WKNO Quarterly Issues/Programs List Oct – Nov – Dec 2020

OCTOBER 2020

Aging & Senior Issues

The Best Times #904 30 minutes

Thur Oct 1 at 7:30 pm

Travel back in history to Memphis in the 1870s when the city was stalked by 'The Yellow Death.' Host Cris Hardaway re-visits the Yellow Fever epidemic of 1878 with author and historian Molly Caldwell Crosby. In addition music enhances our lives at any age, and is the mission statement of Creative Aging, a non-profit organization that brings the arts to the senior population, particularly those in assisted-living centers and nursing homes.

The Best Times #905

30 minutes

Thur Oct 8 at 7:30 pm

Humans are social creatures. We'll examine the link between Socialization and Aging. In the turbulent sixties the Civil Rights Movement brought about change. Meet Miriam DeCosta-Willis, a leader of the civil rights movement in Memphis. And we'll close with Creative Aging's musicians making music that can be enjoyed by all: Double D Band performs an original song called "Kick the Habit".

The Best Times #906

30 minutes

Thur Oct 15 at 7:30 pm

Take a look at the relationship between Seniors and Pets. Mid-South Therapy Dogs and Friends take animals and their handlers into retirement facilities across the area, including a special program called Bentley's Day Out. Creative Aging's musicians have been silenced by the pandemic, but fortunately we're able to present a Creative Aging's performance.

Crime

The Best Times #907

30 minutes

Thur Oct 22 at 7:30 pm

The presence of Covid-19 has given scammers multiple opportunities to try to trick you. We'll look at how to watch out for scams. Why do some people seem to age better than others? We'll look at the research into this group that scientists call SuperAgers. And to close the program Creative Aging's Double D Band perform an original song.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13076

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/14/2020 6:00:00 PM

Members of the Senate Judiciary Committee spent Wednesday completing their questioning of Amy Coney Barrett at her Supreme Court confirmation hearing. While senators pressed again for answers on a range of issues, the nominee largely avoided committing herself. And given Barrett's support among the Republican majority, her confirmation appeared to be all but guaranteed. John Yang reports.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13085

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/27/2020 6:00:00 PM

The fatal shooting of a Black man by police in Philadelphia on Monday afternoon sparked large protests overnight. Walter Wallace Jr., whose family said he suffered from mental health issues, brandished a knife at officers Monday, refusing to obey their orders to drop it. They shot him multiple times. It's only the latest police killing in recent months to provoke public outrage. John Yang reports.

Education & Illiteracy

Behind the Headlines #1114

30 minutes

Fri., October 2, 2020 at 7 pm

The way students receive their education has changed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Many schools are opting for virtual learning, instead of the traditional in-class schooling – or operating on a hybrid model. Both Arlington Community Schools and Collierville Schools are employing a hybrid means of teaching, allowing students to rotate the days in which they are in class and the days where they study virtually. The Superintendent of Arlington Community Schools Jeff Mayo and Superintendent of Collierville Schools Dr. Gary Lilly join this week's WKNO-TV Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. Guests talk about the unforeseen challenges being faced as they try to manage the health and safety of both the students and facility during the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, guests talk about sports, clubs and school organizations that has been affected by COVID-19.

Behind the Headlines #1115

30 minutes

Fri., October 9, 2020 at 7 pm

The main concern with reopening schools is an increase in COVID-19 infections between students and staff. The Superintendent of Germantown Schools Jason Manuel says that since schools have reopened there has been no data to show the correlation in schools opening and a spike in COVID-19 cases. In fact, Manuel says cases across the county are at a steady decline. Manuel joins the Superintendent of Bartlett City Schools Dr. David Stephens for this week's WKNO-TV Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian reporter Bill Dries. Guests talk about ways the Germantown and Bartlett Schools are following Shelby County Health Department guidelines, including how it has changed the ways of operation from years past. In addition, guests talk about the challenges of dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic while trying to provide quality education for all grade levels.

TN Dept of Education - Teaching TN

2 hours

October weekdays

Classroom education for At Home Learning due to COVID 19 quarantine, specializing in ELA and Math lessons. Produced by the TN Dept of Education. Online resources, including parent/teacher guides, were available for reinforcement.

