

COMMUNITY NEEDS – PROBLEMS OF COMMUNITY

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1. 10/4/23 Interviewed Terri Jackson, Arkansas County Health Department - Flu Clinic in Stuttgart
2. 10/4/23 Interviewed Connor Henry, Arkansas County 4-H - National 4-H Month, Hamburger Supper Fundraiser, opportunities for students in 4-H and how to join.
3. 10/4/23 Interviewed Nikki Hawkins, Stuttgart Public Schools – Park Avenue Elementary Family Night, Flu Clinics, Homecoming, Early Dismissal, Sports
4. 10/4/23 Interviewed Beth Sherman, Stuttgart Harvest Church - The Great Pumpkin Patch event, activities for the whole family, each family will receive a free pumpkin while supplies last.
5. 10/4/23 Interviewed Jennifer “Pooh” White, Ricebird Pride Cleanup - Individuals and Groups are encouraged to participate in the Ricebird Pride Cleanup, part of the Great American Cleanup in Arkansas
6. 10/4/23 Interviewed Hal Lovett, Grand Prairie Church and School - Fish Fry and Bake Sale fundraiser, all proceeds benefit the church and school
7. 10/4/23 Interviewed Tia Brickey, Park Avenue Elementary - Fall Into Reading Family Night
8. 10/11/23 Interviewed Arkansas Co. Judge Eddie Best – Actions taken by the Quorum Court at its monthly meeting.
9. 10/11/23 Interviewed Carolyn Knowlton, The CALL in Arkansas County – Meeting for foster and adoptive families and those who want to volunteer to support them.
10. 10/11/23 Interviewed Dimitri Scott, Arkansas Business Technology and Development Center, UALR – Free class on starting a business with one-on-one consulting taking place in Pine Bluff.
11. 10/11/23 Interviewed Fara Foster, Museum of the Arkansas Grand Prairie – A free walking tour of historic downtown Stuttgart and a Paint the Prairie art class are taking place.
12. 10/11/23 Interviewed Brett Bartman, ARM 180 – The addiction treatment program is hosting a golf tournament fundraiser.
13. 10/11/23 Interviewed Shakeelah Rahmann, Arts and Science Center of Southeast Arkansas – October programs and events available for area residents.
14. 10/11/23 Beth Goodwin, Arkansas County Quilt Trails – Residents are being asked to paint quilt squares on their barns and buildings to help Arkansas County join the Arkansas Quilt Trail.
15. 10/18/23 Interviewed Nick Bertucci, Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs - Two Day Veterans Benefit Fair
16. 10/18/23 Interviewed Nikki Hawkins, Stuttgart Public Schools - District Sports and all Homecoming details
17. 10/18/23 Interviewed Brian Miller, DeWitt Hospital - Health Fair and Blood Drive
18. 10/18/23 Interviewed Ashby Terry, Stuttgart Junior Woman’s Club - Baggo Tournament fundraiser, proceeds go to Hope of the Delta and Restoration of Hope

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19. 10/18/23 Interviewed Kathy Lorince, Holy Rosary Catholic School - BBQ Dinner Fundraiser and Golf Tournament, all proceeds benefit the school
20. 10/18/23 Interviewed Dimitri Scott, AR Small Business & Technology Dev. Center - Starting a small business, event in Helena
21. 10/24/23 Interviewed Logan Molock, Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce – An invitation to attend Stuttgart Business Holiday Open House.
22. 10/24/23 Interviewed Chief Steven Bobo, DeWitt Police Department – Cops Care is holding a chili cookoff fundraiser to purchase Christmas food and gifts for needy families.
23. 10/24/23 Interviewed Jeremy Prine, Southside Baptist Church – The church is hosting a Trunk-or-Treat on Halloween.
24. 10/24/23 Interviewed Austin Hayes, Grand Avenue United Methodist Church – The church is hosting a Trunk-or-Treat and Book Drive on Halloween.
25. 10/24/23 Interviewed Ashley Hopson, Queen Mallard Committee – Entries are being accepted into this year’s Queen Mallard and Jr. Queen Mallard pageants.
26. 10/24/23 Interviewed Capt. Tim Edwards, Stuttgart Fire Department – Fire safety tips during National Fire Prevention Month.
27. 10/24/23 Interviewed Kyla Neasley, Stuttgart Volunteer – A community Trunk-or-Treat is being held for Stuttgart’s children.
28. 11/1/23 Interviewed Henrietta Morris, Executive Director at the Brinkley Chamber of Commerce - Lick Skillet Festival in Brinkley
29. 11/1/23 Interviewed LaDuska Sells, Park Avenue Elementary in Stuttgart - The PTO is holding a BBQ Supper fundraiser.
30. 11/1/23 Interviewed Carolyn McGraw, Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Stuttgart - Holding a drive-thru turkey and dressing dinner fundraiser.
31. 11/1/23 Interviewed Carol Roberson, Bayou Meto Methodist Church - Hosting its annual community Harvest Dinner and Great Cake Giveaway.
32. 11/1/23 Interviewed Jennifer Lowe, Gillett Courthouse - A Wolf Pack Community Bake Sale is being held to benefit the Gillett Community Building and Museum.
33. 11/1/23 Interviewed Gus Hensiek, Stuttgart’s Emmanuel Lutheran Church Brotherhood and Susanna Society - Holding their annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser for the church.

