

WTVP-TV ASCERTAINMENT PROGRAM-PROBLEMS LIST JULY-SEPTEMBER, 2004

Social Issues

WIDE ANGLE "Women Rebuild Rwanda"

Ten years after the bloody genocide that killed an estimated 800,000 people in just 100 days, Rwanda's women are leading their country's healing process and taking their society forward into a different future. WIDE ANGLE travels to this fractured nation to make a film that looks forward instead of back.

Thursday, July 22, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

PEOPLE LIKE US: SOCIAL CLASS IN AMERICA

This two-hour documentary explores how social class plays a role in the lives of all Americans. With provocative wit, the film travels across the country to discover stories of upward and downward mobility, social snobbery, class consciousness and keeping up with the Joneses. People discuss how they view their own social status and about how class perceptions affect their relationships.

Friday, July 30, 2004 3 a.m. 120 minutes PBS

DR. WAYNE DYER: POWER OF INTENTION

America's best-selling author and speaker on transformational wisdom, Dr. Wayne Dyer, returns with a new special based on his book *The Power of Intention: Learning to Co-Create Your World Your Way*. Dr. Dyer transforms conventional thinking about how things happen in our lives into an exploration of the power of intention and an understanding of how each person possesses the power to co-create the life he or she desires.

Sunday, Aug. 8, 2004 noon-4 p.m. 4 hours PBS

THE BEST OF LEGACY— BETTY FRIEDAN

Best-selling author Betty Friedan—whose 1963 landmark book *The Feminine Mystique* launched the modern-day women's movement—is profiled this month as a special encore from *The Journal Star* and WTVP 47's "Legacy Project." Journal Star Editorial Page Editor Barbara Mantz Drake interviewed the former Peorian—considered one of the most important women of the 20th century—at her home in Washington, D.C.

Sunday, Aug. 15, 2004 4:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

FRONTLINE "Sacred Ground"

Within days of the September 11 attacks, the questions began: What should be built on the site of Ground Zero? Who should build it? And should anything be built there at all? FRONTLINE tells the inside story of the first stormy year in the plans to rebuild on the site of the World Trade Center.

Tuesday, Sept. 7, 2004 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

THE VIDEO GAME REVOLUTION

This program examines the evolution of the video game industry, the enormous impact of video games on society and culture, and the future of electronic gaming. Greg Palmer hosts and narrates.

Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2004 8 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

HEART OF ILLINOIS UNITED WAY SIMULCAST 2004

Featuring emotional and inspiring success stories from the Heart of Illinois United Way, this new half-hour television program is being broadcast simultaneously on all six Central Illinois television stations and WMBD Radio. Looking at a variety of local agencies, the program demonstrates how United Way brings people together to identify and solve problems by nurturing children and youth, strengthening families, building self-reliance, and promoting health and rehabilitation for all.

Monday, Sept. 13, 2004 6:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

THE QUESTION OF GOD: C.S. LEWIS AND SIGMUND FREUD WITH DR. ARMAND NICHOLI

What is happiness? How do we find meaning and purpose in our lives? How do we cope with the problem of suffering and the inevitability of death? And most importantly—does God really exist? This new four-hour series, based on a popular Harvard course taught by Dr. Armand M. Nicholi, frames these issues through the eventful lives and challenging ideas of two of the greatest thinkers of the 20th century.

Wednesdays, Sept. 15 & 22, 2004 240 minutes PBS

Business/Jobs

BACK TO THE FLOOR

This six-part series challenges top executives to descend from the heights to spend a week with their workers “on the floor.” In the first program, “Central Park,” Dr. Regina Peruggi heads down from her Fifth Avenue office to work as a gardener in New York’s Central Park.

Fridays beginning July 9, 2004 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes each PBS

BIGGER BOXES: THE BATTLE OVER AMERICA’S SUPERSTORES

Big box stores have transformed America’s retail landscape dramatically and Wal-Mart, the undisputed king of the big box, is leading the charge. This new special uses one community’s heated debate over a proposed Wal-Mart as an example of the clashes that are taking place in communities across the country.

