

KMYT-TV (My41), Tulsa, OK

# **Quarterly Issues/Program List**

4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2014

KMYT-TV provides its viewers with News, and public service announcements that address issues of concern to our local community. Among the issues determined to be of most concern to the community during the preceding calendar quarter were:

- Weather
- Education
- Elections
- Crime
- Health

This report contains a representative example of the issue-responsive programming aired on the station. For more information about the station's issue-responsive programming, please contact the station directly.





# KMYT Local News of Public Interest (4th Quarter 2014):

Weather

### Water Line Break Breaks Newly Laid Concrete Driveway

Date: 10/8/2014 6am

Duration: 1:00

**Farron Salley** 

A recently repaired driveway is reduced to rubble due to a water line break. The water from the break was at least 6 inches deep flowing down the road. One neighbor described the sight as a spring pouring out of the driveway. Utility inspectors had to mark where lines were before they could start work. There is no word on how long it will take to fix the break.

### Rain Causes Unsafe Water in South Coffeyville

Date: 10/14/2014 5am

Duration: 0:40

Michelle Linn

The water in Coffeyville is safe to drink again after storms caused rain water to flood a broken water main. People were without water over the weekend. The Oklahoma State Department of Environmental Quality tested the water Monday and say the levels are good once again, so the boil order has been lifted.

### **Rainy Weather Affects Morning Commute**

Date: 10/23/2014 6am

Duration: 2:00

Janai Norman

Drivers are facing a wet drive to work. FOX23 has crews all around the area checking on the road conditions. The rain caused accidents that created problems for people trying to go about their day. A crash on 66<sup>th</sup> Street near Highway 75 stopped traffic in the area while they cleaned up the accident.

#### **Tulsa Stormwater Division Stops Flooding**

Date: 11/4/2014 5am

Duration: 0:40

Ron Terrell

The City of Tulsa's Stormwater division is doing what they can to keep the roads from flooding due to lawn debris when the rains come. They say, if leaves end up in storm drains, it would cause big problems for drivers. "You can add it to a compost pile. You can bag it. Have your trash hauler carry it away or you can take it to the city's green waste site," explains Bob Bledsoe with the City of Tulsa. The division maintains about a thousand miles of storm sewers, keeping them clear through the seasons.

### **Cold Weather Brings Spike in Chimney Cleaning Services**

Date: 11/12/2014 5am

Duration: 0:40

Jonathan McCall

The cold temperatures have brought a spike in people looking for chimney sweeps to make sure they are heating their homes safely. One inspector says "What's 15 minutes of inspection time by a profession serviceman to alleviate all worries and all anxieties for that." An inspection costs about \$50. Add in a cleaning and it will run around \$95.

### Water Line Break Causes Ice on Roadway

Date: 11/18/2014 6am Duration: 1:00 Farron Salley

A water main break causes a road to turn into an ice skating rink. Crews are inspecting the site and working to get the water off. Crews expect it to take six hours to fix the break. Conditions are made more difficult due to the cold temperatures. Additionally several houses are without water due to the break.

### **Neighbors Frustrated With Water Main Breaks in Sand Springs**

Date: 12/16/2014 5am Duration: 0:40 Ron Terrell

Neighbors are frustrated with the city of Sand Springs. They say it's because water lines break too often in their neighborhood. A break Monday left the Town and Country Addition without water for most of the day. One neighbor told FOX23 it was the third time this year that they woke up without water. "We're not able to use our toilets and have no water in the house for use," explains Richard Holley. The break has been repaired, but neighbors are hoping the city comes up with a permanent solution.

### **Gas Leak Causes Evacuation in Sand Springs Neighborhood**

Date: 12/29/2014 8am Duration: 1:00 Hector Mejia

A gas leak and water main break forces dozens of families out into the cold. Most of the families say they have a place to go, but for those that don't the Red Cross is on hand to help out. Families were evacuated, but not because there was any danger in the leak. Officials were concerned because of the cold weather. "There's no way to isolate the rest of the houses, so they had to shut the line down. In that process, that means the other homes no longer have heat or water. And with the current temperatures they're trying to make sure they don't have any other problems," explains Deputy Fire Chief Justin Hall. The Charles Page Family Village tells FOX23 that they have a warm recreation center with a kitchen and showers for families.

