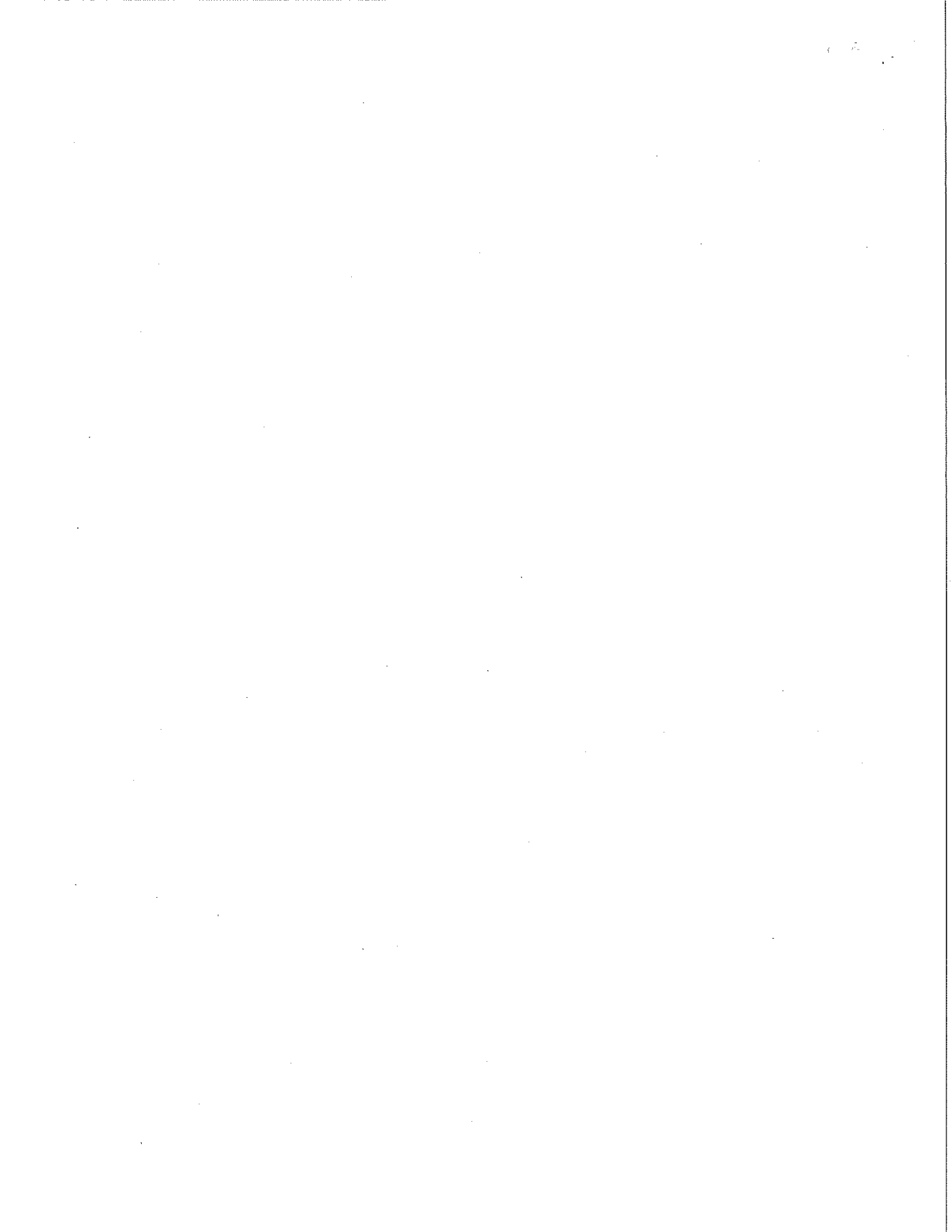




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April 1, 2011 – June 30, 2011

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 **April 1, 2011 – June 30, 2011**. The listing of programs is by no means exhaustive and the order in which they appear does not reflect any priority or significance.



Quarterly Programs/Issues List

April 1, 2011 - June 30, 2011

Abortion

PBS NewsHour

April 8, 2011 7pm 10 minutes

Budget Battle Lines Drawn Over Spending, Planned Parenthood as Shutdown Nears: Federal agencies prepared for a shutdown as negotiators struggled to reach a budget compromise. Jeffrey Brown discusses the latest on the budget talks with Todd Zwillich, Washington correspondent for WNYC radio.

To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe

April 10, 2011 4:30pm 30 minutes

Majority Minority: A new report predicts white Americans will be in the minority by the end of the decade. Challenging Abortion Rights: Women's rights advocates rally on Capitol Hill to protest proposals targeting women's healthcare, including restrictions on abortion rights.

To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe

May 8, 2011 4:30pm 30 minutes

Gay Adoption: Congressional Democrats propose a bill, which bans discrimination against would-be adoptive parents based on sexual orientation, marital status, or gender identity. The GOP & Abortion: The Republican-led House passed a bill that limits low-income women's access to abortion. Immigration & Health Care Reform: In the first of a two-part series, we explore the hidden costs illegal immigration will add to the nation's new health care law.

Agriculture

PBS NewsHour

May 5, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

In Calif. Town, Prison May Fix One Employment Problem, But Create Another: The small California farm town of Mendota is struggling to diversify its economy, which revolves around seasonal agricultural work that creates times of very high unemployment. University of California, Berkeley student Alissa Figueroa reports on one solution that could also create a big problem for farms and their workers.

PBS NewsHour

June 2, 2011 7pm, 3 minutes

In Europe, Fingers Pointing Over Origin of Deadly, Costly New E. Coli Strain: A deadly new strain of E. coli is sickening hundreds throughout Europe and so far baffling researchers and health officials. Ray Suarez reports on the outbreak that has many Europeans concerned about the contents of their salads and soups.

PBS NewsHour

June 2, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

Europe's Deadly E. Coli Outbreak a 'Wake-Up Call' Over Global Food Distribution: A new strain of E. coli is sickening hundreds throughout Europe and leaving health officials baffled. Ray Suarez discusses the outbreak's global impact with attorney Bill Marler, who has worked on food borne illness cases, and Cornell University food-science professor Robert Gravani.

PBS NewsHour

June 10, 2011 7pm, 2 minutes

News Wrap: Ariz. Firefighters Ramp Up Battle Against Wallow Fire: In other news Friday, firefighters in eastern Arizona hurried to make the most of improved conditions in their battle against the Wallow wildfire. Also, health officials announced that bean sprouts from a German organic farm were the source of the E. coli outbreak that has killed at least 31 people and sickened nearly 3,100.

Alcohol/Drug Abuse/Addiction

PBS NewsHour

May 9, 2011 7pm, 2 minutes

Protesters in Mexico Take to the Streets Over Drug Cartel Violence: Demonstrators took to the streets in Mexico this weekend to protest the violence brought on by drug cartels. Margret Warner reports.

Frontline, The Meth Epidemic

May 17, 2011 10pm, 1 hour

Speed. Meth. Glass. On the street, methamphetamine has many names. What started as a fad among motorcycle gangs in the 1970s has become big business, largely due to the efforts of two Mexican drug runners who began smuggling ephedrine -- the same chemical used to make over-the-counter cold remedies -- into California by the ton. Hundreds of illegal meth labs are now operating in the western United States, and the effects are sweeping the nation. From coast to coast, meth abuse is on the rise, but who's responsible? Is the government doing enough to crack down on this latest drug craze? In a reporting partnership with The Oregonian, FRONTLINE investigates America's addiction to meth and exposes the inherent conflict between the illegal drug trade and the legitimate three-billion-dollar cold remedy business.

American History/Biography

PBS NewsHour

April 12, 2011 7pm, 14 minutes

Civil War's Causes: Historians Largely United on Slavery, But Public Divided: On the 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War at South Carolina's Fort Sumter, Judy Woodruff has an excerpt from Ken Burns' "The Civil War" and discusses the conflict's causes and legacy with Harvard University's Drew Gilpin Faust, Howard University's Edna Medford and the University of South Carolina's Walter Edgar.

Black in Latin America: Cuba: The Next Revolution

April 27, 2011 10pm, 1 hour

In Cuba, Professor Gates finds out how the culture, religion, politics and music of this island are inextricably linked to the huge amount of slave labor imported to produce its enormously profitable 19th century sugar industry, and how race and racism have fared since Fidel Castro's Communist revolution in 1959.

PBS NewsHour

April 25, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

At Stanford, Debate Brews Over Reviving ROTC Program on Campus: Decades after protests surrounding the Vietnam War, some private universities are taking another look at bringing back Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs, but the idea is rekindling some decades-old disputes over military presence on campuses. Spencer Michels reports on how the debate is playing out at Stanford.

President's Photographer: Fifty Years Inside the Oval Office; The

April 12, 2011 8pm

Pete Souza is never far behind President Obama. In fact, sometimes he's ahead of him. As the president's chief White House photographer, Souza is the president's shadow. Now, National Geographic and PBS follow Souza inside the Obama White House -- aboard Air Force One, backstage at the State of the Union and into the heart of the West Wing. It's a behind-the-scenes look at the everyday grit of the American presidency and a chance to see what it's like to cover the most powerful man in the world, for history.

Arts

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday April 7, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

This year the Eugene Symphony celebrates its 45th season and the return of its most celebrated conductor - Marin Alsop. She came back to remember, along with the rest of the musicians, the value of a small orchestra. Maria Wickwire was a classroom teacher who had never touched clay before a visiting artist brought some in for her students. Now, she's a professional ceramic artist, creating sculptures that explore the archetypal experiences of women.

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday April 14, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

Artistic Director Beth Harper takes us on a tour of the Portland Actors Conservatory, a nationally accredited school for professional actor training. Students from all over the world come to this two-year program to train and perform with some of the region's finest teachers, directors and actors. He always loved art, but it wasn't until a couple of other careers that Ken Roth turned to art full time. He's now one of Central Oregon's most successful painters.

