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# Minneapolis/St. Paul

Quarterly Issues and Program Report

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This station airs four 30-minute programs weekly on Sundays (Access Minnesota is 26 minutes and :30 seconds). We address local and statewide community issues and concerns.

**Current KQRS, 93X and 105 The Vibe Schedule:**

4:00 am – 4:30 am	The Best of Our Knowledge
4:30 am – 5:00 am	Viewpoints
5:00 am – 5:30 am	Access Minnesota
5:30 am – 6:00 am	Big Force Radio

**Public Affairs Programs**

**The Best of our Knowledge** – is a 30 minute program produced by National Productions that is hosted by Bob Barrett. It highlights breakthroughs across disciplines and across the globe putting listeners at the forefront of their fields. Each week this program examines some of the issues unique to education, looks at the research and invites commentary from experts and administrators from all levels of education.

**Viewpoints** – is a 30 minute program produced by Media Tracks; moderator host, Shel Lustig. Program covers health care, crime reduction, economy, political issues, and many other important local and global issues.

**Access Minnesota** – is a weekly public affairs radio and television show featuring noted academics, authors, politicians and business leaders engaging in common sense conversations about compelling and relevant issues in the state of Minnesota, across the nation, and around the globe. The show is produced at the University of Minnesota with the Minnesota Broadcasters Association.

**Big Force Radio** – Twin Cities attorney, writer and businessman Terrance Moore of the Hellmuth & Johnson law firm discusses contemporary issues from the perspective of a negotiator and litigator. He is the author of the book *Big Force Negotiation: The 8 Skills You Need to Negotiate With Power*. Big Force Radio is produced by the Minnesota Broadcasters Association.

**The following issues are commonly addressed topics:**

1. **Economy**
2. **Education**
3. **Environment**
4. **Health**
5. **Legal/Law**
6. **Miscellaneous**
7. **Urban**

# Economy

**Big Force  
Radio**

**4/9/17**

President Donald Trump's Budget Blueprint and its Potential Impact on Minnesota

# Education

Viewpoints

4/2/17

## SEGMENT 2: The Trouble with Teaching Reading

Synopsis: America is facing a literacy problem: according to surveys, fewer than 50% of American schoolchildren are highly proficient readers. But solving the dilemma isn't easy: why are so many students struggling and how can we fix it? We talk to several experts who suggest that we may simply be teaching the skill incorrectly. They address the fallacies many of us believe to be true and the balance our education system needs to strike in order to best cure the societal illness of illiteracy.

Host: Karen Hand. Guests: Dr. Mark Seidenberg, research professor in the department of psychology, University of Wisconsin-Madison and author of "Language at the Speed of Sight: How we read, why so many can't and what can be done about it;" Dr. Susan B. Neuman, professor of childhood and literacy development at New York University; Dr. Marie Ann Donovan, associate professor of teacher education, DePaul University  
Links for more info: <https://seidenbergreading.net/> <http://psych.wisc.edu/faculty-seidenberg.htm>  
<http://sbneuman.com/> <http://education.depaul.edu/faculty-and-staff/faculty/Pages/marie-donovan.aspx>

Best of Our Knowledge

4/2/17

We've been hearing about the problem of rising student debt for so long that some graduates are using it as a badge of honor. A lot of that debt is generated by for-profit colleges, who continue to attract a growing number of students. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk about the rise of for profit colleges and how inequality, both financial and academic, is fueling that rise.

We'll also spend an academic minute going solar.

Access Minnesota

4/16/17

## Challenges Facing Journalism

As the traditional media business model changes and polls show the public is increasingly distrustful of the media, how are colleges preparing future journalists for this uncertain job market?

**Guest:** Gayle Golden, Senior Lecturer in the School of Journalism & Mass Communication at the University of Minnesota  
One of the main disruptors of the traditional media business model was Craigslist, says Golden. The loss of revenue from classified ads moving online resulted in layoffs at newspapers across the country. Since 2000, Golden says, there has been a 40-percent drop in journalism jobs.

Despite the uncertainty in the news business, Golden says her students are less concerned with income-prospects and more idealistic about the potential of journalism to tell powerful and meaningful stories.

