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It's the time of year when we start looking for signs of spring. Photographer Gabriel Meinert, a freelance photographer and videographer studying film at Olivet Nazarene University, captured this March image of reeds in a field at sunset in Lowpoint, IL. You can find more of Gabriel's photography on [unsplash.com](https://unsplash.com).

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**JENN GORDON**  
President and CEO

## NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT AND CEO

### YOU ARE NOT JUST ONE THING

*"I am a school master, private tutor, surveyor, gardener and farmer, house-painter, carpenter, mason, day laborer, pencil-maker, writer and sometimes a poet."*

— HENRY D. THOREAU

How many times have you entered a conversation with a new acquaintance and found yourself being asked, "So what is it that you do?" Regardless of whether that question immediately stirs a sense of pride or annoyance, it reflects a cultural mindset that our identity rests singularly in one thing, one job, one title, one role.

Enter Henry David Thoreau. I don't think he would ask that question upon meeting you for the first time, or if he did, he would not be satisfied with the answer until he had learned everything about you; your family, your roots, your hobbies, your passions, your interests, your beliefs, your service and yes, your job. And then I think he would quickly move on and ask you how you plan to use everything that is you to change the world for the better.

This man's writings are profoundly introspective, practical and applicable. While he strove to lead a quiet and unassuming life, his words and thoughts would go on to change the world through profoundly influencing leaders like John Muir, Martin Luther King, Jr. and Mahatma Gandhi.

This month, **WTVP** is privileged to bring you **Henry David Thoreau**, a three-part documentary presented by **Ken Burns**, narrated by **George Clooney** and featuring the voices of **Jeff Goldblum** (Henry David Thoreau), **Ted Danson** (Ralph Waldo Emerson) and many more. This is one you won't want to miss!

What **WTVP** brings you is unique and special. Content that encourages you to think, reflect, and consider that you are not just "one thing." Content that encourages you to learn something new, try something new and give back to your community in new ways.

Thanks for watching with us!

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# Consider**THIS**

With Christine Zak-Edmonds



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## FRIDAYS AT 7:30 PM

Get to know the people making central Illinois a better and more fascinating place to live. Veteran journalist, Christine Zak-Edmonds, asks the deep questions that get to the heart of the story.

This month on *Consider This*, you'll meet Chris Pio, a former cross-country coach and sports information director at Monmouth College. Now an author, his multiple titles all delve into the history behind NCAA nicknames and mascots.

You'll also hear from Kevin Miller, the President of Tri-County Tennis which encourages participation in and enjoyment of tennis in Peoria, Tazewell and Woodford counties.



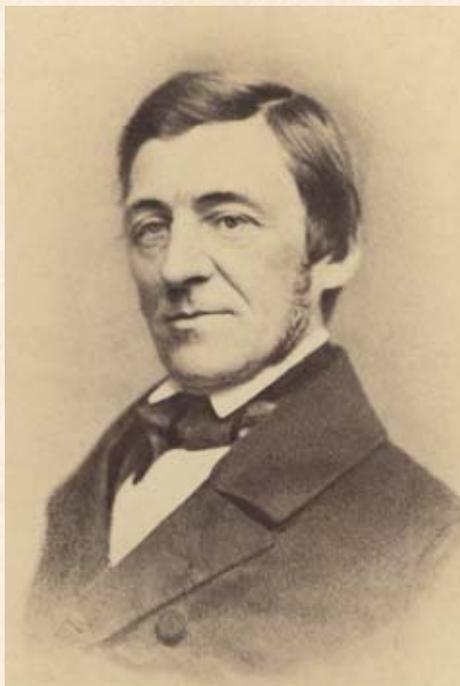
# HENRY DAVID THOREAU

## NEW 3 PART SERIES

Henry David Thoreau helped define modern environmentalism and nonviolent resistance, yet his life has been obscured by myth. The author of *Walden* and *Civil Disobedience*, he was brilliant but flawed, idealistic but opinionated. A writer, scientist and activist, his words resonate urgently with today's challenges as humanity looks for ways to live in harmony with nature—and each other.



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### The Man is NOT BOUGHT !!

He is still in the SLAVE PEN in  
THE COURT HOUSE !!

The kidnapper agreed, both publicly and in writing, to sell him for \$1200. The sum was raised by eminent Boston Citizens, and offered him. He then claimed more. The bargain was broken. The kidnapper breaks his agreement, though the United States Commissioner advised him to keep it.

Be on your guard against all Lies.

WATCH THE SLAVE PEN !!

LET EVERY MAN ATTEND THE TRIAL !!



### EPISODE ONE: WHO ARE WE?

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 8 PM

Henry David Thoreau's early life unfolds as a changing nation struggles to live up to its ideals, while industry threatens the landscape. After attending Harvard College, he was inspired by Ralph Waldo Emerson to become a writer. Then, a family tragedy deepens his bond with nature and, disillusioned with society, he builds a cabin in the woods to live simply, deliberately, quietly—and write.

### EPISODE TWO: BEING ALIVE

MONDAY, MARCH 30, 9 PM

Living at his cabin at Walden Pond, Thoreau finds solace in "wild" nature and pours himself into his journal, laying the groundwork for one of two books he writes there. His two-year stay includes regular trips to town, a transformative journey to Maine and a night in jail in protest of a government that permits slavery—experiences that redefine his understanding of freedom.

### EPISODE THREE: SEVERAL MORE LIVES TO LIVE

TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 8 PM

After completing his two-year experiment at Walden Pond, Thoreau returns to society to test what he has learned about living responsibly. He undertakes new "experiments" as a surveyor, scientist and abolitionist, and takes two more trips to Maine—uncovering even deeper truths about life and the world. He writes with a new urgency as a lifelong illness begins to catch up with him.

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# MEMBERSHIP DRIVE *March*



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WTVP's Membership Drive is an opportunity to pause our normal programming to deliver special shows and talk about the importance of membership. You'll also find unique and exclusive thank-you gifts.

