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Meet Your Candidates 2010: Focus on Senior Issues

Staunton and Waynesboro City Council Candidates will respond to a series of thoughtful questions pertaining to senior issues, as well as broader city-wide topics. Questions will be developed based on submissions from local seniors, caregivers, social service professionals, healthcare workers and interested citizens.

Older adults comprise a large percentage of the population in both Staunton and Waynesboro. As this segment of the population continues to increase, Waynesboro and Staunton City Council Members will be faced with important decisions regarding the safety, health and well-being of local seniors. It will be essential for Council Members to understand the needs and concerns of their senior constituents.

Valley Program for Aging Services (VPAS) and the Waynesboro Senior Advocacy Commission (WSAC) are pleased to host two upcoming candidates' forums focusing on senior issues:

Waynesboro

Thursday, April 22 at 1:00 pm
Waynesboro Senior Center
325 Pine Avenue (VPAS Building)

Staunton

Thursday, April 29 at 1:00 pm
Staunton Senior Center
1313 Barterbrook Road (3rd Presbyterian Church)

Both "Meet Your Candidates" events will be **moderated by Matt Talhelm of NBC 29**. Candidates will take turns responding to a variety of relevant and thoughtful questions, most with an emphasis on senior issues. These unique forums will allow the candidates to share their viewpoints and knowledge-base on critical issues facing our community.

VPAS and the WSAC encourage citizens to **submit questions for the candidates**. The questions posed at each event will be based on questions, concerns and ideas from the public. Questions may be submitted online at www.GreaterAugustaSeniors.com, by phone, by mail or at a designated drop-off point.

Complimentary refreshments will be provided by Home Instead Senior Care, Summit Square of Waynesboro and Bentley Commons at Staunton. Both "Meet the Candidates" events are open to the public and to members of the media.

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