

**WTVP-TV ASCERTAINMENT  
PROGRAM-PROBLEMS LIST  
OCTOBER-DECEMBER, 2009**

**Business/Finance/Jobs**

The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer

Job Losses Rise, Dampening Hopes for a Quick Recovery: Employers shed 263,000 jobs in September, more than analysts expected, bringing the jobless rate to 9.8 percent. Economics columnist David Leonhardt and labor expert Jacob Kirkegaard look at the numbers.

Friday, Oct. 2, 2009 6 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Market to Market

Hosted by Mark Pearson, nationally recognized for his agribusiness and rural expertise, Market to Market continues its tradition of solid reporting on the issues confronting farm country and expert analysis of major commodity markets that fuel the rural economy.

Sundays, Oct. 4-Dec. 27, 2009 1 p.m. 30 minutes each Iowa Public TV

The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer

Commercial Real Estate May Be Next Victim of Recession: Just two years ago an office space in midtown Manhattan could fetch close to \$1.7 billion. Today, the same property trades for about \$600 million. A sign the commercial real estate market will be the next shoe to drop in the U.S. economy? Paul Solman reports.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2009 6 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

America's Heartland

This 22-part series celebrates United States agriculture by spotlighting the diverse group of men and women, who grow the country's crops, raise its livestock, tend its nurseries and prepare its food. The series portrays the works of agriculture, horticulture and aquaculture through fascinating stories and characters, innovative ideas and enticing travel destinations.

Thursdays, Oct. 8-Dec. 31, 2009 11:30 a.m. 30 minutes each APT

The Crash of 1929: American Experience

On October 29, 1929, the lifelong dreams of hundreds of thousands of stock market investors -- middle-class secretaries, clerks, small businessmen -- vanished in a few hours, along with their hard-earned savings. Decades later, the events of this day still haunt the American psyche. This program examines the boom before the crash, whether the crash was predictable, and if it precipitated the Great Depression of the 1930's.

Thursday, Oct. 26, 2009 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

AT ISSUE

The Impact of County Budget Cuts

H. Wayne Wilson talks to Patrick Urich - Peoria County Administrator, David Jones - Tazewell County Administrator, and Terry Lindberg - McLean County Administrator about budget cuts at the county level. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Oct. 29, 2009 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

#### Interesting People

Ed Sutkowski sits down with William C. Stone, Founder and CEO of SS&C Technologies, a mission-critical software and software-enabled service for the global financial services industry. (Repeated Nov. 25 at 9:30 p.m.)

Sunday, Nov. 1, 2009 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

#### AT ISSUE

##### Peoria's Budget Crunch

With a projected \$14-million shortfall in the next year's fiscal budget, the City of Peoria has been looking at cuts and new sources of revenue. Mayor Jim Ardis and new city manager Scott Moore discuss the impact the budget cuts will have on city services. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Nov. 5, 2009 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

#### Frontline

##### The Card Game

An investigation of how the credit card industry has become a profit center for banks and financial institutions and a danger to consumers, who are spending more than their pocketbooks can bear and paying dearly for it.

Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2009 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### Frontline

##### The Madoff Affair

FRONTLINE producers Martin Smith and Marcela Gaviria unravel the story behind the world's first truly global Ponzi scheme — a deception that lasted longer, reached wider and cut deeper than any other business scandal in history.

Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2009 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### PBS NewsHour

How Big is Too Big to Fail?: Paul Solman talks to economist George Schultz about the merging of large, national banks and how that could impact the idea that some companies are too big to fail.

Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2009 6 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

## Environment

#### PBS Previews: The National Parks: America's Best Idea

PBS presents a preview of the new Ken Burns film NATIONAL PARKS: AMERICA'S BEST IDEA. The 12-hour, six-part documentary series, directed by Burns and co-produced with his longtime colleague, Dayton Duncan, who also

wrote the script, is the story of an idea as uniquely American as the Declaration of Independence and just as radical: that the most special places in the nation should be preserved, not for royalty or the rich, but for everyone.

Various dates and times, Oct.-Dec., 2009 30 minutes PBS

#### The National Parks: America's Best Idea

This film explores how the national park system came to be and works its way chronologically through the history of the national parks featuring characters -- some famous, most not, from every walk of life -- who dedicated their lives to insuring all could enjoy these places.

Thursday, Oct. 1-Friday, Oct. 2, 2009 7 & 9 p.m. 2 hrs each PBS

#### Paving the Way: The National Park to Park Highway

At a time when train travel to the National Parks was only for the wealthy, this program follows the convergence of U.S. Land being set aside for all people, and the development of the "autos for the everyman."

Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009 3 p.m. 120 minutes APT

#### Fueling Our Future: A Fred Friendly Seminar

A skilled moderator (CNN's Frank Sesno), a hypothetical situation (a newly elected U.S. president faces a crippling energy crisis), and a distinguished panel of scientists, business leaders, politicians and journalists who assume roles within the scenario, highlight the tough decisions America must face in order to "fuel the future."

Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009 11 p.m. 60 minutes APT

#### Nature

##### Supersize Crocs

Tall tales of giant man-eating crocodiles inhabit a world between fact and fiction. The truth is that some crocodile species have been known to exceed 20 feet, such as Nile crocs, American crocs and the Asian-Pacific saltwater croc, which has been reported up to even 23 feet. Hosted by world-renowned herpetologist Romulus Whitaker, the program attempts to discover the last of these leviathans.

Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### Ribbon of Sand

The Outer Banks of North Carolina are a slim and moving line of sand in the open Atlantic. Many travelers think they know these islands, but south of Ocracoke Inlet there rises a luminous bar of sand 60 miles in extent, with no roads, no bridges and no hotels. These are the wild beaches of Cape Lookout -- one of the few remaining natural barrier islands in the world. At once an exaltation and elegy, "Ribbon of Sand" profiles this seascape and the transitory islands that are doomed to disappear. Meryl Streep reads excerpts from Rachel Carson's writings.

Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

### Buffalo Flows

Arkansas' Buffalo River, born in the Ozark Mountains, is one of the nation's remaining free-flowing rivers. This program outlines the "Battle for the Buffalo," the efforts of conservation groups to prevent damming, and captures the river's magnificent beauty over four seasons.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2009 9 p.m. (Rpt. Sun. at 3 p.m.) 60 minutes PBS

### Remembered Earth: New Mexico's High Desert

New Mexico's high desert is a captivating land of hallowed mountains, red rock canyons and vast, sere plateaus. In "Remembered Earth," filmmaker John Grabowska and Indian author N. Scott Momaday present a vision of hope for humankind's relationship to the natural world by interpreting the myth, beauty and power of a scarred but sacred landscape of the American West.

Sunday, Oct. 11, 2009 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

### Nature

#### Rhinoceros

Millions of rhinos once roamed the Earth. There were hundreds of species of all shapes and sizes. But today, the rhinoceros is one of the planet's rarest animals, with three of its species on the brink of extinction. While there's still a chance to save them, teams of rhino experts work to protect them from poachers, relocate them to better habitats and breed them in captivity.

Sunday, Oct. 18, 2009 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Civilian Conservation Corps: American Experience

This film tells the story of one of the boldest and most popular New Deal experiments, positioning it as a pivotal moment in the emergence of modern environmentalism and federal unemployment relief.

Monday, Nov. 2, 2009 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Surviving the Dust Bowl: American Experience

They were called "Black Blizzards," dark clouds reaching miles into the sky, churning millions of tons of dirt into torrents of destruction. For ten years beginning in 1930, dust storms ravaged the parched and overplowed southern plains, turning bountiful wheat fields into desert. Disease, hardship and death followed, yet the majority of people stayed on, steadfastly refusing to give up on the land and a way of life.

Monday, Nov. 16, 2009 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Bill Moyers Journal

Despite dire warnings for our endangered planet, Jane Goodall says all is not yet lost – we can change course if we act now. And she should know. Her tough-minded optimism comes from her work as the world's foremost authority on chimpanzees in Tanzania's Gombe National Park. Now, traveling 300 days a year, she has become a global advocate for all life, challenging everyone to see ourselves as caretakers of the planet. Her new book Hope for the Animals and

Their World features the heroic work of men and women working around the world to protect and preserve the Earth.  
Friday, Nov. 27, 2009 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

PBS NewsHour

EPA: Greenhouse Gases Pose Danger to Humans: In an interview with Gwen Ifill, EPA Administrator Lisa Jackson explains the decision to declare greenhouse gases a danger to human health.  
Monday, Dec. 7, 2009 6 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

PBS NewsHour

Climate Pact Elusive in Copenhagen as Stakes Rise: Rallying cries for a global reduction in emissions grew louder at an international climate change summit in Copenhagen on Wednesday. Yet as Judy Woodruff reports, a deal is still far from complete.  
Wednesday, Dec. 9, 2009 6 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

