

# WGVX-FM RADIO

# 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

Access  
Minnesota

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## **Invisible Inequality in the Military**

October is Veterans' Voices Month in Minnesota and Access Minnesota will feature a series of shows on issues facing veterans. This week, a look at socioeconomic inequality in the military.

**Guest:** Francis Shen, Associate Professor of Law, University of Minnesota

**Part 1** – “Who’s paying the ultimate sacrifice and keeping us free in America’s wars,” asks Professor Shen. To answer this question, Shen and co-author Douglas Kriner of Boston University analyzed over 500,000 combat casualties from World War II through the recent wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. In WWII, they found those who served in combat came from all parts of the country and across economic lines. But since the Korean War, Shen and Kriner find there is no longer a shared-sacrifice and the burden of war has fallen on poor Americans.

**Part 2** – The socioeconomic inequality found in military sacrifice has consequences. Shen says there is a disconnect between the people who make policy decisions and the people who serve on the front lines. Without a personal connection to the cost of war, he says, it’s easier to be cavalier about engaging in military action.

Viewpoints

12/11/16

## **SEGMENT 1: Closing the Wage Gap: Two diverse opinions**

Synopsis: The “Wage Gap” has been a persistent topic in America for years and it played a big role in determining the outcome of the recent election. We’re joined by two experts who both agree that closing the wage gap should be a top priority in this country, but who have very different takes on how that can be achieved. We talk governmental regulations, tax codes, charity, and much more in regards to bringing the haves and the have-nots together. Our experts say doing so may just bring a very divided country together before the wedge between the two groups changes America into a very different, and likely very worse-off, place for our children to inherit.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Chuck Collins, website editor for The Institute for Policy Studies and author of the book, *Born on Third Base*. Kyle Hauptman, executive director of the Main Street Growth Project

Links for more info: <http://www.ips-dc.org> <http://www.chelseagreen.com/born-on-third-base>  
<http://www.mainstgrowth.com/>

# Education

The Best of  
Our Knowledge

10/9/16

Teaching politics can be an interesting balancing act in the best of times. This year...who the heck knows? Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk to a professor of politics about exactly how he gets his message to students...and how they get theirs right back to him. We'll also hear from a professor who is fascinated by the world of magic and magicians...and thinks you should be too. And we'll spend an academic minute talking about how what you read influences what you write.

Viewpoints

10/16/16

## SEGMENT 2: Teaching Kids to Read by Expanding Their World

Synopsis: We hear it all the time – why can't our kids read better? Our guest has some thoughts on the issue and offers some suggestions to parents, educators and policymakers about how expanding our children's knowledge base in school will help make them better readers overall.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guest: Robert Pondiscio is the Executive Director of the Knowledge Matters Campaign, a senior fellow at the Thomas B. Fordham Institute in Washington, DC, and a former inner-city elementary school teacher.

Links for more info: [www.knowledgematterscampaign.org](http://www.knowledgematterscampaign.org)

The Best of  
Our Knowledge

10/23/16

Since the late 1980s, more and more schools around the US have adopted zero tolerance policies towards discipline. Some have said that the policies have made schools safer but critics say the rise in suspensions and expulsions harm more than just the students being punished.

Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk to the author of the new book Ending Zero Tolerance...and why he feels it's time to completely rethink school discipline.

We'll also spend an academic minute trying to remember if we ran this Academic Minute segment before.

The Best of  
Our Knowledge

10/30/16

There are small colleges and universities across the country that have nursing, physical therapy, even pre-med majors that cannot afford to open and maintain a cadaver lab. But there is a way for these students to get the hands-on learning they need. Introducing the SynDaver.

Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll visit a university anatomy lab and see just how life like these artificial bodies really are.

The Best of  
Our Knowledge

11/20/16

Is there a more thankless job in the world than being a substitute teacher? OK, there probably are a lot them but you have to admit walking into a room with 20 to 30 middle school kids looking to make the next 50 minutes of your life miserable doesn't sound like a party. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk to someone who became of substitute and wrote a book about it.

