

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST

The following is a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by station KMED, Medford, OR, and KCMD Grants Pass, OR, along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the period January 1, 2018 to March 31, 2018. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

Description of Issue	Program/Segment	Date	Time	Length (min)	Narration of Type & Description of Program/Segment
Law Enforcement, public safety	Bill Meyer Show	1/3, 1/10, 1/17, 1/24, 1/31, 2/7, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, 3/21, 3/28	0735	15	Medford Police profiles a new "Crimestoppers" suspect that they're looking for that particular week. Lt. Kerry Curtis and Lt. Justin Ivens and Jackson County Sheriffs Office representatives take turns discussing that week's case, other law enforcement issues, and answer listener questions about the law.
Local history and culture, personal finance	Bill Meyer Show	1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/20, 2/26, 3/6, 3/14, 3/21, 3/27	0810	20	Local historian Dr. Dennis Powers profiles a different historical figure or institution every Monday for "Visiting Past and Present". Dr. Powers also ties the history's importance to the valley's present bounty and often challenges still faced. Dr. Powers also includes a weekly update on financial news and trends affecting our personal finance, relying on his experience being a retired professor of business law at Southern Oregon University.
Economy, economic disruption	Bill Meyer Show	1/3	0810	10	Dr. Tracey Wilen discusses 10 major digital disruptions coming to our society in 2018 including increasing displacement of workers via automation.
Free Speech Restrictions in school life	Bill Meyer Show	1/4	0710	10	Young Americans for Liberty (YAL) confirms that, thanks to the efforts of YAL students and the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education (FIRE), Skyline College has eliminated its unconstitutional restrictions on free speech that prevented student and YAL Chapter President Eric Corgas from passing out copies of the U.S. Constitution and rolling around a free speech ball
Transportation, local government	Bill Meyer Show	1/8	0835	20	Kim Wallan, Medford City Councilor is in studio discussing transportation issues, including the push for a new transportation system plan. Bill Meyer questions whether it was a pre-determined outcome rather than the city accepting true public input on the matters.
Arts Education	Bill Meyer Show	01/09	0845	10	Spent ten minutes with Britt assistant music director Mark Knipple discussing Britt's classical season and commitment to education through their foundation.
Causes of Climate Change, government environmental action	Bill Meyer Show	1/9	0615	30	Dr. Peter Ward of the US Geological Survey, retired, is a renowned climate scientist having previously worked in worked in the White House under vice president Al Gore. He was a research geophysicist, branch chief, and program manager. For the last 20 years he's been working intensely trying to resolve several enigmatic observations related to climate change. Ward's analysis and theory are explained on his website, www.WhyClimateChange.com and in his new book: "What Really Causes Global Warming? Greenhouse Bases or Ozone Depletion?" His scientific opinion is CO2 is not the cause of warming, but rather the continued destruction of the ozone layer.
State taxation, state government	Bill Meyer Show	1/9	0735	15	State Rep Sal Esquivel discusses the upcoming short legislative session, believes the big fight will be against Measure 101, which would okay a previously approved tax increase last year.
Sexual assault, government overreach	Bill Meyer Show	1/10	0635	20	We speak with Michelle Owens, Spokesperson for SAVE - Stop Abusive and Violent Environments The Presumption of Innocent until proven guilty - throw that out the window. Due Process Rights - Forget those. Lady Justice, blindfolded and holding the scales - Nope. Those scales

					are completely tilted now in the favor of... the person that claims they are a victim. It's an idea that feminists and the Left have been pushing for decades, and this past Monday they managed to get 2 Republicans onboard, John Cornyn (R-TX) and Congressman Tom Emmer (R-MN), Owens believes what's named the "Abby Honold Act" will fundamentally change American jurisprudence, and must be fought.
Transportation policy	Bill Meyer Show	1/11	0635	15	Automotive journalist Eric Peters discusses the push for the self-driving car. Believes the agenda is to get people out of cars that they control.
Taxation	Bill Meyer Show	1/16	0735	20	Steve Buckstein, scholar at the Cascade Policy Institute lays out smart reasons to vote no on the upcoming Measure 101 tax plan.
