

Quarterly Programs/Issues List

January 1, 2013 – March 31, 2013

KOPB Portland, Oregon

Abortion

January 22, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

The Debate on Abortion, Four Decades After Roe v. Wade: Forty years ago, in the landmark case Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decided that abortion should be legal in the United States. Charmaine Yoest of Americans United for Life and Nancy Keenan of NARAL Pro-Choice America join Gwen Ifill to debate the state of abortion rights and activism today.

March 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

Arkansas Abortion Law Bans Procedures After 12 Weeks of Pregnancy: The Arkansas legislature passed the nation's strictest abortion rules, outlawing any procedures done after the 12th week of pregnancy. To learn more about the legal ramifications for doctors under the new law and how it will affect other states, Hari Sreenivasan talks with Suzi Parker, a reporter for Reuters from Little Rock.

Aging

January 2, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

Manufacturer Vita Needle Finds Investment in Older Workers Turns a Big Profit: The average age of Vita Needle's workers is 74 years old, and that's no accident. The manufacturing company has intentionally hired seniors -- a decision that has increased profits and benefited older workers who often have a harder time finding a job. Paul Solman reports on their unique model for doing business.

March 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Access to Doctors Shrinks for Some Medicare Patients: It's getting harder and harder for some seniors to find a primary care physician. Ray Suarez reports on why the threat of massive cuts to Medicare reimbursement rates has left some doctors so worried that they've decided to stop taking new Medicare patients.

Agriculture

March 28, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 29 minutes

Oregon cranberry farmers call the south coast the NAPA valley of cranberry farming in the US. A longer growing season produces sweet berries. But don't believe the myth that they grow in watery bogs. Cranberry fields are flooded only two days a year to help the farmers get the berries off the vine at harvest time.

January 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

School of Wine: Training Students for Jobs in Washington State's Wine Industry: With more than 700 vineyards, Washington state has become a premier location for viticulture. One community college has created a winemaking degree that fosters economic, environmental and cultural sustainability in and around the city of Walla Walla where vineyards continue to sprout. Special correspondent John Tulenko reports.

January 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

News Wrap: FDA Proposes Strict New Safety Rules for Farmers, Food Companies: In other news Friday, the Food and Drug Administration proposed far-reaching new food safety rules to prevent deadly outbreaks of food poisoning each year. Also, President Obama's re-election was made official when the Electoral College were certified and tallied in a joint session of Congress.

February 19, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 15 minutes

Supreme Court Case on Monsanto Seeds Tests Limitations of Patent Law: A suit between biotech giant Monsanto and an Indiana farmer has reached the high court. Gwen Ifill dissects the case with Marcia Coyle of the National Law Journal. Ray Suarez discusses broader implications with Bert Foer of the American Antitrust Institute and Todd Dickinson of the American Intellectual Property Law Association.

Alcohol, Drug Abuse/Addiction

January 9, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

High Court Examines Whether the Police Need a Warrant to Test Blood Alcohol: Supreme Court justices heard arguments on whether police officers could force a drunk driving suspect to take a blood alcohol test without a warrant. Jeffrey Brown talks to National Law Journal's Marcia Coyle for more on the arguments, which centered on interpretation of warrant requirements.

January 9, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

Baseball Hall of Shame: Players Tied to Steroid Use Denied Honors: Sport legends Barry Bonds and Roger Clemens became eligible for entry into the Baseball Hall of Fame this year. But after the votes were tallied, neither received enough support to receive baseball's highest honor. Jeffrey Brown talks to Washington Post's Barry Sverluga about why no living players were elected this year.

January 16, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Why Lance Armstrong May Be Coming Clean About Performance-Enhancing Drugs: What will be the fallout of Lance Armstrong's confession of doping during his prolific professional cycling career? Ray Suarez talks to two writers who have followed Armstrong's career: Daniel Coyle, co-author of "The Secret Race: The Hidden World of the Tour de France," and the Juliet Macur of the New York Times.

American History/Biography

January 8, 2013 9pm

Abolitionists: American Experience 51 minutes

Shared beliefs about slavery bring together Angelina Grimké, the daughter of a Charleston plantation family, who moves north and becomes a public speaker against slavery; Frederick Douglass, a young slave who becomes hopeful when he hears about the abolitionists; William Lloyd Garrison, who founds the newspaper The Liberator, a powerful voice for the movement; Harriet Beecher Stowe, whose first trip to the South changes her life and her writing; and John Brown, who devotes his life to the cause. The abolitionist movement, however, is in disarray and increasing violence raises doubts about the efficacy of its pacifist tactics.

January 15, 2013 10pm

Frontline: Inside Obama's Presidency, 1 hour

As Barack Obama is sworn in for his second term, FRONTLINE takes a probing look at the first four years of his presidency. With inside accounts from his battles with his Republican opponents over health care and the economy to his dramatic expansion of targeted killings of enemies, FRONTLINE examines the president's key decisions and the experiences that will inform his second term.

Category: American History/Biography

February 4, 2013 10pm

Freedom Riders: American Experience, 2 hrs

In 1961, segregation seemed to have an overwhelming grip on American society. Many states violently enforced the policy, while the federal government, under the Kennedy administration, remained indifferent, preoccupied with matters abroad. That is, until an integrated band of college students -- many of whom were the first in their families to attend a university -- decided, en masse, to risk everything and buy a ticket on a Greyhound bus bound for the Deep South. They called themselves the Freedom Riders, and they managed to bring the president and the entire American public face to face with the challenge of correcting civil-rights inequities that plagued the nation. Filmmaker Stanley Nelson's inspirational documentary is the first feature-length film about this courageous band of civil-rights activists. Gaining access to influential figures on both sides of the issue, Nelson chronicles a chapter of American history that stands as an astonishing testament to the accomplishment of youth and what can result from the incredible combination of personal conviction and the courage to organize against all odds.

January 29, 2013 9pm

Henry Ford: American Experience, 2 hrs

HENRY FORD paints a fascinating portrait of a farm boy who rose from obscurity to become the most influential American innovator of the 20th century. Ford's Model T automobile and his five-dollar-a-day wage ushered in the modern world, earning Ford reverence from millions of Americans. Yet many of the changes he wrought deeply troubled the carmaker. In frustration, he lashed out at enemies, real and imagined, blamed Jews for the country's problems, bullied those who worked for him and exhibited great cruelty to his only son, often, it seemed, wishing to retreat to an idyllic fantasy of the past.

January 17, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

Remembering Pauline Phillips, Arbiter of Love and Life Advice as 'Dear Abby': Pauline Phillips, whose "Dear Abby" column offered tough but sympathetic advice about love and life to readers around the world, died at the age of 94. Ray Suarez discusses Phillips' career with Amy Dickinson, the Chicago Tribune's signature advice columnist for "Ask Amy."

February 12, 2012, 9pm

John D. Rockefeller: American Experience, 2 hrs

For decades, the Rockefeller name was despised in America -- associated with John D. Rockefeller Sr.'s feared monopoly, Standard Oil. The world's first billionaire, Rockefeller held 90 percent of the world's oil refineries, 90 percent of the marketing of oil and a third of all the oil wells. Working methodically and secretly, he transformed an industry -- and changed forever the way America did business. Though Rockefeller's only son dedicated his life to redeeming the family reputation, and Rockefeller had given away half his fortune by the end of his life, his philanthropy couldn't erase the memory of his predatory business practices.

February 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Known for Single Act of Defiance, Rosa Parks Trained for Life Full of Activism: What do you really know about the life and legacy of civil rights pioneer Rosa Parks? Gwen Ifill talks with biographer Jeanne Theoharis, whose book "The Rebellious Life of Mrs. Rosa Parks" offers a complex portrait of the woman best known for refusing to give up her seat on an Alabama bus in 1955.

Category: American History/Biography

February 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Presidential Admirer: LBJ's Love Letters to Lady Bird, His Bride to Be: Seventy years ago, Lyndon B. Johnson took to snail mail to court Claudia Alta "Lady Bird" Taylor. The letters have now been released by the LBJ Presidential Library in Austin, Texas. For more on the love letters, Judy Woodruff talks with presidential historian Michael Beschloss, and Catherine Robb, granddaughter of LBJ and Lady Bird.

February 20, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

Justice Sotomayor Talks Life Before and on the Bench in 'My Beloved World': Justice Sonia Sotomayor is the first Hispanic justice--and one of the youngest ever--to serve on the Supreme Court. Her new memoir, "My Beloved World," talks about her early life and difficult childhood. Justice Sotomayor talks with Gwen Ifill about her adjustment to "the bench" and the importance of an open mind.

Arts

January 3, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 29 minutes

Teaching Creativity: Are kids still learning to draw, paint, sing and dance in Oregon's classrooms, or has school become an endless repetition of reading, writing and arithmetic? We look at arts education in the schools in Portland, Milwaukie and Prineville in this compelling half hour special.

January 10, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 29 minutes

Bandon Playhouse has been around for decades, as an all-volunteer theater on the Southern coast. Chervona is a world music band in Portland with a Russian heart and a Gypsy soul. Meet our official ambassador of poetry. Paulann Petersen, Oregon's Poet Laureate. Yuji Hiratsuka uses influences from Japan with other imagery to create colorful prints.

January 17, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 29 minutes

James DeRosso always knew he wanted to work in ceramics, but it all changed when he started making monsters. Award-winning chef Greg Higgins spent an afternoon showing actor Rob Nagle the ropes. Lori Henriques is wrapping up recording her second collection of songs for kids, influenced by classical and jazz tradition. When is a painter not a painter? When he applies his work on aluminum. Meet Mel Katz, one of Portland's most venerable sculptors.

January 24, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 29 minutes

Exploring conceptual art in the heart of timber country. Meet Renee Couture, an artist who practices her craft in Glide Oregon. Contemporary painter Don Bailey teaches an upcoming generation of

Native American students art, while exploring his own sense of heritage, history, and self. Stephanie Schneiderman is a singer/songwriter finding her own sound, combining heartfelt lyrics with trip-hop beats.

January 31, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 29 minutes

The bluesman performs songs from his new album and talks with opbmusic's Dave Christensen. David Willis creates large dramatic sculptures from glass that balance strength and fragility. She used to paint figuratively. But now emerging artist Eva Speer draws inspiration from nature, including Forest Park, for some of her abstract paintings. Rose Okada performs and teaches the sarangi, a Middle Eastern instrument that she loves.

February 7, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 29 minutes

Jason Waldron found the medium he was meant to work in closer to home than he imagined. Elise Wunderlich used her local art program to produce some eye-opening works. Jeremy Petersen talks to the Portland band about their rebellious new sound.

