

## **BOARD REPORT FOR AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2016**

KVCR FM News

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**In August, 91.9 KVCR sadly said goodbye to our long-time weekly news review segment with Press-Enterprise columnist Cassie MacDuff. Cassie was a reliable staple of Friday mornings on 91.9 KVCR for nearly a decade. While KVCR listeners will miss Cassie on the air, we're delighted to know that she's still here in the IE contributing to the community in another way: Cassie is the new Director of Marketing for Ontario International Airport, as it transitions from Los Angeles ownership back to local control.**

**Also, 91.9 KVCR said goodbye to our stalwart reporter and local All Things Considered host, Matt Guilhem, who's now the new local "Morning Edition" host at public radio station KBSX in Boise, Idaho. Matt was born and raised in San Bernardino and - other than a couple of years of graduate school in London - has never lived or worked outside of California, and is looking forward to a new professional and life adventure. We at KVCR, of course, will miss Matt's cheery on-air style, his droll humor during pledge drives, and his important contributions to our news effort – not the least of which was his stellar reporting for KVCR and NPR on the December 2 terror attack in San Bernardino. We look forward to hearing him – our native son - report from the Pacific Northwest on NPR newscasts and programs.**

**Fittingly, Matt's last major contribution to 91.9 KVCR News was a 5-part series of feature reports on the mental health after-effects of the San Bernardino mass shooting on victims, survivors, and their families, as well as local police and first responders, local school children, and the Inland Empire muslim community. Matt produced the series as a project for the California Health Journalism Fellowship, a program of the Center for Health Journalism at the USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism. Each segment of the series is detailed below in this month's report.**

**In addition to our regular weekly segments with Inland Empire Economist John Husing, and Jeff Baker exploring IE food culture with Savory Road, following are some of the local segments produced and aired over the past month on KVCR FM News: *(most of the following segments can be heard on demand at kvcrnews.org.***

**8/16/16 LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY; SAN BERNARDINO MASS SHOOTING "The Mental Health Aftermath Of The Dec. 2 San Bernardino Terror Attack, Part 1: An Overview" The December 2 attack on San Bernardino County employees brought ISIS-inspired terrorism to the Inland Empire. No longer the province of global cities like London, Paris, or Brussels, the attack reaffirmed that anywhere can be a target. KVCR's Matt Guilhem begins a series of stories on mental health in the wake of the shooting.**

**9/16/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY; WILDFIRES "IE Firefighters Snuff Brush Fire In**

San Bernardino, Corona” Local firefighters made relatively short work of a couple of potentially-destructive brush fires in two Inland Empire communities.

9/16/16 LOCAL HIGHER EDUCATION; UC RIVERSIDE “UCR Administrators Appointed To Governing Boards Of Prestigious Statewide Organizations” A couple of prominent academic figures at the University of California, Riverside have been appointed to statewide public service boards.

9/17/16 LOCAL ARTS “From KVCaRts: Jacob Pflum” In this excerpt from KVCaRts, KVCR's David Fleming interviews local musician Jacob Pflum about his latest CD.

9/17/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY; WILDFIRES ““Blue Cut” Wildfire Explodes In Mountains Above San Bernardino” The Blue Cut Fire burning in the mountains above San Bernardino is expected to consume some 50 square miles of dry brush, trees - and anything else in its way - less than 24 hours after it ignited yesterday. 91.9 KVCR provided a wrap-up of information about the fire that was updated at a news conference held by Unified Fire Command authorities in San Bernardino.

9/17/16 LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY; SAN BERNARDINO MASS SHOOTING “Mental Health After The Dec. 2 San Bernardino Terror Attack, Part 2: First Responders” Minutes after gunfire erupted at the Inland Regional Center on December 2, emergency personnel from a host of local agencies were on the scene. By their own accounts, what they saw was horrific and will be with them for a lifetime. As part of our series on the mental health aftermath of the terror attack, KVCR's Matt Guilhem examines the traumatic scene first responders arrived at that day and the lingering effects it can have.

8/18/16 POLITICS AND ELECTIONS; CALIFORNIA BALLOT INITIATIVES “Poll: Calif. Voters Support Is Growing For Gun Control And Legal Pot Ballot Initiatives” A new poll finds most California voters are in favor of two controversial measures on the November election ballot.

8/18/16 LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY; SAN BERNARDINO MASS SHOOTING “Local Mental Health After The San Bernardino Terror Attack, Part 3: What To Tell The Kids” Part of the live audience following the December 2 attack in real time on TV or radio was kids. The saturation coverage put parents in a tight spot. Should they talk to their children about what happened? As our series on the mental health aftermath of the terror attacks continues, KVCR's Matt Guilhem looks at how two different families with personal connections to the tragedy navigated the situation.

