# KHGG-AM, Van Buren, Arkansas

# 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2018

Pursuant to the disclosure requirements in 47 C.F. R. 73.3526(11)(i), and during the quarter referenced above, this station provided information to its listeners regarding the following significant issues. Including:

Education
Children/Youth
Politics
Health/Healthcare
Legal Matters
Government (National)
Education

Education Environment Consumer Issues
Economy
Housing
Transportation
Business
Cultural
Government (local)

Pet Issues

Religion
Technology
Minority Issues
Women's Issues
Employment
Industry
Elderly

Each weekday KHGG-AM (as well as KFPW-AM, Fort Smith) simulcast "Arklahoma Today," which includes news, weather, and sports from 7a-8a. Interspersed are interviews on the subjects mentioned under the heading above. The following is a partial list of those interviews.

#### JULY

Monday, July 2, Claude Legris of the Fort Smith Visitors and Convention Bureau spoke from 7:35a to 7:50a listing the recent events and upcoming events which bring people to Fort Smith. Legris appears on the program twice monthly to get the word out on what's happening in Arklahoma. He urged residents to attend the "Mayor's Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration at Riverpark on July 4.

Tuesday, July 3, we interviewed Jackie Krutsch of the new College of Osteopathic Medicine at nearby Chaffee Crossing. The interview talked about enrollment and the impact of the institution in a series we call "Arcom on Call." Also, we interviewed Dr. Rosilee Russell of the Community School of the Arts (for young people) from 8:15am to 8:23am. She discussed upcoming performances and a new location they will eventually building next the U.S. Marshal's Museum along the Arkansas River.

Thursday, July 5, Kelly Mulvihill, director of the Janet Huckabee Arkansas River Valley Nature Center, along with Danielle Simmons of her staff, we on the air from 7:05a to 7:16a, listing the events and classes scheduled for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter at the center. These included Hunter Education, Owl Prowl and Archery. From 7:32a to 7:40a, we talked by phone with Angela Brice Smith about the new Medicare Cards that are being issued this year and what to do if you don't receiver yours.

Friday, July 6, Dave Robertson, Director of the Center for Development at UA-Fort Smith was interviewed about the truck driver shortage and how the college's Commercial Drivers License program can provide some answers for those wanting to try this profession. The interview ran approximately 5 minutes. At 7:33a-Daren Bobb, news anchor of Channel 5, appeared to talk for about 15 minutes about events happening this weekend and about the top local stories in the news. Included was discussion of Oklahoma's Medical Marijuana Law.

Monday, July 9, from 7:40a to 7:49a, Maggie Malloy was interviewed about "Art on the Border", at the Regional Art Museum (RAM). The works of superior local artists, including John Bell, were on display. Chuck Gough of the River Valley Food Bank Talked for six minutes about how to contribute food or money to the backpack program for schools being extended into the summer.

Tuesday, July 10, Dr. Ray Stowers, dean of the Osteopathic College, was interviewed from 7:40a to 7:47a. This is part of the weekly feature Arcom on Call.

Wednesday, July 11, Karen talked with Dave Sanderson about the United Way Leadership Conference from 7:40a-7:50a. From 7:55a to 8:05a, Bill talked with Duane

Bell and Butch Edwards of the Christian Businessmen's Association about "The Mayor's Prayer Breakfast."

Thursday, July 12, On the feature, Fort Smith Flashback, we presented a 7 minute interview from 2008 when Ed "Kookie" Burns of 77 Sunset Strip fame came to the area. Because we have been doing local news and interviews for so long, we have a library of such events of the past that we recall.

Friday, July 13, Since it is Friday the 13<sup>th</sup>, News Anchor Daren Bobb joins us to talk about the Top Stories in the news and we also interview "Madame Elvira" about how to avoid surprises on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Daren talked about the repercussion of the public school teacher's walkout in Oklahoma. Also, Jesica talked with Kelly Clark for 5 minutes about the upcoming Arkansas-Oklahoma Fair.

Monday, July 16, Claude Legris, head of the Visitors and Convention Bureau, is on from 7:32 to 7:50a talking about events in the area that will increase tourism. The upcoming Peacemaker Festival is a prime example in his talk.

Tuesday, July 17, Dr, Ray Stowers, Dean of Arcom, is interviewed from 7:40 to 7:47a about the growth of the staff and faculty to serve students at the new Medical School. Arkansas 3<sup>rd</sup> District Congressman Steve Womack also called in and was interviewed by Bill Pharis to get the latest on national government issues.

Wednesday, July 18, UAFS just announced basketball coaching changes, and the hiring of two former players to take over the men's and women's programs, Justin Bailey and Tari Cummings. We ran interviews 7 minute interviews from the previous night's "Meet and Greet" at the Blue Lion downtown. Eddie Lee Herndon, head of the Regional United Way, phoned in to talk about the "Fill the Bus" program to obtain school supplies for students. The interview lasted from 7:35a to 7:41a.

