



FCC Issues Programs List

3rd Quarter Issues List for Station KENW-FM

July 1, 2026, through September 30, 2026

Section I. Issues

The station has identified the following issues as significant issues facing our communities this quarter:

Covid 19: The problems caused by the pandemic in our area.

Education: Issues relating to education in our region.

Health Matters: The problems associated with health and healthcare in rural areas during a pandemic.

Governmental Matters: Matters of public interest involving government and government agencies.

Gender and Race: Matters concerning gender and race problems and discrimination.

Environment: Issues associated with climate change and the impact of other environmental problems.

Section II. Responsive Programs

The station has broadcast programming that deal with the issues listed above. Programming that discusses those various issues are listed below.

[A: Covid 19 -- KENW-FM, FCC Issues, Q3 --2026](#)

[B: Education -- KENW-FM, FCC Issues, Q3 --2026](#)

7/4/26, 7/8/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

In the KENW podcast "You Should Know," host Evelyn Ledbetter interviews Dr. Gay Sue Pinnell, who shares her roots in Portales and her family's educational background. Dr. Pinnell discusses her father's legacy as a county superintendent of schools and her mother's influence as an early teacher. She reflects on her childhood, high school friendships, and her educational journey, including earning a BA from Eastern New Mexico University and later a master's and Ph.D. from Ohio State University. Dr. Pinnell expresses her passion for children's literature and language acquisition while fondly reminiscing about her hometown and its impact on her life and career.

7/11/26, 7/15/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

In this episode of "You Should Know," host Devlyn Ledbetter interviews returning guest Andy Mason, an artist with a diverse background. Mason discusses his upbringing in Pittsburgh, moving to England in the 1980s, and his journey to New Mexico. He relocated seeking better job prospects and education,

eventually earning a degree from Eastern New Mexico University. Despite starting in aviation, Mason pivoted to music, discovering his passion while teaching. He highlights his experience performing with local musicians and his time as an educator, including roles in ESL and Upward Bound programs. Mason also briefly shares his recent move to the UK and previous time in Puebla, Mexico.

8/8/26, 8/12/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

Evelyn Ledbetter, host of "You Should Know," interviews Eric Segovia, the general manager of Roosevelt County Electric Cooperative (RCEC). Segovia shares his background, including his education in electrical engineering at New Mexico State University and his 14-year tenure at RCEC, where he progressed from intern to general manager. He highlights the co-op's current challenges, including a decline in electric sales primarily from irrigation, necessitating economic development initiatives to attract new businesses and residential loads. Segovia also emphasizes the co-op's commitment to maintaining safe, reliable, and affordable power while managing rate increases amidst inflation.

8/29/26, 9/2/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

You Should Know, hosted by Evelyn Ledbetter, features a guest with a variety of skills and an interesting hobby with snakes. Jorge Aldavaz, a former student at Eastern New Mexico University and now a full-time library technical assistant at the Golden Student Success Center, shares his background in crochet and knitting. Aldavaz, originally from Roswell, New Mexico, has been in the state for seven years and has a bachelor's degree in music and communication disorders. He occasionally participates in educational programs for snakes for churches or libraries.

9/5/26, 9/9/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

In this episode of "You Should Know," host Evelyn Ledbetter interviews Coach Art Riles, head football coach at Eastern New Mexico University. They discuss their shared backgrounds, including Riles' upbringing in a small Texas town and his experiences moving as a child. Riles reflects on his marriage to Jan and their long relationship, illustrating the challenges they faced while remaining supportive of each other. Both men share personal stories of loss, particularly the impact of losing their fathers at a young age, emphasizing how such experiences shaped their lives and identities. Riles credits his faith and community for helping him navigate these difficulties.

9/14/26— REPORT FROM SANTA FE — 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

In this edition of Report from Santa Fe, host Lorene Mills interviews wildfire mitigator Chris Schaum, who emphasizes the importance of educating children about fire safety. Schaum discusses his nearly 40 years of experience in fire mitigation and his efforts to empower kids with knowledge about good and bad fires. He cites historical statistics on fire-related deaths in the U.S. and highlights significant advancements in fire safety measures like sprinkler systems and smoke alarms. Schaum also notes the challenges faced by fire departments and stresses the need for schools to better prepare students for wildfires. He advocates for educational programs that teach children how to respond to fires calmly and effectively. The conversation touches on the shift in fire occurrences, indicating that fire season is now nearly year-round.

8/17/26- — 8/19/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am — 7:18 minutes

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highlight upcoming events like homecoming and the importance of upcoming GO bond initiatives for campus development, specifically mentioning a new agricultural and arts building. The conversation touches upon personal experiences as non-traditional students and the transformative impact of education. Additionally, they notify about a new exhibition at Ronald's Gallery, showcasing historic photographs.

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9/2/26, 9/4/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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Critical thinking is often discussed in higher education but lacks a clear definition, leading to misconceptions. Jeff Gentry emphasizes the importance of recognizing cognitive biases that distort our

thinking, noting that everyone believes they are critical thinkers while identifying flaws in others. Techniques such as algebra and thought experiments can enhance critical thinking. Jeff Gentry illustrates this by assessing beliefs about divorce, seeking evidence that contradicts initial views to foster a more nuanced understanding. Listeners are encouraged to challenge their own beliefs for better critical thinking. The show discusses more such ideas weekly.

9/10/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

College classrooms are opening up behind federal prison walls, sparking a massive shift in American higher education. Driven by the return of Pell Grant eligibility for incarcerated students, community colleges across the country are meeting people where needs are greatest—in prisons. Professors from Brightpoint Community College share their experiences teaching inside the federal prison complex in Petersburg.

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At colleges and universities, women professors are doing a lot more emotional work on top of teaching and research. We explore how that happens and how it affects long-term career paths. And: the story of one remarkable woman who made her career as an ordained minister in the late 1900s.

7/7/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The Best of Our Knowledge explores topics on learning, education, and research. A very common houseplant is revealing the secret math of plants. And scientists estimate an underground network of tiny fungal filaments would, if placed end-to-end, span 10 percent of our Milky Way galaxy.

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The Best of Our Knowledge explores topics on learning, education, and research. As prospective students weigh the cost and demands of achieving a college degree, the first three-year bachelor's degree programs in Massachusetts are preparing for launch. We'll speak with the state's Commissioner of Higher Education about the effort to reimagine the college experience.

7/21/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

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The Best of Our Knowledge explores topics on learning, education, and research. The evolutionary history of turtles has remained something of a mystery. But a new study sheds new light on our shelled neighbors. And for some native birds in Hawaii, resulting to theft is sometimes the easiest way to build a nest.

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9/15/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The Best of Our Knowledge explores topics on learning, education and research. Scientists are studying how the small, seemingly ordinary Zebrafish could one day help people restore their hearing. And why knot? We'll speak with a researcher who says knots and string tell stories of human history.

9/22/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

Welcome to The Best of Our Knowledge, focusing on education and research. This episode highlights the Hudson Mural Project, now in its third year, where students create murals and engage in artistic exercises. Artist Louise Smith discusses the project's evolution, emphasizing self-identity and community, while incorporating interactive sound art by Victoria Emanuela. The program fosters open discussions among students, enabling them to express themselves and contribute to a public artwork, thus connecting art with their community. Smith notes the students' surprising maturity and insight, who tackle complex topics with creativity, illustrating the project's impact on both personal growth and community involvement.

6/29/26 - 7/1/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

The ENMU Weekly Events Calendar includes a discussion between Evelyn Ledbetter and Dr. Johnston, who reflect on a quieter week due to a holiday closure. Dr. Johnston mentions that campuses will be closed on Friday for a federal holiday and acknowledges personal plans for a long weekend. Both speakers celebrate their milestones at ENMU, with Evelyn noting eight years and Dr. Johnston marking nearly four years. They highlight a community meal on Monday at Rio and encourage everyone to enjoy local events and celebrate the upcoming 4th of July safely with family and traditions. The session

concludes with thanks to veterans and an invitation to join the calendar broadcast every Monday and Wednesday.

7/6/26- – 7/8/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter discussed various upcoming events at ENMU, including volleyball camps for 2nd to 5th graders, with registration available at a cost of \$100. They announced a soft opening of the student support center, which offers advising, counseling, and financial aid services, with a formal opening planned during homecoming. The fourth annual community jury art exhibition will run until July 24, and an alumni golf tournament will be held at the Sandia Resort. Further details for events and participation can be obtained through Alumni Affairs.

