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Radio Station KYTZ FM Walhalla, ND

**Issues & Programs Exhibit**

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## Issues & Programs Outline

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## January 2015 News Items for Public File

### **1/7/15 - Langdon Cattle Theft**

Police are asking for your help in solving the theft of 12 young black cattle from a farm near Langdon.

Cavalier County Sheriff's Department says it happened sometime Late Saturday or early Sunday when 2 to 3 people used a cattle trailer to steal the cows, possibly while driving a red pickup. The farm located 8 miles east and 4 miles North of Langdon. The theft is still under investigation.

If you have any information about the Cattle rustlers, you're asked to call the sheriff's department at 701-256-2555.

### **1/15/15- Manitoba Crime Stoppers**

RCMP were provided with a tip concerning a grow operation in a small rural town in southern Manitoba, the suspect was unknown to police and their activities had not been heard of previous to the information being received. A search warrant was prepared, 2 persons were arrested, 6 charges laid, \$20,000 dollars in cash along with \$600,000 in stolen property and 1,209 marihuana plants were seized.

Every time a Crime is committed, it affects us all. Crime Stoppers is based on the simple principle that for every crime committed, someone other than the criminal has information about it. Crime Stoppers continues to be effective because of concerned community members throughout Manitoba who are doing their part to keep their streets safe.

The Manitoba Board of directors would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the substantial support of the many volunteers, community sponsors and businesses, local media outlets and law enforcement agencies throughout Manitoba, that have contributed to the success and achievements of the Manitoba Crime Stoppers program.

The Manitoba CRIME STOPPERS Association Inc. was established in July of 1985. Manitoba Crime Stoppers serves the citizens of rural Manitoba, outside the cities of Brandon and Winnipeg. We are a community service program managed by a volunteer board of directors.

If you know something about criminal activity in your community, contact Crime Stoppers. Manitoba Crime Stoppers provides you with an avenue to safely and anonymously share valuable information with police agencies about crime in your rural Manitoba community.

### **1/20/15- Pembina County States Attorney**

Three finalists are among the possible replacements for Pembina County State's Attorney Stephenie Davis, who resigned earlier this month to take a prosecutor job in western North Dakota. A committee will meet Feb. 4 to interview the finalists, according to Pembina County Human Resource Director Tanya Wieler. The finalists are: Ryan Bialas, who currently is working as a public defender in Dickinson, N.D.; Bryan Denham, a self-employed attorney in Skellytown, Texas; and Michael Mahoney, an attorney with the North Dakota attorney general's office in Bismarck. A fourth finalist, Jeanne McLean, Bismarck, has accepted another position and withdrew her name from consideration, according to Wieler. McLean is working with the North Dakota Supreme Court in Bismarck. Wieler said the committee expects to choose one candidate next week to recommend to the Pembina County Commission. Pembina County received 12 applications for the position. The pool then was narrowed to six, before the finalists were chosen, according to Wieler. Davis, a 2012 UND School of Law graduate, was elected to a four-year term in 2012. She resigned to move to Watford City, N.D., where she is an assistant state's attorney in McKenzie County. The interview committee consists of: Wieler; Pembina County Commission Chairwoman Hetty Walker; County Commissioner Gary Nilsson; Sheriff Terry Meidinger; Clerk of Court/Recorder Kay Newell Braget; and Social Service Director Jill Denault. Ramsey County State's Attorney Lonnie Olson also is assisting with the interviewing process, but will not have voting authority.

## **2/2/15 - Infant Homicide**

**Waywayseecappo, Manitoba February 2, 2015** - On January 31, 2015, the RCMP Serious Crimes Unit was called to assist Dakota Ojibway Police Service in an investigation into the death of a two-year-old boy from Waywayseecappo First Nation. This is an ongoing investigation, so no further details are available at this time. The name of the deceased will not be released. Waywayseecappo is located about 150 kilometres northwest of Brandon

## **2/10/15 Cavalier County Commissioner Charged**

A Cavalier County commissioner is facing a driving under the influence charge while being accompanied by a minor.

Nick Moser, 34, Langdon, N.D., has entered a not guilty plea to the charge, a Class A misdemeanor. An initial appearance in Cavalier County District Court originally set for Tuesday was postponed after District Court Judge Laurie Fontaine recused herself from the case on Friday. The court appearance will be rescheduled once a new judge is appointed, according to Clerk of Court Anita Beauchamp. According to a charging document, Moser was pulled over by the North Dakota Highway Patrol at approximately 1:54 a.m. Jan. 31 along N.D. Highway 5 in the city of Langdon. He was accompanied by a four-year-old boy at the time, according to the report. When reached by telephone Monday, Moser declined comment on the advice of his attorney. He is being represented by former Grand Forks County State's Attorney Peter Welte, who resigned from that position last month to work with the Vogel Law Firm in Grand Forks. A Class A misdemeanor carries a possible maximum penalty of a \$3,000, one year in jail, or both.

