

Quarterly Issues Programs List for KWGS
July 1-September 30, 2017
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Section I. Issues

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our community in this quarter:

- A. **Fine Arts:** Issues related to the cultural quality of life in our community.
- B. **Foreign Policy:** Issues related to the understanding of American foreign policy challenges.
- C. **Government:** Issues related to federal, state, and local governance.
- D. **Education:** Issues relating to childhood development, school improvement and reform, and budgetary impacts.
- E. **Humanities:** Issues related to the better understanding of history, economics, literature and the social sciences.
- F. **Economy:** Issues relating to development of the local economy, and government planning for economic growth.
- G. **Interfaith Relationships:** Issues relating to religious life, tolerance, and interdenominational and ecumenical activities.
- H. **Community Justice:** Issues relating to racial, ethnic, gender, and sexual identity or socioeconomic class, immigration, and the broader understanding between different groups in the community.
- I. **Science & Technology:** Issues relating to the most recent developments in the physical sciences, and the continuing impact of new technology on the populace.
- J. **Emergency Preparedness:** Issues relating to preparing communities and populations for natural disasters, terrorism events, and environmental incidents.
- K. **Healthcare:** Issues related to medical news, healthcare treatment, the treatment of the uninsured, and the implementation of the Affordable Care Act.
- L. **Generational Issues:** Issues relating to aging and divides in generational beliefs and attitudes.
- M. **Environment:** Issues relating to environmental concerns, sustainable development and living, and energy needs.
- N. **Public Safety:** Issues related to law enforcement, natural disaster rescue and recovery, and crime's impact on the community.

Section II. Responsive Programs

A. Fine Arts

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 19, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.
The Tulsa-based Clark Youth Theatre was recently honored to perform at the very first YouthFest during the American Association of Community Theatre's 2017 National Festival. Our guest is the director of Clark Youth Theatre.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 21, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.
Living Arts of Tulsa, a vital and long-running part of the arts scene here in town, now has a new artistic director, only the third in the organization's history. Our guest ST is Jessica Borusky. Who discusses her plans for the organization.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 28, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

The nonprofit Choregus Productions will soon present its second-annual Summer Heat International Dance Festival. Our guest is the artistic director of the Ballet of the Grand Théâtre de Genève, which will be a part of this festival.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 4, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We learn about a new exhibit at the 108 Contemporary Gallery; it's a glass, beadwork, and fiber show called "Both Sides Now: Joyce J. Scott & Sonya Clark." We speak with Scott, a MacArthur Grant award winning artist.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 11, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

The "Oh, Tulsa!" Biennial (a best-of group show presenting many outstanding works by Tulsa-based visual artists) opened recently at the Living Arts Gallery. Our guest is the curator for this show, Dr. Kirsten Olds.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 24, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We speak with Scott Stulen, the Director of Philbrook Museum of Art. At a press conference earlier today, Stulen announced a number of changes in the visitor experience at the museum, which involves new programming, and hours designed to accommodate visitor's needs.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast August 31, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We get an update on the Kravis Discovery Center at the Gilcrease Museum. The Center recently underwent an extensive, technology-driven renovation, which will serve as a demonstration project prior to the museum's complete renovation and expansion in 2020. Our guest is Dr. Bob Pickering, a former Senior Curator at Gilcrease, and consultant on the project.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 9, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Our guest is the jazz trumpeter and vocalist Byron Stripling. He appeared with the Signature Symphony in a special Pops concert titled "The Roaring '20s and All That Jazz."

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 15, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

The Tulsa Symphony Orchestra will soon open its new season. On the program, music by Brahms and Bartok. Our guests are the Principal Guest Conductor Daniel Hege and executive musician Angela Carter, who serves as a clarinetist in the orchestra, and as Development Director for the musician-run orchestra.

B. Foreign Policy

Documentary of the Week-Broadcast on July 20, 2017 at 12:00pm & July 21, 2017 at 8:00pm; Duration 59 minutes.

On America Abroad, in the war against ISIS, the battlefield has no distinct boundaries. Insurgents often live among locals. The challenge is finding ways to separate the two — getting civilians to trust American forces instead of ISIS. One division of the military's Special Operations Command is tasked with just that.

