Issues/Programs list October 1 – December 31, 2016

The most significant community issues during this period covered by Nevada Public Radio are listed here. The producers and Program Director direct the content and selection of the program KNPR's $State\ of\ Nevada\$ airing weekdays $9-10\ a.m.\$ and $7-8\ p.m.\$

- General election campaigning in NV
- Presidential debate at UNLV
- Stadium proposal and pro sports NHL / NFL
- Ballot initiatives, gun control and recreational marijuana
- CCSD reorganization planning
- Educational savings account lawsuits

KNPR also carries regularly scheduled programs from NPR which includes *Morning Edition, All Things Considered, Marketplace* and more, which respond to issues of importance to the community.

Capitol Steps' New Years Special

Dec 30, 2016

This New Year's Eve, celebrate our country by helping the Capitol Steps make fun of it! You don't need to win the Electoral College to proclaim laughter is exactly what 2017 needs!

Radio Days: Shirley Horn At The Four Queens

Dec 30, 2016

Resonance Records producer Zev Feldman talks about the album, "Shirley Horn: Live at the Four Queens." It's a recently released archival recording of her 4 Queens Hotel lounge performance from 1988.

Nevada Joins Utah and Colorado to Build Connected Electric Charging Stations

Dec 29, 2016

The trip from Reno to Denver is about 1,100 miles, and can be made just through the states of Nevada, Utah and Colorado.

UMC Faces Uncertainty Over Uncertain Future of ACA

Dec 29, 2016

A few months ago, the Clark County Commission approved a request by the University Medical Center to spend \$24 million on a new patient records

'Unsinkable' Debbie Reynolds Saw Career Highs, Lows In Las Vegas

Dec 29, 2016

Las Vegas played an outsized role in the triumphs and tragedies of Debbie Reynolds, the legendary entertainer who died Wednesday, one day after the passing of her daughter Carrie Fisher.

Gold Butte Advocates Clinch Victory With Monument Designation

Dec 29, 2016

President Barack Obama designated some 300,000 acres of pristine Nevada desert northeast of Las Vegas a national monument Wednesday. The move has been years and years in the making.

Faraday Future To Roll Out Model As Critics 'Dance On Their Grave'

Dec 28, 2016

As Faraday Future prepares to debut its production model electric car next week, some are praising its technology while preparing to bury the company that promised to bring 4,500 jobs to North Las

El Rancho Vegas

Dec 28, 2016

We couldn't say goodbye to 2016 without mentioning that it marked the 75th anniversary of the Las Vegas Strip. Well, the road WAS there already, dotted with some small clubs and restaurants.

Beer, Racism Or Politics: An Irreverent Look Back At 2016

Dec 28, 2016

Never have we seen politics take the turn it did over the last 12 months.

U.S.-Russia Relations in the Trump Era

Dec 26, 2016

On this hour of

Tinsel Tales Three

Dec 23, 2016

Even More NPR Christmas Favorites In keeping with a well-loved NPR holiday tradition, hear the third collection of extraordinary Christmas stories that will transport you to unexpected places.

El Cortez at 75

Dec 22, 2016

2016 marked the diamond jubilee for a downtown Las Vegas gambling institution, the El Cortez.

The Other Golden Knights

Dec 22, 2016

The Golden Knights are off to great start this season, with some saying they're in the title hunt.

Christmas Bird Count Underway

Dec 22, 2016

KNPR talks with Doug Chang of the Red Rock Audubon Society about the annual Christman Bird Count underway now.

Here's All You Need For Holiday Food And Drink

Dec 22, 2016

For many adults, this is the best time of year.

Tax-Exempt Status 'Achilles Heel' Of Mormon Church?

Dec 22, 2016

The IRS hasn't revoked an organization's tax-exempt status in almost 40 years, but that isn't stopping one activist from taking his fight against the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints to

Vegas Golden Knights Race Clock To Prepare For First NHL Season

Dec 21, 2016

The Vegas Golden Knights have yet to play a game, but the NHL expansion team is already watching the clock run down.

Lake Tahoe Receives \$415 Million For Restoration

Dec 21, 2016

Lake Tahoe has had a good year.It's filling up after record lows, and recently it received \$415 million dollars in federal funding.

