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Quarterly Issues Report**

The Local Record, Hosted by Jenny Burkhiser

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Quarterly Issues Report—April through June 2013

Duration of Program—15 Minutes

Program Air Date: April 6, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR **RAPID CITY** WOMEN, MEN & FAMILIES TO EXPERIENCE
EMOTIONAL WELLNESS & HEALTH

Program Response: Community Leader - Carol Kling, a Facilitator for Rachel's Vineyard, an organization serving **Rapid City** women, men & families. Issues - the issue of post abortion trauma for **Rapid City** women, men & families, explain how healing can take place & hope can be restored, as well as specifically told more about a Weekend Retreat being offered to all in the community allows this issue to be addressed in a confidential & nonjudgmental environment. Carol related that about 6% of all pregnancies in the area result in abortion. Abortion affects women physically, emotionally, and spiritually. Physical complications can include injury, infection, and internal organ damage. Women who have abortions increase their risk of breast cancer by fifty percent, according to a new study in the Journal of the National Cancer Institute. Not only do these women bear physical side effects, but they also suffer many emotional side effects such as depression, long-term grief reactions, anger, sexual dysfunction, guilt, flashbacks, memory repression, suicidal ideas, and difficulty keeping close relationships. To address these results of abortion, there will be a Rachel's Vineyard weekend April 26-28, 2013, a supportive and non-judgmental time away that provides an opportunity to deeply enter the grieving process and identify abortion effects, with a number of powerful exercises which allow the soul to speak its grief and sorrow. The exercises help to connect participants to their inner voice, to each other, and to the love and compassion of God. The retreat exercises help participants to accept forgiveness for themselves and others. Participants have left finding meaning in what has happened and greater hope, liberation and peace. **Rapid City** citizens who feel that the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat would be beneficial to them or just want to get more information may call Carol Kling at 605.374.5639 or access www.rachelsvineyard.org.

Program Air Date: April 13, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR A WIDE & VARIED RANGE OF KNOWLEDGE, IDEAS & OPINIONS
FOR **RAPID CITY** RESIDENTS

Program Response: Community Leaders- Stephanie Bents, Digital and Emerging Technologies Librarian & Susan Braunstein, Programming Library Associate, both at the **Rapid City** Public Library. Issues - the importance of **Rapid City** residents having access to a wide and varied range of knowledge, ideas, and opinions for greater learning & knowledge, how the **Rapid City** Public Library provides an incredible amount of resources through materials in all formats, and more specifics about how local patrons can join them as they celebrate National Library Week in 2013. Together with other societal institutions, the library is one of the cornerstones of a healthy community. Giving people the opportunity to experience new ideas, explore great minds, and experience great art, while at the same time providing a sense of place for gathering. The **Rapid City** Public Library (RCPL) reflects the diversity and character, and the needs and expectations of our community. Those needs and expectations are often extensive, and the services invaluable. The RCPL is often the only readily available source of comprehensive information needed by people for personal, family and job-related purposes. Our community's economy benefits when business people use library resources to make wise business decisions, employees use it to improve job skills, or the disadvantaged use it to help break the cycle of poverty. During economic hardship, our citizens turn to and depend on the library. They will be celebrating National Library week April 14-20, 2013 with a variety of events. These include a Discovery Day Program, Teen Songwriting Workshop, Community Voices Program, Writers' Gathering & the 13th Annual Poet's Coffeehouse & Poetry Competition. They encouraged local folks to get more details about any of the events for National Library Week or library related events and services by calling 605.394.4171 or by visiting the **Rapid City** Public Library website, <http://www.rapidcitylibrary.org>.