## **Government/Politics**

AT ISSUE

State Legislative Veto Session

H. Wayne Wilson talks to Dan Brady (R) - State Representative, 88th Dist., Jehan Gordon (D) - State Representative, 92nd Dist., Dave Koehler (D) - State Senator, 46th Dist., and Dale Risinger (R) - State Senator, 37th Dist. about state politics. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)  
Thursday, Oct. 22, 2009 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVB

Illinois Lawmakers

Tonight's program features an in-depth look at the fall veto session of the Illinois Legislature.  
Wednesday, Oct.28, 2009 10 p.m. 60 minutes each IPBC

## **Health/Science/Technology**

Keeping Kids Healthy

Nationally recognized health professionals join Dr. Winnie King, a practicing board-certified emergency room physician, in addressing parents' real concerns about health, safety and parenting issues. Segments address a broad range of physical and psycho-social issues.  
Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009 11:30 a.m. 30 minutes APT

Eyes of Nye

The Eyes of Nye continues Bill Nye's mission of encouraging viewers to look at the world in a more scientific way. Weekly half-hour episodes tackle big themes and go beyond the basics. Nye talks with experts on the leading edge of

discovery and answers questions about global warming, evolution, transportation and other topics.

Sundays, Oct. 4-Nov. 15, 2009 5 p.m. 30 minutes each APT

#### Darwin's Darkest Hour

This moving drama brings to life Charles Darwin's greatest personal crisis: the anguishing decision over whether to "go public" with his theory of evolution.

Tuesday, Oct. 6, 2009 7 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

#### Second Opinion

This long-running series engages a panel of medical professionals and lay people in honest, in-depth discussions about life-changing medical decisions.

Sundays, Oct. 11-Dec. 27, 2009 11:30 a.m. 30 minutes APT

#### NOVA - Hubble's Amazing Rescue

In the spring of 2009, NASA sent a shuttle crew, including Peikin native Shuttle Commander Scott Altman, on a risky mission to service the Hubble Space Telescope for the last time. Hubble has enthralled scientists and the public by capturing deep views of the cosmos and a wealth of data from distant galaxies. It has helped lead the search for alien planets and is a key tool in cosmology's quest to investigate and map the universe's mysterious dark matter.

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2009 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### AT ISSUE

##### Prescription Drug Abuse

H. Wayne Wilson talks with Anne Howerton - Hult Center for Health Education, Robert Huston - Tazewell County Sheriff, and John Preckshot - Preckshot Professional Pharmacy about prescription drug abuse. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVF

#### NOVA

##### Family That Walk on All Fours

An intense scientific debate has ignited around a quiet but extraordinary family living in rural Turkey -- a family with five adults who walk on all fours. Since bipedality has long been considered one of the defining characteristics of modern humans, such a discovery raises fascinating questions about genetics, society and the evolutionary history of our species. Is this the anthropological find of the millennium or simply a unique medical case?

Sunday, Nov. 1, 2009 3 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

#### NOVA

##### Becoming Human

This three-part special is an in-depth televised investigation documenting an explosion of recent discoveries in human evolution.

Tuesdays, Nov. 3-17, 2009 7 p.m. 180 minutes PBS

### Nanotechnology

This three-part series deals with the science of tiny particles that now have a major impact on our lives. Nanotechnology enables easy, ubiquitous and convenient sensor, surveillance and tracking technologies to be employed by almost anyone. It also enables major advances in our abilities to detect, treat, and prevent disease, and delivers urgently needed advances in sustainable and clean energy technologies and environmental cleanup. However, there are still uncertainties about the health and environmental impact of the tiny engineered particles that enable these technologies. Are our laws and regulations adequate to protect us and protect our environment? With all new technologies and new materials, information is never perfect, but do we have enough knowledge to make sensible decisions? And who gets to decide?

Tuesdays, Nov. 10, 17 & 24, 2009 8 p.m. 180 minutes APT

### Science Trek

Hosted by LeVar Burton, Science Trek combines science fact, science fiction and footage from the *Star Trek* franchise to uncover astonishing scientific discoveries being made around the world.

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 2009 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Minds on the Edge: Facing Mental Illness

This program connects the dots between personal dilemmas facing individuals and families who are living with mental illness, medical practices that can be obstacles to treatment, laws that may have unintended consequences and public policies that all too often fall short in responding with programs that could make a positive difference.