### Firefighters Deal With Extreme Temperatures Fighting House Fire

Date: 12/31/2014 6am Duration: 1:20 Price McKeon

The fire broke out in the early morning hours on the last day of the year. Firefighters spent hours battling the blaze. A problem was the extremely cold temperatures, causing the water used to fight the fire to freeze. Additionally, the fire hydrant was down at the other end of the street and firefighters had to use hoses from several trucks to reach that far. Investigators have not yet determined the cause of the fire.

### State Sets New Winter Testing Dates After Vendor Change

Date: 10/20/2014 5am Duration: 0:25 Ron Terrell

The state has announced a new testing vendor for the end of instruction tests. That means the dates for the tests have been pushed back. The company Measured Progress will conduct the tests. The online exams will be offered December 8<sup>th</sup> through January 9<sup>th</sup>. The paper tests will be given December 8<sup>th</sup> through the 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **New Guidance for Schools to Tackle Bullying**

Date: 10/22/2014 6am Duration: 0:25 Ron Terrell

Local schools are getting a little extra guidance when it comes to bullying. As part of National Bullying Prevention Month, the US Education Department released a guidance letter Thursday. It explains educator's responsibility in stopping bullying. Federal law requires schools to take immediate action when bullying is reported.

### **Education Town Hall Planned in Mayes County**

Date: 10/21/2014 6am Duration: 0:25 Ron Terrell

The State Department of Education will host a town hall meeting in Pryor. The main topic is how the loss of the No Child Left Behind waiver could affect Oklahoma public schools. The meeting is scheduled for this evening.

#### **Broken Arrow Teacher Honored for STEM Education**

Date: 11/4/2014 5am Duration: 0:20 Michelle Linn

A Broken Arrow teacher is being honored for turning her students into engineers. Andrew Sagely is the district's STEM specialist. That stands for Science Technology Engineering and Math. Sagely meets with students weekly to encourage them to study science and math. She's won national awards for STEM education, including the STEM Champion award.

#### Woman Lobbies for Sex Abuse Education Law

Date: 11/5/2014 5am Duration: 0:40 Michelle Linn

Erin Merryn is lobbying legislators in Oklahoma City to get a law put on the books that would require sex abuse education in schools for children starting as young as pre-K. Merryn says she was abused when she was six and is breaking her silence about what happened to her. Merryn stresses that the curriculum takes age into account. Erin's Law has been passed in 19 states.

#### State Gets No Child Left Behind Waiver Reinstated

Date: 11/25/2014 7am Duration: 0:40 Michelle Linn

State Superintendent Janet Barresi is speaking out after Oklahoma's No Child Left Behind Waiver was reinstated. The state lost its waiver following the repeal of Common Core over the summer. Barresi says getting the waiver back is key. "If the district wants to be able to hire certain individuals to assist with reading and mathematics, they now have the flexibility to do that. They don't have to go through a lengthy process to make sure it fits within each requirement," she says. Now the state must tackle new standards and the education department is putting together a task force to do that.

#### Teacher Posts to Facebook To Teach Kids About Social Media

A Tulsa teacher is trying to help her students learn a real life lesson through a post on Facebook before they learn it the hard way. Teacher Melissa Bour says she friended a student on Facebook and quickly realized her students weren't acting right on the popular social media site. She says some of her sixth graders were posting pictures of themselves in skimpy clothing or flipping off the camera and they thought it was no big deal. Bour's post made it around the world in a matter of days. She says she's glad she can teach this the easy way instead of students learning the hard way further down the line.

### Rule Change Proposal to Make Field Tests Mandatory

Date: 12/16/2014 5am Duration: 0:40 Michelle Linn

Oklahoma students are required to take field tests, but they don't count. Last year, hundreds of parents at Jenks Middle School decided to opt out of the tests that are designed to let testing companies know if they are asking the right questions. "They're not getting a grade for it and they could spend that time studying for the real test," says mother Beverly Cunningham. The proposed rule change would require all public and charter schools to participate in the testing.

