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AGING

NOLA: MLNH 010902
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/8/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:08:05

For the 42 million Americans who take care of loved ones at home, the responsibilities of care -- once the purview of trained nurses -- have become increasingly complex. AARP has begun to advocate for greater caregiver support through public policy and legislation, but the health care industry may be wary of additional regulation. Special correspondent Kathleen McCleery reports.

AGRICULTURE

NOLA: INLE 001514
Series Title: Independent Lens
Episode Title: Medora
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 4/1/2014 11:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

A once-booming rural community with a thriving middle class has seen its factories and farms close as the population dwindles. A deeply personal look at small-town life, "Medora" follows a down-but-not-out varsity basketball team as its struggles to compete parallel the town's own fight for survival.

NOLA: MLNH 010910
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/18/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:26

In Nevada, armed militia members and states' rights protesters showed up at the site of a dispute between the Bureau of Land Management and a cattle farmer who has refused to pay fees for grazing his animals on public lands for two decades. Rather than risk violence, the BLM released cattle it had seized. Hari Sreenivasan learns more from Ben Botkin of the Las Vegas Review-Journal.

AMERICAN HISTORY/BIOGRAPHY

NOLA: INLE 001516
Series Title: Independent Lens
Episode Title: The Trials of Muhammad Ali
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 4/15/2014 11:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

This documentary covers Muhammad Ali's toughest bout, his battle to overturn his five-year prison sentence for refusing U.S. military service. The film traces a formative period in Ali's life, one unknown to young people and neglected by those who remember him as a boxer but overlook how controversial he was when he first took center stage. Cassius Clay became Muhammad Ali and found himself in the crosshairs of conflicts concerning civil rights, religion and wartime dissent. This film zeroes in on the years 1967 to 1970, when Ali lived in exile within the U.S., stripped of his heavyweight belt and banned from boxing, sacrificing fame and fortune on principle.

NOLA: DDAU 000000
Series Title: D-Day 360
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/27/2014 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

D-Day was a logistical effort on a scale never seen before or since. On the day itself, 3,000 planes dropped 23,000 airborne troops behind German lines, and 7,000 ships delivered around 20,000 military vehicles and 130,000 soldiers onto the beaches. Once on the shore, the troops had to negotiate two million mines buried in the sand, 46,000 fearsome beach obstacles and hundreds of miles of barbed wire, while dodging the shells and bullets fired by 40,000 German defenders. This film takes advantage of LiDAR technology to re-create the landscape and allow viewers to switch effortlessly between the macro and the micro – pulling back for the big picture and zooming in to a close-up of a single soldier on the battlefield.

ARTS

NOLA: MLNH 010901
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/7/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:04:05

Mickey Rooney, irrepressible performer who spent his life on stage and screen, dead at 93.

NOLA: INLE 001517
Series Title: Independent Lens
Episode Title: Muscle Shoals / Waiting for a Train: The Toshio Hirano Story
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 4/21/2014 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Located alongside the Tennessee River, Muscle Shoals, Alabama, is the unlikely breeding ground for some of America's most creative and defiant music. Under the spiritual influence of the "Singing River," as Native Americans called it, the music of Muscle Shoals has helped create some of the most important and resonant songs of all time. At its heart is Rick Hall, who founded FAME Studios. Overcoming crushing poverty and staggering tragedies, Hall brought black and white together in Alabama's cauldron of racial hostility to create music for the generations. He is responsible for creating the "Muscle Shoals sound" and the Swampers, the house band at FAME that eventually left to start its own successful studio, Muscle Shoals Sound. In this joyful film, Greg Allman, Bono, Clarence Carter, Mick Jagger, Etta James, Alicia Keys, Keith Richards, Percy Sledge and others bear witness to Muscle Shoals' magnetism and mystery, and why it remains influential today.

BUSINESS/INDUSTRY

NOLA: MLNH 010905
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/11/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:04:37

Thursday marked the single worst day for the Nasdaq since 2011. The once high-flying biotech and Internet shares tumbled, pulling the index below 4000 for the first time since Feb. 3. Hari Sreenivasan talks to Hugh Johnson of Hugh Johnson Advisors about what's behind investors' jitters and why tech and biotech tend to be more volatile than other stocks.

NOLA: MLNH 010922
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/6/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:05:37

A Chinese e-commerce giant called Alibaba filed an initial public offering that many experts say could rank among the largest ever. The company operates multiple businesses, including some akin to Amazon or eBay. Judy Woodruff talks to Paul Sweeney of Bloomberg Industries about the risks and reactions to Alibaba hitting the U.S. financial markets.

COMMUNITY POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

NOLA: FRON 003210
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: Prison State
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 4/29/2014 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

With unprecedented access, FRONTLINE investigates the impact of mass incarceration in America, focusing on a troubled housing project in Louisville, Kentucky, and a statewide effort to reverse the trend. There are some 2.3 million people behind bars in the U.S. today, but a disproportionate number come from a few city neighborhoods, and in some places the concentration is so dense that states are spending millions of dollars a year to lock up residents of single blocks. "Prison State" examines one community, Louisville's Beecher Terrace housing project, and follows the lives of four residents as they move in and out of custody, while Kentucky tries break that cycle and shrink its prison state.

