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Date	Key 1	Synopsis	Guest/Reporter	Duration
10/1/08	POLI	Supporters of the imperiled \$700 billion economic rescue plan are fighting to rescue it. Congressional leaders are courting reluctant lawmakers with sweeteners, including a plan to expand federal deposit insurance. The Senate votes tonight on their version of the bailout bill. What's in it, and will its presumed passage sway House members to do the same?	Frank Ahrens	00:15
10/1/08	SAC	With the bailout crisis at a stalemate, banks aren't loaning money to each other, let alone you, but they might not even loan money to the state of California, which needs \$10 billion to close its state budget gap. The state's overdue budget was dependent in part on borrowing money—money that banks are now keeping locked up until a bailout agreement is reached. Without a loan, the state may be running out of money by mid-October. The irony of this? California wouldn't have had any trouble getting those loans if legislators could have sped up the process and decided on a budget a few weeks earlier. So how closely is the state's fate linked to Wall Street's?	Dan Walters	00:07
10/1/08	POLI	With the potential for verbal train-wrecks thoroughly on display by both Joe Biden and Sarah Palin over the past few weeks, there's no doubt that tomorrow's first and only clash of the vice presidential candidates should be entertaining. It's possible that the Alaska governor and the Senator from Delaware could not be more polar opposites, in terms of style, experience and personality, and as a result the candidates will be looking for differing results at the end of tomorrow night. Palin would like to escape with restored credibility for her grasp of national issues while Biden would like to keep his foot out of his mouth. Who will win and what's the definition for success?	John Feehery	00:30
10/1/08	SAC	Earlier in the show, Patt spoke with Dan Walters of the Sacramento Bee on the impact of the credit crunch on California's ability to borrow money to finance our state budget. State Treasurer Bill Lockyer released a statement today echoing Walters' concerns and urging Congress to adopt an economic recovery plan to thaw the market for infrastructure bonds and cash-flow borrowing.	Bill Lockyer	00:04
10/1/08	SAC	It promises expanded treatment and shorter, less strict, parole for nonviolent drug offenders; and as a side-bar, relief to our overcrowded prisons. But is proposition 5 lined with good intentions that will lead to chaos in the parole system and danger to public safety? Some experts say yes, some say no—we hear from all sides.	Margaret Dooley-Sammuli, Steve Cooley	00:22
10/1/08	POLI	Polls show Obama up in national and swing state polls after speculations that the Palin bump is over and as Americans continue to worry about the economy. Why are the polls acting so volatile? How do the polls for swing states like Florida and Ohio break down?	Scott Montgomery, Mark Naymik, Peter Brown	00:26
10/1/08	POLI	Governor Schwarzenegger had until midnight last night (TUESDAY) to finish a flurry of signing or vetoing bills.	Aaron McLear, Nancy Vogel, Don Perata, Senator Alan Lowenthal, Hector de la Torre	20:00
10/1/08	ENV	A ban on old, dirty diesel trucks takes effect today at the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach as the Clean Truck Program gets underway.	Molly Peterson	20:00

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10/1/08	HIST	Downtown eatery – Philippe The Original – celebrates its 100 th anniversary.	Richard Binder	20:00
10/1/08	ECON	Congress continues to exchange recriminations as to why a consensus could not be reached on a bailout plan.	Jack Shaw, Alistair Milne [miln], Jared Bernstein	30:00
10/1/08	LAW	Abortion is a major sin, according to the Catholic Church. So a priest can refuse communion to an individual who participates in abortions. But what about a political candidate who may oppose abortions personally, but is pro-choice as a matter of policy?	Douglas W. Kmiec, Deacon Keith Fournier	30:00
10/2/08	POLI	After one spectacular failure, the \$700 billion financial industry bailout found a second life yesterday, passing in the Senate and gaining ground in the House where conservative opposition seemed to soften. Patt delves into the details of the latest version and talks with listeners who may have had a change of heart.	Frank Ahrens	00:35
10/2/08	POLI	The big event between Sarah Palin and Joe Biden is the second time male and female vice presidential candidates have debated. Geraldine Ferraro and George H.W. Bush tangled in 1984. How do men and women speak differently, and how do their words get heard in a situation where the stakes are high and each wants to come out a winner?	Deborah Tannen,	00:18
10/2/08	POLI	The McCain campaign abandons Michigan to the Democrats, Obama moves up in the polls, and the vice presidential candidates prepare to face each other tonight in their first and only debate before the election. Can Sarah Palin change the minds of those with serious doubts about her readiness for high office? And can Joe Biden avoid any verbal mis-steps in this face-to-face confrontation between the competitors?	Chris Cillizza	00:28
10/2/08	ART	Discovering the BRCA1, or breast cancer gene, allowed for genetic testing that can reveal whether a patient is predisposed to breast and ovarian cancer. But what would you do with that information if you had it? That is the subject of filmmaker Joanna Rudnick's new documentary, In the Family, which navigates the difficult choices genetic testing confronts modern patients with. Patt speaks with Joanna Rudnick about her discovery at age 27 that she was a carrier and the doctor who discovered the BRCA1 gene.	Joanna Rudnick, Dr. Mary-Claire King	00:25
10/2/08	ECON	It passed the Senate last night, tomorrow it goes to the House where contentious debate is likely to continue.	Jack Shaw, Rob Curran, Chris Thornberg, Brad Sherman, John Campbell	60:00
10/2/08	POLI	Tonight Vice Presidential candidates Sen. Joe Biden and Gov. Sarah Palin will take the state at Washington University in St. Louis for their first public debate.	Doyle McManus, Bob Drogin, Ron Williams	30:00
10/2/08	SCI	A conference organized by the Skeptics Society will focus on these big questions and more at Caltech this weekend.	Michael Shermer	30:00
10/3/08	POLI	Today the House signed the \$700 billion government bailout of the financial industry and the President quickly signed it. But what's next? When will the benefits of the bill trickle down to consumers and businesses? How about to the state of California which is in dire need of securing financing?	Dan Gross, Michele Bachman, Earl Blumenauer, Hilda Solis, Adam Schiff	00:35
10/3/08	SAC	Yesterday Governor Schwarzenegger wrote to Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson and warned him that the deepening credit crisis might force the state to turn to the Federal Treasury for help. The governor is looking for \$7 billion in short-term financing to help California fill the gaps it faces in revenue collection. Is our state joining a long line at the Treasurer's door, and should we go into more debt for short-term cash?	Bill Lockyer, H.D. Palmer, Chris Thornberg	00:18

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10/3/08	ECON	The clock is ticking on the federal bailout package, but some of the damage has already been done. We convene a roundtable of small business owners to find out how the big mess on Wall Street is messing with main street.	John Symes, Linda Shima-Tsuno, Bonnie Njst, Joseph Barbara	00:35
10/3/08	POLI	So, what are the reviews like? What happened in the big vice presidential debate - and how often do you hear ANYTHING vice presidential described as "big"? Who got the thumbs up and who earned a thumbs down? A roundup of reaction to the debate, including yours.		00:18
10/3/08	ECON	The U.S. House of Representatives this morning voted to approve a revised financial bailout bill from the Senate. The House vote was 263 to 171.	Ron Elving, Bob O'Brien, James Wilcox, Gail Chaddock, Jack Shaw, Alistair Milne	60:00
10/3/08	POLI	Last night, Sen. Joe Biden and Gov. Sara Palin faced off for the first time in one of the most highly anticipated Vice Presidential debates in recent memory.	Chris Lehane, Duf Sundheim	60:00
10/6/08	ECON	At a Congressional hearing today, former Lehman Brothers chief executive Richard Fuld faced withering questions about executive bonuses and stock buybacks issued just days before the firm collapsed last month. House Oversight chairman Henry Waxman gave a full-throated scolding to Fuld, who said that "with the benefit of hindsight," he would have done things differently. The roasting of disgraced executives by Congressional committees is a much-beloved Washington D.C. tradition, but what structural changes can prevent a debacle like this from happening again? Patt finds out more about today's political theatre.	Gail Chaddock	00:15
10/6/08	ECON	The Dow Jones industrials plunged as much as 800 points, their largest one-day point drop, before pulling back to close below the 10,000 mark for the first time since 2004. Congress passed the bailout package on Friday, so why aren't the markets responding? Americans hold their breath as the credit crisis makes waves through global markets. Patt assesses the damage here and abroad.	Paul LaMonica, John Authers	00:14
10/6/08	ECON	He's the Interim Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Stability, a former Goldman Sachs executive, and the man who has been tapped to oversee the government's \$700 billion rescue plan for the financial markets. Exactly who is the 35-year-old and what are his plans for the bailout?	Neil Irwin	00:06
10/6/08	SAC	Wachovia's troubles can be traced largely to a questionable purchase with horrific timing. Golden West Financial seemed like a no-brainer acquisition for Wachovia back in 2006; after years of huge profits built on subprime mortgages, Wachovia's CEO called Golden West "a crown jewel." The crown jewel ended up being a poison pill that almost immediately started wracking up debt as subprime loans went into default, and eventually foreclosure, at increasingly rapid rates. Golden West was a pioneer of adjustable rate mortgages here in California, where the property values seemed like they would never fall. Instead Wells Fargo and Citigroup are now battling over the remains of Wachovia, both banks seeking to unload all of the California-based assets on the federal government. What went so wrong in the Golden State?	Christopher Whalen	00:18

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10/6/08	POLI	Prop 7, also known as "Big Solar," would speed up the purchase of renewable resource electricity and require California utilities to purchase half their power from renewable energy resources by 2025. Proponents claim Prop 7 would help create 370,000 new high-wage, green jobs, but opponents, including the Sierra Club and several other high profile environmental groups, say the bill would steamroll small companies and is poorly written. Patt clarifies both positions.	David Freeman, Ralph Cavanagh	00:35
10/6/08	FOR	A series of murders in Tijuana are the latest casualties of the ongoing war between feuding drug lords; over fifty bodies have been found in the area over the past week. Experts say this latest, horrific level of violence may indicate a fracturing of the Arellano Felix drug cartel and a redefining of local cartels' territories. Will an allegedly corrupt local government be able to combat this recent peak in violence?	Jorge Chabatn Franc Contreras	00:18
10/6/08	ECON	The bailout finally passed, but international markets aren't reacting... the Nikkei index, London Stock Exchange, even the Dow continues to slide.	Ben Diehl, Orson Aguilar	30:00
10/6/08	POLI	ACCOUNTABILITY? WHO CAUSED THIS MESS?	Tom Hamburger	10:00
10/6/08	POLI	Larry talks with a group of KPCC listeners about their thoughts on the Presidential debate and election.	Licia [Leesha] Marco, Steve Wallis, Chris Shining, Rebecca Rees	20:00
10/6/08	POLI	Things are getting nasty on the campaign trail, with the candidates taking more swipes at each other as both prepare for Tuesday's Presidential debate.	Tom Hollihan, Brooks Jackson	30:00
10/6/08	LIT	With movies and lore surrounding the sinking of the Titanic in 1912 one question remained unanswered: why did the great ship go down so fast?	Brad Matsen	30:00
10/7/08	ECON	That's the question that goes before housing authority personnel from the across the country as the Department of Housing & Urban Development convenes a "housing summit" to clarify the landmark Neighborhood Revitalization Program. The basic concept is this: counties and cities are receiving a total of \$4 billion, divided up according to the hardest hit areas, to rehabilitate neighborhoods wracked by foreclosures and hopefully shore up property values in the process. Almost everything is on the table, from investing in foreclosed homes to direct assistance for struggling homeowners. Will some creative thinking make a dent in the foreclosure rate?	Steve Preston	00:17
10/7/08	SAC	California tax revenue has dipped way below projections in just the first few months of the fiscal year. And the ongoing national credit crisis means the state may have trouble selling \$7 billion in short-term bonds. Gov. Schwarzenegger is calling legislative leaders back to the Capitol to address California's mounting financial problems, even keeping open the possibility of calling a special session. Assembly Speaker Karen Bass says there might not be any other choice but to raise taxes. How bad is California's financial situation and what are the state's options?	Paul Warren, H.D. Palmer, Darrell Steinberg, Karen Bass	00:20
10/7/08	ART	Academy Award winner Oliver Stone isn't one to shy away from controversy—his filmography may even suggest he relishes it. Films like "Nixon" and "Natural Born Killers" have established Stone as a filmmaker who's willing to confront history and controversial issues head-on. His latest project is "W."—as in George W. Bush—and from the moment it was leaked to the press back in April, there's been no shortage of buzz and controversy. Stone talks with Patt about his career and "W.," his biopic of the soon-to-be-former President.	Oliver Stone	00:17

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10/7/08	POLI	The deteriorating American (and world) economy may be helping to drive a clear trend in Presidential election polling over the last two weeks. Barack Obama has moved into what Gallup finds to be an 8-point lead among registered voters, and John McCain's path to Electoral College victory is looking narrower by the day. Crucial states like Ohio, Pennsylvania, and even Virginia seem to be moving in Obama's favor; how will the McCain campaign respond to this development, and what are both candidates doing to position themselves for the home stretch of this campaign?	Nate Silver, John Feehery, Mark Fabiani	00:35
10/7/08	ECON	Hold on to something solid: over the past 15 months Americans' retirement plans have lost as much as \$2 trillion in the plummeting stock market. We can all relate to the shock of opening up your 401k or mutual fund statement and staring blankly at the staggering loss column. The question is what should you do, if anything, to stem the bleeding? The tough-to-swallow answer for most Americans, especially the younger investors, is to hold pat and wait for the recovery. But for those people staring down retirement there are tough decisions to be made, none of them palatable. Are there any solutions being considered in Congress or on Wall Street?	John Gapper, George Miller	00:17
10/7/08	ECON	The Federal Reserve is poised to start buying up billions and perhaps more than a trillion dollars in commercial debt.	David Gaffen, James Wilcox	30:00
10/7/08	LAW	The United States Supreme Court has begun its new term, turning down hundreds of appeals in its first day.	John Eastman, Erwin Chemerinsky	30:00
10/7/08	POLI	Tonight comes debate #3. This time it's Obama v. McCain again.	John Feehery, Marc Cooper	30:00
10/7/08	POLI	What American myths do Presidential candidates Barack Obama and John McCain embody?	Todd Gitlin	30:00
10/8/08	ECON	Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson addressed the press today after the Fed and major banks worldwide collectively agreed to lower their interest rates in an effort to offset a global recession. Paulson said markets would remain strained in the near future but asserted that the Government is using all tools available. So with the bailout enacted, when can we expect a turnaround?	Neil Irwin	00:15
10/8/08	POLI	A new poll says that California's Prop 8, the measure to ban gay marriage, is now favored by young voters—the same young voters who previously opposed the measure. What changed? Certainly the money situation. Supporters and opponents of Prop 8 have poured \$41.2 million into the race—with supporters significantly outspending their opposition. We follow the money trail and see what young voters in particular are thinking about Prop 8.	Yvette Martinez, Bob Stern, Jonathan Chavez	00:38
10/8/08	POLI	The conventional wisdom from several months back was that 2008 was going to be a very good year for Democrats in Congress. Things haven't changed much, and in fact prospects for Democrats adding to their majorities in the Senate and House have improved in the face of horrible economic news. However there are a few uncertain variables, namely the recent turmoil in Congress over passing the bailout package that didn't leave anyone looking very good and the record low approval ratings for all of (the Democratically-controlled) Congress. Nevertheless, is a blue tide inexorably sweeping toward Capitol Hill?	Jennifer Duffy, David Wasserman	00:26

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10/8/08	ECON	The world's major central banks, including the U.S. Federal Reserve, moved together to cut interest rates; the Federal Reserve also introduced a program where it will lend directly to small businesses, bypassing hesitant banks at the expense of American taxpayers; and the stock markets continue to plummet, finishing today down nearly 200 points. Every day brings a new financial low, and with it a flurry of activity on the part of the government that is exposed to impacts that are increasingly difficult to decipher. How does all of this affect the little guy on so-called "Main Street?" Here are two sobering effects: consumer borrowing has dropped for the first time in a decade and nearly 1 in 6 American homeowners owe more on a mortgage than their home is worth.	David Leonhardt, Alice Rivlin	00:26
10/8/08	POLI	Consultants from both sides of the political aisle talk with Larry about last night's town hall-style debate at Belmont University in Nashville.	Chris Lehane, Duf Sundheim	40:00
10/8/08	LAW	This bill, slated to be on the November 2008 ballot, aims to help consumers purchase alternative fuel vehicles and provide money for research into various forms of renewable energy like solar technology.	Fred Keeley, Richard Holober	20:00
10/8/08	ECON	The world financial crisis may have a lot to do with intangible, high-level financial derivatives and other instruments...but, unfortunately, lots of retirement and pension funds portfolios were full of the same toxic paper banks are now desperate to unload.	Chris Thornberg, Pat Macht	20:00
10/8/08	ECON	The UK is announcing its own financial bailout plan. Meanwhile, other central banks are coordinating with the Fed to lower interest rates to record lows in an attempt to stave off a global catastrophe.	Andrew Hilton	20:00
10/8/08	ENT	During the turbulent 1960's, two young comics, one black and one white, teamed up to fight the cultural divide with laughter.	Tim Reid, Tom Dreesen	20:00
10/9/08	ECON	In its seventh straight day of losses the Dow collapsed during the final hour of trading, plunging 678.91 points to close at 8,579.19; it was the first time the Dow closed below 9,000 points since May 2003. The bailout has been enacted, the Fed and bankers worldwide have coordinated interest rate cuts, but there's little to indicate that credit markets are loosening up. The market continues to hemorrhage. Why hasn't the Dow responded?	David Johnson	00:15
10/9/08	ECON	Where do you go after the government bails you out with billions of dollars in taxpayer money? To the Spa, of course... or maybe a Mediterranean cruise. The public was appalled to learn that insurance mega-company AIG spent hundreds of thousands of dollars wining and dining just days after its controversial government bail-out. Wachovia is also in the news for its luxurious spending as it waits to see who its financial savior will be, Wells Fargo or Citibank. Are the financial institutions insensitive to the economic times? Is there a better way to reward employees during hard times?	David Lazarus	00:10
10/9/08	ECON	California is in a credit crunch of its own, in need of about \$7 billion to tie the state over until tax monies comes in. Bridge loans to fill such gaps are usual procedure, but not this year, with banks fearful of loaning even to one another. Gov. Schwarzenegger thinks he may have a solution by putting California state bonds on the market to Californians. The Governor reminds Californians in his new radio spot that the bonds are tax exempt and the state will pay them back in principle and with interest in full by next June. Will his pitch appeal to Californians? And can short term borrowing patch up our state budget?	H.D. Palmer	00:10

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10/9/08	POLI	When the United Nations recommended that Saddam Hussein be put on trial at the International Court of Justice at The Hague, the Bush Administration fiercely objected. The fallen Iraqi strongman was to be tried by his Iraqi peers in the country upon which his tyrannical regime reined down violence, torture and corruption for almost 30 years. The trial of Saddam Hussein was supposed to demonstrate that a new Iraqi government, dedicated to the rule of law, was forming-and by association that the Bush Administration's war in Iraq was a success. The botched trial eventually turned out to be an example of most of what went wrong with the Iraq war. A new PBS documentary examines the trial of Saddam Hussein, from his capture to his execution.	Dan Polin, John Burns	00:18
10/9/08	ECON	When a homeowner is "under water" in their home they are carrying a mortgage that is worth more than the home's value. This is often the result of quickly sliding property values and lousy loan terms, and the end result is usually defaulting on the mortgage. 16% of American households, or almost 1 in 6 homeowners, are now under water in their homes and the coming effects could further sink the economy into recession. Foreclosures are sure to continue en masse, and when homeowners no longer have equity in their homes they feel less rich and are thus less inclined to go shopping at the mall. With all the carnage we've already experienced, is there worse to come in the housing market?	Amy Bohuntinsky, Peter Viles, Amy Clark-Kleinpeter	00:35
10/9/08	LAW	Last summer, Los Angeles law enforcement officials enacted the largest gang injunction in the city's history. Nearly 11,000 suspected gang members were placed under court order and prohibited from meeting and carrying out gang activity. Today, an unidentified former gang member is the first to be removed from the list. He completed a new injunction removal process that law enforcement officials hope will lead to more injunction removals. Are the injunctions really lowering gang activity? And is this the best way to make L.A.'s communities safer?	Frank Stoltze, Charlie Beck, Connie Rice	00:18
10/9/08	ECON	The budget crisis was finally solved a few weeks ago, right? Not exactly. The budget depended on borrowing and, with the worldwide financial crisis, credit markets are now frozen.	Assembly Speaker Karen Bass, Assemblyman Chuck Devore	30:00
10/9/08	LAW	Proposition 5, slated to be on California's November ballot, would increase funding and oversight for drug treatment and rehab programs.	Dave Fratello, John Spillane	30:00
10/9/08	ECON	In 1992, Sweden was in almost exactly the same situation as the US is now: its banks were saddled with bad paper and the whole system was slowly imploding.	Albert "Pete" Kyle, Dan Mitchell	30:00
10/9/08	MEDI	In "The Al Jazeera Effect: How the New Global Media are Reshaping World Politics" (Potomac Books, Inc) author Philip Seib takes a look at the role of new media in Middle Eastern conflicts and American foreign policy.	Philip Seib	30:00
10/10/08	POLI	It's the world's worst financial crisis in more than half a century and the seven richest countries met today to draw up their war plan. The G7 gathered not far from where President Bush delivered yet another financially focused speech, this time urging that the U.S. must work with other countries to get through the crisis. As the Group of Seven met, the Dow continued to drop and closed down 128 for the week. The Asian and European markets took a dive as well. The only thing on the rise seems to be financial anxiety. Can the G7 save the market? What kind of rescue plan would they unveil?	Dan Gross	00:30

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10/10/08	ECON	The ramifications and reverberations of the credit crisis have been well documented, starting with the hardships of auto dealerships. Facing a double-whammy of flagging consumer spending and increasingly difficult-to-obtain auto loans, the auto industry is facing a bleak end to '08 and beginning to '09. J.D. Power & Associates is warning that the global auto market might experience an "outright collapse" in 2009; it's almost certain that nearly 500,000 fewer cars will be sold in the U.S. by the end of 2008. Aside from the pain of not being able to afford your next dream car, how deep of an impact might this have on the very car-dependent American economy?	Jeff Schuster, Mike Michels	00:23
10/10/08	ECON	You want to take your gold watch and retire - and all of a sudden, the market tanks, and takes your 401K with it. What do you do? Keep working? Cut your spending? What advice is out there for seniors these days? And how are seniors changing their retirement plans? Experts and seniors figure that one out.	Ernie Powell, Nancy Davis, Linda Bailey	00:35
10/10/08	POLI	Alaska lawmakers are expected to release an ethics report today into Gov. Sarah Palin's firing of her public safety commissioner, but some Republicans say it's being rushed in order to damage John McCain's presidential campaign. Palin has been accused of firing the state's Public Safety Commissioner, after pressuring him to fire a state trooper involved in a nasty divorce with the governor's sister. Patt talks with an Alaskan reporter who's been covering the incident since its inception and gets the larger political repercussions from the release.		00:18
10/10/08	ECON	The comparisons between the international financial crisis and the beginning of the Great Depression may seem overblown, but at the rate international stock markets are falling, the word "crash" is becoming appropriate.	Andrew Hilton, Peter Morici	30:00
10/10/08	ENVI	Proposition 2, The California Prevention of Farm Animal Cruelty Act, will appear on the November 2008 ballot.	Wayne Pacelle ("puh-CELL-ee"), Julie Buckner	30:00
10/10/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks with Jean Oppenheimer of Village Voice Media and Wade Major of boxoffice.com and CityBeat about this week's new film openings including Body of Lies, RocknRolla, The Express, Lola Montes, City of Ember, Happy Go Lucky and Ashes of Time Redux, among others.		30:00
10/10/08	LIT	Actress Diahann Carroll has won a Tony Award and a Golden Globe, and been nominated for an Emmy, Oscar and Grammy.	Diahann Carroll	30:00
10/13/08	DIS	At least two deaths are being blamed on wildfires threatening communities near Los Angeles. The worst of the wind-whipped blazes has spread over more than 5,000 acres in the San Fernando Valley. Another broke out today in mountains a few miles to the west and has grown to 3,000 acres. At least 10 houses and dozens of mobile homes have been destroyed. We get the latest on this quickly moving story from KPCC reporters among others.	Frank Stolz, Brian Watt, Fritz Coleman, Captain Mike Brown	00:24
10/13/08	ECON	The Dow Jones Industrials rallied for a 936 point gain today, the biggest one-day point gain in its history, and the credit for a seemingly rebounding market goes not to the Treasury Department or the Federal Reserve but rather to central bankers in Europe. Major central banks in Europe and Asia pledged to lend unlimited amounts of dollars to commercial banks to unfreeze credit markets and the United Kingdom announced plans to bail out three major banks--giving confidence to stock markets across the world and eventually to the Dow in New York. So is the U.S. government trailing behind its foreign counterparts in creative solutions to the credit crunch? And, as has been whispered by European officials, is this global mess really all our fault?	Mark Musso	00:09

