

Issues/Programs list April 1 – June 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.

- State and Congressional Primaries
- Rooftop solar/PUC ongoing negotiations
- School choice voucher challenges
- Stadium proposal and pro sports NHL and NFL

[Can Las Vegas Learn From Quebec City's Failed NHL Bid?](#)

Jun 30, 2016

The city spent more than \$285 million in public money to build an arena for a team that's not coming.

[Hispanics An Engaged, Important Audience For Political News](#)

Jun 29, 2016

Hispanics make up more than one-quarter of Nevada's population and they could be an important factor in November's election.

[Fremont Street Businesses Shut As Planning Begins For Casino Project](#)

Jun 29, 2016

This week's closing of three small properties in downtown Las Vegas could be a precursor to big changes along Fremont Street.

[County Commissioner Chris G Says No Stadium, No Monorail, and Yes Fuel Tax](#)

Jun 28, 2016

The Clark County Commission has a lot on its plate.

['A Little Bit Like Uber But Without The Driver': Autonomous Bus Headed For Las Vegas](#)

Jun 28, 2016

A 12-seat autonomous bus called Olli is headed to Las Vegas.

[How Will The Every Student Succeeds Act Impact Nevada?](#)

Jun 28, 2016

The unpopular No Child Left Behind Act, which set national standards for primary and secondary education in the U.S., has been replaced.

[Las Vegas: Glass Half Full Or Half Empty?](#)

Jun 27, 2016

It's a bit of a mystery that will be fully revealed on Thursday night.

[One Year Later: Marriage Equality Fight Shifts To Economic Equality](#)

Jun 27, 2016

One year ago this week, the United States Supreme Court struck down a ban on same-sex marriages.

[What Will It Take For Life Is Beautiful To Succeed?](#)

Jun 27, 2016

Life is Beautiful returns to downtown Las Vegas for its fourth year.

[John L. Smith: Ice Hockey And Tonopah](#)

Jun 27, 2016

John L. Smith wonders what the new Las Vegas ice hockey team should be named.

[Supreme Court Ruling Is Win for Nevada, Not for Immigrants](#)

Jun 27, 2016

The U.S. Supreme Court was deadlocked on the constitutionality of President Barack Obama's executive order allowing unauthorized immigrant parents of U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents to remain.

[BMI To Welcome New Crop Of Fellows](#)

Jun 27, 2016

UNLV's Black Mountain Institute is a home for both new and established writers to hone their craft.

[Bird Of Prey, A Poem By Heather Lang](#)

Jun 24, 2016

From Desert Companion: "Bird of Prey" by Heather Lang

[CCSD Considers First Draft Of Reorganization Plan](#)

Jun 23, 2016

Last year, the Nevada Legislature passed a bill calling for the implementation of a plan to reorganize the Clark County School District.

[FLDS Leader On The Run From Food Stamp Fraud Charges](#)

Jun 23, 2016

Back in February, federal prosecutors indicted nearly a dozen members of a polygamous sect on the Utah-Arizona border. The charges? A multi-million dollar food stamp fraud case.

[The Bell Tolls: Big-Time Corruption In A Small Town](#)

Jun 23, 2016

Bell, Calif., is one of the smallest and poorest cities in Los Angeles County, but until the beginning of the decade, its top city administrator had a pay and benefits package worth \$1.5 million a

[Rep. Titus Backs Colleagues Calls For Gun Control](#)

Jun 23, 2016

Whether it was a publicity stunt or a call for action, the House Democrats' decision to hold a sit-in on the floor of the House of Representatives was unprecedented.

[Jon Ralston, Steve Sebelius Look Ahead To November Elections](#)

Jun 23, 2016

The primaries are over and we're turning to the general.

[Public Art Erasure Could Be Racially Motivated](#)

Jun 21, 2016

More than a year after Lance Smith painted a utility box on Maryland Parkway, the box was painted over illegally — in beige to make the vandalism look official.

[Annual Kids Count Ranks Nevada 47th For Child Well-Being](#)

Jun 21, 2016

This week, the Annie E. Casey Foundation released its annual Kids Count, a nation-wide, state-by-state ranking of the overall well-being of children.

[Proposal Sparks Monumental Debate At The Grand Canyon](#)

Jun 21, 2016

A proposed national monument adjoining Grand Canyon National Park has generated a political divide almost as wide as the canyon itself.

[British Man Appears in Court for Trying to 'Shoot and Kill' Trump](#)

Jun 21, 2016

British National, Michael Sanford, 20, appeared in court Monday for attempting to disarm a

[Las Vegas LGBTQ Leaders Weigh In On Orlando](#)

Jun 21, 2016

we're going to delve a bit deeper into how members of the LGBTQ communities are feeling right now, as the reality sets in that one of the safest places in the world for gay people has been violated.

[Steeped In Tradition: Tea Culture Grows In Las Vegas](#)

Jun 20, 2016

With restaurants like Niu-Gu and retailers like Tealet, serious tea culture is growing in Las Vegas.

[Bigelow Space Biz Could Propel North Las Vegas Economy](#)

Jun 20, 2016

Far away from the Las Vegas Strip, a small company in North Las Vegas has just launched itself into the heavens.

[In Real Estate, Echoes Of The Boom](#)

Jun 17, 2016

The Las Vegas residential real estate boom peaked a decade ago this month.

[Weaving Art At Emergency Arts](#)

Jun 17, 2016

Monday night from 6 p.m. until 1:30 a.m., the Small Space Fest takes over the Emergency Arts building on Fremont Street, down

[Huntridge Theater Exhibit Showcases Its History With Stories, Memorabilia](#)

Jun 17, 2016

A Huntridge Theater exhibition highlights its history with stories and memorabilia.

