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BUSINESS

PBS NewsHour #10424

Airdate: Thursday, August 2, 2012, 6:00pm

Segment Length: 11:09

Description: Study Says Romney's Tax Plan Would Most Benefit Wealthy Americans: Romney's campaign is trying to win over middle class voters by promoting Mitt Romney's tax plan, which would lower individual tax rates. In this segment, Judy Woodruff talked to Tax Policy Center's Bill Gale and Tax Foundation's Scott Hodge about a new study that states the rich, not the middle class, stand to benefit most from Romney's plan.

Pit

Airdate: Thursday, August 2, 2012, 9:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: THE PIT took viewers to one of the most primitive, yet highly ritualized arenas of the financial world: the floor of the New York Board of Trade (NYBOT). Billions of dollars of raw goods are traded daily at the NYBOT, setting the price of commodities — from cotton to orange juice — throughout the world. Using their own money, traders make and lose fortunes every day in this bustling center of raw capitalism. In the last few years, computers have been introduced onto the trading floor, threatening to make many of the NYBOT's old ways obsolete. THE PIT documented the story of this transformation.

PBS Newshour #10430

Airdate: Friday, August 10, 2012, 6:00pm

Segment Length: 11:37

Description: Weighing Benefits and Pitfalls of Increased Oil and Gas Production in the U.S.: Two years ago, the U.S imported two-thirds of its oil. Now, imports are less than half of U.S. oil needs. In this segment, Jeffrey Brown talked to National Resources Defense Council's Kate Sinding and the Manhattan Institute's Robert Bryce about increased domestic energy production and whether economic benefits outweigh environmental concerns.

PBS Newshour #10437

Airdate: Tuesday, August 21, 2012, 6:00pm

Segment Length: 9:35

Description: Tech Stock Ebb and Flow: Apple Dominates Wall Street While Facebook Flails: Apple became the highest valued company ever when its stock reached a new high. Meanwhile, Facebook stock has lost about half its value since its May IPO. In this segment, Jeffrey Brown discussed the Apple boom and the Facebook bust with Ted Schadler of Forrester Research and Richard Sylla from the New York University Stern School of Business.

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PBS Newshour #10440

Airdate: Friday, August 24, 2012, 6:00pm
Segment Length: 10:01

Description: Tax Cuts, Deregulation Among Republican Economic Priorities for 2012 Election: Ahead of the Republican National Convention, Paul Solman went to Tampa, Fla., to talk to Douglas Holtz-Eakin, former director of the Congressional Budget Office, as well as some conservative business owners about their economic priorities going into the 2012 Election, which include tax cuts and deregulation.

PBS Newshour #10453

Airdate: Wednesday, September 12, 2012, 6:00pm
Segment Length: 9:06

Description: Apple Unveils iPhone5 Amid Fiercely Competitive Smartphone Market: Though Apple remains a giant in the smartphone and tablet industry, the company unveiled the new iPhone5 in a fiercely competitive market. In this segment, Jeffrey Brown talked to the Washington Post's Cecilia Kahng and Forrester Research's Charles Golvin about the challenges Apple faces to stay at the top of the pyramid in the tech world.

New York Business Report with Michael Stoler #101

Airdate: Friday, September 21, 2012, 7:00pm
Length: 30-minutes

Description: New York Business Report with Michael Stoler highlighted the leaders that drive the businesses of New York City. This episode profiled the movers and shakers impacting New York business trends in both the public and private sectors. In interviews and panel discussions, New York's business leaders offered in-depth commentary on a range of business issues including the New York healthcare market, the business of banking, the hospitality industry, and residential and commercial development throughout the city. This episode was hosted by Michael Stoler, president of New York Real Estate TV, LLC, Managing Director of Madison Realty Capital, real estate commentator for 1010 WINS AM and host of The Stoler Report and Building New York-New York Life Stories.