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10/13/08	ECON	Prices at the pump are dropping fast, the national average is \$3.35 (as of Friday) and predicted to fall below \$3 a gallon in a matter of weeks. Oil dropped from its precarious high of almost \$150 a barrel in July to less than \$78 today--its cheapest price in 13 months. The fear on wall street is gripping the oil market--but at least this is one change we can all enjoy. How long will the stranglehold on the markets keep oil prices low? And will the cheap price encourage consumers to go back to their gas-guzzling ways?	Tom Kloza, Leff Leonard	00:17
10/13/08	ENER	Texas oil tycoon T. Boone Pickens is sponsoring Proposition 10, nicknamed "Big Wind," which would authorize \$5 billion in bonds paid from the state's General Fund to be allocated as rebates for purchasers of certain alternative fuel vehicles and as incentives for production of renewable energy technology. Opponents, including the Consumer Federation of California and environmental groups such as the Sierra Club, claim the bill would set up Pickens' Clean Energy Fuels Corporation for a financial windfall, plunge the state into further debt, and not effectively combat climate change. Is Prop 10 overdue progressive legislation or another case of wealthy special interest?	Todd Campbell, Jim Metropulos	00:13
10/13/08	DIS	More on the rapidly spreading fires threatening homes in the San Fernando Valley	Frank Stoltze, Brian Watt, Frank Garido, Dan Stone	00:28
10/13/08	ENVI	Larry Mantle talks with KPCC Reporter Frank Stoltze and Captain Mike Brown from L.A. County Fire to get the latest news on the Marek Fire.	Frank Stoltze, Captain Mike Brown	20:00
10/14/08	DIS	There's reason for some cautious optimism as firefighters put out the San Bernadino fires and contained 70% of the Marek fire. Still, the Sesnon fire rages on, having claimed 10,000 acres of land, burned 19 structures, and doubled in size overnight. We check in with local reporters at the scene.	John Sternick, Brian Watt, Eric Leonard, Steven Cuevas	00:13
10/14/08	DIS	It's still too early to say definitively that the fires burning in the San Fernando Valley were caused by human actions, whether nefarious arson or accidental ignition, but there's plenty to be suspicious about. L.A. County fire officials have found "something suspicious" near the origin point of the Marek fire in Little Tujunga Canyon and the timing and location of the Sesnon fire looks very intentional. How long can an arson investigation take and what clues point to arson in a wildfire?	Laura Billon, Rick Dominguez	00:13
10/14/08	HEAL	Aside from holding your breath for a week, what can residents of the Valley—and the rest of Los Angeles—do during these fires? Air quality experts have some advice...such as, if you go for a walk, do it in a mall, since air conditioners are effective at filtering particulates. Other than that, just try to avoid going outside.	Terry Roberts	00:05
10/14/08	ECON	While the \$700 billion bail-out plan has been slow to change things, Bush announced today a second plan to partially nationalize American banks. Whether it will work is seemingly anyone's guess. In the meantime, both Presidential candidates have been scrambling to retool their economic plans. We take a look at those proposed plans—what groups are they focusing on and what will Americans, and the economy, respond to?	Lisa Lerer, Ron Elving	00:17

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10/14/08	POLI	In what has been a fiercely contested and relatively tight campaign between Barack Obama and John McCain, most voters said that they would lean heavily on the candidates' performances in the debates to make their ultimate decision. With two underwhelming Obama-McCain matches and one Biden-Palin contest behind us, have the debates affected the voters' bottom line? The folks at the Quinnipiac Polling Institute had a novel idea: conduct pre- and post-debate polls in key battleground states to see if the debates swayed any voters. We get those results on the eve of the 3rd and final debate	Peter Brown	00:13
10/14/08	SCI	Not one but two of the Nobel prizes this year went to individuals for work they completed many years ago. Princeton economist and NY Times columnist Paul Krugman won the prize in economics for work he completed twenty years ago, and University of Chicago Professor and Physicist Yoichiro Nambu won for work he completed fifty years ago. Is the Nobel Prize an egg taking a long time to hatch? Patt discusses the highly secretive award process.	Michael Shermer	00:09
10/14/08	SCI	Scientists confirmed recently that a Blacktip shark in a Virginia aquarium produced a pup without any interaction with a male shark. How can this happen? It's called "parthenogenesis"—some birds, amphibians and fish can reproduce without mating. But biologists were surprised to discover that sharks also have this ability. They are speculating that sharks may do this in the wild, especially when populations are low and it's difficult to find a mate. Sound a bit fishy? We find out.	Demien Chapman	00:09
10/14/08	DIS	Update on the wildfires	Adolfo Gusman Lopez, Brian Watt, Jeff Baugh, Rick Harrelson	00:17
10/14/08	ENVI	fire update	Adolfo Guzman-Lopez, Patricia Nazario, Steven A. Cuevas	30:00
10/14/08	ENVI	evacuating pets from the fires	Chris Irons, Paul Schulz	30:00
10/14/08	ECON	In light of the current economic crisis, Larry takes listener calls about the dilemma of talking with your children about your changing financial situation.	n/a	30:00
10/14/08	MEDI	In the 24-hour news cycle of the digital era, media outlets struggle to break news first and faster than their competitors. The permanent race for information often leaves stories under-reported and rife with mistakes.	Howard Rosenberg, Charles S. Feldman	30:00
10/15/08	POLI	Dow Drops After Recession Buzz	David Johnson	00:17
10/15/08	LAW	It's the monthly installment of Ask the Chief—your opportunity to ask LAPD Chief Bill Bratton your law and order questions. This month, Patt asks the Chief about his support for Measure A on the November ballot, the apparent suicide of Japanese businessman Kazuyoshi Miura in an LAPD cell, the "epidemic"—as the LAPD refers to it—of copper wire thefts, and word that Chief Bratton is considering a position as London's Metropolitan Police Commissioner.	Chief William Bratton	00:08
10/15/08	ECON	Larry Mantle talks with Wall Street Journal reporter Bob Davis and Conde Nast Portfolio Senior Writer Jesse Eisinger about the latest on the economy and the Presidential candidates latest proposals to fix it.	Bob Davis, Jesse Eisinger	30:00
10/15/08	POLI	You want to take your gold watch and retire - and all of a sudden, the market tanks, and takes your 401K with it. What do you do? Keep working? Cut your spending? What advice is out there for seniors these days? And how are seniors changing their retireme	Mike Feuer, Michael Cano	30:00

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10/15/08	POLI	preview of tonight's debate	Mark Barabak, David Mark	30:00
10/15/08	LIT	The acclaimed travel writer joins Larry to talk about his latest adventure and book: Ghost Train to the Eastern Star.	Paul Theroux	30:00
10/16/08	POLI	Barack Obama and John McCain will both try to project the image of a strong leader in bad economic times as they meet tonight for their third and final presidential debate. Their face-off comes as Obama widens his lead in typically Democratic states, while McCain searches for a way to gain ground as he defends traditionally Republican states with less than three weeks left in the race.	Chris Cilliza	00:17
10/16/08	ECON	A spokesman for the U.S. Treasury joins Patt to talk about the capital injection of \$250 billion into banks. How is the Treasury deciding which banks get the money and which don't? What criteria goes into the decision and how much of a factor is taxpayer money in that decision? Some small banks across the country have responded to the plan with anger, saying they don't need the money, resent the intrusion and feel it's unfair to rescue companies from their own mistakes. How will the Treasury convince banks to participate in the plan against their will?	Jennifer Zuccarelli, Neil Irwin	00:13
10/16/08	ECON	Princeton economist, New York Times columnist, author, and intellectual Paul Krugman can add Nobel Prize winner to his list of achievements. Krugman learned Monday he had been awarded the Nobel prize for work he completed nearly twenty years ago about patterns of trade and geography, which also integrated the research fields of international trade and economic geography. Those twenty-year-old findings resonate with today's ideas about the effects and process of free trade and globalization. Krugman joins Patt to talk about his work and about how it feels to win a Nobel.	Paul Krugman	00:16
10/16/08	ECON	The Federal Reserve stopped just short of labeling the current state of the economy a "recession" but Wall St. certainly sees a recession coming: the market dropped 733 points yesterday. Forbes.com crunched numbers from the Bureaus of Labor Statistics and Economic Analysis and found that the recession has already hit home here in California. The forces of significant losses in housing values and rapidly rising unemployment have hit four Southern California areas particularly hard: the recession is already well underway in Riverside, Fresno, Bakersfield and San Diego. Is the worse yet to come?	Joshua Zumbrun, Thomas Davidoff	00:19
10/16/08	SAC	Despite pressure from elected officials and the military, the Bush administration has yet to equip some California National Guard planes for firefighting - a delay that could have grave implications during the worst of the wildfire season. After last year's devastating blazes, the head of the military's Northern Command said he would push to get the C-130 aircraft into the sky. And Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger warned President Bush in April that it "would be reckless" to face another fire season without the planes, which are among the state's most powerful aerial firefighting weapons. What happened? What does it take and how long does it take to equip these planes?	Julie Cart, Lt. Col. Jon R. Siepmann, Terry Unsworth	00:24

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10/16/08	SCI	The conventional wisdom was that the "baldness gene," or the likelihood that a man would develop male pattern baldness by middle age, was determined by the history of hair loss on the mother's side of the family. But when most balding men stare in the mirror the image staring back at them is of their bald fathers--so who can disaffected bald men blame for the curse on their hair follicles? Two studies in the journal of Nature Genetics this week identify the culprits: blame both mom and dad for your comb-over. Researchers identified a new gene variation strongly associated with early hair loss that can be inherited from either the mother's or the father's side.	Dr. Brent Richards, Laura Bzowy	00:29
10/16/08	POLI	Larry and political experts provide analysis of the final Presidential debate.	Duf Sundheim, Chris Lehane, Viveca Novak	30:00
10/16/08	ENVI	In a special report on KCET's SoCal Connected, reporters look at the environmental impact of these proposed signs on a city striving to be one of the greenest in America.	Vince Gonzalez	30:00
10/16/08	POLI	The presidential campaigns of both parties are accusing each other of inappropriate behavior related to prospective voters.	Rick Hasen, John Eastman	30:00
10/16/08	LIT	Author and neuroscientist, Dr. Gary Small explores these questions in his new book, iBrain: Surviving the Technological Alteration of the Modern Mind.	Gary Small, M.D.	30:00
10/17/08	LAW	LAPD Bungles Fingerprints? Mistakes and Faulty Accusations The Los Angeles Police Department has acknowledged in a report that people have been falsely implicated in crimes due to mistakes from the department's fingerprint experts, this according to a report obtained by the Los Angeles Times. The report highlighted two cases in which defendants had charges dropped--and it's unclear if there are other instances of people being falsely accused. How serious is the problem? And what's being done to fix it?	Richard Winton, Jack Weiss, Michael Judge, Joseph Peterson	00:35
10/17/08	ECON	The economy is bad. We get it. But is all the comparison to the Great Depression justified? What does it mean to be in a depression, or for that matter a recession? Day after day, sound bites of government officials and financial big wigs endlessly stream from our televisions and radios declaring yet another drop in the Dow. When the nation emerges on the other side of this financial storm, what truisms will be shattered? And who gets to write the new textbook on the economy? Patt talks with financial columnist James Surowiecki about the significance of this economic crisis.	James Surowiecki	00:18
10/17/08	POLI	It's almost two weeks until election day--do you know who you're voting for? If you don't, this segment will not be of any help. Comedy Congress has been out on the campaign trail raising money and kissing babies, or kissing money and raising babies, ever since the Republican National Convention. It's time to gavel our unruly comedians back to order, and the pickings have been mighty rich lately: from Sarah Palin unleashed to Joe the Plumber, there's no shortage of items to skewer during the concluding weeks of the campaign. The truth hurts far less when it's told by comedians.	Aisha Tyler, Ben Gleib, Wayne Federman	00:53
10/17/08	ENVI	The Los Angeles Planning Commission has urged the City to impose a temporary ban on the conversion of traditional billboards to electronic displays.	Phil Willon, Jane Usher, Eric Garcetti, David Michaelson	30:00
10/17/08	FOR	Former CIA agent Robert Baer challenges the conventional wisdom about Iran's standing in the Middle East in a new book, The Devil We Know.	Robert Baer	30:00
10/17/08	ENT	With the recent dismal opening of Ridley Scott's film "Body of Lies," Larry discusses the issue, does the actor starring in a film still make a difference in your choice of seeing a movie?	Lael Loewenstein, Claudia Puig	30:00

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10/17/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks with Lael Loewenstein of Variety and Claudia Puig of USA Today about the week's new film openings including W, The Secret Life of Bees, What Just Happened, Max Payne, and the documentaries Saving Marriage and Morning Light	Lael Loewenstein, Claudia Puig	30:00
10/20/08	LAW	A new report from the American Civil Liberties Union accuses the Los Angeles Police Department of practicing racial profiling. It also found that when the police pulled over Caucasians, they were more likely to find contraband. The report was authored by Professor Ian Ayres, an economist and professor at Yale Law School. The data was based on the LAPD's own records and, according to the report summary, finds substantial racial disparities in the rates Angelinos are stopped, frisked, searched, and arrested. This comes just months after LAPD announced that an internal investigation found no evidence of profiling.	Ian Ayres, Frank Stoltze	00:21
10/20/08	ENT	Within a month of its last elections the Screen Actors Guild is calling for a federal mediator in its negotiations with producers. Are we headed for another strike? Patt checks in for an update.	Brian Watt	00:06
10/20/08	ECON	Even the glamorous world of Hollywood couldn't resist the intruding dark clouds of recession, as the impact of a dried up credit market and shrinking consumer spending is finally being felt at the movie studios. Paramount announced today that it was delaying the release of two major pictures, originally slated for December, in order to save \$60 million in marketing overhead. Meanwhile NBC-Universal is slashing at least \$500 million from its operating budget. Will the economic realities of recession change the way movies are produced or how they'll be seen in the theaters?	Harold Vogel	00:09
10/20/08	HIST	Tipping, New York Times Magazine author Paul Wachter would have you believe, is at the heart of the American dining experience. While originally a European import, this aristocratic practice exists today primarily in the U.S. and critics claim that 200 years later it still stirs feelings of anxiety and resentment. Conceived of as a way to guarantee quality of service, the tip has turned into both an expectation and an instrument of social disapproval. Several high profile restaurateurs have even tried to abolish it in favor of service taxes. From a practical view, economists have long struggled to explain tipping in terms of incentives; why tip at the end of a meal since this cannot retroactively improve service? And why tip at a restaurant you will never revisit? Patt explores America's unique tipping conundrum.	Paul Wachter	00:18
10/20/08	POLI	Los Angeles County Second District Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke is retiring and two powerhouses of California politics are poised to take over. In one corner sits former Los Angeles Police Chief and current City Councilman Bernard Parks. In the opposite corner, former City Councilman and current State Senator for the 26th district, Mark Ridley-Thomas. This afternoon Patt referees a debate between the two, as they vie in a runoff election to take over Burke's role as Supervisor for the Second District of LA County.	Bernard Parks, Mark Tidley-Thomas	00:35

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10/20/08	LIT	A chance meeting in a luggage store changed writer Thomas Keneally's life forever. It was while shopping for a new bag that he met Holocaust survivor Poldek Pfefferberg, who had a story for the author. It was a story Pfefferberg insisted Keneally write, one he predicted would win the author acclaim and even...an Oscar. The book was "Schindler's List," the true story of Nazi businessman Oskar Schindler who saved Jewish lives by using them as labor in his factory. In his latest book "Searching for Schindler," Keneally details the conversations and experiences that brought "Schindler's List" to life on paper, and in the Oscar winning Steven Spielberg film.	Thomas Keneally	00:18
10/20/08	POLI	Large voter turnout expected on Nov. 4 election.	Dean Logan, Neal Kelly, Kari Verjil, Barbara Dunmore	20:00
10/20/08	POLI	Former Secretary of State General Colin Powell endorsed Barack Obama yesterday.	David Menefee-Libey	20:00
10/20/08	MEDI	Focus group on the upcoming presidential election.	Susan Judd, Bob Raphael, Stephen Salazar, Rose Ramirez	20:00
10/20/08	FOR	Larry talks with reporter Ned Parker in Baghdad about the "status of forces" agreement that is being negotiated between the U.S and Iraq which calls for all US troops to be out of Iraq by 2011.	Ned Parker	20:00
10/20/08	FOR	In a new report based on previously classified documents, scholar Andrew Scott Cooper suggests that the Nixon and Ford administrations undermined the position of the Shah of Iran in the late 1970s and contributed to the country's Islamic Revolution.	Andrew Scott Cooper	20:00
10/20/08	ART	On October 18, The Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens in partnership with the Gamble House, USC, opened the most comprehensive exhibition ever undertaken on the work of Arts and Crafts movement legends Charles Sumner Greene and Henry Mather Greene.	Ted Bosley, Anne Mallek	20:00
10/21/08	ENV	Oil wells have been pumping in Los Angeles since the early 1900s; today there are working (though camouflaged) oil wells in Beverly Hills and along Pico Boulevard, along with thousands of others throughout the county. L.A.'s most iconic oil wells, however, are in Baldwin Hills—and now the operator of that oil field wants to expand operations there. The L.A. County Board of Supervisors is debating a new zoning ordinance that will address oil drilling in Baldwin Hills. But some local community activists argue that potential health risks and environmental concerns are being ignored, and that more emphasis should be placed on turning the area's open space into much-needed parkland. Patt finds out more about the ongoing debate.	Molly Peterson	00:07
10/21/08	HOUS	We've still not seen the bottom of this collapsing real estate market. The median home sale price in Southern California showed a one-month drop of 7% in September, and is now down 33% from a year ago. The only possible bright spot: the total number of sales was 65% higher than a year earlier, but that may be due to all the foreclosed properties being snapped up by bargain-hunters. With unemployment expected to rise, retail sales expected to drop, and a recession very likely already upon us, forecasters say the housing market may still have farther to fall. Patt talks to two experts about what may lie ahead.	Peter Viles, Thomas Davidoff	00:20

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10/21/08	LIT	Faith and Politics: according to Emily Post, they do not make for polite conversation. Obama and McCain each proclaimed their faiths in a battle to win the Christian right, a constituency that secured the office of President Bush. The moral overlap of political issues begs the question, how big a role should religion play in politics? Krista Tippett talks with Patt about intellect, ethics and faith, and how to reconcile religion in this presidential election.	Krista Tippett	00:25
10/21/08	ECON	As if the government hasn't laid out enough of your money over the past year—well in excess of \$1 trillion dollars when the banking bailout, bailout of several banks and investment firms, plus the twin housing relief and original tax relief bills are all added up—there is talk on Capitol Hill of a second economic stimulus package. Putting aside the concerns of a yawning and rapidly growing federal budget deficit, there is a major debate brewing about how to best direct the stimulus: aid to the desperate states and major infrastructure repair projects (favored by Democrats) or another round of tax cuts (favored by Republicans). We all could use some stimulation but is it worth the price?	Neil Irwin, Xavier Becerra	00:15
10/21/08	POLI	The 2000 presidential election taught us that the American voting system is far from fool-proof. But with the 2008 history-making contest now just two weeks away, we can't afford any more mistakes. Has the system been fixed in the last eight years? Well, in Ohio, the registration of 200,000 voters has been the object of suits and counter-suits and in Mississippi earlier this year, a local election official illegally purged 10,000 voters from her home computer just a week before the presidential primary. These kinds of problems and more are showing up in other swing states as well—Colorado, Indiana, Michigan, Nevada and North Carolina. And the voting advocacy group ACORN has been accused of wrongful voter registration. What is being done to make sure that America's true choice for the White House will win on election day?	Adam Skaggs, Michael Alvarez, Allen Raymond, Dean Logan	00:38
10/21/08	ECON	Amidst talk of a possible new stimulus package and a probably move by the Fed to bolster mutual funds, stocks are finally showing signs of recovery.	Ronald (Ron) Scherer, Jim Wilcox	20:00
10/21/08	POLI	Proposition 9 has been labeled by supporters as the "California Crime Victims' Bill of Rights."	Nina Salarno-Ashford, Roy Ulrich	20:00
10/21/08	GEND	The Women's Conference in Long Beach has grown from a small government initiative for working professionals into one of the largest and most dynamic gatherings of women in the country.	Maria Shriver	20:00
10/21/08	POLI	Have your neighbors put political signs on their front lawns that surprised you? Have your political signs surprised/offended your neighbors?	n/a	30:00
10/21/08	LIT	Larry talks with actor George Hamilton about his life, career, and his new memoir, Don't Mind if I Do.	George Hamilton	30:00
10/22/08	ECON	Here's the cold, hard reality of the long-term implications of an economy fast sliding into recession: consumer bankruptcy filings rose 28.6% nationwide last month from a year before. California has seen one of the sharpest increases in bankruptcy filings in the country, driven mostly by plummeting housing prices and heavy consumer (credit card) debt. This is the first test of the system since the rules of bankruptcy were changed by Congress in a very contentious 2005 bill, which has made it more onerous to apply for Chapter 7 bankruptcy protection. Still, even with the new restrictions, people faced with bleak options are being forced into bankruptcy: is the worst still ahead of us?	Henry Sommer, M. John Hayes, Amy Kleinpeter	00:27

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10/22/08	POLI	Does your protein have enough leg room? Proposition 2 will make sure it does. The November ballot measure would prohibit ranchers from keeping chickens, veal calves and breeding pigs in pens or cages that are too small for them to move. Opponents of the measure say that current requirements already provide safe and humane housing and that Prop 2 would wipe out California's egg industry and increase the risk of bird flu and salmonella contamination, resulting in higher prices for a household commodity. In these difficult economic times, will voters be willing to risk higher food costs to ensure humane treatment of animals?	Wayne Pacelle, Ryan Armstrong	00:25
10/22/08	POLI	It was an astonishing month of fundraising for Barack Obama, even by his already lofty standards: the Illinois Senator raised \$150 million in September, far eclipsing the \$84 million in public money that Sen. John McCain accepted for the entire campaign. Sen. McCain's reaction to Obama's record haul was to warn about future scandals and corruption in presidential campaigns. No matter which candidate you support, it's safe to say that the torrid fundraising by both Democrats and Republicans has severely damaged the model of publicly financed campaigns. Sen. Obama raised \$605 million since he began his campaign last year—if you were in his place, would you sacrifice that sum for public finances?	Thomas Mann, Lawrence Norton	00:25
10/22/08	POLI	Madeleine Albright addresses the challenges our new president will have to face. The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, the dangers of terrorism and the nuclear ambitions of North Korea and Iran are just a few of the issues Albright tackles in her book, drawing on her experience as adviser to two presidents and key figure in four presidential transitions. She joins guest host David Lazarus to talk about the problems awaiting the new Commander-in-Chief and what he can do to restore America's credibility and leadership.	Madeleine Albright	00:28
10/22/08	POLI	Proposition K would not legalize prostitution, because state law forbids it, but the measure would prevent local law enforcement from arresting or prosecuting sex workers.	n/a	30:00
10/22/08	POLI	This time, it's Proposition 6, otherwise known as the "Safe Neighborhoods Act" to those who favor the plan.	Cyn "Kyne" Yamashiro, Michael Reynolds	30:00
10/22/08	LIT	In her new autobiography, <i>Speaking for Myself</i> , Blair recounts her story, from her working class childhood to her life balancing her work as a prominent human rights lawyer with her role as the wife of the British Prime Minister	Cherie Blair	30:00
10/22/08	LIT	In his new book <i>You Are Here</i> , Kostigen examines the link between our consuming lifestyles and environmental catastrophes that devastate many parts of the world.	Thomas Kostigen	30:00
10/23/08	ECON	Former Federal Reserve Chairman Allan Greenspan appeared before the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform today in a "state of shocked disbelief" to explain his role in the financial crisis as Fed chairman for almost nineteen years. Committee Chairman Henry Waxman suggested the stubborn free-market advocate contributed to irresponsible lending practices by rejecting multiple appeals for regulation during his reign. Greenspan admitted partial error in his judgment of the free market model but in a surprising move, tacked the blame for soaring mortgage foreclosures on overeager investors who didn't anticipate the threat of a housing market plateau.	Henry Waxman	00:15

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10/23/08	ECON	The parent company of Newport Beach-based Downey Savings reported widening losses yesterday as more borrowers fell behind on their mortgage loans. Downey Financial Corp. reported losses of \$81 million, and its stock price has fallen more than 90% this year. While Downey's failure isn't quite imminent it's not looking good: the bank is actively looking for help as part of the government's bank bailout plan and is courting potential buyers. After Pasadena-based IndyMac tanked and Washington Mutual, with a heavy presence in Southern California, was bought out, what local dominos will be next to fall?	Mark Lacter	00:20
10/23/08	POLI	Proposition 3 would authorize nearly \$1 billion in state bonds to fund construction, medical equipment, and other capital expenses at children's hospitals across the state. In addition to bad financial timing, opponents say the money is unnecessary and point to the \$350 million that remains unspent from a similar hospital bond issue passed four years ago. Proponents of the prop argue it will improve and expand children's access to healthcare, access which is increasingly bottlenecked as more state-insured and uninsured children are sent to these institutions for care.	Diana Dooley	00:18
10/23/08	SAC	Since it was established as a nonpartisan office in 1941, California's Legislative Analyst has been the fiscal watchdog of the legislative branch; the office has ensured a balance of power between the three branches of government and their influence over the state budget. Elizabeth Hill, who has held the position since 1986, has seen it all. As she prepares to retire this week, she looks back with Patt on the changing California budget landscape and shares her opinions on the current situation and how the state can cope.	Lewis Uhler	00:15
10/23/08	POLI	LAPD Chief Bill Bratton wrote in the New York Daily News Tuesday that he expects Osama bin Laden to attempt to disrupt the election process with a possible terrorist attack in an effort to sway the electorate towards Sen. John McCain. Bratton wrote that al Qaida probably believes a McCain presidency would fan tensions with American Muslims and pointed to al Qaida's long history of trying to influence elections, including a statement the group released on the eve of the 2004 election. Patt assesses the risk with the chief and speaks about precautions for such an attack.	Elizabeth Hill	00:20
10/23/08	ECON	The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, which insures private-sector pension plans and manages failed ones, lost at least \$3 billion in stock investments through August of this year. Their losses in the stock market since then have probably gotten worse. Already hard hit by several airlines walking away from its pension contracts a few years ago, there is serious doubt whether the PBGC can still insure the 44 million private pensions it covers. And it's estimated that corporate pension plans will be at least \$219 billion underfunded by the end of this year. Is this another taxpayer-funded bailout in the making?	Bill Bratton, Brian Michael Jenkins	00:18
10/23/08	POLI	Ads from the Yes on Prop. 8 campaign claim that the defeat of the initiative would force California teachers to teach about gay marriage in elementary schools.	Richard Peterson, Kate Kendell	30:00
10/23/08	POLI	Larry Mantle talks with Gustavo Arellano, OC Weekly staff writer, William Lobdell, Orange County journalist, and Orange County Register senior editorial writer and columnist, Steven Greenhut, about the latest news events and developments in Orange County.	Gustavo Arellano, William Lobdell	30:00

