

**Quarterly Issues/Programs List
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Description of Issue	Program/Segment	Date	Time	Duration	Narration of Type and Description of Program Segment
Economic	Montana Focus "Riding Out the Storm"	3/26/2009 3/28/2009 3/29/2009	7pm 5pm 10:30am	30min.	All of the indicators point to a slow recovery from the recession. Montana Focus tracks the impact of the downturn on construction starts in Kalispell, and the fallout on the labor market. The ripple effect from the recession ratchets up the demand for food assistance from families across the state, whose budgets are stretched to the limit.
Agriculture & Technology	Montana Ag Live "Space-Age Technologies"	3/22/2009 3/29/2009	7pm 11am	60min.	A regular call-in information program dealing with agricultural and gardening issues in Montana. Presented by MontanaPBS in association with Montana State University Extension, this program invites experts onto the panel to discuss everything from pesticide use, and large-scale agricultural techniques to backyard gardening questions and even which mushroom to pick in the woods. In this episode, Justin Wissenhut from TeeJet Corporation will bring viewers up to date on new technologies available for Montana's farms and ranches.
Native American History/Sports	Playing for the World: 1904 Fort Shaw Indian Girls' Basketball Team	2/15/2009 3/2/2009 3/11/2009 3/19/2009	7pm 7pm 8:30pm 7pm	1hr	In 1902, a unique combination of Native women came together at a boarding school in Montana. They used the new sport of basketball to help them adjust to a rapidly changing world. Their travels and experiences led them to places they never imagined. Ultimately, these women played for something much larger than themselves.
Political	Montana Legislative Digest	Jan-March Fridays	7:30pm	1hr	A weekly series presenting the deliberations, decisions, processes and procedures during the 2009 legislative session. Helena Civic Television brings us weekly compilations of actions taken on key legislation in various committees and on the floor of both the House and the Senate. This year, HCTV adds a sub-theme to the proceedings, demonstrating that making laws is like making jazz.
Political	Frontline "Dreams of Obama"	2/20/2009	8pm	1hr	On the night of Barack Obama's historic inauguration, FRONTLINE examines the rich personal and political biography of the 44th president of the United States. Through interviews with insiders and observers who've tracked Obama from his days at Harvard Law School, through his rise in Chicago politics, to his emergence onto the national scene after the 2004 Democratic National Convention, FRONTLINE pushes beyond the headlines chronicling Obama's meteoric rise.
MT History	Conversation with Walter	2/5/2009 2/14/2009 2/15/2009 3/26/2009	7:30pm 5pm 10:30am 7:30pm	30min.	Walter Breuning likes to speak his mind. And why shouldn't he? At the age of 112 this Great Falls, Mont. resident has earned the right. When Walter sat down with William Marcus (Backroads of Montana) he talked about childhood, career, family and, of course, the changes he has witnessed over his many years. Walter knew James J. Hill, founder of the Great Northern Railroad, and often saw Charlie Russell in the Mint Bar in Great Falls. A Conversation with Walter is all about listening. We hope you enjoy what you hear.

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Economic	Montana Focus "Riding Out the Storm"	4/23/2009 4/25/2009 4/26/2009	7pm 5pm 10:30am	30min.	All of the indicators point to a slow recovery from the recession. Montana Focus tracks the impact of the downturn on construction starts in Kalispell, and the fallout on the labor market. The ripple effect from the recession ratchets up the demand for food assistance from families across the state, whose budgets are stretched to the limit.
Agriculture	Montana Ag Live "Invasive Weeds"	4/26/2009 5/3/2009	7pm 11am	60min.	A regular call-in information program dealing with agricultural and gardening issues in Montana. Presented by MontanaPBS in association with Montana State University Extension, this program invites experts onto the panel to discuss everything from pesticide use, and large-scale agricultural techniques to backyard gardening questions and even which mushroom to pick in the woods. In this episode, Jane Mangold, MSU's Invasive Weed Specialist, will discuss Montana's war on invasive weeds.
