

September 28, 2012
COMING UP ON "MEET THE PRESS"

"MEET THE PRESS"
WEEKEND LISTINGS (9/30/12)

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Gov. Chris Christie (R-NJ)

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David Plouffe
White House Senior Adviser

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Ralph Reed
Founder, Faith and Freedom Coalition

Fmr. Gov. Ed Rendell (D-PA)

Katty Kay
Washington Correspondent and Anchor, BBC World News America

Chuck Todd
Political Director and Chief White House Correspondent, NBC News

Richard Engel
Chief Foreign Correspondent, NBC News

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This Sunday: New Jersey's outspoken Republican Governor **Chris Christie**, a key supporter of Mitt Romney, joins us just three days before the all-important first presidential debate. What does Romney need to accomplish in his first bout with President Obama? Does the campaign need to reset after tough polling numbers in key swing states?

Then: President Obama hunkers down this weekend ahead of Wednesday's first debate. What is the president's plan of attack for round one with Romney? We'll ask his senior adviser and architect of his 2008 campaign, **David Plouffe**.

Also Sunday: What do the candidates need to do in the homestretch and during the debates to

sway voters still sizing up their choices? And how much can the race change between now and November 6th? Our roundtable weighs in: Conservative activist and founder of the Faith and Freedom Coalition **Ralph Reed**, Fmr. Gov. **Ed Rendell** (D-PA), the BBC's **Katty Kay**, NBC News political director **Chuck Todd**, and NBC News chief foreign correspondent **Richard Engel**, who will be live from Afghanistan as part of the network's special coverage of the region.

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October 05, 2012
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WEEKEND LISTINGS (10/7/12)

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Robert Gibbs
Senior Adviser, Obama Campaign

Newt Gingrich
Former Republican Presidential Candidate

Hilary Rosen
Democratic Strategist

Mike Murphy
Republican Strategist

Chuck Todd
Political Director and Chief White House Correspondent, NBC News

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Arnold Schwarzenegger
Former Governor of California

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This Sunday: Mitt Romney delivers a strong debate performance but new reduced jobless numbers give President Obama a boost. Has the race changed? And what should you look for the in next highly-anticipated showdown this week when Vice President Biden faces off against Romney's running mate Paul Ryan? This Sunday we'll have a special Political Roundtable discussion. Joining us: Obama campaign senior adviser **Robert Gibbs**, former Republican presidential candidate **Newt Gingrich**, Democratic strategist **Hilary Rosen**, Republican strategist **Mike Murphy**, and NBC News Political Director **Chuck Todd**.

Then: He was a rising star in the Republican party until a scandal rocked his reputation. This Sunday, we'll talk with a familiar face on the program, former Governor of California Arnold Schwarzenegger, about the political and the personal.

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October 11, 2012

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Gov. Bob McDonnell (R-VA)
Chair, Republican Governors Association

Mayor Kasim Reed (D-Atlanta)

Fmr. Gov. Jennifer Granholm (D-MI)

Alex Castellanos
Republican Strategist

Tom Brokaw
NBC News Special Correspondent

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Stephen Colbert
Host, Comedy Central's "The Colbert Report"
Author, "America Again: Re-becoming the Greatness We Never Weren't"

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This Sunday: Just two presidential debates left before the election as both sides try to win over voters still trying to make up their minds. Can President Obama hold off Romney's recent surge in the polls? Or will Romney deliver a knockout blow in the final two debates? What effect will the Biden-Ryan showdown have on the race? A special discussion looking ahead to the final three weeks of the campaign: Gov. Bob McDonnell (R-VA); Mayor Kasim Reed (D-Atlanta); Fmr. Gov Jennifer Granholm (D-MI); GOP strategist Alex Castellanos; and NBC's Tom Brokaw.

Then: He's spent the last seven years poking fun at politicians and pundits alike and this Sunday, he Meets the Press. David will go one-on-one with Comedy Central's Stephen Colbert about politics, comedy and his new book: "America Again: Re-becoming the Greatness We Never Weren't."

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October 19, 2012
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"MEET THE PRESS"
WEEKEND LISTINGS (10/21/12)

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Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL)

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David Axelrod
Senior Political Strategist, Obama Campaign
Former White House Senior Adviser

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Sen. Rob Portman (R-OH)
Romney Debate Adviser

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Dee Dee Myers
Democratic Strategist

Mike Murphy
Republican Strategist
Contributing Editor, TIME Magazine

Tom Friedman
Columnist, The New York Times

Helene Cooper
White House Correspondent, The New York Times

Chuck Todd
Political Director and Chief White House Correspondent, NBC News

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This Sunday: With recent polls showing a tightening race in battleground Florida, what can

Romney do to seal the deal in the Sunshine State? We'll talk with key Romney supporter, Florida's own, Sen. Marco Rubio (R-FL).

