

EQUITY COMMUNICATIONS ATLANTIC CITY NEW JERSEY
1ST QUARTER 2022 ISSUES & PROGRAM LISTS

During January 2022 the Equity Communications stations aired scheduled news reports, call-in segments & long-form discussion programs dealing with issues of importance to the Southern New Jersey region. The following is a list of community topics covered & the air dates of specific broadcasts:

Issue: **An Assembly Committee will be holding hearings on a new Atlantic City casino PILOT bill in connection with past due real estate taxes owed by the casinos. Recently the Committee passed an amended Casino PILOT bill that greatly lowered the amounts casinos would pay for the next five years.**

Summary: Atlantic City is in desperate need of these tax revenues

Times Aired:

WAYV/WAIV	Fri 1/7	News reports	6am, 7am, 8am
WZXL	Fri 1/7	News reports	6am, 7am, 8am
WTTH	Fri 1/7	News reports	5am, 6am, 7am
WZBZ	Fri 1/7	News reports	5:55am, 6:50am
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 1/8	Hour-long program	8a-9a

Issue: **The Supreme Court will hear challenges to race-based college admissions policies.**

Summary: The Court is overwhelmingly conservative & will take up cases that claim that colleges like Harvard & University of North Carolina discriminate against Asian American applicants.

Times Aired:

WAYV/WAIV	Mon 1/24	News reports	6am, 7am, 8am
WZXL	Mon 1/24/	News reports	7am, 8am, 9am
WTTH	Mon 1/24	News reports	5:50a, 6:50a, 7:50a
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 1/29	Hour-long program	8a-9a

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2nd QUARTER 2022 ISSUES & PROGRAM LISTS

During the period April 1 2022 – June 30 2022 the Equity Communications stations aired scheduled news reports, call-in segments & long-form discussion programs dealing with issues of importance to the Southern New Jersey region. The following is a list of community topics covered & the air dates of specific broadcasts:

Issue: A massive \$2.7 Billion dollar redevelopment plan has been proposed. It's a recreational, residential & retail project aimed at vacationers, car lovers & boating enthusiasts planned for Atlantic City's long vacant Bader Field airport. The project will take 10 years to complete & will add 10,000 residential units & 400,000 square feet of retail & office space. There will also be a 20 acre park with additional amenities.

Summary: Non-casino-gaming development like this is the future of the Atlantic City market.

Times Aired:

WAYV/WAIV	Mon 4/4	News reports	6am, 7am, 8am
WZXL	Mon 4/4	News reports	7am, 8am, 9am
WTTH	Fri 4/8	News reports	5am, 6am, 7am
WTTH	Sat 4/9	Hour-long discussion	9am - 10am
WZBZ	Sun 4/10	Hour-long discussion	9am - 10am
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 4/9	Hour-long discussion	8am - 9am

Issue: Head-to-head peace talks between Russia & Ukraine continue on a sporadic basis but with no breakthrough or end in sight. The peace talks come as ussia steps up its assault on Ukraine's second largest city plus attacks on other non-military targets & civilian population centers in Ukraine. President Biden continues to strongly condemn the invasion. New Jersey will now accept Ukrainian refugees fleeing the Russian occupation. Governor Murphy's administration with work on the Biden administration on housing plans for them.

Summary: The bombing of civilian targets like schools & hospitals is a war crime.

Times Aired:

WAYV/WAIV	Thurs 5/19	News reports	6am, 7am, 8am, 9am
WZXL	Wed 5/18	News reports	6am, 8am, 9am
WTTH	Thurs 5/19	News reports	5:50a, 6:50a, 7:50a
WTTH	Sat 5/21	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WZBZ	Sun 5/22	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 5/21	Hour-long discussion	8am – 9am

Issue:

Gas prices climbed to a new record high in New Jersey with the average price of a gallon of regular at 4.37. The price increase is driven by the underlying cost of a barrel of oil, which is nearly double last year's cost. The price increases haven't seemed to hurt demand as driving starts to pick up as we head into the summer season at the Jersey shore. The AAA feels drivers will not be deterred by rising gas prices & will just make other cuts in their household budgets to accommodate. New Jersey continues to be one of the nation's 10 fastest growing price-of-gas states.

Summary:

Drivers can find the lowest-price gas options along their route by using the AAA mobile app.

Times Aired:

WAYV/WAIV	Tues 6/14	News reports	6am, 7am, 8am
WZXL	Tues 6/14	News reports	6am, 8am, 9am
WTTH	Wed 6/15	News reports	5:50a, 6:50a, 7:50a
WTTH	Sat 6/18	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WZBZ	Sun 6/19	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 6/18	Hour-long discussion	8am – 9am

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3rd QUARTER 2022 ISSUES & PROGRAM LISTS

During the period July 1 – September 30 2022 the Equity Communications stations aired scheduled news reports, call-in segments & long-form discussion programs dealing with issues of importance to the Southern New Jersey region. The following is a list of community topics covered & the air dates of specific broadcasts:

Issue: New Jersey reported over 3400 new COVID cases for the previous week. Hospitalizations have been increasing in recent weeks. Walk-in testing & vaccination sites are under consideration for public areas around the greater Atlantic City market like Venice Park & Brighton Park. Wawa will be giving out flyers listing where the sites will be. Transmission rates are on the rise in all South Jersey counties. A return to public school mask mandates is under consideration, as a new variant could soon be dominant in the State. The CDC is urging older Americans to get boosted to protect against the current surge. In connection with his announcements about Covid Governor Murphy also declared a baby formula emergency in South Jersey & signed an anti-price-gouging order.

Summary: People in South Jersey may be finished with covid but the pandemic is not finished with us.