Viewpoints

4/16/17

## SEGMENT 1: The State of Education for Autistic Students 11:17

Synopsis: The right to an education is guaranteed to all students, regardless of disability, by federal law. But experts and parents are now wondering if we are doing enough to help autistic students maximize their abilities to live their best possible lives. Mark Claypool, co-author of "How Autism is Reshaping Special Education," discusses the current status of public schooling for autistic students and how the systems in place can be optimized to help students grow even more.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Mark Claypool, CEO of ChanceLight Behavioral Health, Therapy & Education and co-author of "How Autism is Reshaping Special Education"

Links for more info: <http://chancelight.com> [https://www.amazon.com/How-Autism-Reshaping-Special-Education/dp/1475834977/ref=asap\\_bc?ie=UTF8](https://www.amazon.com/How-Autism-Reshaping-Special-Education/dp/1475834977/ref=asap_bc?ie=UTF8)

# Education

Viewpoints

4/23/17

## **SEGMENT 1: Cutting Through the Fake News 10:46**

Synopsis: Between the election cycle and coverage of President Trump's first 100 days, we've all seen some fake news online. We talk to two educators about the harm that can be done when people believe fake news, the education crisis involved when students believe fake news, and tips we can all use to identify lies online and keep ourselves informed by only the truth.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Dr. Robert Probst and Dr. Kyleen Beers, educators and authors of the book, "Disrupting Thinking: Why How We Read Matters"

Links for more info: <https://shop.scholastic.com/teachers-ecommerce/books/disrupting-thinking-9781338132908.html> <http://www.heinemann.com/authors/56.aspx>

<http://www.heinemann.com/authors/1804.aspx>

Compliancy

Best of Our Knowledge

4/30/17

The crew here at TBOOK central has been doing a lot of traveling over the past four weeks, so we thought we'd catch up by re-presenting an important conversation from last spring. African American girls make up 16 percent of the school population in the US...but they are a third of all school related arrests in the country. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk to a leader in the fight for justice for black girls in school.

Best of Our Knowledge

5/7/17

If there's one area of education that demands a hands-on learning experience it's the field of medicine. And not just for new students. Doctors in the field need continuous training to stay up to date on the latest advances. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, it's road trip time, as we tour the Veterans Administration's SimLEARN Training Center in central Florida.

Viewpoints

5/21/17

## **SEGMENT 2: The Gift of Numbers: The impact of Fibonacci 9:35**

Synopsis: As hard as it is to imagine, before an Italian mathematician we know as Fibonacci came to the scene, most people didn't use... numbers. We talk to mathematician and author Keith Devlin about Fibonacci's mammoth contribution to mathematics and our daily lives.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Keith Devlin, mathematician at Stanford University and author of "The Man of Numbers: Fibonacci's Arithmetic Revolution"

Links for more info: <http://web.stanford.edu/~kdevlin/> <http://devlinsangle.blogspot.com/>

<https://www.amazon.com/Man-Numbers-Fibonacci-Arithmetic-Revolution/dp/0802779085>

# Education

Best of Our  
Knowledge

5/21/17

Colleges don't admit students, they admit applications. That's what a long time college application consultant says about the current state of college admission in the US.

Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk about how students can make themselves attractive to the college of their choice...and when they should start trying.

We'll also learn that the number of words a child learns goes a long way toward academic success in the future...and we'll spend an academic minute looking for heroes.

Best of Our  
Knowledge

5/28/17

Women attending college don't exactly practice the healthiest lifestyles. That, I'm sure, comes as no big surprise. But a new study about the activity level of these students shines a new light on what can motivate a woman to start eating better and getting some exercise.

Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk to the lead author of that study to see what it takes to get some college age students moving.

We'll also learn that pressure on women to be their best doesn't start in college...and we'll spend an academic minute dealing with peer pressure to chow down.

Best of Our  
Knowledge

6/4/17

Here it is, 2017, and we're still talking about No Child Left Behind...and that was two presidents ago. Right now in New York State, they are working on the replacement to that Bush era initiative to the Obama era Every Student Succeeds Act. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, New York's Education Commissioner hears from the public.

We'll also hear from protesters who want a controversial local school board member kicked out...learn that self-awareness is important to get a head in the world...and we'll spend an academic minute building a better bus route.

Viewpoints

6/11/17

## **SEGMENT 2: The Complications of Spelling English 10:06**

Synopsis: The rules of the English language always seem to have an exception or ten. The language's irregularities make it difficult to learn and spell. We explored how the language got so complicated.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Vivian Cook, Professor Emeritus of Applied Linguistics at Newcastle University and author of Accommodating Broccoli in the Cemetery or Why Can't Anybody Spell?; Niall McLeod Waldman, author of Spelling Dearest: The down and dirty, nitty-gritty history of English spelling

Links for more info: <https://www.amazon.com/Accommodating-Broccoli-Cemetery-Anybody-Spell/dp/0743297113>

[https://www.amazon.com/Spelling-Dearest-Nitty-Gritty-History-English/dp/1418453307/ref=asap\\_bc?ie=UTF8](https://www.amazon.com/Spelling-Dearest-Nitty-Gritty-History-English/dp/1418453307/ref=asap_bc?ie=UTF8)

[https://www.amazon.com/Spelling-Dearest-Nitty-Gritty-History-English/dp/1418453307/ref=asap\\_bc?ie=UTF8](https://www.amazon.com/Spelling-Dearest-Nitty-Gritty-History-English/dp/1418453307/ref=asap_bc?ie=UTF8)

# Education

Best of Our Knowledge

6/11/17

A couple of years ago, a group of major employers in the US got together to provide their employees with a path to complete an important part of their education. And we're not talking about technical education or masters degrees. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll learn about GED Works...and how this program can help employees finally get their GED.