EDUCATION

PBS Newshour #10437

Airdate: Tuesday, August 21, 2012, 6:00pm
Segment Length: 8:53

Description: Year-Round School Commits to Students from Middle School to Last Day of College: Rainier Scholars, a Seattle non-profit, is trying to curb high school drop out rates. Taking the long-term approach, they identify students with high barriers to higher education and ask them -- some

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as young as 10 -- to commit not just to finishing high school, but to graduating from college. Hari Sreenivasan reported in this segment.

World Peace and Other 4th Grade Achievements

Airdate: Saturday, September 1, 2012, 3:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: WORLD PEACE AND OTHER 4TH GRADE ACHIEVEMENTS interwove the story of a remarkable educator and the extraordinary game he developed to demonstrate the complexities of peace and global conflict. Teacher John Hunter's World Peace Game is a hands-on political simulation exercise in which students tackle real-world military, economic and environmental issues. The nine- and 10-year-olds divide into groups, including nation states, the World Bank, United Nations officials, indigenous peoples and even arms dealers. Then, they face daily challenges ranging from insurgencies and global warming to ethnic tensions and natural disasters. Working together, while also balancing the interests of their own "nations," they attempt to achieve global prosperity with the least amount of military intervention. As fun and engaging as the game it profiled, WORLD PEACE AND OTHER 4TH GRADE ACHIEVEMENTS provided an inspirational look at the lasting impact of one wise and caring teacher on his students and, potentially, the world.

Metrofocus #201 "Education Innovation"

Airdate: Wednesday, September 19, 2012, 7:00pm

Length: 30-minutes

Description: MetroFocus" explored what's new and improving in education. This program featured Internet educator Sal Khan, one of "Time" magazine's 100 most influential people, and best-selling author and Harvard professor Michael Sandel speaking at the 2012 WNET Celebration of Teaching & Learning; an interview with New York City Schools' Chancellor Dennis Walcott; a look at the controversial and evolving issue of teacher evaluations; interviews with the New Jersey and New York education commissioners; a first-hand look at a new approach to tackling the drop-out rate; and more. Rafael Pi Roman hosted.

Arts & The Mind #101 & 102:

Airdate: Saturday, September 29, 2012 - #101 at 4:00pm and #102 at 5:00pm

Length: 60-minutes each

Description: Hosted by Lisa Kudrow, this two-part special revealed the crucial impact of the arts on the human brain across our lifetimes and explored its particularly vital role in human development during youth and older age. The series shared stories of how music, dance, painting, poetry and theater markedly improve well-being at both ends of life, and revealed the cutting-edge science that explains the powerful, positive impact of the arts on our brains. Showcasing some of the nation's most innovative and successful arts programs plus the work of leading American educators and scientists, ARTS & THE MIND illuminated: how the arts can improve children's school performance, and keep our brains agile and sharp into old age; how teenagers find meaning and hope through poetry at a renowned Los Angeles program supported by actor Tim Robbins; how the arts help heal children in hospitals and older veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder; why one of America's leading Alzheimer's researchers advises that dance is the single most effective way to ward off dementia.

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ENVIRONMENT

Nature #2813 “Bears of the Last Frontier”

Airdate: Thursday, July 12, 2012, 8:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Bear biologist Chris Morgan set up camp at a remote spot in the heart of Alaskan wilderness, alongside the largest concentration of grizzlies in the world. Filmed during the spring (June) in the Alaska Peninsula, the sun would set well into night and bears would take advantage of the long days to feed, mate and raise new cubs. Morgan tracked their progress as they feasted on the riches of the season and re-established the complex hierarchal social dynamics of bear society. Along the way, he experienced close encounters with bears, observing brutal battles among males during mating season as well as tender moments between a grizzly mom and her cubs.