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10/23/08	HEAL	According to the Centers for Disease Control, food allergies in American children seem to be on the rise, and they now affect about 3 million kids.	Dr. Kari Nadeau ("KAH-ree-nah-DOH"), Dr. Sheila Bonilla ("boh-NEEL-yah")	60:00
10/24/08	ECON	The bailouts were supposed to stabilize the market, but the Dow continues to fall. It was down 312 points today and 5.4 percent for the week. Global economies also declined. What will it take to restore confidence in the market? Patt talks with analyst David Johnson about this week's Wall Street woes.	Patricia Macht, Nell Hennessy	00:07
10/24/08	POLI	The Levy Economic Forecast has been around for nearly 60 years, seeking out turning points in the U.S. business cycle. Over the last couple of years, it's been one of the more pessimistic--and therefore more accurate. Today the Levy Center released its latest monthly forecast, and it's no exaggeration to describe it as unrelentingly bleak: depressed consumer spending, soaring unemployment, another drop in home prices, and possibly a worldwide depression. Patt talks to the Levy Center's chairman to find out just how bad this situation might become.	David Johnson	00:16
10/24/08	POLI	California Proposition 9, or the Victims' Rights and Protection Act of 2008, is also known as Marsy's Law or Nicholas's Law. If it passes, it will amend the California Constitution to remove rights to prisoners, including rehabilitative programs, deny parole hearings for up to 15 years, and not allow families to visit their incarcerated loved ones; additionally Prop 9 would provide for rights to the families of crime victims.	David Levy	00:29
10/24/08	SAC	It seems there is less of just about everything these days: less jobs, less equity, less credit. The California unemployment rate hit 7.7 percent in August. Since then, a global financial crisis has tightened credit and sent the stock market plunging. Home prices continued to fall, further slowing the construction industry. People are spending less and retail markets are in a bind. How will the state handle this economic challenge?	Todd Spitzer, Roy Ulrich	00:15
10/24/08	POLI	It's hard to believe, but Election Day is less than two weeks away. Both campaigns are scrambling to snag those last undecided voters. Political satire is in full swing. In these last days before the election, what are voters doing to gear up for the big day? And how are the candidates handling the home stretch?	David Crane	00:18
10/24/08	TECH	Depending on your definition, there are somewhere between 190 and 245 countries in the world. Each has its own culinary history, tradition, and flavors; how many of these could one person hope to sample without an unlimited travel budget? Noah Galuten decided to find out by vowing to eat the food of a different country every single day, and he calls his odyssey "Man Bites World." Galuten is an L.A. native and is doing most of his eating within driving distance of home, but he isn't letting random events--like a short work stint in Las Vegas--relieve him of his one-country-a-day obligation. Today is Day 51 of Noah's quest to taste the world, and Pat meets this gustatory explorer for an update on his effort.	Martin Kady	00:20
10/24/08	HEAL	Larry Mantle takes calls from listeners in the service industry and folks who are finding it more prudent to stay home than go out for a meal at their favorite eatery.	Dan Conway, Nancy D. Sidhu	30:00
10/24/08	POLI	Measure H would allow the Beverly Hilton Hotel to build a 12-story addition of the Waldorf-Astoria hotel on its property.	Ted Kahan, Larry Larson	30:00
10/24/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks with Henry Sheehan of henrysheehan.com, and Jean Oppenheimer of Village Voice Media about all the week's new releases including Changeling, High School Musical 3: Senior Year, Synecdoche, New York, Pride and Glory, I've Loved You So Long, and The Elephant King, among others.	Henry Sheehan, and Jean Oppenheimer	30:00

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10/24/08	MEDI	Larry Mantle talks with Hollywood's most unconventional screenwriter, Charlie Kaufman, about his new film, "Synecdoche, New York," which marks his directorial debut.	Charlie Kaufman	30:00
10/27/08	POLI	If two-thirds of voters say yes to Measure R on November 4th, L.A. County residents will pay a half-cent sales tax increase to fund mass transit projects like new light rail lines, including the much-debated "Subway to the Sea" project. Advocates say the measure will bring the region 30 to 40 billion dollars to combat traffic congestion over the next 30 years, but nay-sayers warn the proposal is inequitable and little thought is given to an overall traffic plan or public input.	Mike Feuer, John Fasana	00:35
10/27/08	SPOR	After all the hype and all the money (a 5-year, \$250 million contract, to be exact) David Beckham may ultimately have lasted a little over one year in Los Angeles. The L.A. Galaxy midfielder is all but certain to be "loaned" to Italian premiere league team AC Milan for the winter, once the Galaxy concludes its underachieving '08 season. While a loan would be temporary, there is widespread belief in Europe that the arrangement could turn into an outright trade, meaning Beckham's days in L.A. are numbered. It's been a disappointing season-and-a-half with the Galaxy—if even a great superstar like David Beckham can't make soccer popular in the U.S., can anyone?	Steven Goff, Mark Rogondino	00:16
10/27/08	TRAN	Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa personally filled the 1,000,000th pothole in Los Angeles this morning, a milestone in his Operation Pothole, the nation's single largest pothole repair program. It costs the city approximately \$5 to \$21 to fix a pothole—is it worth it? And what about the other million potholes that still need repair?	Antonio Villaraigosa	00:02
10/27/08	POLI	Proposition 6, known as the "Safe Neighborhoods Act" to those who favor the plan, asks voters to approve an extra \$365 million from the state's general fund for police and jails to enforce tougher penalties for crimes like gang violence. Independent analysts say the price tag may actually be higher: \$500 million a year. Prop. 6's proponents say that increased gang crime calls for tougher enforcement. Those who oppose it see an overly bureaucratic structure and high cost (for which the measure defines no source of funding) among reasons to vote it down.	Mike Reynolds, Cyn Yamashiro	00:25
10/27/08	LAW	He got the speedy trial he wanted finished before his re-election, but not the results; a Washington D.C. court convicted Alaskan Senator Ted Stevens on all seven felony counts of corruption today for failing to report gifts he received from a wealthy oil contractor. Stevens is the longest serving Republican in the U.S. senate and the first sitting senator to be convicted of a crime in 20 years. The verdict delivers a crushing blow to Stevens' political career and is expected to bury his chance at re-election next week. Meanwhile, Alaskan Gov. Sarah Palin has championed herself as a whistleblower, but could the Stevens' ruling also affect the presidential race?	John Bresnahan	00:10
10/27/08	LIT	America's burial grounds reveal more than just where our loved ones lie. Take a closer look at the placement of graves and you can see the history of immigration, religious practices and even technology. In her new book, "The American Resting Place: Four Hundred Years of History through our Cemeteries and Burial Grounds," author Marilyn Yalom chronicles these changes through ethnic and religious rituals in burial grounds across the country.	Marilyn Yalom	00:18
10/27/08	ECON	The Treasury Department's "Troubled Assets Relief Program" or TARP, is now starting to send money towards America's ailing banks.	Russell Goldsmith, Michael Hiltzik	20:00
10/27/08	POLI	John McCain continues to lag in the polls--he's fighting to hold onto key swing states such as Ohio and Florida to try and achieve that magic 270 number in electoral votes.	Martin Kady	20:00

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10/27/08	POLI	Larry Mantle talks with four listeners about a variety of topics related to the 2008 Presidential Election.	Jeff Sketeris, Yvonne Speck, Chip Conway, Susan Judd	20:00
10/27/08	ECON	Foundations, charities, and other non-profit organizations and institutions are feeling the pinch of the economic downturn	George Ruotolo (roo TOH-loh)	30:00
10/27/08	LIT	In her new book The Big Necessity, Rose George argues that we should talk about it because population growth is taxing even the most advanced sewage systems, and the disease spread by waste kills more people worldwide every year than any other single cause of death.	Rose George	30:00
10/28/08	SAC	Every member of Congress, every member of the California Assembly, and some state senators are facing election one week from today. It's once in a blue moon that state legislative seats switch hands between parties; in fact it hasn't happened since legislative district lines were redrawn at the beginning of the decade. Still, Democrats have a rare chance on November 4th to bring their party closer to the coveted two-thirds majority vote necessary to approve state budgets and tax measures. And some formerly safe incumbent Republican congressmen could be in trouble. Experts agree that key races look tight and there could be a few surprises on election day.	Chris Lehane, Allan Hoffenblum	00:23
10/28/08	FOR	Encroaching recession is already starting to impact a number of countries in Europe with rising unemployment, auto-industry closures, the collapse of banks, and whole countries threatened with bankruptcy. But in Asia and Europe, markets rose modestly higher than anticipated today and the U.S. stock market closed 900 points up. NPR foreign correspondent Rob Gifford has the story of financial crises across the pond.	Rob Gifford	00:12
10/28/08	ART	What does the next president need to know about the war against Al Qaeda and the Taliban? That's the subject of PBS's new documentary "The War Briefing," which takes a look at the war in Afghanistan—known to many as "The Forgotten War"—a war that military commanders admit has markedly deteriorated over the last two years and now constitutes a deadlier battlefield than Iraq. The documentary follows soldiers in the deadly Korengal Valley, where troops were attacked almost daily. Limited by a depleted military and Pakistani sovereignty across the border, "The War Briefing" illuminates some of the challenges the next president will face and what courses of action may still be available.	Marcela Gaviria, Martin Smith	00:18
10/28/08	POLI	Democrats are grumbling about purging of voter roles and Republicans are countering with accusations of voter registration fraud; however, both sides agree the other side is to blame. In a follow up to last week's discussion about various accusations of voter "diddling," here's the latest on potential voting scandals and listeners' questions about eligibility.	Michael Alvarez, Dean Logan	00:43
10/28/08	POLI	With only one week to go before the big event, the latest election polls show Barack Obama up in Ohio and tied with John McCain in Florida. Who is still undecided and why, and what in the world would make up their minds? Political reporters from swing states Ohio and Florida check in with eye-witness accounts of the final days before the nation chooses a new president.	Scott Montgomery, Mark Naymik	00:10
10/28/08	GOV	On Monday, U.S. District Court Judge Thelton Henderson said he will proceed with a contempt-of-court hearing against the Schwarzenegger administration for not providing the money sought by the court-appointed receiver to fix the inmate medical system in California's prisons.	Julie Small	30:00

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10/28/08	LAW	Larry Mantle moderates a discussion debating the pros and cons of Measure T which would set an annual limit on commercial development in Santa Monica of 75,000 square feet, about half the current level, until 2023.	Diana Gordon, Terry O'Day	30:00
10/28/08	POLI	Supporters of Obama and McCain can agree on this much...this has been a very long, very intense and emotional campaign.	Drew Westen	30:00
10/28/08	RACE	A new website – thatminoritything.com – was launched to provide news and opinion pieces in support of minority communities.	John Ridley	30:00
10/29/08	ECON	California education leaders walked away from a closed-door meeting at Gov. Schwarzenegger's office yesterday with bad news: he plans to push for more than \$2 billion in school spending cuts when he calls legislators back to Sacramento next month. In addition to school budget cuts, he's also expected to propose a sales tax increase in an effort to narrow the current budget gap, which he estimates is between \$5 and \$8 billion. Capitol sources say that number could be as high as \$10 billion. What would such a budget cut look like for our schools? And will the legislature fight the cuts?	Aaron McLearn, John Laird, George Runner, David Brewer	00:24
10/29/08	ECON	The University of California system, operating in a rough environment, faces two huge challenges: a tanking economy heading into recession and a busted state budget that is staring down substantial deficits for years to come. How can UC continue to offer what is arguably the best public university education in the world, at affordable prices, while its student body will be in need of more financial assistance and its main benefactor is essentially broke? Mark Yudof, President of the University of California, stares down these challenges and charts a course for survival.	Mark Yudof	00:29
10/29/08	ECON	Here's a bizarre economic indicator: while consumer spending is rapidly declining, the sales of firearms and ammunition have risen 8 to 10 percent this year. Several variables drive gun sales, but many dealers, buyers, and experts attribute the increase in part to concerns about the stability of the economy and fears that if Barack Obama is elected he'll move to enact new gun laws. There is a widely held belief that when the economy is booming crime goes down across the board; and conversely, when the economy slumps crime picks up. Does this conventional wisdom, combined with the general uncertainty of a time with rapidly failing banks and financial institutions, explain the dramatic upswing in gun sales?	Daniel Gross, Eugene Volokh	00:25
10/29/08	LIT	Cigars, revolution and rum: Cuba is known for all three and it was the Bacardi family that helped make Cuban rum a mainstay in liquor cabinets and bars across the world. Patt speaks with veteran NPR correspondent Tom Gjelten, who takes a fresh look at Cuba through the lens of the famous Bacardi Rum Dynasty in his new book, "Bacardi and the Long Fight for Cuba." Gjelten examines the intersection between business, politics and national identity to show how the Bacardis shaped Cuban identity, holding influence from the time of Cuba's independence from Spain in the 1860's to the rise of Fidel Castro.	Tom Gjelten	00:28
10/29/08	POLI	The latest polls show the race tightening in key battleground states. What's it all mean for next Tuesday?	Mark Barabak, Mary Ellen Klas, Steve Koff	30:00
10/29/08	POLI	Los Angeles County Second District Supervisor Yvonne B. Burke is retiring and two powerhouses of California politics are poised to take over.	Los Angeles City Councilman Bernard Parks, State Senator Mark Ridley Thomas	30:00

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10/29/08	HEAL	There's wide disagreement about what form the American healthcare system should take in the future. But with rising premiums and the rolls of the uninsured increasing steadily, there's no disagreement about one thing: reform is needed.	Miriam Laugesen [LOUG (like "vogue") - is - in], Brian Rosman, Tangerine Brigham	30:00
10/29/08	LIT	In "Will Terrorists Go Nuclear" (Prometheus Books), world renowned terrorism expert Brian Michael Jenkins offers informed and seasoned analysis and provides a levelheaded understanding of the real situation.	Brian Michael Jenkins	30:00
10/30/08	ECON	The Federal Government may be nearing a plan of action that would help around 3 million homeowners avoid foreclosure. But many analysts say the government should simply repeat the recent plan the FDIC put in place at failed IndyMac Bank, which has been aggressively modifying troubled home loans since August. Their program has already resulted in more than 15,000 offers to modify customers' loans and a 75% response rate to those offers. We talk with IndyMac about the success of their program, about using it as a model for other banks, and about getting more customers to participate.	Evan Wagner	00:26
10/30/08	POLI	There are more than twenty school bond measures on L.A. county ballots this year. Three of those, Measures J, K, and Q, propose bonds in the billions, and Measure Q's proposed \$7 billion in school bonds makes it the largest local school bond in state history. If passed, Q would be the fifth multi-billion dollar school bond in 11 years for the Los Angeles Unified School District. By many accounts the schools are in need, but can California afford it?	Adolfo Guzman Lopez	00:10
10/30/08	SAC	There are only a few political figures in the country that manage to rise above the partisan rancor that usually colors public policy. Leon Panetta, former Congressman, director of the Office of Management & Budget and Bill Clinton's chief of staff, has endeavored in recent years to save California from itself—namely its horribly self-destructive budget process that has mired the state in perpetual budget deficits. Panetta has argued for drastic, and probably painful, reforms to the state's budget and political process. Is it possible to make California's governance more responsive and accountable to its constituents?	Leon Panetta	00:18
10/30/08	SAC	It doesn't seem that long ago when mortgage bankers were happily writing (seemingly) affordable loans for new homeowners and getting buyers into houses that were too good to be true. Today everyone's favorite villain is the greedy, duplicitous mortgage banker that suckered vulnerable buyers into crippling adjustable rate mortgages. Who should shoulder most of the blame for pumping up a dangerously overextended housing bubble? The President of the California Mortgage Bankers Association steps into the line of fire, with estimates on when foreclosures will level off and to see whether bankers regret their questionable decisions during the boom years.	Robert Satnick, Thomas Davidoff	00:53
10/30/08	ECON	The economy jolted into reverse during the third quarter as consumers cut back on their spending by the biggest amount in 28 years, the strongest signal yet the country has hurtled into recession.	James Wilcox	30:00
10/30/08	POLI	In 1982, polls showed Tom Bradley handily winning the governors race. However, it went to George Deukmejian. Why were the polls so inaccurate?	Arnold Steinberg, Dante Chinni, Eva Paterson	30:00

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10/30/08	POLI	The question of a possible Democratic supermajority has been raised with the Nov. 4 election looming and Barack Obama ahead in the polls.	Joseph Rago, Marc Cooper	30:00
10/30/08	ECON	For the first time ever, billionaire Warren Buffet officially granted a writer access to his family, friends and business life in order to write a biography about him.	Alice Schroeder	30:00
10/31/08	POLI	With only 4 days left until Election Day, who out there is still undecided and why? Some experts point to the high rate of rumors circulating around both candidates. Could that be the reason? The debates are over, closing arguments are being made, and time is running out for an October surprise. If you're one of those people who is still on the fence, are you concerned about rumors? What are you waiting to hear in the next few days and how will you eventually make up your mind?	Ben Smith	00:35
10/31/08	LIT	America has a fascination with vampires, as evidenced by the popularity of HBO's new show "True Blood" and Stephanie Meyer's "Twilight" series, a teen literary sensation. But even before "Buffy," vampires were a frightening mainstay of American pop culture and it all started with one, err, man...Count Dracula. In "The New Annotated Dracula," Leslie Klinger brings a fresh look to Bram Stoker's dark hero by examining all the evidence he used to write the vampire novel and unearthing misinterpretations of Stoker's original manuscript.	Leslie S. Klinger	00:18
10/31/08	POLI	#####	Michael Loftus, Andy Kindler, Maz Jobrani	00:53
10/31/08	POLI	It seems hard to believe, but the 2008 election is almost over.	David Mark	20:00
10/31/08	POLI	Larry talks with representatives of both presidential campaigns about what candidates John McCain and Barak Obama will attempt to accomplish in the last few days before the election.	Rick Gorka, Gabriel Sanchez	20:00
10/31/08	POLI	Larry Mantle moderates a debate on Proposition A, which would add an additional \$36 to the property tax bills of City of Los Angeles homeowners.	Janice Hahn, Richard Close	20:00
10/31/08	ENT	In light of Halloween, Larry Mantle talks with Peter Rainer of The Christian Science Monitor and Wade Major of CityBeat and boxoffice.com and takes listener calls about your favorite scary and horror films.	Peter Rainer, Wade Major	20:00
10/31/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks with Peter Rainer of The Christian Science Monitor and Wade Major of CityBeat and boxoffice.com about the week's new releases including Zack and Miri Make a Porno, Filth and Wisdom, Fears of The Dark, The Universe of Keith Haring, and Splinter, among others.	Peter Rainer, Wade Major	20:00
10/31/08	ENT	Larry discusses AFI Fest that opened last night (Thursday) in Los Angeles. AFI Fest runs 10/30-11/9. For ticket information go to afi.com	Rose Kuo, Lane Kneedler	20:00
11/3/08	POLI	If you haven't cast your ballot yet and are a little fuzzy on some of the propositions, or are even among the fence sitters and the undecideds, get out your voter guides and sharpen your pencils. From Props 1A through 12 to all the local measures, Patt hosts a final overview of everything you need to know on your election ballot. Got a last minute question? Confused about what would happen if a certain measure were to pass? We're here to help.	Bob Stern	00:53
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11/3/08	POLI	Both candidates are making their closing arguments and last push in the final hours of what has been the longest presidential campaign in the country's history. Sen. Obama will speak in three states today, Sen. McCain in seven—all toss-ups sure to linger on network's maps late into Tuesday night. Patt checks in with reporters around the country for a behind-the-scenes look at early voting and some eyewitness accounts from the ground. What's the mood like? How has early voting fared? Are polling centers equipped and braced for tomorrow's turnout?	Jeff Schapiro, Dave Davies, Mark Naymik, Kevin Dale	00:25
11/3/08	POLI	Larry's joined by LA Times political reporter Mark Barabak, Pomona College political science professor David Menefee-Libey, and Eamon Javers of Politico.com, for a look at the final moves over the weekend and what you can expect tomorrow, election day.	Mark Barabak, David Menefee-Libey, Eamon Javers	30:00
11/3/08	POLI	Larry Mantle talks with several KPCC listeners about a variety of topics related to the 2008 Presidential Election	Tod Mesirov, "Yvette" Haas, Iris June, Christopher Grice	30:00
11/3/08	LAW	Still confused and overwhelmed by this year's extensive ballot?	Tracy Westen	60:00
11/4/08	POLI	Election day is finally here after the longest presidential race the country has ever seen. With all the rumors of voter fraud and predictions of trouble at the polls, how is the democratic process faring in reality? From reporters in swing states and reporters right here in Southern California, we look at the candidates, the turnout, the props and the problems. What's the mood like on the ground? Are voters having problems at the polls? Did young voters turn out as promised? We bring you all the big news on the big day.	John Rabe, Kitty Felde, Scott Montgomery, Mark Naymik, Scott Simon, Debbie Elliott, Jonathan Chavez, Susan Valot, Neal Kelley	00:53
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11/4/08	POLI	The polls are open in what should be record voter turnout. But are the polling stations ready?	Kitty Felde, Steven Cuevas, Molly Peterson, John Rabe, Queena Kim, Kari Verjil, Barbara Dunmore	50:00
11/4/08	POLI	NPR election update	Michele Norris (MEE-shell) and Robert Siegel	10:00
11/4/08	POLI	Charges of voter suppression and registration fraud have surfaced in th	Richard (Rick) Hasen, Doug Lewis	60:00
11/5/08	POLI	There's a lot more to election leftovers than confetti and dead balloons...in California alone we've got congressional races to analyze, ballot propositions to dissect, and what happened with those transit bonds and taxes? Patt checks in with reporters around Southern California and the country for an election postmortem. Did the Democrats fare as well as expected, and how are the Republicans sizing up the election results for their party?	Nate Silver, Mark Ridley-Thomas	00:15

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11/5/08	POLI	Last night's election results squarely disproved Karl Rove's prediction of a permanent Republican majority. Reports of insider fighting and finger pointing are rampant. How did the GOP end up here and in what direction will they go now? Is it back to basics for the GOP? Republicans hunker down in Virginia today to do some thinking about the nature and future of conservatism.	Tony Fabrizio	00:26
11/5/08	POLI	The conventional wisdom is that Democrats will build on their majorities in the House and the Senate, even hoping for the filibuster-proof 60-seat total in the Senate. The Democrats ambitious goals have been bolstered by the tanking economy and the rising fortunes of Barack Obama. Will Congress take on a decidedly blue hue in the next term? Is it too early to look ahead to competitive races in 2010? And will Democrats be sorry they've inherited a dysfunctional institution that is decidedly unpopular with the American populace?	Jennifer Duffy	00:11
11/5/08	POLI	After losing at the polls, gay-rights advocates have already begun filing legal challenges to Prop 8, which will amend the state constitution to eliminate the rights of gay couples in California to marry. Lawyers for same-sex couples argue that Prop 8 revises the state Constitution by denying gay individuals who wish to marry the fundamental rights afforded by equal-protection guarantees. What are the constitutional issues? And what will happen to pre-existing marriages between same-sex couples?	John Eastman, Erwin Chemerinsky, Jenny Pizer, Jennifer Garrison, Chris Krueger	00:53
11/5/08	POLI	Barack Obama is President-elect.	Dan Schnur, Marc Cooper, Barbara Boxer	20:00
11/5/08	POLI	Orange County	Susan Valot	20:00
11/5/08	POLI	Inland Empire	Steven Cuevas	20:00
11/5/08	POLI	Republican activist Duf Sundheim and Democratic consultant Chris Lehane take a look back at the campaigns.	Duf Sundheim, Chris Lehane	60:00
11/6/08	POLI	Gov. Schwarzenegger called today for a temporary 1.5 cent state sales tax increase, a new tax on liquor and on oil production, as well as one-day-a-month unpaid furloughs for state workers over the next 17 months, in addition to rescinding two of 13 paid workers' holidays. This is all in what appears to be a desperate attempt to close the state budget deficit, whose actual amount Schwarzenegger plans to disclose at a special legislative session, which he hopes to call ASAP. During the session lawmakers are also expected to discuss an economic stimulus package, balancing billions in school cuts with tax increases, and the unemployment insurance fund.	H.D. Palmer, Jordan Rau	00:15
11/6/08	POLI	California may be a blue state, but layered underneath all that blue is a wide range of colors. As results came in for the state propositions, the line between liberal and conservative showed to be quite blurred. Voters seemed conflicted on traditionally liberal propositions. A proposition to ban gay marriage passed while the proposition to restrict abortion rights was voted down. Race, income bracket and religion seem to no longer create clear political positions. Is California a complexity of sociopolitical views? Or are California voters simply inconsistent?	Bob Stern	00:11
11/6/08	POLI	In California, black voters came out in droves to vote for Barack Obama, but they didn't always follow traditionally Democratic avenues on the rest of their ballot. For example, over 70% of black voters voted yes on Proposition 8, opposing same-sex marriage. What social and cultural elements influence these voters as they choose a candidate and weigh in on the issues?	Eddie Glaude, Jr., Reverend Eric P. Lee, Andrea Shorter	00:27
11/6/08	POLI	Schwarzenegger says the Legislature must act quickly to the proposals he made today in the impromptu special session. But with the state budget debacle just a couple of months behind them, how will they react?	John Laird, Roger Niello	00:15

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11/6/08	POLI	It used to be conventional wisdom that the most important part of the presidential portfolio to be handed over during the transition process was national security and the daily intelligence briefings. With Iraq, Afghanistan and Iran these remain important issues, but the front-and-center issue for the incoming Obama Administration is the economy. President-elect Obama is inheriting an economy in recession, annual budget deficits nearing \$1 trillion and an insanely complex government bailout of the credit markets that is still largely a blank canvass. How will President Obama manage the economy, and the huge expectations of America's middle class that goes along with his victory?	Jared Bernstein, Jeffrey Frankel	00:20
11/6/08	POLI	Congressman Rahm Emanuel, a Democrat from Chicago who cut his teeth as a political advisor in the Clinton Administration, isn't interested in being likable. He's interested in results, and his highly-motivated, effective and demanding style as chair of the Democratic Congressional Committee has helped the Democratic Party reestablish itself on the national stage. These are also the qualities that make for an excellent White House Chief of Staff, which is exactly the job for which he's being considered in the new Barack Obama Administration. We get to know the foul-mouthed, unapologetic Emanuel who might soon be directing Obama's change policy from Pennsylvania Avenue.	Ezekiel Emanuel	00:18
11/6/08	POLI	President-elect Barack Obama has a lot of problems to solve once he moves into the White House.	Jane Harman, Adam Schiff, John Campbell, Brad Sherman, Linda Sanchez	30:00
11/6/08	MEDI	David Lazarus talks with Gustavo Arellano, OC Weekly staff writer, William Lobdell, Orange County journalist, and Orange County Register senior editorial writer and columnist, Steven Greenhut, about the latest news events and developments in Orange County.	Gustavo Arellano, Steve Greenhut, William Lobdell	30:00
11/6/08	TRAV	Two transportation measures passed on Tuesday that may fundamentally change the way people get around in California.	Steve Hymon, Quentin Kopp, Roger Snoble	30:00
11/6/08	ECON	Arnold Schwarzenegger is calling for a \$4.4 billion tax increase to try and close a looming \$11.2 billion deficit just six weeks after he signed the budget for the fiscal year.	Evan Halper, HD Palmer	30:00
11/7/08	POLI	The presidential press conference is a time-honored tradition. Woodrow Wilson was the first president to hold regular and formal press conferences; FDR held some historic gatherings with the press, including on D-Day. Bill Clinton seemed to relish his press conferences, while George W. Bush seemed a little more apprehensive. Now the mantle passes to Barack Obama, who held his first press conference today. From a recession to two wars, President-elect Obama takes the mike.	Dan Gross, David Mark	00:35
11/7/08	POLI	In his book "Memo to the New President: The Art and Science of Presidential Leadership," Michael Genovese tackles the tough issues facing a new President (or President-elect). Is an effective presidency possible without undermining the essence of a democratic republic? In the middle of the interview, Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa calls in from Chicago where he met with Obama and the other members of President-elect's Transition Economic Advisory Board.	Michael Genovese, Antonio Villaraigosa	00:18

