

KHQA Staff and Management participate in wide variety of Speaking Engagements, Station Tours, Career Fairs, etc. to help the community to understand the Media Business and the importance of what we do at KHQA.
KHQA-TV Community Involvement January 1, 2021-Dec 31, 2021

ON JANUARY 28TH 2021 AT 6:30PM, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH in Quincy HOSTED A MAYORAL DEBATE. ALL FOUR CANDIDATES HAVE CONSENTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FORUM AHEAD OF THE QUINCY PRIMARY. THE DEBATE WILL BE MODERATED BY RAJAH MAPLES-WALLACE FROM KHQA. Rajah is the News Manager for KHQA.

On February 16, 2021, News Manager and Anchor, Rajah Maples-Wallace read the children's book, Miss Nelson is Missing, for the Quincy Community Theatre's Youth Education Program. Rajah recorded the video of her reading the book for the program and it will be aired at a later date.

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On February 24, 2021 Rajah Maples-Wallace, KHQA News Manager and Anchor, attended the Board Meeting for the International Radio and Television Society (IRTS). The Meeting was 1 hour long and Rajah attended as a Board of Director Member. She called in and attended virtually. Topics of discussion were, THE ORGANIZATION'S NEW PRESIDENT AND PLANS FOR THE ORGANIZATION'S SUMMER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM (<https://irtsfoundation.org/college-programs/summer-fellowship/>). This was one of four meetings held throughout the year in which board of directors are asked to attend either in person or virtually.

On Thursday February 25th, Chief Meteorologist Rich Cain with KHQA presented a weather talk via ZOOM to the 3rd grade at Rooney Elementary school in Quincy. Teacher Emily Pool asked him if he could spend about a half hour with her class and talk about weather and what his job entails. Here are some items discussed: What it's like to be a Meteorologist? What does it take to be a Meteorologist? How do I make a forecast? What is it like to work with others on TV? What are the different cloud types and why? What was the most difficult forecast to do? What do I like about my job, what I don't. There were about 20 in the classroom and the session lasted about 35 minutes.

Melissa Billington, Human Resources Coordinator for KTVO in Kirksville MO and KHQA Television in Quincy IL attended the Virtual Truman State University Career Expo Thursday February 25, 2021. Melissa used the TEAMS Platform to chat with interested students; she represented KTVO, KHQA and KRGC at the Career Expo. Melissa spoke to 5 students about opportunities at the stations and with Sinclair Broadcast Group as a whole. After the Career Fair,

Melissa e-mailed a power point presentation with information about the company, instructions on how to apply and her business card to the students that attended and to a few others that had technical difficulties in the chat room.

On Thursday, March 11, 2021, KHQA recorded and broadcast the Quincy Mayoral Debate designed to help viewers learn about the 2 Candidates running for Mayor in Quincy. Rajah Maples-Wallace, News Manager and Anchor, was the moderator for the event. KHQA aired the debate on its YouTube channel, KHQA Website and KHAQ FB Live page. KHQA staff produced and broadcast the entire debate. The election will be held on April 6, 2021.

April 11, 2021: News Manager and Anchor, Rajah Maples- Wallace, served as a judge for mock interviews for contestants preparing for the Miss Missouri Pageant, which is a Miss America preliminary competition. The event was held noon to 3pm Sunday April 11, 2021 at the St James Lutheran Church in Quincy IL.

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April 22, 2021: KHQA News Manager and Anchor, Rajah Maples-Wallace, Unmasked herself on April 22nd as a contestant (Leo the Lion) for the Salvation Army Unmasking the Singer Virtual Fundraiser. This was a top-secret taping where Rajah sang "Hallelujah" in a Leo The Lion Costume. Rajah and 5 other Local Celebrities donated their talents for this virtual fundraiser for the Salvation Army. This was part of a weeklong fundraiser starting April 11th. KHQA is was also a Media sponsor and Tegan Orpet-Hulett, KHQA Morning Meteorologist also serves on the Salvation Army Board.

April 23, 2021: Rajah Maples-Wallace voiced scripts for the video that honored the Quincy Chamber of Commerce Business Hall of Fame new inductees. The ceremony was held April 23rd from 11:30am-1pm.

May 16, 2021: On Sunday May 16, 2021, KHQA Sports Director, Chris Duerr was the Graduation Commencement Speaker at North Shelby High School. Chris gave a motivational speech to the class of 2021.

May 22, 2021: On Saturday May 22, 2021 News Manager, Rajah Maples, served as Emcee and Walk Leader for the Mutt Strut Fundraiser for the Quincy Humane Society in Wavering Park in Quincy Il.

