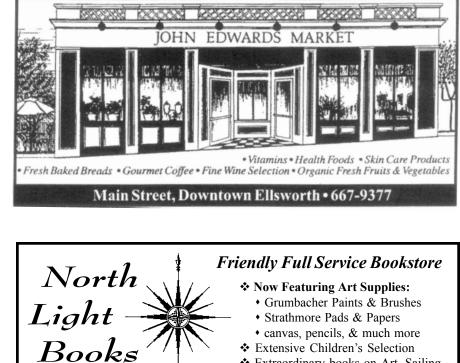


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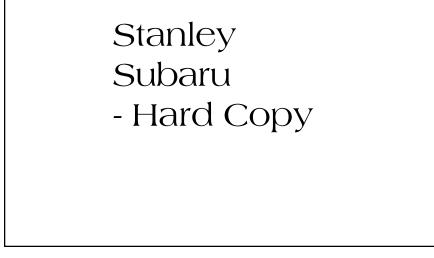


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Toots and the Maytals – True Love

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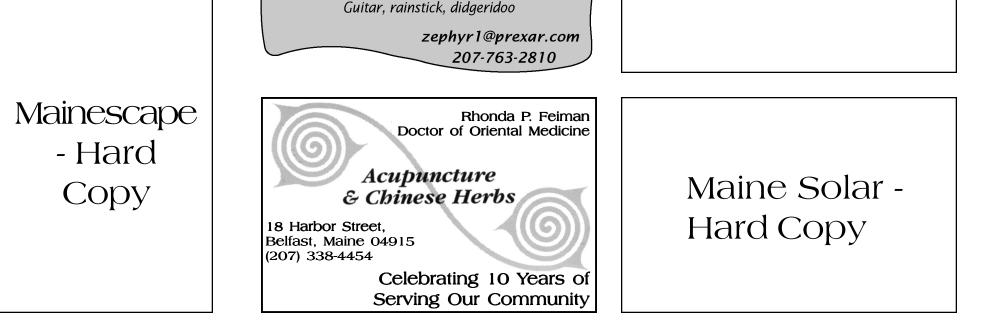
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- Alternative Currents: An interview and dialogue program featuring authors who write about the potential for healing the self and the relation of self to the local and global community. Hosted by Bela Johnson. (1st Friday, 10-11 am)
- Awanadjo Almanac: A collection of natural and unnatural events, rank opinion, and wild speculation devoted to feeling at home in nature and tearing down the wall between us and the rest of creation. Written and presented by Rob McCall. (Friday, 7:30 am & Sunday, 8:30 am)
- *Baby Talk:* An informative monthly dialogue about child development from infancy to age 3. Hosted by Cathy Jacobs of Downeast Health Services & Parents are Teachers Too. *(3rd Thursday, 10-11 am)*
- Behind the Sound Bites: A locally produced international affairs interview program, hosted by Chuck Ausherman & Steve Savage. (1st Tuesday, 10-11 am)
- *Bird Talk with Birdman Bob*: A weekly look at the local bird-watching scene. (Monday, 3:30 pm)
- *Boat Talk*: All things boats! A live call in program for your questions and comments on boat building, maintenance, & repair with resident boat carpenters Alan Sprague & Mike Joyce. (2nd Tuesday, 10-11 am)
- *Coastal AIDS Network Radio Project*: AIDS education and information via roundtable discussion about HIV and AIDS and how they affect our community. Hosted by the staff of the Coastal AIDS Network of Belfast. (4th Thursday, 10-11 am)
- *Common Health*: A monthly live call-in program addressing public policy issues around health care access and quality. Hosted by Barbara Peppey of the Healthy Peninsula Project, Ron Beard of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension, and Jim Fisher of the Hancock County Planning Commission. *(3rd Wednesday, 10-11 am)*
- *The Democracy Forum:* A periodic panel discussion and call-in program on the health of our democracy. Produced in collaboration with the League of WomenVoters-Downeast. (periodic, Sunday 8-9 pm)
- **Doing Business:** A live call-in that helps make sense of the issues facing Maine families that

Spoken Word Programming

News, Public Affairs, Commentary, Information, Insights, Entertainment, and more!

