NATURE IS THE KEY TO OUR SURVIVAL

THE AGE OF NATURE
NARRATED BY UMA THURMAN
The Trouble with Maggie Cole

See what happens when idle gossip escalates out of control and starts to affect people's lives. Set in a picturesque fishing village, the series centers on Maggie Cole, the self-appointed oracle of this close-knit community.

Sundays, October 18 - November 22 at 7PM
Masterpiece: Flesh and Blood
Sundays, October 4 - 25 at 8pm

Enjoy an unconventional thriller about the perils of late-life romance. The lives of three adult siblings are disrupted when their recently widowed mother declares she’s in love with a new man.

Basketball, Water and the Lost City of Elbowoods
Thursday, November 12 at 8pm

The 1942 Elbowoods High School basketball team made it to the North Dakota State Class B championship game, but they lost in a bizarre twist that resulted in a 60-year effort to right a wrong. “Basketball, Water and the Lost City of Elbowoods” relives the excitement of that basketball team and the title game controversy, and it examines the fate of the team’s hometown - which was sacrificed after the Garrison Dam was constructed in 1953 and is now covered by Lake Sakakawea.

Hank Locklin: Country Music's Timeless Tenor
Thursday, November 19 at 8pm

This program recalls the unquestionable talent, unorthodox career path and notable contributions of prolific songwriter, Grammy-nominated recording artist and Grand Ole Opry star Hank Locklin. The film covers his path from Florida’s Gulf Coast to Nashville by way of Texas, influence on the Nashville sound with producer Chet Atkins, hit records - including country standards “Please Help Me, I’m Falling” and the self-penned “Send Me the Pillow You Dream On” - pioneering concept albums and popularity overseas, and five decades of performing as a member of the Grand Ole Opry.

Masterpiece: Roadkill
Sundays, November 1 - 22 at 8pm

Ambition knows no bounds, nor does corruption in a political thriller written by David Hare and starring Hugh Laurie as a scheming UK government minister. Crime may not pay, but politics sure does.

Driving While Black
Tuesday, October 13 at 8pm

Discover how the advent of the automobile brought new mobility and freedom for African Americans but also exposed them to discrimination and deadly violence, and how that history resonates today.

The Age of Nature
Wednesdays, October 14 - 28 at 9pm

Explore humanity’s relationship with nature and wildlife, as conservationists and scientists from all over the world examine ways we can restore our planet. This 3-part documentary series asks whether newfound awareness of nature could bring about a new chapter in the human.

American Masters
“Walter Winchell: The Power of Gossip”
Tuesday, October 20 at 8pm

Meet the newspaper columnist, radio commentator and television personality who pioneered the fast-paced, gossip driven, politically charged journalism that dominates today. At his peak, his audience was 50 million. Stanley Tucci stars as Winchell.

Common Ground
“John Andersen Handcrafted Log Home”
Thursday, October 29 at 7pm; Saturday, October 31 at 11:30am & 6:30pm; Sunday, November 1 at 6:30pm

John Andersen of Andersen Log homes based in Walker, MN builds a one-of-a-kind log home for the Sartores from the largest white pine logs he has ever worked with. Homeowner Joel Sartore, a world renowned wildlife photographer, and his wife Kathy, speak of their want to work with John Andersen, a builder at the “top of his game”, and other skilled home builders, to have a unique log home of the highest quality. John & Beth Andersen tell of their years in this artisan business and John’s implementation of a rare Scandinavian building technique.
Debate Night 2020

Lakeland PBS will be telecasting candidate forums for 7 state races in northern and central Minnesota. These candidate forums will also be available on our website: lptv.org following the original broadcast.

State Representative District 2B
Monday, October 5 at 7pm
DAVID SUBY - Democrat; REP. STEVE GREEN - Republican

State Senate District 2
Monday, October 5 at 5pm
LEONARD ALAN ROY - Democrat; SEN. PAUL UTKE - Republican

State Representative District 2A
Monday, October 5 at 9pm
JEREMIAH LIEND - Democrat; REP. MATTHEW J. GROSSELL - Republican

State Representative District 5B
Tuesday, October 6 at 7pm
JOE ABETYA - Democrat; REP. SPENCER KGO - Republican

State Senate District 5
Tuesday, October 6 at 6pm
RITA ALBRECHT - Democrat; SEN. JUSTIN EICHRORN - Republican

State Representative District 5A
Tuesday, October 6 at 9pm
REP. JOHN PERSSEL - Democrat; MATT BLISS - Republican