NOLA: INLE 001519
Series Title: Independent Lens
Episode Title: Let the Fire Burn
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 5/13/2014 11:30:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

On May 13, 1985, a longtime feud between the city of Philadelphia and controversial radical urban group MOVE came to a deadly climax. By order of local authorities, police dropped military-grade explosives onto a MOVE-occupied rowhouse. TV cameras captured the conflagration that quickly escalated – and resulted in the tragic deaths of 11 people (including five children) and the destruction of 61 homes. It was only later discovered that authorities decided to "...let the fire burn." Using archival news coverage and interviews, first-time filmmaker Jason Osder brings to life one of the most tumultuous and largely forgotten clashes between government and citizens in modern American history.

NOLA: MLNH 010948
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/11/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:07:13

Rep. Eric Cantor, R-Va., announced his decision to step down from his leadership post less than 24 hours after he became the first House majority leader to be defeated in a primary. Cantor was ousted by David Brat, a virtually unknown college professor who had never before run for office. Gwen Ifill talks to Ed O'Keefe of The Washington Post about Cantor's fall.

CONSUMERISM

NOLA: MLNH 010903
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/9/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:04:49

A major lapse in internet security has potentially exposed millions of passwords, credit card numbers, bank information and commonly used websites. The security leak, called "Heartbleed," was revealed this week but may have existed for years. Hari Sreenivasan learns more from Russell Brandom of The Verge.

NOLA: MLNH 010950
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/13/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:08:02

Companies known as data brokers know a lot about you and the information you share online, including your interests, political preferences, religious affiliations and spending activities. The Federal Trade Commission is now raising questions about the transparency of this industry. Jeffrey Brown interviews FTC chair Edith Ramirez.

CRIME/LEGAL ISSUES/LAW ENFORCEMENT

NOLA: MLNH 010897
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/1/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:12

A classified report by the Senate Intelligence Committee claims that the CIA misled the government and the public over aspects of its interrogation program for years. According to The Washington Post, the agency concealed details about the severity of its methods and took undue credit for some intelligence. Gwen Ifill talks to Washington Post's Greg Miller for a closer look at the report.

NOLA: FRON 003209
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: Solitary Nation
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/22/2014 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

An estimated 80,000 Americans are in solitary confinement - even people who haven't committed violent crimes - sometimes for years, or even decades. Using extraordinary access to the segregation unit at the maximum security Maine State Prison, FRONTLINE examines America's use of solitary confinement - a practice U.S. prisons and jails resort to more than most other countries. Some prison officials see it as necessary to keep order and safety, but critics say it is inhumane and counterproductive. "Solitary Nation" is an extraordinarily rare and intimate view of life in solitary, through the stories of inmates living in isolation, the prison officers who keep them locked in, and a new warden who is re-thinking the practice and trying to reduce the number of inmates in solitary.

NOLA: MLNH 010915
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/25/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:08:00

The FBI's Next Generation Identification program, officially launching this summer, will give police access to more data than ever before by way of biometrics—biological marks from facial scans and palm prints—to identify suspects. Some opponents worry this growing web of security will give police too much personal information without a warrant. The Center for Investigative Reporting's Amanda Pike reports.

NOLA: MLNH 010921
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/5/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:39

In a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court ruled Monday that local governments have the right to open town meetings with prayer – even if the prayer is explicitly of one denomination. Gwen Ifill gets an overview of the case from Marcia Coyle of The National Law Journal.

NOLA: MLNH 010948
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/11/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:04:20

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel defended the prisoner swap for Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl at a Congressional hearing, the first time an administration official has testified publicly on the deal, saying the U.S. "needed to act swiftly." Meanwhile, the Washington Post reported that Bergdahl had been previously discharged from the Coast Guard for psychological reasons. Judy Woodruff reports.

NOLA: WWIR 005352
Series Title: Washington Week with Gwen Ifill
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 6/27/2014 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:24:20

Four significant Supreme Court decisions this week including suspects' rights & abortion clinic protests, incumbent Sen. Thad Cochran of Mississippi survives a strong tea-party challenge, and a first person account on the worsening situation in Iraq. Joining Gwen: Pete Williams, NBC News; Joan Biskupic, Reuters; Martha Raddatz, ABC News; Dan Balz, Washington Post.

NOLA: MLNH 010960
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/27/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:11:55

Syndicated columnist Mark Shields and Ramesh Ponnuru of National Review join Judy Woodruff to discuss the week's top news, including how incumbents held their ground against the tea party in last Tuesday's primaries, Rep. John Boehner's threat to sue President Obama for abusing presidential powers, as well as accusations swirling around missing IRS emails.

NOLA: MLNH 010959
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/26/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:07:20

In the first of two high-profile unanimous Supreme Court decisions, temporary appointments made by President Obama in 2012 were ruled illegal because Congress was not in recess. In the second, the justices struck down a 35-foot buffer zone prohibiting protests outside abortion clinics in Massachusetts. Marcia Coyle of The National Law Journal joins Judy Woodruff to explain the details.