Plus: Two men with the all-important task of advising and preparing their candidates for the debates join us to discuss strategy before the third and final meeting between Mitt Romney and President Obama. Sen. Rob Portman (R-OH) has played President Obama in mock debates for Mitt Romney, and David Axelrod is a chief re-election strategist for the President. What can we expect from the last debate?

Also Sunday: Just 16 days until election day. Our roundtable breaks down the campaign's closing arguments. What needs to happen in Monday's final debate on foreign policy? What do the latest polls tell us about the state of the race in the battleground states and the gender gap? A special discussion with Democratic strategist and former White House press secretary Dee Dee Myers, Republican strategist Mike Murphy, New York Times columnist Tom Friedman, and New York Times White House correspondent Helene Cooper. NBC News political director Chuck Todd will join us with the latest results of a new NBC/WSJ national poll.

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David Plouffe
White House Senior Adviser

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Rep. Eric Cantor (R-VA)
House Majority Leader

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Mayor Cory Booker (D-Newark)

Joe Scarborough
Host, MSNBC's "Morning Joe"

Mike Murphy
Republican Strategist

Savannah Guthrie
Co-host, NBC's "TODAY"

Tom Brokaw
Special Correspondent, NBC News

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This Sunday: The latest on the storm response from the White House. Plus, we'll get the final word of the 2012 campaign from both sides just two days before the election. How will the race be won and what's the strategy to turn out voters on Tuesday? Joining us: White House Senior Adviser and architect of President Obama's 2008 campaign, David Plouffe, and House Majority Leader and representative from key battleground state Virginia, Rep. Eric Cantor (R). Plus, we'll talk with the Republican Leader about what happens after the election when Congress faces tough decisions about the approaching fiscal cliff.

Then: Both campaigns have spent the year laying out their case to the American people and it all comes down to Tuesday. What will tip the scales? We'll have a special conversation about the final 48 hours of the campaign – how we got here and what to expect next week and beyond. Joining us: Mayor Cory Booker (D-Newark); MSNBC's Joe Scarborough; GOP strategist Mike Murphy; "TODAY" co-host Savannah Guthrie; and NBC Special Correspondent Tom Brokaw.

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November 10, 2012
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WEEKEND LISTINGS (11/11/12)

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Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-NY)
Chairman, Democratic Policy Committee
Member, Senate Finance Committee

Sen. Tom Coburn (R-OK)
Member, Senate Finance Committee

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Rep.-elect Joaquìn Castro (D-TX)

Steve Schmidt
Republican Strategist
Former Senior Adviser, John McCain 2008 Presidential Campaign

Doris Kearns Goodwin
Presidential Historian

Bob Woodward
Associate Editor, Washington Post
Author, "The Price of Politics"

Andrea Mitchell
Chief Foreign Affairs Correspondent, NBC News
Host, MSNBC's "Andrea Mitchell Reports"

Chuck Todd
Political Director, NBC News
Chief White House Correspondent, NBC News

Jim Cramer

Host, CNBC's "Mad Money"

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This Sunday: Reaction from Capitol Hill to the news that Gen. David Petraeus, one of the country's most decorated military officials, resigned from his post as director of the Central Intelligence Agency citing an extra-marital affair. We'll the very latest reporting on this developing story from our Chief Foreign Affairs correspondent, **Andrea Mitchell**, who was the first to break the news Friday afternoon.

Plus: President Obama gets another four years in the White House but faces tough challenges ahead. Will there be a deal on Capitol Hill regarding the expiring Bush tax cuts and looming spending cuts in order to avert the fiscal cliff? Joining us, two influential members of the Senate: Democratic Policy Committee Chairman Sen. **Chuck Schumer** (D-NY) and member of the "Gang of Six" during the debt ceiling debate, Sen. **Tom Coburn** (R-OK).

We'll also check in with **CNBC's Jim Cramer**, who will lay out the economic stakes should Washington fail to make a deal and avert fiscal disaster by the end of the year.

Then: How did Obama win and what went wrong for Romney? What do the numbers tell us about the future of the Republican party? We'll have a full debrief on the election results and what to expect in the critical months ahead as Washington braces for an intense debate over taxes and spending. Joining us: Fresh off of an election victory, Rep.-elect **Joaquín Castro** (D-TX); Republican strategist **Steve Schmidt**; presidential historian **Doris Kearns Goodwin**; *Washington Post's* **Bob Woodward**, and NBC News Political Director and Chief White House Correspondent **Chuck Todd**.