## **2/19/15 Cramer to host Coffee in Cavalier**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – Congressman Kevin Cramer will hold a Coffee with Cramer event in Cavalier on Thursday, February 19. Along with taking questions on any issue from attendees, Cramer will discuss legislative activity in Washington and its implications for North Dakota. This event is intended for the public and all are encouraged to attend.

"These events allow me to stay in touch with North Dakotans, meeting them face to face to discuss any topic on their mind," said Cramer.

### **3/4/15- Grafton Fire**

At least one family remains displaced after a fire Monday evening that damaged rental units at Winter Park Apartments in Grafton, N.D. An official cause of the fire has not been determined. The fire is believed to have started in a second-floor apartment, according to Grafton Police Chief Anthony Dumas. "It appears, from what we gathered, as an unattended candle," he said, "but it's not definitive yet." While all 12 three-bedroom units initially were evacuated, four families were allowed to return later in the evening. Six others returned Tuesday morning, according to Walsh County Emergency Manager Brent Nelson. The American Red Cross found rooms for the evacuated residents at the AmericInn in Grafton, according to Nelson. The second-floor apartment where the fire is believed to have started sustained heavy damage, according to Dumas. It was occupied by a woman and two children. A first-floor unit, rented to a single woman, received water and smoke damage, according to Nelson. She had been displaced for a couple of days, but may be back in the apartment, he said. The damaged apartments are located in the southwest corner of the building, which is one of two in the complex located in south Grafton, just west of U.S. Highway 81 and south of N.D. Highway 17.

### **3/17/15 Devils Lake Prisoner Escape**

Devils Lake, ND (WDAY/WDAZ TV) - Deputy US Marshal Dan Orr says authorities are following leads, but they still don't know where escaped prisoner Wesley E. Brown is. He's warning the public not to go near him if they see him. Deputy US Marshal Dan Orr, "We would encourage the public not to approach him or apprehend him, but rather just contact law enforcement. We have no information to indicate that he has a weapon at this time, but given the previous history of possessing a weapon as a convicted felon, we certainly have to take that into account." Once Brown is brought back into custody, the US Marshals say it will investigate how he was able to escape from the Lake Region Law Enforcement Center.

### **3/22 /15 RCMP Drug Bust**

On March 20, 2015, at approximately 8:00 am, RCMP Federal, Serious and Organized Crime (FSOC) officers executed four Controlled Drug and Substances Act warrants. Two of those warrants were executed in Winnipeg, one was executed in the RM of East St. Paul and one was executed in the RM of St. Clements. The Ontario Provincial Police assisted the RCMP and executed a warrant in Sioux Lookout, Ontario. During the course of this ongoing investigation, police have seized more than 30 pounds of marijuana, almost 250 Oxycodone tablets, a small amount of cocaine and two firearms. Police also recovered a stolen skid steer loader. Three people were arrested and charged: Darren

## **Section B: Special and Non-Broadcast Events**

Throughout the year Simmons Stations assist local groups and organizations with the promotion and or co-sponsorship of various activities and events. Our involvement may include contributions of in-kind advertising, cash donations, company staff donating their own time to assist with a given event, etc. Below are some examples which are representative of these efforts.

### **1- IBIB Scholarship**

During first quarter Simmons Stations promote a ten thousand dollar scholarship opportunity in conjunction with the International Broadcasters Idea Bank and SESAC. The scholarship is offered to a college student who plans to pursue a career in radio broadcasting or music.

### **2- 2015 Curling Nationals**

In January Simmons Stations broadcast several daily reports from the 2015 Jr. National Curling Championships held at nearby Devils lake, ND

### **4 – Sunday Focus**

Each week, Simmons Stations air a 15 minute Public Affairs program called Sunday Focus which spotlights issues of local community interest. The program is hosted by News Director Ken Morgan and airs Sunday mornings at 6:05AM. See topic list attached.

## Section C: Weekend Focus

Each weekend, this Simmons Station broadcast's our exclusive weekly Public Affairs program 'Weekend Focus' hosted by News Director Ken Morgan. Weekend Focus places the spotlight on news and issues of importance to the local community. Attached is a listing of Weekend Focus programs that aired during this quarter. All programs aired Sunday mornings at 6AM.

**2/17/15**

Weekend Focus featured a conversation with Mike Fierberg on the upcoming deadline for sign up for the Affordable Care Act. The discussion addressed concerns of those signing up along with discussion of what tools and help were available for those seeking health insurance.