February 14, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 27 minutes

What makes Oregon's jazz scene so special? And why are women from Portland like Esperanza Spalding taking the jazz world by storm? Meet musician, teacher and mentor Thara Memory, and two of his previous students, Spalding and Hailey Niswanger. Enjoy a concert at Portland Center Stage featuring all of these artist, plus Thara Memory's American Music Project band - where it all begins for aspiring jazz musicians.

February 21, 2012 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 26 minutes

Nell Geisslinger is an actor at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland who loves to transform herself through makeup. Ashland weaver Thalia Keple not only creates intricately woven scarves, but makes textile-based jewelry on the tiniest loom. Attention to detail is crucial for award-winning wildlife painter Pam Stoehsler. As soon as Christopher Worth discovered his gift, he vowed to share it with the world.

February 28, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 27 minutes

Desmond Spann, aka DLux the Light is a spoken word poet, a positive emcee and an educator. Matthew Dennison's paintings are approachable even as they question our assumptions about the world. Michihiro Kosuge creates large sculptures from stone that reflect the beauty of nature.

March 21, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 30 minutes

Some of the best music in Portland may not be in a bar or concert hall... it might be in a house near you! Meet the creator of the "thinking person's" poster art. Sarkis Antikajian is a prolific painter fulfilling his life-long dream to be an artist.

March 28, 2013 8pm

Oregon Art Beat, 27 minutes

Keith Jellum creates dramatic metal sculptures that interact with the environment. The Last Supper is a provocative exhibit of 500 plates, each one the last meal of a death row inmate. Meet the men (and the bird) behind an organization-encouraging dance in Portland.

January 10, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

'Zero Dark Thirty' Catches Criticism Over Torture Depictions and Accuracy: A new film by director Kathryn Bigelow and writer Mark Boal is supposedly based on first-person accounts of the hunt for Osama bin Laden, causing questions from lawmakers about classified information and depictions of torture. Jeffrey Brown discusses the film with The New Yorker's Jane Mayer and The Atlantic's Mark Bowden.

January 21, 2013 10pm

Independent Lens: Beauty is Embarrassing, 1 hour

Art-world darling Wayne White got his big break when he helped create the unhinged children's show "Pee-Wee's Playhouse." His off-kilter style and self-deprecating sense of humor offer a peek into an imagination that refuses to grow up. This film chronicles the vaulted highs and the crushing lows of this Tennessean commercial artist as he struggles to find peace and balance between his work and his art.

February 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Writer George Saunders Reflects on Engineering Short Fiction: George Saunders, a former MacArthur Fellow, talks to Jeffrey Brown about his latest collection of stories, "Tenth of December," and his unique voice and approach to capturing contemporary American culture in a compressed, short form.

February 8, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Dave Barry's Mix of Over the Top Humor, Seriousness Reflects 'Insanity' of Miami: Humorist and Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist Dave Barry joins Jeffrey Brown to discuss his new novel, "Insane City," where pre-wedding antics meets sober topics like immigration. Barry describes his writing process, his affinity for P.G. Wodehouse and why his home city of Miami is a target-rich environment.

February 27, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 4 minutes

Remembering Van Cliburn, 78, Classical Pianist: Van Cliburn first gained worldwide attention when he won the first International Tchaikovsky Piano Competition in Moscow at 23. Cliburn died at home at the age of 78 after a battle with bone cancer. In 2008, Jeffrey Brown profiled the musician, reflecting on Cliburn's momentous competition and later life.

February 21, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

Oscar Front-Runners and Wild Cards in a 'Good Year' for Grown-Up Movies: Hollywood's biggest night is just around the corner. This year's Academy Award-nominated films include both mainstream blockbusters and darkly themed foreign and independent movies. Ray Suarez talks with New York Times film critic A.O. Scott about why this a "good year for mainstream movies that grownups might want to go see."

Business/Industry

January 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Sandy Recovery Continues at Slow Pace as People Wait for FEMA Relief: While storm victims of Sandy find hope as some businesses re-open in hard-hit areas, debate on how to rebuild the shore has slowed the pace of recovery. Jeffrey Brown talks to New York Times' Sarah Maslin Nir and New Jersey Public TV's Mike Schneider on how federal disaster relief aid will be used to rebuild smarter and better.

January 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Major Banks to Pay \$8.5 Billion in Settlement Over Housing Foreclosure Abuses: Ten major banks in the U.S. have agreed to \$8.5 billion for wrongful foreclosures on homeowners during 2009 and 2010 at the height of the housing crisis. Margaret Warner talks to Guy Cecala of Inside Mortgage Finance and Diane Thomson of the National Consumer Law Center about the improper foreclosures and who will get the money.

February 5, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Justice Department Charges Standard & Poor's Defrauded Investors: The Department of Justice has filed a civil suit against Wall Street's largest credit rating agency. Standard & Poor's is accused of knowingly committing fraud by issuing falsely inflated credit ratings between 2004 and 2007. To examine both sides of the story, Jeffrey Brown was joined separately by Lisa Madigan, Attorney General of Illinois (one of the states filing a suit), and Floyd Abrams, an attorney representing Standard & Poor's.

February 13, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 4 minutes

News Wrap: Treasury Nominee Lew Defends Citigroup Tenure at Confirmation: In other news Wednesday, Jack Lew, nominee for Treasury Secretary, defended his time as CEO of Citigroup, during which he invested in a Citi fund registered in the Cayman Islands. Also, the Obama administration called for Congress to close gaps in the nation's cyber security.

March 8, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

How Will Employment, Earnings Change as U.S. Job Market Recovers? The job market in February 2013 made significant gains, posting the best job report in four years. Diane Swonk, chief economist for Mesirow Financial, and Daniel Gross, business columnist for Newsweek and The Daily Beast, join Ray Suarez to discuss which sectors are hiring and how the American workplace is changing.

Community Politics/Government

January 8, 2013 11pm

Mr. Cao Goes to Washington, 54 minutes

What happens when the naiveté of a political rookie clashes with the realities of racial and partisan politics of the South and the ultra-partisan struggles in Washington, DC? This film is a character study of Congressman Joseph Cao, a Vietnamese-American Republican elected by surprise in a historically African-American Democratic district in New Orleans. Will Cao make it through his term with his integrity and idealism intact?

January 15, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Delaware Gov. Jack Markell Discusses His State's Plans to Address Gun Control: The White House is set to announce proposals for gun control laws, but some state governments aren't waiting for federal action. Jeffrey Brown talks to Gov. Jack Markell, D-Del., about Delaware's proposals to curb gun violence, including stricter background checks, a statewide database of gun owners and an assault weapons ban.

February 19, 2013 10pm

Frontline: Raising Adam Lanza, 1 hour

In the wake of the mass killings at Sandy Hook Elementary School, FRONTLINE investigates a young man and the town he changed forever. Adam Lanza's motives, and his life, remain largely a mystery. With The Hartford Courant, FRONTLINE looks for answers to the central – and so far elusive – question: Who was Adam Lanza? Also this hour: In the aftermath of the tragedy, President Obama called for a national conversation about guns. Nowhere is that conversation more intense than in Newtown, where FRONTLINE finds a town divided and explores how those closest to the tragedy are wrestling with our nation's gun culture and laws.

February 18, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Colorado Communities Grapple With How to Address Gun Violence: How is the community of Aurora, Colo.--target of a mass shooting last July--coping with and reacting to the national debate stirred by Newtown? How is Colorado processing the recommendations for reducing violence proposed by the Biden task force? Megan Verlee of Colorado Public Radio reports.

March 5, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Virginia Attorney General Criticizes Federal Government Overreach in New Book: Judy Woodruff talks with Ken Cuccinelli, attorney general of Virginia and gubernatorial candidate in that state, about his new book, "The Last Line of Defense," which explores the role of the federal government. Cuccinelli was the first state attorney general to sue the federal government over the health care reform law.

March 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

Michigan Gov. Puts Detroit Under Emergency Fiscal Management: Michigan's Gov. Rick Snyder announced an emergency financial manager will take over Detroit's finances. The city has faced economic struggles as residents and businesses left for suburbs and it saw reductions in state aid. Margaret Warner talks to Gov. Snyder and Detroit's new financial manager, Kevyn Orr, about the plan.

Consumerism

January 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Health Care Spending Increases but Rate Slows With Recession and Economy: While health care spending rose in 2011, it did so only slightly due to the recession and slow overall economic growth. Ray Suarez talks to Health Affairs' Susan Dentzer about the dichotomies of health care spending, including why there has been a slowdown in health care spending when personal out-of-pocket costs have increased.

February 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

What Does the \$11 Billion Dollar Airline Merger Mean for the 'Friendly Skies'?: American Airlines and US Airways announced Thursday that the companies intend to merge, creating the world's largest airline company. The \$11 billion deal, if approved by regulators, will affect 187 million passengers who fly the airlines annually. To discuss the merger's impact on passengers and employees, Jeffrey Brown was joined by Holly Hegeman, an airline industry analyst and founder of PlaneBusiness Banter a weekly industry news publication, and Charlie Leocha, director of the Consumer Travel Alliance, a passenger advocacy group.

Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement

January 3, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 4 minutes

Gang Rape in New Delhi Sparks 'Soul Searching' for Treatment of Women: Margaret Warner talks to New York Times reporter Heather Timmons about the details of the rape and murder charges over the death of 23-year-old medical student in New Delhi, plus a spreading national discussion and fury over the treatment of women in India.

January 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Internet Innovator and Activist Aaron Swartz, 26, Faced Legal Trouble: Aaron Swartz, prodigy co-developer of RSS code and the website Reddit, faced federal charges for distributing articles from a subscription-based database. Swartz committed suicide at the age of 26. Margaret Warner talks to Wired magazine's Kevin Poulsen about Schwartz's advocacy to make data available to the public online.

January 22, 2013 10pm

Frontline: The Untouchables, 1 hour

Are the CEOs of mega-banks too big to jail? Though fraudulent practices at banks contributed to America's financial meltdown, to date no Wall Street titan has been convicted of a crime connected to the crisis. FRONTLINE investigates why Wall Street's leaders have escaped prosecution.

January 16, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

President Obama Unveils Ambitious 23-Point Gun Control Plan: At a White House news conference, President Obama unveiled a series of executive actions meant to prevent gun violence, including proposed bans on assault weapons and high-capacity magazines. Ray Suarez reports on the set of far-ranging initiatives, which also touch on mental health, health care reform and the ATF.

January 25, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Court Rules Recess National Labor Relations Board Appointments Unconstitutional: A federal appeals court ruled President Obama's appointments to the National Labor Relations Board made during a congressional recess were unconstitutional. Hari Sreenivasan talks to Steven Greenhouse of The New York Times for more on how the ruling could weaken presidential power to make recess appointments going forward.