Thursday, July 19, Lori Robertson of the Fort Chaffee Redevelopment District was in studio to talk from 7:30a to 7:40a about the new businesses locating at Chaff Crossing. Just after that, Alice Alt of the new U.S. Marshal's Museum talked about the contruction of the new facility on the banks of the Arkansas River.

Friday, July 20, We opened the program talking about the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast and the speaker, who talked about the events of 9-11. Alex Durham reported on the Branson Missouri Duck Boat Tragedy the night before. Daren Bobb talked about this and about safety issues in general on the water when a storm approaches.

Monday, July 23, We interviewed Mr. Hadley of the local McDonalds Restaurants about a hiring program for high school students in the summer (6 minutes). Carrie Terry was on from 7:50a to 7:55a explaining the Fill the Bus program for school supplies.

Wednesday, July 25, Henry Moore, director of the Fort Smith Trolley Museum, spoke from 7:40am to 7:47am about the fundraiser for the museum and the barbecue ribs that

they will have on sale to raise money for the route and equipment. Arkansas Attorney-General Leslie Rutledge appeared to warn listeners of phone scams and how to report them to her office. We carried a 5-minute interview with Arkansas Sen. Tom Cotton, talking about the nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to the U.S. Supreme Court. He said Cavanaugh would make an excellent Justice.

Thursday, July 26, Third District Congressman Steve Womack was interviewed from 7:40 to 7:50a about what he is hearing from contituents when he holds town meetings in the area. He said the nation needs tariff relief but not so much that it drives Arkansas farmers and industrialists into bankruptcy. We also covered breaking news at the West Apartments, where two persons were killed.

Tuesday, July 31, UAFS Chancellor Paul Beran, who has announced his plans to take a job heading the South Dakota University System, was interviewed about the achievements gained by the College under his leadership: 7:40a to 7:45a. On Arcom on Call, Dr. Ray Stowers explains goals for the new Medical School.

### **AUGUST**

Wednesday, August 1, From 7:05a to 7:20a, Chad Lowe and Dannielle Simmons of the Huckabee Nature Center listed activities for the month. Included were Hunter Education and Fishing tips. The start of the \$50 million U.S. Marshals Museum was confirmed. It will be completed in the fall of 2019.

Friday, August 3, News Anchor Daren Bobb from 7:33am to 7:50am—Top events for the weekend, including Peacemakers Festival and top stories, including the hot and humid dry spell that is putting a strain on agriculturalists and the power grid with air conditioning running 24 hours a day.

Monday, August 6, Stacey Jones, vice chancellor at the University of Arkansas Fort Smith was in studio to talk from 7:33 til 7:44am about the upcoming Season of Entertainment (which brings outstanding talent to the area. He urged residents to get their tickets as soon as possible and listed the various shows that will be happening over the year. (Manheim Steamroller will be back by popular demand).

Tuesday, August 7, Guest at 7:40a-Dr. Rosilee Russell speaks about the Community School of the Arts and the upcoming performance of the Wizard of Oz. We also talked with Jackie Krutsch of the Osteopathic College schedule of events and with the Van Buren Police Department with Meredith Marney about the National Nite Out for children to meet police officers.

Wednesday, August 8, Jane Owen of the Center for Art and Education in Van Buren was interviewed from 7:40am to 7:47am about their new facilities and fundraiser, the Table Topper. Ivan and Emily Branham were interviewed for 6 minutes by Daren Bobb for details about the upcoming Sebastian County Fair.

Thursday, August 9, Chuck Goux of the Community Services Clearinghouse and Sue Robison was interviewed from 7:40a to 7:50a—topics included Back Pack Meals as schools get back into session. The Food pantry is in need of canned and/or boxed food items. Food drives are needed. It's the 30<sup>th</sup> year of the backpack program.

Tuesday, August 14, City Election Day in Fort Smith, interviews with candidates Rep. George McGill and Wayne Haver were presented. They spoke on the medical marijuana issue and type of city government (currently city administrator form). (Rep. George McGill won the election).

Thursday, October 16, 7:40a-7:50a—Scott Faldon of Pradco Outdoor Brands, one of the area's oldest and most successful companies (fishing lures, hunting equipment), was interviewed about their new Thill Production Facility. This will add jobs and careers in the Fort Smith-Van Buren area. Thill premium balsa floats are arguably fishing's most widely distributed domestic brand, Scott said.

Tuesday, August 21, Don Bailey, UAFS music instructor and popular area entertainer, was interviewed from 7:40a to 7:50a about the Shane Bailey Memorial Music Society Bash which is designed to raise money for charity.

Friday, August 24, Daren Bobb with top events for 10 minutes, including "Belle Starr by Herself" a one person show by Ray Coleman and starring Cindy Clark, which runs August 9-11 at the Fort Smith Little Theater. It is part of the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the founding of Fort Smith, Tonya Sorrels of the Greater Fort Smith Chamber of Commerce was interviewed by Karen about the "Shop Local Campaign," Length of interview: 5 minutes.