Documentary of the Week-Broadcast on July 27, 2017 at 12:00pm & July 29, 2017 at 8:00pm; Duration 59 minutes.

Filipino President Rodrigo Duterte's war on drugs has killed over 7,000 people. But not only has the White House failed to condemn this policy; President Trump has praised Duterte for his drug war. This hour, we'll hear stories about Duterte's brutal drug war; US military cooperation with the Philippines; and the connection between the Philippine drug trade and ISIS. We'll explore the US relationship with the Philippines, from the era of American colonialism until today. And we'll talk about how the US can manage this delicate situation moving forward.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 13, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

President Trump recently announced a new strategy for the U.S. military in Afghanistan. How will this play out? Our guest is Omar Samad, the former Afghan Ambassador to France and Canada, and advisor to the Chief Executive of Afghanistan.

Documentary of the Week-Broadcast on September 21, 2017 at 12:00pm & September 22, 2017 at 8:00pm; Duration 59 minutes.

It's been almost two years since 195 countries signed a historic climate change agreement in Paris. And last spring, President Trump announced his intention to pull the US out of the agreement. Meanwhile, all the other signatories have reaffirmed their commitment to clean energy policy. We'll explore how various countries are tackling the issue of climate change — from China and India to the Arctic and North Africa. And we'll discuss whether countries can reduce their emissions without damaging their economies and what the US pullout means for the world.

C. Government

KWGS News-Broadcast on July 27, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

People who live in Oklahoma know the state's weather is hard to predict. Erratic rain, heat and ice, and drought can also devastate government budgets. To combat this, researchers from OU and OSU are using new software that could help predict these economic strains. As Zoe Travers reports, the new tool could save cities money by helping them budget for Oklahoma's weather.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 15, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Last week's Oklahoma Supreme Court decision invalidating the State Legislature's cigarette cessation fee means there's now a \$214 million budget deficit in this year's budget. Will the Legislature offer new revenue solutions, or offer new cuts in the state budget? Policy analyst David Blatt of the Oklahoma Policy Institute is our guest.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 26, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

American Promise, a Cross-Partisan Nonprofit Aimed at Undoing Citizens United, Opens a Tulsa Chapter Aired on Tuesday, September 26th.

The US Supreme Court's Citizens United ruling remains controversial. We learn about a nationwide movement to render this ruling null and void. This movement recently opened a Tulsa chapter; our guest is a TU Law professor who's an advisor to that chapter and the national organization, Tamara Piety.

D. Education

KWGS News-Broadcast on July 6, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

A new report from the Brookings Institution says Oklahoma City is positioned for growth. The city has a solid layer of infrastructure that is essential for development — and diversifying the economy. The biggest threat to this progress? Education. As Emily Wendler reports, some researchers say local officials need to ensure schools provide the training, innovative companies need. And they need to be doing it now.

KWGS News-Broadcast on July 20, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

For some low-income children in Oklahoma, summer does not mean vacation and play time. It means being hungry. The lunch and breakfast these kids receive at school is no longer readily available — so they often go without. And while there are summer food programs to combat this, kids often can't navigate the barriers in their way. But, as State Impact's Emily Wendler reports — various groups in the state are stepping up to change this.

KWGS News-Broadcast on August 1, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

We focused on the death of former University of Tulsa President Steadman Upham, who died suddenly following surgery. He was 68. We talked with TU students and current President Gerard Clancy about Upham's legacy at TU.

KWGS News-Broadcast on August 10, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

Oklahoma schools are becoming more and more reliant on teachers with no training. In one district-- 15 percent of the new teachers headed in to the classroom next week- are emergency certified. Meaning- they've likely never taught before. State Impact's Emily Wendler recently visited with one of these new teachers- while she was getting ready for her first day on the job.

KWGS News-Broadcast on August 24, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

This year, two of Oklahoma's largest school districts are embarking on an expensive technological experiment: Students are getting their own laptops -- to use in class, and take home. This is not new -- it's been happening across the country for years. But in some schools, take-home-tech has proven a risky move. State Impact's Emily Wendler has more.

Documentary of the Week-Broadcast on August 31, 2017 at 12:00pm & September 1, 2017 at 8:00pm; Duration 59 minutes.

