WPRO-AM 630/WEAN-FM 99.7 Public Service Report Second Quarter 2018 (April 1 – June 30) Prepared by: Neil Larrimore

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 June 2018 and is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority of significance.

<u>The News with Gene Valicenti:</u> 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.

<u>The Tara Granahan Show:</u> 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.

<u>The Matt Allen Show:</u> 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.

<u>The Dan Yorke Show:</u> 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.

<u>The Gresh Show:</u> A three hour sports talk program that focuses on local and national sports news stories and issues. It features interviews with local and national newsmakers about sports and issues that affect the community. The Gresh Show airs Mon-Fri 6p-9p.

<u>Amazing Women:</u> 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 7:00a-7:30a.

<u>Cumulus Community:</u> A 30 minute interview program hosted by WPRO-AM's Maja Giguere focusing on Rhode Island issues. Bill interviews notable newsmakers in the community. Cumulus Community airs Sundays from 7:30a-8:00a

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.

On *Cumulus Community*, The following community leaders were surveyed in the 2nd quarter of 2018 and asked their opinion on the most important issues facing Rhode Island.

April 1

Maja spoke with Junior Achievement Teach for America. We discussed the involvement in the community and how we need more inclusiveness.

Biggest Problem Facing RI: We need to be a more inclusive environment

April 15

Maja spoke with Matt Celeste of Waffle to discuss running a small business in RI.

Biggest Problem Facing RI: Helping small business - it is difficult here

May 6

Maja interviewed John Tassoni the host of Recovery Radio on WPRV and discussed the problems we have with addiction in the state of RI and what he has done to fix it.

Biggest problem facing RI: Substance abuse, Fentanyl

May 13

Maja interviewed Christopher Butler from Insight where we discussed how Insight has impacted the people of RI, and what they are continuing to do to help the community.

Biggest problem facing RI: employment

May 20

Maja interviewed Robin Hathaway and Steve Lawson of ILuvRI. They discussed the programs that they offer and how they work and what kind of other things do they offer.

Biggest problem facing RI: housing and affordability

May 27

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June 10

Maja interviewed PJ Procop and Nancy Feraldi with the ALS Association RI Chapter. We discussed some of the struggles people with ALS have, the different services and help that they offer. What they provide within their clinic and fundraising.

Biggest problem facing RI: Infrastructure and lack of jobs

June 24

Maja interviewed Tiffany Bumgardner-Scheffler the first female COO of Boy Scouts. We talked about the many programs that the Boy Scouts provide as well as their new initiative to let girls into Boy Scouts.

Biggest problem facing RI: Not enough kids are involved in scouts, not enough youth are involved

The following community representatives appeared on Amazing Women in the 2nd Quarter of 2018.

Apr 1st

Down Syndrome affects over 400,000 people in this country. **TERESA MURRAY** living with DOWN SYNDROME while she writes her poetry, music, and her advice on life: "lean into it and if you need help, ask for it." **SHERLY GOMES**, a social worker and mentor, shares how Teresa's perseverance and friendship is an inspiration to so many.

Apr 8th

GABRIELA DOMENZAIN, is the director of the Latino Policy Institute at Roger Williams University and a nationally recognized expert on immigration issues. She discusses DACA, and the story of a long-time Rhode Island resident, mother of two, who came to this country at the age of 3 and was taken by Immigration Customs Enforcement (ICE).

Apr 15th

HEATHER ABBOT of Newport discusses her Recovery Foundation and how helping others has empowered her years after surviving the Boston Marathon bombings.

Apr 22nd

JENNIE JOHNSON of CITY YEAR discusses the gap between what school are designed to do and what students really need. City Year is a non-profit that works to keep students in high school and find a meaningful future.

Apr 29th

For almost 30 years, **VALERIE TUTSON** has been telling stories! She is part of Rhode Island Black Storytellers. She talks about the songs and stories she learned while traveling South Africa. She's also gaining a reputation for her exciting retelling of age-old bible stories. So sit back, listen, and get swept away on a journey of words, sounds, and passion.

May 6th

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.

May 13th

Mother's Day is a day to celebrate mom. Opening your heart and your home as a foster parent can change a child's life forever. **KIM ZANDY**, a foster mom who adopted her two children, explains how becoming a foster parent has changed her life. **LISA GUILLETTE** of *Foster Forward* shares her foster care story and how you can become a foster parent.

May 20th

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.

May 27th

ROSE WEAVER is a singer, songwriter and actress who performed with Viola Davis at Trinity Rep. This Rhode Island treasure starred across Jodi Foster in *The Accused*, and performed in a one-woman show, *Menopause Mama*. She talks about the loss of her son, her mother, her husband and how singing helps her to heal and move forward.

June 3rd

The new manufacturing in Rhode Island is in defense, marine technology and cybersecurity. **MOLLY DONOHUE MAGEE**, executive director of Southeaster New England Defense Industry Alliance (SENEDIA) discusses the economic impact and the workforce opportunities for women in science and engineering.

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June 17th

COLONEL ANN ASSUMPICO is the 13th Superintendent and the first woman to lead Rhode Island State Police in 92 years. She's 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.

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