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KPLR NEWS STORIES

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All stories run approximately 1:30

Weekday Newscasts – Noon News, 4pm & 7:00pm

Saturday & Sunday Newscasts – 7pm

The Pulse

Saturday Half hour talk show hosted by Shirley Washington

Shootings and Carjackings

Story: Shooting Bessie

Date: 07/02/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: A SHOOTING OVERNIGHT IN NORTH SAINT LOUIS LEAVES ONE MAN INJURED. POLICE SAY IT HAPPENED JUST BEFORE MIDNIGHT ON BESSIE AVENUE NEAR NORTH EUCLID. THE MAN WAS SHOT IN THE LEGS. NO WORD ON SUSPECTS OR A MOTIVE.

Story: Creve Coeur Car Breakin

Date: 07/12/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: CHECK OUT THE HIGH-QUALITY VIDEO OF THESE GUYS BREAKING INTO AN UNLOCKED CAR AT THE VICINO ON THE LAKE APARTMENT COMPLEX YESTERDY AT 6:45AM. THE CAR OWNER HAD A DUAL DASH CAM SET UP CAPTURING FRONT END ACTIVITY AND ANYTHING GOING ON INSIDE. THE TWO SUSPECTS GOT AWAY WITH A CELL PHONE BUT HAD NO IDEA THEY WERE BEING RECORDED. IF THE PHONE IS OF A CERTAIN DOLLAR AMOUNT, THE CRIME WOULD BE A FELONY.

Story: North County Carjacking

Date: 07/14/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: ST. LOUIS COUNTY POLICE IS INVESTIGATING A CARJACKING TODAY IN NORTH COUNTY. INVESTIGATORS SAY A 54-YEAR-OLD MAN WAS APPROACHED BY THREE MEN AT HIS HOME ON COPPERGATE LANE. ONE OF THE MEN PULLED OUT A GUN AND DEMANDED HIS BLACK 2016 FORD F-150 PICK-UP TRUCK. THE TRUCK HAS 20-INCH AFTER-MARKET RIMS, TINTED AND A BLACK BED COVER. IT HAS A MISSOURI LICENSE PLATE WITH AN OMEGA FRATERNITY LICENSE PLATE BORDER AROUND IT.

Story: St. Charles Shooting

Date: 07/24/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: A FIGHT BETWEEN NEIGHBORS LEADS TO A LATE-NIGHT SHOOTING IN SAINT CHARLES COUNTY. THE SHOOTING HAPPENED ON JUANEST LANE NEAR BUCKNER ROAD NEAR WENTZVILLE. A 38-YEAR-OLD MAN WAS TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL WITH SERIOUS INJURIES.

Story: Shooting Switzer

Date: 07/31/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: IT HAPPENED AROUND 2PM YESTERDAY IN THE 2100 BLOCK OF SWITZER AVENUE. POLICE HAVE IDENTIFIED THE VICTIM AS 16-YEAR-OLD RAVION MOODY. ANOTHER VICTIM REMAINS IN THE HOSPITAL. WITNESSES SAY AT LEAST TWO SUSPECTS LEFT THE SCENE IN A BLACK DODGE CHARGER. THEIR VEHICLE CAUSED AN ACCIDENT INVOLVING TWO OTHER CARS AT THE INTERSECTION OF JENNINGS STATION AND SWITZER WHILE ATTEMPTING TO LEAVE THE AREA. THE VEHICLE THE VICTIMS WERE IN, A 2014 HYUNDAI TUCSON, WAS ALSO FOUND TO BE STOLEN ON JULY 19TH OUT OF RICHMOND HEIGHTS.

Story: Las Vegas Shooting**Date: 08/03/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: INVESTIGATORS STILL DON'T KNOW THE MOTIVE IN OCTOBER'S LAS VEGAS MASS SHOOTING. A LONE GUNMAN KILLED 58 PEOPLE WHEN HE OPENED FIRE FROM A 32ND FLOOR HOTEL ROOM, RAINING BULLETS DOWN ON A CROWD OF CONCERTGOERS. POLICE SAY THE ATTACK WAS INDEED A TERRORIST ACT BUT THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT DROVE THE GUNMAN TO CARRY OUT THE MASSACRE.

Story: Santa Fe High School Shooter Indicted**Date: 08/09/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: A TEENAGER IS FACING CAPITAL MURDER CHARGES FOR OPENING FIRE AT SANTE FE HIGH SCHOOL IN TEXAS. DIMITRIOS PAGOURTZIS WAS INDICTED TODAY IN GALVESTON COUNTY ON A CHARGE OF CAPITAL MURDER OF MULTIPLE PEOPLE. HE WAS ALSO INDICTED FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT ON A PEACE OFFICER. THE 17-YEAR-OLD IS ACCUSED OF SHOOTING AND KILLING EIGHT STUDENTS AND TWO TEACHERS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL IN MAY. 13 PEOPLE WERE INJURED IN THE SHOOTING.

Story: Penrose Triple Shooting**Date: 08/14/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: A TRIPLE SHOOTING OVERNIGHT IN NORTH ST. LOUIS LEAVES ONE PERSON DEAD AND TWO OTHERS HURT. THE VIOLENCE ERUPTED AROUND MIDNIGHT ON PENROSE STREET AT NORTH NEWSTEAD AVENUE. POLICE SAY A 25-YEAR-OLD MAN WHO WAS SHOT IN THE HEAD. HE DIED AT THE SCENE. THE OTHER TWO VICTIMS WERE EACH SHOT IN THE ARM AND TAKEN TO A HOSPITAL. ONE OF THE WOUNDED A 28-YEAR-OLD MAN HAS NOW BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A SUSPECT IN THE SHOOTING.

Story: Four People Shot I-64**Date: 08/23/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: POLICE ARE SEARCHING FOR THE GUNMAN WHO SHOT FOUR PEOPLE LAST NIGHT IN DOWNTOWN ST. LOUIS. IT HAPPENED JUST AFTER 11 PM ON I-64 EASTBOUND NEAR JEFFERSON AVENUE. POLICE HAVE NOT YET RELEASED ANY OTHER INFORMATION. A HALF HOUR EARLIER, A MAN WAS SHOT IN THE LEG IN A SEPARATE SHOOTING ON NORTH 23RD STREET, A STREET IN NORTH ST. LOUIS.

Story: News Crew Almost Hit During Live Shot**Date: 08/29/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: CAUGHT ON CAMERA – SCARY MOMENTS FOR A TV NEWS CREW THIS WEEK IN COLORADO SPRINGS. THE REPORTER WAS COVERING A SHOOTING IN A NEIGHBORHOOD WHEN A VEHICLE PLOWED THROUGH THE CRIME SCENE. NEITHER THE REPORTER NOR HER PHOTOGRAPHER WAS HURT, THOUGH HE WAS GRAZED BY THE VEHICLE'S SIDE MIRROR. POLICE SAY THE DRIVER WAS TRYING TO GET AROUND OTHER CARS AND THE NEWS CREW WAS NOT TARGETED.

Story: Cincinnati Shooter**Date: 09/06/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: AT LEAST FOUR PEOPLE ARE DEAD AFTER A SHOOTING SPREE IN CINCINNATI INCLUDING THE GUNMAN. POLICE SAY THE SUSPECT OPENED FIRE IN THE "FOUNTAIN SQUARE" AREA OF THE CITY AT "FIFTH THIRD CENTER" WHICH IS A 30 STORY SKYSCRAPER THAT SITS ON THE SQUARE. TWO OTHERS WERE INJURED. THE MOTIVE FOR THE SHOOTING IS UNCLEAR.

Story: Delmar Shooting**Date: 09/13/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: AT LEAST TWO PEOPLE ARE BEHIND BARS THIS MORNING ACCUSED IN THE SHOOTING OF TWO OTHERS AT THE METROLINK STATION IN THE DELMAR LOOP. THE SHOOTING HAPPENED JUST AFTER 7:30 LAST NIGHT. ONE VICTIM WAS SHOT IN THE LOWER LEG. NO WORD ON THE OTHER PERSON'S INJURIES. BOTH WERE CONSCIOUS AND BREATHING AS THEY WERE TRANSPORTED TO A HOSPITAL. POLICE HAVE NOT RELEASED A MOTIVE. METRO DIVERTED TRAINS AND BUSES FROM THE LOOP STATION FOR TWO HOURS AS POLICE INVESTIGATED.

Story: Shooting Forest Park**Date: 09/18/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: POLICE SAY CARJACKINGS IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS HAVE BECOME MORE VIOLENT. LAST MONTH THERE WERE 33. SO FAR, IN SEPTEMBER, WE'VE SEEN 14. THE LATEST FRIGHTENING ATTACK HAPPENED OVERNIGHT. POLICE SAY SOMEONE SHOT A MAN IN THE NECK NEAR FOREST PARK. TONIGHT, WE KNOW MORE ABOUT THE VICTIM.