## drama

### **DOWNTON ABBEY: SEASON 1, EPISODE 1**

Sunday, March 1, 7 PM

### **DOWNTON ABBEY: SEASON 1, EPISODE 2**

Sunday, March 1, 9 PM

### **RIDLEY: THE NUMBERED DAYS, PART 2**

Thursday, March 5, 10 PM

### **DOWNTON ABBEY: SEASON 1, EPISODE 3**

Sunday, March 8, 7 PM

### **DOWNTON ABBEY: SEASON 1, EPISODE 4**

Sunday, March 8, 9 PM

## better living

### **CHANGE YOUR BRAIN, CHANGE YOUR PAIN**

Sunday, March 1, 11 PM

### **WISDOM KEEPERS: HEALING A DIVIDED PEOPLE**

Wednesday, March 4, 10 PM

### **DESIGNING YOUR IDEAL FUTURE WITH RAJIV NAGAICH**

Wednesday, March 4, 11:30 PM

### **HEAL YOUR GUT, SHARPEN YOUR MIND**

Sunday, March 15, 11 PM

## makers & making

### **JULIA CHILD'S BEST BITES**

Thursday, March 5, 11 PM

### **AMERICA MADE WITH LOVE, PART 2**

Friday, March 6, 11:30 PM

### **COOKING WITH LEGENDS: MING TSAI AND RICK BAYLESS**

Monday, March 9, 8:30 PM

## history

### **OF THE PEOPLE: THE WOMEN OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT**

Tuesday, March 3, 7 PM

### **REVIVAL 69: THE CONCERT THAT ROCKED THE WORLD**

Tuesday, March 3, 10 PM

### **JOHN & YOKO: ABOVE US ONLY SKY**

Saturday, March 7, 9:30 PM

### **TRACTOR WARS**

Tuesday, March 10, 7 PM

## travel

### **EPIC TRAIN JOURNEYS FROM ABOVE**

Saturday, March 7, 3 PM

### **RICK STEVES' EUROPE: GREAT GERMAN CITIES**

Monday, March 9, 10 PM

### **AMERICA: THE LAND WE LIVE IN**

Thursday, March 12, 7 PM

## science

### **NATURE: PARENTHOOD: THE GREATEST ADVENTURES**

Wednesday, March 4, 7 PM

### **NOVA: THE PLANETS: MARS**

Wednesday, March 4, 8:30 PM

### **NATURE: GRIZZLY 399: QUEEN OF THE TETONS**

Wednesday, March 11, 7 PM

### **NOVA: THE PLANETS: JUPITER**

Wednesday, March 11, 8:30 PM

## behind the scenes

### **THE MAKING OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

Monday, March 2, 7 PM

### **ALL CREATURES GREAT AND SMALL: SEASONS OF THE DALES**

Thursday, March 5, 7 PM

### **KEN BURNS: ONE NATION, MANY STORIES**

Tuesday, March 10, 10 PM

### **THE MANNERS OF DOWNTON ABBEY**

Thursday, March 12, 8:30 PM

### **FORSYTES: AN INSIDE LOOK**

Sunday, March 15, 8 PM

# WATCH, *enjoy*, PLEDGE!



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# MEMBERSHIP DRIVE *Music*



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WTVP's March Membership Drive Music is in a category of its own! Tune in to enjoy a mix of genres and eras, all drive long.

## music

**GOSPEL LIVE! PRESENTED BY  
HENRY LOUIS GATES, JR.**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 1, 5:30 PM

**TIM JANIS: OUR NATURAL WORLD – RETURNING  
TO EARTH**  
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 9 PM

**GREGORIAN:  
PURE CHANTS LIVE IN PRAGUE**  
MONDAY, MARCH 2, 10:30 PM

**POINTER SISTERS: SO EXCITED!**  
TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 8:30 PM

**ACAPPELLA SHOWCASE: FEATURING  
THE VOCAL ENSEMBLES OF ICC**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 9:30 PM

**GREAT PERFORMANCES: HENRY MANCINI  
100 AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL**  
FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 7:30 PM

**DARIUS RUCKER: LIVE FROM NASHVILLE**  
FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 9:30 PM

**MAGIC MOMENTS: THE BEST OF 50S POP**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 7 PM

**THE WHO AT KILBURN 1977**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 11:30 PM

**IL VOLO IN THE VALLEY OF THE TEMPLES**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 5:30 PM

**COUNTRY CLASSICS**  
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 8:30 PM

**ROLLING STONES: GRRR LIVE!**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 10 PM

**DANIEL O'DONNELL FROM CASTLEBAR, IRELAND**  
FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 7:30 PM

**GREAT IRISH SONGBOOK**  
FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 9 PM

**THIRD EYE BLIND – LIVE AT RED ROCKS**  
FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 11 PM

**THIS LAND IS YOUR LAND**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 7 PM

**CELTIC WOMAN 20TH ANNIVERSARY**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 8:30 PM

**BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN'S NEBRASKA:  
A CELEBRATION IN WORDS AND MUSIC**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 14, 10:30 PM

**HAUSER – CLASSIC GALA CONCERT**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 6 PM

**GREAT PERFORMANCES:  
ANDREA BOCELLI 30TH – THE CELEBRATION**  
SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 9 PM



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# Spring MASTERPIECE DRAMAS

## NEW SEASONS AND NEW SHOWS!

### CALL THE MIDWIFE: SEASON 15

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 7 PM

The new season kicks off in 1971 as several of the ladies embrace women's lib and burn their bras outside Nonnatus House. Over the year, the team handles challenging cases including premature birth, placenta previa, kidney cancer, tuberculosis and slavery. With cast including Jenny Agutter, Judy Parfitt, Helen George, Laura Main, Stephen McGann, Cliff Parisi, Linda Bassett and Georgie Glen.

### THE FORSYTES ON MASTERPIECE NEW SHOW

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 8 PM

Desire, ambition and betrayal simmer at the heart of The Forsytes, a wealthy family whose generations are torn between tradition and duty against happiness and the pursuit of love in this epic Victorian-era drama.

### THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO NEW SHOW

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 9 PM

On the eve of his wedding, Edmond Dantès is falsely accused of treason and imprisoned. After escaping and discovering a hidden treasure, he reinvents himself as the Count of Monte Cristo in this captivating tale of revenge, betrayal and redemption.

### PUZZLE LADY NEW SHOW

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 10 PM

Meet Bakerbury's newest and most famous resident—Cora Felton, AKA "The Puzzle Lady." Cora's eccentric, no-nonsense approach proves a perfect way to outwit the murderers, con men and corrupt officials that stand in her way. "The Puzzle Lady" streamed in the UK under the title "Murder Most Puzzling."

### MURDER IN THE MOUNTAINS NEW TO BROADCAST

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 11 PM

Follow the dedicated investigators of the picturesque Austrian town of Kitzbuhel. They tackle complex criminal cases where secrets unravel and danger lurks behind every mountain vista. From Walter Presents, in German with English subtitles.



# THE ENDURING LEGACY OF 40 LEADERS UNDER FORTY IN CENTRAL ILLINOIS

**AUDREY KAMM**

CHIEF DEVELOPMENT OFFICER | CLASS OF 2019



For more than three decades, the 40 Leaders Under Forty program has stood as one of central Illinois' most meaningful traditions. It's an annual reminder of the extraordinary talent, commitment and leadership that define our community. Now in its 32nd year, the program continues to highlight individuals whose dedication and vision strengthen our community in countless ways.

Since its inception in 1994, 40 Leaders Under Forty has showcased individuals whose influence extends far beyond the workplace. Looking back through past yearbooks, I am continually inspired by the alumni from those earliest classes. Many remain at the forefront of community leadership today, demonstrating the incredible longevity and impact of this recognition. These are the people who shape policy, lead major institutions, build nonprofits and mentor the next generation. They are, in every sense, difference makers.

This legacy continues with the 2025 honorees. They are leaders selected from a competitive pool of more than 100 nominations, representing industries and organizations across central Illinois. A committee of **WTVP** board members and past recipients carefully reviewed each nomination to identify individuals already making a substantial impact and poised to shape our future.

And what an impressive class it is! This year's 40 Leaders Under Forty includes business innovators, nonprofit champions, healthcare experts, educators, entrepreneurs, public servants and creative thinkers whose work touches every corner of our community. Their names represent companies and institutions that are foundational to our region—from Caterpillar and local health systems to grassroots nonprofits and emerging small businesses.

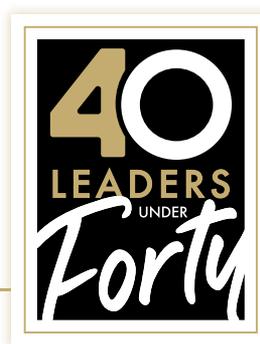
But what makes this group especially inspiring is not just the breadth of their professional achievements; it is the depth of their service and the intentionality with which they invest in others. Many serve on local boards, volunteer with community organizations, are active in their places of worship and coach youth sports. They are masters of balance, modeling what it means to lead not only with talent, but with heart.