Best of Our Knowledge

6/18/17

More and more students in the US are choosing to take a "gap year"...a 12 month break from school between high school and college to travel and experience the world. In fact there is one country that is actively encouraging those students to come on down and take that gap year with them. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, a conversation about Masa Israel Journey.

Viewpoints

6/25/17

## **SEGMENT 1: Is Cursive Still Worth It? 9:38**

Synopsis: With all of our technology and reliance on computers, many schools are phasing out some handwriting lessons. Specifically, schools have stopped teaching cursive. We talk to two experts about whether that's a good idea.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Jan Olsen, occupational therapist, President of Handwriting Without Tears; Margaret Shepherd, calligrapher & artist, author of Learn World Calligraphy.

Links for more info: <http://hwtears.com> <http://margaretshepherd.com>

Best of Our Knowledge

6/25/17

If you are a university professor on the track to tenure, apparently the last place you want or need to be is a classroom filled with students. Today on The Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk to a long time professor about what it takes to become a long time professor.

We'll also spend an Academic Minute with some unusual weather.

# Environment

**Viewpoints**

**4/2/17**

**SEGMENT 1: Climate Change: Causes, solutions, and its impact on our economy**

Synopsis: Scientists have maintained for years that carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gasses are causing climate change. In the face of deniers, scientists insist their answer is correct. We talk to Dr. Kerry Emanuel from MIT about what makes he and other scientists so certain greenhouse gasses are to blame and how the problem can be addressed to not only help our planet, but also create new jobs for American workers.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Dr. Kerry Emanuel, professor of atmospheric science at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Links for more info: <http://eaps4.mit.edu/faculty/Emanuel/>

<https://www.documentcloud.org/documents/3516598-Letter-to-Administrator-Pruitt.html>



# Health

Best of Our  
Knowledge

4/9/17

We recently aired a couple of programs on Autism; one was about young people and the other about adults. I was also looking for people who could talk to me about seniors with autism. Well, I'm still looking, but in the meantime I had a conversation with someone who has a job I find fascinating. She runs support groups for caregivers. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk about caregivers...and how they get by from day to day.

Find more information on the National Council on Aging [HERE](#).

Viewpoints

4/30/17

## **SEGMENT 2: Gene Crunching: The ethics of genetic screenings on children 8:52**

Synopsis: Science enables us to know much more than ever before. We can be aware of what disorders we could pass on to our kids and we can conduct screenings on children to discover irregularities in their genes. Such screenings can help doctors catch issues early... but they can also put a huge burden on families.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Bonnie Rochman, journalist and author of "The Gene Machine: How genetic technologies are changing the way we have kids—and the kids we have"

Links for more info: <http://us.macmillan.com/thegenemachine/bonnierochman/9780374160784/>

Access  
Minnesota

5/21/17

## **Lyme Disease in MN**

May is Lyme Disease Awareness month. Dr. Elizabeth Maloney discusses the symptoms and dangers of Lyme disease and how best to prevent infection.

**Guest:** Dr. Elizabeth Maloney, Family Practice Physician and the President of the Partnership for Tick-Borne Diseases Education

Symptoms of Lyme disease begin anywhere from two to 30 days but can also take more than a year to show up in patients. Common symptoms include a circular rash, fatigue, fever, headache, chills and joint pain. In Minnesota, there were 1,806 new cases of Lyme disease in 2015 and over the past decade, the number of cases has increased by over 142 percent. Dr. Maloney suggests if you are going into areas where ticks are prevalent—wooded areas with tall grass and places where deer are found—she suggests using insecticides and repellents and wearing clothing that covers as much skin as possible.

Lyme disease can be complicated to identify and treat. The symptoms are non-specific and similar to other illnesses and blood testing for Lyme disease still misses many patients. Dr. Maloney hopes more awareness of Lyme disease will help both doctors and patients be able to diagnose the disease as early as possible.

