



AROUND THE OZARKS – A PUBLIC SERVICE PROGRAM

- **LENGTH:** 30-MINUTES
- **TIME:** SUNDAY AT 6 AM
- **DATE:** 10/2/2011
- **ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE:** Thrive Past 55 Retirement Lifestyle Expo
Guests: Corinna Baban & Adin Baban the Producers of the event as well as Joe LaTour from the LaTour Advisory Group, presenter and sponsor at the event
- **TOPIC:** On October 15 & 16 at the Springfield Expo Center there will be a special event called Thrive Past 55 Retirement Lifestyle Expo to help educate and inform, primarily Baby Boomers of their upcoming retirement or at the least, life at their current work ends. Included will be special seminars with people such as guest, LaTour and others. In addition, National speaker and former Ark. Governor Mike Huckabee will address attendees as well as National Entertainer and Branson known Mickey Gilley will also perform. There will be booths, prizes, health screening and much more.



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- **TIME:** SUNDAY AT 6 AM
- **DATE:** 10/9/2011
- **ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE:** Ozarks Counseling Center Guest: Andrea Bishop – Executive Director
- **TOPIC:** The Ozarks Counseling Center is a public counseling offer for individuals, couples and families of all economic conditions. The Center is located in Springfield, Mo but will service anyone who can drive or get to their offices. There are a number of therapists that deal in many different areas of mental health. During this program we spoke about just a few: Anger Management; marriage counseling; Preparation for Marriage; kids issues; depression etc.

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- **TIME:** SUNDAY AT 6 AM
- **DATE:** 10/16/2011
- **ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE:** Chemical Addiction – Sigma House – Springfield, Nixa & Branson Guests: Mr. Roy Pischer – Vice President of Operations and Mr. Matthew Ennis, Vice President of Advancement
- **TOPIC: Summation:** First and foremost, the Sigma House is in no way a “fraternity” as is so oft asked. What it is, is a place for people with dependency and addiction to drug and alcohol to go and receive evaluation and assistance to overcome their disease! During this program we talked about symptoms, family intervention, self help, and the economic cost for addiction right here in this area. The Sigma House has been in existence since 1977 and has now expanded from its original house in Springfield to locations in both Nixa and Branson, MO. At the current time, the Sigma House treats clients from all over the Midwest but of course, most come from the immediate Southwest MO area.



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- LENGTH: 30-MINUTES
- TIME: SUNDAY AT 6 AM
- DATE: 10/23/2011
- ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE: Junior League of Springfield – The Plaid Door resale store Guests: Brooke O'Reilly-President and Holly Beadle, Vice President of Finance
- TOPIC: During the first part of the show, we learned of the history of the Junior League and its Springfield history, beginning in 1959. The Junior League of Springfield is an organization consisting of women only committed to promoting voluntarism, and making a better community through kids and family care. The main benefactor of the fund raising and volunteerism is Isabel's House, the ciris nursery of the Ozarks. During the second part of the program we talked about the Plaid Door Resale Shop in Springfield. It is their major fund raiser and they have been in the retail business for 35-years. According to the guests, the biggest need is for donations of merchandise for resale.



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- **LENGTH: 30-MINUTES**
- **TIME: SUNDAY AT 6 AM**
- **DATE: 10/30/2011**
- **ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE: Crime and Police work in Springfield, MO**
Guest: Corporal Matt Brown – Public Affairs Officer, Springfield Police Department
- **TOPIC: Summation: The program began with us discussing safety for the following night (Halloween) and what people can do to keep their kids safe and homeowners from being vandalized if they have outdoor decorations. That led nicely in to the rest of the 4th quarter with Christmas shopping etc. Corporal Brown severed up several tactics for people to do to help civilians discourage and even prevent crime of theft. Some of the easier things are to lock your doors, put stuff in the trunk when available, try to stow stuff out of sight if there is no trunk. Park in lighted areas at night etc. From there we talked about the crime rate in Springfield since the “fairly new” Chief has implemented the new center city squads. While the guest “felt” the rate has come down, the real story will not be known for some time as the program is still in the early stage. The idea behind the center city squads is to concentrate special officers who’s job it is to just patrol and work those areas of the city with high(er) than normal crime rates. With this focus, it should bring the rate down. Again, time will expose the truth. We also talked about the current morale of the force. You may remember from past programs the police and fire departments were the object of much debate and some criticism due to the pension program which was in trouble. Well, the good news is that, that is pretty much behind and according to Corporal Brown, the morale of the force is high!**



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- **LENGTH: 30-MINUTES**
- **TIME: SUNDAY AT 6 AM**
- **DATE: 11/6/2011**
- **ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE: A Rare Breed Youth Services** Guests: Loni Brewer, Safe Place Supervisor and Rare Breed Youth Outreach Center Supervisor; Samantha Sudduth, Youth Supervisor at Rare Breed and Colton Hughes, 18 year old former Transitional Living Program youth and current Youth Safe Place Volunteer.
- **TOPIC: Summation: The Kitchen Inc. started the process for A Rare Breed about 9 years ago with the idea to set up services for homeless youth, ages 13-21 of Springfield. There are primarily two major programs to help perform these duties. One is the Youth Outreach Center that serves up to 100 youth in a single days time. This primarily focuses on the 17 year old group that are estranged from family and yet, too young for accessing state services because they are still underage. The second program is the Transitional Living Program. This program provides a longer term housing option that comes with the stipulation that the youth , in effect, works for the services provided. The final item we addressed was an upcoming fund raiser and community awareness event called "Springfield Sleepout!" This year is the 3rd annual with last year seeing over 300 participate. The event is on Friday November 18th on the campus of Missouri State by Plaster Stadium. The idea is to have people experience some of what a homeless youth might experience. Chances are it will be cold. Other than that, the evening event is designed more for fun and entertainment with splashes of education.**



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- LENGTH: 30-MINUTES
- TIME: SUNDAY AT 6 AM
- DATE: 11/13/2011
- ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE: Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for children Guest: Mr. Matthew Evans – Co-Executive Director
- The first part of this program, we got to know a little about Matthew as he is relatively new to the position of Executive Director. There has been a change at the top of this organization and we talked about credentials, successes and challenges of CASA. We also learned of the upcoming recruitment for volunteers to be a CASA as well as behind the scenes for this organization. We talked about the need and desire for more people to assist those children assigned to the court. Currently in Greene County, there are over 11-hundred children in foster care. An amazing number and unfortunately, second highest per thousand in the USA. Main reason being poverty & drug/alcohol abuse.



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- LENGTH: 30-MINUTES
- TIME: SUNDAY AT 6 AM
- DATE: 11/27/2011
- ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE: Salvation Army and the holidays Guest: Major Norman Grainger, ranking officer of the Salvation Army – Springfield, MO/Ozarks area
- Summation: With the Holidays upon us, it's the time of the year for the Bells & Red Kettles of Salvation Army. Major Grainger talked about the importance of this time of year for funds collection for the many services provided by the SA. This year's goal for November and through Christmas is \$1-million. About half of that comes in courtesy of the red kettles that most of us are aware of at the stores when shopping for Christmas. The other half comes in through on line-fund drives –mail requests-end of the year donations etc. it's a tall order but their faith is high. Also, fund raising comes from events and we addressed several. One of which is our involvement with the annual Cans Film Festival – Food Drive with Wehrenberg Cine 16 in Springfield. Opportunity for listeners to donate cans of food in exchange for free movie ticket(s).

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- LENGTH: 30-MINUTES
- TIME: SUNDAY AT 6 AM
- DATE: 12/4/2011
- ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE: Topic: Boys & Girls Clubs of Springfield
Guest: Mr. Pat Gartland – Executive Director
- Summation: The Boys & Girls Club began operation as just a Boys Club back in the late 30's. It was organized by Jennie Lincoln a widowed wife of a Greene County judge. She had heard her husband talk for years about a need and while in her late 60's who witnessed for herself, boys just hanging around and getting in to trouble as a result. She approached several business men and a club was formed. In 1946, the Springfield Club applied for and received charter membership in to the National Boys and Girls Clubs of America. Today the club has over 4,000 kids ages 6 to 18 as members plus there are over 13,000 kids who participate in the sports programs sponsored by the Boys & Girls clubs of Springfield. The clubs bus members from schools to the clubs every day, serve well over 2000 meals per day to kid members and have programs for them that include music, tutoring, mentoring, computers and if needed, psychological assistance. Most recently, the Clubs have begun a program entitled, Great Futures Now as a fund raising program for their endowment. The goal is to build the fund up to 10,000,000.



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- **LENGTH: 30-MINUTES**
- **TIME: SUNDAY AT 6 AM**
- **DATE: 12/11/2011**
- **ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE: Regional Girls Shelter/Children's Foundation of Mid-America** Guests: Ms. Jamie Taylor, MPA – Regional Development Director – Children's Foundation of Mid-America & Regional Girl's Shelter and Ms. Leslie Snyder – Sight Director of the Springfield Regional Girl's Shelter.
- **Summation:** In the first part of the program, we talked about the history of the Children's Foundation from across Missouri and how it came to represent the Springfield Regional Girl's Shelter. There are three houses located on a single campus designed to provide shelter as well as treatment for girls assigned by the state. Most of the young ladies assigned are in need of specialized treatment and care, much beyond the staples of food and shelter. We spoke about volunteers needed as well as where the funds for these homes originate. While the state picks up quite a bit of the expenses, it does not cover everything. We talked about the holidays and what it means to the help and residences of the shelter homes.



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- **LENGTH: 30-MINUTES**
- **TIME: SUNDAY AT 6 AM**
- **DATE: 12/18/2011**
- **ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE: Care to Learn Program** Guests: Ms. Morey Mechlin – Executive Director; Dr. Norm Ridder – Superintendent of the Springfield Public School System and Mr. Doug Pitt – Founder of Care to Learn
- **Summation:** This three year old organization has come in to existence with the idea of finding kids needs and problems, related to health and or financial need and then take care of it, quickly. Doug Pitt, past Chair of the Springfield Chamber came across the germ of the idea at the end of his tenure on the board. With his connections both family and business the program was begun. The first step was to get the Superintendent on board and figure out how to get the program instituted. To date, more than 85-thousand situations have been handled by Care to Learn in Springfield and surround Ozark communities. The biggest need is of course, funding. We talked about that as well as how groups and organizations might help out the kids. All requests for this program begin with the teacher, funnel through the school nurse and on to the Care to Learn people. They reaction is quick, because in many cases the need is immediate!



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- **LENGTH: 30-MINUTES**
- **TIME: SUNDAY AT 6 AM**
- **DATE: 12/25/2011**
- **ORGANIZATION/REPRESENTATIVE: Ozark's Honor Flight Guest: Steve Grant – KYTV Anchor & Celebrity Host of the Flights**
- **Summation: The Ozark Honor Flight is actually an organization of people who share their love and respect for veterans of World War II enough to help fund raise to send, free of charge, flights to Washington DC for vets of WWII. So far in the Ozarks, Steve reports we have flown 14 flights in two years, the most of any organization in the country. WWII vets sign up or are signed-up and they along with a chaperone for the day visit the WWII war memorial along with others in DC. It's a one day flight and currently for WWII Vets and some terminally ill vets of Korea or Viet Nam. It's a wonderful experience for those that have gone. Steve was kind enough to share several stories of vets and the day they experienced.**