

Lakeland PBS – KAWE/KAWB
QUARTERLY ISSUES PROGRAMMING REPORT
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Issue: Local News

LAKELAND NEWS (30min.) (Local production)

Weekly, Monday – Friday at 10pm, repeats Tuesday – Saturday at 5:00, 5:30 & 6:30am. Lakeland News fills the void for local News in northern and central Minnesota. The program covers the activities, events and people of Lakeland PTV's viewing area. Lakeland News also covers the weather and sports events of the area.

Issue: Health, Healthcare and Welfare

CLASSICAL STRETCH (30min.)

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays at 12:00pm
Program promoting physical fitness and wellbeing through stretching.

Confrontine Coronavirus: A PBS Newshour Special – 60 min – 3/19/20 at 7pm.

This special focuses on health precautions for individuals and the public-at-large as well as the pandemic's economic impact in both the United States and globally. Anchored by NewsHour's managing editor Judy Woodruff, it includes interviews with officials; reporting from NewsHour's bench of special correspondents throughout the world; and a virtual town hall with curated questions from people across America, to be moderated by NewsHour correspondents Amna Nawaz and William Brangham.

Coronavirus: An Almanac Special – 30 min, series – March 6 – 27.

TPT shares practical information from trusted medical sources so all Minnesotans know the steps to prepare for the coronavirus -also known as COVID-19-if it arrives in our communities.

Lakeland PBS Presents: Sanford Health COVID-19 Special – 30 min – 3/20 at 8:30pm

Join Lakeland PBS for a discussion about the situation regarding COVID-19, and the local response by health officials here in north central Minnesota. Our guests are David Wilcox, Chief Medical Officer, Sanford Health of Northern Minnesota; and Susan Jarvis, President, Sanford Health of Northern Minnesota. Together, they will share practical information and facts about COVID-19 and how to best prepare for the days ahead in our local communities.

Category: Health/Health Care
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/30/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:29

This week has seen the rapid spread of novel coronavirus both within China and internationally to at least 14 other countries. On Thursday, the World Health Organization declared it a global public health emergency. As the U.S. records its first confirmed person-to-person transmission, William Brangham talks to Dr. Anthony Fauci of NIH's National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

Revolutionizing Dementia Care – 60 min – 1/9/20 at 8pm.

REVOLUTIONIZING DEMENTIA CARE explores how people living with dementia can still enjoy full and meaningful lives based on their abilities, not their limitations. Over the course of an hour, the documentary visits eight residential homes-from Massachusetts to California-specializing in dementia and Alzheimer's care. Interviews with residents, family and staff reveal the various ways models of person-centered care, and its impact on both the recipients and providers of those services. Experts and educators in the dementia care field also discuss the changing landscape of diagnosis and care, and the benefits of these new models. From equine and horticulture therapies, to city-wide dementia-friendly education programs for area businesses, REVOLUTIONIZING DEMENTIA CARE captures the evolving ways ability-focused programs can enrich the lives of those living with this diagnosis.

Issue: Minnesota politics and legislature

ALMANAC (60min.)

Weekly, Fridays at 7pm

A Minnesota focused public affairs program

Capitol Report (30 min) Sundays at 10am

Join Shannon Loehrke for Capitol Report, a weekly public affairs program featuring state policy makers' perspectives on pressing state issues.

Your Legislators – 60 minutes – Thursdays at 8pm beginning 2/6/20

A weekly update from Pioneer Public TV. Roundtable format show with Minnesota Legislators and the issues they are currently dealing with at the legislature in St. Paul.

Almanac at the Capitol, 30 min.

Weekly, Wednesdays at 10:30pm beginning 2/12/20

Produced by TPT, this is a weekly update of events and people at the state capitol.

MN Channel Legislative Coverage – Beginning 2/11/20

The MN Channel provides gavel to gavel coverage of the Minnesota State Legislature when in session. Lakeland's MN Channel is available over the air on channel 9.6 in the Bemidji area, channel 22.6 in the Brainerd area, and on many cable systems throughout north central Minnesota.

