



QUARTERLY ISSUES AND PROGRAMS REPORT

FOR

WBGB-HD-2 Boston MA

1st Quarter, 2024

(Jan 1st – Mar 31st)

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**Issues of Concern to Boston MA
Addressed in Responsive Programming in the
1st Quarter, 2024**

<u><i>Subject</i></u>	<u><i>Description of Issue of Concern</i></u>
1. Health	Information regarding the latest breakthroughs in health care is needed, including new discoveries, programs and services. Disaster preparedness to preserve one's health.
2. Economy	Our local economy has been slow to recover from the recent recession. Information on services to assist the public is needed.
3. Education & Child Care	Whether being abused, needing special education, fighting truancy or needing college prep, children & parents need assistance.
4. Local Community Services	Mentioned are free or low-cost community services available to the public to assist with spousal abuse, child abuse, animal abuse or even the arts. Information on free programs is featured.
5. Crime & Drugs	Crime and drug abuse remain a key issue in our area.
6. Public Safety	The safety of the public is priority and information on how to prevent danger and maintain caution.
7. Animals & Wildlife	As wildlife is constantly affected by the perils of man and nature, OpenLine helps to provide the means of animal protection and adoption information needed to sustain the ecosystem and its diverse chain of useful inhabitants.
8. Politics	Highlighting propositions, political issues, and presidential candidates during this year's Elections.
9. Environment	From our coastal areas to our forests, the environment needs our help to preserve and restore it.

**WBGB-HD2 (Channel Q) Programs That Address Community Issues
(Regularly Scheduled Public Affairs Programs)
1st Quarter, 2024**

Public Affairs Program

Schedule and Description

1. Open Line
Sundays, 6-7am. Hosted by Tami Heide, this program features interviews with experts on community issues, along with comments from the listeners.

Most Significant Issue-Responsive Programming
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ISSUE: Health

Open Line

Date: 1/7/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 3 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. William Schaffner

Are people downplaying COVID now? KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman goes in depth into the high number of COVID, flu and RSV infections this Winter and whether people are downplaying COVID now. Back with us is Dr. William Schaffner, professor of preventative medicine and infectious diseases at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine.

Open Line

Date: 1/7/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Doctor Anne Rimoin

L.A. County reinstates masks in health care facilities. On KNX News: UCLA professor of epidemiology, Doctor Anne Rimoin discusses the masking requirement.

Open Line

Date: 1/14/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Diana Lev

What is causing my lingering cough? KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman goes in depth into why some people and kids are developing lingering coughs this Winter. Dr. Diana Lev is a family physician with Dignity Health Family Practice in Northridge.

ISSUE: Health (continued)

Open Line

Date: 1/14/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Caroline Apovian

Drugmaker warns of weight loss drugs for cosmetic use. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman goes in depth into how drugmaker Eli Lilly is warning that people shouldn't use its diabetes and obesity drugs, Mounjaro and Zepbound, for "cosmetic" weight loss. Dr. Caroline Apovian is the co-director of the Center for Weight Management and Wellness at the Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Open Line

Date: 1/28/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Tracy Zaslow

Most kids quit sports by age 13. A new report from the American Academy of Pediatrics says 70 percent of kids drop out of sports by the time they're 13. Burnout is a big reason. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman talks to Dr. Tracy Zaslow, pediatric sports medicine specialist at Kerlan-Jobe Institute in LA. She's also the team doctor for Angel City Football Club and the LA Galaxy.

Open Line

Date: 2/25/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Jessica Altman

Covered California record breaking start to 2024. Covered California had itself a record open enrollment period for Californians signing up for health insurance. Just shy of 1.8-million people in the state have enrolled in an health insurance plan under Covered California ... including over 300,000 new members. That represents a new record for the state-subsidized health plan. KNX's Larry Perel speaks with Jessica Altman, who is executive director of Covered California

ISSUE: Health (continued)

Open Line

Date: 3/10/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Peter Katona

CDC relaxes guidelines for COVID+ people. The Centers for Disease Control announced today a significant relaxing of its COVID isolation guidance. Gone are the days that people who tested positive for COVID were recommended to isolate for weeks at a time. Now, you can just isolate until your fever breaks. There seems to be some divisions among public health officials and doctors over this changed guidance ... which seems to signal that the government is done treating COVID as a unique threat. Dr. Peter Katona is a Clinical Professor of Medicine & Public Health at UCLA ... he used to work at the CDC.

