Pioneer PBS

FROZEN IN TIME:
THE VIETNAM WAR

MONDAY, MAY 27 AT 2 P.M.
SATURDAY, JUNE 22 AT 8 P.M.
Dear valued Pioneer PBS members,

Each year we compile a report on our local content and service, which we publish on our website. Compiling this report always reminds me of the good work the staff of Pioneer PBS do for you and how much it matters to our viewers. Here are a few highlights from the report: we reached over 1.7 million people; and our YouTube channels were viewed nearly 2 million times; Pioneer PBS Livestream reached over 1.7 million; and our YouTube channels were viewed nearly 2 million times. If you’d like to explore more, you can find this report on our web page under the About Us tab and then Regulatory Reports.

Pioneer PBS production teams are wrapping up the new seasons of Postcards, Prairie Sportsman and Prairie Yard & Garden. We’ve had another successful year of travelling our region to bring your stories to light. These teams will begin to turn their attention toward next year, lining up more travel and more of your stories to share.

We have some fantastic specials in May for you as well. Tune into the 3rd Gear of WHEELS “Classics & Collections” May 19 as well as inspiring veteran stories on Memorial Day. The first features Robert Holmstrom, a member of World War II’s Operation Carpetbagger. The second showcases Vietnam Army Photographer Gary Bipes. If you are a veteran or know of a veteran with a captivating story, please encourage them to reach out to us. We will continue to focus on honoring the men and women who have served by collecting and sharing their stories with you.

Join us for an in-person membership event June 2 with Doug Ohman to celebrate the many and varied LANDMARKS specials over the years. Keep an eye on our website’s events page to register to attend. The first week of June, we will showcase some of the very best of our local programming. Telling the stories of this region is a priority for us, and we are pleased to highlight some of our recent favorites.

We hope you see how Pioneer PBS embodies our role as your local station. We are proud to be Your TV, the only station in western Minnesota and the only ones lifting your voices into the media while also bringing the world to you.

We do what we do because of you, but we cannot do it without you. We are truly blessed by those of you watching, volunteering and, as always, supporting Pioneer PBS! We are so proud to serve you and to be part of this amazing community.

Respectfully,
Shari Lamke
President & General Manager

Pioneer PBS and Minnesota Grown invite you to enjoy the 2024 season of educational segments exploring the variety and bounty of local agricultural products. The segments are featured during each episode of Prairie Yard & Garden.

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The Pioneer Preview
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About the Cover
Frozen in time: the Vietnam War
Monday, May 27 at 2 p.m. & Saturday, June 22 at 8 p.m.
Meet Vietnam War photographer, Gary Bipes, whose lens captured the soul of a nation, revealing the poignant stories of its people and the haunting beauty amidst the chaos of war.
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WHAT DO OUR BUSINESS SPONSORS RECEIVE?

- Customized spot before and after quality programs.
- Opportunities to co-brand your business with Pioneer PBS community events and screenings.
- Affordable underwriting packages around the programming of your choice.
- Link to your website on pioneer.org, which had more than 461,666 page views in 2023.
- Listing in the Pioneer PBS Preview Guide—5,000 distributed six times a year.

Scan here to learn more about business sponsorship opportunities with Pioneer PBS.

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POTENTIAL BUSINESS SUPPORTERS

More people are watching and streaming Pioneer PBS than ever before as the most trusted network in the nation. Align your brand with ours—we will help get your message out to the loyal Pioneer PBS viewers you need to reach!
Cornerstone Builders

Every great organization depends on a core of faithful patrons whose commitment surpasses that of the customary gift. At Pioneer PBS it is the Cornerstone Builders. These members are very aware of the impact and the tremendous potential Pioneer PBS has had and still has for enriching lives in our region for more than 50 years.

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Give to a cause that means a lot to someone you love with the gift that keeps on giving—a memorial or honorary gift to Pioneer PBS. At a time of loss, a memorial gift brings solace to family and friends, while nurturing a commitment to an organization that has a special place in the hearts of the givers. An honorary gift is a way of honoring a loved one on a special day.

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Brian & Scott Yeager by David & Darlene Yeager

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Pioneer PBS has several upcoming events you won’t want to miss, including a charter bus trip to The Minnesota Landscape Arboretum with PY&G host Mary Holm, a screening event featuring the new documentary “Minnesota’s Alt-Meat Revolution,” a special LANDMARKS event at the Pioneer PBS studio with host Doug Ohman, tours and so much more.

