
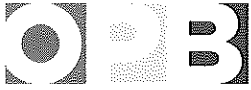




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RE: **Quarterly Issues/Program List**
January 1, 2010 – March 31, 2010

The following is a listing of some of the significant issues addressed by Stations KOAC-TV Corvallis, Oregon; KTVR-TV La Grande, Oregon; KOPB-TV Portland, Oregon; KOAB-TV Bend, Oregon; and KEPT-TV Eugene, Oregon for the period **January 1, 2010 through March 31, 2010**. The listing of programs is by no means exhaustive and the order in which they appear does not reflect any priority or significance.



Quarterly Issues/Program List

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January 1, 2010 to March 31, 2010

Abortion

01/29/2010 4:30pm, 30 minutes

TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE

Presidential Promises: President Obama has promised to help small businesses create jobs, but are women entrepreneurs being left out? Teens Gone Wild: Teen pregnancy and abortion rates are on the rise. Paid Sick Leave: A look at the need for U.S. laws requiring employers to provide paid sick leave Benefits. The panelists are: Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC); The Heritage Foundation's Genevieve Wood; PoliticsDaily.com Editor-in-Chief Melinda Henneberger; and Conservative Commentator Tara Setmayer.

3/5/2010 7pm, 60 minutes
PBS NEWSHOUR, 60 minutes

Abortion Issue Rattles House Democrats Amid Reform Talks: The Democratic Party faced a tough week in Congress over party divisions over abortion language in health care reform legislation and ethical inquiries in the Empire State. Ray Suarez reports.

Aging

1/12/2010 9pm, 120 minutes

INDEPENDENT LENS, YOUNG @ HEART WITH GEORGE AND ROSEMARY

The surprising, delightful, entertaining and inspiring members of the Young@Heart Chorus, a New England senior citizens chorus, have charmed audiences worldwide with their renditions of songs by everyone from the Clash to Coldplay. As Stephen Walker's critically acclaimed documentary begins, the retirees, led by their demanding musical director, are rehearsing their new show, struggling with Sonic Youth's dissonant rock anthem "Schizophrenia" and giving new meaning to James Brown's "I Feel Good." What ultimately emerges is a funny and unexpectedly moving testament to friendship, creative inspiration and expectations defied.

2/14/2010 12:30pm, 30 minutes

LIFE-ETHNICITY, RACE AND AGING

How do different communities treat their older populations? Dr. Jerry C. Johnson, senior fellow at Penn's Institute on Aging; Melvin Delgado, Professor of social work at Boston University; and Giang T. Nguyen, Assistant Professor of medicine at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania enlighten us about the many ways we age in a diverse society. Then, Dr. Linda Fried, Dean and Professor of Epidemiology at the Columbia University Mailman School Public Health, on what American needs to do right now from a public policy perspective to deal with the coming wave of aging Baby boomers. And bestselling author Linda Fairstein on how her two careers came together for a very happy ending.

2/28/2010 12:30pm, 30 minutes

LIFE-SURVIVE AND THRIVE

While some crumble in the face of adversity, others survive and even thrive - what makes them different? Mayo Clinic physician and cancer survivor Stephen Kopecky; Kate Braestrup, author of "Here if You Need Me," the story of surviving widowhood; and clinical psychologist Cheryl Gore-Felton explain how survivors bounce back from crisis. Then, Rutgers women's basketball head coach Vivian Stringer sits down to discuss her own survivor story, and how she mentors the younger generation. And Michael Gates Gill, a former advertising executive, on how he lost his job, marriage-and his health-but still found happiness working behind the counter at Starbucks. and comprehensible manner. Hosted by Donald Faison ("Scrubs", "Clueless") and featuring insights from hip-hop icon Russell Simmons and R&B/pop singer D.Woods (Danity Kane).

ALCOHOL, DRUG ABUSE/ADDITICION

2/1/2010 7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NewsHour

In the Weeds--Regulations Lag as Medical Marijuana Grows: Medical marijuana is booming in Colorado. In Denver alone, there are more dispensaries legally selling the drug than there are Starbucks. But as medical marijuana use expands, regulation has struggled to keep pace.

3/12/2010 7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NewsHour Deaths of Americans Raise New Concerns Over Mexico's Drug War: U.S. and Mexican authorities are investigating the possible drug cartel violence that left two Americans and a Mexican with ties to the U.S. consulate in Juarez dead over the weekend. Gwen Ifill talks to a journalist about the escalating violence across the border.

ARTS

3/12/2010 9pm, 60 MINUTES

BILL MOYERS JOURNAL

John Sexton: Bill Moyers talks to NYU president and modern renaissance man John Sexton in a wide-ranging conversation about God, baseball, and the importance of thoughtful discourse in society. Previously a champion debate coach and scholar of religion and law, Sexton discusses his unique take on theology, contemporary politics, and the evolving role of universities throughout the world. What's Your Favorite Poem: Submit your favorite poem and explore poets and poetry from a number of Bill Moyers series.