Sen. Harry Reid: Biggest Regret Was Iraq War Vote

Dec 21, 2016

U.S. Sen. Harry Reid service in Congress ends after 34 years on January 2.

2016 Holiday Schedules

Dec 20, 2016

Celebrate the holidays with Nevada Public Radio. Look to Nevada Public Radio for seasonal programming to suit your mood.

CCSD Trustees Have Meeting On Whether Or Not To Have A Meeting

Dec 20, 2016

Monday night, the Board of Trustees for the Clark County School District held a special, hastily called board meeting with two agenda items: hiring a consultant for the board, and hiring an attorne

Automotive Journalist: Sources Call Faraday Future 'Catastrophe'

Dec 20, 2016

Faraday Future started with big promises to build a multi-billion dollar car factory in North Las Vegas. The factory would make cars that would transform the world of transportation.

Nevada State College Raises Funds To Expand School Of Education

Dec 19, 2016

Nevada State College has gone from 177 students when it opened in 2002 to more than 3,500 today. And it's still growing.

Western Elite Wants Chance To Compete For City Trash Contract

Dec 19, 2016

Republic Services has had a lid on Southern Nevada trash contracts for decades.

Education Survey Finds Voters Not Happy With Nevada Legislators

Dec 19, 2016

A new education poll is out, and it turns out a majority of voters are not happy with Nevada legislators for their work on education.

MGM National Harbor Casino Resort Brings Las Vegas To The Potomac

Dec 19, 2016

Las Vegas got a beachhead on the Potomac River, not far from Washington, D.C.

Business Owners Want A Say In Minimum Wage Talks

Dec 15, 2016

Discussions about minimum wage are back on the table as Nevada nears the 2017 legislative session.

Las Vegas Gaming Companies Ready As Japan Legalizes Casinos

Dec 15, 2016

A years-long effort to bring casino gambling to Japan succeeded Thursday as lawmakers there approved legislation that opens up what some see as a \$40 billion gaming market.

Clark County Sues Group Opposing Blue Diamond Hill Development

Dec 14, 2016

Tensions over construction on Blue Diamond Hill have once again flared. The hill overlooks Red Rock Canyon and is the proposed site of more than 5,000 homes.

Journalist's Roundtable: 2016 In Arts And Entertainment

Dec 14, 2016

KNPR looks back at 2016 in the arts with John Katsilometes of the Las Vegas Review-Journal; freelance writer Kristen Peterson; Mike Prevatt of Las Vegas Weekly.

The Zirna Trio Performs The Works of Neglected Women Classical Composers

Dec 14, 2016

KNPR talks with Damaris Morales of The Zirna Trio, a Las Vegas-based group. This weekend, the group will be performing the works of neglected women classical composers Fanny Mendelssohn, Melanie Bonis, and Amy Beach.

'Fight for \$15' Wants To Raise Nevada's Minimum Wage In 2017

Dec 14, 2016

In late November, about a hundred protesters gathered on the Strip, demanding that minimum wage be raised to \$15 per hour.

Howard Hughes, Part 2

Dec 13, 2016

Howard Hughes left a mixed legacy in Nevada. We've talked about some of the good and the bad. Part of the problem is the myth that he cleared out organized crime. He did no such thing.

Uncertainty Looms For Marijuana Industry

Dec 13, 2016

Marijuana advocates in the state got to breathe a sigh of relief on Election Day, but the respite was short-lived.

Las Vegas Man Overcomes Anxiety By Treatment With Hallucinogen

Dec 13, 2016

After enduring months of grueling chemotherapy, Octavian Mihai was free of cancer but not of doubt.

John L. Smith On The Quiet Hilton

Dec 13, 2016

The Hilton family is known the world over for its hotels and resorts, and it has a long history of development in Las Vegas.

New Year, New Nevada?

Dec 13, 2016

Our panel of experts weigh in on what could be coming to Nevada politics, the economy & so much more in 2017.

Achievement School District Begins Operation August 2017

Dec 09, 2016

The 2015 legislative session focused the bulk of its efforts on education in the state.

The Texas Doctor Who Sunk Nye County's Only Hospital

Dec 09, 2016

When the Nye Regional Medical Center closed in 2015, it sent shockwaves through the town of Tonopah, Nev.