<u>Times Aired:</u>			
WAYV/WAIV	Mon 7/17	News reports	6am, 7am, 8am
WZXL	Tues 7/18	News reports	7am, 8am, 9am
WTTH	Wed 7/19	News reports	5am, 6am, 7am
WTTH	Sat 7/22	Hour-long discussion	9am - 10am
WZBZ	Sun 7/23	Hour-long discussion	9am - 10am
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 7/22	Hour-long discussion	8am - 9am

Issue: Gas prices at the pump in South Jersey continue to shatter records. The national average for regular gas hit \$4.48 a gallon yesterday, an increase of 15 cents a gallon in the past week & 40 cents per gallon increase over the last month, Sky high gas prices haven't stopped New Jersey residents from traveling during the Memorial Day weekend, as the AAA stated over 900,000 New Jersey residents traveled at least 50 miles during the holiday.

Summary: A stagnant economy hasn't stopped people from traveling & living their lives.

<u>Times Aired:</u>			
WAYV/WAIV	Thurs 8/10	News reports	6am, 7am, 8am, 9am
WZXL	Thurs 8/10	News reports	6am, 8am, 9am
WTTH	Fri 8/11	News reports	6:50a, 7:50a
WTTH	Sat 8/12	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WZBZ	Sun 8/13	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 8/12	Hour-long discussion	8am – 9am

Issue:

New Jersey Senators Robert Menendez & Corey Booker have secured \$6 Million in funding from the National Infrastructure Bill to proceed with repairs to the Atlantic City Boardwalk, the Atlantic City toll plaza & the Atlantic City Expressway. That means the City will no longer need to raise taxes to fund this work. This ties into the broader \$6.5 Million South Jersey Workforce Development Program launched by the City in 2019. It runs through four South Jersey workforce development boards & three vocational schools. Atlantic City Mayor Marty Small held a press conference

Summary:

Times Aired:

WAYV/WAIV	Tues 9/19	News reports	7am, 8am
WZXL	Tues 9/19	News reports	6am, 8am, 9am
WTTH	Wed 9/20	News reports	6:50a, 7:50a
WTTH	Sat 9/23	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WZBZ	Sun 9/24	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 9/23	Hour-long discussion	8am – 9am

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4th QUARTER 2022 ISSUES & PROGRAM LISTS

During the period October 1 – December 31 2022 the Equity Communications stations aired scheduled news reports, call-in segments & long-form discussion programs dealing with issues of importance to the Southern New Jersey region. The following is a list of community topics covered & the air dates of specific broadcasts:

Issue: 155 Monkeypox cases have been reported in New Jersey with 30 of them showing up in the counties of South Jersey. Combined with the State of New Jersey reporting more than 2600 new cases of covid-19 Governor Murphy is declaring all of New Jersey as a severe high risk area. Eighteen of the state's counties – including Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland, Vineland & Salem Counties – are considered high risk for contamination & transmission. Governor Murphy is resisting the relaxed national CDC covid guidelines & has cautioned people to maintain the existing quarantining & distancing measures.

Summary: People in South Jersey need to take the current wave of contagion more seriously.

Times Aired:

WAYV/WAIV	Mon 10/24	News reports	6am, 7am, 8am, 9am
WZXL	Tues 10/25	News reports	7am, 8am, 9am
WTTH	Tues 10/25	News reports	5am, 6am, 7am
WTTH	Sat 10/29	Hour-long discussion	9am - 10am
WZBZ	Sun 10/30	Hour-long discussion	9am - 10am
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 10/29	Hour-long discussion	8am - 9am

Issue: Stockton College continues to improve its ranking among regional colleges in the Northeast & now ranks seventh among all public universities. As part of the larger New Jersey system of public education, Stockton is now endeavoring to assist in public health initiatives. The Stockton University Emergency Medical Services organization provides emergency medical interventions where professionals are not available. It has expanded to over 2000 acres & is ranked 162nd in the nation. Tuition fees remain reasonable @ \$15,200 per semester. Students are involved in research projects & are often awarded fellowships.

Summary: Per Marty Small the Mayor of Atlantic City this is an important way to keep young professionals in South Jersey as they enter the work force.

Times Aired:

WAYV/WAIV	Wed 11/9	News reports	6am, 8am, 9am
WZXL	Thurs 11/10	News reports	6am, 7am, 9am
WTTH	Wed 11/9	News reports	6:50a, 7:50a, 8:50a
WTTH	Sat 11/12	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WZBZ	Sun 11/13	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WMiD/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 11/12	Hour-long discussion	8am – 9am

Issue:

Atlantic City gaming revenues are down by 4% going into the last month of 2022, compared to the same time last year. The city's nine casinos continue to trail behind levels they were at before the pandemic hit. Gross gaming revenues include in-person betting, online wagering & sports betting. Local casino executives feel the lower level of gaming revenues is not enough to offset the rising costs of labor & insurance involved in operating a brick-&-mortar casino. While internet gaming is up over 80% of that income goes to third party vendors, so while the revenues are included in the overall numbers, they don't contribute meaningfully to cash flow needed to fund operations. If the current trend continues into 2023 a new round of lay-offs may be needed.

Summary:

The South Jersey marketplace has not fully recovered from the effects of the pandemic.

Issue:

Summary:

Times Aired:

WAYV/WAIV	Wed 12/28	News reports	7am, 8am, 9am
WZXL	Wed 12/28	News reports	6am, 8am, 9am
WTTH	Thurs 12/29	News reports	6:50a, 7:50a
WTTH	Sat 12/31	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WZBZ	Sun 1/1	Hour-long discussion	9am – 10am
WMID/WCMC/WEZW	Sat 12/31	Hour-long discussion	8am – 9am