

Issues and Programs

1st Quarter, January 1 – March 31 2023

KSDL- KXXK

Section I. Issues

KSDL - KXXK has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community this quarter:

1. Adoption: According to Gerry Tritz, communications manager for Central Missouri Foster Care and Adoption Association, many parents have problems such as drug & alcohol addiction, and kids who are separated from their biological parents suffer emotional and physical abuse. “These kids are victims and we want to help them any way we can,” Tritz said. He added that if a kid ages out of the foster care system and they don't have family support, the outcomes for those kids are not good. Some end up in prison, some have unplanned pregnancies. Missouri has approximately 14,000 kids in the foster system.

2. Aging workforce: The US is experiencing a 都silver tsunam排ight now affecting municipalities and other entities that need to replace retiring workers with younger, qualified individuals with the necessary skills who need a job and want to come to work every day. According to HealthCareNews, The Silver Tsunami is already rolling in and projections from the U.S. Census Bureau point to 2030 as a milestone year in which older people will actually outnumber children for the first time in history. Census Bureau data also estimates that one in every five Americans will be retirement age by that year. And beyond that, come 2035 some 78 million people will be over 65, while 76.7 million will be 18 or younger. That means it痴 imperative for healthcare organizations,

from solo practitioners to big practices, hospitals, health systems and insurance companies to start preparing now for what will inevitably be a transformative demographic shift.

3. Crime Stats: According to Best Places.net, Sedalia's violent crime rate is 37.6, compared to Missouri's rate of 22.7. Sedalia's property crime rate is 80.3, compared to Missouri's rate of 35.4. The figures are based on FBI data. Violent crime is composed of four offenses: murder and nonnegligent manslaughter, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Property crime includes the offenses of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. The object of the theft-type offenses is the taking of money or property, but there is no force or threat of force against the victims.

4. Employment: According to BestPlaces.net, the best paying jobs in Sedalia involve personal care, while the worst paying jobs are health practitioners. The highest paying industry jobs are in public administration, while the lowest paying industry jobs are in accommodations and food service. The average income of Sedalians is \$20,080, compared to \$31,177 nationally. The average household income is \$35,096, compared to \$57,652 nationally. Recent job growth is at -4.43 percent, while future growth is at 19.69 percent.

5. Education: State Fair Community College opened the Olen Howard Work Innovation Center on the Sedalia Campus this summer. The center focuses on much needed precision machining instruction that is desired by area industry. There are about 70 industrial companies in the Pettis County area, and all are in need of qualified employees. State Fair serves a 14-county region with satellite campuses. SFCC President Dr. Brent Bates said that the college best responds to community

needs when he gets out of his office and meets people face to face. Dr. Bates credited Gov. Parson, as well as Sen. Crawford and Rep. Pollitt for their support of the community college. Another offering at State Fair includes agriculture-related industries and a commercial driving academy. Plans call for SFCC to purchase additional farm land to the west to expand. The college is also expanding its HVAC, robotics and industrial maintenance programs, Dr. Bates said. “Just a small investment in training can pay off big,” the college president said.

Section II. Responsive Programming

KSDL - KXXK addresses these issues through responsive programming which includes:

- Local newscasts
- Live interviews with community leaders and citizens
- Live appearances at various community and charity events by station personalities
- Weather alerts, storm coverage.
- EAS messages (child abductions, storm warnings, etc.)
- Local newscasts dedicated to covering local crime patterns and special events.

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Program and Issues Report for KSDL & KXXK. Contained within this report are details of the major news stories and events covered by the stations for the time period of January through March 2023. Details of programs aired addressing issues affecting our community during the time frames listed below.