#### OSU-Tulsa's First President Retires After 37 Years in Higher Education

Date: 12/19/2014 6am Duration: 0:20 Ron Terrell

The man who was Oklahoma State University's first Tulsa President is retiring after 37 years in higher education. Gary Trennepohl is currently the OneOK Finance Chair and Regents Service Professor. He served as University President for 10 years before moving on to lead 5 other universities. He will retire at the end of the month.

### **KMYT Local News of Public Interest:**

**Elections** 

### **Voter Registration Deadline for General Election**

Date: 10/9/2014 5am Duration: 0:25 Ron Terrell

The deadline to register to vote in the general election is tomorrow. The election includes the race for Senator Tom Coburn's seat and the race for state superintendent.

### **Reports Show Republicans Outspend Democrats in Oklahoma**

Date: 10/17/2014 7am Duration: 0:40 Ron Terrell

Wednesday marked the fundraising deadline for the Federal Election Commission. Our DC bureau examined the local races and found Representative Jim Bridenstine raised nearly \$80,000 and Representative Markwayne Mullin raised \$175,000 and has \$282,000 in case on hand.

#### **Superintendent Candidates Host Forum for Teachers**

The two candidates for state superintendent faced teachers at Tulsa Public Schools Education Service Center. Both agreed that work needs to be done to improve education in Oklahoma. Republican candidate Joy Hofmeister says, "I've already worked and built a coalition among the legislature that's going to be key for moving forward." Democratic candidate Dr. John Cox, superintendent at Peggs, "I live it every day, so I have a true understand of all these reforms that have been brought in that are just not doing any good for our children."

#### **Early Voting Starts for General Election**

Date: 10/28/2014 8am Duration: 0:20 Michelle Linn

The election is a week from today, but early voting starts in two days. In Tulsa County you can go to Hardesty Library any time between 8am and 6pm or 9am to 2pm on Saturday. You must have a valid photo ID.

#### Two Candidates for State Superintendent Debate in Tulsa

Date: 10/29/2014 5am Duration: 0:40 Ron Terrell

The two candidates for Oklahoma State Superintendent faced off in a debate at OSU Tulsa. They tell FOX23 that they are excited to talk about education, but a lot needs to change. Joy Hofmeister, Republican candidate, says "We are overtesting our students. I actually think we have a climate that is toxic right now. Our emphasis is on the outcome of a test instead of student learning." Democratic candidate John Cox says, "We're wasting millions of dollars on tests that really make no difference, especially for special needs children. Why are we testing them? We need to get back to really let their IEP drive their growth and treating them with the respect we should." Another concern both voiced is finding a way to keep teachers in Oklahoma.

## Polls Open in Oklahoma General Election

Date: 11/4/2014 7am

Duration:0:25

Ron Terrell

Polls are open in Oklahoma's General Election. Some of the big races on the ballot are for Governor, with State Representative Joe Dorman taking on incumbent Governor Mary Fallin. Democrat Matt Silverstein is challenging Senator Jim Inhofe and James Lankford and Connie Johnson are battling to finish Senator Tom Coburn's unexpired term.

### **Governor Mary Fallin Wins Second Term**

Date: 11/5/2014 430am

Duration: 1:00

Ron Terrell

Incumbent Governor Mary Fallin says she's ready to get to work after winning her second term. Her plan for the new term includes growing the economy and working closely with newly elected State Superintendent Joy Hofmeister. Fallin's challenger State Representative Joe Dorman says he's accomplished a lot despite not winning the election. He also says that he has no plans for getting out of public service.

### Oklahoma Republicans Celebrate Senate Wins

Date: 11/5/2014 5am

Duration: 1:00

Michelle Linn

Both Republican candidates are celebrating a win this morning. Incumbent Senator Jim Inhofe was elected to another term. Senator-elect James Lankford will take over outgoing Senator Tom Coburn's unexpired term. Both told FOX23 that it was vital Republicans take control of the Senate. "We definitely have a majority. No question about that, but do we have a majority plus 3? That's my goal because 2016 is going to be a tough year," Senator Inhofe says. Mr. Lankford expressed concerns about the budget. "Harry Reid has not done appropriations bills in the Senator for seven years. Basic budget planning for seven years. If we don't switch leadership in the Senate, we're going to be stuck in the same mode," says Mr. Lankford.