Open Line

Date: 3/10/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. William Schaffner

CDC recommends those 65+ get another COVID booster. If you are above the age of 65 and you rolled up your sleeve back in the Fall months to get the updated COVID vaccine booster shot, the CDC applauds you! They'd also like to you to do it again. While the CDC is recommending another COVID booster ... there was a good amount of debate over that recommendation among their advisory panel. Dr. William Schaffner is a professor of preventive medicine & infectious diseases at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine; he formally worked as an epidemic intelligence officer at the CDC.

Open Line

Date: 3/17/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 15 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Victor Armstrong and Steve Siple

Audacy's I'm Listening team, along with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, present the limited series Talk Away The Dark, straight talk with men, regarding their thoughts, emotions and potential suicide ideation.

ISSUE: Health (continued)

Open Line

Date: 3/17/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Alex Silva, Dan Miller and Dr. Aaron Fletcher

Audacy's I'm Listening team, along with AFSP and Wounded Warrior Project experts discuss Mental Health and the military.

Open Line

Date: 3/17/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Eileen Anderson

COVID-19 four years later, how has society changed? KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman goes in depth into how the COVID-19 pandemic has changed us as a society. Eileen Anderson is a medical and psychological anthropologist at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland

Open Line

Date: 3/24/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. John Carethers

New blood test for colon cancer could help avoid colonoscopy. Let's be honest: no one enjoys getting a colonoscopy. And yet when early detection is the key to treating colon cancer before it becomes fatal ... that unpleasant procedure is just one of two options you have for screening. The other one involves a fecal test, which is also fairly unpleasant. But a game changing colon cancer screening tool could soon become widely available. No intrusive exams, no handling of your own waste this new tool is a simple blood test. Dr. John Carethers is a gastroenterologist and vice chancellor for Health Sciences at U-C San Diego

ISSUE: Health (continued)

Open Line

Date: 3/31/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 7 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Chiquita Brooks-LaSure

14th anniversary of ACA, once polarizing, now popular. The Affordable Care Act is celebrating its 14th year in existence this week. The health insurance overhaul, signed into law by President Barack Obama, has had a bumpy road toward its 14th anniversary ... and yet the program is as popular as ever, with a record 7-million Californians enrolling in a health insurance plan through the ACA this year. Jonathan Serviss talked with Chiquita Brooks-LaSure, administrator of the Medicare and Medicaid programs, and asked her about the biggest changes in health care brought on by the ACA. Brooks-LaSure said there's still work to be done to improve the program. Over 40-million Americans, in total, are enrolled in health insurance through the Affordable Care Act.

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ISSUE: Economy

Open Line

Date: 1/7/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Harvey Rosenfield

Consumer advocates say California homeowner insurance rates about greed. State Farm will raise homeowner insurance policies in California by 20-percent ... after the state's insurance department cleared the way. Insurance companies say being allowed to charge you more is *good* for everyone, because it will bring more competition that will lead to lower prices. Harvey Rosenfield is founder of the advocacy group Consumer Watchdog.

Open Line

Date: 1/7/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Tricia La Belle

Popular bakery closure, is California too expensive?

KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman goes in depth into the recent closure of Sweet Lady Jane bakeries in LA and whether it's too tough to run a business in California. Tricia La Belle is President of The Greater Los Angeles Hospitality Association.

Open Line

Date: 1/28/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Brian Contreras

L.A. TIMES journalists argue they are worth saving, go on strike

About 400 LA TIMES newsroom staffers walked off their jobs ... In protest of what look to be devastating layoffs. That's the first time that's happened in the paper's history. The owner says the Times was on track to lose at least 40-million-dollars last year, and that simple economics are forcing cutbacks. Brian Contreras covers artificial intelligence and tech for the LA Times ... he also sits on the L.A. Times Guild Unit Council.

ISSUE: Economy (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 1/28/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Brian Contreras

L.A. TIMES laid-off writer call cuts "devastating". The L.A. Times announced that it's laying off 115 staffers, which is about 20 percent of their newsroom. One of those writers joined L.A.'s Afternoon News. Brian Contreras covered Artificial Intelligence for the Times.