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Nature #2604 “The Wolf That Changed America”

Airdate: Thursday, September 6, 2012, 8:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: In the fall of 1893, an adventurous young man rode out from the salons of New York to the wilds of New Mexico. He came to kill a wolf. Not just any wolf, but an outlaw, the leader of a marauding, cattle-killing pack. But by the time Ernest Thompson Seton finally met the renegade lobo, the wolf had become a hero in his eyes. He would write a tale of that encounter that captured the essence of the vanishing wilderness and led to both the establishment of the National Park system and the Boy Scout movement in America. In this retelling of the story, the confrontation between Seton and lobo came alive and we discovered how one man and one wolf set in motion a change in American hearts and minds.

Nature #2810 “Outback Pelicans”

Airdate: Thursday, September 20, 2012, 8:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: This episode of Nature examined the gathering of pelicans in the Australian outback which takes place once every 10 years. The Australian outback is the driest place on the driest inhabited continent on the planet. It is a place you might expect to see kangaroos but certainly not waterbirds. Yet once every 10 years, rains flood into dried-up river beds and head inland to create

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the largest lake in Australia, and 100,000 pelicans -- a third of all the pelicans in Australia -- arrive for the event. Leaving their homes on coasts and harbors, they come to feed on fish washed in on the floods and on billions of brine shrimp and other crustaceans which hatch and grow to adulthood in a few days in water twice as salty as the Dead Sea. The pelicans come home to court and raise as many families as possible before the water and the food disappear once more.

HEALTH

Use Your Brain to Change Your Age with Dr. Daniel Amen

Airdate: Saturday, September 8, 2012, 6:00am

Length: 120-minutes

Description: Clinical neuroscientist and bestselling author Dr. Daniel Amen shared simple steps to boost your brain to help you live longer, look younger and dramatically decrease your risk for Alzheimer's disease.

Dr. Fuhrman's Immunity Solution!

Airdate: Saturday, September 8, 2012, 6:30pm

Length: 90-minutes

Description: Dr. Fuhrman's Immunity Solution! was the follow-up program to "3 Steps to Incredible Health!" Joel Fuhrman, M.D. is a leading expert and board-certified medical specialist in the prevention and reversing of disease. Dr. Fuhrman's Immunity Solution! showed viewers how people may become almost resistant to colds, influenza, and other infections. The program discussed how people may be able to supercharge their immune system to protect their bodies against disease - everything from the common cold to cancer - based on recent discoveries in nutritional science.

Blood Sugar Solution with Dr. Mark Hyman

Airdate: Thursday, September 13, 2012, 7:00pm

Length: 90-minutes

Description: Dr. Mark Hyman explained what "diabetes" is, outlined the underlying causes that drive the problem, and provided a personalized, 4-step plan to help people overcome diabetes. He explained how people can take back their health as individuals, as a community, and as a society. Dr. Hyman identified the seven keys to achieving wellness-optimizing nutrition, balancing hormones, cooling off inflammation, fixing digestion, enhancing detoxification, boosting energy metabolism, and calming the mind - and outlined the steps needed to maintain a personalized approach to healing.

Parents' Survival Guide: Childhood Obesity

Airdate: Saturday, September 29, 2012, 3:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Although the causes of childhood obesity vary, the effects do not: obesity compromises a child's growth, health and quality of life. THE PARENTS' SURVIVAL GUIDE:

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CHILDHOOD OBESITY addressed the multi-faceted solutions to this growing pediatric health problem, specifically the role parents can play as the "first line of defense" in their children's nutrition and fitness. By combining interviews with experts and profiles with families, the one-hour documentary helped parents determine their children's risk for obesity and offered practical strategies for prevention and intervention. THE PARENTS' SURVIVAL GUIDE also presented new research on childhood obesity and compares and contrasted different approaches that both parents and healthcare professionals can put to immediate use. It also addressed the more complex matters of behavior modification, a key, albeit challenging, component in controlling weight.

