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DIVERSE CULTURES, HISTORY, & PROBLEMS

Program: Religion & Ethics News Weekly

PBS

Date: October, November, & December

TPT-2: Sundays 9am

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Hosted by veteran journalist Bob Abernethy, Religion & Ethics News Weekly is the only national TV newsmagazine program devoted entirely to the news of religion and spirituality, and major ethical issues. Produced by Thirteen/WNET New York, the program explores the top moral questions facing the country and profiles the most interesting people and groups in the world of religion and ethics. It is distributed to PBS stations nationwide

Program: Tavis Smiley

PBS

Date: October, November, & December

TPT-17: Monday thru Friday 11:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: From his celebrated conversations with world figures, to his work to inspire the next generation of leaders, as a broadcaster, author, advocate and philanthropist, Tavis Smiley continues to be an outstanding voice for change.

Program: Bill Moyers Journal

PBS

Date: October, November, and December

TPT-2: Fridays 9pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: The goal is to enrich the conversation of democracy with fresh and original voices-perspectives seldom available anywhere else on television-that reflects a diversity of wisdom, experience, and insight. Each week in a one-hour broadcast, BILL MOYERS JOURNAL will feature produced analysis of vital issues, strong interviews with unique voices on politics, the arts and letters, science, religion, and the media, as well as debates on public issues and documentary specials.

Program: Somali Media

TPT

Date: 10/5, 10/12, 10/19

TPT-17: 11pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Somali Media is a half-hour television show broadcast on TPT Channel 17 that captures the bustling, diverse Somali culture and marketplace, along with showcasing the finest in Twin Cities Somali living. Somali Media will also feature in-depth field reports on information important to the African immigrant community, healthy living tips, newsmaker interviews, an experienced team of reporters, as well as celebrity guests, audience participation, stories of the heart, and a colorful, knowledgeable and exciting host!

Program: Long Walk To Freedom PBS

Date: 12/30

TPT-17: 9:30pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Profiles people from different racial and economic backgrounds who joined the Civil Rights Movement.

Program: Opium Use: A Hmong Perspective TPT

Date: 11/16

TPT-17: 9pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: The traditional use of opium is examined as Hmong immigrants adjust to American culture. Co-production with MN DHS.

Program: Drugs & Alcohol: Immigrant Perspectives TPT

Date: 12/14

TPT-17: 8pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Immigrants face drugs and alcohol in American culture.

Program: Independent Lens: Dinner with Musharraf PBS

Date: 11/2, 11/3

TPT-2: 11/2 11pm

TPT-17: 11/3 9pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: A journey through Pakistan explores the diverse mindsets of the people and their political system.

Program: Diversity in Focus Independent

Date: Sundays: 11/2 through 11/23 and 12/14 through 12/28

TPT-17: 11pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Diversity in Focus is about the contributions of the diverse South Asian Community in America.

Program: Indian Pride PBS

Date: 12/21

TPT-17: 10pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: An overview of Native American History

Program: BelAhdan with Ahmed Independent

Date: October, November, & December (except for 11/30 & 12/7)

TPT-17: Sundays 10:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: A variety talk show concerning Middle Eastern issues and perspectives. It is the only TV program specifically targeted to Minnesotans of Middle Eastern origin. It is a show with an accent on "hyphenated" ("-"American) life in Minnesota.

Program: Khat in the Somali Community

TPT

Date: 10/12, 11/8

TPT-17: 10/12 7pm; 11/8 9pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Explore Khat, a stimulant herb indigenous to Africa and Arabia. Learn more about its addictive nature. Co-production with MN Department of Human Services.

Program: How Alcohol Came to the American Indian

TPT

Date: 11/23

TPT-17: 6pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Understanding the nature of rampant alcoholism among American Indian people. Co-production with MN DHS.

Program: Vietnamese News

Independent

Date: October, November, & December (except for 11/30 & 12/7)

TPT-17: Sundays 11:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: "Vietnamese News" is a weekly program in the Vietnamese language produced by the Vietnamese Broadcasting of Minnesota (VBM). Its main purpose is to preserve the Vietnamese language and culture and to help the 20,000 Vietnamese living in Minnesota adapt to the new environment and systems.

