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A TRIBUTE TO EDWARD PALACIOS BOARD CHAIRPERSON

It is with great sadness that I report the sudden and tragic loss of Ed Palacios, Board and New Facility Chairperson for Valley Public Radio. In his short 49 years, he lived a full life, touching the hearts of many, sharing his professional passion for healthcare and love for his community and friends. Ed was the one-time CEO of Selma District Hospital and San Joaquin Valley Rehabilitation before he was promoted to Vice-President of Vibra Healthcare, the corporate entity for San Joaquin Valley Rehabilitation. He served on many state-wide and national professional organizations' boards, including as the incoming Chairperson for California Hospital Association's Center for Post-Acute Care. Ed's demanding schedule called for him to be on the road typically Tuesday through Thursday. Yet, he never missed a meeting or VPR gathering. He took his role as Chairperson seriously, loved to share his passion for the station, and always brought a great sense of humor and joy to those he touched.

Ed was one of the quietest philanthropists I have ever known. He volunteered for All About Care for years and served as a board member before serving as Chairperson for VPR. The FM89 Board referred to Ed as relentless in his fundraising and the consummate board leader. "Organization" was a key factor in Ed's life, allowing him to be so involved with a variety of healthcare and community projects.

Together, with his husband Dr. Jay Center, they were an amazing couple complimenting each other's talents and sharing in the joys and challenges life presented. They enjoyed entertaining their family and friends, discovering new wines, travelling, and most recently became the parents of two labradoodles, Walter and Truman. I was most fortunate to have learned from Ed as a mentor and enjoyed his and Jay's company as a neighbor. A last minute dinner with them was always a culinary delight as Ed experimented with another new dish.

Ed was most considerate of other board members and always made time to help us grow as individuals and professionals. He was not fond of focusing on the "potholes," but insisted on looking to future possibilities. His leadership brought stability, organization, vision and great humor to the FM89 family. He was a minimalist in his communication style, but very clear as to his expectations. Ed was a consensus builder with a genuine interest in each individual and the talents they brought to the organization or project.

In his role as Chairperson for the new facility, he clearly understood the challenges we face and the possibilities of what could be in a new home. He was excited at the station's opportunity to further engage the community by sharing stories, reports, musical talents and more. Under his leadership, the organization raised \$1.5 million dollars for the new facility.

Valley Public Radio is forever indebted to Ed's strong and committed leadership. I want to thank those individuals and organizations who have generously made gifts celebrating Ed's life. The plan is to dedicate an art piece in a special place in the new facility to his memory. As one of our members said, "Ed represented all that is good and right," and we want to celebrate that for future generations to come. We remain committed to Ed and Jay's vision of serving and engaging the San Joaquin Valley community.

Turning to the New Year, we promise to bring you an even greater blend of local and national news combined with classical and jazz music, unique entertainment and local programs. Young Artist Spotlight begins a new season on February 4th as we invite young talent to perform for FM89 listeners. Special thanks to our host, George Mason, talent scouts, Kristina Herrick and Bee Barmann, and sponsors, Dr. Alice Martinson, Carole Sturgis, and the Bonner Family Foundation.

Stay tuned and join us as we make VPR history in 2015. May the blessings of the New Year bring you peace and abundance.

Mariam Stepanian
 President & General Manager

ON THE COVER: "Dome Under Fog" by Ginny Burdick

Ginny Burdick lives and works in the foothills of the beautiful Sierra Mountains in Coarsegold, California. She is known for her strong use of color and imagery in pastels and watercolors. Her work can be seen at her gallery, A Sense of Place Fine Art, at 2003 North Van Ness, Fresno.

Music

For a listing of our music selections, visit KVPR.org or contact the station.

CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA The weekly broadcasts offer a unique format that includes dynamic and innovative content to illustrate the fascinating stories found inside the music, with insight from the performers themselves. Broadcasts are Tuesdays at 8pm.

CLASSICS ALL NIGHT with Peter Van De Graaff The classics come alive after dark with host Peter Van De Graaff. You'll hear sweet and soothing selections perfectly suited for late night and early morning listening, and many of your classical favorites. Late nights & early mornings: weekdays until 3am; weekends until 5am.