CULTURE

NOLA: SJSS 000103
Series Title: Story of the Jews with Simon Schama; The
Episode Title: A Leap of Faith
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/1/2014 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Demonstration/Instructional
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Simon Schama explores the bright, hopeful moment when Enlightenment thinkers and revolutionary armies brought ghetto walls crashing down – allowing Jews to weave their wisdom, creativity and energies into the very fabric of modern life in Europe. One of the most fruitful branches of this Jewish renaissance was in music, and the stellar careers of Giacomo Meyerbeer and Felix Mendelssohn established the enduring tradition for Jewish musical prodigies. However, the remarkably successful integration of Jewish talent into the mainstream of European culture and commerce stirred up the ghosts of ancient prejudice, decked out in the new clothes of romantic nationalism and the pseudo-science of anti-Semitism. The road to the hell of the Holocaust was paved by the diatribes of Richard Wagner, while the trial of Alfred Dreyfus led Theodor Herzl to conclude that without a homeland of their own, Jews would never be free of the millennia-old persecution.

ECONOMY

NOLA: MLNH 010912
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/22/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:08:39

In Seattle, there is a growing push to raise the minimum wage 62 percent to \$15 an hour, which the University of Washington has calculated as the minimum cost of living for an adult with one child. But would the benefits of the wage hike actually outweigh the costs? Economics correspondent Paul Solman reports.

NOLA: MLNH 010907
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/15/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:05:30

Forty-seven million Americans rely on government assistance to feed their families each month. Washington Post reporter Eli Saslow set out to trace this lifeline in a series of stories that transcend the typical Washington debate. Gwen Ifill talks to Saslow, whose series won him the 2014 Pulitzer Prize in Explanatory Reporting.

NOLA: CRIA 000503
Series Title: Craft in America
Episode Title: Industry
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/2/2014 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

"Industry" explores the business of the handmade, going into workshops where artists are crafting the future and making contributions to the local and national economies. The program highlights the important connection between the consumer and the maker and explores the value of exquisitely crafted handmade objects in today's creative economy.

NOLA: MLNH 010953
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/18/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:07:40

Facing partisan gridlock, President Obama has bypassed Congress by using executive actions on issues like equal pay, student loans and carbon pollution. But each order faces backlash that the president has overstepped his power. Jeffrey Brown gets debate from Jonathan Turley of The George Washington University and Michael Waldman of the Brennan Center for Justice.

EDUCATION

NOLA: ADRE 000000
Series Title: Address; The
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 4/15/2014 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Ken Burns tells the story of a tiny school in Putney, Vermont, the Greenwood School, where each year the students are encouraged to memorize, practice and recite the Gettysburg Address. In its exploration of Greenwood, whose students, boys ages 11-17, all face a range of complex learning differences, the film also unlocks the history, context and importance of President Lincoln's most powerful address.

NOLA: MLNH 010922
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/6/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:15

Starting in the 1970s, and under the recent implementation of the Common Core, a former pillar of elementary education has been largely forgotten. But there's a feeling that learning cursive still has value, even in the age of typing and texting. The NewsHour's April Brown reports from North Carolina, one of a handful of states that's moved to make learning the formal, curlicue letters mandatory.

NOLA: MLNH 010946
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/9/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:09:14

The average person graduating from college in 2013 borrowed nearly \$30,000 in student debt. To help Americans overburdened by their loans, President Obama signed a new executive order that expands on a 2010 law that capped federal loan repayments at 10 percent of borrowers' monthly income. Gwen Ifill talks to Richard Vedder of Ohio University and Deanne Loonin of the National Consumer Law Center.

EMPLOYMENT

NOLA: MLNH 010900
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/4/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:09:38

The Labor Department's reported boost of 192,000 jobs in March marks a milestone in the economic recovery: all of the private sector jobs lost in the recession have been regained. Economics correspondent Paul Solman offers a closer analysis of the numbers and Hari Sreenivasan takes an in-depth look at the problem of long-term unemployment with Ofer Sharone of the MIT Sloan School of Management.

NOLA: MLNH 010920
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/2/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:03:48

The jobs report released Friday finds that employers added 288,000 jobs in April and the unemployment rate fell to 6.3 percent. However, the dip in unemployment was driven by a sharp decline – more than 800,000 – in the number of people who worked or searched for work last month. Economics correspondent Paul Solman reports on the dwindling labor force.

ENVIRONMENT/NATURE/NATURAL DISASTERS

NOLA: AMMS 002701
Series Title: American Masters
Episode Title: A Fierce Green Fire
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/22/2014 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Experience the battle for a living planet in the first big-picture exploration of the environmental movement, spanning 50 years of grassroots and global activism. Robert Redford, Ashley Judd, Van Jones, Isabel Allende and Meryl Streep narrate.

NOLA: NOVA 004108
Series Title: NOVA | Inside Animal Minds
Episode Title: Bird Genius
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/4/2014 8:00:00 AM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:01:00

What would it be like to go inside the mind of an animal? We have all gazed into a creature's eyes and wondered: What is it thinking about? What does it really know? Now, the revolutionary science of animal cognition is revealing hard evidence about how animals understand the world around them, uncovering their remarkable problem-solving abilities and exploring the complexity of their powers of communication and even their emotions. In the three-hour special Inside Animal Minds, NOVA explores these breakthroughs through three iconic creatures: dogs, birds, and dolphins. We'll travel into the spectacularly nuanced noses of dogs and wolves, and ask whether their reliance on different senses has shaped their evolution. We'll see through the eyes of a starling in flight and test the tool-using skills of the smartest of birds, the crow. We'll listen in as scientists track dolphins in the Caribbean and elephants on the African savannah, trying to unlock the secrets of animal communication. As we discover how researchers are pushing the animal mind to its limits, we'll uncover surprising similarities to - and differences from - the human mind.

