

**GLAAD AWARDS****April 2, 7-8 a.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Jennifer Kastner reports that positive portrayals of the LGBTQ community in the media were recognized in Beverly Hills, at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual GLAAD Media Awards. The event honors media for fairly and accurately representing the LGBTQ community.

**AUTISM FESTIVAL****April 8, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Peter Daut reports that in honor of Autism Awareness Month, 'California MENTOR' hosted a free festival in the Inland Empire. The statewide organization offers services to individuals with autism and other disabilities.

**RIOT ANNIVERSARY****April 29, 10-11 pm. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Greg Mills reports on the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the L.A. riots. People who lived through the turbulence in the wake of the Rodney King verdict say they are looking to the future with both skepticism and optimism.

**HATE CRIMES****May 2, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Correspondent Jericka Duncan reports that hate crimes rose by more than 20% in 2016, according to researchers at Cal State San Bernardino. But some groups fighting hate are in a battle to save their federal funding.

**CINCO DE MAYO RELUCTANCE****May 5, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Suzie Suh reports that many people in California's immigrant communities are saying that a cloud is hovering over their Cinco de Mayo celebrations, because President Trump's immigration policies are leaving them uneasy. In the Sacramento area, many opted to skip the festivities altogether.

**LAPD LGBTQ****May 31, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Suzie Suh reports that the LAPD has unveiled a 'Safe Place' program for the LGBTQ community. The program enlists businesses as safe havens for anyone experiencing a hate crime. The LAPD hopes to eventually spread the program citywide.

**PROJECT WINGS****June 3, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Elsa Ramon reports that local charities joined forces in the San Fernando Valley, to spread awareness about domestic violence and honor survivors of it. 'Safe Passage', 'Thrive Integrative Wellness' and 'Women of Watts & Beyond' hosted a community event to encourage people to speak out about domestic violence.

**POLICE COMMISSION****June 13, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Jeff Vaughn reports that community activists are calling for change in the way LAPD deals with the homeless downtown. Health advocates gathered outside a meeting in downtown L.A., and expressed that they want a greater response from outreach counselors rather than uniformed police.

**WOMEN OF WATTS****June 24, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Elsa Ramon reports that 'Women of Watts' held their 14<sup>th</sup> Annual 'Stop the Violence March' through the streets of South L.A. The organization acts as an information center for at-risk families and people. Organizers also held a community fair where they passed out free food, supplies and educational resources.

**CONSUMER & ECONOMICS**FCC Report  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2017**EPIPEN RECALL****April 1, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Peter Daut reports that a potential problem with the EpiPen is forcing its maker to issue a voluntary recall. The FDA says the pens have a defective part that could keep them from activating. EpiPens are used to give an emergency injection of epinephrine to treat life-threatening allergic reactions.

**LEAFY GREENS SHORTAGE****April 15, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL Anchor Elsa Ramon reports that as a result of California's wet winter, the price of leafy greens in local grocery stores is increasing. Experts say the prices for various vegetables will be more than twice what is typical. It's due to the fact that the rain didn't allow for certain crops to be planted in time, and therefore they aren't able to be harvested until a later date.

**ROBOT ECONOMY****April 27, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Jeff Vaughn reports that it's become an inevitable fact that hardworking Americans are losing their jobs to robots, and there is a whole other generation of machines that are being designed to replace humans.

**HEADLIGHT DANGER****May 3, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Elsa Ramon reports that a Pasadena man has started a national petition to ban LED headlights. He says they're so bright that they can cause pain and danger to other drivers.

**LABOR SHORTAGE****May 15, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Correspondent Chris Martinez reports that as harvesting season gets underway, many California farmers are facing a labor shortage, which could translate into higher produce prices. Some farmers say

the Trump administration's immigration crackdown has made matters worse, making working on U.S. farms less attractive to foreign-born workers.

### **TARGET SETTLEMENT**

#### **May 24, 12-1 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that California will get a big chunk of a Target settlement. The company will have to pay millions of dollars to numerous states, because of a massive data breach that occurred during the 2013 holiday shopping season. Hackers stole credit and debit card information from tens of millions of customers. As part of the settlement, Target will also have to improve its digital security.

