

MARCH 29, 2024

MEMORANDUM

To: Public File

Fr: Rick Sten, Program Director/WCAT-FM/WRDD/FM/AM

Re: Issues and Programs-1st quarter of 2024

On Friday, March 29, 2024, I met with Eric Swidler, co-owner of WCAT-FM/WRDD/FM/AM to construct our Issues list for the 1st quarter of 2024. We will forward this list to the Producers of our public affairs programming as we try to address these issues.

- 1. FIGHTING ANTISEMITISM
- 2. SMART IMIGRATION POLICIES
- 3. BASIC EDUCATION FUNDING
- 4. SHAPIRO'S STATE BUDGET PROPOSAL
- 5. NEW TAX ON ENERGY GENERATORS ANF MANUFACTURERS
- 6. POSSIBLE SHAPIRO PLAN TO SUCCEED JOE BIDEN
- 7. ELECTION INTEGRITY

Respectfully Submitted Rick Sten MARCH 29, 2024

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RE: ISSUES AND PROGRAMS

THE PAPERWORK IN THIS FILE DESCRIBES THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMMING BROADCAST ON WCAT-FM/WRDD-FM/AM DURING THE 1st QUARTER OF 2024.

"LINCOLN RADIO JOURNAL" IS A 30 MINUTE PROGRAM THAT IS BROADCAST AT 6:00am AND AGAIN AT 6:30am EACH SUNDAY MORNING.

LINCOLN RADIO JOURNAL 2ND QUARTER 2024

(March 30, 2024 - April 5, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation have a *Capitol Watch* discussion on results of a Commonwealth Foundation poll on Pennsylvanians' views on energy issues; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on ensuring election integrity with photo voter ID.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (March 23, 2024 - March 29, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Guy Ciarrocchi** of the Commonwealth Foundation about how 'two weeks flatten the curve' was the start of government mis-handling of the COVID-19 pandemic; **Frank Gamrat** and **Eric Montarti** have an *Allegheny Institute Report* on state revenue numbers; And, **Emily Greene** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on Governor Josh Shapiro's 'cap and tax' energy scheme.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (March 16, 2024 - March 22, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association is joined by **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation for a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion on Governor Josh Shapiro's proposal to enact a crushing new tax on energy generators and manufacturers; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on moving the date of the Pennsylvania Presidential Primary.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (March 9, 2024 - March 15, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: Eric

Boehm of *Reason* magazine details how the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board continues to punish licensees over failed COVID-era restrictions; **Joe Geiger** has **Dave Fallen** from the Wrestlers in Business Network in the *Community Benefit Spotlight*; And, **Emily Greene** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on PA House Democrats' plan to quadruple taxes on small businesses.

(March 2, 2024 - March 8, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association, **Rebecca Oyler** of the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation have a *Capitol Watch* look at an Independent Fiscal Office report projecting a potential \$8 billion state budget deficit; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on why the 'threat' to democracy is in the eye of the beholder.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (February 24, 2024 - March 1, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal:* State Senator **Kristin Phillips-Hill** (R-York) discusses the ongoing state budget hearings; **Frank Gamrat** and **Eric Montarti** have an *Allegheny Institute Report* on property tax reassessment; And, **Emily Greene** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on achieving the white picket fence of the American Dream.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (February 17, 2024 - February 23, 2024) This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association is joined by **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation for a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion on the start of Pennsylvania's annual state budget process; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on Governor Josh Shapiro's subtle campaign to succeed Joe Biden.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (February 10, 2024 - February 16, 2024)

This week on Lincoln Radio Journal: Stephanie Catarino

Wissman from the American Petroleum Institute-PA discusses details on the annual *State of American Energy* report; **Joe Geiger** has **Ben Reiter** of Beat the Streets in the *Community Benefit Spotlight*; And, **Emily Greene** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on Governor Josh Shapiro's big spending budget proposals.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (February 3, 2024 - February 9, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal:* **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation have a *Capitol Watch* preview of Governor Josh Shapiro's annual budget address; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall* commentary on Donald Trump: Grover or Teddy?

Stream Program Download

(January 27, 2024 - February 2, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **Elizabeth Stelle** of the Commonwealth Foundation discusses her new report on *Cutting Red Tape in Pennsylvania*; **Frank Gamrat** and **Eric Montarti** have an *Allegheny Institute Report* on threats to taxpayers in 2024; And, **Emily Greene** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on President Joe Biden's posturing in Pennsylvania.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (January 20, 2024 - January 26, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** hosts a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion on the report of the Basic Education Funding Commission with **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen Bloom** of the Commonwealth Foundation; And, **Lowman Henry** has a *Town Hall Commentary* on the Left 'wagging the dog' over the January 6th Capitol riots.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (January 13, 2024 - January 19, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **Pete Sepp** from the National Taxpayer's Union discusses the impact on consumers of legal action by federal regulators and state attorneys general against Google; **Joe Geiger** has **Mark Sallada** of Special Unit 66 search and rescue in the *Community Benefit Spotlight*; And **Emily Greene** from Americans for Prosperity-PA has a *Lincoln Radio Journal* commentary on why smart immigration policy involves tall fences and wide gates.

<u>Stream Program</u> <u>Download</u> (January 6, 2024 - January 12, 2024)

This week on *Lincoln Radio Journal*: **David Taylor** from the Pennsylvania Manufacturers Association is joined by **Rebecca Oyler** from the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association and **Stephen** Bloom of the Commonwealth Foundation for a *Capitol Watch* roundtable discussion on the long winter break being taken by
the Pennsylvania House of Representatives; And, Lowman
Henry has a *Town Hall Commentary* on what Pennsylvania
lawmakers are doing to fight antisemitism.