NOLA: MLNH 010926
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/12/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:52

A study released by NASA and others offers the most definitive evidence that parts of the ice sheet in West Antarctica are melting and the damage is irreversible. The collapse will take more than a century, and the melting will lead to rising sea levels. Judy Woodruff talks to Thomas Wagner of NASA, one of the team's lead members, about the larger consequences of these projections.

FAMILY/MARRIAGE

NOLA: MLNH 010921
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/5/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:11:41

In an era when parents are working outside the home, many struggle to figure out their proper role in their children's lives. Competition among families and the concept of making sure kids are always happy may also be adding to the stresses of modern parenthood. Judy Woodruff talks to Jennifer Senior, author of "All Joy No Fun," about the evolving pressure to raise perfectly well-rounded children.

HEALTH/HEALTH CARE

NOLA: MLNH 010897
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/1/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:05:57

In our news wrap Tuesday, more than 7 million people have signed up for health insurance under the Affordable Care Act, despite technical glitches on HealthCare.gov during its rollout and the rush leading up to the enrollment deadline. Also, NATO ordered a halt to all civilian and military cooperation with Russia, and agreed to consider sending more forces to parts of Eastern Europe.

NOLA: CBAC 000101
Series Title: Coming Back with Wes Moore
Episode Title: Coming Back
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/13/2014 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

In episode one, host Wes Moore explores the questions surrounding the difficulty with the process of coming back from war. He meets Chris Phelan who was able to successfully translate his experience in the military to a career as a police officer. He is also raising his two-year-old daughter River by himself, while his wife, Star Lopez, serves as a lawyer at the Afghan Embassy preparing to return home herself. When Andy Clark returned from war, he and his wife were faced with their son's diagnosis with autism and the costs of his care. Feeling financial pressure, Andy decides to accept a position as a military contractor that requires him to be in Afghanistan for months at a time. Letrice Titus works as a counselor in the Canandaigua VA Hospital where all the calls to the VA Veterans Crisis Line are routed. And Brad Farnsley is at a Warrior Transition Unit, a system established by the Army in 2007 to assist with the transitioning of soldiers they deem medically or psychologically unready for either duty or discharge. Anxious to return to his family for good, Brad is stuck by the complicated bureaucracy and his discharge date remains a mystery.

NOLA: JBFR 000000
Series Title: Joy Bauer's Food Remedies
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 5/31/2014 10:30:00 AM
Service: PBS-SIP
Format: Demonstration/Instructional
Segment Length: 00:00:00

For many people, knowing what to eat, when to eat, and how much to eat is a puzzle they've lost all hope of ever solving. Anyone who has ever tried to make a commitment to healthy eating knows the obstacles: The dizzying number of choices in grocery stores and restaurants; the crazy, on-the-go schedules of every member of the family; the relentless hype and marketing surrounding fatty and sugary snack foods; and the powerful appetites fueled by habits, traditions, and humongous portion sizes. JOY BAUER'S FOOD REMEDIES! is a special exploring and explaining these serious health issues in a fun and friendly format - all with a step-by-step action plan.

NOLA: MLNH 010946
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/9/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:08:53

A Veterans Affairs Department audit reveals that 57,000 veterans have been waiting 90 days or more for their first medical appointment at its hospitals and outpatient clinics. It also found that the 14-day wait time target was not attainable. Gwen Ifill talks to Ralph Ibson of the Wounded Warrior Project and Dr. Sam Foote, a former doctor in the Phoenix VA Health Care System.

MEDIA

NOLA: MLNH 010900
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/4/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:05:08

Veteran AP journalists Anja Niedringhaus and Kathy Gannon were traveling with election workers, soldiers and police in Khost province in Afghanistan when a police commander approached and shot them. Niedringhaus, a Pulitzer Prize-winning photographer, was killed and Gannon was hospitalized. Kathleen Carroll, executive editor of The Associated Press, remembers Niedringhaus with Hari Sreenivasan.

NOLA: AMMS 002702
Series Title: American Masters
Episode Title: Plimpton! Starring George Plimpton as Himself
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 5/16/2014 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Journey through the tall-tale life of participatory journalist George Plimpton: The Paris Review co-founder, amateur sportsman and actor. The film shares his experiences using Plimpton's own narration, interviews and previously unseen material.

MINORITIES/CIVIL RIGHTS

NOLA: RSAL 000000
Series Title: Ruben Salazar: Man in the Middle - A Voces Special
Presentation
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/29/2014 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

This documentary examines the life and mysterious death of pioneering Mexican-American journalist Ruben Salazar. At the heart of the story is his transformation from a mainstream, establishment Los Angeles Times reporter to a supporter and primary chronicler of the radical Chicano movement of the late 1960s. Killed by a law enforcement officer in 1970, Salazar became an instant martyr to the Latino community – which had often criticized his reporting. Featuring material from recently released files, the program removes Salazar from the glare of myth and martyrdom and offers a clear-eyed look at the man.

