

Fourth QUARTER ISSUES REPORT 2013 KXBX-AM, KXBX-FM, KQPM, KNTI

QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST–Submitted Jan 10
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This Quarterly Issues/Programs List is a list of non-entertainment programming which, in the opinion of the management of the Station, represents the most significant treatment by the Station of certain issues believed to be of community concern. The list is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all of the Station's non-entertainment programming. Nor is it designed to list every program broadcast by the Station that is responsive to the selected issues. Included are only those programs in which the Station devoted significant time or depth to the various issues.

Local stories covered play a minimum of 3 times during the day and often have continued topic coverage:

Local News coverage is in a 2 minute format and plays Monday through Friday in the 7am, 8am, 12pm, 4pm and 5pm hours. Below are summaries of topics covered in our Local News, with dates they aired. These are not the entire story, just excerpts from what was reported intended to give a overview.

Government

10-1 The Lake County Board of Supervisors proclaims October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month at a meeting set for 9 a.m. today (Tuesday) morning. The meeting will be held at the Lake County Courthouse.

10-2 The Lakeport City Council approves waiting until next summer to start the city's next sewer rate increase. Lake County News reports Public Works Director Mark Brannigan went to the council to ask for clarification on when the council members wanted the next sewer rate increase to take place.

10-3 The federal government shutdown has a local impact and creates a concern if it goes on much longer. Lake County News reports The US Department of Agriculture office and campgrounds close because of the lapse in federal government funding.

10-7 This week the Board of Supervisors hears presentations on efforts to improve broadband services and employment in the county. The meeting starts at 9 a.m. tomorrow morning (Tuesday) in the board chambers on the first floor of the Lake County Courthouse in Lakeport.

10-9 The Lake County Board of Supervisors approves an additional \$20,000 for the winterization efforts to stop more landslides at the Lakeside Heights subdivision. The Record Bee reports this was an extra agenda item added Tuesday because of the need to take immediate action.

10-9 The Clearlake City Council meets this week as the redevelopment successor agency. Lake County News reports the group first considers adoption of a long range property management plan.

10-9 Representative Mike Thompson co-authors a House version of the comprehensive immigration reform bill. Thompson, who represents California's 5th District announced on Tuesday he's co-authored H.R. 15 - the Border Security, Economic Opportunity and Immigration Modernization Act. The legislation has been sent to the House Committee on the Judiciary for review

10-17 Candidates in four races debate the issues concerning each of their districts at a forum held Tuesday night at the Ukiah Civic Center. The Ukiah Daily Journal reports there were only a few people there, but all eligible candidates attended in only one of the four races to field questions from audience members and the moderators.

10-18 The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) awards Lake County more than \$37,000 in federal funds as part of the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program. The Record Bee reports a local board will determine how the funds will be distributed among the emergency food and shelter programs run by Lake County agencies.

11-12 The Lake County Planning Commission holds a public hearing on a draft ordinance that would institute permanent regulations on the growing of medical marijuana. The meeting begins at 9 a.m. Thursday at the Lake County Courthouse.

11-14 The Lakeport Planning Commission discusses the issue of temporary commercial signs on Wednesday night, settling on a proposal to ask the city's businesses to come into voluntary compliance with the city's signage ordinance by this spring.

11-14 The Mendocino County Board of Supervisors approves a measure to cut the property tax break owners of agricultural land get as part of agricultural preserve agreements they have with the county under the Williamson Act.

11-19 A Clean Water Act case in federal court filed by a resident in Del Norte has been dismissed against the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. The case filed by Del Norte County resident Felice Pace and Wilderness Watch, an advocacy group from Montana.

11-21 City leaders in Clearlake getting a report on a temporary moratorium preventing certain construction work on part of Lakeshore Drive. A special meeting's planned for the City Council tonight at 6 on the matter.

11-21 In Willits, the city councils voted unanimously for mandatory water conservation measures. It means residents have to limit their outdoor landscaping to three days a week and they cannot water in daylight hours between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. The city's Mayor says this week's rain wasn't expected to be near enough to offset the tinder dry conditions.

11-21 More money to the state to protect against invasive mussel infestations in California's bodies of water. The governor signed a law last year which raises fees for boat owners on their DMV vessel registration.

11-21 Planning to use your vacation time next week to run errands at Lakeport City Hall? Think again, the city's administrative offices and daily department operations are closed. That includes City Hall, Public Works and the Lakeport Police Department, all closed for the holiday season and staff work furloughs from Monday to Friday.

12-05 Ukiah City Manager Jane Chambers presented a plan for a temporary contract with the Ukiah Valley Fire District at last night's city council meeting. The Ukiah Daily Journal reports that personnel from the UVFD and the Ukiah Fire Department have been responding together to incidents for over a year, but no formal financial agreement has been reached regarding merging the departments.

12-03 Some cities have a budget. But the city of Lakeport has a "Distinguished Budget." They recently received a prestigious award from The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada, for meeting the highest principals of governmental budgeting.

12-03 The Ukiah City Council recently adopted a list of new policies designed to guide how money is spent, and track that spending. The policies cover things like financial management, goals and budget preparation and administration. Jim McAdler, the city's interim finance director, says the policies will help the council and the staff stay fiscally responsible, especially during this challenging time of limited resources and overwhelming needs.

12-03 The Lakeport Board of Supervisors will meet this morning. They'll consider ending the local emergency declared in a special meeting because of damage from the windstorm that hit the county Nov. 21 and 22.

12-03 The Ukiah City Council has agreed to provide funding for more positions to the Ukiah Police Department. Injuries and unexpected turnaround has the UPD operating with only 16 officers in patrol slots.

12-04 The Lake County Board of Supervisors will put a proposed rent-control ordinance for seniors on the June election ballot. The measure was approved unanimously at last night's meeting.

12-18 The Lake County Board of Supervisors (BOS) held an all-day session yesterday to discuss the proposed marijuana cultivation ordinance, and unanimously approved it.

12-19 The Lake County Board of Supervisors unanimously approved a proposed lake sales tax this week. The 0.5 percent transaction and use tax will fund various Water Resources projects.

12-31 The following candidates for Lake County positions been announced for the June 3 primary.

Civil

10-7 Clean up begins on the possible site of the new Mendocino courthouse in Ukiah as contaminated soil gets removed from a long-empty property near the Ukiah Railroad Depot on Perkins Street.

10-9 The Mendocino Community Library celebrates 25 years of having a permanent home. It's comes a long way from when it opened with only 16 books on the shelves back in 1948

10-9 Habitat for Humanity Lake County receives a grant of \$5,000 for the Brush of Kindness Home Repair Program from Wells Fargo Bank. Lake County News reports the store manager of the Wells Fargo Clearlake office, Lorine D'Agostino presented the check to Habitat President Richard Birk.

10-11 Caltrans reports the Highway 53 rehab project in Clearlake will require traffic control tomorrow for paving at the intersection of Highway 53 with Lakeshore Drive and 40th Avenue.

10-14 Food stamp recipients unable to access funds. The Lake County News reports an outage in the Electronic Benefits Transfer system prevented users from purchasing food in California and sixteen other states.

10-22 Clearlake Veterans Affairs Clinic celebrates third anniversary. Lake County News reports the clinic will host an open house on Friday, Nov 1st from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the clinic located on Lakeshore Drive.

10-23 LAFCo hosts public discussion on Ukiah Valley water supply. The Ukiah Daily Journal reports the Local Agency Formation Commission for Mendocino County will hold a public discussion tonight focused on exploring consolidation of two water districts.