Open Line

Date: 1/28/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Brian Stelter

Sports Illustrated lays off news staff. A brutal couple of months for the journalism industry continues to get worse. As the LA Times newsroom walked out today for a one-day-strike ... the first in the paper's founding in 1881 ... Sports Illustrated announced that it's laying off just about its entire newsroom staff. Slumping advertising, sagging ratings and the social media boom has proved to be a toxic combination for journalists everywhere. Brian Stelter is a special correspondent for Vanity Fair ... and author of the book "Network of Lies."

Open Line

Date: 2/4/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Karla Dennis

Tax season begins, does it have to be difficult? You can start filing your taxes today. That's if you can figure them out. They can be quite complicated. But should doing taxes be this difficult? Karla Dennis is an enrolled tax agent based in La Palma.

Open Line

Date: 2/11/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Mike Wall

Expert says JPL could see more job cuts. Mike Wall of Space.com joins KNX News to break down the news announced Tuesday that JPL is laying off 8% of its workforce.

ISSUE: Economy

Open Line

Date: 2/25/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Rick Caruso

Why Rick Caruso turned down graffiti towers. L.A.'s Afternoon News spoke to billionaire developer Rick Caruso about what went wrong with the downtown mega-development that turned into a dangerous eyesore, and he reveals that he had the chance to buy the property.

Open Line

Date: 2/25/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Sean McNulty

Actors and writers frustrated lack of gigs. After the SAG-AFTRA and WGA strikes were settled in the Fall, there was excited expectations that Hollywood film and television productions would immediately spring back to life ... and the jobs for actors and writers would be plentiful.

Turns out that studios and production companies have not been especially eager to start spending again. There have been big budget cutbacks, lots of show cancellations ... and a lot of frustrated actors and writers. Sean McNulty covers entertainment industry business for The Ankler ... he is also a former producer at HBO.

Open Line

Date: 3/3/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Jessica Ramirez

Macy's closing 150 stores nationwide. Department store giant Macy's announced today that they're closing down 150 stores nationwide. One casualty is the company's northern California flagship location in San Francisco's Union Square, an iconic location. Macy's has been struggling for a while now, facing competition from the likes of Walmart, Target, H&M and many more. Department stores in general are facing slow but steady declines. Jessica Ramírez is the senior retail research analyst at Jane Hali & Associates

ISSUE: Economy

Open Line

Date: 3/3/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Todd Holmes

Paramount rating could be downgraded. So what's the future look like for all the major streaming companies? L.A.'s Afternoon News talked to Todd Holmes, a professor of Media Management at Cal State Northridge.

Open Line

Date: 3/3/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Colleen Bell

Why the new star wars movie to be filmed in California. The head of the California Film Commission Colleen Bell talks on LA's Afternoon News with Rob and Karen.

Open Line

Date: 3/3/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dan Schnur

Panera Bread exemption. Most fast food chains will have to start paying their workers \$20 an hour this year. But Panera Bread is exempt. Bloomberg is reporting it's related to the fact that a billionaire who owns several locations is a friend and a donor to Governor Newsom. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman went in Depth with political analyst Dan Schnur.

Open Line

Date: 3/10/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Andy La Pointe

Cryptocurrency out of shadows and in politics. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman goes in depth into how the cryptocurrency world is dabbling in politics now. Andy La Pointe is a financial and cryptocurrency expert with CryptoWisdom.com.

ISSUE: Economy

Open Line

Date: 3/31/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Don Maier

Bridge collapse may bring supply chain issues. University of Tennessee Professor Dr. Don Maier talks to Mike Simpson and Vicky Moore about the potential impact to the supply chain due to the bridge collapse in Baltimore.

Open Line

Date: 3/31/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 7 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Keith Miller

One week from California \$20 minimum wage hike. With the April 1st deadline to pay their workers a \$20/hour minimum wage, California's fast food franchises are shifting into cost cutting mode--with layoffs and hours cutbacks for workers. Keith Miller at the American Association of Franchisee and Dealers -- himself the owner of three Subway franchises in California -- tells Jonathan Serviss that some cutbacks at most fast food restaurants are inevitable as owners adjust to the higher labor costs.

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ISSUE: Education & Child Care

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ISSUE: Local & Community Services

Open Line

Date: 1/7/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 23 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Juliana Serrano

Tami has a California conversation and catches up with Juliana Serrano, Executive Director of Planned Parenthood Advocates Pasadena and San Gabriel Valley. Find out the latest real life consequences of trying to navigate abortion and reproductive health care in the restrictive post-Roe vs. Wade world we live in. More info at www.plannedparenthood.org, including their comedy fundraiser Sunday March 24th at the Lodge Room in Highland Park.