### **GYMBOREE BANKRUPT**

#### **June 12, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Elsa Ramon reports that the children's clothing store 'Gymboree' has filed for bankruptcy. The company plans to keep most of its 1300 stores open while working to reduce nearly \$1-billion of debt.

### **AMAZON PRIME CLOTHING**

#### **June 20, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Suzie Suh reports that Amazon moved in on the grocery world with its purchase of Whole Foods, and the company is also setting its sights on retail fashion. Amazon has added a feature called 'Prime Wardrobe', allowing Prime members to pick from pieces of apparel they can order online, try on at home and then return for free.

### **TAKATA BANKRUPTCY**

#### **June 25, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Peter Daut reports that there are more problems for embattled airbag-maker Takata, as the company has filed for bankruptcy. Takata has been hit with lawsuits and overwhelmed by recall costs linked to its faulty airbags.

**POSTMATES THEFT****April 3, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Andrea Fujii reports that a delivery man was caught on camera stealing on the job—first dropping off an order, and then dashing away with two packages worth \$1300. The victims live in Beverly Grove, and are demanding answers from the ‘Postmates’ company.

**SAN BERNARDINIO SHOOTING****April 13, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Crystal Cruz reports that Jennifer Downing is being praised as a hero for saving students’ lives, during the deadly San Bernardino classroom shooting rampage.

**NORWALK KILLING****April 26, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Tom Wait reports on how a local charity worker was shot and killed as he collected donations. Matthew Glover was gunned down in Norwalk, and detectives are trying to find any clues that might lead them to a motive, and the killer or killers.

**SEX ASSAULT SUSPECT****May 1, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reports that there is a sexual predator alert in Orange County, where police say a man used an online dating service to meet and sexually attack a woman.

**MARKET MURDER****May 8, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Rachel Kim reports that a beloved South L.A. storeowner has died in a gun battle with two armed robbers. It happened at the Martinez Market on South Normandie Avenue, and the community is expressing their outrage.

**TORRANCE HOME INVASION****May 30, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Andrea Fujii reports that a South Bay woman was beaten bloody, during a home invasion. The woman is speaking out about the terrifying moment she came face-to-face with two men in her Torrance home.

**TEEN SHOOTING****June 6, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Elsa Ramon reports that a teenager was shot and killed on the streets of Wilmington, just days from graduation. Detectives say 17-year-old Fabian Nunez was walking with three friends, when a car approached. A man shot him at least four times, according to detectives.

**SADDLEBACK COLLEGE ARREST****June 16, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reports live from Saddleback College, where a counselor has been arrested. Students at the campus are rattled, after learning that police say the counselor traded sex with students, to file their late paperwork.

**AK-47 BANDIT ARREST****June 27, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Jeff Vaughn reports that after years on the run, one of the most wanted men in America is under arrest. The AK-47 Bandit is accused of shooting a police officer in Chino, and of robbing banks in California and several other states.

**EDUCATION & YOUTH**FCC Report  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2017**SB SCHOOL MEETING****April 13, 12-1 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Juan Fernandez reports that parents and teachers at North Park Elementary School in San Bernardino met with the school board to recommend safety changes. The school has been closed since the shooting tragedy, when Cedric Anderson killed his wife and one of her students, and wounded another.

**ROBOTS FOR AUTISM****April 20, 12-1 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Andrea Fujii reports on how kids with autism are getting some high-tech help in the classroom. 'Milo the Robot' is helping kids with autism work through social situations. Teachers say Milo has helped students cope with frustration on both sides of the desk. The robot is being used in nearly 300 schools nationwide.

**AUTISM SURF CAMP****April 30, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Peter Daut reports that some kids with disabilities participated in a Spring Break Surf Camp in Miami Beach. The program helps kids with autism enjoy swimming and surfing, in addition to learning about oceanography and meteorology.

**MINDFULNESS SCHOOL****May 10, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that Lawrence Cook Middle School in Santa Rosa is teaching meditation, and finding that it's making a big impact on student behavior. Twice a day, the students stop for 'mindfulness' sessions. The school principal says despite initial skepticism, discipline referrals are down 35%, and grades are up.

**SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS****May 17, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports on a win for charter schools, after two candidates who back the movement won seats on the Los Angeles Unified school board.

