

Quarterly Needs and Programs Report

2nd Quarter, 2013

Description of Programming

KSJO Perspective

A three-minute program on a topic of interest, often one of the top news stories of the week, based on interviews with the people involved. Perspective is broadcast Saturday at 5:50 a.m.

Health

5.18.13 Update on work the city of Saint Joseph and Buchanan County are doing to replace Heartland's ambulance service, which Heartland currently plans to end in July of 2014; with Saint Joseph City Manager Bruce Woody.

6.15.13 Northwest Missouri woman suffers from a red meat allergy caused by the bite of a Lone Star tick; with Helen Foster of Grant City.

6.22.13 Buchanan County and the city of Saint Joseph put out RFPs for ambulance service to replace the Heartland service that will end July 1, 2014; with Buchanan County Presiding Commissioner RT Turner.

Education

4.6.13 Missouri House considers a bill to allow schools to hire their own police officers; with State Representatives Sheila Solon, Genise Monticello, and Marsha Haefner.

4.13.13 Bids come in below estimates for two new elementary schools in Saint Joseph; with Steve Huff, assistant to the superintendent, and Rick Hartigan, Chief Operating Officer, Saint Joseph School District.

5.4.13 One hundred volunteers are needed for this summer's Reading Adventure program at five elementary schools in Saint Joseph; with Jodi Bloemker, director of community development, United Way of Greater Saint Joseph.

5.11.13 Former students at Bethel School in rural Buchanan County hold a dedication ceremony for a sign telling the history of the school; with Bob Bush of the Bethel School Historical Association.

5.25.13 Just-completed session of the Missouri Legislature failed to approve several issues important to Missouri Western State University in Saint Joseph; with Dr. Robert Vartabedian, President, MWSU.

6.29.13 Melody Smith's last day on the job as Superintendent of Schools in the Saint Joseph School District; with Melody Smith.

Service Organizations

4.27.13 Friends of the Animal Shelter in Saint Joseph reminds dog owners that Heartworm season is starting; with Dr. Mark Gutzmer, veterinarian.

Political Issues

6.1.13 Governor Nixon threatens to veto a tax bill passed by the Missouri legislature to lower corporate and personal income tax rates; with Tracy King, tax policy analyst with the Missouri Chamber of Commerce.

Quality of Life

4.20.13 Nearly 900 homeowners sign up for a new program to pay county real estate taxes by installment, rather than one lump sum at the end of the year; with Buchanan County Presiding Commissioner RT Turner.

6.8.13 Arts Fund Campaign announces plans for a Beer Walk For The Arts; with Missy Lackey, campaign co-chair.