

KTSC-FM
Pueblo, CO
Quarterly Issues/Programs List
Fourth Quarter, 2020
Date of Preparation: 01/04/2021

KTSC-FM provides its listeners with long-form programming, news stories and public service announcements that address issues of concern to our local community. Among the issues determined to be of most concern to the community during the preceding calendar quarter were:

- Higher education, access, affordability, financing, engagement
- COVID-19 in Pueblo
- Cold and flu season during a pandemic
- Homelessness and housing
- Shelter pet adoption
- Drinking and driving
- Texting and driving
- Child seat safety
- Autism Awareness
- Stroke Awareness
- Childhood hunger
- Suicide prevention and awareness

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ISSUE:

How has the pandemic affected operations at CSU Pueblo?

Discussion of Issue:

Amidst a global pandemic, everything has changed. The number of students needing financial support is higher than ever, considering some have lost their jobs and many have needed access to improved technology and WiFi to complete their coursework remotely. High school students who have had to go through the admission process during the COVID-19 pandemic have had different struggles to be accepted into colleges and college fairs were shifted to virtual fairs and held via Zoom. Then, there's the issue of how to maintain tradition, engagement and relationships with alumni and host fundraisers at a time when large gatherings cannot be hosted. The university had many offices and departments adapt to the changing circumstances that followed in the wake of the pandemic. We discussed how the pandemic and remote operations impacted the CSU Pueblo Foundation, the Admissions Office and the Office of Alumni and Community Relations.

Programming: KTSC-FM addressed this issue through several different kinds of programs, including public affairs discussions and news stories. The following are illustrative examples of such programming:

Discussion of Issue:

a. T-Wolf Talk 10/04/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:51 a.m.

Daniel Minich, admissions counselor for CSU Pueblo, talked about the different processes that he and his team have had to adapt to reach different students and recruit them to CSU Pueblo in these difficult times. Minich talked about students feeling “Zoomed-Out” and struggling to try and make connections with the new prospective students who may want to choose CSU Pueblo. Minich says that enrollment was only down two percent because of COVID-19 and the University had anticipated to be down 10 percent. Minich says that he and his team were working around the clock to promote CSU Pueblo to prospective students. (Local).

b. T-Wolf Talk 10/18/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:41 a.m.

CSU Pueblo Foundation CEO Todd Kelly and Communications and Events Manager for the Foundation, Amber Shipley, discussed the challenges and difficulties to try and put on different fundraising events for the college in a virtual manner. Shipley coordinates and creates the events for the Foundation and explained how difficult it was to host the President's Gala (a formal in-person annual event) virtually this year. They also talked about one of the most notable fundraising efforts hosted by the Foundation, CSU Pueblo Give Day, which was held on October 29, 2020. Give Day is a donation day that is promoted to friends and alumni of the university

across the world and serves to raise funds for various campus initiatives, fundraising campaigns, campus programs and student scholarships. Many of these funds donated go into emergency scholarship funds to help students who may struggle with homelessness, transportation issues or hunger. Kelly explained that it has been difficult to try and lead during a time like this, but at the end of the day he just wants to make sure that students are supported via scholarships that they deserve. (Local).

a. T-Wolf Talk

10/25/2020

7:00 a.m. – 7:47 a.m.

Tracy Samora is the Director of Alumni & Community Relations for Colorado State University Pueblo. The mission of the CSU Pueblo Alumni Association is to enhance the relationship among alumni, the university, and the communities. There are currently 12,000 alumni within Pueblo County, 20,000 within the state of Colorado and a total of over 45,000 in the history of all five university names graduated from this establishment. The key to keeping in contact with all of these individuals and providing them with information about events, happenings, fundraisers and opportunities is time consuming and rewarding. It is done through email, social media, local media, mail outs, alumni magazine and visibility at events. Samora noted the difficulties and challenges of maintaining relationships with alumni during the pandemic and discussed the virtual events planned for “Celebrating CSU Pueblo’s Past, Present, and Future,” which would be an online and social media driven engagement campaign with the alumni base. (Local).

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ISSUE: Will the cold and flu season be a bigger problem given the COVID-19 pandemic happening at the same time?