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34. 11/1/23 Interviewed LaDuska Sells, Park Avenue Elementary PTO – The PTO is holding a barbecue dinner fundraiser for the school.
35. 11/8/23 Interviewed Renee Robison, Grand Prairie Center - The Arkansas Symphony Orchestra returns to the Riceland Auditorium at the Grand Prairie Center in Stuttgart
35. 11/8/23 Interviewed Darlene Frizzell, Stone Bank – The bank and American Legion Post and Auxiliary 158 are sponsoring the Third Annual Ozark Highlands Radio Roadshow for Veterans
36. 11/8/23 Interviewed Susan Phelps, Grand Prairie CASA – Grand Prairie CASA’s Project Christmas Open House is a day for people to pick up Christmas wish lists for children in the program
37. 11/8/23 Interviewed Jennifer White, RSVP – A free luncheon is being held for area Veterans
38. 11/8/23 Interviewed Cara Curtis, Museum of the Arkansas Grand Prairie – The museum is holding its monthly Coffee with the Curator program on the origins of the museum and the community’s role
39. 11/8/23 Interviewed Kimberly Morgan, Operation Christmas Child – Operation Christmas Child National Collection Week is coming up
40. 11/8/23 Interviewed Marianne Maynard, Stuttgart Women’s Club – The club and the Stuttgart Public Library are partnering with Arkansas PBS for a Mr. Rogers Neighborhood Sweater Drive
36. 11/15/23 Interviewed Ashley Hopson, Queen Mallard Committee – The Queen Mallard and Jr. Queen Mallard pageants are coming up
37. 11/15/23 Interviewed Perry Simpson, American Legion Post 158 – The post is holding a pork butt fundraiser to help raise funds to refurbish the group’s kitchen
38. 11/15/23 Interviewed Fara Foster, Museum of the Arkansas Grand Prairie – The museum is hosting Spaghetti with Santa for area children and their families
39. 11/15/23 Interviewed Hunter Bennett, Dumas Public Library – The library is participating in Arkansas PBS’ Mr. Rogers Neighborhood Sweater Drive and also holding its annual book sale to benefit children’s programming
40. 11/15/23 Interviewed Martha Pineda, Folsom Memorial Library – Little Free Libraries have been placed in the communities of Brinkley, Holly Grove, and Clarendon. The library is looking for two additional sites.
41. 11/15/23 Interviewed Dr. Howard Smith, PLUM Foundation – Thanksgiving food baskets will be handed out by the organization in Stuttgart and Brinkley
42. 11/15/23 Interviewed Melissa Furnell, The CALL in Lonoke and Prairie Counties – The organization is looking for help with its Family Christmas Baskets project for foster and adoptive families
43. 11/22/23 Interviewed Logan Molock, Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce – The Great Duck Race 5K/10K and tent vendors during the Wings Over the Prairie Festival in Stuttgart Thanksgiving Week

