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Arts

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 138
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/10/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:34

Eleven years ago this past weekend, on Jan. 8, a gunman opened fire at a political event in Arizona. That moment in 2011 underscored both the dangerous divisions and the epidemic of gun violence in America. Stephanie Sy visits Tucson, where a Jan. 8 memorial is steeped in symbolism starting with its location. It's part of our arts and culture series, CANVAS.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 167
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/18/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:01:26

NewsHour profiled former Rep. Gabby Giffords' journey to "retrain her brain" after she was shot in 2011. Part of her routine includes playing her childhood instrument, the French horn. That piece caught the eye of cellist Yo-Yo Ma, who then reached out to Giffords to play together. Watch now as they rehearse Simon and Garfunkel's "The Sound of Silence" to honor the lives lost to gun violence.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 178
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/7/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:02:27

In the midst of so much chaos and destruction in Ukraine, the sound of music has the power to bring light to darkness. William Brangham has this look at the voices and melodies uplifting a nation under siege.

Culture

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Ancient Maya Metropolis
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/26/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Around 800 CE, the ancient Maya abandoned the magnificent cities they had lived in for centuries. NOVA investigates dramatic new scientific evidence for droughts that pushed cities already stressed by overpopulation and warfare beyond their limits.

Series Title: In Their Own Words
Episode Title: Chuck Berry
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/1/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Take a riveting ride on the Chuck Berry train, exploring the life of the man behind the music. By blending "hillbilly" music with R&B and writing impactful lyrics, Berry birthed a renaissance in popular music we now call rock and roll.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 174
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/1/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:15

In our news wrap Tuesday, the U.S. death toll from COVID-19 reaches 950,000, the highest reported number of any country. Also, the midterm election season began with primaries in Texas, some 40,000 people in Australia are under evacuation orders amid widespread flooding, players reject Major League Baseball's final offer to end a lockout, and revelers in New Orleans celebrated Mardi Gras.

Environment/Nature/Natural Disasters

Series Title: Nature
Episode Title: Living Volcanoes on Nature
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/5/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Other
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Uncover the variety of activity, both human and natural, that occurs on the slopes of active volcanoes. See the surprising number of animals that survive and thrive alongside these fiery natural phenomena.

Series Title: Nature
Episode Title: Pumas: Legends of the Ice Mountains
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/2/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:44

Travel to the mountains of Chile to discover the secrets of the puma, the area's biggest and most elusive predator. Discover how this mountain lion survives and follow the dramatic fate of a puma mother and her cubs.

Series Title: Nature
Episode Title: Sex, Lies and Butterflies on Nature
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/23/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Explore the astounding abilities of butterflies 360 vision, deceptive camouflage, chemical weaponry and fantastic flight. Look beyond their bright colors and fragile beauty and follow them on one of the greatest migrations on earth.

Family/Marriage

Series Title: POV
Episode Title: Not Going Quietly
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 1/24/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 01:30:00

A rising star in progressive politics and new father, Ady Barkan's life is upended when he is diagnosed with ALS. After a chance encounter with a powerful Senator on an airplane catapults him to fame, Ady and a motley crew of activists ignite a once-in-a-generation movement for universal healthcare, in a journey that transforms his belief in what is possible for the country and for his family.

Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: Mexican Roots
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/1/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and guests Mario Lopez and Melissa Villaseñor look at the Mexican American experience as seen through the lens of two families.

Series Title: Finding Your Roots
Episode Title: Hollywood Royalty
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/22/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Three actors born into Hollywood royalty discover branches of their family trees that have been hidden from the public eye—and meet a cast of characters every bit as dramatic as the people they themselves have played on camera.

