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<p>A: Endangered Species Act anniversary</p> <p>B: Sam Goodwin's story</p>	St. Louis on the Air	1/2/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Science, Health, Environment; Arts, Culture	<p>A: Endangered Species Act anniversary: We'll talk with Matthew Albrecht, director of the Missouri Botanical Garden's Center for Conservation and Sustainable Development and Becky Sucher, senior manager of MoBot's Living Collections, about successes and continued challenges surrounding protecting endangered species. The Endangered Species Act was signed into law about 50 years ago, on December 28, 1973. (21 min.)</p> <p>B: Sam Goodwin's story: St. Louis native Sam Goodwin was on a mission to visit every country in the world. With 13 countries left, he went to Syria in 2019. The trip took a wrong turn when he was detained at a military checkpoint and held in the country's notorious prisons for 63 days. Through a smuggled hand-written message and an anonymous phone call from a family in St. Louis, Goodwin's parents got word that he was alive. We talk with Goodwin about how connections and community helped secure his release. We also talk about his forthcoming book "Saving Sam" and what his experiences in Syria have taught him. (29 min.)</p>
<p>A: Hijacker book</p> <p>B: Ray Strickland profile</p>	St. Louis on the Air	1/3/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Arts, Culture	<p>A: Hijacker book: We dive into the subject of parachute hijackers inspired by DB Cooper with University of Missouri history professor John Wigger. Wigger's new book, "The Hijacking of American Flight 119: How D.B. Cooper Inspired a Skyjacking Craze and the FBI's Battle to Stop It," is filled with original sources, including many FBI agents. The book centers the story of a St. Louis hijacking by Martin McNally in 1972. (30 min.)</p> <p>B: Ray Strickland profile: We'll talk with singer, songwriter, and musician Ray Strickland. The 2023 CVPA graduate won last year's St. Louis Teen Talent Competition. His song, "Time for Change," was written during the pandemic after losing a cousin to gun violence. Registration for the 2024 St. Louis Teen Talent Competition is open now through Jan. 8, 2024. (20 min.)</p>

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A: Missouri cannabis B: Book ban efforts	St. Louis on the Air	1/4/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Economy, Innovation, Business; Education; Race, Demographics, Immigration	A: Missouri cannabis: Since legal sales of medical marijuana started in Missouri in 2020 and adult recreational cannabis in 2023, business around all things marijuana has become a billion-dollar business. We'll talk with Missouri Independent journalist Rebecca Rivas about her recent coverage of Missouri's cannabis industry – and how lawsuits and politics could shape it in 2024. (32 min.) B: Book ban efforts: We have STLPR reporter Kate Grumke's extended interview with the Wentzville School District lead librarian about book ban efforts. (17 min.)
A: Missouri legislature 2024 preview B: College Kids	St. Louis on the Air	1/5/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Education	A: MO Legislature 2024: STLPR statehouse reporter Sarah Kellogg discusses what's ahead for the 2024 legislative session. (15 min.) B: College Kids: In December, the St. Louis School Board voted to cancel the district's partnership with the St. Louis College Kids Savings Account program. The program was launched in 2015 by then-city treasurer Tishaura Jones to help public and charter school families save money for college and learn financial literacy. Seven years since the program's launch, College Kids has failed to attract investment, and a majority of its accounts have remained stuck at strikingly small balances. We'll talk with journalist Mike Fitzgerald, University of Michigan social work Professor William Elliott III about the program and what's next. St. Louis Treasurer Adam Layne also joins the discussion. (34 min.)
A: Ancient temple discovery B: Astrology	St. Louis on the Air	1/8/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Arts, Culture; Science, Health, Environment	A: Ancient temple discovery: We talk with Douglas Boin, a professor of history at St. Louis University, about an ancient Roman temple that he and his team discovered in Italy. The temple, built for people to worship Constantine's family, offers significant evidence that Christian rulers supported imperial cult practices. Boin says the discovery adds nuance to the history of paganism in the Roman Empire. (20 min.) B: Astrology: Interest in astrology has lingered in popular culture, and even politics, for many years. There's even been recent news of "new zodiac signs" and "astrology-tok" is on social media. We'll talk with Jade Moore, owner of Sincerely, the Craft, about what astrology is and is not, as well as what we can all look forward to in the new year. (30 min.)

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A: Missouri's emancipation B: The Song Society	St. Louis on the Air	1/9/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Race, Demographics, Immigration; Arts, Culture	A: Missouri's Emancipation: We'll hear from Cicely Hunter, Public Historian for the African American History Initiative at the Missouri Historical Society, and Cathy Hart, board member of the historic Father Dickson Cemetery, about the people and happenings that lead to Missouri's emancipation of enslaved people and St. Louis' role in reconstruction post-Civil War. The Missouri History Museum is hosting an event tied to Missouri Emancipation Day this Thursday evening. (29 min.) B: The Song Society: We'll talk with Tracie Sandheinrich, co-founder, co-executive director, and lead music therapist with the Song Society. The nonprofit offers free music therapy, songwriting, recording and performance experiences for children, teens and families affected by life-altering medical conditions. We'll also hear from 19-year-old Abby Schrage and her mom, Jill. Abby was diagnosed with a brain tumor at 11 years old. She is a long time cancer survivor who has written several songs with Tracie and performed at various community events through the Song Society. (20 min.)
Whole show: Immigration in St. Louis	St. Louis on the Air	1/10/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Race, Demographics, Immigration	Full show: Immigration in St. Louis: We explore the groups and people working to meet the needs of the foreign-born people -- populations that include asylum seekers, immigrants, and migrants -- who are building new lives in St. Louis. We first examine the stories of two asylum seekers, Karla Mera and Juan Carlos Lopez, who fled their home country of Belize. Next, we get to know three local groups who are working with these populations, and who share their hopes and concerns about a plan to bring migrants from Chicago to St. Louis. We hear from Carlos Ruiz Martinez, Director of Client Support Services at the MICA Project, Sarah Caldera Wimmer, Director of Emotional and Physical Wellness at LifeWise STL, and Kris Walentik, an immigration attorney with St. Francis Community Services, a ministry of Catholic Charities. (49 min.)

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<p>A: Echo Diver discovers missing body</p> <p>B: Storm spotting / climate changes</p>	St. Louis on the Air	1/11/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Arts, Culture; Science, Health, Environment	<p>A: Echo Diver discovers missing body: On December 29, 2013, Donnie Erwin vanished after leaving his home to buy cigarettes in Camden County in central Missouri. Ten years later, diver and drone pilot James Hinkle, who runs the YouTube channel Echo Divers, discovered Erwin's vehicle on December 14 using a drone and divers. A week later, the Camden County Sheriff's Office recovered Erwin's remains. James describes his lengthy search for Erwin's car, what it was like to make the discovery, and why he's passionate about investigating and true crime. We also hear from Erwin's sister, Yvonne Erwin-Bowen, reacting to the development. (27 min.)</p> <p>B: Storm Spotting/Climate changes: We'll talk with Matt Beitscher, meteorologist at the National Weather Service - St. Louis, about their upcoming storm spotting classes across eastern Missouri and southwest Illinois. With climate change causing extreme weather in the Midwest, scientists at the NWS are aiming to train more people to help track and assess severe weather. He'll share with us how storm spotters are trained, what specific data they collect, and what major changes to weather patterns we can expect to see this year. (23 min.)</p>
<p>A: Sen. Eric Schmitt</p> <p>B: Rep. Leutkemeyer retires</p> <p>C: Councilwoman Dunaway doesn't seek reelection</p>	St. Louis on the Air	1/12/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice	<p>A: Sen. Eric Schmitt: U.S. Sen. Eric Schmitt talks about his first year in Washington, Ukraine-Russian Israel-Hamas, budget fights and more. (22 min.)</p> <p>B: Leutkemeyer retires: Retiring U.S. Rep. Blaine Leutkemeyer reflects on his years of public service in Missouri and Congress. (8 min.)</p> <p>C: Dunaway doesn't seek reelection: St. Louis County Councilwoman Kelli Dunaway discusses her time serving on the County Council and her decision to not run for reelection. (19 min.)</p>