Government

Behind the Headlines #1116

30 minutes

Fri., October 16, 2020 at 7 pm

Recently, proposals and legislation for police reform have been widely discussed or put into action. Josh Spickler, the Executive Director of Just City, says that a lot of the issues with the Memphis Police Department (MPD) stem from a broken relationship and trust with police officers and the community. Spickler and the Shelby County's Office of Re-entry Administrator Harold Collins join this week's WKNO-TV Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. Guests discuss several ways to mend the bridge between police officers, their departments, and the community. Collins says the best way to start is by assessing new means of operation for the MPD, compared to current policing "which has been the same way for decades." In addition, guests discuss the juvenile court system and solutions to decreasing the number of repeat offenders.

Behind the Headlines #1117

30 minutes

Fri., October 23, 2020 at 7 pm

The Black Lives Matter Movement and protest have caused many cities and states to reevaluate the way their police officers and departments operate. Mayor of Memphis Jim Strickland has implemented a three-phase program that aims to "reimagine policing." Strickland joins this week's WKNO-TV Behind the Headlines and discusses proposed changes to the Memphis Police Department, including "reimaging policing", with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. In addition, guests discuss the COVID-19 pandemic and the recent uptick with positive cases in Memphis.

Hollywood: Legacy of a Memphis Dump

30 minutes

Fri October 9 at 7:30 pm

For decades, the North Hollywood Dump was where Memphis's garbage ended up, whether that was household trash or the industrial waste from nearby factories and chemical manufacturers. In the 70s and 80s, after much pressure from nearby residents and activists, the old dump became the area's first Superfund site. More than 30 years since the cleanup started, questions of environmental justice -- and if and how a neighborhood recovers from long term damage -- are still being posed. Interviews include Rita Harris of the Sierra Club, Environmentalist Larry Smith, community gardeners Mary Norman and Bryant Williams, and Rev. Hubon Sandridge. The 10-minute film is followed by a panel discussion with Brian Waldron of CAESER, Scott Banbury of the Sierra Club, Jim Kovarik of Protect Our Aquifer, and City Councilwoman Michalyn Easter-Thomas.

By One Vote: Woman Suffrage in the South

60 minutes

Sun Oct 11 at 4 pm

When Tennessee legislator Harry T. Burn followed his mother's advice and cast his fateful vote to ratify the 19th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, he ensured the state would forever be associated with bestowing the right to vote, a fundamental civil right, on U.S. women.But the short story of this vote belies the irony of this state and region's late and reluctant participation in the suffrage effort. The full story of Burn's vote and the Southern suffrage movement is one of compromises, abandoned ideals and promises broken; as well as deep racial and gender divisions in the struggle for political power. Tennessee's suffrage journey is part of the long aftermath of the Civil War in which women were no longer satisfied to be spectators in political processes nor to be relegated to second-class citizenship. By One Vote: Woman Suffrage in the South examines the tactics and attitudes of Tennessee and Southern suffragists, exploring how the shadow of the Confederacy and values of the "Lost Cause" shaped the fight for full female enfranchisement. Narrated by Rosanne Cash, NPT's original documentary chronicles the events leading up to the turbulent, nail-biting showdown of August 1920.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Debates 2020 #401

Episode Title: Presidential Debate

Length: 120 minutes

Airdate: 10/1/2020 3:00:00 AM

President Donald Trump (R) and Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden participate in the first presidential debate at Case Western Reserve University on September 29, 2020 in Cleveland, Ohio.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13067

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/1/2020 6:00:00 PM

Recent developments on national intelligence have exacerbated concerns the Trump administration is coopting government capabilities for its own gain. In one example, mere hours before the first Trump-Biden debate, Director of National Intelligence John Ratcliffe declassified unverified Russian intelligence suggesting Hillary Clinton tried to link Trump to Russia in 2016. Nick Schiffin reports.

Health

Behind the Headlines #1118

30 minutes

Fri., October 30, 2020 at 7 pm

The Superintendent of Millington Municipal Schools Bo Griffin, says that recent data shows the benefits of regularly scheduled COVID-19 testing of students and teachers. However, Griffin says frequent testing would be difficult to accomplish due to budget restrictions and the parents and students having the right to decline to take the test. Griffin and the Superintendent of Lakeland School System Dr. Ted Horrell join this week's WKNO-TV Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. Guests talk about operating schools during the COVID-19 pandemic, including alterations to traditional in-class teaching, as well as changes to achievement tests.