8/18/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY; WILDFIRES “Bluecut Fire Update: 15 Fwy Now Open Both Directions; Burn Area The Size Of San Francisco” As of this morning, the Bluecut Fire had consumed nearly 32,000 acres, or just under 50 square miles, an area about the size of the city of San Francisco. The blaze remains less than 10 percent contained. As of Thursday afternoon, mandatory evacuation orders remained in effect for more than 82,000 residents in the vicinity of the fire zone north of San Bernardino.

8/19/16 LOCAL ARTS& ENTERTAINMENT; LOCAL ARTS EDUCATION “IdyllWild “Jazz In The Pines” Festival This Weekend Benefits Local Arts Education” The annual Idyllwild “Jazz In The Pines” music festival takes place this weekend in the San Jacinto

Mountain town of Idyllwild.

8/19/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY; WILDFIRES "Blue Cut Fire Friday A.M. Update: 37,000 Acres Burned, 26% Contained; More Evacuations Lifted" Blue Cut Fire Incident Command authorities held a news conference in Victorville this morning estimated that 96 homes have been destroyed by the wildfire burning in the mountains north of San Bernardino. The blaze has burned 37,002 acres and is 26 percent contained.

8/22/16 LOCAL UNEMPLOYMENT "Unemployment Up In CA -- Including IE -- for First Time In Months" The unemployment rate in the Inland Empire - and in the state as a whole - ticked upward for the first time in years.

8/22/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY; WILDFIRES "Blue Cut Fire Now 89% Contained At 37,020 Acres; All Evacuation Orders Lifted" The Blue Cut Fire is now 89% contained at 37,020 acres.

8/22/16 LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY; SAN BERNARDINO MASS SHOOTING "Local Mental Health After The San Bernardino Terror Attack, Part 4: A Survivor's Story" On December 2, 2015, those in the conference hall at the Inland Regional Center dove for cover, were deafened by gunfire, and watched friends and colleagues die. Environmental Health Specialist Julie Paez was shot twice that morning. As part of our series on mental health in the aftermath of the terror attack, KVCR's Matt Guilhem spoke to Paez about her recovery and determination to move forward from a few moments of her life.

8/23/16 LOCAL EDUCATION; CRIMINAL JUSTICE "RivCo Community Mourns Former School Principal Found Dead In Car" The Riverside County Sheriff's Department is investigating the mysterious death of a popular Inland Empire educator.

8/23/16 LOCAL ENERGY "RivCo Supervisors Consider Forming Electricity Co-Operative" Riverside County Supervisors are exploring the possibility of allowing the formation of an electrical power co-op, which could save the county's residents and businesses millions of dollars per year in electricity savings.

8/23/16 LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY; SAN BERNARDINO MASS SHOOTING "Local Mental Health After The San Bernardino Terror Attack, Part 5: Local Muslims Respond" Following the attack on San Bernardino, a mosque in the Coachella Valley was firebombed. The act of ISIS-inspired terror in the Inland Empire - coming just weeks after a music hall in Paris was targeted - only fanned the flames of Islamophobia. The hate crime in Indio demonstrated the fear and broad mistrust of an entire population in spite of the fact that the overwhelming majority of Muslims are peaceful seekers of the American Dream. To conclude our series on mental health in the wake of the San Bernardino attack, KVCR's Matt Guilhem looks at how area Muslims process the scrutiny they receive.

8/24/16 LOCAL ARTS "From KVCR's Regional Musician Kevin Mathew Hunt" In this excerpt from KVCR's, KVCR's David Fleming interviews regional musician Kevin Mathew Hunt about his eclectic style of music and his new CD.

8/24/16 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; REGIONAL PRO SPORTS "Battle Over San

Diego Chargers Stadium Ballot Issue Heats Up” After a bruising couple of weeks that saw three critical reports come out on the San Diego Chargers' plan to build a football stadium and convention center annex in downtown San Diego, the team plans to go on the offense today (Wednesday) by releasing a team-commissioned economic study on the proposal.

8/24/16 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; TEMECULA WINE COUNTRY “Public Hearing Set For Proposed Temecula Valley Wine Country Marketing District” Riverside County Supervisors Tuesday scheduled a September 13 public hearing to take testimony for and against the proposed Temecula Valley Wine Country Marketing District, which would require hoteliers to pay fees to promote the area.

8/24/16 ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT; CASSIE MACDUFF “Cassie MacDuff Is New Marketing Manager For Ontario International Airport” As part of its transition back to Inland Empire ownership, Ontario International Airport has made a couple of high-level local management hires -- including someone familiar to KVCR listeners: former Press-Enterprise columnist and KVCR contributor Cassie MacDuff.