Programs like 40 Leaders Under Forty matter because they shine a light on what makes central Illinois so special: the people who choose to put down roots here, to innovate here and to dedicate themselves to strengthening the community we all share. For more than three decades, this program has brought together leaders from across the region for an annual celebration that recognizes not just accomplishment, but character.

This month, **WTVP** will hold the 40 Leaders Under Forty Recognition Event, inducting this impressive class into an alumni network of over 1200 local leaders. It will be a celebration of leadership and an anticipation of central Illinois' bright future. You, too, will have the opportunity to be inspired by these leaders as the stream of the event will be available to watch in the upcoming months. We hope you'll watch and begin considering who you might nominate next year for this enduring program.



**SCAN HERE to meet the 2025 class of 40 Leaders Under Forty.**





# VIBE 309

WITH BLAKE WIRTH

# BLAKE'S TAKE

FROM VIBE 309, EPISODE 103

BY BLAKE WIRTH



**DON'T MISS THE NEXT EPISODE OF VIBE 309 WITH BLAKE WIRTH!**

**THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 8:30 PM**

In March, *Vibe 309* welcomes educator, author and motivational speaker Marc Supreme to talk about helping young people build confidence, direction and real-world momentum. Marc shares lessons from years of working with students and communities, blending practical advice with infectious energy that pushes people to take action.

The episode's Vibe Check heads to the Indoor Winter RiverFront Market, spotlighting local vendors and the dream-chasers behind their businesses. From handmade goods to fresh food, the segment celebrates people turning passion into livelihood and the community that supports them.

We spend a lot of our lives chasing stuff: more money, better titles, bigger houses, nicer vacations. And those things can be great. They motivate us, giving us a goal to aim for. You should be awfully proud if you've obtained those things.

But the older I get, the more I realize that stuff doesn't define you. I think what defines us is the effect we have on others.

Maya Angelou once said, "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel!"

This reality hit home for me when I was far from home. I used to serve in the Peace Corps and lived in a tiny village called Ambanisarika in Madagascar. It was severely impoverished—no electricity, no running water. The Atondroy people who lived there didn't have much to offer me, from a material standpoint.

But man, did they make me feel welcome! For two years, I was included in everything they did. They always invited me to morning coffee at the mayor's. I had no idea what they were saying but we'd laugh. I was always invited to the evening hangs, where everyone would sing and dance around a bonfire. I'd get absolutely eaten alive by mosquitos, but it was worth it.

They checked on me often but also gave me my space when I needed to decompress or recharge. They welcomed me with open arms on my first day there and celebrated me on my last.

It was never scary for me to live in Africa, 12,000 miles away from my family and friends because of how the Atondroy people took care of me.

At that point in my life, that was the richest I had ever felt. And it had nothing to do with money. It had everything to do with how they made me feel, and how I try to make other people feel now.

Because in the end, the stuff fades. The numbers reset. The titles move on.

But the way you make others feel, that's the part people carry with them. That's the real legacy we all leave behind.

# Women's HISTORY

## AMERICAN MASTERS BELLA! THIS WOMAN'S PLACE IS IN THE HOUSE

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 8 PM

Follow the meteoric rise of firebrand politician and activist Bella Abzug. See how her commitment to women's rights and progressive causes upended the status quo in Washington.



## EUDORA

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 9 PM

Renowned writer Eudora Welty is explored through intimate photographs and in charming interviews of family and friends set against the backdrop of Jackson, Mississippi. A film by Anthony Thaxton, EUDORA is a revealing portrait of adventure, daring, humor and love as we meet a writer we only thought we knew.



## MARTHA GRAHAM DANCE COMPANY: WE ARE OUR TIME

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 8 PM

As the Graham Company nears its landmark 100th anniversary, WE ARE OUR TIME offers a rare behind-the-scenes portrait of the company, exploring Graham's legacy through the dancers who embody her work today. For over three years Partisan Pictures embedded within the dance company, filming from rehearsal to premiere, across a global tour and at home with family to produce this two-part series.



## THE 9 LIVES OF BARBARA DANE

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 9:30 PM

Pete Seeger mentored her; Bob Dylan called her a hero; Louis Armstrong discovered her; and Jane Fonda called her an inspiration. Singer, activist, mother, feminist, record producer, maverick and general troublemaker, Barbara Dane turns setbacks into opportunities, paving her own way with her art, participating in and influencing international social justice and musical movements across nine decades.





## **CAVERNS SESSIONS NEW SEASON**

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 8 PM

CAVERNS SESSIONS is back! The show is taped deep within The Caverns, an underground amphitheater in the Tennessee mountains. This 16-time Emmy winning "musical adventure" proudly features established and emerging artists across a broad spectrum of genres, starting with the Violent Femmes.

## **COLORADO SOUNDSTAGE NEW SHOW**

SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 11:30 PM

COLORADO SOUNDSTAGE is your all-access pass to hear some of the best live music at the most iconic outdoor music venues in Colorado. Go beyond the performances to connect with the artists in backstage conversations that reveal the heart of the music—the stories behind the lyrics. COLORADO SOUNDSTAGE connects fans, artists and the beauty of Colorado through the shared love of music. The show premieres with a performance by Shane Smith & The Saints.



## **CLASSICAL TAHOE NEW SEASON**

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 6 PM

CLASSICAL TAHOE season five features six new episodes of orchestral music from a world-class group of musicians. The artists come to Lake Tahoe from various locations across the globe to perform at the highest level while also enjoying the sublime beauty of this region. Conductors Ken-David Masur and Jonathan Darlington make their debuts at the festival and are joined by soloists Anthony Roth Costanzo (countertenor), Ilmar Gavilán (violin), Steven Banks (saxophone) and Ana Vidoviæ (guitar). Remote-controlled cameras capture every angle of the performers as they light up the stage.



## **INDEPENDENT LENS KEEP QUIET AND FORGIVE**

MONDAY, MARCH 23, 9 PM

Three decades after her assault, Lizzie confronts her Amish community's silence around sexual abuse. She leads a movement to support fellow Amish and Mennonite survivors as they navigate trauma, faith and family ties. With rare access, KEEP QUIET AND FORGIVE follows Lizzie and other survivors as they fight to replace "forgive and forget" with healing and justice.



**CLOSER TO TRUTH'S ARTS SEEKING UNDERSTANDING**

MONDAY, MARCH 23, 10:30 PM

Art delights us, but how and why? What makes art transcendent and how does the art-transcendence nexus engage the mind? This season will explore art and its connection to science, philosophy, history, theology and sociology.

**BREAKING THE DEADLOCK GAMBLING WITH YOUR LIFE**

TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 8 PM

Online sports gambling has exploded. In **BREAKING THE DEADLOCK: GAMBLING WITH YOUR LIFE**, moderator Aaron Tang guides panelists through scenarios to explore dilemmas around online sports gambling, and its impact on young men.

**NATURE RAPTORS: A FISTFULL OF DAGGERS**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 7 PM

From giant eagles to miniature falconets, meet the many species of raptors. Explore how they survive bitter winters, learn to hunt and undergo epic migrations. Their superpowers of flight, sight, hearing and smell give them dominance over the skies.