# Education

Viewpoints

11/27/16

## **SEGMENT 1: THE ICK FACTOR: TEACHING KIDS SCIENCE**

Synopsis: Schools are emphasizing science, technology, engineering and math—the STEM subjects. Many people believe science is too technical for kids to understand. We talk to two experts who say children take to science readily if it's presented in the right way by tapping into the "ick factor" that seems to fascinate them.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Chris Martine, David Burpee Prof. of Plant Genetics and Research, Bucknell Univ.; Jessica Garrett, science teacher and co-author, *Oh, Ick! 114 Science Experiments Guaranteed to Gross You Out*

Links for more info: <http://www.bucknell.edu/ChrisMartine>; <https://www.workman.com/products/oh-ick>;

## **SEGMENT 2: TEACHING KIDS TO GIVE BACK**

Synopsis: During the holidays, many parents fret over the materialistic messages their children are exposed to. We talk to a mom and an author who together have created a children's book and game designed to make giving back to others a fun pursuit.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Sarah Linden and Tyler Knott Gregson, co-authors, *North Pole Ninjas: Mission: Christmas*

Links for more info: [NorthPoleNinjas.com](http://NorthPoleNinjas.com)

The Best of Our Knowledge

11/27/16

Title IX has been around for a while. It states that "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance". Over the 44 years since the law was passed, almost 10 times the number of women and girls are participating in school athletics. The number of coaches is another story. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge: a report on the impact of Title IX on women coaches.

Viewpoints

12/4/16

## **SEGMENT 1: Does Where You Go To College Matter?**

Synopsis: High school graduates who plan to go on with their education are making plans to head off to college this fall. Not all of them were accepted to the college that was their first choice, and many are disappointed about it. Some young people didn't get into college at all because they weren't offered the help they needed to find a college that suited them financially and culturally. We talk to an author and to a high school counselor about the myths surrounding acceptance to an "elite" college, why a small or state school can be a better fit, and how high school counselors can better serve diverse and often financially strapped students.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Frank Bruni, columnist for The New York Times, author of the book, *Where You Go Is Not Who'll You'll Be: An antidote to the college admissions mania*; Joshua Steckel, counselor at a high school in Brooklyn, NY, co-author of the book, *Hold Fast to Dreams*.

Links for more info: [www.frankbrunibooks.com](http://www.frankbrunibooks.com) [www.thenewpress.com](http://www.thenewpress.com)

# Education

The Best of Our  
Knowledge

12/4/16

Just about every school in the US, maybe even the world has some basic items. Chairs and desks and bathrooms with unusual aromas. They also have textbooks. Now, the editor of one of the most respected science textbooks in the world is hoping to revolutionize the way textbooks are put together. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge we'll talk about the latest version of the Tietz Textbook. We'll also go to a camp where girls are encouraged to build and become engineers...and we'll spend an academic minute thinking about extinction.

The Best of Our  
Knowledge

12/11/16

A lot of new teachers are becoming ex-teachers in a year or two, and that makes it increasingly difficult for the teachers who stay to live a well-rounded life while also being effective in the classroom. Basically, they have to learn to get a life. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge we'll talk to Dave Stuart Jr, a high school teacher who has written about how teachers can reclaim their lives.

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12/11/16

## **The Legacy of Brown v. Board of Education and School Segregation**

Cheryl Brown Henderson discusses growing up with the legacy of the Supreme Court decision in Brown v. Board of Education.

**Guests:** Guest Host Chris Stewart of the Podcast Rock The Schools with Citizen Stewart interviews Cheryl Brown Henderson, founder of the Brown Foundation For Equity, Excellence and Research

**Part 1** – What was it like to grow up as the child of one of the plaintiffs (and namesake) of the landmark Supreme Court case Brown v. Board of Education?

**Part 2** – Brown v. Board of Education was decided in 1954, yet education disparities between white children and children of color remain. Brown Henderson discusses what the Brown case means today and the importance of providing African American parents with options and resources for quality education.

You can find Chris Stewart's podcast Rock The Schools at <http://citizenstewart.org/podcast/>

More information on Cheryl Brown Henderson's Brown Foundation can be found at <http://brownvboard.org/>

# Environment

Access  
Minnesota

11/20/16

## The Unseasonably Warm Fall

How unusual was this warm fall in Minnesota? We discuss the data with climatologist Kenny Blumenfeld and the possible effects of warmer weather and longer growing seasons.

**Guest:** Kenny Blumenfeld, Senior Climatologist at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

**Part 1** – Despite not yet knowing all of November’s temperatures, this fall is set to be one of the warmest, if not the warmest, in Minnesota’s history along with record wetness across the state in September and October.

**Part 2** – Can we discuss the ramifications of warmer weather without debating politics and the issue of climate change? Blumenfeld hopes we can avoid the term “climate change” and instead, steer conversations towards addressing the specific symptoms extreme weather.

Access  
Minnesota

12/18/16

## State of the River

“So, how is the Mississippi River?” asks a new report released by the Friends of the Mississippi River and the National Park Service. Co-authors Trevor Russell and Lark Weller discuss the overall health of the Mississippi and the biggest threats facing the river’s ecosystem.