AMERICAN HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY

1/11/2010 9pm, 60 minutes

AMERICAN MASTERS-SAM COOKE: CROSSING OVER

Sam Cooke put the spirit of the Black church into popular music -- creating a new sound and setting into motion a chain of events that forever altered the course of popular music and race relations in America. With "You Send Me" in 1957, Cooke became the first African American artist to reach #1 on both the R&B and the pop charts. It was groundbreaking. It was also risky for this young gospel performer to alienate his fans by embracing "the devil's music" -- but he proved, with his pop/gospel hybrid, that it was, indeed, possible to win over white teenage listeners and keep his faithful church followers intact.

BUSINESS/INDUSTRY

1/26/2010

10pm, 60 minutes

FRONTLINE--THE CARD GAME

As credit card companies face rising public anger, new regulation from Washington and a potential perfect storm of economic bad news, FRONTLINE correspondent Lowell Bergman examines the future of the massive consumer loan industry and its impact on a fragile national economy. In a joint project with the New York Times--a follow-up to the Secret History of the Credit Card--Bergman and the Times talk to industry insiders, lobbyists, politicians, and consumer advocates as they square off over new regulation and the possible creation of a consumer finance protection agency. How are the credit, debit, and pre-paid card industries repositioning themselves to maintain high profits under the new rules? The stakes couldn't be higher as many fear the consumer loan industry could be at the center of the next crisis.

2/1/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Toyota Details Fix for Faulty Pedals: Toyota announced Monday it has found a solution to the gas pedal problem that forced the automaker to recall millions of vehicles and stop selling eight popular models in the U.S.

2/14/2010

10:30pm, 90 minutes

INDEPENDENT LENS--P--STAR RISING

The story of a single-father who is determined that his 9-year old daughter become a rap star and thus redeem his deferred dream. We follow the father-daughter duo through the grit and glamour of the music industry, the struggles of being a single dad with no means, and the sacrifices a child makes in order to make her daddy proud.

2/15/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Health Reform Advocates Target Insurance Rate Hikes: Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield announced they will delay premium hikes for consumers in California's individual insurance market, but reform advocates hope the backlash over the proposed 39 percent rate hike will push Congress to take action? Betty Ann Bowser reports.

2/16/2010

10pm, 60 minutes

FRONTLINE--THE WARNING

In the devastating aftermath of the economic meltdown, FRONTLINE sifts the ashes for clues about why it happened and examines critical moments when it might have gone much differently. Looking back into the 1990s, producer/director Michael Kirk (Inside the Meltdown, Breaking the Bank) discovers early warnings of the crash, reveals an intense battle among high-ranking members of the Clinton administration, and uncovers a concerted effort not to regulate the emerging, highly complex, and lucrative derivatives markets, which would become the ticking time-bomb within the American economy.

3/2/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

U.S. Postal Service May Nix Saturday Mail to Cut Costs: U.S. Postal Service rate hikes and service cuts, including Saturday delivery, are in the works due, in part, to competition from online services and private carriers. Jeffrey Brown asks a Washington Post reporter and a Stanford University economics professor whether the cuts will help.

3/5/2010

8:30pm, 30 minutes

NOW ON PBS

Food, Inc. Behind the food we love--Secrets that giant food companies don't want you to know. Americans have a longstanding love affair with food--the modern supermarket has, on average, 47,000 products. But do we really know what goes into making the products we so eagerly consume? This week, David Brancaccio talks with Robert Kenner, director of the Oscar-nominated documentary "Food, Inc.," which takes a hard look at the secretive and surprising journey food takes on the way from processing plants to our dinner tables. The two discuss why contemporary food processing secrets are so closely guarded, their impact on our health, and another surprising fact: how consumers are actually empowered to make a difference. Find out why you'll never look at dinner the same way.

3/12/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Evaluating and Preventing a Massive Financial Crisis: As part of his continuing series of reports making sense of business and the economy, Paul Solman talks to MIT finance professor Andrew Lo about why he's asking Congress to keep investigating the financial crisis.

CHILD ABUSE

2/14/2010

4pm, 30 minutes

RELIGION AND ETHICS NEWSWEEKLY

Reiki and the Catholic Church: "For me Reiki is another form of prayer," says spiritual director Lauri Lumby Schmidt. But a member of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops says this holistic healing practice is "not of God."
Rescuing Child Sex Workers: Sold into sexual slavery early in her life, today Somaly Mam fights human trafficking and protects young girls in Cambodia against sexual abuse.
Lenten Season: Burning palms and imposing ashes at the beginning of Lent reminds us of our human frailty, says Pastor Steve Buechler of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Gaithersburg, Maryland.
Praying for Haiti: Watch scenes from an early-morning memorial service in Port-au-Prince to mark the one-month anniversary of Haiti's devastating earthquake.

