

MARCH 2015 PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

WEDNESDAY MARCH 4TH

7am-8am

Former Fitchburg Police Chief Ernest Martineau joined Jack Naylor and myself for the first hour of the show. We talked about the upcoming Police Recruit Workshop the Department is holding. We talked about the importance of attending for anyone interested in becoming a civil service police officer. We also talked about the workshop as a chance for the community to come out and talk with officers about the community. The Chief also talked to us about the upcoming State Civil Service Exam in April.

THURSDAY MARCH 5TH

7am-8am

Mary Lotze and Kathy Goguen from the Fitchburg Republican City Committee sat with Justin Brooks and I for the first hour of the show. The ladies talked about the state and local response to the winter storms. We also talked about the continued problems with the MBTA and how that ties in with the idea of Boston hosting the 2024 Olympics. The ladies also talked about the possible candidates who have already expressed their interest in running for Mayor of Fitchburg. We wrapped things up touching on Fitchburg Mayor Lisa Wong's State of the City Address and their upcoming episode of "Your Right To Know."

FRIDAY MARCH 6TH

7:35am-7:50am

Maureen Cormier from the PAWS group came in to discuss their upcoming fundraiser events, and their efforts with their therapy animals in hospitals and nursing homes as well as their education efforts with therapy animals. We talked about how PAWS works to help people with keeping their pets in their homes. Maureen talked about the ways people can donate food and other items.

TUESDAY MARCH 10TH*7:35am-8am*

Veronica Guay, Assistant Dean of the School of Business, Science, Technology and Math; Melissa Bourque-Silva, Senior Community Outreach Counselor both from Mount Wachusett Community College came in to talk about dual enrollment and STEM opportunities offered by the college. We talked about what life is like for dual enrollment students and who is eligible. We also talked about the Starter Summer Academy for students. The ladies also discussed the education grants from the state that allow students to take dual enrollment courses over the summer for discounted rates.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 11TH*7-8am*

Fitchburg Mayor Lisa Wong joined Jack and me for the first hour of the show. We talked about how the winter storms have impacted the city budget. We also discussed a recent grant that was awarded to the city for the north of Main Street area. The Mayor also talked to us about the possibility of combining City Hall and the Police Station in the future. The Mayor spoke to us about the current conditions of those buildings, and her idea and the feasibility of combining the two.

FRIDAY MARCH 13TH*8:35am-8:50*

Michael Cooley and Andy Rome, one of the owners of Columbia Tavern, talked about their party to raise money for the Leominster Firefighters 1841 Community Outreach Program. We also talked about the Outreach Program and how the firefighters use those funds to help in the community.

TUESDAY MARCH 17TH*7:35am-8am*

Beth Martellotta and Kim Curry from Montachusett Regional Technical School came in to talk about their upcoming open house and spaghetti dinner open to the public. They talked about the

programs that are offered to students and programs that are also offered through continuing education.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 18TH

7am-8am

Leominster Mayor Dean Mazzarella sat in with Jack Naylor and me for the first hour of the show. We talked about the impact of the city storms to the city budget. We also talked about funds for the schools, and we began to touch on the recent withholding of state funds until certain reports are turned in.

WEDNESDAY MARCH 25TH

7am-8am

Gardner Mayor Mark Hawke was in the studio with Jack Naylor and me for the first hour of the show. We talked about city's snow sculpture contest. We also talked about Mark addressing new U.S. citizens at Mount Wachusett Community College. The mayor also talked to us about the recent news of a joint dispatch center in the Gardner area.

THURSDAY MARCH 26TH

8:10am-8:30am

Lynn Gerritts from Simonds-Hurd Complementary Care Center at Health Alliance hospital. We spoke about the programs that are offered through the center and how they coincide with patients' treatment at the hospital. We also talked about an upcoming event they are having to raise proceeds to help expand programs and services to patients on the Leominster campus and Home Health and Hospice.