**Guests:** Trevor Russell, Water Program Director for Friends of the Mississippi; Lark Weller, Water Quality Coordinator for the National Park Service

**Part 1** – The 2016 State of the River Report addresses concerns over the health of the Mississippi in language the general public can understand. How healthy is the river? Weller says the report shows a “good news, bad news situation.” While wildlife like bald eagles and muscels have made populations gains, areas of concern are excess sediment, bacteria and phosphorus, as well as an increase in river flows and invasive Asian carp.

**Part 2** – What can individuals do to help reduce pollution in the river and what policy changes should happen in Minnesota to protect the river, a vital source of drinking water for 1 million Minnesotans? Russell and Weller discuss how synthetic clothing and waste like cigarette butts contribute to the amount of harmful microplastic fibers found in the water and the need for better farming practices in the state.

Read the State of the River Report at: <http://stateoftheriver.com/>

# Health

Viewpoints

11/13/16

## **SEGMENT 2: Brain Briefs: How our minds perceive the world**

Synopsis: Does working crossword puzzles, Sudoku, and playing other games help prevent Alzheimer's and dementia? Why does time seem to crawl when we're young and speed up as we age? Does multitasking really help us get more done? We talk to a psychologist and author about these popular ideas and get the real story about how our minds can sometimes trick us into thinking things that really aren't true.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Bob Duke, professor at the University of Texas-Austin, and an expert on music and human learning. He and his co-author, Art Markman, are also the co-hosts of the popular podcast "Two Guys on Your Head." Their book is titled *Brain Briefs: Answers to the most (and least) pressing questions about your mind*.

Links for more info: [twoguysonyourhead.org](http://twoguysonyourhead.org) [www.kut.org](http://www.kut.org)

Viewpoints

12/18/16

## **SEGMENT 2: Using The Voices in Your Head**

Synopsis: Hearing voices in your head comes with an unfortunate stereotype that you must be mentally ill. However, experts tell us the "voices in your head" can be used to talk to, and about, yourself in a healthy, productive way. In fact, most people hear voices in their head and already use inner speech on a daily basis. We discuss tips and techniques to use "self-talk" as a way to get yourself through tough decisions and lower stress.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dr. Charles Fernyhough, author of "The Voices Within: The History and Science of How We Talk to Ourselves." Dr. Ethan Kross, Professor of Psychology at the University of Michigan.

Links for more info: : <http://www.charlesfernyhough.com/> <https://www.amazon.com/Voices-Within-History-Science-Ourselves/dp/0465096808> <https://lsa.umich.edu/psych/people/faculty/ekross.html>

Viewpoints

12/25/16

## **SEGMENT 1: Dealing With Holiday Stress**

Synopsis: The holidays, with their family gatherings, crowded shopping malls and unpredictable weather, are a time of stress for many people. We talk to two stress specialists about tips and tricks to help you calm down a bit during this hectic time of year and also prevent undue stress at other times.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Dr. Mary Lamia, clinical psychology and psychoanalyst in private practice in Marin County, CA; Paul Huljich, author of "Stress Pandemic: 9 natural steps to survive, master stress and live well"

Links for more info: [www.marylamia.com](http://www.marylamia.com), [www.stresspandemic.com](http://www.stresspandemic.com)

# Legal / Law

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## Miscellaneous

Big Force  
Radio

10/2/16

Wells Fargo Sales Scandal

### **SEGMENT 1: The Gatekeeper: Missy LeHand and FDR**

Synopsis: Everyone knows about the presidency of Franklin D. Roosevelt, but not many know about the powerful and loyal confidant FDR relied on, Marguerite “Missy” LeHand. Our guest discusses the life and work of this remarkable woman and how she helped and influenced one of the greatest chief executives of our time.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Kathryn Smith, author of *The Gatekeeper: Missy LeHand, FDR, and the untold story of the partnership that defined a presidency*.

Links for more info: [www.margueritelehand.com](http://www.margueritelehand.com) also on Facebook.com/Missy LeHand

### **SEGMENT 2: Urban Farming: Helping people do more than eat healthy**

Synopsis: Urban gardens are popping up all over the country, and they’ve provided “food desert” communities with fresh fruits and vegetables for their residents’ tables as well as taught urban dwellers to put abandoned plots of land to good use. But have you ever heard of an “urban farm”? Our guests talk about both of these projects and describe why they provide hope and employment for people in need as well as educational opportunities to students and residents.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Michael Ableman, co-founder and director of Sole Food Street Farms in Vancouver, BC, and author of the book, *Street Farm: Growing food, jobs and hope on the urban frontier*; Deirdre Bradley-Turner, director of Community Service and Service Learning at Emmanuel College, Boston, which is part of the Mission and Ministry Office at the college.

