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4th Quarter 2017				
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Date First Aired	Name of Program	Episode Description	Broadcast Time	Duration
10/02/2017	News	A hiring freeze for most state jobs may have hurt Texas ability to help victims of hurricane Harvey.	10/02/2017	1:25
10/02/2017	News	Texas takes its first steps at decreasing its maternal morbidity rate.	10/02/2017	1:01
10/03/2017	News	A GOVERNMENT REPORT SAYS FEMA'S FLOOD MAPPING PROGRAM IS OUTDATED AND MISMANAGED. THE REPORT SAYS MORE THAN HALF OF FEMA'S FLOOD MAPS AREN'T ACCURATE – AND THE PROBLEM WON'T BE FIXED WITHOUT SOME CHANGES.	10/03/2017	0:50
10/04/2017	News	Insects that can destroy food crops may be able to save them if Texas researchers can achieve their goal.	10/04/2017	
10/05/2017	News	Two ridesharing services are opening up shop in far West Texas. Elizabeth Trovall takes a spin at uncovering why Lyft and Flok are being offered in one of the most remote parts of the state.	10/05/2017	1:49
10/05/2017	News	At the start of this school year, Sul Ross State University in Alpine began offering a new minor for the nearly 2000 students at its campus. And it's all about diversity. Our own Elizabeth Trovall reports on the impetus behind the new minor...and takes a look at diversity at the rural campus.	10/05/2017	4:28
10/05/2017	News	A legal opinion released by the Texas Attorney General's Office clears the way for local law enforcement groups to use the drug "Naloxone" to treat an opiate overdose while on the job.	10/05/2017	1:30
10/06/2017	News	Blackwell, the segregated public school was open from the late nineteenth century and closed in 1965 with the integration of schools in town. The third story we hear is from Maggie Marquez who attended the school in the fifties. She recounts her experience of "Burying Mr. Spanish." Diana Nguyen brings us her story.	10/06/2017	5:00
10/10/2017	News	Environmental groups say the epa is giving texas power plants a pass on pollution.The epa has decided that plants won't need to install new emissions controls to clean up haze over national parks.	10/10/2017	0:58
10/12/2017	News	OIL AND GAS COMPANIES ARE FEELING LESS CONFIDENT ABOUT AN INDUSTRY REBOUND.	10/12/2017	0:49
10/12/2017	News	The Texas delegation in the U.S. Senate is doing some lobbying of its own. The Senators are making the case for Texas to host Amazon's second headquarters.	10/12/2017	1:08
10/16/2017	News	Almost a-million people in Texas get health insurance on the federal marketplace established by the Affordable Care Ac. The Trump administration's move to cut cost sharing reduction payments -- so-called CSRs -- will affect premiums for many of those plans.	10/16/2017	1:30
10/23/2017	News	The Marfa Police Department to Begin Operations Monday, October 23 The newly re-established Marfa Police Department will begin patrols on Monday, October 23 under the direction of Chief Estevan Marquez. 911 calls within the City will be dispatched to the department beginning Monday morning.	10/23/2017	0:41
10/23/2017	News	A Texas law barring government agencies from doing business with companies that boycott Israel may soon face its first legal test, thanks to Harvey. The anti-boycott law passed the state Legislature last spring and took effect September 1.	10/23/2017	1:04
10/23/2017	News	The Nation's first new refinery in decades could be coming to West Texas. As Houston Public Media's Travis Bubenik reports -- it's a plan to cash in on growing oil production. But some doubt it will actually happen.	10/23/2017	1:01
10/23/2017	News	US Attorney General Jeff Sessions is commending Texas lawmakers for fighting local jurisdictions that oppose President Trump's tough immigration policies.	10/23/2017	0:50
10/24/2017	News	Congress still hasn't reauthorized funding for the Children's Health Insurance Program – also known as CHIP. And advocates say Texas will run out of money sooner than they thought.	10/24/2017	0:45

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10/24/2017	News	Texas has more feral pigs than any other state at 2.6 million. They are a nuisance to many, causing tens of millions of dollars in damages to Texas agriculture every year.	10/24/2017	4:40
10/25/2017	News	The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is determining the impact Hurricane Harvey had on commercial fishing in the state.	10/25/2017	1:00
10/26/2017	News	WIND FARMS ON THE GULF COAST WERE ONLY BRIEFLY IMPACTED BY HARVEY. AN INDUSTRY TRADE GROUP SAYS MOST WIND TURBINES WERE BACK ONLINE WITHIN THREE DAYS OF THE STORM MAKING LANDFALL.	10/26/2017	1:00
10/26/2017	News	Texas House Speaker Joe Straus says he won't be running for re-election in 2018. That means House members will have a new leader for the next legislative session in 2019.	10/26/2017	2:03
10/30/2017	News	One U-S policy goal in Central America is strengthening institutions like government, the courts and police. The idea is help build better functioning countries so that people won't want to leave for the migrant trail. That goal is now under threat in Guatemala. A UN-led commission is prosecuting the corruption that's crippled the economy for the vast majority of Guatemalans for generations. Today Guatemala's economy depends on international loans and investment. But that money is tied to progress against corruption—which Guatemala's president is trying to blunt	10/30/2017	4:02
11/1/2017	News	Exxon-mobil will spend more than 300 million dollars to settle air pollution allegations. The e-p-a announced the agreement today.	11/1/2017	0:41
11/1/2017	News	Plaintiff attorneys for the City of San Antonio and Bexar County, who have sued the state over the Sanctuary Cities ban known as SB 4, previewed the arguments Tuesday.	11/1/2017	
11/1/2017	News	Wednesday marks the start of open enrollment for health insurance under the Affordable Care Act. Texas residents will have a shorter window of time to enroll this year, and they might also have to pay more. Both developments boil down to actions taken by the Trump Administration	11/1/2017	1:02
11/02/2017	News	Governor Greg Abbott's latest request for Harvey aid could face resistance on Capitol Hill. Abbott is seeking \$61 billion, much of which would go to infrastructure designed to protect Texas from future storms and flooding.	11/02/2017	1:03