American Radioworks presents "Keeping Teachers". There may be nothing more important in the educational life of a child than having effective teachers. But the United States is struggling to attract and keep teachers. The problem is most acute in rural areas, where kids may learn math from a social studies teacher. In urban schools, the teachers most likely to leave are black men, who make up just 2 percent of teachers.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 6, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Our guest is Brenda Tracy, a registered nurse based in Oregon, an advocate against sexual assault and rape on college campuses. As a young college student, Tracy was gang raped by members of the Oregon State football team. Today she speaks to student-athletes around the country about her own experiences and the need for better education and reporting on campus sexual assault.

Documentary of the Week-Broadcast on September 7, 2017 at 12:00pm & September 8, 2017 at 8:00pm; Duration 59 minutes.

American Radioworks presents "Shackled Legacy: Universities and the Slave Trade". A growing number of colleges and universities in the eastern United States are confronting their historic ties to the slave trade. Profits from slavery and related industries helped build some of the most prestigious schools in New England. And in many southern states, enslaved people built and maintained college campuses.

Documentary of the Week-Broadcast on September 14, 2017 at 12:00pm & September 15, 2017 at 8:00pm; Duration 59 minutes.

American Radioworks presents "Hard to Read: How American Schools Fail Kids With Dyslexia". There are proven ways to help people with dyslexia learn to read, and a federal law that's supposed to ensure schools provide kids with help. But across the country, public schools are denying children proper treatment and often failing to identify them with dyslexia in the first place.

KWGS News-Broadcast on September 15, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

Tulsa School District Administrators discussed efforts to lower the dropout rate in the Tulsa Public Schools. A new program resulted in a 9% increase in graduation rates at Tulsa's Hale High School.

KWGS News-Broadcast on September 21, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

Years of strict federal guidelines on how to improve the nation's poorest-performing schools—didn't change much. Now, a new federal education law is giving states the ability to write their OWN plans for improving academic outcomes. Oklahoma submitted its plan to the U-S Department of Education on Monday -- and Emily Wendler reports the *state* is now in charge of finding and fixing its worst schools.

E. Humanities

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 7, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

The noted Oklahoma writer Rilla Askew is our guest. Her new book, just out, is her first-ever nonfiction volume; it's a collection of nine linked essays entitled "Most American: Notes from a Wounded Place."

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 12, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

What can American motion pictures tell us about the American South, and what can the South tell us about Hollywood and the movies? Our guest is Robert Jackson, an English professor at The University of Tulsa, whose new book, "Fade In, Crossroads: A History of the Southern Cinema" explores these questions.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 14, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

The Tour de France is now in full swing...and on this program, we learn about both the origins and development of the greatest race in all of cycling. Our guest is Peter Cossins, who's written about professional cycling for decades.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 2, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with Daniel Wilson, the sci-fi writer and Tulsa native. He will read from his new novel, "The Clockwork Dynasty" (which deals with sentient automatons engaged in a centuries old conflict) at an event here in Tulsa soon.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 10, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with author Ladee Hubbard. Her first novel is just out: "The Talented Ribkins." It's a clever and creative narrative about race, class, politics, and America itself...and it focuses on a family of super-heroes.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 18, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Our guest is the local author Jennifer Latham. Her new novel, written for YA readers, is "Dreamland Burning." It's a suspenseful narrative about the Tulsa Race Riot.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 29, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with the USSR-born writer Anna Badkhen, who has written about the people living with war and warfare in Afghanistan, Iraq, Somalia, Chechnya, and elsewhere. Badkhen, a member of the Tulsa Artist Fellowship, was participating in a reading of her latest published work.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 7, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We welcome Jared Johnson to the show. He's an active drummer on the Tulsa music scene as well as a drumset instructor at NSU. He has a new album out, a jazz-rooted reflection on a key work by John Steinbeck, his novel "The Grapes of Wrath".