January 30, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Gabby Giffords Testifies at Gun Violence Hearing: 'Too Many Children Are Dying': Former Arizona congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, who was shot in the head by a gunman at a political event in 2011, took the stand at a congressional hearing on gun violence. Gwen Ifill reports on testimony by Giffords, her husband Capt. Mark Kelly, as well as Wayne LaPierre of the National Rifle Association.

February 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 2 minutes

News Wrap: FBI Rescues Boy After Week-Long Hostage Standoff in Alabama: In other news Monday, the FBI stormed a bunker in Alabama in order to rescue a 5-year-old boy from a weeklong hostage standoff. Also, a

suicide bomber in Iraq struck an anti al-Qaeda militia, killing at least 22 and wounding 44.

February 12, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

News Wrap: Shootout Between Ex-Cop, LAPD Kills Officer: In other news Tuesday, the manhunt for former Los Angeles cop Christopher Dorner hit a climax when a firefight broke out between authorities and the fugitive. Frank Stoltze of Southern California Public Radio reports from the scene. Also, the government of Iran said it was ready make an agreement on U.N. nuclear inspections.

February 19, 2013 9pm

After Newton: Guns In America, 1 hour

AFTER NEWTOWN: GUNS IN AMERICA is an unprecedented exploration of America's enduring relationship with firearms. After Newtown: Guns in America is an unprecedented exploration of America's enduring relationship with firearms. From the first European settlements in the New World to frontier justice; from 19th Century immigrant riots to gangland violence in the Roaring 20s; from the Civil War to Civil Rights, guns have been at center of our national narrative for 400 years. Americans have relied on guns to sustain communities, challenge authority, and keep the peace. Efforts to curtail their distribution and ownership have triggered epic political battles. On one side, the cry for gun control gets louder after each mass shooting. And on the other, Charlton Heston's 2002 rallying cry, "From my cold, dead hands," still resonates across the land.

This program traces the evolution of guns in America, their inextricable link to violence, and the clash of cultures that reflect competing visions of our national identity.

February 19, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 2 minutes

More Evidence Chinese Military Unit Hacked Hundreds of U.S. Computer Systems: An intelligence report suggests that a secretive military unit in China has been hacking the computer systems of American corporations and organizations since 2006 and stealing information. President Obama highlighted the need for greater cyber security in his recent State of the Union address. Judy Woodruff reports.

March 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

News Wrap: U.S. Captures Bin Laden Spokesman to Face Terror Charges: In other news Thursday, Sulaiman Abu Ghaith, spokesman and son-in-law of Osama bin Laden, has been taken into U.S. custody and flown to New York to appear in court. Also, a new bill aimed to curb gun violence moved forward in the Senate. Members of the Judiciary Committee voted to make illegal gun purchases a federal crime.

March 11, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Law Lags Behind in Defining Posthumous Protocol for Online Accounts: What happens to your email, Facebook page and other digital property when you die? Naomi Cahn of the George Washington University School of Law, and Evan Carroll, co-author of "Your Digital Afterlife," talk to Jeffrey Brown about the legal and ethical quandaries of dealing with a loved one's digital assets after they're gone.

Culture

January 14, 2013 10pm

Independent Lens: Soul Food Junkies, 1 hour

Filmmaker Byron Hurt sets out to learn more about soul food and its relevance to black cultural identity. His exploration was inspired by his father's lifelong love affair with the high-fat, calorie-rich traditional diet and his unwillingness to give it up even in the face of a life-threatening health crisis. As Hurt discovers, the relationship between African Americans and dishes such as ribs and grits and fried chicken is culturally based, deep-rooted, complex and often deadly. Through candid interviews with soul-food cooks, historians and scholars, as well as doctors and everyday people, "Soul Food Junkies" puts this culinary tradition under the microscope to examine its positive and negative consequences.

January 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 2 minutes

News Wrap: U.S. and World Welcomes 2013 with New Year Celebrations: In other news Tuesday, New Year celebrations were marked with traditional sights and scenes in the United States, including the 124th Rose Parade in Pasadena, Calif. Meanwhile, celebrations in the West African nation of Ivory Coast turned deadly after a crowd stampeded a stadium, crushing more than 60 people.

February 11, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

What's Not to Like? Using the Facebook 'Like' to Connect, Commune, Endorse: NewsHour's political editor Christina Bellantoni joins Daily Download's Lauren Ashburn and Howard Kurtz to discuss the ins and outs of 'liking' someone or something on Facebook as part of the NewsHour's continuing conversations about the digital world's cultural impact.

Disabilities

January 5, 2013 4:30pm

To The Contrary with Bonnie Erbe, ½ hr

Congresswoman Tammy Duckworth: The Illinois Democrat, Iraq war veteran and the first double-amputee to serve in Congress is using her story to get more support for veterans across the country. Delhi Protests: International women's rights community calls for justice in the gang rape and murder of a 23-year-old Indian woman. Falling Birth Rates: Birth Rates decline in the Latino community as women choose smaller families.

Economy

January, 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Senate Finds Compromise, But Doubt Remains Over House Response: The Senate passed a compromise to address the U.S. budget, but House Republicans complained the bill was too heavy on tax increases and too light on spending cuts. Judy Woodruff talks to WNYC's Todd Zwillich for House response to the bill and whether it is likely to pass when it comes to a vote.

January 3, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

What 'Cliffs' Lay Ahead for Congress in Resolving Other Budget Deal Aspects? The U.S. may have averted the "fiscal cliff," but many issues remain in the budget deal passed by Congress. Jeffrey Brown explores what remains unsolved with Maya MacGuineas of the Committee for a

Responsible Federal Budget, American Action Forum's Doug Holtz-Eakin and Robert Reich of University of California, Berkeley.

January 10, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

New Mortgage Lending Regulations Require Proof of Borrower's Ability to Repay: A new set of federal guidelines on mortgage lending has been released in efforts to protect banks and potential homeowners from the risky practices that caused the 2008 housing crisis and economic collapse. Margaret Warner talks to Richard Cordray, director of the recently established Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

January 18, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

News Wrap: U.S. House Plans Vote on Debt Ceiling: In other news Friday, the U.S. House of Representatives will vote next week on raising the debt ceiling. Majority Leader Eric Cantor said Republicans want an interim measure to provide three months of borrowing authority. The government may reach the current debt-ceiling limit by mid-February.

January 30, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Despite Fall in GDP, U.S. Economic Fundamentals Show Forward Momentum: A report by the Commerce Department found that in the last quarter of 2012, gross domestic product shrank for the first time in more than three years. But not all economic indicators were negative. Jeffrey Brown assesses the state of the economic recovery with economist Joel Naroff and Roben Farzad from Bloomberg Businessweek.

February 12, 2013 10pm

Frontline: Cliffhanger, 1 hour

This February, as the nation faces yet another round of fiscal crises, FRONTLINE investigates the inside story of Washington's failure to solve the country's debt and deficit problems. Drawing on interviews with key players in Congress and the White House, FRONTLINE goes behind the scenes to show how a clash of politics and personalities has taken the nation's economy to the edge of the "fiscal cliff," and now to a second round of standoffs over the debt ceiling and sequestration. The film explores the deep ideological divide inside the Republican Party and the struggle between House Majority Leader Eric Cantor and House Speaker John Boehner as they take on President Obama and the Democrats.

February 6, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Citing Financial Woes, U.S. Postal Service Announces End of Saturday Delivery: In an effort to cut costs, the U.S. Postal Service announced Wednesday it is seeking to cancel mail service on Saturdays. This decision came after the Postal Service lost a record \$16 billion last year. Packages will continue to be delivered and post offices will remain open, but letters will no longer be sent to houses or businesses. This move will save an estimated \$2 billion. Postmaster General Patrick Donahoe joined PBS NewsHour senior correspondent Jeffery Brown to discuss this decision and its criticism.

February 20, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Defense Secretary Panetta Warns Automatic Spending Cuts Could Mean Furlough: Automatic-spending cuts will take effect in March if a defense budget deal cannot be reached. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta has said he may resort to furloughing the department's civilian workers. Judy Woodruff assesses what this new threat means for the U.S. Military with Ashton Carter, Deputy Secretary of Defense.

February 25, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

Despite Gloomy Urgings, No Signs of Give From Congress on Sequester: In a meeting with the nation's governors, President Obama urged members of congress to forget politics and get back to governing to prevent automatic spending cuts. Jonathan Weisman of the New York Times and Margaret Talev of Bloomberg News talk with Judy Woodruff about the effects of the sequester and how it may get resolved.

February 26, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Fed Chair Bernanke Warns Lawmakers Sequester Could Slow Economic Recovery: Federal Reserve chairman Ben Bernanke warned Congress that the automatic spending cuts slated to take effect Friday could put a drag on economic growth. Gwen Ifill talks to economist Nariman Behravesh about whether political paralysis will affect the economy and how consumers are shrugging off Washington dysfunction.

March 5, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Dow Jones Industrial Average Closes at All-Time High: The Dow Jones Industrial Average hit an all-time high of 14,253, beating the previous record set in October 2007, before the crash. What's behind the market rally and does it signify a healthy economic rebound? Gwen Ifill gets analysis from Quartz's Matthew Phillips and Barry Ritholtz, CEO of online research firm Fusion IQ.

Education

January 8, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

How Free Online Courses Are Changing the Traditional Liberal Arts Education: As tuition costs continue to rise, it seems counterintuitive that professors at top universities would give away their courses for free. But that's exactly what they're doing, on web-based platforms known as "Massive Open Online Courses." Spencer Michels reports on how a boom in online learning could change higher education.

January 30, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Teachers Embrace 'Deep Learning,' Translating Lessons Into Practical Skills: Special correspondent John Tulenko looks at some schools that institute real world applications into lesson plans and emphasize the importance of improvement over intelligence. The schools are less interested in testing but rather making sure students have the life skills they need once they leave the classroom.

February 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

A Checklist to Keep Good Teachers in the Classroom: Good teachers can help students stay in school and keep them from dropping out. But what must schools do to keep top teachers from burning out and leaving the field? Hari Sreenivasan has the story of a Connecticut school that uses a checklist to evaluate and keep the best teachers in the classroom.

February 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

To Lower Dropout Rates, Finding Potential Where Support Systems Are Lacking: Nonprofit educational organization OneGoal has partnered with Chicago public schools to push kids at risk of dropping out of high school to persist and attend college. Ash-har Quraishi of WTTW Chicago reports for our American Graduate project on a special curriculum that hones leadership skills these kids often already have.