Date	Station(s)	Guests	Program name	Length of Program	Description of issues discussed	Time	Issues discussed
1/1	KSDL & KXXK	Maj. Jason Unwin, Cherie Beltran	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Civil Air Patrol Maj. Jason Unwin visited with Randy Kirby about CAP, which is an official auxiliary to the US Air Force. The CAP has three primary missions – aerospace education, cadet program and emergency services (disaster relief, search & rescue). One helpful hint that Maj. Unwin gave is to carry a whistle with you when hiking, or in your car, because if you get stranded, you can blow the whistle every minute to attract attention, whereas you will eventually lose your voice if you are simply shouting out for help. And the whistle will carry farther than your voice. For \$35, teachers can access aerospace educational materials for their students, and also be eligible for an annual plane ride with in a CAP aircraft. That might include a non-powered sail plane (glider), he said. The Sedalia CAP meets every Thursday from 6 to 8 p.m. at 3315 East Broadway. CAP is designed for those aged 12-18. Cherie Beltran, director of development for the Boys & Girls Club of West Central Missouri, Inc., spoke with Randy Kirby in the studio about the club's Youth of the Year program on Jan. 31 at the Liberty Center in downtown Sedalia. There are a total of 12 sites in Pettis County (six are in Sedalia), and each contestant must write an essay that is delivered as a speech to a live audience that night. The public is invited. The overall winner will compete at Jeff City at the state level in the spring. If they are successful, they go on to compete at the regional level in Chicago. Beltran said that Missouri's Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) helps provide programming to smaller rural schools. Business owners who contribute to the program are eligible for 70% tax credit, Beltran noted. Feb. 18 is "Evening In Old Hollywood," a major fund-raiser for the Club, and will take place at the Ag Building on the Missouri State Fairgrounds.</p>	6 a.m.	Civil service, disaster relief, search & rescue, youth development