**iPADS FOR THE BLIND****May 28, 7-8 a.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Amy Johnson reports that iPads are changing the way blind students learn and interact in a digital world. At one of the oldest schools for the blind in the nation, hundreds of students at New York Institute for The Blind are utilizing audio-enabled iPads to assist with reading comprehension. Researchers from Google are also studying how to make their products more accessible to the visually-impaired and others with special needs.

**STEPHANIE'S DAY****June 10, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Jasmine Viel reports on the event that took place in Studio City, for children with autism and other special needs, as thousands of families took part in "Stephanie's Day".

**OC SCHOOL SPECIAL OLYMPICS****June 9, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Jeff Vaughn reports that hundreds of kids showed off their Olympic skills at the Special Games in Orange County. Around 600 students from 22 Garden Grove schools competed in the Games. Organizers say the Special Games gives kids a chance to have fun and enjoy some physical activity.

**CHLA TOP RANKED****June 27, 12-1 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Juan Fernandez reports that Children's Hospital Los Angeles is ranked as the top children's hospital in California, and the sixth in the nation. The ranking comes from the annual U.S. News & World Report survey. The hospital has also improved in eight out of ten pediatric specialty categories.



**SICK SEA LIONS****April 11, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports that sick sea lions in Orange County appear to have been poisoned. More than a dozen were brought to a center in Laguna Beach, and seven have already died because of an algae bloom. Workers at the center say pregnant sea lions are being hit the hardest.

**REPURPOSING FOOD****April 21, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Suzie Suh reports that more than 40% of food ends up in landfills yearly, but a movement is underway to find ways to recycle every ingredient people cook with.

**NORCAL BEES****April 29, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Elsa Ramon reports that experts have been worried about a massive die-off in the California bee population for several years, but the bees are finally making a comeback. Some experts say breaking the drought is one of the biggest reasons.

**COMPTON AIR MONITORING****May 6, 7-8 a.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Serene Branson reports that authorities want to figure out whether the air in Compton is putting people at risk. They're concerned that metal-processing facilities might be releasing a toxic compound that can lead to lung cancer. Air quality officials are starting special monitoring, and if they decide the area is at a health risk, the facilities could be required to make significant changes.

**SAND MINE CLOSING****May 16, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Jeff Vaughn reports that California is cracking down on the last coastal sand-mining operation in the United States. 'CEMEX' has been harvesting and selling large amounts of sand from a dredge

pond, but many people want it shut down. The company says the pond is within their property line, but officials have released a letter saying the company is stealing the sand. The California State Lands Commission says the mining is also causing major beach erosion.

### **SICK PELICANS**

#### **May 30, 12-1 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Juan Fernandez reports there is concern along local beaches, as many dead seabirds have been found. The Santa Barbara Wildlife Care Network estimates hundreds of pelicans and other seabirds have died along the coast.

### **TRUMP PARIS DEAL**

#### **June 1, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Correspondent Chip Reid reports that President Trump has fulfilled a campaign promise to withdraw from the Paris Agreement, also known as the climate accord. It's a commitment by nearly 200 nations to voluntarily reduce greenhouse gases.

### **MAYORS CLEAN PORTS**

#### **June 12, 4-5 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Elsa Ramon reports that despite President Trump's plan to pull out of the Paris climate accord, two Mayors in California plan ambitious goals to clean the air. L.A. Mayor Eric Garcetti and Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia are strengthening their pledge to make the twin ports of San Pedro Bay global models for cleaner air and sustainability.

### **PESTICIDE CONCERNS**

#### **June 27, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Jeff Vaughn reports that questions are being raised after records revealed the head of the Environmental Protection Agency met privately with the chief executive of Dow Chemical, shortly before reversing his agency's push to ban a widely-used Dow pesticide.

**KOMBUCHA TEA****April 2, 7-8 a.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Danielle Nottingham reports that kombucha has been around for centuries, but is gaining popularity with promises of improving people's health. Kombucha is a bittersweet tea fermented with a culture of bacteria and yeast. The pieces that float in the bottles are living organisms similar to the live probiotic cultures found in yogurt.

**DENTAL CLINIC REOPENING****April 23, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Peter Daut reports that the Orange County dental clinic where dozens of kids got sick, is scheduled to re-open. Health officials say the dental clinic in Anaheim has replaced its water-delivery system, which is believed to have been responsible for the illnesses.