February 13, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Chicago Program Aims to Close Achievement Gap for Youngest Students: Education correspondent John Merrow reports on a Chicago program that targets high-risk, low-income young children before they begin falling behind in school.

March 5, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

High School Coach Tells Football Team, 'Don't Go to Study Hall, You Don't Play': Natalie Randolph is one of the first women to head a high school football team, but to her students she is more than a coach. At Coolidge High School in Washington, Coach Randolph prioritizes academics by ensuring athletes attend study hall before practice. Jeffrey Brown talks to Randolph about success on and off the field.

March 11, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

School Reform Program Targets Students at Risk of Falling Behind, Dropping Out: Currently implemented in 44 U.S. schools, a data-driven dropout prevention program called Diplomas Now targets students who start to fall behind in middle school, and offers them nurturing, mentoring relationships. Ray Suarez reports on how a Baton Rouge middle school was able to turn itself around by adopting this approach.

Employment

February 15, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Obama Makes Gun Control Push Personal With Visit to Hometown Chicago: President Obama's last stop on a post-State of the Union tour was in Chicago, where he talked about raising the minimum wage and mandatory preschool, but also strengthening gun control. Margaret Warner talks to Lynn Sweet, a columnist and Washington bureau chief for the Chicago Sun-Times, about the president's return home.

January 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Last Jobs Report of 2012 Shows Slow Growth, Looming Economic Uncertainty: The December jobs report showed positive but slow growth, while worries of imminent recession were calmed by the passage of a deal to avert the "fiscal cliff." Is the economy moving in a positive direction? Jeffrey Brown talks to public media journalists about economic concerns for the coming months.

January 28, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

Daily Download: Can Facebook Posts Get You Fired?: NewsHour's political editor Christina Bellantoni talks with the Daily Download's Howard Kurtz and Lauren Ashburn about how the digital world affects and infects the culture we live in. They talk about what one should and shouldn't publish on social media about a job, and whether your Facebook status could get you fired.

February 13, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 14 minutes

After State of the Union, Obama Begins Push to Raise Minimum Wage: President Obama took his second term economic plan on the road today, starting at a factory in Asheville, N.C. During his State of the Union address Tuesday, Mr. Obama put forward new economic policies including a focus on strengthening the middle class, raising the minimum wage and tackling the budget deficit. To discuss Mr. Obama's economic plan as

well as growing economic inequality across the U.S., Judy Woodruff was joined by Kevin Hassett, director of economic policy studies at the American Enterprise Institute, and Katrina vanden Heuvel, editor of The Nation.

February 27, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Will Yahoo! Ban on Employee Telecommuting From Home Ensure Innovation? Yahoo! CEO Marissa Mayer announced that employees cannot work from home, sparking debates on whether that ban will really help productivity or innovation. Joining Gwen Ifill to discuss Yahoo!'s decision is John Sullivan of San Francisco State University and Micheline Maynard of Forbes.

March 8, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 1 minute

February Brings Drop in Unemployment, Best Job Report in Four Years: Things are looking up for job seekers. The February 2013 jobs report showed the addition of 236,000 jobs and the unemployment rate dropped to 7.7 percent, making it the best report in four years. Ray Suarez examines the data and which sectors are growing.

March 8, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

How Will Employment, Earnings Change as U.S. Job Market Recovers? The job market in February 2013 made significant gains, posting the best job report in four years. Diane Swonk, chief economist for Mesirow Financial, and Daniel Gross, business columnist for Newsweek and The Daily Beast, join Ray Suarez to discuss which sectors are hiring and how the American workplace is changing.

Energy

February 18, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Proposed Keystone Pipeline Prompts Protest March, Heated Debate: Thousands of people marched on the National Mall in Washington, D.C., to protest the pending approval of the Keystone XL pipeline. The pipeline, which would carry crude oil from Canada to refineries in Texas, has been a point of contention in the climate change debate for four years. Judy Woodruff examined both sides of the debate with Bob Deans from the Natural Resources Defense Council, one of the organizers of the protest, and Scott Segal, a lobbyist and partner with a firm representing a number of energy companies pushing for the Keystone Extension.

March 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

President Obama Nominates Candidates for Energy and Environmental Team: At the first cabinet meeting of his second term, President Obama announced nominations for the positions of budget, energy, and environmental policy. Gwen Ifill talks with lobbyist Scott Segal of Bracewell & Giuliani LLP and Michael Brune, president of the Sierra Club, to learn more about the president's picks and larger agenda.

March 11, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Japanese Town Hit Hard by Natural and Nuclear Disaster Imagines Renewable Future: Special correspondent Emily Taguchi reports from Minamisoma, Japan, a town aching for a comeback after an earthquake, tsunami and nuclear meltdown. When the whole region lost its faith in

nuclear power, some residents looked to the possibility of rebuilding industry by utilizing renewable energy sources.

Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters

January 17, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 29 minutes

Join a 3-day journey deep into the Eagle Cap Wilderness in search of a truly ancient tree. Discovered on a dangerously steep mountain, the limber pine could be among the oldest trees in Oregon - and it's still alive.

January 24, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 28 minutes

The ocean is turning more acidic as CO2 emissions rise, and shellfish are struggling to survive in the more acidic sea. For those interested in learning more about what is a very complicated topic, check out the following resources; some are fairly academic, others are "plain peak".

February 21, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 26 minutes

We explore the beauty and meaning behind the Japanese observance of Hanami or "Cherry-Blossom Viewing." Each spring, Portland's Japanese-American community gathers under the city's lovely waterfront cherries, to enjoy the blossoms, reflect on the transience of nature and pay tribute to the victims of 2011's tragic earthquake and tsunami.

March 21, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 29 minutes

For many people the opportunity to learn more about one of nature's most efficient predators, the wolf, only comes from TV, books and the Internet. A wolf sanctuary near Tenino, Washington, Wolf Haven International is one of the few places where people are guaranteed to see and sometimes hear this elusive creature up close. Although Wolf Haven's primary mission is to rescue captive born wolves and give them a comfortable place to live, they also provide a unique educational experience for thousands of students and visitors each year.

January 2, 2013 10pm

Life on Fire: Icelandic Volcanoes, 1 hour

The 2010 eruption of the Eyjafjallajokull volcano in Iceland provoked economic chaos by paralyzing a major air traffic network for days. This eruption, however, was mild. Much more powerful volcanoes in Iceland are ready to wake up. Through spectacular aerial footage of this country, which is an accumulation of lava and ash, a maze of craters and faults, the episode tries to discern which volcano could wake up next and what the consequences of a major eruption are likely to be. Europe has come to realize that a colossal power sleeps beneath Iceland, while Icelanders for centuries have learned to live amongst their volcanoes.

January 3, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Crumbling Pipes and Underground Waste: A Glimpse at Our Nation's Ailing Sewer System: As clean water regulations become tougher and sewer systems and water treatment plants become outdated, cities are struggling to stay compliant and safe. Science correspondent Miles O'Brien goes underground to discover the many ways America's sewer systems could be revamped to conserve water and save money.

January 23, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 4 minutes

News Wrap: Extreme Cold Whips Northeast and Midwest: In other news Wednesday, subzero temperatures in parts of the Northeast and Midwest caused 15 states to issue wind chill warnings. Also, the U.S. Air Force vowed to put an end to all sexual misconduct within its ranks. It received some 800 reports of inappropriate behavior in 2012 alone.

January 25, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

San Francisco on Track to Become Zero Waste City: San Francisco is trying to become the first city with zero waste. By requiring residents and businesses to separate compostable items such as food scraps, as well as recyclable items, NewsHour correspondent Spencer Michels reports that the city has already reduced a huge amount of garbage from ending up in landfills.

January 31, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

Al Gore's 'Future' Tackles Technology, Global Economy, American Democracy: Former Vice President Al Gore's new book, "The Future: Six Drivers of Climate Change," examines major shifts in science, technology, the global economy and democracy. Jeffrey Brown talks with the Nobel Prize winner about his vision of the future, as well as the recent sale of Gore's television network Current to Al-Jazeera.

February 8, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Record-Breaking Blizzard Set to Blanket Northeastern States: Parts of the Northeast and New England prepared to be blanketed by a potentially record-breaking blizzard. The storm, commonly referred to as "Nemo," may cover some areas with three feet of snow. Jeffrey Brown speaks with Bernie Rayno of AccuWeather about how the storm formed and if it will hit areas affected by Hurricane Sandy.

March 12, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Trouble in the Water: Acidifying Oceans Hinder Health of Northwest Shellfish: The world's oceans are absorbing carbon dioxide at an unprecedented rate and the resulting acidification is transforming marine ecosystems. Hari Sreenivasan reports on how ocean acidification is already affecting oysters and other shellfish in the U.S.

February 15, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 2 minutes

Meteor Explosion of Atomic Bomb Strength Injures 1,000 in Russia: Paul Davies of Independent Television News reports that 10-ton meteor that fell over Russia with atomic bomb power. The meteor caused a fireball, blowing out windows and injuring 1,000 people.

February 27, 2013 9pm

Nature: Battle for the Elephants, 1 hour

Battle for the Elephants explores the brutal slaughter of African elephants for their tusks, fueled largely by China's demand for ivory. The film tells the ultimate wildlife story – how the Earth's most charismatic and majestic land animal today faces market forces driving the value of its tusks to levels once reserved for precious metals. Journalists Bryan Christy and Aidan Hartley take viewers undercover as they investigate the criminal network behind ivory's supply and demand.

March 6, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

News Wrap: Mid-Atlantic Hit With Late Winter Storm: In other news Wednesday, a major winter storm hit the Mid-Atlantic area. Washington, D.C., was spared, while some areas of Virginia, Pennsylvania, and Maryland saw as much as a foot of snow. Also, a filibuster led by Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul over drone use stalled the confirmation of John Brennan to be director of the CIA.

March 12, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

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March 13, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Protecting Americans From Danger in the Drinking Water: The town of Hinkley, Calif., had a Hollywood moment when its battle with chromium-6 tainted water was made into the film "Erin Brockovich." But Hinkley, still struggling with contamination, hasn't had a Hollywood ending. Miles O'Brien examines what chemicals are in our drinking water and why it's so difficult to get rid of them.

Family/Marriage

February 26, 2013 8pm

Makers: Women Who Make America, 2 hrs

MAKERS originated from a very clear premise: over the last half century, the work of millions of women has altered virtually every aspect of American culture. The MAKERS platform tells the story of these exceptional women – both famous and heretofore unknown individuals – whose pioneering contributions continue to shape the world in which we live.

