

## **JANUARY 2015 PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS**

### **FRIDAY JANUARY 2<sup>ND</sup>**

*8:30am-9am*

George Cornwall from Ashburnham's Bearded Brothers. George came in to talk to us about Ashburnham's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year and some of the celebrations including the Brothers of the Brush Bearded Competition. He also talked about the upcoming cannon events.

### **MONDAY JANUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>**

*7am-8am*

State Representative Jen Benson joined me in the studio for the first hour of the show. The first thing we discussed was Governor Deval Patrick's time as Governor and her relationship working with him as a State Representative. We also spoke about new Governor Charlie Baker and we talked about the need to work across party lines. Jen and I also discussed the need for Central MA Representatives to work together to ensure we are not forgotten on Beacon Hill with things we need. We also spoke about the budget being the biggest issue coming into the new legislative session. We also discussed the increase to minimum wage and it's impact to small business.

### **WEDNESDAY JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>**

*7am-8am*

Fitchburg Police Chief Phil Kearns sat in for the first hour of the show. We talked about the recent bank robbery involving two individuals. We talked about the Nelson St fire and the response from both the Police and Fire Departments. Phil also gave listeners some tips for winter driving.

### **THURSDAY JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup>**

*7am-8am*

Mary Lotze and Kathy Goguen from the Fitchburg Republican City Committee sat in for the first hour of the show with Justin Brooks and myself. The lady's spoke about new Governor Charlie Baker and what they are looking forward to from him. We spoke about the

state budget and the need to reduce the deficit. The ladies also spoke about the need to look at the healthcare in the state. We talked about their thoughts on bringing the Olympics to Boston and the road conditions it could lead to as well as the potential cost. We wrapped up with a preview of their upcoming episode of "Your Right To Know"

*8:30am-9am*

Mike Lovewell and Ray Richards came in to talk about the Boston Bruins Alumni game against Leominster High Alumni happening at the Civic Center. Mike and Ray talked about some of the players that will be taking the ice from both teams as well as how money raised from the event is going to help with the Leominster Hockey.

## **FRIDAY JANUARY 9<sup>TH</sup>**

*7:35am-7:50am*

Ken Gloss, author and appraiser, called us up to talk about a talk he is giving at the Clinton Public Library. We talked about his experiences and stories relating to some of the historical pieces he has gotten to look at and appraise.

## **WEDNESDAY JANUARY 14<sup>TH</sup>**

*7am-8am*

Fitchburg Mayor Lisa Wong sat in with Jack and I for the first hour of the show. We congratulated her on her new marriage and she talked to us about the wedding. Lisa spoke about the past construction season in the city. We talked about some upcoming projects on John Fitch Highway including putting the utilities underground and take care of flooding, as well as possibly adding some turning lanes. We also spoke about previous winters and dealing with the hills in Fitchburg. The Mayor let us know that they are down to four finalists in the search for the upcoming police chief. We wrapped things up talking about her role on Attorney General Maura Healey's transition team.

## **WEDNESDAY JANUARY 21<sup>ST</sup>**

*7am-8am*

Leominster Mayor Dean Mazzarella sat in for the first hour of the show with Jack Naylor and myself. We started off the morning talking about pizza. We talked about the roads during the weekend storm and the City's response. The Mayor also talked to us about the need to replace the roof at Johnny Appleseed School. We also talked about the need to maintain the school buildings and keep up on repairs to avoid further cost. We discussed the cost of the project and reimbursement. We also talked about the City's capital fund and how that plays into decisions regarding projects

*8:30am*

Boston Globe reporter Hiawatha Bray called up the studio to talk about the latest tech trends this holiday season. Hiawatha spoke about several smart phone apps that can help when out shopping at stores.

## **TUESDAY JANUARY 27<sup>TH</sup>**

*7:35am-7:50am*

United Independent Party Chairman, Evan Falchuk, called the studio. Falchuk explained his position regarding the 2024 Boston Olympic bid. Falchuk and I discussed the pros and cons for the state as well as what has happened with previous cities who have hosted. Falchuk went on to discuss the importance of putting a proposal like this to vote for Massachusetts citizens to have a say.