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Programs & Issues for the fourth quarter of 2014 Oct. Nov. Dec.

It has been determined that the following subjects are of concern to the community and have been considered and addressed substantially by elected officials, community leaders, expert witnesses and the general public.

1. Fire prevention and safety
2. Water and drought
3. Energy and environment
4. Police and public safety
5. Traffic and transportation
6. Housing and affordable housing
7. Development and redevelopment
8. Labor and employment
9. Education and youth services
10. Senior services

The following programs were produced and broadcast in the public interest:

KCRI PROGRAMS/ISSUES LIST – 4th Quarter 2014 OCT. NOV. DEC

Which Way LA?, KCRW's ongoing series on the issues that Californians care about, hosted by Warren Olney, airs Monday through Thursday, from 7:00pm to 7:30pm.

ISSUE	DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAM	DATE/TIME	DURATION
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TRANSPORTATION, POLICE AND CIVIL RIGHTS

LA Sheriff's deputies are prepared to record your picture, the shape of your eyeball and possibly the sound of your voice, using personal information collected during a traffic stop and saved even if you're not found guilty. Why is there no public debate?
Aired Wednesday, Oct. 1, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE

It's lawyers versus insurance companies on the November ballot -- with affordable health care in the background according to TV commercials for and against Proposition 45. We go behind the slogans and catchwords with supporters and opponents.
Aired Thursday, Oct. 2, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLICE, PUBLIC SAFETY AND CIVIL RIGHTS

"Dimly lit, vermin infested, noisy, unsanitary, cramped and crowded." That's how the federal Justice Department describes America's largest mental institution — also known as the Los Angeles County jail. Would other solutions safe public money?
Aired Monday, Oct. 6, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

REDEVELOPMENT

The Greek Theater in LA's Los Feliz neighborhood is a historic icon that makes big money for the City of Los Angeles. Now, two entertainment behemoths are battling for the contract to run it. What's best for concert-goers, the city and for the neighborhood?
Aired Tuesday, Oct. 7, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE

The so-called "Patient Safety Initiative" would affect not just patients, but their doctors -- and the lawyers who might or might not sue them for malpractice. Issues include medical privacy, insurance rates, attorneys' fees and drug testing for doctors.
Aired Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE POLITICS

Governor Jerry Brown is so confident in his re-election that he's running ads that don't even mention his campaign or his opponent, Republican Neel Kashkari. We ask the GOP candidate why he's running and whether his party has a future in California
Aired Thursday, Oct. 9, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

LA Unified may be in for another leadership change, or maybe not. It all depends on the elected school board, which has drawn up a termination agreement just in case. The teachers' union wants John Deasy to go. The LA Times wants him to stay.
Aired Monday, Oct. 13, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE POLITICS

Jerry Brown wants to be the only four-term Governor in California history, but you'd hardly know he's campaigning for re-election next month. We compare the pragmatist he is now with the reformer he was when he first was elected four decades ago.
Aired Tuesday, Oct. 14, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

CITY POLITICS

It's a rare moment when two seats open up on the five-member LA County Board of Supervisors and, this year, two members have been termed out. Hilda Solis replaces Gloria Molina as either Sheila Kuehl or Bobby Shriver replace Zev Yaroslavsky.
Aired Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

John Deasy and the elected school board agree that academic achievement rose during his tenure as Superintendent of LA Unified. So, did he really resign today or was he pushed out of the second largest public school district in the United States?
Aired Thursday, Oct. 16, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

STATE POLITICS AND ECONOMY

One of the powerful statewide elected officers many voters have never heard of is the State Controller — who pays the bills and has the authority to audit other state departments. Tonight we'll hear from the candidates to replace the outgoing official.
Aired Monday, Oct. 20, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

A surprise for California voters: the hottest race in next month's statewide election is for Supt. of Public Instruction, a nonpartisan office with limited powers. The Incumbent and challenger together embody both sides of the conflict over public.

Aired Tuesday, Oct. 21, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

ELECTION

Three days of insults from Rush Limbaugh made Sandra Fluke a household. Now she's running for the California State Senate. Both she and her opponent Ben Allen call themselves "progressive" Democrats. We hear where the money's coming from.

Aired Wednesday, Oct. 22, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Next month, LA County voters will elect a new sheriff and one candidate, Paul Tanaka, has stopped campaigning. We talk with Jim McDonnell, the Long Beach Police Chief, who got 49.4% in the primary. Can he reform what one judge called a "corrupt culture?"

Aired Thursday, Oct. 23, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Twenty years after "Three Strikes and You're Out," there's evidence that California voters think too much is being spent on prisons that don't reduce crime. Prop 47 on next week's ballot would mean sentence reform and early release for some convicts.

Aired Monday, Oct. 27, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Few people deny the need for new parks in Los Angeles County or that existing parks need maintenance and improvement. Proposition P would do all of that, though its provisions are controversial, and so is the way it was put on next week's ballot.

Aired Tuesday, Oct. 28, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY

The City Council wants to shut down Santa Monica's historic airport, because increased jet traffic has increased noise, air pollution and fears of possible crashes. Private pilots and aviation interests want to keep it open, leading to competing ballot propositions.

Aired Wednesday, Oct. 29, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

WATER AND ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

Governor Brown is pushing hard for Proposition 1 on Tuesday's ballot — \$7.5 billion for water projects, including new dams and reservoirs. It won't help with the current drought. What would it mean when things get back to normal — if they ever do?

Aired Thursday, Oct. 30, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

ELECTION

California voters may not care enough to go to the polls tomorrow. A very low turnout's expected. But outside interests have cared enough to spend tens of millions of dollars. We look at the state and local ballots.

Aired Monday, Nov. 3, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

ELECTION RESULTS

Yesterday's Republican tide did not sweep into California—although the Democrats' *supermajority* in Sacramento has come to an end. What will that mean for tax increases? We look at the election results.

Aired Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

IMMIGRATION

President Obama has holds a special place for “Dreamers,” the children brought to this country by undocumented parents —educated here and imbued with American culture — but not qualified for citizenship.

Aired Thursday, Nov. 6, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES

Republican majorities will try to reverse the President's war on greenhouse emissions- and increase domestic production of fossil fuels. How do the President and other Democrats respond?

Aired Monday, Nov. 10, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

VETERANS AND HEALTHCARE

Since the beginning of the Iraq and Afghanistan wars, hundreds of thousands of members of the US military have sustained traumatic brain or bodily injuries. Getting back to a normal life is the goal, a path opened through support of family and therapy.

Aired Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

POLICE AND PRISONS

This midterm, California voters made a strong statement by approving Proposition 47: tough crime policies aren't working. The new law reforms sentences for non-violent and drug-related crimes, and means early release for thousands of convicts.

Aired Wednesday, Nov. 12, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

LABOR AND TRANSPORTATION

Retailers and agricultural interests are warning about a possible West Coast shipping strike or a lockout that could cost the economy billions. They've asked the President to step in. We hear from dockworkers and shippers about the slowdown under way.

Aired Thursday, Nov. 13, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

ENVIRONMENT

Years of drought are slowing California's progress against air pollution. Increased heat creates more ozone and, without rain, particulates just hang in the air decreasing visibility in the Los Angeles Basin and bad news for people with asthma, especially kids. Aired Monday, Nov. 17, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

LABOR AND EDUCATION

The Orange County Register has killed attempts to expand and asked reporters to deliver the Sunday paper. The LA Times has canceled vacations and sick days. In the digital age, the dominant sources of news in Southern California are withering. Aired Tuesday, Nov. 18, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

The President of the University of California has said she doesn't want a "shoot out" with Governor Brown, yet they do have "different visions." Today, a committee of UC regents voted to increase tuition 5% a year for the next five years despite opposition. Aired Wednesday, Nov. 19, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION

The University of California's full Board of Regents voted today to increase tuition, despite a "no" vote from the Governor. Fees could rise from \$12,000 to \$15,000 a year, making the total cost as much as \$32,000. We hear why what it could mean for access by students raised in California. Aired Thursday, Nov. 20, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

EDUCATION, POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Years of sexual abuse at Miramonte Elementary School will cost LA Unified \$169 million. Is that what it took to protect dozens of children from re-living sexual abuse in a lengthy trial, or is it being paid to protect the District? Aired Monday, Nov. 24, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

PRISON SYSTEM, POLICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Michael Hanline set a record yesterday when he was released in Ventura after 36 years in state prison. That's the longest anyone has served in California for a wrongful conviction. We'll hear why he's still not entirely free. Aired Tuesday, Nov. 25, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

ECONOMY

Would you rather spend Thanksgiving Day with the family or look for discounts at Target, K-Mart or RadioShack? More chains are opening on the holiday, but Nordstrom, Costco and others are staying closed and boasting that they're more "family friendly." Aired Wednesday, Nov. 26, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

DEVELOPMENT, ARTS AND ECONOMICS

The painters, sculptors, musicians and dancers who made some LA neighborhoods centers of artistic creativity can't afford to live or work there anymore. Rents go up, lofts become condos and gentrification is followed by large scale development.

Aired Monday, Dec. 1, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE AND IMMIGRATION

President Obama's latest executive action on immigration could be especially good news for more than a million undocumented immigrants in California. They might qualify for California's version of Medicaid—if they're poor enough.

Aired Tuesday, Dec. 2, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRANSPORTATION AND ECONOMY

Big changes have come to local ports since the Great Recession. Traffic is moving faster, the competition is getting stiffer and cargo ships are massively bigger. It's all leading in one direction: toward automation which leads to fewer jobs.

Aired Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

TECHNOLOGY AND ECONOMY

Google is coming to Playa Vista on 900,000 acres next to the Spruce Goose. Google's arrival is expected to combine technology and entertainment and create a new center-weight for Silicon Beach. We hear the advance hype.

Aired Thursday, Dec. 4, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PRISONS

After years of abuse at LA County jails, the Board of Supervisors appointed an Inspector General and may create a Commission for civilian oversight. We'll talk to Sheriff McDonnell about how much power the Commission should.

Aired Monday, Dec. 8, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Los Angeles leaders have long ignored the potential devastation from a major earthquake on the San Andreas Fault. We'll talk to seismologist Lucy Jones about new plans for retrofitting wooden and concrete buildings and protecting first responders.

Aired Tuesday, Dec. 9, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

HEALTHCARE, POLICE AND ECONOMY

About 135 medical marijuana clinics are legal in Los Angeles but 945 are registered to pay taxes. That means big revenue for the city from illegal businesses. We hear why some council members want that to end even though the city always needs money.

Aired Wednesday, Dec. 10, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRANSPORTATION

Uber, the ride-sharing service, has reached a value of \$40 billion in just five years but has been banned in New Delhi, India and in Portland, Oregon; now the DA's of LA and San Francisco have jointly filed suit. Is government stifling innovation?

Aired Thursday, Dec. 11, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

TECHNOLOGY AND PUBLIC SAFETY

Scripts, salaries and entire pictures have been released by Internet hackers who penetrated Sony Pictures, but the biggest damage to the studio's image may come from e-mails some say reveal the depth of racism hiding in supposedly liberal Hollywood.
Aired Monday, Dec. 15, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

TRANSPORTATION

A smartphone app has been helping more and more LA commuters find alternatives to grinding along at a snail's pace on busy freeways. That sounds great unless you live in a formerly quiet neighborhood of narrow streets now crowded with passing cars.
Aired Tuesday, Dec. 16, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

IMMIGRATION AND TRANSPORTATION

California has more than 23 million motorists but one and a half million of them are here illegally. On the first day of next year a new state law will let them apply for drivers' licenses with the goal of safer streets and more drivers covered by auto insurance.
Aired Wednesday, Dec. 17, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

TECHNOLOGY AND ECONOMY

More and more consumers want entertainment over the Internet, and Silicon Valley's tech companies are happy to oblige, but it's Hollywood that produces quality content. Can they co-exist...or are they on a collision course?
Aired Thursday, Dec. 18, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

TECHNOLOGY AND PUBLIC SAFETY

The US and North Korea have escalated their rhetoric, but there's still some question about North Korea's responsibility for the cyber-attack on Sony Pictures. Is the so-called "hermit kingdom" as sophisticated as the FBI says it is?
Aired Monday, Dec. 22, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.

ECONOMY

The US economy grew 5% in the summer quarter but that growth is not trickling down to everyone as the gap between "haves" and "have-nots" is now the biggest on record, and it's not likely to get much smaller any time soon.
Aired Tuesday, Dec. 23, 2014 7:00pm ½ hr.