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<p>A: Word in Black</p> <p>B: Sauce Magazine soups and sweets</p> <p>C: Eimear Arkins' new album</p>	St. Louis on the Air	1/16/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Arts, Culture; Race, Demographics; Immigration; Economy, Business, Innovation	<p>A: Word In Black: Word In Black, a digital collective that produces content from 10 Black newspapers in the U.S., has moved from pilot to corporation. We talk with STLPR race and culture reporter Andrea Henderson about what that means for coverage and distribution for local papers like the St. Louis American, a Word In Black content partner; and for journalism serving Black communities across the country. (16 min.)</p> <p>B: Sauce Magazine soups and sweets: The latest Sauce Magazine is a treat for fans of soups, and sweets. We talk to writer Ileana Martinez, who documented her favorite winter soups, including Doenjang Jjigae at Joo Joo Restaurant & Karaoke, and the Sopa de Pollo (chicken soup) at Merendero Las Catrachitas. Then, we meet chocolatier Flynn Edgerton, featured on Sauce's list of "One's to Watch," who has found a home for his passion at Sump Coffee. (19 min.)</p> <p>C: Eimear Arkins' new album: We'll talk with Irish fiddler turned St. Louisan, Eimear Arkins. Her new album "Here & There" celebrates her musical connections to Ireland and St. Louis. (13 min.)</p>
<p>A: Road rage</p> <p>B: Sessions of St. Louis</p>	St. Louis on the Air	1/17/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Arts, Culture	<p>A: Road rage: We'll talk about the prevalence of road rage and aggressive driving tendencies. During the show, we'll hear from a AAA spokesperson re: recent statistics on driving habits, and we'll talk with St. Louis clinical psychologist Dr. Helen Friedman about what causes road rage and what we might do to curb it. (30 min.)</p> <p>B: Sessions of St. Louis: Modeled after NPR's Tiny Desk, Sessions of St. Louis features local musicians performing — sans audience — in intimate settings; and publishes video of those performances on multiple digital platforms. We'll talk with St. Louis Gram Creative Director Natalia Parr about the origin and goals of the series; and singer/songwriter Alexia Simone, who's the latest St. Louis artist in the "Sessions" line-up. (19 min.)</p>

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<p>A: Speech-language pathologists demand</p> <p>B: National Mentoring Month</p>	St. Louis on the Air	1/18/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	<p>Science, Health, Environment; Education; Race, Demographics, Immigration</p>	<p>A: Speech-language pathologists demand; training: The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics projects the employment of speech-language pathologists to grow 19% from 2022 to 2032. But, the number of people entering the field doesn't match demand. A rebranded program at St. Louis University that launches this fall seeks to meet that demand. We'll talk about that with two guests associated with the program. (26 min.)</p> <p>B: National Mentoring Month: We'll talk about the importance of mentoring -- from building confidence to mitigating dangerous behaviors in young people -- with Ericka Sanders, VP of Community Outreach and Mentor Recruitment at Big Brothers Big Sisters of Eastern Missouri, and Andre Walker a volunteer mentor (aka "Big Brother") at Big Brothers Big Sisters. They'll share national and local data on the effects of mentoring, the role representation plays in mentoring youth, and their experiences with participating in the mentoring agency as a parent (Ericka) and as a volunteer mentor (Andre). We'll also discuss the role representation plays in who is a mentor. (23 min.)</p>
<p>A: Francis Howell School District teaching Black history</p> <p>B: Encore: Reparations Commission</p>	St. Louis on the Air	1/19/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	<p>Education; Race, Demographics, Immigration; Government, Politics, Justice</p>	<p>A: Francis Howell: Students from three Francis Howell high schools in St. Charles County walked out of class Thursday to protest the district's decision to alter its Black history and literature courses. STLPR reporter Chad Davis discusses the protest, and why the courses were targeted by the district in the first place. Chad also provides an update from the school board meeting that took place that evening. (22 min.)</p> <p>B: Encore, Reparations Commission: The St. Louis Reparations Commission has held meetings over the last few months. The commission was created by an executive order, with a mandate "to explore the history of race-based harms in the city; reveal the present-day manifestations of that history; and, ultimately, propose a method and potential funding resources for directly repairing the harms that have been inflicted." Last week, the city extended the commission's work to September, giving them more time to produce a final report. We feature an encore of a conversation with commission chair Kayla Reed and board member Gwen Moore. (27 min.)</p>

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Whole Show, encore: Aural Diversity	St. Louis on the Air	1/22/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Science, Health, Environment	Whole show, encore: Aural Diversity: Nearly 83% of the population does not have perfect hearing, but most of our spaces are designed to cater, auditorily, to a select few. That's a problem, according to researchers in the growing field of aural diversity. We will learn about the various ways we perceive sound and how describing these different experiences can help us better approach listening, hearing and accessibility. (49 min.)
Whole show: Trans kids and their families	St. Louis on the Air	1/23/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Science, Health, Environment; Race, Demographics, Immigration	Whole show, encore: Trans Kids and families: Trans kids and families are again facing attacks on gender affirming care. Despite support from major medical associations, trans healthcare has become the target of lawmakers' proposed bans, as well as claims that compare it to child abuse. Trans kids and parents have a very different story. We hear from three young trans boys, aged 9 to 11, who talk about their transitions, choosing new names, and their hopes and fears. We also hear from their respective parents, who discuss what it's like to spend years fighting for their kids' lives in Jefferson City --- and what it's like, now, watching that fight once again. (49 min.)
A: NorthSide Regeneration lawsuit B: Mullets	St. Louis on the Air	1/24/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Arts, Culture	A: NorthSide Regeneration lawsuit: A recent ruling against Paul McKee's NorthSide Regeneration is a major development in the world of developers. McKee gained infamy as he accumulated a vast number of vacant properties in north St. Louis. The ruling is the first time he's been ordered by a court to repair a deteriorating building. We talk with Legal Services of Eastern Missouri attorney Peter Hoffman, who represented the Covenant Blu Grand Center Neighborhood Association in its lawsuit against McKee over the condition of a historic auto garage at 3509 Page Boulevard. We also hear from Audrey Ellermann, president of Covenant Blu Grand Center Neighborhood Association; as well as Virginia Druhe, president of the St. Louis Place Community Association. LSEM worked with the neighborhood to obtain an agreement with the City of St. Louis in November that protects the neighborhood from eminent domain. (31 min.) B: Mullets: The "business in the front, party in the back" hair-do seems to have been redefined, popularized and back in the mainstream. We'll talk with hair stylist Onawa Brown from Chop Shop and barber Sir Carrawell, co-owner of Elite Blendz about America's most divisive haircut: the mullet. (19 min.)

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A: South city slumlord B: Workplace bullying	St. Louis on the Air	1/25/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Economy, Innovation, Business	A: South city slumlord: Last week, the city of St. Louis brought a lawsuit against six Missouri residents who the city says are running a massive illegal rooming house operation involving 39 properties spanning at least nine south city neighborhoods. We'll talk with reporter Ryan Krull about the lawsuit, his investigation into the operation, and what tenants are facing as the buildings get cleared out. We'll also hear from a longtime neighbor who is familiar with the situation. (17 min.) B: Workplace bullying: The untimely death of Antoinette "Bonnie" Candia-Bailey has sent ripples through workplaces especially for professionals of color and women. It's brought to light for many how important it is to address toxic work environments and workplace bullying. We'll hear from Holly Edgell, NPR's Midwest Newsroom managing editor about her reporting on Lincoln University and the issues outlined in Candia-Bailey's last email before she completed suicide. We'll also hear from Adia Harvey-Wingfield, professor of sociology and vice dean of faculty development and diversity at Washington University and author of "Gray Areas: How the Way We Work Perpetuates Racism & What We Can Do to Fix It" about the toll bullying in the workplace takes on people and the greater ramifications when abuse at work is not addressed. (32 min.)
Whole show: Gov. Parson & Rep. Aune	St. Louis on the Air	1/26/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice	Whole show: Gov. Parson, Rep. Aune: Missouri Gov. Mike Parson discusses his priorities for the year, and we hear analysis from STLPR statehouse reporter Sarah Kellogg about the governor's remarks and upcoming legislative session. We then hear from a response from Rep. Ashley Aune. (49 min.)

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A: Global Foods Market cookbook update B: Bounty hunter update	St. Louis on the Air	1/29/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Arts, Culture; Government, Politics, Justice	<p>A: Global Foods Market Cookbook Update: We'll talk with Shayn Prapaisilp, Chief Operating Officer of Global Foods Group, about their latest collaboration with the International Institute of St. Louis. Global Foods Market collected recipes featuring international ingredients from the public's kitchen and from the kitchens of some of your favorite restaurants. A portion of the proceeds from the cookbook's sales will benefit International Institute of St. Louis' efforts to welcome and support incoming immigrants to the region. (22 min.)</p> <p>B: Bounty Hunter update: Last week, a federal judge sentenced Wayne Lozier to 10 years in prison. We'll learn about this update and dig into his case. In 2019, the Louisiana bounty hunter and a partner arrested a Missouri woman, physically dragging her into their vehicle to bring her back to a Louisiana court to face two misdemeanor charges. As extreme as that is, Lozier's conduct would have been legal, if not for his lack of \$150 license. Lozier decided to fight the charges, insisting he was acting legally and that he was not a kidnapper. In September, a federal jury in St. Louis found Lozier guilty. St. Louis Post-Dispatch reporter Katie Kull covered the trial, and shares her insights. (26 min.)</p>

