

Issues and programs from March 25 through April 28 2014

KVCR FM NEWS

3/25/14 through 4/28/14

During the last week of March and the first week of April, the KVCR FM staff put full focus and effort into making our Spring On-Air Pledge Drive a success. Following the Pledge Drive, KVCR-FM News presented a packed April schedule of news programming that included two multi-part series: Matt Guilhem's series of reports on fracking in Southern California, and Ken Vincent's series of local interviews marking Child Abuse Prevention Awareness Month. As well, KVCR-FM & TV collaborated on KVCR's Autism Initiative to promote and present programming for Autism Awareness Month.

In addition to our regular weekly conversations with Inland Empire Economist John Husing and Press Enterprise Columnist Cassie MacDuff, below are some of the stories and issues we reported on 91.9 KVCR FM News over the past month:

(most of the following segments are available to hear on demand at kvcr.org/news)

3/26/14 LOCAL SCHOOLS; BUSINESS KVCR-FM News featured a two-part interview with local entrepreneur and Board President of the San Bernardino City Unified School District Michael Gallo, about the state of San Bernardino schools and his efforts to steer students toward success with productive job training and career development opportunities.

3/26/14 LOCAL TRIBES; CIVIC INVOLVEMENT KVCR's Mindi McNeil attended the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians annual "Yawa" Awards breakfast in San Bernardino.

3/28/14 HIGHER EDUCATION; LATINO ISSUES KVCR's Matt Guilhem attended the 5th Annual Latino Education and Advocacy Days, or LEAD, conference, at Cal State San Bernardino. The event centers on issues affecting Latinos, including education, parenting, family, and social activism.

4/7/14 STATE OF THE CITIES Our weekly "Cities" segment features The Mayor of Chino Hills, Ed Graham, as interviewed by KVCR's Ken Vincent.

4/7/14 LATINO ISSUES Immigrant rights activists from the Inland Empire who staged a rally to protest the Obama Administration's deportation policies were confronted by counter-protestors last week in downtown San Bernardino. KVCR's Matt Guilhem reports.

4/8/14 LOCAL ECONOMY; HOUSING KVCR-FM News rebroadcast an NPR report that aired on "Weekend All Things Considered" that profiled the in-migration of lower-income populations from the more expensive Southern California coastal counties to the less expensive cost of living in the Inland Empire.

4/9/14 CHILDREN & FAMILIES; SOCIAL SERVICES To mark Child Abuse Prevention Awareness month, KVCR-FM News presented Part One of a two-part interview with Erin Phillips, President and CEO of the San Bernardino-based non-profit Children's Fund, which raises money to help local public agencies respond to child abuse and neglect.

4/10/14 ARTS & CULTURE; HIGHER EDUCATION KVCR's Ken Vincent interviewed local

best-selling author Susan Straight as she prepared to accept a Los Angeles Times Book Award for Lifetime Achievement. Straight sets many of her stories in the fictional inland Southern California city of Rio Seco, Straight's nom de plume for her hometown of Riverside.

4/14/14 STATE OF THE CITIES KVCR's Matt Guilhem attended the first meeting of the committee of San Bernardino residents appointed to review the city's convoluted City Charter, said to be the source of much of San Bernardino's civic strife. The committee discussed the tight timeline to come up with recommendations to make city government run better, and then to get something on the fall ballot for residents' to vote on.

4/16/14 CHILDREN & FAMILIES; SOCIAL SERVICES KVCR-FM News presented Part Two of an interview with Children's Fund President and CEO Erin Phillips, talking about the Inland Empire's response to child abuse and neglect.

4/16/14 ENERGY; ENVIRONMENT KVCR's Matt Guilhem presented Part Two of our series of reports examining the arguments for and against increased fracking for oil and gas in Southern California.

4/17/14 ARTS & CULTURE; LOCAL BUSINESS KVCR-FM's Rick Dulock talked with an executive of Inland Empire-based Fender Guitars about special events celebrating the 60th Anniversary of the Fender Stratocaster guitar, which produced one of the most influential musical sounds of the 20th Century.

4/18/14 ARTS & CULTURE; LATINO ISSUES KVCR's Jhoann Acosta reports on an exhibition at the Latin American Museum of Art in Long Beach of long-lost photographs of iconic 20th-century Mexican artist Frida Kahlo.

4/21/14 STATE OF THE CITIES: KVCR's Rick Dulock profiles Redlands Youth Hope, an organization devoted to helping homeless and displaced youth in Redlands.

4/23/14 HIGHER EDUCATION; ENERGY; ENVIRONMENT KVCR-FM News' Matt Guilhem interviews a UC Riverside scientist who's secured a half-million dollar grant to refine his research into converting greenhouse gas emissions into marketable chemical compounds such as transportation fuel.

4/24/14 KVCR AUTISM INITIATIVE Vacation travel is not always something that kids with autism look forward to. The stresses of travel can be magnified, frequently making it more unpleasant than pleasant. A local Good Samaritan has come up with a way to try to take some of the stress out of travel for autistic children. KVCR's Jhoann Acosta reports.

4/25/14 LOCAL SCHOOLS; ARTS & CULTURE KVCR's Rick Dulock talks with Rialto Mayor Deborah Robertson about the city's collaboration with the local school district to produce a series of public events marking Jazz Appreciation Month.

4/28/14 STATE OF THE CITIES The city of San Bernardino is not getting cooperation from its firefighters union in the effort to reduce the city's expenses as it tries to emerge from bankruptcy. KVCR's Matt Guilhem reports on the firefighters union's concerns.