Links for more info: [www.emmanuel.edu](http://www.emmanuel.edu) [www.solefoodfarms.com](http://www.solefoodfarms.com) [www.chelseagreen.com](http://www.chelseagreen.com)

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# Miscellaneous

The Best of Our Knowledge

10/2/16

It's well known that in the early 1800's, slaves who escaped captivity used a loosely knit group of safe houses called the Underground Railroad to find safety and freedom in the North. But some found themselves finding freedom in the other direction.

Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll talk to the author of a book for grade schoolers taken from a family's oral history called Go South for Freedom.

Access Minnesota

10/9/16

## The War Came Home With Him

How does war affect the family? This week, the second show in our series for Veterans' Voices Month in Minnesota, author Catherine Madison discusses her memoir "The War Came Home With Him" and her father's experience as a POW in Korea.

**Guest:** Catherine Madison, author, "The War Came Home With Him"

**Part 1** – Growing up, Catherine Madison knew her father was a war hero though he never talked about his POW experience. It wasn't until after her father died and Madison found an envelope titled "The Whole Story" that she understood his harrowing journey.

**Part 2** – Writing the memoir brought a better understanding of her father and their strained relationship. "Just because he was a hero didn't mean he wasn't also a flawed human being, as vulnerable as rest of us," Madison says.

For more information on "The War Came Home With Him" and author Catherine Madison go to:

<http://www.thewarcamehomewithhim.com>

Viewpoints

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## SEGMENT 1: Citizen Scientists: What everyone can do to help create a better world

**Synopsis:** When we think of scientists, most of us think of college graduates working in laboratories on very important projects for the government or large corporations. Not many of us think of the retired bricklayer next door who likes to garden, or the 10-year-old girl who is fascinated by birds. We talk to two "citizen scientist" advocates about the importance of having average citizens be the eyes and ears of large research projects, and how anyone can find a science project they can help advance in the world.

**Host:** Gary Price. **Guests:** Mary Ellen Hannibal, author of the book *Citizen Scientist: Searching for heroes and hope in an age of extinction*; Geoff LeBaron is the director of the Audubon Society's annual Christmas Bird Count.

Links for more info: [www.maryellenhannibal.com](http://www.maryellenhannibal.com) [www.christmasbirdcount.org](http://www.christmasbirdcount.org)

## SEGMENT 2: Helping Animals Weather Natural Disasters

**Synopsis:** Natural disasters such as floods, wildfires and tornados can devastate a community, cause widespread health concerns and push families out of their homes. We're all concerned that the humans caught in these circumstances are taken care of, but what about the pets that live in the area? How can we help them survive and stay with their human caretakers? We talk to a Humane Society spokesperson who has seen his share of disasters about keeping your pets safe and secure during a catastrophe.

**Host:** Marty Peterson. **Guest:** Jeff Dorson, Executive Director of the Humane Society of Louisiana

Links for more info: [www.humanela.org](http://www.humanela.org) 1-888-6-HUMANE

# Miscellaneous

Big Force  
Radio

10/9/16

How to Restore Compromise to make sure our republic stands

The Best of  
Our Knowledge

10/16/16

Here's a rather obscure name from American history: Billy Lee. He was George Washington's valet. There's also Alfred Jackson. He was a faithful servant of Andrew Jackson. The two names you do know have something in common, they were US Presidents. The other two men also have something in common, they were slaves. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we open up the door to history class and talk about the complicated early history of the US...and the people who lived in the shadow of liberty. We'll also spend an academic minute passing the buck.

Viewpoints

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## SEGMENT 1: Dealing With Fear in Life

Synopsis: Halloween is coming up, and just about everyone likes to be scared on that day. It's fun and it can help heighten the excitement of the holiday. However, there are some people who have fear in their lives that isn't much fun – those who are facing big changes, uncertainties and loss. Our guests talk about how fear affects our lives and how it can be decreased or eliminated by perseverance, positive thinking and compassion.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Brad and Kasey Wallis, co-founders of "Expand With Julius," a private coaching and workshop firm.

Links for more info: [expandwithjulius.com](http://expandwithjulius.com)

Access  
Minnesota

10/16/16

## Veterans' Voices 2016

October is Veterans' Voices Month in Minnesota—to celebrate, we hear from three of this year's Veterans' Voices award winners.

**Guests:** David O'Fallon, President and CEO, Minnesota Humanities Center; Kelsey Besse, Project Manager, Be The Match; Brigadier General David Hamlar Jr., Assistant Adjutant General-Air, Minnesota National Guard, Doctor at VA Medical Center and Regions Hospital; Robert Rivera, Director of Family and Community Engagement, Robbinsdale School District

**Part 1** – Interviews with David O'Fallon and Kelsey Besse. O'Fallon discusses how October became designated as Veterans' Voices Month in Minnesota and the importance of hearing from veterans on their own experiences. Besse discusses her work in health care and caring for veterans suffering from mental health, addiction and domestic violence issues.

