

Issues Programs List

Quarterly Issues Program List for Station – B106 October - December 2014

Assessment of Issues for this quarter: Issues important to our community are gleaned from Lions Club, law enforcement, business owners, city/county/state employees, politicians, other media, Facebook and Twitter postings, conversations with community members at community concerts, special events and other functions.

Section I. Issues.

A. Education: Issues relating to Public School education and community college in our community, the bond issue on the ballot.

B. Public Safety: The discussion of traffic, weather, and community safety in our area, including drug issues, and upcoming winter season. Programming regarding flood recovery

C. Government: The discussion of policies related to our government both statewide and local issues. Election in November.

D. Agriculture: The many issues relating to Agriculture including government programs, the drought, planting and harvesting, and technology. Programming regarding flood recovery.

E. Quality of Life: Issues relating to the overall health and living conditions of our community.

Section II. Responsive Programs

The station has broadcast programming dealing with each of the above-referenced issues. Programming dealing with each issue is set out below.

Education:

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 1, 2014-Duration 11 minutes. Discussion with Katie Barron from Morgan Community College. She invited our listeners to attend some of the several CACE events that are scheduled in the next couple of months. She also discussed the school year is going well. They are moving forward on the expansion and new building on the campus site and look forward to meet the growing needs of their students

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 9, 2014-Duration 13 minutes. Discussion with Michelle Johnstone and Doug Crandal. They discussed the upcoming MLO that Brush voters are facing. Some of the things the district has looked at going forward are: They base the budget off of historical trends and

what the state \$\$ allows. There were 256 new students that entered the district but they did have a net drop of 50 students. The board did take a very conservative approach to their planning. They will put off purchasing a new bus, and then opened up some off site centers with other schools in the area. Hopefully the cuts that the state has imposed will not be terrible on student learning. This MLO will be a property tax and imposed on Businesses and Homeowners. These dollars will not go to the state but will stay local. Hopefully if this passes it will be good for classrooms, teachers, and making sure that the district is attractive to outsiders. Over the past several years, the board has cut over 8 million dollars and the next step would be to cut programs.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 9, 2014-Duration 13 minutes. Discussion with Ron Echoles. He updated on the building updates and construction projects. They received a BEST grant last school year and that money is being used to update sewers, heating and electrical issues in the various school buildings in Ft. Morgan. They are still working on the new middle school construction project as well. They have challenged each of the school buildings K-5 to do five math problems every day to increase math skills throughout the district. They also briefly discussed Amendment 68 and if the money will actually come to the school district. Ron has read pros and cons of the issue and on both sides. He is hopeful that if it does pass, it will be a positive for our local schools but people are very uncertain on how positive it will be for the community schools.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 31, 2014-Duration 10 minutes. Discussion with Betsy Porter, E.D. of United Way of Morgan County. United way partners with 21 other agencies to assist the local public who are in need of assistance receives the need that they are looking for. Very little of their funding comes from grants but mostly from direct donations or private funding. she was proud to announce that 98% of the funds given to Morgan County stays in Morgan County. The funds received by United Way is allocated to the other partnering agencies that have submitted the correct paperwork, meet qualifications, and makes presentation of cause to board. The receiving agency needs to be established for at least one full year and the United Way Board does review their financials and past year of "business". Some funding includes School of the Performing arts, A caring Pregnancy resource council, assistance to read programs around the county.SARA, Blue Horizons Eben Ezer home and Personal services, Boy & Girl Scouts, etc. If money is available they do fund adventure grants like Blessings in a Backpack. They do have a plan in place to help measure the programs that they help fund to ensure that they are beneficial projects.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November 5, 2014 -Duration 12 minutes. Discussion with Katie Barron, Morgan Community College. It is time to enroll for Spring Semester at MCC. Classes begin on January 19. She also invited High School students to look at taking Dual Credit classes and get a head because MCC has transfer arrangements in place with other larger colleges. They will host an open house on November 11 for anyone interested in checking out the college. It will be held in the Founders Room from 4-7pm. It is a great time for potential students to look at how to advance in their careers, job placements, and enhancing education for improvement. The CACE gallery will continue with the Art Of Horror exhibit until December 5. The first live filming project partnered with MCC, CACE and the MCC Jazz Band will be held this month. It will be a documentary on Glenn Miller and his life here in Fort Morgan, his love of music and how he became the man we read about in the history book. Hopefully, the documentary will be finished and air on PBS in the Spring of 2015.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November 7, 2014 -Duration 10 minutes. Discussion with Rich Guggenheim, CSU Extension Office. He talked about the Achievement Night that will celebrate all of the 4-H youth achievements. This will be held on Sunday night at the Morgan County Fairgrounds. He also

explained that 4-H is not just about animals and farm but also about teaching youth to become great leaders in the world that they live in. There is a lot of skills that is available with 4-H from running a meeting to becoming a business owner. The Extension office is offering a seedling tree program again this year. Applications and information is available at the Extension office, Chamber offices, and town offices. It does help to conserve land or wildlife and this year the program is open to anyone that wishes to participate. The greenhouse class will begin in January for 8 weeks. All are invited. Anyone interested in becoming a Colorado Master Gardener applications are due before Christmas and is \$175.

