# WOND/WBSS/WMGM /WTKU-FM/WWAC

**ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST** 

FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER 2015

A QUARTERLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY ISSUES AND RELATED PROGRAMMING FOR THE STATIONS OF LONGPORT MEDIA

#### **GENERAL SUMMARY:**

From January 1<sup>st</sup> to March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015, the stations of Longport Media aired regularly scheduled programs dealing with community programs. More importantly, WOND dedicated most of its programming every day to local community issues through its regular "live and local" News/Talk programming.

#### **NEWS PROGRAMMING:**

WOND aired national news from ABC at the top and bottom of every hour throughout the day. WOND also aired local news, weather, and sports after the ABC news at the top and bottom of every hour from 6:00 to 10:00am weekdays, and local news and weather at the top of every hour 10:00am to 10:00pm weekdays. WOND also aired local weather at the top of the hour after ABC news from 10:00pm to 6:00am weekdays and all hours on weekends.

WOND aired <u>THE SOUTH JERSEY EDITION PRIME</u>, a news program focusing on local news, sports, and weather, from 6:00 – 6:30pm weekday evenings. The hosts were David Spatz, Chuck Betson, and Dan Skeldon.

WMGM and WTKU/WBSS aired local entertainment and other news every hour during 6:00 to 10:00am as part of those station's local morning shows. They also aired weather throughout the day.

#### PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMMING:

#### THE SOUTH JERSEY EDITION

This program aired on WOND from 12:05 to 1:00pm every weekday. The host, David Spatz, reported the local news of the day, interviewed local public officials, and took calls from listeners. A half hour portion of the best of these shows during the week was selected for rebroadcast on all of Longport's stations every Sunday morning. The summaries of each program follow.

**ISSUE(S):** This Season's flu epidemic

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON Friday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12:05pm - 12:59pm

AIRED: SUNDAY January 11th from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST: DAVID SPATZ** 

GUEST(S): Dr. John Pomeroy, Shore Physicians Group, Shore Medical Center

**SUMMARY:** After reports of a strong flu virus reaching epidemic levels, David Spatz checked in with a local physician from the Shore Medical Group to discuss the flu's impact locally, as well as nationally. The CDC tracking chart is referenced. Dr. Pomeroy notes that this is a strong flu virus and advises listeners how to identify and also how to protect themselves from getting the virus.

ISSUE(S): Atlantic City Alliance & Liza Cartmell step down. "As the Revel Turns" – follow up on Judge ruling and Straub, 2<sup>nd</sup> half of show – Vicki Gold-Levi, historian & friend of Miss America contestant, Bess Myerson (passed on 12/14)

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON Tuesday, January 6th 2015 from 12:09 - 12:59

AIRED: SUNDAY January 18th 2015 from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST: DAVID SPATZ** 

<u>GUEST(S):</u> Replay clips from SJE Prime interview with Jeff Guaracino, Vicki Gold-Levi

<u>SUMMARY:</u> The show opens with replay clips from SJE Prime interview with Jeff Guaracino regarding the end the ACA and the stepping down of ACA president Liza Cartmell, headlines from 1/6, the Revel casino in bankruptcy court is discussed, callers talked about Florida real estate developer Glenn Straub's various "plans" for Atlantic City, including a "genius university", two listeners called in and responded.

In the second part of the show, Spatz interviews Vicki Gold-Levi, an Atlantic City historian and a personal friend of Bess Myerson, Miss America 1945. Myerson passes away on December 14<sup>th</sup>; however news outlets and the Miss America Org only announced it January 5<sup>th</sup>. Myerson was a Miss America contestant from New York who had connections in Atlantic City, as well as some trying times in her life. Gold-Levi was a page in the 1945 pageant, assigned to Myerson, however they remained friends.

ISSUE(S): Economic Plan for Atlantic County - Angelos Angelou

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON Tuesday January 20th 2015 from 12:00-12:59

AIRED: SUNDAY January 25th 2015 from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST: DAVID SPATZ** 

GUEST(S): Angelos Angelou, Angelou Economics, callers

SUMMARY: The headlines of the day, interview with Angelos Angelou, after a press conference held that morning to introduce an economic plan for Atlantic County and development group from Texas, Angelou Economics.

Callers include: Linda, Absecon with opinion on Angelos Economics. Show summary and coming up this week – including entertainment schedule.

ISSUE(S): Economic Plan for Atlantic County – Angelos Angelou

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON Tuesday January 20th 2015 from 12:00-12:59

AIRED: SUNDAY February 1st 2015 from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST: DAVID SPATZ** 

GUEST(S): Angelos Angelou, Angelou Economics, callers

SUMMARY: The headlines of the day, interview with Angelos Angelou, after a press conference held that morning to introduce an economic plan for Atlantic County and development group from Texas, Angelou Economics.

