

**WTVP-TV ASCERTAINMENT
PROGRAM-PROBLEMS LIST
JANUARY-MARCH, 2003**

Crime/Violence/War

NOVA “Spies That Fly”

In the air war in Afghanistan, a 50-foot wingspan plane known as the Predator flew high over Taliban positions, enabling U.S. commanders to direct lethal fire with pinpoint accuracy. What’s different about Predator is that it flies by remote control, with no pilot on board. The next generation of pilotless planes will be capable of far more than aerial spying, and in time may revolutionize the way all future wars are fought. (Repeated Wednesday at 10 p.m.)

Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

KOFI ANNAN: CENTER OF THE STORM

Kofi Annan, winner of the Nobel Peace Prize, is considered by many to be one of the most effective Secretary-Generals of the United Nations. This film follows Annan as he accepts the Nobel Peace Prize, struggles to get food to Afghans threatened with starvation following September 11, travels from Tokyo to Thailand to raise funds and shore up support for the interim government in Afghanistan, and celebrates East Timor’s new independence.

Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2003 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

AMERICAN EXPERIENCE “The Murder of Emmett Till”

In August 1955, a 14-year-old black boy from Chicago whistled at a white woman in a grocery store in Money, Mississippi. Emmett Till didn’t understand that he had broken the unwritten laws of the Jim Crow South. Three days later, two white men dragged him from his bed in the dead of night, beat him brutally and shot him. Till’s death was a spark that helped mobilize the civil rights movement.

Monday, Jan. 20, 2003 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

FRONTLINE “Iraq”

FRONTLINE explores what’s going on behind the scenes in the confrontation with Iraq.

Thursday, Feb. 20, 2003 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NEWSHOUR SPECIAL REPORT

President Bush addresses the nation on the advent of war with Iraq.
Monday, Mar. 17, 2003 7 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

FRONTLINE SPECIAL “The Long Road to War”

Once again, the U.S. finds itself about to battle Iraq, although this time it will likely not be part of a grand coalition. How did the nation come to the brink of another war with Saddam Hussein? In this two-hour special, FRONTLINE draws on its extensive archives of more than 12 years of reporting on Iraq² to tell the history of the U.S. confrontation with Saddam. (Repeated 3/19 at 10 p.m.)

Monday, Mar. 17, 2003 7:30 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

NOW WITH BILL MOYERS SPECIAL EDITION

Bill Moyers and guest do a special analysis of the possible war with Iraq.
Monday, Mar. 17, 2003 9:30 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

PRESIDENT BUSH ADDRESSES THE NATION

Wednesday, Mar. 19, 2003 9:15 p.m. 15 minutes PBS

FRONTLINE SPECIAL “The Long Road to War”

Wednesday, Mar. 19, 2003 9:30 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

NEWSHOUR SPECIAL REPORT

Commentators do a special report on the Iraq situation.
Friday, Mar. 21, 2003 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

BBC WORLD NEWS

Coverage of the U.S. war with Iraq.
Friday, Mar. 21, 2003 10:30 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NOVA “Dirty Bomb”

This summer, an American al-Qaeda sympathizer was arrested on suspicion of planning a “dirty bomb” attack on the United States. Suddenly, one of the ultimate nightmare terrorist scenarios seemed a step closer to reality. In this important and timely film, NOVA goes beyond the alarming headlines to look at what a “dirty bomb” really is and what devastation it would cause. (Repeated Wednesday at 10 p.m.)

Tuesday, Mar. 25, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Environment

NATURE “The Panda Baby”

Hua Mei at the San Diego Zoo is the first panda born in the United States to survive. Proud offspring of a collaboration between American and Chinese scientists, she marks the first step toward bringing the giant panda back from the brink.

Sunday, Jan. 5, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NATURE “Under Antarctic Ice”

Filmmaker Norbert Wu and his team make the 2,400-mile journey from Christchurch, New Zealand, to McMurdo Station, Antarctica, to make the first high-definition film of life hidden under the Antarctic ice.

Sunday, Jan. 12, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NATURE “Dogs: The Early Years”

Tonight’s program outlines the childhood of “man’s best friends”—how people choose them, how they choose people, and their struggle to fit into the bewildering human world.