Story: Weekend Homicide Newser**Date: 09/24/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: THE CHIEF DETAILED THE FIVE HOMICIDE SCENES IN NORTH ST. LOUIS. FIRST AROUND 7:30 SUNDAY MORNING IN THE 4200 BLOCK OF EVANS, A WOMAN IN HER 30S WAS FOUND SHOT TO DEATH IN HER CAR. THEN AROUND NOON, A MAN IN HIS 20S WAS FOUND SHOT TO DEATH IN A VACANT LOT. A HALF HOUR LATER, HIS GIRLFRIEND, ALSO IN HER 20S, WAS FOUND SHOT TO DEATH IN A CAR. LAST NIGHT AROUND 8:45, A MAN IN HIS 20S WAS SHOT TO DEATH IN A CAR. POLICE HAVE MADE TWO ARRESTS FOR THIS ONE.

Story: Officer Involved Shooting Union**Date: 09/27/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: A 15-YEAR-OLD BOY IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION AFTER BEING SHOT BY A ST. LOUIS POLICE OFFICER. INVESTIGATORS SAY THE TEEN WAS ARMED WITH A GUN BUT DID NOT FIRE SHOTS. THE SITUATION UNFOLDED AROUND 11:45 AM YESTERDAY AT UNION AND WABADA. WITNESSES SAY A FIGHT BETWEEN TWO YOUNG WOMEN ESCALATED. THE 15-YEAR-OLD BOY WAS ALSO AT THE SCENE AND TOOK OUT A GUN. MOMENTS LATER, A NEARBY GANG INTERVENTION TEAM RESPONDED. ACCORDING TO POLICE, THE TEEN TURNED TOWARDS THEM WITH THE GUN AND AN UNDERCOVER OFFICER FIRED SEVERAL SHOTS. WE'RE TOLD THE GUN WAS RECOVERED AT THE SCENE. THE OFFICER WHO FIRED THE SHOTS IS A 10-YEAR VETERAN.

Recalls and Store Closings

Story: Biz Buzz Wishbone Salad Dressing

Date: 07/02/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: IN TODAY'S BIZ BUZZ, LOOK IN YOUR REFRIDGERATOR. THERE'S A RECALL FOR WISHBONE SALAD DRESSING. PINNACLE FOODS SAYS THE PROBLEM IS WITH MISLABELED BOTTLES. CURRENTLY, THE PRODUCT HAS ALLERGENS THAT ARE NOT LISTED ON THE 15 OUNCE BOTTLES. THE AFFECTED BOTTLES WERE PRODUCED MARCH 19TH AND HAVE A "BEST IF USED BY" DATE OF JANUARY 13TH. SO FAR, NO ILLNESSES HAVE BEEN REPORTED.

Story: Schnucks Recall

Date: 07/09/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: SCHNUCKS IS RECALLING CERTAIN GROUND BEEF AND BRATWURST SOLD AT ITS DARDENNE PRAIRIE STORE LAST WEEK. ALL VARIETIES OF BRATWURST BOUGHT BETWEEN LAST MONDAY AND YESTERDAY AND ALL VARIETIES OF GROUND BEEF BOUGHT BETWEEN LAST MONDAY AND THURSDAY SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE STORE FOR A FULL REFUND OR EXCHANGE. THE MEATS MAY CONTAIN PORTIONS OF A MEAT PACKAGING CLIP.

Story: Ford Recall

Date: 07/18/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: FORD IS RECALLING A HALF-MILLION VEHICLES WHICH ARE AT RISK OF ROLLING UNEXPECTEDLY. THE RECALL AFFECTS 2013 TO 2016 FUSIONS AND 2013 TO 2014 ESCAPES. THE PROBLEMS LIE WITH "BUSHINGS" THAT HELP REDUCE VIBRATIONS, SPECIFICALLY THE BUSHINGS THAT ATTACH THE SHIFTER CABLE TO THE TRANSMISSION WHICH CAN COME APART. THAT CAN CAUSE THE VEHICLES TO ROLL WHILE IN PARK. THERE HAVE BEEN NO INJURIES REPORTED.

Story: Goldfish Salmonella

Date: 07/24/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: PEPPERIDGE FARM IS VOLUNTARILY RECALLING FOUR KINDS OF ITS POPULAR GOLDFISH CRACKERS OVER CONCERNS OF POSSIBLE SALMONELLA CONTAMINATION. THE RECALL INCLUDES FLAVOR-BLASTED X-TRA CHEDDAR, FLAVOR-BLASTED 'SLAMMIN SOUR CREAM, BAKED WHOLE GRAIN EXTRA CHEDDAR, AND BAKED X-TRA CHEDDAR AND PRETZEL MIX. THE COMPANY RECALLED THE CRACKERS AFTER BEING NOTIFIED BY AN INGREDIENT SUPPLIER THAT THE WHEY POWDER IN THE SEASONING HAD BEEN RECALLED.

Story: Corona Beer Exploding Bottles Lawsuit

Date: 07/30/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: TROUBLE IS BREWING FOR BEER GIANT CORONA AS THE COMPANY FACES LAWSUITS OVER EXPLODING BOTTLES. A NEW YORK MAN SAYS HE PLANS TO SUE CORONA AFTER HE WAS LEFT PARTIALLY BLIND. HE CLAIMS A CORONA BEER BOTTLE BLEW UP IN HIS FACE AS HE PUT A WARM BOTTLE INTO AN ICE COOLER ON FATHER'S DAY. HE SAYS SOME OF THE GLASS SHOT INTO HIS LEFT EYE. LAST YEAR, A BARTENDER IN NEW YORK CLAIMED A BOTTLE OF CORONA EXTRA SPONTANEOUSLY EXPLODED AFTER HE PUT THE BEERS INTO ICE BUCKETS. THAT MAN SAYS HE IS ALSO BLIND IN ONE EYE. CORONA SAYS IT IS INVESTIGATING.

Story: Rams Pickup Recall**Date: 08/03/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: A RECALL ON THE ROAD. "FIAT CHRYSLER" IS VOLUNTARILY RECALLING MORE THAN ONE MILLION RAM PICKUP TRUCKS. A DEFECT IN THE POWER-LOCKING SYSTEM COULD CAUSE TAILGATES TO FLY OPEN WHILE DRIVING. SOME RAM 1500, 2500 AND 3500 PICKUP TRUCKS FROM THE 2015 THROUGH 2017 MODEL YEARS ARE INCLUDED IN THE RECALL. PICKUPS WITH MANUAL TAILGATE LOCKING ARE NOT AFFECTED AND PICKUPS WITH EIGHT-FOOT CARGO BEDS ARE NOT AFFECTED.

Story: Nasal Spray Possibly Contaminated**Date: 08/10/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: A NASAL SPRAY SOLD AT CVS DRUG STORES NATIONWIDE IS BEING RECALLED. BOTTLES OF CVS HEALTH 12-HOUR SINUS RELIEF NASAL MIST COULD BE CONTAMINATED WITH A BACTERIUM CALLED "PSEUDOMONAS AERUGINOSA." ACCORDING TO THE FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, USING THE NOSE SPRAY COULD CAUSE SLIGHT ILLNESS IN MOST PEOPLE. BUT FOR PEOPLE WITH CYSTIC FIBROSIS OR IMMUNE DISORDERS, THE BACTERIUM CAN BE DEADLY. THERE HAVE BEEN NO REPORTS OF ILLNESS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NASAL SPRAY SO FAR. ANYBODY WHO HAS PURCHASED IT SHOULD THROW IT AWAY OR RETURN IT TO CVS.

Story: Hard Rock Café Closing Union Station**Date: 08/16/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: THE RESTAURANT IS CLOSING AS PART OF UNION STATION RENOVATIONS. EIGHT MILLION DOLLARS WILL BE SPENT TO TRANSFORM THE LOCATION INTO AN ICE CREAM AND CANDY EMPORIUM. THE CHANGES ARE PART OF A MULTI-MILLION DOLLAR MASTER PLAN WHICH INCLUDES ADDING AN AQUARIUM, FERRIS WHEEL, LIGHT SHOW, AND PUTT PUTT GOLF COURSE TO UNION STATION.

Story: Ford Recalling Hybrid Electric Plugs**Date: 08/24/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: DO YOU HAVE A 'FORD' ELECTRIC OR HYBRID VEHICLE? YOU MAY BE AFFECTED BY A MAJOR RECALL. FORD IS RECALLING JUST OVER 50 THOUSAND CHARGING CABLES FOR ITS PLUG-IN ELECTRIC AND HYBRID VEHICLES BECAUSE THEY COULD LEAD TO A FIRE. THE 120-VOLT CABLES BEING RECALLED WERE SOLD WITH CERTAIN FORD FOCUS ELECTRONICS, FUSION ENERGIS, AND C-MAX ENERGIS MODELS.

Story: Blood Pressure Medication Recall**Date: 08/30/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: A POTENTIALLY LIFE-THREATENING LABELING MIX-UP IS SPURRING A NATIONWIDE RECALL OF HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE MEDICATION. "ACCORD HEALTHCARE" IS VOLUNTARILY RECALLING A SINGLE LOT OF ITS TWELVE-POINT-FIVE MILLIGRAM TABLETS. THIS IS HAPPENING AFTER A PHARMACY REPORTED FINDING A 100 PERCENT COUNT BOTTLE THAT ACTUALLY CONTAINED ANOTHER MEDICATION. IF YOU HAVE THIS 'ACCORD' MEDICATION, MAKE SURE YOUR PILLS ARE A LIGHT ORANGE COLOR WITH A LETTER "H" ON ONE SIDE AND A NUMBER "1" ON THE OTHER.