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<p>A: Winter sickness</p> <p>B: Nalxone on Southwest</p> <p>C: Wayne Pratt steps down</p>	St. Louis on the Air	1/30/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Science, Health, Environment; Arts, Culture	<p>A: Winter sickness: It seems like a lot of people are getting sick lately — whether it's COVID-19, influenza, or RSV. We'll talk with SSM Health Chief Community Health Officer Dr. Alexander Garza about the prevalence of these viruses, the current variants, and where we're at as a country in terms of our ability to handle and respond to cases. Dr. Garza will also provide a post mortem on the coronavirus pandemic and what we learned — and haven't learned — from it. (27 min.)</p> <p>B: Naloxone on Southwest: Southwest Airlines will now carry the opioid overdose-reversal drug naloxone on flights. That's in part due to the efforts of Ballwin resident John Gaal and other advocates who have been lobbying the airline to carry the drug. We'll hear John's reflections on the importance of this news and what needs to happen next for all airlines to better respond to overdoses while in flight. (12 min.)</p> <p>C: Wayne Pratt sleeps in, etc.: For nearly a decade, Wayne Pratt anchored morning newscasts on STLPR. He's now taken on the role of operations manager at the station and joins us to talk about his experiences of waking up super early and what he's doing next. (10 min.)</p>
Whole show: January 2024 Legal Roundtable	St. Louis on the Air	1/31/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice	Whole show: January 2024 Legal Roundtable: A panel of attorneys discuss timely local and regional issues pertaining to the law. (49 min.)
<p>A: Tony Messenger investigates FIU</p> <p>B: St. Louis woman in 'Hairspray'</p>	St. Louis on the Air	2/1/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Arts, Culture	<p>A: Tony Messenger investigates FIU: A 2018 internal audit of the SLMPD Force Investigative Unit (which was created in 2014 to investigate police shootings) is sharply critical of the unit's performance. That much is known, yet no one outside the department has ever seen the full audit. Last week, St. Louis Post-Dispatch columnist Tony Messenger wrote a lengthy investigation into the audit, what we know about it, and why it's been kept secret for six years. He'll discuss the impact of the FIU, its connection to Ferguson, and how the fight over its disclosure has continued deep into Jones administration. (24 min.)</p> <p>B: St. Louis woman in "Hairspray" : The famed play "Hairspray" is coming to St. Louis (2/8 and 2/9) and Rolla (2/21.) We talk with St. Louis-born and raised actor Caroline Eiseman, who portrays Tracy Turnblad, about the show. (24 min.)</p>

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<p>A: Wetlands restoration</p> <p>B: Child tax credit</p> <p>C: St. Louis Theater Circle nominations</p>	<p>St. Louis on the Air</p>	<p>2/2/2024</p>	<p>12:06:00</p>	<p>19:06:00</p>	<p>52</p>	<p>Science, Health, Environment; Government, Politics, Justice; Arts, Culture</p>	<p>A: Wetlands restoration: With an estimated 60,000 acres of wetlands lost in the United States each year, they are the most threatened ecosystem in the country. 87% of Missouri's original wetlands have been lost due to agriculture, urban development, and flood control measures. On World Wetlands Day, Shaw Nature Reserve's restoration and land stewardship manager, Mike Saxton, will talk about the importance of wetlands in our area and the reserve's work creating and preserving wetlands in the region. (23 min.)</p> <p>B: Child tax credit: U.S. Rep. Jason Smith talks with STLPR's Jason Rosenbaum about his work that led to passage of the child tax credit bill in the House this week. (9 min.)</p> <p>C: St. Louis Theater Circle nominees: We'll take stock of the local theater scene and learn about some of the nominees for the annual St. Louis Theater Circle awards. (16 min.)</p>

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<p>A: Public safety</p> <p>B: SAFHR story update</p> <p>C: Vietnamese New Year (Tet)</p>	St. Louis on the Air	2/5/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	<p>Government, Politics, Justice; Arts, Culture; Race, Demographics, Immigration</p>	<p>A: Public safety: City leaders say homicide clearance rates have been at 75% the last two months and homicides have decreased by 40% since 2021. St. Louis Public Radio has been covering issues regarding a lack of transparency by police in St. Louis, but still, community groups like the Freedom Community Center and others say there's more work to do. STLPR's Loretta Wembley talks about her reporting on this story. (13 min.)</p> <p>B: SAFHR story update: In November, journalist Mike Fitzgerald uncovered that — despite receiving up to six and seven figures in COVID-19 relief funds — some Missouri landlords failed to provide basic maintenance or upkeep of the apartment complexes they own. Mike's latest reporting shows the state's top State Assistance For Housing Relief program recipients are almost all in the St. Louis area. He'll join us to discuss how COVID-19 relief funds have gone to big evictors and landlords who seemingly did nothing to improve living conditions. (12 min.)</p> <p>C: Vietnamese New Year (Tet): Lunar New Year is February 10. We talk with St. Louisans Kris Le and Tila Nguyen about the history of the nonprofit St. Louis Vietnamese Community, how its development mirrors the growth of Vietnamese community in the STL area, and what's in store with two Vietnamese Tet (Lunar New Year) events the organization's leading at the Missouri History Museum on Thursday, Feb. 8 and at St. Mary's High School on Sunday, Feb. 18. (24 min.)</p>

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<p>A: Continuity and Black filmmakers</p> <p>B: Geri Mitchell's 'Lift Every Voice'</p> <p>C: Alonso Townsend</p>	St. Louis on the Air	2/6/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Arts, Culture; Race, Demographics, Immigration	<p>A: Continuity and Black Filmmakers: We'll hear from Kyle Montgomery, co-founder of Continuity and Quinsonta Boyd, board secretary and graduate of Continuity's programs about the efforts to foster a diverse film and television industry in St. Louis --- where Black creatives make up only 2% of commercial video production staff. (28 min.)</p> <p>B: Geri Mitchell "Lift Every Voice": St. Louis Public Radio listeners have likely noticed spots highlighting the stories and accomplishments of Black Americans. The promos come from the "Lift Every Voice" initiative, which was founded in 2022 by St. Louis-native Geri Mitchell. Geri hosted Morning Edition at STLPR from 2013 to 2017. She is currently the Midday Host at WAMU, which covers the greater Washington, DC area. Geri discusses why she started the initiative, the people it highlights, and what the project says about the importance of deepening the observance of Black History Month. (18 min.)</p> <p>C: Alonso Townsend: We listen back to brief excerpts of a conversation with St. Louis music promoter Alonso Townsend. (4 min.)</p>
<p>A: Right to Read</p> <p>B: 'Harry Gets Wise' book</p>	St. Louis on the Air	2/7/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Education; Race, Demographics, Immigration; Arts, Culture	<p>A: Right to Read: The local St. Louis and St. Louis County NAACP chapters want to improve literacy rates in the region. They're launching the "Right to Read" campaign with a mission to get children, especially Black children, proficient in fourth grade reading by 2030. We'll talk with St. Louis NAACP education chair Ian Buchanan, and Kareem Weaver, who advocates for greater literacy and how to achieve it in the documentary, "Right to Read." (22 min.)</p> <p>B: "Harry Gets Wise" book: Michael Vines' grandfather arrived in St. Louis in 1919. The Jewish immigrant from Poland was escaping violence and oppression. In St. Louis, he set up a shoe repair shop just a few blocks north of Fairground Park on Warne Avenue. Those are real-life events that serve as the inspiration for Vines' new novel, "Harry Gets Wise," a book deeply rooted in St. Louis culture and history. Producer Alex Heuer talks with the author. (27 min.)</p>

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A: Civics education B: Transform 314	St. Louis on the Air	2/8/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Education; Race, Demographics, Immigration; Government, Politics, Justice	<p>A: Civics education: 2024 is a big year in electoral politics. But what do Missouri K-12 students learn about civics, and what implications does it have for future civic participation? We'll talk with Robert Good (vice president, Missouri Council for History Education vice president; education coordinator, National Council for History and Education, retired Ladue HS teacher); Chaebong Nam (UMSL assistant professor, social studies education; Educating for American Democracy grantee working with/in University School district); and Linnet Husi (social studies teacher, Nipher Middle School; president, Missouri Council for Social Studies) about state standards, classroom realities, and civics education tools and approaches. (30 min.)</p> <p>B: Transform 314: We'll meet Kelly McGowan, a St. Louis woman who is behind Transform 314, a local initiative that seeks to educate. (20 min.)</p>
A: Abortion initiative petition B: Presidential preference C: Civics engagement	St. Louis on the Air	2/9/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice	<p>A: Abortion initiative petition: We discuss how Missouri residents are seeking to get enough signatures for an initiative petition that would legalize abortion in the state. (21 min.)</p> <p>B: Presidential preference: We discuss the new processes for Missourians to express their preferences in the presidential nominating contest. (19 min.)</p> <p>C: Civics engagement: STLPR's Jason Rosenbaum talks with Elaine Cha about civics education and engagement. (9 min.)</p>
A: Propel Kitchens B: Octogenarian love story, encore	St. Louis on the Air	2/12/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Economy, Innovation, Business; Arts, Culture	<p>A: Propel Kitchens: Propel Kitchens is not your ordinary bulk kitchen. Its focus is, "health, wealth, and food:" to provide healthy (and tasty!) food to school districts and nursing homes in underserved communities. It also serves as a food industry training center for those looking for help to get back on their feet after significant life roadblocks --- like run-ins with the law or experiences with homelessness --- and set on the right path. We'll hear from Kisha Lee, executive director of Propel Kitchens and Chavi Jackson, a trainee at Propel Kitchens, about the organization and ways that they are impacting lives in the St. Louis region. (22 min.)</p> <p>B: Octogenarian love story (encore): We'll listen back to our 2-14-23 conversation with Roz Lewy and Ralph Insinger about their book, "Beyond Beyond: A Chance Encounter, an Online Courtship and the Language of Love," which details how the couple fell in love late in life via the exchange of hundreds of emails. (26 min.)</p>