1/8	KSDL & KXXK	Cheri Beltran, Cdt. Col. Cinta, Cdt. 1SGT Veronica Morellos, Sedalia Fire Chief Matt Irwin	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Cherie Beltran, director of development for the Boys & Girls Club of West Central Missouri, Inc., spoke with Randy Kirby in the studio about the club's Youth of the Year program on Jan. 31 at the Liberty Center in downtown Sedalia. There are a total of 12 sites in Pettis County (six are in Sedalia), and each contestant must write an essay that is delivered as a speech to a live audience that night. The public is invited. The overall winner will compete at Jeff City at the state level in the spring. If they are successful, they go on to compete at the regional level in Chicago. Beltran said that Missouri's Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) helps provide programming to smaller rural schools. Business owners who contribute to the program are eligible for 70% tax credit, Beltran noted. Feb. 18 is "Evening In Old Hollywood," a major fund-raiser for the Club, and will take place at the Ag Building on the Missouri State Fairgrounds. Cdt. Col. Cinta, Cdt. 1SGT Morellos came to the studio to discuss an upcoming event to benefit the S-C JROTC program. A 50s themed cence party will be held at Broadway presbyterian Church, Broadway and Kentucky, on Jan. 6. Tickets are \$25. Currently there are about 200 members in the JROTC program at Smith-Cotton. Predictions call for 20 more cadets to be added next year. Sedalia Fire Chief Matt Irwin delivered a public service announcement concerning the benefits of smoke detectors, and the dangers of space heaters. Never use extension cords to power space heaters, and never use your oven to heat your house. And never go to sleep with a space heater on. Smoke detectors are available for free at the SFD headquarters on West 16th Street. The smoke detectors are in the City budget every year as part of the SFD's fire prevention program. The same applies to carbon monoxide detectors.</p>	6 a.m.	Fire safety, youth development, rural schools, military
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1/15	KSDL & KXXK	Kathleen Boswell, Faith Beemis, Susan Mergen	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Kathleen Boswell and Faith Beemis visited with Randy Kirby about their upcoming trip to Poland to help support the Ukrainian women and children refugees escaping the unprovoked invasion of Ukraine by Russian President Vladimir Putin which began February 24, 2022. The city of Wroclaw, Poland, with a population of 750,000, has taken in 300,000 Ukrainian refugees in their homes, church basements and military barracks. Boswell was also there in May at a "help point" that gives out needed supplies, serving over 3,000 people a week at this help point," Boswell said. Plans call for the duo to be there at Easter, so Faith is hoping to get some amazing photos of an Easter morning church service in Poland for her newspaper that can be published along with her journalism, as well as timely facebook posts. Susan Mergen with Women's Service League of Sedalia spoke with Randy Kirby about a Jan. 21 event. The 24th annual Cupid's Ball is scheduled with the theme "Enchanted Evening" at the Smith-Cotton Cafeteria. The event is designed for little girls and their favorite guy. There are around 30 ladies in the local WSL. Ages this year are 5 – 14. The event was canceled the last two years due to COVID. All money raised go back non-profits in the community, Mergen said. Cherie Beltran, director of development for the Boys & Girls Club of West Central Missouri, Inc., spoke with Randy Kirby in the studio about the club's Youth of the Year program on Jan. 31 at the Liberty Center in downtown Sedalia. There are a total of 12 sites in Pettis County (six are in Sedalia), and each contestant must write an essay that is delivered as a speech to a live audience that night. The public is invited. The overall winner will compete at Jeff City at the state level in the spring. If they are successful, they go on to compete at the regional level in Chicago. Beltran said that Missouri's Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) helps provide programing to smaller rural schools. Business owners who contribute to the program are eligible for 70% tax credit, Beltran noted.</p>	6 a.m.	International affairs, community service, youth development
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1/22	KSDL & KXXK	Cadet Cpt. Stephanie Diaz, Cadet Msgt Masyn Cruz, Ebby Norman, Andrew Dawson, Lucas Bond	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Smith-Cotton JROTC is hosting its 17th annual Drill Meet Feb. 18 starting at 8 a.m. Teams from all over the Midwest will compete at the event. Concessions are available in the school cafeteria all day. Competitions involve armed exhibition, unarmed exhibition, marching, color guard, new cadets, and inspection. There will also be a silent auction at the event. The JROTC is raising money to travel to national competition in Daytona. An awards ceremony will take place around 3 or 4 p.m. Around 30-40 teams are expected to attend. Sedalia has been chosen to be the site of the 2023 Missouri Photo Workshop Sept. 24-20. The event is a project of the University of Missouri Journalism School in Columbia. Students, faculty and professionals will participate in the workshop. The workshop was previously held in 1980. This is the 75th anniversary of the photo workshop. Local business owner Ebby Norman's daughter Cleo helped make the workshop happen in Sedalia. Her undergraduate is documentary journalism, and is now in graduate school. She helped with the 2022 workshop in Excelsior Springs. Jim Sullivan and Brian Kratzer came to Sedalia to check out the location and ultimately approved Sedalia as the 2023 site. The work done in 1980 will be on display at the SFCC Daum Museum six weeks prior to the September workshop, according to Norman. Mayor Andrew Dawson pitched the workshop to the Pachyderm Club at its regular Friday meeting at the Heckart Community Center. MDC's Lucas Bond talked about the white-tailed deer, and how antlers are dropped by bucks during the winter. Woodpeckers attract mates and/or establish territory by pecking, Bond said. Missouri is a great place for bald eagle watching, Bond said, with over 2,000 of the large birds counted every year.</p>	6 a.m.	Military preparedness, photojournalism, nature conservation