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11/7/08	FOR	There were 14 more bodies discovered in Tijuana on Thursday, some of them decapitated or mutilated, bringing the body count into the hundreds just in the past month. No one seems to be immune to the violence: police officers, both those implicated as partners or the drug cartels and patrol officers doing their jobs; patrons of a restaurant owned by the wrong cartel; politicians, judges and innocent bystanders have all been found dead on the streets of Tijuana. What accounts for the seemingly endless war raging between Mexican drug cartels and why can't law enforcement officials get a handle on the killing?	Sandra Dibble, Richard Marosi	00:15
11/7/08	TECH	The L.A. City Council wants to go green, but their plan has some city officials seeing green. The Council voted today to put a solar plan on the March 3 ballot that would require the Department of Water and Power to place solar panels on the roofs and parking lots of government, commercial and industrial buildings by 2014. But some say the \$3-billion plan hasn't had sufficient financial analysis and will cause hikes in electricity bills. The L.A. Chamber of Commerce called the plan a "backroom deal" because it would exclude private sector solar companies from participating in the installations. But the L.A. County Federation of Labor says the plan will create thousands of new jobs. Is the City's solar plan a sincere attempt to go green or just another backroom political deal?	David Zahniser, Gary Toebben	00:20
11/7/08	POLI	Back in 1814 the British attacked Washington D.C. and burned the White House to the ground; today in 2008, attacking the White House has become an easier and more subversive event. The Financial Times revealed today that suspected Chinese hackers had penetrated the White House computer network on multiple occasions and obtained emails between government officials. Chinese cyber attackers, whether working with the Chinese intelligence services or on their own, have hacked their way into several U.S. government agencies, from the Department of the Defense to the Department of the Navy. Is this just a cat-and-mouse game or a serious threat?	Demetri Sevastopulo, Evan Carter	00:18
11/7/08	ECON	Gas prices are down, but aside from that, the economic outlook looks	Mike Santoli, Jim Wilcox	30:00
11/7/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks with KPCC film critics Lael Loewenstein of Variety, H	Claudia Puig, Charles Solomon, Henry Sheehan, Lael Loewenstein	30:00
11/7/08	POLI	It was a long journey and a long election season for Barack Obama an	Mark Barabak	30:00
11/7/08	POLI	National feed of first President-elect Obama press conf.	n/a	30:00
11/10/08	POLI	Franklin Delano Roosevelt's New Deal of the 1930's helped America out of the Great Depression, but is it time, as we teeter on the brink of a prolonged and ugly recession, for the government to start thinking about a second New Deal? Obama and his aides have been floating ideas about creating a national bank to finance public works projects and create government jobs to build American infrastructure. Could a new New Deal help get the economy going now?	Nick Taylor, Jagadeesh Gokhale, Jeffrey Myron	00:35
11/10/08	LIT	The economy's bad now, but hey, get a load of 1792! A new novel about the financial upheavals in the new United States draws on Alexander Hamilton, Thomas Jefferson, and the panic of '92—that's 1792. History and fiction intertwine at a time when the nation was struggling to establish stability and shape its destiny in best selling author David Liss' latest, "The Whiskey Rebels." Guest host David Lazarus talks with Liss about the roots of the US economy...and about Liss' flair for historical drama.	David Liss	00:18

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11/10/08	ECON	At the front line of the national house foreclosure crisis is the Department of Housing & Urban Development's Neighborhood Revitalization Program. The basic concept is this: counties and cities are receiving a total of \$4 billion, divided up according to the hardest hit areas, to rehabilitate neighborhoods wracked by foreclosures and hopefully shore up property values in the process. Almost everything is on the table, from investing in foreclosed homes to direct assistance for struggling homeowners. Now our local county authorities are about to allocate the money and many questions remain. Will some creative thinking make a dent in the foreclosure rate?	Lois Starr, Tom Freeman	00:26
11/10/08	LAW	Now that the yard signs have been taken down and the protests dispersed, the legacy of Prop 8 may lie in the hands of the state Supreme Court, which has several important questions to answer. Could Prop 8, which will amend California's Constitution to eliminate the rights of gay couples to marry, qualify as a revision to the state Constitution? If so, that might be enough legal ground to overturn the proposition. Also, should the state issue a stay on same-sex marriages? And what about the over 16,000 couples who are already married? If Prop 8 isn't overturned, what will happen to those marriages?	Bob Egelko	00:09
11/10/08	TRAV	The financial turmoil of the past few months has seen the price of oil steadily dropping...and airfares and hotel rates are going with it! The travel industry is desperate to get Americans traveling again, but can you afford this?	Tom Parsons, Paul Lasley	00:18
11/10/08	POLI	Restrictions on stem cells, providing federal funds for counseling on abortions, environmental rules waivers...there are a host of executive powers that reside at the White House.	Linda Feldman, Kathy Kneer [KEN-"ear"], Ellen Peter	30:00
11/10/08	HEAL	People with low cholesterol and no big risk for heart disease had dramatically lower rates of heart attacks, death and stroke if they took the cholesterol pill Crestor, a large study found.	Thomas Maugh	30:00
11/10/08	GOV	Larry Mantle gets the latest news on the Legislative special session called by Governor Schwarzenegger.	Evan Halper, Jack O'Connell	30:00
11/10/08	POLI	The recent election has propelled the Democrats into a position of political dominance not seen since the early 1990s.	Kevin Williamson, Ross Douthat (DOW-thut), Matthew Continetti, David Nammo	30:00
11/11/08	ECON	Today the Federal Housing Finance Agency and the mortgage industry announced an initiative to speed up the process for renegotiating hundreds of thousands of delinquent loans issued by Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. The program will target borrowers who are at least three months behind on their home loans and owe 90% or more than their home is currently worth. Officials say the initiative will likely have great impact since Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac own or guarantee about half of U.S. home loans. But with almost 10% of borrowers with mortgages behind on their payments or in foreclosure as of June, is this enough to jump start the healing?	Thomas Davidoff,	00:15

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11/11/08	ECON	It's been a long time coming: even after successive rounds of layoffs, contract negotiations with unions and closures of assembly plants, Detroit's Big 3 auto makers are on the edge of oblivion. General Motors, hemorrhaging \$1 billion a month in operating costs, might run out of cash early next year. Privately held Chrysler is supposed to be in worse shape and Ford, probably the best positioned out of the three, could be a few years away from bankruptcy. If even one of the nation's three largest auto manufacturers fail in 2009, roughly 2.5 million jobs throughout the U.S. would likely be cut—meaning there's a huge motivation for the federal government to stop that from happening. Will your tax dollars go to help car companies that have slashed their own tires?	David Cole, Dan Ikenson, Paul Ingrassia	00:37
11/11/08	POLI	President-elect Obama wants to close the Guantanamo Bay prison, but the question remains—what to do with the remaining 250 or so detainees. Some say the prisoners should be given constitutional rights, brought to the U.S., and charged in civilian or military courts. However, the plan might require the creation of a new legal system to handle the classified information inherent in some of the most sensitive cases. Can such a hybrid court satisfy the demands for fairness and national security, or would its creation cause a draconian change in our 200 year-old legal system?	Diane Marie Amann	00:15
11/11/08	POLI	California's new legislative analyst, Mac Taylor, reports today that California's budget deficit will grow to \$28 billion through June 2010 unless lawmakers take fast and strong action, possibly including a state income tax increase and pumping up vehicle licensing fees. He also urges the legislators to implement the governor's proposals to hike the sales tax and cut spending by \$4.4 billion across-the-board. Taylor said in his report that the revenue collapse is so bad that if lawmakers do nothing, the state could face \$22 billion shortfalls each year from 2010 to 2014. And you thought you had it bad!	Mac Taylor, John Myers	00:11
11/11/08	LIT	Would the man in your life rather spend an afternoon playing Grand Theft Auto than planning his next career move? From Judd Apatow movies and shows like HBO's Entourage, to Maxim magazine and extreme sports, American popular culture seems to glorify and cater to the man-boy of Generation X. Cultural historian Gary Cross identifies and examines this modern-day cultural phenomenon in "Men To Boys: The Making of Modern Immaturity," in which he proposes a shift in American masculinity. Cross ties the rise of the American man-boy to trends in 20th century advertising, popular culture, and consumerism. Is this a problem? We hear from both genders on the question of men and maturity.	Gary Cross	00:27
11/11/08	ECON	Two financial stories are breaking and neither bodes well for the state's money picture.	Michael Hiltzik	20:00
11/11/08	LAB	First it was Wall Street, now it's Detroit. American auto manufacturers are hemorrhaging cash in today's credit-strapped markets and are heading for bankruptcy.	David Kiley	20:00
11/11/08	ENVI	At 10 a.m. on November 13, over 5 million people throughout Southern California will participate in The Great Southern California ShakeOut Drill, the largest earthquake preparedness activity in U.S. history.	Mark Benthien	20:00
11/11/08	LAW	A poll of likely California voters done shortly before the election showed Proposition 8 trailing, yet the initiative passed by roughly 5 percentage points.	Fernando Guerra, David McCuan	20:00
11/11/08	RACE	African American response to Prop 8	Dr. Antronette Yancey, Danny Bakewell Jr	20:00

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11/11/08	LIT	Now, in a new book, <i>American Lion</i> : Andrew Jackson in the White House (Random House), best-selling author and Newsweek Editor, Jon Meacham brings to life the founder of the Democratic Party and his many contradictions.	Jon Meacham	20:00
11/12/08	LAW	In the increasing collision of national security policy with environmental concerns, the military scored a victory today after the Supreme Court lifted any restrictions on the use or testing of sonar by the U.S. Navy. The suit, originally filed in Los Angeles and based on Navy sonar use off the Southern California coast, pitted potential harmful effects of low frequency sonar on whales against the Navy's need to train with new sonar equipment. The Court decided that "the public interest in conducting training exercises with active sonar under realistic conditions plainly outweighs" the concerns voiced by environmentalists. In a fight between national security and the environment, are animals like the whales always destined to lose?	David Savage, Holly Doremus, Timothy Ragen	00:35
11/12/08	POLI	It may be more than 18 months away, but that isn't stopping any pollsters! A survey taken before last week's election shows U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein on the Democratic side, and eBay CEO Meg Whitman on the GOP side, as the early favorites for the 2010 race to replace Gov. Schwarzenegger. It's still not clear whether Whitman intends to race for the governor's seat, or who her rivals within the GOP might be, but that can't stop the speculation.	John Wildermuth	00:16
11/12/08	ECON	It's common-sense a program that was tried by the FDIC for mortgage-holding customers of failed IndyMac bank and it's been suggested by the likes of JPMorgan Chase and Citigroup: modifying home loans to keep homeowners in their houses and payments coming into the banks. The only problem is that in the case of almost 50% of all mortgages, the banks that loaned the money no longer own the loan contracts. Mortgage-backed securities became very attractive investments for hedge funds when property values were skyrocketing, and now those same funds have threatened to sue banks if they renegotiate loan terms without their permission. Apparently there are no easy solutions...	Brad Sherman	00:18
11/12/08	HOUS	Some call him a hero, some call him a villain, either way, cantankerous Irvine blogger Larry Roberts, aka IrvineRenter, just calls it as he sees it—and he's been saving people hundreds of thousands of dollars in lost home equity. He's done it by latching on to the popular Irvine Housing Blog web site and ruthlessly shredding a new home-listing every day, from its decor, the realtors' typo-ridden hyperboles, to the sky-high asking prices. He also does his homework, tracking public records to find a home's previous purchase price, how many loans and lines of credit have been taken out against it, and how much equity previous owners lost. Critics say he's over the top and his publishing of home addresses and loan information is an invasion of privacy, but Roberts says he's just out to save people from foreclosures and educate them about the housing market. He's also setting the bar for a cyber-movement that's sweeping the nation's housing blogs.	Lawrence Roberts	00:17
11/12/08	HEAL	Drop, cover, and hang on—that's the mantra for Thursday's grand disaster drill that hopes to change the way people deal with the prospect of a major earthquake. Planners are trying to force a seismic shift in behavior and attitude toward the "big one" by making preparation cool and fun. Dr. Lucy Jones is at the epicenter of it all—she gives us the low-down on	Lucy Jones	00:16
11/12/08	ECON	Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson announced today that in the next phase of the \$700 billion financial rescue plan, they will not buy bad loans and related assets.	Theo [TAY-oh] Francis	30:00

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11/12/08	GOV	The California's Legislative Analyst said Tuesday that the budget deficit will grow to \$28 billion through June 2010 unless lawmakers take bold action, possibly including a hike in the state income tax.	Mac Taylor, Darrell Steinberg, Roger Niello	60:00
11/12/08	LIT	Larry Manyle talks with co-author Will Schwalbe about the latest version of SEND: Why People Email So Badly and How to Do It Better.	Will Schwalbe	30:00
11/13/08	ECON	When Congress approved the \$700 billion bailout of the financial industry, the deal was there would be lots of lending. But lawmakers say bankers aren't holding up to their end of the bargain. Bankers tried to reassure Congress today that the money is indeed going toward lending and not to pay executive salaries or bonuses. But Congress wants more proof. With the first half of the bailout money already sent out, lawmakers say the second half of the funds could come with more strings attached.	Binyamin Appelbaum	00:20
11/13/08	LIT	"The Energies, Gists, and Spirits of Letters, Words, and Combinations Thereof; Their Roots, Bones, Innards, Piths, Pips, and Secret Parts, Tinctures, Tonics, and Essences; With Examples of Their Usage Foul and Savory" -- read his subtitle slowly, savoring the sound and sense of the words, and you experience the flavor of Roy Blount Jr.'s versatile intelligence and easy-losing style. Author of 20 books on a wide range of things, from the first woman president of the United States to what barnyard animals are thinking, in his latest offering he illustrates that "through centuries of knockabout breeding and intimate contact with the human body" some words "have absorbed the uncanny power to carry the ring of truth." Roy Blount Jr. is here to say why.	Roy Blount Jr.	00:33
11/13/08	LIT	Stumped on how to cook an owl? Buy a computer? Win at Hollywood gambling? Famous minor television personality John Hodgman answers those questions and more in his new book, "More Information Than You Require." Hodgman started out as a literary agent and some-time scribbler of fake trivia--"a nobody"-- before rocketing to overnight stardom on The Daily Show and then as the impersonation of a PC computer in Apple's famous "Get a Mac" ad campaign. He's here with answers to all manner of questions you never even knew you wanted to ask.	John Hodgman	00:53
11/13/08	ENVI	This morning Southern California law enforcement, emergency services and millions of others are participating in a regional earthquake drill.	Patricia Nazario, Adolfo Guzman Lopez, Kitty Felde	30:00
11/13/08	ECON	The Bloomberg news agency is reporting that Goldman Sachs and Morgan Stanley have set aside billions of dollars for bonuses at the same time they could be eligible for federal bailout funds.	Chris Farrell, Marek Fuchs, Tim Bartl	30:00
11/13/08	ECON	Oil prices plunged below \$56 a barrel on Wednesday as the global economy waned and demand for gas declined throughout the world.	Severin Borenstein	30:00
11/13/08	LIT	In her new book, The Wordy Shipmates, Sarah Vowell employs modern day anecdotes to show just how much the lives of the Puritans have influenced our country.	Sarah Vowell	30:00
11/14/08	POLI	Fallout and backlash from the passage of Proposition 8 continues as proponents of the No on 8 campaign protest at temples, churches and city halls across the state and the nation. Attorney General Jerry Brown may be asked to step in and make a decision on the constitutionality of the proposition, but the Yes on 8 people say the voters have already spoken. And one man has given up his job in the face of angry recriminations about his personal political donation. The voters may have had their say on November 4, but the matter is hardly settled.	Meg Waters, Jasmyne Cannick, John Duran, Thom Uber	00:53

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11/14/08	DIS	More than 100 homes are lost and at least 13 people injured in the Tea Fire that continues to blaze near Montecito in Santa Barbara County. Firefighters attribute the cause of the explosive flames to "sundowner winds," heavy Santa-Ana-like winds that can blow up to 80-mph around sunset. The fire exploded Thursday evening and by Friday morning, nearly 2,500 acres had burned. In addition to the loss of homes, a residence hall and faculty housing on the campus of Westmont College were also destroyed. Patt talks with KPCC reporter Frank Stoltze who is on the scene as well as officials and residents affected by the fire.	Frank Stoltze, Sally Nage, Peggy Langle, Christiana Kosif	00:38
11/14/08	POLI	There has yet to be an official announcement, but CNN is reporting that Hilary Clinton is Obama's pick for Secretary of State. In the aftermath of the primary elections, Clinton had asserted that she would not be interested in a cabinet position. But sources close to the Senator say she has softened her stance and could be considering an offer from the President-Elect. Democratic sources say Clinton is under the impression that the job of Secretary of State is hers if she wants it. Politico editor David Mark joins us to talk about this breaking news.	David Mark	00:15
11/14/08	ENVI	More than a hundred homes are burned in Montecito. High winds drove flames across 2,500 acres overnight. Larry gets the latest from reporter Frank Stoltze.	Frank Stoltze	30:00
11/14/08	POLI	In two months, Obama's administration will take power, but that hasn't stopped foreign leaders from making overtures.	Alison Smale, Ambassador Elizabeth Bagley, James (Jim) Walsh	30:00
11/14/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks with Claudia Puig, film critic for USA Today and Andy Klein, film editor for CityBeat about the week's new releases including Quantum of Solace, Slumdog Millionaire, The Alphabet Killer, A Christmas Tale, JCVD, and the documentary Pray The Devil Back To Hell, among other films.	Claudia Puig, Andy Klein	60:00
11/17/08	DIS	Residents of the fire-ravaged Oakridge Mobile Home Park in Sylmar will be able to survey the damage today as the LAPD escorts them through the burn area in two 15-passenger vans. The tours will be brief, with only 10 minutes allowed for those whose homes remain standing to inspect their property. Deputy Chief Michael Moore, LAPD officer in charge of this process, gives us an update on what officials and home-owners are finding as they survey the damage.	Michael Moore	00:28
11/17/08	DIS	Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger called for a review of building codes after 500 of the 600 homes in the Oakridge Mobile Home Park were destroyed by the Sayre fire over the weekend. About a month ago, another mobile home park was destroyed when the Marek fire broke out in the Angeles National Forest. Do building codes for mobile homes need a revamp?	Chris Anderson, Guc Colgain	00:08
11/17/08	POLI	Los Angeles attorney Mary Nichols, who heads California's Air Resources Board, is being floated as a possible candidate to lead the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) under President Barack Obama. Nichols has sharply criticized the EPA under President Bush over the last eight years for refusing to regulate carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions, and for barring California and other states from enacting curbs on such gases from automobile tailpipes. What would be her priorities if she is indeed tapped to head the agency? We find out.	Mary Nichols	00:10

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11/17/08	ECON	The Treasury has already loaned out or committed \$290 billion of the first half. Democrats are working on a bill they hope to pass next week that would devote another \$25 billion to the beleaguered auto industry, with the specific intent of helping General Motors Corp. avoid bankruptcy. What about the rest of the funds? We follow the \$700 billion money trail.	Joseph Mason, Hugh Johnson, Mark Pittman, Bob McTeer	00:45
11/17/08	ENVI	Larry Mantle gets the latest on the fires still burning in Southern California with KPCC reporters Susan Valot and Brian Watt who are covering the various blazes.	Susan Valot, Brian Watt	20:00
11/17/08	POLI	Who should President-Elect Barack Obama pick for his Cabinet, his inner-circle of advisors?	n/a	40:00
11/17/08	LIT	Irene Pepperberg, an associate research professor at Brandeis University made some of the biggest advances in the field of animal cognition with her star pupil, an African Grey parrot named Alex.	Irene Pepperberg	60:00
11/18/08	POLI	Newsweek is reporting that President-elect Barack Obama has tapped Eric Holder to be the new attorney general; however sources say the former deputy attorney general under the Clinton administration still has to undergo a formal "vetting" review by the Obama transition team before the selection is final and is publicly announced. If confirmed, Holder would be the first African-American to head the Justice Department. Mike Isikoff, Newsweek's investigative correspondent who broke the story, joins Patt to discuss the news.	Michael Isikoff	00:09
11/18/08	SAC	It's the cost of doing business in California: wildfire, floods, and earthquakes are par for the course during a normal year in our state, but in a budget environment of \$26+ billion in debt piling up for the next several years, the ability to cope with the inevitable disasters is coming into question. On Sunday Gov. Schwarzenegger reassured Californians that the state had a \$1.7 billion reserve built into the budget for emergencies like wildfires, but the frequency and intensity of our wildfires increases every year, and so do the costs of fighting them. Will a day come that our horrible finances will force California to cut back on fire fighting?	H.D. Palmer, Ruben Grijalva	00:18
11/18/08	POLI	What should be a very personal, private decision for the parents of two school-aged girls has instead become a very public and politically-charged debate about the virtues of education. Michelle and Barack Obama have a tough choice on their hands for their two young daughters, second-grader Sasha and fifth-grader Malia: choose very exclusive and very expensive private schools when they move to Washington D.C. in January, or make a symbolic gesture in support of public schools and send their daughters into the troubled District public school system. It's a decision that is shared by millions of American parents each year, although not quite the same kind of grand stage on which the Obama family is operating. What would you do?	Bruce Fuller	00:26
11/18/08	ART	When she's asked about her work, Annie Leibovitz says, "...I try to explain that there is no mystery involved. It is work. But things happen all the time that are unexpected, uncontrolled, unexplainable, even magical. The work prepares you for that moment. Suddenly the clouds roll in and the soft light you longed for appears." One of America's most celebrated living photographers, Leibovitz takes readers behind the scenes in her new book,	Annie Leibovitz	00:35

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11/18/08	POLI	Modern pirates continue to wreak havoc in vulnerable channels such as the Strait of Malacca off Indonesia. But lately they've grown bolder. Yesterday, in a brazen raid, suspected Somali pirates seized a giant oil tanker called the Sirius Star...450 miles off the coast, on the open ocean. This has maritime security experts rethinking the danger to international commerce. Are the crews of these giant ships sufficiently armed and trained? And what can international Navies do to protect them?	Borzou Daraghi, Jeff Kline	00:18
11/18/08	EDU	For the first time ever, the California State University system may turn students away in order to cope with the ongoing state budget crisis.	Allison (male) Jones	20:00
11/18/08	ECON	Larry Mantle gets the latest from Market News International's Jack Shaw about Henry Paulson's and Ben Bernanke's testimonies before Congress on the economy and the bailout.	Jack Shaw	20:00
11/18/08	MIL	Iraqi lawmakers Monday began debate over renewing the "Status of Forces Agreement," a pact with the United States that will allow U.S. forces to remain for three more years.	Tina Susman	20:00
11/18/08	HOUS	A real estate tracking firm says the median home price in Southern California fell 33 percent in October from a year ago while the number of homes sold soared.	John Karevoll	30:00
11/18/08	MEDI	Business legend, media mogul, sportsman and philanthropist Ted Turner joins Larry Mantle to talk about his life, career, and new memoir Call Me Ted	Ted Turner	30:00
11/19/08	ECON	While the big three automakers pleaded with the Senate Banking Committee for a financial bailout yesterday, Treasury Secretary Henry Paulson faced frustrated members of the House Financial Services Committee as he tried to explain his recent shifts in bailout strategy. He defended his decision to abandon the plan to buy "toxic" assets that have clogged bank balance sheets and not to ask Congress for the second half of the \$700 billion right now, saying "There is no playbook for responding to turmoil we have never faced." The automakers are making their case to the House today in an attempt to get a piece of that same pie.	Jennifer Zuccarelli, Brad Sherman	00:26
11/19/08	ENV	The intersection of environmental conservation and economic development used to be a hostile place; now the relationship between new green technology and job creation is heralded as a potential savior of climate change and recession. Our very own Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger hopes his Global Climate Summit meeting will forge an alliance of states, provinces, and regional governments to influence the U.N. to ratify a new global climate treaty. The talks sound nice, but can they deliver? And how much influence can a Governor wield with the heads of foreign countries?	Steve Howard	00:18
11/19/08	ENV	The green revolution is coming and it will be like no revolution the world has seen. Or so Thomas Friedman tells his reader in "Hot, Flat, and Crowded: Why We Need a Green Revolution." Freidman says the United States should take the lead in developing energy technology, turning it into the biggest innovation project in American history. Not only will it produce cleaner air, but it will inspire a modern renaissance, summoning intelligence, creativity, boldness, and concern for the common good from the American people. It will also transform what we put in our car and what we see on our electric bills, and provide Americans more national security, more economic security, more economic growth and a healthier population. Sound too good to be true? Not according to Thomas Friedman.	Thomas Freidman	00:44
11/19/08	POLI	The first black man elected U.S. president is poised to name Washington lawyer Eric Holder as the nation's first black attorney general.	Christopher Lehane	20:00