Morning Maine News & Features	Weekda	ay Morning Monthly Programs
6:00 - BBC World News Headlines	Mondays	All: Alternative Radio or local special
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options. Hosted by Cythia Swan. (3rd Wednesday, 7:30 am)

- *Lysa Says*: A fun and informative look at the origins of words and phrases. Produced by Lysa Levin. *(Tuesday, 7:30 am)*
- *Next of Kin*: A weekly short commentary on ideas and information concerning the creatures that share this planet with us. Dedicated to the concept of compassion for all living things. Produced by Susan Cockrell. *(Wednesday,* 7:30 am)
- *Notes from the Electronic Cottage*: A weekly feature that helps to sort out the day-to-day technology we all live with so we can feel more confident that we are controlling it, and not vice versa. Produced by Jim Campbell. *(Thursday, 7:30 am)*
- *Peace Time:* Weekly update on issues and events from local peace and justice activists. Hosted by Cathy Melio. (*Wednesday, 3:30 pm*)
- *The Poetry Pantry:* A weekly short feature presenting poems from near and far. Produced by Judy Beach and Karen Larsen. *(Monday, 2:30 pm)*

- *Voices*: Community events, features & essays concerning the lives and voices of people in the WERU listening area. Commentators & contributors are always welcome. Produced by Production Manager, Heather Canodon. *(Wednesday, 4 – 4:30 pm)*
- *Watershed Watch:* A weekly short feature with information about watersheds, espcially the Union River Watershed. Produced in collaboration with Janet Redman of the Union River Watershed Coalition. *(Saturday, 8:30 am)*
- *WERU Review:* A live call-in "ask the managers" program on station issues and events. *(Scheduled periodically.)*
- *A Word in Edgewise*: A weekly short essay covering modern life & current events at home and around the world. Written & read by R.W. Estella. *(Monday, 7:30 am)*

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have small and home-based businesses.
Hosted by Jane Haskell of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension. (2nd Thurs-day, 10-11 am)
EarthSense: A weekly commentary/ reporting feature with host Phil Bailey, who investigates and brings practical solutions to environmental issues. (Wednesday, 7:30 am)
Family Radio Forum: A monthly call-in program featuring current issues of interest to Maine families. Hosted by Ron Beard of the University of Maine families.

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olistic and inclusive th, wellness, and medical *RadioActive*: A grassroots news journal covering environmental & social justice issues, featuring updates, interviews, and live call-ins. Produced by Amy Browne and Meredith Defrancesco. *(Thursday, 4-4:30 pm)*

Talk of the Towns: An interview and call-in program helping listeners understand current issues facing Maine towns and communities. Hosted by Ron Beard of the University of Maine Cooperative Extension. (3rd Friday, 10-11 am)

The Teen Talk Show: Part of our Youth Radio Project, this live call-in program presents teens sharing their perspectives on a variety of important issues. (2nd Monday, 6-7 pm)

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FOLK				FOLK		
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Coffeehouse	Morning Maine					
Susan Connery			•			Matt Baya
Emma Finn Mary Kellett	Allison Gladstone	Joe Porada	John Waters	Karen Frangoulis	Joel Mann & Denis Howard	Brendan Curran Ken Gross
Blue Macaw	FOLK Goodfolk	BLUES Bourgeois	BLUES	COUNTRYDownhome	FOLK Loafer's	Chuck Markowitz
	Mtg House Susan	Blues Haydee Foreman	Barefoot Blues Hour			
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New Dimensions	Alternative Radio	Rotating Programs	Health Related	Rotating Programs	Local Live Call-In	Over the Rainbow
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Parker Waite			On The Wing			
MUSIC/STORIES	Karen Doherty	John Babcock	Brother Al, Sister Mango	Mark Dyer	Joel Raymond	REGGAE
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