Issue: Minnesota and regional interests, living, and history

Curling Minnesota: Bemidji – 30 min – 2/24/20 at 9pm.

Explore the history and tradition of this unique sport in northern Minnesota and the impact it has had on the Bemidji area. Through interviews with local curling enthusiasts, from past Olympic competitors to families who have embraced the sport as a valued tradition throughout generations, we'll gain insight into why Bemidji has been referred to as the "Curling Capital of the United States".

Common Ground – 30 min. – Premieres Thursdays 7:00pm.

Common Ground explores the unique people, places, and events that surround us here in North Central Minnesota. Each week, we will take viewers on a journey of exploration into the diverse art, cultures, and history that help to shape and define our communities. New episode details listed below:

Common Ground #1106 – 2/6/20

We cross the waters of Big Sandy Lake to Raspberry Island Folk School where Gary & Janet Hill teach community members from near and far many arts and crafts, including pottery and carving. Join guest instructor and Leech Lake Band Member Jeff Harper at his Damascus steel blacksmithing class where students of all ages learn to coal-forged beautiful welded pattern steel for knives and other tools.

Common Ground #1107 – 2/13/20

In this two-segment episode, Debbie Center of the Nevis, Minnesota area shares her lovely musical compositions and her marvelous photography of the aurora borealis. Also, tour Heidi Jueb's diverse art walk, showcasing talents of all types with "Small but Noteworthy" in downtown Little Falls, Minnesota.

Common Ground #1108 – 2/20/20

In this first of two back-to-back episodes detailing our love for Itasca State Park, we gain access to The University of Minnesota's Itasca Biological Station where students from all over the world can gain invaluable knowledge and experience working in the field where 3 biomes merge in and around Minnesota's jewel of the north, the beginning of the mighty Mississippi, Itasca State Park.

Common Ground #1109 – 2/27/20

In this second of two back-to-back episodes detailing our love for Itasca State Park, we join the volunteer organization Friends of Itasca as they raise funds at their ice cream socials at the historic Douglas Lodge with music by Unpolished (as seen on Lakeland PBS? Backroads). The Friends of Itasca volunteer group helps protect newly planted trees from herbivores among the old-growth giants with handmade wire cages and maintains other Itasca State Park infrastructure and facilities, helping the DNR. Join Friends of Itasca on their nighttime Lantern Lit Snowshoe Walk to the Mississippi Headwaters and warm yourself by the campfire with a mug of hot cocoa.

Lakeland Currents – 30 min. – Fridays at 8pm.

Conversation with local leaders, citizens, and experts about the issues and events that affect central and northern Minnesota. Episode details listed below:

Lakeland Currents #1306 – 1/17/20

On this episode of Lakeland Currents, host Jason Edens welcomes the winners of the 3rd annual Destination Downtown Business Challenge in Brainerd, Theresa Woodward and Jennifer Jacquot-DeVries from the Crow Wing Food Co-op. Together, they will discuss the Destination Downtown Business Challenge and how it benefits Brainerd and the surrounding area.

Lakeland Currents #1307 -1/24/20

On this episode of Lakeland Currents we're exploring the topic of sustainability, and what it means to different people. To help answer that question, our host Jason Edens welcomes Quinn Swanson and Michelle Hoefs from Happy Dancing Turtle. They will also discuss their annual "Back to Basics" event in Pine River that features numerous workshops and a vendor fair.

Lakeland Currents #1308 -1/31/20

On this episode of Lakeland Currents, we're focusing on community engagement and lifelong learning. Lakes Area Unlimited Learning has been active in the Brainerd area since the early 2000's and organizes and holds discussions and programs on topics of interest to our members and to the general public. Joining host Jason Edens are Lakes Area Unlimited Learning committee members Paul Tesdahl, Andrew Hook, and Lynn Foote.

