

# WPKN Newsletter August 14, 2017

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special programs and guests

## Music, Culture, Arts and Entertainment

*A Miniature World*: Philosopher and cultural critic Susan Bordo's book *The Destruction of Hillary Clinton* carries the distinction of being the first narrative to examine and attempt to answer the question many have been asking since the 2016 election: How did an extraordinarily well-qualified, experienced and admired candidate come to be seen as untrustworthy? Bordo unpacks the narrative. As Katha Pollitt once wrote of Bordo's work "When Bordo deconstructs something, it stays deconstructed." Full disclosure for this interview: Susan Bordo and Binnie Klein are sisters, so this is not going to be the usual "what went wrong" autopsy. They're going behind-the-scenes of the writing of this book.

Thursday, August 17 at 11:00 AM.

Sustainable East End: The private, progressive Hayground School in Bridgehampton, New York, describes its unique model of education as an individualized, mentor-based approach that integrates academics with hands-on work in professional disciplines. Francesca Rheannon talks with Hayground School co-founder Jonathan Snow, about how the school integrates sustainability values into its curriculum, and about the school's organic gardening program and its participation in a coastal resilience project featuring students as citizen scientists. Wednesday, August 16 at 7:30 PM, and [archived](#).

*Writer's Voice* with Francesca Rheannon: With his threats to ramp up the war on drugs, is Attorney General Jeff Sessions channeling the spirit of the guy who started us down this perilous path? We speak with Alexandra Chassin about her biography/cultural-political critique of America's first drug czar, Harry J. Anslinger. It's called *Assassin of Youth*. Then we re-air our 2010 interview with cannabis legalization advocate Mason Tvert, about his book, *Marijuana Is Safer*.

Monday, August 14 at 10:00 PM.

## News and Public Affairs

This week's guests on *Counterpoint*, hosted by Scott Harris:

- 1) Mark Hertsgaard, The Nation Magazine's investigative editor at large, and the author of seven books, including, "Bravehearts: Whistle-Blowing in the Age of Snowden," discusses the white nationalist terrorism and murder in Charlottesville, Virginia as well as his recent Nation article: "Do You Trust Donald Trump's Finger on the Nuclear Button," on issues related to U.S. military power and the Trump administration's foreign policy.
- 2) Michell McIntyre campaign coordinator with Public Citizen's Congress Watch and manager of the Coalition for Sensible Safeguards, examines growing opposition to the Regulatory Accountability Act, now pending in the U.S. Senate, which would exacerbate public harm that has resulted from corporate-deregulation of dangerous cars, unsafe food and other hazardous consumer products.
- 3) Naomi Ages, Greenpeace USA's Senior Climate Liability Campaigner, talks about Greenpeace's response to a new federal climate report which concludes that the US is already feeling the effects of climate change, with temperatures rising dramatically over the last four decades. She'll also discuss how the climate activist community is working to effectively challenge the views and actions of President Trump, who dismisses climate change as a "hoax."
- 4) Dax Crocker, a volunteer with Congregations Organized for a New Connecticut, CONECT, discusses his group's advocacy and solidarity on behalf of immigrant US residents under federal deportation orders, including recent cases where immigrants ordered to leave the U.S. have sought shelter in Connecticut sanctuary churches.

Monday, August 14 at 8:00 PM and in the [WPKN archive](#).

## Save the Date

Running throughout the afternoon of Saturday, August 26, 2017, Black Rock's 2nd annual PorchFest is a free music festival featuring over 30 performances by talented local musicians. Each performance will be on a different porch in the neighborhood, thanks to many amazing hosts. Here's the day's [schedule](#).



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