City of Las Vegas Puts Data - and Progress - Online

Dec 09, 2016

The graduation rate of Hispanic students at Valley High School in 2015/16 was almost 70 percent. This is just below the percentage of Asian graduates.

Mental Health Professionals Seeing People For Post-Election Anxiety

Dec 09, 2016

Slate's Michelle Goldberg has called it "Trump-induced anxiety" and "a national nervo

The Past, Present And Future Of The Black Mountain Institute

Dec 09, 2016

The Black Mountain Institute at UNLV just turned 10. The international literary center grants fellowships and degrees, holds readings and panels, and provides asylum to

Las Vegas Rents, Occupancy Up; Apartment Construction Strong

Dec 08, 2016

Southern Nevada has one of the highest percentages of people who rent instead of paying a mortgage.

The Art Of Writing For Hollywood In Las Vegas

Dec 07, 2016

While movies are made in Las Vegas, it is not the capital of filmmaking. But there are screenwriters who call Southern Nevada home.

Las Vegas Casinos Hit Visitors With More Fees As Parking Perk Perishes

Dec 07, 2016

The recent announcements by Caesars Entertainment and Wynn Resorts that they would phase out free parking threw more dirt on the grave of a longtime Las Vegas perk.

Heroism Of USS Nevada's Crew Recalled 75 Years After Pearl Harbor

Dec 07, 2016

The crew of the USS Nevada provided one of the Navy's few triumphs during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

John L. Smith: The World Won't End Because You Have To Pay For Parking

Dec 06, 2016

As he does each week, KNPR contributor John L. Smith joins us to share his notebook of observations and analysis on news and life in general in Las Vegas.

Death Valley In All Its Majesty (And Desolation)

Dec 05, 2016

Alex Ross, staff writer at The New Yorker magazine explored the extraordinary desert bloom at Death Valley National Park.

Rookie State Lawmakers Preparing To Begin Work In Carson City

Dec 05, 2016

When the Nevada Legislature begins its new session in February, there will be lot of new faces.

Illegal Marijuana Farms Poach, Poison Wildlife

Dec 02, 2016

Drug traffickers poach and poison animals to keep them from grazing on crops. In some cases, the animals are endangered species.

Howard Hughes, Part I

Dec 02, 2016

Half a century ago, Nevada's world turned upside down. On November 27, 1966, a Union Pacific train stopped where the tracks cross Carey Avenue in North Las Vegas.

<u>Transgender Community Worried About Rights Amidst New Administration</u>

Dec 02, 2016

In light of a Donald Trump/Mike Pence administration, some communities are worried their safety is on the line.

Sales Taxes Are Down, But Nevada Economy Starting To Climb

Dec 02, 2016

Before the election, the Pew Charitable Trusts released its 50 state tax revenue analysis.

Las Vegas Food Critics Declare Revolution In Restaurant Scene

Dec 02, 2016

It's a tough job, but someone has to do it.

UNLV Teacher Promise To Undocumented Students: I'll Turn You In

Dec 02, 2016

A UNLV math teacher has threatened to call immigration agents on any student he finds to be undocumented.

UNLV Women's Volleyball Team Heads to NCAA Tournament

Dec 02, 2016

The top 64 teams were announced this week for the NCAA Women's Volleyball Tournament, and UNLV is among them.

Will UNLV Become A Sanctuary Campus?

Dec 01, 2016

In the wake of the presidential election, a number of cities and towns and college campuses have declared themselves sanctuary zones – places where people who are undocumented can feel safe, and se

Paiute Voices: Contemporary Art That Values Venerable Traditions

Nov 30, 2016

Tribal art has moved beyond blankets, beads, and baskets to incorporate modern mediums and sensibilities.

Ready To Work, But Awaiting A Chance

Nov 30, 2016

In the mornings, Pamela Stevens is one among many employees at the Boulder Station Cafe who bounces back and forth between dining area and kitchen to appease hungry guests.

24 Hours At The Casino: What The Work Can Do

Nov 30, 2016

It's a typical morning inside the casino café at Boulder Station: Customers await their orders, servers buzz around tables, cooks push plates up into the window.