# Health

Viewpoints

6/4/17

## **SEGMENT 1: Beating a Mental Health Crisis:**

### **One couple's journey through the psych ward 11:28**

Synopsis: One morning without warning, Giulia Lukach experienced a psychotic break. We talk to her husband Mark about Giulia's mental health journey, his own experience as a caregiver, and how they overcame three stints in the psych ward.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Mark Lukach, author of *My Lovely Wife in the Psych Ward: A Memoir*

Links for more info: <http://www.marklukach.com/book/>

### **SEGMENT 2: Hospice Dogs: How our four-legged friends can help us until the very end 7:35**

Synopsis: Jon Katz's dogs do more than just play fetch: they help comfort Hospice patients in their final days. We talk about Katz's experience volunteering for hospice and how dogs can give so much comfort.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Jon Katz, author of *Izzy & Lenore*; Warren Cardwell, husband of late Hospice patient; Keith Mann, former coordinator of volunteers for Washington County Hospice and Palliative Care

Links for more info: <https://www.bedlamfarm.com/> [https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0018QSNXG/ref=dpkindle-redirect?\\_encoding=UTF8&btkr=1](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0018QSNXG/ref=dpkindle-redirect?_encoding=UTF8&btkr=1)

# Legal / Law

Viewpoints

4/9/17

## **SEGMENT 1: The Legal Side of Cohabitation 10:40**

Synopsis: There are millions of Americans who live together, but never become formally “married.” What are their rights? Who gets the house, the car, the bank accounts if they break up or one of them dies? We talk to a noted contract and family law attorney who has written extensively on the subject to find out how society and the courts view cohabitation relationships. We also discuss what cohabiting couples should do to prevent problems with the law.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Martha Ertman, Professor of Law specializing in contract and family at the Carey School of Law, University of Maryland, and author of the book, *Love’s Promises: How formal and informal contracts shape all kinds of families.*

Links for more info: <http://www.law.umaryland.edu> <http://www.beacon.org/loves-promises-p1092.aspx>

Access  
Minnesota

4/23/17

## **Criminal Justice Reform**

America’s prison population has surged since 1970. Scholars and lawmakers are exploring ways to reform our criminal justice system and reduce the rate of incarceration. Michelle Phelps discusses the politics of mass incarceration and her new book, *Breaking the Pendulum: The Long Struggle Over Criminal Justice.*

**Guest:** Michelle Phelps, Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Minnesota and a Faculty Affiliate of the Law School’s Robina Institute of Criminal Justice

Rather than see criminal justice reform as a pendulum—swinging back and forth between attitudes of rehabilitation and punishment—Phelps argues that to understand these shifts and what has led to mass incarceration, we should look at reform measures as earthquakes. “We can think about these rupture moments as earthquakes,” Phelps says. “They really shift the terrain, but if you don’t understand that long buildup of pressure that happens before the earthquakes, you’ve misunderstood the earthquakes themselves.”

How can we end mass incarceration in the US? While federal policy is important, 90 percent of the prison population is incarceration in state prisons. “It will take a 50 state effort,” Phelps says. In Minnesota, the prison population has increased 150 percent in the past 25 years; but our incarceration rate is still much lower compared to the vast majority of states. In Minnesota, however, Phelps warns that we should pay greater attention to our massive probation population.

Access  
Minnesota

5/14/17

## **Consciousness and Responsibility in the Law**

How did conceptions of consciousness and personhood shape the American legal system? Professor Susanna Blumenthal discusses her book *Law and the Modern Mind: Consciousness and Responsibility in American Legal Culture,* which was awarded the 2017 Merle Curti Award for the best book published in American intellectual history.

**Guest:** Susanna Blumenthal, Professor of Law at the University of Minnesota

Professor Blumenthal traces the history of how American courts decided cases surrounding issues of mental soundness. Influenced by Enlightenment philosophy and science of the mind, jurists in post-revolutionary America developed a kind of “default legal person” in which to judge moral responsibility.

While the issue of insanity and law is most often thought of in the context of a murder trial, Blumenthal looked at how jurists argued over the definition of insanity in more common civil law cases and disputes over contracts and property.

# Legal / Law

Viewpoints

5/14/17

## **SEGMENT 1: The Most Wanted Man on Wall Street 9:22**

Synopsis: The financial world was shocked when the FBI began investigating Wall Street big shot Steve Cohen and his company SAC Capital. We discuss what they were looking for, what they found, and what it all means going forward.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Sheelah Kolhatkar, author of "Black Edge: Inside Information, Dirty Money, and the Quest to Bring Down the Most Wanted Man on Wall Street"

Links for more info: <https://www.sheelahkolhatkar.com/>

Access  
Minnesota

6/11/17

## **MN Legislature 2017**

The Minnesota Legislature went into overtime again this year, but issues linger. There's a showdown looming between Governor Dayton and the GOP leaders. Dayton cut all funding for the Legislature in response to what he called a "poison pill" provision in the tax bill which he reluctantly signed. This week, analysis of the state spending bills and the on-going conflict between Gov. Dayton and state Republicans.