Sunday, Aug. 15, 2004 3:30 p.m. 30 minutes KNME

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, Aug. 24, 2004 7 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

SPIN DOCTORS

The pilot of an edgy new current events series, SPIN DOCTORS looks at the local impact of national and international issues. In this pilot production, local attorney and media personality Ed Sutkowski and his panel look at job migration—specifically the closing of Galesburg’s Maytag plant—and its effect on the area. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Friday, Sept. 3, 2004 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

EXTREME OIL

Today, all the easy oil has been found, and to meet the world’s insatiable and growing thirst, the oil industry must cross new frontiers. This new three-part series explores the global oil industry in the form of a journey through the world’s oil-production regions. In tonight’s program, “The Pipeline,” viewers shadow filmmakers as they follow the circuitous route of the 1,100-mile “BTC Pipeline,” a string of 150,000 steel pipes that transport the rich, previously untapped energy reserves of the Caspian to the Mediterranean, from where it flows into the global market.

Mondays, Sept. 13-27, 2004 9 p.m. 180 minutes PBS

Youth/Education

KID CONCOCTIONS

This special makes learning fun and exciting through the creation of unique arts-and-crafts projects.

Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004 9 a.m. & 4 p.m. 90 minutes APT

CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP

Chicago Tribune columnist Clarence Page hosts this look at the Amistad Academy—a public charter school in New Haven, Connecticut, that has raised the academic performance of poor, urban children to the same high levels of their suburban counterparts.

Wednesday, Aug. 25, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

WIDE ANGLE “The Suburbs of Islam”

France’s decision to ban the wearing of traditional Muslim headscarves in public schools—a law widely perceived in the Muslim community as an undemocratic expression of “Islamophobia”—has increased tensions between the French Republic and its largest minority population, numbering about five million people. WIDE ANGLE explores this conflict in the town of Dammarie-les-Lys, a racially diverse, working-class community on the outskirts of Paris.

Thursday, Aug. 26, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

AT ISSUE—PEORIA DISTRICT 150 SCHOOLS

With the change in leadership in Peoria Public Schools, interim superintendent Chuck Fabish, deputy superintendent Ken Hinton, and school board members Garrie Allen and Sean Matheson will join host H Wayne Wilson to discuss their ideas for improving Peoria schools. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

Health/Science/Technology

NOVA “Fire Wars”

Every year, uncontrollable wildfires ravage the American West, and every year armies of firefighters mobilize to save threatened wilderness and communities. NOVA accompanied the men and women of the Arrowhead Hotshots during the summer of 2000, as they worked on the biggest fire of the season.

Tuesday, July 13, 2004 7 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

ALAN ALDA IN SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN FRONTIERS "Don't Forget"

Alan Alda investigates how people create memories—and how as they age, memories become slippery and elusive, sometimes vanishing forever. He also meets a volunteer in an experimental treatment for Alzheimer's disease, gets the latest on the search for an Alzheimer's vaccine, and joins a group of baby boomers who are learning how to keep their memories intact.

Thursday, July 29, 2004 4 a.m. 60 minutes PBS

WIDE ANGLE "AIDS Warriors"

In Sub-Saharan Africa today, AIDS is no longer solely a vast humanitarian tragedy, but also a dire threat to regional stability. WIDE ANGLE explores the role of Angola military, the only functioning arm of the state, in its bold attempt to combat the AIDS pandemic. The challenges it faces offer an arresting portrait of a nation at a crucial moment in history.

Saturday, July 31, 2004 1&4 a.m. 60 minutes PBS

HINTS FOR HEALTH: A NURSE'S NOTEBOOK®

Registered nurse Patricia Carroll presents dozens of helpful tips and hints that will help viewers ease symptoms, promote healing, follow a treatment plan, and solve problems that arise when one is hurt, sick or in pain. She shows viewers how to manage arthritis pain, treat a sprain, take a temperature accurately and more—in many cases by using items already in the home.

Saturday, Aug. 7, 2004 5:30 p.m. 90 minutes PBS

YOGA FOR THE REST OF US

Yoga instructor Peggy Cappy has perfected a yoga program that is easy, effective, and enjoyable, and in this new special, she demonstrates her simple routine, including a variety of warm-up stretches and breathing exercises.