[John L. Smith: A Veteran's Death And A Toast For Oscar Goodman](#)

Jun 17, 2016

Nevada Attorney General Adam Laxalt fights to limit evidence about how widespread Legionella bacteria is at the Nevada State Veterans Home.

[Girls Rock Vegas Teaches More Than Just Music](#)

Jun 17, 2016

Girls Rock Vegas teaches girls to write, perform and play a new instrument — all in five days.

[Jon Ralston, His Son And A Love Without Bounds](#)

Jun 16, 2016

In May, Jon Ralston wrote a column about how he couldn't wait to meet Jake.

[Porn And Public Health - Is It A Crisis?](#)

Jun 16, 2016

Westword Magazine ranked Nevada No. 2 in the nation for number of pornographic page views per capita in 2014.

[What Las Vegas Metro Police Are Doing In The Wake Of The Orlando Shooting](#)

Jun 16, 2016

With 40 million visitors a year, Las Vegas' economy is driven by tourist-- just like Orlando. We're a diverse city, with many nightclubs -- just like Orlando.

[Two Biggest Locals Casino Companies Bet On Las Vegas](#)

Jun 15, 2016

The two biggest locals casino companies in Las Vegas are getting bigger.

[Las Vegas: Hockey Town USA?](#)

Jun 15, 2016

Las Vegas can now boast that it's a big league town — almost.

[Ralston/Sebelius: Primary Winners, Losers And The Judge](#)

Jun 15, 2016

In a nutshell, establishment candidates did much better than expected, given the support candidates like Donald Trump and Bernie Sanders have seen.

[Martin Kreloff: 50 Year Journey Of An Artist](#)

Jun 14, 2016

Marty Kreloff describes what he does as "Pop Art-influenced" paintings, drawings, and new media works.

[Gray New World](#)

Jun 14, 2016

Nevada is transforming from the Silver State to the silver-haired state as its population ages and birth rates slow.

[Downtown, Chinatown, The Strip: The Dish On Where To Eat](#)

Jun 14, 2016

The question we all ask every day, sometimes three times a day is: Where or what should we eat?

[John L. Smith: Bye-Bye Riv And Hello NHL](#)

Jun 14, 2016

More money to staff our state prisons is on the way, and it's long overdue.

[Former Top RJ Editor Offers Scoop On Adelson, Newsroom Turmoil](#)

Jun 13, 2016

As the Las Vegas Review-Journal's deputy editor, Jim Wright led the team of reporters who unraveled the mystery of the secret purchase of the newspaper by billionaire Sheldon Adelson's family.

[Las Vegas Gay Community Holds Prayer Vigil for Orlando Victims](#)

Jun 13, 2016

Hundreds of people crammed into the Gay and Lesbian Community Center last night to offer prayer and lay out plans of action in response to

[Why Is Affordable Housing In Las Vegas So Difficult To Find?](#)

Jun 10, 2016

Affordable housing has not reached a crisis point in Las Vegas as it has in Reno, but there are still big issues in finding quality affordable homes.

[Squeezed Out: Reno and Tahoe's Housing Shortage](#)

Jun 10, 2016

A few weeks ago, our sister station, KUNR in Reno, ran a series of stories on housing issues

[The Art Of Choosing Art For Las Vegas Hotels](#)

Jun 10, 2016

But for no particular reason we sometime overlook the art up and down the tourist part of town.

[Do Millennials Get Any Respect From Strip Casinos?](#)

Jun 10, 2016

This year, Steve Wynn returned to his former casino, the Mirage, to give a keynote speech. And he didn't disappoint.

["Frank & Lola" At The Las Vegas Film Festival](#)

Jun 09, 2016

This week, KNPR's State of Nevada has been covering the Las Vegas Film Festival, which continues through Sunday.

[Seeking Sugar Babies And Daddies In Las Vegas](#)

Jun 09, 2016

Las Vegas is a hotbed for sugaring -- relationships between sugar babies and sugar daddies. Why?

[Nevada ACLU Turns 50](#)

Jun 09, 2016

In 1966 a bunch of lawyers got together in a living room in Reno to talk about civil liberties -- and about starting a group that would fight for the constitutional rights of every Nevadan.

[Entertaining Las Vegas One Rhinestone At A Time](#)

Jun 08, 2016

Almost a year ago, Karan Feder of the Nevada State Museum spoke with KNPR's State of Nevada about a great donation the museum had received: Costumes from the old Folies Bergere productions that ran

[Nevada's Neon Closet](#)

Jun 08, 2016

Dennis McBride was just a teenager in Boulder City when he started collecting. And he never stopped.

[Nevada Sports Books Wary Of Entity Wagering](#)

Jun 08, 2016

Sports betting is already a \$4 billion industry in Nevada.

[State Treasurer Looking At Reining In Predatory Lending](#)

Jun 07, 2016

The latest from a study by the non-profit Corporation for Enterprise Development shows 56 percent of Nevada's households are

[John L. Smith: Panama Papers Continue To Cast NV In Bad Light](#)

Jun 07, 2016

After nearly six years of legal wrangling, Las Vegas Sands Corporation has settled a wrongful termination suit brought by the former head of Macau casino operations.

[Las Vegas Remembers Ali](#)

Jun 05, 2016

The death of Muhammad Ali was personal for many in Southern Nevada..

[Studies Say Solar Pays Its Way](#)

Jun 03, 2016

Two new studies dispute NV Energy's and state utility regulators' contention that rooftop solar customers are being subsidized by other electric customers.

