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Airs 6:00 Sunday morning for 30 minutes on WXCR, locally produced by WXCR news director Eric Little.

### **April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017--A Local Institution Celebrates 120 Years**

Pleasants County Bank celebrates their 120th anniversary this year. Recently, the bank announced plans to construct a new main branch along Route 2 in St. Marys. Bank president Mike Nelson joins the show to talk about the new facility and what 120 years of service to the Pleasants County community means to Pleasants County Bank.

### **April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017-- National Weather Service Storm Spotter Class**

The National Weather Service relies on information from weather spotters to enact watches and warnings. This May, Wood County 911 will offer a Storm Spotter Training Class, free to anyone in the area. Wood County 911 Communications Coordinator Bill Riffle joined to talk about the class and about other ways 911 works to save lives.

### **April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017--Building Economic Development Through Tourism**

Many leaders on both sides of the river are looking to tourism as an engine for economic development. One proposed project would bring an outdoor adventure park to an area just north of Marietta. Wei Sheng joins to discuss his vision for Ohio Outdoor Heaven and what needs to happen to make it a reality.

### **April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017-- Growing Downtown Parkersburg**

Downtown Parkersburg is trying to bounce back from years of businesses and residents moving to the suburbs. Downtown PKB is an advocacy group trying to create economic development through a vibrant downtown by supporting businesses and events in the area. Wendy Shriver is

the Executive Director of Downtown PKB. She joins to tell us about her organization and some of their upcoming events.

### **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017-Bringing the Drive-In Back to the MOV**

Drive-in theaters are an often-romanticized feature of American pop culture of the last century. Now, two entrepreneurs are bringing one back to the Mid-Ohio Valley in an effort to create another family-friendly entertainment option to the area. Josh Nelson joins to talk about how he and his business partner have worked to create Mineral Wells Outdoor Cinema.

### **May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017-Changes for the Williamstown Police**

The Williamstown Police Department has a newly-renovated and enhanced police department, thanks in large part to donated labor and funds. Police chief Shawn Graham joins to talk about the changes - both to the facility and in the culture of his staff - since he took over in the post two and a half years ago.

### **May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017-- An Honor for a Local Business**

Mister Bee Potato Chips has been in business in Parkersburg for decades. Recently, the company was asked to exhibit a collection of items related to the company at the state Cultural Center in Charleston. Company president Greg Reed joins to talk about the exhibit and how the company operates on a daily basis.

### **May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017- Empowering Youth to Lead Parkersburg**

The Parkersburg Youth Advisory Committee is a group planning to work with city leadership on a number of issues, including the development of greater youth programming at the Homecoming Festival and a delinquency task force. Michael Hess is the interim chairperson for the board. He joins to share plans for what the board is planning to become and how area youth can get involved.

### **May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017- - Mental Health Awareness Month**

May is Mental Health Awareness Month. Westbrook Health Services - one of the area's leading providers of services for a number of physical and behavior issues - recently named Kevin Trippett as the company's new executive director. Trippett joins to discuss his new role with Westbrook and the importance of good mental health year-round.

### **June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017--- Adult Education in the Mid-Ohio Valley**

Many people take vacations or relax in the summer months, but for others, it's a time for pursuing new careers through adult education. Lori Smith and Derrick Lemley from the Career Center join to talk about the options available there.

### **June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 --- Elder Abuse Awareness Month**

Elder Abuse affects older Americans and is often under-reported or unreported in our society. June is Elder Abuse Awareness Month. Gail Rymer and Anita Vaughn from the Washington County Elder Abuse Coalition join to talk about the issue and to share information about awareness activities they've planned in the area.

### **June 18th, 2017 Drug Rehab in the Mid-Ohio Valley (First aired: 2/19/2017)**

Members of the Mid-Ohio Valley's recovery community have been leading the charge for more drug and alcohol rehab beds in the area. Now, those are becoming available. Judd Fulks and Ethan Kline are from Recovery Point of West Virginia. They joined the program to talk about what their facility will do to help those suffering from addiction.