Program: Poverty End Date: A Forum

TPT

Date: 12/28

TPT-17: 6pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: A panel of experts discusses the notion of being able to end poverty by 2020.

Program: Journeyman

Independent

Date: 10/5, 12/14

TPT-17: 10/5 8pm; 12/14 7pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Documentary about male culture in America.

Program: LaPlaza – Maria Hinojosa: One-On-One

PBS

Date: 10/6

TPT-17: 9:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: The award winning investigative reporter discusses borders, racism, and undocumented children.

Program: Close the Gap: Class Disparities

TPT

Date: 10/5

TPT 17: 6pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Close the Gap: Class Disparities reminds us of the uniquely American schism of the haves and the have-nots. Through a look at Latino labor union members, an aging worker's efforts to make ends meet and a young mother's struggles with work, school, home and homelessness we see how seemingly inescapable the challenges of class remain.

Program: Close the Gap: Place Disparities

TPT

Date: 10/5

TPT 17: 6:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Close the Gap: Place Disparities shows the growing aspect of individual struggle and regional crisis in Minnesota. With limited transportation options, how do workers living in the center city get to the jobs that are more and more found in the suburbs when transportation options are limited? What does a look at the history and unsettling resurgence of school segregation in South Minneapolis mean for the entire region's future? The Institute on Race & Poverty offers a sobering statistical birds-eye view of these issues in the Twin Cities. Organizations like Pillsbury United Communities/Emerge providing access to jobs and La Clinica providing cultural understand to address health care disparities are examples of innovative work to cross the divides.

Program: Close the Gap: Making Change

TPT

Date: 10/5

TPT 17: 7pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Close the Gap: Making Change highlights hope and possibilities for change. From policy to interpersonal interaction, from right-minded business decisions in a board room to conversations in a living room, there are poignant stories of how people, communities, and organizations take action on these issues. Highlights of efforts that "close the disparities gap" include E-mentoring, community gardens, parent involvement in schools, hiring practices, faith-based efforts, and more.

GLBT ISSUES

Program: In The Life: Civil Rites & Civil Rights

PBS

Date: 10/7, 11/4

TPT-17: 11pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Documentary stories from the GLBT experience.

ENVIRONMENTAL/ECOLOGICAL CONCERNS

Program: Nature

PBS

Date: 10/5, 10/12, 10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/25, 12/14, 12/21, 12/28

TPT-2: 7pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Various nature programs on topics including Antarctica ecology, big cats, leopards, rhinoceros, crocodiles, gorillas, turtles, etc.

Program: Wired Science

PBS

Date: 10/22

TPT-17: 7pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: A retired oceanographer discovers a giant garbage patch in the middle of the North Pacific Gyre.

Program: Wired Science

PBS

Date: 11/12

TPT-17: 9 pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Captures both sides of the global warming debate and explores whether commercialism can help.

Program: Fluid Power: A Force For Change

TPT

Date: 10/4

TPT-17: 9pm

Duration: ½hour

Summary: Fluid power research.

Program: Discovering Fluid Power

TPT

Date: 12/20

TPT-17: 9pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Robots, earth movers and modern medicine use Fluid Power to create change.

Program: Green Cities: Leading the Way

TPT

Date: 12/27

TPT-17: 9pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Exploring sustainability efforts throughout Minnesota by profiling several cities around the state.

Program: NOVA: Is There Life On Mars?

PBS

Date: 12/30, 12/31

TPT-2: 12/30 7pm

TPT-17: 12/31 9pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Showcases the latest scientific discoveries on Mars made by NASA's robot rovers and Phoenix probe.

Program: Wild Chronicles

TPT

Date: 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/22, 12/13, 12/20, 12/27, 12/28

TPT-2: Saturdays, 3:30pm; Sunday, 12/28 7pm is for 1 hour

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Documenting scientific adventures that spotlight nature's wonders is the object of this series, which travels to diverse locales in search of stories on such topics as the search for Shangri-La, snow leopards, Atlantic puffins, coral reefs in the Virgin Islands, conservationists in Australia, the Himalayan peaks, pandas in China, paleontologists search remote Utah canyons, as platypus DNA, recording endangered languages, Sea Monsters, and elephants.

