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WVAH - Charleston, WV

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST – 3rd Quarter 2023

The following are listings of some of the significant issues responded to by WVAH, Charleston, WV, along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the 2nd Quarter period, 7/1/2023-9/30/2023. This listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

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| | Regular Programs WVAH regularly airs local news, weather, and traffic reports Monday through Friday 12pm-1pm. | | | | | | | | |
| Description of Issue | Regular Programs | Air Date(s) | Time | Duration | Narration of Type and Description | | | | |
| CABELL CO. CAR VS. TRAIN: Multiple people were taken to the hospital after a train and car collided in Cabell County during fireworks celebrating the 4th of July | News | 07/5/2023 | 12:03 pm | 35 seconds. | Multiple people were taken to the hospital after a train and car collided in Cabell County. Cabell County dispatchers said three people were taken to the hospital after a car and train collided in Huntington. It happened just before 10 last night right near the Robert Newlon air park while people were watching the fireworks celebration on July 4th. Dispatchers said people were trapped on one side of the tracks for a while, while crews worked at the scene. The area reopened once crews cleaned up the area. | | | | |
| APARTMENT COMPLEX FIRE: More than 25 people were displaced after an early morning fire at the Devonshire apartment complex in Teays Valley. Fire crews believe lightning started the fire Sunday morning. | News | 07/10/2023 | 12:04 pm | 55 seconds | More than 25 people were displaced after an early morning fire at the Devonshire apartment complex in Teays Valley. Fire crews believe lightning started the fire yesterday morning. Several people who lived in the apartments told us that the fire alarms did not work when they were pulled. The state fire marshal's office hasn't confirmed if the alarms went off. One tenant says she didn't hear the lightning strike and woke up to banging on her door and people yelling to get out. The Wingate hotel in hurricane offered discounts to tenants and the Fireside Grill got them dinner | | | | |
| CHARLESTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING: A member of Charleston city council demanded an outside investigation into misconduct allegations against the city's police chief made during a podcast. | News | 7/18/2023 | 12:05 pm | 47 seconds | Last night, a member of Charleston city council demanded an outside investigation into misconduct allegations against the city's police chief. Council member Shannon Snodgrass is calling for transparency after sexual misconduct allegations were raised against Charleston police chief Tyke Hunt on a podcast. Snodgrass' comments were not part of the meeting agenda and took place during the comment period. There were no responses from other council members or Mayor Amy Goodwin after she spoke. The city attorney provided eyewitness news with a statement after the meeting saying its city policy to not comment on specific human resource matters. Snodgrass argues this is not a private h-r matter, and the woman making the accusations is not a city employee. Several requests for comment have been made from Mayor Goodwin and Chief Hunt but the requests have not been returned. Hunt was not present at the meeting; it was instead attended by the deputy chief. | | | | |

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| CABELL CO. BOE LIBRARY CUTS: The Cabell County Board of Education voted unanimously for cuts in its levy ahead of the election next spring. The meeting was contentious and lasted almost five hours. The crowd was so big it had to be moved to a larger area. | News | 08/02/2023 | 12:04 pm | 35 seconds | The Cabell County Board of Education voted unanimously for cuts in its levy ahead of the election next spring. The meeting was contentious and lasted almost five hours. The crowd was so big it had to be moved to a larger area. The board's vote makes cuts to its excess levy budget and it means the amount public libraries receive will drop from 1-point-7 million to 195-thousand dollars. The parks and recreation budget from the levy will go from half-a million, to zero. The superintendent of the schools says cuts to the future budget are necessary to cope with declining enrollment and inflation. | |
| CROSS LANES SHOOTING ARREST: This morning, police upgraded charges on a man in connection with a deadly shooting in Cross Lanes. Alexander Hall is now charged with first degree murder in connection with the shooting death of his girlfriend's father, Billie Jo Parker. | News | 8/9/2023 | 12:05 pm | 47 seconds | This morning, police upgraded charges on a man in connection with a deadly shooting in Cross Lanes. Alexander Hall is now charged with first degree murder in connection with the shooting death of his girlfriend's father, Billie Jo Parker. Hall had been arrested Monday after the shooting at Carleton Court on a warrant for domestic battery. Police say he and a woman were fighting, then he left, and she called deputies who then told her to leave and file a protection order against Hall. Police say Hall came home to find her gone and tried to file a missing person's report. That's when deputies say they were on the way to serve that warrant to Hall, when Billie Jo Parker, the woman's father from spencer showed up at the apartment to check on his daughter. Investigators say the two men fought and that's when Hall shot Parker twice. Parker later died at a hospital. | |
| CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS CHARGED: Two correctional officers at West Virginia's Southern Regional Jail are charged in connection with an assault of an inmate who later died | News | 8/24/2023 | 12:08 pm | 46 seconds | Two correctional officers at West Virginia's Southern Regional Jail are charged in connection with an assault of an inmate who later died. Court documents show Andrew Fleshman and Steven Wimmer were charged in connection with the death of Quantez Burks. It happened at the SRJ in 2022. They're accused of assaulting Burks in retaliation for attempts to push past another officer in the jail. Now, a former correctional officer who says they worked SRJ, tells. eyewitness news, they believe the jail is understaffed, leading to problems on both sides of the bars. A spokesperson for the West Virginia Department of Homeland Security told eyewitness news, the US attorney's office or the FBI would have to comment on the situation because it is an active federal investigation. | |