Open Line

Date: 1/14/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 12 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Cassandra Bailey

Tami has a California conversation with Dr. Cassandra Bailey, Founder and CEO of Ignited Light, about the Day of Service in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The event is Saturday January 13th at Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza from 10am-2pm. Some of the free services include expungements, legal services, medical, dental, housing, employment services, food distribution, and a children's corner. More info at www.ignitedlight.org, and event info is at www.adayon.org

Open Line

Date: 1/14/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 22 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Eric J. Chambers

Tami has a California conversation with Dr. Eric J. Chambers, founder and president of the Tubman Till Foundation. They are having the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Harvest of the Dream Celebration on Monday 1/15 at 6pm at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum in Yorba Linda. This event will serve as a fundraiser for the opening of the Tubman Till Museum and Media Center. You can take a virtual tour of Dr. Chamber's vision at www.TubmanTillFoundation.org. You can also purchase tickets there, and find more info on those being honored at the event, and their stories that are integral to the civil rights struggle.

ISSUE: Local & Community Services (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 1/21/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 19 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Rachel Norton

Tami has a California conversation with Rachel Norton, Executive Director of California State Parks Foundation, about the state of the state parks for 2024. California's state parks comprise the largest and most diverse natural and cultural heritage holdings of any state in the nation. They include beaches, underwater refuges, native Californian cultural preserves, museums, lighthouses, ghost towns, recreation areas, and wilderness areas. State parks' peaks, deserts, redwoods, and coastlines are some of the most immediately recognizable natural features in the world. For 52 years, California State Parks Foundation has been the leading statewide voice in advocating for a sustainably funded state park system, access to parks for all, and enduring park protection. A park pass can get you into 200 of the 280 state parks in California. Find the right park for you that's near you at www.parks.CA.gov, donate and get more info at www.calparks.org

Open Line

Date: 1/28/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 13 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Christine Moutier and Paul Augustiniak.

Audacy's David O'Leary in partnership with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention hosts an installment of I'm Listening- Talk Away The Dark. He speaks with Dr. Christine Moutier, chief medical officer with AFSP, and chair of the Tennessee chapter of AFSP Paul Augustiniak.

Open Line

Date: 1/28/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 13 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Christine Moutier and Paul Augustiniak

Part 2 of the I'm Listening, Talk Away The Dark campaign, with Audacy's David O'leary and Dr. Christine Moutier and Paul Augustiniak of the AFSP.

ISSUE: Local & Community Services (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 2/4/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 19 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Ayuko Babu

Tami has a California Conversation with Ayuko Babu, Executive Director of the Pan African Film and Arts Festival, coming up February 6-19th at the Cinemark Baldwin Hills XD and Baldwin Hills Crenshaw Plaza. About 200 new films will be shown at this 12 day fest that is a global phenom, drawing visitors from all over the globe to celebrate stories rooted in African and African American experiences. The 32nd Pan African Film & Arts festival presents a broad spectrum of Black creative works that reinforce positive images and dispel negative stereotypes. More info, a schedule of films, ticket info and all that at www.PAFF.org.

Open Line

Date: 2/25/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 18 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Rosemary Allison

Tami has a California conversation with Rosemary Allison, board member of For The Troops. She is co-chairing their annual fundraising event, a dinner and military tribute gala honoring Iraq war era veterans, and recognizing all veterans, on Saturday 3/2 at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library in Simi Valley. For The Troops is an all-volunteer run 501(c)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to providing members of the American military with 'We Care' packages containing basic necessities, goodies, games and—most of all—a show of support. You can volunteer your time, donate things for the We Care packages, donate money, and purchase tickets to the gala at www.forthetroops.org

Open Line

Date: 3/3/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 17 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Ilan Shapiro and Lizette Escobedo

Tami has a California conversation with Dr. Ilan Shapiro and Lizette Escobedo from AltaMed about their My Vote My Health campaign. My Vote My Health creates an awareness in the community that where you live and vote can affect your health. Latino and other underrepresented communities can play a role as defenders of their own health by voting. MVMH seeks to improve access to quality healthcare through voting. More info is at www.myvotemyhealth.org

ISSUE: Local & Community Services (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 3/3/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 13 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dean Logan