Lakeland Currents #1309 -2/7/20

On this episode of Lakeland Currents, we're exploring what it means for folks in the Brainerd lakes area to be good stewards of the Mississippi River waterfront that is so important to our communities. Joining host Jason Edens are David Chanski, Community Development Director of the City of Brainerd, and Don Gorham, Chairman of the Riverfront Project and Planning Commissioner. Together, they will discuss how Riverfront Revitalization fits into Brainerd's overall comprehensive community planning.

Lakeland Currents #1310 -2/14/20

On this episode of Lakeland Currents we're learning about the Initiators Fellowship Program through the Initiative Foundation in Little Falls. The Initiators Fellowship is a two-year suite of supports - including training, mentoring and funding - for beginning or early stage social entrepreneurs in Central, Southwest and West Central Minnesota. Joining host Jason Edens are Chris Fastner, Director of the Initiators Fellowship Program at the Initiative Foundation, and Initiators Fellow Jon Friesner, CEO of GroShed.

Lakeland Currents #1311 -2/21/20

On this episode of Lakeland Currents we'll learn about plans for the new National Loon Center in Cross Lake. The National Loon Center is planned to be an interactive, educational and recreational destination for nature-lovers and conservationists. Joining host Jason Edens to explore the project is Kris Kristufek, Chairman of the Scientific Council at the National Loon Center.

Backroads – 30 minutes – new episodes premiere Thursdays at 7:30pm.

A live music program featuring local musicians from across north central Minnesota on Lakeland PBS. New episodes listed below:

Backroads #2305 – 1/23/20

From Little Falls, MN, Jesse Eugene and the Regulators mix elements of blues, rock, country, and folk to create a their own brand of American music. Blending the one-man band style and songwriting of Jesse Eugene, with hand percussion, bass, and lead guitar, the group creates a flavor of Americana that seems familiar yet refreshingly unique.

Backroads #2306 – 1/30/20

The place Kendra and Kansas Jensen feel most like themselves is in front of a crowd, lost in their song lyrics. Whether it's a cover or an original, the perfectly-blended voices of these young singers get inside of you and somehow take you with them.

Backroads #2307 – 2/13/20

Dennis Warner has toured all 50 states and beyond, released 10 CD's, authored Beads on One String and performed in concert at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. Warner is a two-time McKnight Foundation Artist Award winner and three-time finalist for the prestigious Kerrville Folkfest songwriting awards, co-founded by Peter Yarrow of Peter, Paul and Mary. Warner is noted for being an entertainer, bringing the audience into the performance with laughter and even a few sing-alongs.

Backroads #2308 - 2/20/20

Corey Medina & Brothers are a Blues-Rock band based in Minnesota led by Corey Medina from the Navajo Nation. Band Members are Corey Medina, Eric Sundeen on drums, and Gary Broste on Bass.

Issue: National government and politics

PBS Newshour (60 min. newscast, Weekdays @ 6pm.)

The PBS NewsHour continues to provide in-depth analysis of current events with a news summary, live interviews and discussions of domestic and international issues.

PBS NEWSHOUR WEEKEND, 30 min.

Saturdays & Sundays at 6pm.

PBS NEWSHOUR WEEKEND features a summary of the day's national and international news, using renowned experts to offer analysis. Each weekend broadcast will contain original, in-depth field reporting on topics including education, healthcare, the economy, energy, science and technology, religion, finance and the arts. Hari Sreenivasan anchors.

Washington Week, 30min.

Weekly, Fridays at 8:30pm

WASHINGTON WEEK, PBS's longest-running public affairs series, features Washington's top journalists analyzing the week's top news stories and their effect on the lives of all Americans.

Firing Line with Margaret Hoover (30 min) Fridays at 9pm.

Join author, activist and political commentator Margaret Hoover for a public affairs talk show that delivers a civil and engaging contest of ideas among the brightest minds and freshest voices from across the political spectrum.