LGBTQ Center To Open In Provo In February

Nov 30, 2016

On Feb. 10, a new LGBTQ center will open in Provo, Utah.

New Book Looks At Joan Kroc's Legacy And Ties To Las Vegas

Nov 30, 2016

The name Joan Kroc might not mean much to you, but she's played a big role in some of the things that probably do.

SLIDESHOW: Pathway to Work

Nov 29, 2016

Through a program called Pathway to Work, people with intellectual and developmental disabilities get on-the-job training from three local employers including Station Casinos, the only gaming/hospi

Body And Soul: In Conversation With Poet Sharon Olds

Nov 29, 2016

Poet Sharon Olds about her most recent book of poetry, "Odes."

Fossil Bed Monument Alive Even As Superintendent Prepares To Leave

Nov 29, 2016

Las Vegas city officials voted to get back some 21,000 Ice Age fossils from a California museum that has been holding them for more than a decade.

John L. Smith On Castro And The Debt Las Vegas Owes The Cuban Leader

Nov 28, 2016

John L. Smith thinks Fidel Castro helped solidify Las Vegas as a gaming town.

Fidel Castro's Legacy, Las Vegas Style

Nov 28, 2016

Former Cuban President Fidel Castro died this past Friday at age 90, though he has hardly been in public since his health started to deteriorate in 2006.

Metro Police Needs Minorities, But Will They Come?

Nov 28, 2016

As the country moves into an era with a president-elect who makes no excuses about how he feels about undocumented immigrants, there are questions on how this will effect Las Vegas.

Climate One: Surviving a Megadrought

Nov 25, 2016

After last winter's rains, Californians breathed a collective sigh of relief.

Terrible, Thanks For Asking

Nov 24, 2016

We say "Happy Holidays!" Or "Merry Christmas!" but many people are actually struggling through very unhappy holidays. This radio special explores the not-so-Merry Christmases.

If Blue Diamond Hill Is Approved, Opponents Will Sue

Nov 23, 2016

The Clark County Commission will vote on a development plan that could bring 5,000 new homes to Red Rock Canyon. The vote was planned for Dec. 7 but has been postponed.

Parry Thomas, Part 2

Nov 23, 2016

Last time, we talked about E. Parry Thomas, the Las Vegas icon who died recently. We focused on his coming to Las Vegas in 1955 to run the Bank of Las Vegas.

Oakland Mayor Launches Hail Mary To Stop Raiders' Las Vegas Move

Nov 23, 2016

NFL Hall of Fame defensive back Ronnie Lott has been retired for more than a decade, but he can still make an impact play late in the game.

Lawmaker Proposes Creating Indigenous Peoples Day In Nevada

Nov 23, 2016

A state senator wants to add Indigenous Peoples Day to the official Nevada calendar and send Christopher Columbus sailing off into the sunset.

Turkey Day Tips: Making A Fabulous Feast Safely

Nov 22, 2016

It is turkey time again! Most of us don't roast a whole turkey on a weekly basis, so most of us need a refresher on some of the basic food safety tips for turkeys.

Recreational Pot: Employers Can Still Forbid Use

Nov 22, 2016

The state may say yes, but your boss can still say no.

Superintendent Skorkowsky On Leading CCSD Into New Era

Nov 22, 2016

Governor Brian Sandoval passed landmark legislation to help fund education in the state during the 2015 legislative session.

John L. Smith On Possible Leaks In Billy Walters Case

Nov 22, 2016

Las Vegas sports gambler and developer Billy Walters is back in the news and lashing out at possible leaks in his federal insider trading case.

Clark County DA Wolfson Scores Win With Gun Sales Restrictions

Nov 22, 2016

Clark County District Attorney Steve Wolfson is still two years from the end of his term but he notched a victory in the Nov. 8 election.

One-Day Event Connects Homeless With Housing, Medical

Nov 21, 2016

The Nevada Homeless Alliance just wrapped up its 24th Project Homeless Connect.

Funding Shortfall Threatens UNLV Student Newspaper

Nov 18, 2016

UNLV's independent student newspaper, The Rebel Yell, is in trouble. And no, it doesn't have to do with the paper's recent name change.