8/25/16 LOCAL FOOD AND CULINARY CULTURE “The Savory Road: The Coffee Shop Shaped Like A Giant Coffee Pot” Host Jeff Baker has the latest adventure from his and his wife's road trip from SoCal to the Pacific Northwest: a visit to Bob's Java Jive in Tacoma, Washington, where the coffee is less of an attraction than the coffee shop it's sold in.

8/25/16 LOCAL AIR QUALITY; GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS “Calif. Gov. Jerry Brown Cites IE Air Quality As One Reason He'll Sign Compromise Emissions Bill” The California Legislature has passed new emissions targets for greenhouse gases in California. Governor Jerry Brown cites air quality in the Inland Empire as one reason he'll sign the bill, even though he didn't get everything he wanted from the legislation.

8/25/16 LOCAL OUTDOOR RECREATION; JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK “Admission Free At Joshua Tree Park During National Parks' 100th Birthday Celebration” Admission to Joshua Tree National Park - in the high desert east of the Inland Empire - will be free for four days, starting today (Thursday), in honor of the 100th anniversary of the National Park Service.

8/25/16 LOCAL PUBLIC LANDS; JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK “Poll: National Parks And Public Lands Matter To People Of Color” A new poll shows four in five ‘voters of color’ support President Obama's efforts to protect public lands and want the next president to do the same.

8/25/16 LOCAL HISTORY; MARCH AIR RESERVE BASE; MARCH FIELD AIR MUSEUM “From B-52 Bombers To High-Tech Drones, March Field Air Museum Is Packed With History” In addition to the 70 aircraft and the more than 30,000 artifacts in the vicinity, the March Field Air Museum at March Air Reserve Base has also taken on a new executive director.

8/26/16 LOCAL WATER AND DROUGHT ISSUES; UC RIVERSIDE “UCR Researchers Blend Groundwater With Recycled Water To Make 'Super Water' For Crops, Landscaping” Researchers at UC Riverside are exploring the viability of blending treated

and fortified recycled water with ground water for use on crops and landscaping.

8/29/16 LOCAL TRANSPORTATION; BICYCLING “UCR Researchers Examine 'Bicycle Justice' For Underclass Whose Bikes Are Primary Transportation” Beyond the basics of bicycling, UC Riverside researchers have created a concept called cycling justice. KVCR's Natalya Estrada spoke with Prof. Williams about bicycle norms - and abnormalities - in the Inland Empire.

8/31/16 ARTS “From KVCaRts: "The Natural World Of Winnie The Pooh" In this excerpt from KVCaRts, author Kathryn Aalto talks about her book, "The Natural World of Winnie The Pooh: A Walk Through the Forest That Inspired The Hundred Acre Wood."

8/31/16 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND REHABILITATION “San Bernardino Training Program Helps Other Community Programs Help Local Parolees” The San Bernardino Community College District's Economic Development and Corporate Training program is now available to help affect the lives of parolees in the Inland Empire by augmenting services provided by already-established agencies and programs.

8/31/16 LOCAL WILDFIRES “Bogart Fire North Of Beaumont 20% Contained At 1250 Acres; Arson Suspected” The Bogart Fire burning in Cherry Valley - north of the eastern IE communities of Beaumont and Banning - has burned 1250 acres and is 20 percent contained. All evacuation orders have been lifted.

9/2/16 LOCAL AND REGIONAL ENVIRONMENT; SALTON SEA PRESERVATION “Obama Directs New Resources To Joint California/Federal Effort To Save Salton Sea” A new collaboration between the state of California and the federal government is getting resources from the Obama Administration and good reviews from local leaders trying to save the Salton Sea - California's largest inland body of water - from drying up.

9/2/16 REGIONAL PRO SPORTS; NFL; CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND CIVIL RIGHTS “Chargers Fans Boo 49ers' Colin Kaepernick As QB Repeats National Anthem Protest” At the NFL preseason game between the San Diego Chargers and the San Francisco 49ers yesterday (Thursday), the hometown crowd in San Diego's Qualcomm Stadium did not react well to 49ers quarterback Colin Kaepernick's repeat refusal to stand at attention as "The Star Spangled Banner" was played before the start of the game.

9/5/16 LOCAL WILDFIRES; LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS; LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY “Fire Camp: Where Firefighters Can Recharge Amid The Battle Against Wildfires” Over the past few months, thousands of firefighters have been battling up to half-a-dozen big fires burning across California. When a major fire breaks out, Cal Fire scrambles an operating base known as fire camp. It's a place to shower, get a hot meal, and some r & r before heading back out on the line.