Program Air Date: April 20, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR A **RAPID CITY** YOUTH TO EXPERIENCE POLICE WORK,
TEAMWORK, LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY SERVICE

Program Response: Community Leader - Lt. Pete Ragnonen, an officer with the **Rapid City** Police Department, as well as the Cadet Commander for the **Rapid City** Police Department Cadet Program. Issues - why it matters so much that a safe environment is maintained for residents and visitors in **Rapid City**, more about an opportunity for local youth that allows them to take an inside look at law enforcement as they anticipate future career options, and more about how **Rapid City** teens & young adults can be a part of police work, as well as teamwork, leadership and community service in 2013. Lt. Ragnonen explained that the **Rapid City** Police Department is committed to excellence in public safety and are dedicated to the people, traditions and diversity of the city. They provide community-enhancing services, foster a positive relationship with the community and develop our agency and officers with an emphasis on professionalism, integrity and service. The **Rapid City** Police Department is responsible for the preservation of the public peace, prevention of crime, apprehension of criminals, protection of rights of persons and property, operation and enforcement of the laws and the rules and regulations made in the furtherance thereof. One of the outreach is offers youth is the **Rapid**

City Police Department's Cadet Program. This Program introduces teens and young adults to police work while teaching them about teamwork, leadership and community service, with Cadets assigned mentors. The program is a division of the Boy Scouts of America and is open to young men and women ages 14 to 21. Although they do not perform law-enforcement functions, the cadets help officers with traffic and crowd control at parades, **Rapid City** Summer Nights and Main Street Square's Autumn Nights, as well as ride along with an officer once a month and take on service projects in the community. This Program increases appreciation of the Police Department & what officers deal with each day, teach youth why police do their jobs & the positive & negative effects of their work on them, as well as helps them know if police work is a good future career for them and lessens the other officers' loads. **Rapid City** listeners may call Lt. Pete Ragnonen at 605.394.4133 or Pete.Ragnonen@rggov.org; to inquire about being part of the Cadet Program, access www.rapidcitypolice.org to learn more details about our local Police Department & their Cadet Program or talk with the School Liaison Officer. **Rapid City** folks may call 911 for an emergency or 605. 394.4133 (non-emergency dispatch.)

Program Air Date: April 27, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR AWARENESS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT IN **RAPID CITY** & FUNDRAISING FOR A LOCAL CRISIS CENTER/SHELTER

Program Response: Community Leader - Mary Corbine of **Rapid City**, the Executive Director of Working Against Violence, Inc. otherwise known as WAVI. Issues - the issue of sexual assault and abuse in **Rapid City**, how WAVI seeks to help those dealing with past or current sexual abuse during this month of awareness as well as throughout the year, and more about a fundraising race coming up that helps makes possible the aid of women, children and families in difficult situations. Mary explained that April is a time when they try to educate the public that sexual assault is an act of violence, which include any non-consensual or unwanted sexual touching or sexual act. As an expression of anger, power and aggression, sexual assaults include acquaintance or date rape, marital rape, incest, sexual harassment, child molestation, stranger rape, etc. WAVI is a nonprofit group assisting to victims of domestic violence - to assist women, men and children in crisis situations by providing temporary emergency shelter, food, and/or supportive services, and to educate the community on the issues of battering. The agency has been operating as Working against Violence, Inc. (WAVI) since 1996, and moved into its current facility in 2004, where they continue to offer the most complete, secure and supportive services for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault in the region. WAVI has its Annual 5K Peace Pro-Motion Fundraiser & Walk A Mile in Her Shoes events; the fun-run-walk is held each year to promote community awareness on domestic violence and sexual assault, while during the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes, men will walk a mile in high heel shoes to show the difficulties that many women experience through domestic violence in **Rapid City**. The events will occur on Saturday, May 11th, 2013, at Memorial Park. Folks in **Rapid City** in need of assistance may call their 24-Hour Crisis Line at 1.888.716.WAVI. while those wishing to help in the efforts of WAVI through the Fun-Run-Walk & Walk A Mile In Her Shoes Events, or those simply wishing to learn more about WAVI & its resources may contact them at 605. 341.3292, access www.wavi.org, or find them on Facebook.