Health/Health Care

January 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Rooting Out Waste in Health Care by Taking Cue From Toyota Assembly Lines: When the Virginia Mason Medical Center in Seattle was losing money for the first time in its history, CEO Dr. Gary Kaplan turned to an unlikely place for help: giant automaker Toyota. Health correspondent Betty Ann Bowser reports on the hospital's success in lowering costs and improving health outcomes.

January 9, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

More Than 40 States See Widespread Flu Infection: Last year, cases of influenza were at extremely low levels, but the virus has returned with a vengeance. Gwen Ifill talks to Dr. Julie Morita of the Chicago Health Department and Dr. William Schaffner of Vanderbilt University about the current flu outbreaks, hitting cities like Chicago and Boston particularly hard.

January 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

News Wrap: Military Suicides Outnumbered Combat Deaths in Afghanistan in 2012: In other news Monday, the Associated Press reported U.S. military suicides hit a record in 2012, with 349 deaths. Defense

Secretary Leon Panetta called the rash of military suicides an epidemic. Also, government officials in Beijing admitted for the first time that the city was suffering from extreme smog.

January 17, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

In Preventing Violence, 'Very Hard to Identify' Individuals Who Need Help Most: Ray Suarez looks at responses by lawmakers and the NRA to President Obama's gun violence proposals. Jeffrey Brown hones in on the topic of mental health with Barry Rosenfeld, a clinical forensic psychologist at Fordham University, and Dr. Paramjit Joshi of the Children's National Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

January 22, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

New Scan May Enable Better Diagnosis, Treatment for Athletes' Brain Damage: Jeffrey Brown talks with Dr. Gary Small of UCLA about how new procedures may enable doctors to identify serious head injuries in athletes and others, and the grave importance of protecting our brains from physical trauma.

February 22, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 4 minutes

News Wrap: FDA Approves Breast Cancer Drug: In other news Friday, the FDA approved a first-of-its kind breast cancer drug called Kadcyla for advanced, aggressive forms of the disease. Also, a winter storm continued to whip across the Midwest, taking four lives. The storm is expected to make its way to the Northeast and New England this weekend.

February 20, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Will U.S. Forge Public-Private Partnership to Draw Brain Activity Map? In his State of the Union address, President Obama proposed a decade-long effort to map the activity of the brain. To understand the president's plan and walk through the possible implications, Ray Suarez talks to Dr. Francis Collins, director of the National Institutes of Health, who would coordinate much of the project.

March 5, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

New Study Shows U.S. Lags Behind Other High-Income Countries in Female Lifespan: Gwen Ifill talks to Susan Dentzer, editor-in-chief of Health Affairs, about a pair of studies released in that journal about the lifespan of American women. In one, researchers found that in 43 percent of the nation's counties, more women 75 years old and under are dying sooner

March 12, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Researchers Aim to Unlock Genetic Data Goldmine for Vital Medical Information: Researchers in the San Francisco Bay area believe genetic tests will help them find the best ways to treat and potentially prevent diseases such as Alzheimer's disease, breast and prostate cancers. Spencer Michels reports on a giant data bank that houses genetic information on 200,000 people as part of a groundbreaking study.

Homosexuality

January 18, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Inauguration Poet Richard Blanco Hopes to Offer Words of Unity, Belonging: Jeffrey Brown talks with Richard Blanco, the poet chosen to read at President Obama's second swearing-in, about what it means to be a part of the festivities. Blanco, a Spanish born Cuban-American, is the first Latino, openly gay, as well as the youngest poet to ever at a presidential inauguration.

February 6, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Boy Scouts Delays Decision on Lifting Ban on Gay Members: The Boy Scouts of America recently announced it is considering ending a ban on gay members. Though a decision was anticipated for Wednesday, the organization decided to delay their vote until May 2013. The possibility of lifting the ban sparked a national conversation. Jeffrey Brown examined both sides of the debate with Zach Wahls, an Eagle Scout and founder of the group, "Scouts for Equality," and Richard Land, President of the Southern Baptist Convention's Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission.

March 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 2 minutes

News Wrap: Obama Opposes Ban on Gay Marriage: In other news Friday, President Obama spoke out for same-sex marriage, a day after the administration asked the Supreme Court to strike down the California's ban on gay marriage. Also, a federal Judge in California reduced the amount Samsung must pay Apple in damages to \$600 million.

Immigration/Refugees

January 2, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

What Immigrants Can Teach the Rest of America about Health, Happiness and Hope: When Claudia Kolker began reporting about recent immigrants to the U.S., she found a wealth of wisdom to be shared with all Americans. Kolker talks to Ray Suarez about her new book, "The Immigrant Advantage: What We Can Learn from Newcomers to America about Health, Happiness and Hope."

January 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

How Eased Travel Restrictions for Cubans Affect Relationship With U.S.: Ray Suarez talks to Maria de los Angeles Torres of University of Illinois at Chicago and Julia Sweig from the Council on Foreign Relations about the economic benefits for citizens living both in Cuba and the U.S., and how the new policy could open up a new, more mobile way of life for Cubans.

January 28, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Bipartisan Senate Proposal on Immigration Reform Reflects Election Response: A bipartisan group of eight senators unveiled an immigration reform plan that would offer citizenship to 11 million immigrants. Judy Woodruff talks with Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., and Gwen Ifill talks to Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., about how the politics of this new effort will play on Capitol Hill.

January 29, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Obama Embraces Bipartisan Senate Blueprint for Immigration Reform: President Obama endorsed a bipartisan immigration plan crafted by eight senators, but that blueprint may face hurdles in the House, where some lawmakers are working on a competing plan. Gwen Ifill gets views from Kris Kobach, Secretary of State of Kansas, and Clarissa Matinez de Castro of the National Council of La Raza.

January 30, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Where There's Oppression, There's Resistance: Chen Reflects on Future of China: Ray Suarez talks to Chen Guangcheng about life in the United States, how he keeps track of events in China and his hopes to return home at some point, as well as how he views the new Chinese government and money spent there on suppressing resistance.

February 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 13 minutes

Shields and Brooks on Hagel's Rough Hearing, Movement on Immigration: Syndicated columnist Mark Shields and New York Times columnist David Brooks talk with Judy Woodruff about Hillary Clinton leaving the State Department, Chuck Hagel's first confirmation hearing for Secretary of Defense, as well as congressional testimony on gun control and political momentum for immigration reform.

February 13, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Lawmakers Begin Contemplating Action for 11 Million Undocumented Immigrants: In Sen. Marco Rubio's State of the Union response he called for a solution to the 11 million undocumented immigrants living in the U.S. Is a bipartisan immigration reform plan the answer? Margaret Warner discusses the question with Norman Ornstein of the American Enterprise Institute and Manu Raju, senior reporter at Politico.

Minorities/Civil Rights

January 15, 2013 9pm

Abolitionists: American Experience, 51 minutes

Douglass escapes slavery, eventually joining Garrison in the anti-slavery movement. Threatened with capture by his former owner, Douglass flees to England, returning to the U.S. in 1847. He launches his own anti-slavery paper. John Brown meets with Douglass, revealing his radical plan to raise an army, attack plantations and free the slaves. Harriet Beecher Stowe publishes Uncle Tom's Cabin in 1852. A bestseller, and then wildly successful stage play, this influential novel changes the hearts and minds of millions of Americans. The divide between North and South deepens, touching off a crisis that is about to careen out of control.

February 19, 2013 11pm

Underground Railroad: The William Still Story, 1 hour

Extraordinary people risked their lives to help fugitive slaves escape via the clandestine Underground Railroad. Among them was William Still of Philadelphia, a free black man who accepted delivery of transported crates containing "human cargo." This documentary reveals some of the dramatic, lesser-known stories behind this humanitarian enterprise, and explores key Canadian connections, including the surprising fate of former slaves who crossed the border to "Freedom's Land."

February 27, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Supreme Court Hears Arguments Against Key Provision of Voting Rights Act: The Supreme Court heard arguments over a provision in the landmark Voting Rights Act, which requires states with a history of racial discrimination to get approval by the Justice Department before making any changes to voting rules. Marcia Coyle of the National Law Journal was in court and talks to Jeffrey Brown.

February 27, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Is Discrimination History Provision of Voting Rights Act Still Relevant? Does the U.S. still need the Voting Rights Act? Or have we made extraordinary progress fighting racial discrimination, making it obsolete? Judy Woodruff talks with representatives from both sides of the argument: Hans von Spakovsky of the Heritage Foundation and Sherrilyn Ifill from the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

February 11, 2013 10pm

Slavery by Another Name, 1 hour

SLAVERY BY ANOTHER NAME challenges one of America's most cherished assumptions: the belief that slavery in this country ended with Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation of 1863. This documentary tells a harrowing story of how in the South, even as chattel slavery came to an end, new forms of involuntary servitude, including convict leasing, debt slavery and peonage, took its place with shocking force -- brutalizing and ultimately circumscribing the lives of hundreds of thousands of African Americans well into the 20th century. It was a system in which men, often guilty of no crime at all, were arrested, compelled to work without pay, repeatedly bought and sold and coerced to do the bidding of masters. The program spans eight decades, from 1865 to 1945, revealing the interlocking forces in both the South and the North that enabled this "neoslavery" to begin and persist. Using archival photographs and dramatic re-enactments, filmed on location in Alabama and Georgia, it tells the forgotten stories of both victims and perpetrators of neoslavery and includes interviews with their descendants living today. The program also features interviews with Douglas Blackmon, author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning book "Slavery by Another Name" and with leading scholars of this period.

National Politics/Government

January 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Senate Finds Compromise, But Doubt Remains Over House Response: The Senate passed a compromise to address the U.S. budget, but House Republicans complained the bill was too heavy on tax increases and too light on spending cuts. Judy Woodruff talks to WNYC's Todd Zwillich for House response to the bill and whether it is likely to pass when it comes to a vote.

January 3, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 4 minutes

New Faces, Old Challenges as 113th Congress Convenes: New lawmakers are arriving on Capitol Hill, but the 113th Congress won't be starting with a clean slate. Judy Woodruff reports on unfinished business and challenges ahead for Congress and House Speaker John Boehner.

January 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 15 minutes

Lawmakers Promise Tough Questions for Defense, CIA Nominees: Judy Woodruff reports on President Obama's nominations of Chuck Hagel for defense secretary and John Brennan for CIA director. Gwen Ifill talks

to Jessica Tuchman Mathews of Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and Reuel Marc Gerecht of Foundation for Defense of Democracies about the president's picks.

January 16, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

President Obama Unveils Ambitious 23-Point Gun Control Plan: At a White House news conference, President Obama unveiled a series of executive actions meant to prevent gun violence, including proposed bans on assault weapons and high-capacity magazines. Ray Suarez reports on the set of far-ranging initiatives, which also touch on mental health, health care reform and the ATF.

