

**WVMR, WVMR-FM, WNMP, WDMT Most Significant Issues
4th Quarter – October through December 2013**

We aired national news broadcasts from NPR News at the top of each hour during our Morning Drive (6-10 a.m.) and Evening Drive (3-6 p.m.) as well as at the beginning and end of our Noon Hour Magazine (12 and 1 p.m.). At the bottom of each hour during the Morning and Evening Drive-times, we alternated airing state news reports from the Virginia News Network (VNN) and WV Metro News. VNN news also aired at 12:30, during Noon Hour Magazine, and WV Metro News aired at 12:55. These programs run Monday through Friday. We also carried NPR National News at Noon on Saturday and Sunday. Our local news stories aired after NPR News at the beginning of Noon Hour Magazine. They would then repeat at the top and bottom of each hour during the Evening Drive and the following day's Morning Drive. Here is a summary of the most significant issues covered in our local news this quarter.

County Government

We aired reports from each meeting of the Pocahontas County Commission and reported the agenda for each meeting the day before. County Commission reports this quarter aired on 10/3, 10/18, 11/5, 11/6, 12/4, and 12/19.

On 10/2, we aired a story about the proposed Birthplace of Rivers national monument for Pocahontas county. We aired a follow up story on this subject on 11/7.

Court /Crime/Breaking News

We aired several updates on an extremely dangerous fire in the town of Marlinton that burned several business on Main Street, it's aftermath, and discussions about rebuilding efforts. In addition to several business losses, eight families were also displaced as a result of the fire. These stories aired on 11/12, 11/14, 11/20, 12/11, and 12/30.

News Briefs

Education

We aired reports from Board of Education meetings this quarter and aired agendas for each meeting the day of the meeting. Board of Education reports this quarter aired on 10/8, 10/9, 10/15 (Sup CC Lester steps down), 10/18, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5, 12/2, 12/13, 12/17 and 12/18.

On 12/18, we aired a story about World Vision visiting the Hillsboro elementary school and bringing much needed supplies for teachers and students. Hillsboro is one of only a handful of WV schools to receive such donations.

On 10/31, we aired a story about a Pocahontas county high school senior civics class skyping with WV Senator Joe Manchin.

Agriculture and Environment

Each day, during Noon Hour Magazine, we aired a regionally-produced three-minute news magazine feature about topics related to agriculture. Agriculture is a major industry in our listening area, and being produced in the Shenandoah Valley, On the Farm Radio, is relevant to our listeners.

We also aired a weekly feature called Town and Country Topics, in which a representative from the Virginia Cooperative Extension shared news about agriculture-related topics in the listening area. During this quarter, these reports aired on 10/8,10/22,10/29,11/5,11/12,11/19,11/26,12/17,12/24 and 12/31.

We air a monthly feature by volunteer reporter Jason Bauserman, our “Bartow Weatherman”. He has been collecting weather information for many years, and his reports are a review of the weather conditions for the previous month. This quarter his reports ran on

Community

On 10/11 and 10/14, we aired stories about a tragic accident between a logging truck and a passenger train in the southern Randolph county, just north of the Pocahontas county line. The driver of the logging truck was killed when his fully loaded truck struck the train carrying a little 60 passengers. The driver was the only fatality.

On 10/23, we aired a story about the Durbin library/community center which has been a community project in progress for several years. The library is now in the interior stages of the project.

On 10/25, we aired a story about a meeting of the Pocahontas Landmarks Commission and their reception of two grants that will benefit the historic Staunton-Parkersburg turnpike that runs through part of the county.

On 11/7, we aired a story about the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Droop Mountain, a major civil war battle fought in Pocahontas county.

On 11/22 and 11/26 we aired stories about a meeting of the Pocahontas Memorial hospital board of trustees.

On 12/10, we aired a story about a mini production built in the Hillsboro library in partnership with Allegheny Mountain Radio.

On 12/13, we aired a story about a meeting of the Pocahontas County Prevention Coalition, an anti alcohol and drug abuse organization.

People

Jobs and Development

On 10/4, we aired a story about the National Radio Astronomy Observatory closing down operations due the federal shutdown. On 10/17, we aired another story when the shutdown was over and the NRAO resumed normal operations. Local schools and tourism in the county was also negatively affected while the NRAO was shut down.

On 10/30, we aired an update on the status of the Public Service Districts wastewater project.

On 12/27, we aired a story about Spruce Knob Seneca Rocks Telephone, a coop seeking to bring phone and internet service into northern Pocahontas county.

Arts and Culture

We air a periodic feature called the Traveling Rt 219 project in which we hear interviews and stories from those who grew up or live on US Rt 219 that winds its way from Virginia through West Virginia and on to Maryland. During this quarter, these stories aired on 10/4,10/25,11/14 and 12/12.

On 10/1, we aired a story about the annual Road Kill cookoff, a local cooking event that has drawn national attention for several years.

On 10/21, we aired a story about bluegrass artist Larry Keel appearing at the Opera House in Marlinton.

On 11/21, we aired a story about an open house event happening at the county arts cooperative.

On 11/22, we aired a story about a new building mural being created by local artist Molly Must. She has already installed a large mural on one of the buildings in the county seat of Pocahontas, Marlinton.

On 12/5, we aired a story about a Greenbrier Valley Theater presentation at the Opera House in Marlinton that was a fundraiser for the Family Resource network.

Public Service Announcements

Below is a list of Public Service Announcements aired this quarter:

Education and Children

Grow Appalachia Applications	12/17 thru 1/16/14
Pocahontas Sheriff – Safe Holidays	12/24 thru 12/31

Health and Human Resources

ACA Exempt	10/23 thru 11/23
ACA Sign Up Problems	10/24 thru 12/14

Benefits and Fundraisers

New Year's at Opera House	12/6 thru 12/31
Angel Tree at Family Resource Network	12/6 thru 12/16

Art, Culture, and Recreation

Larry Keel at Opera House	10/23 thru 11/2
Ben Sollee at Opera House	11/12 thru 11/15
Marlinton Christmas Parade	11/27 thru 12/6