Native American History/Sports	Playing for the World: 1904 Fort Shaw Indian Girls' Basketball Team	5/5/2009	7pm	1hr	In 1902, a unique combination of Native women came together at a boarding school in Montana. They used the new sport of basketball to help them adjust to a rapidly changing world. Their travels and experiences led them to places they never imagined. Ultimately, these women played for something much larger than themselves.
Political	Montana Legislative Digest	April Fridays Sundays	7:30pm 1pm	1hr	A weekly series presenting the deliberations, decisions, processes and procedures during the 2009 legislative session. Helena Civic Television brings us weekly compilations of actions taken on key legislation in various committees and on the floor of both the House and the Senate. This year, HCTV adds a sub-theme to the proceedings, demonstrating that making laws is like making jazz.
Environment	P.O.V. "Libby, Montana"	5/28/2009 6/1/2009	7pm 3am	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.
MT History	Conversation with Walter	6/20/2009 6/21/2009	5pm 10:30am	30min.	Walter Breuning likes to speak his mind. And why shouldn't he? At the age of 112 this Great Falls, Mont. resident has earned the right. When Walter sat down with William Marcus (Backroads of Montana) he talked about childhood, career, family and, of course, the changes he has witnessed over his many years. Walter knew James J. Hill, founder of the Great Northern Railroad, and often saw Charlie Russell in the Mint Bar in Great Falls. A Conversation with Walter is all about listening. We hope you enjoy what you hear.

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Social Justice	Jailed for Their Words: When Free Speech Died in Wartime America	7/9/2009	7pm	1hr	This program tells the fascinating story of Montanans imprisoned during WWI as part of the Montana Sedition Act of 1918 for criticizing America's war effort. Through powerful memoir, national expert commentary, archival footage, descendent interviews and re-enactments, the film highlights the importance of free speech in wartime America and ultimately of our first amendment rights.
Historical/Political	For This and Future Generations: Montana's 1972 Constitutional Convention	7/16/2009	7pm	1hr	In mid-winter 1972, 100 grassroots delegates and a staff of some of the best and brightest young people under the Big Sky, gathered in Helena for what many would recall as the proudest time of their lives. Their task: to re-write the lumbering, old state constitution. Two months later, all 100 delegates walked down the aisle of the House Chambers and unanimously signed a document that would affect the lives of generations of Montanans to come. This is the story of those 100 delegates and the tumultuous times that ignited their fervor. It is also the story of the 700,000 Montanans who charged the delegates - a group of ranchers and farmers, business people, educators, housewives, attorneys, a beckeoper, a retired librarian, a graduate student and a retired FBI agent - with the challenge of writing a legal foundation for life in the state. 30 years later, in a new century, this is the story of their legacy. Produced by Gus Chambers and Paul Zalis, for KUFM-TV/MontanaPBS, UM-Missoula.
Economy/Local Business	Business: Made in Montana	8/6/2009 8/8/2009 8/9/2009	7pm 5pm 10:30am	30min.	This series features profiles on a variety of Montana businesses that do business around the state, the nation and the world. This episode features RO Drift Boats in Connor, Lightfoot Cycles in Darby, Aqua Creek Products in Missoula, Big Spring Water in Lewistown and Mountain Brook Studio in Creston.
Native American History in MT	Playing For the World: 1904 Fort Shaw Indian Girl's Basketball Team	7/30/2009 9/7/2009	7pm 7pm	1hr	In 1902, a unique combination of Native women came together at a boarding school in Montana. They used the new sport of basketball to help them adjust to a rapidly changing world. Their travels and experiences led them to places they never imagined. Ultimately, these women played for something much larger than themselves.
Agriculture/Land Use	Land Rich	8/2/2009	8:30pm	1hr	The family ranch isn't dead - yet. Many working ranches in Montana have roots that date back more than a century. Whether they can survive another generation is in doubt. The pressure to divert agricultural land into housing developments, recreational facilities and playgrounds for the rich and famous has forced ranchers into choosing between preserving heritage and cashing in. Filmed in central and southern Montana, the program presents a different kind of beauty that eludes the typical tourist. It's the story of ordinary people doing extraordinary things to compete against skyrocketing land values, government regulations and many other obstacles that jeopardize the family ranch way of life. But it's also the universal story of the challenges in preserving traditional values in the face of "progress." As one rancher lamented, "Most of our neighbors have sold out and let the rich guys have the land, but I like it here and I only plan on leaving my ranch feet first."