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November 15, 2012

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WEEKEND LISTINGS (11/18/12)

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Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC)
Senate Armed Services Committee

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Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)
Chair, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

Rep. Mike Rogers (R-MI)
Chair, House Intelligence Committee

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David Cote
CEO, Honeywell

Rep. Raul Labrador (R-ID)

Tom Friedman
Columnist, The New York Times

John Podesta
Former Clinton White House Chief of Staff

Mike Murphy
Republican Strategist

Andrea Mitchell
Chief Foreign Affairs Correspondent, NBC News

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This Sunday: As Republicans step up their calls for a Watergate-style investigation into the Sept. 11th attack on a U.S. consulate in Libya, President Obama publicly defended his UN Ambassador, Susan Rice, against GOP critics who have leveled sharp attacks after comments she made on this program. This Sunday, in what could be a preview of a possible Senate confirmation fight should the president nominate Rice to lead the State Department, we'll have

an exclusive interview with one of the critics that the president singled out, Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC).

Then: As new details continue to emerge from the scandal that resulted in the resignation of CIA Director David Petraeus, we'll talk with the two top intelligence chairs on Capitol Hill for the very latest. Should Congress have been notified of the FBI's investigation involving the CIA director sooner? Plus, what are they learning about the events surrounding the Libya attacks? Joining us: Chair of the Senate's Select Committee on Intelligence, Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) and Chair of the House Intelligence Committee, Rep. Mike Rogers (R-MI).

Also Sunday: Our political roundtable makes sense of the back-and-forth in Washington this week over Benghazi, General Petraeus and the upcoming political battles on Capitol Hill, including the fiscal cliff negotiations. Insights and analysis from Rep. Raul Labrador (R-ID); New York Times columnist Tom Friedman; former White House Chief of Staff for President Clinton, John Podesta; GOP strategist Mike Murphy; and NBC News Chief Foreign Affairs correspondent Andrea Mitchell. Also, we'll check in with the CEO of Honeywell, David Cote, who was part of a group of business leaders that met with the president this week.

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November 23, 2012

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UPDATED WEEKEND LISTINGS (11/25/12)

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Rep. Peter King (R-NY)

Chair, House Homeland Security Committee

Sen. Carl Levin (D-MI)

Chair, Senate Armed Services Committee

Rep. Gregory Meeks (D-NY)

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David Cote

CEO, Honeywell

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Carly Fiorina

Vice Chair, National Republican Senatorial Committee

Rev. Al Sharpton

Host, MSNBC's "PoliticsNation"

President and Founder, National Action Network

David Brooks

Columnist, *The New York Times*

Ken Burns

Documentary Filmmaker and Historian

Andrea Mitchell

Chief Foreign Affairs Correspondent, NBC News

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This Sunday: The challenges President Obama faces at home and abroad as he prepares for his second term. After a bruising and partisan election, will Washington succeed in reaching an agreement to avert the 'fiscal cliff'? Will the Obama administration be able to calm the crisis in the Middle East? And as lawmakers continue to press for more details, what fallout will the president face from the Benghazi attacks and the Petraeus affair? Joining our special conversation: MSNBC's **Rev. Al Sharpton**, Vice Chair of the National Republican Senatorial Committee **Carly Fiorina**, *New York Times* columnist **David Brooks**, documentary filmmaker and historian **Ken Burns**, and NBC's **Andrea Mitchell**.

Also on Sunday: A pivotal time for Congress. The clock ticks as the country approaches the fiscal cliff and mandatory spending cuts in areas such as defense loom large if Washington can't make a deal. Plus, lawmakers continue their probe into the Sept. 11th attack in Libya. And a large portion of the Northeast is still dealing with the Sandy recovery effort through the holiday -- all of this before the president officially begins his second term. What should we expect from Capitol Hill in the weeks and months ahead? We'll check in with the Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee **Sen. Carl Levin** (D-MI), **Rep. Gregory Meeks** (D-NY), and Chair of the House Homeland Security Committee, **Rep. Peter King** (R-NY).

We'll also get insight on the economic challenges ahead for the country, with Honeywell CEO David Cote, who was part of a group of business leaders that met with President Obama last week.

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November 30, 2012

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WEEKEND LISTINGS (12/2/12)

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Tim Geithner
Secretary of the Treasury

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Sen. Bob Corker (R-TN)

Sen. Claire McCaskill (D-MO)

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Grover Norquist
President, Americans for Tax Reform

Rep. Chris Van Hollen (D-MD)
Ranking Member, House Budget Committee

Jim Cramer
CNBC's "Mad Money" and "Squawk on the Street"

Maria Bartiromo
CNBC's "Closing Bell" and "Wall Street Journal Report"

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This Sunday: Inside the closed-door Capitol Hill negotiations with President Obama's point man, Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner, who this week met with top lawmakers to try to hammer out a deal.

