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This multi-media resource list, compiled by Susan Conlon of the Princeton Public Library in partnership with the American Library Association, provides a range of perspectives on the issues raised by the upcoming P.O.V. documentary “The Fire Next Time” that premiers on July 12, 2005 at 10 PM on PBS (check local listings www.pbs.org/pov/).

The people of the Flathead Valley in Montana were stunned when a domestic terror cell’s plot to kill local leaders was uncovered. Ex-cop Brenda Kitterman and environmentalist Mike Raiman wanted to do something to address the local tensions, but the community was torn. Many residents were losing their jobs in timber and mining, and blamed environmentalists. Adding fuel to the fire was a radio talk show host who declared environmentalists “an enemy... to be annihilated.” Over a stormy two-year period, ”The Fire Next Time” follows a deeply divided group of Montana citizens caught in a web of conflicts intensified by rapid growth and the power of talk radio. A co-presentation with the Independent Television Service (ITVS).

ADULT NONFICTION

FREEDOM OF SPEECH & EXPRESSION

Abrams, Floyd. Speaking Freely: Trials of the First Amendment. New York: Viking, 2005. In this memoir, Abrams re-creates eight of the most important cases of his law career -- decisive trials and Supreme Court arguments involving major First Amendment cases.


THE CONSERVATIVE MEDIA


CONSERVATIVE POLITICAL MOVEMENTS


EXTREMIST & HATE GROUPS


Heberlein, Regine I. White Supremacists (Contemporary Issues Companion). Chicago: Greenhaven Press, 2002. In this anthology, authors examine the history and strategies of the white supremacy movement, recount the personal stories of white supremacists and their victims, and suggest measures designed to combat its growth.
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Perry, Barbara. *In the Name of Hate: Understanding Hate Crimes*. New York: Routledge, 2001. Perry uses data from The Southern Poverty Law Center, FBI Uniform Crime Statistics, and the Anti-Defamation League survey of hate crime laws as well as the growing body of literature on oppression to explain the structural and cultural context of hate crimes.

**THE AMERICAN WEST**


**THE ENVIRONMENT, LAND USE & CONSERVATION**


Helvarg, David. *The War Against the Greens: The "Wise-Use" Movement, the New Right, and the Browning of America*. Boulder, CO: Johnson Books, 2004. In this updated in-depth investigation of the "Wise Use" backlash, Helvarg visits rallies, conferences, and confrontations that are the fronts in its war against the greens and examines George W. Bush’s role in the anti-environment movement.


Lomborg, Bjorn. *The Skeptical Environmentalist: Measuring the Real State of the World*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press; Reprint edition, 2001. This statistics-ridden book covers an extraordinary range of material, including the global availability of food, energy, and water; resource exhaustion; forest depletion; biodiversity; and global warming. The author targets the environmental warnings published routinely in non-technical publications and issued by nongovernmental organizations and even by international institutions.

Moore, Patrick. *Pacific Spirit -- The Forest Reborn*. West Vancouver, BC: Terra Bella, 1995. Dr. Moore, founding member and former director of Greenpeace, now disagrees with their policy of a worldwide ban on clear cut logging. He contends with environmentalists’...
claims that clear cut logging leads to deforestation.

Nash, Roderick F. The Rights of Nature: A History of Environmental Ethics (History of American Thought and Culture). Madison, WI: University of Wisconsin Press; Reprint edition, 1990. This book is the first comprehensive history of the concept that nature has rights and that American liberalism has, in effect, been extended to the nonhuman world and considers the groups that have put their ideas into action.


Pendley, William Perry. War on the West -- Government Tyranny on America's Great Frontier. Washington DC: Regnery, 1995. Pendley, former assistant to Secretary of the Interior under Reagan, is now the chief legal officer at a public interest law firm. He contends that environmentalists and the federal government are trying to halt traditional Western activities like logging, ranching and energy production in order to return the West to its "pre-settlement" state.

Talberth, John. The Economic Case Against National Forest Logging. Sante Fe, NM: Forest Guardians, 1999. A study by the National Forest Protection Alliance and the Forest Conservation Council that notes there are dramatic economic and social losses when forests are logged under the U.S. Forest Service's timber-sale program.


COMMUNITY & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT


Forbers, Peter (ed.), Ann Armbrrecht and Helen Whybrow. Our Land, Ourselves: Readings on People and Place. San Francisco: Trust for Public Land, 1999. This collection of readings introduces the themes of people and place - themes such as the protection of wilderness, the nature of home, the purpose of work and the meaning of community.


Kirp, David L. Almost Home: America's Love-Hate Relationship with Community. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 2001. Kirp has collected a variety of stories from across America to re-create the immediate experience of community--tales that give meaning to the much bandied-about idea of civic virtue and describe what happens when people make decisions that reshape one another's lives.

Kraybill, Ronald S. et al. Peace Skills: Manual for Community Mediators. Indianapolis, IN: Jossey-Bass, 2001. Part of the Peace Skills Set, this manual provides a background, structure, and resource for both learning about conflict and acquiring conflict mediation skills. It covers conflict analysis, the role of mediation, the stages of mediation, communication skills, and working with group conflicts and in cross-cultural settings.


FICTION FOR YOUNGER READERS


NON-FICTION FOR YOUNGER READERS


Espeland, Pamela. Life Lists for Teens: Tips, Steps, Hints, and How-To's for Growing Up,
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Johnston, Marianne. Dealing With Bullying (The Conflict Resolution Library). Center City, MN: Hazelden Publishing & Educational Services, 1999. A resource for children ages 5 to 9—as well as parents, teachers, and social workers—which teaches what anger is, how to deal with it directly from others, and how to avoid destructive conflicts.


Koch, Elerls et al. Forty Years as a Forester. Missoula, MT: Mountain Press Publishing Company, 1998. In Koch’s memoir, teens and adults will learn of one man’s contributions to the then-new science of forest management and his role in building the human relationships and policies that helped make the U.S. Forest Service prior to World War II the most respected bureau in the federal government.


MacBeth, Fiona and Nic Fine. Playing With Fire: Creative Conflict Resolution for Young Adults. B.C., Canada: New Society Publishers, 1995. This book identifies the origin and dynamics of anger, hurt, conflict, communication, cooperation as well as assertion and uses exercises to teach creative mediation skills to teenagers and young adults.


VIDEOS/DOCUMENTARIES

“Farmingville.” A film by Carlos Sandoval and Catherine Tambini. 2004. (78 min). The shocking hate-based attempted murders of two Mexican day laborers catalypt a small Long Island town into national headlines, unmasking a new front line in the border wars: suburbia. For nearly a year, Carlos Sandoval and Catherine Tambini lived and worked in Farmingville, New York, so they could capture first-hand the stories of residents, day laborers and activists on all sides of the debate. www.pbs.org/pov/pov2004/farmingville/

“Fire Wars.” Produced by Judith Vecchione for PBS’ NOVA series. 2002. (120 min.) NOVA accompanies the men and women of a wild land firefighting crew known as the Arrowhead Hotshots as they battle one of the most destructive wildfire seasons ever, the summer of 2000. www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/fire/


www.pbs.org/wgbh/globalconn ections/mideast-communities/wpeace/ Workable Peace is an organization that helps teachers and students learn new ways to explore conflict and crisis. (2002).
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NOW with Bill Moyers. The U.S. Forest Service proposed a rule to allow governors to petition the Secretary of Agriculture to establish or adjust management direction that exists in forest plans for inventoried road less areas within the state under the Road less Rule policy in 2001. (May 2003)

www.pbs.org/newshour/BB/environment/july-dec99/mining_7-16.html
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www.pbs.org/newshour/bb/featopic/conservation.html
NOW with Bill Moyers. Host David Brancaccio reports on the problems in the Montana mining industry and the federal government’s move toward conservation, a move designed to reduce usage of federal lands across the country. (July 1999)

www.pbs.org/wmat/religionandethics/week108/cover.html
Religion & Ethics Newsweekly. Bob Abernethy reports on the rise of hate websites on the Internet and the symposium the Anti-Defamation League sponsored to address the issue. (October 1997)

COMBATING HATE

www.tolerance.org – This website project of the Southern Poverty Law Center offers a variety of anti-bias education resources. The home site, www.splcenter.org, tracks the activities of hate groups and reports on hate crimes.

www.adl.org – The website of the Anti-Defamation League includes a database of hate crime symbols, a summary of hate crime laws and resources for combating hate in schools and communities.

www.facing.org – Facing History and Ourselves provides extensive anti-bias classroom resources. Of special interest might be the lesson plan, “Can Journalism Kill? The Case of Rwandan Hate Radio.”

www.mhrn.org – The Montana Human Rights Network is mentioned in the film. Their website describes their goals and activities.

www.publiceye.org – The website of Political Research Associates contains a wide range of research and articles on extremist right-wing movements in the US.

COMMUNITY CONFLICT RESOLUTION

www.acrnet.org – The website of the Association for Conflict Resolution provides information on finding a mediator, participating in a mentorship program and relevant conferences and workshops around the country. It also features a discussion board and an extensive library of articles on conflict resolution, educa, conflict management systems and ethical standards, among other subjects.

www.cbuilding.org – The Consensus Building Institute works with government agencies, community groups, businesses, advocacy organizations, researchers and educators to develop and put into practice conflict resolution and consensus-building strategies. Their site includes toolkits and handbooks developed for past projects as well as five lessons for public dispute resolution.

www.publicconversations.org – The website of the Public Conversations Project (PCP) contains information on upcoming workshops, stories written by people who have used PCP’s approach to conduct community dialogues, as well as links to articles, case studies and related websites.

www.studycircles.org – Study Circles Resource Center’s site contains links to their most popular publications, including discussion guides, advice on how to organize community-wide study circles and train facilitators and articles from their quarterly newsletter, Focus on Study Circles.

NATURAL RESOURCE ISSUES

www.Sonoran.org – The Sonoran Institute’s website has case studies, resources and tools for Western communities struggling with rapid change and growth.

www.hcn.org – High Country News is a bi-weekly newspaper covering 11 states. It reports on the West’s natural resources, public lands and changing communities.


From an Industry Perspective:

www.logging.org – The Montana Logging Association site provides the perspective of the state’s family-owned businesses that harvest and transport logs from forest to mill.

www.evergreenmagazine.com – Information, analysis and perspective concerning issues and events impacting forests, forestry, forest communities and the forest products industry.

From an Environmental Perspective:

www.sierraclub.org/forests/ – The Sierra Club’s Forest Protection Study Circles Resource Center’s site contains links to their most popular publications, including discussion guides, advice on how to organize community-wide study circles and train facilitators and articles from their quarterly newsletter, Focus on Study Circles.
and Restoration campaign website. Includes information on wildfires, how to get involved, forest reports and a recommended reading list.


www.redlodgeclearinghouse.org – This site is designed to support collaborative groups committed to resolving resource use conflicts throughout the interior west. Includes an extensive section of case studies of collaborative approaches.

www.crmw.org/MontanaOnTheMove/ – The Montana on the Move website includes documentation of the local community initiatives to address rapid change and growth undertaken in the state's urban centers.