11/02/2017	News	The Texas House Committees on Public Health and Human Services met today to review the state's response to Hurricane Harvey	11/02/2017	0:44
11/03/2017	News	Congressional Republicans have unveiled the long-awaited tax reform bill. Andrew Schneider looks at how some of the bill's provisions could affect Texas, for better and for worse.	11/03/2017	0:59
11/03/2017	News	People who don't get health insurance from an employer or a safety net-program are signing up for health insurance right now. It's the open enrollment period for the Affordable Care Act online marketplace. And as Ashley Lopez reports, depending on who you are....you might be spending less on a plan this year – or significantly more	11/03/2017	2:10
11/03/2017	News	Thousands of so-called "Chili heads" from all over the United States - and the world - are flocking to Terlingua this weekend for the 51st annual CASI International Chili Championship.	11/03/2017	3:00
11/03/2017	News	Adobe is one of the most humble building materials around: it's essentially mud, water and straw, shaped into brick, and dried in the sun. But if you own an adobe home in Marfa, you may have seen a BIG jump in property taxes this year.	11/03/2017	3:02

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11/06/2017	News	Plaintiffs' attorneys and the Texas Attorney General's office will make their case this Tuesday for why the state's sanctuary cities ban, also known as SB 4, should or should not remain on hold.	11/06/2017	1:43
11/06/2017	News	A Central Texas suburb has been named as the location for the state's first gold depository.	11/06/2017	1:14
11/08/2017	News	Texans added seven amendments to the state constitution last night.	11/08/2017	0:35
11/08/2017	News	A week-long hearing on a new abortion ban in Texas wraps up today. Abortion providers challenging the state's law say the ban on the most common procedure used in 2nd trimester abortion is unconstitutional.	11/08/2017	1:16
11/08/2017	News	Structures that we build on Mars could be 3D printed - They may even be built by robots, and ready before astronauts even get to the red planet.	11/08/2017	1:09
11/13/2017	News	Texas children's health advocates sent a letter to Republican Senators Ted Cruz and John Cornyn recently. They are urging them to renew funding for the Children's Health Insurance Program - also known as CHIP - as soon as possible.	11/13/2017	1:10
11/14/2017	News	The 2018 election cycle is officially underway. Many running in statewide races kicked off their campaigns this week by officially filing their candidacy with the state.	11/14/2017	1:21
11/15/2017	News	Texas schools are still feeling the effects of Hurricane Harvey. And this week the Texas House Education Committee took a fresh look. And as Claire McInerney reports, one question is when students should take their state-mandated assessment tests.	11/15/2017	0:49
11/15/2017	News	The Republican Party of Texas' efforts to elect a more conservative House Speaker in 2019 is now in the hands of the Texas Ethics Commission. Texas Public Radio's Ryan Poppe reports the Commission is considering if some of the party's tactics qualify as "bribery".	11/15/2017	1:08
11/16/2017	News	More than two months after Harvey shut down schools for more than a million Texas students - the nation's top education administrator is visiting Texas for a progress report.	11/16/2017	0:47
11/16/2017	News	Friends and family in Texas said goodbye to ten victims of the Sutherland springs Church shooting where more than two dozen were killed.	11/16/2017	1:10
11/16/2017	News	Vice President Mike Pence, on his second trip to Texas this month praised Republican governors like, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott for state initiatives. He said they were the building blocks behind much of what the White House was trying to accomplish with tax and healthcare plans.	11/16/2017	1:31
11/17/2017	News	The Texas prison system is having a hard time holding onto officers. And that's leaving some units across the state understaffed.	11/17/2017	0:48
11/17/2017	News	More and more female lawmakers at the Capitol are demanding new measures and protocols to protect women from sexual harassment.	11/17/2017	1:25
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11/20/2017	News	Residents of Sutherland Springs gathered for a community thanksgiving today (Sunday) two weeks after a gunman killed 26 at First Baptist Church.	11/20/2017	0:45

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11/21/2017	News	Most of the state's six public universities plan to raise undergraduate tuition next year. These annual increases have been small, but do add up over time, especially when living costs while attending school are factored in	11/21/2017	0:52
11/22/2017	News	Details are still murky about what led the death of a US border patrol agent over the weekend. Agent Rogelio Martinez was found unconscious on Saturday night, in a culvert about twelve miles from Van Horn, Texas. He died the next morning. A press conference at the FBI office in El Paso this afternoon left many questions about the incident unanswered	11/22/2017	2:00
11/22/2017	News	The next round of NAFTA negotiations could take place as early as next month. The fifth round ended on Tuesday, with the U-S, Mexico, and Canada deadlocked on a wide range of issues	11/22/2017	2:30
11/27/2017	News	The oil industry is going through a digital transformation, and that could mean big changes for workers. As travis bubenik reports, some say workers will need new tech skills, but at the same time, their jobs could get easier.	11/27/2017	0:52
11/27/2017	News	The texas workforce commission is making an effort to boost apprenticeship programs in the state.it's to address the shortage of middle-skilled workers – those with more than a high school diploma and less than a four-year college degree.	11/27/2017	2:10
11/28/2019	News	Oil prices hit a two-year high on Friday -- but that's not necessarily a sign of things to come. A new global deal aimed at boosting prices is expected this week. But drilling in Texas could work against the deal and keep prices lower.	11/28/2019	1:00