Then: Is Washington any closer to a deal? Despite initial optimism, both sides end the week pointing fingers as the debate centers on taxes and entitlement spending. This Sunday, an exclusive conversation between two voices calling for compromise in their respective parties: Sen. Bob Corker (R-TN) and Sen. Claire McCaskill (D-MO).

Also Sunday: As Congress debates, what does the approaching fiscal cliff mean for the country? What impact will the talks have on the still-recovering economy? The man at the center of Republican Party infighting, anti-tax advocate Grover Norquist, joins our special political roundtable. Also weighing in: the top Democrat on the House Budget Committee, Rep. Chris Van Hollen (D-MD), and insights and analysis from CNBC's Jim Cramer and Maria Bartiromo.

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December 06, 2012

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Senator Dick Durbin (D-IL)
Assistant Majority Leader

Rep. Kevin McCarthy (R-CA)
House Majority Whip

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Newt Gingrich
Former Speaker of the House

Julianna Goldman
White House Correspondent, Bloomberg News

Helene Cooper
White House Correspondent, The New York Times

Bob Woodward
Associate Editor, The Washington Post

Lawrence O'Donnell
Host, MSNBC's "The Last Word with Lawrence O'Donnell"

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This Sunday: Washington's big question after the election is whether the country - in just 22 days - will fall over the fiscal cliff, sending the economy into another recession. We convene our own "gang of seven" to figure out the math, but more importantly the politics. David's reporting indicates a deal may be closer than some think. Find out why when he leads a debate between top lieutenant to House Speaker Boehner, California congressman, Kevin McCarthy and Assistant Majority Leader of the Senate Dick Durbin.

Then: Our roundtable hashes out the political calculus for all sides and talks about early positioning for 2016. Joining us: Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-GA); Bloomberg White House Correspondent who interviewed President Obama this week, Julianna Goldman; New York Times White House Correspondent Helene Cooper; Washington Post Associate Editor Bob Woodward; and MSNBC's Lawrence O'Donnell.

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Chair, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC)
Senate Armed Services Committee

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Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA)
Incoming House Republican Conference Chair

Harold Ford, Jr.
Democratic Strategist

E.J. Dionne
Columnist, The Washington Post

David Brooks
Columnist, The New York Times

Ed Schultz
Host, MSNBC's "The Ed Show"

Chuck Todd
Political Director and Chief White House Correspondent, NBC News

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This Sunday: Are politics to blame for Susan Rice's decision to withdraw her name from consideration for Secretary of State? What happens now to the Benghazi investigation? What are the big unanswered questions? Plus, the fiscal cliff: Which side will blink first? Joining us: Chair of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA), and the man who led the charge against Rice, Sen. Lindsey Graham (R-SC).

Also: the latest report on fiscal cliff negotiations and a look at the new NBC/WSJ poll numbers with NBC News political director and chief White House correspondent Chuck Todd.

Then: What are the political consequences of the fiscal cliff fight? How it will shape the next year and beyond? Plus, the battle over workers' rights takes center stage as Michigan passes legislation that delivers a blow to unions. Has the debate become about class warfare and what does the future hold for the American worker? Joining our conversation: MSNBC's Ed Schultz, incoming House Republican Conference Chair Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R-WA), Democratic Strategist Harold Ford, Jr., Washington Post columnist E.J. Dionne and New York Times columnist David Brooks.

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MEET THE PRESS EXCLUSIVE: NRA CEO WAYNE LAPIERRE

Sunday on "Meet the Press with David Gregory:" In the wake of the tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School, there have been new calls for tougher restrictions on access to guns in America. In his first interview since the shooting, National Rifle Association CEO and Executive Vice President Wayne LaPierre will join us live for an exclusive conversation about gun control and what he thinks should be done to curb the threat of violence in America.

Full listings to come. For more information, go to www.MeetThePressNBC.com.

December 28, 2012

EXCLUSIVE: PRESIDENT OBAMA ON "MEET THE PRESS WITH DAVID GREGORY"

This Sunday: At a critical time for the fiscal cliff negotiations, David Gregory sits down exclusively with President Barack Obama in the final hours before the deadline. Where do things stand and is a compromise even possible? Plus, David will talk to the President about other key issues facing the country as he prepares to begin his second term in office.

This will be his 11th appearance on "Meet the Press" and his second time as the Commander-in-Chief. His most recent appearance was on September 20, 2009, during the health care reform fight.

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