May 22,2021: KHQA has a booth at the Quincy Family YMCA Healthy Kids Day from 1p-5p on Saturday May 22, 2021. The organization invited several organizations and agencies to participate, which meant having a booth as the children walked around the gym to learn information about healthy habits. KHQA set up a booth with Cornhole Boards and bag so that kids could play and win KHQA pencils. The message was – even though KHQA entails watching television, we also feel it's important for children to step away from all screens for

face-to-face communication, games, exercise, reading and other types of healthy habits. The booth was staffed by News Manager, Rajah Maples.

May 29, 2021: KHQA was the sponsor for the Quincy Giving Blood Drive Thursday May 29, 2021 from 7a-7p. It was held in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Quincy IL. Both News Manager, Rajah Maples and Reporter Kendall Hyde conducted live shots for our morning and evening newscasts respectively to a.) help raise awareness for the need for blood before the Memorial Day weekend holiday and b.) to encourage people watching at home to donate.

June 7, 2021: News Manager, Rajah Maples, sang the National Anthem at the Quincy Grand Prix of Karting held at South Park in Quincy IL.

June 8, 2021: News Manager, Rajah Maples, attended the International Radio and Television Society Newsmaker Breakfast June 8, 2021 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Virtually via WebEx. She attended as an IRTS board member and fellow sponsor.

June 28, 2021: KHQA's News Manager, Rajah Maples, spoke with more than 20 future media professionals (either college students or recent college graduates) about working in the media. Rajah spoke with them as part of a Zoom talk/discussion/learning event hosted by the International Radio and Television Society (IRTS). Rajah serves as an IRTS board member.

July 3, 2021: KHQA's News Manager, Rajah Maples-Wallace and Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet, emceed the parade, which KHQA live streamed online and on social media (i.e., Facebook). Parade was recorded and later broadcast on KHQA Television. The Hannibal Jaycees Independence Day parade as part of National Tom Sawyer Days.

July 6, 2021: The Quincy Community Theater (QCT) Nominating Committee meeting via Zoom. News Manager, Rajah Maples-Wallace attended by Zoom meeting to discuss nominating future board members. Rajah is a member of the Quincy Community Theater nominating committee.

July 31, 2021: On July 31, 2021, KHQA News Manager Rajah Maples sang the National Anthem at the Adams County Fair near Mendon, Illinois. She sang before the concert of Collin Raye, Sammy Kershaw and Aaron Tippin..

August 25, 2021: On August 25, 2021, News Manager, Rajah Maples-Wallace Sang the national anthem at a flag-raising ceremony to celebrate its new flagpole at Farm and Home Supply in Quincy IL.

August 27, 2021: On August 27, 2021, KHQA Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet-Hulett volunteered to pump gas and wash windows for the Adams County Farm Ethanol Day.

August 31, 2021: On August 31, 2021, News Manager, Rajah Maples attended the Quincy Humane Society Board Meeting. Rajah is a member of the Quincy Humane Society Board.

September 11, 2021: On Saturday September 11, 2021 News Manager, Rajah Maples attended Lewistown Missouri appreciation days. Rajah was a parade judge.

September 11, 2021: On Saturday September 11, 2021 News Manager, Rajah Maples attended An English Garden Party in Quincy IL. This was a fundraiser for the Adams County Suicide Prevention Coalition. Rajah was the Mistress of Ceremonies.

September 22, 2021: On Wednesday, September 22, 2021, News Manager, Rajah Maples attended the International Radio and Television Society (IRTS) Foundation Hall of Mentorship Dinner and Gala, virtually. The event was held from 5-7pm.

September 23, 2021: On Thursday, September 23, 2021, John Woods Community College held their Wine Pull night at the Quincy Country Club. Sales Manager, Jason Wright, News Manager, Rajah Maples-Wallace and Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet-Hulett attended on behalf of KHQA to show support for the JWCC Foundation.

September 25, 2021: On Saturday, September 25, 2021, Multimedia Journalist, Zach Richardson represented KHQA in the Beardstown Illinois Fall Festival by driving a KHQA car in the Parade and doing a news story on the weekend festivities.

September 30, 2021: On Thursday September 30, 2021 Melissa Billington, Human Resources Coordinator, attended the Truman State University Virtual Career Expo. Melissa spoke with students regarding career's in Broadcasting with Sinclair Broadcast Group and Sinclair stations in the Tri-State Area. Students were sent information regarding open positions, how to find Sinclair jobs on the website and how to apply. Melissa represented KTVO, KHQA, KRQG, KDNL and the Springfield, Champaign, Decatur stations.

