

WOAY-TV

Quarterly Report of Local Issues

October-November-December 2017

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

**VOLUNTEERS FOR BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS
IN SOUTHERN WV**

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FOR WV TECH STUDENTS

WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER FOR SOUTHERN WV

SERIOUS PROBLEMS FACING AREA HUMAN SOCIETIES

SOUTHERN WV CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FESTIVALS

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 4th Quarter 2017

OCTOBER

October 1st - Guest- Vickie Webb of the “Community Transformation Project” located on the WVU Tech Campus. This is a program to WVU Tech Campus. This is a program to teach young people to start up and run a business on their own, they also have art classes on campus.

October 8th- Guest – Sarah McDowell of Big Brothers and Big Sisters, which is a mentoring organization. They help kids on a one-to-one basis. They serve kids from 6 years to 16 years of age. Ms. McDowell talked about how West Virginia state problems are affecting our young kids, she also asked for volunteers to commit to be mentors.

October 15th – Guest – Sherry Brake – Author and Tour Guide of Haunted History. Ms. Brake has written 8 books on haunted subjects. Ms. Brake also publishes a monthly column in two publications about paranormal activity. She also has a haunted tour company that investigates old prisons, mental hospitals and abandoned buildings for haunted activity.

October 22nd – Guest – Melanie Terry of “One Voice” of WV. This is a non-profit faith based organization that treats substance abuse in Raleigh and Wyoming Counties. The Raleigh County office is located on the campus of West Virginia University Tech. The organization “One Voice” is looking for volunteer to help substance abusers and their families who have to deal with the problem.

October 29th – Guest – Andy Austin of the New River Transit Authority. This is a public transportation bus line for the Raleigh County Area. Mr. Austin told us about the routes that they operate their 13 buses on a daily basis. They also partner with local colleges on busing their students and they operate the ticket window for the Greyhound Bus lines.

NOVEMBER

November 5th - Guest- Beth Powers of the Fayette County Animal Control and Animal Shelter. She talked about their primary weekly adoption events in the community. She also talked about their donations needed and volunteers needed at the shelter.

November 12th - Guest- Dee Sizemore, Director of the Women's Resource Center. This is a battered women's shelter in southern West Virginia. They have a 24 hour hotline for woman who are involved in domestic violence are encouraged to call. The shelter is a well secured area with guards, security cameras, etc. Ms. Sizemore told us how volunteers could help them to continue with their work.

November 19th - Guests- Mr. Jack Crosier, Manager of the Lewis Christian Community Center. The Center is an auditorium used for special events in Fayette and surrounding counties. He talked about the list of Christmas Events planned as well as the Thanksgiving Turkey Trot planned on raising food and money donations for the local pantries in Fayette County.

November 26th – Guest- Zachary Bolon, Director of Performing Arts and Dr. Ryan Snuffer, Director of Music at The School of Harmony. School of Harmony is a music school located in Beaver, WV. The school offers courses year round music lessons private or class room seating. They also offer lessons to younger based ages in a group session.

DECEMBER

December 3rd - Guest- John Schultz, Executive Director of New River Health Center. This is a non-profit agency with seven (7) Doctor's offices that serves three (3) counties (Fayette, Raleigh and Nicholas). They provide basic health and dental services for people that don't have health insurance.

December 10th - Guest- Capt. Robert Barber of the Beckley Salvation Army. They serve a four (4) county area. He talked about their holiday food boxes; their Thrift Shop and the Christmas Kettle Drive.

December 17th - Guest- Daniel Spurgeon of Beckley Memorial Methodist Church. He talked about their children's Christmas play that weekend and the Christmas Cantata the following weekend.

December 24th - Guest- Andrea Bowman of the Fayette County Farm Extension Agent. She explained the programs offered through the WV University Extension Agent Program through the counties, primarily 4-H programs.

December 31st - Guest- Dr. Peter Barr, President of Glenville State College. He talked about the college in general and specifically about their "Hidden Promise Scholarship" for students who need help with college, especially financial help. He also talked about their special music degrees they offer exclusively.