Development Plan Could Bring 5,000 Homes To Red Rock

Nov 17, 2016

The proposed plan would bring 5,000 new homes and 15,000 new residents to Red Rock Canyon. For comparison, that's about the population of Boulder City.

Texas City Moves To Renewable Energy Spurred By Plan That New Administration May Spurn

Nov 17, 2016

GEORGETOWN, Texas — Donald Trump's victory and the impending Republican majority in Congress means the Obama administration's initiative to cut greenhouse gas emissions, the Clean Power Plan, is al

STD Rates Are Up In Clark County. Why?

Nov 17, 2016

The Southern Nevada Health District has a few ideas.

Forget The Raiders! Are The Chargers Coming To Las Vegas?

Nov 17, 2016

In October, Nevada lawmakers rushed to approve \$750 million in room taxes to help fund an NFL stadium on the Las Vegas Strip.

Parry Thomas, Part 1

Nov 17, 2016

If you made a list of the people who made modern Las Vegas possible, who would you put on it?

Fuel Tax Measure Approval Assures Transportation Project Funding

Nov 17, 2016

Clark County voters opted for more construction cones and road projects last week by approving a ballot measure that pegs the Clark County fuel tax to inflation.

Howard Hughes 50 Years Later, And Capone Gun Update

Nov 16, 2016

A Las Vegas figure who continues to fascinate us is Howard Hughes. His world still resonates with us 50 years ago after his arrival in Las Vegas.

What's Next For Las Vegas Art Phenom Autumn de Forest?

Nov 16, 2016

Michelangelo, Van Gogh, Rembrandt and... de Forest? One day, perhaps.

State Sen. Farley Leaves GOP, To Caucus With Democrats

Nov 16, 2016

Patricia Farley, a Republican Senator elected in 2014, decided to become a registered non-partisan. And the moderate lawmaker decided to caucus with the Democrats.

John L. Smith On Reid's Anti-Trump Rhetoric

Nov 15, 2016

While most Democrats have been licking their wounds following the election of President-Elect Donald Trump, retiring Senator Harry Reid has not held back.

Prehistoric Tracks Found in Gold Butte Predate Dinosaurs

Nov 15, 2016

The tracks are throught to be from an early reptile about the size of a baby crocodile.

New Study: Is Eating Placenta Good For Mothers?

Nov 11, 2016

Advocates say eating placenta eases recovery after giving birth. But those claims lack scientific proof.

Under New Management

Nov 11, 2016

KNPR talks with David Burkus, author of "Under New Management: How Leading Organizations Are Upending Business As Usual" and Laura Zander, co-owner of "Jimmy Beans Wool" in Reno, NV.

Immigrant Groups Ask "Now What?"

Nov 10, 2016

President-elect Donald Trump is visiting the White House Thursday to meet with President Barack Obama.It is one of the first steps toward a transition of power.

Nevada Democrats Buck GOP Tide, Win Statewide, Control Legislature

Nov 09, 2016

Nevada stood as an island of blue in a sea of red after Tuesday's election that saw Democrats win statewide and in three of the four congressional districts, and pick up enough seats to give the pa

Taking A Test Ride: Las Vegas Bike Share

Nov 08, 2016

F. Andrew Taylor, a reporter with the View section of the Las Vegas Review-Journal tried out a new program: Las Vegas's bike share.

American Indian Heritage Month Brings Rodeo, Powwow, Lectures

Nov 08, 2016

November is National American Indian Heritage Month, and with it comes tribal rodeo to the South Point, a powwow to Cashman Center, and Native-American-focused lectures to UNLV.

Spaghetti Bowl Construction Update: So Far, So Good

Nov 08, 2016

Major closures in one of the busiest interchanges in Southern Nevada started in October, so how are drivers adapting?

The Cost of Construction

Nov 08, 2016

For several years, the Las Vegas Strip was home to massive construction projects, but just how safe were those sites? A new film explores that question.

Nevada Votes: Live Updates From The 2016 Election

Nov 08, 2016

Polls have opened around Nevada with voters in the swing state expected to play an outsized role when they decide whether Hillary Clinton or Donald Trump should get their six coveted electoral votes.

'Vegas Girls' Return Home

Nov 08, 2016

Author Heather Skyler uses her time growing up in Las Vegas as an inspiration for her new novel aptly named "Vegas Girls."