Story: Toyota Recall**Date: 09/06/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: TOYOTA IS RECALLING MORE THAN ONE MILLION VEHICLES TO REPAIR A PROBLEM WITH THE ELECTRICAL SYSTEM THAT COULD START A FIRE. THE AFFECTED MODELS INCLUDE PRIUS AND CHR CROSSOVER SUVs, MOST OF WHICH WERE MADE IN JAPAN BETWEEN JUNE 2015 AND LAST MAY. A TOYOTA SPOKESPERSON SAYS 192 THOUSAND PRIUS CARS WILL BE RECALLED IN THE UNITED STATES.

Story: Ford Recall Seatbelt Fires**Date: 09/07/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: AN IMPORTANT RECALL OF THE BEST-SELLING VEHICLE IN THE US. FORD IS RECALLING THE SEAT BELT MECHANISMS CAN GENERATE SPARKS THAT COULD START A FIRE. FORD SAID IT'S AWARE OF 17 CASES WHERE THAT HAPPENED IN THE UNITED STATES AND ANOTHER SIX IN CANADA. BUT NO ONE WAS HURT. THE VEHICLES INCLUDED IN THIS RECALL ARE MODEL YEARS 2015 TO 2018 FORD F-150 REGULAR CAB AND SUPERCREW CAB VEHICLES. OWNERS CAN TAKE THEIR TRUCK TO A DEALER TO GET FIXED.

Story: Bob Evan's Sausage Recall**Date: 09/14/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: IN TODAY'S STL MOM'S REPORT, TIME TO CHECK THE FRIDGE. THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE IS ANNOUNCING A RECALL OF BAB FARMS SAUSAGE LINKS. THE COMPANY IS RECALLING MORE THAN 46 THOUSAND POUNDS OF LINKS BECAUSE THEY MAY CONTAIN EXTRANEIOUS MATERIALS INCLUDING HARD PLASTIC. THE BOB EVANS COMPANY SAID THE CONCERNS WERE RELATED TO FIVE SPECIFIC PRODUCTS DISTRIBUTED IN 12 STATES. THEY ADVISE CUSTOMERS TO THROW AWAY AFFECTED PRODUCTS OR RETURN THEM TO THE STORE. THE RECALLED SAUSAGE LINKS ARE MARKED EST 6785 AND WERE PRODUCED ON AUGUST FIRST.

Story: Ground Beef Recall**Date: 09/21/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: A GROUND BEEF PRODUCER ISSUED A RECALL DUE TO A DEADLY E-COLI OUTBREAK. THE US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE SAYS "CARGILL MEAT SOLUTIONS" RECALLED NEARLY 133-THOUSAND POUNDS OF GROUND CHUCK NATIONWIDE. 18 PEOPLE WHO ATE THE MEAT BECAME SICK. ONE DIED. THE RECALLED MEAT WAS PRODUCED JUNE 21ST. THE USDA INSPECTION MARK ON THE PACKAGE SAYS "EST. 86-R" IF YOU STILL HAVE GROUND BEEF WITH THAT MARK, YOU SHOULD THROW IT AWAY OR RETURN IT TO THE STORE.

Story: Aldi Meat Recall**Date: 09/29/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: TIME TO CHECK YOUR FREEZERS. "ALDI" GROCERY CHAINS IS ISSUING A MEAT RECALL THIS MORNING. IT AFFECTS 80 PERCENT LEAN, FOUR-COUNT FRESH, GROUND BEEF PATTIES. THE TWO-POUND PACKAGES HAD A USE OR FREEZE BY DATE OF JULY 10, 2018. 'ALDI' SAYS THE RECALLED MEAT COULD BE CONTAMINATED WITH E-COLI. THEY WERE SOLD IN ILLINOIS AND MISSOURI.

Health and Wellness

Story: Trump Slashes Obamacare

Date: 07/11/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION TAKES ANOTHER SWIPE AT OBAMACARE. THE CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES SAYS IT WILL PROVIDE 10-MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT'S NAVIGATOR PROGRAM THIS FALL. IN 2016 THE PROGRAM RECEIVED 63-MILLION. CRITICS OF THE PRESIDENT SAY AMERICANS NEED AS MUCH INFORMATION AND ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE AND THIS MOVE WILL DO THE OPPOSITE. OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR OBAMACARE STARTS IN NOVEMBER.

Story: Cyclosporiasis

Date: 07/19/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: A WARNING FROM THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AFTER AN ILLNESS TRACED TO SALADS MAKES AT LEAST 22 PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY SICK. HEALTH OFFICIALS BLAME THE CYCLOSPORA PARASITE FOR THE SICKNESS. INVESTIGATORS SAY ALL THOSE INFECTED RECENTLY ATE LETTUCE, TOMATOES, AND CILANTRO. 13 OF THE 22 VICTIMS RECENTLY ATE PRE-MADE SALADS AND SUFFERED CRAMPS, DIARRHEA, AND FATIGUE.

Story: Eating Late Bad For You

Date: 07/26/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: EATING LATE AT NIGHT COULD BE HURTING MORE THAN YOUR WAISTLINE. A NEW STUDY SHOWS IT MAY ALSO INCREASE YOUR CANCER RISK. THE STUDY IN THE INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF CANCER SHOWS PEOPLE WHO STOP EATING AT LEAST TWO HOURS BEFORE GOING TO SLEEP HAD A 20-PERCENT LOWER RISK OF DEVELOPING BREAST CANCER OR PROSTATE CANCER. RESEARCHERS SAY ONE FACTOR MAY BE THAT YOUR BODY NEEDS AMPLE TIME TO PROCESS GLUCOSE, GIVING YOU BETTER BLOOD SUGAR CONTROL.

Story: Dogs Can Tell When You Are Upset

Date: 07/30/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: DID YOU KNOW THAT DOGS MAY BE PERCEPTIVE ENOUGH TO KNOW WHEN THEIR OWNER IS UPSET AND TAKE ACTION TO HELP THEM? A NEW STUDY FINDS THAT REGARDLESS OF AGE, BREED, OR TRAINING, DOGS ARE MORE LIKELY TO RUSH TO THEIR OWNER'S SIDE MORE QUICKLY WHEN THEIR OWNER IS TEARFUL OR IN DISTRESS. THE SMALL STUDY, PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL "LEARNING AND BEHAVIOR" EVALUATED JUST 34 DOGS RESEARCHERS FOUND THAT CANINES SEPARATED FROM THEIR OWNERS RAN TO THEM MUCH MORE QUICKLY WHEN THE OWNER MADE CRYING SOUNDS VERSUS WHEN THE OWNER HUMMED THE TUNE "TWINKLE TWINKLE LITTLE STAR" OR SPOKE IN A NORMAL TONE OF VOICE.

Story: Dehydration Effects

Date: 07/31/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: FINDING IT TOUGH TO CONCENTRATE OR WRAP UP A TASK? YOU MAY WANT TO DRINK A LITTLE WATER. ACCORDING TO A NEW STUDY, PEOPLE WHO ARE MILDLY DEHYDRATED DON'T DO AS WELL ON TASKS THAT REQUIRE COMPLEX PROCESSING OR ON TASKS THAT REQUIRE A LOT OF ATTENTION. SO HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE TO BECOME MILDLY DEHYDRATED IN THE SUMMER HEAT? HIKING FOR AN HOUR OR GOING ON A HARD RUN FOR 30-MINUTES CAN CAUSE IT.

Story: Plastic Containers and Children's Health**Date: 08/06/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: A NEW STUDY FROM THE "AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS" SUGGESTS THAT CHEMICALS FROM PLASTIC CONTAINERS CAN POSE MAJOR HEALTH RISKS IN CHILDREN. CHEMICALS LIKE BPA AND PHTHALATES CAN CHANGE THE TIMING OF PUBERTY, AFFECT MALE GENITAL DEVELOPMENT, INCREASE BODY FAT, AND CONTRIBUTE TO CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE. THE STUDY EVEN INCLUDED CONTAINERS LABELED "MICROWAVE SAFE." THE AAP RECOMMENDS USING GLASS OR CERAMIC CONTAINERS INSTEAD.

Story: Too Much Sleep**Date: 08/08/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: TOO MUCH SLEEP COULD BE BAD FOR YOUR HEALTH AND COULD EVEN BE WORSE THAN NOT GETTING ENOUGH Z'S AT NIGHT. A NEW STUDY INVOLVING 3 MILLION PEOPLE REVEALS SELF-REPORTED SLEEP DURATION OUTSIDE OF 7 TO 8 HOURS EACH NIGHT IS LINKED TO A HIGHER RISK OF DEATH AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES. ACCORDING TO THE RESEARCHERS, THEIR FINDINGS SUGGEST SLEEPING FOR MORE THAN 7 TO 8 HOURS MAY BE ASSOCIATED WITH A MODERATE DEGREE OF HARM. THE STUDY WAS PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION.