#### No Special Election for Representative Markwayne Mullin

Date: 11/13/2014 430am

Duration: 0:25

Ron Terrell

The official decision is in and there will not be a special election for Representative Markwayne Mullin's US House seat. The Democratic party wanted to hold a special election after Mullin's opponent, Earl Everett, was killed in a car crash days before the election. The state election board upheld what voters decided on election day.

### **Suspect Named in Shooting at Apartment Complex**

Date: 10/9/2014 7am

Duration: 1:20

**Preston Jones** 

Officers say Erik Williams shot and killed Christian Shockley. They found Williams' truck, but are still looking for him and the gun used in the shooting. Officers tell FOX23 that they believe Williams went to the apartment complex and started an argument with Shockley. One witness says, "I went to apply direct pressureto the victim, I could tell she was dying right then. She had a gunshot wound to the chest another one in the arm. There were definitely 4 shots." We also learned Shockley was killed a day before her 25<sup>th</sup> birthday. Williams is to be considered armed and dangerous.

### Man Injured in Fight Between Two Contractors

Date: 10/15/2014 430am

Duration: 0:20

Ron Terrell

One man is in the hospital and another is in jail after two subcontractors got into a fight. The Rogers County Sheriff's Office says the men were fighting when one man grabbed a box knife and stabbed the other man. The victim was taken to the hospital, but is expected to be alright. The suspect was arrested and taken to jail.

### Police Search For Man Who Ran From Traffic Stop

Date: 10/31/2014 5am

Duration: 0:45

Ron Terrell

Tulsa Police are searching for a man who ran from a traffic stop. Officers lost him in when he ran into a backyard. K9 officers found drugs and a gun in the car. Neighbors say it was a frightening scene. "This is a quiet neighborhood. We don't see a lot of police. There are children across the street and next door to me," Lynda Peterson told us.

### Man Shot by Police After He Threatens Officers

Date: 11/5/2014 6am

Duration: 1:20

Farron Salley

A Tulsa man is in the hospital after he's shot by a police officer. According to investigators, the man had two guns in his hands when he exited his truck. An officer fired, hitting the man in the neck. Police tell FOX23 that they aren't sure if he pointed the guns at officers, but hope to determine that through their investigation. "Whether it was a pellet gun or a real gun, if there's a threat to a life or belief of a threat to a life, action has to be taken," explains Officer Demita Kinard. Police say the man had made threats over the phone to a crisis worker earlier.

#### **Tulsa Police Warn of Package Thefts**

Date: 11/19/2014 5am

Duration: 0:40

Ron Terrell

Tulsa police are warning people that they have already caught some people stealing packages from front doors. Officers say one woman drove right up to the front door of one home right after the mailman

delivered a package. She didn't know the house had surveillance video. "It wasn't the value of the package that was the important thing. It really was just somebody brazen enough to come up and take something that was ours," says homeowner Greg Moore. Investigators say these cases are normally tough to crack because there are usually no witnesses.

### Midtown Home Burglary Caught on Tape

Date: 11/24/2014 6am

Duration: 0:40

Michelle Linn

One Tulsa family is hoping that surveillance video of a couple of suspects breaking into their home will help police solve the crime. Homeowners tell FOX23 that the driver banged on the door to see if anyone was home. Then they drove around the block and returned to kick the door in. "We can replace the TV and everything else, I just want these guys to be caught," says homeowner Greg Thorne. Burglary detectives are reviewing the tapes of the crime. In the meantime the family is thankful they weren't home when it happened.

### Seven Arrested in Muskogee Meth Bust

Date: 12/11/2014 5am

Duration: 0:20

**Farron Salley** 

An anonymous tip helped get seven accused drug dealers out of a Muskogee neighborhood. The Muskogee Sheriff's Office Drug Task Force responded to the tip and locked up seven people on distribution of meth charges. Deputies threw a flash-bang device near the front of the house, blowing the windows out, as they served the search warrant.

### Police Identify Late Night Homicide Victim

Date: 12/30/2014 8am

Duration: 1:20

**Preston Jones** 

Police have released the name of a man shot and killed at an east Tulsa apartment complex. 26-year-old Courtney Parks was killed outside the complex. "They just took him away, just like that. This little girl loves her daddy and now she's going to grow up without a dad. That hurts, says Parks' cousin, Candace Valentine-Jones. Detectives think the suspect took off in Parks' car after shooting him. The vehicle was found abandoned about a mile from the apartments.