John L. Smith: Close Senate Races Are Nothing New

Nov 07, 2016

The race to replace Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid, D-NV is close - very, very close.

Winter Is Coming. Is Your Yard Ready?

Nov 07, 2016

Yes, it's Election Day. And we're giving you a break. Enough political. We're going to talk gardening.

One First-Time Voter's Experience At The Polls

Nov 07, 2016

She recently became an American citizen, with help from the office of Rep. Dina Titus (D-NV).

Some Working To Make America's Political Discourse Civil Again

Nov 07, 2016

This year's presidential campaign has been described as "nasty" and "deplorable" — and those terms were used by the candidates themselves.

Question 2: Is Legalized Adult Use Of Marijuana Right For Nevada?

Nov 04, 2016

Tuesday, Nevada voters will decide whether to join states such as Colorado and Washington that have legalized the adult use of marijuana.

On Eve Of Election, Marijuana Superstore Quietly Awaits Its Destiny

Nov 04, 2016

Behind the scenes, it looks like any other office: Chairs, desks, computers, printers. In its first week of operation, the Blum marijuana dispensary is relatively quiet.

Ballot Question 3: What Will Energy Market Do For Nevada?

Nov 04, 2016

Proponents say that it will create a free market of energy, allowing consumers to choose where they buy their power from. Opponents say it will increase the cost of electricity across the board.

Early Voting Shows Nevada Leans Toward Hillary Clinton

Nov 04, 2016

Election Day is just a few days away.

Elko Entertainment

Nov 03, 2016

Las Vegas calls itself the entertainment capital of the world. And it has a long history of great entertainment, no question.

Tree Removal

Nov 03, 2016

You've planned ahead. Now's the time to cut down that tree. It's only taken a few years, but Norm's been planning for a fall when he can take out a tree.

Style And The White House Over The Decades

Nov 03, 2016

We've closely scrutinized both candidates for president in just about every way, but what about what they wear.

Kids Pick Up Adults' Election Opinions And Anxieties

Nov 03, 2016

Henry Jordan, 15, has been watching the presidential debates at home in Flagstaff with his parents. He's also talking about the election at school with friends. And he's formed some opinions.

Family Secrets And Mysteries Focus Of "When The Rain Stops Falling"

Nov 03, 2016

"When The Rain Stops Falling" is the new production by "A Public Fit Theatre Company" of Las Vegas.

Election 2016 And The Mormon Dilemma

Nov 03, 2016

It's hard to be a Mormon in this election.

Has Famed Gambler Billy Walters Finally Run Out Of Luck?

Nov 02, 2016

Gambler. Businessman. Philanthropist.Las Vegan Billy Walters is all three, and his ability to read golf greens, cards, and people has made him rich — and of interest to authorities.

Can Technology Save Us From Our Car-Driving Selves?

Nov 02, 2016

Transportation and business overseers in southern Nevada believe we are on the cusp of a technological spurt that will lead the country.

Paiute Lawsuit Victory Brings Voting Sites To Reservations

Nov 01, 2016

Two Paiute tribes won early voting and Election Day polling sites for their reservations.

Opportunity Village's Linda Smith Leaves After 36 Years With Charity

Nov 01, 2016

Top Opportunity Village executive Linda Smith recently retired from the Las Vegas charity where she started as a volunteer 36 years ago.

John L Smith: Culinary's Get-Out-The-Vote Strong As Ever

Nov 01, 2016

Last week, you found yourself in a warehouse on a strip. Describe the scene for us.

MGM Boss Murren Backs Clinton, Blasts 'Destructive' Trump Rhetoric

Nov 01, 2016

MGM Resorts International CEO Jim Murren, a lifelong Republican, broke ranks with his party this year to vocally support Democrat Hillary Clinton for president.

Report Finds Metro Uses Faulty Field Drug Tests To Convict

Oct 31, 2016

As party central USA, Clark County attracts more than its share of people doing illegal drugs.

Dare To Take A Halloween Journey To Writer's Top Las Vegas Haunts

Oct 31, 2016

Las Vegas is a lively city, apparently even for the dead.