**NOVA BALTIMORE BRIDGE COLLAPSE**

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25, 8 PM

On March 26, 2024, a massive container ship plowed into the Francis Scott Key Bridge, killing six highway workers. How did the ship lose control? Why did the bridge fail so catastrophically? And how many other bridges around the world are at risk?



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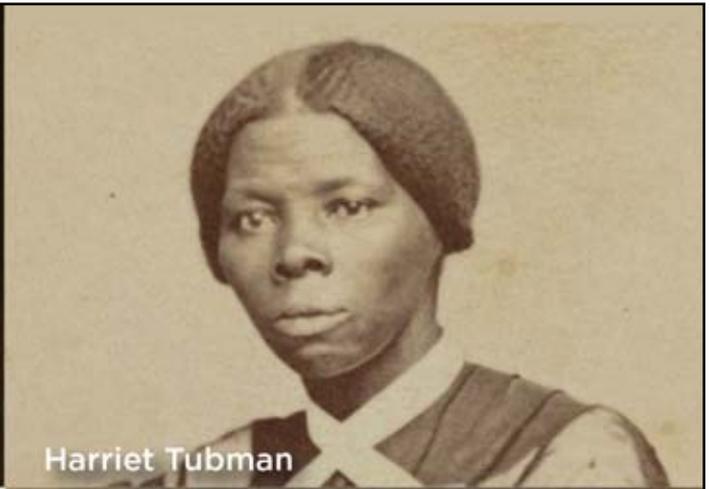
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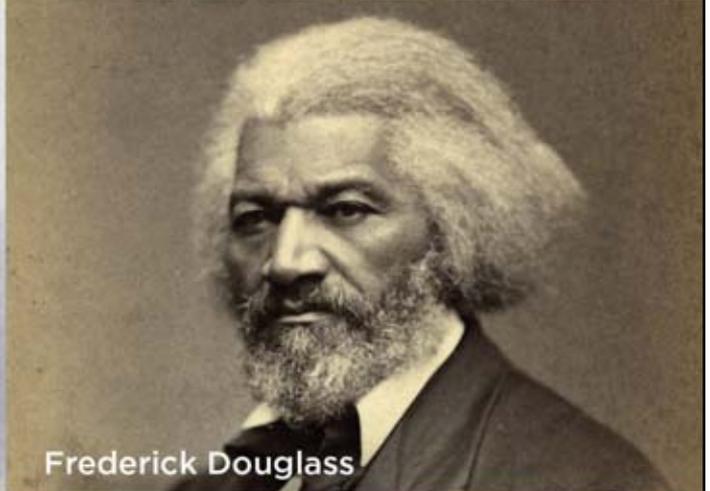
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Harriet Tubman



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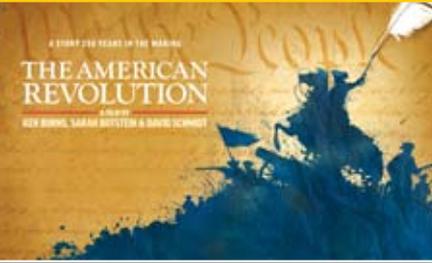


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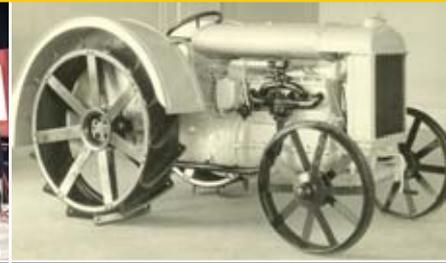
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**TRACTOR WARS**  
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 7 PM

## 1 SUNDAY

- 3:30 PM Black and Jewish America: An Interwoven History Strange Fruit
- 5:00 PM Horizons from PBS News Episode 7
- 5:30 PM Gospel Live! Presented By Henry Louis Gates, Jr.
- 7:00 PM Downton Abbey Season 1 On Masterpiece Downton Abbey - Part 1
- 9:00 PM Downton Abbey Season 1 On Masterpiece Downton Abbey - Part 2
- 11:00 PM Change Your Brain, Change Your Pain with Daniel Amen, MD

## 2 MONDAY

- 7:00 PM Making of the American Revolution
- 9:00 PM Tim Janis: Our Natural World - Returning to Earth
- 10:30 PM Gregorian: Pure Chants Live In Prague

## 3 TUESDAY

- 7:00 PM Of The People: The Women of the Civil Rights Movement
- 8:30 PM The Pointer Sisters: So Excited!
- 10:00 PM Revival 69: The Concert That Rocked The World

## 4 WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 PM Nature Parenthood: The Greatest Adventure
- 8:30 PM NOVA The Planets: Mars
- 10:00 PM Wisdom Keepers: Healing A Divided People
- 11:30 PM Designing Your Ideal Future with Rajiv Nagaich

## 5 THURSDAY

- 7:00 PM All Creatures Great and Small: Seasons of the Dales
- 8:30 PM Vibe 309 with Blake Wirth
- 9:15 PM Acapella Showcase: Featuring the Vocal Ensembles of Illinois Central College
- 10:00 PM Ridley The Numbered Days, Part 2
- 11:00 PM Julia Child: Best Bites

## 6 FRIDAY

- 7:00 PM Washington Week with the Atlantic
- 7:30 PM Great Performances Henry Mancini 100 at the Hollywood Bowl
- 9:30 PM Darius Rucker: Live from Nashville
- 11:00 PM Market to Market
- 11:30 PM America Made with Love, Part 2

## 7 SATURDAY

- 6:15 PM Acapella Showcase: Featuring the Vocal Ensembles of Illinois Central College
- 7:00 PM Magic Moments: The Best of 50s Pop (My Music Presents)
- 9:30 PM John & Yoko: Above Us Only Sky
- 11:30 PM The Who at Kilburn 1977

## 8 SUNDAY

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- 5:30 PM Il Volo in the Valley of the Temples

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## 9 MONDAY

- 7:00 PM America Made with Love, Part 2
- 8:30 PM Cooking with Legends: Ming Tsai & Rick Bayless
- 10:00 PM Rick Steves' Europe: Great German Cities

## 10 TUESDAY

- 7:00 PM Tractor Wars
- 8:30 PM Country Classics
- 10:00 PM Ken Burns: One Nation, Many Stories

## 11 WEDNESDAY

- 7:00 PM Nature Grizzly 399: Queen of the Tetons
- 8:30 PM NOVA The Planets: Jupiter
- 10:00 PM Change Your Brain, Change Your Pain with Daniel Amen, MD

## 12 THURSDAY

- 7:00 PM America: The Land We Live In
- 8:30 PM The Manners of Downton Abbey: A Masterpiece Special
- 10:00 PM The Rolling Stones: Grrr Live!

