

Public File Channel 977 (97.7 FM/1020AM/KJKK-AM) - 2019 Quarter 4:

1. Tuesday, October 01, 2019:
 - October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The idea is to raise awareness of the disease and funds for research into cause, prevention, diagnosis, treatment and cure. Told listeners to visit nationalbreastcancerawareness.org for more information (2:40pm).
2. Wednesday, October 02, 2019:
 - The Lincoln Avenue project in Fergus Falls has officially started. Without bad weather or unexpected delays it should go for about a week. Instructed listeners to visit kbrfradio.com for more information (4:15pm).
3. Thursday, October 03, 2019:
 - Hundreds of trucks will be on the roads for the sugar beet harvest. Told listeners that they could find safety information at kbrfradio.com. Also, explained that a commercial driver's license is not required to have a sugar beet truck and many of the drivers are not as experienced as drivers who drive for a living (2:30pm).
4. Friday, October 04, 2019:
 - Monday night (October 7th) from 5p-7p the Fergus Falls Fire Department will have an open hours which will have demonstrations for the first time. Demonstrations will run every 20 minutes. October is Fire Prevention Month and next week is Fire Prevention Week. Informed listeners of all of this and to visit kbrfradio.com for details (3:15pm).
5. Monday, October 07, 2019:
 - Beginning today (October 7th), people traveling on Interstate 94 around Alexandria will have to deal with intermittent lane closures between Highway 27 and 29 interchanges. Told listeners about this and to drive with caution, slow down in the work zones, and never enter a roadway that has been blocked by barriers or cones. More information at kbrfradio.com (3:10pm).
6. Tuesday, October 08, 2019:
 - Now through October 12th is Fire Prevention Week. October is also Fire Prevention Month. Experts say that it's important for families to have an escape plan because in less than 30 seconds a small flame can become a major fire. Told listeners this and to visit nfpa.org for more information (4:30pm).
7. Friday, October 11, 2019:
 - The Minnesota Department of Transportation is giving over \$26 million in FFA grants to 14 airports in the rural parts of the state, which includes Fergus Falls. \$493,000 will be awarded mainly for preserving pavement runways. Told listeners this and to check out kbrfradio.com for more information (2:40pm).
8. Monday, October 14, 2019:
 - The Flu Season is here and the Minnesota Department of Health is encouraging people to prepare. Health officials say that it's important for anyone over 6 months to get vaccinated every year. Passed this information on to listeners and told them to go to kbrfradio.com for more details (2:40pm).

9. Wednesday, October 16, 2019:
 - October is Halloween Safety Month. The National Safety Council has some good tips including things dealing with costumes like making sure that costumes, wigs and accessories are fire resistant, as well as avoiding masks that obstruct vision. Told listeners this and to visit nsc.org for more information (3:15pm).
10. Thursday, October 17, 2019:
 - According to the Minnesota Office of Traffic Safety Fall is the most likely time of the year for deer collision. There are things that drivers can do to minimize the risk and possibly avoid a bad situation with deer like being especially cautious between 6p-9p. Informed listeners of all this and to go to kbrfradio.com for more information (4:10pm).
11. Monday, October 21, 2019:
 - Halloween is quickly approaching and the National Safety Council has some great tips for the holiday regarding motorists. According to them anyone driving during trick or treat hours should watch carefully for kids, enter and exit driveways and alleys with caution, watch for children in dark clothes when it's not late. Told listeners this and to visit nsc.org for more information (2:40pm).
12. Wednesday, October 23, 2019:
 - MN Dot says that shorter days and more hours of darkness in the Fall lead to an increase in pedestrian/vehicle crashes. People should be mindful of what they are wearing and drivers need to expect people where they may not expect them. Passed this information along to listeners and said to visit kbrfradio.com for details (3:15pm).
13. Thursday, October 24, 2019:
 - There's a speed limit changing that will be happening soon in Fergus Falls. The Fergus Falls City Council approved a speed change from West Alcott Ave from 45mph to 30mph from Martin Street to the roundabout. Told listeners this and to get details at kbrfradio.com (2:40pm).
14. Thursday, October 31, 2019:
 - Fergus Falls Public Schools are changing their alert system. "School Messenger" will be the new service, which has already been used to deliver lunch balances and attendance notifications for a few years. Told listeners this and to check out kbrfradio.com for details (2:40pm).
15. Friday, November 01, 2019:
 - The DNR is warning Minnesota hunters that wet conditions are creating unsafe state forest roads and trails. Partial and/or temporary closure of roads, trails and recreational facilities can happen because of this. DNR says people should check state park, trail and forest webpages for information (3:10pm).
16. Monday, November 04, 2019:
 - There was about a tenth of inch of snow on the ground when 118 crashes were reported to the Minnesota State Patrol on Saturday between 6a and 11a. Authorities say that this is a good reminder that winter is growing strong and drivers should be more aware of conditions. Told listeners to learn more at kbrfradio.com (2:15pm).

