



TEXAS WEEK with Rick Casey

30 minute weekly news program

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Texas Week with Rick Casey brings you this week's most important stories, people and issues, in depth.

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First air date/time: Jan 9, 2015 8pm

The New Year has barely begun and politics have already taken center stage -- if only with a low-turnout whimper. A special election to replace mayoral candidates State Senator Leticia Van de Putte and Representative Mike Villarreal yielded only run-offs. Meanwhile, the mayoral race is starting to heat up -- sort of. Our resident bipartisan pair of political professionals will parse and predict.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Christian Archer/Democratic Political Strategist; Kelton Morgan/Republican Political Strategist; Evan Smith, Editor-in-Chief/The Texas Tribune

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The Edwards Aquifer is and has been San Antonio's primary water resource. For the past 15 years, voters have approved a 1/8th cent addition to the local sales tax to ensure the safety of our water supply. Is that about to change? Rick Casey welcomes Mayor Ivy Taylor and Council Member Ron Nirenberg

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Evan Smith, Editor-in-Chief/The Texas Tribune; Ivy Taylor, San Antonio Mayor; Ron Nirenberg, San Antonio Council Member

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First air date/time: Jan 23, 2015 8pm

Nico LaHood has been in office for three weeks, and already he has experienced triumph and controversy. He convinced a unanimous Commissioners Court to give him \$1.4 million to hire 13 more staff attorneys and to blackball a former top official in his predecessor's office. And he announced he is

considering a policy change that would make life a little easier for marijuana smokers and others charged with low-level crimes.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Nicholas "Nico" LaHood, Bexar County District Attorney; Evan Smith, Editor-in-Chief/The Texas Tribune

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First air date/time: Jan 30, 2015 8pm

A discussion of the issues in the Texas House #123 runoff election. The position became open when incumbent Mike Villarreal resigned the seat in order to run for Mayor of San Antonio. An open field of candidates ran on January 6, 2015 but no one was able to win with 50% of the vote. A runoff election is scheduled for February 17th.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Nunzio Previtiera, (R) Candidate for Texas House #123; Diego Bernal, (D) Candidate for Texas House #123; Ross Ramsey/Executive Editor/The Texas Tribune

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First air date/time: Feb 6, 2015 8pm

On Monday, San Antonio voters will begin heading to the polls once again. That's when early voting begins for the Texas House and the Texas Senate seats. Rick Casey discussed the issues with the two Senate candidates: State Representatives Trey Martinez Fischer and Jose Menendez.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Jose Menendez (D), State Representative #124; Trey Martinez-Fischer (D), State Representative #116; Evan Smith, Editor-in-Chief/The Texas Tribune

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First air date/time: Feb 13, 2015 8pm

There is a move underway to keep ride sharing company Uber from leaving San Antonio. Uber has threatened to cease operations here by March first unless the city revisits its new ordinance. We will hear from two newcomers who have entered this ongoing story. Councilman Alan Warrick and County Judge Nelson Wolff join Rick Casey.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Nelson Wolff/ Bexar County Judge; Alan Warrick, SA Councilman, District 2; Ross Ramsey, Executive Editor/The Texas Tribune

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First air date/time: Feb 20, 2015 8pm

San Antonio has a new State Senator, a new State Representative and there's still one more election needed to complete our local legislative team. Speaking of team, there's more people running for Mayor than there are starting offensive players for the Dallas Cowboys. Who better to help us sort out these great stories than our political gurus: Christian Archer and Kelton Morgan.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Kelton Morgan/Republican Political Consultant; Christian Archer/Democratic Political Consultant; Evan Smith, Editor-in-Chief/The Texas Tribune

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A controversy about dirt taken away for Convention Center expansion just across the freeway from the Alamodome and dumped near the San Antonio Food Bank. A city official and an engineer hired by the city are making the case that the dirt is not contaminated as some have said. They say the problem has been their handling of the communications.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Mike Frisbie/Director, SA Transportation and Capital Improvements; Rick Klar, Vice President, Raba Kistner; Neil Carman, PhD. /Clean Air Program Director, Sierra Club; Ross Ramsey/Executive Editor/The Texas Tribune

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After teasing us with the possibilities, Google turned down San Antonio as a super-fast internet city. Former councilwoman Leticia Ozuna says there's a path to San Antonio joining Austin and other cities in the fast lane, but the political challenges are fearsome.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Leticia Ozuna/Former City Councilwoman, District 3; Evan Smith, Editor-in-Chief/The Texas Tribune

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Texas prosecutes more than 100,000 students a year for truancy, twice as many as the 49 other states combined, according to a recent study. But an effort underway in San Antonio aims to divert students before they are brought into court, avoiding both hefty fines and criminal records.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Rey Saldaña, City Councilman/Joint Commission on Truancy; John Bull, Presiding Judge, San Antonio Municipal Court; Evan Smith/Editor-in-Chief/The Texas Tribune

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In our lifetime, one in two men, one in three women, and one in 300 children will get some form of cancer. Filmmaker Ken Burns is waging war on cancer with a new project March 30th on KLRN with "Cancer, the Emperor of all Maladies" The fight against cancer is being waged everyday here in San Antonio. Join Rick Casey as he welcomes the director of the Cancer Therapy & Research Center, Doctor Ian Thompson.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: Ian Thompson, MD/Director, Cancer Therapy and Research Center, UT Health Science Center; Ross Ramsey, Executive Editor/The Texas Tribune

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A lawsuit filed by the Daughters of the Republic of Texas claims the General Land Office and its commissioner, George P Bush, is trying to unlawfully take away the Alamo library collection they say was their private property. The move comes after the Land Office decided to take a new direction in the management of the Alamo.

Participants and their affiliations, titles: David Gracy, PhD/Texas Archivist and Historian; Leslie Stapleton/ Director, Alamo Research Center; Evan Smith, Editor-in-Chief/The Texas Tribune