The Best Times #908

30 minutes

Thur Oct 29 at 7:30 pm

Remember when doctors made house calls. We'll examine the latest trend in healthcare delivery called Telemedicine. The pandemic has put a lot of vacation plans on hold. But what if you could take your home with you on vacation? That's why the RV Life is a solution. We'll close the show with songs from Creative Aging's Breeze Cayolle.

SPARK #810

30 minutes

Fri Oct 16 at 7:30 pm

The theme of The SPARK October 2020 is "Focused on Family." Jeremy C. Park interviews Mollie Walker, co-founder of Fertility Advocates Tennessee, an organization working to ensure coverage for fertility treatment and fertility preservation in Tennessee; Laurie Powell, CEO of Alliance Healthcare Services, a nonprofit that's the largest comprehensive behavioral health provider in Shelby County; and Mónica Sanchez, Artistic Director and Co-Founder of CazaTeatro Bilingual Theatre Group, sharing Latin American culture through the scenic arts to create a unifying bridge for our community.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13069

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/5/2020 6:00:00 PM

Several of President Trump's family members and close associates have tested positive for COVID-19 along with him. What is the atmosphere like at the White House when it comes to the pandemic? Olivia Troye, a former adviser to Vice President Mike Pence who previously participated on the White House Coronavirus Task Force, left the administration in August. She joins John Yang to discuss.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13070

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/6/2020 6:00:00 PM

President Trump is telling Americans not to be afraid of coronavirus, as the national death toll from the pandemic tops 210,000. Cases are again climbing in much of the country -- but attitudes about the threat posed by COVID-19 vary greatly. Amna Nawaz explores why so many Americans feel fears about the virus are overblown.

Racism and Minority Rights

Memphis 13

30 minutes

Fri Oct 23 at 7:30 pm

First grade can be a scary thing, even without the burden of making history. In October 1961, 13 first graders became some of the smallest pioneers of the Civil Rights Movement when they desegregated the Memphis City Schools. 'The Memphis 13' is their story. This documentary collects the stories of 13

families united by a comment moment in history, but experiences individually; stories of normal children living through an extraordinary moment. A half century later, they are proud of having broken a barrier, but many remain burdened by this difficult experience. The film uncovers a hidden story of the Movement, honors the children who lived it, and raises questions about the role of children in movements for social change.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13071

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/7/2020 6:00:00 PM

Totaling some 6.8 million people, American Indians and Native Alaskans could play a key role in the upcoming election, especially in Western swing states like Arizona and Nevada. But there are some obstacles in Native communities that make their residents less likely to vote. Stephanie Sy talks to attorney Jacqueline De Leon of the Native American Rights Fund about efforts to change that.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13074

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/12/2020 6:00:00 PM

This year, U.S. protests over police brutality and violence against Black Americans have led to a prominent national conversation on racism. Indigenous peoples in Canada, Australia and New Zealand have leveraged the momentum both to show solidarity and to bring attention to similar issues in their own countries. Amna Nawaz reports on a global effort to identify and address racism and oppression.

Series Title: John Lewis - Get in the Way

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/31/2020 8:00:00 PM

Follow the courageous journey of John Lewis, whose unwavering fight for justice spans the past 50 years, from his youth in the segregated South, through his leadership within the Civil Rights movement, to his current role as a powerful voice in Congress. He was the youngest speaker at the historic 1963 March on Washington, where Dr.King delivered his legendary "I Have a Dream" speech. And in March 1965, Lewis led the Bloody Sunday march in Selma, where Alabama State Troopers attacked peaceful protesters with billy clubs, bullwhips and tear gas. Their horrific actions were broadcast on nightly news reports into living rooms across America; eight months later, the Voting Rights Act was signed into law. Once an activist pushing from the outside, Lewis, now 76 years old, has become a determined legislator making noise on the inside. Considered by many to be the conscience of Congress, with equal measures of modesty and forcefulness, Lewis strives to persuade D.C. powerbrokers to hear the voices of the unheard. Despite setbacks-and there have been many-John Lewis' eyes remain on the prize.

