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CITY SEEKS INPUT ON TRANSPORTATION AND PARKING IN THE RESORT AREA

Residents and visitors are invited to help shape the future of transportation, parking and other elements in the City's Resort Area by participating in a new survey. Available online at publicinput.com/ResortMobility2021, input received will be used to create the **Resort Area Mobility Plan (RAMP)**, a guide to inform decisions about safety, getting around the resort, parking, streetscapes and overall appearance.



The survey is open through Sunday, Jan. 31. Visit VBgov.com/resortmobilityplan for more info.

TESTERS WANTED TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK TO HELP DESIGN CITY'S FIRST ONE-STOP SHOP PORTAL

We are looking to engage citizens as testers throughout the development process of our first one-stop shop mobile portal. Citizen-testers are invited to point out which features would be most beneficial to their daily lives and identify any bugs or issues. Testing is open to all citizens. While the official name and branding have not been determined yet, a pre-release version of the app is listed as **"VB Connect"** and can be accessed from a mobile device or computer.

To participate, download the app from the links below and follow these steps to provide feedback: *Tap on the Menu; Select Settings; Enter your feedback; Select Submit Feedback.*

- Android users: play.google.com/apps/testing/com.vbgov.vbconnect
- iOS users: testflight.apple.com/join/S2rRZUrY
- Website link: vbconnecttest.vbgov.com

The one-stop-shop portal will serve as a multipurpose tool which facilitates access to several City services, including making payments, applying for permits, finding voting locations and more. To achieve such an ambitious goal, the app will be delivered through several phases where new functionality will be introduced, and existing functionality will be expanded.

Participants do not need a technical background to test the app and share their opinions or recommendations. By crowdsourcing feedback from residents, the City plans to design an app that evolves with their needs. Public input will be reviewed regularly and incorporated where possible to ensure a dynamic portal. Citizens are encouraged to check the City's social media channels for updates.

OPPORTUNITIES

HELP “EXTINGUISH HUNGER” WITH VBFD

The **Virginia Beach Fire Department’s “Extinguish Hunger”** campaign is still going strong. Although this past year has been extra challenging for many of us and our neighbors, the VBFD delivered 1,074 lbs. of food to the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore through generous donations from the citizens of Virginia Beach in December 2020.

As we head into 2021, we ask you to remember to “Extinguish Hunger” and continue bringing your donations to your neighborhood fire station. All Virginia Beach fire stations serve as drop sites for nonperishable food. Baby formula and food, diapers and wipes are also welcome.

Launched in March 2017, the campaign began as an effort to help Virginia Beach residents who were directly impacted by Hurricane Matthew in October 2016.

LIBRARY LAUNCHES “STORK STORYTIME” FOR EXPECTING PARENTS

Virginia Beach Public Library has long offered storytime classes for children from ages 6 months to 5 years, helping build skills to prepare them for success in school and beyond. Now, VBPL is offering “**Stork Storytime,**” a workshop to help expecting parents prepare for their roles as their children’s first teachers. The first session will be held live, online via the library’s WebEx platform, Saturday, Jan. 23, from 7 to 7:30 p.m. Registration is required.

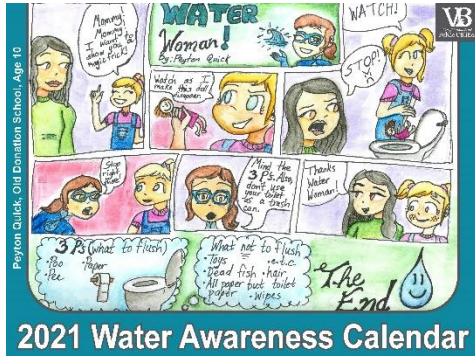
During Stork Storytime, expecting parents will learn simple practices, such as singing songs aloud during the day and establishing a time when everyone can pause and read aloud for five minutes, and other tips to help them develop confidence and skills to create a daily reading routine before their babies arrive. As part of the program, parents who complete 20 “read aloud” activities will also have a chance to select and add a new board book to their baby’s collection, thanks to funding from the Friends of Virginia Beach Public Library. Register now for Stork Storytime at VBgov.com/library-events.