NOLA: MLNH 010916
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/28/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:07:57

Racist comments attributed to Donald Sterling, the owner of the Los Angeles Clippers basketball team, have left NBA owners and players scrambling to determine the best course of action. Judy Woodruff gets analysis from Michael McCann of Sports Illustrated and Kenneth Shropshire of the University of Pennsylvania to weigh the league's options, and how punishment could backfire.

NATIONAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

NOLA: MLNH 010905
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/11/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:25

In our news wrap, President Obama announced his budget director Sylvia Mathews Burwell as his nomination to replace Kathleen Sebelius as Secretary of HHS. Sebelius, who has been criticized for troubles in the health care rollout, announced her resignation this week. Also, investigators search for answers after a truck-bus collision that killed 10 people in California Thursday.

NOLA: FRON 003211
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: United States of Secrets (Part One)
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 5/13/2014 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Last year Edward Snowden downloaded tens of thousands of top-secret documents from a highly secure government computer network. The revelations that followed touched off a fierce debate over the massive surveillance operations conducted by the National Security Agency. Now FRONTLINE investigates the secret history of the unprecedented surveillance program that began in the wake of September 11th and continues today. Through exclusive interviews with intelligence insiders, cabinet officials, and government whistle-blowers, Part One reveals how the U.S. government came to monitor the communications of millions of Americans and to collect billions of records on ordinary people around the world.

NOLA: MLNH 010929
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/15/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:04:18

Veterans Affairs Secretary Eric Shinseki appeared in front of a Senate panel to defend his agency against accusations that a V.A. hospital in Phoenix, Arizona, falsified scheduling reports, and that up to 40 veterans died awaiting treatment. Senators on both sides of the aisle pressed Shinseki – under mounting calls to resign – to do more. Gwen Ifill reports.

NOLA: MLNH 010941
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/2/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:08:11

The exchange of five senior Taliban leaders -- transferred to Qatar -- for prisoner of war Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl has provoked some pushback. The Afghan government complained it was bypassed, while GOP lawmakers warned of the risk of releasing Taliban inmates. Jeffrey Brown gets views from James Kirchick of the Foreign Policy Initiative and former Defense and State Department official Vikram Singh.

NOLA: WWIR 005350
Series Title: Washington Week with Gwen Ifill
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 6/13/2014 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:24:46

President Obama addresses the growing violence in Iraq. House Republicans regroup after the defeat of Majority Leader Eric Cantor to tea party upstart David Brat. And Defense Sec. Hagel defends the Bergdahl swap as the former Taliban captive returns to the U.S. Joining Gwen: Nancy Youssef, McClatchy; John Harwood, CNBC; Robert Costa, Washington Post; Mark Mazzetti; New York Times.

NOLA: MLNH 010961
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/30/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:58

President Obama pushes immigration reform without Congress: President Obama says that until Congress does something about immigration reform, he will pursue the matter on his own. In the White House Rose Garden, the president said he was directing more agents to the U.S. border to respond to a flood of Central American migrant children arriving without parents, and would seek more recommendations from his advisors. Judy Woodruff talks to Julia Preston of the New York Times.

RECREATION/LEISURE/SPORTS

NOLA: MLNH 010902
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/8/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:08:31

Players and fans celebrated the March Madness victory by the University of Connecticut, but the game against the University of Kentucky also highlighted one of the major debates facing NCAA basketball. Jeffrey Brown gets perspectives from Patrick Harker, president of the University of Delaware, and Kevin Blackstone of the University of Maryland about student players and the amateurship model.

NOLA: BWMP 000103
Series Title: Brazil with Michael Palin
Episode Title: The Road to Rio
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/18/2014 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

On the road to Rio, Michael Palin visits the source of Brazil's great mineral wealth – the state of Minas Gerais and its giant mines. Here, he meets some ordinary Brazilians dedicated to preserving the natural beauty of the state. Then he's off to Rio de Janeiro, host of the next Olympics and World Cup. Rio has always been a party town, but it's also blighted by drugs and gang violence. Palin learns how the authorities are hoping to bring the favelas back into the city. He also learns how to celebrate a goal like a Brazilian radio commentator and books a room in one of the city's famous "love hotels"!

RELIGION/ETHICS

NOLA: MLNH 010918
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/30/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:12:14

In Oklahoma, Clayton Lockett died of a heart attack when he was given an untested combination of drugs in what was intended to be a lethal injection. Judy Woodruff talks to Cary Aspinwall who has been covering the story for Tulsa World. Attorney Roy Englert and Deborah Denno of Fordham University School of Law discuss whether states can implement the death penalty in a humane fashion.

NOLA: NAZP 000000
Series Title: Escape from a Nazi Death Camp
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/20/2014 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

October 14, 2013, was the 70th anniversary of an event that shook the Nazi party to its core. In east Poland, at Sobibor, the remote Nazi death camp, 300 Jewish prisoners staged a bloody break out. This film travels back to Sobibor with the last remaining survivors to reveal their extraordinary story of courage, desperation and determination. The film uses drama-reconstruction and first-hand testimony to reveal the incredible escape story. The plot unfolds like a movie -- from the last-minute change to the escape plan forced by an unexpected arrival of a train load of SS soldiers, to the systematic luring of individual camp guards to separate locations and different deaths - yet every terrible and inspiring moment of this story is true.

