

**WTVP-TV ASCERTAINMENT  
PROGRAM-PROBLEMS LIST  
APRIL-JUNE, 2005**

**Social Issues**

**INDEPENDENT LENS "On a Roll: Disability and the American Dream"**

In 1992, 65-pound Greg Smith founded On a Roll Talk Radio, broadcasting about life and disabilities from his power wheelchair. A cheerful show host, the father of three travels the globe and finds that some of the biggest obstacles are in his nation's capital. Smith strives to live as an independent man, but will America allow him to be one?  
Sunday, Ap. 3, 2005 9:30 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

**INDEPENDENT LENS "Sisters of '77"**

On a historic weekend in November 1977, 20,000 women and men attended the first federally funded National Women's Conference in Houston, Texas, where they caucused, argued and finally hammered out resolutions that revolutionized the women's movement. This film combines archival footage and interviews with past and current activists and participants.  
Sunday, Ap. 3, Tuesday, May 31, 2005 11 & 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

**THE MEANING OF FOOD**

Hosted by chef Marcus Samuelsson, this three-part series travels the country exploring just what food means to America socially and culturally. Tonight's program, "Food and Life," looks at how food is important, symbolically and psychologically.  
Sundays, Ap. 10-24, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes each PBS

**FRONTLINE "Death of a Princess"**

This 1980 docudrama recounting the public execution of a young Saudi Arabian princess and her lover for adultery triggered vehement protests from the Saudi government and an international uproar when it was first broadcast in the U.S. and Britain. This special presentation will feature new interviews with the filmmakers, an inside view of the controversies surrounding the film, and an analysis of how the lives of Arab women have, and have not, changed.  
Tuesday, Ap. 19, 2005 9 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

**FRONTLINE "The New Asylums"**

There are nearly half a million mentally ill people serving time in America's prisons and jails. As sheriffs and prison wardens become the unexpected and ill-equipped gatekeepers of this burgeoning population, they raise a troubling new concern: are jails and prisons America's new asylums?  
Tuesday, May 10, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

**FRONTLINE "A Jew Among the Germans"**

As a young boy, Marian Marzynski survived the Holocaust in Poland. But his father and most of his relatives did not. In tonight's program, Marzynski sets out on a personal quest to find out how Germans are going to design a memorial to the murder of six million Jews. Over three years, he encounters artists, architects and planners who struggle with the big questions of guilt, responsibility and memory.

Tuesday, May 31, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### DR. WAYNE DYER: THE POWER OF INTENTION

America's best-selling author and speaker on transformational wisdom, Dr. Wayne 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.

Saturday, June 4, 2005 10:30 a.m. 90 minutes PBS

#### NOVA—WORLD IN THE BALANCE

It took all of history until the year 1804 for human population to reach its first billion. Now a billion new people are added every dozen years. In the industrialized world—Japan, Europe and the United States—birth rates are falling steeply while the senior citizen population is booming. Tonight's NOVA, "The People Paradox," investigates three countries—India, Japan, and sub-Saharan Africa—where social and economic forces have produced starkly different population profiles. (Repeated Sunday at 3 p.m.)

Tuesday, June 14, 2005 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### THE NEW HEROES #101 & 102

This new four-hour series tells the dramatic stories of 14 daring social entrepreneurs who are undaunted by the chronic challenges of poverty, illness, unemployment, violence and ignorance they see in the world around them. Tonight's first hour, "Dreams of Sanctuary," travels around the world to profile individuals who are helping the desperate, the destitute and the determined to make a new beginning. The second hour, "Technology of Freedom," explores the ethics and work of innovative "compassionate capitalists," who have created self-sustaining business enterprises that are designed to maximize human benefit, not profit.

Tuesday, June 28, 2005 7 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

## **Business/Jobs**

#### AT ISSUE—PEORIA NEXT

Peoria NEXT, the organization that is assisting the local growth of start-up technical businesses, is constructing a new building on Main Street in Peoria. Peoria NEXT chairman Dr. Peter Johnsen joins host H Wayne Wilson to look at the next steps. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Ap. 7, 2005 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

#### COASTAL CLASH

California's coast, like coastlines around the country, is facing pressures around access and development. Development is swallowing up miles of coastline, access to the beach is being cut off, and seawalls may be causing the beaches to disappear. A battle is raging around the fundamental question: Whose coast is it, anyway?