Please note: Most City facilities and state agencies will be closed on Monday, Jan. 18 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day except for the Virginia Aquarium & Marine Science Center (Timed tickets available at www.virginiaaquarium.com); Virginia Beach Animal Care & Adoption Center and some Farmers Market vendors (Visit VBgov.com/farmersmarket for individual merchant hours).

FREE 2021 WATER AWARENESS CALENDARS AVAILABLE

The **2021 Water Awareness Calendars** are in! Published annually by **Public Utilities**, the calendars feature illustrations by Virginia Beach elementary school students showing what they do to use water wisely. The calendar includes the important topics of backflow prevention;



proper fat, oil, and grease disposal; water conservation; and what not to flush.

The calendar illustrations were chosen in a contest held last year. Entries were judged by Public Utilities staff based upon best expression of theme, picture design, creativity and artistic skill.

The colorful calendars are free and are available at Virginia Beach public libraries and recreation centers.

REMINDER: HELP US IDENTIFY LOCATIONS WHERE INDIVIDUALS ARE LIVING UNSHELTERED THROUGH JAN. 17

Virginia Beach Housing and Neighborhood Preservation needs the public's help in identifying locations throughout the city where individuals have been observed living without shelter. Citizens can submit locations directly on a map from their mobile device or computer at www.publicinput.com/2021VBPITCount through Jan. 17. The information will help guide teams of volunteers during the annual **Point-in-Time Count**. Location points should include the date observed and additional details that will help describe the situation. The City is asking for visual observations only – please do not engage the individuals.

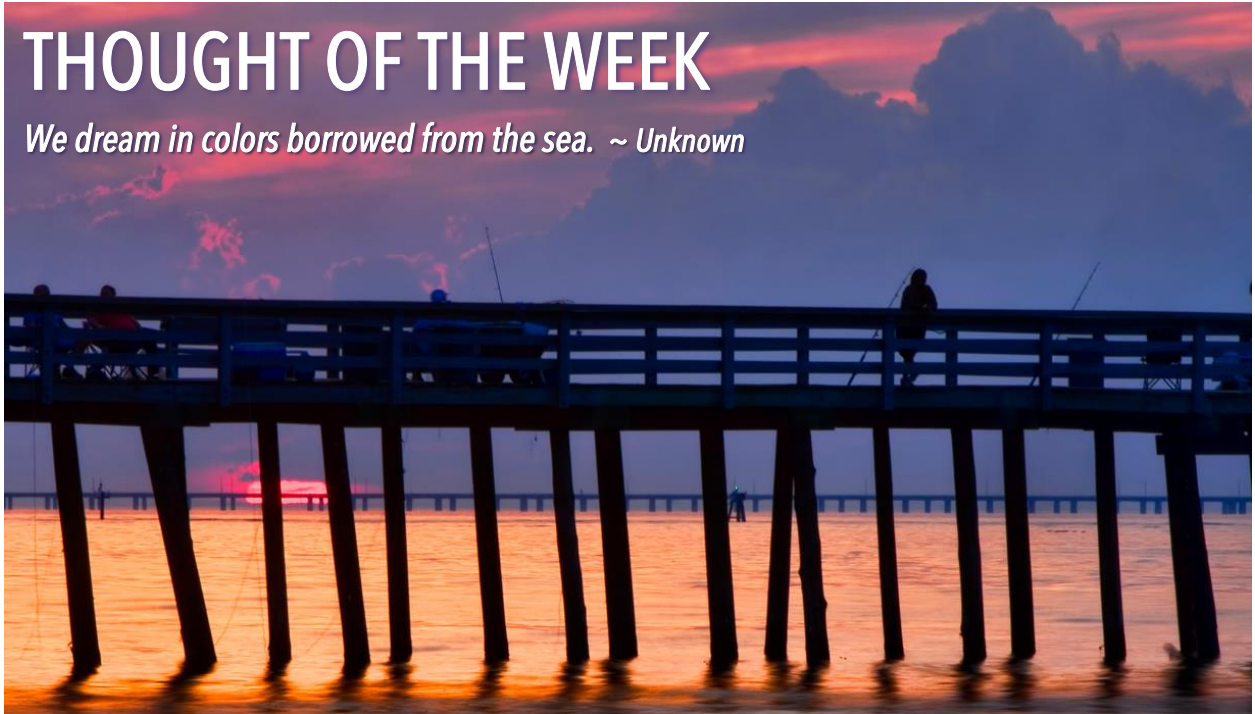
The PIT Count is typically conducted during one day in late January with the help of teams of volunteers. To promote the safety of the community during the pandemic, the city will not seek volunteer support for the 2021 PIT Count. To allow more time for the city's Homeless Outreach Team to complete the street count, the 2021 PIT will be extended and held Jan. 27-31.