Poverty

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13070

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 10/6/2020 6:00:00 PM

President Trump's decision Tuesday to break off talks on a coronavirus relief bill affects millions of Americans who are finding it difficult to afford their basic needs. Nearly half of the 22 million jobs lost during the pandemic have yet to be recovered. Hunger, food insecurity and need remain constants as a result. Stephanie Sy reports and talks to Michael Ledger, CEO of Feeding the Gulf Coast.

NOVEMBER 2020

Aging & Senior Issues

The Best Times #909 30 minutes

Thur Nov 5 at 7:30 pm

Today Memphis is recognized worldwide as the home of the blues and the cradle of American music. The blues, gospel, jazz and rock and roll that came from here has influenced multiple generations of musicians. But what made Memphis so special? Host Cris Hardaway talks with music historian David Less about his new book, Memphis Mayhem. And a performance from Creative Aging's musicians.

The Best Times #910

30 minutes

Thur Nov 12 at 7:30 pm

The Library Information Center is a valuable resource for the entire community, and particularly the senior population. When you call 211 you're connected to a librarian who has a database of hundreds of government services, human resources agencies and volunteer organizations that can help solve your problem. Learn how to "De-Stress Your Life" by exploring the meditative art of Zentangle.

The Best Times #911

30 minutes

Thur Nov 19 at 7:30 pm

The latest scientific studies highlight the link between eating well and aging well. A recent study showed that healthy seniors who had daily helpings of leafy green vegetables, such as spinach, kale and collard greens, had a slower rate of cognitive decline, compared to those who tended to eat little or no greens. So healthy eating can lead to a longer life. Plus a performance from Creative Aging.

The Best Times #901

30 minutes

Thur Nov 26 at 7:30 pm

Most people plan for a relaxing retirement, and some plan for a retirement adventure. In 2016 we talked to Ralph and Twyla Williams just before they started their retirement adventure by moving to the east African country of Tanzania to become Christian missionaries to the Maasai people. Host Cris Hardaway had the chance to talk with them and catch up on their retirement adventure.

Memphis Belle: Her Final Mission

60 minutes

Wed Nov 11 at 7 pm

In 1943, the Memphis Belle was an American icon. It was one of the first American heavy bombers to survive 25 combat missions over the deadly skies of Europe. That earned it a trip back to the States, where it was celebrated by thousands as it crisscrossed America on its War Bond Tour. And then came the film. Produced by Hollywood legend William Wyler, The Memphis Belle: A Story of a Flying Fortress, was a 43-minute documentary shown in theaters from coast to coast. The Memphis Belle and her crew were wartime celebrities, but two years later the war was over and the Memphis Belle sat in an airplane boneyard, waiting to be melted down and recycled. The plane was saved by the City of Memphis and put on display. In 2005, the Belle arrived in Dayton for an exhaustive 13-year restoration at the National Museum of the United States Air Force, where the Memphis Belle is now on display. In this locally-produced documentary, combat diaries give unflinching, first-hand accounts of the Belle's most dangerous missions. Interviews with the curator and restoration crew provide insights into the challenges of their long mission to restore the Belle. It's a story of two teams of men, separated by 75 years, who shared a deep affection for a plane that became an American icon.

Crime

Aging Matters: Abuse & Exploitation

30 minutes

Fri Nov 27 at 7:30 pm

It is estimated that one in ten adults over the age of 60 is a victim. But the truth is we don't know for certain how many older adults are suffering from abuse. In the eighth edition of Aging Matters, Nashville Public Television explores the issues behind elder abuse, neglect and exploitation. Experts suggest that our

understanding of elder abuse lies decades behind that of child abuse and domestic violence. Elder abuse is underreported. It lacks clear legal definition and is complicated by ethical challenges. The system of response is different depending on where you live. What are the risk factors, what can we do to protect ourselves and our loved ones, and what is our responsibility to intervene for those in need? The questions are simple, but the answers are not.

Series Title: Independent Lens #2205 Episode Title: Belly of the Beast

Length: 90 minutes

Airdate: 11/23/2020 10:00:00 PM

When an unlikely duo discovers a pattern of illegal sterilizations—nearly forty years after being banned—in women's prisons, shielded by prison officials and doctors inside the correctional system, they wage a near-impossible battle against the Department of Corrections. Belly of the Beast exposes modern-day eugenics and reproductive injustice in California prisons, through intimate accounts from currently and formerly incarcerated people.