Discussion of Issue: With cold and flu season rounding the corner, fears had arisen about people getting sick in higher numbers because of all the viruses circulating around. Many people are concerned about knowing the differences of whether they are experiencing a cold, the flu, allergies or the coronavirus. There is also a renewed push from public health officials for people to get their flu shots this year.

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*a. T-Wolf Talk 10/11/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:42 a.m.

Zak VanOoyen is an RN/BSN who works as a program director for the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment. VanOoyen talked about the importance of the flu vaccine especially this year when there is a global pandemic looming in the background. VanOoyen talked about the fear that public health officials have with people getting the flu and then getting infected with COVID-19. The Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment has had a COVID-19 testing site that has been open to the public and VanOoyen encouraged anyone who is showing symptoms to go to the Colorado State Fairgrounds to get tested for COVID-19. (Local.)

*This show originally aired on September 20, 2020. It was rebroadcast as we moved closer into cold and flu season.

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ISSUE: What is the state of COVID-19 in Pueblo County?

Discussion of Issue: Pueblo County has been severely impacted by COVID-19, and the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment has tried their best to keep the pandemic under control in the county. Amidst rising COVID cases in the county, the city had imposed a curfew as well as other regulations to keep the citizens safe.

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| a. T-Wolf Talk | 11/01/2020 | 7:00 a.m. – 7:46 a.m. |
| *b. T-Wolf Talk | 11/15/2020 | 7:00 a.m. – 7:46 a.m. |
| *c. T-Wolf Talk | 12/06/2020 | 7:00 a.m. – 7:46 a.m. |

Public Information Officer for the Pueblo Department of Public Health and Environment Sarah Joseph discussed the impact COVID-19 has had on the Pueblo community. She noted that it has hit the community hard this fall, with cases rising exponentially. During the time of this recording, a curfew had just been put in place in Pueblo County requiring all of its citizens to make sure they were inside their homes between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. Joseph says, “It’s going to take a community effort to try and combat this virus, I know we are all worn down from the virus, you are worn down, we all are worn down but we need to try our best to try and combat this.” (Local).

*Due to the increase in cases (Pueblo averaged over 300 positive cases a day in November and was the deadliest month on record) and the concern of another wave of the virus hitting after Thanksgiving, the program was rebroadcast on November 15 and December 6 to remind listeners of the severity of the virus in the community.

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ISSUE:

What is being done to address the homelessness issue in Pueblo?

Discussion of Issue:

Homeless and providing shelter and resources for the population has been an on-going issue that has also been impacted by the pandemic. Shelters had to pivot and adjust operations to follow enhanced cleaning procedures, mask wearing, and distancing to the best of their ability. Many organizations in Pueblo serve the community and have developed new projects to help house the homeless and provide resources and care for them safely during the pandemic. Pueblo has also seen a housing drought – a lack of affordable and available housing options. This issue was addressed via long-form programming during our regularly scheduled weekly talk show.

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| a. T-Wolf Talk | 11/22/2020 | 7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. |
| *b. T-Wolf Talk | 11/29/2020 | 7:00 a.m. – 7:30 a.m. |

Courtney Seder is the Marketing Director for Posada. Posada has been a staple in the Pueblo Community serving the community as a nonprofit for decades trying to combat the growing rate of homelessness since the turn of the 2008 recession, and help hamper the effects the pandemic has had on the community. She discussed the struggles that the COVID-19 pandemic had brought to her team and how they have had to think outside the box in order to try and help and reduce the number of homeless in Pueblo by providing education, information and resources to keep people off the streets. Seder also talked about the housing crisis that the United States may be facing in the New Year and how Posada is working try and make more available housing units for those that are struggling. (Local).

*This program was rebroadcast on November 29, 2020 to bring heightened awareness to the community about the resources Posada provides.