McLaughlin Group – Fridays at 9:30pm.

A weekly guide to the politics and personalities governing the U.S. today, THE MCLAUGHLIN GROUP is non-partisan political debate worth watching. Intellectual honesty and argument are the touchstones of the series, which, after John McLaughlin's death in 2016, has been rebooted with host Tom Rogan and panelists Pat Buchanan, Eleanor Clift and Clarence Page.

PBS Newshour Special Report “State of the Union Address” (120 min) 2/4/20 at 8pm.

Live coverage of President Trump’s address and response with commentary.

The Democracy Rebellion: A Reporter's Notebook with Hedrick Smith – 60 min – 1/30/20 at 8pm.

Journalist Hedrick Smith travels the country looking for positive stories of democratic reform and finds them in six states where grassroots activists are fighting to equal the playing field.

Frontline #3808 & 3809 – America’s Great Divide: Obama to Trump – 2 part series – 1/13 & /14/20 at 8pm.

An investigation into America's increasingly bitter, divided and toxic politics. Episode One traces how Barack Obama's promise of unity collapsed as increasing racial, cultural and political divisions laid the groundwork for the rise of Donald Trump.

Frontline #3813 NRA Under Fire – 60 min – 3/24/20 at 9pm.

Once an unrivaled political power, the NRA is facing challenges from all sides. How the NRA aligned with President Trump and his base, but is under attack ahead of the 2020 election.

Category: National Politics/Government

Series Title: PBS NewsHour

Length: 60 minutes

Airdate: 1/1/2020 6:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: News (live news only)

Segment Length: 00:07:02

Now that 2020 has arrived, scores of new laws are going into effect across the country. From legalization of marijuana and criminal justice reform to raising minimum wage and the cost of electric cars, state legislatures are having a major impact on the nation’s laws. The Hill’s Reid

Wilson joins Lisa Desjardins to discuss specific changes as well as three broader trends to watch going forward.

Category: National Politics/Government
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/5/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:08:50

On Tuesday night, President Trump became only the second president in U.S. history to deliver a State of the Union address after being impeached. Current partisan divisions were illustrated by the varying and emotional reactions of Democrats and Republicans present. Yamiche Alcindor reports, and she and Lisa Desjardins join Judy Woodruff to discuss the president's words and the response to them.

Issue: World News & Events

BBC World News America (series, 30 min) Weekdays at 5:30pm

BBC WORLD NEWS AMERICA delivers coverage and analysis of international events and issues with a fresh perspective, connecting the dots between the United States and the world. Matt Frei and Katty Kay serve as series anchors.

BBC World News (series, 30 min) Weekdays at 10:30pm

BBC WORLD NEWS: The latest global news from the world's largest news broadcaster. The newscasts contain all the most up-to-date news, interviews, analysis, business reports and world sports news.

Amanpour and Company – (60 min, series) Monday through Friday at 11:00pm.

Christiane Amanpour leads wide-ranging, in-depth conversations with global thought leaders and cultural influencers on the issues and trends impacting the world each day, from politics, business and technology to arts, science and sports.

Frontline #3811 Battle for Hong Kong – 60 min – 2/11/20 at 9pm.

Inside the battle for Hong Kong, following protesters transformed and radicalized over eight months. The film examines the dramatic struggle in the last corner of China where human rights and freedoms exist but are under threat.

Issue: War, Veterans, National Security

Category: War/Veterans/National Security
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/3/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:40

When the U.S. military killed an elite Iranian general in Iraq on Friday, Washington called it self-defense, while Tehran called it a crime -- and vowed vengeance. Sen. James Risch, R-Idaho, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, joins Judy Woodruff to discuss the evidence that Qassem Soleimani presented an imminent threat to American lives and why his assassination "had to be done."