Series Title: Frontline #3714

Episode Title: Supreme Revenge: Battle for the Court

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/24/2020 10:00:00 PM

Inside the no-holds-barred war for control of the Supreme Court. From Brett Kavanaugh to Robert Bork, an investigation of how a 30-year-old grievance transformed the Court and turned confirmations into bitter, partisan conflicts.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13106

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/25/2020 6:00:00 PM

Six months ago, George Floyd was killed under the knee of a Minneapolis police officer, triggering protests and spasms of property destruction in cities across America. The Minneapolis Police Department is now facing calls for its abolition while struggling with high attrition and low morale. Special correspondent Fred de Sam Lazaro reports as part of his series, "Agents for Change."

Education & Illiteracy

TN Dept of Education – Teaching TN

2 hours

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Government

Behind the Headlines #1119

30 minutes

Fri., November 6, 2020 at 7 pm

This week on Channel 10's Behind the Headlines, the Shelby County Democratic Party Chairman Michael Harris and the Shelby County Republican Party Chairman Chris Tutor join host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. Sixty-Five percent of eligible voters in Shelby County turned out to the polls this 2020 election season. The Shelby County Republican Chairman Chris Tutor says despite the large turnout, the expected "blue wave did not reach the shore" and many exceptions for this 2020 election were not met. Tutor and the Shelby County Democratic Chairman Michael Harris join this week's WKNO-TV Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. Harris discusses how the record number turnout showcases Democratic presence and a "blue wave." In addition, guests analyze the 2020 federal, state, and local elections.

Behind the Headlines #1122 (encore of #1120)

30 minutes

Fri., November 27, 2020 at 7 pm

This week on Channel 10's Behind the Headlines, the Mayor of Shelby County Lee Harris and the Shelby County Health Department Director Alisa Haushalter join host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. With the rise in COVID-19 cases, the Shelby County Health Department Director Alisa Haushalter says that local officials are concerned. Haushalter highly recommends "wearing a mask, a continuation of social distancing, and, if you must visit restaurants and businesses do it during the times when they're are not busy."

Series Title: Washington Week #66018

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 11/1/2020 6:30:00 PM

With President Donald Trump and Democratic presidential nominee Joe Biden crisscrossing the country to win over voters, our Washington Week panel discussed the final push to Election Day. Plus, we take a road trip to the key battleground state of Pennsylvania to talk to people about the top issues motivating them to vote.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13089

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/2/2020 6:00:00 PM

As the final hours of the 2020 presidential campaign tick away, nearly 100 million Americans have already cast their ballots -- representing more than two-thirds of all 2016 votes. Meanwhile, the candidates appealed to voters in swing states, including Pennsylvania, which is shaping up to play a critical role. Yamiche Alcindor reports and joins Judy Woodruff and Lisa Desjardins to discuss.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13092

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/5/2020 6:00:00 PM

The outcome of the presidential race is still unknown, as a handful of states continue counting ballots. In the meantime, legal challenges to the electoral process and protests are being mounted. Lisa Desjardins reports, and Yamiche Alcindor and John Yang join Judy Woodruff to discuss President Trump's "misinformation machine" and how the Biden campaign is responding to Trump's court action.

Health

Behind the Headlines #1120

30 minutes

Fri., November 13, 2020 at 7 pm

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Behind the Headlines #1121 30 minutes Fri., November 20, 2020 at 7 pm This week on Channel 10's Behind the Headlines, the Mayor of Bartlett Keith McDonald and the Mayor of Germantown Mike Palazzolo join host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. COVID-19 cases continue to rise in the Mid-South. Keith McDonald, Mayor of Bartlett, says that unfortunately, another lockdown is on the horizon. McDonald adds that one of the biggest reasons for the recent spike in COVID-19 cases is because individuals are ignoring the mask mandate, especially when in large social gatherings. McDonald joins the Mayor of Germantown Mike Palazzolo for this week's WKNO-TV Behind the Headlines with host Eric Barnes and The Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. Guest discuss COVID-19 and its effect on schools, businesses, and individuals. In addition, Palazzolo and McDonald discuss officials that they are working with to respond to COVID-19, including the Shelby County Health Department and the surrounding county mayors.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13094