## 13 FRIDAY

- 7:00 PM Washington Week with the Atlantic

- 7:30 PM Daniel O'Donnell from Castlebar, Ireland
- 9:00 PM The Great Irish Songbook
- 10:30 PM Market to Market
- 11:00 PM Third Eye Blind - Live at Red Rocks

## 14 SATURDAY

- 7:00 PM This Land Is Your Land (My Music Presents)
- 8:30 PM Celtic Woman 20th Anniversary Concert
- 10:30 PM Bruce Springsteen's Nebraska: A Celebration In Words and Music

## 15 SUNDAY

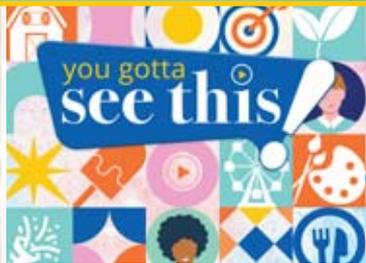
- 3:00 PM America: The Land We Live In
- 4:30 PM Rick Steves Why We Travel
- 5:30 PM Horizons from PBS News
- 6:00 PM Hauser - Classic Gala Concert Live at the Royal Albert Hall
- 8:00 PM The Forsytes: An Inside Look
- 9:00 PM Great Performances Andrea Bocelli 30th The Celebration
- 11:00 PM Heal Your Gut, Sharpen Your Mind with Stephen Gundry, MD

## 16 MONDAY

- 7:00 PM Antiques Roadshow Women's Work
- 8:00 PM Antiques Roadshow Stan Hywet Hall & Gardens Hour 1
- 9:00 PM American Masters Marlee Matlin: Not Alone Anymore
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company



**AT ISSUE**  
WITH MARK WELP  
THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 8 PM



**YOU GOTTA SEE THIS!**  
NEW YEAR | STUFFED ANIMALS  
NOMAD THEATER  
THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 8:30 PM



**CONSIDER THIS**  
WITH CHRISTINE ZAK-EDMONDS  
FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 7:30 PM



**A SHOT OF AG**  
WITH ROB SHARKEY  
SATURDAY, MARCH 21, 8:30 PM

**17 TUESDAY**

- 7:00 PM Finding Your Roots  
Born to Sing
- 8:00 PM American Masters  
Bella! This Woman's Place  
Is in the House
- 10:00 PM Healthy Minds with  
Dr. Jeffrey Borenstein  
Binge Drinking and  
Alcohol Misuse
- 10:30 PM Burt Wolf:  
Travels & Traditions  
History of Resort Hotel
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

**18 WEDNESDAY**

- 7:00 PM Nature  
Portugal: Wild Land on  
the Edge
- 8:00 PM NOVA  
Pompeii's Secret  
Underworld
- 9:00 PM Secrets of the Dead  
The Sunken Basilica
- 10:00 PM AI: Unpacking The  
Black Box  
Education, Employment  
and AI
- 10:30 PM Medical Frontiers
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

**19 THURSDAY**

- 7:00 PM This Old House  
Needham | Trim and  
Proper
- 7:30 PM Ask This Old House  
Grass Seed Facility,  
Porch Swing
- 8:00 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
- 8:30 PM You Gotta See This!
- 9:00 PM Hotel Portofino  
Entitled
- 10:00 PM Ridley  
A Sleeping Tiger, Part 1
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

**20 FRIDAY**

- 7:00 PM Washington Week  
with the Atlantic
- 7:30 PM Consider This with  
Christine Zak-Edmonds
- 8:00 PM Great Performances  
at the Met  
La Boheme
- 10:30 PM Market to Market
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

**21 SATURDAY**

- 6:00 PM Rick Steves' Europe  
Paris of the Parisians
- 6:30 PM Travels with Darley  
South Carolina  
Revolutionary Road Trip  
Part III
- 7:00 PM The Lawrence Welk Show  
The California Show
- 8:00 PM The Caverns Sessions  
Violent Femmes
- 8:30 PM A Shot of Ag  
Susan Graham
- 9:00 PM Call The Midwife  
Season 12, Episode 8
- 10:00 PM State & Water  
The Belle Rangers - Part 1
- 10:30 PM Austin City Limits  
Margo Price/Molly Tuttle  
& Golden Highway
- 11:30 PM Colorado Soundstage  
Shane Smith & The Saints  
at Red Rocks

**22 SUNDAY**

- 3:00 PM Epic Trails  
Backpacking North Dakota
- 3:30 PM Relish  
Filipino Pancit and  
Mexican Burritos
- 4:00 PM You Gotta See This!
- 4:30 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
- 5:00 PM Horizons from PBS News
- 5:30 PM DW Focus On Europe
- 6:00 PM Classical Tahoe
- 7:00 PM Call The Midwife  
Season 15, Episode 1

- 8:00 PM The Forsytes  
On Masterpiece  
Episode 1
- 9:00 PM The Count of Monte Cristo  
On Masterpiece  
The Letter
- 10:00 PM The Puzzle Lady  
Episode: 1
- 11:00 PM Murder in the Mountains  
In The Dead Spot

**23 MONDAY**

- 7:00 PM Antiques Roadshow  
Coastal Maine Botanical  
Gardens, Hour 3
- 8:00 PM Antiques Roadshow  
Stan Hywet Hall &  
Gardens Hour 2
- 9:00 PM Independent Lens  
Keep Quiet and Forgive
- 10:30 PM Closer to Truth's Arts  
Seeking Understanding  
How Do Mind, Art,  
Transcendence Relate?
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

**24 TUESDAY**

- 7:00 PM Finding Your Roots  
Larger Than Life
- 8:00 PM Breaking The Deadlock
- 9:00 PM Eudora
- 10:00 PM Healthy Minds with  
Dr. Jeffrey Borenstein  
Hoarding Disorder
- 10:30 PM Burt Wolf:  
Travels & Traditions  
Rejuvenation in the  
Palm Beaches
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

**25 WEDNESDAY**

- 7:00 PM Nature  
Raptors: A Fistful of  
Daggers: Meet The Raptors
- 8:00 PM NOVA  
Baltimore Bridge Collapse
- 9:00 PM Secrets of the Dead  
King Arthur's Lost  
Kingdom

- 10:00 PM AI: Unpacking The  
Black Box  
Government, Defense,  
Manufacturing and AI
- 10:30 PM Medical Frontiers
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

**26 THURSDAY**

- 7:00 PM This Old House  
Needham | Foot Traffic
- 7:30 PM Ask This Old House  
Lead Testing, Hillside  
Steps
- 8:00 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
- 8:30 PM WTVP's Docs on Call
- 9:00 PM Hotel Portofino  
Proposals
- 10:00 PM Ridley  
A Sleeping Tiger, Part 2
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

**27 FRIDAY**

- 7:00 PM Washington Week  
with the Atlantic
- 7:30 PM Consider This with  
Christine Zak-Edmonds
- 8:00 PM Martha Graham Dance  
Company: We Are Our  
Time | American Spirit
- 9:30 PM 9 Lives of Barbara Dane
- 10:30 PM Market to Market
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

**28 SATURDAY**

- 6:00 PM Rick Steves' Europe  
Istanbul: Capital of  
Emperors and Sultans
- 6:30 PM Travels with Darley  
New Jersey Revolutionary  
Road Trip Part V
- 7:00 PM The Lawrence Welk Show  
The Irish Show
- 8:00 PM The Caverns Sessions  
Bronwyn Keith-Hynes
- 8:30 PM A Shot of Ag  
Elizabeth Nielsen
- 9:00 PM Call The Midwife  
Holiday Special



**ANTIQUES ROADSHOW  
NEW SEASON!  
MONDAY, MARCH 23, 7 PM**



**THIS OLD HOUSE  
NEW SEASON!  
THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 7 PM**



**ASK THIS OLD HOUSE  
NEW SEASON!  
THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 7:30 PM**



**DOCS ON CALL  
THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 8:30 PM**

- 10:30 PM Austin City Limits  
Robert Glasper/Domi and  
JD Beck
- 11:30 PM Colorado Soundstage  
Big Head Todd & The  
Monsters at Red Rocks