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A: Charlotte Taylor botanist B: Solar eclipses throughout history	St. Louis on the Air	2/13/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Science, Health, Environment	<p>A: Charlotte Taylor botanist: Missouri Botanical Garden scientist Charlotte Taylor has described 500 new species of plants. That makes her the most prolific living female botanist describing plants today — an accomplishment only revealed last year by researchers from Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew and the University of Cambridge. Their paper, “Acknowledging female role models in botanical and mycological taxonomy” examined all the species and how they got their names. The researchers found Taylor is the third most prolific female botanist in the field — ever. Taylor discusses her contributions to the field of botany and takes us inside the world of a world-class taxonomist. (29 min.)</p> <p>B: Solar eclipses: Ahead of the April 8 total solar eclipse this year, WashU is hosting a series of talks on eclipse-related topics. We'll preview those lectures by speaking with physicist Manel Errando about the historical and cultural significance of solar eclipses throughout human history, the eclipse that made Albert Einstein world-famous, and how eclipses broaden our knowledge about how planets form, evolve, migrate, and potentially support life. (21 min.)</p>
A: PGAV in St. Louis B: Single in St. Louis	St. Louis on the Air	2/14/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Economy, Innovation, Business; Arts, Culture	<p>A: PGAV in St. Louis: Headquartered in downtown St. Louis, PGAV is behind some of the most recognizable destinations locally and across the world. The architectural and design services firm is responsible for the design of places close to home such as the St. Louis Aquarium and St. Louis Cardinals Hall of Fame & Museum. The company is also behind the visitor experience at the Kennedy Space Center, the Georgia Aquarium and SeaWorld Abu Dhabi, which opened last year. PGAV Architects Mike Konzen and Emily Howard join the show to talk about their work and why they're so bullish on St. Louis. (24 min.)</p> <p>B: Single in St. Louis: The Mississippi River is clearer than the dating pool in St. Louis. The complaints and complications of finding someone to love in the region reflects national trends around romantic relationships, starting families, and happiness in committed relationships. We'll talk with Brittany Forrest and Simonne Kimble, hosts of Relationship.ISH a dating and relationship podcast and social group about their lived experience and conversations on the state of dating. (24 min.)</p>

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Whole show: HBCU Made on-stage conversation	St. Louis on the Air	2/15/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Education; Race, Demographics, Immigration	Whole show: HBCU Made on-stage conversation: Last week, STLPR's Marissanne Lewis-Thompson talked with NPR Weekend Edition Sunday host Ayesha Rascoe on stage at the Ethical Society of St. Louis. We listen back to that conversation. Rascoe is the editor of the new book, "HBCU Made: A Celebration of the Black College Experience." It's a joyous collection of essays about historically Black colleges and universities. (49 min.)
A: Pro-social program B: Ragtime/Hip-Hop artist Royce Martin	St. Louis on the Air	2/16/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Education; Arts, Culture	A: Pro-social program: A program run by the University of Missouri has turned an education researcher's findings into a program in classrooms across Missouri — and soon, in more states. An \$8 million grant from the Department of Education will continue the Prosocial and Active Learning (PAL) program for 5 more years, and expand into 80 middle schools throughout Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas. The program trains teachers in how to improve "prosocial behavior" — actions that "show kindness, compassion, empathy and respect in classrooms and communities." The program is based on decades of work from University of Missouri researcher Christi Bergin, the Chief Scientific Officer of the ProsocialEd Collaborative. Along with Bergin, we'll be joined by Jen Foster, Director of ProsocialEd Collaborative; she trains the teachers in the program. (27 min.) B: Ragtime/Hip-Hop artist Royce Martin: We'll talk with St. Louis musician and composer Royce Martin about his life and music career. The winner of the 2016 St. Louis Teen Talent Competition is recording albums that fuse ragtime and hip hop. (22 min.)

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A: Darrell Missey update B: Black, but make it queer	St. Louis on the Air	2/20/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Race, Demographics, Immigration; Arts, Culture	A: Darrell Missey update: Missouri Children's Division Director Darrell Missey talks about where the massive backlog of child abuse and neglect case investigations stands, and other issues affecting children in the state. Last year, St. Louis Public Radio reported that the division's office serving St. Louis and St. Louis County had a backlog of 6,124 cases that remained open after 45 days. Missey describes the division's improvements since then, and where things stand now in an interview with STLPR's Jason Rosenbaum. (31 min.) B: Black, but make it queer: As many across America celebrate Black History Month, queer people are often overlooked or blatantly left out when reflecting on the survival and advancement of Black people in America. We'll hear from Tre'von Griffith, co-founder of WerQFest, about their digital campaign to celebrate Black queer St. Louisans during Black History Month, their leadership and contributions to arts and culture. (19 min.)
Whole hour: Illinois Budget Address	St. Louis on the Air	2/21/2024	12:06:00	n/a	52+	Government, Politics, Justice	We have live, special coverage of Gov. JB Pritzker's annual budget address. (52+ min.)
A: Jon-Paul's balls, encore B: Gravenfinder Dennis Bentley, encore	St. Louis on the Air	2/21/2024	n/a	19:06:00	52	Arts, Culture; Economy, Innovation, Business	Encore A: Jon-Paul's balls encore: In 2021, in the heart of the pandemic, Jon-Paul Wheatley turned his attention from homemade craft projects to a more ambitious goal: designing and sewing his own soccer balls. Now, some two years and millions of views later, the UK-born transplant's TikTok account @jonpaulsball has gained over 500,000 followers — and attention from FIFA and Adidas. We listen to an encore of this July 6, 2023 conversation. (30 min.) B: Gravefinder Dennis Bentley encore: Jefferson County resident Dennis Bentley's hobby is to photograph gravestones. When we spoke to him in January, he talked about his hobby that has led him to taking more than 3,000 photos of headstones. Now, he's taken more than 5,000 photos. We'll take another listen to this conversation that initially aired on January 20, 2023. (20 min.)

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A: Relationship researcher Dixie Meyer B: David Sanborn honor	St. Louis on the Air	2/22/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Arts, Culture	A: Relationship researcher Dixie Meyer: Relationships are different than when our parents and grandparents were dating, getting married and starting families. Changes in social and gender norms, motivations for finding a romantic partner, and global events all play a part in what folks are experiencing as they plan their future. St. Louis University professor Dixie Meyer, a family therapist and relationship researcher, will share what studies show in how relationships differ today and the changing desires of companionship. (33 min.) B: David Sanborn honor: Kirkwood-raised musician David Sanborn has won six Grammys and sold millions of albums while developing a distinctive sound on saxophone. Sanborn will receive the inaugural Jazz Lifetime Achievement Award from Jazz St. Louis at its gala on Feb. 22. We air an extended version of STLPR Jeremy D. Goodwin's interview. (14 min.)
A: St. Louis Mayor Tishaura Jones B: IL Budget Address	St. Louis on the Air	2/23/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice	A: Mayor Jones: In a wide ranging interview, St. Louis Mayor Tishaura Jones talks about Rams settlement money, homelessness, police car crashes, MetroLink expansion and more. (30 min.) B: IL Budget Address: We talk with STLPR Metro East reporter Will Bauer about Gov. J.B. Pritzker's annual budget address, and Sen. Jil Tracy, R-Quincy, joins the show to talk about her reaction. (19 min.)
A: Police chief pay B: Missouri a trendsetter for anti-trans legislation	St. Louis on the Air	2/26/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Race, Demographics, Immigration	A: Police chief pay: The St. Louis police chief gets paid an extra \$100,000 by a local foundation and that unusual arrangement raises questions about potential influence. We'll talk with ProPublica reporter Jeremy Kohler about his story on the topic. (10 min.) B: Missouri a trendsetter for anti-trans legislation: In the Missouri legislature, 2023 was the year that the state went in on targeting trans people; from student sports to medical care, the wave of bills led to new laws, restrictions on gender affirming care. It's a new year, but this is happening again. But there is a bigger picture here. What happens in Missouri isn't just about Missouri. For observers of the national picture, Missouri is a bellwether and a trend-setter. To talk about Missouri's place in this movement, and this moment, we talk to two trans journalists who have spent a lot of time looking at what's happening in the state, and how it fits in the national landscape. (39 min.)