Callers include: Linda, Absecon with opinion on Angelos Economics. Show summary and coming up this week – including entertainment schedule.

ISSUE(S): Resignation of Caesar's Exec. Gary Loveman, Super Bowl 49 held at Global Spectrum property

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON Feb. 6<sup>th</sup> 2015, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> 2015 from 12:00-12:59pm, 6:00-6:30 pm

AIRED: SUNDAY Feb. 8th 2015 from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST: DAVID SPATZ** 

**GUEST(S):** David Schwartz UNLV Center for Gaming Research, John Page President of Global Spectrum

**SUMMARY:** David speaks with Atlantic City native David Schwartz about the resignation of Caesar's Entertainment CEO Gary Loveman, in light of corporate chapter 11<sup>th</sup> bankruptcy filing. Discuss potential plan, who might be named next CEO and what Chapter 11 filing means for Caesar's Entertainment.

David interviews John Page, the president of Global Spectrum, the venue operators of the stadium Super Bowl 49 was held in, University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale Arizona. Global Spectrum is based in Philadelphia and also owns Boardwalk Hall & AC Convention Center – the Atlantic City connection. Discuss Boardwalk Hall has more bookings in the first half of the year than in previous years, discuss the future of Atlantic City as a venue and event destination.

ISSUE(S): Avalon Fire, and calls regarding Revel

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON from Friday February 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-6:30pm, Thursday February 12<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-12:59pm

AIRED: SUNDAY February 15th from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST: DAVID SPATZ** 

GUEST(S): Ed Dean, Avalon Fire Chief

SUMMARY: A massive overnight two home fire in Avalon, discuss challenges of putting out the fire during the cold and harsh winds. David asks about challenges firefighters face when battling a fire during winter conditions.

Also, segment from the 12pm show South Jersey Edition, where David and callers discuss Glenn Straub ending \$94.5 million deal to buy Revel Casino Hotel, the fluxing casino business in Atlantic City, and announcement that DNC announces the convention will be held in Philadelphia, as well as the bike lane in Atlantic City and safety.

Callers include:

Linda, Absecon

Tom, Little Egg Harbor

George, Atlantic City

**ISSUE(S):** Stockton now a University, NJ possibly getting Sports Betting

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON Wednesday February 18, 2015 12:00-12:59pm, Wednesday February 18th, 2015 6:00-6:30pm,

AIRED: SUNDAY February 22<sup>nd</sup> 2015 from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST: DAVID SPATZ** 

**GUEST(S):** Dr. Herman Saatkamp - President Stockton University, Dan Wallach - Attorney following NJ Sports Betting cases.

**SUMMARY:** David interviewed the president of the new Stockton University, previous The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, who was officially given university status for their programs. They discuss what this means for education in South Jersey and drawing in students.

David spoke with Attorney Dan Wallach, who has been following the circuit court cases and appeals of sports betting in New Jersey, and the latest development that the state drew a panel for a court date on March 17<sup>th</sup>, which may be in favor of sports betting in New Jersey, which may help struggling Atlantic City casinos. If they rule in New Jersey's favor for sports betting, it does not mean it becomes effective, but could happen soon for casinos and race tracks in the state.

ISSUE(S): Straub Planning a "Fountain of Youth" Resort, Atlantic County's first public forum for future development & Resorts launches internet gaming site.

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON from Wednesday February 25<sup>th</sup>, 12:00-12:59, Wednesday February 25<sup>th</sup> 6:00-6:30pm, Thursday February 26, 12:00-12:59pm,

AIRED: SUNDAY March 1st from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST: DAVID SPATZ** 

GUEST(S): Dave Schwartz- UNLV Center for Gaming Research, Angelos Angelou - Angelou Economics, Mark Giantonio – President & CEO of Resorts in Atlantic City

SUMMARY: David discusses Glenn Straub's newest plan for the former Revel Casino Hotel, a "Life Extension Science & Education with a little Gambling" operation in the excess space of Revel. They talk about the public perception of Glenn Straub. And how Straub has negotiated the \$2.4 billion Revel down from his initial offer of \$94.5 million, to \$82 million.

Atlantic County held the first public forum with Atlantic County Improvement Authority & Angelou Economics. David discusses the public forum with Angelos Angelou and his disappointment with the number of people who filled out an electronic survey, expecting more feedback.