Story: Eating Health on a Budget**Date: 08/16/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: EATING HEALTHY ISN'T ALWAYS EASY, ESPECIALLY IF YOU'RE ON A TIGHT BUDGET. THIS YEAR SO FAR MORE THAN 20 MILLION HOUSEHOLDS IN AMERICA ARE ON FOOD STAMPS, THAT'S APPROXIMATELY 40 MILLION PEOPLE. A RESEARCH PROGRAM IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IS LOOKING TO SEE IF FINANCIAL INCENTIVES CAN ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO BUY MORE FRUITS AND VEGGIES. CAMILA BERNAL HAS THE STORY FROM SAN DIEGO.

Story: Phantom Odors**Date: 08/20/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: DO YOU FIND YOURSELF SMELLING ODORS THAT NO ONE ELSE SEEMS TO SMELL? IT COULD BE SIGN OF A SERIOUS HEALTH PROBLEM. A NEW STUDY FINDS THAT 1 IN 15 AMERICANS OVER THE AGE OF 40 DETECT STRANGE ODORS LIKE BURNING HAIR OR ROTTING FOOD WHEN NOTHING IS ACTUALLY THERE. RESEARCHERS ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHY. BUT THEY SAY PHANTOM SMELLS SHOULD NOT BE IGNORED. THEY COULD BE A SIGN OF SOMETHING MORE SERIOUS LIKE A MALFUNCTIONING PART OF THE BRAIN AND THEY COULD ALSO HAVE A BIG IMPACT ON APPETITE, TASTE, AND THE ABILITY TO SMELL DANGER LIKE FIRE, GAS LEAKS, AND SPOILED FOOD.

Story: Starbucks Lower Lattes**Date: 08/30/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: STARBUCKS IS QUIETLY TESTING OUT HEALTHIER FRAPPUCCINO RECIPES IN A BID TO ENTICE FRAPPUCCINO LOVERS. STARBUCKS SAID FRAPPUCCINO SALES DROPPED BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE MORE HEALTH CONSCIOUS, SO THE COMPANY HAS BEEN TESTING NEW FRAPPUCCINO RECIPES IN 600 STORES ACROSS MISSOURI, CALIFORNIA, AND RHODE ISLAND. THE NEW FRAPPUCCINO RECIPE CONTAINS FEWER CALORIES AND LESS SUGAR, A 16-OUNCE CARAMEL VARIETY THAT CONTAINS 370 CALORIES INSTEAD OF 420, AND INCLUDES 49 GRAMS OF SUGAR INSTEAD OF 67 GRAMS.

Story: IEMA Summit**Date: 09/04/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: THIS IS THE 22ND ANNUAL SUMMIT. IT PROVIDES TRAINING AND EDUCATION FOR LEADERS IN LAW-ENFORCEMENT, FIREFIGHTERS, PUBLIC HEALTH, VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS, AND OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY ORGANIZATIONS. THEN THEY CAN TAKE THIS NEW INFORMATION BACK TO THEIR DEPARTMENTS SO THEY'RE READY FOR ANY SORT OF DISASTER. WHETHER THAT'S NATURAL OR MAN-MADE LIKE CYBER WARFARE OR A MASS SHOOTING, THE COORDINATION OF SEVERAL DEPARTMENTS, AND A LEADERSHIP ARE KEY IN MANAGING THESE CATASTROPHES.

Story: Affordable Care Act Premiums**Date: 09/07/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: MILLIONS OF PEOPLE COVERED UNDER THE "AFFORDABLE CARE ACT" WILL SEE ONLY MODEST PREMIUM INCREASES NEXT YEAR. SOME WILL EVEN SEE A PRICE CUT. THE CONSULTING FIRM "AVALERE HEALTH" AND THE ASSOCIATED PRESS CRUNCHED AVAILABLE STATE DATA. AND THEY FOUND THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE SEEMS TO BE STABILIZING AFTER TWO YEARS OF SHARP PREMIUM HIKES.

Story: Probiotics may not work much**Date: 09/10/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: PROBIOTICS MAY NOT WORK FOR EVERYONE IN RESTORING DIGESTIVE HEALTH. RESEARCHERS FOUND WHILE SOME PEOPLE'S DIGESTIVE SYSTEMS HELD ONTO PROBIOTICS IN SUPPLEMENT FORMS, OTHER PEOPLE'S BODIES GOT RID OF IT. A SECOND STUDY BY THE SAME TEAM FOUND WHEN TAKEN ALONG WITH ANTIBIOTICS. PROBIOTICS MAY ACTUALLY DELAY GUT BACTERIA FROM RETURNING TO NORMAL.

Story: Middle Aged Drinkers Study**Date: 09/19/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: DRINKING TO EXCESS CAN COME WITH A VARIETY OF CONSEQUENCES - LEGAL, FINANCIAL, AND PHYSICAL. BUT ACCORDING TO A NEW SURVEY, MIDDLE-AGED DRINKERS SEEM TO BE MOST CONCERNED ABOUT THE SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES. THEY'RE MORE WORRIED ABOUT EMBARRASSING, DRUNKEN BEHAVIOR AND ITS EFFECT ON THEIR REPUTATION THAN THEY ARE ABOUT HEALTH CONSEQUENCES. RESEARCHERS FOUND THAT PEOPLE AGED 30 TO 65 BELIEVED DRINKING WAS SAFE AS LONG AS THEY COULD MEET THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES AND BEHAVE APPROPRIATELY. HEALTH WAS DESCRIBED AS A MINOR CONCERN OR NOT A CONCERN AT ALL.

Story: Fitness Tracker Recall**Date: 09/28/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: 30-THOUSAND FITNESS TRACKERS ARE BEING VOLUNTARILY RECALLED DUE TO THE RISK OF BURNS. THE BLUETOOTH TRACKERS BY DIGITAL WELLNESS COMPANY 'PROVATA HEALTH' ARE BLACK, BLUE, OR GREEN. THEY WERE GIVEN AWAY DURING A PROMOTION BETWEEN AUGUST 2017 AND JULY OF THIS YEAR. THERE HAVE BEEN 13 REPORTS OF THE DEVICE OVERHEATING WHILE CHARGING OR BEING USED. THREE USERS SUFFERED BURNS TO THEIR WRISTS. IF YOU HAVE ONE YOU SHOULD IMMEDIATELY STOP WEARING AND CHARGING IT. PROVATA HEALTH HAS OFFERED TO REPLACE THEM FOR FREE.

Government Officials and Policies

Story: Bost Immigration Protest

Date: 07/02/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: TWO SEPARATE PROTESTS ARE PLANNED TODAY OVER THE SEPARATION OF IMMIGRANT PARENTS AND CHILDREN AT THE US BORDER. THE GROUP “UNITED CONGREGATIONS OF METRO EAST” HOSTED A DAY OF AUCTION AT TEN THIS MORNING OUTSIDE CONGRESSMAN MIKE BOST’S OFFICE IN O’FALLON, ILLINOIS. ANOTHER GROUP PLANS A SIMILAR GATHERING AT FIVE THIS AFTERNOON OUTSIDE SENATOR ROY BLUNT’S OFFICE IN CLAYTON. DEMONSTRATORS MARCHED NEAR KIENER PLAZA DOWNTOWN ON SATURDAY AS PART OF A NATIONWIDE EFFORT CALLED “FAMILIES BELONG TOGETHER.”

Story: Lt Gov Lawsuit Dismissed

Date: 07/11/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: A COLE COUNTY JUDGE DISMISSED A LAWSUIT TODAY CHALLENGING LT. GOVERNOR MIKE KEHOE’S RIGHT TO HOLD THE OFFICE. LAST MONTH, GOVERNOR MIKE PARSON APPOINTED KEHOE TO FILL THE POST VACATED WHEN PARSON BECAME GOVERNOR. THE MISSOURI DEMOCRATIC PARTY SUED SAYING THE MISSOURI CONSTITUTION DOESN’T PROVIDE FOR A WAY TO FILL A VACANCY IN THE LT. GOVERNOR’S OFFICE. TODAY, THE COLE COUNTY JUDGE RULED THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND ANOTHER MAN WHO SUED LACKED THE AUTHORITY TO SEEK KEHOE’S REMOVAL BY LITIGATION. THE JUDGE DISMISSED THE LAWSUIT WITH PREJUDICE, MEANING IT CANNOT BE FILED AGAIN.

Story: Parson Sit Down Interview

Date: 07/19/18– 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: VICE PRESIDENT MIKE PENCE WAS IN ST. LOUIS TODAY. HE SPOKE TO A GROUP OF SUPPORTERS ABOUT TAX CUTS, TELLING THE CROWD THESE CUTS ARE CERTAINLY HELPING THE BOOMING ECONOMY. AFTER THAT EVENT, HE ATTENDED TWO FUNDRAISERS, ONE FOR MISSOURI, US SENATE CANDIDATE JOSH HAWLEY, THE OTHER FOR ILLINOIS CONGRESSMAN MIKE BOST. ONE PERSON WHO GOT ONE-ON-ONE TIME WITH MR. PENCE IS MISSOURI GOVERNOR MIKE PARSON. THE GOVERNOR THEN SAT DOWN WITH NEWS 11’S VIC FAUST FOR AN EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW.

