

KCPC Community Issues/ Programs List July-September, 2023

KVMR Monthly Newsletter

- KVMR sends a newsletter to its members every month that informs them about local events as well as news about the radio station.
- The newsletters are archived at: <http://www.kvmr.org/enewsletter-archive>

On-going programming providing significant treatment of local and national community issues:

- **BBC News**, Monday-Friday, 7:01 am, 8:01 am, 12:01 pm, 6:01 pm
 - https://www.bbc.co.uk/sounds/play/live:bbc_world_service
- **Democracy Now**, Monday-Friday, 7 pm - 8 pm
 - Democracy Now! is an independent, global news hour anchored by award-winning journalists, Amy Goodman and Juan González, that airs on 1,300+ TV and radio stations in the United States and around the world.
 - <http://www.democracynow.org>
- **KVMR Evening News**, Monday-Friday, 6 pm - 6:30 pm
 - The KVMR Evening News focuses on state, regional, and local news and events, weather, air quality, and wildfire updates.
 - <http://www.kvmr.org/news>

Community Issues by Category:

Accessibility

- **Disability Rap** - a monthly show that covers current and emerging disability issues and topics.
 - Past episodes of Disability Rap available here:
 - <https://www.kvmr.org/show/disability-rap/>

Climate and Energy

- **The Climate Report** - a biweekly news program covering climate change, renewable energy and the transition away from fossil fuels.
 - Past episodes of The Climate Report available here:
 - <https://www.kvmr.org/show/energy-report/>

Community Service

- **The Sages Among Us** - a weekly program honoring and interviewing community members who actively seek to make a positive impact on our community.
 - Past episodes of The Sages Among Us available here:
 - <https://www.kvmr.org/show/the-sages-among-us/>

Death and Palliative Care

- **Embracing the Journey** - a bi-weekly program discussing all aspects of aging, illness, end-of-life care and death.
 - Past episodes of Embracing The Journey available here:
 - <https://www.kvmr.org/show/embracing-the-journey/>

Water Use and Drought

- **Water News** - a bi-weekly news report with hydrogeologist Steve Baker of Operation Unite, covering topics related to water quality and management with a focus on water topics specific to the KVMR listening area.

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/water-news-with-steve-baker-54/>
 - Water clarity depends on a number of factors and potential negative contributors, like wildfire smoke, temperatures that change with our climate, and the balance, or lack thereof, of natural algae. KVMR's Paul Emery and hydrogeologist Steve Baker discuss what we currently know about the 2023 measurement of Lake Tahoe's clarity, and about the implications of those results.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/water-news-with-steve-baker-55/>
 - Historically, scientists have believed that wildfire impacts watersheds by creating a waxy soil surface in which infiltration becomes minimal. However, new studies are revealing that the root cause of fire-related water issues may be entirely different. KVMR's Paul Emery and hydrogeologist Steve Baker explore that and more in this latest edition of Water News.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/water-news-with-steve-baker-56/>
 - Hurricane Hilary, the first tropical storm to hit Southern California in 84 years, arrived with a brisk frame of warning and promptly flooded roads, toppled trees, and trapped vehicles. But how exactly does a hurricane like this one start, and what caused it to reach California the way that it did? KVMR's Paul Emery and hydrogeologist Steve Baker seek to answer those questions in this latest edition of Water News.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/water-news-with-steve-baker-57/>
 - The idea of foreign countries misusing our water resources isn't exactly a new one – you might be surprised to hear, though, about how much water we're talking about – sometimes even as much as over 3000 gallons per minute. Hydrogeologist Steve Baker talks with Paul Emery about water management, and about how mismanagement has the potential to cause deep problems.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/water-news-with-steve-baker-58/>
 - We rely on water for a number of different things – and whenever a population needs one specific thing in order to maintain normalcy and sustain life itself, it's easy for things to get complicated. Sometimes, that's where regulations come in. KVMR's Paul Emery talks with hydrogeologist Steve Baker about the different ways that California's water-related regulations and bills are passed and implemented.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/water-news-with-steve-baker-59/>

- Laws and regulations play an imperative role in the accessibility and functions of water throughout California, as well as in the whole of the United States. KVMR's Paul Emery speaks with hydrogeologist Steve Baker about the several contributions that Dianne Feinstein made to the water world during her time as United States senator.