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11/19/08	ENV	Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger is leading 2-day summit on climate change that includes more than 800 people from 19 other countries and 17 states.	Molly Peterson, Derek Walker	20:00
11/19/08	TRAN	The latest trends in the auto industry show up at the Los Angeles Auto Show at the LA Convention Center. Larry finds out which are the hot wheels to watch.		20:00
11/19/08	ART	The singer-songwriter joins Larry to talk about her latest album: Watershed.	k.d. lang	60:00
11/20/08	POLI	Henry Waxman is in. John Dingell is out. That was the word in the House of Representatives today. The democrats duked it out in a 137-122 vote resulting in a change of leadership on the House Energy and Commerce Committee. The vote may have had something to do with 82-year-old Dingell's long time relationship with the auto industry. Waxman, a Southern California liberal, is a believer in stricter regulations to fight global warming.	Anna Eshoo, Lois Capps	00:29
11/20/08	ECON	It was a pretty good deal: a B-average in high school and completion of required college preparatory courses all but guaranteed students entrance into one of the California State University campuses. Now facing swelling student enrollment and a shrinking budget, due mostly to cuts coming from the California government, CSU is about to shut the door on thousands of eligible freshmen and community college transfer students. A proposed \$66.3 million funding cut, with more slashing to come, has forced the CSU into considering enrollment caps. The proposed solution: relying more on grade-point-average than other academic standards and moving up the application deadlines.	Charles Reed, John Garamendi	00:24
11/20/08	HIST	Malcolm Gladwell says superstars don't just appear from nowhere, driven by genius and talent: "they are invariably the beneficiaries of hidden advantages and extraordinary opportunities and cultural legacies that allow them to learn and work hard and make sense of the world in ways others cannot." In his new book, "Outliers: The Story of Success," he illuminates the secrets of software billionaires, what made the Beatles the greatest rock band, and why Asians are seemingly good at math, and he builds a quite convincing argument for how successful people rise on a tide of advantages, "some deserved, some not, some earned, some just plain lucky.	Malcolm Gladwell	00:53
11/20/08	LGB	The California Supreme Court has agreed to address legal challenges to Proposition 8, the voter-approved measure banning same-sex marriage	Kareem Crayton	20:00
11/20/08	TECH	A new study from UCLA psychologists explores the ways young people using social networking sites present themselves on these sites and how this self-presentation affects their developing identity.	Adriana Manago, Dr. Patricia Greenfield	40:00
11/20/08	ENER	Los Angeles Congressman Henry Waxman will take over the chairmanship of the powerful House Energy and Commerce Committee when the next Congress convenes in January.	Coral Davenport	20:00
11/20/08	SEC	Larry Mantle talks with KNAU correspondent Howard Fisher about Obama's appointment of Arizona Gov. Janet Napolitano for Sec. of Homeland Security.	Howard Fisher	20:00
11/20/08	ART	LA's prestigious Museum of Contemporary Art, or MOCA, is in serious financial trouble. Larry Mantle talks about the severity of the situation with LA Times reporter Mike Boehm.	Mike Boehm ("BOHM")	20:00
11/21/08	POLI	#####	David Mark	00:09

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11/21/08	TRAN	It seems difficult to fathom, but yesterday, just two months after a horrific crash in Chatsworth, a MetroLink and a freight train got into a fender bender in Rialto. While injuries were relatively minor and damage minimal, it points to serious unresolved safety issues on the commuter rail system. Patt gets the latest.	Brian Watt	00:10
11/21/08	SAC	Assessments of the state of California's budget from the governor's office, legislators and the Legislative Analyst Office have all been bleak, but here's some really depressing news: they all may be relatively optimistic on the abysmal state of California's gaping budget deficits and the state's economy heading into a deep recession. A new report issued by California Forward forecasts years of declining income, sales and property tax revenues and job losses that border on the catastrophic. The combination of the real estate bubble burst, the state government's woeful management and the recession means that California will need years just to work itself back to the fiscal levels of 2007. It's bad out there, and it's going to get worse.	Jon Haveman, James Mayer	00:20
11/21/08		For the second time this year, a MetroLink commuter train collided with a freight train. This time it was a minor crash--the MetroLink scraped a Burlington Northern Santa-Fe freight in Rialto. Initial reports are that the MetroLink ran a working red signal. Was it brake failure? An inattentive engineer? Some other factor? Patt talks with the lead federal investigator about the preliminary findings.	Ted Turpin	00:04
11/21/08	SCI	In a new study published in the journal Nature, scientists revealed that they have successfully mapped most of the genetic code for the woolly mammoth. This is the first time scientists have re-created the DNA of an extinct species. Researchers may attempt similar projects with other ice-age creatures, such as the saber-toothed tiger and the mastodon. And it raises another possibility: scientists may soon be able to construct a mammoth egg and implant it in the womb of an African elephant. So in ten or twenty years, there may be woolly mammoths at the zoo. Patt gets the details.	Stephan C. Schuster	00:11
11/21/08	ECON	Okay. We've all done it. You misplace a decimal point or make a minor error in arithmetic and write a check that's fifteen cents over. But what's this? A \$35 overdraft charge? Such annoying--and expensive--charges, it turns out, are a major source of income for banks. But now the same banks that are taking bailout money are increasing these fees, along with ATM fees, teller fees, and all sorts of other transaction charges. Are customers getting bilked at both ends? And what can you do to stop it?	Mike Moebs	00:10
11/21/08	ART	The strange saga of Guns N' Roses, now a former shell of its once mega-rock-group status, dates back to the early 1990's when the group was coming off of two of the best selling albums of all time. Turmoil in the group centered on volatile front-man, Axl Rose, resulting in all of the founding members, save Axl, abandoning G N'R and a 17-year hiatus while the new group worked on its next album. "Chinese Democracy" was once one of the most anticipated albums of all time; instead, its glacial progress has made it something of a pop culture joke. Now "Chinese Democracy" is finally in stores this weekend and we'll find out if it was worth the wait.	Ann Powers	00:27

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11/21/08	ART	No matter what time of day it is, it's Twilight everywhere all day today. The release of the new film, based on the wildly popular vampire novels by Stephanie Meyer, is finally here with a Harry Potter-esque sensation. Vampires in pop culture are nothing new. But the recent slew of vampy movies and tv shows is giving a different perspective on these mythical monsters. What's behind the Twilight phenomenon? And what makes the vampire a mainstay in American pop culture?	Melissa Rosenberg, Dominic Patten	00:17
11/21/08	SAC	Larry Mantle talks with L.A. Times Staff Writer Evan Halper, about the proposal to triple the car fee to help close the deficit in California. The plan met much resistance and is effectively dead.	Evan Halper	20:00
11/21/08	SAC	Continued discussion on closing California's deficit.	Evan Halper	20:00
11/21/08	MEDI	Larry Mantle speaks with Vivian Schiller, longtime head of NYTimes.com's digital efforts, about her new job as NPR CEO and the challenges of leading the nation's largest public radio network.	Vivian Schiller	20:00
11/21/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks with Jean Oppenheimer of Village Voice Media, Henry Sheehan of henrysheehan.com, and Charles Solomon, animation critic and historian for amazon.com about the week's new releases including Bolt, Twilight, The Dukes, Eden, Toots, and I Can't Think Straight.	Jean Oppenheimer, Henry Sheehan, Charles Solomon	60:00
11/24/08	ECON	\$400 billion? \$500 billion? \$700 billion? How much of a stimulus package will it take to stop the economic freefall? And how many banks and industries will require Federal assistance to keep going? The latest is Citigroup, which has seen its stock plummet...the Treasury announced that it will receive a \$20 billion backstop against large losses in addition to the \$25 billion it received a month ago. Patt asks how much Washington can provide and what it will take to stop the slide.	Joseph Mason, Brad DeLong	00:23
11/24/08	ENER	The election of Congressman Henry Waxman to head the House Energy and Commerce committee may help boost President-elect Barack Obama's efforts to increase fuel economy standards and limit greenhouse emissions. Waxman toppled Michigan Congressman John Dingel. Patt talks to Waxman about his plans for the committee.	Henry Waxman	00:13
11/24/08	ART	Why are the Elgin Marbles in London and not the Acropolis or why are there seemingly as many mummies in France as Egypt? Over the past two centuries the West has pillaged the treasures of the ancient world. Recently, however, once-colonized nations have begun reclaiming their history through restitution, taking high-profile museums to court and prosecuting curators for pillaging art and artifacts. Former New York Times culture reporter Sharon Waxman opens a new window into the politics of cultural exchange with this objective look at how several high-profile museums built up their antiquities collections.	Sharon Waxman	00:18
11/24/08	ECON	Your golden years might not be so golden if you were planning to retire anytime soon. The average worker's 401(k) has fallen between 20 and 30 percent so far this year. Some analysts and politicians are calling for an overhaul of the 401(k) retirement system, which currently has workers almost completely dependent on the health of the economy. Some proposals for change include government backing to prevent large losses in a down economy. But with more than half of American workers relying solely on a 401(k) for retirement living, should the government help to protect retirement investments or look to a new system?	Robert Andrews, Pamela Perun, Kathy Kristof	00:29

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11/24/08	LIT	Pulitzer prize-winning Washington Post correspondent Steve Fainaru said of his time embedded with thousands of 'private security contractors' in Iraq, "I felt like I had seen a 'hidden part of the war'... one with its own rules, its own language and subculture, its own secret battles. To me, in many ways, it summed up what Iraq was about: War without pretext. War without ideology. War without planning. War as a paycheck." Fainaru's new book "Big Boy Rules: American's Mercenaries Fighting in Iraq," tells of his time with these mercenaries who have become essential security for any official wishing to move around Baghdad. He unsparingly documents the brutality and callousness with which they operate—knowing they are exempt from Iraqi law and oversight by the U.S. government, which doesn't bother to record their casualties—while sympathizing with these often inexperienced individuals as they grapple with their humanity in dehumanizing situations.	Steve Fainaru	00:24
11/24/08	ECON	Larry talks with Neil Irwin, Washington Post national economy correspondent, Michael Tanner, Senior Fellow, Cato Institute and James Wilcox, Professor of Financial Institutions at Berkeley's Haas School of Business, about Obama's picks and proposals for addressing the country's economic crisis.	Neil Irwin, Michael Tanner, James Wilcox	50:00
11/24/08	MEDI	Talks between the Screen Actors Guild and movie studios broke down Saturday over the issue of new media, and SAG is planning to ask its 12,000 members to authorize a strike.	Brian Watt	10:00
11/24/08	POLI	Larry takes calls from listeners about President-elect Obama's latest cabinet picks.	n/a	30:00
11/24/08	HIST	In her new book "Towers of Gold," Frances Dinkelspiel tells the story of how Isaias Hellman shaped, and in its infancy saved, Los Angeles. Larry speaks with Dinkelspiel about what made Isaias Hellman such an integral part of the California we know today.	Frances Dinkelspiel	30:00
11/25/08	EDUC	As if the reductions weren't bad enough already, Los Angeles Unified School District officials have now been told to brace for more cuts. With a projected \$700 million deficit over the next three years, what will this mean to the beleaguered school district? Ray Cortines, Senior Deputy superintendent, is asking all eight local districts to slash their 2009-10 budgets by 50%. He'll also chop the district headquarters' budget by \$108 million, or 30%. What gets cut? We find out.	Ramon Cortines, A.J. Duffy	00:15
11/25/08	POLI	State lawmakers plan to vote on a \$17 billion package of spending cuts and tax increases today in a last-minute attempt to bridge California's growing budget gap. The November floor session is a rarity and this looks like the last opportunity for the current class of lawmakers—whose two-year session officially concludes Sunday—to vote on a budget rescue plan.	Roger Niello, John Laird	00:10
11/25/08	ECON	President-elect Obama, with the expected cooperation of Democratic Congressional leaders, is planning what he describes as "an economic recovery plan that will mean 2.5 million more jobs by January of 2011." Prospective members of the new administration have suggested that the plan could reach \$700 billion or even more; the question is, what's the best use of this money? Rebuilding roads, bridges and other public infrastructure? School modernization? High-tech and alternative energy investment? Patt talks to two experts about how to get the most bang for the buck.	Rosabeth Moss Kanter, Jim Pinkerton	00:28

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11/25/08	HEAL	The debate over the environmental, ecological and economic impact of aquaculture has raged for decades, even as fish farming has boomed. To the significant chagrin of environmentalists, the USDA has tentatively approved criteria that clear the way for farmed fish to be labeled "organic," a move which has managed to anger both ocean ecologists and fish farmers. Ecologists believe that aquaculture does permanent genetic damage to fish populations while spiking ocean pollution levels, thereby making organic standards a fallacy; fish farmers believe the standards are impossibly stringent. Will your farm-raised tilapia soon sport an organic label?	Wally Stevens, Rebecca Goldberg, Neil Sims, George Leonard	00:35
11/25/08	SCI	It was almost a century and a half ago that Charles Darwin first published "The Origin of Species," a book documenting years of evidence gathering to support his then controversial theory: that life evolved via a process of natural selection. In the years that followed, the genetic machinery that drives evolution would come to be understood, and huge breakthroughs in medicine would occur. The very way that scientists view the world and the origins of life and humanity were changed forever	Michael Shermer	00:18
11/25/08	ECON	Obama named Peter Orszag as his budget director, saying his job will be to conduct a thorough review of federal spending programs, and to eliminate wasteful programs.	Neal Irwin, Ross Eisenbrey (EYE-zin-bray), JD Foster	30:00
11/25/08	OC	Larry Mantle talks with Gustavo Arellano, OC Weekly staff writer, William Lobdell, Orange County journalist, and Orange County Register senior editorial writer and columnist, Steven Greenhut, about the latest news events and developments in Orange County.	Gustavo Arellano, Steve Greenhut, William Lobdell	30:00
11/25/08	GOV	Larry talks with Representative Henry Waxman, Congressman representing California's 30 th district, about his new position and his plans for addressing global warming.	Rep. Henry Waxman	20:00
11/25/08	MIL	In a letter to the 1.3-million-member Disabled American Veterans, William J. Carr, deputy undersecretary of Defense said the change was consistent with Congress' intent to preserve the "special distinction for those who incur disabilities while participating in the risk of combat, in contrast with those injured otherwise."	Vanessa Williamson, Kerry Baker	20:00
11/25/08	FOR	Chinese police with riot gear took up posts on Monday in the Tibetan town Xiahe, in a reminder of China's determination to maintain control of the region.	Tseten (SEE-tin) Phanucharas	20:00
11/26/08	LAW	A Los Angeles jury convicted Lori Drew today of three misdemeanor charges for her role in a MySpace cyberbullying hoax on a 13-year old girl who later committed suicide. The federal jury did not reach a verdict on the main charge of conspiracy and rejected three felony counts for accessing computers without authorization to inflict emotional harm. The misdemeanor charges carry with them a three-year prison sentence. In the relatively uncharted waters of cyber law, what did this case hinge on and what legal precedent does this verdict set for cyberbullying?	Kevin Poulsen, Phillip Malone, Thomas O'Brien	00:28
11/26/08	ECON	The two latest wrinkles to the soap opera known as the great financial crisis of '08 come from Treasury Secretary Hank Paulson, who seems to be having trouble making up his mind. It now seems that the original intent of the Troubled Assets Recovery Program—buying up toxic assets such as defaulted mortgages—which had earlier been abandoned by the Secretary is now back on the agenda. Then the Federal Reserve made \$800 billion available to unfreeze the market for consumer debt, from home mortgages to credit cards. All of the changes, plus the growing \$7.5+ trillion price tag, is enough to make your head spin. What are all of the moving parts of the government's economic relief efforts?	Vincent Reinhart, Jim Wilcox	00:24

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11/26/08	ART	Whether you don't know where the giblets are on your first turkey or you're deep into molecular gastro-cuisine, we can help! Chef de cuisine Matthew Zboray and Chef and restaurant owners Mary Sue Milliken and Susan Feniger are here to field your questions, basic and advanced, about Turkey and all its traditional and alternative trimmings. The experts also offer up some suggestions and recipes of their own for those headed out to the grocery store. Share your traditions for this uniquely American holiday.	Mary Sue Milliken, Susan Feniger, Matthew Zboray	00:53
11/26/08	LGB	In the wake of harsh criticism over his \$1,500 donation in support of Proposition 8, the California initiative that banned same-sex marriage, Richard Raddon has resigned as director of the Los Angeles Film Festival.	n/a	30:00
11/26/08	YOUT	Parents in Claremont clash over children wearing Thanksgiving costumes.	n/a	30:00
11/26/08	HEAL	The health care system can be challenging to navigate when we're healthy. It's almost impossible to tackle when we're ill. Now more than ever patients must rely on family members to insure quality of care.	Meg Gaines, Jari Holland Buck, Genevieve Clavreul	30:00
11/26/08	TECH	A Los Angeles federal jury convicted 49-year-old Lori Drew of misdemeanor computer charges in a landmark cyber-bullying case.	Robert Pugsley, Karen Sternheimer, Phillip Malone, Parry Aftab	30:00
11/27/08	LIT	Journalist Mac Montandon was once certain that by no later than the year 2000 humans would have traded in their beat up, gas-guzzling cars for shiny metal backpacks welded to jet engines. That disappointment lead him on a quest, from the first mention of the jetpack in a 1928 science fiction story, through modern Internet forums of jetpack enthusiasts and the Niagra Falls "International Rocketbelt Convention," to the true story behind a bizarre mid-1990s case of kidnapping, imprisonment and murder—all in the name of the jetpack. Montandon joins Patt to speak about his journey writing "Jetpack Dreams: One Man's Up and Down (But Mostly Down) Search for the Greatest Invention That Never Was" and the colorful pop history of this seemingly mythic machine.	Mac Montandon	00:18
11/27/08	HIST	In his new book, "Ronald Reagan: The Hollywood Years," author Marc Eliot sheds light on Ronald Reagan as president...of the Screen Actors Guild. Eliot documents a period of Reagan's life that has been left largely unexamined by biographers, and in doing so, lends new insight into the qualities that made Reagan one of America's most popular presidents. Patt and Eliot cover Reagan's days as a Hollywood bachelor, his place in the "Irish Mafia," and how Hollywood shaped a future president of the United States.	Marc Eliot	00:17
11/27/08	ART	Lynne Rosetto Kasper has been sharing cooking tips on public radio for more than a decade. Her new book, "How to Eat Supper," is a meditation on how to bridge supper traditions of yore with today's busy schedules—creating a meal from one dish, a piece of bread, or those cans that have been sitting in your cabinet for over a year. Named one of the 12 best cooking teachers in America by the James Beard Foundation, Lynne brings her talent to life hosting American Public Media's "The Splendid Table." She's here to talk about "How to Eat Supper," and to impart some of her wisdom to those cooks still in the kitchen.	Lynne Rosetto Kasper	00:52

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11/27/08	HIST	Grab some Thanksgiving leftovers and a spot on the couch next to grandma—it's officially StoryCorps' National Day of Listening! StoryCorps founder David Isay joins Patt to talk about his oral history project, which helps everyday people document their lives and those of their loved ones by asking the questions that matter. This holiday season StoryCorps wants you to sit down with the people around you—an older relative, a friend, a teacher, or a familiar face from the neighborhood, and listen to their stories. Isay hopes you'll hear and celebrate the courage, humor, trials and triumphs in everyday lives.	David Isay	00:13
11/27/08		Lynne Rossetto Kasper, host of The Splendid Table provides an hour-long culinary triage on Thanksgiving, the day even non-cooks get in the kitchen. She'll be joined by a few surprise guests.	n/a	60:00
11/27/08	LIT	In his new book Giants, author John Stauffer examines the paralleling and sometimes intersecting lives of Lincoln and Douglass.	John Stauffer	30:00
11/27/08	LIT	Larry Mantle talks with author Annette Gordon-Reed about her new book, The Hemingses of Monticello: An American Family (Norton), that gives the sweeping history of the Hemings Family, from their beginnings, to Monticello, and Sally Hemings relationship with Thomas Jefferson.	Annette Gordon-Reed	30:00
11/28/08	ART	Over an eight year journey, Roger Bennett and Josh Kun scoured the world, collecting thousands of vinyl LPs from dusty attics, garage sales, and archives. Together, these once-loved and now long-forgotten audio gems tell the story of Jews in America, and are the subject of Bennett and Kun's new book, "And You Shall Know Us By the Trail of Our Vinyl: The Jewish Past as Told by the Records We Have Loved and Lost." From Chubby Checker's re-recording of the Twist to the tune of Hava Nagilah, to Lena Horne singing in Yiddish, and Perry Como's rendition of Kol Nidre, this book celebrates the cultural cross-pollination of America. Josh joins Patt to speak about his journey.	Josh Kun	00:18
11/28/08	ART	It's Black Friday! But instead of shopping, we're catching up with our veteran comedian Wayne Federman about his "Very Federman Christmas 3: The Annual Comedy-Music Holiday Show," (read: a cage fight between Christmas and Hanukah). Patt Morrison's very own Comedy Congress has finally launched one of its own into stardom—but you'll have to listen to find out how. Wayne joins Patt to talk about why he's converted to Christmas and the sweet life of celebrity.	Wayne Federman	00:16
11/28/08	LIT	In this searing memoir, former president of Doctors Without Borders James Orbinski explores the nature of humanitarian action and makes an urgent appeal to confront suffering around the world in a time of political and moral uncertainty. He gives a doctor's indelible testimony from the front lines in Peru, Somalia, Afghanistan, Rwanda, Zaire, drawing on his own experiences as a medical student working in Rwanda, investigating the conditions of pediatric AIDS, and his work with Doctors Without Borders. Though it all, James Orbinski still believes in "the good we can be if we so choose."	James Orbinski	00:21

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11/28/08	HIST	It may be hard to imagine a time when the role of commander and chief was not seemingly all-powerful, but the constitution and historical precedent had little to say about the role before Abraham Lincoln assumed it. As the only president whose entire administration was book-ended by war, Lincoln furnished our modern idea of commander-in-chief as he went along, battle by battle, often overstepping the narrow rights granted to the president. Civil War historian James McPherson pays homage to Lincoln in light of his upcoming bicentennial and reveals a portrait of leadership in his study of this less chartered territory of Lincoln's legacy, "Tried By War: Abraham Lincoln as Commander in Chief."	James M. McPherson	00:18
11/28/08	LIT	Author Donald Worster has written the first comprehensive biography of John Muir, the first environmentalist and the founder of the Sierra Club.	Donald Worster	30:00
11/28/08	LIT	In Waking Giant: America in the Age of Jackson, author David Reynolds brings to life a seldom studied period of American history.	David S. Reynolds	30:00
11/28/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks with Andy Klein of CityBeat and Wade Major of boxoffice.com and CityBeat about all the week's new releases including "Australia," "Four Christmases," "Milk," "Transporter 3," among many others.	Andy Klein, Wade Major	30:00
11/28/08	ENT	Rita Wilson joins Larry Mantle for a conversation on AirTalk to speak about where film and theater intersect in Los Angeles. She and husband Tom Hanks are organizing an event to raise money for UCLA's School of Theater Film and Television School.	Rita Wilson	30:00
12/1/08	POLI	This morning President-Elect Obama announced his national security and diplomatic team, including Hillary Clinton as Secretary of State. How do the selections resonate among the foreign countries that will be working one-on-one with this team? We get the view from abroad.	Sebastian Rotella, Kim Ghattas	00:15
12/1/08	FOR	It's all still speculation but indications are that the perpetrators of the deadly 3-day terrorist rampage in Mumbai, India have multiple ties to Pakistan, if the attackers themselves aren't all Pakistanis. This of course wouldn't be the first time that Pakistani militants have pulled off spectacular attacks in India, nor would it be the first time the two countries have come to the brink of war over their differences. However, while India copes with the security failures that allowed the terrorists to rampage through Mumbai, Pakistan must decide whether it's a moderate Muslim country or a hostage of its homegrown extremists.	Cyril Almeida, William Milam	00:20
12/1/08	IE	The world financial crisis may often seem intangible, with talk of collateralized mortgage swaps and huge multi-billion dollar bailout plans, but in the end it comes down to nuts-and-bolts sacrifices made on a local level. Wildomar is a 22-square mile city in the Temecula Valley that recently incorporated, but is already dealing with tough economic decisions. As part of Marketplace's "Close to Home" series, KPCC's Steven Cuevas takes a look at this Southern California town.	Steven Cuevas, Bob Cashman	00:18
12/1/08	SAC	Even as the hills of Sylmar and Orange County are still smoldering and Southern California anxiously awaits the next red flag warning, various local and state fire fighting agencies are gearing up for the next round of wildfires. All of this preparation, not to mention actually fighting the increasingly intense fires, is insanely expensive and even in the face of a year-round fire season California's system for funding this operations remains opaque and antiquated. In fact, California is alone among western states in paying for fire suppression out of its general fund. Is there a better way to fund fire fighting?	Bill Stewart	00:22

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12/1/08	SPOR	No one should question the philanthropic credentials of the Dodgers and their owners, Frank and Jamie McCourt: through the Dodgers Dream Foundation the team just committed to building 42 youth baseball fields around Southern California. But Dodgers President Jamie McCourt posed an interesting rhetorical question when asked about potential big-ticket free agent signings: in a time of recession, does it look strange for the team to commit \$20+ million a year to a player like Manny Ramirez? Asks McCourt: "We're really trying to understand, would they rather have the 50 fields?"	Jamie McCourt, Ron Rapoport	00:31
12/1/08	GOV	Larry Mantle discusses President-Elect Barack Obama's choices for his National Security Team including his new Secretary of State Hillary Clinton.	Susan Estrich, Kiron ("KYE-runn") Skinner	60:00
12/1/08	FOR	India has formally demanded Pakistan take "strong action" against those behind the 60-hour siege in Mumbai that left at least 172 people dead.	Marvin Weinbaum, Sumit Ganguly, Jim Walsh	30:00
12/1/08	LIT	Author Dan Pallotta examines the effectiveness of nonprofits in his new book, Uncharitable: How Restraints On Nonprofits Undermine Their Potential (Tufts University Press).	Dan Palotta	30:00
12/2/08	ENV	Elephants are always among the most popular sights at any zoo, but a number of animal advocates argue that zoo enclosures measured in acres are much too small for creatures that normally range over many square miles. A \$42 million "Pachyderm Forest" that could house half a dozen elephants is under construction at the Los Angeles Zoo, but one L.A. city councilman wants the project halted and Billy--the zoo's current lone elephant-- sent to a sanctuary. Zoo officials argue that elephants thrive in captivity, and that allowing the public to see the giant creatures up close is a boon to much-needed conservation efforts as wild populations decline. What's the best way to protect these amazing animals?	Ron Kagan	00:21
12/2/08	TRAN	It's the last day for the Big Three to present their restructuring plans to Congress in order to receive government monies—and it seems they really want it. The three CEOs made several symbolic gestures to improve their image, which was tarnished after all three arrived in D.C. last month on separate private jets to plead for a bailout for their struggling companies. Ford CEO Alan Mulally said he'd work for \$1 a year if his firm took any government loan money and GM Chief Rick Wagoner drove a Chevrolet Malibu hybrid from Detroit. Have they learned their lesson?	Ken Bensinger	00:14
12/2/08	SEC	The body count in Tijuana piles up every week—there were 34 murders in Tijuana just over this past weekend alone, with nine beheaded corpses discovered on an empty lot. The carnage that began with feuds among splintering Mexican drug cartels continues unabated, seemingly immune to any new measure taken by local authorities or the Mexican federal government. Felipe Calderon, the Mexican president, doesn't hesitate to label his own police force as incompetent and corrupt, and replacing crooked cops with the Mexican Army doesn't seem to have an affect. What options remain for the beleaguered residents of Tijuana?	Richard Marosi, David Shirk	00:18