Watch for details on pioneer.org and Facebook; scan the QR code with your cell phone to see the complete event lineup or learn more or sign up for an event by contacting the development team by e-mail at yourtv@pioneer.org or by phone at 800-726-3178.

EVENTS CALENDAR

GET A FREE PBS KIDS SUMMER ACTIVITY BOOK!

Call the development team at 800-726-3178 or e-mail yourtv@pioneer.org to claim your free book.

MEMBERSHIP

Do you love to watch Pioneer PBS?

Consider making a donation to Pioneer PBS during Public Media Giving Days May 1-2.

Support Pioneer PBS at pioneer.org/publicmediagivingdays

Make a difference by being the voice of your community and representing your hometown on the Community Advisory Board (CAB). Pioneer PBS greatly appreciates the insights shared by our CAB members. We’re excited to introduce you to the new members of the CAB in the upcoming months.

If you know someone who would be a good addition to the CAB, please call us at 800-726-3178 or e-mail yourtv@pioneer.org.

Sheila Tabaka is in her 26th year at Southwest Minnesota State University in Marshall, starting in her role in 1998. She’s a professor in the Theatre Program and the costume designer for all the SMSU theatre productions.

Tabaka is involved across campus and the community serving on boards, teaching workshops, volunteering at church and various non-profits, and leading the SMSU theatre productions.

Tabaka and her husband, Jim — an adjunct music instructor at SMSU — are the parents of five children: Eukariah, Sally, Margaret, Lillian and Jedidiah.

Tabaka has been an instrumental member of Pioneer PBS’s Community Advisory Board since 2020. She LOVES Pioneer PBS! Being a part of CAB allows Tabaka to be in the know about upcoming Pioneer PBS programming, and help to shape and share in telling all these amazing stories.

Sheila Tabaka

Gary Bartlett of Parkers Prairie, Minnesota, joined Pioneer PBS’s Community Advisory Board in 2022. Bartlett is currently enjoying retirement after a 30-plus-year career in manufacturing, where he was instrumental in starting and establishing two successful companies.

Bartlett, his wife, Jane, and two dogs live on an 80-acre farm that is in prairie grasses and wild flowers. During the open water season, time is spent at the cabin at the NW Angle, where Gary’s passion is chasing the elusive muskie.

Gary Bartlett

Bartlett is honored and excited to be part of a winning team where he can contribute to Pioneer PBS’s outstanding television shows and looks forward to working with the Community Advisory Board.
NATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY CONCERT
SUNDAY, MAY 26 AT 7 P.M.

MARYLAND ON MASTERPIECE
PREMIERES SUNDAY, MAY 5 AT 9 P.M.

TUNE IN TONIGHT
Pioneer PBS

MARYLAND ON MASTERPIECE
PREMIERES SUNDAY, MAY 5 AT 9 P.M.

WHEELS 3RD GEAR
SUNDAY, MAY 19 AT 6 P.M.
MONDAY, MAY 20 AT 11:30 A.M.
SUNDAY, MAY 26 AT 3 P.M.

D.I. RAY // SEASON 2
PREMIERES SUNDAY, JUNE 16 AT 10 P.M.

GRANTCHESTER ON MASTERPIECE // SEASON 9
PREMIERES SUNDAY, JUNE 16 AT 9 P.M.

PROFESSOR T // SEASON 3
PREMIERES SUNDAY, JUNE 16 AT 8 P.M.

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FEATURING
CHIEF JUSTICE G. BARRY ANDERSON
THURSDAY, MAY 23 AT 8 P.M.
REBROADCAST MONDAY, MAY 27 AT 11:30 A.M.
On Good Friday Pioneer PBS’s award-winning Postcards team attended a free screening of one of its newest documentaries “Eight Women Together Alone” hosted by the Bluenose Gopher Public House in downtown Granite Falls. “Eight Women Together Alone,” the story of the influential women the Willmar 8, eight employees of Citizens National Bank who became a media sensation in 1977 when they walked off their jobs in America’s first bank strike.

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Pioneer PBS hosted exhibit booths at two separate community events in March. The Development team’s Tracy Hanson attended Greater Minnesota Ag Day/JMHS Health Fair in Dawson March 13 and KLQP Ag Day event (pictured to the right) at Madison Mercantile March 19.

HONORING VETERAN STORIES

Production assistant A’ja Nauden and producer Tyler Gastecki interviewed Drew Brockman, a U.S. Army Airborne veteran who served two tours in Iraq, in his home about his experiences in Iraq and what it’s like being an Iraq War veteran.

