

Peace Prize nominee to visit WVIA

Nobel Peace Prize nominee Joseph K. Grieboski, founder and president of the Institute on Religion and Public Policy, will appear live on WVIA-TV Channel 44's "State of Pennsylvania" 7 p.m. Thursday.

Nominated for the 2007 Nobel Prize in Peace, the Institute on Religion and Public Policy is an international, inter-religious non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring freedom of religion as the foundation for security, stability and democracy, according to a news release. The Institute works globally with government policymakers, religious leaders, business executives, academics, international and regional organizations, non-governmental organizations and others in order to develop, protect, and promote fundamental rights - especially the right of religious freedom - and contributes to the intellectual and moral foundation of the fundamental right of religious freedom.

Grieboski, originally from Scott Township, and his institute were nominated for the prestigious award by Ousseni Tamboura, a cabinet minister in the western African country of Burkina Faso, formerly Upper Volta.

The public is invited to attend the live interview by WVIA's Suzanne Kelly in the station's new 100-seat theater studio. Reservations can be made by calling (570) 602-1150 or by logging on to www.wvia.org.

Viewers may also phone in questions at 1-800-326-9842 or post their questions or comments on WVIA's new online community, also found at www.wvia.org.