CLEARLY CLASSICAL Your weekday classical companion with a mix of musical selections from the FM89 library. You'll hear familiar favorites and rare gems. Monday thru Friday 9am-11am (except Tuesday 10am-11am) and 1pm-4pm.

CONCIERTO Classical music by Spanish and Latin American composers and performers, presented in English and Spanish. Hosted by Frank Dominguez. Saturdays at 8pm.

IN THE MODE Music from the medieval and Renaissance eras, hosted by Kristina Herrick. Sundays at 12:06pm.

THE INTERSECTION: Where Jazz meets the Classics FM89's Vince DiCiccio hosts this unique blend of music that connects the worlds of jazz and classical music. New programs on Saturday evenings at 10pm; repeats on Fridays at 8pm.

JAZZ NIGHT IN AMERICA Host Christian McBride takes listeners on a tour of live jazz performances from today's top stars. Saturdays at 7pm.

NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC Recorded performances of the New York Philharmonic hosted by Alec Baldwin. Mondays at 8pm.

THE OASIS A mix of mainstream jazz, Latin & Brazilian jazz and more. Hosted live from the FM89 studios by Vince DiCiccio on Sundays from 9pm to midnight.

SUNDAY BAROQUE This program celebrates the current wealth of recorded Baroque music. Suzanne Bona hosts every Sunday from 9am to Noon.

THE THISTLE & SHAMROCK Host Fiona Ritchie's weekly program has become a gathering place on the radio for those that love music with Celtic roots. Sundays at 8pm.

WEEKEND CLASSICS Musical selections from FM89.

News & Information

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED News magazine from NPR. Weekdays 4pm to 7pm. (ends at 6:30 on Fridays) Weekends 5pm to 6pm.

THE CALIFORNIA REPORT This statewide newscast is heard weekday mornings at 6:50am and 7:50am. The California Report Magazine, a half-hour news magazine program, is heard Fridays at 6:30pm, with a rebroadcast Saturdays at 6:30pm.

FRESH AIR WEEKEND Hosted by Peabody Award-winning Terry Gross. Sundays at 6pm.

HERE AND NOW News and features from NPR and WBUR in Boston. Mondays through Thursdays 11am to 1pm.

LEFT, RIGHT & CENTER A fast-paced half-hour of smart, witty, and serious talk that takes on the week's front-page issues. Now at a new time, Saturdays at 6pm.

LATINO USA Hosted by Maria Hinojosa. The only national, English language news and culture program from a Latino perspective. Thursdays 8pm.

MORNING EDITION National and international news from NPR. Weekdays from 3am to 9am.

VALLEY EDITION Hear the issues that matter to Valley residents each week with a mix of in-depth reports, studio discussions and calls from listeners. Valley Edition airs live on Tuesdays at 9am, and is repeated Tuesdays at 7pm.

SCI FRI NPR's Science Friday with Ira Flatow. Talk about science and the environment. Fridays 11am to 1pm.

WEEKEND EDITION The Saturday and Sunday edition of NPR's most popular news program. Weekend mornings from 5am to 9am.

Talk & Entertainment

AMERICA'S TEST KITCHEN RADIO Host Christopher Kimball explores the wide world of food, with interviews, listener calls, kitchen tips and techniques that illuminate the truth about real home cooking. Saturdays at 4pm.

CAR TALK Click and Clack handle listeners' calls with spirited comments and sound advice. Saturdays at 10am.

THE MOTH True stories told live, from professional and amateur storytellers based in New York. Fridays and Sundays at 7pm.

PHILOSOPHY TALK On this program hosts John Perry and Ken Taylor, "question everything except your intelligence." This fun and thought provoking program explores philosophy and how it shapes our lives. Thursday nights at 7pm.

RADIOLAB Radiolab believes your ears are a portal to another world, where sound illuminates ideas and the boundaries blur between science, philosophy and human experience. Saturdays at noon.

TED RADIO HOUR Innovative ideas from the world's top thinkers. Sundays at 4pm.