Program: NOVA: Ocean Animal Emergency

PBS

Date: 11/25, 11/26

TPT-2: 11/25 7pm

TPT-17: 11/26 8pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: A San Francisco veterinarian treats sea lions sickened by toxic algae blooms caused by pollutants.

Program: Frontline: Heat

PBS

Date: 10/21

TPT-2: 8pm

Duration: 2 hours

Summary: Martin Smith travels the globe to test what big business is doing to solve the climate problem.

Program: NOVA scienceNOW

PBS

Date: 12/15

TPT-2: 11pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: A special edition produced in collaboration with *Discover* magazine.

Program: New Energy

TPT

Date: 12/27

TPT-17: 8:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Creating a green energy economy in the Midwest.

ISSUES AFFECTING WOMEN

Program: Suze Orman: Women & Money

PBS

Date: 10/19, 11/29, 11/30, 12/1, 12/6, 12/7

TPT-2: 10/19 noon; 11/29 11:30pm & 2pm; 12/7 midnight

TPT-17: 11/30 1pm & 10pm; 12/1 8pm; 12/6 3pm

Duration: 2 hours

Summary: In her latest special, Suze Orman focuses on providing women of all ages with strategies on providing women of all ages with strategies for financial success. Her core belief is that too many women feel they don't have the knowledge or confidence to take control of their money. Suze's message? Women need to deal with financial matters to secure their own destinies and those of their loved ones.

EDUCATION QUALITY AND ILLITERACY

Program: Power of the Arts

TPT

Date: 10/18, 11/9

TPT-17: 10/18 9pm; 11/16 7:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Arts programs build community, celebrate diversity, and change lives. Produced with COMPAS of St. Paul.

HEALTH CARE COVERAGE & COST/HEALTH ISSUES/AIDS

Program: ECHO

TPT

Date: October, November, & December

TPT-17: 10/4 11pm; 10/18 11pm; 10/19 8pm; 10/25 11pm; 10/26 8pm; 11/1 11pm; 11/8 11pm; 11/15 11pm; 11/22 10pm & 11pm; 12/13 11pm; 12/20-12/27 11pm; 12/21-12/28 8pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: ECHO (Emergency and Community Health Outreach) provides public health advisories and emergency alerts for Minnesota's refugee and immigrant populations. Production can be heard in six languages.

Program: Family Matters: Breaking the Cycle Now

TPT

Date: 10/5

TPT-17: 8:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Domestic violence affects families across all socio-economic levels. This program is designed to raise awareness of family violence and to offer ideas about how it can be prevented.

Program: Mary Hanson Show

Independent

Date: October and November, Sundays; 12/14

TPT-17: October and November, Sundays 10pm; 12/14 10pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Experts discuss health and social issues.

Program: Independent Lens: The Creek Runs Red

PBS

Date: 10/6

TPT-17: 7pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: A town facing serious health risks and age-old racial tensions between Indian and white society.

Program: Tobacco vs. Minnesota: Clearing the Air

TPT

Date: 11/1

TPT-17: 9pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Our mission is to enhance life for all Minnesotans by reducing tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke through research, action and collaboration. ClearWay MinnesotaSM serves Minnesota through its grant-making program, individual QUITPLANÂ® Services to help people quit smoking and statewide outreach activities. ClearWay Minnesota is funded with 3 percent of the state's tobacco settlement and is an independent, nonprofit organization.

Program: Meth: Shadow Across America

TPT

Date: 11/16

TPT-17: 9:30 pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: The abuse and manufacture of methamphetamine (meth), a powerful stimulant drug, is changing the American landscape. Clandestine meth labs pollute everything they touch, and meth abuse too often leads to addiction. Learn about the far-reaching nature and extent of emerging meth problems from the perspective of law enforcement and treatment professionals. Listen as the experts discuss what meth is, the dangers of meth labs, meth addiction, and the solutions to this growing menace.

Program: La Vida No Es Justa TPT

Date: 10/18, 11/16, 12/13

TPT-17: 10/18 9pm; 11/16 7:30pm; 12/13 9pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: HIV from the Latino perspective. In Spanish on 10/18 and 11/16.

