Temporary Offices with Remodel Design on the Horizon

Our weekly wrap of Inland Empire news with longtime IE journalist and KVCR News contributor Cassie Macduff was on hiatus for a few weeks. But she is back on the air. This is a good time to explain one of the reasons why we didn’t have Cassie for a few weeks.

Both KVCR radio and TV moved out of our studios in the KVCR building on the San Bernardino Valley college campus, and moved into two little portable trailers -- you know, FEMA-style trailers, while our building is going through a great big technical renovation.

As radio and TV stations are required to do from time to time, we are having to update our technology that is, in some cases, nearly two decades old. We’re getting the latest TV and radio technology installed, in addition to remodeling the studios and offices that house KVCR employees. So, while that is going on for the next few months, KVCR TV is operating out of one little trailer, and radio is operating out of another trailer in our parking lot next to our building.

We’ve done a good job of replicating a simple radio studio in the back corner of the front trailer. You the listener will not notice the fashionably-retro faux-wood paneling from the 1970s. What you may notice is that the paneling “warms” the studio acoustics. As we do traffic breaks, listeners enjoy the natural sound of trucks on the adjacent arterial. And weather forecasts are frequently accompanied by the sound of crows perched overhead.

So we’re hoping that our displacement from our habitat will not affect you, and we’re doing our best to make sure you don’t notice anything different. But because we’ve actually been doing this move over the past couple of months, our studio interview space has been dismantled. We are now back up and running with more than one microphone in our little studio and Cassie is back.
FM News Issues and Programs from Apr 20 May 17, 2019

Cassie MacDuff is part of our weekly news.

Segment with IE Journalist

COMMUNITY • EAGLETS – Not one, but two new mountain residents have poked themselves out of their shells in their nest near Big Bear.

• SOLAR-POWERED BOATS – High school students from more than 40 Southern California schools participated in a contest requiring competitors to power their boats using nothing but energy from the sun.

• INMATE RE-ENTRY – The US has the largest prison population in the world. A program in San Bernardino is working with parolees to give them the tools to move forward.

STATE OF CA • DISASTER – When it comes to natural disasters, disease outbreaks and terrorism attacks, California may be slightly less prepared than the rest of the nation.

• CANNABIS SALES – The state of California is scaling back its expectations for marijuana revenue.

• HIGH-SPEED RAIL PLAN – The Trump administration has cut off all communication and cooperation with the California High-Speed Rail Authority—including freezing all environmental review, engineering and safety.

• POPULATION – California’s population is up about 157,000 people since last year, with major gains in Southern California, particularly the Inland Empire.

• ELECTRIC CARS – Electric car ownership in California is growing.

LEGAL MATTERS • ARRESTED – A Jurupa Valley man was arrested for allegedly shining a laser at two law enforcement aircraft.

• TESTIMONY ENDS – The trial of an ex-con accused of killing two Palm Springs police officers who responded to a domestic disturbance call comes to an end.

• MARIJUANA – The conversation about where people can legally use marijuana has landed on the doorsteps of hospitals with a new bill that could let terminally ill patients use the drug from their deathbeds.

• ANIMAL CONTROL – A proposal for the Riverside County Dept of Animal Services to take over in San Bernardino sank without the RivCo Board of Supervisors support.

• ABUSE ALLEGATIONS – The Riverside Unified School District is facing a second lawsuit stemming from the alleged sexual abuse of a student under the supervision of a teachers’ aide.

GOVERNOR NEWSOM • HOMELESSNESS – A new focus for money intended to spur housing growth is on the Governor’s plate.

• WOMEN AND CHILDREN – Governor Gavin Newsom wants to eliminate the sales tax on diapers and tampons.

HEALTH • MEASLES – As the biggest measles outbreak in years spread across the U.S., both Los Angeles County and Orange County have documented new cases of measles.

SOCIAL MEDIA ON 91.9

May 3 is National Public Radio Day! It’s a day to celebrate the diversity of programs brought to you by talented on-air personalities and listeners like you who support public radio. We celebrated with our local radio talent during our Spring of Blooms pledge drive!
STATE OF THE EMPIRE

NEWEST STORIES

State of the Empire
KVCR produced a story with a focus on the nearly 100 year old building and the community coming together to help the organization so that it may continue to provide services and activities to the neighborhood. This is a special project of interest to SBCCD Trustee, Joseph Williams. He and others wants to help restore the building to what it once was.

Caltrans Parolee Work Crew Program
The San Bernardino Community College District Caltrans promotional video is a dynamic, emotional, 4 minute look at the Parolee Work Crew Program. It showcases the intricate collaboration between SBCCD, the Cal State Re-Entry Initiative, the Urban Conservation Corps, and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to facilitate the needs of Cal State parolees and the subsequent reduction of recidivism. from 60% to 3%. This partnership will be cross cut with intimate portraits of real life parolees who have re-built their lives and families as a result of immersing themselves in the Caltrans program.

HOME OF NEIGHBORLY SERVICES

State of the Empire

Stonewall Uprising
Explores the violent protests and street demonstrations that launched a worldwide movement in 1969.
June 6 at 8:00 pm

Prince: Rave Un2 The Year 2000 – Experience Prince’s legendary talent and peerless showmanship at a dazzling show filmed on the cusp of the new millennium. Recorded at Paisley Park Studios, the concert features performances of his timeless hits including “Kiss” and “Purple Rain.” June 8 at 8:30pm

Inside California Education – A look at the challenges and opportunities facing the Golden State’s public schools. Topics include the growth of charter schools, new career tech opportunities, how schools are implementing the new Common Core standards and combatting the growing statewide teacher shortage.
Wednesdays beginning June 12 at 5:30pm

Safe Enough? – Fifty years after the Federal Government mandated seatbelts in all passenger cars, they’re still not required on school buses. Why?
June 12 at 6:00pm

Endeavour Season 6
This season of the popular prequel to the beloved “Inspector Morse” series is set in the 1960s. The series follows Endeavour Morse in his early years.
Mondays, beginning June 24 at 8:00pm

Dream with Me – An undocumented immigrant who took advantage of the DACA program in 2012 faces new challenges.
June 27 at 8:00 pm
Join KVCR and our partners, STEMS for a Do It Yourself class adventure. During this class STEMS will show KVCR members how to create the perfect cheese board for holiday entertaining. They'll provide tips on portioning, teach about different cheeses as well as provide recommendations for pairing complementary textures and flavors, along with a wine pairing of 3 Artisan Wines lead by a sommelier.

Every guest will leave with a Mini Flower Arrangement and a Charcuterie/Cheese Board that will serve 2-4 people. The perfect event for holiday entertaining. Normally a $149 event but STEMS is supporting KVCR and we’re able to offer it to you for a donation of just $95. Come alone and meet new friends or bring a bunch of your friends to this KVCR event. Call 800-533-5827 or go online at KVCR.org/events to reserve your seat at our table.

With the KVCR studio currently under construction we took our camera’s down the road. The Boys & Girls Club in Redlands was the perfect location to shoot our pledge breaks, and with their floral panels they had the perfect backdrop for our floral event.

HAPPY MAY! It's National Photography Month at KVCR Empire News! All month long, send your AMAZING photos of ANYTHING from Inland Southern California and we could possibly share with the entire community!

Send us pics of your favorite restaurants, sunsets, historical points of interest, concerts, events, people, ANYTHING! Riverside, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, and Orange County...we want to hear and see from YOU!

Just private message this Facebook page with your favorite Inland SoCal pics!

This month KVCR staff members were out all around the Inland Empire in support of community events. We attended the American Cancer Society “Go Red” event in Riverside. Lillian Vasquez performed the duties as MC at Cal State University San Bernardino Multi-Cultural Book Festival, and the Be Great Awards for the Boys & Girls Club held in Redlands.

Members of the radio staff including Rick Dulock, Ken Vincent and Lillian Vasquez attended the Bucky Ball in support of our partnership with the San Bernardino County Museum. We supported the United Way Inland Valley event Pathways to Success in support of their GEMS (Girls Excelling in Mathematics with Success) project. The event was held at the Grand Arbor Gardens in Riverside. Staff members also attend the Assistance League of San Bernardino Headdress Ball at the National Orange Show event center. David Fleming was a judge and participant in their parade at the Orange Show Fair and he performed the duties of the MC at the Veterans dinner.
ON FNX IN JUNE

**My Boy** – In 2014, Aboriginal man Colten Pratt went missing from the streets of Winnipeg. His mother, Lydia Daniels never stopped searching, but he has yet to be found. This is a story about getting to know Colten as a human being, rather than a statistic.

June 7 at 9:00pm

**Fighting for the Soul of Native America** – For decades, Native Americans have been corralled onto reservations where alcohol and welfare dependency destroyed their culture. But a loophole in the reservation system is enabling American tribes to reap riches from the US obsession with gambling. Casino profits are allowing the reservation land to bloom.

June 13 at 8:00pm

**Canada’s Missing Women** – Canada’s rural communities harbor a dark epidemic - the loss of thousands of indigenous women. With entrenched racial prejudice dividing communities, state police are failing mourning families.

June 20 at 8:00pm

**Alaska’s Big Thaw** – Climate change scientists say that Alaska is warming at twice the rate of the rest of the planet. Erosion, flooding and a drastically changing landscape is putting locals at the forefront of a global crisis.

June 28 at 8:00pm

**The New Shale Rush** – From the icy wastelands of North Dakota, an energy revolution is transforming global politics. Shale gas has made the US gas-independent, but at what cost to the environment, Europe and Middle-Eastern stability?

June 28 at 8:30pm

**POSTED ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA**

May 18 - Armed Forces Day
Thanks to President Harry S. Truman, it’s a day to pay special tribute to the men and women of the Armed Forces. According to AmericanIndian.si.edu the Department of Defense recognizes that today’s military successes depended heavily on Native Americans. Some interesting facts about Native Americans in the Armed Forces:

- 31,000 American Indian and Alaska Native men and women are on active duty today, serving in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere around the world.
- 140,000 living Native Americans are veterans. 11.5% of these veterans are female, as compared to 8 percent of all other ethnicities.
- Native Americans served in the post-9/11 period in a higher percentage than veterans of other ethnicities, 18.6 percent vs. 14 percent, respectively.

FNX would like to spotlight all those Native Americans currently serving or who have previously served in the Armed Forces. We invited guests to post a picture of yourself or a loved one in the comments.

**FNX Affiliates**

FNX welcomes Chicago’s WRJK and North Dakota’s KRDK affiliate stations into the family with two new promos thanking and highlighting our new viewers.