COMMUNITY POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

1/11/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Same-Sex Marriage Battle Heads to Federal Court in Calif.: California's ban on same-sex marriage went on trial Monday in federal court. The landmark case is being likened to a modern version of Brown v. Board of Education, in which the issue of civil rights became a legal matter.

1/12/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

States Grapple with Tight Budgets, Growing Deficits: As legislators return to work after the holidays, a troubling picture is emerging in almost every state in the nation. Budget woes and big deficits will mean tough decisions for lawmakers. Jeffrey Brown reports.

2/12/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Public Anger on the Rise as Focus Turns to Midterm Races: President Barack Obama's approval rating has steadied near 49 percent after dropping for much of this year, according to new voter polls released Friday. Both parties are working to address public frustration over partisan gridlock in Congress as the fall's midterm elections draw closer.

2/16/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Public Anger Continues to Hammer Congressional Incumbents: As voter polls continue to show a rising tide of resentment for congressional incumbents, Indiana's Evan Bayh became the latest official to announce he will not seek re-election. Stuart Rothenberg of The Rothenberg Political Report and The Hotline's Amy Walter assesses the political mood this campaign season.

3/12/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Supreme Court Weighs Scope of Right to Bear Arms: The Supreme Court is considering the constitutionality of Chicago's ban on handguns. Jim Lehrer speaks with Marcia Coyle of the National Law Journal about how the court's ruling could affect gun rights, especially on the state and local level.

CONSUMERISM

2/10/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

News Wrap--Airbag Issues Prompt Honda Recall: In other news Wednesday, faulty airbags pushed carmaker Honda to add 437,000 vehicles to its 15-month-old global recall and Ben Bernanke outlined plans to unwind the Federal Reserve's crisis policies.

3/15/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

FCC Plan Urges Faster, Wider Broadband Internet Access Across U.S.: The Federal Communications Commission is presenting a new national broadband plan to Congress, aimed at encouraging companies to expand high-speed and wireless Internet access. Jeffery Brown talks to Julius Genachowski, Chairman of the FCC.

CRIME/LEGAL ISSUES/LAW ENFORCEMENT

1/19/2010

11pm, 60 minutes

INDEPENDENT LENS—COPYRIGHT CRIMINALS

Computers, software and even cell phones have radically altered our relationship to mass culture and technology, providing consumers with the tools to become producers, or "remixers," of their own media. But long before everyday people began posting their video mash-ups on the Web, hip-hop musicians perfected the art of audio montage through a sport they called "sampling." "Copyright Criminals," a documentary by Benjamin Franzen and Kembrew McLeod, examines the creative and commercial value of musical sampling, including the ongoing debates about artistic expression, copyright law and (of course) money.

2/1/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Detention of Americans in Haiti Renews Adoption Concerns: Ten American missionaries have been detained in Haiti for allegedly trying to take 33 children across the border into the Dominican Republic without the proper documents.

2/22/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Toyota Faces U.S. Criminal Probe Over Recalls: A federal grand jury has opened an investigation over whether Toyota tried to cover up the acceleration problems that sparked its massive vehicle recall. The beleaguered automaker also faces congressional hearings later this week. Gwen Ifill talks to a Detroit News reporter for more.

3/23/2010

10pm, 60 minutes

FRONTLINE—THE SUICIDE TOURIST

Do we have the right to end our lives if life itself becomes unbearable, or when we enter the late-stages of painful, terminal illness? The questions, debated for centuries, have only grown more pressing in recent years as medical technology has allowed us to live longer lives, and several U.S. states have legalized physician-assisted suicide. With unique access to Dignitas, the Swiss non-profit that has helped over one thousand people die since 1998, Academy award-winning filmmaker John Zaritsky offers a revealing look a couple facing the most difficult decision of their lives--and lets us see for ourselves as one Chicago native makes the trip to Switzerland for what will become the last day of his life.

3/3/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Veterans Suspected of Crimes Swap Guilty Pleas for Rehabilitation: Tom Bearden reports on special courts that give veterans probation and treatment, especially for post-traumatic stress disorder, instead of prison sentences if they plead guilty to a crime.

3/15/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Deaths of Americans Raise New Concerns Over Mexico's Drug War: U.S. and Mexican authorities are investigating the possible drug cartel violence that left two Americans and a Mexican with ties to the U.S. consulate in Juarez dead over the weekend. Gwen Ifill talks to a journalist about the escalating violence across the border.

CULTURE

1/3/2010

11pm, 60 minutes

CULTURE—A GIRL'S LIFE

Today, American teenage girls compete on the athletic field and regularly outperform the boys in their classroom. But research shows that once girls reach puberty, their self-confidence can take a nose-dive. In this documentary from the producers of RAISING CAIN, best-selling author and girls expert Rachel Simmons embeds herself in the lives of four remarkable teenage girls - Analuz, Libby, Carla and Sonia - to explore their most personal thoughts and experiences as they face new challenges posed by cyber-bullying, increased violence, poor body image and the often rocky transition from girlhood to womanhood. Simmons reaches out to parents, psychologists, teachers and social workers to find out the best ways to nurture girls into capable, resilient adults.

