WPRO-FM Public Service Report Third Quarter 2018 (July 1 – September 30) Prepared by: Neil Larrimore

Following is a list of the treatment of the issues ascertained by WPRO-FM, as the most important to our listening community. The list of programs includes the 3 month period ending September 2018 and is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority of significance.

<u>Amazing Women:</u> A 30-minute talk program hosted by Deb Ruggiero focusing exclusively on women's issues, interviewing notable women in the community.

<u>Cumulus Community:</u> A 30 minute interview program hosted by WPRO-AM's Maja Giguere & Bill Haberman focusing on Rhode Island issues. Bill & Maja interview notable newsmakers in the community.

<u>Cumulus Cares</u>: A 10 minute interview which features an interview with someone in the community about a local upcoming event.

The following community representatives appeared on *Cumulus Community* in the 3rd Quarter of 2018. *Cumulus Community* is a 10 minute interview which airs every Sunday morning at 6:10am on WPRO-FM. It features an interview which highlights important issues facing all listeners.

Date	Name	Business	Job	What is the biggest issue facing RI?
Jul 1	Christopher Butler	Insight	Executive Director	Govt Services Vision Loss
Jul 8	Tiffany Bumgardner- Scheffler	Boy Scouts of America	COO / Director of Field Services	
Jul 29	Dawn Arpin	Blum Shapiro / \$eeds for \$uccess	Director of Marketing	Economy Financial Literacy
Aug 12	Rupert Friday	RI Land Trust Council	Director	 Development Climate Change / Sea Rise Economy
Aug 19	Erik Wallin	Operation Stand Down RI	Executive Director	 Economy Education Costs Govt Trust

Aug 26	Lloyd Albert	AAA Northeast	Sr. Vice president	 Economy Infrastructure RI Poor Attitude
Sept 2	Sara Enright	Community College of RI	Vice President, Student Affairs	 Govt Ethics Govt Competence RI Infrastructure
Sept 15	Melissa Murray	Dorian Murray Foundation	Founder	 Health Healthcare Child Health
Sept 22	Paul Gentile	Cooperative Credit Union Association	CEO	 Low Wages Political Discourse
Sept 29	Lori Urso	Slater Mill Museum	Executive Director	1. Govt Reform

The following community representatives appeared on *Amazing Women* in the 3rd Quarter of 2018. *Amazing Women* is a 20 minute program which airs every Sunday morning at 6:30am on WPRO-FM. It features an interview with a prominent woman, highlighting issues important to all women.

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Jul 1st

Women in the military have served courageously for our nation's freedom. In all branches of active military in this country, 14% of active military are women. **COLONEL MAUREEN HOLLAND** and **SGT. VIVIAN RICO** share their perspective of serving from two different generations.

Jul 8th

For almost 30 years, **VALERIE TUTSON**, has been telling stories! She is part of Rhode Island Black Storytellers. She talks about the songs and stories she learned while traveling South Africa. She's also gaining a reputation for her exciting retelling of age-old Bible stories. So sit back, listen, and get swept away on a journey of words, sounds, and passion

Jul 15th

JENNIE JOHNSON of CITY YEAR discusses the gap between what school are designed to do and what students really need. City Year is a non-profit that works to keep students in high school and find a meaningful future.

Jul 22nd

Buying clothes for kids today is expensive. It's even more difficult for families in need. **EVA MANCUSO** discusses her non-profit *Clothes to Kids Rhode Island* helping Providence County

families in need clothing for their kids. Kids in grades K-12 are eligible or if the family is in crisis due to a natural disaster, homelessness, or displacement.

Jul 29th

How do Rhode Island companies find well-trained employees? URI's Business Engagement Center (BEC) is the front door for connecting business with students for internships, careers, or research. **KATHARINE HAZARD FLYNN** is the executive director and discusses the growing opportunities and jobs in manufacturing, engineering, computer science, digital media and design.

Aug 5th

MEGHAN HUGHES is the fifth president of Community College of Rhode Island (CCRI). She discusses her goals for New England's largest community college with four main campuses and two satellites across the state, and how CCRI can frame a future workforce in the state.

Aug 12th

Affordable and available housing is an ongoing concern for many Rhode Islanders. The two most cost-burdened demographics are millennials and seniors. **BARBARA FIELDS**, executive director of Rhode Island Housing and Mortgage and Finance Corporation (not a state agency) discusses the many options for first-time home buyers, homeowners struggling to make mortgage payments, and programs for seniors to age in their home.