Story: Rally Against Executive Orders

Date: 07/21/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES UNION LOCAL 96 HELD A DEMONSTRATION TODAY. THEY WANTED TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT THE RECENT EXECUTIVE ORDERS THAT TARGET FEDERAL WORKERS. ONE ORDER AIMED TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR FEDERAL OFFICES TO FIRE POOR PERFORMING EMPLOYEES. INSTEAD, MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES SAY THIS ORDER WILL STRIP SENIORITY AND DUE PROCESS PROTECTIONS. A SECOND ORDER CREATED A GOVERNMENTAL GROUP TO REVIEW CONTRACTS WITH FEDERAL EMPLOYEE UNIONS. AFGE MEMBERS SAY THAT CUTS INTO THE RIGHTS OF UNIONS TO COLLECTIVELY BARGAIN.

Story: Trump In Town**Date: 07/26/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: PRESIDENT TRUMP HAS TOUCHED DOWN IN THE METRO. ALONG WITH HIM, HIS DAUGHTER IVANKA, AND MISSOURI GOVERNOR MIKE PARSON. THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF IS IN GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS THIS AFTERNOON VISITING THE US STEEL MILL. HE'S TOUTING HOW HIS TRADE POLITCIES HAVE HELPED TO BRING JOBS BACK THERE. TIMES HAVE BEEN TOUGH FOR WORKERS IN RECENT YEARS WITH LOTS OF LAYOFFS. MR. TRUMP TOURED THE MILL, THEN SPOKE TO A CROWD OF ABOUT 500 PEOPLE THERE.

Story: STL County Executive Race**Date: 08/08/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: SEPARATED BY LESS THAN 12-HUNDRED VOTES, MARK MONTOVANI ANNOUNCED THIS AFTERNOON THAT FOR NOW HE WILL NOT CONTEST THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY EXECUTIVE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY ELECTION. THAT MEANS INCUMBENT STEVE STENGER WILL REPRESENT THE PARTY IN NOVEMBER'S GENERAL ELECTION.

Story: McCaskill in Ferguson Today**Date: 08/17/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: MISSOURI U.S. SENATOR CLAIRE MCCASKILL VISITS FERGUSON TODAY. ON THE EGENDA, HEALTH CARE. SHE IS HOLDING A MEET AND GREET THIS AFTERNOON TO DISCUSS THE IMPORTANCE OF PROTECTING MISSOURIANS WITH PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS. IT'S AT ONE O'CLOCK THIS AFTERNOON AT HER CAMPAIGN OFFICE ON SOUTH FLORISSANT ROAD.

Story: Taliban Takes 100 People Hostage**Date: 08/20/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: AFGHAN OFFICIALS SAY THE TALIBAN HAVE TAKEN MORE THAN 100 PEOPLE HOSTAGE. THE INSURGENTS STOPPED THREE BUS LOADS OF PEOPLE TRAVELING TO KABUL. IT'S BELIEVED THE TERRORISTS WERE LOOKING FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES OR MEMBERS OF THE SECURITY FORCES. BEFORE THE INCIDENT, AFGHANISTAN'S PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED A CEASEFIRE WITH THE TALIBAN FROM TODAY UNTIL NOVEMBER 19TH TO HONOR A MUSLIM HOLIDAY. IT WAS ALSO AGREED THAT THE TALIBAN WOULD ABSTAIN FROM TAKING UP WEAPONS DURING THE CEASEFIRE.

Story: New Australia Prime Minister**Date: 08/24/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: AUSTRALIA HAS A NEW PRIME MINISTER. SCOTT MORISON WAS SWORN IN TODAY. THIS AFTER THE RULING LIBERAL PARTY VOTED TO CHANGE ITS LEADER. MORRISON, WHO HAS SERVED AS TREASURER SINCE 2015, WON A FINAL VOTE AGAINST FORMER HOME AFFAIRS MINISTER PETER DUTTON. OUTGOING PRIME MINISTER MALCOLM TURNBULL WILL STEP AWAY FROM POLITICS, HAVING DECLINED TO CONTEST VOTE. THAT IS A LOOK AT WHAT IS MAKING HEADLINES AROUND THE WORLD.

Story: Special Session**Date: 08/30/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: THE MISSOURI LEGISLATURE WILL MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION NEXT MONTH TO CONSIDER TWO BILLS GOVERNOR PARSON VETOED IN JULY. THEY DEALT WITH EXPANDING "TREATMENT COURTS" AND EDUCATION IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATH. PARSON'S OFFICE SAID THE SESSION WILL BE HELD THE WEEK OF SEPT. 10TH THROUGH THE 14TH. IT WILL RUN CONCURRENTLY WITH A VETO SESSION SCHEDULED TO BEGIN SEPT. 12TH.

Story: Anger Over Brazil Museum Fire**Date: 09/07/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: MISSOURI GOVERNOR MIKE PARSON IS SPENDING THE DAY IN ST. LOUIS. HE'LL JOIN ST. LOUIS MAYOR LYDA KREWSON AND KANSAS CITY MAYOR SLY JAMES TOURING AND VISITING SEVERAL LOCATIONS. SOME OF THE HIGHLIGHTS OF THEIR TOUR INCLUDE AN ADDRESS TO THE ST. LOUIS BOARD OF ALERMAN AT CITY HALL, A VISIT TO ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE "JOBS FOR AMERICA'S GRADUATES" PROGRAM. THEN, THEY'LL VISIT THE ST. LOUIS POLICE "REAL-TIME CRIME CENTER" AND HE'LL SPEAK WITH THE POST-DISPATCH EDITORIAL BOARD THIS AFTERNOON.

Story: Syria Chemical Weapons**Date: 09/12/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: TIME NOW TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT'S MAKING HEADLINES AROUND THE WORLD.THERE ARE INCREASING CONCERNS THE SYRIAN GOVERNMENT OF BASHAR AL-ASSAD MAY USE CHEMICAL WARFARE IN WHAT'S BEING BILLED THE FINAL BATTLE IN THAT COUNTRY'S BRUTAL CIVIL WAR. RUSSIAN AND SYRIAN WARPLANES ARE ALREADY DROPPING BOMBS, REPORTEDLY TARGETING HOSPITALS AND CIVILIANS. NOW, U-S SOURCES SAY THERE'S MOUNTING EVIDENCE ASSAD IS PREPARING TO USE CHEMICAL WEAPONS AGAINST HIS PEOPLE, AGAIN. TWICE IN THE LAST TWO YEARS, ASSAD HAS USED SARIN GAS, AND TWICE PRESIDENT TRUMP HAS RESPONDED. THIS TIME, THE US HAS WARNED OF A FAR GREATER RESPONSE.

Story: Kavanaugh Sex Misconduct Allegations**Date: 09/14/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: SUPREME COURT NOMINEE BRETT KAVANAUGH EMPHATICALLY DENIES AN ACCUSATION OF SEXUAL MISCONDUCT FROM WHEN HE WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL. THE ACCUSATION WAS THE SUBJECT OF A LETTER CALIFORNIA SENATOR DIANNE FEINSTEIN SENT TO THE FBI THURSDAY. FEINSTEIN SAYS THE WOMAN CAME TO HER AND WISHED TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS. AN FBI OFFICIAL SAYS THE LETTER HAS NOT RESULTED IN A CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION. MISSOURI ATTORNEY GENERAL JOSH HAWLEY, A REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR SENATE, IS STANDING BY KAVANAUGH.

Story: Trump Puerto Rico Tweets**Date: 09/21/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: NEARLY A YEAR HAS PASSED SINCE HURRICANE MARIA RAVAGED PUERTO RICO. PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP TWEETED TODAY HE BELIEVES THOSE NUMBERS ARE WRONG. HE SAYS THERE WERE 6 TO 18 DEATHS WHEN HE LEFT THE ISLAND, AND IT TOOK A LONG TIME TO REPORT LARGE NUMBERS. THE PRESIDENT CLAIMS DEMOCRATS PUT THOSE NUMBERS TOGETHER TO MAKE HIM LOOK BAD BY COUNTING PEOPLE WHO DIED FOR ANY REASON, SUCH AS OLD AGE.

Story: St. Louis Police Residency Rule Lifted**Date: 09/28/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS HAS LIFTED ITS RESIDENCY REQUIREMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS. BEGINNING DECEMBER FIRST, THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION WILL ISSUE WAIVERS TO QUALIFIED NEW RECRUITS LIVING OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS. MAYOR LYDA KREWSON CALLS THE MOVE ESSENTIAL TO REDUCING VIOLENT CRIME.