[Iranian-American Chamber of Commerce Launches In Las Vegas](#)

Jun 03, 2016

The Iranian-American Chamber of Commerce of Las Vegas recently held its coming out party.

[Author: Results Mixed For Downtown Project](#)

Jun 03, 2016

It has been nearly five years since Zappos boss Tony Hsieh unveiled ambitious plans for a private urban renewal effort designed to revitalize downtown Las Vegas.

[Actor Landon Boyd On The Rise](#)

Jun 03, 2016

This week, the Las Vegas Film Festival is showing two quirky comedic films featuring actor Landon Boyd.

[NV Politics: Do Or Don't Early Vote And The Super PAC For Donald Trump](#)

Jun 03, 2016

Voting for the June primaries began last weekend. But Jon Ralston and Steve Sebelius, political contributors/commentators for KNPR News, don't agree on whether it's a good thing or bad.

[Motor To Sin; What Las Vegas Can Learn From Detroit](#)

Jun 02, 2016

Detroit was ravaged by the recession – but the effort to ignite an economic renaissance in downtown Detroit has been well documented.

[Judge Complaint Raises Question: Why No Recording In The Courtroom?](#)

Jun 02, 2016

A Las Vegas justice of the peace has come under scrutiny by a group of defense attorneys who filed a complaint against him this week.

[Upcoming Blue Man Group Show Accommodates Children With Autism](#)

Jun 02, 2016

For the second year in a row, the Blue Man Group is putting on a special show for children with autism and spectrum disorders.

[LV City Council Fines Silverstone Golf Course, Transfers \\$3.9 Million For Firefighter Overtime](#)

Jun 02, 2016

Lawns have dried up, ponds have turned green, and buildings have fallen into disrepair at Silverstone Golf Course. The city's penalty? A lien of \$97,380.

[Sands Settles Suit For \\$75 Million](#)

Jun 01, 2016

A bitter, long-running lawsuit that pitted Sheldon Adelson's Las Vegas Sands Corp.

[New Overtime Threshold Set at Just More Than \\$47,000](#)

Jun 01, 2016

Back in August of last year, KNPR's State of Nevada did a story on the possibility of the Dept. of Labor changing overtime rules, so millions more workers will be eligible.

[Cimarron's '987' Receives Highest Honors At World Robotics Championship](#)

Jun 01, 2016

As humans, we have an undeniable fascination with robots.

[Nevada Is Home To A Micronation — But Don't Tell The Micronation That](#)

May 31, 2016

You may not have heard of the Republic of Molossia, but it's been around for nearly four decades — well, 21 years on land and 39 on paper.

[School Board Candidate Chris Garvey On Plans For The District's Future](#)

May 31, 2016

Chris Garvey is running for re-election to the Clark County School Board of Trustees.

[Poet Lila Brissette On The Aftermath](#)

May 31, 2016

(Editor's Note: Lila Brissette reads her poetry at The Beat Coffeehouse and Records, 520 Fremont Street in Las Vegas, Saturday, June 4, at 7 p.m.)

[Why Are There Student Dress Codes?](#)

May 31, 2016

Do schools really need dress codes?

[John L. Smith: State's Lax Non-Transparent Laws Made Clear In Panama Papers](#)

May 31, 2016

John L. Smith says Nevada's secretive laws of incorporation need to be toughened.

[Vibrator Nation: New Book Links Sex Toy Market To Rising Feminism](#)

May 31, 2016

And Lynn Comella, UNLV professor of gender and sexuality studies, says the growth in the sex toy market mirrors the rise of feminism and women getting into the market in the United States.

[Thousands Cast Ballots In Early Voting](#)

May 31, 2016

Early voting for the primary election began over the weekend, with nearly 15,000 Southern Nevadans casting their ballots.

[Nevada Salutes Veterans](#)

May 30, 2016

A five-year effort to come to fruition over the Memorial Day weekend with the dedication of the Nevada Veterans Memorial.

[The Art of Writing About War - and War Makers](#)

May 30, 2016

Earlier this month, Black Mountain Institute explored the literature of war, with authors who have been involved in some way in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

[Nevadans As We Age](#)

May 27, 2016

Many older people among us have a rough time of it in Nevada.

[Early Voting Begins](#)

May 27, 2016

Early voting for Nevada's primary election began over the weekend and continues through June 10.

[While Valley Home Prices Rise Steadily, Number Of Real Estate Agents Booms](#)

May 27, 2016

Southern Nevada home prices might not be rising as fast as they used to, but the number of real estate agents looking to sell those houses is booming.

[Arena Capital Of The World](#)

May 27, 2016

Just a month after the opening of the T-Mobile Arena on the Strip, plans were announced this week for another major Las Vegas entertainment venue.

[Media Critic's Questions About Review-Journal Sale Unanswered](#)

May 26, 2016

Even though New York University Professor and media critic Jay Rosen has written extensively about the Sheldon Adelson-era at the Las Vegas Review-Journal, he still has a few questions.

[WalletHub: Nevada Ranks 43rd For Military Retirees](#)

May 26, 2016

Analyst firm Wallethub sought to identify which states are the best and worst for military retirees. Nevada didn't do well.

[Marilyn Kirkpatrick Wants to Make Clark County Work Better](#)

May 26, 2016

Last fall, when Tom Collins left his position on the Clark County Commission, Governor Sandoval appointed Marilyn Kirkpatrick to take his place. Now, she's running to keep that office.

[Las Vegas Parks Rank 31st On ParkScore Index](#)

May 25, 2016

The Trust for Public Land today released its annual ParkScore Index, rating park systems across the 100 largest cities in the U.S.