DISABILITIES

3/16/2010

11pm, 60 minutes

INDEPENDENT LENSE—THE EYES OF ME

"The Eyes of Me" offers an up-close look at four teens that have lost their sight. The film follows their struggles to fit in, prepare for college and live independently. This extraordinary peek into the world of blind teenagers where crossing an intersection, cooking a meal or navigating unfamiliar areas can be a challenge that sighted viewers never consider.

ECONOMY

1/28/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

As Obama Resets Message, Success May Hinge on Economy: In his first State of the Union, President Obama said he plans to focus his second year in office on jobs, and renewed his call for more civility in Washington. Judy Woodruff leads a panel of experts about what the speech means for the president's long-term agenda.

2/1/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Obama Budget Fuels Debate Over Path to Slash Deficit: President Obama proposed a \$3.8 trillion budget Monday, a plan that would boost spending for education and increase taxes on the wealthy. But the budget deficit would grow to more than 10 percent of GDP before seeking deficit trims. Gwen Ifill talks to analysts about the tensions between spending and deficit reduction.

2/5/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Jobless Rate Drops, but Fuller Recovery Still Appears Distant: The economy shed 20,000 jobs in January, but there were new hopes of economic growth as the nation's unemployment rate ticked down to 9.7 percent. Jim Lehrer speaks with a pair of experts about the latest numbers, as well as prospects in the labor market.

2/17/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

One Year Later, Stimulus Appears to Yield Mixed Results: President Barack Obama touted the one-year-old stimulus legislation for continuing to create jobs, even as many Americans question the potency of the recovery. Jeffrey Brown speaks with John Cochrane of the University of Chicago and Lawrence Mishel, president of the Economic Policy Institute.

EDUCATION

3/22/2010

11pm, 60 minutes

BARBARA MORGAN: NO LIMITS

This program documents the inspirational odyssey of an Idaho schoolteacher's attempt to fly in space - a 23-year story of perseverance. From more than 11,000 applicants to the 1985 Teacher-in-Space program, McCall Elementary School teacher Barbara Morgan was chosen to be the backup to Christa McAuliffe. When McAuliffe is killed in the explosion of the space shuttle Challenger in 1986, Morgan's dream of flying is threatened. History dictates another course. Using rare footage, as well as interviews with Morgan and friends, colleagues, students and family, this film shows how Morgan becomes a full-fledged astronaut, overcoming additional, sometimes tragic, challenges. On August 8, 2007, Morgan and her crewmates triumphantly launched in the shuttle Endeavor.

3/11/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Kansas City Plans Massive School Closures as Budget Fix: Facing a \$50 million deficit, the Kansas City, Mo., school board voted this week to close 29 of the city's 61 public schools. Ray Suarez talks to Superintendent John Covington about the board's decision.

2/14/2010

4:30pm, 30 minutes

TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE

No More Sweets: The Obama Administration says it wants to improve childhood nutrition by banning junk food in public school cafeterias and vending machines. Unpopular Palin: Rogue Republican Sarah Palin's public support dives as a new poll finds more than half the nation views her unfavorably. Environmental Justice: For Black History month, we investigate the issue of environmental racism and its impact on the health and wealth of the black community. The panelists are: Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC); The Heritage Foundation's Genevieve Wood; PoliticsDaily.com Editor-in-Chief Melinda Henneberger; and Project 21's National Advisory Council Member Robin Martin.

2/21/2010

4:30pm, 30 minutes

TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE

The Optional Senior Year: More states adopt programs making 12th grade optional for students who complete their required credits early. Playing For Success: Two new studies show girls involved in high school athletics will lead better and healthier lives. Decoding DNA: The second in a three-part series on genetic mapping and finding cures for children with rare diseases. Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC); U.S. News & World Report's Dr. Bernadine Healy; Global Summit of Women's President Irene Natividad; and Independent Women's Forum's Nicole Kurokawa.

EMPLOYMENT

1/29/2010

8pm, 30 minutes

WASHINGTON WEEK

The State of the Union, divided, united, anxious, worried, or all of the above? We consider all the options tonight on Washington Week. President Barack Obama said, "We don't quit. I don't quit." The president's big speech casts a spotlight on a critical political dilemma. President Obama said, "We have to recognize that we face more than a deficit of dollars right now. We face a deficit of trust." He took on Washington. President Obama said, "What frustrates the American people is a Washington where every day is Election Day." But blamed his own failings on poor communication. President Obama said, "I take my share of the blame for not explaining it more clearly to the American people." And today the president took his complaint directly to his most consistent detractors, House Republicans. Rep. Jason Chaffetz (R-UT) said, "I am one of 22 House freshmen. We didn't create this mess, but we are here to help clean it up." So what happens now? On job creation? On health care? On bipartisanship? Rep. John Boehner (R-OH) said, "We're going to look for common ground, but we're not going to roll over on our principles." After a year of modest successes and setbacks, we assess the State of the Union with the reporters covering the week: Peter Baker of the New York Times, Dan Balz of the Washington Post, Gloria Borger of CNN, and John Harris of Politico.