Firearms rights, constitutional rights	Bill Meyer Show	1/17	0635	15	Dave Workman is an award-winning career journalist and senior editor of TheGunMag.com Businessmen and gun rights advocates filed a petition with the Supreme Court to overturn a California zoning law banning gun shops from operating within 500 feet of a residential area. Entrepreneurs John Teixeira, Steve Nobriga and Gary Gamaza attempted to open a gun shop in the city of San Lorenzo, Calif. but were met with hostility from an archaic law prohibiting the opening of the store near a residential area, in a clear attack on the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution.
Community and personal preparedness	Bill Meyer Show	1/18	0810	30	My guest is Fernando Aguiller, a former Argentinian who survived the economic collapse of his country back in 2001. We discuss his book Surviving Economic Collapse, which covers a variety of subjects that the author considers essential if a person wants to be prepared for tougher times: - How to prepare your family, yourself, your home and your vehicle -How to prepare your finances so that you don't suffer what millions in my country went through -How to prepare your supplies for food shortages and power failures -How to correctly fight with a chair, gun, knife, pen or choke with your bare hands if required -Most important, how to reach a good awareness level so that you can avoid having to do all that
Forest Fire and environmental policy	Bill Meyer Show	1/19	0635	10	Discussion with Nick Smith of Healthy Forests, Healthy Communities. Last summer's Chetco Bar Fire ignited on a snag-filled burn scar within the Kalmiopsis wilderness, sending flaming logs and brush through the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest and down toward the Chetco River, spreading into a 191,000-acre fire that destroyed homes and threatened many more in Brookings. The Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest has just announced a salvage and restoration plan for portions of the burn area. They are accepting comments through January 31, and Nick encourages listeners to send a message and comment to the agency.
Health and Well-Being	Bill Meyer Show	1/19	0735	20	Court D. Cox, Engagement Lead, Blue Zones Project in Grants Pass joins the show, and we discuss the details of the Blue Zone well-being initiative. Host Bill Meyer questions if this voluntary initiative ends up turning mandatory with the passing of time.
Marijuana Policy and taxation	Bill Meyer Show	1/19	0835	20	Conversation with Josephine County Commission Board Chair Dan DeYoung. Taxing pot to pay for protection – that's the new proposal coming from Josephine County. According to Josephine County Commissioner Dan DeYoung, the initiative would charge a certain amount of money per square footage of canopy for recreational growers. Medicinal growers would pay taxes based on the number of plants, whichever county the grower resides in – that's where it's taxes will go back to. The initiative covers all Southwest Oregon counties – Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson and Josephine.
Marijuana Policy and taxation	Bill Meyer Show	1/22	0720	20	Peter Gendron is in studio – President of the Sun Growers Guild – responds to the proposed 5 county cannabis tax being promoted by Josephine County Commissioner Board

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Energy, conservation, smart grid technology	Bill Meyer Show	1/24	0810	20	Stefan Bird, the CEO and President of Pacific Power discusses the implementation of Smart Grid installation, answers questions concerning privacy issues with this technology. Also the efforts at conserving power in order to meet future needs, and the purchasing of additional renewable energy sources for the utility.
Free Speech issues	Bill Meyer Show	1/26	0710	15	Local activist Rob Schlapfer discuss a worrying trend at universities throughout the country: students attacking FREE SPEECH. They've been catalyzed by ideas from professors advocating critical theories about "social justice". They're challenging our basic rights. He promotes a conversation this weekend at the Medford Library entitled "The Talk" in order to flesh out the issues.
Veterans Issues	Bill Meyer Show	1/29	0710	30	Allen Ehr, local military veteran, joins us in studio. We discuss his problematic experiences in getting treatment at our local V.A. facility. Last week there was an officer-involved shooting at this facility. Ehr is surprised that more of this hasn't occurred. – discusses his experience at the V.A. Dom. After last week's officer involved shooting, he's surprised more of this hasn't happened.