**2/14/15**

Weekend Focus featured a conversation with Congressman Kevin Cramer, ND, about ongoing work on items primarily aimed at agriculture including section 179 expensing and transportation issues

**2/21/15**

Weekend Focus featured a conversation with Todd Buchholz, an economist with a sense of humor. According to the Associated Press, the former White House senior economic advisor "lights up the economy with a wickedly sparkling wit." Buchholz, who has lectured at the White House and given keynote speeches to corporations and financial institutions such as Microsoft, IBM and Goldman Sachs, will speak at the Northern Soybean Expo on February 17 in Fargo.

**2/28/15**

Weekend Focus featured a conversation with North Dakota US Sen. Heidi Heitkamp

**3/7/15**

Weekend Focus featured a discussion on International Women's Day, and included commentary from ND Senator Heitkamp on legislation to stop human trafficking and similar commentary from MN Senator Amy Klobuchar.

**3/14**

Weekend Focus placed the spotlight on Canadian Farm Safety/Internet Connectivity.

**3/18/15**

Weekend Focus presented a program on Poison Prevention with Mandy Slag, ND Department of Health, talking about some of the major problem areas and precautions that need to be taken in storing and handling even common household products.

**3/28/15**

For the weekends of March 28 and April 3 the discussion was on colleges and their values, in particular the values of some for profit institutions versus traditional schools.  
"The evolutions of Higher Education" Author Suzanne Mettler, interviewed by Richard Baker, sourced from the K State Radio Network



## **Section D – Public Service Announcements**

Each day Simmons Stations air any number of free Public Service Announcements (PSA's) promoting the works of various charitable and non-profit groups and civic organizations. The following pages indicate the month/group/event/dates of many of the PSA's broadcast and is representative of this commitment.

## January 2015 PSAs

- Access Event Centre - 01/01-01/31 – Announced free public skating
- Winkler Rec Centre – 01/01-01/31 – Announced free public skating
- Central Station Winkler – 01/01-01/31 – Announced free family events
- Winkler & Altona Family Resource Centres – 01/01-01/31 – Announced free parent/child programs
- Morden 55+ Activity Centre – 01/01-01/11 – Announced weekly bingo
- Walhalla Public Library – 01/01-01/31 – Announced weekly story hour
- Langdon Area HOSA – 01/01-01/09 – Announced Pop Tops for a Cause in support of Ronald McDonald organization
- Canadian Blood Services – 01/01-01/02 – Announced blood donor clinic
- Norma Nadeau – 01/01-01/03 – Announced fundraising social
- Habitat for Humanity – 01/05-01/07 – Announced meeting
- Pembina Threshermens Museum – 01/05-01/07 – Announced AGM  
- 01/26-01/30 – Announced fish fry
- Pembina Hills Arts Council – 01/12-01/31 – Announced kids writing contest
- Carman United Church – 01/12-01/30 – Announced weekly luncheons
- Border Valley Snow Goers – 01/12-01/14 – Announced meeting
- Deadhorse Entertainment – 01/12-01/16 – Announced concert
- Golden Prairie Arts Council – 01/12-01/16 – Announced concert
- Scotties Tournament of Hearts – 01/19-01/25 – Announced provincial curling championship
- North Dakota Museum of Art – 01/19-01/31 – Announced exhibit
- Genesis House – 01/19-01/21 – Announced contest
- Town of Altona – 01/19-01/24 – Announced winter festival
- Fargodome – 01/26-01/27 – Announced musical
- CIBC Miami Branch – 01/26-01/30 – Announced customer appreciation day
- City of Langdon – 01/26-01/30 – Announced Beer & Bacon Bash

## January 2015 PSA

- City of Langdon-1/05/15-Christmas Tree Pickup For The City Of Langdon Will Be January 5<sup>th</sup> Starting At 8am
- City of Langdon-1/03/15-Waste Management For The City Of Langdon Will Pick Up Garbage On Saturday Instead Of Friday Due To New Year's Holiday
- Cavalier Rural Electric-01/14/15-There will be a 45 Minute to One Hour Power Outage. This will Allow for Changes in the Substation. The Outage will Begin About 1pm

## February 2015 PSA

- Walhalla Blood Drive-02/04/15-from 1-6pm at the Senior Citizen Center in Walhalla
- Langdon Activity Center-02/14/15 & 02/15/15-8<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Show at the Langdon Activity Center
- Langdon Eagles Club-02/14/15-Valentine's Day ERoc Elvis-Show Starts at 9pm-Supper from 5-8pm
- United Blood Services-02/16/15-Blood Drive at St. Alphonsus Parish Center from 8-5
- Cavalier County-02/22/15-28<sup>th</sup> Annual Friends for Life Brunch at St. Alphonsus Cafeteria Langdon from 9am-1:30pm

