

Quarterly Issues/Program Report WPRO-AM, WEAN-FM

1st Quarter 2017

Following is a list of the treatment of the issues ascertained by WPRO-AM and Wean-FM, as the most important to our listening community. The list of programs includes the 3 month period ending March 2017 and is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority of significance.

The News with Gene Valicenti: A three hour news and talk program that airs Mon-Fri 6am-9am and is hosted by Gene Valicenti. News Updates twice an hour with Bill Haberman, weather updates with Elliot Abrams from Accu-Weather, and traffic updates 4 times an hour.

The Tara Granahan Show: A three hour talk program that focuses on local and national news stories and issues. It features interviews with local and national leaders about issues that affect the community. The Tara Granahan Show airs Mon-Fri 9am-12noon.

The Matt Allen Show: : A three hour talk program that focuses on local and national news stories and issues. It features

interviews with local and national leaders about issues that affect the community. The Matt Allen Show airs Mon-Fri 12noon-3pm.

The Dan Yorke Show: A three hour talk program that focuses on local and national news stories and issues. It features interviews with local and national leaders about issues that affect the community. The Dan Yorke Show airs Mon-Fri 3pm-6pm.

WPRO Local Talk: A three hour talk program that focuses on local and national news stories and issues. It features interviews with local and national leaders about issues that affect the community. WPRO Local Talk airs Mon-Fri 6p-9p.

Amazing Women: a 30-minute talk program hosted by Deb Ruggiero focusing exclusively on women's issues, interviewing notable women in the community. Amazing Women airs Sundays from 8:30a-9a.

Cumulus Community: a 30 minute interview program hosted by WPRO news Anchor Bill Haberman focusing on Rhode Island issues. Bill interviews notable newsmakers in the community. Cumulus Community airs Sundays from 8a-8:30a

News Coverage: WPRO-AM/WEAN-FM airs local news beginning at 5am and continuing through 8pm Monday through Friday. Saturday- local news reports air between 6a and 12noon.

WPRO-AM/WEAN-FM provides comprehensive coverage of all local, state and national elections and primaries including discussions with candidates along with a review of platforms, polls, and community impact on each case.

The format of WPRO-AM/WEAN-FM is News/Talk. Programs on WPRO-AM/WEAN-FM involve discussions of more than one subject per day and often vary from program to program.

The following community leaders were surveyed in the 1st quarter and asked their opinion on the most important issues facing Rhode Island

Mike Kirkwood
General Manager
Pascoag Utility District

1. Business Climate
2. Job creation

Jim Jahnz
Emergency Services Coordinator
Diocese of Providence

1. Jobs
2. Downtown Providence Development
3. Better paying jobs

David Dadekian
Publisher
EatDrinkRI.com

1. Food insecurity
2. Tourism/Economic Development
3. Jobs creation

Hugh Minor
Communications Director
Food Bank of RI

1. Hunger
2. Economy
3. Education

Donna Rivera
Communications Director
Adoption RI

1. Child Welfare
2. Community Involvement
3. Infrastructure

Tim Grey
Founder
World War 2 Foundation

1. Business Climate
2. Working Together

Chief Richard Petrin
President, RI Fire Chiefs Association

1. Health Care
2. Transparency
3. Diversity

The following community representatives appeared on Cumulus Community in the 1st Quarter of 2017

1/22 - Eric St Peter - RI Blood Center - need for blood donations

1/29 - Rachel McGuire - RI Families for School Choice - School Choice

2/5 - Paula McFarland - RI Community Action Foundation - community service programs

2/12 - Tony Mioni - United Way

2/19 - RI Mentoring Partnership - Joanne Scofield - mentoring

2/26 - Meals on Wheels - Exec Director Heather Amaral

3/5 - Museum of Work & Culture - Ann Conway

3/12 - Meals on Wheels - Exec Director Heather Amaral (replay)

3/19 - MADD - Eric Creamer - Mothers Against Drunk Driving

3/26 - Meals on Wheels - Exec Director Heather Amaral (replay)

4/2 - Preservation - Doors open RI - Caroline Stevens

4/9 - Veteran's Affairs - Dee Dequattro - Operation Stand Down

Amazing Women

Jan 1st: 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.

Jan 8th: 1 in 5 women will be assaulted on college campus. TOBY SIMON, the former director of Women's Center at Bryant University has taught human sexuality and authored numerous books on the connection between alcohol and sexual behavior. She discusses what colleges need to do about sexual assaults on campus and the changing attitudes towards violence and sexual assault.

Jan 15th: Rhode Island's history and heritage are economic assets to the state's economy. MORGAN GREFE, executive director of Rhode Island Historical Society discusses Rhode Island's rich history that reminds us how the past frames the future.

Jan 22nd: Rhode Island Superior Court JUDGE NETTIE VOGEL has presided over some of the state's high profile cases over the past 20 years on the bench. She is a colorful justice with a daredevil spirit. She bikes cross country and zip lines, but don't cross her in the courtroom.

Jan 29th: There's politics in the workplace and in our families. How does power and compassion relate to the political arena? SYLVIA WEBER, a clinical nurse specialist at Miriam Hospital Dept. of Psychiatry discusses how we can bring compassion into our work and family.

Feb 5th: 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.

Feb 12th: 40 years ago 80% of women did NOT go to college; today, more than half of all college students are women, thanks to TITLE IX. MARGARET DEGIDIO "DIGIT" MURPHY discusses being a standout women's hockey player at Cornell and coaching women's ice hockey at Brown University where she was the winningest coach in Division I ice hockey—male or female. We also discuss the most important words parents can say to their kids about playing sports.

Feb 19th: It is expensive to buy clothes for kids today; 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.

Feb 26th: When you look deep into nature and you'll understand everything else much better. **NATASHA HARRISON**, executive director of Norman Bird Sanctuary discusses the 65 year history of this RI natural gem that Mabel Norman Cerio left in her will for hikers, bird watchers, and the eco-conscious.

Mar 5th **COLONEL ANN ASSUMPICO** is the 13th Superintendent and the first woman to lead Rhode Island State Police in 92 years. She is a native Rhode Islander who talks about her 40 year career in law enforcement. This includes twenty-four years with the State Police, seven years with Coventry police as a SWAT Team member, and as the Director of Training for the State Police Academy. She discusses what she hopes to accomplish.

Mar 12th Newport is home to impressive mansions on Bellevue Avenue. **TRUDY COXE** is executive director of the Preservation Society of Newport County and explains that the preservation of these historic homes is a boon for the local and state economy. The Newport mansions eclipsed one million tours—the most of any museum in all of New England.

Mar 19th In 1638, Roger Williams was the first minister at the First Baptist Church in Providence. Today, it's **REVEREND JAMIE WASHAM**. She discusses Roger Williams' ideas of soul liberty and freedom of conscience and the historic and religious significance of America's oldest church.

Mar 26th 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.