

WSKG-TV, Binghamton, NY
Quarterly Issues Report, 4/01/12 through 6/30/12

There follow a listing of the most significant issues responded to by Station WSKG-TV, Binghamton, New York, along with typical and illustrative programming on these topics for the period April 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority.

QPTR Category: Abortion

NOLA: COSE 018092
Series Title: Charlie Rose
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/1/2012 11:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/1/2012
Service: PBS-PLUS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:53:18

Senator Tom Coburn of Oklahoma, a member of President Obama's Deficit Reduction Committee and author of the book *The Debt Bomb*, discusses our fiscal imbalances and how to solve them--including his proposal to reduce the deficit by nine trillion dollars over ten years.

QPTR Category: Aging

NOLA: KSAE 000000
Series Title: Kathy Smith Ageless Energy
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 6/9/2012 3:00:00 AM
O.B. Date: 6/9/2012
Service: PBS-SIP
Format: Demonstration/Instructional

Health – specifically, being able to maintain an active lifestyle and stay energetic – is a top priority and key concern for many. This new special from fitness icon Kathy Smith addresses and provides solutions to the “personal energy crisis” of viewers, specifically those over the age of 50. Topics discussed include Kathy’s four pillars of energy, why energy is the key to staying youthful, the importance of functional fitness and strength training, and why it’s never too late to get fit.

QPTR Category: Agriculture

NOLA: ARVL 000101
Series Title: America Revealed
Episode Title: Food Machine
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/11/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/11/2012 10:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

Over the past century, an American industrial revolution has given rise to the biggest, most productive food machine the world has ever known. Join host Yul Kwon to learn how this machine feeds nearly 300 million Americans every day. Discover engineering marvels created by putting nature to work, and consider the toll our insatiable appetites take on our health and environment. Embark with Kwon on a trip that begins with a pizza delivery route in New York City, then goes across the country to California’s Central Valley, where nearly 50 percent of America’s fruits, nuts and vegetables are grown, and into the heartland for an aerial look at our farmlands. Meet the men and women who keep

us fed – everyone from industrial to urban farmers, crop-dusting pilots to long-distance bee truckers, modern-day cowboys to the pizza deliveryman.

QPTR Category: Alcohol, Drug Abuse/Addiction

NOLA: MLNH 010306
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/13/2012 7:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/13/2012
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:09:31

Obama's Colombia Visit Renews Call to Retool U.S. Drug Policy: As President Obama joins the weekend Summit of the Americas in Colombia, he may hear renewed calls to legalize some drugs. Ray Suarez gets two views from Ethan Nadelmann of the Drug Policy Alliance and Ray Walser of the Heritage Foundation.

QPTR Category: American History/Biography

NOLA: FIYO 000103
Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: Barbara Walters / Geoffrey Canada
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/1/2012 8:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/1/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

What's in a name? Well, a lot, at least when it comes to piecing together family history. For former slaves, choosing a last name was one of their first acts of freedom. For Jewish immigrants, it was a way to fit in in their new country. Whatever the reason for a name change, it can make the process of learning about one's ancestors difficult, if not impossible. In this episode, Gates unearths missing links in the family histories of media legend Barbara Walters and educational superstar Geoffrey Canada. Walters did not know her father's real last name. Canada did not know the name of his grandfather. Both had been unable to access their history ... until now.

QPTR Category: Arts

NOLA: ARTF 000604
Series Title: Art in the Twenty-First Century
Episode Title: Balance
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/4/2012 9:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/4/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

The artists in this episode, Rackstraw Downes, Robert Mangold and Sarah Sze, create ordered and precise works that explore the gap between art and existence, challenge the distinction between seeing and knowing and demonstrate that the pursuit of harmony can be a radical proposition.