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Money and Medicine

Airdate: Sunday, September 30, 2012, 9:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: As rising health care costs threaten to bankrupt the country, MONEY AND MEDICINE tackled the medical, ethical and financial challenges of containing runaway health care spending. In addition to illuminating the so-called waste and overtreatment that pervade our medical system, this documentary explored promising ways to reduce health care expenditures while improving the overall quality of medical care. It captured the painful end-of-life treatment choices made by patients and their families, ranging from very aggressive interventions in the ICU to palliative care at home. The film also investigated the controversy surrounding diagnostic testing and screening as well as the treatment variations among patients receiving a variety of elective procedures.

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HERITAGE

Jewish Soldiers in Blue & Gray

Airdate: Wednesday, July 4, 2012, 7:00pm
Length: 60-minutes

Description: JEWISH SOLDIERS IN BLUE & GRAY explored the little-known sacrifices American Jews made for both the Union and the Confederacy during the Civil War. Recently unearthed personal narratives shed new light on this fascinating chapter in American history and powerfully illustrated the unique role Jews played on the battlefields and the home front. Narrated by Oscar®-nominated screenwriter John Milius (Apocalypse Now) and with Sam Waterston providing the voice of President Lincoln, the documentary chronicled Major General Ulysses S. Grant's infamous 1862 mandate to expel Jewish residents from Union-controlled land and shared the story of President Lincoln's doctor-turned-Union spy.

Jews and Baseball: An American Love Story

Airdate: Thursday, July 5, 2012, 9:00pm
Length: 90-minutes

Description: Narrated by Dustin Hoffman, JEWS AND BASEBALL: AN AMERICAN LOVE STORY explored the connection between Jewish Americans and America's national pastime. The feature-length documentary told a story of immigration, assimilation, bigotry, heroism, the passing on of traditions and the shattering of stereotypes. Interviews featured fans, writers, executives and players, including Al Rosen, Kevin Youkilis, Shawn Green, Norm Sherry, Ron Blomberg, Bob Feller, Yogi Berra and legendary Hall of Fame pitcher Sandy Koufax. JEWS AND BASEBALL interwove powerful personal and historical stories with an extraordinary collection of rare archival footage and photos, and a musical score ranging from Benny Goodman to Yo-Yo Ma to Rush.

18 Voices Sign Kol Nidre

Airdate: Monday, September 24, 2012, 10:00pm
Length: 60-minutes

Description: The program explored the Kol Nidre, the most sacred prayer in Judaism that begins its holiest day of Yom Kippur. The Kol Nidre's words have caused centuries of persecution, but its poignant melody has enthralled generations of Jews and non-Jews and saved the prayer from itself. The program told the Kol Nidre story impressionistically through the tales, the anecdotes, of those who have been touched by it, be they top experts on the chant or just those who have been changed by chanting it.

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LOCAL HISTORY

Treasures of New York #101 “Lincoln Center with Patti Lupone”

Airdate: Wednesday, August 1, 2012, 7:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Treasures of New York: Lincoln Center With Patti LuPone documented the recent renovation and fascinating history of the storied performing arts center. LuPone, a graduate of the Juilliard School who has appeared on almost every stage at Lincoln Center, hosted and narrated. The film showcased the stunning architectural renovations that are opening up Lincoln Center's 16-acre campus in surprising ways, from a glass box dance studio that juts out over Broadway to a new Atrium that invites visitors to buy discount tickets, take tours, or enjoy free performances. Rare archival footage reveals Lincoln Center's colorful history, with insights from The New Yorker's architecture critic Paul Goldberger, Metropolitan Opera executive producer Peter Gelb, Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts' president Reynold Levy, and artists and architects who worked on the renovation.

