

ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST

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ISSUE	PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION	DATE	TIME	LENGTH
Community Awareness	drugs in the community	Sheriff Todd Purcell of Mecosta County talked about drugs and how it is impacting the county. The Sheriff said even though meth is a big problem in the surrounding counties it has not had a huge impact here. He says Heroin is the problem drug in the county. To combat drug use the sheriff says they are stepping up drug busts in the county among other things.	10/1/17	5:45a m	
Community Awareness	Breast Cancer awareness month	Spectrum Health Big Rapids Hospital Rep. Bill Kerans came to the studio to speak about breast cancer awareness month and the importance of women getting screenings. Karens says there will be a free screening day October 19th for women and those low income residents who can't afford screenings through their insurance.	10/15/17	5:45a m	
Community Awareness	legislative update	State House Representative Michele Hoytenga called in to the BRN to give a legislative update. A big bill Rep. Hoytenga wanted to talk about was one that eliminated driver responsibility fees. Hoytenga says she voted to eliminate the fees. She says the fees did nothing to improve the driving skills of those paying them, and in fact denied driving privileges to most of those forced to pay the fees. The Bill now goes to the senate for consideration. Hoytenga also spoke about upcoming office hours in the coming weeks in Big Rapids.	10/22/17	5:45a m	
Community Awareness	Flu Shots/ flu season	Karen Ripke of the District 10 Health Department came into the station to discuss flu season in the area and the importance of getting a flu shot. Ripke says this year hospitals around the state are seeing various types of strains of flu but there maybe one specific to Michigan In Michigan, of the 251 patients who tested positive for flu virus infections about 85 percent had the A strain of the flu and 15 percent had the B strain.	11/5/17	5:45a m	

Community Awareness	State House Rep. Michele Hoytenga. legislative update.	Michele Hoytenga called into the BRRN to give our listeners a legislative update. Hoytenga says she has been working on a few bills, one in particular would make it easier for people to obtain pepper spray in Michigan for self defense purposes. she says This change gives vulnerable Michigan residents more access to pepper spray to protect themselves from violence. Another bill in committee would help spouses of disabled veterans.	11/12/17	5:45a m	
Community Awareness	Jean Bennett, local AMVETS post. PTSD awareness/ Vets Day	Local Big Rapids AMVETS official Jean Bennett stopped by to talk about awareness of PTSD in veterans. Bennett says it has been an issue in the past but more vets are now being diagnosed PTSD. She says her AMVETS post will be hosting a benefit to being more awareness to the area and to show a movie about a doctor (patch adams) who helps veterans cope with PTSD. Bennett also spoke about local veterans day events and ceremonies.	11/19/17	5:45a m	
Community Awareness	Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign	Spokesman Chris Vallette of the salvation army came in the studio to speak about the red kettle campaign going on along with other important programs and fundraisers. Vallette says this year's red kettle goal is \$120,000. The campaign is the biggest fundraiser of the year to benefit many programs in Mecosta, Osceola, Lake and Newaygo Counties.	12/3/17	5:45a m	