Sunday, Ap. 24, 2005 11 p.m. 60 minutes NETA

#### FRONTLINE "The Wall Street Fix"

As WorldCom CEO Bernard Ebbers—found guilty of securities fraud, conspiracy, and filing false documents with regulators—faces sentencing for his crimes, FRONTLINE traces WorldCom's stunning rise and fall. Examining the high profile example of WorldCom, the hottest stock—and then biggest bankruptcy—of the 1990s,

correspondent Hedrick Smith uncovers the hidden ties that enabled superbanks and Wall Street insiders to shape and profit from the telecom boom while leaving ordinary investors holding worthless stock.

Sunday, June 12, 2005 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

**FRONTLINE “Is Wal-Mart Good for America?”**

FRONTLINE offers two starkly contrasting images: one of empty storefronts in Circleville, Ohio, where the local TV manufacturing plant has closed down; the other, a sea of high rises in the South China boomtown of Shenzhen. The connection between American job losses and soaring Chinese exports? Wal-Mart. While some economists credit Wal-Mart’s focus on low costs with helping contain U.S. inflation, others charge that the company is the main force driving the massive overseas shift to China in the production of American consumer goods, resulting in hundreds of thousands of lost jobs and a lower standard of living here at home. (Repeated Sunday at 11 p.m.)

Tuesday, June 14, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

## **Youth/Education**

**PEORIA DISTRICT 150 SCHOLARS’ CUP COMPETITION**

The Peoria District 150 Scholars’ Cup Competition provides sixth grade students the opportunity to compete in an academically challenging program—and this new WTVP production features the competition’s championship round.

Sunday, Ap. 3, 4:30 p.m. & Wed., Ap. 6, 9:30 p.m. 2005  
30 min. WTVP

**AT ISSUE—PEORIA DISTRICT 150 SCHOOLS**

Ken Hinton, who’s poised to take the superintendent’s job in July, joins host H Wayne Wilson to discuss a wide range of issues including the financial constraints facing the district. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Ap. 14, 2005 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

**AT ISSUE—TEEN DRINKING**

In a recent local survey, 49% of high school seniors said they had had an alcoholic drink in the past 30 days. Representatives of Chestnut Health Systems in Bloomington and White Oaks in Peoria join host H Wayne Wilson to discuss the impact of alcohol on teens. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, May 26, 2005 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

**AGING OUT**

This new special chronicles the struggles of three young adults who must learn to fend for themselves after being discharged from the foster care system. As they “age out” of foster care, with no stable home, meager financial resources and little preparation to survive on their own, these teenagers draw on the resiliency they developed “in the system” to overcome the scars of their troubled childhoods and realize their dreams of independence and fulfillment. The program airs during National Foster Care Awareness Month.

Sunday, May 29, 2005 9:30 p.m. 90 minutes PBS

**POSITIVE VIBES**

Peoria area youth had an opportunity to hone their musical and artistic skills—and participate in a special television production—under a program launched last year by the City of Refuge Worship Center, Peoria’s “Weed and Seed” program, SwangVibe Entertainment, and WTVP 47. This new one-hour special features 11 acts ranging from gospel to rap.

Wednesday, June 1, 2005 9:30 p.m. 60 minutes WTVP

#### **KID CONCOCTIONS**

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

Saturday, June 4, 2005 9 a.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### **DECLINING BY DEGREES: HIGHER EDUCATION AT RISK**

This new special takes viewers behind the scenes of American higher education to experience college through the eyes of students, parents, professors and college administrators. Set on four different college campuses across the country—a private liberal arts college, a major state university, a regional public university and a community college—the program examines both the promise and the peril in higher education today. John Merrow reports and narrates.

Thursday, June 23, 2005 8 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

### **Environment**

#### **NOVA “Wave That Shook the World”**

This new NOVA provides a minute-by-minute chronology of the deadly Dec. 26, 2004 tsunami that devastated coastlines around the Indian Ocean—and tells the personal stories of the people caught in the catastrophe. The program looks at the science behind the earthquake, the wave itself, and the patterns of destruction left in its wake.

Sunday, Ap. 3, 2005 3 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### **JOURNEY TO PLANET EARTH**

In conjunction with the international celebration of Earth Day in April, PBS presents two new episodes in the JOURNEY TO PLANET EARTH series. “The State of the Planet” gives viewers an up-to-date look at the current state of the environment. “Future Conditional” investigates the link between environmental change and the future health of the planet, a “future conditional” on how we cope with the spread of toxic pollution.