7/13/26- – 7/15/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Welcome to the ENMU weekly events calendar. Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter outline upcoming events including advanced volleyball camps from July 13, featuring talent scouting opportunities, and a team tournament on July 16-17 for high school athletes. They mention the EMU Baseball Youth Skills Camp running until July 15, with a registration fee of \$90. Additionally, the Reynolds Gallery hosts creative arts events and a juried art exhibition ending on July 24. A special event on July 20 includes News Channel 10 broadcasting from campus. The Black Rocket Camp from July 20-23 focuses on Pokémon and Roblox activities. Registration for fall classes is still open, encouraging prospective students to explore financial aid options. The next weekly update is scheduled for the following Monday and Wednesday at 8:10 AM.

7/20/26- – 7/22/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

The ENMU weekly events calendar discussion with Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter highlights various upcoming activities and opportunities for students. They stress the importance of registering for classes, which begins on August 17th for the Roswell campus and August 18th for Mortalis. The "Dog Days" orientation, aimed at incoming freshmen, promotes team-building and campus engagement. Additionally, Dr. Johnston announces a community juried art exhibition, a youth baseball camp, and several activities for children, emphasizing a vibrant campus atmosphere and community connection. Evelyn encourages potential students and community members to visit and participate in these events, reinforcing the welcoming nature of the ENMU campus.

7/27/26- – 7/29/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Welcome to the ENMU weekly events calendar. Hosts Evelyn Ledbetter and President Johnston greet listeners, but Dr. Johnston informs them that the expected calendar is not available. He apologizes for the inconvenience, encourages checking the website for events, and invites everyone to enjoy campus activities.

8/3/26- – 8/5/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter discuss the upcoming events at ENMU, including the start of the new fall semester and "Dog Days," which marks the return of students to campus. They mention ongoing construction, specifically the repaving of Avenue K, and encourage late enrollment for new and returning students. Dr. Johnston highlights the importance of voter participation in an upcoming bond election for campus improvements. They express excitement about new facilities, such as the Ag and Arts building, and set ambitious enrollment goals, aiming to exceed 6,000 students, with

aspirations for 8,000. The show also covers various athletic camps coming up and the positive developments in the sports programs.

8/10/26- – 8/12/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter discuss the upcoming activities at ENMU as the new school year approaches. They highlight the excitement around student move-in days, local community events, and the start of fall sports, emphasizing the welcoming nature of the community. Dr. Johnston mentions road repairs and urges residents to be mindful of busier areas during move-in. Classes begin soon, and late registration for students is still an option. They encourage community participation in supporting student athletes and cultural events, highlighting the importance of the university's role in the town.

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8/31/26- – 9/2/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter discussed various events at ENMU, highlighting the start of the semester and the upcoming home football game. The game is set for Saturday at 2 PM, with tailgating planned. KENW will live stream the game day events on YouTube, including segments with Coach Briles. They noted that other teams, such as volleyball and soccer, are competing off-campus. The importance of supporting student-athletes was emphasized, mentioning their community engagement and academic success. Upcoming events include the Reynolds Gallery exhibit and the Rally on Main weekend on the 25th, intended for families and community engagement. Homecoming is scheduled for October 12-17, featuring the Wagon Wheel Game.

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Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter present the ENMU weekly events calendar, highlighting various campus activities. Key sports events include women's soccer games, rodeo, and a football game coinciding with Family Weekend, featuring community engagement events like the JP Stone Rally. The music department will host internationally renowned baritone Darren Drone for a recital on October 22, open to the public. Additionally, Dr. Johnston discusses local birds, integrating nature into community learning experiences. Overall, the weekend is set to be lively with numerous activities for students and families at ENMU.

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8/15/2026 – 8:35 am This week in Eastern Athletics– 8 minutes

Welcome to This Week in Eastern Athletics, hosted by Kevin Robbins and ENMU Athletic Director Kevin Feit. They discuss the onset of the fall sports season, including football, volleyball, and soccer. Feit emphasizes the excitement around new Head Coach Art Briles, highlighting ticket sales and a fan bus for their first road game on August 27. They aim to boost community involvement and support from

Eastern New Mexico and West Texas. The segment concludes with an invitation to join next week's discussion for further updates on ENMU athletics.

8/27/2026 – 8:35 am This week in Eastern Athletics– 8 minutes

Welcome to "This Week in Eastern Athletics," hosted by Kevin Robbins and athletic director Kevin Feit. They discuss the upcoming fall sports season, highlighting football, volleyball, women's soccer, and cross country. Feit emphasizes excitement for the football season and Coach Art Briles, noting a focus on ticket sales and community support. They introduce a fan bus for the first road game on August 27th, where Briles can achieve his 100th career win. The importance of raising standards and enthusiasm across all sports programs is also discussed. They conclude by inviting listeners to join the next week's program.

9/4/2026 – 8:35 am This week in Eastern Athletics– 8 minutes

This Week in Eastern Athletics features ENMU Athletic Director Kevin Feit and News Director Kevin Robbins discussing an upcoming busy weekend for the university's sports programs. Highlights include a home football game during the Art Briles Legacy Weekend, where former players and coaches are invited to celebrate Briles' impactful career, including events such as a happy hour, tailgate, and dinner. The segment also touches on the football team's dog walk, which allows fans to interact with players, and Briles' impending milestone of his 100th career win. Additionally, the rodeo program is mentioned, with plans to enhance the event scheduled for September 17-19.

9/18/2026 – 8:35 am This week in Eastern Athletics– 8 minutes

In this week's edition of "This Week in Eastern Athletics," hosted by Kevin Robbins with Athletic Director Kevin Feit, the focus is on Rodeo Week at Eastern New Mexico University. Feit highlights the excitement around a new head coach for the rodeo team, John, who is expected to elevate the program. A special recognition for former coach Albert Flynn will take place on Saturday. The athletic department is also gearing up for various events, including football in Kingsville, volleyball matches, and women's soccer. Feit notes an increase in talent levels and scholarships across athletic programs, aiming to turn this into competitive wins. The session concludes with an invitation for fans to participate in the upcoming events.

9/25/2026 – 8:35 am This week in Eastern Athletics– 8 minutes

This Week in Eastern Athletics discussed the upcoming athletic events at Eastern New Mexico University. Host Kevin Robbins and Athletic Director Kevin Feit highlighted a busy schedule, starting with a women's soccer game against Dallas Baptist, alongside a reunion for the 1991 Lone Star Conference Football Championship team. Events also include a pep rally and football game against UTPB, with volleyball teams competing in Texas and the cross-country team participating in a Cowboys Jamboree in Stillwater. Despite a challenging start in football, Feit expressed optimism about the team's enthusiasm and growth. The rodeo team recently excelled at College Days, with expectations for improved performances moving forward. The program concluded with a preview for the next week's edition.

C: Health Matters -- KENW-FM, FCC Issues, Q3 --2026

7/1/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

On the program "You Should Know," host Evelyn Ledbetter interviewed Dr. Greg Bobo, a chiropractor in the Portales-Clovis area. Dr. Bobo shared his diverse background, having lived in multiple states and abroad as a missionary in France. He discussed his academic journey, majoring in Biology with minors in Botany and Zoology before pursuing chiropractic care, influenced by his upbringing in a holistic environment. He expressed a preference for the hands-on, patient-centric nature of chiropractic practice, highlighting the distinct relationship practitioners have with patients compared to other healthcare providers. Dr. Bobo also addressed the impact of back pain on daily life and the necessity of understanding body mechanics, particularly in relation to posture and women's center of gravity.

8/1/26, 8/5/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

In this episode of "You Should Know," host Evelyn Ledbetter interviews Sarah Ortega, who discusses her life with spina bifida, a condition she was born with. Sarah reflects on her early challenges, including surgeries and her premature birth. Despite her difficulties, she expresses gratitude for her life experiences, stating she wouldn't change anything. Sarah emphasizes the importance of family support and her journey toward independence, highlighting the challenges of asking for help. Her story serves as an inspiration, illustrating resilience and the power of perspective in facing life's obstacles.