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WHEELS

Explore the special connection between the owners and their vehicles in WHEELS “Classics and Collections” 3rd Gear. Join executive producer Tim Bakken as the season kicks off May 19 to see some sweet rides, hear the stories of these classic car owners and attend various cars shows around the region.

1 Dale and Joette Remme 2 Duane Johnson 3 Elliott Barbosa 4 Jacqueline Hadrath 5 Jay Law 6 Jeff Fredine 7 Kista Siems 8 Steve Andrews
Prairie Yard & Garden hosted a special screening event at West Central Area Secondary School in Barrett featuring WCA School’s FFA program and its new greenhouse and plant program. This screening allowed community members to see the episode prior to its air date on Pioneer PBS and to tour the newly built greenhouse.

Following the viewing, PY&G series executive producer Mike Cihak moderated an informative panel discussion where the student managers answered many questions regarding growing food, seeding and propagating plants, teamwork and their career interests after high school.

Alexa, Jaime and McKenna - three current WCA student greenhouse managers - joined the stage with FFA advisor Eric Sawatzke and PY&G host Mary Holm and executive producer Mike Cihak for an impressive Q&A discussion.

CAB member Gary Bartlett enthusiastically helped attendees register for a special gardening gift basket door prize.

Pioneer PBS board member Chuck Grussing and CAB member Mona Gregersen happily welcomed visitors and distributed membership packets.

PY&G host Mary Holm joined Tracy Hanson, Pioneer PBS market development manager for a tour of the student-managed greenhouse.

Betty Blaskowski was the lucky door prize winner and was joined by her granddaughter for a special photo with Mary.

Even as Prairie Yard & Garden’s final episodes of Season 37 air on Pioneer PBS, the PY&G team of Mike, Mary and other crew members are already on the road filming for Season 38! Each season PY&G travels the state to meet with researchers, gardening/nursery professionals, educators and ordinary backyard gardeners to discuss issues in horticulture, landscaping and a host of topics in gardening.

In fact, did you know that Pioneer PBS’s production crews like PY&G spend hours on the road, shooting footage to compile in the shows you see every week on Pioneer PBS? After that, the production teams spend even more time in front of the computer putting together the final product that you see on TV, streaming on your computer or mobile device through the PBS App or the PBS video player.
PioneerPBS Get a complete program lineup at pioneer.org/schedule.

PROGRAM LISTINGS

Monday-Friday:
- Monday: 7:00 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 8:00 p.m., 8:30 p.m.
- Tuesday: 1:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 6:00 p.m., 7:00 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 8:00 p.m., 8:30 p.m.
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**Molly of Denali**
- Molly Denali is a children's animated series produced by DHX Media.
- The series follows Molly and her friends as they explore various aspects of life, such as friendship, family, and community.
JOIN US FOR A LANDMARKS CELEBRATION
SUNDAY, JUNE 2
AT THE PIONEER PBS STUDIO IN GRANITE FALLS
Showings at 1 and 4 p.m.

Memory Reel • Meet & Greet
Refreshments • Photo Opps
Exclusive Memorabilia

Free and open to the public • Pre-registration is required • Seating limited to 70 per showing • Register at pioneer.org/events

Pioneer PBS
WE ARE yours

MONDAY
JUNE 3
7 p.m. Made in Sweden
7:30 p.m. Built With Love
8 p.m. WHEELS “Classics & Collections” 1st Gear

TUESDAY
JUNE 4
7 p.m. Luck & Love: A Rodeo Story
7:30 p.m. Eight Women Together Alone
8 p.m. WHEELS “Classics & Collections” 2nd Gear

WEDNESDAY
JUNE 5
7 p.m. The Devil's Instrument
7:30 p.m. Sympathetic Strings
8 p.m. WHEELS “Classics & Collections” 3rd Gear

THURSDAY
JUNE 6
7 p.m. Postcards
7:30 p.m. Prairie Yard & Garden
8 p.m. The Electric Indian
9 p.m. Compass: Minnesota’s Alt-Meat Revolution
9:30 p.m. Playing Haydn for the Angel of Death

FRIDAY
JUNE 7
9 p.m. The State of Polka
9:30 p.m. Country Music Made in Minnesota

Chicago & Friends:
Live at 55
Saturday, June 8 at 6 p.m.

Elton John:
The Million Dollar Piano
Saturday, June 8 at 7:30 p.m.

The Rolling Stones:
GRRR Live!
Saturday, June 8 at 9 p.m.

Marcus King:
Live in Nashville
Sunday, June 9 at 8 p.m.

P!NK:
Live from Wembley Arena
Sunday, June 9 at 9:30 p.m.