

## **Quarterly Issues Programs List for Station KZNE-AM/College Station TX**

**January 1-March 31, 2013**

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**List of KZNE issues and corresponding news stories, heard weekdays at 6:20 a.m., 7:20 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 4:02 p.m., & 5:02 p.m.**

**Length of most news stories range between 30 and 60 seconds.**

### **(1) Texas A&M University and A&M System in first year of outsourcing food service, facility services, and golf course administration to private companies and exploring privatization in other areas.**

News story January 15 A&M Chancellor John Sharp providing an update and answering questions from the A&M Faculty Senate.

News story February 27 reporting the company hired to privatize landscaping and facility maintenance at A&M and the A&M System offices in Brazos County has been hired to do similar services at remaining A&M System campuses.

News story March 28 announcing the A&M System is taking requests for proposals from consultants interested in studying administrative cost savings and improved efficiencies at all system schools and agencies.

### **(2) Impact of proposed renovation/expansion of Kyle Field football stadium at Texas A&M University**

News story January 14 announcing joint funding agreement to fund Kyle Field expansion project.

News story January 15 previewing the joint meeting detailed in the paragraph above.

News story February 26 reporting the A&M Athletics Director telling a Chamber of Commerce audience the seating capacity of the expanded Kyle Field has not been determined.

News story with Hunter Goodwin, board chairman of the Bryan/College Station Convention and Visitors Bureau about proposed funding agreement to fund Kyle Field expansion project.

News story with College Station city councilwoman Julie Schultz, questioning if the funding agreement can be reached by the May Board of Regents meeting.

### **(3) A&M services affected by federal budget sequestration**

News story February 22 reporting the control tower at Easterwood Airport will be closed due to budget cuts caused by federal sequestration.

News story with the Director of the A&M Veteran Resource & Support Center Jerry Smith, following the suspension of Army & Marine tuition assistance due to federal sequestration.

News story March 22 reporting passenger jet service will continue at Easterwood Airport after the control tower is closed due to budget cuts from federal sequestration.

News story March 28 reporting the Texas Transportation Commission will hold an emergency meeting to provide 90 days of funding to keep the control tower open at Easterwood Airport.

### **(4) Elsewhere at Texas A&M University and the A&M System**

News stories January 2 and 11 with A&M and state climatologist John Nielsen-Gammon about continuing drought.

News story January 18 reporting the A&M Forest Service made its state funding request to legislative committees.

News story January 21 reporting the A&M President was not among school leaders signing letter opposed to proposed legislation allowing concealed handguns on state college campuses.

News story January 21 and comments played January 28 at 5:15 p.m. from A&M System Chancellor John Sharp to the A&M Faculty Senate reporting goals during the upcoming session of the Texas Legislature.

News story January 23 that A&M and the A&M System announced plans to increase enrollment of the College of Engineering to 25,000 by the year 2025.

News stories January 25 and 30 reporting A&M System Chancellor John Sharp testified before the Senate Finance Committee.

News story January 30 previewing the upcoming A&M Board of Regents meeting.

News stories January 31 reporting the A&M Board of Regents approved a variety of building projects.

News story February 5 reporting a Texas A&M Engineering Extension Study on time wasted while in traffic.

News story February 6 reporting A&M President Bowen Loftin was unexpectedly hospitalized in Austin where he had a kidney stone removed.

News story February 6 reporting a new agreement between the A&M Forest Service and Fort Hood on wildfire response.

News story February 7 with A&M Executive Director of Utilities and Energy Services Jim Riley about the new central power plant has receiving an award from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

News story February 14 reporting an A&M study shows the least expensive airfare can be purchased on the weekends.

News story February 20 reporting a bomb threat evacuated Kyle Field offices and nearby athletic facilities.

News story February 22 reporting a bomb threat evacuated the A&M alumni center.

News story March 1 reporting three A&M Corps of Cadets students were involved in a traffic accident northwest of Houston. Two died and the third was critically injured.

News story March 7 of the third bomb threat in two weeks at an unspecified location that resulted in no evacuation.

News story March 11 with A&M Observatory Director Don Carona-about watching the PAN-STARRS comet.

News story March 12 about removing bats living under north side of Kyle Field with contractor R.P. Lee.

News story March 13 reporting the retirement of University Police Chief Elmer Schneider following a 42 year career with the department.