Tuesday, Dec. 8, 2009 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Anatomy of a Pandemic

This program carefully examines the major issues surrounding the current H1N1 flu outbreak, and what the U.S. and other world governments should do to become better prepared to combat any widespread health emergency. Tuesday, Monday, Dec. 14, 2009 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Secrets of the Dead

#### The Killer Flu

This encore program follows scientists, led by Jeffrey Taubenberger, who have been seeking to learn where the 1918 flu virus came from and what made it so deadly. Using fragments of undamaged 1918 virus found in lung tissue of a flu victim, Taubenberger and his team set out to map the genes of the killer flu.

Monday, Dec. 14, 2009 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Bold Visions: Women in Science and Technology

A glimpse into the lives of extraordinary women working in the fields of science and technology.

Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2009 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes APT

## Youth/Education

### Biz Kid\$

Anybody can be a Biz Kid with effort and the right attitude. Biz Kids identify a need, make a plan, and take action. You'll meet a skateboard designer, a rap music producer, a boy who started a rock-a-thon to raise money for hospital rocking chairs, and more.

Sundays, Oct. 4-Dec. 27, 2009 5:30 p.m. 30 minutes each PBS

### Frontline

#### The Medicated Child

With over four million children now on behavior modifying medications -- some starting as young as two years old -- FRONTLINE continues its investigation into the controversial practice of medicating kids. Are the drugs safe? How young can you detect mental illness in a child? Is medication really the answer?

Tuesday, Nov. 3, 2009 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### AT ISSUE

#### Ken Hinton

As Ken Hinton prepares to retire on December 1, this edition of At Issue will look back at his career at both District 150 schools and Edison Schools, Inc., look forward to what the district, state or other entity needs to do to address urban school district needs in the future, and review the difficulties that exist when trying to "right-size" any school district. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Nov. 19, 2009 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

### Ballet Shoes

This historical drama about family and fame set in 1930s London tells the enchanting tale of three orphan girls who set out to fulfill their dreams.

Thursday, Nov. 26, 2009 8 p.m. 90 minutes APT

### When Learning Comes Naturally

This program documents innovative outdoor-education programs around the country created to help children understand and experience the wonders and joys of nature. The film explores the immediate and lasting benefits of introducing young children to "green" experiences.

Thursday, Nov. 26, 2009 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes APT

### Growing in Wisdom and Grace

Spalding Institute and the Academy of Our Lady taught more than academics. These two schools helped formed the morals, values and faith of generations of students who continue to shape our Central Illinois community. From outsmarting dress codes to insights on Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, generations of alumni share memories and discuss the lasting influences from their school years in this

WTVP production. Featuring the memories of Jim Maloof, Coach Ed Bradle, Rita Haas, Tim Irwin and more.

Monday, Nov. 30, 2009 7 p.m. 60 minutes WTVP

Daring Kids with Miriam Peskowitz

Daring Kids sets out to capture the eight year old girl and boy in all of us. The program offers at-home, do-it-yourself crafts and games of yesteryear and useful lifetime lessons to be cherished by the entire family.

Sunday, Dec. 6, 2009 1:30 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

At Issue – Charter Schools

This episode of At Issue focuses on an effort by citizens to form a math, science and technology charter school in the Peoria 150 school district. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Dec. 17, 2009 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

Cricket on the Hearth

This digitally remastered holiday special, which originally aired in 1967 on The Danny Thomas Show, tells the heartwarming story of a cricket who befriends a kind toy maker and his blind daughter.

Sunday, Dec. 27, 2009 4 p.m. 60 minutes APT

Interesting People

Interesting People host Ed Sutkowski talks with “Dr. Andy” Morgan, noted developmental pediatrician and founder of *The Penguin Project*, which gives children with disabilities an opportunity to participate in the performing arts.

Monday, Dec. 28, 2009 9:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

## **Social Issues**

To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe

Health Care Reform for Women: Rep. Jan Schakowsky (D-IL) discusses how the proposed health care plan will impact women and families. Official English: The movement to declare English the official language of the U.S. is gaining momentum as more states consider pro-English measures. The panelists are: Former National Organization for Women President Kim Gandy; Conservative Commentator Tara Setmayer; Progressive Commentator Patricia Sosa; and Center for Equal Opportunity Chair Linda Chavez.

Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009 12:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

NOW on PBS

Life Panel? Death Panel?: How did private discussions between seniors and their doctors about end-of-life choices for the very ill or dying become a flash point in the national health care debate? This week, NOW travels to Wisconsin to sit in on some of these sessions and see how health care reform could profoundly affect the lives of American seniors. The not-for-profit Gundersen Lutheran

Hospital has two decades of experience in this area. Their "Respecting Choices" initiative has become one of the most comprehensive end-of-life planning programs in the country. Two families grappling with the most difficult and complex life and death issues gave NOW on PBS extraordinary access to their discussions and their decisions.

