## **PUBLIC ISSUES**

## April 1 – June 30, 2019

April 5 8:30-8;45am Betty Crookshanks discusses importance of eating healthy. And spring is a good time to think about planting a garden.....wholesome food and exercising both. Also, remember farmers markets thru out our county. They accept SNAP and many seniors qualify for vochers that are given out at senior centers.

April 12 8:30-845am Betty Crookshanks discusses "Make W.Va. Shine" and importance of making community look nice. Encourages people to join groups like the one cleaning up the roadside park in Hines.

April 20 8:30-9:00am John Wyatt, the Appalachian, discusses Ramps and Ramp Dinner at Richwood. Ramps are a big thing in W.Va. Many ramp dinners are held thru out W.Va. in the spring. .. A way to raise money for community projects and just a spring ritual. And ramps are featured at the world famous Greenbrier Hotel as well as exported to the finest of restaurants in other states.

April 26 8:30-8:50am Betty Crookshanks and Marty Pomeroy discuss the problem of drug use in our area. Marty working with a group of people that host workshops in each of the communities in Western Greenbrier County that presents information on illegal drug use and programs to help those affected by the illegal use of drugs. Marty presented the location, dates, and times of meetings as well as topics and presenters for the next several meetings.

May 4 8:30 -9:00am John Wyatt, the Appalachian, presented a program on history of schools and how schools have changed over the years. Rupert Elementary School will have a new school in the fall. Local citizen group is trying to use part of the old Rupert Elementary School as a children day care center, the fire department is going to use a portion of land for helicopter landing pad for emergency transfer, and the main building is going to be used for offices.

May 8 8:30-8:50am Betty Crookshanks and Marty Pomeroy discuss the drug epidemic and local forums that are to be held weekly in each community in Western Greenbrier County. Marty invites people to attend the forums to become educated on the problem and to find resources that can help people affected by the drug problem.

May 17 8:30-8:45am Betty Crookshanks presents information on the progress of state aid that is suppose to be available for people affected by the flood in June 2016. W. Va. has had a problem in getting the help to the people over the last several years. The state has reorganized and is trying to get help promised earlier. Some mitigation is now taking place.

May 21 8:35-8:50am Betty Crookshanks discusses activities planned for the LZ Rainelle West Virginia Veterans Reunion taking place in Rainelle area May 23-27. The Run for the Wall arrival will be at noon on May 23<sup>rd</sup> and will ride through town and return to school for lunch, presentations and ceremonies. Other activities include the Mountaineer Veterans Garden of Honor Ceremony and Candlelight Memorial Service, Parade on Saturday, Murbles Tournements, and Concerts.

May 24 8:30-8:50am Betty Crookshanks talks with Emma who heads up the Murbles Tournements at the Veterans Reunion in Rainelle. Emma gives a live update on the latest happenings and activities. Betty reminds people to play it safe this holiday weekend ....whether driving or participating in water activities.... And never swim alone.

June 1 8:30-8:50am Betty Crookshanks presents information on the activities available for children during the summer. Energy Express in the schools, summer reading programs at various city libraries in area, swimming activities, W. V. U. Beckley Campus summer camps for children, vacation bible schools, and Camp Horseshoe camps.

June 8 8:30-8:45am Betty Crookshanks reminds public that it is very important to get rabies vaccinations for dogs and cats. June is National Microchipping Month so it would be a good time to have a microchip placed in your animal in case he is lost.

June 15 8:30-8:50am Betty Crookshanks discusses the \$200.00 vouchers for school children that met the qualification required by DHHS. The application for the vouchers must be turned in to DHHS during July.

June 22 8:30-8:45am Betty Crookshanks present information on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration activities in Alderson and White Sulphur Springs. These towns always have several days activities lined up as well as a parade on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Also, the Rupert Community Building is having a Magic Show on June 26 at 3:30 as part of the summer reading program for children. Summer reading programs encourage reading and make summer learning fun.

June 29 8:30-8:50am Betty Crookshanks gives the latest information available on activities in area on 4<sup>th</sup> of July activities as well as information on playing it safe while driving and while enjoying water activities over the holiday.