

Quarterly Issues Programs List

Townsquare Media Faribault-Owatonna

Station: KDHL-AM

July 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023

SECTION I. Issues

- A) **Safety:** News and information that is directed towards the area's residents specifically, severe weather awareness, fire safety, and mental health awareness in the community.
- B) **Local Politics:** Giving listeners the opportunity to hear directly from local elected officials, helps them remain part of the political process in our area. Updates on legislation that affects listeners is provided on a regular basis.
- C) **Mental Health:** Mental health has been pushed to the forefront of southern Minnesota's consciousness since the pandemic. Mental health and related issues affect so many, but has not been given the public attention it deserves until recently.
- D) **Economy:** Many Minnesota families are struggling to make ends meet. Inflation is affecting every aspect of their lives. Higher gas prices, increased cost of food and groceries, and the cost of sending kids back to school are weighing heavily on area families, leaving many wondering if there is any relief in sight.
- E) **Community Affairs:** A focus on local community fundraisers that need assistance and happenings including local road construction that will impact local businesses, and broadening the community's memberships of the local chamber of commerce's.

SECTION II – Responsive Programs

AM MINNESOTA is a daily locally produced public affairs program that discusses matters of importance to Minnesotans. Minnesota Matters runs every weekday morning on **KDHL-AM** for **30 minutes** from **9:30 am to 10:00 am**.

7/4/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Community Events

Program Description: Live broadcast of North Morristown 4th of July Patriotic program. Keynote speaker was former military chaplain.

7/10/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Elder Care, Memory Care

Program Description: Carrie and Sarah from Emeralds of Faribault discuss the need for nursing help and other job openings. They also talk about efforts to assist people in maintaining their stability and memory.

7/17/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Safety

Program Description: Faribault Fire Chief Dustin Dienst is also the city's Emergency Management Director and talks about severe drought the area is experiencing. We also go over what to do in the event of severe weather during the county fair this week.

7/19/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Agriculture

Program Description: Live broadcast of Rice County Ag Hall of Fame event during Rice County Fair. Several agriculture leaders and farm families are recognized.

7/20/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Safety, Crime Prevention

Program Description: Rice County Sheriff Jesse Thomas joins us at Rice County Fair. We go over some youth problems the past couple years at the fair and law enforcement's plan to curb those this year. Extra officers worked.

7/28/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Agriculture

Program Description: Farm Fest Communications Director Niki Jones says ag forums will once again highlight the event held in southwest Minnesota. KDHL Farm Director Jerry Groskreutz was moderator for a couple of them

8/3/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Community Events

Program Description: Kevin Voracek, Faribault Mayor is also a member of the Blue Collar Festival. The event features regional musicians, food trucks and a classic vehicle show in Tepee Tonka Park in Faribault.

8/24/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Safety, Fundraising

Program Description: John Sherwin, Faribault Police Chief discusses a softball game between his department with Firefighters against the Rice County Sheriff's Office. Proceeds donated to the local Hope Center which assists those experiencing domestic and sexual violence.

8/31/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Community Events, Fundraising

Program Description: Elizabeth Child, Rice County United Way Executive Director, reveals details about their upcoming Day of Caring. We also discuss all the good they are able to do for youth and others.

9/7/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Elder Care

Program Description: Carla Pearson, Buckham West Executive Director, visits for a get to know you session after being on the job for a few months.

9/8/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Local Arts

Program Description: Paradise Center for the Arts makes some changes in their leadership. Julie

Fakler becomes Executive Director. Will McIntyre is Education and Performing Arts Director. Heidi Tansom becomes Fund Development Director.

9/14/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Education

Program Description: Jamie Bente, Faribault Public Schools Superintendent, reports school started without a hitch. We talk about discipline issues, new free lunch for all program, and necessary budget cuts.

9/20/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Healthcare, Cancer, Fundraising

Program Description: Gayle Nagle, Loni Ahlers, Light of Hope Cancer Foundation Board members publicize their first annual Light of Hope Celebration at Central Park. Proceeds benefit the local organization started to keep donations local, helping Rice County residents.

9/26/2023

Issue(s) Discussed: Agriculture

Program Description: Professor Bedford from the University of Minnesota apple breeding program tells us about a new apple called Kudos. The development process is the bulk of the conversation. The drought in Minnesota was hard on the current apple crop.