Economics

- **The Economic Report** - a bi-weekly news report covering the local, state, and federal economy.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/the-economic-report-with-gary-zimmerman-44/>
 - Many economic sources predicted a recession to take place in 2023 — but does that prediction still seem accurate? KVMR's Paul Emery and Retired Federal Economist Gary Zimmerman discuss changes in inflation, employment rates, and more in this week's Economic Report.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/the-economic-report-with-gary-zimmerman-45/>
 - Despite strong economic growth, a tight labor market, and falling inflation rates, the Federal Reserve announced on Wednesday that it will raise interest rates again. The increase brings the Fed's target rate to a high not seen since 2001. KVMR's Paul Emery sits down with retired Fed Senior Economist, Gary Zimmerman to try and understand why.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/the-economic-report-with-gary-zimmerman-46/>
 - According to recently released Fed data, the labor market added 187,000 jobs last month, a strong indication that things are on the right track. In this edition of KVMR's Economic Report, retired Federal Reserve senior economist, Gary Zimmerman discusses that and other trends as he and Paul Emery explore what the last data means for the future American Economy.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/the-economic-report-with-gary-zimmerman-47/>
 - The Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City just held their annual Jackson Hole Economic Symposium in Wyoming; they analyzed structural shifts in our global economy, pandemic-era inflation issues, labor markets, and more. KVMR's Paul Emery speaks with retired fed economist Gary Zimmerman to help make sense of it all.

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/the-economic-report-with-gary-zimmerman-48/>
 - Next week, on September 19th and 20th, the Federal Reserve policy makers will be meeting at the Federal Reserve Board in Washington DC. After the meeting, they'll announce any monetary policy decisions made – but what does that mean for us KVMR's Paul Emery sits down with retired Fed economist Gary Zimmerman to answer that question.
- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/the-economic-report-with-gary-zimmerman-49/>
 - At their monetary policy meeting last week, the Federal Reserve policymakers decided against raising interest rates. KVMR's Paul Emery and retired fed economist, Gary Zimmerman, bring us the details.

Housing

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/supervisors-approve-2023-housing-ordinance-amendments/>
 - Cláudio Mendonça finds out more about new amendments that would make it easier for property owners to build ADU's in Nevada County.

Law Enforcement

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/sheriff-moon-appointed-to-the-commission-on-peace-officer-standards-and-training/>
 - On September 12th, Governor Gavin Newsom formally appointed Nevada County Sheriff Shannan Moon to the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training. As a Commissioner, Sheriff Moon will have a direct hand in setting law enforcement policy and determining how every prospective officer in California is selected. Sheriff Moon attended her first meeting on September 21st in Los Angeles. Cláudio Mendonça spoke with her recently to learn more.

Community

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/nevada-county-library-launches-zine-collection/>
 - Nevada County locals, Slutzville, took center stage on Friday September 8th at Madelyn Helling Library. The free all-ages punk show was organized by The Nevada County library to celebrate the launch of its new Zine Collection.

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/nevada-county-to-host-annual-health-fair/>
 - Cláudio Mendonça speaks with the founders of the upcoming Nevada County Health Fair, Theresa Haleen and Barbara Larsen. The event aims to connect local seniors and people with disabilities with resources they need.

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/connecting-points-ulysses-palencia-talks-211/>
 - If you live in Nevada County, you've probably heard of 211 — but how much do you really know about it? What exactly is 211? How does it operate, and who does it stand to benefit? KVMR News Director Cláudio Mendonça spoke with 211's Contact Center Manager, Ulysses Palencia, to learn more about his role within the organization, as well as the hotline's role in the greater sphere of our community.

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/the-nevada-county-youth-commission-is-accepting-applications/>
 - Have you heard of The Nevada County Youth Commission? At its core, it's a group of young local people who work to identify, connect, and advocate for any and all issues facing Nevada County Youth. KVMR News Director Cláudio Mendonça spoke with Anni Picken, one of the group's founding members, to learn more about the commission and how it seeks to facilitate positive change.

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/the-latino-family-festival-returns-for-its-second-year/>
 - The Family Resource Centers and the Nevada County Superintendent of Schools are sponsoring the 2nd annual Latino Family Festival to connect local families to community partners, services and wellness opportunities. KVMR News Cláudio Mendonça talks with Rocio Zhukov, the event's organizer, to get the details.

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/love-walk-2023/>
 - Creating Communities Beyond Bias partnered with the Grass Valley Downtown Foundation to offer a day of reflection, community involvement, and fun for the Third Annual Love Walk in Grass Valley. KVMR's Ali Lightfoot attended and filed this report.

- <https://www.kvmr.org/podcasts/collaboration-day-discover-valuable-resources-for-your-family/>
 - KVMR's Felton Pruitt speaks to Nevada County's Director of Building, George Schureck, about September 8th's Collaboration Day. The aim of the event is to connect services,

non-profits, private businesses, and residents during this one-stop-shop day of networking.