

PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGES DURING THE 1ST QUARTER OF 2016 DEALT WITH A WIDE ARRAY OF TOPICS AFFECTING MANY OF OUR LISTENING AUDIENCE.

ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDED FREE AIR TIME INCLUDED:

***American Legion Auxiliary Scholarships are once again available. We are happy to provide contact information to our listeners and promote this annual educational tool for advanced education. The Auxiliary also provides Poppy distribution during Memorial day which acts as a fundraiser for services the Auxiliary provides.

***American Legion Service Officer ... available at the Homer Job Center to answer questions about VA Entitlements and provide free assistance filling out forms.

***AMSEA – Alaska Marine Safety Education Association conducting a free, fishing vessel drill conductor workshop in Homer and in Seward.

***Alaska: Department of Health and Social Services provided information to the public about foster care and adoption on the Kenai Peninsula; promotion of National Public Health Week in April; important reminders about Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning; Department of Transportation provided travelers updates regarding road construction causing delays and road closures; Division of Forestry reminded residents about burn permits and provided Safety Tips leading up to the 4th of July which is traditionally the holiday with the most fires. We began these messages early in the spring.

***Central Peninsula Garden Club. Information provided for their monthly meetings which are free and open to the public in Kenai.

***Church events: All Saints Orthodox Church announced services for Holy Week and Pascha during Palm Sunday week. Anchor Point Church of the Nazarene sponsored a free coffee, cookie, and conversation gazebo throughout the summer in Anchor Point.

***Delta Junction Trails Association announced the annual Hike Donnelly Dome during National Trails Day.

***Homer Electric Association – power outages, maintenance work creating power interruptions and safety tips.

***Homer Head Start announced an open house on April 15th featuring information on the free preschool program for 3 and 4 year olds.

***Homer High School inviting everyone to the baccalaureate services.

***Homer Job Center announced their annual Job Fair.

***Homer WIC – information on the program that provides child and infant nutrition , pregnancy health information, and breastfeeding support.

***Independent Living Center. Medicare Counselor providing assistance at the Anchor Point Senior Center. Services for people with low vision.

***Kachemak Bay Research Reserve special events and regular meetings. We provided information on their Discover Lab's. and events that take place in the Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge and Lake Clark National Park.

***Kachemak Crane Watch. Notice to all cranewatchers to report nesting cranes and their location.

***Kenai Animal Shelter announced a free rabies clinic. The Cat Tree and Barkery Rescue of Kenai also hosted a low cost spay/neuter clinic.

***Kenai Peninsula College presented a GED Match Finisher Event.

***Kenai Peninsula Farm Bureau announced a monthly meeting especially beneficial for high tunnel growers.

***North Peninsula Recreation Service Area ... Nikiski Community Recreation Center – multiple events including swim lessons and American Red Cross Lifeguard Classes at the Nikiski pool. Various recreation events including coed volleyball; Bicycle Spin classes; open gym; full swing golf; and much more.

***Safe Surrender Law. Allows parents to safely surrender their newborn child without the threat of prosecution, as long as there is no evidence of abuse or neglect.

***Seward (city of...) public safety announcement regarding construction at the South Harbor Upland parking area.

***Soldotna Senior Center announced their annual Trash and Treasure Bake sale.

***South Peninsula Hospital: Safe sitter classes. Emergency disaster preparedness drill.

***State of Alaska Department of Fish and Game Advisory Committee Meetings. Kenai/Soldotna/Seward/Homer and Central Peninsula Fish and game advisory committee information.