



Issues and Programs List  
Quarterly Report  
1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2015

**Television**

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## **1. Health Crisis/Disease Control**

### **Lawmakers #4508**

**LOCAL**

**Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 7:30 PM**

Day 5 of the regular session of the 2015 Georgia General Assembly. Host Bill Nigut discusses top legislative issues with panelists Tharon Johnson, Jackie Gingrich Cushman, Jim Galloway, and Eric Tanenblatt. Topics include Medical Marijuana. Reporter Pat St. Claire has the latest from the Gold Dome.

### **The Forgotten Plague: American Experience**

**PBS**

**Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 – 10:00 PM**

Tuberculosis is the deadliest killer in human history, responsible for one in four deaths for almost two centuries. While it shaped medical pursuits, social habits, economic development and public policy, TB and its impact are poorly understood.

### **Lawmakers #4538**

**LOCAL**

**Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 7:30 PM**

Day 31 of the regular session of the 2015 Georgia General Assembly. The Autism bill (Ava's Law). Is the bill in trouble because the insurance industry and small businesses opposed having to provide coverage? Pat St. Claire has the latest from the Gold Dome in tonight's Capitol Report, including an in-depth interview with longtime lawmaker Rep. Tyrone Brooks (D-Atlanta)

### **Frontline #2816 "The Vaccine War"**

**PBS**

**Tuesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 – 11:00 PM**

Public health scientists and clinicians tout vaccines as one of the greatest achievements of modern medicine. But for many ordinary Americans vaccines have become controversial. Young parents are concerned at the sheer number of shots -- some 26 inoculations for 14 different diseases by age six -- and follow alternative vaccination schedules advocated by gurus like Dr. Robert Sears.

## **2. Race Relations**

### **Andrew Young: A Conversation**

**Local**

**Sunday, January 11<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 – 5:00 PM**

Georgia Public Broadcasting Senior Correspondent Susan Hoffman talks with Young about the lasting impact of the civil rights movement on America.

### **John Lewis: A Conversation**

**Local**

**Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 – 12:30 PM**

As a young man, Lewis embraced the philosophy of non-violence and put his life on the line at several battlegrounds of the Civil Rights movement. Jailed forty times for his beliefs, beaten bloody but never deterred, Lewis has devoted his life to the pursuit of the Beloved Community, where racism and poverty have been eradicated and the dream of equal rights is a reality. In this half-hour interview with host, Susan Hoffman, Congressman John Lewis shares moving and inspiring stories of his philosophy and work in the Civil Rights Movement.

### **African Americans: Many Rivers to Cross #101 – 105**

**PBS**

**Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM – 6:30 PM**

This series chronicles the full sweep of African American history, from the origins of slavery on the African continent through five centuries of historic events right up to present day -- when America has a black President, yet remains a nation deeply divided by race. It explores the origins of the people from Africa whose enslavement led to the creation of the African American people, as well as the multiplicity of cultural institutions, political strategies, and religious and social perspectives that African Americans have developed against unimaginable odds. All of these elements define black culture and society in its extraordinarily rich and compelling diversity from slavery to freedom, from the plantation to the White House. Hosted by Harvard scholar Henry Louis Gates, Jr., and drawing on some of America's top historians and heretofore untapped primary sources, the series guides viewers on a journey across 500 years and two continents to shed new light on the experience of being an African American.

### **Race Relations (Continued)**

**PBS Newshour #11173**

**PBS**

**Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 – 7:00 PM**

African captives rise up against slavery in Talladega murals: In 1938, the historically black Talladega College commissioned artist Hale Woodruff to create a series of paintings telling the story of the Amistad, when 53 Africans revolted on a Spanish ship carrying them to slavery one century earlier. A traveling exhibition organized by the High Museum in Atlanta showcases the Talladega murals, now on view at the Smithsonian. Jeffrey Brown reports.