Aug 19th

Rhode Island has a rich maritime history. **Dr. KATHY ABBASS** is an archeologist and marine historian who founded the Rhode Island Marine Archeology Project. She has located and identified 13 British ships that were sunk in Newport Harbor in 1778.

Aug 26th

The conversation around domestic violence often focuses on the physical and emotional abuse, but there's also financial abuse. **CARMEN RECALDE-RUSSO** is the director of Community Development for the Rhode Island Coalition against Domestic Violence. She discusses a financial empowerment program, funded by Allstate Foundation that helps survivors manage the complex financial challenges of ending a relationship with an abusive partner.

Sept 2nd

GUEST HOST: MEGHAN GRADY interviews **AMY DAVIDSON**, of YWCA RI to discuss Fantastic Girltastic Code Company and the important of computer science for girls and why more young women need to pursue 'non-traditional' careers.

Sept 9th

GUEST HOST: CLARE ECKERT interviews URI Master Gardeners **SHARON IAMMUCCILLI** and **SUE SCOTTI** about the joy of gardening, becoming a Master Gardner, and the "Plant a Row for the Hungry" program.

Sept 16th

GUEST HOST: DR. NANCY CARRIUOLO interviews **KATHY QUINN**, wife of actor Anthony Quinn. They discuss Kathy's interest in helping children and art as well as her life with the academy award winning actor.

Sept 23rd

GUEST HOST: EVA MANCUSO interviews **EILEEN HAYES** of Amos House. In 1976, it started as a soup kitchen, today it has grown into a comprehensive social service agency serving over 15,000 Rhode Islanders.

Sept 30th

GUEST HOST: EVA MANCUSO interviews **KAREN SANTILLI**, president/CEO of Crossroads RI helping homeless or at-risk families and individuals secure stable housing.

The following community representatives appeared on *Cumulus Cares* in the 3rd Quarter of 2018. *Cumulus Cares* is a 10 minute interview which airs every Sunday morning at 6:50am on WPRO-FM. It features an interview with someone in the community about a local upcoming event:

Interviewers: Mike DaSilva, Heather Gersten, Nick G, Paul Giammarco, Stephen Donovan, Jessica Schiano, Kim Zandy, Bekah Berger & Amy Pontes.

Here's what aired during this quarter:

7/7: Kim interviewed Courtney Rooke and Susan Connors from Greenlock Therapeutic Riding

7/14: Jess interviewed Elizabeth Perry at the American Heart Association

7/21: Steve interviewed Sheila Amaral, the Health Fair coordinator for the Colorectal Cancer

7/28: Nick interviewed Nicole White from sbsne.org

8/5: Paul interviewed Stephanie Fortunato Director of Art, Culture & Tourism for the City of Providence. They discussed upcoming ACT events and programs, The Neighborhood Performing Arts Series, The new after work series at Waterplace Park, Look ahead to fall/winter including their new public art initiative, Turnaround Art, PVDFest and what's coming in 2019.

8/12: Amy interviewed Richard Fleischer from Project Undercover (diapers, wipes, socks, underwear to needy kids in RI), for Cumulus Cares. Amy also emcee'd their Taste of Summer event.

8/19: Mike interviewed Jason Rego - Assistant Manager / Social Media Manager & Treasurer of Providence City FC. They are part of the Bay State Soccer League

8/26: Kim interviewed Marty Sinnot, Chief Executive Officer of Child & Family Services about the wide variety of services they provide to people and families of all ages. Also promoted their Taste of Newport fundraising event.

9/2: Jess interviewed Allie Coppa Miss RI, competing for the Miss America Competition next week in Atlantic City

9/9: Steve interviewed Donna Ricci, Rhode Island Ovarian Alliance about their upcoming fundraising events including a 5K on 9/23...

9/16: Nick interviewed Carla Mulhern about the LLS Man and Woman of the Year contest

9/23: Paul interviewed Carol Ann Donnelly Communications & Passport to Survivorship Expo Manager for the Gloria Gemma breast cancer resource foundation. We discussed The annual Gloria Gemma Flames of Hope Celebration scheduled for September 29th & 30th at station park in downtown providence and the GG foundation.

9/30: Paul's interview from the week prior aired again