CSN Panelists Offer Reminder: 'We're A Culture, Not A Costume'

Oct 31, 2016

Insensitive portrayals of ethnic and religious groups by some Halloween revelers has spawned a campusled movement to remind people that cultural appropriation is no treat.

Shock And Praise Over Bundy Verdict In Oregon

Oct 28, 2016

Carol Bundy called it a "miracle" that her sons were

Things You May or May Not Know About Nevada

Oct 28, 2016

Nevada became a state on October 31, 1864, but Clark County wasn't part of it for another three years. Do some people in the north still regret that inclusion?

Ralston On Early Voting, The Senate Race And The Stadium

Oct 27, 2016

What do early voting numbers reveal? Did Catherine Cortez Masto indict Brian Krolicki to help Reid? Jon Ralston explains.

Lonnie Hammargren: Home Tours And 'Gladiator' Book

Oct 27, 2016

If you find yourself driving down Sandhill Road in Las Vegas, the extensions from one of the homes might make you look twice. Is it a carnival? An amusement park?

MGM CEO: Working To Get NBA In Las Vegas

Oct 27, 2016

Jim Murren, CEO and chairman of MGM Resorts, wants to move an NBA team to Las Vegas.

John L. Smith On UNLV's Moment In The Spotlight And The RJ's Trump Endorsement

Oct 25, 2016

UNLV had its moment in the sun last week when it hosted the third and final debate in this hotly contested election year.

Sonny Liston: A Las Vegas Story

Oct 24, 2016

Sonny Liston lived in Las Vegas during the golden years. He was no golden boy, but he was still one of the hometown heroes.

Backpacking Basics And Hiking Tips From A Pro

Oct 20, 2016

We live in a beautiful state. Now that summer's over, it's the perfect time to get outside.

Gambling On A Dream: The Classic Las Vegas Strip, 1930-1955

Oct 20, 2016

KNPR talks with Lynn Zook, author of "Gambling On A Dream: The Classic Las Vegas Strip, 1930-1955."

Ralston And Sebelius Break Down The Final Debate

Oct 20, 2016

The final debate of the 2016 presidential election is in the history books.

Taking The Temperature Of The Millennial Vote At UNLV

Oct 20, 2016

As everyone knows, last night's debate was on the campus of UNLV.

Ed Fuentes And The Artist Known As "Bunko"

Oct 20, 2016

The artist's name is Bunko. Just Bunko. No first name, or none that we know of.

The Eye Of The Beholder: How Do Others View The Upcoming Election?

Oct 19, 2016

It's often said the eyes of the world are on our election. But are people abroad really that interested?

What To Expect In This Last Debate At UNLV

Oct 19, 2016

It's the last presidential debate and it's on the campus of UNLV.

Final Presidential Debate Fact Check

Oct 18, 2016

Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Hillary Clinton face off in the final presidential debate Wednesday night at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

John L. Smith On Clinton's Plan To Turn Nevada Solidly Blue

Oct 18, 2016

The country may be focused on Las Vegas this week for Wednesday's presidential debate at UNLV, but the Democrats are sighting in the increasingly likely possibility of picking up Senate and House seats in key battleground states

Neon Museum Talk Explores Las Vegas' Family-Friendly Era

Oct 17, 2016

A panel discussion asks why and how Las Vegas became known as an "Adult Disneyland."

Sandoval Signs Legislation Funding Stadium, Convention Center

Oct 17, 2016

Gov. Brian Sandoval signed Senate Bill 1 Monday authorizing a \$750 million tax subsidy for the \$1.9 billion domed stadium planned to help bring the NFL to Las Vegas.

Nevada Senate Debate

Oct 14, 2016

Senate Minority Leader Harry Reid is leaving office after more than three decades serving in Washington, D.C.The question: Who will replace him?

Labor Initiative Hopes To Keep Working Women Involved After Election

Oct 14, 2016

When people congregate in a breakroom at work, they talk. And the things they talk about usually have to do with their lives.

Despite Last Minute Report On Stadium-Related Road Costs, Assembly Approves Tax Hike

Oct 14, 2016

The State Assembly voted 28-13 to approve a bill raising hotel room taxes to help pay for a domed stadium.

