

WVAM
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Mid Ohio Valley Now

Produced by WVAM news director Eric Little. The program airs Sundays at 7:30 A.M. on WVAM, Parkersburg, WV.

October 1st, 2023 - Michelle Curtis/Doug Hess - The Arc of the Mid-Ohio Valley

Each year, The Arc of the Mid-Ohio Valley's Secret Christmas program brightens the holiday season for area teens and adults with intellectual and developmental differences. Michelle Curtis and Doug Hess of The Arc of the Mid-Ohio Valley join to discuss the program.

October 8th, 2023 - Jeanette Pursley - Old Man Rivers Mission

Food insecurity is a national problem, and here at home, one Parkersburg agency is working to service a rising need. Jeannette Pursley with Old Man Rivers joins to discuss the services they provide and how the need for those services has increased dramatically from pre-pandemic levels.

October 15th, 2023 - Jennifer White/Pleasants County Neighbor Network

The Neighbor Network is a one-stop shop for Pleasants County residents in need, addressing everything from food insecurity to providing help with utility bills to supporting families struggling at Christmas. Neighbor Network Executive Director Jennifer White joins to discuss the organization's programs and how they help those in need.

October 22nd 2023-- Credit Counseling Service of the Mid-Ohio Valley

Consumer Credit Counseling Service of the Mid-Ohio Valley helps individuals escape debt and plan a better financial future through a variety of programs. The non-profit doesn't turn anyone away, regardless of their ability to pay. Next month is their 4th Annual Murder Mystery Dinner. Shelene Shrewsbury and Sandy Hintz from Consumer Credit Counseling Service join the program to share details of this year's event.

October 29th, 2023- Gary McIntyre/Humane Society of Parkersburg

The Humane Society of Parkersburg shelters numerous animals and offers many low-cost or no-cost services to pet owners. Executive Director Gary McIntyre shares information about their work and discusses their upcoming Bingo fundraiser

November 5th, 2023 - Wood County Society - Local Nonprofit Prepares for a Big 2024

Wood County Society is a nonprofit that serves individuals with intellectual and developmental differences. The organization is gearing up for a major expansion, with a large project beginning in early 2024. Executive Director Brandon Gress joined the program to share the latest updates.

November 12th, 2023 - Greg Collins/North Star Child Advocacy Center

Child advocacy centers throughout West Virginia help investigators and social workers gain information from child abuse victims and provide resources for victims and non-offending family members. Greg Collins is the Executive Director of Parkersburg's North Star Child Advocacy Center. He joins to discuss the organization's mission and upcoming events, including their first-ever Gala in December.

November 26, 2023 - Deborah Trippett/Josie Rabatin - Heart & Veil Belly Dance Troupe

Belly dancing is a form of exercise and artistic expression that's found a foothold with a local group. Deborah Trippett and Josie Rabatin join the show to discuss their group, the awareness they raise each May through their annual Shimmy Mob and how to get involved with their group.

December 3rd, 2023--Kelly Hendershot/Washington County Homeless Project

The area's homeless are preparing for another difficult winter. The Washington County Homeless Project is one organization working to help those individuals survive the season. Kelly

Hendershot is the on-site manager for the Washington County Homeless Project. She joins to discuss the organization, the people they serve and the things they need to help them achieve that mission.

December 10th, 2023- - Tim Sweeney - What You Need to Know About Human Trafficking

Human trafficking is a modern-day form of slavery. Circuit Judge Tim Sweeney has collaborated with West Virginia Secretary of State Mac Warner to bring attention to this important issue locally. He joins to discuss the issue and his local advocacy efforts.

December 17th, 2023- - Gary Bowden - Sistersville Ferry

The Sistersville Ferry is an Ohio River institution and a part of Sistersville's unique charm. Gary Bowden from the Ferry Board joins to discuss what's needed to keep the ferry in service and the efforts to create a long-term funding mechanism.

December 24th, 2023 - Gary McIntyre/Humane Society of Parkersburg (OAD: 10/29/23)

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December 31, 2023-- Marc Wilson & Regis Grote/Specialized Family Care Program

(OAD: 11/19/23) Foster families are needed in the Specialized Care Family Program - serving individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities throughout the lifespan. Marc Wilson and Regis Grote join to share how the program works and how you can get involved as a foster family for a special needs individual.