State Senate District 9
Thursday, October 8 at 7pm
A. JOHN PETERS - Democrat; SEN. PAUL GAZELKA - Republican

State Representative District 9A
Thursday, October 8 at 8pm
ALEX HERING - Democrat; REP. JOHN M. POSTON - Republican

State Representative District 10B
Friday, October 10 at 7pm
GAYLENE SPOLARICH - Democrat; REP. DALE LUECK - Republican

State Senate District 10
Friday, October 10 at 8pm
STEPHEN SAMUELSON - Democrat; SEN. CARRIE RUUD - Republican

State Representative District 10A
Friday, October 10 at 9pm
DALE MENK - Democrat; REP. JOSHUA HEINTZMAN - Republican

Face-to-Face: Minnesota 7th District Congressional Debate
“Collin Peterson vs Michelle Fischbach”
Thursday, October 8 at 7pm
Join us for this one hour debate between Democrat Representative Collin Peterson and Republican Michelle Fischbach.

Tuesday, October 27 at 7pm; Monday, November 2 at 8pm
Investigating the lives and characters of Joe Biden and Donald Trump as they compete to be president. Those who know them best reveal key moments that made both men and shape how they would lead America through a time of crisis.

PBS "Debate Night 2020"

General Manager’s Message

Fall is here and there’s a chill in the air hinting of what’s to come. While I’m not excited for winter to get here, I do enjoy the fall. The lack of bugs, along with the crisp air and beautiful fall colors make it a wonderful time of the year.

It’s great to hear that we may be getting closer to the release of a COVID-19 vaccine. Large scale testing is beginning on a few candidate vaccines. If the testing goes well, production could begin later this fall. It feels like the world is on hold right now, so it will be wonderful to get back to a new normal. Whatever that new normal looks like, it’s going to be better than the pandemic we’re all living with now.

The November elections seem to be at the top of everyone’s conversations. When I talk to folks about the elections, it seems that everyone feels that there is more at stake with this year’s election than any in past memory. Lakeland PBS is here to help you be more informed. In October, we have a great deal of timely and important programming related to the elections. The NewsHour will be producing primetime specials for the three Presidential Debates on September 29 and October 15 and 22, and the Vice Presidential Debate on October 7. Then on election night November 3rd, both the NewsHour and Lakeland News will be providing in-depth coverage throughout the evening. I also want to point out one program in particular. Frontline has a two-hour special called “The Choice 2020 - Trump vs. Biden.” This program provides an unprecedented and in-depth look at both President Trump and Joe Biden. This special aired in September and airs again on Tuesday, October 27 at 8 p.m. and on Monday, November 2 at 8 p.m. If you missed it in September, you won’t want to miss it again.

Locally, Lakeland PBS wants to help our region’s citizens be more informed about our local State candidates’ positions on important issues. To accomplish this, Lakeland PBS will again be partnering with the Bemidji Pioneer, the Brainerd Dispatch, and KAXE radio to produce and broadcast a series of State House and Senate race debates that will air throughout the week of October 5th during prime time. We will be producing these debates virtually, so the candidates and panelists will be connecting from home via Zoom to keep everyone safe. That said, the debates will still follow a traditional debate format with a full hour dedicated to each of the races we’re covering, for a total of eleven hours. These debates will include state House district 2A, 2B, 5A, 5B, 9A, 10A, and 10B. In the Senate, we will cover districts 2, 5, 9, and 10. Please take a look at the debate schedule in this edition of Highlights for the week of October 5th and be sure to tune in to hear from the candidates that cover your home region so you learn more about their views on the important local issues that directly affect you and your family. Be an informed voter so you can make your vote count!

In addition to state races, we will also feature one Congressional race from our region. On Thursday, October 8 at 7 p.m., we will air a debate for the Minnesota 7th Congressional District with incumbent Congressman Collin Peterson vs. Michelle Fischbach. This is a highly contested race and should be very important issues.

Last month I let you all know that you would soon be able to watch Lakeland PBS live online. Our new livestream service is now available and it looks great! You can watch our Lakeland Prime broadcast channel live on our website at lptv.org/livestream. You can also watch our livestream on a Roku streaming player by downloading the PBS Video app. In addition, even more ways of watching are in the works including both an updated Android and iOS PBS Video app for tablets and phones.

In closing I want to let you know that our September pledge drive was successful due to the generosity of our supporters and we were able to surpass our total raised in September of 2019. Our local fundraising is more important than ever right now due to reductions in state funding for the coming fiscal year.

