

WJLP Issues/Programs List
2017 – First Quarter
WJLP, Middletown Township, New Jersey
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WJLP in Middletown, New Jersey has determined that the following issues are matters of importance to its community of license:

- 1) Newly Elected President Donald Trump
- 2) Heroin Epidemic
- 3) NJ Gubernatorial Election
- 4) Penn East Pipeline
- 5) Town Halls with U.S. Congressman Chris Smith
- 6) NJ Transit
- 7) Health – Nutrition
- 8) Domestic Security
- 9) Interest Rates

These issues were addressed in the following programs aired on WJWP:

Jersey Matters - this 30 minute discussion program airs Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. and re-airs Sundays at 11:00 a.m. and tackles issues of importance to the citizens of New Jersey.

Another Thing with Larry Mendte - this 30 minute program airs Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and re-airs Sundays at 11:30 a.m. and addresses issues of importance throughout the service area through conversations between host Larry Mendte and guests.

WJLP News Breaks- Run Monday - Friday at 11:45 p.m., 1:45 p.m., & 3:45 p.m. WJLP, in conjunction with The Asbury Park Press, covers the top stories of the day in three one-minute news breaks.

Treatment of specific topics was provided as follows:

Program: *Jersey Matters 201*

Date: January 21st & 22nd, 2017

Time: 5:00 PM & 11:00 AM

Duration: 10 minutes

Topic: Newly Elected President Donald Trump

Description: Host Larry Mendte sits down with U.S. Congressman Leonard Lance who represents New Jersey's 7th district to discuss the inauguration of President Donald Trump. Larry ask the congressman about what it was like attending the inauguration and what we can expect from the President in his first 100 days in office. They also discuss how the election of Donald Trump affects New Jersey specifically.

Program: *A Jersey Matters Town Hall: The Heroin Crisis*

Date: March 24th, 2017

Time: 8:00 PM

Duration: 60 minutes

Topic: New Jersey's heroin epidemic

Description: Moderated by Larry Mendte this 60 minute town hall featured New Jersey's Attorney General Christopher Porrino and other local health, addiction, and criminality experts to discuss causes and solution to

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the heroin crisis that is plaguing New Jersey. The AG discussed the Governor's newly founded heroin help line and too questions from the audience. Other guest included representatives from the Monmouth County Prosecutors office, NJ Office of the DEA, former police chiefs, lawyers, and doctors.

Program: *Jersey Matters*

Date: Various

Time: 5:30 P.M. & 9:30 A.M.

Duration: 5-10 minutes

Topics: New Jersey Gubernatorial Election

Description: During this quarter Jersey Matters has welcomed 4 candidates running for Governor of New Jersey. They include Republican Joe Rullo, Democrat Ray Lesniak, Republic Steve Rogers, and Democrat John Wisniewski. All of the candidates were giving the opportunity to explain why they are running. Larry also questioned each candidate on issues facing New Jersey such as tax relief, pension reform, and the problems facing Atlantic City just to name a few.

Program: *Another Thing 200*

Date: January 14th & 15th, 2017

Time: 5:30 P.M. & 11:30 A.M.

Duration: 5 minutes

Topic: Penn East Pipeline

Description: Host Larry Mendte is joined on set by Jeff Tittel, Director of the Sierra Club New Jersey Chapter. The Sierra Club's mission is to protect the wild places of the earth. Jeff argues that other pipelines built in New Jersey have had negative impacts on the environment and wildlife. The PennEast Pipeline's Pat Kornick also provided a statement explain how the pipeline would benefit New Jersey by dropping the price of natural gas.

Program: *Jersey Matters 207*

Date: March 4th & 5th, 2017

Time: 5:00 P.M. & 9:00 A.M.

Duration: 13 minutes

Topic: Congressman Chris Smith

Description: Congressman Chris Smith, Republican, represents New Jersey's 4th district. He's made some headlines recently for not holding a town hall and has remained rather on the agenda of President Donald Trump. An advocacy group has been demanding answers. The congressman sits down with Larry to explain his position on town halls, Donald Trump, and his work to combat sex slavery.

Program: *Jersey Matters 204*

Date: February 11th & February 12th, 2017

Time: 5:00 P.M. & 9:00 A.M.

Duration: 15 minutes

Topics: New Jersey Transit

Description: The former Vice-Chair of New Jersey Transit, Bruce Meisel, sits down with host Larry Mendte to discuss the state of the NJ Transit. He stepped down on December 31st with a number of other high ranking officials. And Bruce feels that there is a lot of uncertainty right now in the leadership and funding. They also

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discuss the train crash in Hoboken and what safety measure can be taken plan to prevent such accidents from happening again.

Program: *Another Thing 181*

Date: December 31st & January 1st, 2017

Time: 5:30 P.M. & 11:30 AM

Duration: 10 minutes

Topic: Nutritional Guidelines

Description: Correspondent Ellen Kolodziej talks about a common New Year's resolution, losing weight. The problem is nutritional guidelines and best practices change often. Ellen visits a local family and talks about how families struggle with eating health because the science is constantly changing. Host Larry Mendte follows up by asking registered dietician Mandy Enright about best practices and how to handle new studies and research.

Program: *Another Thing 206*

Date: February 25th & 26th 2017

Time: 5:30 P.M. & 11:30 A.M.

Duration: 11 minutes

Topics: Domestic Security

Description: In light of President Trump's travel ban correspondent Ellen Kolodziej talks to a local immigration attorney about the executive order and explores the legalities. Also host Larry Mendte sits with Abdul-Alim Mubarak-Rowe, communications Director for the Council on American-Islamic Relations NJ. They discuss the implications and repercussions of the executive order. Abdul-Alim also explores the idea that the executive order is a nothing more than "Muslim ban" and the President is targeting people of Muslim faith.

Program: *Another Thing 201*

Date: January 21st & 22nd, 2017

Time: 5:30 P.M. & 11:30 A.M.

Duration: 11 minutes

Topic: Interest Rates and the Economy

Description: Janet Yellen, Chair of the U.S. Federal Reserve, recently hinted that there could be a federal interest rate increase coming very soon. This would only be the second interest increase in the last decade. Correspondent Ellen Kolozdej speaks with a local investment officer to find out how this affects mortgages and student loans for everyday people. Continuing the conversation host Larry Mendte explores why the feds are raising the interest rates with Kurt Rossi. Kurt is the President of Independent Wealth Management, a financial columnist, and former college professor. Kurt explains why interest rates increase and decrease and the effect it has on the overall economy.