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A: Girl Scout PCRF fundraiser B: KSHE-95's John Ulett	St. Louis on the Air	2/27/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Race, Demographics, Immigration; Arts, Culture	A: Girl Scout PCRF fundraiser: A Girl Scout troop in St. Louis County made bracelets to raise funds for child war victims in Gaza. Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri told them to stop, or face legal action. We'll hear what the troop decided to do, and why. Guests include: troop co-leaders Nawal Abuhamdeh and Fazila Bobat, as well as Nawal's daughter, Mariyah Abdelbaset. (20 min.) B: KSHE-95's John Ulett: For nearly five decades, John Ulett has been behind the mic at KSHE-95. The classic rock radio station continues to be at or near the top of St. Louis radio ratings and while he's now in semi-retirement, John "U-Man" Ulett is certainly part of the enduring success of the "real rock radio" station. Ulett is also about to begin his 40th full season as the Cardinals PA announcer at Busch Stadium. Ulett joins the show in advance of a Thursday evening event at the Sheldon Concert Hall called "Life, Death & Other Scary Things: An Evening with KSHE-95's John Ulett." (29 min.)
A: SLU professor's family's history B: Pets, families and goodbyes	St. Louis on the Air	2/28/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Race, Demographics, Immigration; Arts, Culture	A: A SLU Professor's family's history: Dr. Travis Threats' grandparents, Bertha Mae and Matthew Carter, were sharecroppers in Drew, Mississippi, where they raised Threat's mother and her 12 siblings. After the Carters enrolled seven of their children in a white school, the plantation owner told them to withdraw their children and enroll them into a Black school instead. This caused a cascading set of events that ultimately led to the end of school segregation in Mississippi. Today, Dr. Threats is the second Black American to become a full professor at St. Louis University. We'll talk with Dr. Threats as he reflects on his grandparents' life in Mississippi, their fight for freedom of choice in education, and how he carries their legacy with him in his work at SLU. (20 min.) B: Pets, Family and Goodbyes: STLPR politics editor Fred Ehrlich discusses his memoir, "Three Great Dogs. One Great Life." He gifted the book to "St. Louis on the Air" audio engineer Aaron Doerr after the recent death of Aaron's dog, Tallis. Aaron and Fred talk about "man's best friend" and we hear from listeners about the importance of pets in their life. (30 min.)
Whole show: February 2024 Legal Roundtable	St. Louis on the Air	2/29/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice	Whole show: February 2024 Legal Roundtable: A panel of attorneys discuss local and regional issues pertaining to the law. (49 min.)

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<p>A: International mentoring</p> <p>B: WashU mentors Arch Grants hopefuls</p>	St. Louis on the Air	3/1/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Education; Arts, Culture; Economy, Innovation, Business	<p>A: International mentoring: We'll learn about the St. Louis Mosaic Project's International Mentoring Program, which pairs immigrants with St. Louisans in order to promote networking opportunities, build friendships, and help people new to the U.S. navigate life in the region. (29 min.)</p> <p>B: WashU mentors Arch Grants hopefuls: Since its inception in 2012, the Arch Grants Startup Competition has attracted founders from the St. Louis area and beyond who are eager to take their company to the next level with the help of a generous \$75,000 prize. The competition is stiff, but a program at the Olin Business School at Washington University in St. Louis is helping founders get a leg up well-before they pitch their company to Arch Grants judges. We'll learn more about the program and its impact from 2023 Arch Grants recipient Angelica Harris, WashU business school student mentor and entrepreneur Cherise Brookes, and program director Doug Villhard. (21 min.)</p>
<p>A: Kanakuk abuse follow-up</p> <p>B: 7UP's St. Louis history, encore</p>	St. Louis on the Air	3/4/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Arts, Culture	<p>A: Kanakuk abuse followup: About 15 years ago, revelations of sexual abuse at one of the largest Christian camps in the country rocked the Branson-based Kanakuk camp. In 2009, camp counselor Pete Newman was arrested for abusing more than a dozen campers; he was later sentenced to life in prison. Another decade passed before another devastating revelation: Journalist Nancy French found evidence that Kanakuk had known about Newman, protecting not just him but other abusers. Now, a community of survivors and their supporters, armed with French's findings and attorneys, are building a path to change. We talk about the case and about a Missouri House bill, HB 1617, that seeks to expand that statute of limitations for child sex abuse claims. (25 min.)</p> <p>B: 7UP's STL history: The lemon-lime beverage 7UP was invented in St. Louis in the 1920s. In this encore segment, we'll discuss the origin story and little-known facts about 7UP with WashU Professor Ian Bogost, who wrote about lemon-lime sodas for the Atlantic. (24 min.)</p>

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A: PDMP research B: Colin Murphy obit	St. Louis on the Air	3/5/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Science, Health, Environment; Arts, Culture; Race, Demographics, Immigration	<p>A: Prescription drug monitoring programs: SLU Associate Professor Liz Chiarello researches the ways that pharmacies and healthcare professionals are increasingly caught in the crossfire of contemporary political conflict. Her latest paper focuses on how prescription drug monitoring programs — surveillance technology designed for law enforcement but implemented in healthcare as a tool to combat the opioid crisis — will not fix the overdose crisis. In fact, Chiarello says, "The way PDMPs are used now does much to drive up rates of overdose and arrest and little to treat patients who need care." (21 min.)</p> <p>B: Remembering Colin Murphy: Colin Murphy was a queer advocate, activist, historian and journalist. He co-founded Boom Magazine in 2014 to bring regional and national queer news to queer people in the bi-state area and was a recognizable face at statehouses to advocate for civil and health care rights for LGBTQ Missourians and Illinoisans. He passed away in late February from cancer. We'll hear from Boom Magazine co-founder Colin Lovett, former publisher of Vital Voice James Lesch, and director of That Uppity Theatre Company Joan Lipkin about their friendship and work with Colin Murphy over the years. (27 min.)</p>
A: Legal assistance for domestic abuse survivors B: Christopher Dunn follow-up	St. Louis on the Air	3/6/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice	<p>A: Legal assistance for domestic abuse survivors: St. Louis Survivors Legal Support is a new nonprofit that seeks to provide legal support to victims of intimate partner violence. The organization also educates the community about the legal process and resources for those seeking protection. We'll talk with retired St. Louis County Circuit Judge, and SLSLS founder and executive director, Mike Burton, who oversaw countless domestic violence cases. In doing so, he became aware of the many flaws in the system that lead to abusers not being held accountable. We'll also hear from Pastor Monique Green, president of the SLSLS board, about her experience as a survivor of domestic violence. (23 min.)</p> <p>B: Christopher Dunn follow-up: We'll also have an update on the Christopher Dunn case. Last month St. Louis Circuit Attorney Gabe Gore filed a motion to vacate Dunn's murder conviction. "The eyewitness recantations alone are enough to show clear and convincing evidence of actual innocence in this case," Gore said in a statement. We hear from Dunn himself about what this development means in his decades-long effort to prove his innocence; we'll also hear from Dunn's wife, Kira, and Rachel Weston, managing attorney at the Midwest Innocence Project. (26 min.)</p>

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A: Wash U ties to slavery B: Bob Heil obit	St. Louis on the Air	3/7/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Race, Demographics, Immigration; Arts, Culture	<p>A: Wash U ties to slavery: Washington University has a new board that seeks to acknowledge and reconcile the school's connections to people involved in slavery and other sordid facets of this nation's past. Marissanne Lewis-Thompson talks with the inaugural chair of that committee, and we revisit a 2021 conversation about WashU co-founder William Greenleaf Eliot. For years, the university has portrayed him as an abolitionist — but he wasn't. (38 min.)</p> <p>B: Bob Heil obit: Marissa, Illinois, native Bob Heil has died at 83. Heil influenced the development of live concert sound in the 1970's and '80s with his innovative designs for mixing boards, amplifiers and the first talk box stable enough to augment the guitar rigs of major touring acts. Peter Palermo, executive director of the Sheldon Concert Hall and Art Galleries, joins the show to discuss Heil's legacy. (11 min.)</p>
A: Senate Majority Leader Cindy O'Laughlin B: Analysis + MoLeg Check-in C: Homeless shelter legislation in St. Louis	St. Louis on the Air	3/8/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Race, Demographics, Immigration	<p>A: Senate Majority Leader Cindy O'Laughlin: Sen. Cindy O'Laughlin, R-Shelbina, (in northeast Missouri) is responsible for controlling the flow of legislation in the General Assembly's upper chamber. She's also been at the center of harsh infighting among Republicans. We'll discuss that infighting, what's been (and hasn't been) accomplished this session and what to expect down the homestretch. (29 min., combined with B segment)</p> <p>B: Analysis + MoLeg check-in: STLPR statehouse reporter Sarah Kellogg joins us for reaction to the Sen. O'Laughlin interview, and she will discuss the state of the Missouri legislature near its halfway point.</p> <p>C: Homeless shelter legislation: St. Louis Alderwoman Alisha Sonnier discusses a revised plan to change the way homeless shelters are approved in the City of St. Louis. The legislation that she recently introduced would reduce the amount of signatures needed to open a shelter. (21 min.)</p>

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<p>A: Luxury taxes on diapers, period products</p> <p>B: Daylight Saving Time research</p>	St. Louis on the Air	3/11/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Science, Health, Environment; Arts, Culture	<p>A: Luxury taxes on diapers/period products: Missouri taxes diapers and period products those necessities at the same rate as jewelry and sports cars. Bills introduced in the Missouri legislature this year (in both the House and Senate) would seek to change that, repealing the "luxury tax" on diapers and period products. We'll talk with STL Diaper Bank executive director Muriel Smith and from St. Louis University associate professor Anne Sebert Kuhlmann, whose research on period poverty inspired the STL Diaper Bank to create its Period Supply Program in 2020. (26 min.)</p> <p>B: Daylight Saving Time: We'll discuss the Daylight Saving Time/Standard Time debate with WashU biologist Erik Herzog, who asserts that permanent Standard Time is the best schedule for human health and circadian rhythms. We'll also dig into the results of a recent St. Louis University poll on the topic with SLU political scientist Steven Rogers. (23 min.)</p>
<p>A: Peter Sagal in St. Louis</p> <p>B: 'If St. Louis Had a Beach' music</p>	St. Louis on the Air	3/12/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Arts, Culture	<p>A: Peter Sagal in St. Louis: Writer, humorist and "Wait Wait Don't Tell Me" host Peter Sagal is no stranger to St. Louis. Heard by millions across the country, the show airs on STLPR every Saturday and Sunday at 10 a.m. We talk with Sagal in advance of his return to St. Louis for "An Evening With Peter Sagal" this Friday, March 15 at 8 p.m. at the Sheldon Concert Hall. (29 min.)</p> <p>B: "If St. Louis Had A Beach": We'll talk with Tevin Rice, also known as the Gold Giraffe, about the St. Louis inspirations behind his reggae sound and his Caribbean-inspired 314 Day event, "If St. Louis Had A Beach" at HeyDays HQ on March 15. (20 min.)</p>

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A: State of St. Louis colleges, universities B: German expressionism art exhibit	St. Louis on the Air	3/13/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Education; Arts, Culture	A: State of STL colleges and universities: As the region contends with the closure of Fontbonne University in 2025, we'll discuss the state of colleges and universities throughout St. Louis — many of which face financial troubles and declining enrollment. Guests include: Webster University Education Professor Basiyr Rodney, Fontbonne President Nancy Blattner and Rachel Burns, a senior policy analyst at the State Higher Education Executive Officers Association. (33 min.) B: German expressionism: An upcoming exhibit called "Concealed Layers" is highlighting the St. Louis Art Museum's significant collection of German Expressionism paintings. It's not just the paintings in focus, but the process of conservation, and the scientific scanning/analysis that's been done on them — uncovering hidden layers and even full paintings unknown until now. We talk with the exhibit's curators, Courtney Books, associate paintings conservator, and Melissa Venator, the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Assistant Curator of Modern Art. (15 min.)
Whole show: 314 Day	St. Louis on the Air	3/14/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	40	Arts, culture	Whole show: 314 Day 2024: While every other area code is observing Pi Day, St. Louisans will be proudly and loudly celebrating 314 Day. We'll talk with recording artist and community advocate Ohun Ashe, Strange Donuts and Up Late co-owner Jason Bockman, and recording artist and arts ambassador Muhammad "Mvstermind" Austin about why they love St. Louis, what they are most proud of about this city and their hopes for the region. (40 min.)
Whole show: St. Patrick's Day, encore	St. Louis on the Air	3/15/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	40	Arts, culture	Whole show: St. Patrick's Day (encore from 3/17/23): March 17th may be St. Patrick's Day everywhere, but folks in Missouri have ways they make it their own. We'll get an Irish transplant's thoughts on local St. Patrick's customs and learn how Rolla rolls on the holiday. (40 min.)

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A: Prosecutor Table B: Bryan Mullanphy history	St. Louis on the Air	3/18/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	40	Government, Politics, Justice; Arts, Culture	A: Prosecutor Table: A coalition of organizations leading decarceration and racial justice efforts in St. Louis have organized under the umbrella of a group called "The Prosecutor Organizing Table." Last week the group released the first of a series of reports on the status of prosecutions in the region, aiming to "lay bare the immense power of the office, share metrics for evaluating prosecutors, and release data that can be used to hold them accountable." The member groups are Action St. Louis, ArchCity Defenders, Freedom Community Center, Forward Through Ferguson, MacArthur Justice Center, and Missourians to Abolish the Death Penalty. (16 min.) B: Bryan Mullanphy: St. Louis's 10th mayor, Bryan Mullanphy, lived the life of an eccentric individualist, while also becoming one of the city's most generous philanthropists. Mullanphy's name still exists as a street, but his contributions to the city went far beyond that. "Unseen St. Louis" writer and history buff Jackie Dana recently wrote a lengthy retrospective about Mullanphy's life. She'll tell us about the impact of Bryan Mullanphy on St. Louis' Irish community — and his incredible decision to leave one-third of his vast estate to the City of St. Louis, specifically to help poor emigrants and travelers en route to settling in the West. (24 min.)
Whole show: Planetarium event	St. Louis on the Air	3/19/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	40	Arts, Culture; Science, Health, Environment	Whole show: Planetarium event, Ethical question in space: We'll feature highlights of Elaine Cha's conversation with astrophysicist Erika Nesvold, the author of "Off-Earth: Ethical Questions and Quandaries for Living in Outer Space." The Missouri Humanities' signature event was held at the James S. McDonnell Planetarium in February. (40 min.)
Whole show: Giving up on email	St. Louis on the Air	3/20/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	40	Arts, Culture	Whole show: Giving up on email: We'll talk with Ian Bogost, a Washington University professor and contributing writer to the Atlantic, about his recent article, "It's Time to Give Up on Email." (40 min.)
Whole show: Meth podcast & treatment	St. Louis on the Air	3/21/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	40	Science, Health, Environment; Arts, Culture	Whole show: Meth podcast & treatment: A new podcast is taking up the past, present and future of meth. The podcast, "Home Cooked: A 50-Year History of Meth in America," begins with an episode that is heavily based in Missouri, as it explores various layers of meth use and manufacture as it grew in the state in the 2000s; how Missouri became known as the "Meth Capital of America"; and how the use of the drug has changed today. We'll talk to host Olivia Weeks, and Nichole Dawsey, Executive Director of Prevent Ed. (40 min.)

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A: Metro East primary results B: Political polling	St. Louis on the Air	3/22/2024	12:06:00	n/a	40	Government, Politics, Justice	<p>A: Primary results in the Metro East: STLPR journalists Will Bauer and Brian Munoz join the show to discuss relevant local and regional highlights of this week's Illinois primary. Those highlights include the results of the Madison County chairman race as well as the IL-12 contest between Mike Bost and Darren Bailey. (10 min.)</p> <p>B: Political polling: We'll dive into the results of the latest SLU/YouGov poll, which highlights the opinions of Missouri voters on issues in the Missouri Legislature, state political actors, school safety, guns and other issues. We'll also discuss the state of political polling in Missouri, and the country, in 2024. Guests include St. Louis University Professor and SLU/YouGov poll Director Steven Rogers and political reporter Jo Mannies. (30 min.)</p>
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St. Louis on the Air Quarterly FCC Report, January 1 - March 31, 2024

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A: Storm spotting, encore B: Missouri Weird & Wonderful, encore	St. Louis on the Air	3/25/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Science, Health, Environment; Arts, Culture	A: Storm Spotting: We'll talk with Matt Beitscher, meteorologist at the National Weather Service - St. Louis about their upcoming storm spotting classes across eastern Missouri and southwest Illinois. With climate change causing extreme weather in the Midwest, scientists at the NWS are aiming to train more people to help track and assess severe weather. He'll share with us how storm spotters are trained, what specific data they collect, and what major changes to weather patterns we can expect to see this year. (20 min.) B: Missouri Weird & Wonderful: We talk with longtime St. Louisans Amanda Doyle and Dan Zettwoch about their book, Missouri Weird & Wonderful -- an illustrated, kids'-perspective curation that presents some of Missouri's most interesting people, places, and pieces of history. (28 min.)
Whole show: March 2024 Legal Roundtable	St. Louis on the Air	3/27/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice	Whole show: Legal Roundtable March 2024: A panel of attorneys will discuss local and regional issues pertaining to the law. Cases for discussion include the honorary KKK member running for governor and the GOP's efforts to remove him from the ballot, a workplace discrimination lawsuit against Harris-Stowe State University, Murphy vs. Missouri, which is focused on the federal government's interaction with social media companies during COVID-19, among others. (49 min.)
A: Caleb Rowden drops SOS bid B: Australia circumnavigation	St. Louis on the Air	3/28/2024	12:06:00	19:06:00	52	Government, Politics, Justice; Arts, Culture; Race, Demographics, Immigration	A: Caleb Rowden drops bid: We'll feature an excerpt of STLPR's Politically Speaking podcast: a conversation with the President Pro Tem of the Missouri Senate. Sen. Caleb Rowden discusses how fighting within the Republican Party helped him decide to drop out of the race for Secretary of State — and other issues in the legislature. (21 min.) B: Australia circumnavigation: St. Louis resident and pilot Cathy Babis has been flying for more than 50 years. Starting this Saturday, she'll attempt to do something that no woman has done before — circumnavigate mainland Australia in a seaplane. The journey marks the 100th anniversary of the Royal Australian Air Force's circumnavigation of the continent. Babis talks with producer Alex Heuer about the trip and its goals of encouraging people from diverse backgrounds in STEM fields and raising awareness around suicide prevention. (29 min.)

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<p>A: 1904 World's Fair exhibit B: Ferguson 10-year anniversary art exhibit</p>	<p>St. Louis on the Air</p>	<p>3/29/2024</p>	<p>12:06:00</p>	<p>19:06:00</p>	<p>52</p>	<p>Arts, Culture; Race, Demographics, Immigration</p>	<p>A: 1904 World's Fair Exhibit reimagining: It's been a year since the Missouri History Museum's longest running exhibit on the 1904 World's Fair closed for renovation and reimagining. We'll talk with Sam Moore, Managing Director of Public History and Sharon Smith, Curator of Civic and Personal Identity at the Missouri Historical Society about the updates to the exhibit, the motivation behind the changes and what museum patrons can look forward to when it reopens on April 27. (29 min.)</p> <p>B: Ferguson 10-year anniversary art exhibition: On March 22, Webster University debuted a new exhibition, "Ferguson and Beyond: Artistic Responses to a Decade of Social Upheaval 2014-2024," which captures the individual and cultural responses to the killing of Michael Brown Jr. on August 9, 2014. We'll speak with Ferguson professional volunteer Jacquelyn Lewis-Harris and featured artist Cheeraz Gormon about the exhibit, the role art has played in processing Brown's killing, what progress has been made and what work still needs to be done nearly a decade later. (20 min.)</p>

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Legislative preview	1/2/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	We'll preview the 2024 Missouri legislative session which begins Jan. 3.
Farm economy	1/3/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	economy, business	The national farm trade deficit is way up this year - \$17 billion - what does this mean for local farmers?
Crime and society	1/4/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Bobby Shah and his family had been at the Trunk or Treat at North Kirkwood Middle School for 9 minutes when chaos erupted and shots rang in the air. Families ran for cover and Bobby and his family were quickly split up. St. Louis County Police Officer Matthew McCulloch — the son of former St. Louis County prosecutor Bob McCulloch — was arrested and initially charged with 11 felony counts including child endangerment, unlawful use of a weapon and making terroristic threats. So how do incidents of such nature impact communities? Families have varying perspectives.
Interview with attorney general	1/5/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Missouri Attorney General Andrew Bailey talks about his plans for the office in 2024.
CommUNITY Arts Bus	1/8/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	economy, business	We ride along on the CommUNITY Arts Bus with students and volunteers heading from north St. Louis County to a dance studio near Forest Park. This program provides transportation and tuition scholarships to St. Louis and St. Louis County youth ages 6-18.
Canning comeback	1/9/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Canning — once a necessity so families could have fruits and vegetables through the winter — has turned into a hobby. Here's how canning evolved from the home to factories and why people are returning to the practice.
Jan. 6 Congressman	1/10/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Three years ago, an armed mob of Donald Trump supporters and right-wing extremists stormed the U-S Capitol Building in an effort to prevent the certification of the 20-20 presidential election. Democratic Congressman from Illinois Mike Quigley was there.
Francis Howell Black History and Literature	1/11/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	race, identity & culture	Francis Howell students, graduates and parents say the district's Black history and literature courses helped shape students' identities and were pivotal in understanding American history after the school board voted 5-2 in December to remove the classes. The board president and superintendent announced days later that they would return under a "politically neutral" curriculum. Parents and students worry the new curriculum will whitewash Black history.
Word in Black	1/12/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	race, identity & culture	After three years, Word in Black, a collective of 10 Black newspaper publishers, including The St. Louis American's Donald Suggs, have incorporated into a public benefit company. Word in Black addresses racial inequities from the Black perspective. Suggs said the shift in business model is meant to help Black newspapers across the country by providing greater commercial opportunities and allowing them to reach other markets.
Leutkemeyer talks	1/17/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Retiring U.S. Rep. Blaine Leutkemeyer reflects on his years of public service in Missouri and Congress.
Lincoln University	1/19/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	education	The president of Lincoln University, a historically black college in Jefferson City, is under suspension while an investigation is underway into his conduct. John Mosely was the subject of an email from the school's former vice president of student affairs, Antoinette Candia-Bailey, sent hours before she died by suicide. The Midwest Newsroom's Holly Edgell has read the email and talked to students and alumni.

Future City Finals	1/22/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	education	Teams of 6-8 graders from around the state will compete in presenting their visions of a city of the future. This year's challenge asks students to build a 100% electrically powered city with energy generated from sources that keep citizens and the environment healthy and safe. The winner of the state finals in Rolla will go to Washington DC to represent the state in national competition.
Interview with Jason Smith	1/23/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	education	U.S. Rep. Jason Smith talks about his child tax credit bill moving through Congress.
Homecare Workers	1/24/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	health, science & environment	Illinois has a program that provides free or affordable childcare to low-income families, including at home-based daycares. More than 15 thousand of those providers are currently in contract negotiations with the state. They're bargaining over pay and retirement, as more and more workers leave the field because of low wages – and lack of benefits.
Marijuana cultivators	1/25/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	economy, business	Eric Schmid sits down with Justin Sheffield, the director of cultivation for local cannabis company, Beleaf. We talk about the rollout in Missouri and the intricacies of growing something that is a federal controlled substance.
Paron's last year	1/26/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Gov. Mike Parson sits down with Sarah and Jason the day after the State of State to talk about what he plans for his last year in office.
Electric buses	1/29/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	health, science & environment	Electric school buses are coming to a district near you. A federal grant program from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Act is paying for buses and charging infrastructure in rural, low-income and tribal school districts across the Midwest. The switch to electric buses is an important part of the Biden administration's climate plan and the buses mean less exposure to air pollution for kids, but they're expensive and there are many barriers to school districts making the switch. We'll go to the Ralls County RII school district outside of Hannibal that now has 2/16 buses running on electric. We'll also talk to districts in Harvest states that are still waiting on buses.
Water cremation	1/30/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	economy, business	Funeral director Jon Hughes has been practicing "water cremation" for years. The process uses liquid to rapidly decompose a body in a tank after a person dies. Proponents say the process is better for the environment than cremation embalming and other traditional methods. Hughes has taken over a 100-year old crematorium in south St. Louis and plans to operate his aqua cremation services there.
New Amtrak Board member	1/31/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	economy, business	Interview with new Amtrak board members Kris Coos about his priorities for the passenger rail service
Public Safety	2/1/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	iCity leaders say homicide clearance rates have been at 75% the last two months and homicides have decreased by 40% since 2021. St. Louis Public Radio has been covering issues regarding a lack of transparency by police in St. Louis, but still, community groups like the Freedom Community Center and others say there's more work to do.
John H. Gladney Collection	2/2/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	race, identity & culture	The Missouri History Society has unveiled a new collection dedicated to Dr. John Gladney. Gladney became the first Black ear nose throat specialist in St. Louis as well as the first Black doctor in the country to lead a department of otolaryngology.
Moby Dick at the Rep	2/5/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	arts	The Rep is presenting an adaptation of "Moby Dick" created by Chicago's influential Lookingglass Theatre Company. The fresh take on Herman Melville's novel includes acrobats and other circus performers. It runs Feb. 6 through Feb. 25.
Pipeline opposition	2/6/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	economy, business	Like it or not, pipelines are going to be a big part of our future. They're a big part of the climate transition, with proposals for tens of thousands of miles of CO2 pipelines and thousands of Hydrogen pipelines. But communities where these projects may traverse are pushing back against the proposals, citing past damages from oil and gas pipelines and a lack of regulation/rules to protect them.

Metro East marijuana tax	2/7/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	economy, business	Feb. 3 will mark the one-year anniversary of Missouri's sale of recreational marijuana. At the time, Metro East municipalities predicted less interest in Illinois weed — which would mean less tax revenue for Collinsville, Fairview Heights and Sauget. One year later, what's actually happened? In Collinsville, tax revenue has dropped from about \$1.1 million to \$700,000.
Office of New Americans Update	2/8/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	race, identity & culture	St. Louis Mayor Tishaura Jones created the Office of New Americans in October to help prepare the city for new arriving immigrants. Jones appointed Cortex's former communications director Gilberto Pinela to lead the office. In his first few months, he has already worked to bring in refugees from Afghanistan, Congo and Latin America, which many people in the region have had issues with. He talks about his plans for the office and how he hopes the city will become the number one growing city for Immigrants.
Bost/Bailey race	2/9/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	In far southern Illinois – a conservative congressman like incumbent Mike Bost would ordinarily be a shoo-in for reelection. But he faces a serious challenge in the March 19th primary from a fellow Republican who says Bost's voting record isn't good enough – even though Bost was in line with former President Donald Trump 94 percent of the time.
The strength of pot	2/12/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	health, science & environment	In the year since weed was fully legalized in Missouri, thousands of residents tried their first legally made cannabis products. But many of these new products are stronger than their predecessors... leaving many residents asking, has weed gotten stronger? The short answer is yes, but there's a lot more to weed than its strength.
Renewable energy opposition	2/13/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	As the number of wind and solar farms increases, so does opposition in the rural areas where they're being built. While more counties and townships passed restrictions in the last year, some states are responding by passing laws making it harder for local governments to say no to wind and solar.
Illinois Reading	2/14/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	education	Students who don't read well by the third grade are more likely to drop out, or take longer to graduate, according to the Annie E. Casey Foundation. And there are a lot of kids who are struggling in Illinois. It's why parents and teachers pushed the state to create a new literacy plan that says schools should spend more time teaching letter sounds, or phonics, over other reading methods.
Children's services	2/15/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	The head of Missouri's Division of Social Services talks about where the massive backlog of child abuse case investigations stands and other issues affecting children in the state in a one-one interview Wednesday afternoon.
Right to die in Illinois	2/16/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Illinois lawmakers want to allow *terminally ill* patients to end their lives on their own terms. A new proposal in the state senate would let people with a prognosis of six months to live or less... get a prescription for medication that they would administer themselves.
Lincoln Days recap	2/20/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	What's the mood like among Missouri Republicans heading into a busy 2024 election which includes a highly competitive race for governor? We took the GOP's temperature at Lincoln Days last weekend.
In UNISON anniversary	2/21/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	arts	For 30 years, the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra's IN UNISON Choir has celebrated Black voices through Gospel and classical music. SLSO leaders, choir singers and fans say the choir has helped bring together Black artists from around the region to celebrate Black musical heritage.
Sanborn honor	2/22/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	arts	Kirkwood-raised musician David Sanborn has won six Grammys and sold millions of albums while developing a distinctive sound on saxophone. Sanborn will receive the inaugural Jazz Lifetime Achievement Award from Jazz St. Louis at its gala on Feb. 22.
Brahms and Radiohead	2/23/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	education	Conductor Steve Hackman will lead the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra through an innovative program that melds elements of Brahms' First Symphony and Radiohead's groundbreaking 1997 album "OK Computer." The concert is Feb. 24.