**Part 2** –Interviews with Brigadier General David Hamlar Jr. and Robert Rivera. General Hamlar discusses his deployment and work as a doctor treating veterans. Rivera discusses his friend and one of this year's Legacy award winners, Dr. James Northrup, who passed away in August of this year.

# Miscellaneous

Big Force  
Radio

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Sandbagging: What it is, how it is employed as political instrument

## SEGMENT 1: Atlas Obscura: Celebrating Unique Destinations

Synopsis: When Americans take vacations, it's often to places like theme parks, resorts, or national parks. Our guest says that there's a treasure trove of unique destinations around the world if you veer off the beaten vacation path. He talks about a few of the places you probably never heard about but which offer unique experiences, educational opportunities and a lot of fun.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Dylan Thuras, co-author of *Atlas Obscura: An explorer's guide to the world's hidden wonders*.

Links for more info: [www.atlasobscura.com](http://www.atlasobscura.com)

## SEGMENT 2: Raising Human Beings: Dealing with kids, expectations and behavior

Synopsis: Raising kids these days isn't easy. Parents have expectations for their children that often don't jibe with who the child is and his or her temperament -- and that can lead to problems with behavior that disrupt family life, and end up being counterproductive for the child. We talk to a psychologist about why kids behave the way they do in certain situations, and offer strategies for dealing with a child that can help them grow more responsible and independent.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dr. Ross Greene, a psychologist at Virginia Tech University and founding director of the non-profit organization "Lives in the Balance." He's also the author of the book, *Raising Human Beings: Creating a collaborative partnership with your child*.

Links for more info: [www.drrossgreene.com](http://www.drrossgreene.com) [www.livesinthebalance.org](http://www.livesinthebalance.org)

## Uncovering the History of Fort Snelling

A collaboration with the Minnesota Historical Society, Professor Katherine Hayes leads an excavation team at Historic Fort Snelling.

**Guest:** Katherine Hayes, Anthropology and American Indian Studies Professor, University of Minnesota

**Part 1** – Much of the focus of Fort Snelling's history has centered on the beginning of the Fort in the early 1820s and the American Indian fur trade. The site, however, has a much deeper military history that spans the Civil War through World War II as well as a history that includes slavery and a prison camp.

**Part 2** – Hayes describes her work as "thinking through the dirt": "When we think through the dirt we actually think about how did this come to be hidden away in this fashion—it's not just what's there but how did it come to be there."

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How in this world of instant reaction do we vet the truth from the fiction

# Miscellaneous

Viewpoints

10/30/16

## **SEGMENT 1: Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy: Women in the Civil War**

SYNOPSIS: We've heard a lot about the famous generals and other heroes of the Civil War, but very little has been written about the women who fought as hard as the men for their beliefs. We talk to an author who researched these women, about the jobs they did, how they risked their lives to find and carry intelligence from the enemy to their generals, and even how they used their "feminine wiles" to get the information they needed to gain advantage in the war.

Host: Gary Price. Guest: Karen Abbott, author of *Liar, Temptress, Soldier, Spy: Four women undercover in the Civil War*.

Links for more info: [www.karenabbott.net](http://www.karenabbott.net)

## **SEGMENT 2: The Value of Face-to-Face Communication for Kids**

SYNOPSIS: Kids are always on their phones, tablets or computers – even when they're sitting across from one another at the lunch table! Does communicating via screens hurt kids? We talk to two researchers who found that too much screen time at the cost of face-to-face communication could decrease our ability to recognize emotions, and possibly even shorten our lives.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Patricia Greenfield, Distinguished Prof. of Psychology, UCLA, Dir. of the Children's Digital Media Center, Los Angeles, CA; Susan Pinker, psychologist, journalist, author of *The Village Effect: How face-to-face contact can make us healthier, happier and smarter*.

Links for more info: [www.cdmc.ucla.edu](http://www.cdmc.ucla.edu) [www.susanpinker.com](http://www.susanpinker.com)

Access  
Minnesota

10/30/16

## **Give to the Max 2016**

Give to the Max happens November 17. Jake Blumberg of GiveMN discusses "Minnesota's giving holliday." In the second half of the show, U of M Professor Mark Snyder discusses his research into why people choose to volunteer and give to charity.

**Guests:** Jake Blumberg, Executive Director of GiveMN; Mark Snyder, Professor of Psychology at the University of Minnesota

**Part 1** – Blumberg calls [givemn.org](http://givemn.org) a "one-stop-shop" for donors looking to support local charities. The site makes online donating easy and features information on thousands of local nonprofits. For the past two years, Give to the Max Day raised over \$18 million among over 6,000 local non-profits and schools.