10-30 A north Lakeport subdivision where several homes were damaged by a landslide earlier this year has even more destruction this week, as one of the homes collapses. Lake County News reports the Lakeside Heights home of Jagtar Singh had been halfway suspended on a hillside after part of its floor had fallen away earlier this year.

10-30 Ukiah's homeless shelter may have to close its doors during the summer months after losing roughly half of its budget, if the \$120,000 shortfall can't be filled.

10-31 The Ukiah Planning Commission holds a special meeting next month to review the final Environmental Impact Report for a planned Costco store in Ukiah.

11-19 The Ukiah Animal Shelter working with a national campaign to bring down the number of abandoned black-furred pets by bringing down adoption fees. The national Back in Black animal adoption event offers a low adoption fee of \$50 for a cat or kitten and for puppies and dogs plus a \$25 license fee.

11-19 Some very old Redwood Trees could be removed in Ukiah because of limb problems. The Ukiah City Council is set to take up the matter tomorrow, the possible removal of three nearly 100-year-old redwoods sitting in front of the Ukiah Daily Journal offices on South School Street.

11-21 No removal of the 3 Redwood trees in front of the Daily Journal offices in Ukiah, for now. The newspaper reports the City Council is allowing the paper more time to see if there's a way to save three large redwood trees in front of its building the city had planned to take down.

11-21 Another step towards the possible building of that Costco store in Ukiah. The city's Planning Commission is taking two steps toward the planned building of the big box store, certification of the project's final Environmental Impact Report, and note whether it will have more positive than negative impacts.

11-22 The Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Costco in Ukiah has been approved. The Ukiah Planning Commission recommending it be certified and approved by the City Council. There were several people who spoke at the planning commission meeting, voicing their concerns.

12-06 More apartments are going in at the corner of Ford Street and Myron Place, and residents in the area aren't too happy about it. People who live there feel the area is too congested and can't support more rentals.

12-16 The city of Ukiah is installing new safety features on a crosswalk on South State Street. The features are designed to help pedestrians get across the busy street.

12-18 The Ukiah Fire Department and the Ukiah Valley Fire District are considering a temporary agreement. The district has offered to provide a full-service fire department and hire all of the city's firefighters to help staff it. That could mean having all of the city firefighters become employees of the district.

12-18 Have more thoughts on the plans for a new Costco store? The public will have another chance to comment tonight as the Ukiah City Council considers items related to the project.

12-19 The Costco store in Ukiah has a green light to move forward as the City Council approved the project's Environmental Impact Report. Once the EIR was approved, the council then needed to adopt a "Statement of Overriding Considerations" declaring that the store's benefits would outweigh its negatives.

12-19 Kelseyville is getting a skate park. The Lake County Board of Supervisors (BOS) voted 5-0 Tuesday to re-allocate money from the planned Clear Lake Riviera Park to a proposed Kelseyville Skate Park for just over \$377,000.

12-19 The answer was "no" to a Dollar Tree store in Fort Bragg. The city's Planning Commission voted to deny a use permit to convert the old social services building on South Franklin Street to a Dollar Tree store.

12-30 Ukiah Mayor Phil Baldwin says the city and Costco are working together to get through the process of opening a store here. He believes it's a mutual commitment.

Business

10-2 One of downtown Lakeport's newest businesses celebrates its grand opening and ribbon cutting this week. The Lake County Chamber of Commerce host the celebration for Old World Tavern, located at 175 N.

11-12 The Lake County Wine Commission kicks off a series of seminars focusing on marketing tools and trends for Lake County's Wine industry. Bicoastal Media News reporter Lori Ryan has the details:

11-21 The parent company of a couple of grocery stores in Lake County files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. Lake Co News reports the Brookings, Oregon, C & K Markets filed the petition voluntarily because of so-called legacy costs, to sell or close underperforming stores and resolve debt issues.

12-03 Mendocino and Lake County small businesses can now self-enroll through the state health insurance exchange's online marketplace. Covered California launched the new function to allow owners of businesses in the state with up to 50 employees to sign up for health care through the Small Business Health Options Program, or SHOP, with coverage beginning Jan. 1.

