

## WBLQ QUARTERLY REPORT 2022 – Q2

(April, May, June)

As a full service community minded radio station, WBLQ is home to many talk show programs of local interest. Every weekday morning, listeners are greeted with local news, weather, sports and conversational talk that involve listener participation. WBLQ's morning show program airs weekdays from 7am to 9am and features guests from around the community speaking about a wide array of local issues. Along with hosts Ken Collins and Frank Prosnitz, below is a list of local community activists that appear on this show as guests in a regularly scheduled time spot and a brief description about the issues they cover.

**Lee Eastborne** – Lee is the Director of The Jonnycake Center of Westerly, The Jonnycake Center is a non-profit organization that provides food, clothing, educational and financial assistance to those in need in the Westerly area. Lee can be heard every other Tuesday on WBLQ since 2017 talking about current initiatives and informing the public about how they can access assistance from The Jonnycake Center during times of need.

**Russ Partridge** – Russ is the executive director Westerly Area Rest Meals (WARM). WARM provides a continuum of care and service to the homeless and needy by providing emergency shelter, affordable housing and assuring supportive services, and to help the homeless and needy build self-esteem and move toward independent and responsible living. Russ can be heard on WBLQ every other Wednesday speaking about WARM's activities in the community, fundraisers and outreach programs. In March of 2013, WARM presented Chris DiPaola and WBLQ with the John McCormick Award in recognition of our support to the needs of our community.

**David Henley** – David is the Development Coordinator at Wood River Health Services (WRHS). Wood River Health Services provide quality, affordable medical, dental and related services to all patients in the local area, regardless of their ability to pay. The Board and Staff of WRHS believe that health care is a right; no one will be denied care based on ability to pay. David is committed to educating the public to WRHS's services so no perceived barriers exist in accessing care locally. David is heard every other Tuesday on WBLQ in a regular guest spot he has held since 2011

**Chris Duhamil and Phil Overton.** – Chris and Phil serve as members of the Westerly Town Council, they appears on WBLQ every other Tuesday to address the public about issues surrounding the town and to re-cap town meetings. In June of 2013, The Westerly Town Council extended a commendation to WBLQ in recognition of our assistance with response and recovery efforts during and in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy.

**Danielle Chesebrough** – Danielle Chesebrough serves as a first selectperson in Stonington, CT. Danielle appears on WBLQ every other Tuesday to address the public about issues surrounding the town and to re-cap town meetings. In June of 2013, The Stonington board of selectmen extended a commendation to WBLQ in recognition of our assistance with response and recovery efforts during and in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy.

**Rev Joshua McClure.** – Rev. McClure is the retired pastor of the Pleasant Street Baptist Church in Westerly and a former board member of the Pawcatuck Neighborhood Center (PNC) in Pawcatuck Connecticut. Since the mid 80s, Rev. McClure has been an advocate for low-income people in our area. Rev McClure is a guest on WBLQ every other Friday and hosts his own half hour Christian radio program on Sunday mornings.

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