**Guest:** David Schultz, professor in the political science department at Hamline University

Professor Schultz calls special sessions at the Legislature the "new normal." Fundamental beliefs on the role of government divide the DFL and GOP and make it difficult for the two parties to compromise, even on simple and core issues, says Schultz. How the current budget conflicts will end—whether through further negotiations or a decision by the Minnesota Supreme Court—is still up in the air. Schultz says Republicans probably didn't cut spending as much as they hoped, but they saw a victory in their push for tax cuts.

A major issue this session concerned the role of local versus state government. "We're seeing the two parties play significant role reversals right now," Schultz says. Where more liberal areas in the metro area used to push for state-wide laws, cities like Minneapolis are now fighting for the right to determine wage and sick-time ordinances. The Republicans successfully blocked Minneapolis from enacting a ban on plastic bags in the city.

Access  
Minnesota

6/25/17

## **Racial Bias in Policing (Rebroadcast)**

A jury recently acquitted former St. Anthony police officer Jeronimo Yanez of wrongdoing in the shooting death of Philando Castile. But many questions linger about racial inequities in our law enforcement and criminal justice systems. Academic studies present a complicated picture of how race impacts interactions between the police and the public. This week, a look at the research surrounding racial bias in policing. This interview originally aired on Access Minnesota in July of 2016.

**Guest:** Michelle Phelps, Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology at the University of Minnesota and Faculty Affiliate at the Law School's Robina Institute and the Minnesota Population Center

Phelps sites studies that show African American drivers are three times more likely to be pulled over by police; Black men age 25 or younger have a 28% chance of being pulled over; and, police officers are more likely to rough-up Black suspects. "Together that creates this pattern of bias," Phelps says, "that creates differential outcomes for black and white Americans and deferential attitudes towards the police." Bias exists on an individual level, both in police officers and in all of us, Phelps says, but also on a structural level. Inequality in neighborhoods, education and income also contribute to implicit bias.

How do we reduce racial bias and excessive use of force by police? Requiring police to wear body cameras and carry liability insurance are two proposals in Minnesota. Placing greater accountability on police officers could have beneficial results; however, Phelps worries these are "technological solutions to fundamental divides between communities and police."

# Miscellaneous

Access  
Minnesota

4/2/17

## Severe Weather Awareness Week 2017

Severe Weather Awareness Week in Minnesota is April 17-21. This week, how to prepare and stay safe during severe weather.

**Guest:** Todd Krause, Warning Coordination Meteorologist for the National Weather Service

The severe weather season started extra early this year in Minnesota—a tornado touched down on March 6, setting a record. Krause discusses tornado watches and warnings and how severe weather is monitored by the Storm Prediction Center in Norman, Oklahoma.

Being aware of the potential for severe weather is one of the most important ways to stay safe, says Krause. He recommends checking weather reports on local news media or on [weather.gov](http://weather.gov), owning a NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) radio or following NOAA on social media.

Big Force  
Radio

4/2/17

How to speak truth to power.

Viewpoints

4/9/17

## SEGMENT 2: The Immigrant Narrative in Modern Times 10:51

Synopsis: When people discuss “the immigrant narrative,” you may picture Ellis Island. But what is that process like today? We talk to two writers about the more modern immigrant journey. First, journalist and author Daniel Connolly talks about Isaias Ramos, a bright young man whose life is complicated by his status as an illegal immigrant. Then, author Shilpi Somaya Gowda discusses her own family’s experiences emigrating from India. Two very different stories bound by a common thread: the immigrant narrative.

Host: Karen Hand. Guests: Daniel Connolly, journalist and author of “The Book of Isaias: A Child of Immigrants Seeks His Own America;” Shilpi Somaya Gowda, author of “The Golden Son”

Links for more info: <http://www.danielconnolly.net/> <http://www.shilpigowda.com/>

Viewpoints

4/9/17

Music writer Jim Walsh discusses his career documenting the Minnesota music scene and his time with the late, great Prince.

**Guest:** Jim Walsh, author and music writer

“Bar Yarns and Manic Depressive Mix Tapes” collects 30 years of Walsh’s writings for publications such as the Pioneer Press, City Pages, Southwest Journal and MinnPost.

Nearing the one year anniversary of Prince’s death, Walsh reflects on the artist’s legacy and discusses covering Prince in the mid-to-late 1990s—a time when he was misunderstood and dismissed by many fans and critics.