CITY IMPROVEMENTS/CLOSURES

- **BALTIC AVENUE:** A portion of Baltic Avenue, between Holly Road and 30th Street, is currently closed due to emergency stormwater pipe work. This work will occur daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. until Friday, Jan. 22, weather permitting. Advanced warning signs will be clearly posted advising motorists of lane closures. Citizens are urged to use alternate traffic routes when possible. Contact: Emiliee Jessen, eauyang@vbgov.com, (757) 613-4308; Connor Mathis, Tri-State, (757) 366-9505.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

We dream in colors borrowed from the sea. ~ Unknown



ATTACHMENTS

- ◆ Virginia Beach Television (VBTV) Program Schedule | Jan. 17 through Jan. 23, 2021.



VIRGINIA BEACH TELEVISION

Cox Cable Channels 46, 47 & 48
Verizon Cable Channels 46, 47 & 45


PROGRAM SCHEDULE


JANUARY 17 – JANUARY 23, 2021


VIRGINIA BEACH TELEVISION provides locally produced and other specialty programming to support the mission of the Virginia Beach Municipal Government and the Virginia Beach City Public School System. Program listings reflect expected airtimes but may be preempted by public meetings, hearings, and special events.

 e~Streaming is available at <https://www.vbgov.com/media> for all **LIVE** public sessions of Virginia Beach City Council and Planning Commission meetings, archives of previous meetings, and original VBTV programming. **LIVE** meetings and previous sessions of the Virginia Beach City School Board can be accessed at <http://www.vbschools.com/schoolboard/archive>.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

 **VIRGINIA BEACH CITY COUNCIL MEETING (Cox 48 / Verizon 45)** — *Recablecast of the January 12 special session:* Sun 9am. **LIVE:** Tue, Informal Session 4:30pm; Formal Session 6pm. Recablecast: Thu 7pm; Fri 9am.

 **VIRGINIA BEACH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING (Cox 48 / Verizon 45)** — *Recablecast of the January 19 regular meeting:* Thu 9am; Fri 7pm; Sat Noon.

 **VIRGINIA BEACH CITY SCHOOL BOARD MEETING (Cox 47 / Verizon 47)** — *Recablecast of the January 12 meeting:* Mon 2pm; Wed 7pm; Sat 9am.

VIRGINIA BEACH TELEVISION – COX 48 / VERIZON 45

A BIOGRAPHY OF AMERICA: SLAVERY — View history as a living narrative rather than a series of irrefutable facts to be memorized. Prominent historians present America's story as something that is best understood from a variety of perspectives. Sun 11pm; Mon 10am & 5pm; Thu 2am; Fri 5pm.

A PLACE OF OUR OWN: PREVENTING CHILDHOOD INJURIES — Insight and advice for solving issues related to parenting and child rearing. Mon 2:30am, 1:30pm & 11:30pm; Tue & Thu 7:30am; Wed 2:30am, 1:30pm & 8:30pm; Fri 8:30pm; Sat 7:30am, 1:30pm & 11:30pm.

AMERICAN CINEMA: THE FILM SCHOOL GENERATION — Explore film history and American culture through the eyes of Hollywood insiders. Sun 9pm; Mon 8am & 3pm; Thu 12am; Fri 3pm.

ART HISTORY: IMPRESSIONISM — Sun 4:30pm; Tue & Sat 9:30am; Wed 6:30am & 4:30pm.

BRIDGING WORLD HISTORY: HISTORY AND MEMORY — Explore global patterns through time, seeing history as an integrated whole. Sun 7am; Tue & Thu 1pm; Fri 2am.

CONSTITUTION: THAT DELICATE BALANCE - CAMPAIGN SPENDING — Key political, legal, and media professionals engage in spontaneous and heated debates on controversial issues. Sun 1pm; Fri 8am; Sat 2pm.

