

Quarterly Issues/Programs List
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Description of Issue	Program/Segment	Date	Time	Duration	Narration of Type and Description of Program Segment
Montana History – Mining Issues	Butte, America	2/15/2010 3/7/2010 3/9/2010 3/14/2010 3/17/2010 3/18/2010 3/21/2010	8pm 7pm 2am 12pm 11:30am 1am 9pm	60min.	Grounded in the dramatic personal stories of five generation mining families, and narrated by Irish actor Gabriel Byrne, this program tells the tale of Butte, Montana, once the world's largest producer of copper -- the "Richest Hill on Earth," the town that "plumbed and electrified America," the Pittsburgh of the West. Butte forged a community whose toughness, vitality and solidarity speak to what's missing in America today, while raising profound questions about the costs and consequences of industrialization and use of natural resources. "Butte, America" is an unsentimental and moving tribute to working class life and to the never-ending labor of achieving fairness in a world where powerful, destructive forces are always at play.
Utility Deregulation	Power Brokers	3/2/2010 3/4/2010 3/25/2010 3/27/2010 3/28/2010 3/31/2010	8pm 1 & 4am 7pm 4:30pm 10am 12pm	60min.	It's arguably one of Montana's most tragic stories: It led to the demise of Montana Power, the state's only Fortune 500 Company, and it pushed power prices into the stratosphere. While most know how the experiment in Electricity Deregulation ended, few know how it all began. In this hour-long documentary, Montana PBS investigates the sources of the deregulation movement and the subsequent power crisis. The documentary uncovers surprising relationships and business connections that would eventually cast a shadow over former Governor Marc Racicot and draw Montana Power into a federal investigation.
Education	Montana Journal "Unaffordable Education"	1/9/2010 1/10/2010	5pm 10:30am	30min.	"Montana Journal" features news about Montana for Montanans. The series is produced by the students of the School of Journalism and the Department of Radio-TV at The University of Montana, Missoula. In this episode the uncertain economy and rising tuition costs make the dream of going to college difficult for Montana families to achieve. From current students struggling to pay for school, to high school students' families planning a financial future, this episode examines whether higher education is slipping out of reach for Montanans.
Agriculture – Economy	Montana Ag Live "Stimulus Dollars in Montana"	1/10/2010 2/28/2010	11am 11am	60min.	A regular call-in information program dealing with agricultural and gardening issues in Montana. Presented by MontanaPBS in association with Montana State University Extension, this program invites experts onto the panel to discuss everything from pesticide use, and large-scale agricultural techniques to backyard gardening questions and even which mushroom to pick in the woods. In this episode Vince Smith, Montana State University Economist, will lead us through the maze of how stimulus dollars have influenced agriculture in Montana this year.
Performing Arts in MT Schools	Celebrate America Across Montana "Tim Janis with State High School Choirs"	3/11/2010 3/13/2010 3/13/2010 3/21/2010	7pm 2am 4:30am 3:30pm 7:30pm	60min.	High school choirs from throughout Montana will perform with Tim Janis and his ensemble in this special, created by Janis to spotlight our nation's youth and to pull communities together in a celebration of music that uplifts and inspires. The program was taped in November 2009, at the MontanaPBS studio in Bozeman. School buses rolled across the state from communities including Anaconda, Belgrade, Big Timber, Billings, Bozeman, Dillon, Great Falls, Hamilton, Helena, Laurel, Livingston, and Miles City, bringing together 500 students from Montana high school music programs. Arriving well-prepared and very professional, each choir came into the studio to record their performance for the broadcast. Tim Janis, familiar to public broadcasting audiences from programs such as An Enchanted Evening, Beautiful America, and Coastal America, is well known for his "Music with a Mission" philosophy, and has worked on many other philanthropic projects. "I believe the fabric of our nation is the strength found in our local communities. We need to stay connected and committed with a spirit of serving one another to the best of our abilities," Janis said. "Not only does Celebrate America give our youth a life-changing opportunity, but it also helps teach children the importance of contributing to community through the arts."

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Medical Marijuana	Cannabusiness	5/25/2010 5/27/2010	8pm 2am	60min.	A documentary focused on the different businesses, people, struggles and triumphs attached to medicinal marijuana in Montana. Since 2004, medicinal marijuana has been legal for residents of Montana. For some, the plant offers a relief from pain, while at the same time being a pain in the neck for others.