Technology

Story: Apple VR

Date: 07/03/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: AUGMENTED REALITY VIDEO GAMES MIGHT JUST BE THE NEXT BIG THING. THEY TAKE YOUR REAL WORLD SURROUNDINGS AND COMBINE THEM WITH STUFF YOU CAN ONLY SEE THROUGH A SCREEN. SWIFTSHOT, AS IT'S CALLED, IS JUST A SIMPLE GAME BUILT BY APPLE TO DEMONSTRATE WHAT'S POSSIBLE WITH THEIR SOFTWARE CALLED AR-KIT 2. DEVELOPERS CAN USE IT TO MAKE AUGMENTED REALITY APPS FOR IPHONE AND IPAD.

Story: E-sight Glasses

Date: 07/20/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: HEATHER BUFFEY, WHO IS LEGALLY BLIND, DIDN'T SEE HER PRECIOUS BABY GIRL UNTIL THREE MONTHS LATER. THAT'S WHEN SHE TRIED ON A PAIR OF E-SIGHT GLASSES FOR THE FIRST TIME GIVING HER THE FIRST EMOTIONALLY STUNNING LOOK AT HER BUNDLE OF JOY. HEATHER WAS DIAGNOSED WITH AUTO-SOMAL RECESSIVE HEREDITARY OPTIC ATROPHY, A CONDITION THAT CAUSES BLINDENESS, WHEN SHE WAS FOUR YEARS OLD. THE CUTTING-EDGE LIGHT-WEIGHT EYEWEAR ENHANCES PICTURES CAPTURED ON REAL TIME VIDEO, THEN FLASHES THEM ON TWO LITTLE SCREENS, ONE IN FRONT OF EACH EYE, GIVING SIGHT TO THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED.

Story: ADHD Digital Media Use Linked

Date: 07/23/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: A NEW STUDY COULD GIVE PARENTS ANOTHER REASON TO LIMIT TEENAGERS' DIGITAL MEDIA USE. RESEARCHERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FOUND A LINK BETWEEN HEAVY USE OF DIGITAL MEDIA AND "ATTENTION-DEFICIT/HYPERACTIVITY DISORDER." THE STUDY FOUND THAT TEENS WHO USED THE MOST DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY WERE TWICE AS LIKELY TO DEVELOP NEW SYMPTOMS OF ADHD THAN THOSE WHO USED IT LEAST. ADHD IS A CONDITION THAT MAKES IT DIFFICULT TO PAY ATTENTION FOR A SUSTAINED PERIOD OF TIME. THE CDC SAYS THAT NEARLY ONE IN TEN CHILDREN IN THE US, OVER SIX MILLION KIDS, HAVE A FORM OF THE DISORDER. THE STUDY IS PUBLISHED IN THE JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION.

Story: Google Docs Grammar Mistakes

Date: 07/26/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: THE FEATURE IS PART OF A G-SUITE UPDATE PACKAGE ANNOUNCED THIS WEEK. IT USES MACHINE TRANSLATION TECHNOLOGY TO CATCH GRAMMATICAL ERRORS AND SUGGEST CHANGES. THOSE ERRORS COULD INCLUDE SIMPLE THINGS LIKE ACCIDENTALLY USING THE ARTICLE "A" INSTEAD OF "AN." CURRENTLY, THE GRAMMAR SUGGESTIONS FEATURE IS ONLY AVAILABLE TO BUSINESS USERS. GOOGLE HASN'T SAID WHEN IT MIGHT BE RELEASED FOR CONSUMER ACCOUNTS.

Story: Samsung S9 Sales

Date: 07/31/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: SAMSUNG SAYS THE GALAXY S-9 ISN'T SELLING VERY WELL. THE 'S-9' AND 'S-9 PLUS' SAW DISAPPOINTING SALES AND IT APPARENTLY DID NOT HELP THAT THE PHONES INCLUDED RELATIVELY MINOR CHANGES FROM THEIR PREDECESSORS. TO COMBAT THIS, SAMSUNG SAYS ITS NEWEST PHONES, LIKE THE S-10, WILL ADOPT CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGY ALONG WITH NEW LOOKS. SAMSUNG ALSO PLANS TO INTRODUCE ITS NEWEST GALAXY NOTE PHONE EARLIER THAN IT EXPECTED ALONG WITH MID- AND LOW-END MODELS WITH NEW FEATURE.

Story: Man Credits Apple Watch With Saving His Life

Date: 08/02/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: 24-YEAR-OLD JOHN ARIAS IS A TECH GURU WHO LOVES EVERYTHING APPLE, INCLUDING THE LATEST APPLE WATCH. ARIAS SAYS HE'S NEVER HAD HEALTH PROBLEMS, SO HE WAS SHOCKED WHEN HIS APPLE WATCH NOTIFIED HIM OF AN IRREGULAR HEARTBEAT. ARIAS SAYS AFTER ABOUT TWO WEEKS OF ALERTS FROM HIS APPLE WATCH, HE STARTED HAVING CHEST PAIN AND THAT'S WHAT SENT HIM TO THE EMERGENCY ROOM. DOCTORS DIAGNOSED ARIAS WITH PREMATURE VENTRICULAR CONTRACTIONS. WHILE THE HEALTH FEATURES WEREN'T WHAT INITIALLY SOLD ARIAS ON THE WATCH, IT'S NOW A MAJOR BONUS.

Story: Google Tracking You No Matter What

Date: 08/14/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: IF YOU'VE GOT A SMART PHONE OR TABLET, CHANCES ARE YOU'RE USING THE GOOGLE SEARCH ENGINE. ACCORDING TO A NEW REPORT, THE TECH GIANT IS TRACKING YOU EVEN IF YOU TOOK STEPS TO PROTECT YOUR PRIVACY. THE COMPANY ADMITS THAT WHEN YOU OPEN GOOGLE MAPS OR THEIR WEATHER APP, GOOGLE WILL PINPOINT YOUR LOCATION AND STORE THAT DATA EVEN IF YOU OPT OUT OF YOUR LOCATION HISTORY IN YOUR GOOGLE SETTINGS. THE COMPANY SAYS IT ALSO TRACKS YOUR SEARCH HISTORY, STORING YOUR MINUTE-BY-MINUTE INFO.

Story: Bulletproof Backpacks

Date: 08/16/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: WITH THE "BACK TO SCHOOL" SEASON IN FULL SWING, SAFETY IS THE TOP PRIORITY AMONG PARENTS. SOME ARE BUYING ARMORED BACKPACKS AND REMOVEABLE BAG SHIELDS FOR THEIR CHILDREN. STUDENTS CAN USE THESE TO PROTECT THEMSELVES IN THE EVENT OF AN ACTIVE SHOOTER. THESE SHIELDS AND BACKPACKS USE THE SAME LIFE-SAVING TECHNOLOGY THAT MILITARY, LAW ENFORCEMENT, AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS USE.

Story: Preorder New iPhone in September

Date: 08/21/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: APPLE INSIDER REPORTS THAT THE TECH COMPANY IS PREPARING TO UNVEIL THREE NEW MODELS OF THE SMART PHONE. THEY ARE EXPECTED TO BE REVEALED AT AN EVENT ON SEPTEMBER TWELFTH. THE NEW PHONES ARE REPORTED TO CONTAIN A FACE ID FEATURE. NEW MACBOOK OR MACBOOK AIR MODELS MAY BE INTRODUCED NEXT MONTH AS WELL.

Story: Tech Companies Meet About Elections

Date: 08/27/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: LEADING TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES DON'T WANT THEIR PLATFORMS TO PLAY A ROLE IN ELECTION MANIPULATION THIS NOVEMBER. ON FRIDAY, FACEBOOK, TWITTER, GOOGLE, AND MICROSOFT EMPLOYEES MET TO TALK ABOUT WAYS TO PROTECT USERS AND PREVENT MISINFORMATION FROM SPREADING. FACEBOOK AND TWITTER, SPECIFICALLY, HAVE BEEN UNDER PRESSURE FROM LAWMAKERS AND THE PUBLIC AFTER FAKE ACCOUNTS TIED TO RUSSIA TARGETED VOTERS DURING THE 2016 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. EXECUTIVES FROM BOTH COMPANIES WILL TESTIFY NEXT MONTH BEFORE THE SENATE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE.

Story: New Words Dictionary**Date: 09/06/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: JUST IN TIME FOR THE START OF SCHOOL. MERRIAM-WEBSTER ADDS OVER EIGHT HUNDRED AND 40 NEW WORDS TO THE DICTIONARY. THE NEW ADDITIONS INCLUDE TECHNOLOGY-DRIVEN TERMS LIKE "FINTECH," "FORCE QUIT," "BOUGIE," AND "BINGEABLE." AND ONE NEW ADDITION ISN'T EXACTLY A WORD, JUST A SERIES OF LETTERS. "TLDR" WHICH MEANS "TOO LONG; DIDN'T READ." MERRIAM-WEBSTER SAYS THAT IT ONLY ADDS WORDS AFTER THEY'VE BECOME A PART OF EVERYDAY SPEECH.