11/28/2019	News	Gov. Greg Abbott is not wasting any time nominating a replacement to fill Justice Don Willett's position on the Texas Supreme Court. Texas Public Radio's Ryan Poppe reports Abbott is confident the US Senate will approve Willett's White House nomination to the US 5th Circuit Court next month.	11/28/2019	0:51
11/28/2019	News	President Trump has called NAFTA -- the North American Free Trade Agreement -- a "job killer" for American manufacturers. It's a message voters in the industrial Midwest seemed to buy. But with the U-S now re-negotiating the treaty with Mexico and Canada,	11/28/2019	3:01
11/29/2017	News	Nominees for the 60th Grammy Awards were announced this morning, and several Texans are in the running. The Texas Standard's Becky Fogel has more.	11/29/2017	0:55
11/29/2017	News	The November 5th mass shooting in Sutherland Springs claimed 26 lives. Nine of those killed came from one family.	11/29/2017	0:51
11/30/2017	News	A Texan is on her way to becoming the president's top environmental adviser - Critics call her a climate-change denier.Today (Wednesday), a U.S. Senate Committee advanced the nomination of Kathleen Hartnett	11/30/2017	0:45
11/30/2017	News	Conservative activist James O'Keefe spoke at Southern Methodist University last night. The appearance came days after his group, Project Veritas, generated headlines for trying to get The Washington Post to report on a false sexual assault allegation against Alabama Senate candidate Roy Moore	11/30/2017	1:34

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11/30/2017	News	Fracking has dramatically increased the demand for water in the nation's most productive oil field, Texas' Permian Basin. Water usage has already risen sixfold since 2011, and according to research firm IHS Markit, demand will double again by the end of this year. The market for water is booming, but many in West Texas worry about the depletion of groundwater. Marfa Public Radio's Caroline Halter explains how new market developments could meet the demand for frack water and mitigate environmental concerns at the same time.	11/30/2017	3:59
12/01/2017	News	THE WIND AND SOLAR INDUSTRIES ARE RAISING WHAT THEY CALL "URGENT CONCERNS" ABOUT THE G-O-P TAX PLAN. INDUSTRY GROUPS SAY PART OF THE TAX BILL COULD CAUSE WIND AND SOLAR INVESTMENTS TO DRY UP.	12/01/2017	0:54
12/01/2017	News	It's getting down to the wire for CHIP in Texas. That's the Children's Health Insurance Program — which is mostly run by the state but mostly paid for by the federal government. Congress has — so far — failed to reauthorize funding for the program and Texas is running out of money.	12/01/2017	
12/01/2017	News	Texas Congressman Joe Barton announced today he won't seek another term next year. It marks an end to the Ennis Republican's three-decade career in Washington. He faced a growing chorus of calls for his resignation after a nude picture and a sexually charged exchange were made public. Barton is the most senior member of the Texas Congressional delegation	12/01/2017	3:40
12/01/2017	News	Gina Ortiz Jones is one of the candidates that's running for district 23. It's currently held by Helotes Republican Will Hurd. And it's one of the most competitive congressional districts in the state, stretching from San Antonio into West Texas. Jones recently sat down with me to talk about her decision to run AND how her experiences following the 2016 election were a "gut check."	12/01/2017	5:14
12/04/2017	News	A DECISION TO LIMIT GLOBAL OIL PRODUCTION COULD HELP OIL DRILLERS HERE IN TEXAS. BUT, IF THE U.S. GETS TOO EXCITED ABOUT THE DEAL, IT COULD BACKFIRE.	12/04/2017	1:16
12/04/2017	News	Earthquakes have been on the rise in Texas for almost a decade. A lot of scientific research links these tremors to oil and gas activity — specifically wastewater produced through fracking being injected deep below the earth's surface.	12/04/2017	
12/05/2017	News	A Texas congressman, who once said he would challenge his female colleagues to a duel if they were men, is vowing to reimburse taxpayers for the cost of a sexual harassment case involving a former staffer.	12/05/2017	1:00
12/05/2017	News	There are about two weeks left for open enrollment for the Affordable Care Act. That's the online marketplace that sells health insurance to people who don't get plans through their job — or through Medicaid or Medicare.	12/05/2017	0:43
12/06/2017	News	Dallas County sheriff Lupe Valdez is running for governor. Her campaign says she will speak later this morning at the Texas Democratic Party headquarters in Austin. State Democrats have been trying to find high-profile candidates to run next year against Republican Governor Greg Abbott	12/06/2017	2:10
12/06/2017	News	Texas lawmakers often boast that the state's successful business climate comes from efforts to reduce regulations and lower taxes. But after this past legislative session, the Texas House created a committee to look into some laws being pushed by Republican leaders that business groups say hurt the state's economy.	12/06/2017	2:01
12/06/2017	News	Texas business groups fought to stop a so-called bathroom bill from passing the Texas Legislature.	12/06/2017	1:31
12/07/2017	News	Texas' legislature is taking cybersecurity more seriously. The Texas Senate held its first select committee Wednesday to review processes and give lawmakers a crash course.	12/07/2017	1:46

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12/07/2017	News	Where once there were none, now there are two. With the official announcement of Andrew White, son of the late Gov. Mark White, Texas Democrats are ecstatic they have top tier candidates seeking the party's gubernatorial nomination.	12/07/2017	1:01
12/08/2017	News	The chair for the Republican Party of Texas is calling on a Dallas County Commissioner to not sidestep state law by allowing Sheriff Lupe Valdez to remain on the job while she actively campaigns as a Democratic gubernatorial candidate.	12/08/2017	0:43
12/08/2017	News	Andrew White declared thursday that he is running for the democratic nomination for governor. White listed education and healthcare among his top priorities. but he said, if elected, his first action would be to get a controversial confederate memorial out of the state capitol building.	12/08/2017	1:06