## 29 SUNDAY

- 3:00 PM Epic Trails
- 3:30 PM Relish  
Potato Latkes and  
Kimchi Jjigae
- 4:00 PM WTVP's Docs on Call
- 4:30 PM At Issue with Mark Welp
- 5:00 PM Horizons from PBS News
- 5:30 PM DW Focus On Europe
- 6:00 PM Classical Tahoe
- 7:00 PM Call The Midwife  
Season 15, Episode 2
- 8:00 PM The Forsytes  
On Masterpiece  
Episode 2
- 9:00 PM The Count of Monte Cristo  
On Masterpiece  
The Castle
- 10:00 PM The Puzzle Lady  
Episode: 2
- 11:00 PM Murder in the Mountains  
Vintage Love

## 30 MONDAY

- 7:00 PM Antiques Roadshow  
Castle Farms, Hour 1
- 8:00 PM Henry David Thoreau  
Who Are We?
- 9:00 PM Henry David Thoreau  
Being Alive
- 10:00 PM Short Films On  
On Music
- 10:30 PM Closer to Truth's Arts  
Seeking Understanding  
Toward A Cognitive  
Science of Transcendence
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

## 31 TUESDAY

- 7:00 PM Finding Your Roots  
The Butterfly Effect
- 8:00 PM Henry David Thoreau  
Several More Lives to Live
- 9:00 PM Frontline
- 10:00 PM Healthy Minds with  
Dr. Jeffrey Borenstein  
Eating Disorders and  
Self-Control
- 10:30 PM Burt Wolf:  
Travels & Traditions  
Freedom of Speech, Part 3
- 11:00 PM Amanpour and Company

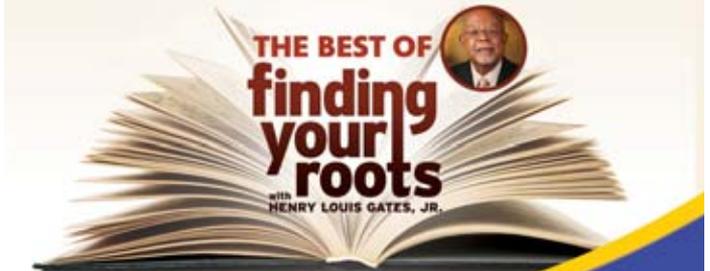
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## DAYTIME schedule

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
5:00	Classical Stretch: By Essentrics	Happy Yoga with Sarah Starr	Classical Stretch: By Essentrics	Happy Yoga with Sarah Starr	Yoga In Practice
5:30	Odd Squad				
6:00	Wild Kratts <sup>1</sup>				
6:30	Weather Hunters				
7:00	Lyla In The Loop				
7:30	Carl The Collector				
8:00	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood				
8:30	Phoebe & Jay				
9:00	Sesame Street				
9:30	Work It Out Wombats!				
10:00	Donkey Hodie				
10:30	Rosie's Rules				
11:00	Elinor Wonders Why				
11:30	Sara's Weeknight Meals	Pocket Sketching With Kath Macaulay	Garden SMART	My Greek Table	Fit 2 Stitch
12:00	Texas Parks and Wildlife	Antiques Roadshow	Finding Your Roots	NOVA	Documentaries
12:30	Cycle Around Japan Highlights				
1:00	Behind The Wings	PBS Arts Talk	Lawrence Welk Show	Epic Trails	Lucky Chow
1:30	MotorWeek	Medical Frontiers		Painting and Travel with Roger & Sarah Bansemer	The Best of The Joy of Painting
2:00	Classical Stretch: By Essentrics				
2:30	Odd Squad				
3:00	Molly Of Denali				
3:30	Xavier Riddle and the Secret Museum				
4:00	Menghayati!/Into The Outdoors/SciGirls/Curious Crew/Woodsongs Kids/Biz Kid\$				
4:30	Arthur				
5:00	WTVP BUSINESS BLOCK – DW News				
5:30	Consuelo Mack WealthTrack	A Shot of Ag	MotorWeek	Start Up	Life In Virginia's Appalachia
6:00	PBS NewsHour				

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WEEKEND schedule

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
5:00	Mister Rogers' Neighborhood	Mister Rogers' Neighborhood
5:30	Arthur	Arthur
6:00	Wild Kratts	Wild Kratts
6:30	Weather Hunters	Weather Hunters
7:00	Lyla In The Loop	Lyla In The Loop
7:30	Carl The Collector	Carl The Collector
8:00	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood	Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood
8:30	Phoebe & Jay	Phoebe & Jay
9:00	Curious Traveler <sup>1</sup>	Sesame Street
9:30	Fons & Porter's Love of Quilting <sup>1</sup>	Albie's Elevator
10:00	Quilting Arts <sup>1</sup>	Wimee's Words
10:30	Garden SMART <sup>1</sup>	Wordsville
11:00	America's Heartland <sup>1</sup>	Curious Crew

<sup>1</sup> Pledge Programming - 3/7 - 3/15

	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
11:30	Family Plot: Gardening in the Mid-South <sup>1</sup>	Woodsongs Kids <sup>1</sup>
12:00	America's Test Kitchen <sup>1</sup>	Consuelo Mack WealthTrack <sup>1</sup>
12:30	This Old House <sup>1</sup>	To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe <sup>1</sup>
1:00	Ask This Old House <sup>1</sup>	Market to Market <sup>1</sup>
1:30	American Woodshop <sup>1</sup>	CapitolView <sup>1</sup>
2:00	Woodsmith Shop <sup>1</sup>	Firing Line with Margaret Hoover <sup>1</sup>
2:30	Home Giagnosis <sup>1</sup>	People Of The North <sup>1</sup>
3:00	Christopher Kimball's Milk Street TV <sup>1</sup>	See WTVP-HD Daily Listings for Schedule
3:30	Dining with the Chef <sup>1</sup>	
4:00	Louisiana Coastal Cooking <sup>1</sup>	
4:30	Kitchen Curious <sup>1</sup>	
5:00	Compass Points From PBS News <sup>1</sup>	
5:30	MotorWeek/Weekend Discovery <sup>1</sup>	

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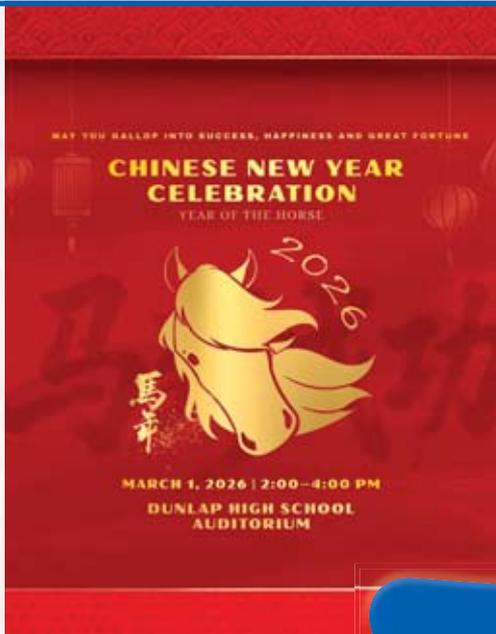
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**THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 8:30 PM**

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**CHINESE NEW YEAR:** Come and experience firsthand the joy and excitement of how Chinese culture celebrates the New Year! From lively gatherings and cherished traditions to flavorful home-cooked dishes and meaningful customs, this celebration is filled with warmth, connection, and festive spirit. Join the Peoria Chinese Association as we welcome the year of the horse.