As always, thank you for your generous support!

Bill Sanford - CEO
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Metallica and the San Francisco Symphony: S&M 2
Saturday, October 31 at 9pm
Join the ultimate heavy metal band as they combine forces with the nearly 80-member orchestra. Filmed over two sold-out shows that opened San Francisco’s Chase Center, the concert features the symphonic renditions of Metallica fan favorites.

Fleetwood Mac - The Dance
Saturday, November 7 at 9pm
Celebrate the greatest hits from the best-selling album Rumours in this concert recorded in 1997. Lindsey Buckingham, Mick Fleetwood, Christine McVie, John McVie and Stevie Nicks (pictured) perform “Don’t Stop,” “Go Your Own Way” and more.

Great Performances
Michael Buble: Tour Stop 148
Saturday, November 14 at 9pm
Experience superstar singer Michael Bublé’s visually thrilling and musically triumphant “To Be Loved Tour” featuring performances of his biggest hits including “Home” and “Haven’t Met You Yet” plus exclusive footage of Team Bublé travels.

Linda Ronstadt: Live in Hollywood
Saturday, November 21 at 9pm
Celebrate the superstar in an electrifying 1980 concert filmed at the height of her career. Ronstadt held the audience spellbound with powerful renditions of her biggest hits, including “Blue Bayou,” “It’s So Easy” and “You’re No Good.”

Alan Jackson Precious Memories
Saturday, October 3 at 9pm
Recorded to honor his mother’s request that he release an album of gospel classics, Alan Jackson’s Precious Memories CD quickly made its way to the top of the charts. This concert that followed was taped at the historic Ryman Auditorium and features signature renditions of traditional hymns and gospel favorites. Selections include: “When We All Get to Heaven,” “The Old Rugged Cross” and “How Great Thou Art.”

Classic Albums: John Lennon - Plastic Ono Band
Saturday, October 10 at 9pm
Explore the making of Lennon’s first post-Beatles album, widely regarded as one of his finest. The documentary features interviews with Yoko Ono, Ringo Starr, bassist Klaus Voormann, along with archival footage and recorded interviews with Lennon.

Bluegrass Now!
Saturday, October 17 at 9pm
Join Rhonda Vincent and Jim Lauderdale for a grand celebration of Bluegrass with artists Alison Brown, Becky Buller, Dan Tyminski, Frank Solivan & Dirty Kitchen, Larry Sparks, Michael Cleveland & Flamekeeper, Missy Raines and Molly Tuttle.

Chuck Berry: Brown-Eyed Handsome Man
Saturday, October 24 at 9pm
Celebrate the father of rock’n’roll with legendary artists including The Beatles, The Rolling Stones, Bruce Springsteen, Jimi Hendrix, Tom Petty, Linda Ronstadt, Jeff Lynne and more performing favorite songs by their self-proclaimed hero.

Backroads “Jennifer Johnson”
Thursday, November 19 at 7:30pm; Saturday, November 21 at 8:30pm
Jennifer Johnson is a singer/songwriter from Bemidji, MN and is currently a music teacher at Rippleisele Elementary in Aitkin, MN. Inspired by her Christian faith, Jennifer describes her music as a sort of “musical journal” that accompanies her on her journey through life. It speaks to growing up, wondering, hoping, and seeking out who we are and who we’re meant to be in this world. Every song tells a story and she’s excited to share a little bit of her story with all of you through her music.
Nature “Pandas: Born To Be Wild”  
Wednesday, October 21 at 7pm

Unlock the mysteries of wild pandas whose counterparts in captivity are known for their gentle image. Journey through the steep Qinling Mountains with filmmakers, scientists and rangers to witness pandas’ startling courtship and aggression behaviors.

Nature “Primates”  
Wednesdays, November 4-18 at 7pm

Get to know the many species of primates, from the popular chimpanzee and gorilla, to the more obscure species like the snub-nosed monkey, the slow loris, the tarsier and much more.

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Nova: Colosseum - Roman Death Trap
Wednesday, November 4 at 8pm
Archaeologists and engineers team up to re-create ancient Roman techniques to build a 25-foot lifting machine and trap-door system capable of releasing a wolf into the Colosseum’s arena for the first time in 1,500 years.

Nova: Petra - Lost City of Stone
Wednesday, November 11 at 8pm
More than 2,000 years ago, the thriving city of Petra rose up in the bone-dry desert of what is now Jordan. Follow an archaeologist and sculptors to learn how the people of Petra built their city of stone.