BOARD REPORT FOR OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2016

KVCR FM News Issues and Programs from October 16 2016 through November 15 2016

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.

10/17/16 LOCAL HIGHER EDUCATION; CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURE "Pests Enjoy A Focused Diet" A postdoctoral fellow at the University of California at Davis has been studying insect diets, and how they affect agricultural crops.

10/18/16 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT "Palm Springs Police Memorial Tuesday" Palm Springs Convention Center will be full for Tuesday Memorial honoring slain officers, Jose Gilbert Vega and Lesley Kling Zerebny.

10/19/16 LOCAL ARTS "From KVCaRts: Lake Arrowhead Oktoberfest" In this excerpt from KVCaRts, KVCR's David Fleming interviews Lake Arrowhead Village's Vicki Goodglick about the final weekend of this year's Oktoberfest at Lake Arrowhead.

10/19/16 POLITICS AND ELECTIONS "OC-Based Super-PAC Urges Calif GOPs To Vote For Democrat Loretta Sanchez For US Senate" A new radio ad is urging Republicans to support one of the two Democrats running for California's open U.S. Senate seat this fall. The spot is paid for by an Orange County super-PAC and backs Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez, who faces state Attorney General Kamala Harris. Capital Public Radio reports the ad's greatest impact may be felt down-ballot.

10/19/16 LOCAL HIGHER EDUCATION "Why UC Riverside Has Set New Records For Student Applications And Admissions" This year the University of California, Riverside had its largest incoming freshman class ever. KVCR News spoke with UCR Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, Jim Sandoval, about the record level of undergraduate admissions.

10/19/16 LAW ENFORCEMENT; LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY "Thousands Attend Public Memorial Service For Two Slain Palm Springs Police Officers" Law enforcement personnel from across the nation joined residents of Palm Springs and other local cities at a massive memorial service yesterday (Tuesday) for the two Palm Springs police officers shot and killed while responding to a domestic disturbance on Oct. 8.

10/20/16 POLITICS AND ELECTIONS "What California's Recreational Marijuana Initiative Would Actually Do" There are so many questions about California's ballot measure that would legalize recreational marijuana that it's easy to overlook the most basic question of all: What would the initiative actually do?

10/20/16 LOCAL ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT "Arrests At Desert Trip Festival Reflected The Misbehavior Of An Older Crowd" More than 70 people were arrested or cited during Desert Trip Festival's second weekend -- many fewer than the typical number of arrests and citations made during the Coachella and Stagecoach festivals. However, many of the arrests and citations at Desert Trip were more characteristic of an "Oldchella" crowd.

- 10/20/16 LOCAL LABOR ISSUES "Calif. State Workers' Union Wants Members To Authorize A Strike" California's largest state worker union says it will ask its members to authorize a strike.
- 10/20/16 LOCAL LABOR ISSUES; LOCAL HEALTH CARE "Health Care Workers Demonstrate Against Management At Pomona Valley Hospital" Hundreds of health care workers were joined by local elected officials at a rally in Pomona to protest staffing, wages, and working conditions at Pomona Valley Hospital.
- 10/21/16 POLITICS AND ELECTIONS "Calif. Prop 55 Extending Tax Increases On The Wealthy Visits UC Riverside, Other Colleges" The campaign to pass California ballot Proposition 55 extending tax increases on the wealthy that were imposed four years ago by voter-approved Proposition 30 was at UC Riverside yesterday. It's part of the campaign's outreach to college communities across California that stand to benefit from passage of prop 55.
- 10/24/16 POLITICS AND ELECTIONS "Darrell Issa, Other Calif. GOPs In Congress Face Extraordinarily Tough Re-Election Contests" Demographic changes in California combined with the unpopularity of Donald Trump have put three long-time Republican Congressional seats in play this election one in our region.
- 10/24/16 LOCAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT "Calif. Air Board Drops Action Against MoVal World Logistics Center" As part of a settlement, the South Coast Air Quality Management District has dropped its opposition to a massive logistics center planned for Moreno Valley. Though this is the latest in a series of settlements of lawsuits filed against the project, some lawsuits continue.
- 10/24/16 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT; LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY "Investigation Begins Into Palm Springs Bus/Truck Collision Killing 13, Injuring 31" Federal investigators have joined local authorities in trying to determine what caused one of California's most deadly highway incidents in decades: a Los Angeles-based tour bus that careened into the rear end of a big rig tractor trailer on Interstate 10 in Palm Springs yesterday (Sunday).
- 10/25/16 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT; LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY "Tour Bus Driver Had Been Involved In Other Deadly Highway Incidents Before Palm Springs Crash" The driver of the tour bus that crashed in Palm Springs this past weekend had prior violations and involvement in other highway incidents, authorities say. The driver and bus's owner Teodulo Vides, of Alhambra was killed along with 12 other people in the deadly crash on Interstate 10 on Sunday.
- 10/26/16 LOCAL ARTS "From KVCaRts: Soprano Golda Berkman Performing With Redlands Opera Theatre" In this excerpt from KVCaRts, KVCR's David Fleming interviews soprano Golda Berkman about her role in Redlands Opera Theatre's production of Pucinni's "Giani Schicchi."
- 10/26/16 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT; LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY "Federal Investigator: Tour Bus That Crashed In Palm Springs Had Inadequate Tires" National Transportation Safety Board investigators are finding that the tour bus that crashed in Palm Springs on Sunday killing 12 passengers and the driver, and injuring 31 others had tire problems that could have disqualified the bus from operating.