Leisurama

Airdate: Sunday, August 5, 2012, 10:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: LEISURAMA told the story behind the sophisticated and creatively marketed housing communities built during the late 1950s and early '60s in Montauk, NY and Lauderhill, Fla. Dubbed "Leisurama," these new homes sold for as little as \$12,995 and arrived completely furnished and stocked with every imaginable modern amenity. Macy's exhibited a full-scale model of the house on the ninth floor of its flagship New York City store. Throughout this colorful documentary, architects, homeowners and historians explained the significance of the Leisurama homes. In recent years, a renewed interest in mid-century modernism and Cold War-era ephemera rekindled interest in the Leisurama house.

Treasures of New York #105 “Building Stories”

Airdate: Wednesday, August 8, 2012, 7:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: Treasures of New York: Building Stories offered an in-depth look at the life and works of contemporary New York City architect Costas Kondylis. Widely known for his residential skyscrapers, Kondylis has designed over 80 buildings in New York City and is considered to have done more to shape the city's skyline than any other architect. Interviews with other architects, architecture critics, real estate moguls like Donald Trump and Larry Silverstein helped to tell the amazing story of this prolific and legendary designer.

Gold Coast Mansions

Airdate: Monday, August 13, 2012, 10:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: WLIW explored the history of Long Island's "Gilded Age" in a tour of early 1900s estates now open to the public, including Vanderbilt Mansion, Oheka Castle, Sands Point Preserve, Coe Hall, and Old Westbury Gardens.

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Treasures of New York #107 “Art Underground”

Airdate: Wednesday, August 15, 2012, 7:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: In the last 25 years, the subway system has been transformed into a vast canvas for public art. This program took us behind the scenes with the artists, artisans and public officials involved with our transit system’s makeover. Hosted by Paula Zahn.

Last Summer at Coney Island

Airdate: Sunday, August 19, 2012, 10:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: A film about the rise, fall, and impending redevelopment of Coney Island. Coney Island is known throughout the world as the birthplace of the legendary amusement area once known as "the world's playground." But Coney Island is not what it used to be and the area has lingered for years as a specter of its former magnificence. Now, after years of false starts, change is coming to Coney Island. Come Hell or high water, the city of New York is determined to revitalize the once glorious, world capitol of amusements. Meanwhile, a private developer with has been purchasing every square foot of land he can get his hands on. The neighborhood’s residents, along with the amusement community and the millions who cherish Coney Island’s legacy are left wondering what will happen next. Seaside salvation or Brooklyn boondoggle? History will decide but this film is the first draft. Last Summer at Coney Island juxtaposed images of the past and present with interviews and featured many of the key players in this historic transformation.

Treasures of New York #106 “Pratt Institute”

Airdate: Tuesday, August 21, 2012, 10:30pm

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This episode took the viewer inside the prestigious design college to discover its vibrant Brooklyn history through the eyes of the two men who “built” it; industrialist Charles Pratt, who founded the school in 1887, and Dr. Thomas F. Schutte, who has been articulating Pratt’s vision since he became the school’s President in 1993. Hosted by Pete Hamill.

Treasures of New York #102 “Park Avenue Armory”

Airdate: Wednesday, August 22, 2012, 7:00pm

Length: 30-minutes

Description: The Park Avenue Armory has reinvented itself into a visionary multimedia arts institution renowned worldwide. From the sublime installation of Ryoji Ikeda to the epic productions of the Royal Shakespeare Company, the Armory transcends both artists’ and audiences’ experiences and expectations. The documentary showcased the Armory’s recent exhibitions including the critically acclaimed the transfinite by Ryoji Ikeda, the outsized reimagining of Leonardo’s Last Supper by Peter Greenaway, and rehearsals of one of the artist-in-residence, Shen Wei Dance Arts. The program went behind the scenes at the performances of the Royal Shakespeare Company and treated viewers to time-lapse footage of the building and

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deconstructing of a full-scale Shakespearean theater inside the 50,000 square-foot Wade Thompson Drill Hall.