TRAVEL WITH RICK STEVES This is a weekly one-hour conversation about travel, cultures, people, and the things we find around the world that give life its extra sparkle. Saturdays at 9am.

THE THOMAS JEFFERSON HOUR Renowned Humanities scholar Clay Jenkinson, as Thomas Jefferson, explores the mind and achievements of the great President. Mondays at 7pm.

VALLEY WRITERS READ Hosted by Franz Weinschenk, authors from our own communities read their literary fiction. Wednesdays at 7pm.

WAIT WAIT...DON'T TELL ME! Join host Peter Sagal for this fun-filled hour of mind-stretching fun, based on the week's news. Saturdays at 11am.

Features

PULSE OF THE PLANET Weekdays at 3:31am, 8:31am.

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STAR DATE Weekdays at 5:31am, 7:31am and 9:58pm.

THE MORAL IS Sundays 3:55pm, Wednesdays 7:55pm.

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General correspondence may be sent to: (Specific Program Name), c/o National Public Radio, Washington, DC.

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1 am	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF							1 am
2 am	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF							2 am
3 am	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF							3 am
4 am	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF							4 am
5 am	MORNING EDITION							5 am
6 am	WEEKEND EDITION	MORNING EDITION					WEEKEND EDITION	6 am
7 am	WEEKEND EDITION	MORNING EDITION					WEEKEND EDITION	7 am
8 am	MORNING EDITION							8 am
9 am	MORNING EDITION							9 am
10 am	SUNDAY BAROQUE	VALLEY EDITION		CLEARLY CLASSICAL			TRAVEL WITH RICK STEVES	10 am
11 am	SUNDAY BAROQUE	VALLEY EDITION		CLEARLY CLASSICAL			CAR TALK	11 am
Noon	IN THE MODE	HERE AND NOW	HERE AND NOW	HERE AND NOW	HERE AND NOW	"SCIENCE FRIDAY"	WAIT WAIT...DON'T TELL ME	Noon
1 pm	IN THE MODE	HERE AND NOW	HERE AND NOW	HERE AND NOW	HERE AND NOW	"SCIENCE FRIDAY"	RADIOLAB	1 pm
2 pm	WEEKEND CLASSICS	CLEARLY CLASSICAL					WEEKEND CLASSICS	2 pm
3 pm	WEEKEND CLASSICS	CLEARLY CLASSICAL					WEEKEND CLASSICS	3 pm
4 pm	WEEKEND CLASSICS	CLEARLY CLASSICAL					WEEKEND CLASSICS	4 pm
5 pm	TED RADIO HOUR	ALL THINGS CONSIDERED					AMERICA'S TEST KITCHEN RADIO	5 pm
6 pm	ALL THINGS CONSIDERED	ALL THINGS CONSIDERED					ALL THINGS CONSIDERED	6 pm
7 pm	FRESH AIR	ALL THINGS CONSIDERED					LEFT RIGHT & CENTER	7 pm
8 pm	THE MOTH	THE THOMAS JEFFERSON HOUR	VALLEY EDITION	VALLEY WRITERS READ	PHILOSOPHY TALK	THE CALIF. REPORT	THE MOTH	8 pm
9 pm	THE MOTH	THE THOMAS JEFFERSON HOUR	VALLEY EDITION	VALLEY WRITERS READ	PHILOSOPHY TALK	THE CALIF. REPORT	THE MOTH	9 pm
10 pm	THE THISTLE & SHAMROCK	NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC	CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF	LATINO USA	THE INTERSECTION	CONCIERTO	10 pm
11 pm	THE THISTLE & SHAMROCK	NEW YORK PHILHARMONIC	CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF	LATINO USA	THE INTERSECTION	CONCIERTO	11 pm
11 pm	THE OASIS	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF	CLASSICS ALL NIGHT WITH PETER VAN DE GRAAFF	THE INTERSECTION	11 pm



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IN MEMORY OF
Edward Palacios

1964-2014

On Saturday November 15, 2014 Valley Public Radio lost a dear member of the FM89 family, with the death of the station's board chair Ed Palacios. The following obituary was published in the Fresno Bee on Sunday, November 23.