SCIENCE/TECHNOLOGY

NOLA: YOIF 000101
Series Title: Your Inner Fish
Episode Title: Your Inner Fish
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/9/2014 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Our arms, legs, necks and lungs were bequeathed to us by a fish that lumbered onto land some 375 million years ago. The genetic legacy of this creature can be seen today in our own DNA, including the genes used to build our hands and limbs.

TRANSPORTATION

NOLA: MLNH 010897
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/1/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:13:36

Senior lawmakers made clear they want answers for why General Motors took years to fix vehicles with faulty ignition switches, linked to at least 13 deaths. GM CEO Mary Barra acknowledged the company's recalls came too late for some and vowed to get to the bottom of the cause. Gwen Ifill talks to David Shepardson of the Detroit News and Joan Claybrook, former president of Public Citizen.

NOLA: MLNH 010901
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/7/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:17

In our news wrap Monday, there were cautious hopes of finding the missing Flight 370 aircraft when a ship picked up pings during its trawl of the southern Indian Ocean. Also, Oscar Pistorius took the stand to testify in his own murder trial. The South African Olympian is accused of killing his girlfriend, Reeva Steenkamp.

WAR/VET/NATIONAL SECURITY

NOLA: NAZM 000104
Series Title: Nazi Mega Weapons
Episode Title: Super Tanks
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 4/30/2014 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Hitler's megalomaniacal impulses led him to demand the construction of the largest tank the world had ever seen - a mobile fortress weighing 180 tons. But even this colossus couldn't satisfy Hitler's thirst for enormous weapons of war, as he went on to request a land battleship weighing 1,000 tons. This is the story of the Nazi engineers tasked with fulfilling that dream, and an arms race that resulted in the evolution of super-guns and tanks.

NOLA: FRON 003213
Series Title: Frontline
Episode Title: Battle Zones: Ukraine & Syria
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/27/2014 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:00:00

FRONTLINE goes inside the raging battle zones of Ukraine and Syria. In Ukraine, with personal and dramatic footage, FRONTLINE reveals the deep-seeded hatreds between right-wing Ukrainian nationalists with historic ties to the Nazis, and violent pro-Russian separatists vying for control of the country. And in Syria, FRONTLINE finds rebel fighters who say they're being secretly armed and trained by the United States.

NOLA: MLNH 010942
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/3/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:04:30

In the days since Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl's release, fellow soldiers have disputed his account of his capture. According to media reports, the Pentagon had concluded he walked away of his own accord. President Obama defended the prisoner swap with the Taliban, saying the U.S. gets American soldiers back from captivity no matter the circumstances. Judy Woodruff reports.

NOLA: MLNH 010952
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/17/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:08:25

U.S. special forces, with the help of the FBI, apprehended Abu Khattala, one of the suspected ring leaders of the 2012 embassy attack in Benghazi, Libya. Khattala is the first accused perpetrator of the attacks to be taken into U.S. custody. Jeffrey Brown discusses the details of the capture with The Washington Post's Karen DeYoung, who first broke the story.

WOMEN

NOLA: WWIR 005341
Series Title: Washington Week with Gwen Ifill
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 4/11/2014 7:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:24:46

The resignation of Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius. What challenges will her successor inherit? Also, the 50th anniversary and legacy of the Civil Rights Act, the politics of income inequality, and the prospective candidacies and political dynasties of Hillary Clinton and Jeb Bush. Joining Gwen: Alexis Simendinger, Real Clear Politics; Amy Walter, Cook Political Report; Michael Duffy; TIME Magazine; Alex Wayne, Bloomberg News.

YOUTH

NOLA: MLNH 010925
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 5/9/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:03:29

Nearly a month since the Islamist group Boko Haram attacked a village in Nigeria and made off with more than 300 girls, that country's government and military have been criticized for failing to do more. Amnesty International has reported that officials failed to prevent the attack, despite being warned. Jeffrey Brown examines the international social media campaign that has sprung up in reaction.

NOLA: MLNH 010948
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 6/11/2014 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News
Segment Length: 00:06:53

In Chicago, an after-school art center has been transformed into a full-time public school that serves students who come from some of the highest crime areas in the city. Partnering with community schools to identify kids on the wrong track, its founder has put faith in the idea that offering access to the arts would be an invitation to learn every day. Hari Sreenivasan reports.

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Capitol Journal

4/1/14, 30 minutes, 10:30pm, Issues discussed: Government, crime, education, health

We report on today's resignation of Rep. Greg Wren of Montgomery, following his guilty plea to misdemeanor charges that he used his office for personal gain. The Senate today approved an education budget that provides more money for teachers' insurance costs, but not the pay raise sought by Governor Robert Bentley. A Senate committee approved a much-watched package of pro-life bills. And we're joined by Senator Bryan Taylor of Prattville, who discusses possible new life for a couple of constitutional revision bills.

4/2/14, 30 minutes, 10:30pm, Issues discussed: Government, education, crime, health

On the next to last day of the 2014 session, we report on a Senate committee blocking two of Governor Robert Bentley's nominees for the board of trustees at Alabama State University. We'll also have details on today's death of Senator Scott Beason's bill to allow citizens to carry loaded pistols in the cars without a concealed carry permit. A bill that would make changes to the scholarship program under the Alabama Accountability Act was headed to the Senate after getting approval in committee. And we'll be joined by Representative Joe Hubbard of Montgomery, who discusses his fight for a midwives bill in the last legislative days.