Category: War/Veterans/National Security
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/3/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:08:21

How is Iran likely to react to the American military strike that killed top general Qassem Soleimani -- and how well prepared is the U.S. to withstand that response? Karim Sadjadpour of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and retired Adm. Michael Mullen, former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, join Nick Schiffrin to discuss Soleimani's role and how Iran will adapt without him.

Issue: Economy and Business

BBC WORLD NEWS (30min.)

Weekday afternoon at 5:30pm, weekday evenings at 10:30 pm

BBC WORLD NEWS: The latest global news from the world's largest news broadcaster. The newscasts contain all the most up-to-date news, interviews, analysis, business reports and world sports news.

Wealthtrack with Consuelo Mack – (30 min) – Mondays at 5am

Consuelo Mack WealthTrack is a weekly half hour series devoted to providing trustworthy, understandable advice about how to build and protect wealth over the long-term. One of the most experienced business journalists in television, Consuelo Mack consistently attracts experts at the highest levels, bringing the best minds in the business to explore building and protecting long-term wealth. Wide-ranging topics -- including green investing, alternative energy, and insurance

-- cover all the investments viewers care about: stocks, bonds, real estate, art and collectibles. Every episode ends with a personal finance Action Point to help viewers manage their financial lives.

Frontline #3812 Amazon Empire: The Rise of Jeff Bezos – 120 min – 2/18/20 at 8pm.

Examining Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos' ascent to power and the global impact of the empire he built. The film also investigates the darker side of the company's rapid growth, and the challenge of trying to rein in the power of the richest man in the world.

Category: Economy
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/24/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:07

The virus that quarantined entire cities in China has spread far beyond, raising the specter of a global pandemic. As cases of novel coronavirus rise in other countries, panic is rippling through financial markets. Grant Thornton economist Diane Swonk joins Judy Woodruff to discuss the virus' economic impact, including effects on travel and tourism, global supply chain and consumer demand.

Category: Economy
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/27/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:09

Economic worries sparked by the global outbreak of novel coronavirus are pushing major stock indexes lower -- down at least 10 percent from recent record highs. More than \$2 trillion of value have been wiped out this week, translating to the fastest market correction to happen in 50 years. Liz Ann Sonders, chief investment strategist for Charles Schwab and Company, joins Anna Nawaz to discuss.

Issue: Minorities/Civil Rights

East Lake Meadows: A Public Housing Story – 120 min – 3/24/20 at 7pm.

Learn the history of East Lake Meadows, a former public housing community in Atlanta. Stories from residents reveal hardship and resilience, and raise critical questions about race, poverty and who is deserving of public assistance.

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Concert With The Cleveland Orchestra – 60 min – 1/16/20 at 8pm.

Hosted by actor James Pickens, Jr., THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CELEBRATION CONCERT WITH THE CLEVELAND ORCHESTRA honors the life and legacy of the civil rights icon. Conducted by music director Franz Welser-Most, the Cleveland Orchestra performs classical selections by Beethoven, Mendelssohn and Verdi as well as traditional hymns and spirituals, including "Down by the Riverside," "Precious Lord," and "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

Long Shadow – 60 min – 1/23/20 at 8pm.

When two daughters of the South, Director Frances Causey and Producer Sally Holst, set out to find causes for the continuing racial divisions in the United States, they discovered that the politics of slavery didn't end after the Civil War. In an astonishingly candid look at the history of anti-black racism in the United States, "The Long Shadow" traces the imposition of white privilege and its ultimate manifestation: slavery.

Independent Lens #2109 Cooked: Survival by Zip Code – 60 min – 2/3/20 at 9pm.

Learn the story of a heat wave that overtook Chicago in July 1995, killing 739 residents, most of them poor, elderly and African American. The heat wave revealed a long-term crisis of poverty, racism, and economic and social isolation in the city.

Issue: Women's Issues

“To the Contrary” 30 minute weekly series

Mondays at 5:30am.