Mondays, Ap. 11 & 18, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes each PBS

#### **ALAN ALDA IN SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN FRONTIERS “Hot Planet—Cold Comfort”**

So you think global warming won’t affect you? Wait until the great Atlantic Conveyor shuts down. And find out what’s already happening in Alaska.

Tuesday, Ap. 20, 2005 7:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

#### **NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC’S STRANGE DAYS ON PLANET EARTH**

Around the globe, scientists are racing to solve a series of mysteries. “Invaders,” the first program in this new four-hour series, notes that alien species of plants and animals have invaded every continent. What is causing this invasion, and what can we do to stop the rising tide? The second hour, “The One Degree Factor,” looks at connections among seemingly unrelated phenomena—and how they’re connected to energy use and climate change.

Tuesdays, Ap. 20-27, 2005 8 p.m. 240 minutes PBS

#### AT ISSUE—CREATING PEDESTRIAN-FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENTS

Tonight's program, hosted by H Wayne Wilson, looks at ways that cities and businesses can create an environment that makes neighborhoods and shopping districts more walking-friendly. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Ap. 21, 2005 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

#### NOVA "Hunt for the Supertwister"

During one of the worst tornado seasons on record, a NOVA camera team chased across the Midwest, capturing footage of highly destructive twisters in action. (Repeated Sunday at 3 p.m.)

Tuesday, May 3, 2005 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### NATURE "The Dolphin Defender"

More than 25 years ago, filmmaker Hardy Jones set out to learn everything he could about dolphins—and has developed unique insights into what goes on in their sophisticated societies.

Sunday, May 15, 2005 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### OIL ON ICE

This vivid, comprehensive special connects the fate of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to decisions America makes about energy policy, transportation choices, and other seemingly unrelated matters.

Sunday, May 22, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes NETA

#### 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, May 23, 2005 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

### **Health/Science/Technology**

#### FOR THE LOVE OF SUZY

A celebration of the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Komen Peoria Race for the Cure, this new WTVP production features highlights of local races, tells the story of Peoria native Susan Goodman Komen, and shares the vision of her sister, Nancy Goodman Brinker, in launching the race to raise money for breast cancer awareness, education and research. (Repeated Tuesday at 10 p.m. and Wednesday at 7 p.m.)

Sunday, May 1, 2005 2:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

#### NOVA "The Most Dangerous Woman in America"

Interweaving biography and social history, this program tells the extraordinary story of Mary Mallon, better known as Typhoid Mary. She gained this notoriety by being the first person in North America to be identified as a healthy carrier of typhoid fever. Mary Mallon's saga throws into vivid relief the emerging science of public health, and the social, ethical and legal dilemmas it posed to its pioneers at the turn of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Sunday, May 29, 2005 3 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

## War/Terror/Crime

### AMERICAN EXPERIENCE “The Fall of Saigon”

With Nixon’s January 1973 announcement of the Vietnamese cease-fire agreement, all American POWs and troops would soon be sent home. The cease-fire also left North Vietnamese and Vietcong forces in South Vietnam, an infuriating and threatening prospect for the South Vietnamese. Tonight’s program recounts the North Vietnamese aggressive, lightning-speed attack that quickly brought an end to the war and led to Hanoi’s victory—30 years after they launched their struggle for national independence. Monday, Ap. 25, 2005 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### AT ISSUE—LOCAL GUARDSMEN IN IRAQ #1727

Members of two local National Guard units join AT ISSUE host H Wayne Wilson to share photos and their experiences serving in Iraq. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.) Thursday, May 5, 2005 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

### FRONTLINE/WORLD

PBS’s international newsmagazine returns with three new stories including a report from Lebanon, where revolution is unfolding. FRONTLINE/WORLD reporter Kate Seelye—the daughter of an American diplomat who has lived in Lebanon and Syria for most of her life—navigates a treacherous moment in the Middle East and asks whether democracy or war will be next for Lebanon.

Tuesday, May 17, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### FRONTLINE/WORLD

PBS’ international newsmagazine travels deep into Iran in search of answers to one of the world’s most pressing security questions: Are the Iranians pursuing a nuclear bomb? With extraordinary access to a U.N. inspection team on a tour of Iran’s most sensitive nuclear sites, FRONTLINE/WORLD and BBC reporter Paul Kenyon sheds new light on the state of Iran’s nuclear weapons program, and the complicated diplomacy aimed at stopping it. Also, an encore of “The Kidnapped Bride,” a segment on the disturbing resurgence of a banned custom within Krgyzstan. (Repeated Sunday at 11 p.m.)