17. Tuesday, November 05, 2019:

- The 4th annual Mayor to Mayor Event will be on Tuesday night November 12th at A Center for the Arts from 5p-6:30p. Focus will include economic impact of arts and riverfront and downtown redevelopment. Informed listeners of all this and said to visit kbrfradio.com for more information (4:15pm).

18. Wednesday, November 06, 2019:

- The Minnesota DNR is denying a request to ban lead or other toxic fishing tackle in the waters where loons feed. State officials say that it's an issue for Minnesota legislature to decide. Told listeners to read more at kbrfradio.com (3:15pm).

19. Monday, November 11, 2019:

- There were a bunch of observances today in honor of Veteran's Day. Reminded listeners of this and that most city offices and facilities in Fergus Falls are closed (3:10pm).

20. Wednesday, November 13, 2019:

- The 4th Annual Mayor to Mary Event was on Tuesday night at A Center for the Arts. The main topics discussed were the economic impact of arts, riverfront and downtown redevelopment, and best practices and lessons learned from Red Wing, which was the town the other mayor came from. Told listeners to read more at kbrfradio.com (2:30pm).

21. Thursday, November 14, 2019:

- The state's largest online fundraising campaign "Give to the Max" started today at midnight and goes to midnight. Last year, over 70,000 donors made \$21 million in contributions to almost 6,000 nonprofits and schools. Told listeners that they could donate at givemn.org and find more information at kbrfradio.com (4:10pm).

22. Friday, November 15, 2019:

- Fergus Falls schools cafeteria are working on expanding healthy food options. More offerings of whole grains, more fruits and vegetables, and those kinds of things. Told listeners to read more at kbrfradio.com (3:15pm).

23. Monday, November 18, 2019:

- The second weekend of Minnesota's Firearms Deer Hunting Season has ended. Barb Keller of the DNR that the harvest numbers look good with just under 98,000 taken. She also said that hunters have been very cooperative at the chronic waste disease stations. Told listeners to read more at kbrfradio.com (3:10pm).

24. Monday, December 02, 2019:

- The Minnesota DNR is reminding families about ice safety. Kids should never go out on lakes or ponds alone. No ice is 100% safe. It should be at least 4 inches for walking and double that if covered in heavy snow. Told listeners to get details at kbrfradio.com (2:15pm).

25. Tuesday, December 03, 2019:

- The holiday season is here and the Better Business Bureau of Minnesota wants people to be aware of scams. When shopping online beware of false advertising and only shop from sellers on secured sites. More information at kbrfradio.com (3:10pm).

26. Thursday, December 05, 2019:

- It's Winter and that means that there are lots of snow plows around. Reminded listeners that if they are driving to make sure to give plows plenty of space (at least 10 car lengths is what should be done). 511.org has more details (2:15pm).

27. Tuesday, December 10, 2019:

- There are some very cold temperatures happening and the area and it's important to wear warm clothes. Adding layers can be critical. Weather.gov/safety has a guide of how you should dress when it's chilly, cold and extreme cold weather. Encouraged listeners to take a look at it (3:10pm).

28. Friday, December 13, 2019:

- Federal regulators are working on setting up a simpler way for people to use the Suicide Prevention Hotline to get help and reduce the stigma associated with mental health. Once in place a person will just need to dial 988. Told listeners to read more at kbrfradio.com (3:10pm).

29. Tuesday, December 17, 2019:

- State health officials have confirmed that an early flu season is happening in Minnesota (earliest in about two decades). The current string effects mainly children, but it is recommended that everyone do things like stay away from people with the flu, wash hands with soap and water, and other things like that (3:10pm).

30. Monday, December 23, 2019:

- Minnesotans have up until the end of the day today (11:59pm) to enroll in health insurance through MNsure for 2020 coverage. Told listeners to get details at kbrfradio.com (3:30pm).

31. Friday, December 27, 2019:

- The Minnesota Department of Health is saying that there were 167 flu outbreaks in schools last week. That is the highest in five years, but with the holiday break going on the spread should slow down. It is recommended that people do things like washing hands and staying away from people that are sick. Told listeners to read more at kbrfradaio.com (3:30pm).