QPTR Category: Business/Industry

NOLA: FRON 003007
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: Cell Tower Deaths
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/22/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/22/2012 10:00:00 PM

Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

The smartphone revolution comes with a hidden cost. This joint investigation by FRONTLINE and ProPublica explores the hazardous work of independent contractors who are building and servicing America's expanding cellular infrastructure. While some tower climbers say they are under pressure to cut corners, layers of subcontracting make it difficult for safety inspectors to determine fault when a tower worker is killed or injured. Also this hour: nearly four years after the financial crisis, yet another scandal rocks Wall Street. Jon Corzine, former head of Goldman Sachs and political power broker, took over MF Global in the spring of 2010 with oversize ambition and a passion for risk. But after a massive bet on European debt turned sour, the firm lay in ruins, with more than a billion dollars of customer funds missing. FRONTLINE investigates how Corzine's traders went around MF Global's risk officers and how he swayed regulators in Washington to allow risky practices to continue.

QPTR Category: Community Politics, Government

NOLA: NETK 000230
Series Title: Need to Know
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 4/6/2012 8:30:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/6/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Magazine

Dropping in: Need to Know travels to Philadelphia to examine the city's ambitious plan to reach out to and re-engage high school dropouts. The story is part of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting's "American Graduate" initiative. Cecilia Rouse on the dropout rate: Princeton economics professor Cecilia Rouse explores how the nation's high dropout rate undermines the nation's competitive position in the world. American Voices: Jon Meacham on education: Jon Meacham discusses how education is key to the United States regaining its footing economically, as well as remaining a military power.

QPTR Category: Consumerism

NOLA: CIVI 000101
Series Title: Civilization: The West and the Rest with Niall Ferguson
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 5/22/2012 8:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/22/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

Examine the rise of the West's economic ascendancy based on Niall Ferguson's six principles of prosperity: competition, science, modern medicine, democracy, consumerism and work ethic. The programs are adapted from Ferguson's book, Civilization: The West and the Rest.

QPTR Category: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement

NOLA: WWIR 005152
Series Title: Washington Week
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 6/22/2012 8:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 6/22/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Mitt Romney and President Obama court Latino voters as immigration politics enters the spotlight. Plus, Obama invokes executive privilege as Attorney

General Eric Holder faces a contempt of Congress charge. Also, what's Europe's economic future? This Week: Jeff Zeleny, New York Times; Laura Meckler, Wall Street Journal; Major Garrett, National Journal; Doyle McManus, Los Angeles Times.

QPTR Category: Culture

Series Title: Let's Polka
Episode Title: Jude's Polka Jets II Part 1
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 5/12/2012 6:30:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/12/2012 6:30:00 PM
Service: WSKG

Let's Polka! is full of bona fide polka fun hosted by local polka impresario Bill Flynn. Tap your toes to the polka beat or dance along in your living room with our live studio audience. Plus, you'll really get to know the music and musicians as each episode contains an interview with Bill Flynn and the leader of the band! This week's performance by Jude's Polka Jets II.

QPTR Category: Disabilities

NOLA: PNRE 001537
Series Title: Religion & Ethics NewsWeekly
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 5/13/2012 11:30:00 AM
O.B. Date: 5/13/2012
Service: PBS-PLUS
Format: Magazine

Churches and the Disabled: The disabled, says religion writer Mark Pinsky, "are not just people who need help, but they are people who can help." Social Entrepreneur Mechai Viravaidya: This award-winning economist is credited with bringing down Thailand's HIV infection rate, lowering its high birth rate, reducing poverty rates, and championing sustainable development ideas that work in rural settings. Masters of Mercy: "The message is that the Buddha is within and moving about in very mysterious ways," says James Ulak, senior curator of Japanese art at the Smithsonian Institution's Freer and Sackler Galleries.

QPTR Category: Economy

NOLA: FRON 003011 Stacked
Series Title: Frontline | Money, Power and Wall Street
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 4/24/2012 9:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/24/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

In the first hour, FRONTLINE tells the story of the rise of modern finance. A revolution in banking begins at a luxury hotel in Boca Raton, FL, where a rowdy team from J. P. Morgan invents a new marketplace for trading risk. Correspondent Martin Smith interviews leading bankers, officials and journalists to explain how financial engineering on Wall Street brought the global economy to its knees – and the reverberations are still being felt along Main Street. In the second hour, FRONTLINE producer Michael Kirk investigates how the country's leaders failed to prevent an oncoming crisis and ended up initiating the largest government bailout in history. Told by participants from Washington and Wall Street, the story includes inside accounts from the campaign of presidential candidate Barack Obama. By the time of his election Obama is thoroughly up to speed on the disaster, but the question remains – what can he do once he takes office?