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| b. T-Wolf Talk | 12/13/2020 | 7:00 a.m. – 7:34 a.m. |
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Teah Miller, Director of Crisis Services, and Dawn Yengich discussed the new 35-unit housing facility Health Solutions is building to help raise people from “homeless to housing.” The apartment complex is designed to accommodate one to two people per unit and will have a property manager and a caseworker assigned to each resident. The goal is to provide mentorship to the residents and teach them how to maintain a home, how to pay rent, bills, etc. The project is expected to be completed in the summer of 2021. Miller and Dawn also discussed the other resources Health Solutions provides, including crisis services 24/7 for clients who live in Las

Animas and Huerfano counties, as well as “Boredom Buster Bags” for children and the elderly. They also mentioned the Colorado Spirit Line that the elderly can call to visit with people who can keep them company over the phone. (Local.)

c. T-Wolf Talk

12/20/2020

7:00 a.m. – 7:34 a.m.

Kathy Cline, Director of the Pueblo Rescue Mission, talked about the homeless population in Pueblo, how the Pueblo Rescue Mission has been able to operate during the pandemic and plans for new housing projects with Posada and Health Solutions. She mentioned that the Rescue Mission can shelter up to 90 individuals and that some of those living at the shelter may be moving into the new housing facility. Cline explained that homeless isn’t typically the “guy with the backpack holding the sign,” and that many of her clients are elderly, on oxygen and need medical care. She talked about the many resources available in Pueblo that are available to help support individuals who may be struggling and are facing homelessness. (Local.)

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ISSUE:

What impact has the pandemic had on the local animal shelter?

Discussion of Issue:

At the beginning of the pandemic, many animal shelters were celebrating empty kennels for the first time. Pet adoption is a serious process that should be given careful consideration. Training pets, feeding them properly and providing medical care are all responsibilities of pet owners. During the holidays, many people consider giving puppies and kittens as gifts; however, they may realize they aren't fit for their homes and take them to the local shelter after the holidays are over.

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a. T-Wolf Talk 12/27/2020 7:00 a.m. – 7:34 a.m.

Kate Aviv, Community Relations Specialist for the Pueblo branch of the Humane Society of the Pikes Peak Region, talked about adoption rates during the pandemic, advice for pet owners and programs and services that HSPPR-Pueblo provides. She explained that the shelter has adoption certificates available to give as gifts and the importance of meeting pets to ensure that both owners and furry-friends are a good fit for each other. Aviv explained the adoption process and how the shelter has adjusted operations during the pandemic. Adoption hours are still available, but guests must check-in and wait in their car until they are called back in to reduce the number of people in the building at one time. She also explained the other services that the Humane Society provides, including Animal Control and payment plans to help people pay for needed medical care for their pets. Aviv discussed the importance of making sure your pets are inside when the temperature drops, or ensuring that pets have warm, dry and comfortable shelter if they are an outdoor pet. (Local.)

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b. Public Services Announcements PSA'S, 30 sec., variable:

KTSC-FM broadcast a number of public service announcements throughout the three months providing information about COVID-19, texting and driving, child safety and car seats, driving under the influence of alcohol, adoption and foster care, childhood hunger, suicide awareness, and shelter pets. (Recorded.)

c. News Programming

During the last quarter, KTSC-FM News Department covered important events relating to a variety of local community issues broadcast in our daily five-minute news brief airing at 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; duration of 25 minutes per week, totaling 325 minutes of news programming for the last three months. (Local).

d. American Radio Journal

In addition to our T-Wolf Talk local long-form public affairs program, we added American Radio Journal to our Sunday morning programming. These pre-recorded shows are 30 minutes in duration and air at 5:00 a.m. MST. The following descriptions of the shows are listed in reverse-chronological order and are submitted for inclusion in the station's 4Q 2020 Issues and Programs List. American Radio Journal compiled the descriptions of the programs listed below:

American Radio Journal
2020 Q4 Program Notes

(December 26, 2020 - January 1, 2021) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **James Carafano** of the Heritage Foundation about Chinese wrongdoing; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the latest COVID-19 relief package; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Corey DeAngelis** of the Reason Foundation about school choice restrictions in the COVID-19 relief package; And, Col. **Frank Ryan**, USMC (Ret.) has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the disputed 2020 presidential election.

(December 19, 2020 - December 25, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Will Rinehart** from the Center for Growth and Opportunity at Utah State University about federal anti-trust action against big tech; **Scott Parkinson** has the *Real Story* on the Georgia U.S. Senate special elections; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses the impact of a minimum wage hike in New York; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on that special Christmas of 1945.