Story: Ford New Electric Car**Date: 09/11/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: FORD IS ADDING TO THEIR FLEET OF ELECTRIC CARS WITH SOMETHING THAT LOOKS A LITTLE BIT LIKE A MUSTANG. THIS IS THE FIRST SNEAK PEEK WE'RE GETTING FOR THE ALL-ELECTRIC PERFORMANCE SUV. THE NEW WHEELS ARE PART OF THE COMPANY'S ELEVEN BILLION DOLLAR INVESTMENT INTO ELECTRIC VEHICLE TECHNOLOGY. FORD IS ONE OF MANY CAR COMPANIES HOPING TO DRIVE CONSUMERS TO THEIR ELECTRIC CAR OPTION USING THE ICONIC MUSTANG TO ENTICE SOME CAR ENTHUSIASTS TO MAKE THE SWITCH.

Story: Needle Free Flu Vaccine**Date: 09/14/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: RESEARCHERS ARE TESTING A NEW NEEDLE-FREE FLU SHOT. THE VACCINE WOULD BE APPLIED TO YOUR SKIN MUCH LIKE A BAND-AID. MICRO-NEEDLES ON THE PATCH WOULD THEN DELIVER THE VACCINE STRAIGHT INTO THE SKIN. THE PATCH WOULD ALSO UTILIZE A NEW ANTIGEN THAT CAUSES THE IMMUNE SYSTEM TO PRODUCE PROTECTIVE ANTIBODIES AS WELL AS A SUBSTANCE TO BOOST THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE VACCINE. RESEARCHERS HOPE THIS NEW TECHNOLOGY WILL LEAD TO MORE PEOPLE GETTING THE VACCINE.

Story: Headlights Pedestrian Accidents**Date: 09/26/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: THE FEDS SAY ONE OF THE KEYS TO MAKING CARS SAFER FOR PEDESTRIANS IS MAKING BETTER HEADLIGHTS. FEDERAL RULES HAVE BLOCKED ADAPTIVE BEAM HEADLIGHTS FROM BEING IN USE. THE TECHNOLOGY AUTOMATICALLY ADJUSTS TO ONCOMING TRAFFIC AND CAN REDUCE GLARE AND HELP DRIVERS SEE BETTER. THE NTSB SAYS VEHICLES ALSO NEED TO IMPROVE SAFETY TECHNOLOGY SUCH AS PEDESTRIAN COLLISION AVOIDANCE SYSTEMS AND MAKE SAFER HOODS TO GIVE PEDESTRIANS A BETTER CHANCE OF SURVIVING ACCIDENTS.

Story: Porsche Diesel Cars**Date: 09/28/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: PORSCHE ANNOUNCED IT'S GETTING RID OF DIESEL CARS. THE NEWS COMES FIVE MONTHS AFTER A SENIOR MANAGER AT PORSCHE IN GERMANY WAS ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH AN INVESTIGATION INTO DIESEL EMISSIONS. PORSCHE SAID ITS FOCUS NOW WILL BE ON HYBRID AND ELECTRIC TECHNOLOGY. THE COMPANY ALSO MENTIONED THAT THERE'S A SHRINKING DIESEL MARKET.

Community / Charity Events

Story: Links Grant to St. Jude

Date: 07/17/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: ST. JUDE HAS BEEN RESEARCHING AND TREATING CHILDREN WITH SICKLE CELL DISEASE SINCE THE HOSPITAL OPENED IN 1962. CHILDREN DIAGNOSED WITH SICKLE CELL ANEMIA FACE UNIQUE HEALTH CHALLENGES. TO HELP THESE CHILDREN LIVE LONG AND CRISIS FREE LIVES, THE LINKS FOUNDATION INCORPORATED PRESENTED ITS ONE MILLION DOLLAR, 2018 LEGACY GRANT TO ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S RESEARCH HOSPITAL. THE ST. JUDE DREAM HOME IS ANOTHER WAY TO GET INVOLVED. RESERVE YOUR TICKET BY MIDNIGHT TODAY AT DREAMHOME.ORG AND YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO WIN A SUITE AT THE BASEBALL STADIUM. OPEN THE FOX TWO APP FOR DETAILS.

Story: St. Jude Dream Home Open House

Date: 07/19/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: THIS DREAM HOME COULD BE YOURS AND YOUR BID FOR IT WILL DIRECTLY HELP CHILDREN RECEIVE LIFE SAVING TREATMENT. THE ST. JUDE DREAM HOME IS FINALLY FINISHED AND OPENS TO THE PUBLIC THIS WEEKEND. IT INCLUDES FOUR BEDROOMS, FOUR BATHROOMS, A GOURMET KITCHEN, A MEDIA ROOM, OUTDOOR PUTTING GREEN, AND A FULLY FINISHED LOWER LEVEL WITH A SECOND KITCHEN. TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE FOR A HUNDRED DOLLARS A PIECE AND WILL DIRECTLY BENEFIT ST. JUDE'S CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL. FORMER PATIENTS SAY THE HOSPITAL MEANS EVERYTHING TO THEM

Story: Save Our Sons

Date: 07/19/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: THIRTY-SIX-YEAR-OLD DONLOW GRADUATED FROM THE SAVE OUR SONS PROGRAM. THE URBAN LEAGUE OF METROPOLITAN ST. LOUIS INCORPORATED LAUNCHED THE INITIATIVE AFTER THE SHOOTING DEATH OF MICHAEL BROWN. THE SAVE OUR SONS PROGRAM OFFERS ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED MEN IN FERGUSON AND OTHER COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT ST. LOUIS COUNTY EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES AND CAREER READINESS TRAINING TO HELP THEM SECURE JOBS WITH LIVEABLE WAGES.

Story: Kookin For Kids

Date: 07/27/18 - 12pm, 4pm, 7pm

Synopsis: THIS FEAST ON FOOT MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR CHILDREN AT RISK TO GET THE HELP THEY NEED. CHILDREN FACING LIFE CHALLENGES ARE WELCOME AT ST. VINCENT HOME FOR CHILDREN IN NORMANDY. THE DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN. GENEROUS DONORS HELP KEEP THE DOORS OPEN. KOOKIN FOR KIDS ST. VINCENTS TARGETS FUNDRAISER. TASTY SAMPLES MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR FAMILIES TO RECEIVE SERVICES TAILORED TO MEET THEIR SPECIFIC NEEDS. ST. VINCENT HOME FOR CHILDREN, "KOOKIN FOR KIDS" IS SUNDAY AUGUST 5TH AT THE CHASE PARK PLAZA. OPEN THE FOX 2 APP FOR DETAILS.

Story: Distracted Driving**Date: 07/31/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: ALERT DRIVERS. REDUCE RISK. COMING UP: A PERSONAL PLEDGE TO STOP DISTRACTED DRIVING. YOUR BRAIN, EYES, AND HANDS GIVE YOU CONTROL BEHIND THE WHEEL. SAFE DRIVING MEANS THAT ALL THREE WORK TOGETHER. AND YOU CAN HELP SAVE LIVES ON THE ROAD. FOX 2 ENCOURAGES DRIVERS TO TAKE THAT PERSONAL PLEDGE TO "STOP DISTRACTED DRIVING". ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS OPEN THE FOX 2 APP AND YOU'LL FIND A LINK TO THE PLEDGE. FOR FOX 2 NEWS, I'M BONITA CORNUTE.

Story: Art Fair**Date: 08/07/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: THE SAINT LOUIS ART FAIR TURNS 25 THIS YEAR. TONIGHT, THE COMMEMORATIVE PRINT WILL BE UNVEILED. THE THEME OF THIS YEAR'S ART FAIR IS 'PERPETUALLY IN MOTION.' BECAUSE LIKE THE SHOW ITSELF, ART IS ALWAYS CHANGING AND EVOLVING. NEWS 11'S PATRICK CLARK HAS A LOOK AT THE SHOW.

Story: Dine Out For Backstoppers**Date: 08/09/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: CHESTERFIELD RESTAURANTS ARE HOSTING A "DINE OUT FOR BACKSTOPPERS" EVENT TONIGHT. HERE ARE THE DOZEN PLACES YOU CAN VISIT. A PORTION OF YOUR BILL WILL GO DIRECTLY TO BACKSTOPPERS. ONCE THE DONATIONS HAVE BEEN TALLIED... A CHECK PRESENTATION WILL BE HELD SATURDAY, AUGUST 25th AT THE BACKSTOP - PALOOZA. THE FREE CONCERT WILL FEATURE SEVERAL BANDS AT THE CHESTERFIELD AMPHITHEATER.

Story: St. Jude Open House and Tickets**Date: 08/13/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: IN LESS THAN A MONTH, ONE LUCKY PERSON IS GOING TO WIN OUR ST. JUDE DREAM HOME. BUT IF YOU'D LIKE A VACATION TO GO ALONG WITH THAT HOME YOU NEED TO ACT BY TODAY. NEWS 11'S KATHERINE HESSEL JOINS US FROM OFALLON, MISSOURI.

Story: Chess Club**Date: 08/24/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: THE REIGNING WORLD CHESS CHAMPION IS IN ST. LOUIS AND SO IS HIS COMPETITION. THEY'VE COME TO PLAY AT THE CHESS CLUB IN THE CENTRAL WEST END. FOX TWO'S BONITA CORNUTE LOOKS AT THE WORLD CLASS FIELD OF PLAY.