**SINGLE-PAYER HEALTH****April 26, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that a proposal to guarantee government-funded healthcare for all Californians is moving forward. The state Senate Health Committee has approved the plan, but it's still not clear how the state will pay for the costly proposal.

**TRUMP HEALTHCARE****May 2, 4-5 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that the Trump administration is hoping to find common ground on healthcare with House lawmakers. Vice President Mike Pence is leading the lobbying effort for the healthcare bill to replace the Affordable Care Act. President Trump says this version will protect patients with pre-existing conditions.

**ANTIBIOTICS / PNEUMONIA****May 22, 12-1 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Juan Fernandez reports that research is showing antibiotics don't work on many cases of pneumonia. Researchers looked at over 250-thousand adults who contracted pneumonia outside the hospital, and found that antibiotics did not help nearly one in four people.

**POOR SLEEP DEATH****May 25, 12-1 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Juan Fernandez reports that research is showing not enough sleep puts people at risk for heart disease and diabetes. The study in the Journal of the American Heart Association focused on people with several risk factors, including high blood pressure and cholesterol. Researchers found those patients were twice as likely to die of heart disease or stroke, if they don't get at least six hours of sleep.

**OBESITY EPIDEMIC****June 12, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Elsa Ramon reports that a study shows one out of every ten people on Earth is obese, which can lead to life-threatening diseases. Doctors say this is a global problem that requires more than individual willpower.

**ASPIRIN BLEEDING RISK****June 14, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Jeff Vaughn reports that research out of Oxford University links long-term aspirin use to a higher risk of bleeding in older adults. The study finds the risk of fatal bleeding increases with age. Researchers say patients aged 75 and older who take aspirin daily should also be prescribed an acid-reducing drug, to lower the risk.

**IMMUNOTHERAPY / CANCER****June 26, 12-1 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Andrea Fujii reports that some cancer patients could benefit from alternative treatment to chemotherapy. Doctors in London say immunotherapy may provide better quality of life for people with head and neck cancers, and could significantly increase survival for them.

**POLITICS**FCC Report  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2017**GORSUCH CONFIRMED****April 7, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that Neil Gorsuch will be the next U.S. Supreme Court Justice. The vacancy was the longest on the court since the Civil War.

**TRUMP TAX RETURNS****April 17, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Correspondent Chip Reid reports that President Trump continues to face criticism over his tax returns, and the fact that he refuses to release them. President Trump says he can't release them because he's under audit, but tax experts are saying that shouldn't matter.

**BUILD THE WALL****April 29, 8-9 a.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Reporter Jennifer Kastner reports that President Trump has reaffirmed his promise to build a massive wall along the U.S.-Mexico border. Hundreds of companies want to build the wall, and many are in Southern California.

**TRUMP HEALTHCARE****May 2, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports that President Trump is taking another swing at replacing the Affordable Care Act, but the latest Republican healthcare bill could go down for a third time.

**TRUMP FIRES COMEY****May 9, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports on reaction to President Trump's bombshell decision to fire FBI Director James Comey. The firing has raised questions about two issues that dominated the

presidential campaign—Hillary Clinton’s e-mails, and Russia’s plot to manipulate the election. The FBI Director is the third major official to be fired by President Trump.

### **TRUMP VOTERS HURT?**

#### **May 30, 9-10 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Correspondent Rene Marsh reports that President Trump’s 2018 budget proposal would bolster defense and military spending. But other dramatic cuts to social safety-net programs could hurt a large part of his base supporters.

### **CLIMATE TREATY**

#### **June 1, 8-9 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports that President Trump has delivered on a campaign promise, and announced the U.S. will pull out of the Paris climate agreement. He says he’s open to renegotiating, but several European countries say that’s not possible.

### **COMEY TESTIFIES**

#### **June 8, 4-5 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Jeff Vaughn reports that former FBI Director James Comey gave his highly-anticipated testimony to the Senate Intelligence Committee. He talked about the meetings he had with President Trump, and what he calls “lies” about him and the FBI.

### **JERRY BROWN BUDGET**

#### **June 27, 10-11 p.m. newscast**

KCAL9 Anchor Suzie Suh reports that Governor Jerry Brown signed a state budget, days before the fiscal year will begin. The \$125-billion general fund budget is the highest in history.