

# Mountain Transit Authority

## MTA Welcomes New Board of Directors Member

### Special points of interest:

- New Board Member
- Potato Festival
- Summersville Loop Changes
- October Training
- Halloween

Each participating county/municipality that MTA serves is afforded the opportunity to be represented on the MTA Board of Directors with members serving three-year terms in accordance with MTA By-Laws. The Board of Directors is MTA's governing body.

On Monday, September 12, Summersville's City Council approved Angie Short to be an MTA Board Member. We would like to welcome Angie and look forward to working with her.

Other members of the board include Shannon Beatty (City of Lewisburg), Wayne Halstead (City of Summersville), Linda Sproles

(Nicholas County) and Mary Surbaugh (Greenbrier County). The Board of Directors meets on the third Wednesday every other month at the MTA garage. The next meeting will be on October 19, 2016.

We would like to thank our Board Members for their continued efforts to ensure that MTA provides efficient and quality service.

## Nicholas County Potato Festival

Mountain Transit Authority was busy during the Nicholas County Potato Festival this year. We entered the window decorating contest, sponsored the Spud Run and took 18 residents of the Extended Care Facility at SRMC downtown to enjoy the parade and festivities.

Although we did not win the decorating contest, we think our display was very nice! A good time was had by all and we look forward to next year!



## Summersville Loop Schedule Changes

The Summersville Loop route has been in operation since July 5, 2016 and after careful consideration and a compilation of statistics, it has been decided that we will make changes to the schedule effective on Monday, October 31, 2016.

The Loop bus will no longer be stopping at Summersville Manor or the Summersville Public Library. Service to these locations will continue to be available on our Call-A-Ride service. Turnout at these locations has been consistently low.

Along with this schedule change, Save a Lot and Lowes will now be request basis only. We believe that these changes will allow for more efficiency in the Loop route, therefore, creating more ridership which will allow us to continue this route.

We appreciate the loyalty of our riders and want to provide as much opportunity for transportation as possible.

## Employees to Participate in PASS Training

On Monday, October 10, 2016, we will not be providing regular service as all MTA employees will take part in Passenger Service and Safety training. The PASS certification program ensures that community transportation drivers have current expertise in passenger assistance techniques and sensitivity skills appropriate for serving persons with disabilities. PASS certification is valid

## HALLOWEEN

With Halloween quickly approaching, we urge all MTA drivers to be vigilant while driving during the holiday. For the safety of passengers and drivers, **individuals wearing masks will not be permitted to ride any MTA bus.** While we understand that dressing up is part of the fun, safety and security are top priority and we will not tolerate non-compliance. We hope that everyone enjoys Halloween and above all, please be safe!