This weekly news analysis program is the only woman-centered national news/talk show on television. Dedicated to the premise that women of all ethnic backgrounds and political persuasions are an important part of the national dialogues, the series provides a platform for the multifaceted views of involved, informed women journalists and commentators. Topics range from women's health to family issues to women in the workplace, the environment, women in finance and education.

Fine Line: A Woman's Place is in the Kitchen – 60 min – 3/23/20 at 9pm.

A Fine Line explores why less than 7% of head chefs and restaurant owners are women when traditionally women have always held the central role in the kitchen. Hearing candid insights from world renowned chefs, including Lidia Bastianich, Dominique Crenn, Barbara Lynch and more. The central narrative unfolds of a small-town restaurateur and single mother on a mission to do what she loves while raising two kids with the odds stacked mightily against her. This

personal, all-access story opens up a timely discussion on how to get more women into leadership while tackling important issues such as paid parental leave, affordable and accessible childcare and fair wage.

Rise Up: Songs of the Women's Movement – 90 min – 3/3/20 at 8:30pm.

Celebrate the centennial of women's right to vote through popular music, including performances by Aretha Franklin, Lesley Gore, Helen Reddy, Loretta Lynn, Gloria Gaynor, Dolly Parton, Joan Jett, Cyndi Lauper, Melissa Etheridge, Tina Turner and more.

Category: Business/Industry
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/26/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:08:25

In 2015, Susan Fowler was excited about joining high-flying startup Uber -- but was propositioned by her manager on her first day. Just over a year later, Fowler detailed a corporate culture of harassment and retaliation in a blog post that went viral, helping drive out company co-founder Travis Kalanick and other executives. Fowler joins William Brangham to discuss her new book, "Whistleblower."

Category: Women
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/3/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:58

The work of women artists makes up only 3 to 5 percent of major museums' permanent collections in the U.S. and Europe. Many of these artists struggle financially -- but Susan Unterberg is trying to change that. For decades, the artist has supported her female peers as an anonymous benefactor. Jeffrey Brown sits down with Unterberg to discuss why she decided to put a name on her philanthropy.

Issue: Youth

Independent Lens #2112 One Child Nation – 90 min – 3/30/20 at 9pm.

China's one-child policy forever changed the lives of mothers and children. Inspired by the birth of her first child, filmmaker Nanfu Wang returns to China to speak with her mother and brother, and explore the ripple effect of this social experiment.

Category: Youth
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/2/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:53

Psycholinguist Jean Berko Gleason is a professor emerita at Boston University and a pioneer in the field of children's language. Even as a child, Berko Gleason loved and connected with language. It also made a big impression on her how much her older brother, who suffered from cerebral palsy, struggled to be understood. Berko Gleason shares her Brief But Spectacular take on language.

Issue: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement

Independent Lens #2106 Accept the Call – 90 min – 1/20/20 at 9pm.

Yusuf Abdurahman, who left Somalia as a refugee 25 years ago, has his worst fear realized when his son is arrested in an FBI counterterrorism sting. Follow Yusuf as he strives to understand why his child would leave America and attempt to join ISIS.

Category: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/7/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:12

The long-awaited criminal trial of movie mogul Harvey Weinstein began in New York City this week. Although more than 80 women have accused Weinstein of sexual assault, harassment or misconduct, this trial is based on charges of rape and criminal sexual assault brought by two women. Weinstein maintains the encounters were consensual. The New York Times' Jodi Kantor speaks to Amna Nawaz.

Category: Crime/Legal Issues/Law Enforcement
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 1/9/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:29

For investigative reporter Ronan Farrow, the ability to produce a story hinges upon the courage of his interview subjects. But the chance an abuse survivor has to exact justice is tied to the wealth and stature of those they accuse, and we need the transparency and accountability journalism demands to expose this imbalance. Farrow shares his Brief But Spectacular take on interrogating the truth.

Religion

Independent Lens #2110 We Believe in Dinosaurs – 90 min – 2/17/20 at 9pm.