[Could Draining Lake Powell Save Lake Mead?](#)

May 25, 2016

Could Lake Powell be drained to refill Lake Mead?

[MGM Resorts Declares Its Commitment To Renewable Energy](#)

May 25, 2016

MGM Resorts International has announced that it will no longer be a customer of NV Energy. MGM is paying an exit fee of almost \$87 million and will buy power on the open market.

[Off Duty Elvis](#)

May 25, 2016

Here's the set-up for a poem: A writer is at McCarran International Airport. She's on her way to a writer's conference. While waiting for her plane to board – she encounters Elvis.

[U.S. Army Colonel: Democracy Is Dead -- But Can Be Revived](#)

May 25, 2016

Las Vegas resident John Alexander is a retired Army colonel who was a Green Beret commander in Vietnam.

[Keeping Nevada Indian History Alive at Stewart School](#)

May 24, 2016

Stewart Indian School outside of Carson City holds an odd place in our cultural history.

[County Commission Candidate Steve Ross On His Plans For The County](#)

May 24, 2016

Steve Ross wants to be a County Commissioner.

[The New School District ELL Plan Is Ambitious - Too Ambitious?](#)

May 24, 2016

Students who come into the Clark County School District speaking a language other than English don't necessarily fare well.

[Former Test Site Scientist Talks Nukes, North Korea, and ISIS](#)

May 24, 2016

North Korea is ramping up its nuclear capabilities. India and Pakistan are still growing their arsenals - and facing off against each other.

[Centennial Commission Denies Huntridge Theater Grant Request](#)

May 24, 2016

Talks of restoring the Huntridge Theater to its former glory are still on the table.

[Dome Means Nevada?](#)

May 23, 2016

The Southern Nevada Tourism Infrastructure Committee meets this week as it studies building a \$1.4 billion domed stadium that could lure the Oakland Raiders to Las Vegas.

[John L. Smith: Convention Mayhem Helped Lange, Hurt Sanders](#)

May 23, 2016

On Billy Walters

[Brick-And-Mortar Malls Still Alive And Well In Las Vegas](#)

May 20, 2016

If you have to go shopping in Las Vegas, you probably won't be hard pressed to find somewhere to go.

[Are E-Sports The Next Frontier For Nevada Sportsbooks?](#)

May 20, 2016

The stadium is full of screaming fans. The players are on the big screen, going through their warm-ups, getting loose.

[Home Means ... Iowa?](#)

May 20, 2016

Nevada woos travelers with the tagline "a state apart," but if you call the state's official 800 tourism information number, the operator who picks it up is actually four states apart — at an Iowa

[Raiders, Part 2](#)

May 19, 2016

Last time, we were talking about the Oakland Raiders—not whether they actually will move to Las Vegas, but the time they played in Las Vegas.

[Could The Mosquitoes That Carry Zika Make Nevada Home?](#)

May 19, 2016

Samples from 42 people from Clark County have been sent for testing to see if they have the Zika virus, according to the Southern Nevada Health District, and of those, 37 have come back, five with

[Obama Administration Praises Washoe Schools' Transgender Policy](#)

May 19, 2016

Washoe County School District has had gender-identity regulations in place for over a year, and was praised by the Department of Education for its emerging practices.

[Nevada's Lower Class Rises As Upper and Middle Classes Fall](#)

May 19, 2016

In Las Vegas and Reno, upper and middle classes declined while the lower class grew.

[Nancy Uscher, UNLV's New Dean At The College Of Fine Arts](#)

May 19, 2016

UNLV's College of Fine Arts brings on a new dean this summer.

[Are NV Dems Fractured Enough For Trump To Win Here?](#)

May 19, 2016

The big news in politics in Nevada last week was the screaming, yelling and chaos of the state Democratic Convention at the Paris hotel casino last Saturday.

[Cacti](#)

May 19, 2016

Before Summer heat kicks in Norm Schilling says take advantage of a window for transplanting. Some of the commonest plants in our yards are easy to propagate and now's the time to do it.

[Are Police To Blame For Rising Crime In Las Vegas?](#)

May 19, 2016

The FBI a week ago said if anyone is to blame for Las Vegas' increased crime rate, it's police, themselves. Huh?

[A Ray Of Hope For Solar](#)

May 18, 2016

A committee recommended on Wednesday that homeowners with existing rooftop solar panels be returned to their old rate treatment for the next 25 years.

[CCSD Candidate Deanna Wright On District A Campaign](#)

May 18, 2016

With the primary election quickly approaching on June 14 – and early voting starting on May 28 – candidates are gearing up to convince voters why they are the best representative to be in an electe

["Are We There Yet" Author On Modern Family Vacations](#)

May 18, 2016

Most people can probably remember a vacation with their family - the good times and - as Clark Griswold could attest - the bad

[Lake Mead Expected To Hit Historic Low In June](#)

May 18, 2016

Lake Mead is expected to surpass a historic low in June, dipping below 1,075 feet, and Hoover Dam could be in trouble.

[Uninvited Guests](#)

May 17, 2016

Weeds are uninvited guests. They arrive unannounced, take up space, consume valuable assets (like water and soil nutrients) and just won't leave, despite our best efforts.

[Roberta Lange On Death Threats From Sanders Supporters](#)

May 17, 2016

"Hi Roberta Lange, this is a citizen of the United States of America and I just wanted to let you know that I think people like you should be hung in a public execution to show that we won

[CCSD Candidate Richard Vaughan On District A Campaign](#)

May 17, 2016

With the primary election quickly approaching on June 14 – and early voting starting on May 28 – candidates are gearing up to convince voters why they are the best representative to be in an electe

[John L. Smith: Adelson Making Trump A Target, And More](#)

May 17, 2016

Today marks Smith's debut with KNPR's State of Nevada as a contributor/commentator.