12/11/2017	News	The state's Health and Human Services Commission is looking into a new law concerning the disposal of aborted fetal tissue remains.	12/11/2017	1:01
12/11/2017	News	Dozens of families separated by their immigration status briefly reunited this weekend just north of El Paso. For a few hours Sunday morning, border patrol agents stood back while families embraced through the Sunland Park border fence, a long row of rust-colored columns that divide the US and Mexico. Reporter Mallory Falk followed one family as they prepared for a special reunion.	12/11/2017	3:11
12/11/2017	News	More anonymous female staffers at the state capitol have come forward to say they have been sexually harassed and groped by male lawmakers.	12/11/2017	1:01
12/12/2017	News	Texas health officials held a public hearing on MONDAY about a rule requiring health care facilities to bury or cremate fetal remains. The rule would apply to both abortions and miscarriages that happen in hospitals or abortion clinics.	12/12/2017	0:45
12/12/2017	News	All last week -- Ten students from around the country came to WEST TEXAS to learn the craft of radio storytelling. They were part of the Tansom Traveling Workshop, hosted by our station. The students spent the week producing profiles of some familiar west texas voices. In this first story, Sally Beauvais takes us up in the air with Burt Compton.	12/12/2017	4:31
12/12/2017	News	A Mexican journalist who is in the United States seeking asylum was nearly deported last week. After reporting on cartels and military corruption, he says his life was threatened. Now, after nearly 10 years in the U.S., he's facing deportation and is currently being held in a West Texas detention facility.	12/12/2017	0:51
12/13/2017	News	On Tuesday, the commercial space flight company Blue Origin completed it's latest rocket test in West Texas.	12/13/2017	1:00
12/13/2017	News	MORE THAN THREE MONTHS AFTER HARVEY STRUCK TEXAS, THOUSANDS ARE STILL IN TRANSITIONAL HOUSING.	12/13/2017	1:09
12/14/2017	News	The future of the Children's Health Insurance Program in Texas is still unclear. Congress has yet to renew funding authorization for the program -- also known as CHIP -- when it expired in September. However, state health officials say it looks like they probably won't be sending out letters to families during the holidays letting them know the program is shutting down.	12/14/2017	1:09
12/15/2017	News	A new survey shows black adults in Texas and around the country have a lot of concerns about health care, including reproductive health. Experts came together this week in Dallas to talk about the findings and their implications. Stella Chavez report	12/15/2017	2:11
12/15/2017	News	This morning a pre-trial hearing in the death of Zuzu Verk begins. She was a student at Sul Ross State University when she disappeared last year. And as Bayla Metzger reports, Verk's ex boyfriend was indicted on murder charges earlier this year.	12/15/2017	1:00

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12/15/2017	News	Since the late 1970s, Guatemalans been crossing the border into to the United States in large numbers - taking their indigenous heritage and language with them. Marfa Public Radio's Elizabeth Trovall brings us a story on how political rhetoric and steady Guatemalan immigration has stressed demand for translators of America's ancient languages.	12/15/2017	4:00
12/18/2017	News	The Chancellor of The University of Texas System is resigning. William McRaven will be stepping down in May after three years on the job.	12/18/2017	0:35
12/18/2017	News	A controversial contract to mine special education data in Texas is being cancelled after pushback from parents and administrators.	12/18/2017	0:41
12/18/2017	News	2018's Agriculture Commissioner election is off to a rocky start with a number of online jabs between the two Republican candidates in the race while the Democratic nominee travels across the state to meet with farmers and other voters about her 2018 campaign.	12/18/2017	1:00
12/19/2017	News	ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS SAY THE EPA IS TAKING A "DO-NOTHING" APPROACH TO POLLUTION IN TEXAS. THE GROUPS ARE SUING THE AGENCY OVER THE LATEST VERSION OF A RULE MEANT TO REDUCE HAZE IN SCENIC PARTS OF TEXAS. THEY SAY IT DOESN'T GO FAR ENOUGH.	12/19/2017	1:32
12/20/2017	News	A study released this month by the U.S. Geological Survey found that water in the Rio Grande Aquifer System -- which begins in Colorado and runs through New Mexico and into West Texas -- has high concentrations of some harmful minerals.	12/20/2017	0:51
12/20/2017	News	FEMA is approving more applications for Harvey housing assistance in zip codes with higher median incomes than it is in lower income areas. That's according to a report out today/Tuesday from the Episcopal Health Foundation.	12/20/2017	1:00
12/21/2017	News	<i>Wednesday, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals said it will take up an issue that could have a big impact on the ongoing securities fraud case against Attorney General Ken Paxton.</i>	12/21/2017	
12/21/2017	News	First there was a lawsuit, then there wasn't: Texas Public Radio's Ryan Poppe reports the Texas Democratic Party has dropped its federal lawsuit to keep embattled Congressman Blake Farenthold's name on the 2018 primary ballot.	12/21/2017	1:00
12/21/2017	News	Jay Hulings is one of the democratic candidates for district 23, which stretches out west from San Antonio towards El Paso and includes th/e Big Bend region. Like his opponents, Hulings is touring the district talking to constituents. At a recent stop in Marfa, our own Carlos Morales asked the candidate why he would leave behind a career as a federal prosecutor to enter politics jump into a crowded primary field.	12/21/2017	5:09
12/21/2017	News	It's (date) and holiday preparations are in full swing. Of the many ways we celebrate with friends and family, food traditions are what unite us around the dinner table. Marfa Public Radio's Elizabeth Trovall takes us to Presidio where one area business puts in extra hours to answer the holiday wish for a favorite seasonal dish.	12/21/2017	3:42