Treasures of New York #104 "Hearst Tower"

Airdate: Wednesday, August 22, 2012, 7:30pm

Length: 30-minutes

Description: This program took viewers on a behind-the-scenes tour of Hearst's world headquarters, New York City's first completed "green" office building. Designed by Pritzker Prize-winning architect Lord Norman Foster, the Tower redefined the modern skyscraper and pioneered a sustainable architectural vision for the 21st century. Filmed around Hearst Corporation's 125th anniversary, the program revealed the building's engineering marvel and got exclusive access inside all of the Tower's state-of-the-art spaces, including its digital photo studio, 165-seat theater, Cafe57, health club and the renowned Good Housekeeping Research Institute. Interviews with Hearst CEO Frank A. Bennack, Jr., "Marie Claire" Editor-in-Chief Joanna Coles, and others highlighted Hearst's history as one of America's largest media companies. Paula Zahn hosted.

SEPTEMBER 11TH REMEMBRANCE

PBS Newshour #10452

Airdate: Tuesday, September 11, 2012, 6:00pm

Segment Length: 7:42

Description: Financing 9/11 Memorials: Money, Control and Plain Old Fashioned Politics: Eleven years after the Twin Towers fell, the final portion of the \$700 million New York project to build an underground 9/11 museum remains incomplete, as city, state and federal governments disagree over who pays for what and for how long. In this segment, Gwen Ifill talked to the New York Times' Charles Bagli about the current challenges.

Metal of Honor: The Ironworkers of 9/11

Airdate: Tuesday, September 11, 2012, 7:00pm

Length: 75-minutes

Description: This documentary chronicled the incredible account of the courageous New York City ironworkers who risked their lives following the tragic events of September 11th.

From the Ground Up

Airdate: Tuesday, September 11, 2012, 10:32pm

Length: 30 minutes

Description: From the Ground Up documented the story of five NY firefighter's widows ten years after 9/11, bonding and triumphing over tragedy. It included Maureen, single with two autistic sons, creating a foundation and two group homes for autistic children. It included Una, building a library to show her children goodness in life and Andrea, traveling to Rwanda to help, but finding strength in the dignity of thousands of Rwandan widows. It included Sally and her in-laws growing a race that's raised almost \$10 million to help orphans and vets.

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NATIONAL POLITICS

PBS NewsHours #10429

Airdate: Thursday, August 9, 2012, 6:00pm
Segment Length: 13:07

Description: Candidates Spar Over Welfare Reform on the Campaign Trail: In a new ad, the Romney campaign targets 'welfare-to-work' programs and inflexibility for state changes to federal programs. In this segment, Judy Woodruff talked to Georgetown University's Peter Edelman and Heritage Foundation's Robert Rector about welfare reform and the criticisms and proposals coming out of the campaign trail.

PBS NewsHours #10431

Airdate: Monday, August 13, 2012, 6:00pm
Segment Length: 11:08

Description: Ryan Resonates with Republican Base, But Will His Policies Fly Overall? Rep. Paul Ryan is best known for 'Path to Prosperity,' a fiscal blueprint to overhaul Medicare and cut Medicaid. In this segment, Gwen Ifill talked to Center on Budget and Policy Priorities' Robert Greenstein, Heritage Foundation's Patrick Knudsen and Roll Call's Steven Dennis on whether Ryan's policy record will help or hurt the GOP ticket.

PBS Newshour #10440

Airdate: Friday, August 24, 2012, 6:00pm
Segment Length: 10:01

Description: Tax Cuts, Deregulation Among Republican Economic Priorities for 2012 Election: Ahead of the Republican National Convention, Paul Solman went to Tampa, Fla., to talk to Douglas Holtz-Eakin, former director of the Congressional Budget Office, as well as some conservative business owners about their economic priorities going into the 2012 Election, which include tax cuts and deregulation.

Charlie Rose #18176

Airdate: Monday, August 27, 2012, 3:00pm
Length: 60-minutes

Description: This special edition of Charlie Rose was taped in Tampa, Florida and included a political preview of the Republican National Convention with Joe Klein of Time Magazine, John Heilemann of New York Magazine, Maggie Haberman of Politico, and Mark Halperin of Time Magazine.

