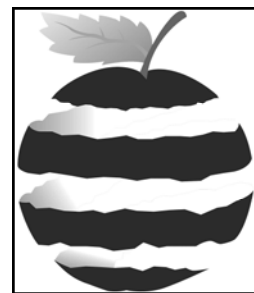




Education Newsletter

September 2009



New shows on the KEDT Schedule!

This Fall, KEDT will welcome some new faces to the PBS Education line up. Each weekday starting at 7:00 am with the 40th season of Sesame Street, KEDT airs shows that will educate, inform and enlighten all students in South Texas. The Education Lineup continues until 5:00 pm when The Electric Company or Biz Kid\$ (Fridays only) wraps up the children's programming.

Combining live action with animation, **KID FITNESS** (Fridays @ 2:00 pm) entertains, educates and motivates young children to be physically active and develop healthy eating habits through song, dance and exciting adventures. Through out the series, **KID FITNESS** introduces a variety of age-appropriate physical movements, healthy recipes, nutrition tips, original music and educational adventure story lines designed to get young hearts pumping as well as educated about the world.

KEDT invites children and parents to hop on board the fun and fantastical **DINOSAUR TRAIN**, a new CGI-animated series from The Jim Henson company. Viewers can join Buddy, a young Tyrannosaurus Rex and his adoptive Pterandon family on a voyage through prehistoric jungles, swamps, volcanoes and oceans as they unearth basic concepts in natural science, natural history and paleontology. **DINOSAUR TRAIN** arrives on each weekday at 1:30 pm starting September 7, 2009. Visit our website for links and resources for PBS KIDS shows.

WWW.KEDTKIDS.ORG

Beth the Bird Lady knows all about HAWKS!

Beginning September 14, Beth Hoekje will be available to speak to students of all ages about the value and identification of Birds of Prey, the need for conservation and the many local birders who will be counting the thousands of raptors as they make their 2009 migration over the Corpus Christi area, For additional information or if you would like to invite Ms. Beth to your class/school, contact the KEDT Educational Department (361-855-2213) For additional information about the Hawkwatch, visit the Texas Hawkwatch website www.ccbirding.com/thw

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Annual Coastal Bend Teacher Extravaganza

Discover the abundant education programs and resources available in the Coastal Bend from numerous organizations. On **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2009 5-7 PM** on the USS Lexington, win fabulous door prizes and get FREE resources! Bring a large shopping bag or rolling cart for your convenience. School ID is required for entry. No exceptions!

RSVP by September 25 to 361-777-4036

This even has been organized by the Coastal Bend Informal Educators and generously supported by the USS Lexington, Coastal Bend Bays & Estuaries Program and the San Patricio Municipal Water District.

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SEPTEMBER PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS!

SEPTEMBER 15TH @ 9:30 PM

P.O.V. : THE PRINCIPAL STORY

This compelling PBS documentary, **THE PRINCIPAL STORY** portrays the challenges principals face in turning around low-performing public schools and raising student achievement. This intimate one-year journey is seen through the eyes of two dynamic principals: one in only her second year in the Chicago Public School System; and the other, a seven-year veteran in Springfield, IL. The film shows how these leaders keep their focus on improving teaching and learning amid the competing demands of managing their staffs, as well as the social and emotional issues surrounding their students and communities. **THE PRINCIPAL STORY** reveals the complex social and political connections among children, parents, teachers, principals and superintendents. Poignantly, it shows the heart, commitment and skill that are required for successfully leading and improving public schools in which more than 85 percent of students come from families living below the poverty-line. WWW.PBS.ORG/POV/PRINCIPALSTORY

SEPTEMBER 24TH @ 8:00 pm

PBS SPECIAL REPORT ON HEALTH CARE REFORM

The **NEWSHOUR, NOW** on PBS and **TRAVIS SMILEY** collaborate to provide a 90-minute program that examines the urgent topic of health care reform. As Congress weighs legislation to provide universal health care in the U.S., correspondents will provide analysis, discussion, insight and engagement. **THE NEWSHOUR** team will look at the economics of health care reform. **NOW** on PBS correspondents will consider how reform may change the way we live. Travis Smiley will investigate the issue of childhood obesity, particularly within communities of color.



MONDAY NIGHTS @ 9:00 PM

Each hour-long episode of **History Detectives** features three investigations that delve into family legends, local folklore and stories behind potentially extraordinary objects in everyday American homes, cities and small towns. Follow the twists and turns of each investigation and find out more about the historical events that shaped America.

The viewer is included in each aspect of the detectives' decision-making process, with explanations and rationales for each evaluative method. The viewers themselves get the chance to become armchair experts as the detectives describe in detail the purpose and method for each test.

For Educator Resources and video footage visit:

www.pbs.org/opb/historydetectives

Visit our new
Education website:
WWW.KEDTKIDS.ORG

September 16 @ 9:00 pm

JUSTICE FOR MY PEOPLE:

THE DR. HECTOR P. GARIC STORY

The production tells the story of Dr. Hector P. Garcia—a Mexican Revolution refugee, medical doctor to the barrios, decorated war veteran, civil rights activist and presidential confidante—as he fought to bring attention to the Mexican-American civil right movement. Returning to Texas after WWII with six battle stars, Garcia found that while Mexican-American veterans had been changed by the war, prejudiced America had not. In 1948, Dr. Garcia founded the American GI Forum, thus empowering Mexican Americans everywhere to successfully fight numerous legal and political battles.



JOIN US FOR THE CAUSAL EVENT OF THE YEAR!

Don't put away your flip flops and shorts yet! The 14th Annual International Beer tasting featuring micro-brews for guests to sample from commemorative pilsner glass, while enjoying the best cuisine from area restaurants. Everest Water Company will be providing bottled water and Pepsi products.

For Tickets: 361-855-2213