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday April 21, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

Desmond Spann, aka DLux the Light, is a spoken word poet, a positive emcee and hip hop artist, and an educator who works to help kids express themselves. We get a glimpse into his creative process, and watch him work with a group of kids. It was her love of fiber that got her started in art, but it was her whimsical little creatures that she's been drawing since grade school that really got her noticed!

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday April 28, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

Whit Deschner thought salt licks looked like art, so he started collecting them and auctioning them off to the highest bidder. The whole community, from ranchers, to art lovers, to the cows themselves now participates in the annual event to benefit Parkinson's research at OHSU. Most glass studio hot shops are big, warehouse-like places where lots of people work together. We'll meet Kevin Shluka (changed it from Shluker) who has managed to miniaturize his studio but his art is big on beauty.

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday May 5, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

Shannon Weber weaves original, one of a kind vessels from hand gathered materials, including plants, and pieces of debris she finds on the beach. Her finished works are distinctive and celebrate her creative process. It's one of the best art collections you'll probably never see in its entirety! Oregon State University School of Agriculture has amassed an amazing collection of art that all relates to where our food comes from.

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday May 12, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

Welcome to the wonderfully odd world of Gesine Krätzner and her latest litter of grumpy pets. If you think you know what cello music sounds like, you haven't heard Portland Cello Project. PCP plays music from rock to jazz to classical, and everything in between. We get a glimpse behind the scenes of this loosely knit group.

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday May 19, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

Making a living as a full-time guitar picker is a real challenge. We'll find out how Thad Beckman makes it work (and watch him play lead guitar for one of America's great songwriters). She's one of the most amazing encaustic artists we've ever seen. Andrea Benson looks like she paints all her detail with wax, but we'll show you her secret!

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday May 26, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

Portland's Original Practice Shakespeare has the motto "Because Shakespeare should be dangerous." Back in Shakespeare's day, actors had no rehearsals, and performed different scripts every week. OPS is keeping that tradition alive around the city. One of the worst things that happened to Mike Prigodich, cancer, started one of the best things in his life, a new jazz career.

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday June 9, 2011 1 hour

Join Art Beat for an exploration of Oregon's rich music scene. We'll hear some of the best jazz musicians in the country; learn about the world of emerging indie bands; meet one of America's premier songwriters, and more! Jeff Douglas has had his finger on the pulse of Oregon's music scene since the 1960's. He's your host for this insightful and enjoyable look at the music we make here.

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday June 16, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

Gypsy Jazz quartet Swing Papillon is quickly becoming one of the hottest acts in town thanks to their musical virtuosity and unique style. He's the man behind much of the music at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival. And he says it's OK if you don't even notice the music. Todd Barton's goal is to affect the mood without being obvious.

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday June 23, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

She's been called the Queen Mother of science fiction, but today Ursula Le Guin is finishing a book of poems about Steens Mountains country, and working with photographer Roger Dorband. We join them in Harney County as she talks about her new book and reflects on her life as a writer. She calls her work lights capes but photographer Natasha Bacca has literally created a whole new form of photography art. We'll get into the darkroom for a peek!

Oregon Art Beat

Thursday June 30, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

The music of sunny Brazil might seem a little out of place for the rainy NW, but we have found a singer who is dedicated to the music of Brazil and is helping create fans of it every time she performs. Laura Berman is a fabric artist in Philomath. She describes her work as felted scarves and sculptures. We get a glimpse into her studio as she works.

Independent Lens: Jean-Michel Basquiat: The Radiant Child

May 1, 2011 10:30pm 1 ½ hrs

Centered on a rare interview that director Tamra Davis shot with her friend and contemporary Jean-Michel Basquiat over 20 years ago, INDEPENDENT LENS "Jean-Michel Basquiat: The Radiant Child" is the definitive chronicle of the short but brilliant life of the young artist who revolutionized the New York art scene almost overnight.

PBS NewsHour

April 11, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Detroit Orchestra Back for Encore After Labor, Budget Discord: After a sixth-month strike over pay cuts and balanced budgets, the Detroit Symphony Orchestra returned to the stage this weekend for two free concerts thanking fans for their support. Ray Suarez talks to Mark Stryker of the Detroit Free Press about how the symphony's return impacts the struggling city.

PBS NewsHour

April 18, 2011 7pm, 4 minutes

Jennifer Egan's 'A Visit From the Goon Squad' Awarded Pulitzer Prize for Fiction: The Pulitzer Prizes, an annual award for print journalism and the arts, were announced on Monday. The Los Angeles Times and the New York Times both received two awards each, and the award for fiction went to Jennifer Egan for her novel, "A Visit from the Goon Squad." Jeffrey Brown has an excerpt from his conversation with Egan.

Soundtrack for a Revolution: American Experience

May 9, 2011 10pm 1 ½ hrs

Hear protest songs that energized the U.S. civil rights movement, with original performances by John Legend, Joss Stone, Blind Boys of Alabama, Richie Havens, Mary Mary, Wyclef Jean, and The Roots. Soundtrack for a Revolution, produced by Danny Glover, blends archival footage of civil rights leaders in the 1950s and '60s with current interviews from those who were there: Harry Belafonte, Andrew Young, John Lewis, and Julian Bond, and more.

Journey of the Bonesetter's Daughter

May 13, 2011 11pm 1 hour

JOURNEY OF THE BONESETTER'S DAUGHTER follows the creation of the San Francisco Opera's celebrated production of The Bonesetter's Daughter, composed by Stewart Wallace with a libretto by Amy Tan, based on her bestselling book of the same name. An ambitious, cross-cultural tour de force that brings together artists from China and the U.S., the opera tells a deeply moving story about the difficult but unbreakable bond between mothers and daughters inspired by Tan's own family history.

PBS NewsHour

June 7, 2011 7pm, 5 minutes

'The Tiger's Wife' Mixes Realism, Fantasy in Larger-Than-Life Tale From Balkans: In her first novel, Tea Obreht mixes realism and fantasy in a larger-than-life story about her native Balkans. Jeffrey Brown sits down with the author to discuss her debut book, "The Tiger's Wife."

Business/Industry

PBS NewsHour

April 12, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

China Weighs Environmental Concerns Against Economic Growth: Special correspondent Jeffrey Kaye reports from Guangdong province in southern China on the clash between the populous nation's economic ambitions and worsening pollution problem.

PBS NewsHour

April 18, 2011 7pm, 12 minutes

In Downgrading U.S. Rating, Standard & Poor's Fires 'Warning Shot': Citing a "significant risk" of legislative stalemate until after the 2012 election, bond-rating agency Standard & Poor's downgraded the long-term outlook on U.S. Treasury debt from stable to negative. Judy Woodruff discusses the rating's economic impact with the Financial Times' James Politi and Perna Associates' Nick Perna.

PBS NewsHour

April 26, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

Many Gulf Coast Residents Still Frustrated by Handling of BP Oil Spill: A year after the Deepwater Horizon explosion touched off a massive oil leak that polluted the Gulf Coast, many residents remain angry and frustrated at the slow response of BP and the U.S. government. Tom Bearden reports from the Gulf on residents' attitudes a year after the disaster began.

PBS NewsHour

April 27, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Sony PlayStation System Hacking Incident Highlights Web-Security Gaps: Sony officials announced Tuesday that hackers might have obtained personal information, including credit card numbers, from 77 million users of its PlayStation gaming system. Ray Suarez discusses the breach's impact on Sony, its users and the future of online security with former hacker and Wired.com editor Kevin Poulsen.

PBS NewsHour

May 6, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

What Does Widening U.S. Income Gap Mean for Future of Economy, Americans? The jobs report for April was released Friday as well as a new report that found top CEO pay is above where it was in 2007, before the recession. Jeffrey Brown discusses the widening income gap and increase in executive pay with AFL-CIO Office of Investment's Vinetta Anand and The Council on Competitiveness' Deborah Wince-Smith.

PBS NewsHour

May 24, 2011 7pm, 11 minutes

Chrysler Pays Back Billions in Bailout Loans: Is the Comeback Complete? Chrysler CEO Sergio Marchionne announced Tuesday that the company had repaid \$7.9 billion in debt and interest to the U.S. and Canadian governments, less than two years after receiving a bailout. Jeffrey Brown discusses the comeback with Paul Eisenstein, publisher of thedetroitbureau.com and Changing Gears' Micheline Maynard.

PBS NewsHour

June 6, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

Apple Unveils New iCloud Music Service, but Privacy Issues May Lurk: Steve Jobs returned to the public stage Monday to announce Apple's iCloud, a new online music storage service. Ray Suarez discusses the announcement with The Washington Post's Technology Reporter Cecilia Kang.

PBS NewsHour

June 9, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

Got Fish? Not in Pacific Ocean Sanctuaries off California's Coast: Correspondent Spencer Michels reports on the controversy over dozens of no-fishing zones off the California coast.

Community Politics/Government

PBS NewsHour

April 27, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Budget Battles Reignite Animosity Between Congress, D.C. Government: Kwame Holman reports on the historically tense relations between Congress and the District of Columbia's residents and local politicians. The two worlds collided recently when Congress and President Obama reached a budget agreement in part through provisions affecting abortion services and private-school voucher programs in D.C.

PBS NewsHour

May 5, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

In Calif. Town, Prison May Fix One Employment Problem, But Create Another: The small California farm town of Mendota is struggling to diversify its economy, which revolves around seasonal agricultural work that creates times of very high unemployment. University of California, Berkeley student Alissa Figueroa reports on one solution that could also create a big problem for farms and their workers.

PBS NewsHour

May 9, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

'Last In, First Out' Among Teacher Layoff Policies Under Scrutiny: As the end of the school year approaches, thousands of teachers across the U.S. are facing the prospect of being laid off. NewsHour special correspondent John Tulenko reports on questions over layoff policies in Hartford, Conn.