October 6, 2021: Rajah Maples-Wallace attended the quarterly meeting for the International Radio and Television Society (IRTS) Board virtually. Rajah appeared as a board member and in IRTS' new music video that was shown virtually. The meeting was from 9a-10:30a.

October 8, 2021: Rajah Maples-Wallace served as the emcee for Dueling Pianos Fundraiser for Avenues Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Shelter in Hannibal MO on October 8, 2021. The event was held from 5p-10p.

October 13, 2021: – KHQA's Tegan Orpet attended a month meeting for the Quincy Salvation Army Christmas Campaign and Dinner. Tegan is a member of the committee and helps organize the toy pick up and distribution.

October 15, 2021: – KHQA's Tegan Orpet attended a monthly meeting for the Quincy Salvation Army Unmasking the Singer Fundraiser. Tegan is member of the committee.

November 10, 2021: KHQA's Tegan Orpet attended the Adams County United Way Mental Health meeting. Tegan is currently a member of the board.

October 26, 2021: Rajah Maples Wallace attended the Quincy Humane Society Board meeting at noon on 10/26/2021. The meeting was virtual and Rajah attended as a board member.

November 13, 2021: On Saturday night, November 13, 2021, Rajah Maples-Wallace served as the emcee for the Bluff City Theater's Annual Fundraising Gala at the American Legion in Hannibal Missouri.

November 24, 2021: KHQA and Reporter Rajah Maples-Wallace participated in the KHQA Day of Bell Ringing for the Quincy Salvation Army from 5-7p on November 24th at the Hy-Vee on Broadway in Quincy. Rajah rang a bell during this time and did a live shot for KHQA News at 5P & 6p. Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet-Hulett, rang bells for several hours that morning as well.

November 25, 2021: KHQA's Rajah Maples emceed the Quincy Family YMCA 42nd Annual Turkey Run on November 25th. Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet-Hulett, participated in the run that morning as well. The event was held at the Quincy Family YMCA near 33rd and Broadway in Quincy.

Quincy Day of Giving Blood Drive

On December 9, 2021 KHQA Sponsored a Red Cross Blood Drive, The Quincy Day of Giving Blood Drive at the Quincy Knights of Columbus Hall from 7am-7pm. Through airing PSA's, News Stories, Live Shots the day of the event, "look lives" and FaceBook Lives KHQA helped the Red Cross collect 160 units of blood. KHQA Senior Reporter, Rajah Maples-Wallace covered the event.

December 11, 2021: Rajah Maples-Wallace participated in the annual fundraiser for the Historical Society of Quincy and Adams County on Saturday December 11, 2021 and December 17, 2021. Rajah impersonated Anne Streeter Wood - the wife of Quincy founder John Wood - in the John Wood Mansion during the Candlelight tour fundraiser

December 15, 2021: KHQA Annual Toy Blitz to benefit area children during the Holidays through the QUINCY/HANNIBAL SALVATION ARMY AND TOYS FOR TOTS was held Wednesday, December 15, 2021 from 6a-6p at the Quincy Wal-Mart. Rajah manned the toy boxes\bucks from 12n-6p while greeting customers and asking for donations via in person, on Facebook lives, live on KHQA News at 5 and recorded on KHQA News at 6p & 10p. KHQA's Tegan Orpet-Hulett helped with the KHQA Toy Town Toy Drive at the Quincy Wal-Mart as well. Tegan helped collect the toys also.

December 20, 2021: KHQA's Morning Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet, helped pack the Christmas food baskets for area families through the Salvation Army.

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Station Manager Tige Jones is an active member of the Quincy Kiwanis. Kiwanis International is a global community of clubs, members and partners dedicated to improving the lives of children one community at a time. Each community has different needs, and Kiwanis empowers members to pursue creative ways to serve the needs of children, such as fighting hunger, improving literacy and offering guidance.

KHQA Sports Director, Chris Duerr, serves on the Board of Directors for the Pepsi Little People's Golf Championships as Publicity Chair. The Pepsi Little's Peoples is one of the nation's most venerable and longest enduring Junior Golf Tournaments which was first staged in Quincy in 1974. It annually draws golfers ages 3-18 to the Tri-States from across the United States as well as past participants from as far away as Asia, Europe and Australia.

KHQA Director of Operations and Engineering, Lillian Bricker, serves as the Vice President on the board of directors for AVENUES. AVENUES is a domestic violence and sexual assault shelter and outreach program dedicated to serving individuals who have been traumatized by violence in Northeast Missouri. All services are free, confidential, and include a 24-hour hotline, safe and secure shelter, court and medical advocacy, crisis intervention, case management, and referrals to related services. AVENUES serve the Northeast Missouri counties of Adair, Clark, Knox, Lewis, Marion, Monroe, Pike, Ralls, Schuyler, Scotland, and Shelby.