**American Masters #2705**

**PBS**

**August Wilson: The Ground On Which I Stand**

**Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 – 11:30 PM**

From his roots as an activist and poet to his indelible mark on Broadway, this program captures the legacy of the man some call America's Shakespeare. This film tells of his journey to the Great White Way, the triumphs and struggles along the path to such seminal works as Ma Rainey's Black Bottom, the Pulitzer Prize-winning Fences, Joe Turner's Come and Gone, the Pulitzer Prize-winning The Piano Lesson, Two Trains Running and four others before his untimely death in 2005. Directed by Emmy-winner Samuel Pollard (When the Levees Broke: A Requiem in Four Acts; Slavery by Another Name

### **3. Quality of Education**

**Lawmakers #4512**

**LOCAL**

**Monday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 – 7:30 PM**

Day 10 of the regular session of the 2015 Georgia General Assembly. Host Bill Nigut welcomes Howard Franklin, Jackie Gingrich Cushman, Jim Galloway, and Eric Tanenblatt. Topics for discussion include Georgia's 3-tier system, a Senate Resolution to remove new textbooks in AP U.S. History over a claim that they minimize discussion of Founding Fathers and other critical topics and present a biased and inaccurate view of key topics.

**Lawmakers #4516**

**LOCAL**

**Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 7:30 PM**

Day 13 of the regular session of the 2015 Georgia General Assembly. Host Bill Nigut welcomes Jackie Gingrich Cushman, Howard Franklin and Eric Tanenblatt

to discuss Governor Deal's controversial push for a constitutional amendment giving the state the power to take over "failing schools."

**Lawmakers #4517**

**LOCAL**

**Tuesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 7:30 PM**

Day 14 of the regular session of the 2015 Georgia General Assembly. Host Bill Nigut welcomes Liz Flowers, Leo Smith, and Greg Bluestein. Topics include the governor's plan to take over Georgia's failing schools. Capitol Reporter Pat St. Claire talks with Senator Vincent Fort (D-Atlanta) about key legislative issues this year, and how Democrats are important to the passage of several big bills.

**Georgia High School Basketball Finals**

**LOCAL**

**Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 – 10:30 PM**

**Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 – 10:30 PM**

**Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 AM – 10:30 PM**

**Stop the Drop** interstitials aired during the high school basketball finals. Stop the Drop is an initiative created by GPB that's dedicated to preventing high school dropouts. Currently, Georgia's graduation rate is less than 70 percent, well below the national average. Stop the Drop works with organizations across the state, as well as schools, educators and communities to help bring students the resources and encouragement they need to be successful throughout their high school careers. GPB's initiative aims to decrease the dropout rate by raising awareness and supporting students throughout the state of Georgia.

**4. [Sex Trafficking](#)**

**Lawmakers #4513**

**LOCAL**

**Tuesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 – 7:30 PM**

Day 11 of the regular session of the 2015 Georgia General Assembly. Host Bill Nigut welcomes Liz Flowers, Todd Rehm, and Greg Bluestein for tonight's discussion. On the agenda: a Safe Harbor bill that would help underage victims of sex trafficking.

**A Path Appears #103**

**PBS**

**Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 PM – 12:30 AM**

Join New York Times reporter Nicholas Kristof, Ashley Judd, Blake Lively and Malin Ackerman as they meet activists fighting sex trafficking in the U.S.

## **5. Transportation Issues**

**Lawmakers #4501**

**LOCAL**

**Tuesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 7:30 PM**

Full coverage of Legislative Day 2, including Pat St. Claire's Capitol Report. Host Bill Nigut discusses start of session with panel including Tharon Johnson, Jackie Gingrich Cushman, Jim Galloway, Eric Tanenblatt. Special focus on Education and Transportation issues that loom for Georgia General Assembly.

**Lawmakers #4521**

**LOCAL**

**Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 – 7:30 PM**

Day 16 of the regular session of the 2015 Georgia General Assembly. Jim Galloway and Kristina Torres also join the conversation and discuss new polling showing that a majority of Georgia voters support an increase in gas tax to help pay for transportation improvements around the state.

## **6. Regional News Coverage**

**GPB News Extra**

**LOCAL**

**Weekdays (except Friday), 6:56 PM, 10:56 PM and 12:56 AM**

A quick 2 ½ minutes of news from around the state.