## February 2015 PSAs

- Access Event Centre - 02/01-02/28 – Announced free public skating
- Winkler Rec Centre – 02/01-02/28 – Announced free public skating
- Central Station Winkler – 02/01-02/28 – Announced free family events
- Winkler & Altona Family Resource Centres – 02/02-02/28 – Announced free parent/child programs
- Walhalla Public Library – 02/01-02/28 – Announced weekly story hour
- Pembina Hills Arts Council – 02/01-02/03 – Announced kids writing contest
- North Dakota Museum of Art – 02/01-02/03 – Announced exhibit
- Fargodome – 02/02-02/03 – Announced musical
- United Blood Services – 02/02-02/04 – Announced blood drive  
-02/16 – Announced blood drive
- Habitat for Humanity – 02/02-02/04 – Announced meeting
- Carman Chamber of Commerce – 02/02-02/07 – Announced annual winter festival
- Candlewick Players – 02/02-02/07 – Announced Valentine’s theatre
- Morden Figure Skating Club – 02/09-02/15 – Announced provincial competition
- Langdon Chamber of Commerce? – 02/09-02/15 – Announced annual toy show  
-02/23-02/26 – Announced “Business After Hours”
- City of Morden – 02/09-02-14 – Announced annual winter festival  
-02/16-02/21 – Announced child behaviour and development workshop
- Golden Prairie Arts Council – 02/09-02/14 – Announced opening reception & Valentine’s Dessert Fundraiser
- City of Winkler – 02/09-02/14 – Announced Bluegrass music night  
- 02/16 – Announced annual winter festival
- MTC Touring Company – 02/16-02/18 – Announced play

- Strathcona Sr. Men's Provincial Curling Championships – 02/16-02/23 – Announced provincial curling championships
- Douglas Kuhl School of Music – 02/16-02/20 – Announced concert
- Morden Friendship Centre – 02/16-02/20 – Announced nutrition presentation
- Town of Edinburgh – 02/16-02/21 – Announced Snowfest
- Back 40 Folk Festival – 02/16-02/21 – Announced songwriters workshop
- MTS Centre – 02/16-02/22 – Announced event
- Morden Collegiate – 02/23-02/24 – Announced grad clothing event
- Canadian Blood Services – 02/22-02/27 – Announced blood drive
- Pembina Threshermen's Museum – 02/22-02/27 – Announced fish fry fundraiser
- Pembina Valley Humane Society – 02/22-02/28 – Announced social fundraiser

## March 2015 PSA

- NDSU Extension Service of Cavalier County-03/10, 03/17, & 03/24/2014-Common Sense Parenting of Toddlers and Preschoolers at United Lutheran Church from 6:30pm-8:30pm
- Nelson Angus-03/14/15- 45 Performance Tested Yearling Bulls and 15 Quality Replacement Heifers at the Ranch 1 ½ Miles North of Egeland ND
- Park River Bible Camp-03/13-03/15/2015- Cabin Fever Reliever Quilt Retreat Arrival Time at Camp is from 1-5pm
- Park River Bible Camp-03/20-03/22-Crop Till You Drop Scrapbooking and Stamping Retreat Arrival Time is 12pm on March 20<sup>th</sup>
- Cavalier County Crop Improvement Association-03/10/15-Annual Meeting at the Langdon Research Extension Center at 12:45pm and the Banquet at American Legion Hall Starting at 5:30-Open to the Public
- Langdon Fire Department-03/15/15-Open House Breakfast from 8am-1pm
- Cavalier County Highway Dept.-03/09/15-Cavalier County Road #55 in the Pembina Gorge at Frostfire Lodge will be down to one lane traffic Beginning Monday March 9<sup>th</sup>, due to construction. There will be 16 Foot Lane Restriction Until Further Notice.
- Edmore Gymnastics-03/28/15-Annual Supper and Performances Beginning at 6:30pm, Free-Will Chili Supper at Edmore School
- CHS-03/09/15-03/20/15-Harvest for Hunger of Langdon-Donations Dropped off at Langdon Area Elementary School 6<sup>th</sup> Graders.
- Walhalla Public Library-03/20/15- Terry Jacobson and Dave Paukert Talking about their book Visions of the Prairie at 3pm at the Walhalla Public Library Free and Open to the Public
- Langdon American Legion-03/25/15-Spring District Meeting
- Munich Ambulance Center-03/18/15-Munich Blood Drive from 11:30a-5:30p at the Munich Ambulance Center
- Langdon Research Center-03/26/15-2015 Hunter Education Starting at 7pm Must be 11 Years Old or Older at the Langdon Research Center
- Munich Volunteer Fire Department-03/29/15-Pancake and Sausage Breakfast at Munich Fire & Ambulance Center from 9:30am Until 1pm-Free Will Offering
- Langdon-Munich Sports Boosters-03/30/15-Organizational Meeting in the Meeting Room of the Langdon Eagles Club-Everyone Welcome
- Langdon USPS-03/25/15-Mail Truck is Running 3 Hours Late Due to Mechanical Issues
- Langdon Area High School-03/24/15-Blood Drive
-