

Quarterly Issues/Programs List **MontanaPBS (KUSM-TV Bozeman & KUFM-TV Missoula)**

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Description of Issue	Program/Segment	Date	Time	Duration	Narration of Type and Description of Program Segment
Agriculture	Montana Ag Live: New Crops	3/25/2007	7pm	60min.	Have you ever looked over a field of dandelions and wished that they were your cash crop? Maybe they will be. Start your Montana AG Live spring viewing season with Alice Pilgeram. Produced by Chris Seifert for KUSM-MontanaPBS, MSU-Bozeman, (406) 994-3437.
Political	Montana Focus: Battle of the Budget	1/25/2007 1/27/2007 1/28/2007	7pm 5pm 8:30am	30min.	Battle lines have already been drawn between Democrats and Republicans over how the money should be spent. Governor Schweitzer is calling for \$150 million in tax cuts. Republicans are rolling out a "Handshake with Montana" package that includes property tax cuts but includes holding on to a chunk of the budget surplus for a rainy day. Montana Focus covers strategies that both sides plan to employ during the 90-day session.
Political	Montana Legislative Digest	Fridays 1/12/2007 Thru 3/30/2007	7:30pm & 2pm	12 – 1hr Programs	This weekly series showcases the deliberations, decisions, processes and procedures during the 2007 legislative session. Producer Stephen Maity, executive director of Helena Civic Television (HCTV), brings us weekly compilations of actions taken on key legislation in various committees and on the floor of both the House and the Senate. HCTV is under contract to the Legislative Services Division to produce and distribute TVMT (Television Montana), public affairs programming intended to make the proceedings of all three branches of state government transparent and accessible to Montana citizens. Legislative Digest has been underwritten by the Montana League of Women Voters, the Montana League of Cities and Towns, the Montana Association of Counties, and other donors.
Economic & Growth Issues	Montana Journal: Big Stores Small Towns	2/1/2007 2/3/2007 2/4/2007	7pm 5pm 8:30am	30min.	When national "box store" chains want to move into smaller Montana communities, how does the town handle it? While it can be a positive economic indicator, critics argue it can change more than the business landscape. This program examines three Montana towns (Polson, Havre and Hamilton) which are facing difficult growth and planning issues.
Private Schools for Troubled Youth	Who's Watching the Kids?	1/12/2007 1/6/2007 1/7/2007	8pm 4:30pm 8:30am	60min.	There are more than 30 privately run schools for troubled youth operating in the state of Montana. They employ more than 600 people and pump an estimated 4 million into the state income taxes. It's an exploding industry, but strangely, most Montanans have no idea the schools even exist. In this hour-long documentary, MontanaPBS explores a lucrative industry praised for its novel approach to reforming youth, yet shrouded in disturbing allegations of abuse and neglect.
Native American Language	Why Save a Language?	2/24/2007 2/25/2007	5pm 8:30am	30min.	Many Americans know little or nothing about the indigenous languages of North America. Through interviews with tribal representatives, young and old, viewers learn historic and contemporary issues, learn how native languages reflect and embody the culture, and hear about why these languages are central to cultural revitalization efforts. This film is less about particular tribes than the subject of indigenous languages of North America in general. Representatives from the following tribes discuss language and issues of language preservation and revitalization: Pikuni, Kainai, Lakota, Osage, Walla Walla, Mandan, Hidatsa, Coeur d'Alene, Wasco, and Kallam. Viewers learn why the preservation and revitalization of these languages are important, not only for Indian people, but for all of us. Produced by Sally Thompson, Continuing Education Regional Learning Project, The University of Montana in Missoula.
Environmental – Water Issues	Headwaters to a Continent: Montana's Working Watershed Groups	2/17/2007 2/18/2007	5pm 8:30am	30min.	This film showcases Montana as a headwaters state to the nation's major drainage basins. It highlights the successes of three local groups in Montana's Big Hole, Blackfoot, and Rosebud watersheds. Set in Montana's rustic beauty and charm, watch how local grassroots watershed groups are responsibly caring for the nation's headwaters and each other. Produced by Alison Koch for the Montana Water Center, MSU in Bozeman.