Give to the Max Day is Nov. 17, but you can schedule an early gift starting Nov. 1. For more information go to: [givemn.org](http://givemn.org)

**Part 2** – Professor Snyder says if you ask people whether they think it's a good idea to get involved and volunteer, roughly 75-80% say yes—volunteering will help make the world a better place. The actual number of people who do volunteer, however, is closer to 25-30%. In order to encourage more people to volunteer and give to charity, Snyder says we need to make people understand that "giving and volunteering is not just doing something for other people...it's also doing good for the people who give or volunteer."

Big Force  
Radio

10/30/16

Election: Electoral College and Candidates Paths to Victory

# Miscellaneous

The Best of Our  
Knowledge

11/6/16

It's finally over! After two years of non-stop election coverage we can finally take a little break from all the talk about politics and scandals and...whatever. That makes this a perfect time to revisit a book about politics in the classroom. We've been hearing about the decline of civics education for years...and one issue keeps arising: is it possible to keep politics out of civics? For that matter, is keeping politics out of the classroom a good idea at all?

Big Force  
Radio

11/6/16

Election: Our thoughts on Whose going to Win and Why

## Supporting Libraries: Why they're important, how we can help

Synopsis: The public library system in the U.S. is one of our most cherished community services, yet in these days of government budget cuts, libraries around the country are feeling the pinch of shorter hours, fewer staff and old technology. Our guests discuss why funding and supporting our libraries is a way to raise smarter kids, help residents with social service navigation, boost the economy, and help immigrants become full American citizens.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Dr. Timothy Crist is the president of the Board of Trustees for The Newark Public Library, Newark NJ; Karin Slaughter, internationally bestselling author whose latest novel is titled *The Kept Woman*, founder of Save the Libraries.

Links for more info: [www.npl.org](http://www.npl.org) [www.karinslaughter.com](http://www.karinslaughter.com) [www.savethelibraries.com](http://www.savethelibraries.com)

## SEGMENT 2: Dealing with Shame and Bullying

Synopsis: Bullying and shaming are two of the most damaging activities kids – and many adults – face today. One of our guests discusses the psychological ramifications of bullying and the other relates her own experience as an unwed teen in the 1970s, and how the shame of that incident and the support she received from other young women in the same situation made her stronger and more compassionate to others.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Dr. Frank Farley, Professor of Educational Psychology at Temple University in Philadelphia, PA; Liz Pryor, author of *Look At You Now: My journey from shame to strength*.

Links for more info: [www.temple.edu](http://www.temple.edu) [www.lizpryor.com](http://www.lizpryor.com)

Viewpoints

11/6/16

## MN Election Preview 2016

While much of the media attention has focused on the Presidential race, Access Minnesota looks at down-ballot and state races this election.

**Guest:** David Schultz, Professor of Political Science, Hamlin University

**Part 1** – What impact will the Presidential race have on Minnesota's down-ballot races? What are the DFL's chances of regaining control of the House in the Minnesota Legislature? Professor Schultz discusses poll numbers and possible consequences for the DFL after news of rising healthcare costs.

**Part 2** – A look at the state's most contested races this election and at the constitutional amendment that asks voters whether to remove a lawmakers' power to set their own wages. Shultz discusses the arguments on both sides of the amendment issue.

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Election: In Retrospect, What Really Happened on Election Day

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If you ever visit Ireland in October, you may see hundreds of people gather for a walk to a bridge in Dublin that celebrates Ireland's greatest mathematician. Today on the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll hear William Rowan Hamilton, who vandalized Broom Bridge with an equation...an equation which changed mathematics forever. We'll also hear how virtual reality is being used to teach history, celebrate the teenager who game the world Frankenstein. And we'll spend an academic minute advocating for hosta.

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### SEGMENT 1: Remembering the Activism of Tom Hayden

Synopsis: In 2004, we spoke with activist and former California legislator Tom Hayden who passed away last month. The topics were gangs and violence, how and why young men and women join gangs and how we can stem the violence of these groups and help the young people who belong to them to live better, safer and more productive lives. In these days of continued strife on urban streets, we can still benefit from his hopeful – yet controversial – ideas on the topic.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: The late Tom Hayden, former member of The Chicago Seven and California State Senator of 18 years, is author of the book, *Street Wars: Gangs and the future of violence*.

Links for more info: [www.tomhayden.com](http://www.tomhayden.com)

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### Election Results 2016

A summary of the 2016 election: How Donald Trump won the Presidency and the GOP gained control of the Minnesota Legislature.

**Guest:** Kathryn Pearson, Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Minnesota

**Part 1** – The majority of polls heading into election night favored Hillary Clinton to win. Why were the polls so wrong?