Health/Healthcare

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 149
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/25/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:16

In our news wrap Tuesday, Pfizer began a clinical trial of an updated COVID-19 vaccine designed to ward off the highly contagious omicron variant. The International Monetary Fund slashed its growth forecast citing the omicron variant and other factors. London's Metropolitan Police Service will investigate gatherings held at Prime Minister Boris Johnson's offices during a COVID lockdown in 2020.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 172
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/25/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:51

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention on Friday loosened its COVID-19 guidance on wearing masks in indoor public settings. The new standard says people don't have to mask-up if case counts and hospitalizations aren't especially high where they live. Dr. Jennifer Nuzzo, an epidemiologist and senior scholar at Johns Hopkins University, joins William Brangham to discuss.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 182
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/11/2022 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:41

In our news wrap Friday, the world marked two years since COVID-19 was officially declared a pandemic, the Texas Supreme Court rejected a challenge to the nation's toughest abortion law, arrests of migrants inside the U.S. have fallen sharply in the past year, and negotiators trying to restore the 2015 Iran nuclear deal have stepped back amid signs they're close to an agreement.

Minorities/Civil Rights

Series Title: American Experience
Episode Title: Roberto Clemente
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/25/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Baseball great Roberto Clemente's talent and inimitable style drew legions of fans, but as this American Experience production reveals, he was more than an exceptional baseball player. He was also a committed humanitarian who challenged racial discrimination and worked for social justice.

Series Title: FRONTLINE
Episode Title: American Reckoning
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 2/15/2022 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 01:26:46

An unsolved 1960s murder reveals an untold story of the civil rights movement and Black resistance. "American Reckoning" draws on rarely seen footage filmed more than 50 years ago in Natchez, Mississippi, and follows one family's search for justice.

Series Title: American Experience
Episode Title: Zoot Suit Riots
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/29/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

In the aftermath of a highly publicized trial for the murder of a young Mexican-American man in 1942, Los Angeles erupted in violent riots that scarred race relations for decades to come. Hector Elizondo narrates.

Science/Technology

Series Title: Animals with Cameras, A Nature Miniseries
Episode Title: Oceans
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/19/2022 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Demonstration/Instructional
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Wildlife cameraman Gordon Buchanan leads a team using state of the art cameras, offering a fresh look at the lives of some of the animals in our oceans such as sharks, elephant seals, turtles and gannets.

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Secrets in the Scat
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/9/2022 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Scott Burnett is "Scatman"—an Australian ecologist on the trail of the secrets of poop. By identifying and analyzing animal scat for DNA and hormones, he discovers essential details of their behavior, how they fit in the ecosystem, and even how to protect them.

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Secret Mind of Slime
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 3/23/2022 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Scientists investigate the bizarre "intelligence" of slime molds, which appear to learn and make decisions -- without a brain. These cunning, single-celled blobs can navigate mazes and create efficient networks. Can they also redefine cognition?

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Capitol Journal

1/7/22, 7:30pm, 1 hour Issues discussed: State government, federal funding, COVID-19

Senate President Pro Tem Greg Reed and House Minority Leader Anthony Daniels discussed the upcoming legislative session. State Finance Director Bill Poole discussed the state's plan for dispersing American Rescue Plan Act funds. And State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris offered an update on the latest with COVID-19, including vaccination efforts.

1/10/21, 10:30pm, 30 minutes Issues discussed: Government, broadband internet

House Speaker Mac McCutcheon offered a preview of the legislative session on the eve of its beginning. Sean Strickler of the Alabama Rural Electric Association discussed the effort to expand broadband internet into rural areas.

1/12/22, 1:30 pm, 1 hour Issues discussed: Mental health, infrastructure, state government

Commissioner Kim Boswell of the Department of Mental Health discussed the state's efforts to stand up community mental health crisis centers throughout the state. State Senator Clyde Chambliss discussed the progress in the Rebuild Alabama infrastructure plan enacted in 2019.

1/11/21, 6:30 pm, 1.5 hours Issued discussed: Government, health, infrastructure, education

Capitol Journal carried live Gov. Kay Ivey's State of the State Address laying out her agenda for the legislative session. House Minority Leader Anthony Daniels offered the Democratic response highlighting his party's priorities.

1/13/22 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: state government, elections, college athletics

Secretary of State John Merrill discussed candidate qualifying for the 2022 elections and various redistricting court challenges that could impact the election. State Rep. Kyle South discussed his bill to ensure college athletes could earn income off their name image and likeness.