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Delay of Adulthood, "Failure to Launch"	Bill Meyer Show	2/1	0810	20	Annie Holmquist, senior writer at Intellectual Takeout, discusses a recent article criticizing the call of some to delay official adulthood. Evidence of this can be seen in the Obamacare stipulation that young people can stay on their parents' health care plan until age 26, or the fact that the number of driver's licenses is declining among the young. But now it seems that the push to delay adulthood has extended to medical professionals. Writing in the medical journal Lancet, Dr. Susan Sawyer and other researchers opine that biological information and social trends suggest a need for adolescence to continue into an individual's mid-twenties: But others believe extending adolescence can be detrimental. Speaking to the BBC, sociologist Dr. Jan Macvarish suggests that just because young people are getting married later or spending more time on schooling does not mean they should be coddled. According to her, "Society should maintain the highest possible expectations of the next generation."
Disability services and job training	Bill Meyer Show	2/1	0835	10	Living Opportunities CEO Emilie Wylde, and Director of Development Robert Bauer discuss Living Opportunities and its services. Living Opportunities strives to support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to live in the same neighborhoods, work for the same employers, and share in the same experiences to which we all aspire. It is one of the largest service providers to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Southern Oregon, and we talk of the success stories, and how the community can help

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Education Policy	Bill Meyer Show	2/2	0735	20	<p>Is there a war on grades in America's schools? Jennifer C. Braceras, senior fellow with Independent Women's Forum, says that reformers are advocating—successfully—to eradicate grades as we know them in the American education system.</p> <p>The move away from grades, which consider effort, ability to meet deadlines, and level of engagement, will hurt hard-working students from middle and working-class families.</p>
Nuclear preparedness	Bill Meyer Show	2/2	0810	15	<p>Dr. Steven Greenleaf and Bill Meyer discuss his white paper detailing how nuclear attacks are much more survivable than conventional wisdom would indicate.</p>
Medical Costs, Medical Insurance, Federal health policy	Bill Meyer Show	2/7	0635	20	<p>Dr. Merrill Matthews, resident scholar at the Institute for Policy Innovation discusses the push to lower drug prices. He says in the President's State of the Union address, President Donald Trump said he would soon focus on bringing down the high cost of prescription drugs. Democrats have been singing that song for decades, but they only have one verse: government-imposed price controls.</p> <p>To be sure, some brand name drugs are very expensive—in excess of \$100,000 a year. Still, it's a little misleading to talk about "the high cost of prescription drugs" as if they are all equally expensive.</p> <p>Matthews says the president took a positive step in choosing Dr. Scott Gottlieb to run the FDA. Gottlieb has a number of innovative ideas for controlling drug costs, many by shrinking the role of government rather than expanding it.</p>
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Prison sentencing reform	Bill Meyer Show	2/9	0635	20	<p>Kevin Ring joins the show, president of FAMM, Families Against Mandatory Minimums. Virtually all federal prisoners will leave prison and rejoin society someday. According to a recent study, nearly one-half (49.3%) of federal prisoners were rearrested for a new crime or rearrested for a violation of supervision conditions within eight years of their release. Everyone is safer when prison policies and programs reduce the likelihood that returning citizens will reoffend.</p> <p>In August 2016, FAMM conducted our first-ever survey of federal prisoners to learn as much as we could about the</p>

					frequency, type, and quality of programs and education they are currently offered. More than 2,000 individuals responded, offering extensive details about the programs, jobs, and educational opportunities available to them in prison. The survey results will give policymakers a better understanding of what federal prisons currently provide and what reforms are needed to advance the goal of reducing recidivism
Local Economy, taxation, development	Bill Meyer Show	2/13	0835	15	Medford City Councilman Clay Bearson discusses the proposed City of Medford 1/3 of 1 percent construction excise tax. The question is how will making construction more expensive help make low income housing more affordable?
Local History, veterans services	Bill Meyer Show	2/15	0710	15	Bill Meyer talks with Matt Bonsi about the death, life, and times of his father, a local military hero.
State government action, civil rights	Bill Meyer Show	2/16	0810	20	Kevin Starrett of Oregon Firearms Federation criticizes the recent passing of a new gun control measure, which expands the ability of a relative or close friend to have the guns of another seized in a domestic violence protective order.
