# WVAM First Quarter, 2023 Mid Ohio Valley Now

Produced by Seven Ranges Radio news director Eric Little. The program airs Sundays at 8:00 A.M. on WVVV, Williamstown, WV.

# January 1st, 2023--Kristi Venderlic, Dr. Carol Greco/FARMacy Program

(Original air date October 23, 2022) The FARMacy program was started in 2016 out of a clinic in Wheeling as a way to use area farms to connect low income citizens with fresh food that they may otherwise be unable to afford. Now, the program has expanded to multiple areas in the state, including Pleasants, Tyler and Wetzel counties locally. Dr. Carol Greco, program founder, and Kristi Venderlic join the show to discuss how the program has been implemented both statewide and in Pleasants County.

# January 9th, 2023-- Brandon Gress/Wood County Society

(Original air date November 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022) The Wood County Society serves individuals with developmental and intellectual differences in a nine-county region, spanning throughout multiple stages of life. Executive Director Brandon Gress joins to discuss expansions to a few of their programs.

### January 15th, 2023 - Kelsy Eaton, President/CEO Marietta Area Chamber of Commerce

Business leaders in Marietta are looking toward a bright 2023. This week, we visit with Kelsy Eaton - the President/CEO of the Marietta Area Chamber of Commerce to discuss how their office supports new and existing business development, as well as the events on their 2023 calendar.

## January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023- Jim Sims/Latrobe Street Mission

Winter can be an extremely dangerous time for the valley's unhoused population. Jim Sims, the Executive Director of Latrobe Street Mission, talks about the demand on their facility during the winter months and shares some of the ways the public can help them take care of this vulnerable population.

## January 29th, 2023 - Monica B. Davis - Parkersburg Catholic Girls Basketball at 50

50 years ago, a group of female Parkersburg Catholic High School students approached a teacher about creating a girls' basketball team at the school. Several state championships later, girls' basketball continues to thrive at Parkersburg Catholic High School. Monica Borkowski Davis - one of two seniors on the inaugural team - joins to discuss her team and upcoming plans for the 50-year reunion.

# February 5th, 2023 - Chidester/Backus - New Training for Direct Support Professionals

The Washington County Career Center and the Washington County Board of Disabilities have partnered with area service agencies to create an adult education program to train direct support professionals to work with people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Erica Chidester and Barry Backus join to discuss the program.

#### February 12th, 2023 - Dr. Khorassani - Entrepreneurship Program - Spring Events

The Marietta College Entrepreneurship Program continues to grow and evolve. Dr. Jacqueline Khorassani rejoins the show to discuss the program's spring series of events.

# February 19th, 2023- Kelsy Eaton, President/CEO Marietta Area Chamber of Commerce

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# February 26th, 2023 -- Wood County Society Looks Ahead to Annual Telethon

March is Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month and the Wood County Society has an entire month of programing scheduled to mark the occasion - all leading up to their annual Telethon. Executive Director Brandon Gress joins to discuss the month's events and the upcoming telethon.

# March 5th, 2023 - Local Organization Celebrates Renovations, New Leadership

The Arc of the Mid-Ohio Valley recently elevated Michelle Curtis to the position of Executive Director. She joins, along with CFO Doug Hess, to discuss the leadership transition and the organization's recently completed capital campaign and the building renovations it'll fund.

# March 12th, 2023 - Amber Peck/Washington County Career Center - Agribusiness Program

Washington County Career Center's Agribusiness Program provides local farmers with the tools they need to make their farms more profitable. Amber Peck is the head of that program and joins to discuss how the program works and who it aims to serve.

## March 19th, 2023 - Kiki Angelos/Mid-Ohio Valley Easter Parade -

The 13th Annual Mid-Ohio Valley Easter Parade returns to Parkersburg Saturday April 1st. Founder/Organizer Kiki Angelos joins to discuss the theme and the plans for this year's parade.

# March 26th, 2023 -- New Leadership for Valley's Arts Champion

Artsbridge has long been a key player in connecting the Mid-Ohio Valley with the arts. Lyndsay Dennis took over late last year as the organization's Executive Director. She joins to discuss the organization's mission, their goals for 2023, and what she plans to accomplish during her run as Executive Director.