Learn about the building of a \$120 million Noah's Ark exhibit, backed by the Creation Museum in Williamstown, Kentucky, and designed to prove the Bible is historically and scientifically accurate, and hear from residents who support and oppose it.

Category: Religion/Ethics
Series Title: Firing Line with Margaret Hoover
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 2/7/2020 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Demonstration/Instructional
Segment Length: 00:26:46

Dr. Cornel West and Dr. Robert George, the “ideological odd couple,” discuss the importance of civil discourse in this era of polarization. Leftist West and conservative George are friends who teach together and travel the country to demonstrate their commitment to free speech. They explore their opposing views on several policy areas, respectfully disagreeing as well as finding common ground.

Issue: Science/Technology

Nova #4704 Mysteries of Sleep – 60 min – 2/26/20 at 8pm.

Like virtually every other animal, humans need sleep to survive. But why? Scientists peer into the brain to see what happens while we snooze and understand the powerful role that sleep - or lack of it - plays in memory, trauma and emotion regulation.

Niall Ferguson's Networld – 3 part series,3 hours – 3/17/20 at 7, 8 & 9pm.

Explore the history of social networks as historian/author Niall Ferguson reveals the intersection of social media, technology and cultural movements. He demonstrates how human behavior, technology and profit can energize ideas and change the world.

Solid State: Minnesota's High-Tech History – 60 min – 3/18/20 at 9pm.

Minnesota is the land of abundant natural resources, known for clear waters, fertile soil, and lush forests. But Minnesota was also home to the world's most high-tech computer industry for decades, hosting the likes of UNIVAC, Control Data, Honeywell, and IBM. How did all of this end up here and why did it thrive? And what of the high-tech economy now? Find out what makes Minnesota such a "Solid State." Solid State: Minnesota's High Tech History was produced by Twin Cities PBS and Minnesota High Tech Association.

Category: Science/Technology
Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 2/8/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Demonstration/Instructional
Segment Length: 00:04:59

In what has already been a busy year in space, the London-based telecommunications company, OneWeb, on Friday launched a second round of satellites into orbit in a bid to expand global internet coverage. The launch followed the return of NASA astronaut Christina Koch, who broke a spaceflight record for female astronauts. The Verge science reporter Loren Grush joins Hari Sreenivasan to discuss.

Category: Science/Technology
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/11/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:16

Bionic limbs, long the stuff of science fiction fantasy, are becoming reality. An extremely rare vascular disease caused New Hampshire's Morgan Stickney, a pre-med student and elite swimmer, to have both legs amputated. But she underwent an experimental amputation surgery that reconnects muscles and nerves, enabling them to more effectively control prosthetic limbs. WGBH's Cristina Quinn reports.

Issue: American History/Biography

Finding Your Roots – (60 min, series) Tuesdays at 7pm in January & February 2020.

Join Harvard scholar Henry Louis Gates, Jr. to uncover the surprising ancestral stories of 28 cultural trailblazers with fascinating histories. The series ends with an exploration of how science and history can inspire the next generation.

McCarthy: American Experience #3107 – 120 min – 1/6/20 at 8pm.

Explore the rise and fall of the notorious senator who led a Cold War crusade against Communists. His zealous campaign to root out those he viewed as enemies of the state would test the limits of American decency and democracy.

Poison Squad: American Experience #3202 – 120 min – 1/28/20 at 8pm.

Discover the forgotten heroes who fought for food safety at the turn of the 20th century. Unusual experiments and tireless advocacy led by a government chemist changed the way Americans thought about food, health and consumer safety forever.

Miles Davis: American Masters #3109 – 120 min – 2/25/20 at 8pm.

Discover the man behind the legend. With full access to the Miles Davis Estate, the film features never-before-seen footage, including studio outtakes from his recording sessions, rare photos and new interviews.

Summoned: Francis Perkins and the General Welfare – 60 min – 3/16/20 at 9pm.