8/10/26-- REPORT FROM SANTA FE -- 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

In this episode of Report from Santa Fe, Lorraine Mills interviews Jill Dixon, Executive Director of the Food Depot, discussing the escalating hunger crisis in New Mexico. Despite previous policy efforts to improve food security, factors like the federal government shutdown and changes in SNAP benefits have created significant uncertainty, particularly for families with children. Dixon emphasizes the importance of community support and the role of various institutions, including faith-based organizations, in addressing these challenges. However, she warns that these entities cannot fully replace the extensive support provided by the SNAP program. The conversation highlights the deep-seated issues of food insecurity, exacerbated by rising living costs, and underscores the need for a comprehensive support network to ensure no one in the community goes hungry.

7/13/26-- REPORT FROM SANTA FE -- 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The interview features Josh Swatek, Policy Director at the New Mexico Department of Health, discussing harm reduction strategies. Swatek began his harm reduction work in college with a focus on alcohol and later managed a harm reduction program targeting heroin users in Albuquerque. He became New Mexico's first overdose prevention coordinator in 2014, implementing laws to expand access to naloxone, the overdose reversal drug. With the emergence of tranquilizers like xylazine in the drug supply, he notes that naloxone is insufficient alone, as many overdoses now involve multiple substances. He emphasizes the importance of adapting harm reduction methods in response to changing drug use patterns, particularly the shift from injecting heroin to smoking fentanyl. Additionally, he highlights a significant increase in opioid-related fatalities, urging a multifaceted approach to address the epidemic, including continuous community outreach and the use of medications for opioid use disorder. He stresses that there is no single solution but a combination of strategies involving harm reduction and supportive interventions.

9/23/26, 9/25/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes
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Eunuchs, boys or men neutered for official roles, were prevalent in the Chinese Empire, tasked with safeguarding the purity of the imperial harem, which included thousands of women. Historian Melissa Dale notes that eunuchs were trusted due to their inability to father children, allowing them access to the inner court. However, many were mutilated by their fathers or suffered lifelong health issues due to complete emasculation. Despite their influence and the high pay, they were confined to the Forbidden City and faced ridicule. Eunuchs reached their peak in number during the Ming Dynasty and played significant roles in political and religious affairs, even facilitating the transition from the Ming to Qing dynasties. This practice exemplified extreme power abuse, prevalent until 1924, when the nationalist government disbanded the institution.

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7/30/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

Little babies and potted plants, stationary and helpless, are the hardest working beings in the room. Peter Vishton has found that babies and plants process information in similar ways. And plants can count! Kind of. And: It's not just in your head. Getting out in nature can improve your mood and health. Benjamin Katz shares his favorite hiking and camping spots.

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7/27/2026 – 8/10/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:16 minutes

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County fair season in New Mexico occurs from late July to early August, showcasing agriculture and livestock. Originating in 1811 in Pittsfield, Massachusetts, county fairs have become a tradition where farmers exhibit their best animals for competition. Attendees can enjoy rides, food, and various animal exhibits. Youth exhibitors dedicate time to care for their animals, maintaining cleanliness and health. Visitors should follow safety rules, such as keeping distance from enclosures and securing gates. County fairs also provide educational opportunities about food sources and support local agriculture, with contributions from New Mexico Ag in the Classroom, a nonprofit educational program.

8/10/2026 – 8/13/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:35 minutes

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Today on All About Ag, an update was provided on the New World screwworm, a parasite that re-emerged in the U.S. in June 2026. This fly species, native to South America, lays eggs in the wounds of warm-blooded mammals, and its larvae feed on living tissues, leading to severe harm or death if untreated. After cases appeared in South Texas, New Mexico experienced one isolated case handled swiftly. Local officials advise vigilance, highlighting the importance of recognizing signs such as worsening wounds, bad smells, and unusual animal behavior. Early reporting and treatment by veterinarians can mitigate the impact of infestations. For further information, resources are available

at screwworm.gov and local Cooperative Extension Service offices. Quick responses to concerns are crucial for managing this health threat.

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Eunuchs, boys or men neutered for official roles, were prevalent in the Chinese Empire, tasked with safeguarding the purity of the imperial harem, which included thousands of women. Historian Melissa Dale notes that eunuchs were trusted due to their inability to father children, allowing them access to the inner court. However, many were mutilated by their fathers or suffered lifelong health issues due

to complete emasculation. Despite their influence and the high pay, they were confined to the Forbidden City and faced ridicule. Eunuchs reached their peak in number during the Ming Dynasty and played significant roles in political and religious affairs, even facilitating the transition from the Ming to Qing dynasties. This practice exemplified extreme power abuse, prevalent until 1924, when the nationalist government disbanded the institution.

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7/27/26– REPORT FROM SANTA FE – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

Patrick Michael Davis, founder of NM News, discusses his journey from working as a Capitol Police officer during 9/11 to his role in law enforcement and public policy in New Mexico. He emphasizes the importance of addressing systemic issues in local communities, particularly through criminal justice reform. Davis also reflects on founding New Mexico Political Report after observing a decline in local

news coverage and his efforts to fill the void this created. Recently, he has intervened in the closure of local newspapers, such as the Roswell Daily Record and Santa Fe Reporter, to preserve community voices and ensure sustainable local news outlets.

8/24/26– REPORT FROM SANTA FE – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

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E: Gender / Race -- KENW-FM, FCC Issues, Q3 –2026

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8/17/26– REPORT FROM SANTA FE – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The report features an interview with Lili Ledbetter, focusing on her journey for equal pay, which culminated in the signing of the Ledbetter Fair Pay Act by President Obama a decade ago. Ledbetter recounts her experience working at Goodyear for 19 years before discovering a significant pay disparity—40% less than her male counterparts for the same role. After receiving this information from an anonymous source, she felt compelled to act, leading her to file a charge with the Equal Employment Commission after failing to get support from her superiors. The interview highlights her determination, the prolonged legal battle, and her eventual victory in raising awareness about gender pay inequality in the workplace.

9/7/26– REPORT FROM SANTA FE – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

*Today's interview features author Terry Tempest Williams, known for works like **The Hour of Land**, **When Women Were Birds**, and her latest book, **Erosion: Essays of Undoing**. Host Lorene Mills expresses admiration for Williams, emphasizing the significance of her writing. Williams discusses her books, focusing on themes of structure and beauty in brokenness. She reflects on her mother's journals, which were left blank, symbolizing a mystery and raising questions about voice and identity. This experience profoundly impacted her exploration of personal narratives and the act of finding meaning amidst absence.*

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8/20/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The personal and professional lives of jazz musicians such as Louis Armstrong, Miles Davis, and John Coltrane cannot be divorced from the struggle for racial equality. This music-rich episode shows how they contributed to interracial understanding and social progress. Also: The composers of the Civil Rights anthem "Lift Every Voice and Sing" also created musical theater at the turn of the century that transformed the image of African American characters and performers. The work of composers Bob Cole, J. Rosamond Johnson, and James Weldon Johnson helped break down stereotypical portrayals of black Americans.

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9/3/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

On August 20, 1619, twenty or more enslaved Africans arrived in Virginia at what's now called Fort Monroe. They were the first Africans documented in British North America. Fort Monroe's Park Superintendent Terry Brown recalls how America commemorated their arrival 400 years later. And: We hear from the Tuckers, the descendants of the very first African-American baby, about their work to uncover the stories of their ancestors. Plus: Poet Synnika Lofton reflects on 1619 and shares how he channels his political thoughts into art.

9/17/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

Stumbling into your soulmate while running errands used to be romantic. But Jenny Rosier says this romcom fantasy has gone out of style. She studies the ever-changing dating habits of Gen Z. Plus: Asking your crush out is the ultimate leap of faith. But what if something existed - free and easily accessible - that could boost your odds of landing the date? We explore the power of AI to make love connections.

[F: Environment -- KENW-FM, FCC Issues, Q3 –2026](#)

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8/31/26– REPORT FROM SANTA FE – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

Bill McKibben, an environmentalist and co-founder of 350.org, discusses pressing climate change issues and renewable energy advancements on "Report from Santa Fe." He emphasizes 2023 as the hottest year recorded, attributing unprecedented weather events to this crisis. Although recognizing the dire situation, McKibben highlights positive developments in renewable technology deployment, with significant solar power installations globally. He explains the Inflation Reduction Act's role in supporting renewable energy investment, citing the plummeting costs of solar and wind power. However, he warns of the challenges posed by the fossil fuel industry in hindering progress toward a sustainable energy future, urging immediate action to meet critical emission reduction targets by 2030. McKibben concludes with a call to embrace non-combustion energy sources for a viable future.