2/11/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

White House Touts New Signs of Job Growth: The White House Thursday released its annual report on the economy, predicting an average of 95,000 jobs will be created each month this year. A top White House economic adviser discusses the findings.

2/12/2010

8pm, 30 minutes

WASHINGTON WEEK

Democrats and Republicans jockey for position in Washington, while Americans at home grow increasingly disenchanted with the spectacle. We look at the fallout, tonight on Washington Week. Pres. Barack Obama said, "I understand that McConnell and Reid are out doing snow angels on the South Lawn together." Well, not exactly. Rep. John Boehner (R-OH) said, "Why are we going to talk about a bill that can't pass?" Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-KY) said, "What we need to do is start over." Bipartisanship remains elusive on the issues of the day, including how to fix health care and how to create jobs. Sen. Harry Reid (D-NV) said, "We feel that the American people need a message. The message that they need is that we're doing something about jobs." But as Americans clearly lose patience with their government, some are lining up to capitalize on that discontent. Former Gov. Sarah Palin said, "How's that hopey, changey stuff working out for you?" While discontent of another type roils Iran. We look at the week with the reporters covering the stories: Dan Balz of the Washington Post, Naftali Bendavid of the Wall Street Journal, Janet Hook of the Los Angeles Times, and David Sanger of the New York Times.

2/24/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Jobs Bill Passes Senate with Boost from Republicans: Democrats say the \$35 million jobs bill that passed the Senate Wednesday could create a quarter of a million jobs. The legislation would temporarily suspend payroll taxes for businesses that hire unemployed workers. Margaret Warner talks to a Washington Post business reporter about what this means for job creation.

ENVIRONMENT/NATURE/NATURAL DISASTERS

3/10/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Criticism of Climate Change Science Heats Up: The United Nations has ordered an independent review of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change amid a growing backlash over mistakes found in its Nobel Prize-winning report on the science behind global warming. Jeffrey Brown reports.

3/14/2010

4:30pm, 30 minutes

TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE

A historical look at the connection between population stabilization and the environmental movement. A historical look at the connection between the women's movement and a movement to stabilize U.S. population growth. Population Growth & Political Correctness: A historical look at how political correctness within the environmental movement began to take precedence over the campaign to stabilize U.S. population.

FAMILY/MARRIAGE

1/4/2010

9pm, 120 minutes

THIS EMOTIONAL LIFE—FAMILY, FRIENDS AND LOVERS

The first episode looks at the importance of relationships and why they are central to our emotional well-being. What are the cognitive and neurological processes underpinning our everyday interactions, and can they help us to understand why some relationships flourish and others fail? We meet a young boy adopted from a Russian orphanage, whose story illustrates how a lack of attachment in infancy fundamentally shapes his ability to build relationships for years to come. We meet the young parents of newborn twins; a couple in therapy for a troubled marriage; a teenager who was bullied with tragic consequences; two women grappling with the stress of workplace conflicts; and other characters - all to better understand the importance of social connections and relationships.

HEALTH/HEALTHCARE

1/7/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

With H1N1 Vaccine Now Abundant, Flu Fears Ease: With the H1N1 vaccine no longer in short supply, the crowds that once lined clinics nationwide are now gone. But has the rush to get vaccinated slowed too soon? Ray Suarez reports.

1/11/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Democrats Wrangle Over Taxing 'Cadillac' Insurance Plans: Gwen Ifill speaks with economists about the ongoing debate over taxing so-called "Cadillac" health care insurance plans.

1/22/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Who's Helping Our Wounded Vets? America's new wounded warriors--Why are their family caregivers overworked and under-supported? The Pentagon estimates that as many as one in five American soldiers are coming home from war zones with traumatic brain injuries, many of which require round-the-clock attention. But lost in the reports of these returning soldiers are the stories of family members who often sacrifice everything to care for them. This week, NOW reveals how little has been done to help these family caregivers, and reports on dedicated efforts to support them.

2/8/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Obama Looks to Bipartisan Summit to Revive Health Reform: From left to right, the national political scene was buzzing on Monday. Developments included President Obama's latest appeal for bipartisanship and Sarah Palin's latest turn on the national stage. Gwen Ifill talks to the Hotline's Amy Walter for insight.

2/5/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Health Care Spending Continued Climb in 2009: Health care spending grew to 17 percent of the U.S. economy last year. Betty Ann Bowser examines the impact of the figures amid questions on the future of a legislative reform push.