PBS NewsHour

May 16, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Morganza Spillway Reduces Pressure on Cities' Levees; Towns Brace for Water: On Saturday, the Army Corps of Engineers opened the floodgates of the Morganza Spillway on the Mississippi River to reduce pressure on the levees that protect Baton Rouge and New Orleans. A number of smaller towns are now having to deal with the possibility of devastating flooding. Correspondent Tom Bearden reports.

PBS NewsHour

May 23, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Divided Supreme Court Orders California to Ease Prison Overcrowding: The Supreme Court ruled 5-4 Monday that the living conditions in overcrowded California prisons threatened inmates' health and violated constitutional rights against cruel and unusual punishment. Ray Suarez discusses the outcome with The National Law Journal's Marcia Coyle, who was in the courtroom.

PBS NewsHour

June 14, 2011 7pm, 2 minutes

Obama Makes First Presidential Visit to Puerto Rico in 50 Years: President Obama's brief Tuesday visit to Puerto Rico's capital was the first official trip to the commonwealth by a sitting president since JFK. Ray Suarez reports on the president's visit and what it might mean for his 2012 campaign.

PBS NewsHour

June 15, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

Divided Wisconsin Supreme Court Upholds Collective-Bargaining Restraints: The Wisconsin Supreme Court ruled 4-3 to uphold a controversial law, backed by Republican Gov. Scott Walker, to deny some public workers their right to collective bargaining. Judy Woodruff discusses what's ahead in the ongoing legal and political battles with Wisconsin Public TV's Adam Schrager, who's been covering the story.

Consumerism

PBS NewsHour

April 13, 2011 7pm, 5 minutes

Unrest in Middle East, U.S. Demand Drive Gas Toward \$4 Average: As gas prices creep above \$4 per gallon in parts of the U.S., a new poll shows two-thirds of Americans say they will cut down on expenses to cope with rising fuel costs. Ray Suarez discusses the effects of higher petroleum prices with David Kirsch of PFC Energy.

Nightly Business Report

April 18, 2011 30 minutes

Comcast Purchase of NBC and Sports; BP Compensation Claim Payouts Explained by Ken Feinberg; Business, Tourism Struggle to Recover One Year After Gulf Oil Spill; US Credit Rating Takes a Hit.

PBS NewsHour

May 13, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

Tracking Inflation: How Fast Are Prices Rising? As part of his continuing coverage of Making Sense of financial news, Paul Solman reports on the growing rate of inflation and how Americans are dealing with the extra costs. According to the government's latest figures, prices made the biggest jump in any 12-month period since October 2008.

Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement

PBS NewsHour

April 4, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

In Switch, Accused 9/11 Plotters to Face Military Trials: Attorney General Eric Holder announced that several key terrorism suspects held at Guantanamo Bay will face military trials at the Cuban base and not civilian trials in the U.S. Jeffrey Brown talks to ProPublica's Dafna Linzer about the Obama administration's change of course on Guantanamo trials.

PBS NewsHour

April 7, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

NAACP Report Says Shift in Funding Toward Prisons 'Failing Us': A new report from the NAACP shows states are devoting increasingly larger portions of their budgets to prisons, while education gets smaller and smaller portions. Judy Woodruff discusses the report with NAACP President Benjamin Jealous and Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform.

Frontline: Post Mortem

April 26, 2011 10pm, 1 hour

Every day, nearly 7,000 people die in America. And when these deaths happen suddenly, or under suspicious circumstances, we assume there will be a thorough investigation, just like we see on CSI. But the reality is very different. In over 2,000 counties across America, elected coroners, many with no medical or scientific background, are in charge of death investigations. Nationwide there is a severe shortage of competent forensic pathologists to do autopsies. The rate of autopsies—the gold standard of death investigation—has plummeted over the decades from fifty percent of those who die to less than six percent. As a result, not only do murderers go free and innocent people go to jail, but the crisis in death investigation in America is also a threat to public health. FRONTLINE correspondent Lowell Bergman reports the results of a joint investigation with ProPublica, NPR, and the Investigative Reporting Program at UC Berkeley.

PBS NewsHour

May 11, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Galleon Fund Head Convicted of Fraud, Conspiracy: In other news Wednesday, a federal jury in New York has convicted Raj Rajaratnam, founder of The Galleon Group, in the largest insider trading case ever involving hedge funds.

PBS NewsHour

May 16, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

Strauss-Kahn Arrest Drops 'Bomb' on French Politics; IMF Faces Leadership Vacuum: IMF Chief Dominique Strauss-Kahn was denied bail Monday for sexual assault of a 32-year-old chambermaid in his New York hotel suite. Gwen Ifill discusses possible fallout from this incident with former IMF official Eswar Prasad and Princeton research scholar Sophie Meunier.

PBS NewsHour

May 18, 2011 7pm, 3 minutes

Shockwaves Continue Through Financial World Over Strauss-Kahn Arrest: Held on charges of sexual assault against a chambermaid at a New York City hotel, IMF chief Dominique Strauss-Kahn remains in a cell alone in Riker's Island jail and has been put on suicide watch. Gwen Ifill reports on the latest developments since his arrest and reactions from around the world.

PBS NewsHour

May 26, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

Shooting Rampage Suspect Loughner Ruled Mentally Unfit to Stand Trial: A federal judge has ruled that Jared Loughner, accused in the Tucson shooting rampage that killed six people and wounded Rep. Gabrielle Giffords and 12 others, is mentally unfit to stand trial. Judy Woodruff discusses what the ruling means for Loughner, the victims and their families with Loyola Law School's Laurie Levenson.

PBS NewsHour

June 3, 2011 7pm 5 minutes

News Wrap: Edwards Indicted on Misuse of Campaign Funds, Pleaded Not Guilty: In other news Friday, a federal grand jury in North Carolina indicted two-time presidential candidate John Edwards on charges that he misused campaign donations to help hide his extramarital affair and out-of-wedlock baby. He pleaded not guilty. Also, Ratko Mladic was arraigned at a U.N. war crimes tribunal in The Hague.

Culture

PBS NewsHour

April 12, 2011 7pm, 14 minutes

Civil War's Causes: Historians Largely United on Slavery, But Public Divided: On the 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War at South Carolina's Fort Sumter, Judy Woodruff has an excerpt from Ken Burns' "The Civil War" and discusses the conflict's causes and legacy with Harvard University's Drew Gilpin Faust, Howard University's Edna Medford and the University of South Carolina's Walter Edgar.

Religion & Ethics NewsWeekly

April 24, 2011 4pm, 30 minutes

King James Bible 400th Anniversary: It was the Bible of the speeches of Abraham Lincoln and Martin Luther King Jr., says author Jon Sweeney. "It's the basis of cultural identity in the United States more than any other book." Lifta: "We are Jews. We don't have to save the Palestinian heritage," says Itzik Shweky of the Society for Preservation of Israel Heritage Sites. But an American Jew from Brooklyn says the abandoned Palestinian village of Lifta is important for Jews as well as Arabs.

PBS NewsHour

May 17, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Author James Gleick Traces Information's Evolution in New Book: Author James Gleick's new book, "The Information: A History, a Theory, a Flood," chronicles the evolution of information. Jeffrey Brown and the science and technology author discuss how our era of information overload evolved from pre-digital times.

Economy

PBS NewsHour

April 1, 2011 7pm, 11 minutes

Unemployment Rate Drops in March, but Economic Recovery Remains Fragile: The U.S. unemployment rate for March dropped to a two-year low of 8.8 percent. Ray Suarez discusses the numbers with Joel Naroff of Naroff Economic Advisers and Catherine Mann of Brandeis University International Business School.

PBS NewsHour

April 1, 2011 7pm 12 minutes

Shields and Gerson on Jobless Rate Realities, Obama's Plan in Libya: Syndicated columnist Mark Shields and Washington Post columnist Michael Gerson weigh in on top political developments, including the latest jobless figures, President Obama's handling of the Libya conflict and the budget battle on Capitol Hill.

PBS NewsHour

April 5, 2011 7pm, 4 minutes

Top Democrats, Republicans Continue Talks as Shutdown Deadline Nears: President Obama met with key congressional leaders Tuesday, but the meeting failed to break the budget stalemate. If they don't agree on a deal by Friday, the government will shut down. Jeffrey Brown reports.

Washington Week

April 8, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

With a \$39 billion spending cut agreed upon, the possibility of a government shutdown is finally over. The panel discusses why leaders of neither side wanted a shutdown in the first place, and how their constituents may feel. Joining Gwen Ifill: John Dickerson, Slate Magazine/CBS News; Michael Duffy, TIME Magazine; and Jeanne Cummings, Politico.

PBS NewsHour

April 18, 2011 7pm, 12 minutes

In Downgrading U.S. Rating, Standard & Poor's Fires 'Warning Shot': Citing a "significant risk" of legislative stalemate until after the 2012 election, bond-rating agency Standard & Poor's downgraded the long-term outlook on U.S. Treasury debt from stable to negative. Judy Woodruff discusses the rating's economic impact with the Financial Times' James Politi and Perna Associates' Nick Perna.

Washington Week

April 15, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

While President Obama and Rep. Paul Ryan both unveiled plans to cut \$4 trillion from the national debt they continue to argue over how to do it. The GOP and Democrats continued to fight over America's deficit, from taxes to overhauling Medicare and Medicaid. This week: Susan Davis, National Journal; Jeff Zeleny, New York Times; Janet Hook, Wall Street Journal; John Harwood, CNBC/NY Times.

PBS NewsHour

May 5, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

After Shutdown Showdown, Lawmakers Appear 'Prepared to Work Together' on Budget: In Washington, Vice President Biden met with top lawmakers Thursday to begin a new round of high-level budget, deficit and spending negotiations. Jeffrey Brown discusses the looming debt deadline and the issues at play with The Washington Post's Lori Montgomery.