Viewpoints

4/16/17

## SEGMENT 2: Casey Stengel’s Life in Baseball 10:22

Synopsis: Most of us know that the New York Yankees dominated baseball diamonds across the country for decades, but fewer know the Hall of Fame manager who guided them to success and was named by MLB Network “baseball’s greatest character.” We talk to Yankees historian Marty Appel about the life of Casey Stengel, who spent over 50 years in professional baseball and won 8 World Series titles, but whose handling of the MLB’s integration era has been questioned for years.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Marty Appel, baseball historian and author of “Casey Stengel: Baseball’s Greatest Character”

Links for more info: <http://www.appelpr.com/> <https://www.amazon.com/Casey-Stengel-Baseballs-Greatest-Character/dp/0385540477>

# Miscellaneous

The Best of Our Knowledge

4/16/17

What can studying the climate of other planets tell us about climate change on Earth? Next time on The Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk to an expert on Mars to find out.  
We'll also talk about images from NASA's Chandra X-Ray Observatory...and spend an Academic Minute with impact craters on the red planet.

Big Force Radio

4/16/17

A Look at President Donald Trump's Campaign Promises

Viewpoints

4/23/17

## SEGMENT 2: The Adventure is Still Out There 10:52

Synopsis: Being an explorer may seem like a childhood fantasy, but it's a real thing people do.

We talk to two experts about some notable explorers of the past and ways you can see the world through fresh eyes yourself.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dr. Huw Lewis-Jones, historian, explorer, and author of "Explorers' Sketchbooks: The Art of Discovery & Adventure;" Dr. Nick Middleton, professor at Oxford University and author of "An Atlas of Countries That Don't Exist"

Links for more info: [http://www.thamesandhudson.com/Explorers\\_Sketchbooks/9780500252192](http://www.thamesandhudson.com/Explorers_Sketchbooks/9780500252192)  
<http://www.nickmiddleton.net/project/an-atlas-of-countries-that-dont-exist/>

Big Force Radio

4/23/17

Political Rhetoric and Legislative Gridlock

The Best of Our Knowledge

4/23/17

It seemed like a good idea at the time. I think most of us have felt that way about something in our lives...something that looked really really good that ended up really really not. Some of history's greatest scientific minds probably feel the same way. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk about the book Pandora's Lab, which explores some of the biggest unintended consequences of history's biggest scientific discoveries.

Then we'll talk about a book about evolution...for toddlers. And we'll also spend an academic minute with the benefits of being bilingual.

Access Minnesota

4/30/17

## Increasing Civic Engagement

Despite an uptick in social activism among younger Americans, many of them remain disconnected from politics and government. A new textbook, "American Government: Stories of a Nation," seeks to link the mechanics of political science with real-world examples of how engaged citizens can influence our political system.

**Guest:** Scott Abernathy, Associate Professor of Political Science at the University of Minnesota  
Professor Scott Abernathy had two main goals when writing his textbook "American Government": The first was to teach through narrative and stories and the second was for the stories to be more inclusive.  
Abernathy discusses one of the most contentious of President Trump's cabinet nominations, Betsy DeVos for Secretary of Education. A look at why many oppose her stance on school choice and how choice and voucher programs affect public education.

# Miscellaneous

Viewpoints

4/30/17

## SEGMENT 1: A Writer's World: Jonathan Lethem 9:52

Synopsis: Jonathan Lethem is the award-winning author of "Motherless Brooklyn" and other novels. His latest book is an inside look at his thoughts on literature. He talks to us about the importance of reading, what inspires him, and how he feels about tough critics.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Jonathan Lethem, author of "More Alive and Less Lonely"

Links for more info: <http://jonathanlethem.com/> <http://jonathanlethem.com/book/more-alive-and-lesslonely/>

Big Force  
Radio

4/30/17

The Golden Rule in a Contemporary Context

Access  
Minnesota

5/7/17

## The Showman Dudley Riggs

Dudley Riggs transformed the Twin Cities theatre scene in 1958 when his Brave New Workshop introduced audiences to "instant theatre." Today, the BNW is the longest running improv comedy theater in America and has helped launch the careers of some of Minnesota's funniest entertainers including Louie Anderson, Liz Winstead and Al Franken. Riggs discusses how he conceived of this new type of theatre and his memoir, "Flying Funning: My Life without a Net."

**Guest:** Dudley Riggs, author and founder of the Brave New Workshop

Born into a show biz family, Riggs performed vaudeville routines as a five-year-old and by age eight, moved up to the flying trapeze. Life in the circus taught Riggs how to adapt to changing environments and interact with an audience—skills that would lead him to invent a daring new form of theatre.

Improv comedy is the "theatre of now," says Riggs. "You're not using the words of a playwright from another time or another place; you're allowed then to freely associate and bring forth a thought from that moment. And that moment is all that counts."