Program Air Date: May 4, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR **RAPID CITY** YOUNG WOMEN TO PARTICIPATE IN AN
OUTDOOR BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT & RECOGNITION OF LOCAL WOMEN

Program Response: Community Leader - Marsha Frericks of **Rapid City**, District Director for the Girl Scouts of the Black Hills-**Rapid City**. Issues - the importance of building girls of courage, confidence, and character in **Rapid City**, ways that they are leading young ladies in community service and relationship-building activities, as well as how **Rapid City** citizens & their young ladies can get dirty and spread a little beauty within Storybook Island with their annual Pretty in the Park Day. Marsha explained that young women have a need for building courage, confidence, and character, and who make the world a better place. In local **Rapid City** Girl Scout troops, girls discover the fun, friendship, and power of girls together. Through a myriad of enriching experiences, such as field trips, sports skill-building clinics, community service projects, cultural exchanges, and environmental stewardships, girls grow courageous and strong. Girl Scouts—Dakota Horizons will host their 19th Annual Women of Distinction event honoring women in our community who inspire girls to lead on Tuesday, May 19th, 2013 at the South Dakota School of Mines & Technology in **Rapid City**. This event is their way of highlighting outstanding women and girls who have made a difference in their communities. These individuals are nominated by their peers and their accomplishments are celebrated during an awards breakfast. They also will host the 2nd annual Pretty in the Park day, where they will be planting flowers, bushes, and vegetables in the beds at Storybook Island in **Rapid City**. After planting flowers, girls will have some time to play on Saturday, May 19, 2013. Girls will gain practical gardening skills and feel connected to their community. **Rapid City** folks who wish to support the local Rapid City Girl Scouts -- through donating, attending the Women of Distinction event, or joining--may get more information by calling Marsha Frericks at the Girl Scouts of the Black Hills at 605.343.6355 or by accessing www.gsdakotahorizons.org. To sign up for Pretty in the Park, register by contacting Paula Carroll at 605-343-6455 or pcarroll@gsdakotahorizons.org by May 10, 2013.

Program Air Date: May 11, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR **RAPID CITY** YOUNG WOMEN TO BE ENCOURAGED IN STEM-FIELD RELATED CAREERS

Program Response: Community Leader - Amy Ballard, President of the organization Youth In Science **Rapid City**, Inc. Issues - the importance of breaking through educational and economic barriers for women and girls, ways that that Youth In Science **Rapid City**, Inc. works to open up the possibilities for students, and how **Rapid City** young ladies can be a part of the 2013 Women in Science Conference. Amy explained that there are several different fields in which women are not very prevalent. These include science, technology, engineering, & math fields. As a woman working for the National Forest Service, Amy is part of the Youth in Science **Rapid City**, Inc., (YISRC) organization that puts on the Women in Science Conference each year. YISRC, Inc., is a registered nonprofit public charity and provides the youth with engaging opportunities to learn about science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Youth in Science **Rapid City**, Inc., has organized the 6th Annual Conference for the youth of **Rapid City** to attend and learn about careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, for the purpose of getting more girls to consider careers in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics fields that

are traditionally dominated by men, increase interest in science careers for our youth, and help girls and young women form personal connections with professional women scientists. During this Conference on May 14, 2013, professionals working in various fields not only described their job duties, but what it took to get there through education & experience. **Rapid City** students from middle and high schools are able to visit with professional during 20-minute workshops, where they ask questions and receive a better idea of each career. Amy encouraged local female students who would like to participate in this year's Conference to search "Youth in Science, **Rapid City**" on Facebook, call Amy at the National Forest Service Office, 605.225.0519, or talk with their teachers at school to sign up to attend the Conference.