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44. 11/22/23 Interviewed Megan Tabor, Wings Over the Prairie Festival – Information about the festival’s Beer Garden
45. 11/22/23 Interviewed Jenifer Bohanan, Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce – Food vendors and trucks available during the Wings Over the Prairie Festival in Stuttgart Thanksgiving Week
46. 11/22/23 Interviewed Curtis Ahrens, Wings Over the Prairie Festival – Information about the Annual Duck Gumbo Cook-off
47. 11/22/23 Interviewed Bill Free, Wings Over the Prairie Festival – Information about the World’s Championship Duck Calling Contest and other contests during the festival in Stuttgart Thanksgiving Week
48. 11/22/23 Interviewed Patti Thompson, Wings Over the Prairie Festival – Free children’s duck calling classes will be held as part of the festival in Stuttgart Thanksgiving Week
49. 11/22/23 Interviewed Melody Stackhouse, Wings Over the Prairie Festival – High school seniors are invited to compete for scholarships in the Chick and Sophie Major Memorial Duck Calling Contest during the Wings Over the Prairie Festival in Stuttgart Thanksgiving Week
50. 11/22/23 Interviewed Bethany Hildebrand, Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce – Overview of the Wings Over the Prairie Festival including Party in the Park, the Carnival and Midway, and official t-shirts and other merchandise
51. 11/29/23 Interviewed Hannah Maier, Hermey the Elf – Hannah’s family is collecting food for the ICCM Food Bank and monetary donations through yard sponsorships for Stuttgart’s EasterSeals Child Development Center by moving an inflatable elf to different yards each night through the holidays. Donations are collected in a large box placed by the elf.
52. 11/29/23 Interviewed Tricia Rogers, Clarendon American Legion Auxiliary – Angel Tree Project to provide winter clothing and Christmas toys to area children.
53. 11/29/23 Interviewed Logan Molock, Stuttgart Chamber of Commerce – Stuttgart’s Christmas in the Park community event with tree lighting is December 4th.
54. 11/29/23 Interviewed Renee Robison, Grand Prairie Center – Last minute push for ticket sales to the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra’s holiday performance.
55. 11/29/23 Interviewed Stephanie White, Arkansas Pecan Festival – This year’s festival in Keo, Arkansas, has been rebranded and features lots of free activities for families.
56. 11/29/23 Interviewed Cole Sherman, Stuttgart Harvest Church – The church is hosting a no-sell yard sale for area families and a toy giveaway for children.
57. 12/5/23 Interviewed Pastor Jimmy Stewart, Celebration Church of Humphrey – The church is holding its annual free Christmas toy and stocking stuffer giveaway for children and adults.
58. 12/5/23 Interviewed Johnny Sue Davis, DeWitt Senior Center – The center is holding a basket giveaway to raise funds to help the center’s programming next year.

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59. 12/5/23 Interviewed Emilee Baker, Plantation Agriculture State Park in Scott – The park is hosting a free Holiday Open House and Pecan Pie Competition.
60. 12/5/23 Interviewed Jennifer Lowe, City of Gillett – The city’s free Breakfast with Santa, Christmas Parade, and Christmas Tree Lighting.
61. 12/5/23 Interviewed Carol Smith, Zion Lutheran Church in Ulm – The church is holding a chicken strip dinner fundraiser to help purchase new kitchen equipment to help with community outreach.
62. 12/5/23 Interviewed Lynn Keller, Stuttgart Rotary Club – The club is holding its annual Radio Auction to raise funds for scholarships and local charitable organizations.
63. 12/13/23 Interviewed Ashley Hansen, Plum Bayou Mounds Archeological State Park – The park is hosting a winter solstice guided sunset tour.
64. 12/13/23 Interviewed Scott Quimby, First Baptist Church – The combined choirs of three churches are holding a free performance and community reception.
65. 12/13/23 Interviewed Heather McKewen, DeWitt Chamber of Commerce – DeWitt’s Holly Jolly Holiday Party and Christmas Parade.
66. 12/13/23 Interviewed Tia Brickey, Park Ave. Elementary – The school is hosting its annual Winter Wonderland Family Night to provide entertainment for kids and resources for parents.
67. 12/13/23 Interviewed Clay Shook, Stuttgart Knights of Columbus – The group is holding their annual Christmas pork butt fundraiser to raise money for their charitable causes.
68. 12/13/23 Interviewed Lauren Reynolds, Baptist Health Medical Center-Stuttgart – Photos with Santa is being held for kids and pets and donations are accepted for the local food bank.
69. 12/13/23 Interviewed Jennifer “Pooh” White, Stuttgart RSVP – The group’s Christmas Wishes tree is up and filled with the wishes of underprivileged children in the area.
70. 12/27/23 Interviewed Jalicia Wyatt, Stuttgart Gloves Not Guns Boxing Club – The group’s Showdown in Sugatown USA Boxing-sanctioned event will help support the non-profit’s youth activities.