Lunar New Year	2/23/2024	6:45 AM	5:44 PM	4	race, identity & culture	Across the St. Louis region Asian Americans are celebrating Lunar New Year. Many families are excited about this year in particular because it is the Year of the Dragon, the most famous zodiac sign in Asia. Some families are celebrating with family and friends from Asian countries for the first time since the pandemic. Families are attending religious ceremonies at temples to usher in new year blessings, making dumplings and other traditional foods and giving out red envelopes to children. Though the families are enjoying the new year in St. Louis, many say city and county officials should embrace Lunar New Year and treat it as a huge cultural event with parades and parties to showcase Asian culture in the region.
Family billiards business	2/26/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	economy, business	A pool table business has thrived in St. Louis since the 1860s. Each table is handmade by the Schmidt family. The sixth-generation is taking over. A.E Schmidt keeps handmade, heirloom art alive in a fast-moving consumer environment.
Lincoln University and Black Mental Health	2/27/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	race, identity & culture	Lincoln University students and alumni are still grieving the death of a beloved administrator. Antoinette “Bonnie” Candia-Bailey died by suicide in January. The community response to Candia-Bailey’s death has brought awareness to the Black mental health crisis and how Black professionals in Missouri are supporting one another.
Illinois Teacher Prep For Diverse History Manadates	2/28/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	education	In 2021, Illinois became the first state to require public schools to teach Asian American history. That was on top of teaching the history of LGBTQ people, Black people before enslavement and the Holocaust. A new University of Illinois study is researching how it’s going.
Abortion	2/29/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	The latest on the abortion rights effort in Missouri.
Female Veteranarians	3/1/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	health, science & environment	In the past fifteen years, though, women have become the majority of practicing veterinarians and students. Despite these changes, some areas of the field still lag behind. This story looks into why rural animal practices are still largely male-dominated.
Hispanic maternal mortality	3/4/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	A pregnancy-related death is when a person dies during pregnancy– or within a year after the pregnancy due to complications. Some Midwestern states have maternal mortality rates higher than the national average. The data on Hispanic women can be particularly challenging.
New Black history and lit curricula	3/5/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	race, identity & culture	The Francis Howell school board plans to vote on the new curricula for its Black history and literature courses that the district threatened to pull unless the Southern Poverty Law Center’s social justice standards were pulled. The new curricula for the Black lit course includes little changes but the history curriculum takes a more chronological approach. Some parents say while the changes aren’t terrible, they’re worried the board won’t approve the changes.
Senate election and Ukraine	3/6/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	As the U.S. Senate continues to debate the latest funding request for Ukraine, we ask Missouri’s Senate candidates where they stand.
Soccer protest	3/7/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	sports	A decision by MLS means many teams, including City SC, will not play in the U.S. Open Cup, a soccer tournament that goes back more than 100 years. St. Louis teams won the cup numerous times before the founding of MLS. City SC’s supporter groups are planning a protest by boycotting the Leagues Cup games, which they call a “cash grab” by the MLS.
Bost/Bailey race	3/8/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Once Trump endorsed U.S. Rep. Mike Bost against former Illinois governor candidate Darren Bailey many think the race effectively ended. But the two are still duking it out for the 12th Congressional District congressional nomination - which is tantamount to election in the heavily GOP area. We look at where each stands on key issues and what they would do for the Metro East portion of the district..
PFAS	3/11/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	health, science & environment	Applying organic waste like manure to farmland has been going on for centuries. And biosolids follow the same logic -- they’re a type of treated sewage from wastewater plants that make a nutrient-rich fertilizer. But a group of toxic “forever chemicals” known as PFAS (PEE fahs) are slipping through the cracks and could be inadvertently contaminating millions of acres of farmland. Few states are regularly testing for PFAS in their biosolids.

Madison County Board Chair GOP Primary	3/12/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Madison County Treasurer Chris Slusser is challenging Board Chairman Kurt Prenzler in a Republican primary on March 19 that has turned the former allies into enemies.
Khalil Irving profile	3/13/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	arts	A San Diego native who grew up in the Compton Heights neighborhood of St. Louis, Irving started ceramics classes at the South City YMCA at age 11 and has built an innovative artistic practice around those skills. He creates multimedia sculptures and installations that comment on social injustices. In December, Cultured magazine awarded him its inaugural Young Artists Prize. Irving has solo exhibitions coming up next month at the Nerman Museum in Kansas City and the Kemper Art Museum in St. Louis. The Kemper show opens Feb. 23.
Blight in STL	3/15/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	economy, business	There are a handful of properties at the intersection of Kingshighway and I-64 that have become very visible representations of the city's challenges with blight and developers speculating on property, while not moving forward with development. Now these homes are being demolished to make way for a new development, but not without heartburn along the way for the Forest Park Southeast Community. This situation is not unique, just more visible to the community. We explore how these multifamily houses fell into such disrepair and the policies that can help prevent that from happening in the future to other visible and less visible homes in rough condition.
Cockfighting	3/18/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Cockfighting, the practice of fighting roosters, has been around for centuries. In the U.S. it's a federal crime and illegal in all 50 states. But in Oklahoma, there's an effort to lower the penalties for cockfighting that breeders say simply protects their right to raise roosters, while animal rights groups are calling foul.
Mark Twain Forest Fires	3/19/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	Health, science & environment	The national forests in Missouri and Illinois do not see the kind of catastrophic forest fires seen in the west. But they are on the rise, and officials at the Mark Twain National forest fought two of them last week, damaging 1,000 acres and some private property. Climate change means this will happen more often, and midwest forest officials want to be ready.
Fontbonne University	3/20/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	education	Fontbonne University leadership this month announced the 101-year old school would close in 2025. Sarah answers questions about what this means for students and other smaller colleges in the region.
Fontbonne University	3/20/2024	6:45 AM	5:44 PM	4	education	The more than 800 students at Fontbonne find their futures up in the air by the announcement of their school's closure. Some will try to graduate in the next year and a half. Some will transfer. And they find they are not the only college students in the St. Louis area that are worried about their future.
Ligeia Mare	3/22/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	arts	St. Louis-based multidisciplinary artist Damon Davis presents "Ligeia Mare," a short opera he wrote and will perform in collaboration with Alarm Will Sound, the pioneering new-music ensemble. Davis's piece is part of a program of new music the ensemble will perform at Kirkwood Performing Arts Center on March 22, before taking it to Carnegie Hall.
Missouri legislature halfway	3/25/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Missouri legislators return from their Spring break on March 25 with a lot on their plate for the last eight weeks of the session. So far, the 2024 session has been dominated by the Missouri Freedom Caucus stalling action in the Senate.
County jail beauty shop	3/26/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	government, politics & justice	Some female inmates at the St. Louis County Justice Center are taking part in a beauty shop training program. The nine-week course is a mix of hands-on and classroom instruction. This is the only county jail in the state to offer this.
Cardinals season preview	3/27/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	sports	The Cardinals open their season on the road against the Dodgers. Last year was a major disappointment to the team and fans. There are some new faces and many returning, but will it be enough to make the team competitive? Rob Rains of STL Sports Page will talk about it.

Black with sickle cell disease	3/28/2024	7:45 AM	4:44 PM	4	Health, science & environment	In Dec. 2023, the FDA approved two cell-based gene therapies for sickle cell disease. The Biden administration says the first treatments are going out this quarter. Doctors and medical professionals say the therapies mark major advances in the treatment of sickle cell disease. The disease disproportionately impacts Black Americans, which causes them to have limited treatment options. Black St. Louisans with the disease are hopeful that the approvals of the treatment will be life-changing and allow them to widely access the therapies and help decrease the amount of sickle cell crises they have over a lifetime.
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