Edward "Ed" Palacios, a beloved husband, brother, uncle, colleague, and friend, passed suddenly on November 15, 2014. He was 49 years old.

Ed was known in Fresno's medical community as the former CEO of San Joaquin Valley Rehabilitation Hospital, and Selma District Hospital. In the philanthropic community, he was a tireless fundraiser and advocate for Valley Public Radio.

In 2012, he was promoted by the SJVR's parent company, Vibra Healthcare, to serve as Vice President of Operations for its nine western facilities. He spent several days a week traveling for work and was in Dallas, TX when he fell ill. He died at Baylor University Hospital.

Ed was born on December 13, 1964, in Victorville, CA while his father was stationed at George Air Force

Base. In Clovis, he attended Jefferson Elementary and Clark Intermediate schools. He graduated from Clovis High School, where he was student body president, a member of the forensics and track teams, and a cheerleader.

Ed earned his Registered Nursing and Master's of Public Health Administration degrees from Fresno State University, graduating in 2003. He was a member of the Bulldog cheerleading squad from 1983 to 1984, and president of the Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity.

He worked as a nurse at Saint Agnes Hospital and Community Medical Center in the late 1980's and 1990's, progressing from telemetry nurse to cardiac and critical care, to charge nurse, to Vice President. He said he wanted to improve hospital care by bringing his bedside experience to an administrative role. Ed served on the Board of the Hospital Council of Northern and Central California. He was incoming Chair of the Board of the California Hospital Association's Center for Post-Acute Care.

Ed served on the Board of Directors of Valley Public Radio for 13 years, recently as Chair. For the past eight years he led the fundraising campaign to build a new KVPR headquarters. He was KVPR's liaison with major donors such as the James Irvine Foundation and the California HealthCare Foundation, where he was a fellow from 2006 to 2008. KVPR's staff and volunteers vow to build the new facility as Ed's legacy.

For 15 years, he volunteered at All About Care's Camp Care, providing support to adults and children with terminal illnesses, particularly HIV/AIDS. Ed "infused the camp with joy."

On October 25, 2008, the 14 year anniversary of the day they met, he married his beloved partner, Jay Thomas Center, in a ceremony at the Fresno home they designed and shared.

They were made for each other, finding joy in hosting elaborate dinner parties with friends, biking to the farmers' market and wine tasting trips to

Paso Robles. This year, they adopted Labradoodle puppies, brothers, Truman and Walter.

Ed's smile would light up a room. He was a kid at heart and his elaborate Halloween costumes are legendary. His compassion for others was immense.

Ed fell ill on November 13, 2014, and passed away November 15, 2014, with Jay holding his hand, and his brother, Peter, and dear friends Del and Jackie Billingsley at his side.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Eduardo "Ed" and Eleanor Palacios.

Ed is survived by his husband, Jay Thomas Center, PhD, a guidance counselor at Clovis North High School. He also is survived by brother and sister-in-law, Peter and Kari Palacios; and nieces and nephews, Austin, Taylor, and Isabella, of Bakersfield, CA. He leaves countless friends and colleagues grieving his loss.

A memorial Service is scheduled at St. Therese Catholic Church for December 13, 2014, at 1:00 p.m., the 50 year anniversary of Ed's birth.

In lieu of flowers please donate to KVPR's building fund online at KVPR.org.



Fresno Woman Helps Fellow Homeless Veterans Reclaim Their Lives

By Diana Aguilera

Many veterans struggle as they return home after serving this country. Among that group are women who may have a hard time making that transition, sometimes ending up on the verge of being homeless. As part of our series "Common Threads: Veterans Still Fighting The War" FM89s Diana Aguilera reports on how woman is determined to make a difference.



Anita Pascual always looks forward to Monday nights. It's the time when she gets to sit on a couch and chat with other women.

"I made coffee if you guys still want coffee," she says.

The group of 10 are sitting in a living room, drinking something warm for this chilly night. With all the laughing that's going

on, one would think it's a ladies night but in reality Pascual is on the clock trying to connect these women with jobs.

"CarMax is looking for 15 sales consultants, so they're looking to hire people like as soon as possible," she says.