**CUDDLES WITH KINDNESS:** For one eight-year-old girl, a simple gift of a stuffed animal while she was sick in the hospital changed everything. Now an adult, Taylor Larson Cole is dedicated to making sure children in hospitals experience that same sense of hope and love. Her mission, born from compassion and gratitude, continues to live on through every child she reaches.

**NOMAD THEATER:** Two women set out with a mission to make theatre accessible to everyone. By creating immersive experiences and presenting performances outside traditional spaces, they bring theatre directly to audiences in new and exciting ways.

**Don't miss these compelling, local stories on *You Gotta See This!*, airing on Thursday, March 19, at 8:30 p.m.**

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## FEBRUARY WAS A BIG MONTH FOR LOCAL CONTENT!

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The February 2026 candidate forums for Illinois' open U.S. Senate seat.



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Farmers, like Lucas Hill, are the original entrepreneurs.



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### AT ISSUE | WEST CENTRAL ILLINOIS BRAVER ANGELS

A new group in central Illinois is hoping to open dialogues in dignified, respectful ways.



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### CONSIDER THIS | JENNY LAPKE | THE GOOD DOG TRAINING ACADEMY

While studying to become a pediatrician, Jenny Lapke found her calling training dogs.



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Two cardiologists explain how to stay heart healthy and prevent cardiovascular disease.



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## VIBE 309 | MICHY MALOOF | SCULPT MODE

Blake sits down with Michy Maloof to talk fitness, real estate and vibe check her training facility.



## YOU GOTTA SEE THIS | AMISH HERITAGE | NITSCH THEATRE | BROTHERTON MUSEUM

Visit three spaces that preserve heritage, take you back to the past and bring kids up on stage.



## SATURDAYS AT 8:30 PM

This March on *A Shot of Ag with Rob Sharkey*, viewers will be inspired by powerful stories of purpose, service and connection. You will meet Susan Graham of DuQuoin, Illinois, who has spent more than three decades at Southern Illinois University Carbondale connecting with students and helping them discover the many opportunities campus life has to offer: from clubs and leadership roles to study-abroad experiences. A proud SIUC alum with a BS in Management and a mom to quadruplets, Susan also shares her love of music as a church music minister and pianist.

You'll also visit Kaneville, Illinois, to meet Elizabeth Nielsen, founder of Tiny Voices Therapy, whose passion for helping children with speech challenges led her to blend clinical care with the healing power of horses. After finding the perfect farm in 2019, Elizabeth created a space for therapy, animal connection and even an Airbnb retreat "Little Cottage on the Farm" where guests can slow down and reconnect with nature. These March episodes celebrate education, innovation and the many ways people are making a difference right where they are.





Thank you!

# GOOD BYE *Jackie!*

## 40 YEARS OF ENHANCING LIVES THROUGH BROADCASTING

In a windowed room filled with screens, **Jackie Lubcke** sits staring at a computer, sorting through 5000 pieces of data. As a Technical Specialist at **WTVP**, she presides over Master Control, “the brains of the station.” And after 40 years of working here, she’s retiring.

Jackie started working at the station in 1986 at its original location on Bradley’s campus. When she first saw the ad for the job, she said, “That’s me!” With a master’s degree in television production and a few years as a reporter at channel 31 under her belt, she beat out 67 other applicants to secure the role. Still, some board members at the time thought she was too young for the job.

Now after 40 years, Jackie has seen just about everything. When she began, there were no computers, no tape library and no broadcast in the middle of the day—just 7-10 a.m. and 3-11 p.m. Today, Jackie sits in a Master Control room with almost two dozen monitors and screens on the walls and desktops. She works with a database of 34,000 entries. And she helps broadcast **WTVP’s** four round-the-clock channels.

Although Jackie’s job title hasn’t changed in the last four decades, the role has. At times she’s had to be a one-person production crew; writing, editing, producing, fixing machines, even hiring staff. Jackie tells people, “I watch TV for a living,” but it’s a lot more than that. “It’s a 24/7 grind. If people can’t show up [for work], you have to. You can’t train for this job in two weeks, and the complexity is only growing.”

Jackie has covered every possible shift in her time at **WTVP**. She’s shown up at all hours and in all weather. She was working at the station during the Washington tornado. Inside the Master Control

room bubble, she had no idea what was happening outside. She once left work after a snowstorm and the snow had piled up to the door handles.

Jackie has been at the station during some lean times as well. She remembers working one Saturday, not knowing if **WTVP** would be on the air the next week. Suddenly, the doorbell rang. A woman stood there holding out a mayonnaise jar full of coins she was giving to help save the station. “It was very humbling,” Jackie recalls.

That’s part of what has kept Jackie coming back to work all these years. “We’re doing a public service. People care about what we do here.” Recently, her granddaughter had to go to the hospital, a scary situation for any child. The girl brought her Daniel Tiger book along for comfort and courage. For Jackie, that illustrates that what we do at **WTVP** is so much more than just show entertaining programs. We enhance people’s lives.

Jackie expects she’ll stay busy in her retirement. She’s planning to visit those grandkids in Seattle and continue showing horses. She’s got big plans for trips and cruises with her husband, a retired Caterpillar engineer.

Still, it will be hard for Jackie to hand in her keys. “It will be strange not to be here. I can pull out things from the tape library that I produced in the 90s. When you do something for so long, it becomes part of you.”

You’ve been a key part of **WTVP**, too, Jackie, and you will be missed. Thanks for 40 years of dedicated service.

# CAN'T GET ENOUGH DRAMA

**WTVP Passport**, a benefit of membership, offers early and exclusive access to thousands of compelling titles. This month, that access includes:



## ▶ **THE COUNT OF MONTE CRISTO ON MASTERPIECE EARLY ACCESS STARTING MARCH 1**

Binge all eight episodes starting March 1 before the series broadcast on March 22. Watch Alexandre Dumas' literary classic come to life in this MASTERPIECE series.

## ▶ **PARADISE SERIES BINGE STARTING MARCH 6**

As families battle for power, characters are forced into impossible choices between desire, duty and survival. Blackmail, betrayal and forbidden relationships unravel lives, while personal vendettas threaten to destroy both love and legacy. In Italian with English subtitles.

Seasons one through nine are available now with Passport and season ten will be available beginning March 6.

## ▶ **HELSINKI CRIMES SERIES BINGE STARTING MARCH 13**

As spring unfolds, Harjunpaa and Onerva tackle bizarre crimes, workplace tension and growing personal doubts that threaten their futures. In Finnish with English subtitles.

Season one is available now with Passport and season two will be available beginning March 13.

## ▶ **THE FORSYTES ON MASTERPIECE BINGE STARTING MARCH 22**

Desire, ambition and betrayal simmer at the heart of this sumptuous costume drama from writer Debbie Horsfield (Poldark). The Forsytes chronicles the lives, loves, trials and triumphs of a wealthy Victorian era stockbroking family, whose generations find themselves torn between tradition and self-sacrifice, personal happiness and the pursuit of love. Inspired by John Galsworthy's celebrated Forsyte Saga novels.