Sunday, Aug. 8, 2004 4 p.m. 60 minutes APT

THE MYSTERY OF CHACO CANYON

Chaco Canyon, located in northwest New Mexico, is perhaps the only site in the world constructed in an elaborate pattern that mirrors the yearly cycle of the sun and the 19-year cycle of the moon. How did an ancient civilization, with no known written language, arrange its buildings into a virtual celestial calendar, spanning an area roughly the size of Ireland?

Monday, Aug. 16, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NOVA "Search for a Safe Cigarette"

NOVA probes the controversial quest for a less-toxic smoke. (Repeated Sunday at 3 p.m.)

Tuesday, Aug. 17, 2004 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NOVA "18 Ways to Make a Baby"

With male couples having children through surrogates and donors, women over 60 having babies and babies being born with borrowed DNA, options open to infertile couples are wider than ever before. NOVA covers the latest chapter in the reproductive revolution. (Repeated Sunday at 3 p.m.)

Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2004 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NOVA "Infinite Secrets"

Twenty-two centuries after Archimedes wrote his most revealing mathematical work—and eight centuries after a Christian monk erased what may have been the last surviving copy—the lost treatise has turned up. Scientists are now using cutting-edge imaging techniques to unlock the secrets of this time capsule and gain a unique insight into one of the greatest minds that the world has ever known. (Repeated Sunday at 3 p.m.)

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2004 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

P.O.V. "Refrigerator Mothers"

Autism, a disorder that affects one in 500 people, is now recognized as a neurological condition, but from the 1950s through the 1970s, the medical establishment mistakenly believed it had found the root cause—poor mothering. Tonight's film explores the traumatic legacy of blame, guilt and self-doubt suffered by a generation of women who were branded "refrigerator mothers."

Sunday, Sept. 19, 2004 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

ORIGINS, A PRESENTATION OF NOVA

Who would have predicted that a hot spot left over from the Big Bang would eventually lead to the Earth, the cosmos—and to us? NOVA covers all the exciting steps in-between in this new four-part series hosted by astrophysicist Neil deGrasse Tyson. The opening program, "Earth Is Born," shows that ancient cataclysms made our planet what it is today. Then "How Life Began" highlights the most radical transformation in the history of our planet and perhaps the cosmos: the moment when inert, lifeless matter managed to organize itself into life. (The series will conclude tomorrow night.)

Tuesday & Wednesday, Sept. 28 & 29, 2004 7 p.m. 240 minutes PBS

War/Terror/Crime

NOVA "Russia's Nuclear Warriors"

NOVA takes an intimate look at the men who are in control of Russia's nuclear missiles, standing just a heartbeat from the top Russian politicians and Armageddon. (Repeated Sunday at 3 p.m.)

Thursday, July 29, 2004 3 a.m. 60 minutes PBS

P.O.V. "Every Mother's Son"

In the late 1990s, three victims of police brutality made headlines around the country: Amadou Diallo, the West African street vendor whose killing sparked intense public protest; Anthony Baez, killed in an illegal choke-hold, and Gary Busch, a Hasidic Jew shot outside his Brooklyn home. This program profiles three New York mothers who unexpectedly find themselves united to seek justice and transform their grief into an opportunity for profound social change.

Sunday, Sept. 12, 2004 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Minorities

LIBERTY! THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION “The World Turned Upside Down”

The British hope to exploit the contradictions posed by slavery in the South and also to enlist the support of southerners loyal to the crown. The miraculous convergence of Washington’s army and the French fleet at Yorktown traps a weary British army led by Lord Cornwallis, and the end of the war is at hand.

Monday, July 19, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

THE BEST OF LEGACY—PRESTON JACKSON

Preston Jackson—a local sculptor, artist, and musician who has developed a national reputation, while also teaching at the Art Institute of Chicago—will be profiled tonight as a special encore from *The Journal Star* and WTVP 47’s “Legacy Project.” The interview was conducted by *Journal Star* reporter Gary Panetta. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Aug. 19, 2004 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

WIDE ANGLE “Sahara Marathon”

This film is the story of a unique marathon that is staged annually—in one of the world’s most punishing deserts—in the hope of drawing attention to the plight of the Sahrawian people. The poignant story is representative of the aspirations of small, forgotten minorities throughout the world.