[Could Fremont9 Rescue Tony Hsieh's Downtown Vision?](#)

May 17, 2016

Downtown Project began with a splash.

[Former Westside Guest House Lands on the National Registry of Historic Places](#)

May 16, 2016

In the 1950's and 60s, an African-American woman from Texas named Genevieve Harrison ran a little guest house on the Westside of Las Vegas.

[Lights Out At Mandalay Bay](#)

May 16, 2016

A power failure at Mandalay Bay last week darkened the casino at the south Strip resort, stopping play for nearly an hour.

[After "Unruly" Democratic Convention Shut Down, What's Next For Party?](#)

May 16, 2016

The Nevada State Democratic Convention became unruly this weekend with Bernie Sanders' supporters clashing with party leaders over delegate counts and convention rules.

[Sunday Assembly: Fellowship Without Church](#)

May 16, 2016

Many people turn to religion and church for comfort, strength and friendship. But what about people who don't have a church or a faith?

[Rampage At Devil's Hole](#)

May 15, 2016

Three men face potential federal felony charges in connection with the armed vandalism that damaged the only home to the endangered Devil's Hole pupfish.

[A Poet On The Wasting of Words](#)

May 13, 2016

There's been a lot of talk about the polarized world we live in. It seems to be harder and harder for us to talk to each other in a civilized way.

[NV Treasurer Questions Faraday's Future](#)

May 13, 2016

Last month, Faraday Future broke ground on a \$1 billion car factory in North Las Vegas.

[Is Southern Nevada Experiencing A Scorpion Infestation?](#)

May 13, 2016

Is Southern Nevada a scorpion experiencing an infestation — or is it an invasion?

[NSHE Regent Trachok Vows to Repair Relations With Legislators, Stakeholders](#)

May 13, 2016

Nevada System of Higher Education Regents reluctantly accepted the resignation of Chancellor Dan Klaich this week.

[What Does Chancellor's Resignation Mean For Higher Ed's Future?](#)

May 13, 2016

Dan Klaich, the top administrator in Nevada's university system, is quitting.

[Preschool Report Ranks Nevada Near Bottom](#)

May 12, 2016

The National Institute for Early Education Research put out its annual report on the state of preschools in the U.S.

[Raiders, Part 1](#)

May 12, 2016

There's been a lot of talk lately about building a new stadium in Las Vegas and the Oakland Raiders of the National Football League moving here to play in it.

[Professor's Judicial Nomination 'A Good Sign' For Boyd Law School](#)

May 12, 2016

The dean of UNLV's Boyd School of Law says the nomination of one of the school's professors to a seat on the federal bench shows the 18-year-old school is coming of age.

[New Welcome Signs Coming To Nevada's Highways](#)

May 12, 2016

Four Nevada high schoolers will have their art creations displayed in front of tens of thousands of people every day, welcoming them to the Silver State.

[Long Before Flint: After Animas River Spill, No Water For Navajo Farmers](#)

May 12, 2016

The growing season started in Shiprock, New Mexico, three weeks ago and Irving Shaggy is restless.

[New DOC Director To Shutter Birdshot, For Now](#)

May 11, 2016

James Dzurenda took over the Nevada Department of Corrections in April, and he has his hands full.

[Classic Film Theater, The Return](#)

May 11, 2016

There was a time when just about every city had a theater showing classic films.

[Long Before Flint: No Running Water, No Transplant](#)

May 11, 2016

LaTanya Dickson, her husband and four children live in a 24-by-24, one-room hogan on the Navajo Nation. The home is cozy for six. But there's still someone missing.

[Strip Failures Say Much About Las Vegas, More About America](#)

May 11, 2016

Reinvention has always been the game in Las Vegas.

[Can Las Vegas Become 'The Silicon Valley of Water'?](#)

May 10, 2016

Las Vegas is known for its casinos, but one group is hoping the city will become famous for another glistening industry: water technology. Can the city become "the Silicon Valley of Water"?

[Caddisflies Plague The Colorado River In Laughlin](#)

May 10, 2016

First it was black flies, and now it's caddisflies plaguing the Colorado River in Laughlin.

[Space Gator On The Move](#)

May 10, 2016

We're visiting with Miranda Cooper, a writer who has a fascination with alligators.

[Long Before Flint: Mining's Deadly Legacy Remains On Navajo Nation](#)

May 10, 2016

The federal government is cleaning up a long legacy of uranium mining on the Navajo Nation.

[Reno Group Still Searching For Overflow Homeless Shelter Site](#)

May 10, 2016

The city of Reno and a local advocacy group are still on the search for a new spot for an overflow homeless shelter.

[Shining The Light On Rooftop Solar](#)

May 09, 2016

A new day could be dawning in the debate over solar power in Nevada. A compromise between solar customers and NV Energy could be in the works.

['Guide To Vegas' As Told By An 11-Year-Old](#)

May 09, 2016

It was Take Your Kid to Work Day, recently, and you may have seen the internet filled with adorable pictures of little ones eagerly accompanying their professional parents to work.

[CCSD Board Candidate Patricia Krajech On Sex Ed, Reorganization](#)

May 09, 2016

This election season, six candidates are vying to represent District A on the Clark County School District Board of Trustees.

['Seven Magic Mountains' Added To Nevada Land Art Collection](#)

May 09, 2016

You might say Las Vegas has a bit of a fascination with neon.