PBS NewsHour

May 6, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

As Job Growth Continues, Focus Turns to Speed of U.S. Recovery: The April jobs report showed healthy gains Friday, but also a rise in the unemployment rate. U.S. markets rose sharply in early trading, but surrendered most of their gains later in the day. Judy Woodruff takes a closer look at the latest jobs numbers with New York Times' David Leonhardt, a recent winner of the Pulitzer Prize.

PBS NewsHour

May 17, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

Housing Market Still Plagued by Foreclosures, Mortgage Woes, Tumbling Prices: The U.S. housing market showed more signs of weakness Tuesday with the fall of new home construction by more than 10 percent and new building permits by 4 percent. Judy Woodruff discusses the fallout from the disappointing new housing report with Inside Mortgage Finance's Guy Cecala and The Washington Post's Dina ElBoghdady.

PBS NewsHour

June 1, 2011 7pm 7 minutes

Amid 'Serious Negotiations' on Debt, Can Obama and GOP Find Common Ground? President Obama met with congressional Republicans Wednesday to talk about a debt-reduction deal, but none was made. The meeting followed Tuesday night's largely symbolic House vote that rejected any stand-alone increase to the debt ceiling. Jim Lehrer discusses the prospects for a deal with Political Editor David Chalian.

Education

Frontline: Football High

April 12, 2011 10pm, 1 hour

High school football has never had a higher profile, with nationally televised games, corporate sponsorships and minute-by-minute coverage on sports websites. In northwest Arkansas, FRONTLINE examines one ambitious high school team working its way towards national renown. With a superstar quarterback at the helm, tiny Shiloh Christian is striving to join the ranks of the country's best high school teams-teams whose workout schedules, practices, and styles of play increasingly imitate the pros. But as high school players grow bigger, faster, and stronger, there are growing concerns about the health and safety of these young players-with rising rates of concussions, career-ending injuries, even death. In Arkansas, FRONTLINE documents a tragic story of heat-stroke injuries that reveal how weak regulation has created a crucial lack of athletic trainers at most high schools. It all raises a critical question: has the amped-up culture of high school football outrun necessary protections for the boys who play the game?

PBS NewsHour

April 5, 2011 7pm, 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.

PBS NewsHour

April 7, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Iowa Writers' Workshop, Famous for Training Top Writers, Turns 75: Jeffrey Brown reports on the Iowa Writers' Workshop, the nation's oldest and most prestigious postgraduate writing program for elite writers and poets. The workshop celebrates its 75th anniversary this year.

PBS NewsHour

May 27, 2011 7pm 15 minutes

Is a College Diploma Worth the Soaring Student Debt? As a growing number of students suffer soaring college debt, many questions are being raised about the value of higher education amid meager job prospects in a struggling economy. Jeffrey Brown gets four views on whether today's diplomas are worth the cost.

PBS NewsHour

June 6, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

Grading Schools: How to Determine the 'Good' From the 'Bad'? Students get graded by test scores, but how do we best determine if a school is "good" or "bad"? Education Correspondent John Merrow examines that question.

Nightly Business Report

June 14, 2011 6:30pm, 30 minutes

The Value of a College Education; Writing the Rules for SWAPS; Fed. Chairman Bernanke on Debt Ceiling Delays; Market Focus with Tom Hudson.

Employment

PBS NewsHour

April 1, 2011 7pm, 11 minutes

Unemployment Rate Drops in March, but Economic Recovery Remains Fragile: The U.S. unemployment rate for March dropped to a two-year low of 8.8 percent. Ray Suarez discusses the numbers with Joel Naroff of Naroff Economic Advisers and Catherine Mann of Brandeis University International Business School.

PBS NewsHour

April 1, 2011 7pm 8 minutes

Returning Vets Face a New Battle: The Job Market: As part of his series on Making Sense of financial news, economics correspondent Paul Solman reports on the challenges veterans face returning home and searching for work in a troubled job market.

Nightly Business Report

April 28, 2011, 6:30pm 30 minutes

Baby Boomers are Working Longer; Baby Boomers, Retirement, and Inheritance; NYSE Says No to Merger Bids; Demand for Nuclear Energy Rises; Preview of Berkshire Hathaway Shareholder Meeting; US Economy Slows in First Quarter; Market Focus with Tom Hudson; Market Stats for April 28, 2011.

PBS NewsHour

May 18, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

The Great Stagnation: Why Hasn't Recent Technology Created More Jobs? As part of his continuing coverage of Making Sense of financial news, Paul Solman reports on why more good jobs haven't been created in recent years. Can new technological innovations create widespread job growth as past generations have seen?

PBS NewsHour

June 3, 2011 7pm, 11 minutes

'Utterly Disappointing' May Jobs Report: Why Aren't Businesses Hiring? The U.S. unemployment report for May showed a sharp slowdown in hiring and a small increase in the unemployment rate. Judy Woodruff discusses the new jobs numbers and what they mean for the struggling American economic recovery with Lisa Lynch of Brandeis University and Joel Naroff of Naroff Economic Advisors.

Energy

Earth: The Operators' Manual

April 18, 2011 11pm, 1 hour

An operators' manual helps keep your car or computer running at peak performance. Earth science can do the same for the planet. In EARTH: THE OPERATORS' MANUAL, premiering on PBS at 10pm on Sunday April 10th during Earth Month 2011, join geologist Richard Alley as he travels the world, from New Zealand to China, Brazil, Spain and Morocco with stops in New Orleans, Texas and military bases in California. This accurate, understandable and upbeat report on the interconnected stories of humans and fossil fuels, Earth's climate history and our future energy options will leave you amazed at the beauty and bounty of the planet, inspired by human ingenuity, and optimistic about the future.

PBS NewsHour

April 13, 2011 7pm, 5 minutes

Unrest in Middle East, U.S. Demand Drive Gas Toward \$4 Average: As gas prices creep above \$4 per gallon in parts of the U.S., a new poll shows two-thirds of Americans say they will cut down on expenses to cope with rising fuel costs. Ray Suarez discusses the effects of higher petroleum prices with David Kirsch of PFC Energy.

PBS NewsHour

May 12, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

Tax Breaks for Oil Companies: Good for Business or Unfair Advantage? Lawmakers targeted the oil industry's tax breaks and profits in budget debates Thursday. Judy Woodruff discusses the debate over tax breaks for oil production and other rules with The Energy Program at Public Citizen's Tyson Slocum and The American Petroleum Institute's Brian Johnson.

PBS NewsHour

June 9, 2011 7pm, 6 minutes

Unusual Dispute Within OPEC Pushes Oil Prices Even Higher: What does the dissent within the ranks of the oil-producing nations in OPEC mean for oil prices in the U.S.? Margaret Warner discusses the turmoil at OPEC summit this week with Ed Crooks of The Financial Times.

PBS NewsHour

June 15, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

'Fracking' for Natural Gas Continues to Raise Health Concerns: Energy companies are increasingly scouring the U.S. for natural gas deposits. As they do, one of the extraction methods they are using, known as fracking, is coming under sharp scrutiny for potential health consequences from the chemicals involved. Tom Bearden reports from Colorado.

Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday April 7, 2011 8:30pm, 30 minutes

This ancient, eel-like fish is in serious trouble. The lamprey is one of the most primitive species still alive today and an important part of the food chain. See what's being done to save it.

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday April 14, 2011 8:30pm, 30 minutes

Forest Park: Portland's Backyard Gem- Every generation seems to fight anew about how best to use or protect Portland's Forest Park. We spend 30 minutes examining how the park came to be and the serious threats to its health including invasive species, dying trees and lack of resources to keep it in good shape. The big new battle: mountain biking.

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday April 28, 2011 8:30pm, 30 minutes

The western juniper consumes so much water it's sucking the landscape dry across eastern Oregon...see what some ranchers are doing about it. Beavers in central Oregon are hard at work bringing some battered wetlands back to life, restoring creeks and saving salmon.

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday May 5, 2011 8:30pm, 30 minutes

A Look at the Innovative sustainable prison project in Washington State that teams up experts with inmates to conduct research and grow and protect a variety of resources for large-scale restoration projects. Banned 60 years ago, were a big part of Oregon's ancient timber practices, but they did a lot of damage to our rivers. We talk to the old timers, look at historical film and go underwater to see how the rivers and streams are doing today.

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday May 12, 2011 8:30pm, 30 minutes

The falcons, once on the state's endangered species list, are back. We climb to the top of the I-5 bridge to show the banding of baby birds and update the falcons latest threat. One of Oregon's native birds, the Lewis's Woodpecker, is also in trouble because of loss of habitat. We meet a woman who has made it her mission to help.

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday May 19, 2011 8:30pm, 30 minutes

This Field Guide special looks at the plight of Oregon's wolves. They have returned to Oregon after almost a century after being hunted to near-extinction. Now ranchers, wildlife managers and even wolf tourists are rediscovering what it means to live with America's most iconic predator

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday June 16, 2011 8:30pm

It's been described as one of the worst wildlife disasters in our nation's history Bats are dying by the millions all along the east coast due to a condition called white-nose syndrome and the invasive fungus causing it is making its way towards Oregon, quickly. Can Oregon's bats be saved?

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday June 23, 2011 8:30pm, 30 minutes

Oregon's rivers and streams are being invaded by a non-native crayfish. But this invasive species can't be blamed on anglers or their boats. Instead, Oregon school children and their teachers are responsible.

PBS NewsHour

April 11, 2011 7pm, 10 minutes

One Month After Tsunami, What Are Japan's Biggest Needs? A month after an earthquake and tsunami killed tens of thousands and touched off a nuclear crisis, Japan struggles to cope with the aftermath. Jeffrey Brown talks with the Stimson Center's Yuki Tatsumi, the American Red Cross's Nan Buzard and the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace's James Acton.