Public Safety:

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 8, 2014-Duration 13 minutes. Discussion with Jim Crone, Sheriff of Morgan County. He shared with listeners that recently a bomb had been discovered on a county road and even though it did not detonate, it could have been deadly in results. They are looking for anyone who might have information on this. This is a good reminder to the public to be aware of your surroundings and if something looks out of place please report it and if it looks dangerous, do not touch. He also touched on the topic of suicide. Morgan County has a fair amount of suicides and the department wants the public to know that if you are suffering, there is help available and people who are willing to help.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November 20, 2014-Duration 10 minutes. Discussion with Sergeant Burl Giffin. He discussed distractive driving. It happens very easily these days-looking for a road sign, radio music up to loud, conversations in the car, being on the phone...etc... Depending on the speed of the vehicles the crash could result in serious injury.

Government:

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 6, 2014 -Duration 7 minutes. Discussion with Cheryl Sanchez, FM Chamber of Commerce. She discussed that in Fort Morgan voters will be asked to consider ballot issue 2A for a lodging tax. The tax will be 2 percent of the price charged for hotel/motel rooms or other short term temporary accommodations and not to any other purchases. There currently more than 50 other cities in CO that have this tax. She also invited local businesses to decorate train cars to be displayed in City Park during the Christmas Capitol of the Plains. The FM Chamber will host a brown bag lunch on Tuesday Oct. 21. Speaker is Karen Crews, Colorado Counseling RSVP to the chamber.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 2, 2014-Duration 8 minutes. Discussion with Tad Anderson, Brush Volunteer Fire Department Chief. He was in to discuss the need that the Fire Department has for a MLO this November. It is a sales tax that will be sustainable that will be on going. The proposed amount is .04 on the dollar for every person that pays sales tax in the city limits of Brush. The funds will go to major repairs on the fire department itself, fire gear, truck maintenance etc. The department is scheduled to purchase a new truck at this time-life expectancies on a truck is 20 years old and this truck due for replacement is 22 years old. The department has 22 volunteers at this time. They also have to follow guidelines that are given to them by the State Fire Board. They are a little behind and need to catch up. The department has not approached the public in 33 years and they hope not to go back again with this increase. Currently they answer 300-400 calls per year.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November 14, 2014-Duration 8 minutes. Discussion with Monty Torres, City Manager for the City of Brush. Currently they are working on the City's budget for 2015. They want to complete phase 4 of the downtown street project. He also discussed the passing of the sales tax ballot issue that passed to assist the Brush Volunteer Fire Department. The City is hoping to build up a surplus fund that will eventually allow them to do complete reconstruction of streets and what they need to improve the City. The City of Brush also would like to remind residents to bag up your leaves and get the yard cleaned up. If you can put them in the dumpster that is best, if not... leaf bags can be placed next to the regular dumpster on normal pick up days.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November 21, 2014 -Duration 9 minutes. Discussion with Kari Linker, MCEDC. She reminded listeners to attend the monthly round table discussions that are held once a month and rotate between hillrose, Brush, Fort Morgan and Wiggins. The breakfasts are a discussion type gathering that has no agenda but discussion from those in participation. This month Kari invited a representative from CTAP to speak about their company. They would like to create their headquarters here in Fort Morgan. The MCEDC office has seen an increase in inquiries from potential businesses to move into our area. I-76 properties are really hot for our areas right now. They are working hard to create and know about 'shovel ready' properties for potential businesses. Brush has a nice area right off the interstate and Hospital road to development new industrial areas to new businesses to move in. There is currently a business that is very interested. Morgan County is still holding at 4.3% unemployment rate. That is good and bad as it still shows that we have possible jobs available but those seeking a job are having to get creative to prove their worth to new potential employers. She also reminded listeners to shop local with the upcoming holiday season.

Morgan Matters-Broadcast on December 10, 2014-Duration 8 minutes. Discussion with Lt. John Horton with the Sheriff Department. He discussed the uptake of metal theft. He encouraged listeners to be aware of any suspicious activity that they may run across. The Sheriff off ice is working on the Morgan County Golden Star Project as well. He also mentioned that anyone that is interested in signing up for the department can inquire.

Agriculture:

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 3, 2014 -Duration 10 minutes. Discussion with Marlin Eisenach, CSU extension office. He discussed the upcoming Explore 4H night that will be held on Oct. 6 at the MC Fairgrounds. This is a great way for people to find out what 4-H is all about and learn that it is much more than just livestock and farm issues. There will also be some upcoming educational classes held-dates to be announced later.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on December 5, 2014 -Duration 12 minutes. Discussion with Marlin Eisenach, CSU extension office. He talked about the distribution of the catch it calves this weekend. The calves were caught during the Morgan county fair time by 4-H members. January will bring Stock show time as well and the extension office does invite local 4-H members a day at the show to get an experience that most youth do not get a chance to experience interaction with livestock. Those in agriculture production need to attend a meeting in March to learn more about the changes in rules and policies with ag production going forward.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on December 30, 2014 -Duration 12 minutes. Discussion with Janice Dixon, MC Extension office. She discussed how the extension office is preparing the annual Weigh and Win

program. They are looking to enroll new and renew enrollments for 4-H members. January 9 is the early enrollment deadline. The extension office is also interviewing new extension agents to fill the position LouAnn Boyer left when she retired. Morgan County Cattleman and Brush Young Farmers will help the extension office begin their ag program with local third graders as well as a field trip to the Stock Show. They educate students about the local crops and animals we have, as well as what some of the tools used look like and what some of the terms are and what they mean. Leadership conferences will be held over January and February. They will also have virtual trainings for leaders at the extension office.

Quality of Life:

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 7, 2014 -Duration 12 minutes. Discussion with Rpn Prascher, Brush Chamber of Commerce. He recapped the 32nd Oktoberfest. He commented that there was over 90 booths and a substantial amount of entries in the car show. There was some authentic German additions with German attire and entertainment along with the traditional Polka Dance. The Chamber invites anyone interested in joining them for lunch to come. They are held at Bunker Hill at noon on the second Tuesday each month. Please RSVP to the Chamber office if you are interested. The chamber is looking for three new board members to serve a three year term. You (or your business) needs to be a Brush Chamber member. The chamber also has four main committees that are always looking for new members to join them as well.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 10, 2014 -Duration 9 minutes. Discussion with Monty Torres. The City of Brush is busy with road construction currently. They have resurfaced several streets to preserve the current street condition. Hospital Road is also being completely redone. It will have the large hump leveled out and then resurfaced. The I76 project is wrapping up nicely and is still on schedule as long as the weather holds out. The City is excited about the Hospital road project as it will be a new entrance to the city and plans are in the works to develop the land on both sides of Hospital road.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 10, 2014 -Duration 9 minutes. Discussion with Sandy Engle, Marketing Director of Colorado Plains Medical Center. CPMC is currently in the middle of their Mamo Monday campaign. October is Breast Cancer awareness month and they try to create a fun time to bring people in for this very important screening. Each Monday, they host a tailgate party style event that includes games, they show the football game of the evening on a tv, have snacks, and door prizes. Anyone who has a mammo in the month of October are entered into a drawing for 2 Bronco tickets. Sandy also updated everyone on their construction. They have expanded their cafeteria seating and the public is open to come in for lunch and breakfast and also added to the OB suites to include c-section availability in the OB unit. CPMC is also taking updated training in case the ebola virus hits the area as they take infection control very serious.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 22, 2014 -Duration 11 minutes. Discussion with Lanny Page and Chandra McCoy, Fort Morgan Public Library. They discussed the new programs that they will be rolling out at the library. Some include-Mind Craft Mondays in the computer lab and the Colorado Blue Spruce voting for youths 6-12. The Brown Bag lunch for November will be moved to the third Tuesday because of Veteran's Day and the presenters will be Lorrie Boyer and John Beltran. The library also has a homework center that has been up and running for the past 2-3 weeks and is going well. They are looking for volunteers.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 27, 2014 -Duration 11 minutes. Discussion with Mayor Terry McAlister of Ft. Morgan. He discussed the street projects that have been happening around the town and assured residents and businesses that they are almost finished. He also gave an update on the airport project and noted that it is a little behind schedule. The paving company is also experiencing the influx of construction that has been happening around the state. There is growth in the city and the City is annexing different property into the city limits. They are trying to be more pro-active to all of the anticipated growth headed this way. The school district is also in the works for their new build-hopefully for March of 2015 which also includes an expansion of one road and a complete build of another road. The Mayor also reminded residents to vote and that their votes really do count! Lastly, they covered Halloween. A good reminder to all that you should be safe running and driving around the streets-this includes during the day and the night!