Story: Queeny Park Art Fair**Date: 08/31/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: THE ANNUAL QUEENY PARK ART FAIR IS BACK FOR ITS 41ST YEAR. THE FALL ART FAIR SHOWCASES ORIGINAL WORKS OF ARTS AND CRAFTS FROM 130-ARTISTS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY. YOU CAN BUY EVERYTHING FROM PAINTINGS, SCULPTURES, POTTERY, AND MORE. THERE WILL ALSO BE WINE TASTINGS AND LIVE MUSIC. THE QUEENY ART FAIR STARTS TONIGHT AT FIVE AND RUNS THROUGH SUNDAY INSIDE THE GREENSFELDER RECREATION COMPLEX. ADMISSION IS FIVE-DOLLARS.

Story: St. Louis Art Fair**Date: 09/03/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: FOR 25 YEARS, THIS SHOWCASE OF CREATIVITY ATTRACTS ARTISTS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY. IT'S ALSO A MAJOR DRAW FOR STUDENTS WITH AN EYE FOR ART. THESE SIXTH GRADERS AT THE WILSON SCHOOL ARE STILL YOUNG. BUT THEY QUALIFY AS STUDENT, ART AFICIONADOS AT THE ST. LOUIS ART FAIR. COME SEE WHO'S WORK IS DISPLAYED AT THE ST. LOUIS ART FAIR IN CLAYTON. IT STARTS FRIDAY SEPT 7TH AT 5PM AND RUNS THROUGH SUNDAY, SEPT 29TH UNTIL 5PM. OPEN THE FOX TWO APP AND YOU'LL FIND ALL THE DETAILS.

Story: St. Jude Dream Home**Date: 09/05/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: TIME IS RUNNING OUT TO WIN THE ST. JUDE DREAM HOME. THE HOUSE IS VALUED AT 423-THOUSAND DOLLARS IS IN O'FALLON MISSOURI. THE PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S RESEARCH HOSPITAL. THERE ARE JUST UNDER 600 TICKETS LEFT. TOMORROW IS THE DEADLINE AND THE DRAWING WILL BE ON OUR SISTER STATION FOX 2. RESERVE YOUR TICKET FOR \$100 TODAY AT DREAMHOME.ORG OR CALL 1-800-667-3394. YOU COULD WIN A HOUSE, WHILE HELPING FIND A CURE FOR CHILDHOOD CANCER.

Story: Distracted Driver Simulator**Date: 09/07/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: JOIN US IN THE FOX 2 AND KPLR 11 BOOTH TODAY, TOMORROW, AND SUNDAY AT THE 25TH ANNUAL SAINT LOUIS ART FAIR IN DOWNTOWN CLAYTON FEATURING ARTISTS FROM ACROSS THE COUNTRY. ON SATURDAY & SUNDAY, WE INVITE YOU TO TEST YOUR DISTRACTED DRIVING SKILLS IN THE ARRIVE ALIVE SIMULATOR. EVERY YEAR, OVER 400 THOUSAND DRIVERS ARE INVOLVED IN CRASHES CAUSED BY DISTRACTED DRIVING. LEARN MORE ABOUT DISTRACTED DRIVING AND HOW IT CAN AFFECT YOU. FOR DETAILS, VISIT THE DISTRACTED DRIVING PAGE IN THE QUICK LINKS SECTION OF FOX2NOW.COM.

Story: Maryville Balloon Flights**Date: 09/13/18– 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: SO IF YOU SEE SOME BALLOONS HANGING UP IN THE AIR AROUND THE WEST COUNTY, TOWN AND COUNTRY AREA THEY'RE PRACTICING FOR FRIDAY NIGHTS BALLOON GLOW AND SATURDAYS GREAT FOREST PARK BALLOON RACE. AT MARYVILLE UNIVERSITY, PATRICK CLARK.

Story: Balloon Glow**Date: 09/14/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE GREAT FOREST PARK BALLOON RACE. THE ANNUAL EVENT RETURNS TO ART HILL WITH THE KICK OFF OF THE BALLOON GLOW TONIGHT. NEWS 11'S LISA HART IS IN FOREST PARK WITH A PREVIEW OF THIS WEEKEND'S EVENTS.

Story: Distracted Driving**Date: 07/31/18 – 12pm, 4pm, 7pm**

Synopsis: ALERT DRIVERS. REDUCE RISK. COMING UP: A PERSONAL PLEDGE TO STOP DISTRACTED DRIVING. YOUR BRAIN, EYES, AND HANDS GIVE YOU CONTROL BEHIND THE WHEEL. SAFE DRIVING MEANS THAT ALL THREE WORK TOGETHER. AND YOU CAN HELP SAVE LIVES ON THE ROAD. FOX 2 ENCOURAGES DRIVERS TO TAKE THAT PERSONAL PLEDGE TO "STOP DISTRACTED DRIVING". ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS OPEN THE FOX 2 APP AND YOU'LL FIND A LINK TO THE PLEDGE. FOR FOX 2 NEWS, I'M BONITA CORNUTE.

The Pulse

Date: 07/07/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse: ArchCity Defenders - ArchCity Defenders, a non-profit civil rights firm in St. Louis has filed numerous lawsuits on behalf of poor people and minorities, including police brutality, 'debtors' prisons and 'pay to play' cash bail systems. Learn more about a new guide ArchCity Defenders released to help people navigate the legal system.

Date: 07/14/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse – The Urban League's 'Save Our Sons' program - When Will Donlow's world turned upside down after he lost his job, he went to the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis for help. Donlow participated in the Urban League's "Save Our Sons" program. Now he has an incredible story to tell about his remarkable success. Find out how hundreds of men in the Gateway City area are learning skills to help them secure job opportunities. Also, see how two female entrepreneurs are making their marks in the region.

Date: 07/21/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse: Importance of diversity and inclusion in St. Louis - Washington University in St. Louis demands an apology from the Clayton Police Department after ten African American, in-coming, first year students are falsely accused of leaving an IHOP restaurant without paying for their meals. The students were escorted back to the restaurant under heavy police presence after several showed officers receipts proving they were not involved in a dine and dash incident. Upon arriving at the restaurant, the manager told police the students paid for their meals and were not guilty of wrongdoing. We take a closer look at the importance of diversity and inclusion and racism in the Gateway City area.

Date: 08/04/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse – Candidates discuss race for St. Louis County Executive - Missouri voters head to the polls, Tuesday, August 7, 2018, to decide which candidates will face off in the November General Election. One of the most hotly contested races in the St. Louis area is the race for the Democratic nomination for St. Louis County Executive. Incumbent Steve Stenger is facing challenger Mark Mantovani. Hear from both candidates and learn more about their visions and platforms.

Date: 08/11/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse – Wesley Bell pulls off one of the biggest upsets in Missouri political history- Ferguson City Councilman Wesley Bell pulled off one of the biggest upsets in Missouri political history when he won the Democratic Primary Tuesday, August 7, 2018 defeating St. Louis County Prosecutor Bob McCulloch by a landslide. Learn how Bell's grassroots campaign led him to victory. And find out how Better Family Life's Operation Clean Sweep and amnesty initiatives are changing lives.

Date: 08/25/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse – How to secure your dream job in St. Louis - Are you in the market for a new job? If you are, you will be happy to know there are thousands of opportunities available in the St. Louis area across various industries. However, some corporations are having a hard time filling those positions. Find out which companies are hiring and what you need to do to secure your dream job. Also, learn about a new feeding and reading program that is combating crime and changing lives.

Date: 09/01/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse – ‘Project Compassion’ is changing lives - Rachel Jackson, Founder and Executive Director of Project Compassion is making a huge difference in the lives of people who have no place to call home in her metro-east community through valuable resources. She is also helping to empower young girls and young women through various self-esteem boosting programs. Find out how Jackson and her non-profit organization is changing lives.

Date: 09/15/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse – Financial empowerment centers open inside Regions Banks - Are you struggling to get your finances in order? Don't fret. Regions Bank has opened financial empowerment centers called Hope Inside at some of its branch locations to help residents throughout the Gateway City area, including the metro-east manage their finances and boost their credit scores. Learn how you can benefit from the free program. Plus, find out why the Black Rep's production of the hit stage play, Crowns is garnering rave reviews.

Date: 09/22/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse – Building a Teen Center of excellence in Ferguson - The Boys and Girls Club of Greater St. Louis is building a Teen Center of Excellence in Ferguson. The 12.4 million dollar structure will be a state of the art facility that will offer various programs designed to help children reach their full potential. Find out when the center will open and the impact it will make on the community.

Date: 09/29/18

Host: Shirley Washington

Topic: Pulse: Why Missouri judges are helping students to learn their rights - The Missouri Court of Appeals Eastern Division Docket was recently held at Fort Zumwalt West High School instead of at the courthouse to teach students about the judiciary system and the U.S. Constitution through some unique programs. Find out why judges are leaving the bench to make sure young people throughout the state know their rights.