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The Best of Our Knowledge

DATE	TIME	SHOW #	TOPIC
4/1/2023	30:00	1698	How does U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack want to improve school meals programs? A national competition is welcoming submissions from student podcasters; and two schools in Albany, New York are adding programs to attract new applicants.
4/8/2023	30:00	1699	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: students get the chance to meet with former U.S. House representatives as part of a program that brings Congress to campus.
4/15/2023	30:00	1700	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: a New York cannabis industry insider prepares to open a retail dispensary upstate, plus more
4/22/2023	30:00	1701	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: PBS and NOVA month have released new films as part of an initiative to more effectively communicate climate change, and more
4/29/2023	30:00	1702	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: Engineering students at the University at Albany show off their award-winning invention that aims to help workers with physical limitations succeed in their careers
5/6/2023	30:00	1703	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: a new lab at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute seeks to accommodate students with different styles of learning; an online school based in the Bronx is graduating hip hop lyricists; and the Vermont State University system is reversing a plan to remove books from shelves and create digital libraries.
5/13/2023	30:00	1704	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: a new study shows only 51 percent of college students complete their studies, plus drone soccer, and a look at Eastern U.S. forests.
5/20/2023	30:00	1705	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: the pandemic changed the way students learn, including the widespread adoption of remote learning. But how did the pandemic affect schooling that was already online?
5/27/2023	30:00	1706	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: a New York education policy is requiring school districts to remove Native American names, mascots, and imagery
6/3/2023	30:00	1707	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: students are participating in an oral history project to preserve the stories of the workers in an area known as Slate Valley.
6/10/2023	30:00	1708	There is currently no known cure for Alzheimer's disease, but researchers are continuing to study drugs that can improve the lives of people suffering from the disease. We'll speak with neurologist Dr. Richard Holub about his latest research.

6/17/2023	30:00	1709	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge, we'll speak with John Flansburgh of rock band They Might Be Giants. John and co-founder John Linnell have been making records for more than 40 years, with several albums written to entertain and educate kids.
6/24/2023	30:00	1710	On this episode of the Best of Our Knowledge: the pandemic exposed the connectivity gap at a time when more children are learning online. We'll speak with U.S. Education Secretary Miguel Cardona about a push by the White House expand broadband access

The Capitol Connection

DATE	TIME	SHOW #	TOPIC
4/1/2023	30:00	2314	WAMC's Alan Chartock speaks with Blair Horner, Executive Director of the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG).
4/8/2023	30:00	2315	WAMC's Alan Chartock speaks with New York state Assemblymember Amy Paulin, a Democrat and Chair of the Assembly Health Committee.
4/15/2023	30:00	2316	WAMC's David Guistina, filling for Alan Chartock, speaks with New York state Comptroller Tom DiNapoli.
4/22/2023	30:00	2317	WAMC's Alan Chartock speaks with New York Assembly Majority Leader Crystal Peoples- Stokes.
4/29/2023	30:00	2318	WAMC's Alan Chartock speaks with John Kaehny, Executive Director of Reinvent Albany.
5/6/2023	30:00	2319	WAMC's Alan Chartock speaks with Ed Cox, Chairman of the New York state Republican Committee.
5/13/2023	30:00	2320	WAMC's Alan Chartock speakswith Republican Orange County Executive Steve Neuhaus.
5/20/2023	30:00	2321	WAMC's David Guistina speaks with Robert Schneider, Executive Director of the New York State School Boards Association (NYSSBA).
5/27/2023	30:00	2322	WAMC's David Guistina speaks with Sarah Rogerson, Albany Law Professor and faculty Director of the Immigration Law Clinic.
6/3/2023	30:00	2323	WAMC's David Guistina speaks with New York State Inspector General Lucy Lang.
6/10/2023	30:00	2324	WAMC's David Guistina speaks with New York state Republican Assembly Minority Leader William Barclay.
6/17/2023	30:00	2325	WAMC's David Guistina speaks with New York state Comptroller Tom DiNapoli.
6/24/2023	30:00	2326	WAMC's Ian Pickus speaks with New York State Assemblymember Linda Rosenthal.