10/12/2017	Nature Notes	Keeping an Eye on the Winter Hummingbirds of the Trans-Pecos - West Texas boasts among the greatest diversity of hummingbirds of any region in the country. Each year in late summer, birders convene in Fort Davis for the Davis Mountains Hummingbird Celebration, as thousands of hummingbirds pass through on great migrations.	7:45 AM, 4:44 PM	5:01
10/19/2017	Nature Notes	Blackwater Draw: A Journey into the Paleolithic Plains - A century ago, archeologists believed human beings had occupied the Americas for just 3,000 years. Then, a series of discoveries on the plains of West Texas and eastern New Mexico transformed that view.	7:45 AM, 4:44 PM	5:01

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10/21/2017	Nature Notes	Conserving a “Keystone Species”: Lynda Watson is “the Prairie Dog Lady” of West Texas - They form a sophisticated society, with intricate communication. Prairie dogs are remarkable for their intelligence and sociability. And they’re a “keystone species” – a foundation of biodiversity – on the West Texas plains. They nearly disappeared.	7:45 AM, 4:44 PM	5:01
11/2/2017	Nature Notes	For Birds of Prey, Winter is the Time in West Texas - he rains have ended. The weather is bracing. On prairies and grasslands, green gives way to gold. Winter is coming to West Texas, and nature herself seems to quiet and still. But even as arid months begin, a wave of commanding predators arrives in our region. They are the birds of prey.	7:45 AM, 4:44 PM	5:01
10/6/17	Rambling Boy	In honor of Columbus Day, this week Lonnn Taylor discusses the explorer’s greatest biographer Harvard history professor Samuel Eliot Morison and the expedition that inspired his work.	11:06 AM	10:15
10/13/17	Rambling Boy	On this episode of Rambling Boy, Lonnn Taylor highlights the life and career of Skunks bandleader Jesse Sublett who went on to become one of Texas’s most prolific writers.	11:06 AM	9:18
10/20/2017	Rambling Boy	This week on Rambling Boy, historian Lonnn Taylor discusses the two types of people he sees in the world: the curious and the incurious.	11:06 AM	8:13
10/27/2017	Rambling Boy	What happens when you combine ‘Southern pride and a propensity towards violence’? Lonnn Taylor has the answers – and some interesting family stories from East Texas – on this episode of Rambling Boy.	11:06 AM	9:34
11/3/2017	Rambling Boy	On this week’s episode of Rambling Boy, Lonnn Taylor recalls the story of Henry “Baldy” Russell, the strangest outlaw in Texas.	11:06 AM	9:35
11/10/2017	Rambling Boy	November in Texas is the month for pecans, according to Lonnn Taylor. On this week’s episode of Rambling Boy, Lonnn talks about the nuts’ history in the region as well as his own calamitous foray into commercial pecan growing.	11:06 AM	10:01
11/17/2017	Rambling Boy	Living near the border lends lots of opportunities for cross-cultural humor. In this episode of The Rambling Boy, Lonnn Taylor tells some of his favorite bilingual jokes and stories.	11:06 AM	8:58
11/24/2017	Rambling Boy	As children, we were taught that the first Thanksgiving took place in 1621 in Plymouth, Massachusetts. But some historians theorize that the first Thanksgiving meal may have happened elsewhere...including the Lone Star state. On the day after Turkey Day, Lonnn fills us in on some of the other “first Thanksgivings.” One such story, comes from Gaspar Pérez de Villagrás’s Historia de la Nueva México. Villagrás’s account of the Mass of Thanksgiving takes place on April 30, 1598, when the colonizer of New Mexico, Juan de Oñate, and his five hundred colonists held a meal on the north bank of the Rio Grande. Villagrás, who was an eyewitness, described how the Te Deum was sung, fanfares sounded on trumpets, muskets fired, and a formal act of possession read, followed by a feast on fish, ducks, geese, and cranes.	11:06 AM	10:09
12/1/2017	Rambling Boy	On this episode of The Rambling Boy, Lonnn Taylor hypothesizes about why Americans, and especially Southerners, are so fascinated by all things Scottish, including kilts, tartans, and bagpipes. Lonnn references an article which appeared in Harper’s entitled “How Walter Scott Started the American Civil War” by Scott Horton. Horton argues convincingly that the Scottish novelist Sir Walter Scott (1771-1832), is responsible for the popularity of all things Scottish in the American South. Scott invented the historical novel and during his lifetime published 21 novels and 12 books of poetry. Most of the novels were set in Scotland and most dealt with chivalry, knights in armor, feudal times, or Scottish patriotism. Scott is also credited with reviving the wearing of the kilt, which had been banned after the Jacobite rising of 1745.	11:06 AM	9:48
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12/29/2017	Rambling Boy		11:06 AM	
10/3/2017	West Texas Talk	William Cordova: On this episode of West Texas Talk, we speak with Peruvian artist William Cordova. Cordova discusses his recent works, the construction of culture, an early love of radio, and more. His solo show, ankaylli: spatial and ideological terrain, will be on view at Marfa Contemporary from October 6 through December 22, 2017.	6:30:00 PM	0:21:31
10/4/2017	West Texas Talk	Pickwick Players: In this episode of West Texas Talk you'll hear from Abby Cheek and Josh Maguire, two members of Pickwick Players, a youth theatre group in Midland Texas. Abby and Josh are two of many high school students who spent two years developing an original play in which a girl named Helen learns to cope with the struggles of being a teenager through fairy tales.	6:30:00 PM	0:22:04
10/5/2017	West Texas Talk	Dennis Bixler-Marquez and Irma Montelongo: Whether you're based in Far West Texas or Melbourne, Australia, getting your degree in Chicano Studies has never been easier. On this episode of West Texas Talk, University of Texas at El Paso professors, Dr. Bixler-Márquez and Dr. Irma Montelongo, discuss the university's new online Chicano Studies program.	6:30:00 PM	0:24:24
10/6/2017	West Texas Talk	Musician Robert Ellis: On this edition of West Texas Talk, we sit down with musician Robert Ellis. Ellis talks about jazz and singer-songwriters, tells us about how his pianist mother and guitar playing uncle got him into music, and we play and discuss a couple tracks from his recent, self-titled album.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:55