Health Care

10-8 Public Health Officials are reporting that the person was hospitalized on Friday. The disease, (meninjo-coke-semia) meningococemia, is easily passed from person to person by way of close contact; either through coughing, sneezing, kissing or any direct contact with oral or nasal secretions.

10-10 Flu season is here and the Lake County Public Health Division wants residents protected. The Record-Bee reports the Division has announced its 2013/2014 community flu vaccination clinics. The Lake County Public Health Division receives state-funded seasonal flu vaccines and this year 14 hundred 30 doses are available.

10-14 The Wellness Center at Sutter Lakeside Hospital is closing and Bicoastal Media Reporter Wendy Robbins tells us why...Sutter Lakeside Hospital announces they'll be closing their Wellness Center on November 30.

10-31 St. Helena (Ha-Leen-ah) Hospital Clear Lake announces the completion of phase two of the transformation of its emergency department, with all the upgraded facilities and services now available.

12-05 the Mendocino County Health and Human Services Agency believe they're getting a bad rap from the media. In a statement, HHSA shared their frustration with allegations of poor mental health services, and critics claiming that mental health services have been eliminated.

Employment

10-10 The Mendocino County employment situation improves to about the same level it was in 2009. The Willits News reports California Labor Market Information Division data shows 39,720 people are employed in Mendocino County as of August 2013, which is about the same as in 2009 in the immediate aftermath of the great economic crash.

12-02 The latest report from the California Employment Development Department shows unemployment was down across the state, but up slightly nationwide and in Lake County.

12-06 Costco could bring jobs to Ukiah with good wages, along with new revenues to the city...but do the benefits outweigh the potential impacts to air quality and traffic?

12-11 Labor negotiations between the county of Mendocino administration and the union that represents most of its workers will move to a fact-finding phase after a state mediation was unable to resolve their differences. The sticking point is a 10-percent pay cut many county employees had taken voluntarily for years before the last contract signed two years ago, made the cut permanent.

12-26 Lake County's unemployment rate went up from 11.1 percent in September to 11.5 percent in October, which was higher than the state's at 8.3 percent according to the California Employment Development Department.

12-31 The increase of the minimum wage for California from \$8 to \$9 per hour will begin on July 1. An employer that fails to pay the new minimum wage may be subject to liquidated damages to the employee.

Education

10-11 The Upper Lake High School District Board's approves a proposed agreement with the Lake County Sheriff's Office to add a new school resource deputy. Lake County News reports the board unanimously approved the proposed memorandum of understanding that calls for the district to reimburse the sheriff's office for 50-percent of the cost of one deputy sheriff without overtime, which totals \$51,500, with the sheriff's office being responsible for the remaining payroll costs in excess of that amount.

12-26 The Redwood Empire Mensa has some scholarships up for grabs. All you have to do to have a shot at them is write an essay. The Mensa Scholarship Program is open to anyone who will be attending college or graduate school in the United States during the 2014/15 academic year.

12-30 Soon all of Ukiah Unified School District's 3rd and 10th grade students will have a new laptop purchased for them by the school. The Superintendent says the purchase is part of a pilot program to help students transition to the Common Core State Standards.

12-31 Public schools will be required to allow transgender students to pick which restroom and lockerroom they want to use and which sport teams to join based on the gender with which they identify.

Law Enforcement

11-19 Lake County's got more money to pour into DUI control. The District Attorney's office got a nearly quarter million dollar grant to pay for more prosecutors to work on DUI arrests. The grant program is to prevent impaired driving and reduce alcohol and drug-impaired traffic fatalities and injuries.

12-30 The Ukiah Police Department will be getting three new vehicles: 2 sedans and one SUV. Police Chief Chris Dewey said the city's budget included funds to buy two patrol vehicles that they replace on an annual basis.