Thursday, Aug. 19, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

HOXIE: THE FIRST STAND

In 1955, the school board of a small Arkansas town voluntarily integrated its schools, setting off the first confrontation with a growing southern movement to resist the Supreme Court’s *Brown v. Board of Education* decision. Despite threats from outside agitators, they refused to rescind their decision.

Monday, Aug. 23, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Environment

THE RACE FOR OPEN SPACE

America is in a race that will shape the future—a race between development and open space preservation. This new special examines the complex issues surrounding the development boom and how the phenomenon is tied to the American dream.

Sunday, July 18, 2004 3 p.m. 60 minutes APT

NATURE “The Octopus Show”

They don’t have a skeleton, but they do have the brains and brawn of a top predator, the ability to change color and shape, and eight arms with suction cups that can taste what they feel. The many talents of the octopus place it center stage in a new era of ocean exploration.

Sunday, July 18, 2004 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NATURE “The Panda Baby”

Tonight’s program tells the dramatic story of 18-month-old Hua Mei, the only surviving panda cub born in the United States. She plays a major role in the international effort to save the giant panda from extinction.

Sunday, July 25, 2004 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NATURE “Big Red Roos”

The Australian Outback boasts spectacular blue skies and bright red sands. However, the unrelenting sun often causes temperatures to soar to more than 120 degrees in the shade, and water is in short supply. Filmmakers discover how the kangaroo is able to thrive in this harsh environment.

Sunday, Aug. 1, 2004 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NATURE “Ravens”

Sheer nerve, character and intelligence have earned ravens a place in myth and legend everywhere in the world where they’re found. But they are also creatures of the heart—when they find a mate, they bond for life.

Sunday, Aug. 15, 2004 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

EVERGLADES, A “NAKED PLANET” SPECIAL

The Florida Everglades are the largest wetland in America, but water not only created the Everglades, it also crucially affects their future. Tonight’s special explores the area with an eye toward science, history, nature, and culture.

Wednesday, Aug. 18, 2004 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

ALAN ALDA IN SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN FRONTIERS “Hot Times in Alaska”

Alaska is now a few degrees warmer than it was a century and a half ago, and already the landscape is changing dramatically. Alan Alda meets Alaskan scientists who are working to find out if these are the first signs of global warming and what the future may hold.

Tuesday, Aug. 31, 2004 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

P.O.V. “Thirst”

Global corporations are rapidly buying up local water supplies, and communities face losing control of one of their most precious resources. Looking at tensions in Bolivia, India and Stockton, California, “Thirst” reveals how water is becoming the catalyst for explosive community resistance to globalization.

Sunday, Sept. 5, 2004 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

AT ISSUE—TORNADO PREPAREDNESS

After two devastating tornado seasons, tonight’s AT ISSUE will look at how businesses and homeowners can better prepare themselves for bad weather. Meteorologist Mike McClellan, along with officials from Parsons Manufacturing and State Farm Insurance, will join H Wayne Wilson for the discussion. A special report by Shelli Dankoff will visit with a family who had to rebuild in South Pekin after a May 2003 tornado. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Sept. 23, 2004 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

Government/Politics

WIDE ANGLE “The Saudi Question”

The question facing Saudi Arabia, and those dependent on its oil exports, is whether the kingdom will find a path to democratic reform or suffer the consequences of failing to do so. With an introduction to the Saudi Royal family from Prince Turki al-Faisal, former Saudi Chief of Intelligence and a leading royal reformer, the program explores whether

the Saudi government is capable of making lasting democratic reforms in the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks and the US-led invasion of Iraq.

Thursday, July 15, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

PBS CONVENTION COVERAGE—A NEWSHOUR SPECIAL REPORT
“The Democrats”

The NewsHour presents complete live coverage of the Democratic National Convention in Boston. (Repeated overnight from midnight-3 a.m.)