Friday, Oct. 9, 2009 7:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

Unnatural Causes: Is Inequality Making Us Sick?

What connections exist between healthy bodies, healthy bank accounts, and skin color? Four individuals from different walks of life demonstrate how one's position in society -- shaped by social policies and public priorities -- affects health.

Tuesdays, Oct. 13-Nov. 3, 2009 8 p.m. 240 minutes PBS

NewsHour with Jim Lehrer

News Wrap--Obama Seeks More Help for Seniors: In other news, President Obama asked Congress to approve extra social security payments for the nation's seniors, and tensions over an American aid package for Pakistan appeared to ease.

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2009 6 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Tavis Smiley

Father-daughter musicians Pete Escovedo and Sheila E. discuss playing together as a family, music in schools and the Elevate Hope foundation.

Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009 10 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

Independent Lens

Butte, America

You see the world differently when you work underground. That made Butte, Montana different right from the start as immigrants came from around the world to work the mines. But what they blasted out of the 10,000 miles of tunnels was more than just copper. It was the rise of unions and multinational corporations, and the seeds of the current debate over the environment.

Sunday, Oct. 25, 2009 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Frontline

Close to Home

Producer Ofra Bikel chronicles how the middle class is faring in this recession through the stories of the people who she's come to know at the hair salon she's frequented for the past twenty years. The film reveals the struggles of a small business owner to stay afloat, her sister's risk of imminent foreclosure on her Florida home, and the various clients whose lives intersect at this New York City salon--from well-to-do bankers to struggling actors, each with a story to tell about how they're getting by in these turbulent times.

Tuesday, Oct. 27, 2009 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

AT ISSUE

### Peoria Arts on the National Stage

NEA Executive Director Rocco Landesman, in the aftermath of a statement that suggested Peoria may not have much cultural activity, will discuss his goals for arts funding. He will specifically address his desire for funding to be based on quality and not geography. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Nov. 12, 2009 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes WTVP

### Rick Steves' Iran

Rick Steves journeys to Iran in the hopes of getting to know this ancient country - a leader in its corner of the world for 2,500 years - and to better understand the 70 million people living there. Shot in Tehran, Shiraz, Esfahan, Persepolis and villages in between, RICK STEVES' IRAN details the country's rich artistic and cultural heritage.

Saturday, Nov. 28, 2009 5:30 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Independent Lens

#### Scenes from a Parish

Filmed over four years, this program tells a story that is being played out in churches across the country, as neighborhood parishes struggle to serve the needs of communities transformed by rampant economic and cultural change.

Tuesday, Dec. 29, 2009 9 p.m. 90 minutes PBS

## **War/Terror/Crime**

### NewsHour with Jim Lehrer

New Attacks Add Gravity to Afghan Strategy Review: The U.S. toll in Afghanistan climbed after a weekend of heavy casualties as President Obama considers a push from top military commanders to add more troops to the conflict. Two military experts offer their views.

Monday, Oct. 5, 2009 6 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Charlie Rose

Charlie spends an hour with Harvard professor Michael Sandel who teaches one of the most popular courses for undergraduates. He also has a new book called "Justice: What's the Right Thing to Do."

Monday, Oct. 12, 2009 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

### Frontline

#### Obama's War

Tens of thousands of fresh American troops are now on the move in Afghanistan, led by a new commander, and armed with a counter-insurgency plan that builds on the lessons of Iraq. But can U.S. forces succeed in a land long known as the "graveyard of empires?" FRONTLINE producers Martin Smith (Beyond Baghdad, Return of the Taliban) and Marcela Gaviria (In Search of Al Qaeda) again make the dangerous journey to the frontlines of America's biggest fight.

Tuesday, Oct. 13, 2009 9 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer

Just days after the deadly shooting at Fort Hood, President Barack Obama marked Veterans Day with an address at Arlington National Cemetery. Hours later, he met with military advisers to discuss a new strategy for Afghanistan. Kwame Holman reports.

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2009 6 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

NOVA

The Spy Factory

This is a suspenseful and eye-opening report on the threat to privacy and the effectiveness of high-tech surveillance in the age of terrorism.