Pascual's goal is to help these women who all have two things in common: they were all homeless and veterans. She works for Homefront, a project of the non-profit organization WestCare Foundation. The program gives women veterans in Fresno County a

temporary home and a support network so they can get back on their feet.

Pascual isn't a stranger to these women. That's because at one point she was in the same situation: a veteran with no place to call home.

The 30-year-old started her journey in the military training as a truck driver with the National Guard. She was just 19 years old when she joined so she could get help to pay for school. But her life took an unexpected turn.

"The Friday that I found out I was pregnant the next day, which is Saturday, I had my drill and I found out we were getting activated to go to Iraq," she says.

Pascual didn't make it overseas. Since she was pregnant she decided to get out of the National Guard. But three years later, she returned. This time leaving her three children to join the Army. In 2009 she left for Afghanistan.



Elle, one of the ladies under the program, visit the Homefront office and talks with Pascual about her job interview.



Pascual tells the women about job openings during their Monday meeting.

“Just the flight over when they tell you, ‘ok we’re going to go black out,’ and they literally shut everything off, it was scary,” she says. “You don’t know what to expect if you haven’t done it already, you just don’t know and I’m pretty sure if you have done it, you still don’t know.”

She says there was something powerful about getting behind the wheel of a big MRAP.

“From my circle of people that I knew outside of there, a lot of them hadn’t done anything like that before. I had my moments where I almost flipped the truck over but I still think it was all worth it.”

That’s exactly why she went back to serve her country. She wanted to expand her comfort zone and find some stability.

“There was just a lot going on in my life at the time that I was just dealing with so rather than staying home and sulking I can get on and do something productive.”

After serving overseas for 11 months she says she felt like she was on top of the world, like she could conquer anything that life threw her way. But a few months after she went back home to Fresno, she hit rock bottom.

“I had to get used to paying my bills on time and I couldn’t,” she says. “Thus things happened and then the next thing I knew I was getting evicted and I had nowhere to go.”

Pascual says it was tough to readjust to civilian life.

“One day I was me, a soldier, and the next day I’m mom again,” she says. “Mom, sister, and daughter and I had to do all that. Buckle up, and it was just exhausting and overwhelming sometimes.”

Pascual went from feeling like a proud soldier to almost being homeless just a few months later. That’s when someone told her about Homefront.

"I was able to pick myself up here," she says. "I was able to get support in different areas, get a job again and get back into school and connect with my kids."

It's been nearly four years since she got out of the apartments and left the program. She got married and lives with her husband and kids in a home in Fresno.

Now, the 30-year-old says working with homeless women veterans and helping them find the support they need has been her true calling.

"Since I've been back I wanted to work with veterans at some capacity now I'm able to," she says. "And then in this specific location inside it's just that much closer to home for me."

One of the ladies living there is Elle, who did not want us to use her last name. Pascual wants to help Elle get back on track just like she did a few years ago. Elle says this program has inspired her to believe that one day she will be back on her feet.

"It's not just a room and that's it. You have all the capabilities of what can help you to move forward," she says. "It doesn't make you feel like you're sitting under a park bench anymore."

Elle's been living in the apartments provided by the program for about two months. And she says meeting Pascual has changed her life.



Pascual is greasing up joints on the MRAP during her time serving in the Army in Afghanistan.



Pascual performed many duties while serving in Afghanistan.

"I'm going to get my college benefits, she put me up with a good position with being able to get a job," she says. "Seven or eight years of back and forth it took seven weeks just for Anita to help me out."

Back at Homefront, Pascual gives me a tour of the apartments near the train tracks in southwest Fresno. It's in a rough neighborhood but driving by you can tell the pride the residents have in their homes.

"Everyone has a job and a chore to do so they maintain the lawn, the sprinkler system, all the facility," she says.

As we walk around the apartment complex Pascual says she never thought she would be back in the same place where she was able to pick herself up. But when the opportunity to work there came along earlier this year, she took it. And now her job means so much to her because she's been through that experience herself.

"It's fulfilling and I feel like I can understand. I might not know exactly but I know what it is to struggle in this capacity," she says. "They can go up from here, I know if you set your mind to it I know you can."