**Part 2** – What will a Trump Presidency look like? Pearson discusses Supreme Court nominees, immigration reform and repealing Obamacare.

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## **SEGMENT 1: Fighter Pilot: The Jimmy Stewart You *Didn't* Know**

Synopsis: The late actor, Jimmy Stewart, gave us some very memorable characters during his time in Hollywood – many very funny; others endearing; and still others dark and villainous. Perhaps Stewart's most dramatic role was the one that not many people know about, but that molded his life and his psyche – not to mention his acting – for most of his career: fighter pilot in World War II. We talk to an author who delved into Stewart's war service about how flying missions over Europe and seeing his comrades die affected the actor and his choice of roles and acting style for the rest of his life. Host: Gary Price. Guest: Robert Matzen, author of *Mission: Jimmy Stewart and the fight for Europe*.

Links for more info: [robertmatzen.com](http://robertmatzen.com)

## **SEGMENT 2: Habit Changers: Advice for success in making resolutions**

Synopsis: In about six weeks, people will be celebrating the New Year and many of them will be resolving to change something in their lives – the ubiquitous "New Year's Resolution." We talk to a behavior specialist and coach about how bad habits are created and why. She also gives us some ways to help give those resolutions some staying power for the year ahead.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guest: M.J. Ryan is a resolution maker and an internationally-recognized expert on change and human fulfillment, author of the book, *Habit Changers; 81 game-changing mantras to mindfully realize your goals*.

Links for more info: [www.MJ-Ryan.com](http://www.MJ-Ryan.com) [www.Habit-Changers.com](http://www.Habit-Changers.com)

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"Trump's America, The Trump Wave": What happened in Election of 2016

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The First Amendment: Freedom of Speech; The Concept of "hate speech"

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## **The Media Under A Trump Presidency**

From fake news on Facebook to hacked emails on WikiLeaks and now, a President-elect with a contentious relationship with the press, how will the media respond to issues of ethics, accuracy and access?

**Guest:** Jane Kirtley, Silha Professor of Media Ethics and Law at the School of Journalism and Mass Communications and Director of the Silha Center for the Study of Media Ethics and Law at the University of Minnesota

**Part 1** – President-elect Trump said before the election that as President he would "open up libel laws." Professor Kirtley discusses why Trump would have difficulty changing libel laws and why libel is often hard to prove in court. Nonetheless, libel suits can be costly for many media companies and can be used to intimidate journalists.

**Part 2** – Media critics say hacked emails posted to WikiLeaks and fake news spread largely through social media sites like Facebook and Twitter had an influence over the election. Kirtley discusses First Amendment law versus media ethics and shares her concern over whether accurate and accountable journalism can be heard over the "echo chamber" of social media.

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## **Closing the Achievement Gap in MN**

62% of African Americans graduate from high school in Minnesota compared to 87% of white students. This disparity continues in higher education: Only 45% of African American students graduate from college in the state. This week, a discussion on how to better prepare students of color for college and ways Minnesota can help close one of the nation's largest achievement gaps.

**Guests:** Terry Henry, Executive Director for the Department of Career and College Readiness, Minneapolis Public Schools; Chris Stewart, Host of Rock the Schools with Citizen Stewart and Director of External Affairs, Education Post; Nekima Levy-Pounds, Civil Rights Attorney and former President, MPLS NAACP

**Part 1** – Terry Henry discusses the United Negro College Fund's Empower Me Tour and opportunities for Minnesota's African American high schoolers.

More information on the Empower Me Tour: <http://empowermetour.org/>

More information on Minneapolis Public Schools' Department of College and Career Readiness: <http://ccr.mpls.k12.mn.us/>

**Part 2** – Guests Chris Stewart and Nekima Levy-Pounds discuss the root causes of the achievement gap and why large disparities persist today in Minnesota schools. "Nationally, no one has become experts at educating black children," Stewart says, "but specifically, Minnesota has a long way to go." Levy-Pounds points to a lack of the number of teachers of color, a tendency to blame poverty for achievement gaps and a resistance from school officials when it comes to listening to the voices of parents from communities of color.