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12/2/08	HEAL	The rate of cancer in the US has begun to decline for the first time since the government began keeping records. A study compiled by various American cancer groups confirmed that cancer-related deaths, which have been on the decline for many years, are continuing to decrease and that for the first time, there has also been a drop in the number of incidences of cancer. California leads the country in declines for women in both incidences and deaths from lung cancer. Experts warn, however, that declines may only be temporary, as baby boomers reach the age at which cancer incidences usually increase and economic recession could cause fewer people to pay for screening tests and influence others to resume smoking.	Dr. John Glaspy, Dr. Terry Fontham	00:35
12/2/08	ECON	You don't have to look far to see evidence of the financial hardship among America's 50 states—Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger declared a fiscal emergency yesterday and warned California might run out of money in a few months. A staggering 43 states will be facing budget deficits in the coming year, some of them significant (\$26 billion anybody?) and with the recession the states can expect falling tax revenues. Eager for their slice of the bailout pie the nation's governors met with President-elect Obama today asking for as much as \$200 billion in aid. How will the money get divvied up and how much can California expect?	Aaron McLearn	00:09
12/2/08	ECON	In retrospect perhaps it is a perfect monument to the work of our Congress—several years late and nearly \$600 million over budget, the Capitol Visitors Center, meant to be a gateway to Congress, has its grand opening today. Fittingly that opening is closed to the public, never mind that public dollars made the massive project possible. Complete with pink marble floors, state of the art media displays and expanded office space for members of Congress, the 580,000-square-foot expanse is almost as big as the Capitol Building itself. Will taxpayers feel welcomed?	Tom Schatz	00:08
12/2/08	ENVI	The Los Angeles City Council will decide tomorrow whether to halt construction on a 42-million dollar elephant exhibit at the Los Angeles Zoo.	Tony Cardenas, Wendy Gruel	30:00
12/2/08	EDU	The Los Angeles school board is holding a meeting today to try and figure out what to do with Admiral David Brewer, school Superintendent. Civic leaders are pressing for his departure.	Howard Blume	30:00
12/2/08	FOR	Violence overall has declined for years, but Iraq remains a very dangerous place... yesterday bombers killed at least 33 people in Baghdad and Mosul, including four US soldiers.	Tina Susman, Major Seth Millstein [MILL-styne], Marina Ottoway	30:00
12/2/08	LIT	What Soussan found was infighting and a trail of corruption leading away from the Oil-for-Food program intended to help Iraqi citizens. Larry speaks with Soussan about his new book Backstabbing For Beginners: My Crash Course in International Diplomacy.	Michael Soussan	30:00

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12/3/08	ECON	While the Labor Department's U.S. unemployment numbers aren't expected until Friday, the independent Institute for Supply Management has released their own stats, and they aren't pretty. For starters, the ISM reported its services sector index fell from 44.4 in October to 37.3 in November. A reading below 50 signals a contraction, but even more worrisome is that the ISM numbers are considerably worse than expected. Payroll giant Automatic Data Processing Inc. also released their National Employment Report, showing that private sector jobs fell by 250,000 in the last month. The reports offer a glimpse of the damage, but the government's official news may not be so grim—the Labor Department says that while worker productivity slowed in the summer and wage pressures increased, both developments were better than expected.	Vincent Reinhart, Tony Nieves	00:23
12/3/08	EDUC	Tuesday, the LA Unified school board discussed buying out Superintendent David Brewer's contract. The LA Times reports some key civic leaders have quietly been pushing for Brewer to leave, but Brewer's been unwilling to take another job outside the district. Sources close to Mayor Villaraigosa told the LA Times that the mayor would support replacing David Brewer with the current deputy superintendent Ramon Cortines. Brewer handed over day-to-day operations of the district to Cortines earlier this year. Brewers' supporters say he doesn't get enough credit; his critics say he's an ineffective leader. What does he say?	David Brewer	00:29
12/3/08	LAW	It's the monthly installment of Ask the Chief—your opportunity to ask LAPD Chief William Bratton your law and order questions. This month Patt asks the Chief about the \$10 million settlement in the May Day melee lawsuit, the LAPD's controversial plan to move 26 cops out of its West LA Division due to the low rate of violent crimes there, and how the department's fingerprint lab is dealing with its workload in light of a recent investigation that exposed poor oversight and a host of missing files. We also get the Chief's take on the appointment of Governor Napolitano as Secretary of Homeland Security.	Bill Bratton	00:35
12/3/08	LIT	In the Fall of 2000, NBA star Alonzo Mourning was on top of his game: he had just won an Olympic gold medal, welcomed his second child into the world, and signed a huge contract with the Miami Heat. It was then he was diagnosed with Focal Glomerulosclerosis (FSGS), a rare, incurable, and degenerative kidney disease. The next six years led him on a harrowing journey—from a frantic search for a donor match, to lying helpless in a hospital recovery room, and finally, against all odds, leading the Miami Heat to its first NBA championship. Mourning joins Patt to speak about his battle with FSGS and what his experience taught him about the nature of resilience.	Alonzo Mourning	00:18
12/3/08	POLI	Larry Mantle talks with NPR's Ken Rudin about President-Elect Barack Obama's pending announcement of Bill Richardson as his Commerce Secretary.	Ken Rudin	30:00
12/3/08	LAB	BIG 3 TURNAROUND PROPOSAL TO CONGRESS	Sharon Terlep, Robert Scott, Shikha Dalmia	30:00
12/3/08	GOV	Before President Bush leaves office, he plans put into effect a new law which is being referred to as the "Right of Conscience" rule.	David Savage, Dr. David Stevens, Dr. Anita Nelson	30:00
12/3/08	FOR	Few people know the story of the Jews in Kurdistan. Settled by Israelites nearly 3000 years ago and protected by towering mountains, Kurdish Jews spoke the ancient tongue of Aramaic until emigrating to Israel only decades ago.	Ariel Sabar, Yona Sabar	30:00

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12/4/08	ECON	You might think that during a recession lottery ticket sales would be up—but that's not the case. California's lottery sales are down 10% from last year and gaming in general has been trending downwards since it peaked during the housing boom three years ago. We talk about the misconception that gaming is recession-proof and find out how gaming is faring in this economy.	Al Lundeen, Vin Narayanin	00:15
12/4/08	POLI	Toward the end of any presidency, jockeying for (and speculation about) possible pardons reaches a fever pitch. The closing days of Bush 43 are no different: the president (who has been relatively stingy with his pardons thus far) issued 14 pardons in late November, but none involved the sort of prominent names expected to emerge as January 20th draws closer. Pardon handicappers seem to like Scooter Libby's and Michael Milken's chances for clemency, while Jack Abramoff and Barry Bonds look like long shots. What are the political calculations that go into a president's decision to issue a pardon, what does the process involve, and who are some other possible candidates for George W. Bush's favor?	P.S. Ruckman Jr.	00:29
12/4/08	ECON	Voters continued to be deeply divided in their opinion of same-sex marriage. A post-election poll taken by the Public Policy Institute of California has found that voters' religious beliefs and economic status played a larger role than race and age in deciding whether they supported Proposition 8. What does that mean for the fight for gay marriage going forward?	Marc Baldassarre	00:09
12/4/08	ECON	Instead of flying into D.C. in corporate jets, this time around the CEO's of Detroit's "Big Three" drove to Capitol Hill in hybrid vehicles, hoping to make the point that they're ready to change their ways. At this point the heads of Ford, General Motors and Chrysler will do just about anything to secure the \$34 billion in bridge loans they're requesting from Congress, and today they were in front of the Senate Banking Committee practically begging for the money. While it seems a certainty that the Big Three will eventually get their loans in some shape or form, there's a lot of details yet to be determined. Are three huge, unprofitable companies worthy of your tax dollars?	Heidi Moore, Keith Naughton	00:28
12/4/08	LIT	People have been predicting the death of the car almost since its invention, but despite motorization and its discontents, historian Brian Ladd thinks our century-long love affair with the car is here to stay, as tumultuous as that love may sometimes be. In his new book, <i>Autophobia: Love and Hate in the Automotive Age</i> , Ladd explores how freedom on four wheels has changed our lives and what that torrid relationship says about us.	Brian Ladd	00:25
12/4/08	HOUS	The recession, now official, started with the housing market. The Treasury Department is now considering a plan to revitalize that market by pushing down interest rates for home loans.	Michael Crittenden, Stuart Gabriel	20:00
12/4/08	HOUS	Financial firms. Auto makers. Now home builders may be looking to Uncle Sam for help.	Greg Allen, Tim Coyle	20:00
12/4/08	EDU	Academically Locke ranks third lowest in the state. Last summer, Green Dot Charter Schools took over Locke HS from LAUSD and vowed to turn it around.	Angela Shelley, Steve Barr, Jojo, Christal Smith	20:00
12/4/08	MIL	Pentagon officials have announced a plan for the U.S. military to provide up to 20,000 troops by 2011 to help state and local officials in the event of a nuclear terrorist attack or other domestic disaster.	Capt. Michael Collins, Scott L. Silliman, Jonathan Hafetz	30:00
12/4/08	ECON	The recession is likely influence gift-giving decisions this season. During an economic down turn, how is gift-giving affected?	n/a	30:00

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12/5/08	ECON	The American workforce shed 533,000 jobs in the month of November, and the unemployment rate went up to 6.7% nationally, it's highest level since 1993. That, unfortunately is the good news--the bad news is that the official unemployment rate most likely understates the weakness in the labor market. The number of people who were outside the labor force, that is neither working nor looking for work, rose by as much as 637,000. More economic indicators show the economy is contracting fast, which could make this recession the longest since the Great Depression. It's a downhill roller coaster and it could be that way for some time--hold on tight.	Floyd Norris, Jared Bernstein	00:25
12/5/08	ECON	If the national unemployment rate of 6.7% is enough to make you wince then you don't have to look far to feel downright queasy. As of mid-November the Riverside, San Bernardino and Ontario area was suffering from its highest unemployment rate in 13 years at 9.5% in October. In fact its been argued that the Inland Empire is the frontline of the national recession, with housing prices plummeting faster than anywhere else and huge losses of both manufacturing and service jobs. How will a devastating recession permanently alter the face of Inland Empire communities?	Tom Freeman	00:22
12/5/08	SPOR	It's a right of passage for Los Angeles sports fans: the clash of our two powerhouse schools, USC and UCLA, in any sport is always a headlining event, but nothing tops the annual football game between the Bruins and Trojans. In a city with no NFL team L.A.'s football fans eagerly anticipate this storied rivalry. The only problem this year is that USC is vastly superior to UCLA and the game is expected to be a blowout for the Trojans. What's the biggest intrigue leading up to Saturday's clash: the fact that the Trojans will wear their home jerseys at the Rose Bowl. Do the Bruins have a prayer?	Petros Papadakis	00:06
12/5/08	ECON	Yesterday the "Big Three" sweated it out in front of the Senate Banking Committee, today they go before the House Financial Services Committee. While it seems a certainty that the heads of Ford, General Motors and Chrysler will eventually get some version of the \$34 billion in bridge loans they're requesting from Congress, the details still need to be determined. How did it go today? We get the lowdown from two California lawmakers who sit on the House Committee.	Brad Sherman	00:15
12/5/08	LAW	It'll be at least nine years in prison but as much as 33. Simpson has stood trial, facing several counts of kidnapping and robbery of two sports memorabilia dealers in a Las Vegas casino hotel room. It all culminated today as Judge Jackie Glass lectured Simpson for his arrogance and ignorance. Simpson made a tearful plea for leniency, but the Judge didn't seem impressed. Simpson won't be eligible for Parole until 2017. Judge Glass made a particular point to address the not guilty verdict Simpson received in his murder trial 13 years ago. She assured Simpson that verdict had nothing to do with the harsh sentence he received today.	Laurie Levenson, Ashley Powers	00:09
12/5/08	ART	Stand-up comic-mother-writer and Wait, Wait Don't Tell Me veteran, Paula Poundstone is here with her premier comedy CD, "I Heart Jokes"-just in time for the holidays-covering motherhood and aging with her signature look at the absurdities of everyday life.	Paula Poundstone	00:28
12/5/08	ECON	There's not a whole lot to feel good about in the Labor Department's unemployment statistics released today: the unemployment rate is still climbing at an alarming rate, now at 6.7 percent. Employers cut 533,000 jobs in November alone.	Mark Lacter, Robert Satnick, Thomas Davidoff, Christopher Thornberg	30:00

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12/5/08	ART	But in a recent article, Los Angeles Times architecture critic Christopher Hawthorne noted a cold, well-lit facade leaving much to be desired.	Christopher Hawthorne, Robert Santelli	30:00
12/5/08	ENT	Larry Mantle and critics Lael Loewenstein of Variety and Peter Rainer of The Christian Science Monitor discuss the week's new releases including Frost/Nixon, Cadillac Records, The Black Balloon, Hunger, and One Day You'll Understand.	Lael, Peter	30:00
12/5/08	ENT	Larry talks with Greg Laemmle of Laemmle Theatres about the 70 th anniversary of the independent theater chain in Southern California. In honor of the anniversary, the Laemmle Theaters is presenting a special film series.	Greg Laemmle	30:00
12/8/08	LAW	Two cases in the news involve the military. In one, five Blackwater guards are facing manslaughter and other charges over a 2007 shooting in Baghdad that left 17 unarmed Iraqi civilians dead. The guards are currently exempt from Iraqi law, and the future of any U.S. legal proceedings rests on whether they are considered to be covered under the Military Extra-Territorial Jurisdiction Act, which brings private contractors under the jurisdiction of U.S. federal courts. The second military case, involves the alleged mastermind of the 9/11 attacks, Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, who along with four co-defendants are asking to immediately confess at a war-crimes tribunal. Experts outline the legal issues of both.	John Eastman, David Glazier	00:26
12/8/08	ENT	After several weeks of a rumored strike vote, the Screen Actors Guild is holding a closed-door meeting tonight to discuss their options. SAG is expected to conduct a vote-by-mail for a strike authorization during the last week of December before trying one last time to reach a deal with the Association of Motion Picture and Television Producers—that means a strike could happen as early as February, in time to disrupt the Academy Awards. Economists have estimated that last year's 100-day Writers Guild of America strike cost the L.A. regional economy \$2 billion.	Alex Ben Block	00:09
12/8/08	FOR	Last week it was speculation that linked the 10 terrorists who rampaged through Mumbai, India to Muslim militant groups in Pakistan. This week the evidence becomes clearer, and more solid, that Pakistani connections to the Mumbai siege might reach higher up than just independent extremist groups operating within Pakistan. Both Indian and American intelligence services have confirmed that Pakistan's notorious Inter Services Intelligence was involved in planning the Mumbai attacks and training the terrorists who killed more than 180 people. How should India react, and who's in charge in Pakistan?	Cyril Almeida, William Milam	00:18
12/8/08	ECON	In the view of some analysts the deal that real estate mogul Sam Zell made for the Tribune Company in 2007 was doomed from the beginning—the credit crunch and the slumping economy put the final nails in Tribune's coffin, as the company today filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy. According to the filing, Tribune Co. has \$7.6 billion in debt but close to \$13 billion in liabilities; that huge debt helped Zell to purchase Tribune later came back to bite him. Layoffs have already plagued the Tribune's Los Angeles Times, and things at L.A.'s premiere paper will probably get worse. Is this another step in the painful restructuring of the newspaper industry?	Dave Novosel, Mike Hoyt, Victor Navasky,	00:27
12/8/08	EDUC	Los Angeles Unified School District Superintendent David Brewer announced at a press conference today that he will ask Tuesday that the Board of Education buy out the final two years of his contract. What does this mean for the LAUSD and what does it say about the job?	Howard Blume, Connie Rice	00:08

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12/8/08	HIST	Newly released recordings and documents reveal Nixon's personal involvement in the escalation of the Vietnam War. Nearly 200 hours of audio and 90,000 presidential papers shed more light on Nixon's actions, reactions, relationships and attitudes, and as you can imagine, it's not all that flattering to the former president. Not only do the recordings reveal Nixon's decision-making process in the Vietnam War, but they also disclose his efforts to investigate and retaliate against people whom he considered personal enemies, including Senator Ted Kennedy. What will be the impact of this new information and how may it change our perspective of the Vietnam War?	Timothy Naftali, John Dean	00:18
12/8/08	POLI	\$400 billion? \$700 billion? The number isn't known yet, but President-elect Barack Obama, in a statement over the weekend, has made it clear that he will launch a huge infrastructure investment program.	Doyle McManus, James Wilcox	30:00
12/8/08	ECON	College has always been expensive, but in today's hard financial times but in a tough financial climate, it's even harder for students to pay for the universities of their choice.	Jay Murray	30:00
12/8/08	ECON	It's official, Sam Zell's debt-ridden Tribune Co. is filing for bankruptcy. The company has some \$12 billion in borrowings and \$1 billion in interest payments due this year.	James Rainey, Brice Nelson	60:00
12/9/08	POLI	Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich was arrested this morning on federal corruption charges that he was seeking to sell or trade Barack Obama's vacant senate seat for financial gain. If convicted, Blagojevich would become the fourth of the last seven Illinois governor to serve jail time. We bring you the latest update on the charges.	David Schaper, Ben Smith	00:15
12/9/08	HOUS	Modifying home loans, which is designed to keep owners in their homes while keeping payments flowing into the bank—an innovative solution to curtailing foreclosures and a potential win-win—appear to be no more effective at staving off defaults than the original loan terms. Data from the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, which oversees regulations of all U.S. banks, shows that more than half of loans modified in the first quarter of 2008 fell delinquent within six months. Considering that loan modification was seen as a possible savior for both banks and homeowners, this is devastating news. Are troubled mortgages beyond help?	John C. Dugan, Michael Krimminger, Thomas Davidoff	00:38
12/9/08	RACE	LAUSD is in court again defending its magnet admissions and Permits with Transportation programs against charges of discrimination. Pacific Legal Foundation, on behalf of the American Civil Rights Foundation, alleges that these programs violate Proposition 209, the state constitutional ban on race-based discrimination and preference in public education, contracting and employment, by using race as a factor to decide magnet admissions and PWT participation. Lawyers for both parties debate the issues.	Sharon Browne, Peter James	00:15
12/9/08	ENV	Congress is getting closer to a deal to bailout the auto industry, but some differences remain—including a requirement that car companies getting loans drop their lawsuits against states that impose tougher emissions standards than the federal rules. Could California's emissions waiver be granted as part of the terms of the auto bailout?	Jerry Brown	00:08

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12/9/08	YOUT	It's something every parent has suspected, as they watch their kids play skeet ball and climb through the suspiciously sticky jungle gym: as if enduring painful birthday parties at a Chuck E. Cheese restaurant wasn't bad enough, you get the feeling that these kid havens double as germ factories. According to a parenting group that commissioned a microbiologist to test three Chuck E. Cheese locations across L.A., the restaurants are indeed breeding grounds for all kinds of exotic germs and bacteria. From common stomach viruses to germs that cause blood infections, Chuck E. Cheese is a verifiable Petri dish—is your child in danger?	Dr. Cara Natterson, Dr. Peter Katona	00:30
12/9/08	EDU	Bowing to pressure from the School Board, LAUSD Superintendent David Brewer says he'll leave his post, but only if the board honors the buyout clause in his contract: to the tune of \$500,000.	Adolfo Guzman Lopez, David Menefee-Libey	20:00
12/9/08	ECON	Democrats in congress have a proposal out for a bailout for the auto industry. It'll involve an auto Tsar to force them to build fuel efficient vehicles	Jack Shaw, Dan Neil	20:00
12/9/08	ENT	Conan O'Brian is still expected to succeed Leno next year as the host of "The Tonight Show," but NBC is announcing now that Leno will be given his own, hour-long, primetime talk show instead.	Brian Lowry	20:00
12/9/08	POLI	U.S. Attorney Patrick Fitzgerald this morning announced federal corruption charges against Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich and his chief of staff, John Harris.	Ben Calhoun	20:00
12/9/08	FOR	The increase of well-funded, well-organized pirate brigades operating outside the nation-state system has shipping companies and multi-national naval forces scrambling to maintain control of a major shipping route	G.I. Wilson, Martin Murphy	20:00
12/9/08	ENT	Jon Wilkman has produced, written and directed a one-hour PBS documentary which tells the little known story of how young Mexican Americans in East Los Angeles, caught between two cultures, found their own identity through rock 'n' roll music	Jon Wilkman, Anthony Macías	20:00
12/10/08	ECON	A frustrated Governor Schwarzenegger called a press conference this morning in which he chastised state legislators, produced an actual clock he said was keeping track of the time and money wasted by infighting, and claimed California was heading towards a "financial Armageddon." Political experts are here to check the governor's analysis.	John Meyers, Arnold Steinberg, Bill Carrick	00:24
12/10/08	ECON	Los Angeles Times' parent company, the Tribune Company announced Monday that they're filing for chapter 11 bankruptcy. How will that affect the second-largest metropolitan newspaper in the United States? L.A. Times publisher Eddie Hartenstein is here to talk about the options.	Eddy Hartenstein	00:18
12/10/08	ENER	Are we Californians getting ripped off at the pump just because we live in a nice warm climate? Because gasoline expands at high temperatures, Southern Californians may be getting overcharged over \$300 million, according to a new study commissioned by the California Energy Commission. Is it true? And if so, is it time that gas stations recalibrated their pumps for hot weather?	Gordon Schremp, John Eichberger	00:13
12/10/08	SCI	Humankind has long been fascinated by the possibility of life beyond Earth, which has both intrigued and frightened us. The film, "The Day the Earth Stood Still," explores the implications of that possibility. But just how much science is there in science fiction? Who better to answer that than smart guys from Cal Tech?	Sean Carroll, Larry Matthies,	00:28
12/10/08	POLI	News that Illinois's Governor Blagojevich is charged with corruption has right wing radio and TV hosts sounding off that this taints Barack Obama.	Ron Elving	30:00
12/10/08	ENT	Larry Mantle opens the phones to actors and others in the industry to discuss the recent town hall meeting and to sound off about a strike authorization vote.	Doug Allen	30:00

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12/10/08	GOV	New census data shows Southern California is growing more integrated, with a large number of Latinos and Asians moving into middle-class neighborhoods.	Dowell Myers, Hans Johnson	30:00
12/10/08	MEDI	NBC is announcing today that Jay Leno will stay at NBC. Conan O'Brian is still expected to succeed Leno next year as the host of "The Tonight Show," but NBC is announcing now that Leno will be given his own, hour-long, primetime talk show instead.	Brian Lowry	30:00
12/11/08	POLI	State air regulators in Sacramento today approved a "scoping plan" for California's landmark Global Warming Solution Act, which requires California to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020. Despite Governor Schwarzenegger's dismal projections at yesterday's press conference on the budget, he doesn't appear willing to skimp on the state's fight against global warming, arguing that reducing global warming is one of the best ways to save consumers money, create hundreds of thousands of new jobs and creates billions in new payroll. Opponents say the plan carries unforeseen financial risks.	Molly Peterson	00:13
12/11/08	POLI	President-elect Barack Obama has named Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory director Steven Chu as his choice for energy secretary. The Nobel Prize-winning physicist and advocate of alternative fuels is undoubtedly a brilliant scientist, but how will he balance his academic background with managing such an unwieldy agency as the department of energy?	Charles Shank	00:09
12/11/08	YOUT	Can teasing make you a better, more socially adaptable person? Can it cushion the blow of otherwise toxic criticism from loved ones and is it actually good for children in helping them to develop social skills? Psychology professor Dacher Keltner thinks it can be a good thing, and has outlined his ideas in a New York Times Magazine article titled "In Defense of Teasing." Is it really the case? And where do you draw the line between teasing and bullying?	Dacher Keltner	00:09
12/11/08	POLI	The \$700 billion Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP) absorbed two blows to the head yesterday, one from a congressional oversight panel and the other from the Government Accountability Office (GAO). Both groups questioned whether the Treasury Department had adequately diagnosed the economy's problems and whether its planned use for TARP funds will ultimately help. Have banks been freeing up credit as they've received government assistance; will the companies that were bailed out by TARP prove to be wise investments? The answers, so far, leave a lot to be desired.	Gene Dodaro	00:17
12/11/08	POLI	This morning, President-elect Obama nominated former senator and senate majority leader Tom Daschle secretary of health and human services. How much do the two men agree on health policy? We handicap Obama's selection and reprise part of an interview with Daschle from March of this year—he spoke with Patt at length about health care reform.	Noam Levy, Karen Davenport	00:13
12/11/08	POLI	Budget Meeting Blows Up Senate Republican Leader Dave Cogdill declared legislative negotiations with Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger essentially dead after a "hostile" meeting with the governor's office today. What's next for the Big 5? We get the low down on what happened today and what it bodes for negotiations with the Governor going forward. Meanwhile, California's budget deficit continues to grow.	John Meyers	00:08
12/11/08	ENT	The Hollywood Foreign Press announced its nominations today. Long considered an Oscars indicator, the Golden Globes always stir debate. Last year the Writers Guild strike reduced the awards ceremony to a press conference. This year, a SAG strike looms, but officials say the Globes will definitely be golden.	Borys Kit	00:17