Today in addition to her job at Homefront, Pascual is going to school at the University of Phoenix in Fresno. She hopes to graduate with a degree in social work next December.



Anita Pascual walks by the apartment complex, where the women veterans live.



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January

- 3 **by James R Homola**, Attorney at Law, a certified criminal defense specialist serving the legal needs of Valley people for 30 years. Information is available at 559-441-7111.
- 9 **Ruth Medlin Consulting** encourages businesses to plan a day of strategic leadership as the new year begins.
- 13 **by Laurie Rude**, in memory of Ben Rude, who believed in the mission of the R. M. Pyles Boys Camp, online at rmpylesboyscamp.com.
- 14 in celebration of Andrew Putman's birthday, from his parents **John and Maryann Putman**.
- 15 **by the Kern Branch of the Music Teachers Association of California**, in recognition of the enrichment of public life provided by music education for our young people.
- 16 **by John Austin** in celebration of the birthday of Shauna Austin by her husband and hiking companion.
- 19 **by Deborah and Greg Lapp**, saluting the honors program at Reedley College, offering fully transferable general education, honors cohort classes and special attention to 25 qualified students. Early applications are due February 1st, regular applications on March 1st, and late applications considered on a case by case basis. Online at reedleycollege.edu/programs
- 20 **by Lynne Rodriguez** in memory of her daughter Debora Rodriguez.
- 21 **by Wally Pereira**, who wishes his wife, Esther, a happy 87th birthday and is looking forward to more years of love, reading and adventures together and listening to KVPR.
- 23 **by Jan Graves** in loving memory of her husband, Dr. Richard W. Graves.

February

- 6 **by Don and Eilene Werum**, in celebration of their 41st wedding anniversary.
- 10 **by James R Homola**, Attorney at Law, a certified criminal defense specialist serving the legal needs of Valley people for 30 years. Information is available at 559-441-7111.
- 13 **by Elizabeth and Ron Manfredi**, in celebration of Ron's birthday.
- 22 **by Ron and Elizabeth Manfredi**, in memory her parents, Florence and Samuel Edwards, on their wedding anniversary.

NEW SEASON OF



Wednesday nights
at 7:00 PM

This January marks the start of another season of stories told by some of the valley's foremost authors on Valley Writers Read. This season features new stories as well as favorites from the FM89 archives by authors ranging from Steve Yarbrough and Mark Arax to Bonnie Hearn Hill and Janice Stevens. You'll hear both fiction and non-fiction short stories in the series, with many of the works read by the authors themselves. As always host Franz Weinschenk and producer/engineer Don Weaver have worked together to bring FM89 listeners an entertaining and insightful season that highlights the excellent home-grown literary talent that the valley has to offer. You can hear the broadcasts on Valley Public Radio Wednesday nights at 7:00 PM, and hear past shows on the web at KVPR.org.



Host Franz Weinschenk

January 7, 2015	Bob Hudgens	"Baxter's Latest Gig"
January 14, 2015	Liza Wieland	"Purgatory"
January 21, 2015	Marilyn Larson	"Down Old 99"
January 28, 2015	Kevin H. Shah	"The Drive"
February 4, 2015	Valerie Schultz	"Apology"
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February 18, 2015	Steve Yarbrough	"The Intersection"
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June 10, 2015	David Borofka	"My Life as a Mystic"
June 17, 2015	James Benelli, Ed Miller	"Paper or Plastic" "Night Sweats"
June 24, 2015	Hope Nisly	"Seasons of Doubt"
July 1, 2015	Joel Pickford	"A Hmong Shaman Tells Her Story"

Community **CALENDAR**

JANUARY

Events/Exhibits

- 22 Thru 4/19 **Bakersfield Museum of Art: Winter 2015 Exhibitions**
1930 R Street, Bakersfield bmoa.org
- 21 **San Joaquin Valley Town Hall: Valerie Plame**
William Saroyan Theatre, 700 M Street, Fresno valleytownhall.com

Theatre/Dance

- 16 Thru 2/7 **Stars: Me and My Girl**
Stars Theatre Restaurant, 1931 Chester Avenue, Bakersfield bmtstars.com
- 13-14 **Broadway in Fresno: Camelot**
William Saroyan Theatre, 700 M Street, Fresno magicSPACE.net/fresno
- 26 **Roger Rocka's Dinner Theater: The von Trapps**
1226 N. Wishon Avenue, Fresno rogerrockas.com

Music

- 10 **Tulare County Symphony: The Russia House**
Visalia Fox Theatre, 308 West Main Street, Visalia tularecountysymphony.org
- 11 **Philip Lorenz Memorial Keyboard Concerts: Samuel Soria**
Fresno State Concert Hall, 2380 E. Keats Avenue, Fresno keyboardconcerts.com
- 11 **Bakersfield Community Concert Association: Harmonies Girls Choir**
Rabobank Theater, 1001 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield bakersfieldcca.org
- 22 **Pacific Artist Series #3: Soli Deo Gloria Women's Chorale**
McDonald Hall Atrium, Fresno Pacific University, 1717 S. Chestnut Avenue fresno.edu
- 25 **Fresno Philharmonic: Bolero**
William Saroyan Theatre, 700 M Street, Fresno fresnophil.org

FEBRUARY

Events/Exhibits

- 10 Thru 6/30 **Elegant Pastimes: Masterpieces of Japanese Art at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts**
Clark Center for Japanese Art and Culture, 15770 Tenth Ave., Hanford ccjac.or
- 18 **San Joaquin Valley Town Hall: Amy Cuddy**
William Saroyan Theatre, 700 M Street, Fresno valleytownhall.com

Theatre/Dance

- 26 Thru 4/19 **Good Company Players: Always a Bridesmaid**
2nd Space Theatre, 928 East Olive Avenue, Fresno gcplayers.com
- 28 Thru 3/8 **Fresno City College: Fantastic Mr. Fox**
Main Stage Theatre, Fresno City College fresnocitycollege.edu
- 6-21 **The Enchanted Playhouse Theatre: House on Pooh Corner**
307 E. Main Street, Visalia enchantedplayhouse.org
- 28 **Fresno Ballet Theatre: Alice in Wonderland**
William Saroyan Theatre, 700 M Street, Fresno valleyperformingartscouncil.org

Music

- 4 **Philip Lorenz Memorial Keyboard Concerts: Beatrice Rana**
Fresno State Concert Hall, 2380 E. Keats Avenue, Fresno keyboardconcerts.com
- 12 **Pacific Artist Series #4: Ricardo Guevara, guitar**
McDonald Hall Atrium, Fresno Pacific University, 1717 S. Chestnut Avenue fresno.edu
- 13-15 **Fresno Philharmonic: From the New World**
Paul Shaghoian Hall, 2770 E. International Ave, Fresno fresnophil.org
- 14 **Bakersfield Symphony Orchestra: A Hilarious Visit to The Barber**
Rabobank Theater, 1001 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield bsonow.org

NEW HOST FOR

The California Report

Queena Sook Kim to host morning newscast starting in January

Listeners to The California Report on Valley Public Radio will soon hear a new voice on the weekday morning statewide broadcast. The program's producer, KQED has announced that veteran reporter and radio host Queena Sook Kim will assume the hosting duties for the program January 12, 2015.

Kim comes from Marketplace, where she has been the senior technology reporter since 2012. She replaces Rachel Myrow, who hosted The California Report for seven years before stepping down in late 2014 to become the program's Silicon Valley correspondent.

Kim is a California native and has lived in various parts of the state, giving her a unique and inclusive point of view on the state. Senior Producer Ingrid Becker said: "It is with great joy that I welcome Queena to The California Report. It will be great to have a journalist, who has such strong ties to the state, as part of our team. Queena brings great passion about the public broadcasting mission to

foster dialogue and create community through thoughtful journalism."

Kim was born in Los Angeles and grew up all around Southern California. She spent summers in the Central Valley community of Porterville. For high school she went to boarding school in Monterey and during graduate school she interned at the Modesto Bee. She added: "I think these experiences all over California have really given me a lifelong appreciation for our state and how grand it is with so many distinct regions with their own issues, histories and culture."

