

Quarterly Issues Programming Report

Quarter 4

October 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020

90.5 KCSU-FM, Fort Collins, Colorado

KCSU Newscasts

Newscasts air from 9am-9pm at every odd hour on the day they are scheduled. They cover local and campus issues including but not limited to crime, University affairs, city council announcements, changes in sports schedules, and controversies within the University, city, and county.

Duration: 2 newscasts X 3 min average air time X 5 weeks

Total Duration: 0-hours 30-minutes

Rocky Mountain Review

“Rocky Mountain Review” is KCSU news and public affairs show that airs Tuesdays and Thursdays between 4 and 5pm when the university is in session. Hosts Kota Babcock and Ivy Winfrey interview public officials, topic experts, arts and culture makers, and welcome listener opinion via text. The show covers all things local and national news from a local lens. The show includes newscasts in addition to the interviews in order to summarize the biggest issues for listeners to know about in the community and nationwide.

Episodes 08/25/2020 through 10/27/2020 were 30 minutes.

Episodes 10/29/2020 through 12/10/2020 were 60 minutes.

Air dates:

08/25/2020

08/27/2020

09/01/2020

09/03/2020

09/10/2020

09/22/2020

09/24/2020

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12/10/2020

Examples of Episode Content on “Rocky Mountain Review”

10/01/2020: “New COVID-19 spikes, CSU’s new task force to address Jewish inclusion”

Program summary:

Ivy Winfrey discusses COVID-19 transmission among CSU students, fire management, and new water restrictions in Fort Collins. Dixon Lawson gives some updates on college football. Kota Babcock discusses updates about the arrest of a Seagram liquor heir, trial changes for 9-11 defendants in Guantanamo Bay, and refugee limits in the US. Ivy gives some weird news highlights and Kota updates listeners on COVID-19.

10/15/2020: “Senate debate highlights, Cameron Peak Fire mandatory evacuations”

Program Summary:

Ivy Winfrey updates listeners on changes in the Cameron Peak Fire’s status, bus schedules in Fort Collins, and the Fall commencement ceremony at CSU. Then, KCSU news provides highlights from the debate between former Governor John Hickenlooper and current Senator Cory Gardner. Kota Babcock gives updates on a new agenda to end the war in Afghanistan and updates in the charges against the Kenosha protest shooter. Kota also updates us on COVID-19 statistics, including a change to Larimer County’s COVID Risk Score.

10/22/2020: "CSU Mountain Campus survives wildfire, first hand account of the 1970 Old Main fire"

Program summary:

Ivy Winfrey updates listeners on how the wildfire has impacted the CSU mountain campus and Larimer county as a whole, as well as Colo. Governor Jared Polis' plans for Coronavirus relief. Then, Kota Babcock speaks to Bill Lane, who was a photographer for the Collegian during the Old Main Fire in 1970. Then, Kota explains the current situation with some families separated at the Southern U.S. border, new hate speech policies on TikTok, potential election interference and new stats on COVID-19. Ivy ends the show and gives listeners time to laugh through her Weird News segment.

10/27/2020: "Antisemitism Task Force responds to Dr. Abdullah, new COVID-19 restrictions"

Program summary:

Ivy Winfrey gives new information on new COVID-19 restrictions specific to Larimer county and CSU Spur, and then speaks to Julia Rosenwald of the Presidential Task Force on Jewish Inclusion and the Prevention of Antisemitism about Dr. Abdullah's keynote speech for the Diversity Symposium. Dixon Lawson updates listeners on sports, and then Kota Babcock tells listeners about Amy Coney Barnett's confirmation, voter turnout, and water found on the moon.

10/29/2020: "Halloween blood drive, Gov. Polis announces new stimulus"

Program summary:

Ivy Winfrey updates listeners on information about Colorado's wildfires and Hughes Stadium development, then Jonathan Gillham interviews CSU Women's Rugby player Jordan Wyman about being non-binary and an athlete. Ivy then talks to Dennis Houska about a Halloween-themed blood drive, while Kota gives updates on voter turnout and a controversy surrounding the former chief of staff for the Department of Homeland Security.

11/03/2020: "Last day to register to vote and vote in person, information on the election"

Program summary:

Ivy Winfrey discusses wildfire evacuations being lifted, CSUPD's Bait Bikes strategy, and raising hospitalizations in Larimer County. Jonathan Gillham updates listeners on new updates within sports, and KCSU News plays some segments related to a debate between John Hickenlooper and Cory Gardner

before moving onto updates within the White House and the US Supreme Court with Kota Babcock. Then, Kota covers new COVID-19 statistics.

11/05/2020: "Hughes Stadium ownership changes, President Trump claims false victory"

Program summary:

Ethan Hanson updates listeners on CSU's success in research and a post-election Q+A from the department of political science. Ivy Winfrey gives new updates on options available for the socialization of senior residents, as well as options for political sign disposal. Kota Babcock dives into new changes in national news related to the election, including a false declaration of victory by Donald Trump and a change in Colorado's senate representation. He then moves onto COVID-19 statistics to help guide residents.

11/10/2020: "Implications of reintroducing gray wolves, new funding for the NACC"

Program Summary:

Ethan Hanson updates listeners on ASCSU bills and debates, as well as the discovery of a body in Lory State Park and new limits to Transfort's capacity. Then, Ivy Winfrey speaks with Tom Hobbs, a professor in the Warner College of Natural Resources, about gray wolf reintroduction. Later in the show, Kota Babcock speaks to Collegian reporter about new funding for the Native American Cultural Center, and updates listeners on the resignation of a DOJ official, prominent court hearings, and new national park access for veterans.

12/01/2020: "The Garden of Lights, changes in COVID-19 restrictions, and how you can support local businesses"

Program summary:

Ivy Winfrey updates listeners on new COVID-19 restrictions, then Jonathan Gillham gives listeners the latest sports information. After that, Kota Babcock speaks with Amanda Sammartino from the Gardens on Spring Creek about the Garden of Lights holiday event. Then, Kota gives listeners new updates on electoral certifications, Supreme Court issues, and changes in the White House before Ivy tells listeners about Amendment 77, which recently passed in Colorado. Then, Kota speaks to Jillian Fresa from Fort Collins about what the city's partnership with local businesses means, and how listeners can support businesses in the community. After that, Kota gives updates on COVID-19 statistics and explains some new controversies and success stories in technology news. To conclude the show, Maddy Erskine interviews local

musician Brian Hulls and Ivy gives information on some of the weirdest stories, like Pizza Hut accepting Bitcoin.

12/10/2020: "FTC Takes on Facebook, State Preparations for the Health Impacts of Climate Change"

Program summary:

Ellie Shannon discusses the University adopting S/U grading and extending withdrawal deadlines as well as changes in executive leadership for Poudre School District. Dixon Lawson gives new updates on sports, and Ivy Winfrey speaks to Matt McKillop about climate change. Kota Babcock gives updates on mask wearing, the prevention of a government shutdown, and a man being arrested for threatening journalists. Then, Ivy speaks to Incident Commander Trainee Matt Champa about his experiences working on the cameron peak fire firefighting efforts. After that, Kota updates COVID-19 statistics and gives new information on controversies including Facebook and Google. After that, Ivy wraps up the show with some of the weirdest stories of Thursday.

Total Duration: 19-hours 0-minutes

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