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1/29	KSDL & KXXK	Cadet Cpt. Stephanie Diaz, Cadet Msgt Masyn Cruz, Ebby Norman, Andrew Dawson, Lucas Bond	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Smith-Cotton JROTC is hosting its 17th annual Drill Meet Feb. 18 starting at 8 a.m. Teams from all over the Midwest will compete at the event. Concessions are available in the school cafeteria all day. Competitions involve armed exhibition, unarmed exhibition, marching, color guard, new cadets, and inspection. There will also be a silent auction at the event. The JROTC is raising money to travel to national competition in Daytona. An awards ceremony will take place around 3 or 4 p.m. Around 30-40 teams are expected to attend. An awards ceremony will take place around 3 or 4 p.m. Around 30-40 teams are expected to attend. Sedalia has been chosen to be the site of the 2023 Misosuri Photo Workshop Sept. 24-20. The event is a project of the University of Missouri Journalism School in Columbia. Students, faculty and professionals will participate in the workshop. The workshop was previously held in 1980. This is the 75th anniversary of the photo workshop. Local business owner Ebby Norman's daughter Cleo helped make the workshop happen in Sedalia. Her undergraduate is documentary journalism, and is now in graduate school. She helped with the 2022 workshop in Excelsior Springs. Jim Sullivan and Brian Kratzer came to Sedalia to check out the location and ultimately approved Sedalia as the 2023 site. The work done in 1980 will be on display at the SFCC Daum Museum six weeks prior to the September workshop, according to Norman. Mayor Andrew Dawson pitched the workshop to the Pachyderm Club at its regular Friday meeting at the Heckart Community Center. MDC's Lucas Bond talked about the white-tailed deer, and how antlers are dropped by bucks during the winter. Woodpeckers attract mates and/or establish territory by pecking, Bond said. Missouri is a great place for bald eagle watching, Bond said, with over 2,000 of the large birds counted every year.</p>	6 a.m.	Military preparedness, photojournalism, nature conservation,
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2/5	KSDL & KXXK	Dr. Dave Limbaugh, Chris Clark	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Sedalia Area Habitat For Humanity President Dr. Dave Limbaugh visited with Randy Kirby about what Habitat is doing locally to help people get into decent housing and become a homeowner. In 2023, Habitat will be constructing their 44th and 45th home in Sedalia simultaneously. Each homeowner must volunteer and help build their house through 250 hours of "sweat equity." Dr. Limbaugh has served as president for nearly 14 years. Cost of materials is way up, Limbaugh said, with the average cost of a Habitat home around \$100,000. The Lawndale subdivision is the location for the latest construction projects. The process has started and framing and sheeting, doors and windows are being installed. By late spring or summer, both houses should be completely finished and occupied. All homeowners must qualify and make payments on their new house with zero percent interest. "We do not make any money on the houses, we sell it them for what it cost us to build them," Limbaugh said. Around 30 or 40 families will apply for the two house, and one two can be approved. Habitat receives about 25-30 house payments per month, he said. Jeff Koetting is the treasurer for the group. HabitatSedalia.org is the website for the local organization for those who want more information, want to volunteer or want to apply to be homeowners. One person is in charge of the volunteer workforce. Chris Clark visited with Randy Kirby about his upcoming production, "Almost, Maine" to be viewed at the Hayden Liberty Center, 111 W, 5th in downtown Sedalia. Opening night is Thursday. There was a Sunday matinee originally scheduled for Sunday afternoon, but since the Kansas City Chiefs were playing in the Super Bowl, the afternoon matinee was moved to Saturday, Clark explained. Almost Maine is a series of love stories by 19 actors who are directed by Clark. Liberty Center productions were hampered by COVID for a couple of years, but is now in full swing.</p>	6 a.m.	Fine arts, community theatre, housing shortage
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2/12	KSDL & KXXK	Erica Petersen, Byron Matson	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Erica Petersen, senior vice president at Central Bank, explained a program that the bank presents to fourth grade students, as well as high school students in the area. "I always tell them you need to know how to write numbers, you need to know how to add and subtract, you need to understand the importance of saving money and saving money and being prepared for your future," Petersen said. "That is what I want them to remember." At the high school level, (and there are seven in the area) the program is called Reality Check. "We give these kids a fake job, a fake spouse, a number of children, and they have a random income. They don't know what they're going to be today, but they're all different." A monthly income is established and they realize how much money Uncle Sam takes out every paycheck, and what is left over is what they have to work with to pay bills, etc. "The real fun happens when they go have to be an adult. They have to go buy a house, they have to buy a car. They have to get tags, they have to get insurance, child care if they have children. All the things that you and I know we have to do every day," Petersen said. "But a lot of this stuff, these kids don't think about." And she added that 90 percent of the kids don't have a clue what life insurance means. "So it's just a really good opportunity to expose them to the real world, what's going to happen." Petersen added that the program succeeds because of volunteers from the community. It takes 20 volunteers to present one program at a school. Both the volunteers and the students fill out forms afterward to get their feedback on the ever-growing program, which began in 2019, but was stifled for a period of time due to COVID.</p> <p>Byron Matson, with the Sedalia Symphony, promoted the band's winter concert which is Saturday, Feb. 18th at Smith-Cotton Junior High. Dr. Jerodi Marsh is the director, and the concert will feature The Barber of Seville, A Night on Bald Mountain, and Peter And The Wolf. One kid will be chosen that night to come up on stage and direct the orchestra for a specially arranged piece of music, Matson noted.</p>	6 a.m.	Banking, finance, education, fine arts