Monday, August 27, Claude Legris of the Visitors and Convention Bureau talked about the summer hotel and motel and restaurant tax collections, which have been up. We used short interviews with the following local leaders: Van Buren Mayor Bob Freeman; Dr. Benny Goodin, former Fort Smith School Superintendent and now liason with the Colleges of Health and Education; Dr. Gary Udouj, Fort Smith Adult Education Executive Director, Fort Smith City Director Tracy Penartz.

Tuesday, August 28, Kyle Smith was interviewed from 7:35a to 7:43a about the upcoming Elks Club Fishing Derby at Carol Ann Cross Park. This is designed for youngsters and is very popular. Kyle gave details on time and what to bring. The event is Saturday, September 8. A first responder demonstration is scheduled and they will be on hand to watch over the 12 and under participants.

Wednesday, August 29, three guests were featured in the 7a to 8a time period: Roger Redden talking about the Van Buren Old Town Merchants Association "Junk Fest." He told how vendors could register and what residents needed to know about the event on the main street of Van Buren.(6:39min)—Kim Wolford of the Next Step Homeless Center's fundraiser(3:08); and Katrina Chastain on Suicide Prevention.

Thursday, August 30, Leisha Gramlich, director of the Fort Smith Museum of History, was interviewed about the "Murder And Mayhem" trolley rides in downtown Fort Smith. She is interviewed at least one a month about happenings at the museum.

Friday, August 31, Daren Bobb, 5 News Anchor, lists events happening over the weekend and then discusses the top stories in the news. He talks about the Bicentennial activities of Channel 5 and the history of the station.

### **SEPTEMBER**

Tuesday, September 4, Rosilee Walker Russell of the Community School of the Arts is interviewed from 7:40a to 7:50a about the Lion King Junior performance at the King Opera House. She says 39 children will be participating and ask that other students sign up for pre-school, private lessons and teenage acting, singing and playing instruments.

Wednesday, September 5, Dr. Gary Udouj of the Fort Smith Adult Education Center was interviewed from 7:35a to about 7:42a about enrollment and testing at the AEC. He said there is a major effort to help area residents complete their General Education Diploma.

Thursday, September 6, Jesica interviews officials of the upcoming Arkansas-Oklahoma State Fair. They discuss the talent shows, including "Jackyl: on the second Friday night of the fair, which will be sponsored by our sister station, The Fort 94.5 (KFPW-FM). The Throwback Thursday spotlight is on then Arkansas Congressman John Boozman (now a U.S. Senator) when he helped Matt Blaylock of our staff call a Fort Smith Northside Grizzly football game from ten years back. He talked of his days playing for the Grizzlies. On the news this day, we covered the arrest in Booneville of a person of interest in a double-murder in Fort Smith.

Tuesday, September 11, Musician and Veterans official Ricky Young talked for 4 minutes about the Fellowship of Christian Athletes Outdoor Expo at Kay Rodgers Park. The event offers fun for the whole family September 15. Jase Robertson is featured at the free event. Gov. Asa Hutchinson will also attend.

Wednesday, September 12, Guests in the 7:35a to 7:55a period include Jennifer Rudder of the Lincoln Child Care Center, talking with Jesica about "Nite of the Living Dead" Little Theater fundraiser; Floyd Robison, who portrays Judge Isaac Parker, talking about Night Court and recreating trial from the Judge's term in Fort Smith in the 1880s, 90s.

Thursday, September 13, Stacey Jones, vice chancellor of the University of Arkansas-Fort Smith was on from 7:40a to 7:50a to talk about the Tejas Brothers performance at the Blue Lion Tuesday September 18.

Tuesday, September 18, at 7:40a—Arcom on Call features an interview with the dean of the College of Osteopathic Medicine at Chaffee Crossing, Dr. Ray Stowers (5 minutes); Mary Jo Brinkman was interviewed about the "Sparks (Hospital) Stampede to raise money for charity (5:16).

Wednesday, September 19, Henry Moore of the Fort Smith Trolley Museum was in studio to talk about the Barbecue ribs that will be on sale October 6 as a fundraiser. The Fort Smith Barbecue Society will prepare them. Liz Martin and Jo Ann Barr were interviewed about a fundraiser banquet for the Heart to Heart Pregnancy Center. (5 min with Daren Bobb).

Monday, September 24, from 7:40a to 7:45a Dennis Weiderkehr of Weiderkehr Wineries talked about the annual Wiefest scheduled for the weekend. Throughout this week we talked of the events each night of the ongoing Arkansas-Oklahoma State Fair.

Thursday, September 25, former City Director Phillip Merry was in studio to talk about the Hope Humane Society and the airlift of dogs to Washington State over the coming weekend and the need for volunteers at the location on Kelley Highway to load them up. The Society has been trying to avoid euthanizing animals because of overcrowding at the facility.