4/3/14, 30 minutes, 10:30pm, Issues discussed: Government, education, health, crime

We report on the last day of the legislative session. The education budget hung in the balance in the final hours, with continued debate over fully funding insurance costs versus a teacher raise. An amended bill dealing with parental consent before abortions got final passage. Capitol Journal's Karen Brown reports on some of the bills that died as the legislative session wound down. And we're joined by Representative Chris England of Tuscaloosa, who discusses passage of his criminal expungement bill, which he has supported for several years.

4/4/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Education, government, crime, health

We're joined by Speaker of the House Mike Hubbard of Auburn, who handicaps the just-wrapped-up legislative session. He talks of leadership's differences with the Governor over the education budget, and Hubbard reacts to this week's guilty plea by Rep. Greg Wren in a government corruption investigation. House Minority Leader Craig Ford of Gadsden will also be with us to discuss what did, and didn't, make it out before lawmakers adjourned for the year.

Capitol Journal continued

4/11/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Education, government, crime, economic

We have a full report on Governor Robert Bentley signing the education budget today. It didn't include the teacher pay raise he supported, but Bentley says he'll monitor revenues and isn't ruling out a possible special legislative session later in the year. We'll also be joined by Senate education budget chairman Trip Pittman of Montrose, who discusses the budget deal lawmakers understood that they had with Bentley. He also talks about choosing between the pay raise and more money for education insurance costs. Senate General Fund budget chairman Arthur Orr of Decatur is also with us to discuss the spending plan for non-education agencies, including more money for prisons and a state employee bonus. And we'll discuss all of the week's top legislative news in our Week in Review segment.

4/18/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, finance, education

We're joined by Shaun McCutcheon, the Jefferson County businessman who took his case against limits on individual campaign contributions all the way to the U.S. Supreme Court and won. Representative John Rogers of Birmingham is also with us to talk about the death of the bill that would have reorganized the Birmingham Water Works board. Rogers also talks about his service on the education budget committee and his 'no' vote on the budget that finally passed. And we'll discuss all of the week's top state government news in our Week in Review segment.

4/25/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, crime, education, economic, finance

We have a full report on the arrest of Rep. Barry Moore of Enterprise on perjury charges. We'll also report on a proposed reshuffling which would do away with Montgomery Rep. John Knight's job at Alabama State University. We'll be joined by Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore, who discusses the court system budget passed by the legislature. Retirement Systems of Alabama CEO Dr. David Bronner is with us to talk about lawmakers appropriating more money for education insurance costs. And we'll discuss all of the week's state government news in our Week in Review segment.

5/2/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, education, environment

We have the latest on storm relief and cleanup efforts around the state. We'll also be joined by Senator Quinton Ross of Montgomery, the vice chair of the Senate education committee. He discusses Common Core and the regulation of private schools. Ross also talks about the controversy surrounding the selection of new trustees for Alabama State University. We'll also be joined by Dr. Daniel Smith, an economics professor with Troy University's Johnson Center for Political Economy. He talks about his new study which questions the need for most professional licensing in Alabama. And we'll discuss all of the week's top state government news in our Week in Review segment.

5/9/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, crime, health, economic

We're joined by Attorney General Luther Strange, who discusses his recent appearance before the U.S. Supreme Court in an Alabama whistleblower case; a judge's dismissal of his gaming lawsuit against the Poarch Band of Creek Indians; and recent gambling raids in Greene County. We're also joined by Rep. Steve Clouse of Ozark, the chairman of the House General Fund budget committee. He says he thinks the state might need to reconsider expanding Medicaid. Clouse also discusses more money for the prison system. And host Don Dailey is joined by Capitol Journal's Karen Brown and Randy Scott to discuss all of the week's top state government news in our Week in Review segment.

Capitol Journal continued

5/16/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, economic, crime

We're joined by Sen. Cam Ward of Alabaster, the chairman of the Joint Legislative Prison Oversight Committee. He discusses the first meetings between Alabama officials and the national Council of State Governments, which will consult with the state on our prison problems. Human Rights Campaign National President Chad Griffin is also with us to talk about what the group is calling an unprecedented effort to expand LGBT equality in Alabama and across the South. And host Don Dailey is joined by Capitol Journal's Karen Brown and Randy Scott to discuss all of the week's top state government-related news in our Week in Review segment.

5/23/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, crime, economic

We have a complete report on this week's court hearing in the perjury case surrounding Rep. Barry Moore of Enterprise. We'll be joined by Rep. Kurt Wallace of Maplesville, who discusses implementation of his bill to clamp down on so-called 'sexual offender clusters.' State Parks Director Greg Lein will also be with us to talk about a recent study on the economic impact of our parks, as well as the system's 75th anniversary year. And we'll discuss all of the week's top state government news in our Week in Review segment.