Native American History/Issues	Before There Were Parks: Yellowstone and Glacier Through Native Eyes	9/24/2009 9/26/2009 9/27/2009	7pm 5pm 10:30am	30min.	For more than 12,000 years, the intermountain West's native peoples have called the lands now known as Yellowstone and Glacier National Parks "home." This program explores modern indigenous perspectives on these last great wildernesses and explores both the cultural divide that separates our times from that not-so-distant past, and recent efforts by the park service and native peoples to bring these disparate visions into greater harmony.

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Montana History – Mining Issues	Butte, America	10/20/2009 11/23/2009 11/29/2009 12/13/2009 12/27/2009	8pm 7pm 4pm 8:30pm 10am	1hr	Grounded in the dramatic personal stories of five generation mining families, and narrated by Irish actor Gabriel Byrne, this program tells the tale of Butte, Montana, once the world's largest producer of copper -- the "Richest Hill on Earth," the town that "plumbed and electrified America," the Pittsburgh of the West. Butte forged a community whose toughness, vitality and solidarity speak to what's missing in America today, while raising profound questions about the costs and consequences of industrialization and use of natural resources. "Butte, America" is an unsentimental and moving tribute to working class life and to the never-ending labor of achieving fairness in a world where powerful, destructive forces are always at play.
Environment & Ecology	Montana Focus "Red and Dead: Montana's Pine Beetle Infestation"	10/8/2009 10/10/2009 10/11/2009 10/29/2009 11/8/2009 12/17/2009 12/19/2009	7pm 5pm 10:30am 7:30pm 10:30pm 7pm 5pm	30min.	It's no bigger than a kernel of rice, yet the mountain pine beetle is wreaking havoc on Montana's forests, and urban areas as well. What can be done about it? Attempts are underway to salvage dead trees, but there is no magic bullet to eradicate this destructive pest. Montana Focus tracks the pine beetle's voracious appetite as it moves across the state.
Education	Montana Journal "Unaffordable Education"	10/29/2009 10/31/2009 11/1/2009	7pm 5pm 10:30am	30min.	"Montana Journal" features news about Montana for Montanans. The series is produced by the students of the School of Journalism and the Department of Radio-TV at The University of Montana, Missoula. In this episode the uncertain economy and rising tuition costs make the dream of going to college difficult for Montana families to achieve. From current students struggling to pay for school, to high school students' families planning a financial future, this episode examines whether higher education is slipping out of reach for Montanans.
Native American History in MT	Playing For the World: 1904 Fort Shaw Indian Girl's Basketball Team	11/22/2009	7pm	1hr	In 1902, a unique combination of Native women came together at a boarding school in Montana. They used the new sport of basketball to help them adjust to a rapidly changing world. Their travels and experiences led them to places they never imagined. Ultimately, these women played for something much larger than themselves.
Agriculture – Economy	Montana Ag Live "Stimulus Dollars in Montana"	10/25/2009 11/1/2009	7pm 11am	1hr	A regular call-in information program dealing with agricultural and gardening issues in Montana. Presented by MontanaPBS in association with Montana State University Extension, this program invites experts onto the panel to discuss everything from pesticide use, and large-scale agricultural techniques to backyard gardening questions and even which mushroom to pick in the woods. In this episode Vince Smith, Montana State University Economist, will lead us through the maze of how stimulus dollars have influenced agriculture in Montana this year.
Montana History	Montana Mosaics: 20 th Century People and Events "Homesteading/The Great Depression/Resource Economy"	10/17/2009 10/18/2009 10/22/2009	5pm 10:30am 7pm	30min.	A series of educational programs detailing a century of fascinating Montana history. From the first homesteaders to arrive in the Big Sky, to the contemporary artists and shifting economies that will shape the years to come. Produced by the Montana Historical Society. This episode begins with the homesteading that carved Montana out of the wild frontier, it details the affects the National Depression had on the state and it follows the rise of Montana's resource-driven economy after World War II.