Program Air Date: May 18, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR **RAPID CITY** YOUNG MEN TO EXPERIENCE POSITIVE YOUTHS & FOR THE LOCAL CLUB FOR BOYS TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL AID

Program Response: Community Leader - Carri Redmond, Special Events Coordinator for the Club for Boys in **Rapid City**. Issues - the need for positive activities, education, and friendship in the lives of young men in **Rapid City**, how the Club for Boys works to develop self-esteem and caring in a safe & fun environment for its young members, and all the details about their upcoming fundraisers, including details about their upcoming 5-K Run & Walk, Charity Poker Run, as well as how **Rapid City** folks can be part the fun, health, & support in this special year for the Club. Carri explained that the Club for Boys in **Rapid City** seeks to provide positive experiences that develop self-esteem and character in a caring, safe, and fun environment for all boys. Although they are an after-school program, their staff works very hard that provide programs that are fun with a purpose, teaching and guiding boys to be the best that they can be. To support the staff cost, they receive financial aid through their Thrift Store, Grants and United Way, Special Events, the Club for Boys Foundation and the support of our faithful and generous donors. Carri mentioned several notable fundraiser & their details, including the 2013 Club for Boys 5K Fun Run/Walk, 10th AGC of South Dakota Building Chapter Charity Poker Run, and other restaurant & pottery fundraisers, in addition to special 50th anniversary fund drives. **Rapid City** folks who would like to learn more about the Club for Boys, their upcoming fundraising events or registration details, or even how they may be part of their 50th Anniversary celebration may call the Club for Boys at 605.343.3500 or access <http://www.theclubforboys.com/>.

Program Air Date: May 25, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR A FREE OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL PARK WITH VARIOUS TRAILS FOR HIKING, BIKING & RUNNING **RAPID CITY** RESIDENTS

Program Response: Community Leaders - Steve Flanery & Jeffry Denison of **Rapid City**, Vice President & Secretary/Treasurer of the local Hanson-Larsen Memorial Park Foundation. Issues- the need for outdoor recreation in **Rapid City** for physical health and enjoyment, more about a world-class recreational trail system that is available for such use in the middle of the community, and all the details about how **Rapid City** families can partake in the Gift that is Hanson-Larsen Memorial Park. The men explained their own personal experiences with outdoor recreation and said that biking, hiking or running in the outdoors allows for many health benefits related to mind and body, as well as even provides a boost to the **Rapid City**

community's economy. They elaborated that Hanson-Larsen Memorial Park (HLMP) is a non-profit, privately operated park, and home to nearly 20 miles of world class biking, hiking and running recreational trails on 300 acres of impeccable Black Hills terrain near the heart of **Rapid City's** historic downtown district. Funding for the development and operation of the park uses no tax dollars or public funds. Edna Marie "Eddie" Larsen, a lifelong Hermosa-area ranch owner and resident of **Rapid City**, who passed away in 2004, had the vision to memorialize her parents, Ed Larsen and Etta Hanson-Larsen, by establishing a trust to build a park in their honor. The trails in the Hanson-Larsen Memorial Park have offerings for hikers, mountain bikers and runners of all skill levels, from gently-graded, wide single track for beginners and families, to more technical-advanced, rock strewn terrain for more challenging adventures. This park is free to the public and various tips were given encouraging folks to take care of the Park to ensure it stays nice for generations to come. **Rapid City** families & individuals were encouraged to get out & enjoy this spring & summer at the Hanson-Larsen Memorial Park, participate in a work day, or just learn more about information about the Park by emailing info@hlmp.org, accessing www.hlmp.org and clicking on the "Contact Us" link, or by finding Hanson-Larsen Memorial Park on Facebook.

Program Air Date: June 1, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR **RAPID CITY** YOUTH TO RECEIVE READING SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER & TO REMEMBER LOCAL HISTORY