January 16, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Gen. Stanley McChrystal on 'Task' of Afghanistan, Responsibility and Resignation: As commander of U.S. forces in Afghanistan, retired Gen. Stanley McChrystal butted heads with President Obama over how many U.S. troops should be committed to war efforts. Publicity on that disagreement ultimately led to his resignation in 2010. Margaret Warner talks to McChrystal and his new memoir, "My Share of the Task."

January 29, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Defense Department Budget Will Be Major Questioning Point for Nominee Hagel: Confirmation hearings will soon begin for former Nebraska Sen. Chuck Hagel, tapped to replace Leon Panetta as Secretary of Defense. Hagel will likely face sharp questioning, especially about the Pentagon's budget crisis. Kwame Holman reports on the defense department's budget shortage.

February 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Outgoing Secretary of State Hillary Clinton Says Goodbye, For Now: During her four years as Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton traveled almost a million miles and visited more than 100 countries. Ray Suarez examines Clinton's career with Trudy Rubin of the Philadelphia Inquirer and Susan Glasser of Foreign Policy Magazine.

February 5, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 13 minutes

Justice Department Justifies Killing Americans Abroad With Links to al-Qaida: An internal Justice Department memo has been revealed that outlines a legal justification for the U.S. government to target and kill American citizens abroad who present an imminent threat to national security. Gwen Ifill spoke with Matthew Waxman, professor at Columbia Law School and a fellow on the Council on Foreign Relations, and Hina Shamsi, director of the American Civil Liberties Union's National Security Project, about the language in the memo and what it could mean for national security moving forward.

February 21, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Republican Governors Rethink Opposition to Medicaid Expansion: At first, many Republican governors actively opposed expanding the Medicaid program and said they would not participate. Now, some of them, including Florida Gov. Rick Scott, have reconsidered. Judy Woodruff talks to Paul Howard of the Center for Medical Progress at the Manhattan Institute and Ron Pollack of Families USA.

February 25, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Sen. Leahy: Time for U.S. and Cuba to Discuss Relationship, 'Realities of Today': Sen. Patrick Leahy returned from a congressional delegation to Cuba, where U.S. lawmakers tried unsuccessfully to secure the release of American Alan Gross, who is serving a 15-year prison sentence. Ray Suarez talks to the senator about that trip and about President Raoul Castro's announcement he will leave office in 2018.

March 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

Last Minute White House Meeting on Sequester Spurs Political Combat Not Progress: With no sequester deal achieved, \$85 billion dollars in spending cuts are poised to take effect. Judy Woodruff has the latest on response from the White House and what the cuts mean.

March 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Biden: U.S. Will Use Military Action if Necessary to Stop Iran's Nuclear Program: Vice President Biden warned that the U.S. will use military action to prevent Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon. Margaret Warner talks to Flynt Leverett, former National Security Council director, and former Under Secretary of State Nicholas Burns about the state of diplomacy on Iran's nuclear activity.

March 5, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Venezuela's President Hugo Chavez Dead at 58 After Long Battle With Cancer: Hugo Chavez, a larger-than-life political figure who served as Venezuela's president for 14 years, has died from cancer at age 58. Carl Meacham, director of Americas Program at CSIS, and Michael Shifter of the Inter-American Dialogue join Margaret Warner to discuss Chavez's legacy and what it means for the future of Venezuela.

March 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

Examining U.S. Concerns on Trade, Security as China Welcomes New President: China officially installed Xi Jinping, already the Communist Party leader, as president for the next 10 years. Judy Woodruff talks to Kenneth Lieberthal of the Brookings Institution and Gordon Chang, an author and a contributor to Forbes, about contentious issues of trade, defense, and cyber security for China and the U.S.

Nuclear Issues/WMD's

January 31, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Red Lines and Hot Rhetoric: Israel Weighs Threat of, Action Against Nuclear Iran: Iran announced it plans to amp up uranium enrichment, stoking fears that country is getting closer to a nuclear weapon. Margaret Warner reports from Israel on the growing debate there on how much of a threat Iran poses and how Israelis, along with the international community, should respond.

February 12, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Assessing the Threat of North Korea's Nuclear Program: North Korea carried out a third nuclear test underground at a remote location in the northeastern part of the country, prompting new fears and international condemnation. Ambassador Charles "Jack" Pritchard, former U.S. special envoy for North Korea negotiations under President George W. Bush, and James Acton, a senior associate in the Nuclear Policy

Program at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, joined Jeffrey Brown to discuss the test and its threat to the United States.

February 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

House Freshmen Feel the Call to Action After State of the Union Address: In his State of the Union Address, Pres. Obama called Congress to address climate change, gun control, and federal budget. Judy Woodruff talks with four House freshmen, Krysten Sinema, D-Ariz; Joaquin Castro, D-Texas; Luke Messer, R-Ind.; and Doug Collins, R-Ga., about their new positions and the president's priorities.

February 12, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

United Nations, World Leaders Condemn North Korea's High-Level Nuclear Test: North Korea launched its third high-level nuclear test since 2006, triggering global outcry and an emergency meeting of the U.N. Security Council. Jeffrey Brown reports that the latest test comes just weeks after the U.N. voted to impose more sanctions on North Korea for a December launch.

February 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

News Wrap: U.N. Fails to Access Iran's Nuclear Sites: In other news Thursday, Senate Democrats took action to prevent the 'sequester,' which is set to take effect March first. United Nations inspectors have again failed to gain access to Iran's nuclear sites. Across the world, people rallied together to protest violence against women.

February 26, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 4 minutes

News Wrap: Iran Nuclear Negotiations Get Reboot: In other news Tuesday, negotiations on Iran's nuclear program started again for the first time in eight months at two-day talks in Kazakhstan. Also, the Midwest suffered a second blizzard in a week, with heavy snow that knocked out power lines.

March 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Biden: U.S. Will Use Military Action if Necessary to Stop Iran's Nuclear Program: Vice President Biden warned that the U.S. will use military action to prevent Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon. Margaret Warner talks to Flynt Leverett, former National Security Council director, and former Under Secretary of State Nicholas Burns about the state of diplomacy on Iran's nuclear activity.

March 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

As UN Levels New Sanctions, Pyongyang Threatens Pre-emptive Nuclear Attack: The United Nations Security Council imposed new sanctions against North Korea to stop that country from importing materials for its nuclear program. Ray Suarez talks with Victor Cha of the Center for Strategic and International Studies and Joseph Detrani of Intelligence and National Security Alliance.

Poverty/Hunger

March 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

New Documentary Puts Homegrown Issue of Hunger on the Table: Although the United States is the largest producer of food per capita in the world, that food is not reaching the plates of millions of children in America. Hunger is the subject of the new documentary, "A Place at the Table." Ray Suarez talks with co-director Lori Silverbush about our homegrown problem.

Recreation/Leisure/Sports

January 3, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 29 minutes

Devil's Staircase: We head into the heart of Oregon's coastal rainforest for a one-of-a-kind trip to the Devil's Staircase, one of the more beautiful but inaccessible spots in the coast range. Hagg Lake Expansion - In this era of dam removals there's a proposal to double the size of Scoggins Dam because even in rainy Oregon, water supplies are not adequate. Washington County must double the volume of Hagg Lake to meet water demands for the next 50 years. We head to Pacific City to learn more about the growing community of hardcore surfers.

January 10, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 29 minutes

Tag along with an Oregon family as they go Geocaching - a game that was born in Oregon and has swept the globe. Using hand held GPS devices players scour the countryside in search-hidden treasure. Sometimes hidden in a cave or under a rock these caches contain a logbook and some sort of trinket. Players sometimes leave a trinket of their own, if they take what they find, but the real reward is in the hunt for more and more hidden caches.

January 31, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 28 minutes

Three women backpack along the wilderness section of the Olympic Peninsula coastline, navigating tides, steep headlands, and isolated tracts of pristine beaches. They discover abundant wildlife, tidal pools, and natural beauty. And along the way as they encounter natural hazards and challenges, they discover a renewed vigor, kinship, and sense of empowerment.

February 14, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 28 minutes

We explore the beauty and meaning behind the Japanese observance of Hanami or "Cherry-Blossom Viewing." Each spring, Portland's Japanese-American community gathers under the city's lovely waterfront cherries, to enjoy the blossoms, reflect on the transience of nature and pay tribute to the victims of 2011's tragic earthquake and tsunami.

January 22, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

New Scan May Enable Better Diagnosis, Treatment for Athletes' Brain Damage: Jeffrey Brown talks with Dr. Gary Small of UCLA about how new procedures may enable doctors to identify serious head injuries in athletes and others, and the grave importance of protecting our brains from physical trauma.

February 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 4 minutes

Super Bowl XLVII Rival Teams Coached by Brothers: NPR's Mike Pesca joins Jeffrey Brown to discuss what's at stake going into the upcoming Super Bowl, as well as the family connection between the two head coaches and widespread concerns over football-related head injuries.

February 5, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

For Global Soccer, Scandal and Corruption Seem Pervasive as Grass Stains: After completing an extensive investigation, the European Union's police agency Europol suspects nearly 680 soccer matches between 2008 and 2011 -- including World Cup qualifying matches and the European Championships -- were fixed. For more, Hari Sreenivasan talks with Kevin Baxter, who covers soccer for the Los Angeles Times.

February 19, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 13 minutes

Can Violent Video Games Play a Role in Violent Behavior? In our continuing look at the gun debate for PBS's weeklong special "After Newtown," Jeffrey Brown explores whether there is any connection between violent video games and violent behavior.

February 27, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

For Winter Sports Industry, Decreasing Snowfall Sends Business Downhill: While winter storms have blasted parts of the Midwest and Northeast, a lack of steady and deep snow -- less accumulation and faster melt -- has had serious effects for the ski industry. Hari Sreenivasan reports on how winter sports businesses are navigating the season as part of the Coping with Climate Change series.

Religion/Ethics

January 6, 2013 4pm

Religion & Ethics NewsWeekly, 30 minutes

Religion and the New Congress: Protestants still make up most of Congress, but this week a Hindu and a Buddhist were also among those sworn in. Alawite Anxiety in Turkey: Some Turkish Alawites say their concerns are driven less by sympathy for the Assad regime than by a fear of what might replace it. Saving Catholic Schools: "The demise of Catholic schools has pained me for years," says Karen Carbone. But now her family is part of the effort to turn a parish school around and offer what expensive independent schools do at a much lower price.

