We hope you have had a great first month of 2022!

Thank you for all of your support in 2021 as you donated during our pledge drives and during the month of December for CoMoGives. It was good to see you at events again, too. We hope 2022 will be even more successful and full of community!
We are lucky to have high-caliber volunteers who do so much for KOPN and for the mid-Missouri community as a whole.

Did you know that **Steve Jacobs**, co-host of **Sunday Night Stringbenders**, is also the director of St. Francis House in central Columbia? Read more about his life and mission here in the Columbia Missourian.
T'Keyah Thomas, host of One Mic on Saturdays between 2 and 4 PM, is a member of the 2022 class of 20 Under 40 Columbians. The 20 Under 40 award goes to 20 citizens in our midst who excel and lead as vicenarians or tricenarians, and it is given by CoMo Magazine. "Each 20 Under 40 class represents the best of the best in Columbia." Find out more here.
Dale Langford hosts the Tuesday edition of Morning Ayre, KOPN's classical music program that airs each weekday between 5 and 7:50 AM. He has been a host of the show for over 20 years! In addition to sharing a love of classical music on KOPN, Dale is a retired science writer and editor who worked at the National Academies of Sciences and Engineering in Washington, D.C. Dale and his wife moved to the Columbia area in the late 1990s and live on a Century Farm in the house his great-grandfather built in 1895 (in which his mother and grandmother were born!). Find a two-week archive of Morning Ayre here.
Joy Rushing was featured in the January/February edition of VOX Magazine in a story on ragtime music in Missouri! Joy has trained another ragtime fan, Brad Roby, and passed KOPN's ragtime show on to him. You can hear The Ragtime Troubadour each Sunday between 7 and 9 AM. You can still hear Joy on KOPN's airwaves during Country Folk, which airs each Friday between 6 and 8 PM.
Ask a Programmer: Carol Greenspan

Carol hosts Jewish Spectrum each Friday between 3 and 4 PM, and she hosts the Wednesday edition of Morning Ayre, KOPN's classical program. Morning Ayre airs every weekday between 5 and 7:50 AM and features a different host each day.
You grew up in Miami and New York. How did you make your way to mid-Missouri?

I lived in New York until I was 11, when my mom moved the family to Florida. I always said I was a New Yorker who just lived in Miami. I have lived in many places: I got my Bachelors degree from the University of Illinois (my stepfather's job moved to Illinois), my PhD degree from Columbia University in New York, and I went to Brandeis University in Massachusetts to do a research project.

Right after college, I moved across the country to Berkeley, CA to pursue a doctorate degree, but, at that time, it was impossible for a woman to get a PhD in the department. It's a long story... It took years to get my confidence up enough to go to school again after my one year at Berkeley. My three years of teaching made a huge difference!

I came to Columbia, MO some years later because I got a job at Stephens College. I loved teaching and making the material make sense to students, and my students did very well on their Graduate Records Examinations. Good students! I had become ill, so, after I recovered, I looked for a new profession (which ended up being political work and eventually tutoring). I had moved so much and left so many friends behind that I didn’t want to move again from Columbia.

My life is in two parts: the years before I went to Portland, Oregon, where I did postdoc research, and the years following. In Portland, I became a leader of the women's movement and discovered feminism! Exciting does not begin to describe it. I was essentially born a feminist, but those years I lived it and read and became an outspoken feminist, testifying at the legislature, and more. The years after, I taught in several universities. UMKC was the most interesting. I did research
and taught at both the university and the medical school. I spent four years there. Then my mother died, I lost my competitive ambition, and I was offered a job at Stephens College. Who knows what comes next!

**How did you find out about KOPN and get involved?**

I started working with a legislator, lobbying and helping her write bills. I brought a press release to KOPN, and the news director at the time told me, “if you tape it, we will run it.” It was a very complicated story, though, so she then asked for a script that a layperson without specialized knowledge would understand. Then the program director at KOPN realized I love classical music. He gave me a classical music slot and a summer interview program to check me out, and I passed the test without realizing it was a test. The legislator I was working with ended up running for Congress, so I was able to get more involved with KOPN.

**What are the roles you have had at KOPN over the years?**

Carolyn Matthews and Diana Nomad invited me to join them in a show called “Carry It On.” I could cover anything I wanted: women’s issues, lobbying, taxes... Once, my guest was an expert on Latin American economics! Carolyn covered a lot of environmental issues - and Leonard Peltier and Diana played drums and covered Indian affairs and we had a lot of fun! I was the news director for several years, and I did a weekly interview show, which was another exciting time. I interviewed amazing people such as Bishop Tutu and started Women’s Issues, Women’s Voices, which is still on the air today, and restarted Morning Ayre (there had been a change in programming and of course we got the show back on the air!). I dropped out of WIWV a few years ago as I was losing too many nouns while speaking, and I don’t drive at night any more.