Education, local economy, training for trades	Bill Meyer Show	2/15	0835	15	Representatives from TAZ Fabrication of Prospect, Oregon, detail their desire to have good family-wage employment available for local rural students. Their metal fabrication shop has partnered with Butte Falls Charter school to start a welding program in the school, and have students intern at their shop to learn metal and welding skills.
Local government, keeping local control, zoning and development issues	Bill Meyer Show	2/22	0710	20	James Bennet – Sonoma County Resident moving to southern Oregon discusses how sustainable development took over his community, what to watch for, how to fight the agenda based process taking over most communities, including those in southern Oregon.
Transgender issues, child protective services	Bill Meyer Show	2/27	0635	20	<p>Parents in Ohio lost custody of their 17-year-old daughter because a judge ruled that she should be allowed to receive therapy, including testosterone therapy, to identify as a boy. Without commenting on the specifics of this case just outside Cincinnati, Americans can expect to see more cases like it as government officials side with transgender activists to promote a radical view of the human person and endorse entirely experimental medical procedures. At stake are not only parental rights, but the well-being of children who suffer from gender dysphoria. Here's what you need to know. [more...]</p> <p>In his new book, When Harry Became Sally: Responding to the Transgender Moment, Ryan T. Anderson, PhD offers a balanced approach to the policy issues, a nuanced vision of human embodiment, and a sober and honest survey of the human costs of getting human nature wrong. He draws on the best insights from the fields of biology, psychology and philosophy to explore the many contradictions at the heart of the transgender movement</p>
Free Speech on school campuses, civil rights, government action	Bill Meyer Show	3/2	0635	20	<p>Nicole Neily, president of Speech First joins the show. She says with her organization, college students have a new champion on free speech who will take their cause to the courts and put the pedal to metal to hold universities accountable for trampling on students' rights.</p> <p>Neily adds that she'd like to send a message to universities that the era of acting with impunity is over, because if they don't reform their policies then they're going to be held accountable in court. We believe that the freedom of speech is a sacrosanct American principle, and we're sick of seeing the First Amendment trampled on college campuses."</p>
Drone Technology, government regulatory process	Bill Meyer Show	3/6	0710	20	<p>Guest is Pepperdine University Professor Greg McNeal, Senior Advisor to the drone software company AirMap, Chairman of the IT group at the Regulatory Transparency Project.</p> <p>Two companies announced today their plan to develop and deploy the first national drone traffic management system in Europe. The Swiss company skyguide and the American</p>

					<p>company AirMap seek to create the digital infrastructure to "support safe and secure access to European skies for millions of drones."</p> <p>The FAA and NASA are working on developing such a system for the United States, and the FAA reauthorization bills in the House and Senate would direct the FAA to establish rulemakings on unmanned traffic management.</p>
Consumer Protection	Bill Meyer Show	3/7	0710	20	<p>Stephen Mayer from the Better Business Bureau NW. Online purchase scams are now the riskiest form of consumer fraud, according to a new report from the Better Business Bureau. In 2017, consumers reported more than 47,000 scams to BBB Scam Tracker (BBB.org/ScamTracker). BBB analyzed this information using its unique BBB Scam Risk Index to determine the riskiest scams based on exposure, susceptibility, and monetary loss.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Tax collection scams decreased 60% in volume of reports, likely due to the arrest in India in 2016 of a ringleader of a network of call centers primarily responsible for the IRS scam •Online purchase scams jumped from the 4th riskiest scam to the top spot, likely due to an increase in exposure •Home improvement scams dropped from 1st to 6th riskiest, despite a number of natural disasters that traditionally bring out "stormchasers" <p>Young people continue to be at higher risk for scams, and susceptibility decreases with age, although dollars lost increases when victims are older.</p>