1/14/22 7:30 pm, 1 hour, Issues discussed: state government, military families, budgets, COVID-19

Lt. Gov. Will Ainsworth discussed his legislative agenda, including bills to help military families in Alabama. State Rep. Steve Clouse discussed the state's General Fund budget and the plan to allocate American Rescue Plan Act funding. State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris offered a COVID-19 update.

1/18/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: taxes, criminal justice

State Sen. Andrew Jones discussed his bill to eliminate the grocery tax as well as his plan to phase out occupational taxes for all Alabama cities. Leah Nelson of the Appleseed Center for Law and Justice discussed a proposal to stop the state from suspending driver licenses for those with unpaid parking tickets or court fines.

1/19/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: state government, mental health, real estate

House Majority Leader Nathaniel Ledbetter discussed the Republican priorities for the legislative session, including broadband infrastructure and mental health. Jeremy Walker of the Alabama Association of Realtors discussed his organization's recent Supreme Court victory over the COVID-19 federal rent moratorium.

1/20/22, 10:30 pm, Issues discussed: Water and sewer infrastructure, environment, space, tourism

Alabama Department of Environmental Management Director Lance LeFleur discussed enforcement of state environmental laws and the plan to use ARPA funds to upgrade water and sewer systems throughout the state. Dr. Kimberly Jackson of the U.S. Space and Rocket Center discussed the latest offerings for students and tourists to enjoy coming off COVID-19 shutdown.

1/21/22, 7:30 pm, 1 hour, Issues discussed: State government, redistricting, broadband infrastructure, unemployment

State Sen. Bobby Singleton discussed the latest from the redistricting lawsuits filed by Senate Democrats. Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs Director Kenneth Boswell discussed the state's plan to expand access to broadband internet in rural areas. Labor Secretary Fitzgerald Washington discussed the unemployment situation in the state.

1/24/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: state government, taxes, COVID-19

Public Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris offered an update on Alabama's COVID-19 situation and vaccination status. Robyn Hyden of Alabama Arise discussed ending the state's sales tax on groceries.

1/25/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: elections, redistricting, state government

Secretary of State John Merrill discussed the federal court decision to postpone Alabama's candidate qualifying deadline as part of their order to redraw congressional maps. State Senator Rodger Smitherman reacted to the court's ruling and preview of what was to come with the Legislature being ordered to redraw congressional districts.

1/26/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: broadband internet, elections, redistricting

ACLU Alabama Director JaTaune Bosby discussed the Alabama redistricting court ruling and the ACLU's involvement. State Rep. Randall Shedd talks about the state's plan to expand access to broadband internet in rural parts of the state.

1/27/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: education, state government

Senate Majority Leader Clay Scofield discussed the GOP's platform for the legislative session as well as using federal funds to deploy broadband internet infrastructure in rural areas. State Rep. Terri Collins discussed the ongoing implementation of the Alabama Literacy Act as well as education issues being addressed by the Legislature this year.

1/28/22, 7:30 pm, 1 hour, Issues discussed: criminal justice reform, redistricting, elections, COVID-19

Pardons and Paroles Director Cam Ward discussed the recently passed prison construction plan and how it fits into the state's efforts to improve prison conditions. Alabama Republican Party Chairman John Wahl discussed the party's reaction to the federal court ruling delaying candidate qualifying. State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris offered an update on COVID-19 and the Delta Variant

1/31/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issue discussed: state and local government, public health

Greg Cochran of the Alabama League of Municipalities discussed issues of importance to Alabama's cities and towns as well as his group's legislative agenda. Dr. Don Williamson of the Alabama Hospital Association offered an update on the state of hospitals and hospital staff during the surge of COVID-19 cases during the Delta variant.

2/1/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: education, school choice, unemployment, workforce development

State Sen. Del Marsh discussed his new bill to offer parents tax savings accounts to allow their children to attend alternative schools of their choice. Rosemary Elebash of the NFIB Alabama discusses challenges in the workforce due to COVID-19 and her organization's legislative agenda.