2/22/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Obama Pitches Insurance Rate Agency in Run-up to Summit: Days before a bipartisan health care summit convenes; the White House unveiled a revised health care proposal Monday featuring a new insurance rate agency. Judy Woodruff sits down with Sen. Sherrod Brown, D-Ohio, and Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., to discuss the possible outcome of the summit and of the reforms.

3/5/2010

9pm, 60 minutes

BILL MOYERS JOURNAL

Marcia Angell on Health Care Reform: Single-payer advocate Marcia Angell on why she thinks the debate over reform needs a fresh look at the economics and delivery of the care promised in the bill. Wendell Potter on the President's Plan: Bill Moyers sits down with former insurance executive turned public health advocate Wendell Potter, who argues that all is not lost in the healthcare bill and details what he likes about the legislation.

3/11/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Democrats Inch Health Care Reform Negotiations Forward: House and Senate Democrats moved a step closer to final agreement on health care legislation with hours of closed-door negotiations Thursday. Jim Lehrer talks to NPR reporter Julie Rovner about the price tag and the hurdles facing the bill.

3/12/2010

8pm, 30 minutes

WASHINGTON WEEK

We'll tell you how disgruntled Democrats, disaffected Republicans and disgraced congressman could make or break health care reform, tonight on Washington Week. President Barack Obama said, "Look, health care. (Laughter.) This health care debate has been hard on my health. I've got to tell you." It's been hard on the President's political health too. Everywhere he looks, there are fresh fires to be put out, threats from Republicans. Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-TN) said, "We believe that what the president is doing is asking House Democrats to hold hands, jump off cliff, and hope Harry Reid catches them." Threats from Democrats. Gov. Howard Dean said, "There are going to be 535 people that vote on this bill and we're going to check every single one of them and in November we're going to hold them accountable." And of course, distractions, especially the curious case of Eric Massa. Mr. Eric Massa said, "I'm collateral damage. I'm road kill. In 72 hours nobody is going to remember who I am, nor are they going to care." And the Capitol's fascination with the president's chief of staff. Covering the story behind the stories: Charles Babington of the Associated Press, Doyle McManus of the Los Angeles Times, and John Dickerson of Slate Magazine and CBS News.

HOMOSEXUALITY

1/3/2010

4:30pm, 30 minutes

TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE

Gay Rights in 2010: Houston mayor-elect Annise Parker on the future of gay rights in America. Transplant Transactions: During this season of giving, a former kidney transplant recipient makes the case for compensating organ donors. The panelists are: CNN Political Analyst Hilary Rosen; Center for Equal Opportunity Chair Linda Chavez; Global Summit of Women President Irene Natividad; and Former Labor Department Official Karen Czarnecki.

2/2/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBSNEWSHOUR

Top Defense Officials Seek an End to 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell': The Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Adm. Mike Mullen, and Defense Secretary Robert Gates told a Senate panel Tuesday they would review how to end the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy that bans gays and lesbians from serving openly in the military.

IMMIGRATION/REFUGEES

1/10/2010

4pm, 60 minutes

RELIGION AND ETHICS WEEKLY

Muslims and Security: "We as Muslims have done a lot in terms of the message against extremism. Our problem is that we have not been able to develop an effective way to get the message out," says Salam Al-Marayati, Executive Director of the Muslim Public Affairs Council. Inner-City Funeral Director: In South Philadelphia, an undertaker who has buried many young gunshot victims tries to teach neighborhood teenagers the toll of death. Dana Robert Extended Interview: "Immigrant religion today is coming here to evangelize us and then to go back out to evangelize where they're from," according to Dana Robert, Professor of world Christianity and history of mission at the Boston University School of Theology. Reverse Missionaries: The Redeemed Christian Church of God, founded in Nigeria, is expanding its missionary network in North America.

NATIONAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

1/6/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Senate Retirements Hint at Shifting Political Landscape: Two veteran Democratic senators will not be coming back after this year. Sen. Chris Dodd of Connecticut announced his decision Wednesday; hours after Byron Dorgan of North Dakota did the same. Gwen Ifill talks to reporters for context on the bigger political fallout.

1/7/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

With H1N1 Vaccine Now Abundant, Flu Fears Ease: With the H1N1 vaccine no longer in short supply, the crowds that once lined clinics nationwide are now gone. But has the rush to get vaccinated slowed too soon? Ray Suarez reports.

1/19/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Race for Education Funding Poses a Test for States: Billions of dollars are about to come available in new federal education spending, pitting states against one another for a piece of the pie. John Merrow reports.

2/1/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Obama Budget Fuels Debate Over Path to Slash Deficit: President Obama proposed a \$3.8 trillion budget Monday, a plan that would boost spending for education and increase taxes on the wealthy. But the budget deficit would grow to more than 10 percent of GDP before seeking deficit trims. Gwen Ifill talks to analysts about the tensions between spending and deficit reduction.