QPTR Category: Education

NOLA: OVOI 000000
Series Title: One Voice
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/11/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/11/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:55:33

Through the personal stories of student song directors, this music documentary tells the story of the Kamehameha Schools Song Contest. Every year in Hawai'i, 2,000 high school students compete in the contest, in which young leaders direct their peers in singing Hawaiian music in four-part harmony. Follow the elected student song directors to see how the tradition creates an indelible experience that builds class unity, instills cultural pride and builds character. Meeting their families, or 'ohana, and learn about their hopes and dreams for the future. Experience Hawaiian culture as it has survived, flourished and grown through the universal power of music and song.

QPTR Category: Employment

NOLA: CIVI 000102
Series Title: Civilization: The West and the Rest with Niall Ferguson
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 5/29/2012 8:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/29/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

The two-part series examines Niall Ferguson's six principles of prosperity: Competition, Science, Modern Medicine, Property, Consumerism, and Work Ethic. For the past five centuries, Western power has prevailed around the world. What led the West to be so influential? And how long will the West sustain its supremacy?

QPTR Category: Energy

NOLA: PPLT 000000
Series Title: Powering the Planet - Earth: The Operators' Manual
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/22/2012 10:30:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/22/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:49:24

Take an eye-opening look at some of the world's most important case studies in energy policy. In Spain and Morocco, large-scale solar farms and individual photovoltaic panels atop tents in the Sahara are beginning to bring the vast potential of the sun down to Earth. In Brazil, abundant natural resources – sun, rain and sugar cane – are transformed into efficient, sustainable biofuel, making Brazil the only nation whose cars could run normally if gasoline were to vanish. In Samsø, Denmark, and in West Texas, citizens have taken sustainability – and economic realities – into their own hands by becoming stakeholders in wind turbines. In China, a full-throttle approach to multiple sustainable energy technologies is giving rise to a "new empire of clean tech." What about America? One energy insider predicts an "energy abyss" if smart decisions aren't made. Learn how great nations and small communities are finding sustainable solutions that provide for people and protect the planet.

QPTR Category: Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters

Series Title: Agnes: The Flood of '72
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 6/21/2012 8:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 6/21/2012 8:00:00 PM
Service: WSKG
Format: Documentary

On June 19th, 1972, the first hurricane of the season, Agnes, crossed over the Florida Panhandle and quickly headed back out to sea. With sustained winds of just over 75 miles per hour, Agnes was considered a low level threat by most weather experts. They were wrong.

By June 22nd, the remnants of Agnes stalled over the northeastern United States, dumping up to 22 inches of rain in some areas, including the Elmira/Corning region of New York. The devastating flooding that followed would result in one of the worst natural disasters in the region's history and change the landscape of the region forever.

Agnes is a one-hour documentary from award-winning filmmaker Brian Frey. Frey also produced Johnson, Watson, The Flood of '35, Link: The Quiet Genius, The Dusters and The Twilight Zone LIVE.

Utilizing archival photos and film footage, Agnes tells the incredible history of the region and the story of a natural disaster that forever altered the area's destiny.

QPTR Category: Family/Marriage

NOLA: FIYO 000104
Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: Kevin Bacon / Kyra Sedgwick
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/8/2012 8:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/8/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

What do Kevin Bacon and Kyra Sedgwick have in common? They are both famous actors and both descend from prominent American families that have been in this country since its inception. But they share something else, too: Both had ancestors who were early opponents of slavery. Bacon's Quaker ancestors repudiated slavery long before the rest of the country, in 1780. And Sedgwick's ancestor Theodore Sedgwick argued the freedom case of Elizabeth Freeman, also known as "Mumbet," in 1781 - which helped bring an end to slavery in Massachusetts. These facts - and many others - are revealed to Sedgwick and Bacon in this episode, revealing quite a bit about slavery in the North in the process.