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Agriculture	Montana Ag Live: Animal Bio-Terrorism	4/1/2007 4/8/2007	7pm 11am	60min.	What is the potential for animal bio-terrorism in the United States? Does our position as a border state mean we should be taking precautions we don't take now? How would this threat affect our agricultural industry? These and other questions will frame the discussion as we welcome Marc Mattix, DVM from the MSU Veterinary Diagnostic Lab to Montana Ag Live. Produced by Chris Seifert for KUSM-MontanaPBS, MSU-Bozeman, (406) 994-3437.
Political	Montana Focus: Legislative Wrap	4/26/2007 4/27/2007 4/28/2007 4/29/2007	7pm 7:30pm 5pm 9am	30min.	Gene Brodeur looks at the divisive mood that seemed to characterize the 2007 Session of the Montana Legislature. Seasoned lawmakers point the finger of blame at term limits and the difficulty that new members have in learning the ropes. Ideological differences over how to best spend a projected billion dollar budget surplus could throw legislators into a Special Session. Produced by Gene Brodeur & Scott Sterling for KUSM-MontanaPBS, MSU-Bozeman, (406) 994-3437.
Political	Disclosure	4/26/2007 4/27/2007 4/28/2007 4/29/2007	7:30pm 8pm 4:30pm 8:30am	30min.	Lobbyists play a vital role in Montana state government, offering a wealth of knowledge and assisting lawmakers in making informed decisions on complex issues. But how much influence do lobbyists and their employers exert on the legislature? How much does the public know about the money spent in an attempt to sway lawmakers and other state leaders? How much of that spending is being reported? In this half-hour documentary, MontanaPBS explores the state laws that govern lobbyist disclosure - laws that some critics say, are overdue for an overhaul.
Youth in Montana	Beyond the Myths: Growing Up in Montana	5/22/2007 5/31/2007	8pm 12pm	60min.	This compelling documentary is about very different teenagers from Montana. We'll see the Big Sky through the eyes of the next generation of teens who challenge and reinforce the myths of Montana. Join us as these teens and their peers prepare for the future and reflect on their pasts. Produced by the students of The University of Montana Radio-Television Department.
Drug Use in Montana	Meth: Through the Dark Cloud	4/24/2007 4/25/2007	8pm 12pm	60min.	In 2001, students in The University of Montana's Radio-Television department produced an award-winning documentary on meth in Montana. This program follows up on that original work to see what has happened to the subjects of that first film. It also explores what's changed in terms of education, prevention and law enforcement. Produced by Denise Dowling for KUFM-TV, The University of Montana.
Disability	Charlie's Lake	4/3/2007 4/14/2007 4/15/2007 5/10/2007 5/12/2007 5/13/2007	9:30pm 5pm 8:30am 7pm 5pm 8:30am	30min.	This program delves into a typical year in the life of Jon Whitmer, a man who refuses to allow the day-to-day challenges of Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy to slow him. During the course of the program, Jon turns 30, defying doctors who did not expect him to live past the age of 15. Ultimately, the documentary exposes Jon's keys to exceeding his grim prognosis: optimism, a sense of humor and family. Filmed over two years, the program provides a glimpse into the realities of one working-class Montana family face as they try to manage Jon's terminal illness with very few resources.
Environmental – Water Issues	Montana Focus: Thirsty for Water	6/28/2007 6/30/2007	7pm 5pm	30min.	In a dry state like Montana, water is nearly as valuable as gold. Gene Brodeur will look at significant revisions to Water Use Laws passed in the 2007 Legislature.

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Agriculture	MSU College of Agriculture	9/16/2007 9/23/2007	7pm 11am	60min.	What educational opportunities does the College of Ag have available for students? Bob Gough, College of Agriculture Associate Dean for Academic Affairs, will discuss this and other topics on Ag Live. Produced by Chris Seifert for KUSM-MontanaPBS, MSU-Bozeman, (406) 994-3437.
History	The WAR	9/16/2007 Thru 10/2/2007	7pm Repeats at 9pm & weekends	1 1/2 hours	Six years in the making, this epic film produced and directed by Ken Burns and Lynn Novick focuses on the stories of citizens from four geographically distributed American towns -- Waterbury, Connecticut; Mobile, Alabama; Sacramento, California; and the tiny farming town of Luverne, Minnesota. The four communities stand in for -- and could represent -- any town in the United States that went through the war's four devastating years. Individuals from each community take the viewer through their own personal and quite often harrowing journeys into war, painting vivid portraits of how the war dramatically altered their lives and those of their neighbors, as well as the country they helped to save for generations to come.
Political – Environmental	P.O. V. Libby, Montana	8/28/2007 8/30/2007 9/16/2007 9/24/2007	8pm 2am & 4:30am 4pm 2am	90min.	Nestled below the rugged peaks of the Northern Rockies in Montana -- as iconic a representation of America's "purple mountain majesties" as one can find -- lies the worst case of community-wide exposure to a toxic substance in U.S. history. In the small town of Libby, many hundreds of people are sick or have already died from asbestos exposure. The program takes a long working day's journey into a blue-collar community and finds a different reality -- one where the American Dream exacts a terrible price.
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Economic	Business: Made in Montana	8/9/2007 8/11/2007 8/12/2007	7pm 5pm 8:30am	30min.	Business: Made in Montana profiles a variety of Montana businesses that do business around the state, the nation and the world. The series is produced by students at the University of Montana Radio-TV Department in the School of Journalism, Faculty Advisors Ray Ekness & Denise Dowling. This episode features High Plains Sheepskin in Helena, Trapline Lodges in Whitehall, American Spurs in Roman, Mountain Spring Spas in Stevensville and Molo Truffles in Bigfork.
Environmental – Global Warming	Montana Focus: Disappearing Glaciers	9/20/2007 9/22/2007 9/23/2007	7pm 5pm 8:30am	30min.	By the year 2030, the glaciers in Glacier National Park are expected to disappear. Montana Focus talks with leading glacier researcher Dan Fagre about climate changes that have prompted this gloomy forecast. And, the Blue Angels attract some 20 million spectators a year to their astonishing precision flying. Lieutenant Commander Anthony Walley, a Navy pilot, talks about his 'dream job' during a recent air show in Bozeman.

