WEST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY FORUM July August September 2023

This is a 2 minute program that airs Saturday and Sunday mornings on WQXC-FM and WZUU-FM that discusses issues relevant to the communities and helps meet the needs of Van Buren, Kalamazoo and Allegan Counties.

July 1-2 Discussed Fireworks Safety Month, which is July. July 4th is one of the biggest and busies holidays of the year, and the Number One holiday for fireworks. We discussed firework safety, and what to do if there is a firework accident.

July 8-9 Discussed Bissell Pet Safety Month. Pets are a big part of our lives, and we spend lots of money to make sure they're safe, happy, and part of the family. There are lots of things we can do to make sure our pets are safe throughout the year.

July 15-16 Discussed UV Safety Month. Talked about the dangers of the sun and it's UV rays. Talked about how to be safe while outside for long periods of time and what you can do to prevent problems. Gave website info to find more information.

July 22-23 We discussed National Hire A Vet Day. Veterans Association asks people to consider hiring a US Veteran for their next hire, or a future hire. Vets are leaving active military service every day, and searching for the next challenge.

July 29-30 We discussed National Immunization Awareness Month, which is August. We talked about why vaccines are important for kids. We gave some information on what to do if you want to have your kids vaccinated. We gave out website details to receive more information.

August 5-6 Discussed Kids Eye Safety Month. Many school systems start school in August. It's important to get your kid's eyes checked annually to make sure all is well with their eyesight. We talked about possible problems that could occur, and what to do if you think there may be an issue with your child's eyes. We gave website for more details.

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August 19-20 We discussed the Southwest Michigan SPCA 5k Doggie Dash event, held every year in Kalamazoo. We gave information on when the event was to be held, how to register, and what one could expect when attending. WZUU and WQXC are sponsors of this event.

August 26-27 We discussed Leukemia and Lymphoma Awareness Month, September. We discussed the mission, what each illness is, and how to treat it. We also gave website details to find out more information.

Sept 2-3 We discussed National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month. We talked about how many people commit suicide each year, some signs of mental conditions people may have, and what you can do to help if you see someone who might need it. We gave phone numbers and websites for more details.

Sept 9-10 We discussed the SPCA of Southwest Michigan's 12th Annual Doggie Dash Event. It is a run/walk event held every year at Spring Valley Park in Kalamazoo. It includes dogs and proceeds go to help the SPCA of Southwest Michigan.

Sept 16-17 We discussed National Hunting and Fishing Day, which is a day to promote and recognize hunting, fishing, and enjoying the outdoors around the country. It was started by President Roosevelt.

Sept 23-24 We discussed the Bronson Children's Walk. Funds raised support pediatric life enhancement services, such as pediatric advanced illness management, child life services, art therapy, music therapy and more.

Sept 29-30 We discussed Breast Cancer Month. There are things you can do to detect breast cancer early. We also discussed what to do when you have breast cancer and what treatments may look like.