QPTR Category: Health/Health Care

NOLA: FRON 003018
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: Dollars and Dentists
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/26/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 6/26/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

Dental care can be a matter of life and death. Yet millions of Americans can't afford a visit to the dentist. An investigation by FRONTLINE and the Center for Public Integrity reveals the shocking consequences of a broken safety net. Poor children, entitled by law to dental care, often cannot find a dentist willing to see them. Others kids receive excessive care billed to Medicaid, or major surgery for preventable tooth infections. For adults with dental disease, the situation can be as dire - and bankrupting. While millions of Americans use emergency rooms for dental care, at a cost of more than half a billion dollars, corporate dental chains are filling the gaps in care, in some cases allegedly overcharging patients or loading them with high priced credit card debt. Correspondent Miles O'Brien investigates the flaws in our dental system and nascent proposals to fix them.

QPTR Category: Homosexuality

NOLA: INLE 001326
Series Title: Independent Lens
Episode Title: We Were Here
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 6/14/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 6/14/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

When AIDS arrived in San Francisco in 1981, it decimated a community, but also brought people together in inspiring and moving ways to support and care for one another and to fight for dignity and a cure. By David Weissman.

QPTR Category: Housing, Shelter

NOLA: MLNH 010313
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/24/2012 7:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/24/2012
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:15:33

After the Fall: Have Government Programs Helped Ailing Housing Market?
Underscoring ongoing struggles years after the mortgage meltdown, the National Association of Realtors reported March home sales fell more than 7 percent. Part of a new series called "After the Fall" on what's happened since the financial crisis, Judy Woodruff and guests discuss what's clouded an already unstable housing market.

QPTR Category: Immigration/Refugees

NOLA: NETK 000235
Series Title: Need to Know
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 5/11/2012 8:30:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/11/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Magazine

First: should the government make it easier for foreign-born, hi-tech workers to stay in the United States, as companies like Google, Facebook and Microsoft argue? Or are these workers already undercutting the job market for Americans? Need to Know's Rick Karr travels to Silicon Valley and to New York City to investigate.

Also, Need to Know's Mona Iskander goes to Atlanta for a look at foreign-born entrepreneurs. The U.S. Small Business Administration says people who immigrate to the United States are 30 percent more likely to start a business than American-born citizens.

And a Jon Meacham essay about how the federal legislation passed in 1965 under President Johnson fueled immigration.

QPTR Category: Media

NOLA: JCAR 000000
Series Title: Johnny Carson: American Masters
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 5/14/2012 9:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/14/2012
Service: PBS

Explore the life and career of "The Tonight Show" host – seen by more people than anyone else in U.S. history – through unprecedented access to Carson's personal and professional archives, including all existing episodes of "The Tonight Show" from 1962-1992. Interviews with family, colleagues and performers who appeared, or began, on "The Tonight Show" illuminate his story: David Letterman, Jay Leno, Ellen DeGeneres, Conan O'Brien, Jerry Seinfeld, Steve Martin, Joan Rivers, Mel Brooks, Angie Dickinson, David Steinberg, Don Rickles, Carl Reiner, Doc Severinsen and others. Kevin Spacey narrates.

QPTR Category: Minorities/Civil Rights

NOLA: FIYO 000110
Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: Michelle Rodriguez / Adrian Grenier / Linda Chavez
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/20/2012 8:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/20/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. reveals the ancestral pasts of actor Adrian Grenier, actress Michelle Rodriguez, and commentator Linda Chavez.

QPTR Category: National Politics/Government

NOLA: COSE 018132
Series Title: Charlie Rose
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/26/2012 11:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 6/26/2012
Service: PBS-PLUS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:51:20

An hour-long conversation with Marco Rubio, junior U.S. senator for Florida and author of *An American Son: A Memoir*, who spoke about a variety of issues, including immigration and the Supreme Court ruling on the Arizona immigration law; the direction of the nation's economy and the need for tax reform; his support for the Tea Party movement and opposition to tax increases; employment; education; our relationship with Cuba; his future in politics; and issues of importance to Hispanics in America.