Health Care Costs/Insurance	Montana Focus "Health Insurance - Who Can Afford It?"	4/29/2010 5/1/2010 5/2/1010 5/5/2010 6/3/2010 6/5/2010 6/6/2010 6/22/2010	7pm 5pm 10:30am 9:30pm 7:30pm 5pm 10:30am 10:30pm	60min.	Montanans who have health insurance coverage are noticing a steady uptick in their co-pay rates. With or without health care reform, the cost of insurance is expected to continue creeping upward. That's not exactly good news for more than 34 percent of uninsured Montanans under the age of 65. (Families USA 2008 survey) Yet, some small business employers manage to pay the full cost of insurance premiums for their workers. How do they provide medical coverage in a tough economic environment where other Montana entrepreneurs are scrambling to meet payroll? Efforts to provide health care for all continue, but making that coverage affordable is a huge challenge. Montana Focus visits rural and urban Montanans, and medical insurance and hospital administrators, in this examination of the cost of providing health care coverage in a time where a medical emergency can spell financial bankruptcy.
Education	Montana Journal "Unaffordable Education"	4/24/2010 4/25/2010 4/29/2010	5pm 10:30am 7:30pm	30min.	"Montana Journal" features news about Montana for Montanans. The series is produced by the students of the School of Journalism and the Department of Radio-TV at The University of Montana, Missoula. In this episode the uncertain economy and rising tuition costs make the dream of going to college difficult for Montana families to achieve. From current students struggling to pay for school, to high school students' families planning a financial future, this episode examines whether higher education is slipping out of reach for Montanans.
Agriculture - Economy	Montana Ag Live "Transferring the Farm to Your Children"	4/25/2010 5/2/2010	7pm 11am	60min.	A regular call-in information program dealing with agricultural and gardening issues in Montana. Presented by MontanaPBS in association with Montana State University Extension, this program invites experts onto the panel to discuss everything from pesticide use, and large-scale agricultural techniques to backyard gardening questions and even which mushroom to pick in the woods. In this episode Marsha Goetting from Montana State University's Department of Agricultural Economics talks about transferring farms and ranches from generation to generation.
Wildlife Management/National Park History	Glacier Park's Night of the Grizzlies	5/17/2010 5/1/2010 5/27/2010	8pm 1am 7pm	90min.	Since the opening of Glacier National Park in 1910 there never had been a reported fatal bear attack until one summer night in 1967, when grizzlies in two remote areas of the Park attacked campers and killed two young women. The dramatic and tragic story of that night is at the heart of this documentary. For everyone involved it was an unforgettable night of crisis, fear, bravery and grief, but also a night that marked a watershed moment for bear management, a night that many would later say "changed everything."

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Medical Marijuana	Cannabusiness	8/5/2010 8/7/2010 8/8/2010 8/9/2010 8/13/2010	7pm 4:30pm 10am 2am 1am	60min.	A documentary focused on the different businesses, people, struggles and triumphs attached to medicinal marijuana in Montana. Since 2004, medicinal marijuana has been legal for residents of Montana. For some, the plant offers a relief from pain, while at the same time being a pain in the neck for others.
Health Care Costs/Insurance	Montana Focus "Health Insurance: Who Can Afford It?"	7/29/2010 7/31/2010 8/1/2010 8/2/2010 8/3/2010	7pm 5pm 10:30am 2am 2:30am	30min.	Montanans who have health insurance coverage are noticing a steady uptick in their co-pay rates. With or without health care reform, the cost of insurance is expected to continue creeping upward. That's not exactly good news for more than 34 percent of uninsured Montanans under the age of 65. (Families USA 2008 survey) Yet, some small business employers manage to pay the full cost of insurance premiums for their workers. How do they provide medical coverage in a tough economic environment where other Montana entrepreneurs are scrambling to meet payroll? Efforts to provide health care for all continue, but making that coverage affordable is a huge challenge. Montana Focus visits rural and urban Montanans, and medical insurance and hospital administrators, in this examination of the cost of providing health care coverage in a time where a medical emergency can spell financial bankruptcy.