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Wolf Management in SW MT	Wolves in Paradise	11/1/2007 11/25/2007 11/27/2007	7pm 7:30pm 12:30pm	60min.	"Wolves in Paradise" is a tale of survival in the soaring mountains and majestic valleys of southwest Montana as ranchers face the challenge of living with Yellowstone's roaming wolf packs while encroaching development threatens their way of life. The film contrasts the experience of two ranchers with completely different backgrounds and resources, while it documents the growth of a surprising alliance between traditional enemies -- livestock growers and conservationists - who find common ground in the need to protect open space from developers.
MT History & WWII	Homefront: United or Divided	10/22/2007 10/3/2007 10/6/2007 10/7/2007	9:06pm 8pm 5pm 10am & 5:30pm	30min.	At the start of WWII, different shades of nationalism lead to divergent views on entering foreign warfare. This program explores the different ideas of patriotism through the eyes of four Montanans. Join a conscientious objector who tells of his decision to opt for civilian public service in Missoula over armed combat and hear from a Butte miner who was required to keep working in the mines during the war. Learn what it was like for a Bozeman high school student to interview families of servicemen killed in battle and find out what a Crow veteran took with him to foreign battlefields. Discover how these four individual's perceptions evolved as the war raged on and whether life in Montana would ever be the same.
Native American History in MT	Blackfeet Encounter	11/1/2007 11/14/2007 11/20/2007	5pm 10:06pm 8pm	60min.	A BLACKFEET ENCOUNTER uncovers the rich history and culture of the Blackfeet people of Montana, traces the consequences of the expedition's arrival and investigates the struggles and triumphs of the Blackfeet today. In July 1806, Meriwether Lewis and another member of the Corps of Discovery killed two Blackfeet warriors and marked the only deadly clash between American Indians and the otherwise peaceful Lewis and Clark Expedition. A BLACKFEET ENCOUNTER skillfully pieces together this confrontation through accounts by tribal elders, Lewis' journal and interviews with historians reflecting both sides of the story.
Fire, Drought and Water Issues	Montana Ag Live: Fire, Drought and Water in Montana. What's Next?	10/28/2007 11/4/2007	7pm 11am	60min.	After this fire season and another drought year, what is the situation with water in Montana? Join us as Clayton Marlow, MSU Range Ecologist, looks at declining water availability in our state.
Economic	Montana Focus: Mortgage Market Jitters	12/13/2007 12/15/2007 12/16/2007	7pm 5pm 10:30am	30min.	Risky subprime loans and high interest rate mortgages have taken a devastating toll on homeowners and lending institutions across the country. So far, Montana has fared better than other states, but financial fallout connected to predatory lending schemes is apparent. A Missoula resident saw her loan rate jump from 7.24% to an unaffordable 11.36% per cent. Montana Focus visits with housing and loan experts who are trying to stay ahead of the national slump by advising potential home buyers that if their mortgage deal looks too good to be true, it probably is. Also, Lee Newspapers Capitol Bureau Chief Chuck Johnson talks about the recent proposal to move the legislative sessions from odd to even numbered years. And, Montana is taking part in an early avian flu detection project.
Economic – Environmental	Montana Journal	10/25/07 10/27/07 10/28/07 12/29/07	7pm 5pm 8:30am 5pm	30min.	In 2005, the Montana Legislature passed incentives to encourage more biodiesel and ethanol production in the state. Has it made any difference to Montanans at the fuel pump? This program examines current production, future possibilities and whether these fuels really solve the problems that politicians say they will.
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