Community Leaders - Susan Braunstein, Programming Library Associate and Stacy Wierenga, Library Associate, both at the **Rapid City** Public Library (RCPL). Issues - the importance of reading for cognitive development, maintenance, and recreation, more details about how **Rapid City** children can stay up to speed on their reading throughout the warm days of summer, as well as more about the collection of oral histories of individuals impacted by the Flood of 1972. The RCPL is often the only readily available source of comprehensive information needed by people for personal, family and job-related purposes. The community's economy benefits when business people use library resources to make wise business decisions, employees use it to improve job skills, or the disadvantaged use it to help break the cycle of poverty. During economic hardship, local citizens turn to and depend on the library. The **Rapid City** Public Library attempts to provide materials in all formats, updated regularly to meet the changing needs of groups and individuals, including newly published and replacement materials. They are offering two outreaches at this time: the Summer Reading Program and retrieving oral histories about the Flood of 1972 from affected persons or their next of kin. The Summer Reading Program for 2013 is "Dig Into Reading" and participants can pick up Reading Logs at either library or download them from their website. **Rapid City** participants can come to special summer reading events on June 8, June 19, June 22, July 15 and July 27th. The **Rapid City** Public Library will be commemorating the Flood victims by remembering the June 9, 1972, tremendous flash flood that killed 238 people and destroyed homes and businesses along the creek through an oral history project and are looking for several people still. **Rapid City** folks who would like to be involved with the library's 2013 Summer Reading Program or their Flood of '72 Oral History project to learn more by giving the **Rapid City** Public Library a call at 605.394.4171 or access www.rapidcitylibrary.org & clicking on "Summer Reading Program" or "Flood of 72" links.

Program Air Date: June 8, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR **RAPID CITY** DRIVERS & PEDESTRIANS TO DEMONSTRATE
PEDSTRIAN-FRIENDLY SAFETY BEHAVIOR

Program Response: Community Leader – Lt. Don Hedrick, an officer with the **Rapid City** Police Department and Spokesperson for their Cross Walk Safety Campaign. Issues - the dangers of getting around in a community with roads, cars & traffic, why it matters so much that **Rapid City** residents are aware of their surroundings, traffic signals, and safety rules, as well as tips that pedestrians or drivers can use this summer as a result of the **Rapid City** Police Department's Crosswalk Campaign. Lt. Hedrick explained that members of the **Rapid City** Police Department are committed to excellence in public safety and are dedicated to the people, traditions and diversity of the city. They provide community-enhancing services, foster a positive relationship with the community and develop their agency and officers with an emphasis on professionalism, integrity and service. **Rapid City** is a pedestrian-friendly community, with miles of beautiful bike paths. However, in the last 5 years, more than 100 pedestrians have injured in traffic accidents, including 3 fatalities. The **Rapid City** Police Department has launched a Cross Walk Campaign to educate drivers and pedestrians planning to hit the pavement this summer. The Department wants **Rapid City** folks to know that Pedestrian safety is a two-way street: both pedestrians and drivers should be aware of and observe the rules of the road. Lt. Hedrick then shared several safety tips for local drivers & pedestrians. **Rapid City** citizens should call the Department at 605.394.6907 or access www.rapidcitypolice.org to learn more details about the local Police Department & this summer's Cross Walk Safety Campaign.

Program Air Date: June 15, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR CHILDREN'S THEATER OPPORTUNITIES FOR **RAPID CITY** YOUTH
& STORYBOOK ISLAND PATRONS

Program Response: Community Leader - Connie LeZotte, Executive Director of Storybook Island of **Rapid City**. Issues - the importance of a providing free, safe, educational environment in **Rapid City** for those young in years or at heart, to experience the power of imagination, how Storybook Island is inviting families to be part of a unique Club that ensures the Island continues as it is now for many years to come, as well as more about how **Rapid City** families, individuals & kids can be part of fairytale theater fun at the park from now until the summer's end. Connie explained that Storybook Island is an admission free children's theme park that is open starting Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day Weekend; they are then reopened for the Christmas Night of Lights in December. Storybook Island's mission is to provide a free, safe, educational environment for those young in years, or young at heart, to experience the power of imagination. The park is full of beautiful play sets for **Rapid City** kids to enjoy; from the fantastic castle at the entrance, to Snow White's house (surrounded by her darling seven dwarfs), the Dalmations, a train to ride, swings, the Crooked Man's house, a Dragon, a maze, and the 100 Acre Woods, local children are lost within a fantastic world of storybook creatures and play sets. In order to fund this free summer park, over \$300,000 has to be raised throughout the year. One way to fundraise is through being part of the Storybook Island Club, in which for a certain donation families can enjoy several benefits, but also support the