2/2/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: elections, redistricting, prisons

State Rep. A.J. McCampbell discussed the federal court decision on redistricting and how Democrats would like to redraw Alabama's congressional districts. Sonny Brasfield of the Alabama Association of County Commissions discussed county struggles to accept state inmates at their local jails.

2/3/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: education, workforce development, gun rights, state memorials

State Senator Gerald Allen discussed his legislation to remove the requirement that gun owners obtain a pistol permit to carry a concealed weapon. Community College Chancellor Jimmy Baker offered an update on his campuses amid COVID-19 and discussed ongoing workforce development efforts.

2/4/22, 7:30 pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: taxes, criminal justice, education, COVID-19

State Sen. Dan Roberts detailed his legislation to ensure Alabama working families will not be taxed for benefits they received under the American Rescue Plan Act. Sen. Arthur Orr previews the Education budget and his legislation to improve math instruction in public schools. Sen. Linda Coleman-Madison discussed her legislation allowing those who have served their time to have their voting rights more easily restored. State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris offered an update on the state's COVID-19 situation.

2/7/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: education, school choice, Alabama history

State Rep. Charlotte Meadows discussed legislation expanding school choice in Alabama. Seth Johnson of Jacksonville State University previews his documentary on Congressman Tom Beville.

2/8/22. 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: taxes, agriculture, state government

State Rep. Mike Holmes discussed his legislation to stop the state's sales tax on groceries. FFA Member Kayleigh McCrew highlights FFA day on Capitol Hill and her organization's contribution to the state.

2/9/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: taxes, federal government, elections

U.S. Congressman Mo Brooks discussed his campaign for U.S. Senate and answered questions about his involvement in the January 6, 2021 rally that preceded the attack on the U.S. Capitol.

2/10/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: mental health, law enforcement, health care, budgets

State Rep. Rex Reynolds discussed his legislation to alter the state's mental health commitment procedure and other law enforcement issues. Ryan Hankins from the Public Affairs Research Council of Alabama discussed his organization's recent study on the impact of Medicaid expansion on the state's budget.

2/11/22, 7:30 pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: elections, redistricting, health care, state budgets, COVID-19

Attorney General Steve Marshall discussed his recent Supreme Court victory blocking a lower court's ruling on redistricting in Alabama. He also discussed his office's response to rising crime in cities. State Rep. Chris England offered the Democrats' take on the Supreme Court's redistricting ruling and talked about their legislative agenda. House Speaker Mac McCutcheon gave an update on the progress of the session so far and the outlook on the budget process. State Health Officer Scott Harris gave a progress report on COVID-19 and hospitalization status.

2/14/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: elections, redistricting, health care, medical research

Secretary of State John Merrill discussed how the candidate qualifying would be adjudicated in light of the Supreme Court's redistricting ruling as well as efforts to call into question the 2020

presidential election. Josh Carpenter of Southern Research discussed his organization's goal to expand its medical research footprint in Alabama.

2/15/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: state government, gun rights and control, law enforcement, education. school choice

State Rep. Proncey Robertson discussed the implementation of a new law enforcement system tracking those who aren't allowed to carry weapons as well as related legislation in the State House. Katherine Munal of the Excellence in Education Foundation discussed a school choice proposal in the Legislature and education progress in general.

2/16/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: Concealed carry permit laws, education

State Rep. Parker Moore discussed legislation that would do away with concealed carry permit requirements and other legislative items. Mark Dixon of the A+ Education Partnership discussed Alabama's lagging test scores and legislative efforts to improve them.

2/17/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: education, crime, economic development

State Sen. Rodger Smitherman discussed his bill to delay the retention provision of the Alabama Literacy Act by two years. State Sen. Kirk Hatcher discussed efforts to address crime in Montgomery as well as his legislation to bring an inter modal facility to the area.

2/18/22, 7:30 pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: state government, education, gambling, taxes, debt, COVID-19

State Rep. Anthony Daniels gave an update on the legislative session, including what gambling legislation might be introduced. State Sen. Garland Gudger discussed workforce development efforts as well as the expansion of broadband internet into rural areas. State Treasurer Young Boozer offered an update on the Alabama Trust Fund and the state's various uses of the investment account. Dr. Don Williamson of the Alabama Hospital Association discussed the latest with COVID-19 and how it is impacting hospitals.