## SEGMENT 1: Religion Behind Bars: The role of faith-based prison ministries 9:23

Synopsis: Since the beginning of the US prison system, religion has been suggested as a way to help rehabilitate criminals. We talk to Tanya Erzen, a professor of religion, about why that is and what role prison ministries play in the lives of inmates.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Tanya Erzen, author "God in Captivity: The Rise of Faith-Based Prison Ministries in the Age of Mass Incarceration"

Links for more info: <https://tanyaerzen.com/> <http://www.beacon.org/God-in-Captivity-P1256.aspx>

## SEGMENT 2: The History of Physics 9:06

Synopsis: The history of physics is a long and extremely interesting one, littered with the names of some of the most famous scientists in the world, like Galileo, Newton, Copernicus, Einstein, Curie, and others. We talk to a science historian about a few of the highlights throughout the long history of physics and astronomy.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Tom Jackson, author of "Physics: An illustrated history of the foundations of science" – a Ponderables book.

Links for more info: <http://www.physics.ucla.edu/~tsjackson/> <http://www.barnesandnoble.com/w/physicstom-jackson/1120196861>

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**SEGMENT 2: The Big Ideas: A look inside this year's biggest books 9:25**

Synopsis: With summer around the corner, many of us are looking for some fresh books to read on the beach or on the porch. We talk to three authors about the themes and messages written into their latest novels.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Caitriona Lally, author of "Eggshells;" Michael Callahan, author of "The Night She Won Miss America;" Benjamin Ludwig, author of "Ginny Moon"

Links for more info: <https://www.mhpbooks.com/books/eggshells/>, <https://www.amazon.com/Night-She-Won-Miss-America/dp/0544809971>, <http://benjaminludwig.com/>

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Can technology make us smarter? Well I'm not sure about that, but it can make the things around us smarter. In fact, advances in building techniques and practices, and the addition of custom technology have started a new trend in construction: smart homes.

Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll put on our hard hats and tour a smart home building site.

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The 1939 Munich Accord and Its Relevance to Current Events

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**SEGMENT 1: Video Games Evolution: From frivolous entertainment to art 9:25**

Synopsis: Video games have long been seen as child's play, but now they are the source of massive TV ratings and legitimate artistic expression. We talk to author Andrew Ervin about the transformation.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Andrew Ervin, author of "Bit by Bit: How video games transformed our world"

Links for more info: <http://andrewervin.com/> <http://hcssoftware.sourceforge.net/passage/>



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## **SEGMENT 1: The Lost Art of Writing Letters 9:50**

Synopsis: Everyday, we send and receive emails, but when's the last time you wrote or received a handwritten letter? We talk to a writer and editor about the more romantic, considered communication style of abandoning modern technology and writing physical letters.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Shaun Usher, writer, editor of the book Letters of Note: An eclectic collection of correspondence deserving of a wider audience

Links for more info: <http://www.lettersofnote.com/>

## **SEGMENT 2: How Richard Chizmar wrote a novella with Stephen King 9:00**

Synopsis: Richard Chizmar is an author, publisher, and Stephen King fan. He joins the show to discuss his career, his process, and his opportunity to write a novella with one of the world's biggest authors.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Richard Chizmar, publisher of Cemetery Dance, co-author of Gwendy's Button Box

Links for more info: <http://www.cemeterydance.com/> <http://www.cemeterydance.com/gwendys-buttonbox-stephen-king-richard-chizmar.html>

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## **Gender Policy Report**

The Women's March that took place in January in the US and around the world casts attention on a variety of social issues and gender inequality. Christina Ewig from the Center on Women, Gender, and Public Policy at the University of Minnesota discusses the role gender plays in our politics and public policy debates and the center's new Gender Policy Report—an online, non-partisan analyses of state and federal policy proposals and how they might specifically impact women.

**Guest:** Christina Ewig, Faculty Director of the Center on Women, Gender, and Public Policy at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey School of Public Affairs

The Center on Women, Gender, and Public Policy began in the mid-1980s and, Ewig says, was the first center of its kind to provide comprehensive research, teaching and public engagement in local, national and international issues facing women. The center's new online Gender Policy Report asks university researchers to consider policy implications to gender equity and gender inequality.

In the current US congress, women represent 19 percent of the House and 21 percent of the Senate; worldwide, the US is in the middle compared to other nations in terms of the percentage of women in office. "It's not a fantastic record," Ewig says. "When you have more people with different perspectives coming to the table, you're more likely to have creative solutions to the problems that face you and greater understanding of the multitude of ways that one particular policy may impact different groups differently."

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## Preserving the News

News outlets produce a huge volume of content. But much of what is printed, posted online or broadcast is uncatalogued or simply disappears. Newsprint, film and tapes deteriorate or get tossed out. And the lifespan of digital media is often fleeting. This week, a look at why many historians worry about our preservation of news and media.