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 14, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Russian Revolution. What does the revolution mean to us now? And how is it remembered by Russians themselves? Our guest is Russian historian Donald Raleigh who will speak on the influence of the October Revolution on Russian and world history.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 19, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We welcome the book critic, editor, and retired librarian Nancy Pearl back to our show. A former Tulsan -- and the longtime book reviewer for this program -- Nancy has a new novel out "George & Lizzie". She's appearing in Tulsa soon.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 20, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with the novelist Tom Perrotta. He tells us about his well-regarded new novel, which is just out: "Mrs. Fletcher." He'll be reading from this book soon at an event here in Tulsa.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 27, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We welcome the bestselling author, Michael Korda. He has a new book out about the defeat which became known as a victory, Dunkirk. In his book, "Alone: Britain, Churchill, and Dunkirk: Defeat Into Victory", he shares the story of the lead-up and story of the battle and evacuation, along with a family memoir of their experiences at the time.

F. Economy

KWGS News-Broadcast on July 5, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

Lynn Gray with the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission discussed the increasing unemployment rate in the second quarter for the Tulsa area.

KWGS News-Broadcast on July 7, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

The old Evans Fin Tube site, northeast of downtown Tulsa will become the new home of BMX. The organization will move its world headquarters to Tulsa. The original site, at the Tulsa Fair Grounds, would not work because of opposing soft drink vendor contracts.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 18, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

How many non-tech jobs in the U.S. will be replaced by technology during the next two decades? According to business expert Edward Hess, upwards of 40-50% His new book, confronting this reality, which he says government and business institutions are downplaying or ignoring, is titled, "Humility Is the New Smart: Rethinking Human Excellence in the Smart Machine Age."

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 20, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We welcome Tulsa Transit Interim General Manager Debbie Ruggles, who tells us about a newly announced bus rapid transit line for our community, which will (come 2019) run mainly along Peoria Ave. It will be known as the Aero system.

KWGS News-Broadcast on July 28, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

The Mother Road Market is coming to 11th and Lewis. The Route 66 intersection will some have Tulsa based shops and eateries. We talked with Elizabeth Ellison, who heads up the project for the Lobeck-Taylor Foundation.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 1, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We learn about the forthcoming Mother Road Market, which will allow visitors "to eat, sip, shop, and enjoy Tulsa's favorite neighborhood restaurants and brand new food concepts." Our guest is the project manager for this development.

KWGS News-Broadcast on August 8, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

A surprise tornado caused widespread damage in Tulsa. We heard from merchants, homeowners, Mayor G.T. Bynum, State Insurance Commissioner John Doak and others on the cleanup and repair effort.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 5, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with Rick Wartzman, a writer and scholar focused on the U.S. workplace. He tells us about his new book, "The End of Loyalty: The Rise and Fall of Good Jobs in America."

G. Interfaith Relationships

None this quarter.

H. Community Justice

KWGS News-Broadcast on July 14, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

"The 100 Black Men" mentoring organization was featured. With talked with state senator Kevin Mathews and Tulsa's Fraternal Order of Police chairman Jared Lindsay about a \$2,500 donation from the FOP to help pay for African American teens to work in community service part time jobs.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 26, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with Richard Rothstein of the Economic Policy Institute, a leading authority on U.S. economic and legal history. His new book, "The Color of Law: A Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America", offers a little-known account of blatantly racist real estate, business, and legal practices, that he says were not only tolerated by government, but also perpetrated by government.

Documentary of the Week-Broadcast on August 24, 2017 at 12:00pm & August 25, 2017 at 8:00pm; Duration 59 minutes.

American Radioworks presents "Shadow Class: College Dreamers in Trump's America". President Trump is ending DACA, which allowed some 800,000 undocumented young people to stay and work in the United

States. For some, that may mean the end of a dream of going to college. This program profiles DACA students and their opponents and examines a key court case and political forces that led to this moment.

KWGS News-Broadcast on September 8, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

“Jordan” has lived in Tulsa since he was three. He is now a college senior. He has been offered a job in an accounting firm upon his graduation. Everything looks great. Except--- he is here on a DACA waiver. His waiver expires in 13-months. He tells his story.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 12, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with Herb Boyd, a journalist and historian who's written widely on black history and activism. He'll be speaking here at TU soon about some of the lesser-known aspects of the 1921 Tulsa Race Riot.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 18, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Our guest is Chris Bernard, the executive director of Hunger Free Oklahoma. This nonprofit, per its website, "works to bring a unified, statewide voice to the issues and solutions surrounding hunger, with a goal to ensure all Oklahomans have access to affordable, nutritious food."