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/9/2020 6:00:00 PM

Health experts in the U.S. are worried too many children are not receiving the standard childhood vaccinations they need. In the beginning of the pandemic, doctors' offices told people to stay away in order to control the spread of the virus. Now, it's possible parents listened too well, as standard vaccinations inch upward but remain below target levels. Stephanie Sy reports from Michigan.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13095

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/10/2020 6:00:00 PM

Health care policy was a major topic during the presidential campaign, and President Trump's administration has long sought to invalidate the Affordable Care Act. But Obamacare, as it is popularly known, is now deeply woven into American health. With health insurance for tens of millions in the balance, the legislation was back before the U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday. John Yang reports.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13099

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/16/2020 6:00:00 PM

Early results from Pfizer and Moderna vaccine candidates are very encouraging. But even if a successful vaccine is developed, challenges around production and distribution remain -- not to mention public trust and willingness to receive it. Dr. Francis Collins, director of the National Institutes of Health, joins Judy Woodruff to discuss the advances and how Americans can fight the pandemic now.

Racism and Minority Rights

Talking Black in America 60 minutes

Mon Nov 23 at 8 pm

Talking Black in America follows the unique circumstances of the descendants of American slaves and their incredible impact on American language. Speech varieties in African American communities reflect the imprint of African language systems, the influences of regional British and Southern American dialects, and the creativity and resilience of people living through oppression, segregation and the fight for equality. Filmed across the United States, Talking Black in America is a startling revelation of language as legacy, identity and triumph over adversity. With Reverend Jeremiah Wright, DJ Nabs, Professor Griff, Quest M.C.O.D.Y., Dahlia the Poet, Nicky Sunshine and many others. "African-American language is central to American life, yet it continues to be widely misunderstood and marginalized. A new documentary from the Language and Life Project draws on decades of research to remedy our understanding." - NC State University News

Signing Black In America 30 minutes Friday Dec 13 at 7:30 pm This documentary highlights the history and development of Black American Sign Language, a vibrant dialect that today conveys an identity and sense of belonging that mirrors spoken language varieties of the African American hearing community.

Community Called Orange Mound

60 minutes

Mon Nov 9 at 8 pm

The history of a historically black neighborhood in Memphis is told by the people who live and flourish there

Hoxie: The First Stand

60 minutes

Mon Nov 16 at 8 pm

In 1955, the school board of a small Arkansas town voluntarily integrated its schools, setting off the first confrontation with a growing southern movement to resist the Supreme Court's Brown v. Board of Education decision. Despite threats from outside agitators, they refused to rescind their decision. Obscured by history's more widely known civil rights benchmark, Central High and the Little Rock Nine, the story of Hoxie is first and foremost a story about regular folks in extraordinary circumstances. In 2004, which marks the 50th anniversary of Brown v. Board, this little town's courage and determination to follow the law and "do what's right" still inspire. Julian Bond narrates.

Memphis Soul Prize

30 minutes

Fri Nov 27 at 9 pm

The Memphis Soul Prize is an opportunity to elevate the conversation about Memphis, and it starts with the community's high school students through poetry and filmmaking. Students create effective content through photography and videos for so many amazing clients who need to get their message out to the world. There are so many great stories in Memphis!

Poverty

SPARK #811

30 minutes

Fri Nov 20 at 7:30 pm

The theme of The SPARK November 2020 is "Renewal and Restoration." Jeremy C. Park interviews Linda Lee White, founder and executive director of Women Ablaze Ministries, a prison ministry working with women on the inside and then providing a home-like atmosphere on the outside to help them become restored; Connie James, Director of HeartLand Hands, an all-volunteer organization providing emergency food assistance to residents of DeSoto County; and Lee Howard, Founder of RE-NEW-ALL Candle, a company partnering with local nonprofit recovery programs to empower survivors and provide community through creating hand-poured artisan candles. Plus, a profile of Arise2Read from the most recent SPARK Awards.