10/10/2017	West Texas Talk	David Sedaris: On this episode of West Texas Talk, find out why David Sedaris is fascinated by "people behaving horribly." Sedaris also speaks with his signature candor and wit about the process of going through decades of old diaries to write his newest book.	6:30:00 PM	0:22:56
10/11/2017	West Texas Talk	Marjie Scott: In this episode of West Texas Talk, theatre professor Marjie Scott discusses the play Clybourne Park, which opens at Sul Ross University on Oct. 20. Throughout the conversation, we explore racial tension in America and the different ways it has manifested both before and after the civil rights movement.	6:30:00 PM	0:24:18
10/12/2017	West Texas Talk	Dr. Taft Armandroff: Pete Szilagyi speaks to McDonald Observatory director Dr. Taft Armandroff, who is helping plan and fund a new observatory on a Chile mountaintop. To be the largest telescope on earth, Armandroff says the Giant Magellan Telescope is "a revolutionary project that's really going to change what we know about the universe" and complement ground-breaking research in West Texas.	6:30:00 PM	0:21:48
10/13/2017	West Texas Talk	Meshell Ndegeocello: On this episode of West Texas Talk, Grammy Award nominated musician Meshell Ndegeocello stops by the studio. Ndegeocello talks about her most misunderstood song, collaborating with artists including John Mellencamp and Chaka Khan, and her recent theater project. We also talk about Ndegeocello's forthcoming album, Ventriloquism, which is a series of 90s pop covers.	6:30:00 PM	0:24:27
10/17/2017	West Texas Talk	Should I Stay or Should I Go (Live Storytelling Event): These are personal stories from our live storytelling event that took place on October 11, 2017. Many thanks to Kaki Aufdengarten-Scott, Chuy Calderon, Gil Lujan, Gabriela Garfio Carvalho and Calletana Vargas for sharing their experiences with us!	6:30:00 PM	0:29:00
10/18/2017	West Texas Talk	We Are Public Radio: For our Fall Membership Drive, we wanted to celebrate some of our renowned DJs who make our station great. Our station producers profiled seven of our beloved personalities — Roseland Klein, David Beebe, JP Schwartz, Primo Carrasco, David Branch, Michael Camacho, and Natalie Melendez. You get to learn a little bit more about the dedicated volunteers who keep listeners tuned in from around the world. Some have been with the station since it's earliest days — nearly twelve years ago!	6:30:00 PM	0:29:00
10/19/2017	West Texas Talk	Best of UTPB's Boom or Bust Essays: On tonight's program, we re-broadcasted our favorite personal essays from UTPB's Boom or Bust project — stories to "help promote understanding of the Permian Basin's energy and economic resources from a humanistic perspective." Thanks to Dr. Rebecca Babcock and Dr. Jason Lagapa for spearheading this initiative. The stories you'll hear are from Kristen Figgins, Alex Rathbun, Berry Simpson, Daniella Garcia, and Sheena Stieff.	6:30:00 PM	0:27:45

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10/20/2017	West Texas Talk	Voices from the Border: On this episode of West Texas talk we revisit “Voices of the Border,” a series produced earlier this year by Sasha Von Oldershausen. In this episode we’ll hear from the people whose lives have been impacted by the Texas-Mexico Border.	6:30:00 PM	0:25:26
10/24/2017	West Texas Talk	Aki Onda and Akio Suzuki: Japanese sound artists Aki Onda and Akio Suzuki discuss their practice, influences, and backgrounds that led them to sound art. Onda explains, “Everybody has memory, so in a sense, the audience or listeners, they take my sound as they like. They try to link their memory to my sound, because it’s pretty much abstract.”	6:30:00 PM	0:22:21
10/25/2017	West Texas Talk	Dr. Chris Ritzi: On the eve of Halloween, we speak with entomologist Dr. Chris Ritzi about the diverse range of insect life in West Texas: from tarantula mating to scorpion hunting to vinegaroon spray, and more. He also fills us in on the ways that Hollywood has drawn inspiration from insect’s alien ways. Ritzi is the Chair of the Biology, Geology and Physical Sciences Department at Sul Ross State University. The university has an Insect/Anthropod Collection with about 80,000 specimens.	6:30:00 PM	0:25:07
10/26/2017	West Texas Talk	Dr. Andrew Sansom: In this episode of West Texas Talk, we speak with Dr. Andrew Sansom, Executive Director of The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment at Texas State University. Dr. Sansom explains Texas’ fragmented regulator system and how water conservation is inextricably linked to working with landowners.	6:30:00 PM	0:26:02
10/27/2017	West Texas Talk	Anne Waldman (Lannan): A conversation with poet, writer, performer, and political/cultural advocate Anne Waldman. Waldman is the author of more than 40 collections of poetry and poetics, an active member of the Outrider experimental poetry movement, and has been connected to the Beat movement and the second generation of the New York School – Her work as a cultural activist and her practice of Tibetan Buddhism are deeply connected to her poetry.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:57
10/31/2017	West Texas Talk	Kerry Manzo & Maureena Benavides - "Out in West Texas:" In this conversation, Kerry Manzo and Maureena Benavides discuss the need for more support of transgender individuals in West Texas and the mission of the “Out in West Texas” symposium	6:30:00 PM	0:27:11
11/1/2017	West Texas Talk	Terlingua Ghost Town Ghost Stories: For Halloween, that station hosted “Ghost Town Stories” at the Starlight Theater – paranormal experiences from West Texans.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:24
11/2/2017	West Texas Talk	Laura Langham: On this edition of West Texas Talk, a conversation with Laura Langham. Executive Director of Grand Companions, about homeless pets in west Texas.	6:30:00 PM	0:26:46
11/3/2017	West Texas Talk	Thee Commons: From East LA to West Texas, tonight’s episode of West Texas Talk features a lively, music-filled conversation with psychedelic cumbia band Thee Commons. David and Rene Pacheco and Jose Rojas talk about the wide range of sounds and music that influenced their style and most recent album, Paleta Sonora.	6:30:00 PM	0:27:58