Tami has a California conversation with L.A. County Registrar Recorder County Clerk Dean Logan about the election on Tuesday March 5th, the new Ballot Processing Center in the City of Industry, voting by mail and in person, ballot tracking, election integrity, security and transparency, same day registration and voting, available languages and more. www.LAvote.gov has all the information

Open Line

Date: 3/10/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 26 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Susan Partovi

Tami has a California conversation with Dr. Susan Partovi, Renegade M.D. Dr. Partovi is the author of Renegade M.D., a Doctor's Stories From the Street. She is the medical director at Homeless Healthcare L.A., and has a passion for working with the homeless, poor and uninsured. She practices street medicine, bringing medical care and treatment to the streets of Skid Row and elsewhere. It started when she was in High School and joined a church group that went to Tijuana to build houses. She continued that work in college, and in 2009 started bringing her services to Haiti to help alleviate the effects of severe poverty and malnutrition there. Actress Marcia Gay Harden played Dr. Partovi in the movie Tell It Like A Woman. Partovi wrote her book so others could understand the importance of advocating for our fellow humans with Compassion, Caring, Conscientiousness and Acceptance. More info about the work she does here <https://therenegademd.com/>

Open Line

Date: 3/17/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 16 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Juliana Serrano

Tami has a California conversation with Juliana Serrano, executive director of Planned Parenthood Advocates of Pasadena and the San Gabriel Valley, about their March 24th benefit, Stand Up! It's a comedy fundraiser that helps benefit the fight for sexual and reproductive rights and health care. More info and tickets at <https://www.weareplannedparenthoodaction.org/a/stand-up-for-ppadvocates>

ISSUE: Local & Community Services (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 3/24/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 15 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Daniel Acuna

Tami has a California conversation with Daniel Acuna, Jersey Mike's franchisee and California spokesman, about Jersey Mike's Month of Giving. This is the 4th year the company has chosen Cancer for College as the charity, and the 14th year doing this fundraiser. The campaign culminates on the Day of Giving, Wednesday March 27th, where SoCal Jersey Mike's stores will give 100% of the day's sales, not just profits, to Cancer for College. Cancer for College provides cancer survivors with need-based college scholarships, educational experiences and medical debt. For more info, visit www.jerseymikes.com

Open Line

Date: 3/31/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 26 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Beth Pratt

Tami has a California conversation with Beth Pratt, environmental leader and California Regional Executive Director for the National Wildlife Federation. She brings us up to date on the Wallis Annenberg Wildlife Crossing, the official documentary of that project, mountain lions in Los Angeles, pika in the Sierra Nevada, her Africa trip, urban wildlife conservation, coexistence strategies, and what we can learn from wildlife. More info at www.bethpratt.com and www.nwf.org

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ISSUE: Crime & Drugs
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Open Line

Date: 3/10/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Samantha Maloney

New report on sex abuse in music industry. Rob and Karen spoke on LA's Afternoon News with former Hole and Motley Crue drummer Samantha Maloney

Open Line

Date: 3/24/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Darren Rovell

Ohtani's private life may not do him favors in scandal. The long-time interpreter of Dodgers superstar Shohei Ohtani has been fired by the team ... and is accused by Ohtani's lawyers of stealing millions of dollars to pay off gambling debts. This has all come out because of a long-running federal investigation into a Southern California bookie. While Ohtani himself isn't implicated in anything illegal ... yet ... there is not a lot of clarity on the story. Darren Rovell is a veteran reporter on the business of sports, he talked with KNX News about the evolving scandal

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ISSUE: Public Safety

Open Line

Date: 1/7/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Anthony Levey

Threats have synagogues beefing up security. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman discusses the recent threats against synagogues in LA and across California. It turns out many synagogues across the country are taking action to protect themselves. Anthony Levey is the founder of the nonprofit Synagogue Security Initiative which helps synagogues across the country handle security. He's also a former federal law enforcement official and former LAPD officer.

Open Line

Date: 1/7/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Sean Kennedy

L.A. County civilian oversight looks into Villanueva. 2024 is guaranteed to get off to an interesting start for the LA County Civilian Oversight Commission. The administrative body tasked with acting as a monitor and watchdog of the LA County Sheriff Department will finally get their shot to question an elusive target: former Sheriff Alex Villanueva. The ex-Sheriff, who was voted out of office in 2022, had been dodging a subpoena to testify on deputy gangs in the department since 2020. On January 12th, Villanueva will finally go before the commission. Sean Kennedy is chair of the Civilian Oversight Commission.

KNX has reached out to Alex Villanueva with a request to talk with us about his upcoming testimony ... but so far haven't heard anything back.

Open Line

Date: 1/14/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Charles Jasper

More Jewish businesses increase security. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman discusses the rise of anti-Semitic incidents in the LA area and how more Jewish business owners are asking about how to increase security to protect themselves, customers and their stores from damage. Charles Jasper is Director of Protective Intelligence with AEGIS Security & Investigations in Culver City.

ISSUE: Public Safety

Open Line

Date: 1/21/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 11 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Michel Moore

LAPD Chief Moore is retiring. In a surprise announcement at L.A. City Hall, police chief Michel Moore announced he plans to retire at the end of February. He joined KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman on L.A.'s Afternoon news to talk about it.

Open Line

Date: 1/21/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 8 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Connie Rice

Civil rights lawyer says good time for Moore to retire. Civil rights attorney Connie Rice has followed the LAPD for decades. She joined L.A.'s Afternoon News to react to the news that Chief Michel Moore is retiring at the end of February.

Open Line

Date: 1/21/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Mehran Rahmani

Northridge quake 30 years after, changes in structure of buildings. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman looks back at the Northridge Earthquake which was 30 years ago today. Changes have been made to building codes and designs to prevent buildings from collapsing in the next big earthquake. With us now is structural and earthquake engineer Mehran Rahmani, who's also a professor at Cal State Long Beach.

Open Line

Date: 1/28/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Joe Linton

L.A. had more traffic deaths than homicides. 2023 marked the first time in nine years that more people died in traffic accidents than in homicides in Los Angeles. KNX News Chief Correspondent went in-depth with Joe Linton, the editor of Streets Blog LA, on L.A.'s Afternoon News.

ISSUE: Public Safety

Open Line

Date: 2/11/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Michel Moore

Retiring LAPD Chief praises replacement. Charles Feldman speaking with Police Chief Michel Moore on LA's Afternoon News about the appointment of Dominic Choi as interim chief.

Open Line

Date: 2/25/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 9 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dominic Choi

LAPD incoming interim chief. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman talks to incoming interim LAPD Chief Dominic Choi on taking over the department, what he hopes to accomplish as interim chief and whether he'd consider taking the job permanently.

Open Line

Date: 2/25/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Aaron Rafferty

Big tech promises crackdown on deep fakes. LA's Afternoon News with Rob Archer and Karen Adams talks about a big commitment from tech companies to crack down on political deepfakes this election season. Aaron Rafferty is a behavioral scientist, tech expert and CEO of Standard DAO, a tech startup company.

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ISSUE: Animals

Open Line

Date: 1/14/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Madeline Bernstein

Housing and money issues equal full animal shelters. KNX News' Chris Sedens discusses how full animal shelters could be an indication of housing and money problems in a community. Madeline Bernstein is president of SPCA LA.

Open Line

Date: 1/14/24

Time: 6:00 AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Justin Dellinger

California has fewer mountain lions than thought. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman discusses how there are apparently fewer mountain lions in California than previously believed. Justin Dellinger is a large-carnivore biologist with Wyoming Game and Fish. He's also the leader of the California Mountain Lion Project.

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ISSUE: Politics

Open Line

Date: 1/7/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 3 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: J. Christopher Hamilton

More people canceling streaming services. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman goes in depth into how more and more people are canceling streaming services. J. Christopher Hamilton is an entertainment attorney and TV, Radio and Film professor at Syracuse University.

Open Line

Date: 1/7/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Mara Reinstein

Hollywood looks to bounce back. The actors and writers strikes effectively shut down Hollywood for much of 2023 ... and in the process led to the delayed release of several big movies. Now in 2024 audiences will get a chance to see the likes of Dune 2 and Deadpool 3, casualties of the strikes. But there's a lot more coming to theaters in what promises to be a busy year. Mara Reinstein is chief film critic for US Weekly.

Open Line

Date: 1/21/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Jack Pitney

Why governor killed youth football bill. Charles Feldman goes in depth on LA's Afternoon News with political analyst Jack Pitney of Claremont McKenna College.

ISSUE: Politics (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 1/28/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Brian Steinberg

Jon Stewart returns to Daily Show. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman goes in depth into the return of Jon Stewart to The Daily Show on Comedy Central. With Charles is Brian Steinberg, Variety's Senior TV Editor.

Open Line

Date: 2/4/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 19 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Barbara Lee

Barbara Lee profile with Charles Feldman. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman sat down with Barbara Lee to discuss her campaign and what her policy priorities are if she is elected to replace Dianne Feinstein as California's next senator.

Open Line

Date: 2/4/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Stanley Rosen

China is losing interest in Hollywood movies. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman looks into why China is losing interest in Hollywood movies suddenly. Stanley Rosen is a Professor of Political Science and International Relations at USC. He studies Chinese politics and the film industry.

Open Line

Date: 2/11/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 22 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Steve Garvey

Senate candidate Steve Garvey profile. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman sat down with Steve Garvey to discuss his campaign and what his policy priorities are if he is elected to replace Dianne Feinstein as California's next senator.

ISSUE: Politics (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 2/11/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 22 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Katie Porter

Senate candidate Katie Porter profile. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman sat down with Katie Porter to discuss her campaign and what her policy priorities are if she is elected to replace Dianne Feinstein as California's next senator.

Open Line

Date: 2/18/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 15 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Town Hall Format

Part 1 of Audacy Conversations, the KNX Town Hall about The State of the Entertainment Industry with Charles Feldman and Mike Simpson

Open Line

Date: 2/18/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 15 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Town Hall Format

Part 2 of Audacy's Conversations from the KNX Town Hall about The State of the Entertainment Industry

Open Line

Date: 2/18/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Barak Lurie

California getting a bad reputation. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman takes us in depth into a new LA Times poll that finds half of people in the U.S. believe California is in decline. Nearly half of Republicans say California is "not really American." Back with us is conservative political analyst Barak Lurie, author of *Keeping the Kids All Right: How to make sure your kids never fall for the leftist agenda*. He moved from LA to Las Vegas recently.

ISSUE: Politics (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 2/18/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 18 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Adam Schiff

Adam Schiff profile with Charles Feldman. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman sat down with Adam Schiff to discuss his campaign and what his policy priorities are if he is elected to replace Dianne Feinstein as California's next senator.

Open Line

Date: 2/25/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Clayton Davis

"AND THE OSCAR..." NEW CATEGORY FOR OSCARS

Charles Feldman goes in depth on LA's Afternoon News with Clayton Davis of Variety about the Academy creating a new Oscar for Best Casting.

Open Line

Date: 2/25/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Melissa Ruggieri

Beyoncé breaks new ground. Queen Bey has conquered another realm. Beyonce, with her new song "Texas Hold 'Em" became the first ever Black female artist to have a song on top of the country music charts. And keep in mind that it was only a few weeks ago that several country western radio stations were refusing to even play Beyonce's new song, arguing that "Texas Hold 'Em" wasn't a true country tune. Melissa Ruggieri covers all things music for USA Today.

Open Line

Date: 3/3/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Scott Mantz

Possible drama on Oscar night. LA movie critic Scott Mantz gave Rob and Karen the latest Oscars buzz on LA's Afternoon News, two weeks before the 96th Academy Awards.

ISSUE: Politics (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 3/3/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Sam Blum

MLB's new uniforms too revealing. One of the biggest problems: The pants are see-through. L.A.'s Afternoon News connected with Sam Blum, who covers The Angels for The Athletic.

Open Line

Date: 3/10/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Adam Schiff

Adam Schiff thrilled about race against Garvey. KNX News projects that Burbank Congressman Adam Schiff and Stave Garvey will advance to November in the race for the late Dianne Feinstein's senate seat. Congressman Schiff joined L.A.'s Morning News to discuss the runoff.

Open Line

Date: 3/24/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Molly Knight

Expectations for dodgers could not be higher. We've been talking a lot about the sports betting scandal now surrounding Shohei Ohtani's interpreter. He's been fired after millions of dollars were sent from Ohtani's bank account to an illegal bookie. But what about the team on the field? The team kicked off their season with a 5-to-2 win over the Padres in South Korea. They lost their 2nd regular season game against San Diego, in Seoul, before returning to the U.S. to play three more pre-season games. Molly Knight wrote the book on the Dodgers called "The Best Team Money Can Buy" ... she tells KNX the strange start was worth it. She says the pressure has never been higher for these Dodgers to win it all. According to the odds-makers, the Dodgers are far and away the favorites to win the World Series this year.

ISSUE: Politics (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 3/24/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Ysabel Jurado

Ysabel Jurado vs. de Leon 14th district race. While it's still too close to call, the race for the Los Angeles City Council seat in the city's 14th District is about as competitive as it gets. That seat is currently held by Kevin de Leon, who's been engulfed in scandal for about a year-and-a-half now from the city hall racism controversy. But right now de Leon is in second place. That's Ysabel Jurado, a tenant rights lawyer and community activist who overcame a big money deficit with an aggressive canvassing operation in the 14th District

Open Line

Date: 3/24/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 6 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Nathan Hochman

Nathan Hochman on George Gascon. KNX News is projecting that former United States Assistant Attorney General Nathan Hochman will face off against incumbent L.A. County District Attorney George Gascon in November. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman connected with Hochman during L.A.'s Afternoon News.

Open Line

Date: 3/24/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 8 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Karen Bass

Mayor Bass discusses trip to Paris. KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman talks to LA Mayor Karen Bass about her trip to Paris to study preparations for the Olympics as LA will host in 2028.

ISSUE: Politics (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 3/31/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Art Caplan

Abortion pill argument also challenges FDA authority. We've been telling you about the oral arguments today in front of the Supreme Court over "mifepristone," the abortion pill ... and how that could impact abortion access across the country.

But there's another angle to this story: a legal challenge to the Food and Drug Administration's authority to approve medications, which is also in the crosshairs of this case.

KNX talked with Dr. Art Caplan, founding head of the division of Medical Ethics at NYU ... and asked him about the potentially huge implications of this case.

Open Line

Date: 3/31/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Catherine Cohen

Legal access to abortion pill hangs in balance. Access to the nationally-available abortion pill, called mifepristone, was on the line this morning when lawyers argued over a challenge to its access in front of U.S. Supreme Court Justices. That includes here in California ... where abortion is legal ... but the abortion pill would become unavailable if the Court rules in favor of the plaintiffs. KNX chief correspondent Charles Feldman asked Catherine Cohen, staff attorney at UCLA's Center on Reproductive Health, Law and Policy ... about how the abortion pill is currently used.

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Open Line

Date: 1/21/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: John Vidale

Northridge quake 30 years later, what have we learned? KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman talks to seismologist and Earth Sciences professor at USC, John Vidale, on what we've all learned about earthquakes and preparedness in the 30 years after the Northridge quake.

Open Line

Date: 1/21/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Dr. Lucy Jones

Dr. Lucy Jones on Northridge quake: World-renowned seismologist Dr. Lucy Jones joins L.A.'s Morning News to reflect on the 30th anniversary of the Northridge earthquake.

Open Line

Date: 2/4/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Ilya Neyman

Are we overhyping storms in California? KNX News Chief Correspondent Charles Feldman goes in depth into whether people are buying into weather alarmism. Why are usual Winter storms being hyped so much? With us to explain is meteorologist Ilya Neyman, professor at Cal State LA and former TV weather broadcaster.

ISSUE: Environment (cont.)

Open Line

Date: 2/25/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Janice Hahn

Supervisor said RPV land movement looks Jurassic Park. Supervisor Janice Hahn tells L.A.'s Afternoon News that it's hard to comprehend until you see it in person. She wants Governor Newsom to see it for himself, and to declare a state of emergency.

Open Line

Date: 3/10/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 4 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Ivan Drury

The greenest car in U.S. may surprise you. A new report found that a plug-in hybrid is actually more environmentally friendly than all the EVs on the market. Ivan Drury, the Director of Insights at Edmunds, joined L.A.'s Afternoon News.

Open Line

Date: 3/24/24

Time: 6:00AM

Duration: 5 minutes of a 60-minute program

Guest: Loretta Lynch

Why doesn't L.A. bury its power lines to protect from Santa Ana winds? The hurricane-force Santa Ana winds that blew through town yesterday were a good reminder that, even with our last couple of wet winters, wind storms are still some of California's biggest weather events. And with all of the power outages reported across the region over the last 24 hours ... it got us thinking again about the long-running debate over burying power lines. Not only would underground power lines be wind-proof, but they could alleviate a lot of fire dangers as well. Loretta Lynch was formally chair of the California Public Utilities Commission ... she's now a regulatory attorney.