Climate Change Science	Bill Meyer Show	3/12	0735	15	<p>Gregory Whitehouse is the author of Inconvenient Facts, the Science that Al Gore doesn't want you to know. Gregory is a geologist with more than 35 years spent investigating the Earth and its process. Strong proponent of the scientific process and believes both sides of the climate science issue need fairly heard in this debate</p>
Smart Meters, Public Health	Bill Meyer Show	3/14	0710	20	<p>Eric Windheim – EMF specialist – discusses the smart meter battle. Eric conducted a seminar in Talent, OR, detailing how to fight the installation of Smart Meters by Pacific Power. Windheim's studies indicate health problems for those sensitive to the meter's type of radio radiation.</p>
Cannabis Policy, county regulation	Bill Meyer Show	3/19	0735	15	<p>Mark Seligman, cannabis and property rights activist Discusses the rejection of Josephine County's cannabis ordinance. He gave sharp criticism of the board's attempt at stopping what he says is an agricultural product that's legal to farm.</p>
Domestic Violence and Immigration policy	Bill Meyer Show	3/21	0635	15	<p>Guest is Julie Poner ,a mother of twins and is from Indianapolis. She became personally involved with the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) in 1998 when her Czech husband, a former professional hockey player facing deportation for marriage fraud, self-petitioned as a battered and abused spouse and received relief in the form of a green card.</p> <p>Julie has worked to combat the misuse of VAWA in marriage for green card fraud as well as the prevention of international child abduction, an unfortunate but all too common counterpart to the VAWA issue. Her Senate testimony gave her the opportunity to be a voice representing thousands of American men, women and children who have suffered the unintended consequences of a law that currently presumes the foreign national is always the victim." Poner is asking for help in getting the VAWA law changed with regard to foreign nationals.</p>
Gender studies, misandry in the culture	Bill Meyer Show	3/22	0635	20	<p>Karen Straughan is a spokesperson for Men's Rights Edmonton, and a contributor to AVoiceForMen.com. She is a prominent Men's Rights Advocate who came to public attention through her infamous YouTube channel titled</p>

					<p>"GirlWritesWhat." She is a mother of several children, and a published writer of Erotica novels. She speaks with us about trying to get the culture to "lighten up" about what has been termed male sexual aggression.</p> <p>Her 25 years as a counselor have taught her what many women and men privately know, but are now too afraid to admit — the same truth that the success of "Fifty Shades of Grey" tells: Many women like to be dominated in bed. "Not in their lifestyle, not in their career, but in the bedroom, many women would like to surrender," Dr. Boehm said. This may explain why, on Amazon's list of best-selling erotica — a medium that, unlike pornography, is mostly produced and enjoyed by women — themes of male dominance tend to, well, dominate."</p>
Federal Government spending, its effect on local government action	Bill Meyer Show	3/23	0610	20	<p>Congressman Greg Walden talks of the 1.3 trillion dollar omnibus spending bill. There were many parts of the bill that benefitted southern Oregon issues, including wildfire suppression, the fight against opioid addiction, Secure Rural School Funding, keeping the fire tanker base located in Medford, too.</p>
Law enforcement, county government taxation.	Bill Meyer Show	3/6	0710	20	<p>Jackson County Sheriff Nate Sickler discusses the need for a new county jail, the deficiencies in the current 40-year old jail. He understands citizen concern about the proposed 100 million dollar cost, but says there is no way of avoiding replacement of the jail if citizens want less crime on the streets. He does believe it might be able to be build and enlarged in stages. The county commission will decide in the coming weeks whether to place the jail bond on the November general election ballot.</p>