Farmers for America

60 minutes

Sun Nov 22 at 10 pm

Farmers for America celebrates farmers nationwide- sharing both the challenges and joys of grow-ing food. Mike Rowe narrates the documentary which traces the changes coming to America's agri-culture as more people choose farmers' markets, embrace farm-to-table restaurants and dedicate their lives to building local, regional food supply systems.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13105

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 11/24/2020 6:00:00 PM

As the Thanksgiving holiday approaches millions of people are out of work and struggling to put food on the table. And as food insecurity soars across the nation due COVID-19, the hardest hit are often children and people of color. Lisa Designations has the story.

DECEMBER 2020

Aging & Senior Issues

The Best Times #902 30 minutes Thur Dec 17 at 7:30 pm

Many Memphians might remember eating at The Gridiron restaurant, or shopping at Shainberg's. But do you know the stories behind those Memphis landmarks. And if you lived in Memphis in the summer of 1949, the American Airlines plane crash near Cherokee golf course? Or does the name Lil Hardin Armstrong ring a bell? Archivist Wayne Dowdy will tell you more about The History You Do Not Know.

Crime

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13114

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/7/2020 6:00:00 PM

The heirs to a 11th-century collection of art say their Jewish ancestors were forced to sell some of the collection in 1935 to Nazi agents. They are now seeking restitution in a case before the U.S. Supreme Court. John Yang reports.

The coronavirus pandemic has upended the lives of all Americans but it's been especially hard on individuals known as returning citizens -- formerly incarcerated men and women who are re-entering society. William Brangham has the story of one man in Washington D.C. who is trying to beat the odds as part of our series, "Searching for Justice."

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13118

Episode Title: Episode 118 Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/11/2020 6:00:00 PM

The effects of mass incarceration in this U.S. are felt by many more people than those convicted of crimes. Student Reporting Labs, our journalism training program, explores how the criminal justice system can also create far-reaching obstacles for kids and families.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13124

Episode Title: Episode 124 Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/21/2020 6:00:00 PM

Murders across the U.S. have skyrocketed in 2020, while nonviolent offenses have largely dropped, according to publicly available crime data. But efforts to curb homicides come at a time when police departments are facing both staffing shortages because of the COVID-19 pandemic and lingering distrust in communities of color following months of nationwide protests. John Yang reports.

Education & Illiteracy

SPARK #812 30 minutes Fri Dec 18 at 7:30 pm The theme of The SPARK December 2020 is "Breaking Barriers to Build Successful Futures." Jeremy C. Park interviews Jennifer Balink, Executive Director of Kindred Place, a counseling and education center for adults and children in the Greater Memphis area; Mark Ottinger, Executive Director of Memphis Family Connection Center, an organization providing connection based trauma informed care to the Shelby County, TN adoptive, foster care and special needs community; and Kit Crighton-Smith, Founder of Women Build 901 Too, a collaborative effort to get more women involved in the construction industry here in the Mid-South. Plus, a profile of Jon Neal, the Individual-Adult honoree from the 2019 SPARK Awards.

The Spark Awards 2020

60 minutes

Mon Dec 14 at 8 pm

The SPARK Awards honor individuals & organizations making a difference in our community celebrating the efforts of individuals, nonprofits, corporations, and schools, in 13 different categories, who are igniting change and making a positive impact in the Greater Memphis community.

TN Dept of Education – Teaching TN

2 hours

December weekdays

Classroom education for At Home Learning due to COVID 19 quarantine, specializing in ELA and Math lessons. Produced by the TN Dept of Education. Online resources, including parent/teacher guides, were available for reinforcement.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13121

Length: 60 minutes

Despite the fact that many school districts worked at being prepared during the pandemic, this fall has been a tough road for students, parents and educators. Most used some form of hybrid learning, but many have felt it's not safe enough to have children in the classroom. And for some students, virtual learning means that they are falling further behind. Amna Nawaz reports.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13130

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/29/2020 6:00:00 PM

With many college admissions testing sites closing down during the pandemic, as many as 50 percent of early applications arrived without any test scores this year. That's resulted in some top-ranked schools seeing a surge in applications, but elsewhere, application numbers are flat or even down. William Brangham spoke with Jeffrey Selingo, author of "Who Gets In and Why," to learn more.

