

WOAY-TV
REPORT OF LOCAL ISSUES

4th QUARTER 2016

October-November-December

WOAY-TV has identified these issues as critical to the communities it serves.

FLOOD DISASTER RELIEF
WV HEALTHCARE
UNITED WAY OF SOUTHERN WV
PRINCETON RENISSANCE PROJECT

WOAY-TV has a commitment to the community and to addressing these and other problems and issues through Public Services and News Broadcasting. In accordance with FCC regulations, a list of issues and programming that address these issues have been compiled and this list covers issues on a quarterly basis.

WOAY-TV airs the following programs that fulfill FCC requirements. The enclosed list provides information about programming for the months of January, February and March 2016.

Forum-A locally produced talk show. This Public Affairs program addresses various topics of community concerns, both current and local issues and events. It is broadcast on Sundays and repeated with possible.

In addition, we air (3) hours live, local newscasts per day Monday thru Friday, and one (1) hour each on Saturday and Sunday.

Forum
4TH Quarter 2016

October

October 2nd, 11:30 am – Guest Bob Henry Baber, Mayor of Richwood, WV. First Mr. Baber told us about the history of Richwood and the floods in their past. He mainly talked about the recent major flooding in the town of Richwood and what they are doing to recover from it. In the flood they lost two (2) schools and they are in the process of rebuilding those along with houses that were lost.

October 9th, 11:30 am – Guest Doris Selco, South Regional Coordinator for West Virginias for Affordable Healthcare. She talked about Medicaid and Medicaid expansion. She also expressed how some 500,000 West Virginias are on Medicaid. Medicaid expansion is based on income solely, not assets. Ms. Selco also talked about all the services that Medicaid covered.

October 16th, 11:30 am – Guest Scott Hill, General Manager for Theater of West Virginia. Mr. Hill talked about their fundraiser “The Haunted Coal Mine”. This is a yearly Halloween event where they convert the Youth Museum’s Coal Mine tour into a scary haunted trip. I will take place on October 21 & 22 and October 27, 28th and 29th. The admission for the trip will be \$10.

October 23rd, 11:30 am – Guest John Wyatt, “The Appalachian”. Mr. Wyatt is a Minister Folk Singer and Teacher of the Appalachian Culture. He talked about how Richwood was recovering from the recent massive floods. He also talked about how he has been teaching the Appalachian Culture to young people. Mr. Wyatt while on the showed played Appalachian music and sang two songs from Appalachian culture.

October 30th, 11:30 am – Guest Cindy Whitlock, “School Health Director New River Health System”. The New River Health System also does dental and mental health help for the school system. But mainly they have to have the parent’s approval before they can begin any treatment on children. The New River Health System has 8 clinics in two (2) county areas plus the in school clinics.

November

November 6th, 11:30 am – Guest Lee Leftwich, Director of the Muster Project of Beckley. This is an organization for troubled teens in the Beckley area. They operate a “Teen Court” in Beckley which is used to help teens to be judged before they end up with a criminal record. They try to head off teens before a teen petition has been filed against them.

November 13th, 11:30 am – Guest Margaret O’Neal, Director of the United Way of Southern West Virginia. They serve a 4 county area. Ms. O’Neal talked about their fall fundraising campaign which goes on for three (3) months. She also talked about their special Christmas tree decorating and auction that raises funds for the organization. The Christmas tree fund raiser is called “The Wonderland of Trees”.

November 20th, 11:30 am – Guest Daniel Spurgeon, Music Director for the United Methodist Temple of Beckley. Mr. Spurgeon comes yearly to tell everyone about their Christmas concerts and plays. This year they are having two (2) big concert. The first one at the Church (December 4th) and another in Summersville (December 9th). Mr. Spurgeon also talked about the special meals they have at the Church during the Thanksgiving and Christmas season.

November 27th, 11:30 am – Guest Stephen Christian, Executive Director of the New River Gorge Regional Development Authority. They serve four (4) counties in West Virginia which are Raleigh, Fayette, Summers and Nicholas. They deal in the economic development of the four (4) county area helping existing businesses and trying to attract new businesses. They deal in Startup Loans, Business Incubators at WVU in Beckley and especially help in the tourism industry.

December

December 4th, 11:30 am – Guest Doris Selko, South Regional Coordinator for West Virginia’s for the Affordable Healthcare Act (Obamacare). Ms. Selko talked about the advantages of the Healthcare Act for people in West Virginia. A lot of people get subsidies for their insurance due to low income here in West Virginia. She also promoted an opioid addiction conference they are sponsoring.

December 11th, 11:30 am – Guest Joe Carlucci, WV Hive Director for New River Gorge Regional Development Authority. The “Hive” is a support unit to help businesses. They serve a 4 county area in which they help new businesses to get started and existing businesses who are struggling. He also went through the whole process of how they start out with a plan and how they follow it through to a business opening.

December 18th, 11:30 am – Guest Lori McKinney, Member of the Princeton Renaissance Project. This is a group whose job it is to revitalize the Downtown area in Princeton. They feature several year round festivals (Winterfest & Halloween Fest). Ms. McKinney wanted to promote their big New Year’s Festival which has become a major event for the last few years. She also explained all of the events they will have on New Year’s Eve.

December 25th, 11:30 am – Guest Melanie Seiler, Member of Active Southern WV. This is a non-profit group whose mission is to improve the health of Southern WV through active sports, exercise, yoga and thai-che. This is their second year of creating programs to get people off of the couch. Ms. Seiler gave us a rundown of the programs they had in 2016 and then went over the rundown of 2017 activities starting January 1st.