Sunday, Jan. 26, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

ALAN ALDA IN SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN FRONTIERS “Deep Crisis”

Can biologists figure out how endangered salmon and heavily fished giant bluefin tuna use their vast habitat? And will the knowledge come in time to help save these great long-distance travelers of the ocean?

Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2003 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NOVA “The Methuselah Tree”

This program examines the oldest living thing on earth. Filmmakers travel 11,000 feet up to California’s White Mountains, the location of a bristlecone pine that was around when the Egyptian pyramids were built.

Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003 10 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

THE REPTILES

This new four-part NATURE miniseries presents a fast-paced, full-of-surprises look at the remarkable creatures that millions of years ago dominated the planet, but today struggle to overcome numerous problems, including a mostly undeserved bad reputation. The first program, “Alligators and Crocodiles,” covers the ultimate predators at the margins of the water and the land.

Sunday, Feb. 2-23, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes each PBS

NOVA "Mountain of Ice"

Mountaineers and scientists battle the snowy precipices of Antarctica's highest peak, the Vinson Massif. The film is told through the voice of Jon Krakauer, mountaineer and best-selling author of *Into Thin Air*. His expedition to scale the icy peak is interwoven with the story of Scott and Amundsen's race to reach the South Pole in 1912. (Repeated Wednesday at 10 p.m.)

Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

CROWN OF THE CONTINENT—ALASKA'S WRANGELL-ST. ELIAS

This is one man's journey back to Alaska's Wrangell-St. Elias—a remote alpine landscape of tremendous peaks and glaciers—which his family visited when he was a child.

Monday, Mar. 24, 2003 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

LET THE MOUNTAINS TALK

With visually stunning stills and poetic reflections on the beauty and magic of the earth, this special profiles 87-year-old global conservationist David Brower.

Tuesday, Mar. 25, 2003 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes APT

JOURNEY TO PLANET EARTH

This three-part series explores the fragile relationship between people and the natural world they inhabit. The first program, "On the Brink," investigates how severe environmental problems can lead to political crises and increased hostilities around the world. Locations include Haiti, the Indian sub-continent, the Middle East, South Africa, Mexico, Zimbabwe and the United States.

Wednesday, Mar. 26, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

MIXED FEELINGS: SAN DIEGO/TIJUANA

This new documentary examines architecture and urbanism in the border region of San Diego/Tijuana and touches on the cultural conversation between new immigrant groups and the culture they are replacing.

Wednesday, Mar. 26, 2003 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

Social Issues

THEY CAME TO AMERICA

Immigrants to America have come from every country on the planet for countless reasons. From Pulitzer-winning author Frank McCourt's moving account of coming to America from Ireland in the 1940s to the story of Holocaust survivor Tom Lantos, who, barely surviving the Nazis, came to America and became a Congressman, viewers will find these and the many other interviews at once touching, poignant and satisfying.

Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2003 8:30 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

P.O.V. "Two Towns of Jasper"

In 1998 in Jasper, Texas, James Byrd Jr., a black man, was chained to a pick-up truck and dragged to his death by three white men. The town was forever altered, and the nation woke up to the horror of a modern-day lynching. Tonight's program documents the aftermath of the murder by following the trials of the local men charged with the crime. The result is an explicit and troubling portrait of race in America, one that asks how and why a crime like this could have occurred.

Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2003 8 p.m. 90 minutes PBS

GLOBALTRIBE

In a unique and timely new documentary series, host Amy Eldon travels the world on a quest to find individuals and visionaries seeking local solutions to some of the greatest challenges the world faces in the 21st century. Tonight's first program focuses on the Philippines, and the second, Mexico.

Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

FRONTLINE "Failure To Protect: The Taking of Logan Marr"

In January 2001, five-year-old Logan Marr was found dead in the basement of her foster mother's home in Chelsea, Maine. The foster mother, Sally Schofield, was a highly respected former caseworker for Maine's Department of Human Services. FRONTLINE examines the girl's short, troubled life and asks a series of tough questions: Why was a little girl who had never been abused taken from her birth mother? Was her mother given a real opportunity to regain custody? (Repeated Sunday at 11 p.m.)