DESERT VISION — A monthly newscast highlighting training, events, and ceremonies in the Army's Central Command area of responsibility. Mon 1am, 12pm & 10pm; Tue & Thu 6am; Wed 1am, 12pm & 7pm; Fri 7pm; Sat 6am, 12pm & 10pm.

DISCOVERING PSYCHOLOGY: UNDERSTANDING RESEARCH — Explore historic and current theories of human behavior through demonstrations, classic experiments and simulations, current research, documentary footage, and computer animation. Sun 11:30pm; Mon 10:30am & 5:30pm; Thu 2:30am; Fri 5:30pm.

FOCUS NNS — Explore current events at Newport News Shipbuilding. Mon 1:30am, 12:30pm & 10:30pm; Tue & Thu 6:30am; Wed 1:30am, 12:30pm & 7:30pm; Fri 7:30pm; Sat 6:30am, 12:30pm & 10:30pm.

GROWING OLD IN A NEW AGE: INTELLECT, PERSONALITY, AND MENTAL HEALTH — A realistic and positive picture of older adults challenges the common misconceptions and fears that surround the aging process. Sun & Thu 2pm; Fri 1pm.

HOW IN THE WORLD — How in the world does an airplane fly? How does an ice hockey rink stay frozen? How does it snow? How do fish survive the winter? How can a musical note shatter a glass? Hop aboard the Airship Curiosity and travel the globe for an adventure of fun and discovery. Sun 7pm; Mon 6am; Tue 10pm; Wed 9am; Thu 6:30pm; Fri 10pm; Sat 1am & 4pm.

KENNEDY CENTER PERFORMING ARTS: SWEET HONEY IN THE ROCK — Capturing the complex sounds of blues, spirituals, rap, hip hop and more, this renowned A cappella ensemble demonstrates how their collective voice is an instrument to create music filled with soulful harmonies and intricate rhythms. Sun & Tue 12am; Mon & Sat 6pm; Wed 9pm; Thu 8am & 3pm; Fri 5am.

LEARNING MATH: RATIONAL NUMBERS AND PROPORTIONAL REASONING — Designed for elementary and middle school teachers, and organized according to standards developed by the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, this series explores topics in measurement, number operations, statistics, geometry, and algebra. Sun 6:30am; Tue & Thu 12:30pm; Fri 1:30am.

LEWIS LATIMER: RENAISSANCE MAN — The Brewery Troupe tells the story of this son of slaves who became an inventor, a poet, and an activist. Sun 7:30pm; Mon 6:30am; Tue & Fri 10:30pm; Wed 9:30am; Sat 1:30am & 4:30pm..

MEET THE AUTHOR: FIROOZAH DUMAS — Sun 5pm; Tue & Sat 10am; Wed 7am & 5pm.

MOM ALWAYS SAID: DIGITAL DISTRACTIONS — Discussion between real moms with real experiences and real tips on raising a family. Mon 12:30am, 11:30am & 9:30pm; Tue & Thu 5:30am; Wed 12:30am & 6:30pm; Fri 6:30pm; Sat 5:30am, 11:30am & 9:30pm.

MONEYTRACK: FINANCIAL MAKEOVER — Learn how to make your money work for you, and keep your investments on track so you can retire in style and enjoy the good life. Mon 2am, 1pm & 11pm; Tue & Thu 7am; Wed 2am, 1pm & 8pm; Fri 8pm; Sat 7am, 1pm & 11pm.

NEWSWRITING: BROADCAST NEWS WRITING — Explore techniques to become a better writer through traditional and emerging journalistic styles. Mon 12am, 11am & 9pm; Tue 5am; Wed 12am, 11am & 6pm; Thu 5am & 6pm; Fri 6pm; Sat 5am, 11am & 9pm.

ON THE OTHER HAND — Learn American Sign Language. Sun 8:30pm; Mon 7:30am; Tue & Fri 11:30pm; Wed 10:30am; Sat 2:30am & 5:30pm.

READ-ALEE-DEED-ALEE: THE HOT DOT — An early reading series introducing sounds and rhyming patterns that unlock words and the meaning of words. Sun 3:45pm; Tue & Sat 8:45am; Wed 5:45am & 3:45pm.