2/3/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Debate Reignites on Legal Rights of Terror Suspects: The suspect in the attempted Christmas Day bombing incident is speaking to authorities again, but some lawmakers are worried the administration's handling of the case poses a risk to national security. Jim Lehrer speaks with experts about how the U.S. should prosecute terror suspects.

3/2/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Bunning Plays Hardball Over Jobless Benefits Bill: Kentucky Sen. Jim Bunning managed to single-handedly delay an extension of jobless benefits, even as some of his Republican colleagues spoke out in opposition. Gwen Ifill talks to a Louisville Courier-Journal reporter for insight on the story.

3/9/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Biden Condemns Planned Israeli Expansion in East Jerusalem: Vice President Joe Biden is in the Middle East, meeting with Israeli officials about resuming peace talks after more than a year or deadlock in the region. He pledged commitment to Israel's security, but condemned plans to expand settlements eastward. Margaret Warner reports on the U.S. attempts to broker peace.

3/10/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

White House Pushes Insurers to Cooperate on Reforms: The Obama administration is continuing to pressure the health insurance industry for cooperation as it tries to pass health care reform. Jim Lehrer gets two views on the health reform debate from the insurance industry and a leading reform advocate.

POVERY/HUNGER

3/1/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Colorado Budget Shortfalls Slash Services for Homeless: Tom Bearden reports on the escalating problems with providing services for Colorado's homeless population as the state faces a \$2 billion budget shortfall.

RECREATION/LEISURE/SPORTS

1/7/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Foul Play--New Questions Arise on Violence Among Athletes: A day after star basketball player Gilbert Arenas was suspended by the NBA for bringing hand guns into a team locker room; Jeffrey Brown examines violence and professional athletics.

2/15/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Death and Injuries Raise Safety Concerns at Winter Games: Friday's fatal luge crash before the opening of the Vancouver Winter Olympics highlighted the dangers of high speeds and slick surfaces in winter sports. Jeffrey Brown speaks with Olympic historian and author David Wallechinsky from Vancouver about the safety risks athletes face.

SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

2/2/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Budget Cuts Launch Debate on NASA's Future: Rather than send a man back to the moon, President Obama's proposed budget calls for a far less expensive plan of encouraging private companies to build spacecrafts for NASA to rent. But veterans of the space agency's golden years fear the decision puts NASA on a path to mediocrity.

TRANSPORTATION

1/20/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

After Christmas Bomb Plot, New Airport Screening Techniques Examined: Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano testified before Senators today that airport screening techniques are vital to protecting the U.S. from terrorist threats. Ray Suarez reports on some of the latest technology that you might see in U.S. airports.

2/1/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Toyota Details Fix for Faulty Pedals: Toyota announced Monday it has found a solution to the gas pedal problem that forced the automaker to recall millions of vehicles and stop selling eight popular models in the U.S.

2/23/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Toyota's Troubles Accelerate with Congressional, Criminal Probes: Toyota executive James Lentz apologized to a House subcommittee Tuesday over the motor company's slow response to safety concerns. Jim Lehrer talks with Rep. Bruce Braley, D-Iowa, and Rep. Phil Gingrey, R-Ga., about the first of three congressional probes on Toyota's recall issues.

URBAN DEVELOPMENT/INFRASTRUCTURE

2/8/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Hope, Healing for New Orleans After Super Bowl: New Orleans is riding high on the momentum of Sunday's Super Bowl upset by the hometown Saints over the Indianapolis Colts. And for a city still rebuilding from the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, the championship signifies the spirit of survival in the Big Easy.

WAR/VETERANS/NATIONAL SECURITY

1/1/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

News Wrap--Zero U.S. Combat Deaths in Iraq in December: In other news, December was the first month in the nearly seven-year long Iraq war without a U.S. combat death, and the U.K. launched a review of airport security in the wake of the failed plane bombing over Detroit on Christmas Day.

1/4/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

U.S. Expands Terror Watch List as Airline Security Tightens: The fallout from the failed attempt to attack an airliner bound for Detroit on Christmas Day continued Monday as the U.S. tightened security for international travelers, and the White House weighed its response to the terror fight in Yemen.

1/25/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Experts Ask--How Strong Is Al-Qaida?: The first in a series about the evolving nature of al-Qaida, Margaret Warner speaks with a former CIA staffer about the terror group's influence.

3/2/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

NATO Forces End Major Combat Operations in Marjah: As combat winds down in the former Taliban stronghold of Marjah in southern Afghanistan, British and American troops are still eyeing Taliban threats. ITN's Alex Thomson reports on a unit of Britain's Grenadier Guards.

3/9/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Gen. Odierno, 'People of Iraq Have Embraced Democracy': As Iraq counts the ballots from Sunday's parliamentary election, Jim Lehrer talks to Gen. Ray Odierno, commander of U.S. forces in Iraq, about how a new government may impact the security situation and the drawdown of U.S. troops.