[Former DOC Director: Legislators 'Never Did Much' For Nevada's Prisons](#)

May 09, 2016

Last month, a former correctional officer of High Desert State Prison was charged with involuntary manslaughter for the shooting death of an inmate in 2014.

[CCSD Votes To Shutter Three Behavior Schools](#)

May 09, 2016

The Clark County School District Board of Trustees recently voted unanimously to close three behavioral schools in the valley; Biltmore Continuation, Morros Behavior and Southwest Behavior

[Questions Arise After Water District Worker Accused Of Stealing \\$4.5 M](#)

May 09, 2016

So a Las Vegas Valley Water District employee is accused of scamming the agency by using rate payer dollars and Water District invoices to buy printing cartridges.

[Anti-Pot Summit Angers Pro-Pot Forces](#)

May 09, 2016

One of the big questions facing Nevada voters this fall is pot. Or, rather the legalization of pot for recreational use.

[Friday Poem: An Ode To Mothers](#)

May 06, 2016

In honor of Mother's Day – which this Sunday – we asked Las Vegas writer, Jennifer Battisti to read a poem about her own jump into motherhood. Her poem is "The First Week."

[Planting A Garden? How To Save It From The Desert Heat And More](#)

May 06, 2016

It's midway between the cooler temps of winter and the blistering desert summer, so Las Vegas residents are starting to plant gardens.

[Ralston: Gov. Sandoval's Support of Trump Out Of Step, Out Of Whack](#)

May 06, 2016

Governor Brian Sandoval finally made his choice, and it's Donald Trump for president.

[Stadium Debate: How Much Are Taxpayers Willing To Pay?](#)

May 05, 2016

Last week, Oakland Raiders owner Mark Davis painted an attractive picture of what a \$1.4 billion stadium would mean to Las Vegas

[Does Las Vegas Have A Problem Respecting Public Art?](#)

May 05, 2016

A lion and two crocodiles went missing May 1.

[CCSD Board Of Trustees President Wants To Keep Her Seat](#)

May 05, 2016

Linda Young, who represents District C on the Clark County School Board of Trustees, is up for re-election.

[Does BYU's Honor Code Punish Sexual Assault Victims?](#)

May 04, 2016

Students of Brigham Young University who report sexual assault under the provisions of Title IX are often themselves investigated for violations of the school's honor code.

[Average Snowpack Means Washoe Won't Have To Cut Back Water Use](#)

May 03, 2016

Snowpack and water storage are up in Washoe County, so the water authority won't require residents to cut back by a specific amount. Why does one good year of snowfall allow for relaxed conservation?

[Happy Mother's Day! Nevada Is Terrible For Working Mothers](#)

May 03, 2016

The state ranks dead last in the country, according to a WalletHub report, for conditions for working mothers.

[Levins To Compete Against Six In CCSD Board Seat Race](#)

May 03, 2016

Primary elections are quickly approaching, early voting starts May 28 and election day is June 14, and candidates are in full campaign mode.

[Downtown Reno Facing A Massive Makeover](#)

May 03, 2016

Downtown Reno could get a makeover over the next 10 years at the cost of \$1.2 billion.

[NCAA Might Allow Postseason Play In Nevada](#)

May 03, 2016

The University of Nevada Reno's baseball team is one of the best in the country.

[Gold Butte, the Bundy Family, And Desecration Of Sacred Artifacts](#)

May 02, 2016

Gold Butte is a 350,000-acre swath of land on the northeast side of Lake Mead, just south of Mesquite.

[CCSD Candidate Wants To Ban Football In Schools](#)

May 02, 2016

Russell Davis wants to get on the Clark County School District Board of School Trustees to push a ban on football in schools.

[UNLV Dean Shares Medical Detective Stories In New Memoir](#)

May 02, 2016

The last time KNPR caught up with Mary Guinan, it was in honor of World Aids Day, and we talked to her about her working with some of the

[Devil's Hole Comeback](#)

Apr 29, 2016

In a Nye County hot springs 90 miles west of Las Vegas, the tiny population of one of the world's most endangered species has staged a comeback.

[The Rise And Fall Of Casino Bands](#)

Apr 29, 2016

There was a time in Las Vegas when it was the norm for hotels-casinos on the Las Vegas Strip to employ house bands.

[Bindweed](#)

Apr 29, 2016

If you've really been unlucky, you might have looked at your yard, vegetable garden or raised bed and discovered that you had an abundance of a white-flowered vining plant just appearing all over.

[Ralston: More From the R-J and UNR's Questionable Hire](#)

Apr 29, 2016

There's been no shortage of upheaval in the world of Nevada politics this week.

[First-Generation College Students Get Extra Help To Graduate](#)

Apr 28, 2016

First-generation college students have it tough – especially if those studen

[Do Taxpayers Really Want To Build A Stadium For Adelson And The Raiders?](#)

Apr 28, 2016

The Oakland Raiders want to move to Las Vegas -- if public money is used to build them a stadium. Will it happen?

[Intrigue On The Nightlife Scene](#)

Apr 27, 2016

Intrigue, the new nightclub at the Wynn, promises a different approach to Las Vegas nightlife, one defined, in part, by what the club doesn't have: Celebrity DJ's.

[Clark County School Dress Code Challenged By 7th Grader](#)

Apr 27, 2016

Many – possibly even most - school districts have a dress code for students. And they vary considerably in their detail.

[gas_n_go032416 - Las Vegas Film Short On The Way to Cannes](#)

Apr 27, 2016

The movie right has a quirky title: gas_n_go032416

[Young Activist Has Eyes Set On 2016](#)

Apr 27, 2016

In 2015, Caitlyn Caruso lobbied Nevada's legislature as a high schooler. What is she up to now?