11/7/2017	West Texas Talk	Voices of Blackwell: The “Voices of Blackwell” series was produced in partnership with the Blackwell School Alliance. The segregated institution was open from the late nineteenth century and closed in 1965 with the integration of schools in town. Although Hispanics were not legally segregated, Marfa practiced de-facto segregation. Anglo children attended Marfa Elementary, and Hispanic children went to the Blackwell School.	6:30:00 PM	0:27:19
11/8/2017	West Texas Talk	Amy Elizondo: On this episode of West Texas Talk, a discussion about rural healthcare and how to shop for health insurance during this year’s open enrollment period, which runs November 1st until December 15th. For the episode, we talked to Amy Elizondo, who works as program services vice president for the National Rural Health Association.	6:30:00 PM	0:26:45
11/9/2017	West Texas Talk	Veterans Tell Their Stories: In honor of veterans day, we partnered with the Midland Centennial Library to collect stories from veterans in West Texas. You’ll hear personal stories from Roxie Neal, Jim Besse, Sarah Cotton, Scott Jimenez, and Eduardo Aguilar.	6:30:00 PM	0:25:51

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11/10/2017	West Texas Talk	Kathleen Shafer: On tonight's episode of West Texas Talk, a conversation with artist, writer and geographer Kathleen Shafer, who wrote the book, "Marfa: The Transformation of a West Texas Town." Shafer talks about how the town has changed since artist Donald Judd arrived in the 70s, and what the Marfa brand stands for today. Shafer wrote about the town as an outsider, but she recently transitioned from being a sometime-visitor to a full-time resident.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:00
11/14/2017	West Texas Talk	Rebecca Babcock: Babcock is a William and Ordelle Watts Professor of English, Director of Undergraduate Research, Chair of The Department of Literature and Languages at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin. In the interview, Babcock speaks about the different types of writing centers available as well as her latest book, Writing Centers and Disabilities.	6:30:00 PM	0:27:43
11/15/2017	West Texas Talk	Peter Hennings: Dr. Hennings is a Principal Investigator and Geology Lead at the Center for Integrated Seismicity Research. He helps run the TexNet Seismic Monitoring Project, a statewide earthquake monitoring system	6:30:00 PM	0:28:33
11/16/2017	West Texas Talk	John Klingemann: John Klingemann is a Professor in the History Department at Angelo State university. Dr. Klingemann grew up in the Bend Bend, and became interested in the learning about the Mexican Revolution because of familial ties to its history. In this episode, Klingemann discusses some of the reasons behind the revolution, and its ultimate impact on Mexico.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:57
11/17/2017	West Texas Talk	Jacque Burkalow: In this episode of West Texas Talk, we discuss a taboo topic: death and what matters at the end of life. Jacquie Burklow of Hospice Midland talks about options for end of life care, the importance of grief and some of the incredible moments she's witnessed over 20 years of working in hospice.	6:30:00 PM	0:26:44
11/21/2017	West Texas Talk	First Times Storytelling Event: This is the full version of the "First Times" live storytelling event that took place on November 16, 2017 at Sul Ross University. This event was planned by Megan Wilde and her communication students with the university's radio station, KSRU.	6:30:00 PM	0:29:00
11/22/2017	West Texas Talk	Louis Aulbach: On the day before Thanksgiving, a conversation about early settlers...of the Big Bend region. Avocational historian and archeologist, Louis Aulbach, has been studying this area of Texas for decades. He shares stories of what brought people to this part of the Chihuahuan desert, how they survived, and what makes their stories important.	6:30:00 PM	0:22:32
11/23/2017	West Texas Talk	"With Good Reason:" My Life As A Wild Turkey: World-renowned naturalist Joe Hutto, subject of the Emmy winning BBC documentary "My Life As a Turkey", discusses how he became a wild turkey mother in the hammocks of Florida. Plus, Eric Walden gives a play-by-play of the ninja-like moves of the wild turkey—mid-air. The once-scorned bronze-feathered turkey is making a comeback, with the help of organic, free-range farmers like Paul Kelly. Also, Jay Sullivan sends his students off to Thanksgiving Break with a poem about a young engineer's ingenuity and of course, a turkey.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:36
11/24/2017	West Texas Talk	Youth Media Podcast Rebroadcast: From I Love Dick to tourism-oriented media, Marfa has been in the news a lot lately. Today on West Texas Talk, we feature a podcast produced by our Youth Media student reporters about their lives in Marfa.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:17
11/28/2017	West Texas Talk	Dr. Timothy Morton & Ballroom Marfa Discuss "Hyperobjects:" Ballroom Marfa's upcoming exhibit is called Hyperobjects – a term that Dr. Timothy Morton came up with to describe massive phenomena like climate change. In this episode of West Texas Talk, Morton, Ballroom Marfa's Laura Copelin, and Nance Klehm talk about how they're using art to help us wrap our minds around "hyperobjects."	6:30:00 PM	0:29:33
11/29/2017	West Texas Talk	West Texas VA's Director Kalautie JangDhari on Services and Low SAIL Ratings: In this interview, Director Kalautie JangDhari talks about the challenges for the West Texas Veterans Affair System due to the rural nature of the geography it serves.	6:30:00 PM	0:29:57

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11/30/2017	West Texas Talk	UTPB's Boom or Bust Project Collaborates with Permian High School: Professor Jason Lagapa discusses UT PB's "Boom or Bust" writing workshop and the collaboration with Permian High School. In this program, you hear personal essays from Permian High School students Corni Ortega, Maggie Lujan, Humberto Zumbia, and Dezmon Goobi. You'll also hear from their teacher, Katie Groneman and English graduate student Shelby Bullock.	6:30:00 PM	0:21:32
12/1/2017	West Texas Talk	Mattheu Aikins: On this edition of West Teas Talk, a conversation with political journalist and Lannan writer-in-residence, Matthieu Aikins.	6:30:00 PM	0:27:37
12/5	West Texas Talk	West Texas Grassroots Historian & Author Israel Mendoza de Levario: Israel Mendoza de Levario has dedicated decades of his life towards researching his indigenous Jumano ancestry – a heritage many West Texans fail to acknowledge, even though DNA tests show that some 90% of people living in the Presidio-Ojinaga have indigenous blood. On this episode of West Texas Talk, we chat with De Levario about his self-published books and plans for a museum that focuses on the indigenous history of West Texas.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:58
12/6	West Texas Talk	Midland Storytelling Festival's Sue Roseberry on the Importance of Sharing Experiences: Sue Roseberry is the Executive Director of the Midland Storytelling Festival. In this interview, she talks about how she became a storyteller and the organization's upcoming events. Roseberry also shares a personal Christmas story.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:14
12/7	West Texas Talk	FullyMaxxed – Creator of Electro-Funk in Far West Texas: On this edition of West Texas Talk, a conversation with local musician FullyMaxxed (Max Ferguson) about creating and producing the unique sound of electronically-focused funk music in Far-West Texas.	6:30:00 PM	0:27:22
12/8	West Texas Talk	Rob Rosenthal Visits Marfa with the Transom Traveling Workshop: Rob Rosenthal has taught hundreds of students with Atlantic Public Media's Transom Story Workshop – a celebrated program that has taught radio fundamentals to numerous audio producers. In this conversation, Pepple and Rosenthal discuss how he got into radio, the workshop, and what makes audio storytelling special.	6:30:00 PM	0:27:13
12/12	West Texas Talk	Stories from the Transom Traveling Workshop – Part One: We bring you the first part of stories from the Marfa Transom Traveling Workshop. The students came here to produce stories about people in the Big Bend in just a single week. You'll hear about a policeman, an outdoors man, an aspiring winemaker, a bartender, and a glider pilot.	6:30:00 PM	0:29:00
12/13	West Texas Talk	Stories from the Transom Traveling Workshop – Part Two: We bring you the second part of stories from the Marfa Transom Traveling Workshop. The students came here to produce stories about people in the Big Bend in just a single week. You'll hear about a traveling veterinarian, a post office worker, a certain restaurateur/musician/Justice of the Peace, and a spur collector.	6:30:00 PM	0:24:57
12/14	West Texas Talk	Carey King: On this episode of West Texas Talk we hear from Carey King on the state of renewable energy in Texas. King is the assistant director of the energy institute at the University of Texas at Austin which looks at the technology, policy and economics of energy.	6:30:00 PM	0:27:19
12/15	West Texas Talk	Heather Fazio: Beginning in 2018 Texas will allow epilepsy patients access to medical marijuana, but the new law is criticized as being too narrow. Heather Fazio, Political Director of the Marijuana Policy Project in Texas, explains the in's and out's of the new law and stories she's heard from families who use cannabis as medicine.	6:30:00 PM	0:23:15
12/19	West Texas Talk	John Sufficool (Rebroadcast): In this interview, Nguyen visits Sufficool at his home base in Alpine. They discuss Sufficool's history in West Texas, his gardening, and his process for creating art cars which have become famous over the years.	6:30:00 PM	0:21:44
12/20	West Texas Talk	Carolyn Boyd (Rebroadcast): Elise Pepple speaks with Dr. Carolyn Boyd, an artist turned anthropologist who has been studying ancient murals in the Lower Pecos Canyonlands for the last 25 years. Her work is revolutionizing the understanding of North American rock art.	6:30:00 PM	0:25:37

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12/21	West Texas Talk	"Dark Skies, Dark Energies" by Ian Lewis: Here in West Texas, there are two major searches ongoing. While companies in the Permian Basin seek more deposits of oil and gas underground, astronomers at McDonald Observatory are searching the sky for an answer to the question: what is dark energy? But while one resource is produced, another is threatened. With the increase in oil and gas activity, the dark nighttime skies are brightening.	6:30:00 PM	0:27:30
12/22	West Texas Talk	Best In-Studio Performances of 2017: For this special edition of West Texas Talk, we present to you some of the best in-studio musical performances we've brought to you in 2017.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:07
12/26	West Texas Talk	Best of Live Storytelling: These are some of our favorite live stories that were told at our events throughout the year.	6:30:00 PM	0:28:57
12/27	West Texas Talk	West Texas Water Coverage in 2017: In this episode, we delve into the intricacies of groundwater law with St. Mary's Law School Associate Dean Amy Hardberger, hear about a contentious export permit in Culberson County, discuss the fragmented nature of groundwater conservation districts with The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment's Andrew Sansom, take a look at the market for frack water, and finally, discuss the balance of fracking and conservation in Balmorhea with University of Texas' hydrologist Jack Sharp.	6:30:00 PM	0:29:00
12/28	West Texas Talk	West Texas Flora and Fauna Coverage: In this episode, we look back at some of the station's coverage of West Texas flora and fauna. We hear about water and land stewardship from The Dixon Water Foundation's President and CEO Robert Potts, how ranchers are moving into nature tourism, the Rocky Mountain Ponderosa Pine, and rebounding pronghorn populations.	6:30:00 PM	0:21:33
12/29	West Texas Talk	Gracie Lara (Rebroadcast): Our guest tonight is Gracie Lara, a cashier from Marfa. Travis Lux talked with her about managing stress on the job, working in a town where everyone knows everyone, and the things she thinks Marfa lacks.	6:30:00 PM	0:18:52