January 13, 2013 4pm

Religion & Ethics NewsWeekly, 30 minutes

Roman Catholic Women Priests: "There are no scriptural barriers to the ordination of women," says Jane Via, a Roman Catholic woman priest in San Diego. But theology professor Thomas Rausch maintains that "the Catholic Church is not ready for the ordination of women right now." Prisons for Profit: "In Louisiana, you've got all these prison entrepreneurs who are mostly local sheriffs who have built these prisons, and the prisons function just like hotels. They get a payment per person per day, and if they don't keep the beds full they're going to lose money," says reporter Cindy Chang. Sufi Whirling Dervishes: This expression of Sufism, the mystical branch of Islam, "is creating an atmosphere to pray, and it's an offering. I think it's just a physical way of expressing this love for the divine, and in the whirling it becomes a mediation," says Manjula Kumar, a program manager at the Smithsonian Institution.

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February 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

New Documents Show Catholic Leaders in Los Angeles Protected Abusive Priests: Twelve thousand pages of records are being released by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Los Angeles, documenting decades of child molestation and cover-ups. The documents revealed retired Cardinal Roger Mahony and his top aide's efforts to conceal the molestations from authorities and shield priests accused of abuse. In 2007 the Los Angeles archdiocese reached a \$660 million settlement in a civil suit brought by more than 500 victims of sexual abuse. Ray Boucher, the lead attorney for the plaintiffs in that case, joined Ray Suarez to discuss these developments.

February 11, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 11 minutes

Examining Pope Benedict's Legacy, Leadership Challenges and Unprecedented Exit: Pope Benedict XVI announced Monday that he will resign the papacy due to his age and declining health. The decision marked the first time a pope has resigned in over 600 years, shocking both Catholic leaders as well as 1.2 billion followers worldwide. Benedict's eight-year tenure included efforts to deal with and contain the child sex abuse scandal. Judy Woodruff interviewed Monsignor Rick Hilgartner of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, Sister Christine Schenk of FutureChurch, and John Allen, who covers the Vatican for CNN and the National Catholic Reporter.

March 6, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

New Polls Reflect Challenges for Vatican on Connecting With U.S. Catholics: A poll released Wednesday found that more than half of U.S. Catholics feel that the Vatican is out of touch with peoples' needs, though most also said that their own parish is responsive. Ray Suarez talks with Scott Appleby of University of Notre Dame and James Towey of Ave Maria University about Catholicism at a crossroads.

March 13, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

Argentina's Cardinal Bergoglio Is First South American, First Jesuit Pontiff: The election of Pope Francis marked two firsts for the papal office: he is both the first South American and the first Jesuit pope. For more on the historic selection and what it reflects about the current state of the Catholic Church, Gwen Ifill talks with Michael Sean Winters of the National Catholic Reporter.

March 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 2 minutes

A Down-to-Earth Debut for Pope Francis: Following his historic election, Pope Francis' first day was no-nonsense, as he collected his belongings before moving into his new life as pontiff. The 76-year-old Argentine native is the first non-European pope in 12 centuries, though he is the son of Italian immigrants. Jonathan Rugman of Independent Television News reports.

Science/Technology

January 9, 2013 10pm

Life on Fire: Volcano Doctors, 1 hour

Whether the Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Colombia, Chile, Italy or Iceland, each of these countries is home to active volcanoes that are a threat to the populations settled at their feet. Every day, lava, ash, gas, bombs and avalanches are likely to slide down the gaping mouths of the rock giants. To avoid disasters, volcanologists are asked to anticipate and warn. They are asked to be prophets and to know how to analyze the volcanoes' slightest tremors. Around the world, these volcano doctors use their tools and knowledge to try to protect those who live beneath the Earth's fire.

January 11, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Glimpsing Gadgets, Cutting Edge Technology at Consumer Electronics Show: The annual International Consumer Electronic Show, one of the largest tech gatherings in the world, was held in Las Vegas this week. Ray Suarez talks to Washington Post reporter Cecilia Kang about technology improvements and new designs, from 3D printers to ultra HD televisions to mobile devices.

January 16, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Daily Download: Lasting Legacies of Obama's 2012 Digital Campaign Strategy: Even with campaign season over, politicians continue to use the data collected online during the 2012 election. Daily Download's Lauren Ashburn and Howard Kurtz look back at the 2012 election with Harper Reed, former chief technology officer for Obama for America, who managed digital strategy for President Obama's re-election.

January 23, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Exploring Technology, Effectiveness, Consequences of Drone Warfare: PBS's NOVA explores the pros, cons and controversies of drone warfare, as well as the technology behind drone strikes. Jeffrey Brown discusses with Seth Jones of RAND Corporation and Chris Anders from the American Civil Liberties Union.

February 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 2 minutes

Medieval Mystery Solved: What Became of King Richard III's Remains: Asha Tanna of Independent Television News reports on a big archaeological find that appears to have solved a 500-year mystery. Using carbon dating and mitochondrial DNA testing, researchers say they have conclusively found and identified the final remains of King Richard III in Leicester, England.

February 15, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Examining Cyber Security With Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano: Among the initiatives launched by President Obama in his State of the Union address was a comprehensive cyber security plan. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano talks with Ray Suarez about combating the growing threat of cyber attacks and the top three countries poised to launch cyber attacks against the U.S.

February 25, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

India Organizes One of Largest Citizen Registration Drives Ever to Issue IDs: Indian authorities aim to issue all national citizens an official biometric identification card and number in order to combat crime and corruption. Special correspondent Fred de Sam Lazaro examines the effectiveness of this effort as part of our Agents for Change series.

March 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

New Art Installation Lights Up San Francisco's Other Bridge Across the Bay: A new art installation brings new light to San Francisco Bay. The Bay Bridge, which connects San Francisco and Oakland, is the focus of a new public art display featuring thousands of LED technology lights. NewsHour correspondent Spencer Michels has the story of the high-tech work of art.

Sexuality

January 3, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

Gang Rape in New Delhi Sparks 'Soul Searching' for Treatment of Women: Margaret Warner talks to New York Times reporter Heather Timmons about the details of the rape and murder charges over the death of 23-year-old medical student in New Delhi, plus a spreading national discussion and fury over the treatment of women in India.

February 18, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Documentary 'Invisible War' Reveals Culture of Sexual Assault in the Military: The soaring rate of sexual assault within the ranks of the U.S. Military has been the subject of studies and a congressional hearing. Academy Award-nominated director Kirby Dick explores the topic in his new documentary, "The Invisible War," nominated for Best Documentary Feature at this year's Academy Awards.

March 13, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Survivors Share Experiences of Sexual Assault in the Military: Women in combat zones are more likely to be raped by a fellow soldier than killed by the enemy. Of nearly 4,000 reports of sexual assault in the military last year, only 191 defendants were convicted. Judy Woodruff reports on testimony from male and female sexual assault victims about attacks they suffered while in the military.

State Wide Culture and History

February 5, 2013 10:30pm

Spirit of Tek, an Oregon Experience, 30 minutes

Tektronix was founded in 1946 and seeded Oregon's high tech industry known as the Silicon Forest. The founders, Howard Vollum and Jack Murdoch encouraged their engineers to invent and the company earned a

reputation as a freewheeling idea factory with ambitious and brilliant engineers.

March 19, 2013 8pm

Tom McCall, An Oregon Experience, 57 minutes

Tom McCall would have turned 100 years old in February 2013. Oregon Experience looks back at McCall's life from his early childhood years in central Oregon to his early work in radio and television; and his accomplishments as one of Oregon's most influential and colorful governors.

March 19, 2013 9pm

The River They Saw, An Oregon Experience, 59 minutes

The beauty and magic of the Columbia River Gorge has attracted photographers for more than 150 years. In collaboration with the Oregon Historical Society and the Portland Art Museum, Oregon Public Broadcasting is proud to present Oregon Experience: The River They Saw. This one-hour special will chronicle the history of the Gorge with rarely seen images crafted by Carleton Watkins, Sarah Ladd, Benjamin Gifford, Al Monner and many others. These early photographers left a stunning visual legacy through images still considered among the greatest landscape photos ever made.

March 26, 2013 8pm

Modoc War, An Oregon Experience, 58 minutes

The Modoc War of 1872 was one of the costliest American Indian wars in U.S. history. For seven months, a handful of Modoc Indian warriors and their families held off hundreds of U.S. Army soldiers. The international press took notice and people were enthralled as one of the last real-life Wild West battles unfolded on the American frontier. Again and again, the small band of Indians overcame incredible odds to protect their way of life. "The Modoc War" revisits the battle scenes, and uses rare historical images and original wood cut drawings from the period. Additionally, interviews with Modoc descendants and written first-hand accounts bring the Modoc War to life.

March 29, 2013 10pm

Lola Baldwin, An Oregon Experience, 27 minutes

Lola Baldwin began working for the Portland Police Department in 1905 for the Lewis & Clark Exposition to protect women and children coming to town for the event. She was hired officially in 1908 becoming the country's first sworn policewoman crusading for the moral and physical welfare of families, single workingwomen and children.

March 31, 2013 2:30pm

Suffragists, An Oregon Experience, 30 minutes

2012 marks the 100th anniversary of Oregon women winning the vote. Oregon Experience celebrates the centennial with a look at a new generation of women who helped win the vote and what happened after they gained the vote. Many became very active in politics and were elected to office in towns across the state. They took the opportunity to pass various laws affecting the well being of women and safety at work; and children and families. Many suffragists from Oregon traveled to Washington DC and worked to pass the national amendment as well.

February 7, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 29 minutes

River of the Rogues, a 30-minute special shows us the colorful stories of how we shaped the Rogue River and how in turn the river shaped our lives. History and geography take us from the robust headwaters on the north flank of Mt. Mazama to the open sea. Along the way we learn about, among other things, the life of the Rogue River Indians, the

discovery of gold, and the river's designation as a Wild and Scenic river.

February 7, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 28 minutes

Western writer Zane Grey's voice rang across the nation when he sang the praises of Oregon's Rogue River. President Lyndon Johnson proclaimed the Rogue River a national treasure when he gave her Wild and Scenic protection. Hollywood stars and five star generals found refuge in her beauty. People from around the world raft the Rogue or fish for her steelhead. Along the journey lie hints of the river's sometimes violent past: the gold mines, the now invisible Indian villages, the battle sites. River of the Rogues tells the tales of the people and the events that shaped the river.

February 28, 2013 8:30pm

Oregon Field Guide, 29 minutes

Pacific City, Oregon owes its identity, and its fishing industry, to dory boats. The flat-bottomed, no-keel boats take off from dry sand directly into the surf. When they return, fishermen throttle up full blast to slide back in using the beach as their brakes. A group of students from Linfield College are making a major effort to preserve the unique history of the dory boats and the community that relies on them.

