

WOAY-TV

Quarterly Report of Local Issues

JANUARY-FEBRUARY-MARCH 2018

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

DRUG ADDICTION IN WV

**INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR PEOPLE WITH
DISABILITIES**

WOMAN'S RESOURCE CENTER FUNDRAISERS

INCREASE IN CHILD ABUSE CASES

HEALTH CARE FOR GRADE SCHOOL CHILDREN

WOAY TV has a commitment to the community and to addressing these and other problems and issues through Public Service 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 October, November and December.

FORUM-A locally produced talk show. This Public Affairs program addresses various topics of community concern, both current and local issues and events. It is broadcast Sunday Mornings at 10 a.m. and repeated as needed.

In addition we air three (3) hours of live, local news casts per day Monday-Friday, and one (1) hour each on Saturday and Sunday.

FORUM
1ST Quarter 2018

JANUARY

January 7th – Guest- Kelly Elkins, Community Coordinator for the Mountain State Centers for Independent Living. Ms. Elkins explained that the center help people with disabilities to live normal lifestyles. The center help individuals thru classes, vehicle modifications and bathroom modifications. Ms. Elkins also talked about their Valentine’s Day gift fundraiser to be held on February 3rd.

January 14th – Guest- Beth Powers of the New River Human Society. Mrs. Powers help the county to operate the Fayette County Animal Control Center (local animal shelter). She talked about their success in rescuing more animals than past decades. She mainly talked about their big fundraiser in January called “The Furball” that brings enough resources in to last throughout the year. The event was held at Holiday Inn on January 27th at 6pm in the evening.

January 21st – Guest- Melanie Terry of “One Voice”. This is a non-profit organization on the WVU Campus in Beckley. They are faith based and provides services to help people with addictions, food, clothing and a variety of other services that are needed in the community. They start out dealing with children in school about the opioid problems in Southern WV.

January 28th – Guest- Lee Leftwich of the “Muster Project” in Beckley. This is an organization to help trouble teens in the Beckley area. Mr. Leftwich talked about the beginning of “The Muster Project” 30 years ago. Mr. Leftwich talked about their “teen court”. Teen Court is for youth’s from 7th to 12th grade. They try to head off serious offenses later on by advising them on early minor offenses in teen court.

FEBRUARY

February 4th – Guest- Dee Sizemore of The Women’s Resource Center for battered woman. Ms. Sizemore wanted to promote their lip-sync battle to help raise resources for the center. The lip-sync battle is held in four counties leading up to the finals. The final lip-sync battle will be on April 26th at the Raleigh County Convention Center.

February 11th – Guest- Randy Housh, CEO for Hospice of Southern WV. Also with her Kathy McHenry R.N. from the Outreach Service. They provided end of life care for terminally ill patients. This service is done two ways by home base care or a 12 patient hospice house. They serve a four county area. They also explained how they help people with quality of life, not just length of life. They help pay with medication cost as well as household bills for the patients.

February 18th – Guest- Jay Quessenberry, General Manager of Southern Communications Radio Stations. Mr. Quessenberry was here to promote their 21st Annual Women’s Expo at the Raleigh County Armory. The expo will be held on the weekend of February 23rd-25th. He talked about the entertainment they have lined up for this year. He also did promoted the local Salvation Army which is in need of help.

February 25th – Guest- Scott Hill of Theater of West Virginia. Mr. Hill talked about their summer season. They are in their audition period looking for local talent. This season will be their 58th season of Honey in the Rock and Hatfield and McCoy’s. The theater is also performing Willy Wonka and Paradise Park. Paradise Park is a musical about God visiting a trailer park in WV.

MARCH

March 4th – Guest- Beth Gardner, Vice President of Valley College. Valley College has three campuses in Southern West Virginia. They just received a five year accreditation award. They offer six week to ten week certificate programs. They were one of the first schools to offer on-line classes in Business Administration. Valley College most popular program is the Doctor Medical Assistance course that includes an internship.

March 11th – Guest- Cindy Whitlock of New River Health Associations of Southern WV. Ms. Whitlock is in charge of the seven school health centers in three different counties. They deal with the kid's medical problems, dental problems and mental problems. This year they have been handling the flu epidemic in the school systems.

March 18th – Guest- Dr. Janet Lantala. Ms. Lantala studies autism in humans. She is an autism Mom that has a very successful book on the subject as well as a sought out speaker on the subject. She explained the possible origins, the symptoms and how to support autistic patients. She also runs an autism center located here in Southern WV.

March 25th – Guest- Maline Seiler of ACTIVEWV. This is an organization founded to get people in Southern WV more active. Ms. Seiler talked about the events they have planned for the spring and summer. ACTIVEWV partner with the local parks to do many of the activities in the park areas. ACTIVEWV covers a 4 county area in Southern WV.