2/22/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: crime, riot response, state government

State Representative Juandalyn Givan and Allen Treadaway offered contrasting perspectives on a proposal to change the definition of riots in state law, as well as measures seeking to change Alabama's concealed carry permitting system.

2/23/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: federal government, military readiness, Russia's threat to Ukraine, congressional stock trading

U.S. Senator Tommy Tuberville discussed his first year in office, including his involvement in military and veterans issues and agriculture. He also answered questions about his trading of stocks while in office and Russia's threat to invade Ukraine.

2/24/22. 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, Issues discussed: higher education, literacy, numeracy, pre-K

State Representative Terri Collins discussed ongoing efforts to implement the Alabama Literacy Act as well as her opposition to delaying the retention provision beyond a year. Gordon Stone of the Higher Education Partnership marked Higher Ed Day at the State House with an update on issues the state's colleges and universities are facing.

2/25/22, 7:30 pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: state budgets, gambling, state archives, confederate monuments, COVID-19

State Senator Greg Albritton discussed progress on the General Fund budget as well as his impending proposal to regulate and tax gambling in the state. Dept. of Archives and History Director Steve Murray offered an update on the State Archives coming out of COVID as well as his perspective on the legislative proposals impacting Confederate monuments. State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris gave an update on COVID-19. Mike Cason of AL.com and Brian Lyman of the Montgomery Advertiser participated in a panel discussion about the state of the legislative session so far.

2/28/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: 30 minutes, issues discussed: education

Dr. Joe Morton of the Business Education Alliance discussed the state's lagging test scores for math and reading and offered his organization's recommendations for how to address the problem.

3/1/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: education, women's empowerment

State Superintendent Eric Mackey discussed how the state is implementing several education improvement initiatives and the proposed Alabama Numeracy Act. Melanie Bridgeforth of the Alabama Women's Forum discussed her organization's legislative agenda and how women contribute to the economic development of the state.

3/2/22, 10:30 pm, economic development, education, state government

Capitol Journal welcomed two of the newest members of the legislature – State Reps. Kenyatte Hassell and Cynthia Almond. Hassell discussed his efforts to bring an inter-modal shipping facility to Montgomery, and Almond discussed how her experience at the Tuscaloosa City council informed her service now as a state lawmaker.

3/3/22, 10:30 pm, 30 minutes, issues discussed: gun policy, education, state government

Rep. Pebblin Warren discussed her legislation to make Kindergarten mandatory for Alabama students. State Rep. Shane Striger discussed his proposal to remove the state requirement that gun owners obtain a permit to carry a concealed handgun.

3/4/22, 7:30 pm, 1 hour, issues discussed: taxes, education, health care, gambling, redistricting, COVID-19

Senate President Pro Tem Greg Reed offered an update at the legislative session's half way point and discussed the Senate's efforts on cutting taxes and improving education. State Rep. Anthony Daniels discussed the Democratic Caucus' goal to expand Medicaid in Alabama. State Sen. Jim McClendon discussed the issue of gambling and the next steps on the redistricting process.

3/7/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: economic development, workforce development, state budgets, Russia and Ukraine

Alabama Secretary of Commerce Greg Canfield offered an update on the state's economic development efforts, including the push to credential new workers. He also addressed the state's healthy budget situation and how the Russian invasion of Ukraine could impact global trade.

3/8/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: state government, medical research, economic development, education, teen vaping

State Sen. Jabo Waggoner discussed his role as the Senate Rules Chairman, plus his efforts to expand medical research at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. State Rep. Barbara Drummond talked about efforts to improve education as well as the implementation of her proposal to prevent teen vaping.

3/9/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: maternity care, poverty, feminine hygiene

State Rep. Debbie Wood discussed her bill to extend maternity health coverage to a full year for mothers on Medicaid. State Rep. Rolonda Hollis discussed her bill to provide free feminine hygiene products for girls in Title 1 schools.