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12/11/08	POLI	In a Chicago Press Conference this morning, President-elect Barack Obama officially named former Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle as secretary of Health and Human Services.	Tasha Forney, Gerald F. Kominski	20:00
12/11/08	MEDI	NPR announced yesterday that it will cancel "Day to Day" and "News & Notes." It will eliminate 64 positions nationwide out of a total staff of 889. This is in response to a \$22 million deficit. Larry gets the latest and asks what it will mean to the future of the network and KPCC's own programming.	Ellen Weiss	20:00
12/11/08	MEDI	Larry Mantle talks with Gustavo Arellano, OC Weekly staff writer, William Lobdell, Orange County journalist, and Orange County Register senior editorial writer and columnist, Steven Greenhut, about the latest news events and developments in Orange County.	Gustavo Arellano, Steve Greenhut, William Lobdell	20:00
12/11/08	FOR	Drug-related violence has claimed more than 6,000 lives in Mexico in the past two years. The Los Angeles Times is running a series on the problem; almost nobody has covered the subject as long as Sam Quinones.	Sam Quinones	30:00
12/11/08	LIT	In his new book How to Break a Terrorist Matthew Alexander (not his real name) gives us the first inside look at the military's more civilized techniques for extracting information from prisoners and how his team's careful deployment of those methods led to Zarqawi's killing	Matthew Alexander	30:00
12/12/08	ECON	The fate of the auto industry hangs in the balance as the auto bailout bill was shot down today in Congress. The Bush administration declared that it would step in to prevent the "precipitous collapse" of the auto industry and the disastrous loss of hundreds of thousands of jobs sure to follow. The news comes as General Motors announced today that it would produce 250,000 fewer automobiles than it had planned for the first quarter.	Neal Boudette	00:15
12/12/08	ECON	With lines of credit drying up and a jobless rate on a steep climb, Americans are faced with a harsh reality: actually living within their means. For years, spending beyond our paychecks has been the American way. We had to spend so the economy would thrive. Now, it seems that theory wasn't fool-proof and people are rediscovering the art of thrift. From coupon clipping to thrift store shopping, people are scouring for creative ways to save. We talk about how the American lifestyle is shifting with the recession.	Michelle Singletary, Jessica Stewart Maize	00:38
12/12/08	MIL	Barak Obama says Afghanistan is the central front of the War on Terror. At least 20,000 troops have already been committed to Afghanistan in 2009. NPR Pentagon correspondent Tom Bowman has produced a three-part series on the American strategy in Afghanistan. Meanwhile, journalist Joe Klein argues that the war in that country has become an aimless absurdity. What next Afghanistan?	Joe Klein, Tom Bowman	00:27
12/12/08	HEAL	Especially among parents of young children, there is no more universally accepted boogeyman than high fructose corn syrup, the leading cause of obesity and diabetes--or so we've been told. It turns out that high fructose corn syrup might not be the kiss of death, and in fact might be no more harmful to a person's long term health than regular sucrose, or table sugar. A new review in the American Journal of Clinical Nutrition, conducted in part by critics of HFCS, finds no scientific support for the hypothesis that the sweetener is linked to obesity. Can kids go back to drinking Kool Aid now?	Dr. James M. Rippe, Barry Popkin	00:26
12/12/08	GOV	The Senate rejected a \$14 billion plan to bailout the ailing auto industry, raising the possibility that the Big 3 car companies would declare bankruptcy.	Jack Shaw, David Welch	30:00

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12/12/08	GOV	On August 21, 2008, Darrell Steinberg (Democrat) was voted by his Senate colleagues to be the next President pro Tempore of the state Senate.	Darrell Steinberg, Richard Foster	30:00
12/12/08	ENT	Bettie Page, the infamous pin-up girl from the 1950's died last night at the age of 85. Larry talks with Richard Foster, author of The Real Bettie Page about her life and legacy.	Richard Foster	30:00
12/12/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks with KPCC film critics Claudia Puig of USA Today and Henry Sheehan of henrysheehan.com about the week's new releases including "The Day The Earth Stood Still," "Gran Torino," "Doubt," "The Reader," "Nothing Like The Holidays," "Che," and "Wendy and Lucy," among others.	Andrew Stanton	30:00
12/15/08	POLI	An Iraqi journalist threw his shoes, one after another, at President Bush during an Iraqi press conference Saturday. Now that journalist is being heralded as a local folk hero. How is this episode being read around the world? And what does it say about larger shifts in Iraqi public opinion and political dissent?	Tina Susman	00:15
12/15/08	ECON	Similar to a pyramid scheme, a Ponzi scheme, named for Charles Ponzi, is an illegal investment operation that involves paying abnormally high returns to investors out of the money paid in by subsequent investors, rather than from the profit of any real business. Investor and former pillar of the financial community, Bernard Madoff, is now being accused of the largest Ponzi scheme in history, amounting to an estimated \$50 billion. We take a closer look at the father and roots of the Ponzi scheme.	Mitchell Zuckoff	00:09
12/15/08	HIST	Hugh Hefner is one of the most influential cultural icons in modern America—and a magnet for controversy. His Playboy magazine taught Americans to relax their inhibitions and enjoy sex and material abundance in the 50s, showed millions how to break the rules in the 60s, and still fuels raging debates between the feminist community and the "me generation." Steven Watts' Mr. Playboy offers insight to the man behind the flamboyant persona and the industry he built around it.	Steven Watts, Hugh Hefner	00:29
12/15/08	POLI	With the official nominations of Steven Chu as Secretary of Energy, Carol Browner as coordinator of energy policy in the White House and Lisa Jackson as director of the EPA, one of the most ambitious, complicated and important energy programs in the history of the United States begins today. President-elect Barack Obama has promised to liberate the U.S. from the shackles of foreign oil and lead the global rush to stem climate change, two immensely challenging tasks independent of each other let alone one combined effort. In the middle of a recession, can the President-elect convince Americans to sign up for expensive and untested renewable energies?	Anne Korin, Mary Nichols	00:24
12/15/08	ENT	Hollywood studios are buying ads in trade dailies in its latest volley with the Screen Actors Guild. At the same time a rift has opened between SAG leaders in Los Angeles and New York over the decision to strike. Will there be a strike? What's the future of residuals?	Jay Fernandez	20:00
12/15/08	ENER	Obama is tapping Nobel Prize-winning physicist Steven Chu as his energy secretary and Nancy Sutley as chair of Obama's White House Council on Environmental Quality. Sutley is currently Villaraigosa's deputy mayor for energy and environment. Larry gets the latest on Obama's environmental appointments and what his energy policy will look like.	David Zahniser, Jim Tankersley, Severin Borenstein, John Felmy, Sheryl Carter	30:00

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12/15/08	ENV	Between Dec. 14, 2008 and Jan. 5, 2009, thousands of Californians from all walks of life will participate in the 109 th annual Audubon Christmas Bird Count, the longest-running wildlife census in the world. The data from these counts will be compiled with others from around the nation and beyond, and will ultimately help Audubon track the progress of imperiled species and gauge the impact of environmental threats to birds and habitat. Larry Mantle talks with bird experts about this event	Graham Chisholm, Garry George	10:00
12/15/08	POLI	The Barack Obama campaign produced a network of some two million registered users. The question now: what next? The campaign scheduled events over the weekend to discuss the future of the national organization and what goals it might seek. Larry gets the details on what they came up with.	Melanie Schmidt	30:00
12/15/08	LIT	From The Iliad and The Odyssey, to Shakespeare's collection of sonnets, to the musings of Sigmund Freud -- the Great Books of Western Civilization covered all the bases in 54 volumes. In the middle of the 20th century, families were sold on the collection from the joint effort of Encyclopedia Britannica and the University of Chicago. In his new book, A Great Idea at the Time, author Alex Beam tells the story of the men who put the volumes together and the people who read them.	Alex Beam	30:00
12/16/08	ECON	In an aggressive move today, the Federal Reserve cut the federal funds rate—the interest that banks charge each other—not to a specific number, but to a "range" between zero and 0.25 percent. That's down from the 1 percent target rate that has been in effect since the Fed's last meeting in October. The stock market responded positively, rising nearly 360 points, but what's the significance of a range as opposed to a set number? Where do we go from here now that the Fed has all but expended what's arguably it's most powerful tool?	Joseph Mason	00:13
12/16/08	HOUS	This time to \$285,000. It's the first time median home prices have fallen below the \$300,000 mark since 2003. How low will they go?	Peter Hong	00:09
12/16/08	TRAN	While absorbing consistently bad news about job losses, evaporating 401(k)'s and billion-dollar bailouts, it was the one small comfort you could take away from an all-around lousy economy: gasoline prices were comfortably low again, retreating from \$4/gallon earlier this year. Now that one guilty pleasure might soon be gone—if OPEC's expected huge supply cut doesn't do it, uneconomical oil fields should soon pump the price of gas back up to the \$4 range and possibly beyond. How much pain is coming down the pipeline?	Tom Kloza	00:09
12/16/08	TRAN	Perhaps Detroit could learn a thing or two from BMW's Mini Cooper brand. The little car, already well regarded for mixing fuel efficiency with solid performance, will soon be available in an all-electric model; the first 500 Mini E's are being released into the market, including here in L.A., for long-term testing. While Detroit manufacturers have taken years to develop alternative fuel cars, the Mini E took a mere 10-months to develop. The Mini E will continue to combine efficiency with speed, going 150-miles on one charge and with an impressive 0—60 time. Is the Mini E too good to be true?	David Booth	00:17
12/16/08	HEAL	The Supreme Court ruled Monday that lawsuits may proceed against tobacco companies for allegedly deceptive marketing of "light" cigarettes as better for you. Where does personal responsibility figure in this ruling? And what implications could it have for public health?	Ed Sweda, Dr. Stanton Glantz	00:13
12/16/08	EDU	Senior deputy Los Angeles Unified School District superintendent Ramon Cortines was named today as the successor for outgoing superintendent David L. Brewer III. We take you live to KPCC reporter Adolfo Guzman-Lopez at LAUSD headquarters.	Adolfo Guzman- Lopez	00:09

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12/16/08	ART	Princess Leia actress Carrie Fisher is here to talk about her new book, <i>Wishful Drinking</i> —a memoir of her childhood as the daughter of a tabloid-rocked show business marriage, anecdotes from life in the limelight, and a frank account of coming to terms with bi-polar disorder and addiction.	Carrie Fisher	00:26
12/16/08	EDU	President Barack Obama has announced his picks for Secretaries of Education and the Interior. Chicago public schools chief Arne (AHR'-nee) Duncan will be Education Secretary. Obama's choice for Interior Secretary is Colorado Senator Ken Salazar.	Veronica Anderson, Jim Tankersley	20:00
12/16/08	SAC	The State budget is now projected to rise to over \$40 billion by 2010. Republican lawmakers refuse to raise taxes, but are looking at spending funds committed to various social programs. Larry gets the details.	Evan Halper, Bob Stern	30:00
12/16/08	ECON	Wall Street financier Bernard Madoff is charged with perpetrating a \$50 billion Ponzi scheme that has hit Southern California Jewish charities especially hard. The Chais Family Foundation, for example, is reported to have shut down after losing money to Madoff. Larry gets the latest on the scandal.	Rob Eschman	10:00
12/16/08	HEAL	The FDA is circulating a draft report within the government that may indicate the health benefits for pregnant women and children of consuming fish are greater than the potential risks from mercury. The EPA is already taking great exception with the report. Larry and guests discuss.	Lyndsey Layton, Dr. James McGregor, Gina Solomon	30:00
12/16/08	ENT	With an increasing popularity of karaoke nights, amateur songsters flock to bars to sing their favorite tunes. Author Brian Raftery is a karaoke enthusiast who discusses the growing passion in his new book and Larry Mantle speaks with Raftery about his attraction to crooning other people's classics and how the trend began.	Brian Raftery	30:00
12/17/08	POLI	Securities and Exchange Commission's Chairman Chris Cox ordered an investigation into the SEC yesterday after he learned of "multiple failures" by staff to investigate repeated credible and specific allegations regarding Madoff's financial wrongdoing going back to at least 1999. We take a look inside the SEC. What are the broader mechanisms for SEC regulation and what went wrong	Lynn E Turner, Arthur Levitt	00:21
12/17/08	LAW	Big Hollywood names such as Steven Spielberg and screenwriter Eric Roth got caught up along with numerous Jewish charities in Bernard Madoff's estimated \$50 billion Ponzi scheme. Did the victims see red flags? How can you be sure you aren't being swindled? What are the warning signs you should be looking out for with your investments?	John Fishel, Ken Winans	00:31
12/17/08	ECON	A state panel that oversees loans for public works projects voted today to stop financing nearly all construction in California, halting nearly \$4 billion in loans for everything from freeways to schools. Will that long-stalled project in your neighborhood be affected?	Bill Lockyer, Mike Genest, Steven Levy	00:15
12/17/08	ENT	Following Monday night's SAG meeting in New York, SAG meets once again tonight in Los Angeles for a town meeting to try to unite several factions within the guild. This is a chance for the leaders of SAG to explain why they need the leverage to have the membership vote to strike. It doesn't necessarily mean SAG will strike but insiders say it's likely if they can garner the necessary support.	Brian Watt	00:11
12/17/08	RELI	The world economic crisis might mean fewer Christmas presents, but Pope Benedict XVI says that tough times can give back simplicity and solidarity to holiday celebrations. How are you celebrating your recession Christmas?	listener call-ins only	00:18

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12/17/08	POLI	Congressman. Xavier Becerra, D-31st district, said Tuesday he will stay in the House and pass on becoming U.S. trade representative in Barack Obama's administration. Becerra emerged as a leading candidate for the post and even interviewed with Obama. But according to press reports, Becerra put the kybosh on the move because he wanted to stay in the House to work on several issues, including immigration. Larry talks to Becerra about this surprise decision.	Xavier Becerra	20:00
12/17/08	HOUS	Home sales in Los Angeles County jumped by 12.7 percent in November, compared to the same month a year ago, while prices dropped 31.9 percent, a real estate information service reported today. In Orange County, the median home price was \$400,000, down 31.4 percent from the November 2007 median of \$582,750, according to La Jolla-based firm DataQuick. Over all home sales in the six-county Southern California region in November jumped by 26.9 percent over the same month last year.	John Karevoll	20:00
12/17/08	HIST	Larry Mantle talks with director James Moll about his new film "Inheritance" that will air on KCET on Thursday, December 18 th at 8:30 p.m. In his film, Moll brings together two women from very different worlds; one, the daughter of Nazi Concentration Camp Commander, Amon Goeth, the other, one of his victims.	James Moll, Monika Hertwig	20:00
12/17/08	EDU	Ramon C. Cortines, a senior deputy Los Angeles Unified School District superintendent, was named today as the successor for outgoing superintendent David L. Brewer III. Brewer will be leaving the district at the end of the month. Cortines agreed to a three-year contract and will take over as superintendent Jan. 1. The board's vote to hire him was unanimous. Larry Mantle talks with Ray Cortines about the challenges he faces as Superintendent of the nation's second largest school district.	Ramon C. (Ray) Cortines	20:00
12/17/08	SCI	Back in 2004, President Bush announced his "Vision for Space Exploration,". The plan was to retire the shuttle and begin construction of a new vehicle with a goal of establishing a moon base and, eventually, launching a mission to Mars. But with a new administration, and the economic crisis, it's unclear if this vision will reach fruition. What does President-elect Obama have in mind for space travel? And what do you think NASA should do in the years to come?	Dr. Louis Friedman, Kathryn Thorton, Scott Pace	40:00
12/18/08	LAB	She's Obama's pick for Secretary of Labor. As a member of Congress, Solis' priorities have been protecting the environment, improving the lives of working families and expanding access to affordable health care. But how will she fare as Secretary of Labor? And did Obama pick the right person?	Harold Meyerson, Fernando Guerra	00:15
12/18/08	POLI	When the Federal Reserves loans out close \$3 trillion to American investment firms, and the Troubled Assets Relief Program compiles \$700 billion to bailout banks, the money in play is often referred to as "taxpayer dollars." That not an entirely accurate characterization-the bulk of the money funding the American government comes from Saudi Arabia, Japan and China, which accounts for our \$10 trillion national debt. James Fallows from The Atlantic sat down with the president of the China Investment Corporation who had some friendly advice for Americans: "Be nice to the countries that lend you money."	James Fallows	00:20

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12/18/08	ECON	The Bush administration is looking at "orderly" bankruptcy as a possible way to deal with the desperately ailing U.S. auto industry. Earlier in the week, Chrysler said that its closing all 30 of its manufacturing plants for a month starting Friday as it seeks to counter the most severe downturn in U.S. auto sales in more than two decades. GM and Ford have announced extensions of their holiday shutdowns as well. How is all the bad news in the automobile industry shaking out at local car dealerships? We take a survey.	Neil Boudette, Tawny Aranaud, Tom Callahan	00:18
12/18/08	ECON	Democratic lawmakers say they will vote on an \$18 billion package to address California's budget deficit - without the usual required two-thirds majority vote to approve increases in state taxes. Is this legal?	John Meyers, Karen Bass, Dave Cogdill, Mike Feuer	00:37
12/18/08	RELI	President-Elect Obama has selected Pastor Rick Warren for the invocation at the Inauguration. The choice has brought objections from gay rights advocates, who strongly supported Obama during the election campaign. What do you say?	Yashar Hedayat	00:16
12/18/08	SAC	Democrats in the state legislature proposed a plan to address \$18 billion of the state's shortfall over the next 18 months through a series of legal maneuvers that would cut some taxes and raise others. Assembly Speaker Karen Bass, Democrat from Los Angeles, said that the plan could pass without the two-thirds majority typically needed to raise taxes because it would not change the amount of tax coming into the state's overall budget. Larry talks with Speaker Bass and other guests about this unusual proposal to shore up the ailing California budget.	Karen Bass, Roger Niello, H.D. Palmer	30:00
12/18/08	HEAL	From the California Endowment in downtown, Los Angeles, Larry Mantle and a special panel of experts discuss some of the most effective and promising treatments and therapies for children diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder.	Dr. Ricki Robinson, Elizabeth Laugeson, Ron Leaf, Clara Lajonchere	90:00
12/19/08	ECON	Today President Bush approved an emergency bailout of the U.S. auto industry, offering \$17.4 billion in rescue loans in exchange for tough concessions from the deeply troubled carmakers and their workers. The money will come from the \$700 billion financial package awarded to banks in October. The automakers have three months to come up with a plan for restructuring. Those that fail have to repay the loan by March 31. Workers also have to agree to wages competitive with foreign companies. Can this work?	Ross Eisenbrey, Andrew Grossman	00:25
12/19/08	ECON	California's unemployment rate climbed to 8.4 percent in November, the third-highest rate in the nation. More than 20,000 jobs were lost last month in the retail industry alone. More bad job news came from the Governor himself today: furloughs and layoffs to come for state workers. The furloughs would begin in February and could amount to a 10% pay cut for all general and special fund employees. When will it end? Should we expect even more layoffs after the New Year?	Jon Haveman	00:10
12/19/08	LAW	No Good Deed Goes Unpunished? Yesterday the state's high court said a would-be good Samaritan accused of rendering her friend paraplegic by pulling her from a wrecked car can be sued. It was once considered heroic to help a stranger out of a dangerous situation. But this case could change all that. Does this ruling encourage an uncompassionate society? Would this stop you from doing a good deed?	Alex Capron	00:18
12/19/08	POLI	In his first official statement since his arrest on corruption charges last week, Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich says he will fight until he takes his "last breath."	Cheryl Corley, Ben Smith	00:15

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12/19/08	POLI	Comedy Congress is back in session. From Blagojevich to the auto bailout, they have plenty of material to work with.	Ben Gleib, Wayne Federman	00:38
12/19/08	OC	The U.S. Commerce Department announced Thursday that it would uphold the state Coastal Commission's rejection of the plan to build the controversial Foothill South toll road, a proposal that would have connected south Orange County with north San Diego County. This decision may end plans for the proposed 16-mile turnpike, which was vehemently opposed by environmentalists for cutting through a popular beachfront state park and by transportation planners as vital to easing the region's gridlock. According to the Commerce Department announcement, the toll road agency backing the plan "may pursue another route" consistent with protections to the coastal zone. Larry Mantle and guests react to the Commerce Department's decision.	Matt McClain, Jerry Amante	20:00
12/19/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks about the week's new releases including Seven Pounds, Yes Man, The Tale of Despereaux, The Wrestler, Adam Resurrected, The Yellow Handkerchief, Gomorrah and The Class, among others.	Jean Oppenheimer, Andy Klein, Charles Solomon	40:00
12/19/08	POLI	NPR coverage of Obama's appointment of Hilda Solis as Secretary of Labor	n/a	40:00
12/19/08	POLI	President-elect Barack Obama announces his choice of Congresswoman Hilda Solis to become Secretary of Labor. Congresswoman Solis currently represents East Los Angeles and parts of the San Gabriel Valley. A Democratic from El Monte and the daughter of immigrants, Hilda Solis has focused her legislative career largely on immigration and environmental issues.	Harley Shaiken, Randel Johnson	20:00
12/22/08	ECON	Widely perceived as the auto maker best prepared for the economic slump, even sales- leader Toyota Motor Corp., it appears, is in trouble. This year it's facing \$1.66 billion in losses--the first time it has posted losses since the company began reporting its finances back in 1941. What does this mean for the auto maker that pioneered hybrid technology? And how can GM and other car companies expect to fare, given the dismal news?	Irv Miller, Keith Naughton	00:15
12/22/08	ECON	Credit card bills out of control? While we can't do much to help lower your balance, there is a sliver of good news in the credit card industry: federal regulators have adopted new rules to protect consumers from things like arbitrary hikes in interest rates. The rules will also prevent credit card companies from placing unfair time constraints on payments and making deceptive offers of credit, among other protections. Will these changes end the so-called "unfair, deceptive and predatory practices" of the credit card industry?	Linda Sherry, Nessa Feddis	00:26
12/22/08	HEAL	We've all been hit with it, no matter how young. Those moments come up when we just can't remember a name of a person or a song or where we left our keys. As we age, those short term memories become even more fleeting and "senior moments," as they're aptly caused, can be extremely frustrating. But what causes this natural decline in the brain's ability to retain recent memories? Neurologists are trying to map the brain to better understand the process...and, it is hoped, come up with exercises and medications that can stave it off.	Adam Gazzaley	00:12

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12/22/08	SAC	It's been a tough eight years in isolation for California-we've suffered various indignities from the Bush Administration, punctuated by the EPA's scandalous dance around granting California's waiver for tougher air quality standards. Now the state appears to be finding its way out of the political wilderness with a new, California-friendly Obama Administration (with several Californians playing prominent roles in the cabinet) and an increasingly powerful Congressional delegation, led by Speaker Nancy Pelosi. Will California throw its weight around and finally get its due in D.C.?	Bruce Cain	00:15
12/22/08	ECON	This week when Apple announced that its CEO Steve Jobs will not be making his annual, much-anticipated appearance at Macworld in January, a mini-hysteria broke out in the tech world, and on Wall Street. Apple's share price took a hit, and this is when the company remains profitable and should hit its sales goals in a recession year. Could one man really be so tightly wound into the identity of a huge, global company? Yes-Steve Jobs is Apple and if, as some rumors suggest, he is seriously sick again, how will Apple press on without its iconic leader?	David Pogue	00:09
12/22/08	ECON	Just breathe, mathphobes! The authors of a new book on numbers, "The Numbers Game: The Commonsense Guide to Understanding Numbers in the News, in Politics, and in Life" are here to explain the use-and abuse-of numbers in our everyday lives. From tax spending to crime to climate shock figures, these experts offer simple tricks and techniques to cut through the mysterious use of the numbers all around us and empower the everyday media consumer.	Michael Blastland, Andrew Dilnot	00:28
12/22/08	LGB	California Attorney General Jerry Brown filed a legal brief Friday asking the state Supreme Court to invalidate Proposition 8, arguing that it's unconstitutional. The California Attorney General's action was a reversal of his previous position, which was to defend the ballot measure against legal challenges from gay marriage supporters. Larry Mantle talks with the Attorney General about his surprise move. Then he talks with constitutional law scholars Erwin Chemerinsky and John Eastman about how the Court is likely to rule on the matter.	Jerry Brown, Erwin Chemerinsky, John Eastman	30:00
12/22/08	ART	Larry talks about MOCA's financial troubles and the struggle to save this important Los Angeles art institution.	Mike Boehm	30:00
12/22/08	YOUT	How do parents impart the spirit of giving and the values embedded in the Christmas message when so much activity during the holidays revolves around buying things? Larry takes listener calls	n/a	30:00
12/22/08	YOUT	As families become more complicated, so do the holidays. Larry Mantle talks with marriage and family therapist Stephen Treat about how to manage these challenges, and about how to enjoy the holidays in spite of them.	Stephen Treat	30:00
12/23/08	ENV	Federal regulators discovered a few loose bolts at San Onofre nuclear plant that prevented a battery from working. The battery powered safety systems at the plant; its malfunction went unnoticed for four years. Although this incident was labeled a low to moderate safety significance finding, the San Onofre plant has troubled the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for some time. In its report, the NRC said the San Onofre plant's "ability to effectively evaluate problems has been, and continues to be, a concern to the NRC." Should we be concerned?	Victor Dricks, Ross Ridenoure	00:15