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on October 28, 2014 -Duration 11 minutes. Discussion with Tim Brown, Director of Physical Therapy from East Morgan County Hospital. He explained how EMCH offers exercise programs to the public and will help design a program that will allow you to begin and become stronger. They also offer a screening process for areas that are bothering patients. This screening allows a doctor to look at the area of the body that is bothering you and perhaps have treatment (PT) to increase movement and comfort. There is currently 3 physical therapists, and 3 assistants. EMCH PT department offers a gym that is open to the community as well. The only thing that is required is that users are cleared by a physician before they begin a workout.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November 3, 2014 -Duration 11 minutes. Discussion with Cheryl Sanchez, Ft. Morgan Chamber E.D. and Merle Rhodes, Small Business Development Center consultant. Cheryl welcomed all of the new members that they have to the chamber. The Christmas parade is going to be held on Monday December 1 at 6pm in downtown Fort Morgan. The Chamber has also voted in two new board members and one new alternate-congratulations to them. Merle is here because SBDC has been chosen as the FM Chambers business of the month. He covers both Morgan and Washington counties and even though most of the growth is in the Front Range area, Morgan County is growing by leaps and bounds. They service and consult with new, start up businesses as well as existing businesses. He assists people with e-marketing, business owners with brick and mortar stores and there is no charge for their services.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November 4, 2014 -Duration 12 minutes. Discussion with Ron Prascher. He mentioned that Hospice of the Plains will have an Open House at the Chamber office between 4:30-6:30pm. On Friday Nov. 7 the Museum will hold a program at EMCL featuring a presentation on New England and the Colonial Days. It is held over the lunch hour so please bring your lunch. The Chamber has a few committees that are working hard examining the Bylaws, Policies and Procedures, job descriptions up to par and current. The Bylaws for example have not been updated since they were first made 22 years ago. Chamber Planning Retreat on Nov. 18 and a Main Street evaluation will be held on December 4 at the Chamber office. He also invited listeners to celebrate the holiday season in Brush. On Saturday, Nov. 22 Christmas Art Sculptures will begin to go up on the corners of Edison and Clayton. Shop Small Business Saturday is 29, Dec. 11 will be a town celebration with chili, fire pits, Santa, tree lighting and singing. Free Movies will be held on Dec. 13 & 20 and then the annual Santa Party.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November , 2014 -Duration 9 minutes. Discussion with Bobbi Naill with Hospice of Northern Colorado. She talked about how Hospice is a form of medicine and helps to ensure the quality of life for people who have been diagnosed with a terminal illness. They cover Weld, Morgan,

Washington and Logan counties. Hospice plays a key role in helping with medicine, pain management, counseling and family support. A person does need a physician referral to receive Hospice care. Early referrals are more helpful for building support team for and with the families.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November 24, 2014 -Duration 9 minutes. Discussion with Mayor Terry McAlister. He recapped the youth that Morgan County has and all of their talent! State Football competitions with one state championship, Musical play performers, Cheerleaders that are going to state competitions...Morgan county really is lucky that we have such wonderful kids in our area. Construction projects are at a point where things will be put on hold for winter and begin back up in the spring. He discussed the local dog park that has recently opened and seems to be off to a great start. The new middle school construction will begin next spring/summer as well. There is some private property and dealing that need to be finished up.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on November 24, 2014 -Duration 9 minutes. Discussion with Debora Beck Massey with Caring Ministries. She discussed the fact that she is looking or Bell Ringers for the Salvation Army. This year has been a little short on volunteers. They ring bells until 8pm in the evening at Safeway and Walmart. 90% of the money raised remains in the county. They use it for utility bills, bus tickets, social security trips to Greeley. They are still seeking assistance for food for the holiday season to ensure local families have food in their homes.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on December 15, 2014 -Duration 9 minutes. Discussion with Centennial Mental Health. They discussed the Journey Program that they offer to patients that have addiction issues and enable patients to move forward and become successful in life. Substance abuse includes both drug use and alcohol. They currently have between 30-50 people in this program throughout Northeast Colorado. They do offer several other services to enhance life skills as well. Mental health struggles, daily living issues like lack of food and money for bills as well as domestic and substance abuse issues.

Morgan Matters- Broadcast on December 23, 2014 -Duration 9 minutes. Discussion with Sandra Boon, RN and Certified dietitian at EMCH. She discussed the facts of holiday sugar effects with and to those who have diabetes. One interesting thing that people should be aware of is that if a person experiences something stressful, their liver will also produce an amount of sugar and spike the blood count. If you have diabetes or it runs in your family EMCH can help you setup a test that will determine if you are diabetic and how to manage your symptoms. Call them for an appointment and begin to feel better!