News story March 15 announcing the replacement of two members of the A&M System Board of Regents and the reappointment of a third.

News story March 29 reporting retiring University Police Chief Elmer Schneider received a proclamation from the College Station City Council.

### **(5) Mass Shooting in College Station**

News story March 12 with Constable Jeff Reeves & County Judge Duane Peters on Reeves' appointment following murder of Brian Bachmann.

### **(6) Economic Development news in Bryan and College Station**

News story January 8 promoting registration of the Chamber of Commerce annual economic outlook conference.

News story January 17 recapping economic development consultant's report to the College Station city council.

News story January 22 previewing request from the Bryan/College Station Convention and Visitors Bureau to the College Station City Council to apply hotel occupancy tax money towards expenses with the return of the Texas 4-H roundup.

News story January 23 recapping comments from executives of three local hospitals about the future of their facilities and health care in general, made at the Chamber economic outlook conference.

News story January 26 recapping a report of real estate activity made at the Chamber economic outlook conference.

News story February 5 reporting the groundbreaking of new psychiatric hospital from Jim Shaheen, founder Strategic Behavioral Health.

News story February 8 at 5:15 p.m. with Jim Cole, Senior VP Hitachi Consulting; announcing company is coming to Bryan/College Station.

News story February 12 announcing plans for the seventh high-rise student housing project in College Station's Northgate district.

News story February 15 with Easterwood Airport Director of Aviation John Happ about the impact of the proposed merger of American Airlines and U.S. Airways.

News story February 18 announcing plans for the eighth high-rise student housing project in College Station's Northgate district.

News story March 4 announcing Bryan-based St. Joseph Health System has acquired Bellville General Hospital.

News story March 13 with Brazos County Expo Marketing Director Melanie Fuller about the economic impact of the three-day Diamonds & Dirt barrel racing event.

News story March 25 reporting a news conference to be held the next day announcing a pharmaceutical company is building in the Bryan/College Station biocorridor.

News story March 26 announcing GlaxoSmithKline building a \$91 million dollar drug manufacturing plant in the Bryan/College Station biocorridor.

News story March 27 reporting more details given of the new GlaxoSmithKline plant from Bryan Mayor Jason Bienski and councilman Chuck Konderla.

News story March 27 with Bob Schubert, human resources director of Scott & White Healthcare-College Station region, detailing career fair seeking to fill 250 openings for their new hospital.

## **(7) Blinn College**

News story January 28 reporting record spring enrollment at the Blinn College-Brazos County campuses.

News story February 25 reporting Blinn College-Brazos County campuses will conduct its first master plan in 11 years.

News story March 21 with Blinn College Communications Director Brandon Webb about a \$1 million dollar project building a bridge and adding 300 parking spaces to the north side of the Bryan campus.

News story March 29 reporting Texas Senate passing legislation supported by Blinn College that would allow access to Department of Public Safety files for criminal background checks who apply for on-campus housing.

## **(8) Public Safety**

News story January 10 with Brazos County Sheriff Chris Kirk about resignation of his Chief Deputy and the search for his replacement.

News story January 14 with College Station Police Lt. Chuck Fleeger, the chairman of the Brazos Valley Amber Alert Network, reviewing activities of the agency.

News story January 22 with Brazos County Sheriff Chris Kirk announcing the appointment of a new Chief Deputy.

News story January 25 with Officer James Ingram of the College Station Police Department about the start of Community Enhancement Units.

News story March 7 with Somerville Lake Park Ranger Pam Knopp about boating safety.

News story March 1 reporting College Station Police Chief Jeff Capps will ask the city council for additional firearms, ammunition, and protective vests.

News story March 28 previewing formal request by College Station Police Chief Jeff Capps to the city council for additional firearms, ammunition, and protective vests.

**(9) Two Bryan firemen killed in the line of duty, the first firemen who died in 35 years and only the second fire incident involving firefighter deaths in the 142 year history of the department.**

News stories February 16, 17, and 18 reporting the Knights of Columbus Hall fire killed two firemen and severely injured two other firefighters.

News stories February 18 and 19 with comments from Bryan Fire Chief Randy McGregor.

News story February 18 with Chris Heisler, founder of the U.S. Honor Flag tribute to the firemen who were killed.

News stories February 19 reporting medical update of the injured firemen and the public memorial service for the firemen who were killed.

News story February 20 reporting memorial service for the firemen who were killed.