9/6/16 LOCAL AIR QUALITY; GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS “Air Pollution From Oil & Gas Facilities Will Increasingly Put Calif. Kids At Risk” A new report called “Gasping for Breath” by the Clean Air Task Force says by 2025, air pollution from oil and gas facilities in California will cause more than 12,000 summertime asthma attacks in children under 18.

9/6/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY "CHP Concludes Holiday 'Maximum Enforcement Period' On IE Roads" The California Highway Patrol has ended it's 3-day holiday highway enforcement period, during which local law enforcement officers fanned out over the region's roads looking for impaired drivers posing a danger to themselves and others.

9/6/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY; LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT VENUES "Labor Day Weekend Rave In Devore Results In Hundreds Of Arrests, Local Noise Complaints" Local law enforcement authorities made hundreds of arrests for a variety of violations during the 3-day 'Nocturnal Wonderland' dance music festival at the San Manuel Amphitheatre north of San Bernardino this past holiday weekend.

9/7/16 LOCAL NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES AND CULTURE "Preview Of New Locally-Produced TV Documentary, "Forging Bonds: Pow Wow Stories From California" "Forging Bonds: Pow Wow Stories from California" is a TV documentary produced by FNX - First Nations Experience - KVCR-TV's sister station with programming focusing on Native American and indigenous peoples culture.

9/7/16 LOCAL ARTS "From KVCaRts: Redlands Opera Theatre" This excerpt from KVCaRts features Christa Stevens, music director for Redlands Opera Theatre.

9/7/16 LOCAL EDUCATION "Closure of ITT Tech Schools In IE And Elsewhere Leaves Students In A Lurch" The abrupt closure of 130 ITT Technical Institute campuses across the country yesterday (Tuesday) leaves thousands of students out of luck. But one consumer advocate says its the best thing in the long run.

9/8/16 LOCAL EDUCATION "Former ITT Tech Students Will Face Hurdles Transferring Credits To Local Comm. Colleges" The abrupt closure of ITT Technical Institute campuses in San Bernardino and 14 other locations in California -- and at 130 campuses across the country this week -- leaves thousands of students out of luck. So, what now, for Inland Empire former ITT Tech students?

9/9/16 LOCAL CIVIC AND CULTURAL EVENTS "IE Cities Plan Events To Commemorate Sunday's Anniversary Of 9/11 Attacks" A number of Inland Empire cities are planning cities to commemorate Sunday's 15th anniversary of the 9/11 terror attacks.

9/12/16 LOCAL NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBAL ISSUES "IE Tribes Join Native American Protest Against North Dakota Oil Pipeline" An 1,100 mile long pipeline being built by Texas-based Dakota Access is slated to carry 470,000 barrels of oil daily through treaty lands of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe in North Dakota. The tribe has been protesting the pipeline and attracting support from American sympathizers and native people across the continent, including from Inland Empire tribes.

9/12/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY; SAN BERNARDINO MASS SHOOTING "Report Recaps Details Of Dec. 2 San Bernardino Terror Attack" The Associate Press has published highlights of a report examining the details of the the December 2 terrorist attack on the Inland Regional Center in San Bernardino.

9/13/16 LOCAL AND REGIONAL ENERGY "U.S. Interior Secy In SoCal Wednesday For Major Announcement About Energy & Conservation Plan" The U.S. Secretary of the Interior will join other officials in the Coachella Valley on Wednesday to make a major

announcement about a giant renewable energy and conservation plan spanning Southern California.

9/13/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY; SAN BERNARDINO MASS SHOOTING "First Responders To Dec 2 San Bernardino Terror Attack Honored At Calif. State Capitol" Six public safety first responders to the December 2 San Bernardino terror attacks were honored at the California state Capitol yesterday.

9/14/16 LOCAL WILDFIRES; LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS; LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY "Firefighters' Work Continues Even After A Wildfire Is Declared Contained" The job of fighting wildfires isn't over after the fire is declared contained. Firefighters frequently stand guard over fire zones for days after the flames have been extinguished, watching for smoldering "flare-ups" that can re-ignite a fire. We aired a report featuring interviews with firefighters as they watched over the remnants of last month's Pilot Fire .

9/14/16 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT; LOCAL MARIJUANA POLICY "Riverside County Government Ordered To Reexamine Its Anti-Marijuana Policies" With the prospect of marijuana being legalized by California voters this fall, the Riverside County Board of Supervisors is reexamining its strict policies -- and attitude -- toward marijuana.

9/14/16 LOCAL HIGHER EDUCATION "CSUSB Gets \$3.2 Million Grant To Help Local School Districts Prepare At-Risk Students For College" Cal State San Bernardino has received a big federal grant to help 3 Inland Empire school districts prepare underprivileged students for college.