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12/23/08	ART	Billionaire philanthropist Eli Broad, after a few weeks of controversy, officially announced today his \$30 million bailout of the financially beleaguered Museum of Contemporary Art. After a public bickering with the Los Angeles Museum of Art and their rival plan to merge with MOCA, Broad finalized his offer this morning and the house cleaning of MOCA's leadership began in earnest. L.A.'s largest arts patron Eli Broad talks to Patt about his decision to step in during MOCA's time of desperate need.	Eli Broad	00:07
12/23/08	FOR	Americans sick of hearing the constant drum beat of bad news from the Middle East might be excused for missing the relative calm from the region over the past six months. Since June a shaky truce between Israel and the Hamas government in Gaza has been holding and violence between the mortal enemies had slowed to a crawl. Through a series of events, complicated by domestic politics in each camp, rocket launches and missile strikes were back again this weekend and now Israelis are considering an all out war in Gaza to topple Hamas once and for all. As they stare once more down the precipice of bloody conflict, might a lasting peace be possible this time?	Robert Pastor	00:13
12/23/08	DIS	It's called "greening disease" because it causes the leaves of orange trees to fade in color. It sucks the sugar out of the leaves, leaving the trees incapable of producing edible fruit. Transmitted by an aphid-like bug, it has wiped out crops in China, India, Saudi Arabia and Egypt and has now wrecked havoc in Brazil. Florida Citrus growers have found the bug that spreads it. And it's already showing up in Southern California. So far the disease hasn't shown up, but it may be a matter of time. What are state growers doing to prepare?	Joel Nelsen, Ted Batkin	00:18
12/23/08	POLI	President Elect Obama insists that he and his team had zilch to do with Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich's alleged attempts to sell his former senate seat to the highest bidder. However, he's looking into it anyway, and Vice President-elect Joe Biden says a report released today will show "no inappropriate contact" between Rahm Emanuel or any other Obama staffers and Blagojevich. But will it be enough? And is it just impossible to extricate oneself from the sometimes-sleazy world of Chicago politics?	Tony Arnold, David Mark	00:15
12/23/08	ART	Cooking your first Christmas goose? Making grandma's tamales? Looking for a variation on your Hanukkah latkes? We can help! Chef and restaurant owners Susan Feniger and Mary Sue Milliken are here to field your questions—basic and advanced—about holiday cooking, traditional and avant-garde. The experts also offer up some recipes of their own for those without a clue.	Mary Sue Milliken, Susan Feniger	00:38
12/23/08	ENT	Larry talks with Jay Fernandez of the Hollywood Reporter and takes calls from SAG members about the vote delay and what's next.	Jay Fernandez	30:00
12/23/08	ENER	Larry Mantle discusses L.A.'s new solar plan, and a report by a consulting firm that said the plan may be "extremely risky," and more expensive than previously thought. As a result, this might cost DWP customers significantly more on their bills. But, is this really the case?	David Zahniser, Laura Chick, H. David Nahai	30:00
12/23/08	HEAL	A recent study by the National Institutes of Health showed that people who took the antioxidants vitamin C, E and selenium were just as likely to develop certain cancers than those who didn't take them. Other studies involving certain vitamins and supplements also showed they no effect in the prevention of illnesses like heart disease and stroke. But if vitamins aren't a magic bullet for disease prevention, does that mean we shouldn't take them?	Andrew Shao, Dr. Edgar R. Miller	30:00

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12/23/08	ART	The financially troubled Museum of Contemporary Art in Los Angeles has accepted a \$30 million bailout from billionaire Eli Broad. In a deal announced today, Broad proposed to match donations to the museum's endowment up to \$15 million, and to give \$15 million over five years toward exhibitions. Jeremy Strick, MOCA director, has resigned and will be replaced by former UCLA chancellor Charles E. Young, who will become the museum's first chief executive. Larry and guests talk about the future of one of LA most important arts institutions.	Diane Haithman, Tom Unterman	30:00
12/24/08	ECON	The LA Times reported today that local food guru Nancy Silverton has lost everything to the Madoff Ponzi scheme. As the first lawsuits against the Securities and Exchange Commission for failing to detect Madoff's corruption begin trickling in, what recourse do these victims have?	Jason Zweig	00:08
12/24/08	SPOR	It's easily the most anticipated basketball game this season. We get a preview of the Christmas Day festivities.	Ron Rappaport	00:07
12/24/08	ECON	Shoppers aren't shy about asking for bigger bargains, as holiday sales shape up to be the lowest in years and some retailers, Toys "R" Us and Macy's included, are staying open 'round the clock. Discounts, easier return policies, "buy two and get a bigger percentage off"—they're all on the table. Are you looking for the perfect Christmas gift like you shop for a used car? Some experts say you're a moron if you're not. What's your method for finding the best bang for your buck?	Lars Perner	00:20
12/24/08	ART	New Yorker cartoon editor Bob Mankoff is here with insight to America's more-than-80-year love affair with the magazine's cartoons, the psychology of cartoon humor, and a behind-the-scenes look at the New Yorker Cartoon Caption Contest.	Bob Mankoff	00:18
12/24/08	ECON	In a continuation of the housing trend that is largely responsible for the domino effects of financial institution failures, the credit crisis and the resulting recession, home sales declined dramatically in November and housing prices posted their sharpest decline in four decades. However, here in Southern California bargain hunters are in the market in droves, and have been responsible for boosting home sale figures, up 27% from last year. So the property market is on the rebound locally? Not quite—as Patt discovers, credit a record flood of foreclosures for SoCal's sales boom.	Thomas Davidoff,	00:15
12/24/08	LIT	Best-selling author Maya Angelou is here to talk about her latest book, Letter to My Daughter, a collection of short lyrical essays—part memoir, part "how-to"—offering a window into the turbulent life of this renowned voice in American literature.	Maya Angelou	00:20
12/24/08	LIT	It was more than forty years ago that story-teller and radio host John Henry Faulk first recorded his "Christmas Story." Since then it's become an NPR Christmas tradition. But Faulk was more than a story teller. Among other things, he was an activist, author, playwright, and husband. Faulk was branded a communist in the late fifties, but won a libel suit that helped to bring an end to the Hollywood blacklist. He was known for his work as a proponent of civil rights and made speeches at universities on the First Amendment. Patt talks with Faulk's widow, Elizabeth, about the life and experiences of this great storyteller.	Elizabeth Faulk	00:18

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12/24/08	SAC	In an attempt to address California's fiscal crisis, Governor Schwarzenegger recently announced mass layoffs and unpaid furloughs for state workers starting in February. Under his executive order, more than 200,000 employees will be forced to take off two unpaid days per month through June 30, 2010. A spokesman for the governor's office says the mandatory time off is equivalent to about a 9% pay cut for affected workers, and would save the state more than \$1.2 billion. State worker unions have responded with law suits aimed at halting the furloughs, charging that the governor over stepped his executive authority. Larry talks with guests about the impact of the governor's plan.	Dan Walters, Lynelle Jolley, Bruce Blanning	30:00
12/24/08	OC	Larry Mantle talks with Gustavo Arellano, OC Weekly staff writer, William Lobdell, Orange County journalist, and Orange County Register senior editorial writer and columnist, Steven Greenhut, about the latest news events and developments in Orange County.	Gustavo Arellano, Steve Greenhut, William Lobdell	30:00
12/24/08	ECON	Larry opens the phones to talk about the crisis in confidence that Americans may be experiencing during these difficult times of financial insecurity. In the face of so much bad economic news, who do you trust? And what are you putting your trust in these days?	n/a	60:00
12/25/08	ENV	When you think of birds and Christmas you may think of six geese a-laying, two turtle doves, or a partridge in a pear tree, but this year thousands of Californians will be taking that carol to heart and helping scientists compile a census of bird populations in their local communities. They hope the information can be used to guide conservation and policy efforts. Think you can spot three French hens? Join in the 109th Audubon Christmas Bird Count.	Kimble Garret, Gary Langham	00:15
12/25/08	ART	Judd Breslau appears to be an average adolescent! a loner whose scholarly and carnal pursuits find him kicked out of Yale at the age of 14, following young love from a Colorado equestrian ranch to a porn studio beneath the Brooklyn Bridge, and finally in an Iraqi jail cell from which he narrates his journey. Well, perhaps Judd isn't normal at all... but what part of adolescence is? Academy Award nominee for screenwriting (and Mr. Magoo co-creator) Millard Kaufman is here to talk about "Bowl of Cherries," his debut novel written at the age of 91.	Millard Kaufman	00:20
12/25/08	ART	After years of worrying he would be labeled "terminally unhip" along with his idol of choice, Rolling Stone rock critic and editor David Wild has come out about his love for Neil Diamond, in book form: "He Is... I Say: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Love Neil Diamond." Conveniently for Wild, that decision coincides with a recent resurgence in Diamond's popularity, brought on by a new album and a day job as American Idol's icon-in-residence. Wild's newest book, somewhere between a biography and the ultimate fan tribute, draws on exclusive interviews to reveal the man behind the music and the drive behind our infatuation with that man.	David Wild	00:18
12/25/08	ECON	According to Bill Gates, and Adam Smith before him, the genius of capitalism is its ability to make self-interest serve a wider interest. The challenge is to make that system of incentives serve the world's poor in the way it serves the world's rich. Michael Kinsley, author of "Creative Capitalism: A Conversation with Bill Gates, Warren Buffet, and Other Economic Leaders," is here for a sobering talk about reconsidering capitalism's strengths and weaknesses at a time when the world's reigning ideology faces its biggest crisis since the Great Depression.	Michael Kinsley	00:23

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12/25/08	ART	Is there something about comedy... its ability to unsettle social boundaries, challenge definitions of good taste, speak truth to the powerful... that makes it especially appealing to the American spirit? In homage to our nation's comedic tradition, "Make 'Em Laugh" charts the history of American comedy in the twentieth century through six uniquely American comedy styles to understand what makes us bust a gut and why.	Michael Kantor, Laurence Maslon	00:30
12/25/08	HIST	We've been looking at the map of the United States since childhood so, unconventional as many of the states' borders are, they seem natural to us. Larry talks with Mark Stein, author of How the States Got Their Shapes, about the historical and geographical reasons our state's boundaries became the jigsaw puzzle we take for granted.	Mark Stein	30:00
12/25/08	HEAL	In the fall of 2007, Forrest Church, a pastor at New York's All Souls Unitarian Church, discovered he had terminal cancer. A writer or editor of twenty three books, he decided to write one more: "Love and Death: My Journey Through the Valley of the Shadow," chronicling the last days of his life. As a pastor, he had overseen funerals and dealt with many grieving families. In this book, he deals with death again--from the other side of the equation. Larry talks to Church about a subject we all try to avoid.	Forrest Church	30:00
12/25/08	RELI	Lynn Neary hosts a series from the NPR archives that touch on the meaning of Christmas. David Sedaris, Bailey White, John Henry Faulk -- these and other NPR voices, past and present, tell stories of the season.		60:00
12/26/08	ECON	Even before the traditional shopping frenzy began after Thanksgiving the nation's retailers had turned in the worst sales figures in at least a generation, the weakest retail sales in more than 35 years. Declines were recorded in every retail segment, with the biggest coming from department stores—perhaps it's not a coincidence that Macy's stayed open 24-hours a day for the final week leading up to Christmas. Now that we're past the retail industry's D-Day, how bad were the final holiday sales figures; and how will stores adapt and adjust to a recession in 2009?	Malachy Kavanuagh	00:27
12/26/08	TECH	Remember eight tracks? How about Betamax? When was the last time you saw an audio cassette tape? Many a format has come and gone. Soon it'll be official: VHS is taking its place in the history books. But are consumers ready to give up their VCRs? And what's next after DVD? Blu-Ray is coming online, but most people still find them too expensive. Scan disk/USB sticks may be the new format of choice...and then there's the future of video streaming via the Internet. Will that eventually doom all recording device rentals?	Ryan Kugler, David Pogue	00:26
12/26/08	LAW	Bernard Madoff, a Jewish American business man, was arrested earlier this month after allegedly bilking billions from wealthy Jews. But what Madoff did is, unfortunately, not all that unusual. It's called affinity fraud: con artists target members of an ethnic community by exploiting people's natural trust of those with similar backgrounds. Previous con-artists have gone after church groups, African-Americans and Armenians, to name a few. What's the psychology that lets these people gain the trust of otherwise intelligent and wealthy individuals to perpetrate these scams?	Mark Borovitz, Carol Tavis	00:35
12/26/08	LAW	Covina police updated the public and media at 2 p.m. today on the crime involving a man who showed up in a Santa outfit and killed nine people in a fiery bloodbath at his former in-law's Christmas Eve party. The shooter had reached a divorce settlement with his ex-wife just days earlier and was struggling financially since losing his aerospace job five months ago. KPCC reporter Brian Watt was at the press conference and joins us with the latest.	Brian Watt	00:10

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12/26/08	ART	British playwright and Nobel Prize-winner Harold Pinter was known for unpredictable dialogue and having characters interact in an enclosed space. In the US, his influence can be felt in the plays of Sam Shepard and David Mamet. He was also an outspoken voice of political protest. He died on December 25 after a long battle with cancer.	Michael Hackett	00:12
12/26/08	MEDI	The Los Angeles City Council last week approved a three-month moratorium on new billboards so that city officials can work on a new law regulating where traditional and electronic signs can be posted. Some groups are pushing for an outright ban on billboards. Others would like limitations put on electronic billboards specifically. What would you like the billboard policy of the City of Los Angeles to be?		20:00
12/26/08	OBIT	The self-proclaimed "sex kitten" entertained fans with her singing, dancing and acting into her 70s. She won two Emmys and was nominated for several Tony awards and two Grammys. In addition to her high-profile work on the stage and screen, Eartha Kitt was also active in the civil rights and anti-war movements in the 60's and 70's. She died yesterday of colon cancer at a hospital in Connecticut at age 81.	Earl Ofari Hutchinson	10:00
12/26/08	ENT	Larry Mantle talks about the week's new releases including The Curious Case of Benjamin Button, Revolutionary Road, Valkyrie, Bedtime Stories, Marley & Me, The Spirit, Waltz With Bashir, Last Chance Harvey, Ciao, Defiance, and Good.	Jean Oppenheimer, Henry Sheehan, Wade Major, Charles Solomon	90:00
12/29/08	POLI	Three days of air strikes on Hamas strongholds in Gaza have left over 300 people dead and some 1,400 wounded. Patt gets the latest on the fighting.	Josh Mitnick, Bradley Burston	00:15
12/29/08	ECON	January 1st marks ten years since the leaders of the European Union took steps to merge their currencies into a single unit, with the goal of transforming the region's political and economic tapestry. Since 1999, fifteen countries have adopted the Euro as their currency, with Slovakia becoming the sixteenth member this Thursday. Has the experiment lived up to its promise? And how does it stand in the current world economic climate? Patt gets the scoop on the Euro, from an economic, political and cultural perspective.	Michael Mussa, Robert Fishman	00:12
12/29/08	HIST	She's known to a whole new audience for her dance steps, rather than her Oscar and Emmy wins. But actress Cloris Leachman isn't complaining; she's soaking up her renewed fame by serving as this year's Rose Parade grand marshal. Her career spans half a century, but it took the hit show "Dancing with the Stars" to remind everyone just how charming and entertaining she can be. Leachman will lead the 120th Tournament of Roses on New Year's Day with a parade theme of "Hats Off to Entertainment."	Cloris Leachman	00:26
12/29/08	LAW	Inglewood police officers have repeatedly resorted to physical or deadly force against unarmed or minor offenders over the past six years. This year alone, four people have been killed by police shots, three of them unarmed. And officers within the department have complained about a lack of training and lax policy on when to shoot. What's going on in Inglewood?	Jack Leonard, Michael Gennaco	00:15
12/29/08	LAW	Covina police will meet with the community tonight to discuss the Christmas Eve rampage in which a man dressed as Santa Claus fatally shot his ex-wife, her parents, and six other relatives before burning down his ex-in-law's home. We get a preview.	Kim Rainey	00:06
12/29/08	TRAV	Travel Detective Peter Greenberg joins us with his essential guide to the must-miss places of the world. Tune in to miss out on the tourist traps, endless lines, rundown hotels, and the worst airports on earth.	Peter Greenberg	00:32

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12/30/08	POLI	Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich may be battling federal charges that he tried to sell or trade President-elect Obama's vacated Senate seat, but even that hasn't stopped him from stymieing Senate democrats with the race card and naming former Illinois attorney general Roland Burris—the first black politician to win statewide office when he was elected comptroller in 1978—to the position. Will Senate leaders keep their word and refuse to seat anyone Blagojevich appoints?	John Kass, Josh Kraushaar, Kent Redfield	00:26
12/30/08	LAW	Here's why: "What goes up inevitably is going to come down, and it comes down at a velocity that can quite easily penetrate buildings, car roofs and human beings," says LAPD Chief Bill Bratton. The Chief and LA County Sheriff Lee Baca held a news conference yesterday to further dissuade would-be revelers from shooting: firing a gun into the air is a felony punishable by one year in state prison. More serious charges will be filed if the shots cause injuries.	Bill Bratton	00:09
12/30/08	ENV	In addition to Do-It-Yourself solar paneling, "green burial" is the latest fad in fighting global warming on a micro-scale. Mark Harris, author of Grave Matters: A Journey Through the modern Funeral Industry to a Natural Way of Burial joins us for a graphic look at the modern funeral industry, its impact on the environment, and how to arrange a green funeral.	Mark Harris	00:18
12/30/08	TECH	Last July, a California ban on driving while talking on a hand-held cell phone went into effect. But the law had an obvious—and dangerous—loophole. It failed to ban texting-while-driving. Technically, laws against reckless driving would already cover someone who takes their hands off the steering wheel and their eyes off the road in order to text. But an update to the cell phone law will formally ban texting on January 1. Can you still dial a phone in the car or text while at a red light?	Vince Ramirez	00:15
12/30/08	LAW	Want to open a massage parlor? Want to take your wife's name instead of her taking yours? Afraid that expensive bottle of pure spring water may actually come from a hose off the Santa Monica pier? Laws will impact all of these things and more in 2009. Make sure you know what's still legal—and what's not—next year.	Dan Weintraub	00:21
12/30/08	LIT	Since Fidel Castro's resignation as Cuba's leader in February, the world is turning its attention once again to the former "Paris of the Caribbean." Architectural historian and author Peter Moruzzi is here with his homage to the tropical playground of yore.	Peter Moruzzi	00:17
10/1308	ECON	Larry discusses the coordinated economic rescue plan agreed upon by European leaders over the weekend to inject cash into the banking system, foster inter-bank lending, and aid in the global economic meltdown.	Jim Wilcox	20:00
10/1308	POLI	Larry talks with a group of KPCC listeners about their thoughts on the Presidential election.	James Rawlinson Julie David Chris Shining Christopher Grice	20:00
10/1308	FOR	A draft of the National Intelligence Estimate says that the war in Afghanistan is going increasingly badly.	Thomas H. Johnson, Fred Kagan	30:00
10/1308	LIT	This morning, Larry talks with author John Demos about his new book: The Enemy Within: 2,000 Years of Witch-Hunting in the Western World (Viking).	John Demos	30:00

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1015/08	POLI	How are you feeling? Do you check your health care insurance before you call your doctor, just to make sure you can afford the visit? Medical bills are the single biggest reason for personal bankruptcy in this country. So how would the two presidential candidates change our messed-up health care system? Patt debates the merits of both plans with health care advisers to John McCain and Barack Obama. The discussion was taped last night at the California Endowment in front of a live audience	Dr. Donald Kurth, Russel Korobkin, Gerald Kominski	00:33
12/29/08	FOR	Attacks on Gaza stretched into a third day today, continuing a major offensive. Israel called up thousands of reservists, sparking fears that those new soldiers would be used as part of a ground invasion. More than 300 Palestinians are reported dead. Guest host David Lazarus gets the latest from the region.	Ashraf Khalil, Steven Cook	20:00
12/29/08	EDU	The Los Angeles Unified School District has suspended an arts partnership as part of a spending freeze. When the school board was forced to slash almost \$400 million from this year's budget because the district received less than expected in state funds, it kept most of the cuts away from classrooms. But now the district may have to cut another \$400 million, The Times reported, and that could mean increasing class sizes, laying off teachers or providing fewer meals at schools.	Jason Song, Danielle Brazell	10:00
12/29/08	TRAN	Los Angeles is hoping to generate an extra \$18 million for the city by updating old parking meters with 6,000 new digital machines that take credit cards and cash in addition to coins. The switch to the new parking meters comes as city parking rates increase in 2009 to a \$1 per hour minimum, and as high as \$4 per hour in popular areas. Supporters argue that the new meters and higher rates will lead to higher turnover in parking spaces and bring greater flow into storefronts. But are higher parking rates a wise move during a recession, and could they deter shoppers? Guest host David Lazarus finds out.	Donald Shoup, Amir Sedadi	30:00
12/29/08	FOR	Will manufacturing solar panels make global warming worse? Did you know the US is helping India build a missile shield? Or that a US citizen was convicted of torture abroad? Every year, Foreign Policy magazine compiles a list of the top overlooked stories. David Lazarus talks to FP editor Blake Hounshell about the most surprising things you haven't heard about in 2008.	Blake Hounshell	40:00
12/29/08	YOUT	What's the worst Christmas gift you've ever received? A used candle? A dustpan? A toilet seat, perhaps? AirTalk guest host David Lazarus has some fun and opens up the phones to listeners to hear their best stories of the worst gifts they've ever received.	Peter Post	20:00
12/30/08	FOR	Is the Israeli response to the Hamas attacks on Southern Israel disproportionate and does the Israeli military response set the stage for a long term resolution to the conflict? Guest host David Lazarus gets the latest from Josh Mitnick, Correspondent for Christian Science Monitor in Tel Aviv and takes listener calls.	Josh Mitnick	30:00
12/30/08	POLI	Embattled Illinois Governor Rob Blagojevich has defied U.S. Senate leaders and his own state's lawmakers by appointing former Illinois Attorney General Roland Burris to Obama's seat at a news conference scheduled this afternoon at 3:00 pm EST. Guest host David Lazarus checks in with Chicago Public Radio's political reporter Ben Calhoun.	Ben Calhoun	10:00
12/30/08	HEAL	Calls to Los Angeles' busiest suicide hotline, which is run by the Didi Hirsch Community Mental Health Center, have increased by as much as 60% over last year. Mental health experts say the economic downturn has turned seasonal blues into a full-blown crisis. Guest host David Lazarus talks about these alarming statistics and finds out where and how people can get help.	Robert Mendelsohn, Sandri Kramer	20:00

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12/30/08	SCI	Tainted drugs from China. Physicists search for what they call the "God Particle." And the "Post-Oil Era Begins" are just a few of the top 100 stories in Discover Magazine's end-of-the-year round up. Guest-host David Lazarus talks with Corey Powell, Discover's Editor-in-Chief, about the science breakthroughs and conundrums of 2008.	Corey Powell	30:00
12/30/08	HEAL	Teens who take pledges to remain virgins until marriage are just as likely to have sex as teens who don't make such promises. They're also less likely to practice safe sex to prevent disease or pregnancy, according to a recent study out of Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. Other research by the Rand Institute indicates that teenage pledgers do actually delay having sex longer than non-pledgers. Just how effective is the abstinence-only movement? What's the significance behind all the numbers?	Janet Rosenbaum, Steven Martino	30:00
12/31/08	FOR	Israel rejects cease fire proposal for Gaza	Griff Witte	10:00
12/31/08	MEDI	Time Warner and Viacom Inc. are deadlocked over pricing for Viacom's package of 20 channels, which include Nickelodeon, MTV, BET, and Comedy Central. Viacom claims it is only asking for a modest increase of \$3 a year for its cable package, while Time Warner contends that such demands are unreasonable during an economic recession. Time Warner also argues that Viacom is trying to make up for losses in advertising revenue by having cable subscribers make up the difference.	Kelly McAndrew, Patricia Fregoso	20:00
12/31/08	HEAL	Work is underway on the 5th addition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, also known as the "DSM." The DSM is used by psychiatrists and other clinicians to assign labels to mental disorders and to find appropriate drugs to treat them. The process of revising the Manual is carried out by a group of psychiatrists behind closed doors, but because the DSM is used in such a broad and official capacity, there has been criticism lately that its revision process should be more transparent and open to scrutiny. One of the main concerns raised is that the DSM contains too many diagnoses, which leads to the pathologizing of normal human behavior.	Dr. Michael First	25:00
12/31/08	SAC	Update on California state budget negotiations	Karen Bass	5:00
12/31/08	MIL	Each year, the international organization Doctors Without Borders/Médecins Sans Frontières releases its list of the most critical humanitarian and medical emergencies. Several of the crises stemmed from civilians caught in war-torn regions like Somalia and Sudan, and also from problems caused by rising food prices. Also included were the need for greater attention to growing rates of HIV-tuberculosis co-infection and for the increased effort to prevent and treat childhood malnutrition. David Lazarus discusses this year's list with Nicolas de Torrente, U.S. executive director of Doctors Without Borders.	Nicolas de Torrente	30:00
12/31/08	ENT	What are you doing on New Year's Eve? Staying in? Going out? How do you feel about New Year's Eve festivities? Blast or bust?	Alex Frias	30:00
12/31/08		Arnold Schwarzenegger today announced an 18-month fiscal plan, the latest in a string of failed attempts to staunch California's bleeding budget. This proposal includes 14 billion in tax increases, including a boost in the sales tax, and over 17 billion in spending cuts. Legislatures continue to grapple with the growing deficit as state finance officials warn that the state is destined to run out of funds by February.	Michael Genest, Evan Halper	00:15

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12/31/08		As Inauguration Day approaches, economic issues are front and center for the Obama administration. The president-elect is touting an ambitious stimulus package to include middle-class tax cuts, infrastructure projects and job creation, and is calling for public involvement to push for its passage. Meanwhile, GOP leaders have voiced concerned that they're being left out of the plans.	Neil Irwin	00:11
12/31/08		Attorney General Jerry Brown has filed a federal lawsuit against the Bush Administration, claiming its new regulations are an assault on the Endangered Species Act. Revised rules from the Interior Department allow mining, logging and other interests to by-pass review from biologists. They also eliminate a requirement for greenhouse gas emission review for projects on federal land.	Jerry Brown	00:09
12/31/08		The crew of the fast-attack submarine USS Pasadena are here to visit their namesake city to celebrate the 120th Tournament of Roses. Commanding Officer Doug Perry and Chief of the Boat Bobby Keyes join Patt to explain the history of this vessel and how it got its unique name.	Doug Perry, Bobby Keyes	00:18
12/31/08		Due to changes in state law, as of January 1st, Time Warner Cable will no longer be required to provide public access programming on cable television as mandated by the FCC. As a result, Time Warner will be closing its public access television studios, which provide training and production assistance along with an outlet for community activists, go-go-dancing grandmas, and government watchdogs. Is it the end of 'Wayne's World' as we know it? The City Council has been mulling over options, which include millions of dollars in city funds that could possibly keep public access television alive.	Tracy Westen, Bill Rosendahl, Leslie Dutton	00:26
12/31/08		Michael Davis, author of Street Gang: the Complete History of Sesame Street, is here to talk about the creation and history of this pop culture landmark. From its inspiration in the civil rights movement, to Nixon's attempts to cut off its public funding, Davis explores how Sesame Street taught millions of children not just their letters and numbers, but also cooperation and fair play, tolerance and self-respect, and the importance of listening.	Michael Davis	00:27