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# LIVESTREAM

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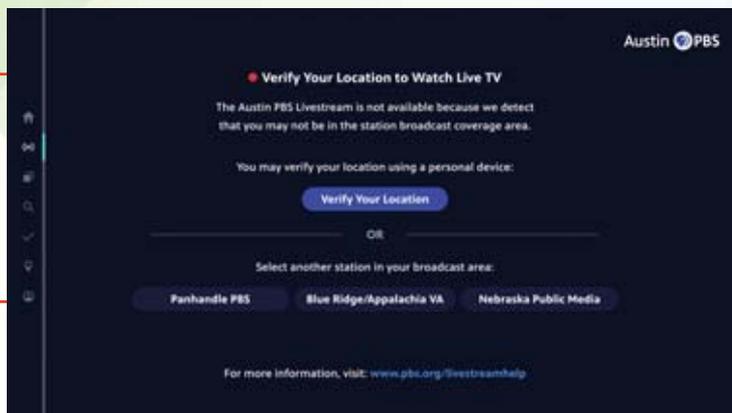
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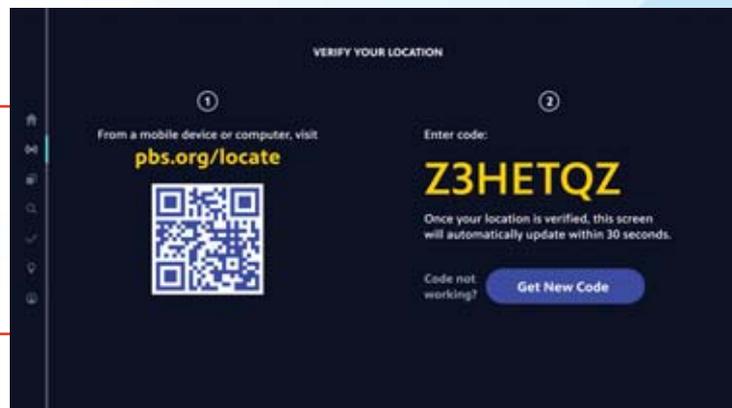
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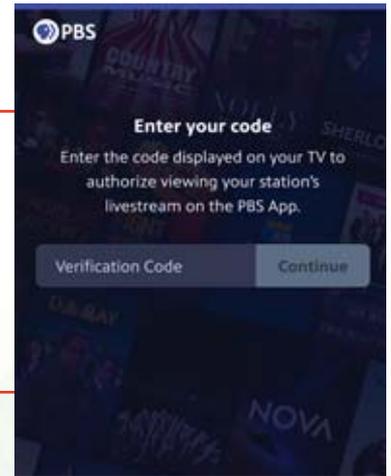
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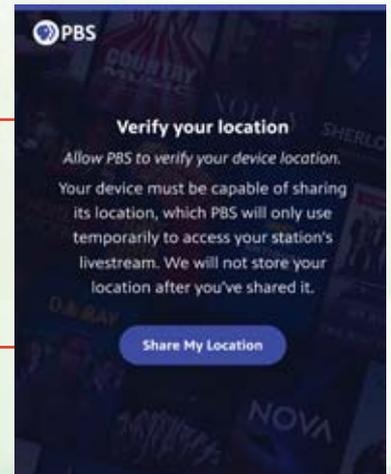
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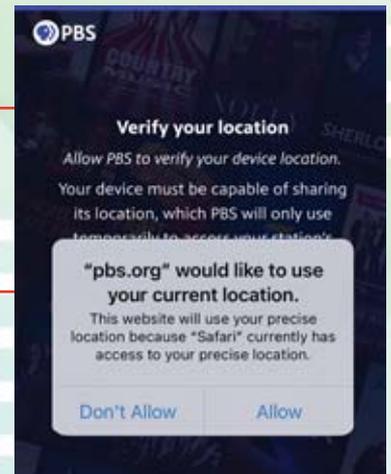
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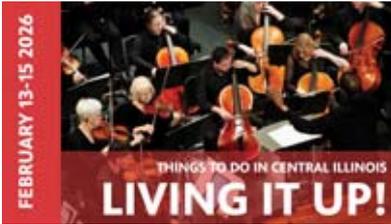


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Spring Home Show  
Mar 1



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# STAMPING *the* PASSPORT

Welcome to **WTVP's** monthly article featuring a **WTVP** staff member reviewing a new-to-them show on **Passport**.

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## JENNIFER WIELAND WATCHES THE PAST AND FUTURE COLLIDE IN *AI: UNPACKING THE BLACK BOX*

Each month, Jennifer Wieland gets a sneak peek of upcoming shows and seasons. As Website Support, she builds blog pages on [wtvp.org](http://wtvp.org) that offer details about each program we'll be promoting. So back in January, Jennifer's interest was piqued while working on the page for the new series, *AI: Unpacking the Black Box*. "I was very excited watching the promos as I built the webpage. It seemed like an interesting show."

*AI: Unpacking the Black Box* is a groundbreaking, eight-part series that explores the future of humanity in the age of emerging Artificial Intelligence. Hosted by technical futurist John McElligott, the show features interviews with experts from around the globe, discussing how AI will impact everything from jobs and education to faith and the pursuit of AI-driven immortality. Each episode utilizes AI to create visuals that illustrate the themes, progressively showcasing the advancements of Artificial Intelligence throughout the series.

Jennifer watched episode one with both interest and trepidation. "It's definitely a topic I'm interested in—or, more accurately, concerned about. I'm writing a diesel-punk film script, and I'm interested in how AI will affect society and humanity." She mentions works like *1984* and *2001: A Space Odyssey* which have dystopian views of the future. Jennifer also confesses, "I might be a bit of a technophobe, and I'm concerned about AI having free reign."

Her assessment of the show? "It's definitely fascinating, a little bit terrifying, but in a way that's also intriguing." While the program does address both the good and the bad of what AI is and could be, the tone was overall positive about its potential. Jennifer liked how the narrator connected AI with our desire to create and bring things to life. "My favorite part was the talk about the responsibility we have

today to make decisions about the ethical use of AI so that we have a plan in place when ethical issues arise." A fan of history, Jennifer also appreciated how the show connects the past with the future, calling our current moment the fifth industrial revolution and comparing it to previous revolutions.

Jennifer plans to keep watching and is especially intrigued by the episode "Religion and AI." In episode one, the narrator claims, "We've been creating intelligence since the beginning, like the God of the Bible." Jennifer says, "As a religious person who worships God, I'm curious to know other people's perspectives on it. The narratives in science shows are often tilted away from religious belief. But I think my religion lines up with science very well."

Jennifer would recommend the show but advises bringing your critical thinking along for the ride. "Everything you see in it is made by AI, starting with the early models of AI formation and getting more advanced as it goes on. So you're seeing the evolution of AI while you're learning about it. It's a good opportunity to test your ability to spot the differences between machine made and human made." After all, AI is the Pandora's box of our era and "there's no putting it back in the box."

*If you're intrigued by the future of AI, point your phone camera at the QR code and follow the link. All eight episodes are available with **WTVP Passport**, a benefit of membership. To get Passport access, become a member by visiting [wtvp.tv/join](http://wtvp.tv/join).*



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Building mountain bike trails on the shores of Lake Superior and investigating how a Supreme Court ruling threatens wetlands.

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Visit the remote Isle Royale National Park to learn how wolves and moose are shaping a delicate island ecosystem and see what goes into piloting freighters passing through the Great Lakes.

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Indiana shoreline residents take drastic action to save their homes from powerful waves and Michigan DNR officials defend against climate change by removing old dams.



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##### WOMEN'S:

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