**Guests:** Kathleen Hansen and Nora Paul from the University of Minnesota's School of Journalism and Mass Communication and the authors of "Future Proofing the News: Preserving the First Draft of History" Newspapers, tapes and film are all susceptible to wear and decay, threatening the physical archives of the news. But even today's digital media, Hansen and Paul warn, is in danger of disappearing. Many of our cherished news archives—from colonial newspapers to WWII radio broadcasts—come not from news organizations but from individuals who took it upon themselves to collect the archives. Hansen and Paul encourage the news media to be more proactive in protecting their work, or, to find an organization like a college or historical society to care for their documents.

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## SEGMENT 1: The Virtues of Being an Introvert 8:28

Synopsis: Introverts usually get a bad rap, but we talk to two experts who say introverts have a lot to offer. We discuss what introversion is and how introverts can be a lot of fun to be around.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Todd Kashdan, Professor of Psychology, George Mason University, author of the book *Mindfulness, Acceptance and Positive Psychology*. Sophia Dembling, introvert, author of the book, *The Introvert's Way: Living a quiet life in a noisy world*.

Links for more info: <http://www.todd Kashdan.com/> [https://www.amazon.com/Introverts-Way-Living-Quiet-Perigee/dp/0399537694/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1496419939&sr=1-1&keywords=the+introvert%27s+way](https://www.amazon.com/Introverts-Way-Living-Quiet-Perigee/dp/0399537694/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1496419939&sr=1-1&keywords=the+introvert%27s+way)

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## **SEGMENT 1: Adventure in the Jungle: The Discovery of the Maya Civilization 9:15**

Synopsis: Discovering one of the most well-known ancient civilizations was no easy task. We talk to author William Carlsen about the two men who ventured into the jungle and discovered the Mayans. Host: Gary Price. Guests: William Carlsen, author of *Jungle of Stone: The true story of two men, their extraordinary journey, and the discovery of the lost civilization of the Maya*

Links for more info: [https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0105V62Z0/ref=dp-kindleredirect?\\_encoding=UTF8&btkr=1](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B0105V62Z0/ref=dp-kindleredirect?_encoding=UTF8&btkr=1)

## **SEGMENT 2: Why Wonder Woman Works So Well in 2017 9:23**

Synopsis: Wonder Woman is breaking box office records in her first solo film, and we look at what makes her so in tune with the times. Professor, author, and editor Travis Langley explains how Wonder Woman's pursuit of the truth, belief in humanity, and inspirational name make her the perfect heroine for now.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Travis Langley, co-editor of *Wonder Woman Psychology: Lassoing the Truth*  
Links for more info: <https://www.amazon.com/Wonder-Woman-Psychology-Lassoing-Truth/dp/1454923431>

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## **Pipeline Pros and Cons**

The Minnesota Department of Commerce is holding a series of public meetings this month and taking written comments through July 10 seeking input on Enbridge Energy's proposed Line 3 crude oil pipeline replacement project. A draft environmental impact statement on the Enbridge proposal was released by the Commerce Department in May.

Environmental groups and Native American tribes oppose the project citing concerns about potential oil spills along the pipeline's route in northern Minnesota. This week, a look at both sides of the pipeline argument.

**Guests:** Lorraine Little, Director of Community Engagement for Enbridge Energy; Kathryn Hoffman, Executive Director of the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy and serves as adjunct faculty at the University of Minnesota Law School. Little discusses the need for a replacement pipeline and how the Line 3 project can benefit Minnesota.

Hoffman argues the pipeline project threatens the environment in two major ways: It is a risk to Minnesota waters and tar sands oil would greatly increase the carbon footprint of the state.

The Minnesota Department of Commerce is accepting public comments on the Line 3 pipeline until July 10, 2017.

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The True Meaning of Turn the Other Cheek

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## **SEGMENT 2: The Fight for Paternity Leave 9:04**

Synopsis: Bringing a new baby home is exciting and chaotic. The last thing parents want to worry about is their work life. But for many dads, the stigma and financial burdens of trying to stay home means they have little time to bond at home. We talk to Josh Levs, a journalist who took the fight for paternity leave head-on.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Josh Levs, journalist, father of 3, author of the book, *All In: How our workfirst culture fails dads, families, and businesses – and how we can fix it together*.

Links for more info: <http://joshlevs.com/> [https://www.amazon.com/dp/B00NEPGXJA/ref=dp-kindleredirect?\\_encoding=UTF8&btkr=1](https://www.amazon.com/dp/B00NEPGXJA/ref=dp-kindleredirect?_encoding=UTF8&btkr=1)

- Public Service Announcements:
- **KQRS – 635** PSAs ran from 4/1/2017 – 6/30/2017
- **93X – 233** PSAs ran from 4/1/2017 – 6/30/2017
- **105 The Vibe – 1,216** PSAs ran from 4/1/2017 – 6/30/2017
- Total PSAs that ran in second quarter on KQRS, 93X and 105 The Vibe were: 2,084.