Program: Kuwu Ngyu: Living Well With AIDS TPT

Date: 12/13

TPT-17: 8pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Africans living in Minnesota & HIV

Program: Outdoor Recreation in Decline TPT

Date: 12/17

TPT-17: 9:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Five culturally dissimilar people reflect on the process and unexpected revelations of loneliness.

Program: A Room Nearby PBS

Date: 11/12

TPT-17: 7pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: The debate between analog and digital sound. Learn how blind patients see with their tongues.

Program: Coming Home: Supporting Your Soldier TPT

Date: 11/8

TPT-17: 10pm

Duration: ½hour

Summary: Mental health concerns faced by veterans.

Program: Change Your Brain, Change Your Life APT

Date: 10/5, 10/11, 10/19, 11/6, 11/29

TPT-2: 10/ 5 noon; 10/19 2pm; 11/29 4pm

TPT-17: 10/11 1pm; 11/6 7pm; 11/29 10pm

Duration: 2 hours

Summary: A dramatic look at the history of the disease, experiences of patients, and the race to find a cure.

Program: Health, Care, and You

TPT

Date: 10/4 (in English), 10/18 (in Hmong), 10/25 (in Somali)

TPT-17: 10:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Better understand caring for your health, the healthcare system, and your options through an African American perspective. Co-produced with UCare.

Program: Getting Right with AIDS

TPT

Date: 11/16, 12/13

TPT-17: 11/16 7pm; 12/13 8:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: The story of African Americans staying strong and well while facing HIV disease. Co-produced with Hennepin County.

Program: Rodney Lee: The Practical Power of Yoga

PBS

Date: 11/30, 12/4, 12/7

TPT-2: 11/30 1:30pm

TPT-17: 12/4 7pm; 12/7 10:30pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: The respected yoga master and his wife teach a variety of poses and explain their health benefits.

Program: Wired Science

PBS

Date: 11/12

TPT-17: 7pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: The debate between analog and digital sound. Learn how blind patients see with their tongues.

Program: La Salud, Su Cuidado Y Usted

TPT

Date: 10/11

TPT-17: 10:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Healthcare options in Spanish.

Program: P.O.V.: Critical Condition

PBS

Date: 10/6

TPT-17: 8pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: The struggles of four critically ill Americans showcase the nation's growing health care crisis.

Program: Moving the Debate on Health Care Reform

TPT

Date: 10/18, 11/2

TPT-17: 10/18 8pm; 11/2 6pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Some of the best ideas come from Minnesota – educators, policy makers, and business leaders look at the future of health care.

Program: No Fear CPR: Take Action, Save Lives

TPT

Date: 10/19, 11/22

TPT-17: 10/19 7:30pm; 11/22 9pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Everyone can learn hands-only CPR and save more lives from sudden cardiac arrest. Co-production with Allina Healthcare.

Program: Long-Term Care Financing Solutions

TPT

Date: 11/16

TPT-17: 6pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: A panel of experts discusses solutions to financing long-term care as baby boomers approach retirement.

Program: Brain Fitness 2: Sight and Sound

PBS

Date: 11/29, 11/30, 12/2, 12/6, 12/9

TPT-2: 11/30 noon; 12/6 5pm; 12/9 7pm

TPT-17: 11/29 12:30pm; 11/30 8:30pm; 12/2 7pm

Duration: 1.5 hour

Summary: How to train your brain to produce beneficial chemical, physical, and functional changes.

Program: Magnificent Mind At Any Age with Dr. Daniel Amen

PBS

Date: 12/4, 12/6, 12/7

TPT-2: 12/4 7pm, 9pm; 12/6 10:30pm; 12/7 3pm, 10pm

TPT-17: 12/6 10:30pm; 12/7 7pm

Duration: 2 hours

Summary: Based on the most up-to-date research, Dr. Daniel Amen shows how the true key to satisfaction and success at any age is a healthy brain.

Program: Emerging Health Solutions

TPT

Date: 10/19

TPT-17: 7pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: A program designed to educate the public of emerging health solutions through patient stories in co-production with St. Joseph's Hospital.

Program: Health Care: Models for Change

TPT

Date: 10/25

TPT-17: 10pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Comparing German and US healthcare.