Tuesday-Thursday, July 27-29, 2004 7-10 p.m. 3 hours each night PBS

PBS CONVENTION COVERAGE—A NEWSHOUR SPECIAL REPORT
“The Republicans”

The NewsHour presents complete live coverage of the Republican National Convention in New York City. (Repeated overnight from midnight-3 a.m.)

Monday-Thursday, Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2004 9 p.m. 3 hours each night PBS

AT ISSUE—CLONMEL, PEORIA’S SISTER CITY

In the first show of AT ISSUE’s 17th season, host H Wayne Wilson will talk to citizens of Clonmel, Ireland, one of Peoria’s three sister cities. A representative of Peoria’s Sister City Commission will join the discussion. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Sept. 9, 2004 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

WIDE ANGLE “Hell of a Nation”

As Afghanistan struggled to adopt a new constitution, WIDE ANGLE filmed behind the scenes at the December 2003 *loya jirga*. The documentary profiles two aspiring Afghan delegates who face political opposition and physical intimidation as they literally risk their lives to participate in the future of their country.

Thursday, Sept. 9, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

WIDE ANGLE “An Honest Citizen”

Against the backdrop of the Colombian civil war, which claims 3500 lives a year, including government officials, this film profiles an attorney at the ministry of justice who expects her career to end with exile—or assassination—for revealing corruption among the nation’s judges. Who would volunteer for prominent public service—or aspire to govern this crippled country—when the dangers are so extreme?

Thursday, Sept. 16, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

CRASHING THE PARTIES 2004

This special gives voters a behind-the-scenes look at third party campaigns in the 2004 presidential race, showcasing the major political alternatives to the Democrats and Republicans.

Wednesday, Sept. 29, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

DEBATES 2004: A NEWSHOUR SPECIAL REPORT
PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE

Thursday, Sept. 30, 2004 120 minutes PBS

Media

TELEVISION IN AMERICA: AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY “Studs Terkel”

Studs Terkel discusses the early days of Chicago television and radio, media monopolies, public ownership of the airwaves and the origin of his nickname.
Sunday, July 5, 2004 11 p.m. 60 minutes APT

WIDE ANGLE “The Russian Newspaper Murders”

During the last four years, more than a dozen journalists have been killed in Russia, yet none of their murderers has been brought to justice. This film reports on the risks that journalists run in modern-day Russia and explores the tangled web of wealth, power and politics that defines Russia today.

Thursday, July 8, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

TELEVISION IN AMERICA: AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY “Judy Woodruff”

Judy Woodruff traces her career from the blatantly sexist days as a secretary at Atlanta’s ABC affiliate to her years as an NBC White House correspondent, as a correspondent for THE MACNEIL/LEHRER NEWSHOUR, and as an anchor at CNN.

Sunday, July 11, 2004 11 p.m. 60 minutes APT

THE BEST OF LEAGACY—DOROTHY CANNELL

Dorothy Cannell, a world-renowned mystery author who resides in Peoria, is profiled in this encore from the Journal Star and WTVP’s “Legacy Project.” The interview was conducted by Journal Star reporter Terry Bibo.

Thursday, Aug. 26, 2004 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

THE STORIED LIFE OF MILLIE BENSON

This new special recounts the inspiring life story of author, reporter and adventurer Mildred Wirt Benson—better known as Carolyn Keene, the ghostwriter of the first 23 Nancy Drew mysteries.

Friday, Aug. 27, 2004 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes APT

THE JOURNAL EDITORIAL REPORT

This new public affairs series, led by Paul Gigot, features the reporting, analysis and opinions of members of the editorial board of the *Wall Street Journal*. Gigot, a Pulitzer Prize-winner and editor of the editorial page, is well known by PBS viewers for his appearances on THE NEWSHOUR with Mark Shields.

Fridays in September, 2004 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

WIDE ANGLE “Red Lines and Deadlines”

This film goes behind the scenes at Iran’s leading reformist newspaper, *Shargh*, which has quickly built a loyal readership among Iran’s intellectuals, opinion makers, politicians, and the young, and become a lightning rod for censorship.

Thursday, Sept. 23, 2004 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

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