PBS NewsHour

April 18, 2011 8 minutes

Deadly Tornadoes Roar Through South, Midwest; Hundreds Left Homeless: After deadly tornadoes pummeled states across the South and Midwest over the weekend, emergency workers assessed the devastation and continued to search for victims on Monday. Gwen Ifill discusses the storm's aftermath with David Schrader of the American Red Cross.

NOVA: Mt. St. Helens Back From the Dead

April 27, 2011 9pm, 1 hour

When Mount St. Helens erupted in 1980, every living thing in the blast zone was buried beneath 300 feet of avalanche debris, covered with steaming mud, and finally, topped with a superheated layer of frothy rock from deep within the earth. It seemed as though Mount St. Helens might remain a wasteland forever. When biologist Charlie Crisafulli first flew over the disaster zone, finding no sign of life, little did he realize that his own life would be forever changed? Crisafulli has remained at the site for 27 years, documenting the dramatic return of plant and animal life to the barren landscape and pioneering a new understanding of the interaction between geologic forces and the life surrounding the mountain. NOVA brings viewers on an inspiring journey of a landscape brought back from the dead.

PBS NewsHour

May 5, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

FEMA Chief Fugate on Challenges of Widespread Storm Recovery Needs: The Army Corps of Engineers is considering whether to blow up more levees along the Mississippi River after destroying a Missouri levee to save an Illinois town. Judy Woodruff talks with Federal Emergency Management Agency Chief Craig Fugate about the government's widespread effort to help victims of flooding and tornadoes.

PBS NewsHour

May 9, 2011 7pm, 14 minutes

Mississippi River Flooding Hits Historic Levels, Tests Levee System: The Mississippi River approached its highest level ever Monday, forcing the city of Memphis to evacuate homes as they wait for the river to peak, which is expected as early as tonight. Jeffrey Brown gets the latest on the surging floodwaters from Memphis Mayor A C Wharton and the Army Corps of Engineers' Steve Stockton.

PBS NewsHour

May 16, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Morganza Spillway Reduces Pressure on Cities' Levees; Towns Brace for Water: On Saturday, the Army Corps of Engineers opened the floodgates of the Morganza Spillway on the Mississippi River to reduce pressure on the levees that protect Baton Rouge and New Orleans. A number of smaller towns are now having to deal with the possibility of devastating flooding. Correspondent Tom Bearden reports.

PBS NewsHour

May 18, 2011 7pm 8 minutes

Mississippi River Floodwater Could Create Long-Term Toxic Impact: A 15-mile stretch of the swollen Mississippi River, closed Tuesday due to pressure on levees, has been reopened to barges moving one at a time. Tom Bearden reports on the short- and long-term environmental effects the floodwater could have on Lake Pontchartrain, oyster beds and more.

PBS NewsHour

May 23, 2011 7pm 13 minutes

In Joplin, Mo., Tornado Destruction 'Looks Like an Artillery Barrage': In Joplin, Mo., search and rescue efforts continue after a tornado tore through the heart of the city, claiming at least 116 lives. Gwen Ifill discusses the destruction with KRPS Public Radio's Tim Metcalf and learns more about this deadly tornado season from the National Weather Service's Greg Carbin.

PBS NewsHour

June 9, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

Ariz. Wildfire Spreads as Record-Breaking Heat Wave Grips Eastern U.S.: Tanker airplanes on Thursday swooped over the mountains of Eastern Arizona, dropping clouds of retardant in hopes of containing the so-called Wallow wildfire. Also, much of the Eastern U.S. suffered temperatures reaching well into the 90s. Ray Suarez discusses the extreme weather with AccuWeather's Evan Myers.

Family/Marriage

Independent Lens: Pushing the Elephant

April 110, 2011 10:30pm 1 ½ hrs

When civil war came to Rose's Congolese village, she was separated from her five-year-old daughter, Nangabire. More than a decade later, mother and daughter are reunited in the U.S.

NOVA: A Walk to Beautiful

April 6, 2011 8pm, 1 hour

A difficult journey that begins in loneliness and shame for thousands of Ethiopian women ends in a productive new life and hope for the future in this award-winning film. Shot against a starkly beautiful landscape, "A Walk to Beautiful" shares the inspiring stories of three women, rejected by their husbands and ostracized by their communities, who leave home in search of treatment for obstetric fistula, a life-shattering complication of childbirth.

Forgiveness - A Time to Love and a Time to Hate

April 19, 2011 11pm 1 ½ hrs

Forgiveness: A Time to Love and a Time to Hate provides an intimate look into the spontaneous outpouring of forgiveness: from the Amish families for the 2006 shooting of their children in Nickel Mines, Pennsylvania; the struggle of '60s radicals to cope with the serious consequences of their violent acts of protest; the shattering of a family after the mother abandons them, only to return seeking forgiveness; the legacy and divisiveness of apartheid and the aftermath of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission hearings in South Africa; the penitential journey of a modern-day Germany, confronting the horrific acts of the Holocaust.

Health/Health Care

PBS NewsHour

April 6, 2011 7pm 6 minutes

Estrogen Study Lead Researcher on Risks, Benefits of Hormone-Replacement Therapy: Once a popular treatment for menopause symptoms, hormone-replacement therapy had come under scrutiny for raising the risk of certain diseases, but a new study found a reduced risk of breast cancer and other benefits for some women. Jeffrey Brown discusses the latest findings with Dr. Andrea LaCroix, the study's lead author.

PBS NewsHour

April 12, 2011 7pm, 6 minutes

Obama Administration Introduces Plan to Reduce Preventable Medical Errors: The Obama administration announced a new patient-safety program Tuesday on the heels of medical journal Health Affairs publishing a study showing that one in three people admitted to hospitals suffers a medical error or accident. Margaret Warner talks with Health Affairs' Susan Dentzer about the study and the new plan.

PBS NewsHour

April 15, 2011 7pm 7 minutes

Autism Now: MacNeil, Lehrer Discuss 'National Emergency' Explored in Series: NewsHour founder and former anchor Robert MacNeil's six-part series on the puzzling prevalence of autism in the U.S. starts to air Monday on the PBS NewsHour. MacNeil speaks with Jim Lehrer about what's explored in the series and describes how autism has affected his family.

PBS NewsHour

April 28, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

In Nigerian Maternity Wards, Preventable Causes Claim Many Lives: In "The Edge of Joy," filmmaker Dawn Shapiro goes inside a busy maternity ward in Nigeria, where maternal deaths are among the world's highest. The documentary is the first in a series of independently produced films from around the world aired in a partnership between The Economist magazine and the NewsHour.

PBS NewsHour

May 11, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

Ukraine Struggles to Curb HIV Epidemic Amid Drug Shortages, Political Hurdles: Ukraine has the highest HIV infection rate in Europe and now there are fears its epidemic could spread to neighboring countries.

PBS NewsHour

May 17, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Study: Early Treatment 'Extremely Impressive' in Preventing HIV Spread: Dramatic findings from a new clinical study show early HIV-AIDS treatment can help prevent the spread of the disease between sexual partners. Ray Suarez discusses what the findings suggest about using drugs for prevention of the disease with Dr. Anthony Fauci, head of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

PBS NewsHour

June 14, 2011 7pm, 5 minutes

New FDA Guidelines Help Consumers Spot Sunscreen Effectiveness: The FDA announced Tuesday a series of changes in what consumers will see on sunscreen labels beginning next summer. Judy Woodruff discusses the new rules with The Skin Cancer Foundation's Dr. Ali Hendi.

Homosexuality

Stonewall Uprising: American Experience

June 13, 2011 10pm 1 ½ hrs

"Stonewall Uprising" explores the dramatic event that launched a worldwide rights movement. Told by those who took part, from drag queens and street hustlers to police detectives, journalists and a former mayor of New York, and featuring a rich trove of archival footage, this film revisits a time when homosexual acts were illegal throughout America, and homosexuality itself was seen as a form of mental illness. Hunted and often entrapped by undercover police in their hometowns, gays from around the U.S. began fleeing to New York in search of a sanctuary. Hounded there still by an aggressive police force, they found refuge in a Mafia-run gay bar in Greenwich Village, the Stonewall Inn. When police raided Stonewall on June 28, 1969, gay men and women did something they had not done before: they fought back. As the streets of New York erupted into violent protests and street demonstrations, the collective anger announced that the gay rights movement had arrived.

Out in America

June 7, 2011 10pm, 1 ½ hrs

Out in America, a one-hour documentary event, will deliver a compelling, multi-layered portrait of LGBT Americans through their own words and experiences. The film will connect the common themes running through numerous personal stories about growing up, coming out, nurturing relationships, overcoming social and familial challenges, fighting discrimination and HIV, and achieving individual status and respect in America. From the bi-racial Washington, D.C. couple in their 80s who have been together for 50 years to the 19-year-old Puerto Rican man from Harlem; from the 25-year-old raised in small town Texas to the transgender police officer in California, we'll talk to lesbians, gay men, bisexuals and transgender persons from across the nation.

Independent Lens: Ask Not

June 9, 2011 11pm, 1 hour

As wars rage in the Middle East, the U.S. military is eager for more recruits -- unless they happen to be openly gay. "Ask Not" explores the tangled political battles that led to the infamous "don't ask, don't tell" policy and reveals the personal stories of gay Americans who serve in combat under a veil of secrecy. By Johnny Symons.

In the Life

April 12, 2011 11pm, 30 minutes

This episode features the controversy surrounding the removal of David Wojnarowicz's video installation from the National Portrait Gallery's *Hide/Seek* exhibit at the Smithsonian.

In the Life

May 10, 2011 11pm, 30 minutes

This episode features the renewed efforts to educate and raise awareness on the status of the Ugandan bill. Homosexuality is illegal in Uganda. If the bill were to actually become law in Uganda, the consensual conduct would be subjected to life imprisonment with the possibility of the death penalty for certain homosexual acts, or repeat offending acts. All Ugandan's would be required to report any suspected homosexual to the police within 24 hours. It would criminalize any discussion, any expression, any outreach of gay communities including health related outreach.

In the Life

June 21, 2011 11pm, 30 minutes

Pride Month officially begins and IN THE LIFE, the only independent voice for the gay community on mainstream television, sends out a message of hope by featuring a gospel choir raising spirits and awareness about HIV/AIDS. *Messengers of Hope* is an Oakland based gospel choir that uses gospel music as a means to go into the church and the community to engage people in conversations about HIV/AIDS. African Americans have been disproportionately affected by HIV/AIDS since the epidemic's beginnings.

Housing/Shelter

PBS NewsHour

May 17, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

Housing Market Still Plagued by Foreclosures, Mortgage Woes, Tumbling Prices: The U.S. housing market showed more signs of weakness Tuesday with the fall of new home construction by more than 10 percent and new building permits by 4 percent. Judy Woodruff discusses the fallout from the disappointing new housing report with Inside Mortgage Finance's Guy Cecala and The Washington Post's Dina ElBoghdady.

PBS NewsHour

May 31, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

Foreclosures, Unemployment, Confidence Continue to Drag Down Housing Market: A new report released Tuesday showed the state of the U.S. housing market has grown even more bleak as prices have dropped for more than two consecutive quarters. Gwen Ifill, RealtyTrac's Rick Sharga and Mark Zandi of Moody's Analytics discuss which factors are responsible for the continuing strains on the market.

Immigration/Refugees

PBS NewsHour

May 13, 2011 7pm 11 minutes

Shields and Gerson on Immigration Reform, Gingrich's 2012 Bid: Syndicated columnist Mark Shields and Washington Post columnist Michael Gerson discuss top political news, including the realities of immigration reform and the shape of the 2012 GOP presidential field.

PBS NewsHour

May 26, 2011 7pm, 6 minutes

Supreme Court Upholds Arizona Law Punishing Employers of Illegal Workers: In a split decision Thursday, the Supreme Court ruled federal law does not preempt an Arizona measure that punishes employers who knowingly hire illegal immigrants. Jeffrey Brown discusses the measure, which could strip businesses of licenses if they're caught hiring illegal workers, with The National Law Journal's Marcia Coyle.

To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe

June 12, 2011 4:30pm, 30 minutes

Immigration Special Event: In a special edition of To The Contrary, host Bonnie Erbe examines the impacts immigration and population growth have on healthcare, poverty and our natural resources.

Minorities/Civil Rights

PBS NewsHour

April 7, 2011 7pm 8 minutes

NAACP Report Says Shift in Funding Toward Prisons 'Failing Us': A new report from the NAACP shows states are devoting increasingly larger portions of their budgets to prisons, while education gets smaller and smaller portions. Judy Woodruff discusses the report with NAACP President Benjamin Jealous and Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform.

Independent Lens: Two Spirits

June 14, 2011 11pm, 1 hour

Fred Martinez was one of the youngest hate-crime victims in modern history when he was brutally murdered at 16. This film explores the life and death of a boy, who was also a girl, and the essentially spiritual nature of gender.

National Politics/Government

PBS NewsHour

April 1, 2011 7pm 2 minutes

Gadhafi's Troops Shell Rebel Cities as Officials Pursue Diplomatic Resolutions: Government forces shelled opposition troops in several key rebel-held cities as talks of a ceasefire emerged from eastern Libya. Lindsey Hilsum of Independent Television News reports on the latest from Benghazi.

PBS NewsHour

April 4, 2011 7pm, 4 minutes

Obama Looks to Grassroots Base, Battlegrounds With 2012 Bid: In a YouTube video posted Monday, President Obama announced his candidacy for the 2012 election and filed official paperwork with the Federal Election Commission. Gwen Ifill discusses the announcement with political editor David Chalian.

PBS NewsHour

April 6, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

If Government Shuts Down, Where Would Blame Fall? Both Democrats and Republicans insisted they wished to avoid a government shutdown, but the budget stalemate continued Wednesday after both sides failed to agree on a deal. Jim Lehrer discusses the negotiations with Naftali Bendavid, congressional correspondent for The Wall Street Journal.

PBS NewsHour

April 12, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

Budget Deal Cuts Target EPA, Homeland Security, But Education Spared: New details of the \$38.5 billion budget deal that avoided a government shutdown revealed that the Environmental Protection Agency and Homeland Security were among those impacted. Ray Suarez discusses the cuts with Naftali Bendavid, congressional correspondent for The Wall Street Journal.

PBS NewsHour

April 18, 2011 7pm, 12 minutes

In Downgrading U.S. Rating, Standard & Poor's Fires 'Warning Shot': Citing a "significant risk" of legislative stalemate until after the 2012 election, bond-rating agency Standard & Poor's downgraded the long-term outlook on U.S. Treasury debt from stable to negative. Judy Woodruff discusses the rating's economic impact with the Financial Times' James Politi and Perna Associates' Nick Perna.

PBS NewsHour

April 18, 2011 7pm, 4 minutes

Can U.S., NATO Avoid a Humanitarian Crisis in Libya? The government of Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi reached an agreement to provide humanitarian assistance to the western part of the country in order to prevent a growing crisis there. Margaret Warner discusses the looming disaster with The Wall Street Journal's Charles Levinson, who is in Misrata.

PBS NewsHour

May 2, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

Bin Laden's Death a 'Tremendous Sigh of Relief' After Tense Abbottabad Raid: President Obama announced late Sunday that the most wanted man in the world, Osama bin Laden, was killed by U.S. forces. The al-Qaida leader and mastermind behind multiple terrorist attacks was shot in the head by American forces in a firefight at his compound in Abbottabad, Pakistan. Ray Suarez reports.

PBS NewsHour

May 2, 2011 7pm 6 minutes

Abbottabad Residents 'Shocked' Bin Laden Hid Nearby: Al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden was killed by U.S. forces in a late-night raid over the weekend on his compound in the relatively affluent town of Abbottabad, just outside Pakistan's capital of Islamabad. Special correspondent Saima Mohsin reports on locals' amazement that the world's most wanted man was living in their midst.

PBS NewsHour

May 2, 2011 7pm 9 minutes

What's Next for U.S. Military in Fight Against Al-Qaida?

What effects will Osama bin Laden's death have on al-Qaida? Gwen Ifill speaks with the New America Foundation's Steve Coll and the Center for Advanced Studies on Terrorism's Farhana Qazi about U.S. military and intelligence operations, and what the operation revealed about the U.S. relationship with its ally, Pakistan.

Nuclear Issues/WMD

PBS NewsHour

April 11, 2011 7pm, 3 minutes

Aftershock Rattles Japan 1 Month After Earthquake, Tsunami Disaster: Japan continued recovery efforts one month after an earthquake and tsunami devastated its northeastern coast and killed at least 13,000 people, while 14,000 are still missing. Thousands more are living in shelters as the government struggles to contain the radiation threat from the Fukushima nuclear plant. Jeffrey Brown reports.

PBS NewsHour

June 7, 2011 7pm, 2 minutes

Report: Puts Fukushima's Radiation Release at 1/6th of Chernobyl's: It's been three months since a massive earthquake and tsunami ravaged the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant in Japan. A new official report says the amount of radiation released was more than double the earlier estimates. Judy Woodruff reports on the findings.

PBS NewsHour

June 7, 2011 7pm, 6 minutes

Fukushima Nuclear Disaster: 'a Failure of Regulation, not Operation': Three months after a massive earthquake and tsunami ravaged the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant in Japan, a new report puts the amount of radiation released at more than double earlier estimates. Judy Woodruff discusses the report's findings with James Acton of The Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Poverty/Hunger

Independent Lens: Waste Land

May 2, 2011 10:30pm 1 ½ hrs

Filmed over nearly three years, Lucy Walker's WASTE LAND follows renowned artist Vik Muniz as he journeys from his home base in Brooklyn to his home country of Brazil, and to Jardim Gramacho, the world's largest garbage dump located on the outskirts of Rio de Janeiro. There Muniz photographs an eclectic band of catadores - pickers of recyclable materials - and works with them to "paint" their portraits using garbage. The resulting collaboration with these inspiring characters provides profoundly moving evidence of the transformative power of art and its impact on the human spirit.

Recreation/Leisure/Sports

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday May 21, 2011 8:30pm, 30 minutes

The best-kept secret on the Oregon coast is that whale watching is best in late summer and early fall when hundreds of them hang out just feet off shore. We join an unconventional whale researcher for some up close encounters near Depoe Bay. A couple of do it yourself land sailors have created some unique crafts that are perfect for racing across the wide-open desert of the Alvord.

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday May 26, 2011 8:30pm, 30 minutes

We take you to a bizarre underworld that, until now, only the heartiest scuba divers have ever seen. Hidden beneath the picturesque waters lies an alien world of towering deep-water moss more than two thousand years old.

Oregon Field Guide

Thursday June 30, 2011 8:30pm

You don't need the Hubble space telescope to get pictures of the universe. Amateur astronomer Tom Carrico of Corvallis takes astonishingly detailed pictures of distant galaxies from right here in Oregon. He's got plenty of company in his hobby; we meet hundreds of the most dedicated stargazers at the annual Oregon Star Party.

Frontline: Football High

April 12, 2011 10pm 1 hour

High school football has never had a higher profile, with nationally televised games, corporate sponsorships and minute-by-minute coverage on sports websites. In northwest Arkansas, FRONTLINE examines one ambitious high school team working its way towards national renown. With a superstar quarterback at the helm, tiny Shiloh Christian is striving to join the ranks of the country's best high school teams—teams whose workout schedules, practices, and styles of play increasingly imitate the pros. But as high school players grow bigger, faster, and stronger, there are growing concerns about the health and safety of these young players—with rising rates of concussions, career-ending injuries, even death. In Arkansas, FRONTLINE documents a tragic story of heat-stroke injuries that reveal how weak regulation has created a crucial lack of athletic trainers at most high schools. It all raises a critical question: has the amped-up culture of high school football outrun necessary protections for the boys who play the game?