- 10/26/16 LOCAL ECONOMY "Why The High Desert City Of Adelanto Welcomes Legal Marijuana" any cities in the Inland Empire are trying to develop policies that will strictly limit or completely prohibit pot shops from opening in their city limits if California passes Proposition 64, legalizing marijuana for recreational use. However, in the San Bernardino County High Desert community of Adelanto, many city officials, residents, and businesses are hoping to bring more economic activity -- and more revenue -- to the city by welcoming the marijuana industry.
- 10/27/16 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT; LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY "Death Penalty Sought For Man Charged With Killing Palm Springs Police Officers" Riverside County District Attorney Michael Hestrin says his office will seek the death penalty for the suspect charged with killing two Palm Springs police officers earlier this month.
- 10/28/16 ENVIRONMENT; LOCAL AGRICULTURE "California Irrigates Food Crops With Oil & Gas Wastewater" For more than 30 years, wastewater from oil and gas operations has been used to irrigate food crops in California. Regulators will re-examine the safety of that practice during a public hearing today (Friday).
- 10/28/16 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT "Third Suspect In Riverside Shooting Spree Last Summer Now In Custody" The third of three men suspected of carrying out a deadly two-day shooting spree in Riverside last summer has been taken into custody.
- 10/28/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY "Deadly Palm Springs Tour Bus Crash Is The Latest Among Several Recent Casino Bus Incidents" As they investigate the tour bus crash that killed 13 people in Palm Springs last weekend, National Transportation Safety Board officials are looking for common threads among a number of deadly casino bus crash incidents in recent years.
- 10/31/16 LOCAL HIGHER EDUCATION "Norco College Gets 2nd 5-Year Grant For National Expansion Of Logisitics Industry Training Program" The National Science Foundation has renewed a 5-year, multi-million-dollar grant to Norco College -- and increased the amount awarded -- in support of one of the college's logistics industry training programs.
- 10/31/16 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT "ONT Intl Airport Ownership Will Officially Transfer From LA Back To IE Tomorrow" After decades of ownership by the city of Los Angeles, Ontario International Airport will officially be returned to Inland Empire ownership and control on Nov, 1, 2016.
- 10/31/16 POLITICS AND ELECTIONS ""ballot.fyi" Is An Online Alternative To Slogging Through The Calif. Voters Pamphlet" As Election Day draws near, many Californians are moving their attention away from the Presidential campaign and taking a look at the myriad of California propositions on the ballot this year. Voters are provided with a booklet that provides information on the propositions. But is the information in the voluminous state voter pamphlet easily understood? KVCR News reports on another way for voters to find out more.
- 11/2/16 DROUGHT AND WATER ISSUES "The Golden State's Latest Water Conservation Numbers" TweetShareGoogle+Email
 For the last several months, water use in California has increased despite the ongoing drought. The latest conservation figures, however, show improvement.