Tuesday, Dec. 15, 2009 7 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

## **Minorities**

Latin Music USA

From Latin jazz and mambo to salsa, Tejano, Chicano rock, Latin pop and reggaeton, LATIN MUSIC USA tells the story of the rise of new American music forged from powerful Latin roots and reveals the often overlooked influence of Latin music on jazz, hip hop, rhythm and blues and rock 'n' roll--and on all of American culture. It's a fresh take on America's musical history, reaching across time and across musical genres to embrace the exciting hybrid sounds created by Latinos, musical fusions that have deeply enriched popular music in the U.S. over more than five decades. Jimmy Smits narrates.

Mondays, Oct. 12 & 19, 2009 8 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

American Masters

Joan Baez: How Sweet the Sound

In the first comprehensive documentary to chronicle the private life and public career of Joan Baez, this film examines her history as a recording artist and performer as well as her unwavering journey as the conscience of a generation.

Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2009 7 p.m. 90 minutes PBS

Bill Cosby: The Mark Twain Prize

Taped at The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts on October 26, the 90-minute special features tributes and comic testimonials from a star-studded cast of Cosby's friends and colleagues including leading American entertainers Carl Reiner, Chris Rock, Dick Gregory, James DePriest, Jerry Seinfeld, Jimmy Heath, Len Chandler, Malcolm Jamal-Warner, Phylicia Rashad, Rita Moreno, Sinbad, Willie Nelson, and Wynton Marsalis. The program recognizes the life and achievements of the beloved comedian.

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2009 7 p.m. 90 minutes PBS

Independent Lens

Power Paths

This program follows the efforts of American Indian tribes as they explore ways to bring renewable energy projects into their communities. From the Sioux tribes of Great Plains in the midwest to the Navajo and Hopi of the southwest, tribes are fighting to protect their land, air and water from the harmful impacts of mining and burning coal on their lands.

Sunday, Nov. 8, 2009 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Bill Moyers Journal

Organizers George Goehl and Heather Booth speak to Bill about turning anger into action. Also, renowned historian Howard Zinn has chronicled centuries of people's struggles against oppression. He joins Bill Moyers to discuss the voices of today's people; facing big interests; outsized influence; and his new film, "The People Speak." Moyers on War and Peace: What does U.S. land mine policy say about the administration's commitment to peace?

Friday, Dec. 11, 2009 8 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe

Breaking Into The Boardroom: A new report on women's progress in corporate America finds women have stalled when it comes to attaining seats on boards.

CBC Backlash: The Congressional Black Caucus says President Obama is not doing enough to address the needs of the African American community.

Marijuana Mom: The case for legalizing marijuana has a new, unlikely advocate.

The panelists are: Former Canadian Prime Minister Kim Campbell; Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC); Conservative Commentator Tara Setmayer; and The American Prospect's Ann Friedman.

Sunday, Dec. 13, 2009 12:30 p.m. 30 minutes PBS

## **Communications/Media**

Inventing LA: The Chandlers and Their Times

This groundbreaking documentary traces the explosive emergence of multi-ethnic, modern Los Angeles during the single-family reign of four publishers of the Los Angeles Times. Each used the newspaper to pursue distinct agendas and impossible dreams, transforming the composition and character of Southern California itself; in the process, seducing a nation and the world with a new kind of American Dream.

Monday, Oct. 5, 2009 8 p.m. 120 minutes PBS

Interesting People

In a recently taped interview, Interesting People host Ed Sutkowski sits down with Peoria County Coroner Johnna Ingersoll to discuss her role as a "death detective" and how it impacts her life. (Repeated Sunday at 4:30 p.m.)

Thursday, Oct. 8, 2009 8:30 p.m. 30 minutes each WTVP

The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer

Kindle, Price War Changing the Way We Read: Jeffrey Brown explores the shifting world of book publishing, and examines how technology and readers are changing the industry.

Monday, Nov. 2, 2009 6 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Charlie Rose

First, Ken Auletta of The New Yorker and author of "Googled." Next, Charlie speaks with Peter Kaplan, former Editor-In-Chief of the New York Observer.

Thursday, Nov. 5, 2009 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

Independent Lens

Helvetica

This film explores typography, graphic design and global visual culture; and looks at the proliferation of one typeface (which recently celebrated its 50th birthday) as part of a larger conversation about the way type affects our lives. Wednesday,

Sunday, Dec. 27, 2009 11 p.m. 60 minutes PBS

American Masters

Louisa May Alcott: The Woman Behind *Little Women*

In this first film biography about the celebrated author, ***American Masters*** reveals a remarkable woman, ahead of her time, who was much more than a writer of children's books.

Monday, Dec. 28, 2009 8 p.m. 90 minutes PBS