7/23/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

What if a well-manicured lawn isn't the end all be all? What if it's actually harming the local habitat? Doug Tallamy is the co-founder of Home Grown National Park, a non-profit that urges property owners to reduce their lawns and plant native plants. He shares all the little things we can do to help restore functioning ecosystems and mitigate the biodiversity crisis. And: Quarry Gardens started off as a soapstone quarry. Now it's an environmental gem with a beautiful quarter mile loop boasting over 500 species of native plants. Devin Floyd takes us on a tour of the gardens - showing off the quarry pits and the ancient ecosystems he calls lost worlds.

7/30/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

Little babies and potted plants, stationary and helpless, are the hardest working beings in the room. Peter Vishton has found that babies and plants process information in similar ways. And plants can count! Kind of. And: It's not just in your head. Getting out in nature can improve your mood and health. Benjamin Katz shares his favorite hiking and camping spots.

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7/1/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

On the program "You Should Know," host Evelyn Ledbetter interviewed Dr. Greg Bobo, a chiropractor in the Portales-Clovis area. Dr. Bobo shared his diverse background, having lived in multiple states and abroad as a missionary in France. He discussed his academic journey, majoring in Biology with minors in Botany and Zoology before pursuing chiropractic care, influenced by his upbringing in a holistic environment. He expressed a preference for the hands-on, patient-centric nature of chiropractic practice, highlighting the distinct relationship practitioners have with patients compared to other healthcare providers. Dr. Bobo also addressed the impact of back pain on daily life and the necessity of understanding body mechanics, particularly in relation to posture and women's center of gravity.

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John Fleck, a Professor of Practice in Water Policy and Governance, discusses water management myths in the West during an interview on Report from Santa Fe. He addresses the misconception that "water is for fighting," emphasizing that communities often collaborate to manage water resources more effectively than they conflict over them. Fleck's books, including "Science Be Damned" and "Water is for Fighting Over," explore water management challenges, particularly in the Colorado River Basin. He highlights successful collaborations between rural agricultural communities and urban areas, where cities pay for irrigation efficiency improvements to ensure water reliability, exemplifying the benefits of cooperative water resource management.

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9/18/2026 – 9/29/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:29 minutes

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The episode discusses the arrival of green chile roasting season in New Mexico, highlighting its significance as a key element of local agriculture, history, and family traditions. New Mexicans traditionally gather to purchase and roast green chile, which is essential for both personal enjoyment and as a significant agricultural product. In 2025, New Mexico farmers produced approximately 54,675 tons of chile, valued at nearly \$55 million. The farming process involves careful soil preparation, water management, and pest control, leading to the harvest of green and red chile. The cultural importance of chile is emphasized through various local dishes and the state's official question, "red or green?" The segment encourages support for local farmers and acknowledges their role in the community.

8/4/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The Best of Our Knowledge explores topics on learning, education, and research. The evolutionary history of turtles has remained something of a mystery. But a new study sheds new light on our shelled

neighbors. And for some native birds in Hawaii, resulting to theft is sometimes the easiest way to build a nest.

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7/4/2026 - BIONEERS 10:00 AM – 29 minutes

Calling someone an "animal" means they're less than human – not worthy of respect, rights, or even of life itself. But in truth -- and in biological fact -- human beings ARE animals. Scientists continue to find that intelligence and what we call "consciousness" appear to saturate all of nature. Clearly it's high time to think differently about just what it means to be an animal. Can we know what it's like to be other-than-human? How can we see into the minds of animals? Visionary naturalist, author and conservationist Carl Safina says that the first step is paying attention and observing. And, he suggests, if we had humility, we'd have everything.

7/11/2026 - BIONEERS 10:00 AM – 29 minutes

Sociologist, storyteller, and best-selling author Anna Malaika Tubbs calls for dismantling the key system that has determined who actually gets to be considered human in the United States: The American patriarchy. She says that transforming the forefathers' vision of a republic of men requires deep change at the personal, community, and national levels.

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What if there are ways to sustainably harvest protein and nutritious vegetables from the seas in ways that restore coastlines, local economies, produces abundant food, and sequesters vast amounts of carbon dioxide? Path-finding ocean farmer Bren Smith has cultivated a breakthrough method of near-shore aquaculture called 3-D Ocean Farming, which has the potential to transform our relationship

with the ocean, make room again for the flourishing wild diversity of ocean animals, and launch a novel, delicious and authentically sustainable cuisine along with way.

8/8/2026 - BIONEERS 10:00 AM – 29 minutes

Labor organizer Saru Jayaraman makes a clarion call to action: support workers across the United States who are saying there's always been an affordability crisis and are asking politicians what has democracy done for me lately? Addressing inequality worse than the infamous Gilded Age requires ensuring living wages for all.

8/15/2026 - BIONEERS 10:00 AM – 29 minutes

Contemporary Western fire science is integrating what Indigenous Peoples discovered over thousands of years of observation, and trial and error: fire is key to optimizing forest vitality and biodiversity. The merging of these two ways of knowing could signal the end to our misguided policy of fire suppression, and the beginning of fire-resilient communities with a new relationship to one of nature's most elemental and fearful forces. With fire ecologists Chad Hanson and Frank Kanawha Lake.

8/22/2026 - BIONEERS 10:00 AM – 29 minutes

To transform our culture from its focus on dominance and hierarchy to one of connection, empathy and collaboration, it's vital that we re-envision the essential (or archetypal) masculine, which changes everything. This rarely tackled topic is the subject of a deeply authentic dialogue among Playwright and activist V, formerly Eve Ensler and and four men working to transform our collective story around men and masculinity: Tony Porter, co-founder of the national violence prevention organization A Call To Men, Indigenous activist Dallas Goldtooth, George Lipsitz, Black Studies scholar and professor emeritus at UC Santa Barbara; and Luke Charles Harris, co-founder of the African American Policy Forum.

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9/5/2026 - BIONEERS 10:00 AM – 29 minutes

At the core of our civilizational breakdown is an extractive economy that wastes both nature and people, at the same time it is Hoovering extreme wealth up to the billionaire class. But with breakdown comes breakthrough. Professor Manuel Pastor believes we're living through a moment of profound transformation. It will come down to what we do – or don't do – at this moment of radical change. In this episode, we hear from Pastor on how shocks to the system are precipitating a great awakening and growing movements to transform the economy to our economy.

9/12/2026 - BIONEERS 10:00 AM – 29 minutes

In the late 20th century, a handful of scientists proved that aquatic mammals have advanced communication capabilities and a consciousness strikingly similar to humans. Author and adventurer James Nestor leads us on a deep dive into the mystery of marine mammal consciousness, and the story

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8/12/26, 8/14/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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A discussion on the historical rivalry between Athens and Sparta, highlighting Athens' initial democratic ideals and subsequent imperial pride. The narrative outlines the events leading to the Peloponnesian War, driven by factors such as fear and self-interest, notably Athens' blockade of Megara. This tactic backfired, provoking Sparta into conflict. Key battles, misstrategies like the Sicilian invasion, and the eventual downfall of Athens are detailed, culminating in the assertion that poor foreign policy can lead to devastating consequences, effectively halting democracy's spread for centuries. Jeff Gentry presents a cautionary view on the folly of war.

7/1/26, 7/3/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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In the episode from "Dumb Ideas that Change the World," speaker Jeff Gentry discusses the shortcomings of ethicists, referencing Michael Sigrist's observation that ethicists are as flawed as others. Gentry argues against situational ethics and moral relativism, advocating instead for principled ethics, or moral absolutism, which he believes provides clearer guidance for moral behavior. He criticizes the prevalence of abstract ethical dilemmas over practical principles, emphasizing the importance of honesty, impartiality, and commitment in ethical conduct. Gentry concludes with a call for straightforward ethical behavior in contemporary culture.

7/8/26, 7/10/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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Piorino Como, a barber who became famous for singing while cutting hair, faced a daunting choice at 21: accept a tour invitation from bandleader Freddy Carlone for a significant pay cut during the Great Depression or stay in his steady job. Encouraged by his father and fiancée Roselle, he took the risk, shortening his name to Perry. This decision led him to tour with major orchestras and eventually fame,

resulting in 14 #1 singles, 100 million record sales, and five Emmy awards for his variety show. Como showcased the idea that seemingly foolish decisions can lead to extraordinary success.