Charlie Rose #18179

Airdate: Friday, August 31, 2012, 3:00pm

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Description: This program featured live analysis of the Republican National Convention, following Mitt Romney's acceptance speech for the Republican presidential nomination, with Gov. Michael Leavitt; Robert White; Al Hunt of Bloomberg News; Scott Pelley of CBS News; John Heilemann of New York Magazine; and Mark Halperin of Time Magazine.

Charlie Rose #18180

Airdate: Monday, September 3, 2012, 3:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: This program featured conversations with Thomas L. Friedman of The New York Times and Grover Norquist--founder and president of Americans for Tax Reform--and included highlights from the Republican National Convention.

Religion & Ethics: Newsweekly #1553

Airdate: Sunday, September 2, 2012, 10:00am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: Religion and the Republican Convention: Managing editor Kim Lawton reported from Tampa on the involvement of faith leaders at the Republican National Convention; their concerns, especially about Mormonism; the issues they are stressing; and the extent to which they are rallying their members in support of the Romney-Ryan ticket. Also, in this episode: Microloans and Microgrants: "I'm like Pope John XXIII," says former priest and founder of MicroGrants, Joe Selvaggio. "They asked him what he wanted to do with his papacy, and he said, well, I'd like to see that the poor have a little less suffering in life."

PBS NewsHours #10447

Airdate: Tuesday, September 4, 2012, 6:00pm

Segment Length: 21:20

Description: San Antonio Mayor Julian Castro: 'Opportunity Today, Prosperity Tomorrow': On opening night of the Democratic National Convention, San Antonio Mayor Julian Castro became the first Hispanic ever to deliver a keynote address at a DNC, as covered by this segment. "The dream of raising a family in a place where hard work is rewarded is not unique to Americans," he said. "It's a human dream, one that calls across oceans and borders."

Segment Length: 26:40

Description: Michelle Obama Says the Presidency Has Revealed Barack Obama's Vision, Character: In the closing speech of the first night of the Democratic National Convention, first lady Michelle Obama spoke of her husband's working class roots and first-hand knowledge of the struggles that many Americans face. His motivations for re-election come from personal conviction and values, not politics, she said.

PBS NewsHours #10448

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Description: Bill Clinton to DNC: Barack Obama's Economic Plan Passes Arithmetic, Values Test: Former President Clinton nominated President Obama as the Democratic Party's 2012 presidential candidate at the close of the DNC Wednesday. In his speech, he countered the Republican Party's main criticisms of Mr. Obama, heavily emphasizing the president's economic successes and plan for the next four years.

PBS NewsHours #10449

Airdate: Thursday, September 6, 2012, 6:00pm

Segment Length: 39:17

Description: Biden on Pres. Obama: 'I Don't See Him in Sound Bites. I Watch Him in Action': Vice President Biden officially accepted the nomination of his party for vice president and addressed the Democratic National Convention on Thursday. As reported by this segment, he spoke of President Obama's record and attacked Mitt Romney's plans. "You never quit on America," he said. "And you deserve a president who will never quit on you."

RELIGION

Religion & Ethics: Newsweekly #1549

Airdate: Sunday, August 5, 2012, 10:00am

Length: 30 minutes

Description: This episode reported on the Shariah controversy: "It targets one community, one faith," said Naeem Baig of proposed legislation to ban US state courts from considering shariah. "It is to create this fear of Islam and Muslims in the larger society." Also, featured in this episode was Episcopal-to-Catholic converts: "The theology of Rome, the authority of Rome—that was appealing to us," said Father Mark Lewis of St. Luke's Parish, the first US Episcopal church to join the Catholic Church under new Vatican rules.

Religion & Ethics: Newsweekly #1550

Airdate: Sunday, August 12, 2012, 10:00am

Length: 30 minutes

Description: This episode reported on the response to the Sikh temple shooting: "The spirit of resilience is deep in the heart of the Sikh faith," said Valarie Kaur, a Sikh woman from Auburn Seminary in New York. "Sikhs have died for their turbans, died for their faith, but drawn from their faith to rise up again and not be afraid." Also, covered in this episode was Jewish Jesus: Jesus, said New Testament scholar Amy-Jill Levine, "teaches like a Jew. He talks in parables...and Jesus is just a fabulous Jewish storyteller." World's Biggest Congregation: "Our church operates like orchestra. Every day we make perfect harmony and fantastic symphony," said Yoido Full Gospel Church's senior pastor, Rev. Young Hoon Lee.

Religion & Ethics: Newsweekly #1551

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Description: This episode reported on Catholics and Paul Ryan: "I do not believe that the preferential option for the poor means a preferential option for big government," said Republican vice presidential candidate and Roman Catholic Paul Ryan. Also, covered in this episode were Surrogate Mothers in India: Clinics in India pay poor women a lot of money to be surrogate mothers, but "the contracts are usually written to protect the wealthy people who are commissioning the baby," said ethicist Arthur Caplan. In addition, this episode reported on a Mormon singles chapel: Young Mormons are pursuing their educations and careers "not with the purpose of delaying marriage, but with the idea that we want to have a full life that includes all of those things," said Beverli Jo DeWalt, a single Mormon woman.

PBS Newshour #10441

Airdate: Monday, August 27, 2012, 6:00pm

Segment Length: 8:55

Description: Shields and Brooks on Mitt Romney's Faith, Ann Romney's Speech: In this segment, syndicated columnist Mark Shields and New York Times columnist David Brooks discussed 'Day Zero' of the Republican National Convention, how Mitt Romney's Mormon faith may factor into this election, and what David calls "the most important speech of the convention," the upcoming remarks by Ann Romney.

Religion & Ethics: Newsweekly #1552

Airdate: Sunday, August 26, 2012, 10:00am

Length: 30 minutes

Description: This episode reported on - Faith, Politics, and the National Cathedral: Religion & Ethics talked with Rev. Frank Wade, interim dean of the Washington National Cathedral, about the value of cathedrals in a twenty-first century world and the role a cathedral can play in helping the nation understand the relationship between faith and politics. Also covered was the Tony Blair Faith Foundation: The former British prime minister converted to Catholicism and established a foundation to address issues of faith and globalization. "The big issue of our time," according to Blair, "is trying to deal with extremism based on a perversion of religion." Finally, this episode covered the LDS Pageant: It's the 75th anniversary of the annual Hill Cumorah Pageant near Palmyra, New York, a lavish outdoor spectacle based on the Book of Mormon.

Religion & Ethics: Newsweekly #1553

Airdate: Sunday, September 2, 2012, 10:00am

Length: 30-minutes

Description: Religion and the Republican Convention: Managing editor Kim Lawton reported from Tampa on the involvement of faith leaders at the Republican National Convention; their concerns, especially about Mormonism; the issues they are stressing; and the extent to which they are rallying their members in support of the Romney-Ryan ticket. Also, in this episode: Microloans and Microgrants: "I'm like Pope John XXIII," says former priest and founder of MicroGrants, Joe Selvaggio. "They asked him what he wanted to do with his papacy, and he said, well, I'd like to see that the poor have a little less suffering in life."

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Airdate: Monday, September 24, 2012, 10:00pm

Length: 60-minutes

Description: The program explored the Kol Nidre, the most sacred prayer in Judaism that begins its holiest day of Yom Kippur. The Kol Nidre's words have caused centuries of persecution, but its poignant melody has enthralled generations of Jews and non-Jews and saved the prayer from itself. The program told the Kol Nidre story impressionistically through the tales, the anecdotes, of those who have been touched by it, be they top experts on the chant or just those who have been changed by chanting it.