- 11/3/15 LOCAL HIGHER EDUCATION "UCR Scientists Develop Smart Spinach" Question: What do you get when you mix nanotube technology with plants? Answer: Bomb sniffing spinach.
- 11/3/16 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT; ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT "ONT Now in Local Control" Federal Aviation Administration Chief Michael Huerta grew up in the Inland Empire and yesterday, made the official announcement placing ONT into local control.
- 11/4/16 DROUGHT AND WATER ISSUES "New Information On California's Drought" The U.S. Drought Monitor showed nearly a quarter of California is out of the drought as of yesterday. It's the best news heard in our dry state since March of 2013.
- 11/4/16 PUBLIC SAFETY I.E. Firefighters Battle Pallet Yard Blaze Early Friday" Firefighters had an early morning call to fight a raging pallet yard fire in San Bernardino.
- 11/7/16 DROUGHT AND WATER ISSUES "Calif. Working On Rules For Faster Conversion Of Wastewater To Drinking Water" California is moving forward with rules for how water districts can turn what goes down your toilet back into drinking water. State regulators are taking comments on a kind of water recycling where wastewater sits in a lake before being treated.
- 11/9/16 LOCAL ELECTIONS "Wrapup Of Key IE Candidate Races" On the morning after the election, KVCR News recaps results from some Inland Empire candidate races.
- 11/9/16 LOCAL ELECTIONS "Recap Of Local Ballot Issues In Inland Empire" On the morning after the election, KVCR News recaps of some of the ballot issues Inland Empire voters faced.
- 11/9/16 LOCAL ELECTIONS "IE Voters Approve Most Local Ballot Measures, Oust Few Incumbents In 2016 Election" The city of San Bernardino approved a new city charter and new rules regarding marijuana; the city of Riverside and other local communities approve tax measures; and although most local incumbent office holders won re-election, there were a couple of incumbents who were turned out by local voters.
- 11/10/16 LOCAL ELECTIONS "Election Day Has Come And Gone, But There Are Still Votes To Be Counted In The IE" Even though the votes in the 2016 election have been cast, they haven't all been counted yet. There are still hundreds of thousands of votes yet to be processed by Riverside and San Bernardino counties, and some races won't be decided until the counting is done.
- 11/10/16 POLITICS AND ELECTIONS "Protestors in IE, OC, Among The Anti-Trump Demonstrations Around Calif. Last Night" Demonstrators in Riverside and Santa Ana were among the thousands of protestors on the west coast and elsewhere around the nation demonstrating against the election of Donald Trump as President.

11/11/16 LOCAL VETERANS ISSUES "Veteran's Day Marked At Riverside National Cemetery And In Communities Around The IE" Annual Veteran's Day traditions will be taking place at Riverside National Cemetery and around the Inland Empire today.

11/11/16 LOCAL ARTS; LOCAL NATIVE AMERICAN CULTURE "Native American "Marketplace" This Weekend Features Art, Performance, Kids Activities At The Autry" Inland Empire tribes will be among those participating in the annual American Indian Arts Marketplace this weekend at the Autry Museum of the American West in Griffith Park in Los Angeles.

11/14/16 LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY "San Diego County Brush Fire Slows 15 Fwy For Miles South Of Temecula" A brush fire in San Diego County near Interstate 15 at Gopher Canyon Road north of Escondido has slowed traffic for miles - both yesterday and today - on the 15 southbound between Rainbow Valley Blvd. and Gopher Canyon Road, which is northeast of Vista.

11/14/16 LOCAL BUSINESS; LOCAL CIVIC CULTURE "Jack Brown, Longtime Leader Of Stater Bros., Dies At Age 78" Jack H. Brown, executive chairman of Stater Bros. grocery markets, passed away yesterday (Sunday). Brown is responsible for leading the supermarket chain's growth over the past several decades into one of the Inland Empire's largest employers. Brown was also known as a generous philanthropist, spreading Stater Bros. -- and his own -- money around the community, benefiting many local area charities and civic improvement efforts.