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2/19	KSDL & KXXK	Laramey Johnson, Wayne West, Dusti Crane-Dickerson, Erica Petersen	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Laramey Johnson, a Thrivent financial advisor, talked about Day Of Action, which is scheduled for June 17 at Hubbard Park from 8 to noon this year. The event is organized by United Way of Pettis County. SPCUW.org has information as well as their facebook page. Applications are due by March 1 and many volunteers are needed. "Wild" Wayne West appeared in studio with other organizers of the 28th NFPB Pro Bullriding event slated for this weekend at the Mathewson Exhibition Center on the Missouri State Fairgrounds. West works as a clown (entertainer) at the event, which gets more popular every year. He calls himself the barrell man and keeps the audience engaged. Dusti Crane-Dickerson is a performer who appears at opening ceremony and at halftime on "Dash" the gelding and "Rummy" the mare. Crane-Dickerson's brothers bring their bulls to the event. Erica Petersen, senior vice president at Central Bank, explained a program that the bank presents to fourth grade students, as well as high school students in the area. "I always tell them you need to know how to write numbers, you need to know how to add and subtract, you need to understand the importance of saving money and saving money and being prepared for your future," Petersen said. "That is what I want them to remember." At the high school level, (and there are seven in the area) the program is called Reality Check. "We give these kids a fake job, a fake spouse, a number of children, and they have a random income. They don't know what they're going to be today, but they're all different." A monthly income is established and they realize how much money Uncle Sam takes out every paycheck, and what is left over is what they have to work with to pay bills, etc. "The real fun happens when they go have to be an adult. They have to go buy a house, they have to buy a car. They have to get tags, they have to get insurance, child care if they have children. All the things that you and I know we have to do every day," Petersen said. "But a lot of this stuff, these kids don't think about." And she added that 90 percent of the kids don't have a clue what life insurance means. "So it's just a really good oppportunity to expose them to the real world, what's going to happen." Petersen added that the program succeeds because of volunteers from the community. It takes 20 volunteers to present one program at a school. Both the volunteers and the students fill out forms afterward to get their feedback on the ever-growing program, which began in 2019, but was stifled for a period of time due to COVID.</p>	6 a.m.	Entertainment, life insurance, peronal finance
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2/26	KSDL & KXXK	Coach Ashley Young	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Coach Ashley Young promoted the upcoming Smith-Cotton High School Mr. S-C, a male beauty contest scheduled for March 10. The contest involves formal wear, talent and spirit wear, In addition, all contestants perform an opening and closing song-and-dance routine. Three judges will pick a winner that night. Young hopes to sell 700 \$5 tickets to the event. Theatre Director Elizabeth Carter's crew will help with all the backstage duties, Young said. The event is a fund-raiser for SPIZ, a booster organization. A total of 14 contestants are competing for Mr. S-C 2023. Erica Petersen, senior vice president at Central Bank, explained a program that the bank presents to fourth grade students, as well as high school students in the area. "I always tell them you need to know how to write numbers, you need to know how to add and subtract, you need to understand the importance of saving money and saving money and being prepared for your future," Petersen said. "That is what I want them to remember." At the high school level, (and there are seven in the area) the program is called Reality Check. "We give these kids a fake job, a fake spouse, a number of children, and they have a random income. They don't know what they're going to be today, but they're all different." A monthly income is established and they realize how much money Uncle Sam takes out every paycheck, and what is left over is what they have to work with to pay bills, etc. "The real fun happens when they go have to be an adult. They have to go buy a house, they have to buy a car. They have to get tags, they have to get insurance, child care if they have children. All the things that you and I know we have to do every day," Petersen said. "But a lot of this stuff, these kids don't think about." And she added that 90 percent of the kids don't have a clue what life insurance means. "So it's just a really good oppportunity to expose them to the real world, what's going to happen." Petersen added that the program succeeds because of volunteers from the community. It takes 20 volunteers to present one program at a school. Both the volunteers and the students fill out forms afterward to get their feedback on the ever-growing program, which began in 2019, but was stifled for a period of time due to COVID.</p>	6 a.m.	Education, entertainment, personal finance, banking
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3/5	KSDL & KXXK	Ashley Young, Ryan Mahannah, Gianna Ortiz, Audrey Phillips	Townsquare Talk	20:00	Coach Ashley Young promoted the upcoming Smith-Cotton High School Mr. S-C, a male beauty contest scheduled for March 10. The contest involves formal wear, talent and spirit wear, In addition, all contestants perform an opening and closing song-and-dance routine. Three judges will pick a winner that night. Young hopes to sell 700 \$5 tickets to the event. Theatre Director Elizabeth Carter's crew will help with all the backstage duties, Young said. The event is a fund-raiser for SPIZ, a booster organization. A total of 14 contestants are competing for Mr. S-C 2023. SFCC Theatre Arts Instructor Ryan Mahannah brought two of his actors with him to the studio to promote an upcoming adaptation of a Shakespeare play "The Tempest" to be presented at the Thompson-O'Sullivan Theatre on the SFCC campus. Sloane Gardner, a doctoral student in Pennsylvania has been working with Mahannah for the past two years, and SFCC is the site of the world premiere of the play. Gianna Ortiz is from Windsor who switched her major to theatre after appearing in a production of Heathers. Ortiz also worked the sound board for Rainbow Fish. "It was hard. I had no idea what I was doing for most of the time, and they just had to teach me everything," she said. Audrey Phillips is the main lead of the play "Prospera" the mother nature character of the play. She was moved up to that position after the original actress backed out. This is Mahannah's 7th or 8th Shakespeare play that he has directed. March 3-5 and March 10-12 are the show dates. A dinner theatre is available on March 4. The audience surrounds the performers in this theatre.	6 a.m.	Education, entertainment, fine arts
3/12	KSDL & KXXK	Donnie Cunningham	Townsquare Talk	20:00	Concert promoter Donnie Cunningham talks about his 49th anniversary Ozark Music Festival, scheduled for July 14-16 at Puzzle Pieces, 1420 Highway M, just south of Highway 50, on the eastern edge of Sedalia. A total of 21 bands are expected to play the main stage over a three-day period. Admission is \$25 per day, or \$50 for all three days. Tickets are available at the gate, or at EventBrite. Those under 12 are free. There will also be food and beverages available for purchase all three days of the event. No outside food or beverages will be allowed, it was noted. A concert package is available for \$250, which includes three nights of camping and four admission tickets. There will be professional security at the event, it was noted.	6 a.m.	Musical history, entertainment