David interviews Mark Giantonio on Resort's launch of their online gaming website with their partner SNG, and what that means for the property in Atlantic City

**ISSUE(S):** The BeachGlow concert in Wildwood, additional venues to the Borgata

**AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON** Monday February 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00-6:30p & Wednesday February 4<sup>th</sup> from 12:05pm - 12:59pm

**AIRED:** SUNDAY March 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 6:00 am
On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST:** DAVID SPATZ

GUEST(S): Wildwood Mayor Ernie Troiano & Senior VP of Operations Joe

Lupo

#### **SUMMARY:**

David opens the show with the explanation that an electric dance music concert that was supposed to be held in Wildwood for a second year has had the contract withdrawn. Mayor Troiano explains why the concert contract was terminated why boardwalk vendors were upset with the concert.

Borgata announced preliminary approval an outdoor concert venue and a new nightclub. The Casino Reinvestment Development Authority gave Borgata plans to tap the reinvestment contributions, about \$14 million. Senior VP of Operations Joe Lupo explains.

**ISSUE(S):** Ventnor's Tourism Forum, Missing Man in Ocean City after 5 years, Garden State Film Festival

**AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON** Monday March 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-6:30p, Wednesday March 11<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-6:30p, Thursday March 12th from 6:00-6:30p

**AIRED:** SUNDAY March 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 6:00 am
On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST:** DAVID SPATZ

**GUEST(S):** Michael Eichwechter – President of Ventnor Tourism Association, Captain Police Stephen Ang, Ocean City Police Department, Diane Rayer – Garden State Film Festival Executive Director

#### **SUMMARY:**

Show opens with David Spatz, Phone interview with President of Ventnor Tourism Association regarding summer tourism.

Second interview with Ocean City Police Captain Steven Ang, earlier on Wednesday, the police department released a statement on a continuing case in a missing Ocean City man Final interview is with the Executive Director of the Garden State Film Fest which took place the weekend of March  $19^{th} - 22^{nd}$ . This is the second year the film festival was being held in Atlantic City and Raver announced some of the featured films and the special quests.

**ISSUE(S):** Proposed development projects with Bader Field and Gardner's Basin and AC Waterfront, Family still searching for missing Ocean City woman, in multiple states. City of Cape May hosts media briefing on Prosecutor's police investigation.

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON Tuesday March 17<sup>th</sup>, Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00pm - 6:30pm, 12:00pm - 1:00pm, 6:00pm -6:30pm

AIRED: SUNDAY March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST:** DAVID SPATZ

**GUEST(S):** Jack Keith, Executive Director of the Atlantic City Historic Waterfront Foundation. Margaret LaManna, Sister of Missing Ocean City Woman. Ed Mahaney, Mayor of Cape May

## **SUMMARY:**

First interview from South Jersey Edition Prime, Jack Keith from the Atlantic City Historic Waterfront Foundation discussing the proposed plans in the Gardner's Basin and Bader Field. Proposes the changes will take place in the next 3-5 years

Second Interview from South Jersey Edition Prime, Margaret LaManna. Her sister, Renee, has been missing since January 8<sup>th</sup>, 1994. LaManna is convinced a nameless, homeless woman recently sighted in Virginia and North Carolina is her only surviving sibling. LaManna explains the local effort to locate the woman she believes is her sister as well when her sister was last seen in Ocean City.

Third Interview from South Jersey Edition, Cape May Mayor Ed Mahaney talks about the media briefing to address the situation with the Cape May Police Department and a County Prosecutor's investigation into abused comp time by the former chief of police. The City of Cape May was allowed to release more information about the investigation.

ISSUE(S): Atlantic City tourism and air travel to and from AC, Coast guard Training Program in AC

AIRED LIVE ON WOND ON March 28<sup>th</sup> 2015, March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2015, from 12:00pm – 1:00pm, 6:00pm-6:30pm

AIRED: SUNDAY March 29th, 2015 from 5:30 to 6:00 am

On WOND, WWAC, WTKU-FM, WMGM and WBSS

**HOST: DAVID SPATZ** 

**GUEST(S):** EJ Mullins, Program Director ACY under Port Authority on NY and NJ, Coast Guard Lieutenant Mark Bruno

SUMMARY: First Interview EJ Mullins discusses Charter flights to link Atlantic City with Miami, **Nashville** and possibly Cuba from Choice Air Charter LLC and Swift Airlines. They discuss how the deal was made and what AC could expect from a boost in AC tourism.

Second Interview Coast Guard Lieutenant Mark Bruno addresses a month-long training program for Coast Guard pilots out of the AC Coast Guard post.