Tuesday, May 24, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### AMERICAN EXPERIENCE “Bataan Rescue”

In late 1941, tens of thousands of American and Filipino soldiers fought a desperate battle to defend the Bataan peninsula in the Philippines from the Japanese. When they lost, they were marched to prison camps in sweltering heat, and many thousands died along the way. Three years later, the Americans sent an elite Ranger battalion 30 miles behind enemy lines—and with the help of Filipino resistance fighters, they mounted an astonishing rescue that was fraught with danger yet ultimately triumphant.

Monday, May 30, 2005 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### AN UNTOLD TRIUMPH

Winner of the Audience Award for Best Documentary at the 2002 Hawaii International Film Festival, this film documents and honors the 7,000 men of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Filipino Infantry Regiments of the U.S. Army who fought in World War II. These troops proved to be skilled fighters and an indispensable force in freeing the Philippines from the Japanese and, ultimately, in the winning of World War II. AN UNTOLD TRIUMPH imparts personal accounts of the men’s contributions and sacrifices during the war.

Monday, May 30, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### FRONTLINE “Private Warriors”

FRONTLINE returns to Iraq, this time to embed with Halliburton/KBR, and to take a hard look at private contractors like Blackwater, Aegis, Erinys, and Custer Battles, who play an increasingly critical role in running U.S. military supply lines, providing armed protection, and operating U.S. military bases. These private warriors are targeted by insurgents and in turn have been criticized for their rough treatment of Iraqi civilians. Their dramatic story illuminates the Pentagon’s new reliance on corporate outsourcing and raises tough questions about where they fit in the chain of command and the price we are paying for their role in the war. (Repeated Sunday at 11 p.m.)

Tuesday, June 21, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### **Government/Politics**

#### FRONTLINE “Karl Rove—The Architect”

President George W. Bush called him “the architect” of his reelection victory. He has been Bush’s chief strategist from the beginning, but Karl Rove is much more than a political guru—he is also the single most powerful policy advisor in the White House. This month FRONTLINE and *The Washington Post* join forces to trace the political history and modus operandi of the man who has been on the inside of every political and policy decision of the Bush Administration, including the current battles on Social Security, taxes and tort reform. For Rove, observers say, enactment of the Bush agenda is a way to win the biggest prize of all—a permanent Republican majority. (Repeated Sunday at 11 p.m.)

Tuesday, Ap. 12, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### HENRY A. WALLACE

This new documentary profiles a man who, at one time, was within a heartbeat of the presidency and, at another, faced the House Un-American Activities Committee. The program reveals the extraordinary contributions that Wallace—as scientist, secretary of agriculture and vice president of the United States—made to America and the world.

Monday, Ap. 25, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### ILLINOIS LAWMAKERS

Illinois Public Broadcasting’s coverage of the Spring Session of the Illinois General Assembly airs in April and May, with a 90-minute wrap-up June 15.

Wednesday, Ap. 27, May 4,11,18,25, 2005 10 p.m. 60 minutes each IPBC

#### FOREIGN EXCHANGE WITH FAREED ZAKARIA

This lively new weekly, half-hour international affairs series—hosted by the noted author, journalist and commentator Fareed Zakaria—probes the global questions of the moment from not only an American perspective but also through the eyes of newsmakers, politicians, diplomats and journalists from around the world.

Fridays beginning May 6, 2005 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes APT

#### AT ISSUE—PEORIA’S NEW LEADERS #1728

Newly elected Peoria Mayor Jim Ardis and the two new council members, Barbara Van Auken and Bob Manning, join host H Wayne Wilson to discuss their vision for the city over the next four years. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, May 12, 2005 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

**AT ISSUE—NEW CENTRAL ILLINOIS MAYORS #1729**

Four newly elected Central Illinois mayors join host H Wayne Wilson to discuss the vision they have for their respective communities. The four—who all defeated incumbents—are Mark Allen of Peoria Heights, Scott Punke of Eureka, Paul Kouri of Metamora and Gary Fyke of Chillicothe. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, May 19, 2005 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

**SPIN DOCTORS #107 & #108**

WTVP's new current events series returns tonight to look at the local impact of national and international issues. In this two-part program, local attorney and media personality Ed Sutkowski and his panel look at Social Security and pensions.