KWGS News-Broadcast on September 20, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

Tulsa gets a grant to help immigrants settle into Tulsa, culturally and economically. We talked with Mayor G.T. Bynum and Tulsa Hispanic Businessman Vicente Ruiz.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast September 28, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with Ali Noorani, the Executive Director of the National Immigration Forum (an advocacy organization promoting the value of immigrants and immigration) who talks about the Trump Administration's decisions on DACA and immigration policy. He says pro-immigration advocates have missed an opportunity to educate Americans by focusing on politics over values and communities.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 29, 2017; 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Our guest is the author and journalist Andrea Pitzer, who tells us about her book, "One Long Night: A Global History of Concentration Camps." This volume begins in 1890s Cuba and ends with present-day Guantanamo, covering camps all around the world and the plight of the persecuted, exiles and refugees.

I. Science & Technology

Documentary of the Week-Broadcast on August 17, 2017 at 12:00pm & August 18, 2017 at 8:00pm; Duration 59 minutes.

“Rules of Life,” an audio documentary produced by the National Science Foundation (NSF), follows scientists as they try to better understand the reasons why the genes of living organisms and the interactions with their environments lead to the varieties of phenotypes—the observable characteristics and traits of an organism expressed by their genetic code—found in nature.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 31, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Since 2012, the national non-profit organization Girls Who Code has taught computing and computer-programming skills to thousands of girls across America in an effort to add women to the STEM workforce. Our guest, Reshma Saujani, is the founder of that organization, who has a new book out.

J. Emergency Preparedness

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 17, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

What can Tulsa's small businesses do to protect themselves from damage caused by flooding, storms, tornadoes, and other natural disasters? Our guest is Dave Hall, Chair of the Disaster Resiliency Business Council.

K. Healthcare

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 10, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with Kim Garrett of Palomar, the nonprofit OKC Family Justice Center, which opened its doors recently. Drawing on the resources of hundreds of professionals and volunteers, Palomar helps OKC-area victims of violence.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 17, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We chat with Dr. Robert Pearl, the former executive director of The Permanente Medical Group, which is responsible for the health care of 3.8 million Kaiser Permanente members nationwide; his new book, "Mistreated: Why We Think We're Getting Good Health Care -- and Why We're Usually Wrong", is a critique of U.S. health care.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 31, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We offer a discussion of doctors and suicide in America today. Our guest is Dr. Michael Myers, an expert on this subject; his latest book is "Why Physicians Die by Suicide: Lessons Learned from Their Families and Others Who Cared."

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 21, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We speak with Dr. Justin Feinstein, a clinical neuropsychologist at Tulsa's Laureate Institute for Brain Research. He explains why floating in a foot or so of salt water can aid those who suffer from acute stress, PTSD, etc.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 28, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We discuss a recent in-depth story from Consumer Reports: "Too Many Meds? America's Love Affair With Prescription Medication." Our guest is Lisa Gill, a deputy editor at Consumer Reports.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 11, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Our guest is Dr. David Kendrick, CEO of the locally based nonprofit, MyHealth Access Network. This network, serving more than 2 million clients throughout Greater Tulsa, has recently received a \$4.5 million federal grant to create an accountable health community.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 21, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We offer a discussion about how what we eat affects not only our health and our mental state, but also our emotional disposition -- how food affects mood, as it were. Our guest is Dr. Leslie Korn, an expert in mental health nutrition and integrative medicine.

L. Generational Issues

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 11, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Transitioning from childhood to adulthood can be challenging, of course. But what if you're doing so and have no family, no friends, no mentors or support system? We speak with two local experts about these matters: David Grewe is with Youth Services of Tulsa, and Kristi Charles is at OU-Tulsa.

KWGS News-Broadcast on August 18, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

We talked with Joy McGill of AARP Oklahoma. We discussed a new survey of Tulsa caregivers for the elderly and the stress they are facing. The survey highlighted the need for better outreach programs to help those caregivers deal with their specific situations.

M. Environment

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 3, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We offer a conversation about water conservation, environmental awareness, and related subjects with Noah Roberts, the proprietor of a Tulsa shop called The Water Co. This business sells water-bottle filling stations as well as reusable bottles, cups, and straws.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 5, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

We speak with Corey Williams, executive director of the nonprofit Sustainable Tulsa, which is driven by these self-professed core principles: "A thriving society, responsible economic growth, and environmental stewardship."

Documentary of the Week-Broadcast on July 6, 2017 at 12:00pm & July 7, 2017 at 8:00pm; Duration 59 minutes.

From the BBC, "A Tale of Two Rivers", journalist Susan Marling visits Los Angeles and Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia to see how the regeneration of urban rivers is re-writing those cities.

KWGS News-Broadcast on July 13, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

Coal-fired power plants are responsible for one of the country's largest streams of industrial waste. This waste, called coal ash, can be disposed of or recycled — a process known as beneficial use. In southeastern Oklahoma, residents don't see the benefit and have long believed the waste was making them sick. After an investigation by State Impact and the Center for Public Integrity, state officials conducted a study on some of those health concerns. Reporter Joe Wertz has the latest on their findings.

KWGS News-Broadcast on August 3, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

Central Oklahoma is still feeling aftershocks from a 4.2-magnitude quake that struck near Edmond last night [8/2/2017]. A key part in solving the earthquake crisis is managing the enormous amount of water that comes to the surface when oil and gas is pumped out of the ground. It's a billion-barrel-a-year problem the energy industry is working to solve. As State Impact's Joe Wertz reports, one promising alternative is reusing this wastewater instead of injecting it underground.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on August 16, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

Plastic pollution -- how bad is it? What can be done? Our guest is scientist and activist Marcus Eriksen, whose latest book, "Junk Raft: An Ocean Voyage and a Rising Tide of Activism to Fight Plastic Pollution", details his sea voyage on a craft made from plastic bottles and other recycled materials, as well as his work to remove plastics from the world's oceans.

KWGS News-Broadcast on August 17, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

A temporary mass migration that could reach into the millions is expected as people in the U.S. relocate to catch a prime view of the country's first coast-to-coast total eclipse in nearly a century. Emergency authorities are already predicting jam-packed roads and warning of massive traffic jams. But the vast majority of the country isn't in line to witness "totality." State Impact's Joe Wertz reports on what the eclipse experience will be like here in Oklahoma.

KWGS News-Broadcast on August 29, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

We talked with Tulsan Robert Cartwright who got caught in the floodwaters of Houston with Hurricane Harvey.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on September 1, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

If you grew up here in the Sooner State -- and if you are, say, 40 or older -- then you might wonder where all the Texas horned lizards, or horny toads, have gone. Our guest recently wrote about this local natural history matter for Oklahoma Today.

KWGS News-Broadcast on September 7, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

Developers recently announced plans to build the country's largest wind farm in Oklahoma's Panhandle. The industry is growing and turbine projects are expanding across the state. But wind energy developers are facing a new headwind: Military air bases. State Impact's Joe Wertz reports.

KWGS News-Broadcast on September 14, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt spent his first months on the job steering the agency away from climate change and back, in his words, to the "basics." Part of that is a renewed focus on cleaning up contaminated sites. The former Oklahoma attorney general is creating a top-10 list of locations that need aggressive attention. This is welcome news at Superfund sites like Oklahoma's Tar Creek. State Impact's Joe Wertz reports.

N. Public Safety

KWGS News-Broadcast on July 18, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

The Tulsa Sheriff's Department is cutting the number of visitation days and hours at the David L. Moss Correctional Center. The office is taking the action to save money, but the cut in hours offers hardships for visitors.

StudioTulsa-Broadcast on July 27, 2017 11:30am & 7:30pm; Duration 30 minutes.

An Update on an Important New Tulsa Police Department Program: The Community Response Team
We learn about the Tulsa Police Department's ongoing efforts to implement better and more widespread Community Policing and crisis-response practices. Our guest is Tulsa Police Department Deputy Chief Jonathan Brooks.

KWGS News-Broadcast on August 14, 2017; 7:45am; Duration 4 minutes.

Former Tulsa Police Officer Betty Shelby joins the Rogers County Sheriff's office. Shelby was acquitted of manslaughter of an unarmed Black man while serving as a Tulsa Police Officer. She returned to the TPD, but resigned after being assigned to desk duty.