7/15/26, 7/17/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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In an episode titled "Dumb Ideas that Change the World," the host discusses the rise and fall of Elizabeth Holmes' startup Theranos. The company raised \$700 million based on its promise to deliver a full blood workup using just two drops of blood. However, the Edison device failed to work, leading to Holmes and her partner Ramesh Balwani being convicted of fraud. The narrative contrasts Holmes' ambitious claims with her lack of expertise in biochemistry, drawing parallels to Thomas Edison's failures without misleading consumers. The discussion suggests that instead of a legal defense, Holmes should acknowledge her incompetence in the field. The host concludes with a critique of the way venture capital enables such "dumb ideas."

7/22/26, 7/24/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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The 1904 Olympic Marathon in St. Louis is depicted as a disastrous event, characterized by poor planning and extreme conditions. Organizers fired the starting gun at 3 p.m. on a sweltering day, with only one water station available, leading to severe dehydration and suffering among runners. Many competitors dropped out, and Thomas Hicks, the winner, lost significant weight but managed to finish. The episode highlights that while the St. Louis Olympics were overall successful, the marathon was marked by cruelty and chaos, serving as a cautionary tale for future events.

7/29/26, 7/31/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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American inventor Charles Goodyear, known for his persistence in making rubber practical, achieved a breakthrough in 1839 when he discovered vulcanization—a process that enhanced rubber's durability and weather resistance. Despite years of costly experiments and patent lawsuits, he never became wealthy, spending time in debtors' prison. However, his invention significantly impacted various industries, leading to the establishment of awards like the Goodyear Medal for contributions to rubber science, and the creation of the tire and rubber company named after him. Goodyear prioritized innovation over profit, leaving a lasting legacy in transportation and manufacturing.

8/5/26, 8/7/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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In a recent episode of "Dumb Ideas that Change the World," the host discusses the problematic nature of credit cards, emphasizing their negative impact on consumers. Traditionally, credit cards required monthly payoffs, but this has shifted, leading to \$1.3 trillion in revolving consumer debt today. Many consumers only make minimum payments, failing to understand compound interest, which can compound their financial issues. A finance professor notes that individuals with revolving debt often have increased credit limits when interest rates fall, leading them to accumulate more debt. Adverse life events exacerbate this situation, and lenders profit from high interest rates and late fees. This financial exploitation contributes to poverty and bankruptcy, prompting some countries to restrict lenders from raising credit limits for those in debt. The host, Jeff Gantry, asserts that one can establish credit without a credit card, highlighting the broader economic consequences of excessive consumer debt.

8/12/26, 8/14/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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A discussion on the historical rivalry between Athens and Sparta, highlighting Athens' initial democratic ideals and subsequent imperial pride. The narrative outlines the events leading to the Peloponnesian War, driven by factors such as fear and self-interest, notably Athens' blockade of Megara. This tactic backfired, provoking Sparta into conflict. Key battles, misstrategies like the Sicilian invasion, and the eventual downfall of Athens are detailed, culminating in the assertion that poor foreign policy can lead to devastating consequences, effectively halting democracy's spread for centuries. Jeff Gentry presents a cautionary view on the folly of war.

8/19/26, 8/21/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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The episode discusses the Darvaza Crater in Turkmenistan, a massive fire pit that has been burning for over 50 years, initially ignited due to a 1971 oil drilling incident that exposed a gas deposit. Historian Jaranim Perovich highlights the decision to ignite the gas as a shortsighted approach rather than developing infrastructure for safe extraction. The crater emits greenhouse gases, particularly methane, which is more potent than carbon dioxide. It attracts tourists for its unique appeal, though it also exemplifies the broader issue of gas flaring, with the World Bank noting that 150 billion cubic meters of natural gas are wasted annually. The narrator, Jeff Gentry, points out the potential for financial gain for those who can capture this wasted energy.

8/26/26, 8/28/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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In a discussion about the evolution of calendars, the episode "Dumb Ideas That Change the World" explores how Julius Caesar adopted a solar calendar from Cleopatra to create the Julian calendar, addressing the irregular lunar calendar of Rome. This shift aimed to standardize time for commerce. The segment also highlights Roger Bacon, a 13th-century monk, who claimed the calendar was misaligned with solar time, suggesting it was off by 11 minutes annually. Although his insights were initially dismissed, Pope Gregory XIII later confirmed Bacon's findings, leading to the adoption of the Gregorian calendar in 1582, which corrected the drift by skipping 10 days. Today, the Gregorian calendar is widely used, ensuring accuracy until the year 4000.

9/2/26, 9/4/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

75

Critical thinking is often discussed in higher education but lacks a clear definition, leading to misconceptions. Jeff Gentry emphasizes the importance of recognizing cognitive biases that distort our thinking, noting that everyone believes they are critical thinkers while identifying flaws in others. Techniques such as algebra and thought experiments can enhance critical thinking. Jeff Gentry illustrates this by assessing beliefs about divorce, seeking evidence that contradicts initial views to foster a more nuanced understanding. Listeners are encouraged to challenge their own beliefs for better critical thinking. The show discusses more such ideas weekly.

9/9/26, 9/11/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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9/16/26, 9/18/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

77

In the episode "Dumb Ideas that Change the World," the discussion focuses on the remarkable navigational prowess of Polynesians, who settled the Pacific Ocean before European exploration. Initially, Dr. Andrew Sharp suggested that these settlements were accidental, with exiled Polynesians drifting to distant islands. However, Ben Finney challenged this notion, asserting that the Polynesians were skilled navigators who undertook purposeful voyages. Finney demonstrated this by sailing from Hawaii to New Zealand using traditional methods, supported by indigenous navigator Mau Pialug. Evidence from various fields, including bioanthropology, linguistics, and archaeology, indicates that the Polynesians intentionally explored and settled these islands, transporting plants and animals with them. This suggests they reached mainland South America well before Columbus, confirming that their voyages were not merely accidental but deliberate explorations. Jeff Gentry hosts the show, emphasizing the sophisticated sailing techniques of their ancestors.

9/23/26, 9/25/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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Eunuchs, boys or men neutered for official roles, were prevalent in the Chinese Empire, tasked with safeguarding the purity of the imperial harem, which included thousands of women. Historian Melissa Dale notes that eunuchs were trusted due to their inability to father children, allowing them access to the inner court. However, many were mutilated by their fathers or suffered lifelong health issues due to complete emasculation. Despite their influence and the high pay, they were confined to the Forbidden City and faced ridicule. Eunuchs reached their peak in number during the Ming Dynasty and played significant roles in political and religious affairs, even facilitating the transition from the Ming to Qing dynasties. This practice exemplified extreme power abuse, prevalent until 1924, when the nationalist government disbanded the institution.

9/30/26, 10/2/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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In the episode "Dumb Ideas That Change the World," host Jeff Gentry recounts the unconventional journey of Brian May, a former astrophysicist who left his academic career to pursue music, ultimately co-founding the iconic band Queen. Despite initial struggles, Queen's breakthrough album "A Night at the Opera" propelled them to fame. May balanced his musical success with his scientific passions, completing his PhD in 2007 and contributing to research on the New Horizons mission to Pluto. Gentry reflects on May's ability to integrate artistic and scientific pursuits, ultimately concluding that May's choice, initially deemed foolish, proved to be profoundly meaningful and successful.

7/2/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

In 1976, the Bikecentennial became the first organized bike tour across the U.S. 4,000 bicyclists pedaled to celebrate America's 200th anniversary. We break down the spirit of the Bikecentennial, its grassroots nature, and lessons to be learned for America's coming 250th celebration.

7/9/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

*From Marian Anderson's 1939 concert at the Lincoln Memorial to Marvin Gaye singing the National Anthem at the NBA Finals, the theme of patriotism can be heard throughout African American music. Historian Benjamin Ross plays stirring selections from this rich musical heritage. Also: Ann Petry's *The Street*, published in 1946, was the first million-selling novel by an African American author. Keith Clark says Petry deserves to be in the pantheon of other great American writers like James Baldwin or Toni Morrison.*

7/16/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

A new one-woman show tells the story of Virginia's history through the eyes of ten audacious women. From the Civil War to the Harlem Renaissance to the Civil Rights movement, Morgan Avery McCoy Harris is using her Rosel Schewel Fellowship to embody the voices and memories of trailblazers.

8/6/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

What did Jefferson mean by "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness"? Adam Potkay explains the moral and philosophical world behind the phrase and the important passages that were edited out of the Declaration of Independence. Plus: On the evening of July 4, 1776, the Founding Fathers raced to print 200 copies of the Declaration of Independence for rapid dispersal throughout the colonies. We dive into the frantic, midnight race to spread the news of independence.