(December 12, 2020 - December 18, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Hans von Spakovsky** of the Heritage Foundation about election law reform; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the federal budget; **Eric Boehm** from *Reason* magazine talks with **Rob Johnson** from the Institute for Justice about removing barriers to tele-medicine; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the Georgia U.S. Senate run-off elections.

(December 5, 2020 - December 11, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Thomas Jipping** of the Heritage Foundation about packing the U.S. Supreme Court; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on a potential COVID-19 relief package; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks climate change policy with **Josiah Neeley** of the R Street Institute; And, Col. **Frank Ryan**, USMC (Ret.) has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on a return to the Obama Administration.

(November 28, 2020 - December 4, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Ben Lieberman** from the Competitive Institute about the environmental impact of electric vehicles; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the status of the Presidential election; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine has details on GOP victories in state legislative races; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the impact of defunding the police.

(November 21, 2020 - November 27, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **David Bradford** of the 1620 Experience talks about the founding principles of the Plymouth Colony; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the federal budget; **Eric Boehm** from *Reason* magazine gets details from **Jeffrey Singer** of the Cato Institute on an at-home COVID-19 test; And, **Colin Hanna** from Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the importance of the Georgia U.S. Senate runoff elections.

(November 14, 2020 - November 20, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Robert Graboyes** from the Mercatus Center at George Mason University about the latest Obamacare case before the U.S. Supreme Court; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the importance of the U.S. Senate run-off elections in Georgia; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine looks at the ongoing legal challenges in the Presidential race; And, Col. **Frank Ryan**, USMC (Ret.) has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why the integrity of the U.S. electoral system is at risk.

(November 7, 2020 - November 13, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Charles Blahous** from the Mercatus Center at George Mason University about reforming the Social Security system; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on GOP gaining seats in the U.S. House of Representatives; **Eric Boehm** and **Robbie Soave** from *Reason* magazine discuss how pollsters got the election wrong again; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith and Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the roots of the pro-abortion movement.

(October 31, 2020 - November 6, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Keith Naughton** of Silent Majority Strategies about polling and the 2020 Presidential Election; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on how to watch election results; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine learns how wealth redistribution plans really benefit the rich from **Brian Riedl** of the Manhattan Institute; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why the Vice Presidential race is especially important this year.

(October 24, 2020 - October 30, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **John Fund** of *National Review* about the potential for election fraud; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on competitive U.S. Senate races; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine discusses Joe Biden and packing the U.S. Supreme Court; And, Col. **Frank Ryan**, USMC (Ret.) has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the U.S. Postal Service.

(October 17, 2020 - October 23, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Phil Kerpen** from American Commitment about the need for rapid COVID-19 testing; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the Amy Coney Barrett confirmation hearings; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine explains why election results may be delayed; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on the intolerance of the Left.

(October 10, 2020 - October 16, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College about his new book *The Devil & Karl Marx*; **Scott Parkinson** of the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the North Carolina U.S. Senate race; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine gets details of the CATO Institute's new report card on the nation's governors from **Chris Edwards**; And, **Colin Hanna** of Let Freedom Ring, USA has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on why Senate Democrats have paved the way for the confirmation of Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court.

(October 3, 2020 - October 9, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Thomas Jipping** of the Heritage Foundation about the judicial philosophy of Amy Coney Barrett; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the impact of the first Presidential debate; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine explains why Pennsylvania could be the Florida of 2000 in reporting election results; And, Col. **Frank Ryan**, USMC (Ret.) has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on social media civility.

(September 26, 2020 - October 2, 2020) This week on *American Radio Journal*: **Lowman Henry** talks with **Yaron Brook** of the Ayn Rand Institute about the impact of the eviction moratorium; **Scott Parkinson** from the Club for Growth has the *Real Story* on the Supreme Court confirmation process; **Eric Boehm** of *Reason* magazine talks with **Myron Ebell** of the Competitive Enterprise Institute about the cause of California wild fires; And, Dr. **Paul Kengor** from the Institute for Faith & Freedom at Grove City College has an *American Radio Journal* commentary on Karl Marx and the toppling of statues.