Government

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13110

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/1/2020 6:00:00 PM

In our new wrap Tuesday, U.S. Attorney General William Barr has dealt a fresh blow to President Trump's claims of widespread election fraud, and a key scientific committee told the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention that the first COVID-19 vaccine should go to health care workers and patients in nursing homes.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13112

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/3/2020 6:00:00 PM

It was exactly one year ago Thursday that California Sen. Kamala Harris dropped out of the presidential race, citing a lack of funds. Now she is poised to break barriers as the first woman, first Black American and first South-Asian American vice president. Yamiche Alcindor reports.

Health

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13113

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/4/2020 6:00:00 PM

Women in the U.S. are more likely to die from pregnancy-related causes than anywhere else in the developed world, according to the Commonwealth Fund. Native American women face some of the highest rates of death, and in Arizona, those disparities are even more profound. From the Cronkite School of Journalism, Jennifer Alvarez reports on an effort to fight maternal mortality among Native Americans.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13115

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/8/2020 6:00:00 PM

The first shots of a COVID vaccine in Britain Tuesday delivered new hope around the world. Officials in the U.S. want to begin rolling out a vaccine in the coming weeks. But there are many concerns about getting the vaccine out to those who need it in the coming months. Alex Azar, the secretary of Health and Human Services, joins Judy Woodruff to discuss.

Racism and Minority Rights

Behind the Headlines #1124

30 minutes

Fri., December 11, 2020 at 7 pm

This week on Channel 10's Behind the Headlines, the President of the National Civil Rights Museum Terri Lee Freeman joins host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. After six years of leading the National Civil Rights Museum, Freeman plans to take a new job in Maryland. Freeman discusses the social, political, and racial issues that the museum has expounded on over the past six years. In addition, Freeman talks about how COVID has affected the museum.

STAX Music Academy Live

60 minutes

Tue Dec 22 at 7 pm

The Stax Music Academy students are known for their amazing live performances. From Australia and Italy, France, England, Germany, New York?s Lincoln Center and Washington D.C.?s Kennedy Center and Smithsonian Institute festivals, the young, creative students of the afterschool and summer music institute have carried their interpretations of Stax Records classics and the Memphis Sound around the world for the past 20 years as some of the finest musical ambassadors Memphis has ever known. On November 16, 2020, Stax Music Academy students went into the WKNO studios to perform some of their favorite Stax classic songs, including tunes by Isaac Hayes, Otis Redding, the Staple Singers, Mable John, William Bell, Eddie Floyd, and others. The show includes behind-the-scenes footage, throw-back clips from past concerts, and students revealing what it feels like to record together again, even with COVID-related safety measures in place. Join us for the live concert of songs that made Memphis known around the globe the first time around as we continue to propel the Stax Records legacy into the future for generations to come.

American Masters: Charley Pride

60 minutes

Sat Dec 19 at 7 pm

Explore the complicated history of the American South and its music through the life of country star Charley Pride. Raised in segregated Mississippi, his journey shows the ways that artistic expression can triumph over prejudice and injustice.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour #13121

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/16/2020 6:00:00 PM

From 1920 to 1948, Black baseball players barred from the Major Leagues could only play in what were called Negro Leagues. As a result many of their accomplishments have been forgotten. But on Wednesday,

Commissioner Rob Manfred said Major League Baseball was elevating seven Negro Leagues to major league status. John Yang spoke to ESPN's Howard Bryant to discuss.

Series Title: Vernon Jordan: Make It Plain

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/28/2020 10:00:00 PM

"Vernon Jordan: Make It Plain" explores Vernon Jordan's rise from the segregated South, his tenure as the head of several civil rights organizations, and his current position as a partner at a corporate law firm and financial behemoth Lazard. Jordan is one of the most influential African American thought leaders in America.

Series Title: Amanpour and Company #3129

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 12/28/2020 11:00:00 PM

Darren Walker and Richard Parsons discuss how corporate America should address racism.

Poverty

Behind the Headlines #1123

30 minutes

Fri., December 4, 2020 at 7 pm

This week on Channel 10's Behind the Headlines, the President & CEO of Mid-South Food Bank Cathy Pope and the President & CEO of MIFA Sally Jones Heinz join host Eric Barnes and Daily Memphian's Bill Dries. Guests discuss helping people in need during the holidays and COVID-19, including an increase in assistance needed during the COVID-19 pandemic and ways organizations are coming together to meet the new demands.