8/13/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

After liberation, concentration camp survivors were left a shell of themselves - malnourished, diseased, and traumatized. Children who lost their parents and extended family had nowhere to go. Maggie Fraser Kirsh studies the caregivers who swooped in from around the world to help begin the healing process.

7/7/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

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7/14/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The Best of Our Knowledge explores topics on learning, education, and research. As prospective students weigh the cost and demands of achieving a college degree, the first three-year bachelor's degree programs in Massachusetts are preparing for launch. We'll speak with the state's Commissioner of Higher Education about the effort to reimagine the college experience.

7/21/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The Best of Our Knowledge explores topics on learning, education, and research. We'll learn how researchers are using a video game to identify people experiencing depression. And a new study reveals human DNA can survive for thousands of years in underground caves.

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8/15/26, 8/19/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

In a recent episode of "You Should Know," hosted by Evelyn Ledbetter, Travis Day, the USDA Rural Development State Director, discusses his background and experiences in New Mexico. Growing up on a small farm in Truth or Consequences, Day pursued a degree in wildlife sciences before engaging with his community as a Sierra County Commissioner. He transitioned to federal service during the Trump administration, focusing on rural development. Day emphasizes the unique challenges of New Mexico, including farming, water issues, and infrastructure, and highlights the importance of community engagement and collaboration with state leaders to foster economic growth. His experiences in local politics prepared him for the complexities of federal-level discussions.

8/22/26, 8/26/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

Dr. Anu Ogunlehe, an assistant professor at Eastern New Mexico University, returned to the show "You Should Know" to discuss her journey and her new project, the Feed the Hounds Initiative. Graduating with a terminal degree from the University of Nevada, Reno in 2022, she joined NMSU before applying for the position at Eastern without informing her husband initially. Originally from Ibadan, Nigeria, she has degrees in agronomy and is a mother of two. The Feed the Hounds Initiative was inspired by her experiences facing scarcity as a graduate student. She was granted land for research and decided to use it to help others, emphasizing community support through shared resources and personal commitment.

9/19/26, 9/23/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

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9/26/26, 9/30/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

In this episode of "You Should Know," host Evelyn Ledbetter interviews Matt Rush, an artist, author, and motivational speaker from Dora, New Mexico. They reminisce about their connections through church and share their experiences growing up in small communities. Rush reflects on his background in leadership and his time as CEO of the New Mexico Farm Bureau, emphasizing the valuable contacts and skills he gained. His journey into motivational speaking was influenced by his desire to help others and a personal calling for change. Despite challenges during the global shutdown in 2020, Rush decided to take art lessons to cope with feelings of depression, marking a new creative path in his life.

8/24/26– REPORT FROM SANTA FE – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The discussion features Lorraine Mills interviewing Bobby Heller and Murad Kirdar about the ongoing evacuation situation in New Mexico due to multiple wildfires. They highlight the challenges of managing animal evacuations, emphasizing the importance of pre-emptive planning to prepare pets for emergencies. Heller notes that shelters like Felines and Friends New Mexico are overwhelmed with incoming cats, while Kirdar mentions efforts from the community and various organizations to assist all species, including livestock. They stress the emotional impact of these evacuations on animals and encourage owners to have emergency kits ready for their pets. The conversation underscores the collective response from animal welfare groups and community members to support those affected by the fires.

9/21/26– REPORT FROM SANTA FE – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The program features an interview with Barbara Rae Venter, author of "I Know Who You Are," discussing her groundbreaking work in DNA genealogy that revolutionized crime fighting. Venter shares her diverse background, including her journey from studying French literature to earning a PhD in biology and eventually becoming a biotech patent attorney. She recounts her experience with the genetically modified Flavor Saver tomato and highlights her efforts in helping adoptees find their family origins through DNA. Venter also touches on her family history, particularly a surprising DNA test regarding the Roundtree lineage.

9/28/26– REPORT FROM SANTA FE – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

John Fleck, a Professor of Practice in Water Policy and Governance, discusses water management myths in the West during an interview on Report from Santa Fe. He addresses the misconception that "water is for fighting," emphasizing that communities often collaborate to manage water resources more effectively than they conflict over them. Fleck's books, including "Science Be Damned" and "Water is for Fighting Over," explore water management challenges, particularly in the Colorado River Basin. He highlights successful collaborations between rural agricultural communities and urban areas, where cities pay for irrigation efficiency improvements to ensure water reliability, exemplifying the benefits of cooperative water resource management.

8/17/26– 8/19/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter discuss the return of students to ENMU, emphasizing late registration opportunities and the new student support services building with extended hours. They highlight upcoming events like homecoming and the importance of upcoming GO bond initiatives for campus development, specifically mentioning a new agricultural and arts building. The conversation touches upon personal experiences as non-traditional students and the transformative impact of education. Additionally, they notify about a new exhibition at Ronald's Gallery, showcasing historic photographs.

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7/13/2026 – 7/27/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:26 minutes

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7/27/2026 – 8/10/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:16 minutes

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6/30/2026 – 7/15/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:45 minutes

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In the "All About Ag" segment, the connection between agriculture and baseball is explored. The transcript highlights that American farmers are integral to the baseball experience, supplying popular snacks like hot dogs and peanuts, as well as materials for baseballs, bats, gloves, and uniforms. The baseball incorporates rubber, cork, sheep wool, and leather from cattle, while equipment has evolved from wool and cotton to synthetic materials. Additionally, agriculture plays a role in transportation to games, with ethanol from corn and biodiesel from soybeans. The segment emphasizes that agriculture impacts every aspect of a baseball game, urging attendees to appreciate farmers. For more information, the audience is directed to the related docuseries episode, "How It's Made," and notes that the segment is sponsored by New Mexico Ag in the Classroom.

9/8/2026 - 9/9/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:17 minutes

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9/18/2026 – 9/29/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:29 minutes

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7/23/26 – *With Good Reason* – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

What if a well-manicured lawn isn't the end all be all? What if it's actually harming the local habitat? Doug Tallamy is the co-founder of Home Grown National Park, a non-profit that urges property owners to reduce their lawns and plant native plants. He shares all the little things we can do to help restore functioning ecosystems and mitigate the biodiversity crisis. And: Quarry Gardens started off as a soapstone quarry. Now it's an environmental gem with a beautiful quarter mile loop boasting over 500 species of native plants. Devin Floyd takes us on a tour of the gardens - showing off the quarry pits and the ancient ecosystems he calls lost worlds.

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7/6/2026-7/15/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:31 minutes

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June is National Dairy Month, celebrating dairy products made from cow's milk. Dairy cows, which are herbivores, produce milk after having a calf and are fed a balanced meal known as total mixed ration (TMR), delivered twice a day. Their diet consists of forages (like hay made from wheat, barley, alfalfa, corn, and sorghum), grains for energy, protein supplements from byproducts of crops like soybeans and canola, and essential vitamins and minerals. In 2024, New Mexico's dairy cows produced nearly 6 billion pounds of milk, ranking 11th nationally, while also being the 4th largest cheese producer. The segment is part of New Mexico Ag in the Classroom, an educational program by the New Mexico Farm and Livestock Bureau.

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8/10/2026 – 8/13/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:35 minutes

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Today on All About Ag, an update was provided on the New World screwworm, a parasite that re-emerged in the U.S. in June 2026. This fly species, native to South America, lays eggs in the wounds of warm-blooded mammals, and its larvae feed on living tissues, leading to severe harm or death if untreated. After cases appeared in South Texas, New Mexico experienced one isolated case handled swiftly. Local officials advise vigilance, highlighting the importance of recognizing signs such as worsening wounds, bad smells, and unusual animal behavior. Early reporting and treatment by veterinarians can mitigate the impact of infestations. For further information, resources are available at screwworm.gov and local Cooperative Extension Service offices. Quick responses to concerns are crucial for managing this health threat.

8/24/2026 – 9/7/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am – 3:05 minutes

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The segment discusses safe and humane branding practices for cattle, emphasizing the treatment of animals with care to avoid pain and stress. It explains the use of cattle chutes for secure handling and

the importance of well-trained individuals applying hot irons or freeze branding efficiently. Branding is necessary for ownership identification as ear tags can be lost. The role of cattle wranglers is highlighted; they skillfully gather and manage herds during branding, which is part of New Mexico's ranching tradition dating back to 1598. The segment is sponsored by New Mexico Agriculture in the Classroom.

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9/15/2026 – 9/22/2026– All About Ag - 8:20 am - 2:20 minutes

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Livestock auctions are vital marketing tools where farmers and ranchers sell animals to buyers, with auctions occurring weekly. These events feature outdoor corrals for sorting animals and a sale ring where trained auctioneers facilitate bidding. The auction process aids in price discovery, balancing buyers' desire for low prices and sellers' need for high prices. Additionally, auctions allow buyers to acquire multiple animals at once, enhancing market accessibility. Beyond commerce, auction days foster community connections among attendees and celebrate the agricultural year's yield.

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8/8/26, 8/12/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

Evelyn Ledbetter, host of "You Should Know," interviews Eric Segovia, the general manager of Roosevelt County Electric Cooperative (RCEC). Segovia shares his background, including his education in electrical engineering at New Mexico State University and his 14-year tenure at RCEC, where he progressed from intern to general manager. He highlights the co-op's current challenges, including a decline in electric sales primarily from irrigation, necessitating economic development initiatives to

attract new businesses and residential loads. Segovia also emphasizes the co-op's commitment to maintaining safe, reliable, and affordable power while managing rate increases amidst inflation.

9/26/2026 - BIONEERS 10:00 AM – 29 minutes

Scientific evidence is increasingly supporting the theory that the Earth is alive and replete with intelligence. In fact, the wild diversity of earthly organisms exhibits the characteristics that human beings attribute to personhood. How is it then, by the law, that a corporation is a person, but nature is not? What if we expand the anthropocentric boundaries of our systems of laws, rights and responsibilities to encompass ALL living beings? How would this new legal story affect our relationship with our vast other-than-human Earth family? In this episode, we imagine a planet with rights for all, with visionary lawyer César Rodríguez-Garavito.

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7/11/26, 7/15/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

In this episode of "You Should Know," host Devlyn Ledbetter interviews returning guest Andy Mason, an artist with a diverse background. Mason discusses his upbringing in Pittsburgh, moving to England in the 1980s, and his journey to New Mexico. He relocated seeking better job prospects and education, eventually earning a degree from Eastern New Mexico University. Despite starting in aviation, Mason pivoted to music, discovering his passion while teaching. He highlights his experience performing with local musicians and his time as an educator, including roles in ESL and Upward Bound programs. Mason also briefly shares his recent move to the UK and previous time in Puebla, Mexico.

7/18/26, 7/22/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

From KENW at Eastern New Mexico University, host Evelyn Ledbetter interviews Mickey Morgan, a long-time contributor to the station. Mickey, a Portales native, shares his journey from high school graduation in 1970 to joining the Air Force during the Vietnam War. After completing his service, he returned to Portales in 1975 and started working at KENW. Mickey discusses his dual involvement in both the TV station and theater, his passion for music, and how he transitioned into audio mixing, becoming the go-to audio technician for various productions. Notably, he enjoyed the technical side of performances and refined his audio skills while setting up sound for events, thus establishing a significant role at the station. However, shortly before graduating, an unexpected job loss left him uncertain about his future.

7/25/26, 7/29/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

Mickey Morgan, a sound engineer at KENW, shares a vivid memory from working with George W. Bush during a press conference, where he fainted due to illness. While being cared for by EMTs at Blair House, he was served a lavish breakfast, jokingly recalling that he "had breakfast with George." Morgan, around 40 years old at the time, later learned that the news media falsely thought the commotion was about Dick Cheney's health. The conversation also touches on Morgan's passion for music and his connection with B.B. King, a significant figure in his career.

9/26/26, 9/30/26 - You Should Know - 10:30 am - 26:30 minutes

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in leadership and his time as CEO of the New Mexico Farm Bureau, emphasizing the valuable contacts and skills he gained. His journey into motivational speaking was influenced by his desire to help others and a personal calling for change. Despite challenges during the global shutdown in 2020, Rush decided to take art lessons to cope with feelings of depression, marking a new creative path in his life.

9/29/26– PERSON PLACE THING – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The president and CEO of the New York Philharmonic describes their task: "It's about the creation of those incredible moments that lead up to probably the most important moment in a concert, which is the silence before the first note." Almost Zen. Presented with the Viñoly Foundation. Person: Gustavo Dudamel Place: David Geffen Hall Thing: a poster Randy's Thing: great first lines from fiction Music: violist Edwin Kaplan, cellist Titilayo Ayangade

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7/20/26– REPORT FROM SANTA FE – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

In an episode of "Report from Santa Fe," host Laurene Mills interviews renowned political cartoonist Pat Oliphant, celebrating his new book, "Leadership, Oliphant Cartoons and Sculptures from the Bush Years." Oliphant discusses his 52 years in cartooning, featuring his significant works, including exhibitions at the Library of Congress and his retrospective on presidential cartoons. He shares insights on his creative process, highlighting the importance of current news and various media as sources of inspiration. Oliphant reflects on the nature of politics, expressing that the rotating political figures provide him with continuous material for satire, ensuring his job security as a cartoonist. He humorously illustrates his evolving portrayal of political figures, such as George W. Bush, and introduces his signature character, Punk the penguin, bringing a distinctive voice to his artwork. The conversation touches on the art of political commentary through cartoons and the immediacy of his work in today's news landscape.

7/6/26- – 7/8/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter discussed various upcoming events at ENMU, including volleyball camps for 2nd to 5th graders, with registration available at a cost of \$100. They announced a soft opening of the student support center, which offers advising, counseling, and financial aid services, with a formal opening planned during homecoming. The fourth annual community jury art exhibition will run until July 24, and an alumni golf tournament will be held at the Sandia Resort. Further details for events and participation can be obtained through Alumni Affairs.

7/13/26- – 7/15/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Welcome to the ENMU weekly events calendar. Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter outline upcoming events including advanced volleyball camps from July 13, featuring talent scouting opportunities, and a

team tournament on July 16-17 for high school athletes. They mention the EMU Baseball Youth Skills Camp running until July 15, with a registration fee of \$90. Additionally, the Reynolds Gallery hosts creative arts events and a juried art exhibition ending on July 24. A special event on July 20 includes News Channel 10 broadcasting from campus. The Black Rocket Camp from July 20-23 focuses on Pokémon and Roblox activities. Registration for fall classes is still open, encouraging prospective students to explore financial aid options. The next weekly update is scheduled for the following Monday and Wednesday at 8:10 AM.

7/20/26- – 7/22/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

The ENMU weekly events calendar discussion with Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter highlights various upcoming activities and opportunities for students. They stress the importance of registering for classes, which begins on August 17th for the Roswell campus and August 18th for Mortalis. The "Dog Days" orientation, aimed at incoming freshmen, promotes team-building and campus engagement. Additionally, Dr. Johnston announces a community juried art exhibition, a youth baseball camp, and several activities for children, emphasizing a vibrant campus atmosphere and community connection. Evelyn encourages potential students and community members to visit and participate in these events, reinforcing the welcoming nature of the ENMU campus.

8/3/26- – 8/5/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter discuss the upcoming events at ENMU, including the start of the new fall semester and "Dog Days," which marks the return of students to campus. They mention ongoing construction, specifically the repaving of Avenue K, and encourage late enrollment for new and returning students. Dr. Johnston highlights the importance of voter participation in an upcoming bond election for campus improvements. They express excitement about new facilities, such as the Ag and Arts building, and set ambitious enrollment goals, aiming to exceed 6,000 students, with aspirations for 8,000. The show also covers various athletic camps coming up and the positive developments in the sports programs.

8/17/26- – 8/19/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

Dr. Johnston and Evelyn Ledbetter discuss the return of students to ENMU, emphasizing late registration opportunities and the new student support services building with extended hours. They highlight upcoming events like homecoming and the importance of upcoming GO bond initiatives for campus development, specifically mentioning a new agricultural and arts building. The conversation touches upon personal experiences as non-traditional students and the transformative impact of education. Additionally, they notify about a new exhibition at Ronald's Gallery, showcasing historic photographs.

9/14/26- – 9/16/26 - ENMU Calendar - 8:15 am – 7:18 minutes

The ENMU weekly events calendar features hosts Evelyn Ledbetter and Dr. Johnston discussing various happenings. They note the fleeting September and the upcoming football game at Texas A&M Kingsville. A focus is on the College Days Rodeo from September 17-19 at Lewis Cooper Arena, encouraging support for the rodeo team. Additionally, they mention a unique educational event at Blackwater Draw and the KENW FM pledge drive from September 14-20, advocating for public support. The Men's Choir Festival and the Department of Music's faculty gala are also highlighted.