PBS NewsHour

June 10, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Dance Helps Parkinson's Patients Harness Therapeutic Power of Movement: Special correspondent Dave Iverson looks at a unique program that uses dance as therapy for people with Parkinson's disease.

PBS NewsHour

June 15, 2011 7pm, 5 minutes

Skateboarding Becomes Catalyst for Change in War-Torn Afghanistan: Filmmaker Orlando von Einsiedel's "Skateistan" follows a Kabul skate park's founders and the kids who come there to have fun and perhaps jumpstart some changes in their country. This excerpt is part of The Economist Film Project series of independently produced films aired in partnership between The Economist and the NewsHour.

Religion/Ethics

Pakistani Legislator Stands Up to Extremists Over Blasphemy Law: In Pakistan, calls to reform a blasphemy law have resulted in the assassination of two key moderate politicians. Margaret Warner talks to Pakistani Parliament member Sherry Rehman, who has challenged the law and become the focus of several protests and drawn ire from conservative imams.

NOVA: The Bible's Buried Secrets

April 13, 2011 9pm 2 hrs

This two-hour special breaks exciting new ground in investigating the origins of the ancient Israelites, the evolution of their belief in one God and the creation of the Bible. For the first time, more than a century of literary detective work and decades of archeological excavation in the Holy Land will challenge viewers with provocative new insights, including that most Israelites worshiped pagan gods and many believed that God had a wife, who was venerated as an idol. A story of science, history and faith, "The Bible's Buried Secrets" will leave a lasting impact on viewers and become the definitive documentary on the Bible for generations to come.

Religion & Ethics NewsWeekly

April 17, 2011 4pm, 30 minutes

Passover Themes: Rabbi Sharon Brous, founder of IKAR, a Jewish spiritual community in Los Angeles, says Passover is "the centerpiece of the Jewish moral imagination and the Jewish collective memory." Holy Family Ministries: "These schools are the jewels of their neighborhood, and we need to save them," says Susan Work, president of Holy Family Ministries in Chicago.

Religion & Ethics NewsWeekly

May 1, 2011 4pm, 30 minutes

Path to Sainthood: The Catholic Church's complex system for declaring someone a saint has evolved since the thirteenth century. Holocaust Remembrance: "In that courtroom in Jerusalem 50 years ago, people heard the voices of those victims in a way that they hadn't heard them before," says Deborah Lipstadt, professor of modern Jewish history and Holocaust studies at Emory University and the author of "The Eichmann Trial." Prison Yoga: At the central jail in Bhopal, India, the prison superintendent says a yoga program calms the jail's atmosphere and speeds the release of inmates.

PBS NewsHour

June 6, 2011 7pm, 6 minutes

Monastery Works to Preserve Ancient Christian Texts: Fred de Sam Lazaro tells the story of one Minnesota monastery's mission to preserve sacred religious texts from deterioration.

Science/Technology

PBS NewsHour

April 8, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

North Carolina School Engages Tech Generation With Digital Learning Tools: John Tulenko of Learning Matters, which produces education stories for the NewsHour, reports on a North Carolina school district switching from textbooks to all-digital learning materials.

PBS NewsHour

May 10, 2011 7pm, 6 minutes

What's Behind Microsoft's Decision to Buy Skype? Microsoft announced Tuesday it was purchasing the Internet telephone service Skype in a deal valued at \$8.5 billion. Jeffrey Brown discusses the deal with The Washington Post's Technology Reporter Cecilia Kang.

Nature: Salmon, Running the Gauntlet

May 1, 2011 May 8pm, 1 hour

This film investigates the parallel stories of collapsing Pacific salmon populations and how biologists and engineers engaged in audacious experiments to shore up their numbers. Each of our efforts to save salmon has involved replacing their natural cycle of reproduction and death with a radically manipulated life history. Our once great runs of salmon are now conceived in laboratories, raised in tanks, driven in trucks and farmed in pens. The program goes beyond the ongoing debate over how to save an endangered species. In its exposure of a wildly creative, hopelessly complex and stunningly expensive approach to managing salmon, the film explores possible paths to salmon recovery.

PBS NewsHour

May 30, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Meteorologist on Severe Weather: 'We Have Never Seen a Year Like This Before': The deadly Joplin, Mo., tornado was preceded this spring by a series of severe weather that brought devastation and death across parts of the South and Midwest. Judy Woodruff explores the science behind this year's remarkably severe weather.

PBS NewsHour

May 31, 2011 7pm 7 minutes

Neurosurgeon: 'Your Cell Phone Is Not Necessarily a Safe Device': A World Health Organization panel of 31 scientists raised some concerns Tuesday when they reported that cell phones are "possibly carcinogenic" and may be associated with "some risk" for brain cancer. But the group also called for further study. Jeffery Brown discusses concerns and precautions with neurosurgeon Keith Black.

PBS NewsHour

June 1, 2011 7pm, 16 minutes

Gauging the Impact, Motivations of Today's Hackers: Cyber attacks are having a big impact on governments, businesses, individuals and even PBS, the NewsHour and Frontline. Judy Woodruff examines the proliferation of criminal hacking and its fallout with ICANN security chief Jeff Moss, Alan Paller of The SANS Institute and cyber threat consultant Mischel Kwon.

PBS NewsHour

June 8, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

World Tests IPv6: Why 4.2 Billion Internet Addresses Just Weren't Enough: More than 400 organizations and Internet giants participated Wednesday in a trial run of a new addressing system, called Internet Protocol version 6, known as IPv6. Hari Sreenivasan reports on World IPv6 Day, and Leslie Daigle of the Internet Society explains how it will affect your life online.

Social Services

Washington Week

April 15, 2011 8pm, 30 minutes

While President Obama and Rep. Paul Ryan both unveiled plans to cut \$4 trillion from the national debt they continue to argue over how to do it. The GOP and Democrats continued to fight over America's deficit, from taxes to overhauling Medicare and Medicaid. This week: Susan Davis, National Journal; Jeff Zeleny, New York Times; Janet Hook, Wall Street Journal; John Harwood, CNBC/NY Times.

Nightly Business Report

May 13, 2011 6:30pm, 30 minutes

Nonprofits Struggle With Gas Prices; Social Security and Medicare Funds are Running Low; Gas Prices, Food Prices and the Economy.

Statewide Culture and History

Oregon Experience

April 1, 2011 11:30pm, 30 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.

Oregon Experience

April 18, 2011 9pm, 30 minutes

The Yaquina Bay oyster industry began with a shipwreck in January 1852. Stranded in the area for several months, the captain and crew finally reached the Willamette Valley and promptly reported that the Yaquina River was abundant with oysters, clams and fish of all kinds. By 1863 two commercial oyster firms had appeared on Yaquina Bay. The first was Winant & Company run by James Winant and Solomon Dodge 'who established the community of Oysterville. The second was Ludlow and Company. At the time the Bay was part of the Coast Reservation and disputes quickly arose as to who could do what and at what cost. It became a 'battle for the bay' and potential settlers began to push for the opening of the area. The oyster business flourished -- until the native oyster population was nearly depleted. And over the years attempts to grow other varieties failed. Oysters growers began to look for a better way forging Oregon's modern oyster industry.

Oregon Experience

May 2, 2011 9pm, 30 minutes

The Civilian Conservation Corps was one of the most popular New Deal relief programs. During the Great Depression, the program put millions of young men to work improving public lands. In its short existence, enrollees planted three billion trees earning the name Roosevelt's Tree Army. Today, their work is still enjoyed in parks and forests around the state. Through interviews with former enrollees and historic images, the program tells the story of the CCC in Oregon.

Oregon Experience

May 10, 2011 8pm, 1 hour

The Pendleton Round-Up turned 100 in September 2010. It's not the oldest rodeo in the country, and not even close to the biggest. This program explores the history of this Oregon Event.

Oregon Experience

May 30, 2011 9pm, 30 minutes

Born in eastern Oregon in 1901, raised in Portland and a graduate of Oregon Agricultural College in Corvallis, Linus Pauling was one of the greatest scientists and humanitarians of the 20th century. He was the only person ever to win two unshared Nobel Prizes (for Chemistry in 1954 and for Peace in 1963).

Oregon Experience

June 14, 2011 9pm, 1 hour

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.

Oregon Experience

June 21, 2011 30 minutes

Nixon 'The Vietnam War' and tens of thousands of raging anti-war protestors girding for battle with the American Legion during their Portland convention. Time for a party, right? So went the wisdom of Oregon's Governor Tom McCall during the summer of 1970. His idea? Stage the first-ever state sponsored rock festival, promise 'big name talent,' and host the event just far enough out of town so that the 'hippies' wouldn't wreak havoc on Portland during Nixon's visit.

Oregon Experience

June 28, 2011 9pm, 30 minutes

In 1852, beer came to the Northwest when Henry Saxer opened the Liberty Brewery at the corner of First and Davis in downtown Portland. Many came in Saxer's wake--most notably fellow German immigrant, Henry Weinhard--to quench the thirsts of loggers, miners, fishermen and farmers who would build the region. But more than 150 years later, it's the craft beer of Oregon--made locally, recognized worldwide--that contributes significantly to the economy and fuels a vibrant social culture in the form of numerous brew pubs. In fact, Portland is considered the beer capital of the world, with more breweries per capita than anywhere else, including Germany.

Fire Below Us: Remembering Mt. St. Helens

April 27, 2011 8pm 1 hour

A look at the events surrounding the eruption of Mt. St. Helens. Local footage showcased the effects the eruption had on Portland and surrounding communities.