The first woman appointed to a U.S. Presidential cabinet, Frances Perkins created the social safety net that continues to shape the lives of Americans today. In her 12 years as Labor Secretary under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, Perkins created the Social Security program, a federal minimum wage, the 40-hour work week and unemployment compensation, and ended the legal use of child labor. **SUMMONED: FRANCIS PERKINS AND THE GENERAL WELFARE** tells the story of Perkins' life through rare archival recordings of her voice, and interviews with Nancy Pelosi, George Mitchell, David Brooks, Lawrence O'Donnell and Amy Klobuchar.

Independent Lens #2107 The First Rainbow Coalition – 60 min- 1/27/20 at 9pm.

In 1969, the Chicago Black Panther Party began to form alliances across lines of race and ethnicity with other community-based movements in the city, including the Latino group the Young Lords Organization and the southern whites of the Young Patriots organization. Banding together in one of the most segregated cities in postwar America to collectively confront issues such as police brutality and substandard housing, they called themselves the Rainbow Coalition. By 1973, the coalition had collapsed under the weight of relentless harassment by local and federal law enforcement. Although short-lived, it had an outsize impact: Breaking down barriers between communities, it created a permanent shift in Chicago politics and an organizing model for future activists and politicians across the nation. **The First Rainbow Coalition** tells the movement's little-known story through rare archival footage and interviews with former coalition members.

Issue: Education

Category: Education
NOLA: MLNH 012764
Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 2/13/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:07:08

Active shooter drills have become nearly ubiquitous in American schools. Although they are intended to prepare students and teachers to protect themselves in case of an armed intruder, the largest education unions in the U.S. say there's little evidence they are effective -- and that they can traumatize children. Randi Weingarten of the American Federation of Teachers joins Anna Nawaz to discuss.

Great Decisions in Foreign Policy – 30 min, 10 part series – Sundays at 10pm beginning 1/12/20.

The acclaimed global affairs series returns this season, featuring 13 half-hour narrated documentaries which help viewers make "Great Decisions" on the critical global issues facing America today. Narrated by Academy Award nominated actor, David Strathairn. Great Decisions documentaries provide context and exposes viewers to varied perspectives on America's foreign policy challenges from over 100 experts and policy makers. Great Decisions is a component of America's largest foreign policy discussion program by the same name. Hundreds of thousands of participants meet across the country in libraries, houses of worship, community centers and universities to share their perspectives and listen to others views on the way forward for America.

Issue: Environment/Nature

Nature #3709 The Whale Detective – 60 min – 1/8/20 at 7pm.

A filmmaker investigates his traumatic encounter with a 30-ton humpback whale that breached and almost landed on him while he was kayaking. What he discovers raises far bigger questions about humans' relationship with whales and their future.

Nova #4701 Polar Extremes – 120 min – 2/5/20 at 7pm.

Following a trail of fossils found in all the wrong places -- beech trees in Antarctica, redwoods and hippo-like mammals in the Arctic -- uncover the bizarre history of the poles, from miles-thick ice sheets to warm polar forests teeming with life.

Frontline #3814 Plastic Wars – 60 min – 3/31/20 at 9pm.

Did the plastic industry use recycling to sell more plastic? With the industry expanding like never before and the crisis of ocean pollution growing, FRONTLINE and NPR investigate the fight over the future of plastics.

Expedition with Steve Backshall – 60 min, 10 part series – Wednesdays at 9pm beginning 1/15/20.

Head into the unknown with explorer Steve Backshall as he journeys to the world's last unexplored places and faces challenges around the globe, encountering extraordinary wildlife and meeting remarkable people along the way.

Ozone Hole: How We Saved the Planet – 60 min – 1/8/20 at 9pm.

Discover the forgotten story of the hole in the ozone layer and how the world came together to fix it. Hear from the scientists and politicians who persuaded Ronald Reagan and Margaret Thatcher to take action and solve the planetary problem.