Education	Montana Journal "Unaffordable Education"	9/18/2010 9/19/2010	5pm 10:30am	30min.	"Montana Journal" features news about Montana for Montanans. The series is produced by the students of the School of Journalism and the Department of Radio-TV at The University of Montana, Missoula. In this episode the uncertain economy and rising tuition costs make the dream of going to college difficult for Montana families to achieve. From current students struggling to pay for school, to high school students' families planning a financial future, this episode examines whether higher education is slipping out of reach for Montanans.
Agriculture – Economy	Montana Ag Live "Transferring the Farm to Your Children"	7/18/2010	11am	60min.	A regular call-in information program dealing with agricultural and gardening issues in Montana. Presented by MontanaPBS in association with Montana State University Extension, this program invites experts onto the panel to discuss everything from pesticide use, and large-scale agricultural techniques to backyard gardening questions and even which mushroom to pick in the woods. In this episode Marsha Goerting from Montana State University's Department of Agricultural Economics talks about transferring farms and ranches from generation to generation.
Wildlife Management/National Park History	Glacier Park's Night of the Grizzlies	7/1/2010 7/5/2010 7/9/2010 7/25/2010 7/26/2010 8/12/2010 8/15/2010 8/16/2010	7pm 2am 4:30am 6pm 12pm 7pm 3pm 2am	90min.	Since the opening of Glacier National Park in 1910 there never had been a reported fatal bear attack until one summer night in 1967, when grizzlies in two remote areas of the Park attacked campers and killed two young women. The dramatic and tragic story of that night is at the heart of this documentary. For everyone involved it was an unforgettable night of crisis, fear, bravery and grief, but also a night that marked a watershed moment for bear management, a night that many would later say "changed everything."

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Medical Marijuana	Cannabusiness	10/14/2010	7pm	60min.	A documentary focused on the different businesses, people, struggles and triumphs attached to medicinal marijuana in Montana. Since 2004, medicinal marijuana has been legal for residents of Montana. For some, the plant offers a relief from pain, while at the same time being a pain in the neck for others.
Politics	Montana Focus "The TEA Party: Taxed Enough Already!"	10/28/2010 10/30/2010 10/31/2010 10/31/2010 11/2/2010 11/2/2010	7pm 5pm 7pm 10:30am 8-28pm 8-58pm	30min.	Ayn Rand's Atlas Shrugged is at the top of their recommended reading list. They are passionate about property rights and the constitution. Montana Focus examines the potential impact that the Tea Party might have in the outcome of the November election. Will the Tea Party succeed as a viable third party in American politics?
Public Safety	Montana Journal "Patrolling the Big Sky"	11/11/2010 11/13/2010 11/14/2010 11/15/2010	7pm 5pm 10:30am 4am	30min.	"Montana Journal" features news about Montanans. The series is produced by the students of the School of Journalism and the Department of Radio-TV at The University of Montana, Missoula. In this we ride along with the men and women of the Montana Highway Patrol as they watch over some of the deadliest roads in the country. "Patrolling the Big Sky" travels to Wolf Point, where one trooper covers hundreds of miles of open road, mostly alone. In the Bitterroot Valley, explore a female trooper's dream of being in law enforcement. You'll even fly with the MHP's aviation department who patrol the roads from the Big Sky via helicopter and fixed-wing plane. And in Kalispell, meet the wife of a fallen trooper who is working to change DUI laws across the state.
Rural Safety	Montana Ag Live "Rural School Safety"	10/10/2010 10/17/2010	7pm 11am	60min.	A regular call-in information program dealing with agricultural and gardening issues in Montana. Presented by MontanaPBS in association with Montana State University Extension, this program invites experts onto the panel to discuss everything from pesticide use, and large-scale agricultural techniques to backyard gardening questions and even which mushroom to pick in the woods. In this episode, a bit of a departure for Montana AG Live, Dr John Dudley, a school safety consultant from Lincoln, Nebraska, will join the panel to talk about safety in rural schools.
Wildlife Management/National Park History	Glacier Park's Night of the Grizzlies	10/7/2010	6:58pm	90min.	Since the opening of Glacier National Park in 1910 there never had been a reported fatal bear attack until one summer night in 1967, when grizzlies in two remote areas of the Park attacked campers and killed two young women. The dramatic and tragic story of that night is at the heart of this documentary. For everyone involved it was an unforgettable night of crisis, fear, bravery and grief, but also a night that marked a watershed moment for bear management, a night that many would later say "changed everything."