Las Vegas' Storied Beverly Green Neighborhood Makes History

Oct 14, 2016

Downtown Las Vegas' Beverly Green neighborhood received a "historic district" designation from the city.

Let's Party With Andrew W.K.

Oct 13, 2016

The musician brings a speaking tour to Las Vegas, where he talks about the benefits of partying, and his new political movement -- the aptly-named Party Party -- to try and get people to party hard.

Desert Farming - A Look At Nevada's Farm-To-Table Movement

Oct 12, 2016

Despite Nevada's desert climate, the farm-to-table movement in the state has grown in recent years.

Political Rhetoric, Anxiety and the Future of Democracy

Oct 12, 2016

It seems like all the American people have been doing lately is arguing or standing mute, as we have watched a presidential election like no other in our remembered history.

Was This Summer's Searing Heat Just The Beginning Of The Megadrought?

Oct 12, 2016

Mild temperatures this week have been a welcome relief from one of the hottest summers on record in Las Vegas.But don't let that fool you.

Special Session Day Two: Senate Approves Hotel Tax Hike For Stadium

Oct 12, 2016

State lawmakers took Wednesday off in observance of the Jewish holiday Yom Kippur.

John L Smith: It's All Just Politicking And Last-Minute Deals

Oct 11, 2016

Long-time Las Vegas journalist John L. Smith joins KNPR to discuss Donald Trump's rally in Henderson, the special session and more. On the rally:

After Day One, A Test Of Stamina And Will In Carson City

Oct 11, 2016

It wasn't exactly a peaceful ending to the first day of the legislative special session.

Training Immerses Metro In Community And Cultural Centers

Oct 11, 2016

As the country broils with controversy over police shootings, the scene in Las Vegas is arguably serene.

New Citizen Applications Won't Be Processed by Election Deadline

Oct 10, 2016

Many people have rushed to become U.S. citizens in time to vote in the November 8 election. Nationwide, 900,000 people have applied for citizenship.

Survey Finds Clinton, Heck Hold Modest Leads In Nevada

Oct 07, 2016

National pollster Peter Hart surveyed Nevada and found that in the state Hillary Clinton and Rep. Joe Heck hold slight leads in the state in their respective races for president and senator.

Ralston And Sebelius: Presidential Candidates Fight For Nevada

Oct 07, 2016

Nevada really does seem like the center of the political universe these days. Donald Trump, Elizabeth Warren and Tim Kaine all visited this week.

ESA's Are Dead. Could They Be Resuscitated?

Oct 06, 2016

Governor Brian Sandoval will create a blue ribbon commission to look into resurrecting the now defunct Education Savings Accounts by changing the funding mechanism for the program, according to Sta

Presidential Debate Round 2

Oct 05, 2016

Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Hillary Clinton faced off in the second presidential debate Sunday night at Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri.

Trump Praises Pence, Adelson Before Full House In Henderson

Oct 05, 2016

Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump spoke to a packed Henderson Pavilion on Wednesday during a day long campaign swing through Nevada.

Vegas Valley Book Festival This Weekend

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The Vegas Valley Book Festival is this Friday night and all-day Saturday with events at the Historic Fifth Street School, the Inspire Theatre, and The Writer's Block.

Twilight: Los Angeles, 1992

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The Nevada Conservatory Theatre here in Las Vegas has mounted a production of a play that packed an emotion punch when it was first staged more than 20 years ago.

VP Biden Says NV Immigrants Lose And Trump Wrong About PTSD

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Vice President Joe Biden, who talked exclusively with KNPR's State of Nevada about the matter, said the court's action put into sharp focus why there needs to be a ninth Suprem Court Justice.

VP Debate Transcript and Fact Check

Oct 04, 2016

Democrat Tim Kaine and Republican Mike Pence squared off in the vice-presidential debate Tuesday.

John L. Smith On Education Savings Accounts & Las Vegans In MLB

Oct 04, 2016

In this week's visit with John L. Smith, he looks at education savings accounts, the latest in gaming trends from the Global Gaming Expo & a bit of trivia about Las Vegans finding success in Major League Baseball.

More Taxes For More Cops: What Does Metro Say?

Oct 04, 2016

A stadium committee wants a sales tax increase for more cops on the Strip. But Metro already has a \$100 million surplus for more police. Does it need more?