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## **SEGMENT 2: Holiday Cooking Without Fear**

Synopsis: With Thanksgiving over, it's time to start looking toward our December holiday parties and the meals that come with them. Author Julia Turshen joins the show to talk about her tips and tricks to make those Christmas and Hanukah dinner a little less daunting. With advice on dressings, sides, desserts and more, Turshen breaks down some basic techniques to make great food with little experience.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Julia Turshen, author of *Small Victories: Recipes, Advice + Hundreds of Ideas for Home Cooking Triumphs*

Links for more info: : [www.juliaturshen.com](http://www.juliaturshen.com) <https://www.amazon.com/Small-Victories-Recipes-Hundreds-Triumphs/dp/1452143099>

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**SEGMENT 2: Henry Clay: The great American statesman you should know more about**

Synopsis: Most of us have heard the name of Henry Clay, but he's not one of the people we usually remember the way we do George Washington or Thomas Jefferson. Our guest says that Clay was just as important to our nation as the founding fathers, and he discusses the great contributions this Speaker of the House made to keep our country together, fight for justice, and create the foundations of our extensive modern U.S. transportation system.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Harlow Giles Unger, author of *Henry Clay: America's Greatest Statesman* and contributor to The Huffington Post

Links for more info: : <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/author/harlow-giles-unger> [www.dacapo.com](http://www.dacapo.com)

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Keith Ellison and his quest to be Democratic National Committee Chair

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**SEGMENT 1: Christmas at the Battle of the Bulge**

Synopsis: This year, many families will spend the holidays with family members away, in combat in Iraq and Afghanistan. It's tough being on the battlefield at any time of year, but during Christmas it's especially hard. We talk to a historian and author about one Christmas, in 1944, when American soldiers spent a freezing holiday in the Ardennes forest, fighting for their lives against Hitler's army during the Battle of the Bulge; and how a general's prayers could have been the key to turning the tide in the Allies' favor.

Host: Gary Price. Guests: Stanley Weintraub, Evan Pugh Professor Emeritus of Arts & Humanities, Penn State University, and author of "11 Days in December: Christmas at the Bulge, 1944."

Links for more info: <http://www.simonandschuster.com/authors/Stanley-Weintraub/1064729> [https://www.amazon.com/11-Days-December-Christmas-Bulge/dp/0451223179/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1481303541&sr=1-1&keywords=11+days+in+december](https://www.amazon.com/11-Days-December-Christmas-Bulge/dp/0451223179/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1481303541&sr=1-1&keywords=11+days+in+december)

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Cyber security may be a fairly new field, but it's been around long enough to have its own government sub-department. Dr. Phyllis Schneck is Deputy Under-Secretary of Cybersecurity for the US Department of Homeland Security. Back in June we sat down to talk about cyber security and I asked her if someone fell asleep 20 years ago and just woke up, how would she define cyber security.

Sometimes you run across a teacher that catches your interest. Jeff Newberry did that to me just by looking at his title. Jeff is a published poet and author from the Gulf Coast who is on the faculty at Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College in Tipton, Georgia where he is a professor of English and Poet in Residence. He has just published his first novel called "A Stairway to the Sea". Host Bob Barrett caught up with Jeff Newberry recently and asked him why an agricultural college has a Poet in Residence.

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## SEGMENT 2: Internet Privacy: How You Can Fight Snooping Online

Synopsis: It seems you can't get away from email spam, Internet scams and companies using your online purchases and web browsing to badger you with shopping opportunities. Every time you sign up for a blog or make a purchase, you are inundated with unwanted – and sometimes dangerous – intrusions into your personal and private information. We talk to a journalist who has tried to erase her digital footprint, and an attorney who deals with online privacy about the issue. We discuss ways you can get rid of some third parties who spy on your online activities, learn about better password protection, and find out why we are probably never going to be able to rid ourselves of all snooping in the future.

Host: Marty Peterson. Guests: Julia Angwin, award-winning journalist, author of "Dragnet Nation: A quest for privacy, security and freedom in a world of relentless surveillance" William Kling, adjunct professor of law, IIT Chicago-Kent College of Law, clinical assistant professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health

Links for more info: [www.juliaangwin.com](http://www.juliaangwin.com), [www.kentlaw.edu](http://www.kentlaw.edu)

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The University of Minnesota Football Player Sex Scandal

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When you sit down in a room with Ira Flatow, it doesn't take long to figure out he loves science. Since he got his start with NPR back in the early 70s, Flatow has been covering advances in science and technology both on the radio and on public television as the host of the program Newton's Apple. For the past 25 years he has been the host of the weekly radio program Science Friday. Back in April, Ira Flatow visited me in the studio and we talked about how his career started, in TV or radio.

Ira Flatow is celebrating 25 years as the host of Public Radio International's Science Friday. You can hear more at Science Friday dot com.

Public Service Announcements:

- **KQRS – 471** PSAs ran from 10/1/2016 – 12/31/2016
- **93X – 278** PSAs ran from 10/1/2016 – 12/31/2016
- **105 The Vibe – 2,180** PSAs ran from 10/1/2016 – 12/31/2016

Total PSAs that ran in fourth quarter on KQRS, 93X and 105 The Vibe were: **2,929**.