[Do You Care Who Owns The Newspaper?](#)

Apr 27, 2016

Late last year, the family of billionaire casino owner Sheldon Ade

[Surveying The Landscape Of Criminal Justice In Nevada](#)

Apr 26, 2016

The debate over the fairness of the criminal justice system has become a red-hot election year topic from the presidential campaigns on down.

[Poet Michael McClure On The Senses And The Natural World](#)

Apr 26, 2016

Michael McClure is a poet, and more. In the 1950s, McClure was a key figure in the San Francisco poetry renaissance and one of the original Beat poets.

['Squatter' Bill Aims To Curb Growing Problem In Las Vegas](#)

Apr 26, 2016

How much do you really know about your neighbors?

[Lower Enrollment Hurts CCSD's Bottom Line](#)

Apr 25, 2016

There are fewer kids than expected in the Clark County School District. Projections for the year that is ending – 2015/16 – were for roughly 323,000 kids.

[After Shootings, Gun Use In Nevada's Prisons Under Scrutiny](#)

Apr 22, 2016

A shotgun blast rang through the halls of a Nevada prison in 2014, killing one inmate and injuring another.

[The Real Reason Violent Crime Is Up In Las Vegas](#)

Apr 22, 2016

It's no secret that violent crime is up this year. Homicides are up 91 percent versus the same time last year. Robberies are up. So is aggravated assault. What's going on?

[Agave Life Cycles](#)

Apr 22, 2016

Agave's grow to be impressive large plants here. Norm Schilling takes a tour of his specimens in this edition of Desert Bloom.

[LV Chamber Pro-Taxes? NSHE Chancellor On Way Out?](#)

Apr 22, 2016

Is the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce now pro-taxes?

[After Explosive Emails, Is It Time to Break Up NSHE?](#)

Apr 22, 2016

Last weekend, the Las Vegas Review-Journal's Bethany Barnes threw dynamite into an already tense relationship between the Nevada State Legislature and the Nevada System of Higher Education, or NSHE

[Could Desalting The Pacific Ease Water Concerns In Nevada?](#)

Apr 22, 2016

Desalination isn't the first thing that comes to mind when we talk about solving Nevada's water issues – mostly because we're hundreds of miles from the nearest ocean.

[Cirque Losing Millions In Ticket Sales, But Says NC's Forced Its Hand](#)

Apr 21, 2016

Cirque du Soleil's traveling shows will lose millions in ticket sales by killing 15 shows planned this year for North Carolina.

[Henderson's Past and Future History](#)

Apr 20, 2016

Heavy industry literally put Henderson on the map 75 years ago during World War II with the construction of the Basic Magnesium Inc. plant, known to locals as BMI.

[Is UNLV Coach Menzies The Second Coming -- Or A Last-Ditch Hire?](#)

Apr 20, 2016

It's been one of those whirlwind engagements – not much different than a drunken weekend and a quickie wedding. Something Las Vegas is used to. But that doesn't make it any easier.

[Robin Leach On Covering Celebrities In Las Vegas](#)

Apr 20, 2016

Robin Leach is back to talk about his transition to living and working in Las Vegas.

[STEM Takes Root In School Gardens, And Students Reap Better Grades](#)

Apr 19, 2016

In the age of supermarkets, gardening is often viewed as a luxury rather than a necessity.

[Efforts To Stem Opioid Addiction](#)

Apr 19, 2016

Addiction to prescription painkillers is a problem both in Nevada and nationwide.

["The Track": A Film About Sex Trafficking To Be Shown At Las Vegas Film Festival](#)

Apr 19, 2016

(Editor's note: This story originally aired in April.

[UNLV Film Department Makes 'Front Page' News](#)

Apr 18, 2016

A legacy of Las Vegas founding father Howard Hughes will flicker back to life Monday at UNLV.

[Jackie Brady Reflects On Career Of Service](#)

Apr 18, 2016

The long-serving town manager of Laughlin, Nev. is retiring.

[After November, What's Next For Recreational Marijuana In Nevada?](#)

Apr 15, 2016

In November, Nevada voters will head to the polls and decide the fate of marijuana's recreational use in the state.

[Cohousing On The Way To Nevada](#)

Apr 14, 2016

In the 1980s, a new kind of living arrangement called "cohousing" sprouted up in the United States.

[The Massive Construction Effort 'Project Neon' Gets Underway](#)

Apr 14, 2016

Project Neon — a nearly \$1 billion remaking of Interstate 15 between Sahara Avenue and the Spaghetti Bowl — broke ground last week.

[The Next Great Thing On The Las Vegas Strip?](#)

Apr 14, 2016

When plans were unveiled last week for a \$1.5 billion artificial lake and related development at the Wynn resort on the Strip, the announcement was chock-full of Las Vegas-style adjectives: "elabor

[Why Are Local Leaders In The Republican Party Quitting?](#)

Apr 14, 2016

Choosing delegates and adopting a party platform are expected at Republican county conventions, but something happened during the Clark County Republican Convention that wasn't.

[Sweet Little Lies: Romance From Author Jill Shalvis](#)

Apr 13, 2016

Romance novels are often ridiculed as being – well – some say: trashy. Some people might even say romance novels are not even real writing.

[US Education Secretary: What Can CCSD Do Better?](#)

Apr 13, 2016

There's no need to say it, because it's something known all too well: the state of education in Nevada is horrible.