QPTR Category: Nuclear Issues/WMD

NOLA: ARVL 000103
Series Title: America Revealed
Episode Title: Electric Nation

Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/25/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/25/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

Our modern electric power grid has been called the biggest and most complex machine in the world – delivering electricity over 200,000 miles of high-tension transmission lines. Travel around the country with host Yul Kwon to understand its intricacies, its vulnerabilities and the remarkable ingenuity required to keep the electricity on, every day of the year. At New York State's governing grid control room, learn how a massive blackout cut power to 40 million Americans; to understand how we can protect against this type of colossal failure, join a team who makes daring repairs from the side of a helicopter in flight. Visit the country's largest coal mine, rappel down the side of a wind turbine, take a rare tour of a nuclear plant and travel on a massive tanker – as Kwon reflects on the challenges and opportunities to keep the power flowing.

QPTR Category: Poverty/Hunger

NOLA: TASM 002586
Series Title: Tavis Smiley
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 4/25/2012 12:30:00 AM
O.B. Date: 4/25/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:12:59

Former NY Gov. George Pataki: The former three-term New York governor explains why he decided not to run in the 2012 presidential election, comments on Mitt Romney's success on Wall Street in the wake of poverty and offers his views on the NY primary.

QPTR Category: Recreation/Leisure/Sports

NOLA: MLNH 010352
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/18/2012 7:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 6/18/2012
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:45

Roger Clemens Acquitted, but 'Legal Cloud' Lingers: A federal jury in Washington, found professional baseball pitcher Roger Clemens not guilty of perjury charges Monday. Ray Suarez speaks with Michael O'Keefe of the New York Daily News about the turning points of the 10-week trial and the investigation that spanned more than five years.

QPTR Category: Religion/Ethics

NOLA: AMDO 002501
Series Title: POV
Episode Title: My Reincarnation
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 6/21/2012 10:30:00 PM
O.B. Date: 6/21/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

Filmed over 20 years by acclaimed documentarian Jennifer Fox, "My Reincarnation" chronicles the epic story of exiled Tibetan Buddhist master Chögyal Namkhai Norbu and his Western-born son, Yeshe. As Norbu rises as a teacher in the West, Yeshe, recognized from birth as the reincarnation of a famed Buddhist master, breaks away to embrace the modern world. Can the father convince his son to keep the family's spiritual legacy alive? With intimate access to both the family and the Dalai Lama, Fox distills a decades-long drama into a universal story about love, transformation and destiny.

QPTR Category: Science/Technology

NOLA: INGI 000105
Series Title: Inside Nature's Giants
Episode Title: Giant Squid
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/20/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 6/20/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

The team travels to New Zealand to examine one of the biggest yet most mysterious animals on Earth – the giant squid. Delving into its three hearts, razor sharp beak, tooth-covered tentacles and bizarre reproductive system, the team explores the anatomy of a deep-sea alien that's never been observed in the wild.

QPTR Category: Sexuality

NOLA: ARTF 000602
Series Title: Art in the Twenty-First Century
Episode Title: Boundaries
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/20/2012 9:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/20/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

The artists in this episode, David Altmejd, Tabaimo and Lynda Benglis, synthesize disparate aesthetic traditions, present taboo subject matter, discover innovative uses of media and explore the shape-shifting potential of the human figure.

QPTR Category: Social Services

NOLA: MLNH 010342
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/4/2012 7:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 6/4/2012
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:11:11

Melinda Gates on the Importance of Evaluations in Shaping Effective Teachers: Part of the American Graduate project addressing the country's high school dropout crisis, teachers across the nation have weighed in at town halls on what's working and what's not. Hari Sreenivasan and Melinda Gates discuss how the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation hopes to best tackle education reform.

QPTR Category: Transportation

NOLA: INLE 001319
Series Title: Independent Lens
Episode Title: Revenge of the Electric Car

Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 4/19/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/19/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

Director Chris Paine takes his film crew behind the closed doors of Nissan, GM and the Silicon Valley start-up Tesla Motors to chronicle the story of the global resurgence of electric cars. Without using a single drop of foreign oil, this new generation of car is America's future: fast, furious and cleaner than ever. "Revenge" follows the race among major car-makers to be the first, the best, and to win the hearts and minds of the public around the world. It's not just the next generation of green cars that's on the line. It's the future of the automobile itself.