3/10/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: economic development, infrastructure, education, military

State Sen. Tom Butler discussed his legislation to help military families more easily assimilate when moving to Alabama as well as infrastructure projects in Huntsville. State Sen. Kirk Hatcher discussed efforts to improve education.

3/11/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: education, state budgets, criminal justice reform, gambling, COVID-19

State Rep. Danny Garrett discussed the Education Trust Fund and the various line items within it. Sen. Linda Coleman-Madison discussed her efforts to see those who have served their time earn their voting rights back. Sen. Del Marsh discussed his school choice proposals and the outlook for gambling legislation. State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris discussed the COVID-19 landscape plus the threat of Fentanyl in the state.

3/14/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: law enforcement, highway safety , gun safety

Alabama Law Enforcement Agency Secretary Hal Taylor discussed his agency's budget request to the Legislature, including the need to hire new state troopers for highway patrol. He also discussed the implementation of a new system meant to allow law enforcement to track those who are unauthorized to carry firearms.

3/15/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: alcohol policy, broadband internet, agriculture

State Rep. Gil Isbell discussed his various proposals altering state alcohol policies. State Sen. Steve Livingston discussed the effort to expand broadband internet into rural Alabama as well as his legislation changing the state's tax laws for homegrown agricultural products.

3/16/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: budgets, Medicaid, education

State Rep. Steve Clouse offered an update on the General Fund budget, including a provision that extends maternity coverage to new Medicaid eligible mothers to a full year. State Rep. Terri Collins discussed education reform efforts, including a plan to boost the state's lagging math scores.

3/17/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: gambling, Medicaid, law enforcement, criminal justice

State Rep. Laura Hall discussed her bill to extend maternity coverage to new Medicaid eligible mothers to a full year. State Rep. Chip Brown discussed his bill to institute a state lottery as well as the "Aniah's Law" constitutional amendment on the ballot in November.

3/18/22, 7:30 pm, issues discussed: military, education, Senate politics, education curriculum, race

Lt. Gov. Will Ainsworth discussed his slate of bills to make Alabama a more military friendly state. State Sen. Rodger Smitherman discussed his proposal to delay the hold-back provision of the Alabama Literacy Act by two years as well as the progress on the Alabama Numeracy Act. State Rep. Ed Oliver discussed his proposal to prohibit the teaching of certain "divisive concepts" in schools and government manuals.

3/25/22, 7:30 pm, issues discussed: federal government, military, agriculture, elections, immigration,

Capitol Journal welcomed leading U.S. Senate candidates Mike Durant and Katie Britt for timely interviews. The candidates answered questions on their reasons for running for office, their decision to use former President Donald Trump's rhetoric about the 2020 presidential election being stolen, and what they would like to do if elected to the U.S. Senate.

3/28/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: driver license office closures, highway safety, senior services, elder abuse

ALEA Driver License Division Chief Jonathan Archer informed viewers about the upcoming temporary closure of drive license offices statewide. He also provided information about the

state's new driver license system. Commissioner Jean Brown of the Department of Senior Services explained a new law that seeks to cut down on elder abuse and discussed the first elder abuse center opening in the state.

3/29/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: education, feminine hygiene, criminal justice

State Rep. Alan Baker discussed his legislation to improve the state's lagging math scores through deploying math coaches to schools statewide. State Rep. Rolonda Hollis discussed her legislation to provide free feminine hygiene products to girls in Title 1 schools.

3/30/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: health care, tele-medicine, education

State Rep. Paul Lee discussed his legislation to regulate telemedicine in Alabama as well as the state's budget situation. State Rep. Mary Moore voiced her opposition to some of the Republican legislation, including a bill to stop the teaching of certain divisive concepts in schools.

3/31/22, 10:30 pm, issues discussed: infrastructure, budgets, criminal justice, voting rights

State Sen. Clyde Chambliss discussed the state's new infrastructure rating from the civil engineers society as well as progress with the Rebuild Alabama plan. State Sen. Linda Coleman Madison discussed her legislation to help those who have served their time to regain their voting rights more easily.