### **June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017-- Exploring the Treasures in the MOV(First aired: 2/26/2017)**

The Marietta-Washington County Convention and Visitor's Bureau is one of the primary agencies advocating for businesses, for both locals and visitors alike. Recently, the CVB unveiled new branding and logos. Jeri Knowlton, the Executive Director of the CVB, joins to tell us about the new branding and how it will help their department, moving forward.

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**April 2, 2017 Prescription Drugs and Children**

Every day, US poison control centers get dozens of calls about kids being exposed to prescription drugs. An expert shares the disturbing facts. Then, the number of autism cases in the United States is rapidly growing. How are special education programs responding to the situation?

**April 9, 2017 A Warning for Parents About Marijuana Legalization**

As more and more states legalize marijuana, some medical experts have a warning for parents of teenagers- studies have shown that use of the drug by adolescents can have an adverse effect on brain development. Then, a recent study shows that female athletes have a higher risk of concussions than men.

**April 16, 2017 Study Drug Abuse**

Unless you are a college student or a recent graduate, you may not have heard the term study drugs; prescription pills that supposedly make students perform better. Then, what's the best way of keeping juvenile delinquents from making more trouble? One expert says the answer isn't jail.

**April 23, 2017 Investing in the Future**

When it comes to money and investing, are you still acting like it is the 20th Century? Technology and science are rapidly moving ahead. A top investor says these days, you need to think ahead of the curve. Then, food addictions can make it extra difficult to lose weight. We'll hear from a weight loss expert who has tips on healthy eating and long term weight loss.

**April 30, 2017 How not to Spoil Your Kids**

Are today's parents unintentionally creating an entitled Me generation of young adults? A legal expert says if you don't let kids struggle sometimes, they could turn out to be spoiled brats. Then,

how much money could you save on fees and interest just by contacting your credit card provider? The answer may surprise you.

### **May 07, 2017 How Wealthy People View Money**

Regardless of your income level, you can learn to regard money as rich people do- building wealth by investing more and avoiding debt. Then, if you are facing a complex medical problem, it is important to get a second opinion, according to research by a leading medical doctor.

### **May 14, 2017 Surviving Domestic Violence**

Why do people get trapped in abusive relationships, sometimes for years or decades, and what can they do to escape? A domestic violence survivor shares her harrowing story. Then, a recent research study shows the average teenager on social media may get exposed to some risky content, and some parents may not be aware of it at all.

### **May 21, 2017 How to Survive a Nuclear Blast**

If the unthinkable happened – a nuclear strike against the US – Would you know how to protect yourself and your family? Then, a former NASA rocket scientist says there is a shortage of females in science and technology, and we need to change that trend. Plus, a hidden danger of self-driving cars.

### **May 28, 2017 The Right Way to Recycle Your Phone**

When it's time to upgrade to a new mobile phone, what should you do with your old phone? An electronics recycling expert shares some ideas. Then, the human brain can stay sharp while we age if we train it to do so. A neuroscience researcher says its never too soon to start.

### **June 04, 2017 Suicidal Thoughts**

There's a disturbing trend among young people: A drastic rise in thoughts of suicide and self-harm. We'll hear from an expert who explains some of the possible reasons. Then, what age

group is most likely to fall for telephone scams? If you guessed the elderly, guess again! We'll bring you the details.

### **June 11, 2017 Why Healthcare Costs are Rising**

The amounts Americans pay for health services can vary greatly. A medical doctor says consumers would benefit if detailed cost information was freely available in the healthcare marketplace. Then, every parent knows that kids have a tough time learning how to cross the street safely. But why, and what can parents do to help with these life and death skills.

### **June 18, 2017 Looking Out for Neglected Children**

Who looks out for the interests of abused or neglected children? The answer is court appointed, trained volunteers. Then- how can you and your family stay safe in a disaster, or a terrorist situation? A former Navy Seal shares life-saving advice.

### **June 25, 2017 Phased Retirement**

What's the number one question you should ask yourself if you are at the age most people consider leaving the work force? The answer to that could affect your lifestyle for years to come. Then- research into consumer behavior reveals why we choose to eat what we do, and how that behavior affects our weight, as we hear from a consumer behavior specialist.