3/19	KSDL & KXXK	Linda Hoffman, Danielle Avegalio, Rev. Candice Fowler	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Linda Hoffman, an adjunct instructor at State Fair Community College, talked about the dental hygentist program at SFCC. Linda brought with her students Skylar, Kennidi and Alondra, who all appeared on the show, promoting the benefits that the public can take advantage of at the Multipurpose Center, and the importance of oral health as well as flouride in your drinking water. Dental hygentists and assistants are in high demand right now, Hoffman said. Danielle Avegalio talked about an upcoming event, Freedom Summit III, slated for April 15 from 8 to 4 at Cornerstone Baptist Church. About 300 people are expected to show up, including the governor. This will be the first such event in Missouri. The free is designed for veterans, as well as small businesses and entrepreneurs. Avegalio has been involved in the first two Freedom Summit events and is excited to be a part of this one. Rev. Candice Fowler promoted an interdenominational Easter service, scheduled for April 9 at the Mathewson Exhibition Center on the Missouri State Fairgrounds. There will be plenty of parking and seating, with professional lighting and sound at the free event. Fowler is the lead pastor at First United Methodist Church in Sedalia. Last year was the first since a two-year break for COVID. The service originally took place in 2015. Doors open at 9:15 and the service starts at 10. The service will be signed for those who are hearing impaired. On a normal Sunday, worshipers can come to the Celebration Center or the newest facility on Thompson Boulevard.</p>	6 a.m.	Dental hygiene, religion, military veterans
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3/26	KSDL & KXXK	Kara Sheeley, Andrea Curtis, Rev. Candice Fowler	Townsquare Talk	20:00	<p>Kara Sheely and Andrea Curtis promote Trivia Night on March 31. Cost is \$160, or \$20 each, and proceeds go to Pettis County Relay For Life for cancer patients. Trivia Night takes place at the Fox Event theatre. Then on June 3, the annual Pettis County Relay For Life will begin at 4 p.m. (opening ceremony) followed by the Survivor Lap at Liberty Park in Sedalia. There is also a silent auction at the event. The theme this year is "Going To Hollywood – Lights, Cameras, Cure." There are currently 16 teams, and the goal is 25 teams at the big event at the park. A Luminaria ceremony will begin at 11 p.m., to honor those who have lost their battle with cancer. If rain forces the event indoors, it will be moved to Convention Hall. Rev. Candice Fowler promoted an interdenominational Easter service, scheduled for April 9 at the Mathewson Exhibition Center on the Missouri State Fairgrounds. There will be plenty of parking and seating, with professional lighting and sound at the free event. Fowler is the lead pastor at First United Methodist Church in Sedalia. Last year was the first since a two-year break for COVID. The service originally took place in 2015. Doors open at 9:15 and the service starts at 10. The service will be signed for those who are hearing impaired. On a normal Sunday, worshipers can come to the Celebration Center or the newest facility on Thompson Boulevard.</p>	6 a.m.	Cancer research, religion
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