Program: Shared Values: Health & Community

TPT

Date: 10/25, 12/14

TPT-17: 10/25 9pm; 12/14 8:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: An exploration into the correlation between social connectedness and overall health within immigrant populations. Co-produced w/BCBS Foundation of MN.

AGING

Program: Caring For Your Parents

PBS

Date: 11/24

TPT-17: 7pm

Duration: 2 hours

Summary: Explores major challenges and questions regarding home care, financial needs, and nursing options.

Program: Angels: A Friendship Connection

TPT

Date: 12/14

TPT-17: 7:30 pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Helping seniors live with independence and dignity.

ISSUES AFFECTING YOUTH

Program: Cikala Maka Anishnabe Becoming Media Wise

TPT

Date: 11/23

TPT-17: 6:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Helps parents understand the power of media for good and bad.

Program: Hoodo Mise Hadimo: Becoming Mediawise

TPT

Date: 10/12, 11/22

TPT-17: 10/12 7:30pm; 11/22 8:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Helping parents understand the power of media for good and bad.

Program: Beliefs about Poverty

TPT

Date: 11/8, 12/28

TPT-17: 11/8 8pm; 12/28 7pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Explores why students do not learn about the history of poverty in school.

Program: Homeless Youth

TPT

Date: 11/22

TPT-17: 8pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Stories from youth who have struggled with homelessness - causes, complexities and finding home. Co-production with Amherst A. Wilder Foundation.

MILITARY ACTION/TERRORISM/INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

Program: Independent Lens: A Family At War

PBS

Date: 10/20

TPT-17: 7pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: When one American family loses their son in the Iraq war, their lives – and views – are irrevocably changed.

Program: Torturing Democracy

PBS

Date: 12/14, 12/15

TPT-2: 12/14 11pm

TPT-17: 12/15 8pm

Duration: 2 hours

Summary: Chronicles the increasingly harsh U.S. detention and interrogation policies in the war on terror.

Program: P.O.V.: Soldiers of Conscience

PBS

Date: 10/19, 10/20

TPT-2: 10/19 10pm

TPT-17: 10/20 8pm

Duration: 1½ hour

Summary: Eight U.S. soldiers, some who have killed and some who said no, reveal their inner and moral dilemmas.

Program: Price of Freedom

PBS

Date: 10/20

TPT-17: 9:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: A small group of WWII POW's discuss the ghosts of their past in this emotional documentary.

Program: Reserved To Fight

PBS

Date: 11/11, 11/17

TPT-2: 11/11 11pm

TPT-17: 11/17 7pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Four Marines come home from Iraq and struggle through social and psychological reintegration.

Program: Medal of Honor

PBS

Date: 11/5, 11/9

TPT-2: 11/5 8pm; 11/9 4:15pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Profiles America's greatest heroes, recipients of our country's highest honor for military service.

CIVICS / GOVERNMENT ISSUES

Program: Minnesota Speaks: 3rd District Debate

TPT

Date: 11/1

TPT-17: 8pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Candidates for the 2008 Congressional third district debate their positions.

Program: The Last 6%: Treasuring Our Open Spaces

TPT

Date: 10/11

TPT-17: 9pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: The Twin Cities are booming and in the next two decades, one million new residents will be added to the region. Growth means new opportunities, new prosperity, and a dynamic community. But consider: more than 60 acres of open space are lost to development every day in the region. With growth come decisions, choices and balancing acts - and every day public decisions are made about which land we build on and which land we protect. Watch "The Last 6%: Treasuring Our Open Spaces" to find out how you can help make sure the decisions being made are the right ones.

Program: Senate Race MN: 3 Big Moments

TPT

Date: 10/22, 10/23, 10/26

TPT-2: 10/22 8pm; 10/26 10pm

TPT-17: 10/23 7pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Comparing German and US healthcare.

Program: Robert Pastor's Views on NAFTA

TPT

Date: 11/2

TPT-17: 10pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: The Director at the Center for North American Studies at American University shares his controversial views on the NAFTA agreement. Co-produced with St Thomas University.

Program: Latinos '08

PBS

Date: 10/8

TPT-2: 9pm

Duration: 1hour

Summary: A look at how candidates and advocacy groups are trying to attract this group of voters.