[A Conversation With Alissa Nutting: The Female Teacher, Male Student Dynamic](#)

Apr 13, 2016

A few years ago, Alissa Nutt

[Las Vegas Businesses Growing Around Medical Marijuana](#)

Apr 13, 2016

Nevadans voted overwhelmingly to legalize medical marijuana in 2000, but it took 15 years for the first dispensary to open. In the year since, though, the industry has made up for lost time.

[Student-Teacher Sex In Las Vegas: What's Going On?](#)

Apr 12, 2016

Going back to August, five Clark County School District teachers have been arrested for alleged illegal contact with students.

[BioShock: Videogames Come To UNLV English Class](#)

Apr 12, 2016

Pong was introduced 44 years ago. The movement of a white digital ball back and forth across a TV screen fascinated the world.

[Detecting Cancer In Women With Dense Breasts](#)

Apr 11, 2016

Back in 2003, Nancy Cappello discovered she had breast cancer. Not only that, she discovered she had dense breast tissue, which makes it harder to discover breast tumors on a mammogram.

[Fighting for Our Homeless Vets](#)

Apr 11, 2016

Fulfilling a request from his late father to give back to the nation, Veterans Village founder Arnold Stalk provides hope and housi

[Redesigned: LasVegasNevada.gov](#)

Apr 08, 2016

The City of Las Vegas's website has undergone a redesign.

[Bernie Won But Does It Mean Anything?](#)

Apr 08, 2016

The state Democratic delegate convention last weekend was apparently some kind of hot mess. And when it ended, Bernie Sanders emerged the winner over Hillary Clinton.

[Do You Need School to Be a Chef?](#)

Apr 07, 2016

There seems to be a new concept restaurant opening every day in Las Vegas, with chefs and sous chefs and line cooks jumping in elbow deep to work impossible hours.

[Tracking The Zika Virus In Nevada](#)

Apr 07, 2016

Clark and Washoe County health districts are awaiting the results of tests of more than 20 possible cases of the Zika virus in Nevada.

[Sex Sells In Las Vegas, But Does It Also Invite Sexual Assault?](#)

Apr 06, 2016

Vice President Joe Biden and musician Lady Gaga made a stop at UNLV today to promote a new White House initiative to prevent sexual as

[Above Average Snowpack in 2016, But Still Drought](#)

Apr 06, 2016

You remember those pictures from last year – officials and their trailing reporters from many western states trekking up to do their annual snowpack measurements.

[EPA Director Speaks Out On The Yerington Superfund](#)

Apr 06, 2016

The regional director of the EPA met personally with Gov. Sandoval to explain what listing or not listing the site would mean.

[שלום עליכם Yiddish Las Vegas: A Music and Culture Festival](#)

Apr 06, 2016

Bupkes, kibitz, kvetch, ver clempt, mensch --- these are all words that you've probably heard at one time or another.

[Sandoval Closes Advisory Council On Mental Health Services](#)

Apr 06, 2016

Nevada's mental health system has been under fire for years.

[T-Mobile Arena A Sign Of More To Come For LV Strip?](#)

Apr 06, 2016

Trailing the opening of T-Mobile Arena Wednesday are a lot of questions.

[Panama Papers: Will NV Lawmakers End Corporate Secrecy Here?](#)

Apr 06, 2016

A state senator and Nevada's secretary of state say they want to look into law changes, where needed, to keep criminals from taking advantage of Nevada's easy corporate laws.

[Aladdin, Part 2](#)

Apr 05, 2016

Last time, we talked about the origins of the Aladdin Hotel under the leadership of Milton Prell. After he sold it, the trouble started. The next owner, Albert Parvin, had ties to Meyer Lansky.

[The Aladdin, Part 1](#)

Apr 05, 2016

No fooling. April 1 marks the golden anniversary of the opening of a major and often troubled part of the Las Vegas Strip's history: the Aladdin. Today it's the site of the Planet Hollywood.

[Why Are Nevadans Bad With Money?](#)

Apr 05, 2016

A new study has Nevada near the bottom nationally for personal finance responsibility.

[After Debacle Last Year, How Is CCSD Testing Going This Year?](#)

Apr 05, 2016

Last year, students in the Clark County School District were supposed to start taking the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium – or SBAC – tests.

[Undocumented Children Face Uphill Legal Battles In Las Vegas Courts](#)

Apr 04, 2016

Two years ago, UNLV's Thomas & Mack Law Center received a grant to hire two attorneys to focus on unaccompanied immigrant

[March Madness: How Did Las Vegas Fare?](#)

Apr 04, 2016

One of the biggest betting events for Las Vegas ended Monday night.

[Online Apps That Help Kids Ask Questions About Their Bodies](#)

Apr 04, 2016

A few weeks ago, Vicki Cowart, Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountain president and CEO, ended

[NV Motor Vehicle Deaths Outpace National Average](#)

Apr 04, 2016

Why is Nevada bad at traffic safety?

[Traveling Circuit Judges Provide Old West-Style Justice](#)

Apr 04, 2016

The way Nevada's Fifth Judicial District works is a callback to the days before Nevada became a state.

[More Taxes For Schools But Tax Cuts For Biz--How Can That Be?](#)

Apr 01, 2016

Is one of our state senators lying about the taxes approved by the legislature last year?

[Planet X, Thunder Mountain & Pyramid Lake: A Week's Journey Through NV](#)

Apr 01, 2016

Six days into a long trip into Nevada's rurals, an exploratory team from Desert Companion, the magazine of Nevada Public Radio, have visited the oddity of Thunder Mountain, found Planet X and talke

["Paradise, Nevada" Through The Eyes Of A Poet](#)

Apr 01, 2016

A couple of weeks ago, a poem with an intriguing title caught our eye.