#### **Man Arrested Following SWAT Standoff**

Date: 12/31/2014 8am

Duration: 1:20

Farron Salley

A man involved in an overnight standoff is in jail. 59-year-old John Hastings was arrested following a standoff. According to his arrest report, he pointed a loaded gun at his family and said "You are going to die today." Family members were able to get out of the house, but Hastings refused to come out and threated to kill himself. A special ops team was called out to try to get him out of the house. Officers at the scene tell FOX23 that their goal is to resolve the situation as peacefully as they could. Hastings is being held on \$20,000 bond.

### **Tulsa County Health Department Offers Flu Shots**

Date: 10/20/2014 8am

Duration: 1:20

Eddie Randle

With all the attention on Ebola, doctors want to remind people that flu season is underway. The Tulsa Health Department is offering seasonal flu shots. Doctors stress that the flu is more contagious than other viruses since it can be spread through the air. The health department is offering two vaccines this year. People over the age of 65 can get a high dose vaccine if they request it. Department officials are expecting large crowds and suggest you come in early if you want a flu shot.

### **Health Departments Experiencing Shortage of Flu Shots**

Date: 10/28/2014 7am

Duration: 0:25

Michelle Linn

Some Green Country health departments are already experiencing flu vaccine shortages. We checked with several health departments in our area and learned there are already shortages in Creek and Okmulgee Counties. Two children have been hospitalized with the flu in the state, including one child right here in Tulsa. Officials say there is plenty of vaccine available for children.

### Hospital to Launch Flu Campaign at Elementary School

Date: 10/29/2014 5am

Duration: 1:20

Price McKeon

Hillcrest Medical Center and the Tulsa Health Department have joined forces to launch the Don't Bug Me campaign. It's an annual push to help people stay healthy during flu season. Just a week earlier, the Oklahoma State Health Department confirmed the first flu hospitalization in Green Country. During the campaign, kids learn ways to keep the flu bug away. "I think that's why they got their attention drawn to this particular school because there are some many little kiddos here and parents here that would take care of that problem and get it stopped," explains grandmother Donna Chisum.

### Hard Freeze Does Little to Help Allergy Sufferers

Date: 11/4/2014 5am

Duration: 0:40

Michelle Linn

The rain may cause more problems for your allergies rather than helping. The hard freeze over the weekend wasn't enough to kill the pollen in the air. "It will certainly decrease how much allergic sensitivity you have if it's ragweed you're allergic to, but if you're allergic to mold then that didn't do much for mold spore counts," explains Dr. Lynn Wiens. He says the rain could actually increase the mold count, so allergy season isn't over.

#### Oklahoma Releases Ebola Readiness Assessment of Hospitals

Date: 11/6/2014 6am

Duration: 0:25

Michelle Lin

The Oklahoma State Department of Health released a readiness assessment of hospitals across the state. They asked 165 hospitals to participate. Of those who responded, 93% of hospitals report that

have or are in the process of creating Ebola-specific response plans. 87% are conducting staff training for how to handle a potential Ebola patient. There have been no positive Ebola cases in Oklahoma.

### **Health Department Reports New Flu Numbers**

Date: 11/14/2014 6am Duration: 0:20 Ron Terrell

The Oklahoma State Health Department has released new flu numbers showing 18 hospitalizations due to the flu. That's for the entire state since they started tracking in late September. They only have one new case to report this week. Tulsa has two flu hospitalizations and Adair County has six hospitalizations.

### Catoosa Teacher Dies Days After Flu Diagnosis

Date: 12/24/2014 430am Duration: 0:40 Farron Salley

Catoosa teacher Valerie Baker died from the flu only days after she was diagnosed. She taught at Catoosa High School for 17 years. She was diagnosed on Wednesday, but her condition worsened to pneumonia a few days later. Her family is having a hard time dealing with her death during the holidays. "She would be upset with us if we mourned her life and not celebrated her life. She would want us to enjoy Christmas together," says her son Evan. Baker was scheduled to get a flu shot a week after she was diagnosed with the flu.