Program: Minnesota's Progressive Republicans

TPT

Date: 12/20

TPT-17: 8pm

Duration: 1hour

Summary: A look at Minnesota's state government.

Program: Capitol Report

Independent

Date: October, November, and December

TPT-17: Saturdays, 9:30pm

Duration: ½ hour

Summary: Update on current Capitol issues.

Program: Election Night 2008: A News Hour Special Report

PBS

Date: 11/4

TPT-2: 8 pm

Duration: 3 hours

Summary: Join Jim Lehrer as he and a team of correspondents and analysts follow election night returns.

Program: Frontline: The War Briefing

PBS

Date: 10/28, 10/29, 12/30, 12/31

TPT-2: 10/28 9pm; 12/30 9pm

TPT-17: 10/29 9pm; 12/31 9pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: An inside look at the real foreign policy choices the next president of the United States will face.

Program: PBS Convention Coverage: A Newshour Special Report on the Vice Presidential Debate

PBS

Date: 10/2

TPT-2: 8pm

Duration: 2 hours

Summary: Gwen Ifill moderates the vice presidential debate between the Democratic and Republican nominees, live from Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri.

Program: PBS Convention Coverage: A Newshour Special Report on the Second Presidential Debate PBS

Date: 10/7

TPT-2: 8pm

Duration: 2 hours

Summary: The second presidential debate between John McCain and Barack Obama features undecided voters posing questions to the candidates. Tom Brokaw moderates the debate, live from Nashville, Tennessee.

Program: Frontline: The Storm PBS

Date: 11/5

TPT-17: 9pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: Investigates the political storm surrounding Hurricane Katrina.

Program: Frontline: The Choice 2008 PBS

Date: 10/14, 10/23, 10/26, 11/3

TPT-2: 10/14 8pm; 10/23 8pm; 10/26 4pm; 11/3 8pm

TPT-17: 10/23 8pm

Duration: 2 hour

Summary: The personal and political biographies of candidates John McCain and Barack Obama are examined.

Program: PBS Convention Coverage: A Newshour Special Report on the Third Presidential Debate PBS

Date: 10/15

TPT-2: 8pm

Duration: 2 hours

Summary: Bob Scheiffer moderates this third seated debate focused on foreign policy live from Hofstra University, New York. Includes additional analysis from the *NewsHour* team.

Program: Poverty End Date: A Forum TPT

Date: 10/25, 11/15, 12/28

TPT-17: 10/25 8pm; 11/15 8:30pm; 12/28 6pm

Duration: 1 hour

Summary: A panel of experts discusses the notion of being able to end poverty by 2020.

<p><u>Program:</u> Almanac</p> <p><u>Date:</u> October, November, and December</p> <p><u>TPT-2:</u> Fridays 7pm, Sundays 9:30am</p> <p><u>TPT-17:</u> Saturdays 7pm</p> <p><u>Duration:</u> 1 hour</p> <p><u>Summary:</u> Minnesota politics and public affairs, served with a twist.</p>	TPT
<p><u>Program:</u> Minnesota Workforce: Faces of the Future</p> <p><u>Date:</u> 10/5</p> <p><u>TPT 17:</u> 7:30pm</p> <p><u>Duration:</u> ½ hour</p> <p><u>Summary:</u> Workplace diversity is explored</p>	TPT
<p><u>Program:</u> Washington Week</p> <p><u>Date:</u> October, November, and December</p> <p><u>TPT-2:</u> Fridays 8pm</p> <p><u>Duration:</u> 1.5 hour</p> <p><u>Summary:</u> Roundtable discussion of major news events, hosted by Gwen Ifill.</p>	PBS
<p><u>Program:</u> NOW on PBS</p> <p><u>Date:</u> October, November, and December</p> <p><u>TPT-2:</u> Fridays, 8:30 PM</p> <p><u>Duration:</u> ½ hour</p> <p><u>Summary:</u> Timely interviews and hard-edged reporting on public affairs issues.</p>	PBS
<p><u>Program:</u> Joining Forces/Home Again</p> <p><u>Date:</u> 11/8</p> <p><u>TPT-17:</u> 10:30pm</p> <p><u>Duration:</u> ½ hour</p> <p><u>Summary:</u> The background needed to understand soldiers' specific needs.</p>	TPT