Friday, May 27 & June 24, 2005 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes each WTVP

## **Minorities**

**MARION'S TRIUMPH: SURVIVING HISTORY'S NIGHTMARE**

MARION'S TRIUMPH—a profile of Holocaust survivor and 1953 Peoria High School graduate Marion Blumenthal Lazan—tells a harrowing story of near-escapes, dashed hopes and tragedy at the hands of Nazis. Beginning in 1938, the Blumenthal family spent six-and-a-half horrifying years in various concentration camps. Narrated from Marion's point of view, MARION'S TRIUMPH presents a life-affirming, inspirational narrative of survival, reconciliation and the limits of human endurance. Today, Marion Blumenthal travels the world—and frequently visits Peoria—to bear witness as one of the last generation of living Holocaust survivors. Her memoir, *Four Perfect Pebbles*, is taught in schools worldwide.

Wednesday, Ap. 13, 2005 9:30 p.m. 60 minutes APT

**AMERICAN EXPERIENCE “The Massie Affair”**

In the early years of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, at a time when the U.S. Navy dominated Hawaii, Americans thought of the islands as their paradise in the Pacific. But in September 1931, an explosive incident shook the semblance of tranquility and exposed the racial tensions roiling beneath the surface. The Massie Affair, a real-life murder mystery that rocked Hawaii, inflicted a wound on the psyche of the Hawaiian people that has yet to heal.

Monday, Ap. 18, 2005 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

**FRONTLINE “Memory of the Camps”**

When allied troops invaded Germany and liberated Nazi death camps at the end of World War II, they found unspeakable horrors that still haunt the world's conscience. In 1945, British and American film crews accompanying the troops liberating the camps captured these atrocities first hand. Sixty years after the war ended, FRONTLINE now broadcasts this powerful memorial in its entirety. (Repeated Sunday at 11 p.m.)

Tuesday, May 3, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

**SOMETIMES IN APRIL**

This program re-tells the tragedy of the 100 days of the 1994 Rwandan genocide. The first major film to be shot on location in Rwanda, where the real-life events transpired, stars Idris Elba as Augustin and Debra Winger as former U.S. Deputy Assistant

Secretary of State Prudence Bushnell. The tribal conflict between Rwandan Hutus and Tutsis is brought to life in the dramatic story of a Hutu soldier whose wife is Tutsi.  
Wednesday, May 4, 2005 8 p.m. 180 minutes PBS

#### SUGIHARA: CONSPIRACY OF KINDNESS

The history of World War II tells many tales of extraordinary courage. One of the most compelling and inspirational is that of Chiune Sugihara. In the face of the Nazi onslaught, this modest diplomat saved thousands of lives, using his authority to rescue fleeing Jewish refugees. This remarkable documentary chronicles the life of Sugihara and the little-known relationship between the Japanese and Jews in the 1930s and 40s.  
Sunday, May 15, 2005 9 p.m. 90 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. Although his killers were arrested and charged with murder, they were both quickly acquitted by an all-white, all-male jury. Soon after, the defendants sold their story, including a detailed account of how they murdered

Till, to a journalist. The murder and the trial horrified the nation and the world. Till's death was a spark that helped mobilize the civil rights movement. Three months after his body was pulled from the Tallahatchie River, the Montgomery Bus Boycott began.

Monday, May 16, 2005 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### TIME OF FEAR

In World War II, more than 110,000 Japanese Americans were forced to leave their homes and relocate to military camps. This documentary tells the story of the 16,000 men, women and children who were sent to two camps in southeast Arkansas, one of the poorest and most racially segregated places in America. TIME OF FEAR is a tale of suspicion and fear, of resilience and of the deep scars left by America's long and unfinished struggle with race.

Monday, May 16, 2005 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### THE HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: THE TEAM THAT CHANGED THE WORLD

This new special reveals the untold story of how the Harlem Globetrotters helped break the color barrier in American sports, while introducing much of the world to the game of basketball.

Tuesday, June 21, 2005 8 p.m. 60 minutes NETA

## **Communications/Media**

#### AMERICAN EXPERIENCE "The Great Transatlantic Cable"

Until the first transatlantic cable was laid, communication between North America and Europe took at least a week. AMERICAN EXPERIENCE documents the grueling attempts to manufacture a cable long enough to span the continents, and the challenges of laying it across the ocean floor—part of a courageous adventure that would change communications forever.

Monday, Ap. 11 2005 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS