

ISSUES AND PROGRAMS LIST

For January 1, 2024 through March 31, 2024

FOR STATION KNZA Hiawatha, Kansas

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1st Quarter for KNZA January-March 2024

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community in the quarter.

1. Crime prevention
2. Public safety
3. Education
4. Agriculture
5. Public health
6. Childcare/child well-being
7. Severe weather preparedness

Programs to address issues for 1st quarter of 2024

Crime prevention

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast January 3 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about a Medicare scam that is circulating locally. Length, 1 minute

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast March 16 at 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about federal funding awarded to the Marysville Police Department to upgrade their equipment and improve officer safety. Length, 1 minute.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast March 23 at 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about several scams circulating locally. Length, 1 minute, 42 secs

Public safety

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast January 4 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about Kansas Department of Transportation officials meeting with the Hiawatha City Commission to discuss proposed changes to the 1st Street corridor to enhance safety. Length, 1 minute, 30 secs.

Feature on winter weather safety—broadcast January 8 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. National Weather Service Warning Coordination Meteorologist Chad Omitt offered winter weather safety tips. Length, 1 minute, 42 secs.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast February 14 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about a decrease in traffic fatalities last year in Kansas and Missouri. Discussed were reasons cited for the decrease. While overall traffic fatalities were down in Missouri, it was noted that motorcyclist fatalities were up. Discussed was reasons being cited for that increase. Length, 2 minutes, 19 secs.

“ More Than Just a Soundbite—public affairs program—aired February 21 at 6:15 am and 1:05 pm. Topic: Wildfire Safety Awareness. Guest: KS Forest Service assistant fire management officer Eric Ward. Ward discussed actions property owners can take to ready their properties to reduce the chance of spreading wildfires. He also discussed an on-line resource to benefit those looking to learn more about fire prevention and the role of the Kansas Inter-agency Wildfire Council in combating wildfires and increasing safety awareness. Length, 3 minutes, 18 secs.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast March 11 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story on a pair of measures passed by the Kansas House to ensure the safety of students. State Representative Dr. John Eplee discussed the measures. Length, 1 minute, 55 secs.

Education

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast January 6 at 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the upcoming Atchison USD 409 bond election to fund facility improvements. Length, 2 minutes, 21 secs.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast January 11 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the Nemaha Central USD 115 Board of Education electing new leadership and welcoming two new members. Information was also provided about a vacancy on the board. Length, 1 minute.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast January 31 at 12 & 5 pm and February 1st at 6, 7 & 8 am. News story about the hiring of a new Jefferson West USD 340 superintendent. Length, 1 minute.

Kanzaland Local News---broadcast February 8 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the hiring of a new superintendent for Holton USD 336. Length, 1 minute.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast February 9 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the Doniphan West USD 111 school board considering a 4-day school week. Length, 40 secs.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast February 14 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the Nemaha Central USD 115 Board of Education authorizing the filing of a petition with the Kansas State Board of Education for the transfer of land in the former Bern school area from Prairie Hills USD 113 to USD 115. Length, 1 minute, 20 secs.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast February 19 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the hiring of a new Troy Middle School/High School principal. Length, 1 minute

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast February 21 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 p.m. News story about the hiring of a new Highland Community College president. Length, 1 minute.

Kanzaland Local News-- broadcast March 15 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about a bill moving through the Kansas Legislature that would give families a tax break for sending their child to a private school or home school. Length, 32 secs

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast March 18 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the Kansas State Department of Education holding a public hearing Friday, March 22 on a pending petition to transfer school district territory from Prairie Hills USD 113 to Nemaha Central USD 115. Length, 1 minute, 12 secs

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast March 25 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm News story on public hearing held by the Kansas Department of Education on a land transfer petition filed by Nemaha Central USD 115 seeking to transfer land in the the former Bern school area from Prairie Hills USD 113 to USD 115. Length, 1 minute, 42 secs

Agriculture

“ More Than Just a Soundbite” public affairs program—broadcast January 10 at 6:16 am and 1:05 pm. Kansas State assistant state climatologist Matt Sittel looked back at a few of the key weather events of 2023, with the biggest weather story being the drought. Length, 2 minutes, 45 secs.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast January 27 at 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News feature on water in Kansas. Susan Metzger, director of the Kansas Water Institute, discussed the aquifer in Kansas and what it provides to its users. She also discusses the organizations that are working together to make it a feasible resource in the future. Length, 3 minutes.

Feature on 2022 Census of Agriculture—broadcast March 17 during the Kanzaland Local News report at 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. USDA statistician for Kansas, Doug Bounds, discussed farm figures from the census. Length, 2 minutes, 35 secs.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast March 23 at 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the status of work on a new farm bill. U.S. Senator Jerry Moran provided an update and discussed the importance agriculture plays to the Kansas economy. Length, 1 minute.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast March 28 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story on cattle at two commercial dairy farms in Kansas testing positive for avian flu. Length, 1 minute.

Public health

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast January 15 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about boil water advisories being issued for the city of Muscotah and city of Winchester public water supply systems. Length, 1 minute.

“More Than Just a Soundbite” public affairs program--broadcast January 24 at 6:15 am and 1:05 pm. Michelle Lane, senior director of Community Wellness at North Kansas City Hospital, discussed the importance of getting a good night's sleep. She talked about the four sleep cycle stages and ways to improve our sleep. Length, 4 minutes.

“More than Just a Soundbite” public affairs program—aired January 31 at 6:15 am and 1:05 pm. Kansas State University Radon Programs Coordinator Brian Hanson discussed what radon is, the health effects of radon, how to test your home for radon and how to reduce radon levels in an existing home. January is National Radon Action Month. Length, 3 minutes.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast February 12 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about a community health needs assessment being conducted in Nemaha County. Length, 1 minute, 20 secs.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast February 13 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the upcoming retirement of Onaga-based Community Healthcare System of Northeast Kansas Chief Executive Officer Todd Willert. Length, 1 minute

“ More Than Just a Soundbite” public affairs program—aired February 28th at 6:15 am and 1:05 p.m. Elaine Johannes, associate professor and extension specialist in the College of Health and Human Sciences at Kansas State University discussed Extension's Hypertension Awareness Prevention Program, an initiative that helps identify high blood pressure before it becomes a major health risk. Length, 4 minutes, 50 secs.

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast March 4 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about a boil water advisory being issued for Doniphan County Rural Water District #3 customers in the town of Severance. Length, 1 minute.

Wellness feature—broadcast during the Kanzaland Local News report March 10 at 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 p.m. Elaine Johannes, the Kansas Health Foundation's Distinguished Professor of Community Health, discussed the importance of annual wellness exams. Length, 2 minutes, 9 secs.

Healthy eating feature—broadcast during the Kanzaland Local report March 19-23 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. Priscilla Brenes, K-State Extension assistant professor in the Department of Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health, and state program leader in nutrition and health for youth and adults, offered advice on making informed food choices and developing healthful eating and physical activity habits. March is National Nutrition Month. Total length: 4 minutes, 89 secs

Childcare/child well-being

Kanzaland Local News—broadcast February 8 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. News story about the state awarding Atchison's St. Benedict's Abby nearly \$5 million to renovate a former youth center into a child care facility. Length, 1 minute, 30 secs.

“More Than Just a Soundbite” public affairs program—aired February 14 at 6:15 am and 1:05 pm. Kansas State University child development specialist Bradford Wiles explained that Valentine's Day is more than the gifts we buy, as it serves as a way to educate children about love, specifically ways to share love through kindness. Length, 3 minutes.

Severe weather preparedness

Feature on severe weather preparedness—broadcast during Kanazland Local News report March 4-8 at 6, 7 & 8 am and 12 & 5 pm. Chip Redmond, Kansas State University assistant meteorologist and manager of Mesonet, discussed the importance of preparing for the severe weather season, and dangers of severe thunderstorms and flooding. March 4-8 is severe weather awareness week in Kansas. Total length, 6 minutes, 70 secs.
