# West Virginia Radio Corporation – Martinsburg Quarterly Community Issues and Programs Report

#### for First Quarter 2024 - WEPM 93.7 FM/1340 am

Please note: This station also features a weekday live local talk show for sports at 8 a.m. (Panhandle Sports Live!), a live, local talk show (Panhandle Live!) with a variety of local guests at 9 a.m. After these, we broadcast Talkline with Hoppy Kercheval, a talk show focused on state and national events.

This station has daily newscasts that highlight local, regional, and national news

This station also runs local sporting events and church services, as well as a second half hour of Panhandle Spotlight twice each weekend.

# NOTE – OUR STATIONS ALSO RUN LOCAL NEWS CASTS THROUGHOUT EACH WEEKDAY

**Program Name:** Panhandle Spotlight

**Issue:** Homelessness; Substance Abuse; Youth Advocacy; Local History

<u>Date/Time/Duration</u> January 07, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

**Explanation**: -- Martinsburg Union Rescue Pastor Tim Guerino with an update on the Rescue Mission, the Hope House in Berkeley Springs, and the Haven House family shelter; Historian Jonathan Noyalas on Civil War Roundtable

**<u>Program Name:</u>** Panhandle Spotlight

Issue: Elections; Civility; Faith; Blood Supply; Public Health

<u>Date/Time/Duration</u> January 14, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m..- various segments)

<u>Explanation</u>: -- West Virginia Secretary of State Mac Warner on Elections 2024; candidate filings - Berkeley Springs Entrepreneur Paul Johanson and Reverend Bob Emerick on approaches to civility using Jesus' teachers as a roadmap - Executive Director of the American Red Cross of the Greater Shenandoah Valley Stacy McFarland on urgent blood donation need; response to recent tragic home fires; blood drive in honor of two injured state troopers out of Berkeley County.

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**Issue:** Higher Education; Financial Aid; Homelessness

<u>Date/Time/Duration</u> January 21, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

**Explanation**: -- Shepherd University Director of Financial Aid Jacob Witt on FAFSA changes - Telamon's Maggie Cortes on Point in Time Homeless Count this month.

**Program Name:** Panhandle Spotlight

**Issue:** Higher Education; Financial Aid; Homelessness

Date/Time/Duration January 28, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

**Explanation**: -- Shepherd University Director of Financial Aid Jacob Witt on FAFSA changes - Telamon's Maggie Cortes on Point in Time Homeless Count this month. (Rebroadcast)

<u>Issue:</u> Local News; Regional Events; Small Business; Civic Engagement; Addiction Recovery and Support

Date/Time/Duration February 04, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

<u>Explanation:</u> Journal Editor Toni Milbourne on the newspaper's community focus moving forward -- Star Theatre co-owner Paul Johanson on events at the theatre and regional events, including candidate forums - The Martinsburg Initiative's Melody Cook on a new 8-week support group

<u>Issue:</u> Regional History; Black History Month; Segregation; Area Events; Small Business

<u>Date/Time/Duration</u> February 11, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

**Explanation**: President of 3 Roads Communications, and the Executive Producer of *The House on Jonathan Street*, Russ Hodge - Leonard and Helen Harris on Upcoming Documentary "The History of Sumner-Ramer School, a school for black students during segregation that served students in the Eastern Panhandle - Berkeley Springs/Morgan County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Jules Happy Rone on upcoming events in Berkeley Springs

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**Program Name:** Panhandle Spotlight

<u>Issue:</u> Civic Engagement; Civility; City Issues; Development; Parks and Recreation; Environmental Concerns

Date/Time/Duration February 18, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

**Explanation**: Braver Angels with Charleston Attorney Judy Hamilton and Berkeley Springs entrepreneur Paul Johanson - City of Martinsburg Guests, Mayor Kevin Knowles and City Manager Mark Baldwin on expansion plans for the Frog Hollow Spur and an update on the Monument Company's massive sewer project downtown

**Program Name:** Panhandle Spotlight

<u>Issue:</u> Mental Health; First Responders; Domestic Violence; Law and Order; Homelessness; Philanthropy

Date/Time/Duration February 25, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

<u>Explanation</u>: Berkeley County Emergency Ambulance Authority's Sasquatch Society to boost mental health – Eastern Panhandle Empowerment Center's Katie Spriggs on domestic violence, upcoming domestic violence forum – Jefferson County Community Ministries Executive Director Keith Lowry

**Issue:** Faith; Civil Disourse; Small Business; Community Events

<u>Date/Time/Duration</u> March 03, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

**Explanation**: Hope Community Church Pastor Chris Jones - Star Theatre Paul Johanson

<u>Issue:</u> Philanthropy; Missions; World Events; Law and Order; Local Lore; Entertainment; Local History

<u>Date/Time/Duration</u> March 10, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

**Explanation**: Martinsburg Union Rescue Mission Superintendent Pastor Tim Guerino with Mission updates and a conversation about his upcoming trip to the

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Ukraine - Berkeley County Assistant Prosecutor Joe Kinser on the first Grand Jury indictments for Berkeley County, which number more than 90 -- Chuck and Karolina Morrongiello of 3 Rats Filmmakers on Harpers Ferry filmed cryptid movie about the Snarly Yow. They are filming this week in the Eastern Panhandle.

**Program Name:** Panhandle Spotlight

**Issue:** Minority Affairs; Small Business; Education; Technology

<u>Date/Time/Duration</u> March 17, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

**Explanation**: -- Herbert Henderson Office of Minority Affairs Jill Upson on the upcoming Minority Business Expo in Ranson – Berkeley County Schools' Lewis Mullenax Barb Ferguson on the iReady program

**Program Name:** Panhandle Spotlight

Issue: Counseling; Veterans Affairs; Mental Health; Faith

<u>Date/Time/Duration</u> March 24, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

<u>Explanation:</u> The West Virginia School Counselor Association (WVSCA) School Counselor of the Year Jodi Williams from Opequon Elementary School – VAMC Coffee Social - Lona Lozinski and Jennifer Kelley - Hope Community Church Pastor Chris Jones

**Program Name:** Panhandle Spotlight

<u>Issue:</u> Low Vision; Senior Citizen Health; Inspirational Local Citizen; World Affairs; Philanthropy; Mission Work; Local History; Youth Sports

<u>Date/Time/Duration</u> March 31, 2024 (8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. - various segments)

<u>Explanation:</u> Keryl Rustin - Blind Marathoner - Pastor Tim Reports From Ukraine - Steve Catlett Distinguished BSA Citizen