Education, public schools, local taxation	Bill Meyer Show	3/26	0735	15	<p>Jim Horner is a member of the Medford 549C school board, and was the one sole vote against referring a 25-million dollar CTE bond to the voters in May. He explained that the district doesn't really have a plan in place for the Career and Technical training. He believes this was really a plan to hurry up and get it placed on the May ballot, which has thin participation, making it easier for a YES vote to pass.</p>
Trust in Law Enforcement	Bill Meyer Show	3/28	0710	30	<p>Ron Hosko, former assistant director to the FBI joins the show to discuss the recent officer involved shootings, one troubling incident recently in Sacramento, CA. Ron says the drive to paint many officer-involved shootings as due to racial bias is a sick trend that must be fought. He concedes that the law enforcement community should also take certain steps to lessen the use of collective bargaining privileges not available to normal citizens, such as the ability to wait many days before explaining their actions after shootings.</p>
Medical Care reform, Public Health	Bill Meyer Show	3/26	0735	20	<p>Dr. Myles Schneider is author of "Restoring Health to Healthcare" – A Simple, Uncomplicated Plan. Dr. Schneider says the recent omnibus spending bill may have the unintended effect of "putting a nail in the coffin" of Obamacare, as the insurance company subsidies were not included in the spending bill.</p> <p>We also discuss his book. In which Dr. Schneider lays out a unique and thorough plan for solving the crisis. Part 1 identifies the underlying cause of the problem and then describes the key parts of his solution that provides affordable, quality healthcare for all and exactly what the government, the insurance companies, and the healthcare professionals need to do to get this done.</p> <p>It also shows how this can be accomplished without adding billions of dollars to our nation's debt or increasing taxes or cutting Medicaid and Medicare services or reimbursements to healthcare providers or penalizing people if they chose not to purchase health insurance. Part 2 describes what each of us can do to help ourselves and our country, ending this major problem once and for all.</p>

Federal Government spending, taxation, environment, economy, timber, school policy	Bill Meyer Show	3/30	0810	30	Congressman Greg Walden takes listener calls discussing the recent omnibus spending bill, and various programs it will help supplement in southern Oregon, including Secure Rural Schools Funding, programs to fight the opioid crisis. We also discussed the challenges of wildfire fighting policy, and the efforts of restarting forest harvesting permitted under previous legal agreements.
Hunger Prevention	Bill Meyer Show	01/16	0845	10	Lisa Kelly of Kelly's Automotive came by to discuss their Wipe Out Hunger campaign offering wiper blades for peanut butter donations.

Veterans Support and Recognition	Bill Meyer Show	01/19	0845	10	Russ McBride of Southern Oregon Veterans Benefit came by to update KMED listeners on fundraising for Vietnam Vets Memorial Wall.
Community History & Appreciation	Bill Meyer Show	01/31	0845	10	Spoke to Darcey Mann-Self about the history of the 65 years of the Pear Blossom Festival and its impact on the community today.
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Tax Policy, state legislative action	Clear Connections	1/7	0600	30	3 guests discuss their opinions of the upcoming Measure 101 tax vote. State Senator DeBoer believes a YES vote is the best of all the bad choices. State Rep. Julie Parrish states the Measure will damage the state's economy, and send a message that the legislature needs not be prudent. Retired professor of business law Dr. Dennis Powers states the plan will be a drag on future economic growth in Oregon.
Personal health, medical choices	Clear Connections	1/14	0600	20	Dr Robin Miller, local internist, talks about her latest book "Healed". Miller says there are amazing treatments and therapies available these days that have allowed our lifespan to increase. It has fueled her search to step out of the box and find new, innovative ways to help people to heal and be well. Sometimes it requires going back to basics, and other times she ventures into the wild world of new science, such as the exploding field of genetics and microbiology.
Teenage and young adult services and care	Clear Connections	1/14	0620	10	Kevin Lamson. Executive Director of Hearts with a Mission discussed their goals of a safe space to come hang out in Medford and Grants Pass for children who find themselves living in an abusive or difficult home life.