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| TEACHER AID ACT: A new bill in West Virginia has its sights set on early classroom achievement and works by giving teachers more help. It's called the 'third grade success act.' | News | 09/07/2023 | 12:07 pm | 43 seconds | A new bill in West Virginia has its sights set on early classroom achievement. It works by giving teachers more help. The 'third grade success act' puts teacher's aides into first grade classrooms this year, then will expand into second and third grades over the next two years. In Kanawha County the superintendent of schools says this will be a big help in identifying any student learning issues at the earliest possible juncture. School administrators are optimistic about the future of learning. It gives another set of hands and eyes to the teachers to help our youngest learn to read and catch issues earlier so they can be addressed and solved so the kids can be more successful. dot com. | |
| CABELL CO. ASSAULT SUSPECT: This morning a man running from Cabell County deputies and US Marshals, is in custody and set to be arraigned later today. | News | 09/15/2023 | 12:03 pm | 35 seconds. | This morning a man running from Cabell County deputies and US Marshals, is in custody and set to be arraigned later today. William Michael Smith is accused of jumping in a woman's car at a stop sign and holding her at knife point. Authorities tell us he then forced her to drive to an outbuilding, where they say he sexually assaulted and beat her. The woman was taken to a local hospital for treatment. Chief deputy Doug Adams is reminding everyone to be aware of their surroundings considering this incident. Smith was found hiding in a detached garage of a home he had been living in on Raccoon Creek Road in Branchland. | |
| CHARLESTON STABBING: A man has died after a stabbing at the Manna Meal on Quarrier Street in Charleston. It happened after a fight inside spilled out onto the street when one of the men pulled a knife and ended up stabbing himself. | News | 9/25/2023 | 12:03 pm | 55 seconds. | A man has died after a stabbing at the Manna Meal on Quarrier Street in Charleston. Charleston police say Jackie Cummings and another person got into a fight inside Manna Meal's soup kitchen at St. John's episcopal church. The argument spilled out into the parking lot when the two were asked to leave. Police say Cummings pulled a knife out and the other person pushed him. Cummings fell and stabbed himself in the leg. He was taken to the hospital where he later died. The executive director for Manna Meal says the organization is deeply saddened by what happened. "We certainly thank our first responders and the Charleston Police Department; some details are emerging and the investigation is ongoing and we will play whatever role we need to play in this so we can get all the answers necessary and so that moving forward we ensure the safety of anyone coming to Manna Meal." The case was turned over to the Kanawha County prosecutor's office. | |

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| WVAH regularly airs | public service show Straight Talk the first Sunday of every month a | t 6am |
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| Substance Abuse Treatment | Straight Talk | 07/02 | 6am/30 minutes | TOPIC: We often hear about the numbers of people who die from drug overdoses, drunk driving crashes, shootings, and stabbings. But there are tens of thousands of people each year, who survivemostly because they got to a "Trauma Center Hospital". Today we are going to meet a Nurse who has spent years at the famous U of Maryland Shock Trauma Center and decided to join forces with another nurse to start a Trauma Prevention Program called POSITIVE ALTERNATIVES TO DANGEROUS and DESTRUCTIVE DECISIONS (PADDD). Debbie Yohn and the other members of PADDD go out into the community and talk with students, parents, law enforcement, religious groups, business leaders and anyone else that would listen. They share their stories about the reality and dangers of alcohol, drugs, guns, driving drunk, and other destructive behaviors. PADDD is making a difference. Segment # 1 Trauma Prevention Guest: Debbie Yohn, Trauma Nurse Co-Founder of PADDD Segment # 2. Positive Alternatives to Dangerous & Destructive Decisions Guest: Debbie Yohn, Trauma Nurse Co-Founder of PADDD Segment 3: Positive Alternatives to Dangerous & Destructive Decisions Guest: Debbie Yohn, Trauma Nurse Co-Founder of PADDD |
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| The Role of local States Attorneys in combating drugs and crime | Regular Programs Straight Talk | Air Date(s) 08/06 | Time/Duration 6am/30 minutes | TOPIC: The Role of local States Attorneys in combating drugs and crime Program Overview: Most people think the only job of the local States Attorney is to prosecute those. arrested for committing a crime. In Baltimore County, Maryland the States Attorney, Scott Shellenberger, goes a step further than just prosecuting cases. He has developed numerous education and prevention programs to try and prevent crime and reduce the number of repeat offenders. |
| | | | | He talks about the numerous efforts of his office to confront drunk & drugged driving, underage drinking, cyber security, domestic violence and more. His initiatives can easily be duplicated in any city, county and or state. SEGMENT 1, 2, 3: Scott Shellenberger |
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| The changing role of the school counselor | | | | Narration of Type and Description Topic: The changing role of the school counselor. Overview: For many years the role of the school guidance counselor was to assist students and parents in finding the best college or alternative education for the student. As the school and community have changed, so has the role of the school counselor. Counselors found themselves helping students with more social issues like, drugs, alcohol, suicide, sex information and more. On this episode of Straight Talk with Mike Gimbel, we talk with Liza Koh who has been a school counselor at the Jemicy School, in Owings Mills, Maryland for nearly 20 years. Liza has seen the changes that have happened in schools and how school counselors are trying to address these social issues, as well as the parents' responsibility in helping their child. |
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| School Supply Drive | Local Special Reports | 08/07-18 | Various | Various | School Supply Drive "Tool for School" | | | |