REAL VIRGINIA — Agricultural news and family-oriented stories presented by the Virginia Farm Bureau. Mon 12:30am, 11:30am & 9:30pm; Tue & Thu 5:30am; Wed 12:30am, 11:30am & 6:30pm; Fri 6:30pm; Sat 5:30am, 11:30am & 9:30pm.

SEA LEVEL RISE: HIGH WINDS & RISING WATER — Kurt McCoy, a hydrologist for the U.S. Geological Survey, and William Sammler, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service, will discuss what citizens and business owners can expect from increased storm frequency, wind tides and sea level rise. Sun & Tue 1am; Mon & Sat 7pm; Wed 10pm; Thu 9am & 4pm; Fri 6am.

SHAMU TV: *BIRDS ON THE BRINK* — Witness amazing avian adaptations, learn about conservation efforts around the world, and discover simple actions that can help protect birds in your own backyard. Sun 3pm; Tue & Sat 8am; Wed 5am & 3pm.

SIGNING TIME: *GOING OUTSIDE* — An introduction to American Sign Language for children. Sun 5:30pm; Tue & Sat 10:30am; Wed 7:30am & 5:30pm.

TEACHING FOREIGN LANGUAGES: *MEANINGFUL INTERPRETATION* — Learn about the connection between the national standards for foreign language learning and current research in foreign language education. Sun 8am; Mon, Tue, Wed & Fri 2pm; Thu 11pm.

THE MATH DUDE: *POINT-SLOPE FORM OF A LINE* — Middle and high school students can improve their algebra skills with these fast-paced programs devoted to Algebra I as it is taught in the classroom today. Sun 3:30pm; Tue & Sat 8:30am; Wed 5:30am & 3:30pm.

THE WHOLE CHILD CAREGIVER GUIDE: *LET'S TALK ABOUT IT* — Sun 5:30am; Tue & Thu 11:30am; Fri 12:30am.

THE WORLD OF ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY: *LOOKING AT ABNORMAL BEHAVIOR* — See how people with diagnosed psychological disorders actually behave. Case studies, enriched with commentary from experts, help demystify the biological, psychological, and environmental causes of dysfunctional behavior. Sun 10pm; Mon 9am & 4pm; Thu 1am; Fri 4pm.

THE WORLD OF CHEMISTRY: *ON THE SURFACE* — Sun 6am; Tue & Thu 12pm; Fri 1am.

UNSEEN LIFE ON EARTH: *MICROBIAL CONTROL* — Peer into the microbial world and discover how microorganisms affect everything from medicine to environmental issues to global politics. Dynamic visuals and case studies, including DNA testing and dramatic battles against dangerous viruses, illustrate the work and effects of microorganisms. Sun 5am; Tue & Thu 11am; Fri 12am.

UNTOLD STORIES FROM AMERICA'S NATIONAL PARKS: *CITY KIDS IN NATIONAL PARKS* — Explore efforts to bring inner city kids into the parks, often for their first encounters with wilderness. Sun 4:15pm; Tue & Sat 9:15am; Wed 6:15am & 4:15pm.

VIRGINIA BEACH COLD CASE FILES: *WHATEVER HAPPENED TO BARBARA JEAN?* — See if you can help solve perplexing disappearances, tragic murders and unsolved crimes from VBPD's cold case files. Sun 6pm; Mon 5am; Tue & Fri 9pm; Wed 8am; Thu 6:30pm; Sat 12am & 3pm.

X-POWER: *VANISHING POINT* — Foster the development of algebraic thinking through visualization of concepts rather than abstract symbolic manipulation. Sun 4pm; Tue & Sat 9am; Wed 6am & 4pm.

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A BIOGRAPHY OF AMERICA — Wed 5pm.

A HISTORY OF BLACK ACHIEVEMENT IN AMERICA: THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM — Explore the contributions of Black Americans to have influenced our culture, enriched our society, and shaped the history of the United States. Mon 10:30pm; Tue & Fri 11:30am & 3:30pm; Thu 11:30am.

A PLACE OF OUR OWN — Sun 11:30pm.

AGAINST ALL ODDS — Mon 9pm; Fri 2pm; Thu 10am.

AMERICAN CINEMA — Wed 3pm.

ART HISTORY: IMPRESSIONISM — Tue 6am; Thu 6am & 5:30pm.

BRIDGING WORLD HISTORY: HISTORY AND MEMORY — Explore global patterns through time, seeing history as an integrated whole. Thu 10pm.

CLASSIC ARTS SHOWCASE — Enjoy the classic arts by experiencing short video clips of film and music. Sat 12am through 8am, 1:30pm through 6pm, and 8pm through Sun 8pm.

CONSTITUTION: THAT DELICATE BALANCE — Mon 7pm; Tue 11pm; Wed 2pm; Fri 5pm & 11pm.

DESERT VISION — Sun 10pm.

DISCOVERING PSYCHOLOGY — Wed 5:30pm.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: GREAT WEATHER CATASTROPHES — Comparisons between the Florida Keys hurricane of 1935 and Hurricane Andrew in 1992 offer insight into individual and community responses before and after catastrophic events. Tue & Thu 7am.

ETHICS IN AMERICA - RISK, REWARD, RESPONSIBILITY: ETHICS IN BUSINESS — Explore ethical dilemmas in legal, political, corporate, and military arenas through panel discussions with community leaders. Mon 11pm; Tue & Fri 12pm & 4pm; Thu 12pm.

EXERCISE HORIZONS — Mon, Wed, Fri 10:30am; Tue & Thu 2:30pm.

FIT FOR DUTY: DYNAMIC STRETCHING — An exercise program spanning several disciplines, such as kickboxing, Pilates, aerobics, weight training, and more. Produced by The Pentagon Channel. Mon & Wed 12pm; Tue & Thu 8am.

FOCUS NNS — Sun 10:30pm.

FUZION FITNESS — Mon & Wed 11am; Tue & Thu 3pm; Fri 11am.

GROWING OLD IN A NEW AGE: INTELLECT, PERSONALITY, AND MENTAL HEALTH — A realistic and positive picture of older adults challenges the common misconceptions and fears that surround the aging process. Tue 5pm; Wed & Fri 6pm; Thu & Sat 7pm.

HOMEBOUND EXERCISE — Mon, Wed, Fri 10am; Tue & Thu 2pm.

HOW IN THE WORLD — Mon, Wed, & Fri 9:30am; Mon & Sat 6:30pm; Thu 11:30pm.

HUMAN GEOGRAPHY: POPULATION TRANSITION IN ITALY — Economic and cultural geography are combined to explore the relationships between humans and their natural environment, and to track the broad social patterns that shape human societies. Mon 10pm; Fri 3pm; Thu 11am.

JURY ORIENTATION — A helpful guide for anyone called to jury duty. Sun 8pm; Mon 8am & 8pm; Wed, Fri & Sat 8am.

LEARNING MATH — Thu 9:30pm.

MEET THE AUTHOR: *FIROOZAH DUMAS* — Thu 6pm.

MONEYTRACK — Sun 11pm.

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART: *THE EYE OF THOMAS JEFFERSON* — A survey of Jefferson's artistic interests and creative accomplishments. Tue & Thu 6:30am.

NEWSWRITING — Sun 9pm; Mon 7:30am & 6pm; Tue & Thu 1:30pm; Wed 7:30am & 11:30pm; Fri 7:30am; Sat 6pm .

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TEACHING FOREIGN LANGUAGES — Tue & Fri 10pm.

THE MATH DUDE — Thu 4:30pm.

THE PATH TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY — For over 20 years, the Virginia Beach Visitors Center has served as a gateway to fun in the sun. Now, the building serves as a visible commitment to a city-wide energy savings initiative. This video follows the process as the building goes through an energy audit. Sun 8:30pm; Mon 8:30am & 8:30pm; Wed, Fri & Sat 8:30am.

THE POWER OF PLACE: *CHANGES ON THE CHANG JIANG* — Explore the physical, human, political, historical, economic, and cultural factors that affect people and natural environments. Mon & Wed 11:30am; Tue & Thu 7:30am.

THE WESTERN TRADITION: *FROM BRONZE TO IRON* — Journey from ancient, pre-western civilizations to the age of technology and beyond. Mon 9:30pm; Fri 2:30pm; Thu 10:30am.

THE WHOLE CHILD CAREGIVER GUIDE — Thu 8:30pm.

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