Transportation

PBS NewsHour

April 4, 2011 7pm, 10 minutes

Airline Safety Checks: Reactive to Mishaps or Problem Prevention? Southwest Airlines continued safety inspections Monday after a hole opened in a jet's fuselage last week. Judy Woodruff talks with aviation expert John Goglia for insight.

PBS NewsHour

April 14, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

'Brain Rattler' Schedule Among Big Problems for Air-Traffic Controllers: The Federal Aviation Administration's top air-traffic control official resigned Thursday following another report of a controller sleeping on the job, forcing a medical flight to land without tower guidance in Reno. Judy Woodruff discusses the safety concerns with Alan Levin, who covers aviation for USA Today.

PBS NewsHour

April 20, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

LaHood: 2 Controllers Fired, but All Must Take 'Personal Responsibility': Federal officials moved to dispel new air-travel safety concerns after a military plane carrying first lady Michelle Obama breached the safety zone of another plane landing ahead of it. Gwen Ifill talks to Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood about the latest in a series of incidents involving air-traffic controllers.

PBS NewsHour

May 24, 2011 7pm, 11 minutes

Chrysler Pays Back Billions in Bailout Loans: Is the Comeback Complete? Chrysler CEO Sergio Marchionne announced Tuesday that the company had repaid \$7.9 billion in debt and interest to the U.S. and Canadian governments, less than two years after receiving a bailout. Jeffrey Brown discusses the comeback with Paul Eisenstein, publisher of thedetroitbureau.com and Changing Gears' Micheline Maynard.

War/Veterans/National Security

PBS NewsHour

April 1, 2011 7pm, 5 minutes

U.N. Workers Among Dead as Afghan Koran-Burning Protest Turns Violent: In other news Friday, a protest in Afghanistan against a Koran burning turned violent and rival protesters filled the streets in Yemen.

PBS NewsHour

April 1, 2011 7pm 2 minutes

Gadhafi's Troops Shell Rebel Cities as Officials Pursue Diplomatic Resolutions: Government forces shelled opposition troops in several key rebel-held cities as talks of a ceasefire emerged from eastern Libya. Lindsey Hilsum of Independent Television News reports on the latest from Benghazi.

PBS NewsHour

April 13, 2011 7pm 2 minutes

Libyan Rebels Battle Gadhafi's Forces in Misrata as NATO Debates Strategy: Rebels continued to stave off attacks from Moammar Gadhafi's forces outside Misrata, the only city in western Libya still in rebel hands. Meanwhile, NATO nations met in Qatar to settle disagreements over the course of action in Libya. Jonathan Miller of Independent Television News reports from Libya on the latest.

PBS NewsHour

April 13, 2011 7pm 9 minutes

NATO Dispute, Cease-Fire Negotiations Hint at Possible Stalemate in Libya: Intense fighting continues between rebels and Moammar Gadhafi's forces as NATO nations met in Qatar to debate their next steps in Libya. Gwen Ifill discusses the NATO rift with the Institute for Policy Studies' Emira Woods and the Brookings Institution's Shadi Hamid.

PBS NewsHour

April 19, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Will Uptick in Violence Derail U.S. Troop Drawdown in Afghanistan? As the U.S. prepares to reduce troop levels in Afghanistan, coalition forces are battling increased attacks by the Taliban. Ray Suarez talks with the Washington Post's Rajiv Chandrasekaran, who just returned from Afghanistan, about the rise in violence there.

PBS NewsHour

May 2, 2011 7pm 8 minutes

Bin Laden's Death a 'Tremendous Sigh of Relief' After Tense Abbottabad Raid: President Obama announced late Sunday that the most wanted man in the world, Osama bin Laden, was killed by U.S. forces. The al-Qaida leader and mastermind behind multiple terrorist attacks was shot in the head by American forces in a firefight at his compound in Abbottabad, Pakistan. Ray Suarez reports.

PBS NewsHour

May 24, 2011 7pm, 2 minutes

NATO Forces Bombard Near Gadhafi's Tripoli Compound: Air strikes in Tripoli intensified Tuesday as NATO planes struck near Moammar Gadhafi's compound. Angus Walker of Independent Television News reports on the latest in Libya.

PBS NewsHour

June 6, 2011 7pm 3 minutes

Syria Reports 120 Security Troops Killed by Armed Groups: In other news Monday, the government of Syria reported that armed groups have killed 120 security troops in a northern town, but human rights groups have said soldiers have killed at least 42 civilians in the same town. In Iraq, U.S. troops suffered their worst loss in more than two years.

PBS NewsHour

June 8, 2011 7pm, 10 minutes

Afghan Stability Still Elusive as U.S. Grapples With Exit Strategy: Is the long-running effort to stabilize Afghanistan doing more harm than good? A new Senate investigation reveals a grim outlook for U.S. nation-building efforts there. Judy Woodruff gets views from Sens. Robert Menendez, D- N.J., and Saxby Chambliss, R- Ga.

Women

PBS NewsHour

April 6, 2011 7pm 7 minutes

Estrogen Study Lead Researcher on Risks, Benefits of Hormone-Replacement Therapy: Once a popular treatment for menopause symptoms, hormone-replacement therapy had come under scrutiny for raising the risk of certain diseases, but a new study found a reduced risk of breast cancer and other benefits for some women. Jeffrey Brown discusses the latest findings with Dr. Andrea LaCroix, the study's lead author.

To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe

April 3, 2011 4:30pm, 30 minutes

TTC panelists discuss: maternity tourism in the United States; the women of Wal-Mart uniting before the Supreme Court; and education reform--Michelle Rhee style. The panelists are (in order of opening question response): Global Summit of Women president Irene Natividad; FOX News political analyst Angela McGlowan; political commentator Lara Brown; and The Heritage Foundation's Jennifer Marshall.

PBS NewsHour

April 28, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

In Nigerian Maternity Wards, Preventable Causes Claim Many Lives: In "The Edge of Joy," filmmaker Dawn Shapiro goes inside a busy maternity ward in Nigeria, where maternal deaths are among the world's highest. The documentary is the first in a series of independently produced films from around the world aired in a partnership between The Economist magazine and the NewsHour.

Nightly Business Report

April 22, 2011, 30 minutes

Nightly Business Report profiles Nancy Lieberman in the first of a series of holiday programs on "Women in Leadership." Sports Business Expert Rick Horrow takes an in depth look at the Texas Legends Coach. Learn about her rise to the top and how she maintains her ongoing success.

PBS NewsHour

May 25, 2011 7pm, 12 minutes

After 25 Years Atop Daytime TV, Oprah Takes Final Bow to Run Network: After 25 years, Oprah Winfrey signed off from her top-rated daytime television talk show for the final time Wednesday. Gwen Ifill discusses Oprah's lasting impact on television and American culture with Audrey Edwards, formerly of Essence Magazine, and The Los Angeles Times' Mary McNamara.

PBS NewsHour

June 6, 2011 7pm 7 minutes

New Promise Shown in Treatments for Melanoma, Breast Cancer: Two studies have doctors energized about the prospects for treating people with advanced cases of deadly skin cancer and the prospects for a new breast cancer drug. Judy Woodruff discusses the latest developments with Dr. George Sledge of The American Society of Clinical Oncology.

PBS NewsHour

June 10, 2011 7pm, 9 minutes

Iranian Women Prisoners Detail Torture: 'Death Was Like a Desire': Thousands of Iranians took to the streets in 2009 as part of the Green Movement to protest a disputed presidential election. The government crackdown that followed included some women being imprisoned, tortured and raped. This report shares some of their stories. It is a co-production with The Center for Investigative Reporting.

Youth

PBS NewsHour

April 5, 2011 7pm, 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.

PBS NewsHour

April 8, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

North Carolina School Engages Tech Generation With Digital Learning Tools: John Tulenko of Learning Matters, which produces education stories for the NewsHour, reports on a North Carolina school district switching from textbooks to all-digital learning materials.

PBS NewsHour

April 15, 2011 7pm, 7 minutes

Autism Now: MacNeil, Lehrer Discuss 'National Emergency' Explored in Series: NewsHour founder and former anchor Robert MacNeil's six-part series on the puzzling prevalence of autism in the U.S. starts to air Monday on the PBS NewsHour. MacNeil speaks with Jim Lehrer about what's explored in the series and describes how autism has affected his family.

Frontline: Football High

April 12, 2011 10pm, 1 hour

High school football has never had a higher profile, with nationally televised games, corporate sponsorships and minute-by-minute coverage on sports websites. In northwest Arkansas, FRONTLINE examines one ambitious high school team working its way towards national renown. With a superstar quarterback at the helm, tiny Shiloh Christian is striving to join the ranks of the country's best high school teams—teams whose workout schedules, practices, and styles of play increasingly imitate the pros. But as high school players grow bigger, faster, and stronger, there are growing concerns about the health and safety of these young players—with rising rates of concussions, career-ending injuries, even death. In Arkansas, FRONTLINE documents a tragic story of heat-stroke injuries that reveal how weak regulation has created a crucial lack of athletic trainers at most high schools. It all raises a critical question: has the amped-up culture of high school football outrun necessary protections for the boys who play the game?

PBS NewsHour

April 25, 2011 7pm, 8 minutes

At Stanford, Debate Brews Over Reviving ROTC Program on Campus: Decades after protests surrounding the Vietnam War, some private universities are taking another look at bringing back Reserve Officers' Training Corps programs, but the idea is rekindling some decades-old disputes over military presence on campuses. Spencer Michels reports on how the debate is playing out at Stanford.

PBS NewsHour

June 15, 2011 7pm, 5 minutes

Skateboarding Becomes Catalyst for Change in War-Torn Afghanistan: Filmmaker Orlando von Einsiedel's "Skateistan" follows a Kabul skate park's founders and the kids who come there to have fun and perhaps jumpstart some changes in their country. This excerpt is part of The Economist Film Project series of independently produced films aired in partnership between The Economist and the NewsHour.