KHQA Director of Operations and Engineering, Lillian Bricker, serves on the Quincy Regional Crime Stoppers Board. Quincy Regional Crime Stoppers is a non-profit program involving three essential elements in the fight against crime; the community, the media, and law enforcement. It is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors comprised of Adams County citizens. The Board decides on cash rewards and raises funds through private donations from individuals and businesses, and through fundraising events.

Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet-Hulett, serves on the Quincy Salvation Army Christmas Campaign Committee. This committee organizes the Salvation Army Community Thanksgiving dinner, Salvation Army Community Christmas Dinner and Salvation Army Toy Drive and food baskets for the holiday for area families in need. This Committee held a wrap up meeting after the holiday season.

Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet-Hulett, serves on the 4 Salvation Army Community Fundraiser committee. She is on the committee that is planning an annual fundraiser for the Salvation Army. They are raising money for the Salvation Army Emergency Shelter that continues to feed, shelter and provided assistants to anyone that needs it in the community. The fundraiser this year was Unmasking the Singer. Five local well known people are dressed in local mascots and are singing. The community will have to try and guess who they think the singer is based on performance and clues.

Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet-Hulett is a member of the United Way Mental Health Community Team. This committee holds meetings every other month via zoom. They continue to work with local agencies and grant writing committees to see what the needs are in our community and how the committee can help them. They have seen an increase in the need for mental health awareness in the last year and the people needing help has almost doubled. The greatest area of need is in younger people. This committee continues to find ways to reach out and find resources to help them. The committee meets via ZOOM.

Meteorologist, Tegan Orpet-Hulett is a member of the Unity Way Community Building Council. This group continue to look at all the needs our community has. They strategize, organize, facilitate, and present what the needs are in the communities. The committee find ways to help solve and communicate those findings to area business and organizations. The committee meets via ZOOM.

KHQA Director of Operations and Engineering, Lillian Bricker, serves as a board member of Love & Fire Women's Ministries. This group hosts local events, like conferences and prayer breakfasts, for women looking to grow in their relationship with Christ or even meet him for the first time.

News Manager and Anchor, Rajah Maples-Wallace, is a member of the Quincy Community Theatre and is a member of the Board of Directors. As a board member she takes an active role in the Community Theatre and has a role in making informed decisions for the organization. The committee meets by Zoom monthly.

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Rajah Maples-Wallace, joined the Quincy Humane Society Board as a Member on May 25, 2021. The board is in charge of fundraising for the no-kill animal shelter, making decisions about its infrastructure and expense needs, etc. Rajah serves as a board member and help coordinate publicity through 5 p.m. chats and Facebook notifications.

Rajah Maples-Wallace, is a member of the Board of Directors (I.e., board member) for the International Radio and Television Society (IRTS).

The IRTS Foundation is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization dedicated to building future leaders and increasing diversity in the media industry. We bring together the wisdom of yesterday's founders, the power of today's leaders, and the promise of tomorrow's young professionals to build the next generation of media leaders, which we feel should more accurately reflect the diverse demographic of today's media consumers. IRTS provides education through access with a series of academic programs, industry events, and mentorship pipelines. We are an organization that firmly believes education is a life-long process, and take great pride in having an engaged, supportive community of program alumni and industry executives, alike.

Rajah Maples-Wallace, is President of the Stephens College Alumnae Association Board and was President of the Stephens College Class of 1997.

Founded in 1833, Stephens College is an institution committed to her mission to Learn. Grow. Lead. Stephens is resilient and optimistic, faithful to her traditions, and eager to embrace the future. Focused on the health sciences, performing arts, and integrative studies, Stephens continues to prepare graduates (whether from our undergraduate residential college, co-educational graduate programs or 90-year-strong Children's School) for the lives that await them — lives of distinction, integrity and service.

Rajah Maples-Wallace, is an outgoing board member of the Chaddock Children's Foundation Board. Located in Quincy, IL, Chaddock is an internationally recognized leader in the treatment of children suffering from the psychological, emotional, and spiritual effects of significant abuse, neglect and trauma. Chaddock's full range of preventative, educational and treatment services to children from birth to age 21 and their families include community-based services, a special education school, in-home intensive programs and residential treatment. In addition, Chaddock provides training and mental health consultation locally, nationally and internationally to educators, therapists and others who serve children and families.