5/30/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, education, crime, economic, environment

We have a report on this week's court decision which struck down the controversial Alabama Accountability Act, including reaction from both sides of the issue. We'll be joined by Alabama Law Enforcement Secretary Spencer Collier, who discusses the state crackdown on synthetic drugs and a new Alabama law surrounding the drugs. Alabama Agriculture Commissioner John McMillan is also with us to talk about a report that finds the state's farming economy vibrant and healthy. And host Don Dailey is joined by Capitol Journal's Karen Brown and Randy Scott to discuss all of the week's top state government news in our Week in Review segment.

6/6/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, education, economic, finance

We have a complete wrap-up of this week's primary elections, including the races for governor and various legislative and congressional seats. We'll be joined by Speaker of the House Mike Hubbard of Auburn, who'll discuss his win and what he calls the nastiest campaign he's ever had to endure. We'll also be joined by Dr. Scott Beaulier with Troy University, who'll talk about a new study that contends state employee pension funds could run out of money in a decade. And we'll discuss all of the week's top state government news in our Week in Review segment.

6/13/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, health, crime, finance

We're joined by James Talton, Director of Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System, who responds to his organization being ranked among the worst nationally for wait times. Alabama Department of Corrections Commissioner Kim Thomas is also with us to talk about a report critical of medical care at state prisons, the problems at Tutwiler Prison for Women and the Justice Reinvestment Initiative. And host Don Dailey is joined by Capitol Journal's Karen Brown and Randy Scott to discuss all of the week's top state government news in our Week in Review segment.

Capitol Journal continued

6/20/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, health, education, economic

We're joined by Alabama Democratic gubernatorial nominee Parker Griffith, who discusses his priorities including healthcare, jobs and education. Parker also talks about his hope that Governor Robert Bentley will debate him on the issues. We'll also be joined by Lesley Searcy with the Alabama Opportunity Scholarship Fund, who discusses how scholarships under the Alabama Accountability Act weren't affected by a recent court ruling. She also talks about an upcoming scholarship application deadline. And host Don Dailey will be joined by Capitol Journal's Karen Brown and Randy Scott to discuss all of the week's top state government news in our Week in Review segment.

6/27/14, 1 hour, 8pm, Issues discussed: Government, race, finance, crime, economic, environment

We report on this week's first anniversary of the Supreme Court decision to strike down part of the Voting Rights Act. We'll be joined by Joe Borg, the Director of the Alabama Securities Commission, who discusses the new 'crowdfunding' bill and efforts to strengthen our financial fraud laws. We'll also be joined by Jimmy Lyons, the CEO of the Alabama Port Authority, who talks about his agency's huge economic impact as well as his service on the Gulf Coast Recovery Council. And we'll discuss all of the week's top state government news in our Week in Review segment.

Spotlight on Education

4/17/14, 1 hour, 7pm, Issues discussed: Education, youth, crime, economic

We're joined by Dr. Kay Warfield with the Alabama Department of Education and Dr. Jeff Langham, Superintendent of Elmore County Schools, who discuss innovative methods that have helped bring down the state's high school dropout rate. Dr. Phillip Cleveland, Director of Career and Technical Training with the Alabama Department of Education, is also with us to talk about the new Dual Enrollment Program for high school students. And Mark Coleman, a teacher at Montgomery's Booker T. Washington Magnet High School, discusses his being selected as one of two PBS Learning Media Digital Innovators in Alabama.

Journey Proud

4/6/14, 30 minutes, 6:30pm, Issues discussed: Culture, environment, economic

'Jubilees.' On the Eastern Shore of Mobile Bay, a Jubilee is a natural phenomenon where fish and crustaceans become listless and float near the surface. This late summer occurrence is met with impromptu celebrations, community cooperation, and an abundance of freshly cooked seafood.

We Have Signal

4/3/14, 30 minutes, 10pm, Issues discussed: Culture

For our first ever repeat performer, 'King Khan' returns to *We Have Signal*, this time with 'The Shrines.' It's been a long few years for Khan and he fills us in on some of the more interesting aspects. He also demonstrates the so-called 'psych soul party' powerhouse for which he is so renowned.

We Have Signal continued

4/10/14, 30 minutes, 10pm, Issues discussed: Culture

Featuring the music of 'Crystal Stilts,' the so-called "rolling psych" band from Brooklyn, NY.

4/17/14, 30 minutes, 10pm, Issues discussed: Culture

Featuring the music of 'Jacuzzi Boys,' a rock and roll band from Miami, Florida.

4/24/14, 30 minutes, 10pm, Issues discussed: Culture

Featuring the music of 'Blouse,' a so-called 'dream pop' band from Portland, Oregon.

5/1/14, 30 minutes, 10pm, Issues discussed: Culture

Featuring the music of 'Lee Bains III and the Glory Fires' from Birmingham, Alabama. They're hometown heroes, so-called southern 'shreddists,' and recent Sub Pop-signees who sing about life on the Parkway and talk about southern shame and pride.

5/8/14, 30 minutes, 10pm, Issues discussed: Culture

Featuring the music of 'Cheap Time,' the so-called 'snarled' garage punk band from Music City, USA. Their motto: 'the only way you're gonna be cool is if you know what's cool.'

5/15/14, 30 minutes, 10pm, Issues discussed: Culture

Featuring the music of 'Saintseneca,' a multi-instrumentalist, eclectic, 'folkish' band that plow through genres and styles with soaring harmonies, stomp boxes and unconventional insights into the world around us.