3/10/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

U.S. May Withdraw Troops From Afghanistan Ahead of Schedule: Defense Secretary Robert Gates suggested the security handover in Afghanistan could happen before July 2011. Gates, on a trip to the region, traded barbs with Iran's president who also visited Kabul this week. Judy Woodruff reports.

WOMEN

1/3/2010

11pm, 60 minutes

A GIRL'S LIFE

Today, American teenage girls compete on the athletic field and regularly outperform the boys in their classroom. But research shows that once girls reach puberty, their self-confidence can take a nose-dive. In this documentary from the producers of RAISING CAIN, best-selling author and girls expert Rachel Simmons embeds herself in the lives of four remarkable teenage girls - Analuz, Libby, Carla and Sonia - to explore their most personal thoughts and experiences as they face new challenges posed by cyber-bullying, increased violence, poor body image and the often rocky transition from girlhood to womanhood. Simmons reaches out to parents, psychologists, teachers and social workers to find out the best ways to nurture girls into capable, resilient adults.

1/15/2010

4:30pm, 30 minutes

TO THE CONTRARY WITH BOPNNIE ERBE

Fat Attack--Mrs. Obama announces her top priority as first lady: ending childhood obesity. Hillary Effect: Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's effect on women in politics. Council on Women & Girls: Executive Director Christina Tchen talks about the White House's mission to include women and girls in all of its policies and programs. The panelists are: The Heritage Foundation's Genevieve Wood; PoliticsDaily.com's Editor-In-Chief Melinda Henneberger; Center for Equal Opportunity Chair Linda Chavez; and Global Summit of Women's President Irene Natividad.

1/29/2010

8:30pm, 30 minutes

NOW ON PBS

Saving Haiti's Mothers. On the ground in Haiti, working to save the lives of mothers during childbirth. Haiti's catastrophic earthquake, in addition to leaving lives and institutions in ruin, also exacerbated a longtime lethal risk in Haiti: Dying during childbirth. Challenges in transportation, education, and quality health care contribute to Haiti having the highest maternal mortality rate in the Western Hemisphere, a national crisis even before the earthquake struck. While great strides are being made with global health issues like HIV/AIDS, maternal mortality figures worldwide have seen virtually no improvement in 20 years. Worldwide, over 500,000 women die each year during pregnancy. This week, a NOW team that had been working in Haiti during the earthquake reports on this deadly but correctable trend. They meet members of the Haitian Health Foundation (HHF), which operates a network of health agents in more than 100 villages, engaging in pre-natal visits, education, and emergency ambulance runs for pregnant women.

2/26/2010

4:30pm, 30 minutes

TO THE CONTRARY WITH BONNIE ERBE

Women on Subs: The Navy announced its plan to drop a century-old ban barring women from serving on submarines. T.M.I. on Twitter: A woman live tweets her abortion for the world to see. Tech Ladies: Advancing women in technology from the classroom to the boardroom. The panelists are: National Council of Negro Women's Dr. Avis Jones-DeWeever; Former Labor Dept. Official Karen Czarnecki; PoliticsDaily.com's Editor-in-Chief Melinda Henneberger; and Conservative Commentator Tara Setmayer.

3/9/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

UConn Women Tally Record-Breaking Streak of 7 Wins: The University of Connecticut made women's basketball history on Monday, clinching its 71st consecutive win in a game against Notre Dame. Judy Woodruff talks to Christine Brennan of ABC Sports and USA Today about the win and upcoming championship tournament.

3/10/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

Military's First Flying Women Honored for WWII Service: Former Women Air Force Service Pilots, or WASPs, were awarded the Congressional Gold Medal for their service during World War II. Kwame Holman reports from Wednesday's ceremony.

YOUTH

1/10/2010

4pm, 30 minutes

RELIGION AND ETHICS NEWSWEEKLY

Muslims and Security: "We as Muslims have done a lot in terms of the message against extremism. Our problem is that we have not been able to develop an effective way to get the message out," says Salam Al-Marayati, Executive Director of the Muslim Public Affairs Council. Inner-City Funeral Director: In South Philadelphia, an undertaker who has buried many young gunshot victims tries to teach neighborhood teenagers the toll of death. Dana Robert Extended Interview: "Immigrant religion today is coming here to evangelize us and then to go back out to evangelize where they're from," according to Dana Robert, Professor of world Christianity and history of mission at the Boston University School of Theology. Reverse Missionaries: The Redeemed Christian Church of God, founded in Nigeria, is expanding its missionary network in North America.

1/17/2010

4:30pm, 30 minutes

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2/9/2010

7pm, 60 minutes

PBS NEWSHOUR

First Lady Kicks Off Campaign Against Childhood Obesity: Michelle Obama launched a new program Tuesday aimed at eliminating childhood obesity within one generation. The "Let's Move" initiative, which seeks to reshape childhood eating and exercise habits, marks her first major public policy effort as first lady.