Previous to Marketplace, Kim held reporting jobs at the Wall Street Journal and at KPCC, where she co-created and co-hosted the podcast Cyberfrequencies and co-founded the local public affairs show Off-Ramp. She was also a community editor and multimedia reporter for Bay Citizen.

Hear The California Report weekdays at 6:50 and 7:50 AM.



Young Artists Spotlight Returns



Wednesday afternoons starting February 4th



The San Joaquin Valley is home to some of the most talented young musicians you'll find anywhere. Young Artists Spotlight gives these musicians, ranging from junior high through college the opportunity to perform live on the radio, and share their passion for classical music with the FM89 audience. The live performances take place each Spring, direct from the Bonner Performing Arts Studio. The programs can be heard Wednesdays at 3:00 PM from February through April. Young Artists Spotlight is hosted by George Mason.

Support for Young Artists Spotlight comes from the Bonner Family Foundation; Dr. Alice Martinson and Carole Sturgis.



2015 Season

- February 4** – Youth Orchestras of Fresno soloists (Fresno County)
- February 11** – Piano and violin soloists (Kern County)
- February 18** – Youth Orchestras of Fresno soloists (Fresno County)
- February 25** – Bakersfield Double Quartet (Kern County)
- March 4** – Dana Peck, harp (Kern County)
- March 11** – Soloists TBA (Tulare County)
- March 18** – Kelsey Jian, piano (Kern County)
- March 25** – Talon Smith, piano (Fresno County)
- April 1** – Samuel Lang, violin (Kern County)
- April 8** – Soloists TBA (Tulare County)
- April 15** – Youth Orchestras of Fresno soloists (Fresno County)
- April 22** – Fresno Musical Club Scholarship Winners (Fresno County)

Changes To Morning Edition “Clock”, New Times For Short Feature Segments



On Monday November 17, 2014 NPR launched a revised version of the Morning Edition “clock” – the format that program producers follow to make sure each segment starts and ends at exactly the right time.

The new clock will sound familiar to longtime NPR listeners with a couple of exceptions. The bottom of the hour newscast which used to begin at 30 minutes past the hour has been replaced by two newscasts, one at 18 minutes past the hour and another at 41 minutes past the hour.

The new clock is designed to give listeners across the country more opportunities each hour to hear top stories from the NPR newscast desk, and to give local stations more flexibility in providing local news breaks.

Due to these changes, some familiar locally programmed elements have new homes, including the short feature programs Stardate, Pulse of the Planet and A Moment in Time. They can now be heard at the following times:

Pulse of the Planet: 3:31 am

A Moment In Time: 4:31 am

Stardate: 5:31 am

A Moment In Time: 6:31 am

Stardate: 7:31 am

Pulse of the Planet: 8:31 am



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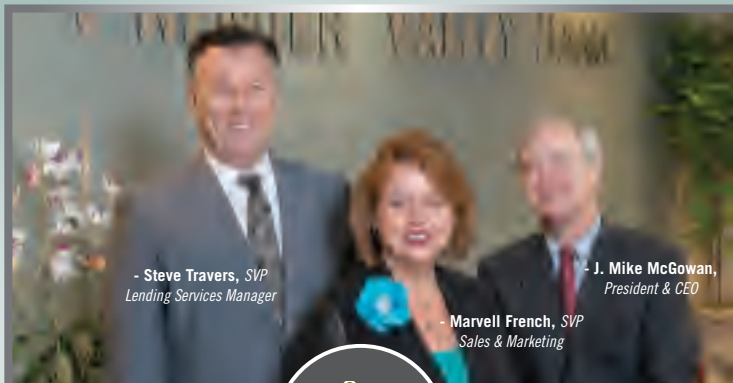
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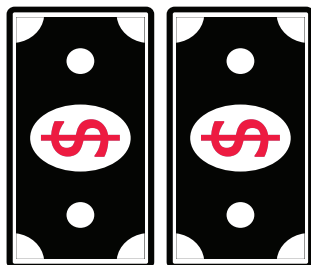


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