They touch on the National Championship Air Races in Roswell, expecting a large turnout and potential overflow into surrounding areas.

9/30/26, 10/2/26 - Dumb Ideas that Changed the World - 12:45 pm; 8:25 am- 2:30 minutes

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In the episode "Dumb Ideas That Change the World," host Jeff Gentry recounts the unconventional journey of Brian May, a former astrophysicist who left his academic career to pursue music, ultimately co-founding the iconic band Queen. Despite initial struggles, Queen's breakthrough album "A Night at the Opera" propelled them to fame. May balanced his musical success with his scientific passions, completing his PhD in 2007 and contributing to research on the New Horizons mission to Pluto. Gentry reflects on May's ability to integrate artistic and scientific pursuits, ultimately concluding that May's choice, initially deemed foolish, proved to be profoundly meaningful and successful.

8/20/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

The personal and professional lives of jazz musicians such as Louis Armstrong, Miles Davis, and John Coltrane cannot be divorced from the struggle for racial equality. This music-rich episode shows how they contributed to interracial understanding and social progress. Also: The composers of the Civil Rights anthem "Lift Every Voice and Sing" also created musical theater at the turn of the century that transformed the image of African American characters and performers. The work of composers Bob Cole, J. Rosamond Johnson, and James Weldon Johnson helped break down stereotypical portrayals of black Americans.

9/3/26 – With Good Reason – 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

On August 20, 1619, twenty or more enslaved Africans arrived in Virginia at what's now called Fort Monroe. They were the first Africans documented in British North America. Fort Monroe's Park Superintendent Terry Brown recalls how America commemorated their arrival 400 years later. And: We hear from the Tuckers, the descendants of the very first African-American baby, about their work to uncover the stories of their ancestors. Plus: Poet Synnika Lofton reflects on 1619 and shares how he channels his political thoughts into art.

9/1/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

TBOOK 1848 features National Geographic Explorer at Large Ami Vitale, with a focus on her work in Montana's Centennial Valley in 2020. The episode includes an interview between Lucas Willard and Vitale, along with various music segments for local credits, drop-ins, and the conclusion.

9/22/26- The Best of our Knowledge - 3:00 pm - 30 minutes

Welcome to The Best of Our Knowledge, focusing on education and research. This episode highlights the Hudson Mural Project, now in its third year, where students create murals and engage in artistic exercises. Artist Louise Smith discusses the project's evolution, emphasizing self-identity and community, while incorporating interactive sound art by Victoria Emanuela. The program fosters open discussions among students, enabling them to express themselves and contribute to a public artwork, thus connecting art with their community. Smith notes the surprising maturity and insight of the students, who tackle complex topics through creativity, illustrating the project's impact on both personal growth and community involvement.

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Education:

08/11/2026 The State of New Mexico will direct \$700 million into college and university infrastructure starting this fall, as the Higher Education Department begins a multiyear rollout of capital outlay funding approved by the state Legislature. Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham signed the funding package this year alongside new state infrastructure mechanisms that give colleges and universities a clearer, faster path to plan large-scale projects. The Higher Education Department noted that since taking office, the governor has supported more than \$2 billion in capital outlay funding for colleges and universities.

08/20/2026 High school juniors and seniors who want to lead environmental change in their communities can apply for the Land of Enchantment Young Ambassador Program for the 2026–27 school year. Throughout the year, Ambassadors will receive training in project management, community leadership and gain hands-on experience developing and implementing environmental initiatives in their communities.

Public Safety:

07/06/2026 We reported earlier this year that the National Science Foundation discovered liquid mercury was leaking inside of the Sunspot Solar Observatory in Otero County, and the decision to demolish the almost 80-year-old structure was made. Since then, a coalition of residents, former employees and some lawmakers have been determined to preserve the structure.

08/19/2026 At 7:45 this morning, the Portales Fire Department responded to reports of smoke that was visible along US Highway 70 in the direction of Clovis. Crews arrived and found an active structure

fire. The department immediately recalled off-duty personnel and requested mutual aid from the Clovis Fire Department to support suppression efforts. According to a press release, after extinguishing the fire, two deceased bodies were found. The cause of the blaze is under investigation by the New Mexico State Fire Marshal's Office.

Health:

08/31/2026 A restricted zone in southeastern New Mexico has been lifted. The US Department of Agriculture made the announcement today that the zone was instituted in a roughly 12-mile radius in Lea County following a positive case of New World screwworm was identified in a pet dog back on June 7th. The department's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service said that the zone is no longer required, noting there have been no additional infections, and that state officials have worked closely with federal agencies to prevent further issues with the parasite.

08/27/2026 Another small community in New Mexico is under a boil water notice. This time, the New Mexico Environment Department confirmed that a boil water advisory was issued for the La Joya Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association in Socorro County after bacterial contamination- including e. Coli- was found in the system's distribution network. The issued advisory only includes users of that small system in Socorro County, estimated at around 246 users. E. coli in drinking water indicates the water may have been contaminated through contact with sewage or animal waste and could contain disease-causing organisms.

Governmental

07/31/2026 A public corruption case is headed to trial, but it could possibly be dismissed by the state. Former state representative Sheryl Williams Stapleton was in court yesterday on allegations that while

she was an administrator in the Albuquerque Public Schools, she was diverting millions of dollars for her own personal benefit, such as remodeling her home, cars, and lavish vacations.

09/08/2026 One of the controversies out of the Labor Day weekend was of President Donald Trump implying a name change for the State of New Mexico, offering in its place, 'New America,' forcing the Republican Party of New Mexico to respond. House Republican Leader Gail Armstrong from Magdalena released a statement yesterday on the implication surrounding President Trump's social media post about New Mexico's name. She said, "New Mexico's name and identity are not up for negotiation, not by this president or any other."

Environmental:

07/17/2026 The New Mexico Environment Department releases a monthly report, detailing enforcement actions against businesses that violate state laws, regulations, and more. This month, the department reported that it issued 121 notices of violation to retail food establishments, 35 notices involving water protections, and 20 notices from the Occupational Health and Safety Bureau. In detailing some of the violations over the past month, one of those was Dan C. Trigg Memorial Hospital in Tucumcari for failing to pay required hazardous waste generator fees for 2022 and 2024.

08/20/26 The New Mexico Environment Department and Office of the State Engineer have made approximately \$35 million available for projects that develop, treat and put New Mexico's brackish water resources to beneficial use. Brackish water is naturally occurring salty groundwater that generally requires treatment before use. Developing these resources can create additional water supplies for

New Mexico while reducing pressure on freshwater supplies that support communities, agriculture and the environment.

History:

09/15/2026 The City of Las Vegas is moving forward with the acquisition of an historic property on Douglas Avenue. The city council approved the purchase of the property for \$1.5 million from Southwest Capital Bank, which will continue operations at the location until November 30th. The building on Douglas Avenue has over 100 years of history within Las Vegas.

09/22/2026 The New Mexico Department of Cultural Affairs is sending its mobile museum on the road. The Wonders on Wheels Mobile Museum is a specially retrofitted 38-foot RV featuring 300 square feet of arts, culture, history, and science exhibits and curriculum-based programming. The mobile museum brings exhibits curated from one of the department's eight state-run museums to public schools, libraries and more in communities throughout New Mexico.

Business:

09/04/26 Ruidoso Downs Racetrack and Casino is moving to Grand Prairie, Texas. There is more information on that move today, as the agreement between the owners of the track, Johnny and Jana Trotter, are expecting to finalize the agreement with Global Gaming Solutions in the move to Lone Star Park. According to KRQE, the loss of the track will deal a heavy financial impact on Ruidoso and the surrounding area, as one city official had said earlier this year that the racetrack adds from \$160 to \$180 million per year in revenue.

09/25/2026 Eden Radioisotopes, an Albuquerque-based medical isotopes company, will invest up to \$1.4 billion to build a production facility in Lea County, backed by the State of New Mexico. The project represents North America's first purpose-built medical isotope

production reactor and processing facility, making it a lynchpin in America's medical supply chain. The facility will be used to produce isotopes used in diagnostic imaging and cancer treatment, helping doctors find disease at the cellular level and deliver targeted care, according to a press release from the Economic Development Department.