FCC Quarterly Issues and Programming List

Third Quarter July 1 – Sept. 30, 2023

KDQN AM 1390/FM 104.5 – De Queen, AR

Submitted by Patrick Massey, News Director Bunyard Broadcasting, Inc.

Issue 1: Approaching flu season and need to vaccinate

Programs to address issue 1:

Date: Sept. 29, 2023

Program: Acordeon Cristiano

Time: 9 a.m.

Length: 2:30 minutes

Description: Featured story about upcoming flu vaccination clinics in the listening area. Flu season approaching and both state and local health officials stressing need to get latest influenza vaccinations. Shared information on when and where of clinics as well as CDC-shared messaging on effectiveness of flu vaccine, symptoms and importance to receiving one this year.

Issue 2: Learning loss from COVID-19 pandemic

Programs to address issue 1:

Date: Aug. 21, 2023

Program: Acordeon Cristiano

Time: 9 a.m.

Length: 2:30 minutes

Description: Shared assistance options available for Arkansas residents facing outstanding energy bills. Featured story with information shared by state economic officials detailing how inflation and the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic were causing more Arkansans to fall behind on their energy bills. Provided listeners with the available resources and how to take advantage of them to catch up on their electricity and natural gas bills.

Issue 3: Food insecurity in Southwest Arkansas, especially during pandemic

Date: July 16, 2023

Program: Acordeon Cristiano

Time: 9 a.m. Length: 4 minutes

Description: Featured story in Spanish language on local food pantries operating in Southwest Arkansas and the growing need for such pantries due to economic impact of COVID-19 pandemic. Detailed various area food pantries, operating hours, locations, etc. In addition, featured story on the efforts by Harvest Regional Food Bank to address food insecurity in Southwest Arkansas and Northeast Texas. According to agency's studies, nearly 20 percent of local residents miss meals due to food insecurity, including one in four children.

Issue 4: Lack of small business education for Spanish speakers

Date: Sept. 22, 2023

Program: Acordeon Cristiano

Time: 9 a.m.

Length: 12 minutes

Description: Featured interview with Diana Ramirez of the Sevier County Community Navigators Pilot Program on building more educational workshops in the Spanish language for local small business owners and prospective entrepreneurs. Discussed how the program is trying to meet the needs of the local Spanish-speaking community in regards to creating small business opportunities. Shared information on upcoming Spanish-language workshops and how local residents in the Latino community can engage with programs offered through the U.S. Small Business Administration and the Sevier County Community Navigator Pilot Program.

Issue 5: Rise in Arkansas energy customers unable to meet bills

Date: Aug. 17, 2023

Program: Acordeon Cristiano

Time: 9 a.m. Length: 5 minutes

Description: Shared assistance options in Spanish language available for Arkansas residents facing outstanding energy bills. Featured story with information shared by state economic officials detailing how inflation and the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic were causing more Arkansans to fall behind on their energy bills. Provided listeners with the available resources and how to take advantage of them to catch up on their electricity and natural gas bills.

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