Thursday, Jan. 30, 2003 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

**FRONTLINE "Failure to Protect: The Caseworker Files"/
"Failure to Protect: A National Dialogue"**

The removal of a child from an abusive or neglectful parent is one of the most drastic actions a government undertakes, and yet it does so with little or no public scrutiny. With unprecedented access to the workings of Maine's child welfare system, FRONTLINE cameras follow a small set of caseworkers as they interact with families and each other, dealing with the excruciating dilemmas and heartbreaking choices that confront them every day. Following the documentary, FRONTLINE will air a one-hour discussion on America's child welfare policies.

Thursday, Feb. 6, 2003 9 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

INDEPENDENT LENS "On This Island"

On an isolated Maine island of 350 people, a clash over arts education spins out of control into vandalism and death threats, tearing apart friends and neighbors. Then John Wulp, a former Broadway producer who retired to the island, creates an original school musical about the island's life, attempting to heal the community's wounds.

Sunday, Feb. 23, 2003 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

AMERICAN EXPERIENCE "The Pill"

In May 1960, the FDA approved the sale of a pill that arguably would have a greater impact on American culture than any other drug in the nation's history. Tonight's program explores the story behind the development of the birth control pill.

Monday, Feb. 24, 2003 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

JOHN WOODEN: VALUES, VICTORY AND PEACE OF MIND

An inspiring combination of biography and lecture, this program shares the compelling values-based philosophy of one of the 20th century's most important sports figures. (Repeated Sunday, March 16 at 4 p.m.)

Sunday, Mar. 2, 2003 2:30 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

INDEPENDENT LENS #405

"Los Trabajadores/The Workers"

Looking at a controversial local day-labor program in Austin, Texas, "Los Trabajadores" explores the myriad contradictions that haunt America's dependence on and discrimination against immigrant labor.

Sunday, Mar. 30, 2003 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Health/Science

FACING ALZHEIMER'S: AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN PERSPECTIVE

This new special examines the challenges many African-American families face today as they try to deal with this difficult and often misunderstood disease.

Sunday, Jan. 5, 2003 3:30 p.m. 30 minutes APT

MEDICAL ANSWERS

This new four-part series looks at Cystic Fibrosis, a serious, debilitating genetic disease affecting children and young adults—with a usual life expectancy of 32 years.

Tuesdays, Jan. 7-28, 2003 10:30 p.m. 30 minutes each PBS

FRONTLINE “A Dangerous Business”

Each year, six thousand Americans lose their lives on the job. Tens of thousands more are seriously injured or exposed to deadly poisons and carcinogens in the workplace. Are America's workplace safety laws tough enough? FRONTLINE investigates workplace safety in one of America's most dangerous industries. (Repeated Sunday at 11 p.m.)

Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

JOURNEY OF MAN

Today, some six billion people are spread across the planet. But there was a time when the human species numbered only a few thousand and the world was a single continent: Africa. Then a small group left their African homeland on a journey into an unknown, hostile world. Against impossible odds, these extraordinary explorers survived and went on to conquer the earth. Dr. Spencer Wells, a 33-year-old geneticist, travels to every continent in search of the people whose DNA holds humanity's secret history.

Tuesday, Jan. 21, 2003 8 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

OUR GENES/OUR CHOICES

Three timely and provocative programs in this Fred Friendly Seminars series engage viewers in a critically needed dialogue about the implications in the rapidly advancing field of genetics. In the first program, “Who Gets to Know?,” Harvard Law School professor Arthur R. Miller leads his panel into a minefield about genetic testing and privacy.

Tuesdays, Feb. 4-18, 2003 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS PLUS

NORMAL FOR US: THE MILLER TWINS

When Fritz and Cindy Miller learned in 1989 that their infant twins both had spinal muscular atrophy, they knew they could be facing a lifetime of round-the-clock care. With two quadriplegic daughters, the Millers wondered about their ability to enjoy a “normal” life. This is the inspiring story of one family's love and determination in the face of enormous challenges.

Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2003 10 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

AMERICAN EXPERIENCE “Partners of the Heart”

The improbable alliance of black medical genius Vivien Thomas and white surgeon Alfred Blalock began in Depression-era Nashville. Their work together led to one of the century's medical breakthroughs: the pioneering of daring heart operations that saved thousands of children afflicted with a congenital heart defect called “blue baby syndrome.” Blalock and Thomas went on to train two generations of prominent cardiac surgeons.