continued mission of the Island. Finally, Connie focused on the Storybook Island Children's Theater that has been an integral part of the park and has produced thousands of hours of entertainment for young people. The Storybook Island Children's Theatre is one of the largest children's theaters in a five-state region and each year the theater is the scene of varied activities and plays. This Theater provides a opportunity for area teenagers to grow personally in the art of theater, as well as local families to experience drama at their local park. **Rapid City** families & individuals who would like to learn more about the **Rapid City** attraction of Storybook Island, details surrounding the Children's Theater happening all summer, or even how they can support through volunteering or financial support & sponsorship may call 605-342-6357 or email sbigs@rushmore.com. **Rapid City** folks may also access www.storybookisland.org or became their friend of Facebook.

Program Air Date: June 22, 2013 at 5:15 p.m.; also aired at 3 pm June 25-28, 2013*

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR EXERCISE PROMOTION VIA LOCAL **RAPID CITY** RUNNING CLUB

Program Response: Community Leader - Lesley Warren, a resident of **Rapid City** & Past President of the Black Hills Runners' Club. Issues - the physical & emotional benefits of running as an exercise, ways that the Black Hills Runners' Club encourages this exercise through trailing running in and around **Rapid City**, and all the details about the Black Hills Club Race Series races coming up soon this summer. Lesley reiterated the benefits of a healthy body & lifestyle, the benefits that a person experiences through exercise and how the Black Hills Runners Club offers encouragement to local **Rapid City** citizens to run through their weekly runs and the upcoming Black Hills Runners Series. This Series attempts to encourage local runners to get out in the Hills & make their running experience more interesting through trail running. The Black Hills Trail Running Series, a "Points Series," was created to encourage people to try trail running and to provide races for all abilities in the beautiful Black Hills region. 2013 consists of trail runs sponsored by the Black Hills Runners Club and races put on by other running affiliates throughout the area. They mark the trails, track each race's finish times and post the results for those that like that info. Consistency can overcome speed, as points are awarded in Men/Women Divisions with three age groups: Open Division, 39 and under, Masters Division, 40 - 49; Grand Masters Division 50 and older. They keep a running total of the accumulated points and present awards at the end of the Series in November. **Rapid City** citizens and runners may receive further information about running, becoming a Black Hills Runner Club member, or about any of the Black Hills Runners Series races coming up this summer by accessing www.blackhillsrunnersclub.com or checking out their Facebook Page.

Program Air Date: June 29, 2013

Issues Discussed: THE NEED FOR RECOGNITION & CELEBRATION OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE
AT MT. RUSHMORE

Program Response: Community Leader - Maureen McGee Ballinger, Spokesperson for Mt. Rushmore National Memorial in Keystone (Keystone is around 18 miles from **Rapid City**). Issues - the importance of remembering the national heritage & leaders, how Mt. Rushmore allows **Rapid City** folks to do that throughout the year in various ways, as well as how local citizens can specifically celebrate their freedoms through their upcoming annual 2013 Independence Day Celebration. Maureen explained that Independence Day honors the birthday of the United

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States of America and the adoption of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. It is a day of picnics and patriotic parades, a night of concerts and fireworks, and a great time to remember the sacrifices made for **Rapid City** citizens' freedoms. At Mount Rushmore National Memorial, the purpose is to commemorate the national history and progress through the visages of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Abraham Lincoln and Theodore Roosevelt, as well as provide the opportunity for a contemplative visitor experience as related to the sculpture and its setting. They will also be offering several special events on July 3-4, 2013 in honor of Independent Day. Examples of special events include dancing, music & even "presidential" visits by folks dressed up at the presidential visages, in addition to several commemorative and reflective events taking place in the evening Amphitheater. **Rapid City** residents who would like to learn more about the nearby Mt. Rushmore National Memorial, how they can plan a day at the national source of pride, or even would like to plan a trip to the Hill as they celebrate the nation's birth may call 605-574-2523 or access the website, <http://www.nps.gov/moru>.