### Flu Symptoms and Allergy Symptoms Similar

An outbreak in flu cases is keeping Green Country pharmacists busy. Pharmacists say if you're sick this season, it's most likely flu, but doctors say it does share some allergy symptoms. "When someone has any type of sickness, common cold, allergies, but right now if you're sick it's more likely you'll be infected with the flu," says pharmacist Chris Schiller. Pharmacists say last year things were more spread out. This year, the flu is hitting harder and faster and they are selling so much Tamiflu that they can hardly keep up with demand.

#### Doctors Take Extra Precautions for Children to Fight Flu

Date: 12/31/2014 6am Duration: 0:40 Ron Terrell

According to the Tulsa Health Department, at least have the regions in Oklahoma are seeing above average flu cases. The virus has hospitalized 18 children in Tulsa County so far and doctors say they are seeing dozens of sick kids with the flu or flu-like symptoms every day. "We've been seeing a lot of flu for the past month, but it continues to increase," explains Dr. Jessica Keller. Doctors say all the togetherness of the holidays helps to spread the flu. Flu season typically lasts until March.



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## HOW WE SERVE OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY:

FOX23 News Programming: My41 simulcasts news and information on weather, crime, safety, family issues and education produced by FOX23 News.

• FOX23 News Daybreak 4:30am- 9:00am (weekdays)

Partnership with the Ad Council - On-air PSA campaign in cooperation with the Ad Council.

**Station Tours** - Tours of our facility and newsroom are given regularly to school groups and any interested people in the community.

Amber Child Abduction - participants.

EAS- participants.

Children's Programming- 3 hours per week

#### **Severe Weather Coverage:**

My41 runs weather alert tickers and simulcasts weather cut-ins produced by FOX23 News during periods of severe weather. FOX23 News is committed to being on-air and online, giving the latest conditions as severe weather moves into the KOKI-TV/KMYT-TV viewing area. FOX23's team of meteorologists provide frequent on-air updates leading up to, and continuing throughout the period when people need to be preparing for severe weather. During that time, FOX23 leads every newscast with weather and the entire news team is involved in providing the latest information on current conditions and damage across our viewing area.

**Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's "Light the Night Walk"** – FOX23 and My41 sponsored this fundraising event to raise money for the research and treatment of leukemia and lymphoma. Both stations aired a PSA several times in advance of the event to encourage community participation. A total of \$88,000 was raised by Tulsa-area participants.

Red Cross "Give Something That Means Something" Holiday Blood Drive – FOX23 and My41 sponsored this blood drive in Tulsa, on December 22-23. Both stations aired a PSA several times in advance of the event to encourage community participation.

KMYT My41 - PSA Spots Aired - 4th Quarter 2014

Title length number of recognitions and second secon

| Title                                 | length | number of runs |
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| KIDS PSA -Big Brothers Big Sisters-OK | :30    | 31             |
| KIDS PSA Boys & Girls Club            | :30    | 97             |
| KIDS PSA Boys & Girls Club            | :60    | 67             |
| KIDS PSA Discover Forest              | :30    | 16             |
| KIDS PSA Kids Oral Health             | :30    | 19             |
| KIDS PSA-Ballet                       | :30    | 89             |
| KIDS PSA-Generosity                   | :30    | 88             |
| KIDS PSA-Tulsa Boys Home              | :30    | 55             |
| KIDS PSA-Values-Change World          | :30    | 22             |
| KIDS PSA-Values-Change World          | :60    | 110            |
| KIDS PSA-Values-Spread the Love       | :60    | 81             |
| KIDS Values-Ballet                    | :20    | 44             |
| KIDS Values-Generosity                | :20    | 8              |
| Life Sr. Services-PSA                 | :30    | 62             |
| LightTheNight-2014                    | :20    | 24             |
| PSA Adoption Foster Care              | :30    | 2              |
| PSA Bully Prevention                  | :30    | 4              |
| PSA Drunk Driving                     | :30    | 1              |
| PSA Learning and Attention            | :30    | 1              |
| PSA Safe Gun Storage                  | :30    | 1              |
| PSA St Jude Hospital                  | :15    | 1              |
| PSA St Jude Hospital                  | :20    | 1              |
| Red Cross-Give Something-Blood Drive  | :30    | 45             |
| Values -Change the World              | :60    | 42             |
| Values-Spread the Love                | :60    | 1              |