QPTR Category: Urban Development/Infrastructure

NOLA: ARVL 000102
Series Title: America Revealed
Episode Title: Nation on the Move
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/18/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 4/18/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:49:39

America is a nation of vast distances and dense urban clusters, woven together by 200,000 miles of railroads, 5,000 airports and four million miles of roads. These massive, complex transportation systems combine to make Americans the most mobile people on earth. Accompany host Yul Kwon as he journeys across the continent by air, road and rail, venturing behind the scenes with the workers who get us where we need to go. At the Federal Aviation Administration command center, listen in on a call with NASA, the secret service, the military and every major airline to learn how our national flight plan works today. Go along as he meets innovators creating ways to propel us farther and faster in years to come; in Las Vegas, he heads out into the wild night to see how transportation analysts are keeping traffic at bay by revolutionizing the use of one basic tool: the traffic light. Uncover the minor miracles and uphill battles involved in moving more than 300 million Americans every day on infrastructure built in the 19th and 20th centuries.

QPTR Category: War/Veterans/National Security

NOLA: FRON 003016
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: Al Qaeda in Yemen
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/29/2012 10:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/29/2012 10:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

Since the death of Osama bin Laden, Yemen has become the hottest front in the war against Al Qaeda. Now, with headlines about a terrorist plot to bomb a U.S.-bound airliner, award-winning reporter and FRONTLINE correspondent Ghaith Abdul-Ahad travels into the heart of Yemen's radical heartland. His first hand report shows how members of Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP) have taken advantage of turmoil in the country to impose their rule on areas of south Yemen. As the US expands its drone war to prevent terrorists from establishing a new safe haven, FRONTLINE shows how AQAP is taking control of towns and cities in an attempt to establish its own state. Also in this hour,

the story of Al Qaeda operative Fahd al Quso -- killed in a U.S. drone strike in Yemen early this month - as told by former FBI agent Ali Soufan who first interrogated him before 9/11.

QPTR Category: Women

NOLA: CRIA 000401
Series Title: Craft in America
Episode Title: Threads
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/11/2012 9:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/11/2012
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary

Explore woven textiles and story quilts by artists Faith Ringgold of Harlem, Randall Darwall of Cape Cod, Consuelo Jimenez Underwood in California and Terese Agnew in Wisconsin.

Faith Ringgold is an internationally celebrated artist, teacher, author and founding member of the National Black Feminist Organization. She creates painted "story quilts," many which highlight the master artists of Harlem, where she grew up and taught for many years.

Weaver Randall Darwall says, "Why use five colors when fifty will do nicely?" He created a cottage industry on Cape Cod where he and his partner, Brian Murphy, collaborate and employ a community of artisans to craft textiles that explore color, landscape and the beauty of hand-dyed weaving.

San Jose State University professor emeritus Consuelo Jimenez Underwood's story began in the fields of California, where as a child, she was a migrant farm worker. Her artwork is now in the Smithsonian. "Indigenous women throughout the world know this medium - the thread. And the best thing about this art form is that you don't need industry. You can do it with four sticks tied to your back. When I weave, I keep the ancient traditions alive."

Terese Agnew caused a national stir with her quilt, Portrait of a Textile Worker, depicting a young sweatshop employee, which she created by stitching together more than 30,000 designer clothing labels. She quotes Leon Golub who said, "As artists, we're in the consciousness raising industry." Portrait of a Textile Worker is the story of inspiration, community, social action and the dedication of a singular artist.

QPTR Category: Youth

Series Title: Rod Serling Video Festival 2012
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/18/2012 8:00:00 PM
O.B. Date: 5/18/2012 8:00:00 PM
Service: WSKG
Format: Magazine

The prize-winning videos from the 2012 Rod Serling Video Festival will be presented on WSKG TV Friday, May 18, 2012 at 8:00pm. Students in Kindergarten through 12th grade submitted short videos from all across New York State. The results are in. See the Best K-6, Best Animation, Best Music Video, Best in Show and more on WSKG TV--and linked below for your viewing pleasure.