Hosting Jewish Spectrum was a fluke: I’d asked the then-program director to restart a program on all religions which had been a star and then lost its host. He went looking for a Jewish host for a Jewish program and could not find a host for it, so, feeling like its “mother,” I took it on when he left for Europe to record his own music. We once had a discussion (live on air) about whether God had a gender. He said yes, citing Hebrew grammar, and I said no and laughed. He moved to Texas for work and I carried on. Too bad, as together we presented a holistic view of Judaism.

**Do you have memories of listening to the radio as a child or young adult? What sorts of programs did you like?**

I listened to a lot of classical music!

**What are your favorite pieces of music?**

I love symphonies, but you can’t hear through the music. Chamber music and baroque music are favorites because you can hear what each individual is doing. I also love folk and folk-based classical music such as Misa Criolla, a Latin American folk mass, Dvorak and Hovhaness, and
music by both men and women and of all colors - and the “greats” of course.

You and your friend Jeff Brotemarkle were interviewed about the closing of International Cafe downtown. The Columbia Daily Tribune quoted you: "we don't have to say what makes this place special," said customer Carol Greenspan, who was dining at the cafe on Tuesday. "Our smiles say it all." What are some other businesses you like to patronize, and what do you do around town?

My favorite massage therapist used to work at International Cafe, and I loved chatting with her for a few minutes there until her work called her back. I associate the owners of International Cafe with that therapist. I stay home a lot these days because of the pandemic, and I like to watch KMOS-TV. Some highlights - pre-pandemic: True/False Film Festival, ballet performances (the Alvin Ailey! and other modern ballets), the summer symphony concerts, coffee at Coffee Zone, wonderful quiche at Uprise Bakery, desserts at Sycamore, lots of great restaurants in town, and I remember seeing Joan Baez when she came to Columbia, and that was really something. I used to meet friends of mine out at restaurants, but now we mostly carry out and just eat at my apartment. I used to be incredibly busy, but it all petered out about a year and a half ago when I turned 87 and the coronaviruses hit us.

What is something most people would be surprised to learn about you?

They would be surprised to know that I don’t have a cat! I had a cat or a pair of cats for a great deal of my adult life, but my last cat, Zora, passed away and I never got a new cat. Maybe soon?

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Underwriter Spotlight:
Passions Adult Boutique

PASSIONS ADULT BOUTIQUE
WHERE LOVERS SHOP

Valentine's Day is approaching quickly, and Passions can be your holiday headquarters!
This month’s featured underwriter is Passions Adult Boutique, with two locations in our listening area. The owners take pride in keeping a clean, well-lit store staffed by helpful employees who are trained by the leading manufacturers twice a year. The flagship store is located at 1108 Business Loop 70 East in Columbia, and it features the largest selection of toys, lingerie, shoes, erotic books, and gag gifts in Mid-Missouri. Their Boonville location is an outlet store, with many items priced at up to 70% off. Passions extends an exclusive offer to readers of our newsletter:

Show or print this newsletter for 15% off your entire order at Passions Adult Boutique. Limit 1 per customer. Valid January 30, 2022 to February 28, 2022.

To: Lovely Listeners

Happy Valentine’s Day!

From: your community radio station
Program Updates:

Mid-Missouri This Week (formerly known as Mid-Missouri Freedom Forum) retired from our airwaves. The replacement show is Breaking Through with Moms Rising. Catch it every Wednesday evening between 5 and 6 PM.

In early January, Brad Roby took over Ragtime with Joy on Sundays between 7 and 9 AM. The show is now called The Ragtime Troubadour.

Upcoming Events in our Broadcast Range:

Columbia:

- **February 5**: Attend a play written and produced by a fellow Columbian, Dr. Elvira Maxwell. "A Change Has Come - Remember the Dream" will be performed at Broadway Christian Church at 12 PM and 5 PM. The play is about Martin Luther King Jr. and it is open to the public.
- **February 9**: Ballots for the KOPN Board of Directors election are due by mail or by in-person delivery to 915 E Broadway by 4 PM. If you donated $60 or more in 2021, you are a voting member of KOPN! You should receive your ballot and your 2021 tax receipt in the mail very soon, if you have not received them already.
- **February 13**: KOPN hosts a virtual Annual Meeting at 2 PM on Zoom. Board of Directors election results will be discussed.
- **February 26**: Ragtag Cinema hosts a poetry slam beginning at 10:30 PM. There are prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in the contest.
- **February 27**: Attend the Gospel Explosions and Soul Food Dinner Musical Celebration at St. Luke United Methodist Church (204 E. Ash St.) between 4 and 7 PM. The event is free and open to the public.
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