Transportation

January 11, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

Boeing 787 Dreamliner Incidents Prompt FAA to Make Comprehensive Review: Fourteen months after revealing its sophisticated 787 jet, Boeing's "Dreamliner" faces a comprehensive review by the Federal Aviation Administration. Incidents such as electrical generators failing mid-flight and its lithium batteries self-igniting have led the FAA to review the safety of the planes. Margaret Warner reports.

January 11, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

Electrical Problems Cause Bumpy Ride for Boeing's 787: The FAA announcement on the Dreamliner investigation largely focused on Boeing electrical circuit issues, and prompted in part when a landed plane's battery caught fire. Margaret Warner talks to The Wall Street Journal's Andy Pasztor about the FAA's 787-review announcement and what's at stake for Boeing.

March 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

What Does the \$11 Billion Dollar Airline Merger Mean for the 'Friendly Skies'? American Airlines and US Airways announced Thursday that the companies intend to merge, creating the world's largest airline company. The \$11 billion deal, if approved by regulators, will affect 187 million passengers who fly the airlines annually. To discuss the merger's impact on passengers and employees, Jeffrey Brown was joined by Holly Hegeman, an airline industry analyst and founder of PlaneBusiness Banter a weekly industry news publication, and Charlie Leocha, director of the Consumer Travel Alliance, a passenger advocacy group.

Urban Development/Infrastructure

January 1, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Sandy Recovery Continues at Slow Pace as People Wait for FEMA Relief: While storm victims of Sandy find hope as some businesses re-open in hard-hit areas, debate on how to rebuild the shore has slowed the pace of recovery. Jeffrey Brown talks to New York Times' Sarah Maslin Nir and New Jersey Public TV's Mike Schneider on how federal disaster relief aid will be used to rebuild smarter and better.

War/Veterans/National Security

January 8, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 4 minutes

News Wrap: Judge Says WikiLeaks Soldier Received Harsh Treatment After Arrest: In other news Tuesday, a U.S. Army judge ruled that Pfc. Bradley Manning, convicted of leaking classified documents to Wikileaks, was treated too roughly after his arrest, but she wouldn't dismiss the charges against him. Also, the U.S. military may not leave any troops in Afghanistan after 2014, according to an advisor.

January 9, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 2 minutes

White House Says All U.S. Troops Might Leave Afghanistan by End of 2014: A national security advisor told reporters the White House was considering complete withdrawal of U.S. troops in Afghanistan after 2014, including non-combat soldiers. Meanwhile, the U.S. and Afghanistan governments debate whether American soldiers will have legal immunity under Afghan law after 2014. Judy Woodruff reports.

January 14, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

News Wrap: Military Suicides Outnumbered Combat Deaths in Afghanistan in 2012: In other news Monday, the Associated Press reported U.S. military suicides hit a record in 2012, with 349 deaths. Defense Secretary Leon Panetta called the rash of military suicides an epidemic. Also, government officials in Beijing admitted for the first time that the city was suffering from extreme smog.

January 29, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Iraq War Vet Receives Rare Double Arm Transplant: Former soldier and Iraq war veteran Sgt. Brendan Marrocco is the recent recipient of a double arm transplant, which took place at Johns Hopkins Hospital. Marrocco lost all of his limbs during a roadside bomb attack in the spring of 2009. Gwen Ifill talks with Dr. Jaimie Shores, director of hand transplantation at Johns Hopkins.

January 16, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Gen. Stanley McChrystal on 'Task' of Afghanistan, Responsibility and Resignation: As commander of U.S. forces in Afghanistan, retired Gen. Stanley McChrystal butted heads with President Obama over how many U.S. troops should be committed to war efforts. Publicity on that disagreement ultimately led to his resignation in 2010. Margaret Warner talks to McChrystal and his new memoir, "My Share of the Task."

February 7, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

News Wrap: Leon Panetta Testifies on U.S. Military's Response to Benghazi Attack: In other news Thursday, outgoing Defense Secretary

Leon Panetta defended the military's response to the attack on the U.S. Embassy in Beghanzi. Also, a Bangladeshi man pled guilty to plotting to blow up the Federal Reserve Bank in New York City.

February 15, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Examining Cyber Security With Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano: Among the initiatives launched by President Obama in his State of the Union address was a comprehensive cyber security plan. Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano talks with Ray Suarez about combating the growing threat of cyber attacks and the top three countries poised to launch cyber attacks against the U.S.

March 6, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

Iraq Reconstruction Effort Fraught With 'Fraud, Waste and Abuse': A decade after the war in Iraq began, U.S. and Iraqi officials characterize much of the reconstruction work deployed in that country as failure. Judy Woodruff examines a new report that chronicles the wasted money, opportunities and lives.

March 11, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 3 minutes

American Soldiers Gunned Down in Afghanistan in Insider Attack: Two American soldiers were killed in an insider attack in Afghanistan following accusations by Afghan President Hamid Karzai that U.S. forces are working with the Taliban to stage suicide bombings. Judy Woodruff reports on the latest violence and Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel's first trip to that country.

Women

January 15, 2013 8pm

Pioneers of Television: Funny Ladies, 51 minutes

This episode features the first standup comediennes to appear on television – legends such as Phyllis Diller and Joan Rivers. It also looks at Lucille Ball's breakthrough on "I Love Lucy" and the sitcom stars who followed, including Mary Tyler Moore, Betty White and Marla Gibbs. The episode covers television's most enduring variety star, Carol Burnett, and features interviews with contemporary actresses including Tina Fey and Margaret Cho.

January 23, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 6 minutes

Defense Secretary Leon Panetta Lifts Armed Services Ban on Women in Combat: Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta decided to lift the ban on women in the military serving in combat, opening thousands of front line jobs to women and reversing the 1994 policy that kept them out of those positions. Gwen Ifill talks with James Kitfield of National Journal about the historic change and implications.

January 27, 2013 4:30pm

To The Contrary with Bonnie Erbe, 25 minutes

Women in Combat: The Pentagon decides to lift the ban on women in combat positions, but not everyone agrees women on the front lines is best. Hillary Testifies: Hillary Clinton testifies before the Senate and the House, showing her poise under pressure. Awarding Women: The SAG Awards changes their policies on gender specific terms for actors, prompting some to wonder, should we still have gender specific awards?

February 17, 2013 4:30pm

To The Contrary with Bonnie Erbe, 25 minutes

We introduce you to 6 more powerful political women in Congress: Rep. Kyrsten Sinema (D-AZ), Rep. Joyce Beatty (D-OH), Rep. Jackie Walorski (R-IN), Rep. Elizabeth Esty (D-CT), Rep. Annie Kuster (D-NH) and Rep. Suzan DelBene (D-WA).

February 26, 2013 8pm

Makers: Women Who Make America, 2 hours

MAKERS originated from a very clear premise: over the last half century, the work of millions of women has altered virtually every aspect of American culture. The MAKERS platform tells the story of these exceptional women – both famous and heretofore unknown individuals – whose pioneering contributions continue to shape the world in which we live.

February 22, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 5 minutes

Steenkamp Death Sheds Light on Violence Against Women in South Africa: Although there is no current evidence of domestic abuse in the murder case against Oscar Pistorius, the death of Reeva Steencamp has shed light on a national problem in South Africa: the high rate of violence against women. Ray Suarez talks with journalist Charlayne Hunter-Gault about this disturbing trend.

February 26, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 12 minutes

Gloria Steinem: Women Can't 'Have It All' Until There's Equality: A new PBS documentary, "MAKERS: Women Who Make America," looks at the women's movement and the groundbreaking contributions and struggles made by women today. Judy Woodruff interviews activist Gloria Steinem about the film and about the current state of feminism and gender equality.

February 28, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

In Turkey, Economic Opportunities for Women Coincide With More Domestic Abuse: As the Turkish economy has grown and modernized, women have enjoyed more independence. But Turkey's domestic violence rate has also skyrocketed, leaving female victims feeling helpless to aspects of the culture that haven't caught up. Special correspondent Fred de Sam Lazaro reports in our Agents for Change series.

February 28, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Congress Extends Violence Against Women Act, Ending Standstill: Almost 18 months after it expired, the House voted to renew the Violence Against Women Act and extend the law's protection to gays and lesbians, immigrants and Native Americans, among others. Judy Woodruff talks to Ashley Parker of the New York Times and Cindy Southworth from the National Network to End Domestic Violence.

March 12, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 9 minutes

Is the Advice for Women in Sheryl Sandberg's 'Lean In' Elitist or Universal? In her book "Lean In," Facebook executive Sheryl Sandberg urges women to not shy away from ambition and leadership. Judy Woodruff talks to Katha Pollitt of The Nation, "The Black Snob" blogger Danielle Belton and Jody Greenstone Miller, CEO of Business Talent Group, about the debate over how women should approach their careers.

Youth

January 9, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Study Shows Many Teens at Risk for Suicidal Behavior Despite Mental Health Help: A new study shows most teenagers who think about or attempt suicide have already had mental health treatment. Gwen Ifill talks to Dr. Timothy Lineberry of the Mayo Clinic and Drexel University psychologist Brian Daly about concerns over the effectiveness of current clinical treatment programs to prevent adolescent suicide.

January 28, 2013 10pm

Independent Lens: The Revisionaries, 52 minutes

In Austin, Texas, 15 people influence what is taught to the next generation of American children. Once every decade, the highly politicized Texas State Board of Education rewrites the teaching and textbook standards for its nearly five million schoolchildren. And when it comes to textbooks, what happens in Texas affects the whole nation.

February 12, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 7 minutes

Growing Demand for Palm Oil Drives Malaysia to Employ Child Migrant Workers: Special correspondent Steve Sapienza exposes the human cost of palm oil, a cheap ingredient used in many processed foods. In Malaysia, the world's second largest exporter of the oil, producers employ child migrant workers to keep up with demand. The story is part of a collaboration with the Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting.

February 20, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 10 minutes

The Mind of a Rampage Killer: What causes a seemingly happy, non-violent teenager to open fire on classmates? Science correspondent Miles O'Brien reports on the minds of rampage killers by profiling Andy Williams, who killed two students in a school shooting in California.

March 4, 2013 7pm

PBS NewsHour, 8 minutes

Mississippi Doctors See Child-Size Breakthrough in the Global Fight Against AIDS: Researchers announced that for the first time, a child born with HIV has been cured. To learn whether this offers hope to thousands of HIV positive babies worldwide, Ray Suarez talks to Dr. Anthony Fauci of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and Rowena Johnston of amfAR, the Foundation for AIDS Research.