News story February 21 with Bryan fireman Kevin Seeber, discussing the relationship fallen fireman Greg Pickard had with A&M.

News story February 22 reporting the assistance given by the Bryan/College Station Convention and Visitors Bureau to out of town visitors attending the funeral services of the firemen who were killed.

News story February 22 from the memorial service held earlier in the day by the President of the Bryan Firefighters Association, Jason Nored.

News story February 27 reporting a crawfish boil fundraiser will be held to benefit victim's families and a followup story February 28 with the results of the event.

News story February 27 reporting city council support of the victims, their families, and the fire department in general.

News story February 28 reporting Downtown Bryan Association to hold fundraiser and a memorial service on March 1.

News story March 4 with Randy McGregor with an update on the injured firemen and operations of the fire department.

News story March 25 with K.C. Ray, an organizer of a 5K fundraiser for the victim's families.

News story March 27 reporting update on injured fireman from Bryan City Manager Kean Register.

News story March 28 reporting one of the injured firemen was released from a Galveston burn center but is continuing daily physical therapy at a nearby hospital.

**(10) Quality of Life**

January 3 news story with Lt. Jeremy Walker of the Bryan/College Station Salvation Army reporting the annual "Red Kettle" campaign goal was surpassed after a slow start.

News story January 25 reporting the College Station city council approved the design contract to build the Lick Creek hike and bike trail.

News story January 25 reporting the Bryan City Council was notified of a grassroots effort to establish a greenway and trail from downtown Bryan to the Brazos River.

News story February 12 with College Station Parks and Recreation Director David Schmitz about the completion of the festival area at Wolf Pen Creek Park.

News story February 15 reporting the College Station city council approved the design concept of the Lick Creek Park nature center.

News stories March 22 reporting Brazos Valley United Way update one year after revelation of financial problems.

**(11) Proposed private landfill west of College Station generates opposition from neighboring homeowners.**

News story January 26 reporting College Station Mayor Nancy Berry is monitoring the landfill application and the council is not taking an official position.

News story January 27 reporting state officials have referred the application to a judge for mediation.

**(12) College Station's new Medical District land use district.**

News story January 10 reporting the College Station city council approved sending proposed state legislation creating two municipal management districts.

**(13) College Station school district begins groundwork for next bond issue.**

News story January 18 with Superintendent Eddie Coulson with an update on a community committee related to the next bond issue.

**(14) Changes in Bryan school district high school attendance zones.**

News story January 8 with Bryan school district Superintendent Tommy Wallis about proposed changes.

News story January 15 from Bryan school board public hearing regarding proposed changes.

News story January 18 with James Edge, spokesman for community committee with latest recommendations.

News story January 21 reporting the Bryan school board approved new attendance zones.

News story January 22 reporting the change in high school attendance zones is expected to result in a proposed expansion of Rudder High School in four years.

**(15) 2013-2014 Bryan School District Calendar**

News story February 8 reporting the approaching deadline to vote on calendar options.

News story February 18 reporting the school board delayed action and asked for more student input.

**(16) Other issues in Bryan and College Station public schools.**

News story January 18 with College Station superintendent Eddie Coulson detailing phase 2 renovation plans at Consolidated High School.

News stories February 5 with Superintendents Eddie Coulson of College Station and Tommy Wallis of Bryan reacting to state judge's ruling on school finance.

News story February 20 reporting a complaint filed against the Bryan school district by the U.S. Department of Education's Office for Civil Rights.

News story February 20 reporting the College Station school board has not considered exercising its right of first refusal to buy the city-owned College Station Conference Center.

News story March 4 reporting remodeling has started on a portion of the Bryan High School blue campus that will become the new home of the Hammond-Oliver human services program, which is being moved to create additional space for the district's at-risk student program.

News story March 5 reporting the Bryan school district is replacing a state program for teacher classroom assistance with one developed by district administrators.

News story March 20 with the board chairman of the CSISD Foundation, Cal McNeill, reporting results of the "50 Men Who Can Cook" fundraiser.

**(17) Health status of President George H.W. Bush, who will be laid to rest in College Station on the grounds of the Bush Presidential Library.**

News story January 7 reporting the President remains hospitalized according to his spokesman.

News story January 14 reporting the President was released from the hospital.

News story March 7 reporting the President has made to visits to the George Bush Presidential Library and Museum, his first trips here since his hospitalization.