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					<p>data as well as it can. (from the audit)</p> <p>"We identified several weaknesses associated with OLCC's new IT systems used for marijuana licensing and tracking," the audit said. "They include data integrity and maturity issues, and insufficient processes for managing marijuana computer programs and vendors. Until these issues are resolved, the agency may not be able to detect noncompliance or illegal activity occurring in the recreational marijuana program." Richardson adds there are no controls in place to prevent retailers from uploading altered data into the system.</p>
Education, local economy, training for trades	Clear Connections	2/18	0600	10	<p>Representatives from TAZ Fabrication of Prospect, Oregon, detail their desire to have good family-wage employment available for local rural students. Their metal fabrication shop has partnered with Butte Falls Charter school to start a welding program in the school, and have students intern at their shop to learn metal and welding skills.</p>
Delay of Adulthood, "Failure to Launch"	Clear Connections	2/18	0610	20	<p>Annie Holmquist, senior writer at Intellectual Takeout, discusses a recent article criticizing the call of some to delay official adulthood. Evidence of this can be seen in the Obamacare stipulation that young people can stay on their parents' health care plan until age 26, or the fact that the number of driver's licenses is declining among the young.</p> <p>But now it seems that the push to delay adulthood has extended to medical professionals. Writing in the medical journal Lancet, Dr. Susan Sawyer and other researchers opine that biological information and social trends suggest a need for adolescence to continue into an individual's mid-twenties:</p> <p>But others believe extending adolescence can be detrimental. Speaking to the BBC, sociologist Dr. Jan Macvarish suggests that just because young people are getting married later or spending more time on schooling does not mean they should be coddled. According to her, "Society should maintain the highest possible expectations of the next generation."</p>
Education Policy	Clear Connections	2/25	0600	20	<p>Is there a war on grades in America's schools? Jennifer C. Braceras, senior fellow with Independent Women's Forum, says that reformers are advocating—successfully—to eradicate grades as we know them in the American education system.</p> <p>The move away from grades, which consider effort, ability to meet deadlines, and level of engagement, will hurt hard-working students from middle and working-class families.</p>
Welfare Reform	Clear Connections	2/25	0620	10	<p>Dr. Merrill Matthews of the Institute for Policy Innovation talks with Bill Meyer about the push to reform the SNAP Benefits, or Food Stamp program. He says the Trump administration's plan to have some of the food benefits satisfied with the delivery of a government "food box" is sound policy, should save money. He adds that it's important that benefits be a "little uncomfortable" in order to spur efforts at independence.</p>
Law enforcement, county government taxation.	Clear Connections	3/11	0600	20	<p>Jackson County Sheriff Nate Sickler discusses the need for a new county jail, the deficiencies in the current 40-year old jail. He understands citizen concern about the proposed 100 million dollar cost, but says there is no way of avoiding replacement of the jail if citizens want less crime on the streets. He does believe it might be able to be build and enlarged in stages. The county commission will decide in the coming weeks whether to place the jail bond on the November general election ballot.</p>
Disability services and job training	Clear Connections	3/11	0620	10	<p>Living Opportunities CEO Emilie Wylde, and Director of Development Robert Bauer discuss Living Opportunities and its services. Living Opportunities strives to support people with intellectual and developmental disabilities to live in the</p>

					same neighborhoods, work for the same employers, and share in the same experiences to which we all aspire. It is one of the largest service providers to people with intellectual and developmental disabilities in Southern Oregon, and we talk of the success stories, and how the community can help with its mission.
Military readiness, national defense reform	Clear Connections	3/18	0600	30	We discuss the growing challenge of lack of military readiness at sea, detailed in the new book " Seablindedness: How Political Neglect is Choking American Seapower and What to Do About It " Former Deputy Undersecretary of the U.S. Navy Seth Cropsey exposes how years of underfunding has left our nation's most strategic arm of defense - American naval power - smaller today than any point since before World War I.
Federal Government spending, its effect on local government action	Clear Connections	3/25	0600	15	Congressman Greg Walden talks of the 1.3 trillion dollar omnibus spending bill. There were many parts of the bill that benefitted southern Oregon issues, including wildfire suppression, the fight against opioid addiction, Secure Rural School Funding, keeping the fire tanker base located in Medford, too.
Gender studies, misandry in the culture	Clear Connections	3/25	0615	15	<p>Karen Straughan is a spokesperson for Men's Rights Edmonton, and a contributor to AVoiceForMen.com. She is a prominent Men's Rights Advocate who came to public attention through her infamous YouTube channel titled "GirlWritesWhat." She is a mother of several children, and a published writer of Erotica novels. She speaks with us about trying to get the culture to "lighten up" about what has been termed male sexual aggression.</p> <p>Her 25 years as a counselor have taught her what many women and men privately know, but are now too afraid to admit — the same truth that the success of "Fifty Shades of Grey" tells: Many women like to be dominated in bed. "Not in their lifestyle, not in their career, but in the bedroom, many women would like to surrender," Dr. Boehm said. This may explain why, on Amazon's list of best-selling erotica — a medium that, unlike pornography, is mostly produced and enjoyed by women — themes of male dominance tend to, well, dominate."</p>