Monday, Feb. 10, 2003 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

ALAN ALDA IN SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN FRONTIERS “The Wonder Pill”

The placebo effect—for years sneered at as a distraction from “real” medical treatment—now turns out to be a true phenomenon and a potential addition to modern medicine.

Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2003 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

GRAB HOLD OF THE REINS: WOMEN AND CANCER

Profiling three long-term breast and ovarian cancer survivors, this new special focuses on how they reclaimed their identity, sexuality, and femininity after the assault of cancer.

Wednesday, Feb. 26, 2003 10:30 p.m. APT

Youth/Education

IN THE MIX “Alcohol: What You Don’t Know”

This program takes a hard-hitting look at alcohol use among teens and young adults. Reporters demonstrate alcohol’s effects and provide informative segments about confronting friends who have drinking problems; binge drinking and alcohol poisoning; social effects of alcohol, including date rape and unprotected sex; deadly effects of drinking and driving; and legal repercussions of underage drinking and drunk driving.

Friday, Jan. 3, 2003 10 p.m. 30 min. PBS

FOR TEACHERS ONLY

This new special, hosted by WTVP Program Director Linda Miller, features a preview of WTVP 47’s winter season and a look at the many resources available for use in the classroom.

Friday, Jan. 3, Saturday, Jan. 4, Sunday, Jan. 5, and Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2003 Various times 30 minutes WTVP

THE 2002 NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC BEE

This annual contest spotlights students from grades four through eight as they test their knowledge of world geography and compete for college scholarship prizes.

Monday, Jan. 20, 2003 9:30 p.m. 60 min. PBS

AT ISSUE—STATE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT

Robert Schiller, the new state school superintendent, joins host H Wayne Wilson to look at state school funding, disparity in test results, home schooling, and other educational issues. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Jan. 23, 2003 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

IN THE MIX “Drug Abuse: Altered States”

Drug use among teens is a harsh reality—in cities, suburbs and small towns. Co-hosted by the rock band Everclear, this special dispels the image of drugs as cool and glamorous, gives the hard facts on how different drugs affect the body, and counters common myths.

Friday, Jan. 31, 2003 7:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

IN THE MIX “Sex: Everyone’s Doin’ It—Not!”

This special is aimed at raising awareness among teens that not “everyone” is having sex and that you don’t have to be sexually active to be popular or be in a loving relationship. Teens from across the country discuss the pressure from their peers and partners to have sex before they are ready and the effect of the media that too often glamorizes sex as “cool” and consequence-free. Using humor and real experiences, the program shows the emotional and physical consequences

of having sex and empowers viewers to stick by their decision to wait, providing the practical skills to resist pressures.

Friday, Feb. 7, 2003 10 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

IN THE MIX “Financial Literacy: On the Money!”

Today’s teens have more money than ever before, but do they know how to handle it? Co-hosted by Cosby's Doug E. Doug, this special takes an

in-depth look at what teens need to know about money including credit cards, and checking and savings accounts. Fellow teens share advice on how to create a budget that works. We profile several teens with unique jobs to see how they manage their money. Finally, an economics professor gives clear explanations of terms such as supply and demand, inflation, and interest rates.

Friday, Feb. 21, 2003 10 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

PERFECT ILLUSION: EATING DISORDERS AND THE FAMILY

This special explores the “silent epidemic” of anorexia nervosa and bulimia nervosa through the experiences of families whose lives have been affected by these dangerous eating disorders.

Monday, Feb. 24, 2003 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

THE ROAD TO COLLEGE:

A FINANCIAL AID PRIMER FOR PARENTS AND STUDENTS

This updated 2003 special takes viewers through the entire college admission process—and includes a review of current financial aid forms.

Sunday, Mar. 16, 2003 11 p.m. 60 minutes NETA

Government

AT ISSUE—LEGISLATIVE CALL-IN

Viewers will be able to ask questions of Central Illinois state senators and representatives in this special one-hour live AT ISSUE. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Jan. 9, 2003 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP-TV

CRISIS AND CONFLICTS: THE 108TH CONGRESS

Produced by MacNeil/Lehrer Productions, this new special captures all of the excitement surrounding the start of the 108th Congress, looks at the new leaders, and spotlights the legislative battles that are certain to be fought over a variety of issues.

Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2003 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

AT ISSUE—THE FUTURE OF THE DEATH PENALTY

With former Gov. George Ryan granting clemency to all current death row inmates, this program looks at the future of the death penalty in Illinois. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Feb. 6, 2003 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

AT ISSUE—THE RING ROAD

There is renewed discussion regarding the completion of a Peoria, ring road. This program, hosted by H Wayne Wilson, looks at this possibility and whether community leaders can decide on a specific corridor.

Thursday, Feb. 27, 2003 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

Business/Finance

AT ISSUE—AmerenCILCO

Now that the Illinois Commerce Commission has approved the sale of CILCO to Ameren, based in St. Louis, Ameren officials join host H Wayne Wilson to look at what the sale means to Central Illinoisans. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Jan. 30, 2003 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

THE MURDOCHS

This new special provides a fascinating look at the family that rules a global information empire reaching nearly two-thirds of the world's population. Rupert Murdoch, the patriarch, is one of the most powerful men on earth.

Saturday, Feb. 1, 2003 11 p.m. 60 minutes APT

NOVA "Battle of the X-Planes"

Two aviation giants, Lockheed Martin and Boeing, compete to build the next generation fighter jet and win the largest government contract ever awarded, estimated at one trillion dollars. For more than five years, NOVA followed the trials and tribulations of this neck-and-neck design war.

Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2003 7 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

RIGHT ON THE MONEY

Focusing on "lifestyle economics," this popular series helps people make smarter, more informed financial decisions. The new season begins with "Called to Duty," a look at how serving in the military affects income and investment decisions. (Repeated Saturday at 4 p.m.)

Tuesdays, Feb. 4-25, 2003 10:30 p.m. 30 minutes each APT

SUZE ORMAN: THE LAWS OF MONEY, THE LESSONS OF LIFE

Best-selling author and financial expert Suze Orman returns to PBS with her unique approach to finances—and shows viewers how to keep what they have and create what they deserve.

(Repeated Friday at 8 p.m.)

Sunday, Mar. 2, 2003 12:30 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

KEN STERN'S LIFE PLAN FOR WEALTH

How do you make your money grow using tools you can easily acquire? In this new special, financial planner and author Ken Stern provides viewers with a blueprint for building and preserving wealth.

Sunday, Mar. 16, 2003 2:30 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Civil Rights

HOMECOMING ...

SOMETIMES I AM HAUNTED BY MEMORIES OF RED DIRT AND CLAY

Traveling to her cousin's farm in rural Georgia, filmmaker Charlene Gilbert investigates the implications of African-American land loss in the South.

Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2003 9:30 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

TED KOPPEL TOWN HALL LIVE FROM JASPER

As a special follow-up to last night's P.O.V. program (See Crime/Violence/War above) "Two Towns of Jasper," NIGHTLINE's Ted Koppel hosts a live town meeting to explore how the town is healing.

Thursday, Jan. 23, 2003 9 p.m. 90 minutes PBS

P.O.V. "Brother Outsider: The Life of Bayard Rustin"

Tonight's program presents a comprehensive portrait of Rustin, focusing on his work for peace, racial equality, economic justice and international human rights.

Sunday, Jan. 26, 2003 11 p.m. 90 minutes PBS

PAUL ROBESON: HERE I STAND, AN "AMERICAN MASTERS" SPECIAL

Paul Robeson was the epitome of a Renaissance man, yet he was the "most persecuted, the most ostracized, the most condemned black man in America"—all because of his international defense of civil liberties.

Thursday, Feb. 7, 2003 midnight 120 minutes PBS

SIDNEY POITIER: ONE BRIGHT LIGHT, AN "AMERICAN MASTERS" SPECIAL

Sidney Poitier, the first African American to receive an Academy Award for best actor, is one of the most enduring artists of the time. This program explores Poitier's life and career through his characters and his vision.

Monday, Feb. 10, 2003 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

FRONTLINE "A Class Divided"

One of the most requested programs in FRONTLINE's history, this 1985 documentary recounts one small-town teacher's attempt to teach her students about racism and discrimination. In 1968, on the day after Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination, elementary school teacher Jane Elliott decided to try a bold experiment: She began awarding special privileges to her blue-eyed students while discriminating against those whose eyes were brown.

Thursday, Feb. 27, 2003 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS