

1540 KTGG Okemos  
Issues and Programs List  
Fourth Quarter: October 1 – December 31, 2023

Program Title: October Garden Guy – Strong Tower Radio Today  
Host: Tom Mejeur  
Guest: Gary Heilig  
Air Date: Oct. 9, 2023 at 10:00am  
Total Run Time: 59:00 minutes

October's episode of Good Growing with the Garden Guy with retired MSU Extension Officer Gary Heilig featured Vanilla. During the quiz portion of the show Gary shared that the vanilla pod grows on an orchid plant, the best vanilla pods grow in Madagascar as well as what artificial vanilla is made from. He also shared tips on how to grow these orchids yourself.

Moving on to the second segment of the broadcast, the hosts, Tom and Su Mejeur, and Gary centered on cleaning up the garden for fall and getting it ready for the next season. Gary shared the opportunity for a winter cover crop. Finally, late fruits like pears and apples and their varieties were talked about.

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Program Title - Irons Community Center update - STR Feature  
Host: Tom Mejeur  
Guests: Nancy Przedwojewski and Sheriff Rich Martin  
Air Date: Oct. 16, 2023 at 4:00pm  
Total Run Time: 29:00 minutes

It was 10 years in the making, but the Irons Community Center is having their first birthday. They started with \$12,000.00 and a building that was basically unusable and now they have a building worth \$300,000. God moved miraculously in many ways for this project. They have a room for the youth with different games for them, a room for the community for classes and events like game night and then a room for a Feeding America pantry.

Sheriff Rich explained the different programs for youth that he is involved at the center such as gun safety classes to teach the youth the different types of guns as well as how to use them and store them safely. The Michigan Extension Services come and provide classes on cooking and gardening and the youth are attending those classes as well. Their address is 5071 10 ½ Mile Rd in Irons, Michigan. (Across from Skinner Park) The Food Pantry is open Monday and Tuesday on the Third week of the month from 10am to 2pm.

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Program Title: VA Suicide Prevention – Strong Tower Radio Today  
Host: Tom Mejeur  
Guest: Dr. Todd Burnett, US Dept of Veteran Affairs  
Air Date: Nov. 6, 2023 at 10:00am  
Total Run Time: 59:00 minutes

Dr. Todd Burnett with the US Department of Veteran Affairs, expert in Suicide Prevention was the guest for this informative and important episode of Strong Tower Radio Today program. Dr. Burnett

they have helped 1808 from January to October of 2023. They service Grand Ledge, Sunfield, Eagle and DeWitt areas with food, clothing and household goods. December 12-14 they are having a Christmas event where each of their clients can come in and receive a Christmas gift. They can be reached at 517 627-4348 or find them at 4934 Burt St. in Grand Ledge, Michigan.

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Program Title: Marshall Adventist Community Service Center tour – Strong Tower Radio Feature  
Host: Tom Mejeur  
Guest: Lee Swegel  
Air Date: Nov. 23, 2023 at 9:30am  
Total Run Time: 29:00 minutes

The Marshall Seventh Day Adventist Church has an amazing, inspirational food pantry, affectionately named their Prayer Pantry due to the fact that they pray with each of their guests during each encounter with them. This organization has attracted people from the community as well as other churches that volunteer to deliver these food baskets. Most of the food they have has been donated by different organizations.

They operate on the George Mueller principal of letting God provide. The pantry is open Tuesdays from 12pm to 2pm during which 150 to 300 baskets are given out. Lee said the success comes from volunteers that genuinely desire to serve and share God's love. They also have a prisoner's birthday card ministry that sends birthday card to those who never receive one. You can reach Lee at 517-677-8310 if you would like to find out how to do what the Marshall SDA Church is doing.

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Program Title: Jackson Adventist Community Service Center tour – Strong Tower Radio Feature  
Host: Tom Mejeur  
Guest: Janet Allen  
Air Date: Nov. 23, 2023 at 5:30pm  
Total Run Time: 29:00 minutes

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During COVID they formed a drive-thru food pantry that services 75 families a week and in 12 months raised \$14,000 to help their community. Janet gives the glory to God for all the remarkable things happening through that center. The Jackson ACSC is open on Tuesday from 11am to 1pm but she adds her phone number is on the building, 517 914-4898, and she is available everyday if someone has an immediate need for food or prayer.

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Host: Tom Mejeur  
Guests: Genevieve Marnon, Legislative Director of Right to Life and Pastor Jay Gallimore from

Lansing, Michigan

Air Date: Dec. 04, 2023 at 4:00pm

Total Run Time: 29:00 minutes

There were 4 assisted suicide bills introduced into the Michigan legislature just minutes before the session broke. These bills are being referred to as the “Death with Dignity” bills, numbers 678, 679, 680, 681. Genevieve Marnon, Legislative Director of Right to Life, explained that this was an unfair introduction without any available time to respond before the media was informed. There are 10 states that have already made assisted suicide legal. In 2017 there were 7 assisted suicide bills that were introduced but none were ever enacted.

Many think that pain is the driving factor that makes people want to end their life, but it’s actually not wanting to be a burden to others that tempts people to choose suicide. Pastor Jay Gallimore shared that this is illegal in Africa, Asia and the Middle East. It’s Western countries that are abandoning their Christian values. If we are willing to kill our babies, we will have no problem killing our disabled and elderly. You can reach Genevieve Marnon at RTL.org or 517 487-3376. She encourages people to reach out to their legislators and senators, asking them to work to defeat these bills.

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Program Title: December Garden Guy – Strong Tower Radio Today

Host: Tom Mejeur

Guest: Gary Heilig

Air Date: Dec. 11, 2023 at 10:00 am

Total Run Time: 59:00 minutes

December’s Garden Guy program with Strong Tower’s Garden Guy, Gary Heilig, began with a discussion and quiz on the tropical fruit, Mangoes. Gary shared the countries of origin as well as some history and fun facts about this delightful fruit. One helpful fact was that mangoes contain 20 different vitamins and mineral which makes it a super food.

Holiday plants such as mistletoe, holly amaryllis, Christmas cactus, poinsettia, and Norfolk pine were the topic of conversation for the remainder of the program while Christmas trees closed out the segment. One interesting fact about mistletoe is that it is mildly toxic, so it’s advisable to keep it away from children and pets.

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Program Title: Helping underprivileged youth – Strong Tower Radio Feature

Host: Tom Mejeur

Guest: Joe Dukes

Air Date: Dec. 18, 2023 at 4:00pm

Total Run Time: 29:00 minutes

Joe Dukes learned early on that with direction and skills, life can take some very wrong turns and because of his difficult start in life, Joe is doing something about it. He has been helping youth learn skills and life lessons that will help them become productive citizens and hopefully citizen of heaven someday. Dukes Youth Hands On Training is Joe’s answer to the youth crisis today.

In his small town of Baldwin, Michigan in Lake county he mentors youth by giving them jobs in his

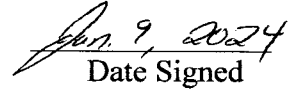
various business. They learn about lawn care, auto repair and sales and construction such as home remodeling. As they work for Joe in the summer they are able to contribute in purchasing school clothes and even a car. If kids get kicked out of school, he takes them into his program to help turn them around. His contact information is 213-629-9148 or dukeshot.org

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