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4/1/2023	30:00	1759	On this week's 51%, we recognize Sexual Assault Awareness Month. We stop by the premiere of a new film in Albany, New York based on the life of Laurina Ecobelli, who overcame her abuser and won a landmark child abuse case in the 1920s.
4/8/2023	30:00	1760	On this week's 51%, we speak with Marjan Keypour, founder of the Alliance for Rights of All Minorities, about a new report examining violence against women in Iran. We also stop by Russell Sage College to listen in on an important conversation with Iranian-American journalist and women's rights activist Masih Alinejad.
4/15/2023	30:00	1761	The accessibility of the key abortion medication mifepristone hangs in the balance after a federal judge in Texas ruled earlier this month to suspend the Food & Drug Administration's approval of the drug. On this week's 51%, we discuss the ins and outs of the case.
4/22/2023	30:00	1762	The Supreme Court has ruled to protect access to the key abortion pill mifepristone for now, as a legal battle over its 23-year approval by the Food and Drug Administration makes its way through the courts. On this week's 51%, we speak with Columbia Law School's Katherine Franke about the Texas case that started it all, and what lies ahead in America's struggle over abortion rights.
4/29/2023	30:00	1763	On this week's 51%, we speak with comedian and writer Jena Friedman about her new book Not Funny: Essays on Life, Comedy, Culture, Et Cetera, reflecting on her experience as a woman in comedy and her personal brand of funny. We also catch up with comedian Rachel Feinstein as she makes her way through her U.S. tour.
5/6/2023	30:00	1764	On the latest 51%, we recognize Mother's Day and speak with author and psychotherapist Emma Nadler about her new memoir, The Unlikely Village of Eden, on her experience as a parent of a child with a disability.
5/13/2023	30:00	1765	On this week's 51%, we speak with Dr. Brooke Ellison, associate professor of health policy and medical ethics at Stony Brook University. After a car accident left her paralyzed from the neck down at just 11 years old, Ellison became the first quadriplegic to graduate from Harvard University, with degrees in cognitive neuroscience and public policy. In her latest memoir, "Look Both Ways," Ellison reflects on how her understanding of her disability has matured – and how we can all thrive as a result of our experiences.
5/20/2023	30:00	1766	On this week's 51%, we celebrate women in art – both those who create it, and those who inspire it. We stop by a new Vassar College exhibit recognizing the age-old practice of sewing samplers, and how girls as far back as the 18th Century used the teaching tool to tell their stories and make their mark.

5/27/2023	30:00	1767	On this week's 51%: the month of June is National Gun Violence Awareness month. We hear from Jaclyn Schildkraut, executive director of the Regional Gun Violence Research Consortium, about how the country's epidemic is impacting children and schools.
6/3/2023	30:00	1768	On this week's 51%, we speak with LGBTQ+ advocate and educator Jeannie Gainsburg about how you can become more savvy and sustainable ally for Pride Month. In her book, "The Savvy Ally," Gainsburg tackles everything from how to navigate tough conversations to how to ask (or not ask) for pronouns.
6/10/2023	30:00	1769	On this week's 51%, we speak with lifestyle writer and holistic health expert Angela D. Coleman about the importance of prioritizing yourself and relieving tension. In her book, "The Art of Chilling Out for Women," Coleman gathers wisdom from around the world to help women go from burned out to chilled out.
6/17/2023	30:00	1770	On this week's 51%, we hit the track. Our associate producer Jody Cowan learns how one roller derby league in New York is rebuilding after the coronavirus pandemic. We take a look at the gender pay gap, and the overall conditions faced by working women in sports. And we hear from the owner and founder of Portland's The Sports Bra, the nation's first sports bar dedicated solely to showing women's sports.
6/24/2023	30:00	1771	On this week's 51%, we speak with Chelly Hegan, president and CEO of Upper Hudson Planned Parenthood, about what the past year has been like for abortion providers across the country.

The Legislative Gazette

DATE	TIME	SHOW #	TOPIC
4/1/2023	30:00	2314	On this week's Gazette: With differences over whether to change New York's bail reform laws, state lawmakers left for the spring holidays without completing the budget, our political observer Alan Chartock speaks with Blair Horner of NYPIRG about what the late budget means for New Yorkers, New Yorkers, and we'll take you to the first recreational sale of cannabis in the capitol region.
4/8/2023	30:00	2315	On this week's Gazette: Governor Hochul says the state will create a stockpile of an abortion drug after a Texas judge's recent ruling that outlaws a similar pill, our political observer Alan Chartock speaks with Amy Paulin, Chair of the Assembly Health Committee, about her plans to expand abortion access in the state, and Senator Schumer was in Troy to talk about the recent wave of swatting incidents at schools.
4/15/2023	30:00	2316	On this week's Gazette: We'll take a look at what's holding up the New York state budget now nearly three weeks late, we'll talk with State Comptroller Tom DiNapoli about whether he has any input when it comes to budget negotiations, and public schools in New York will no longer be able to use Native American names, mascots and imagery.
4/22/2023	30:00	2317	On this week's Gazette: Governor Hochul says she and legislative leaders have a conceptual agreement on the budget, our political observer Alan Chartock speaks with Assembly Majority Leader Crystal People's Stokes, and we'll have a conversation with the head of the state Democratic party about President Biden announcing this week that he'll run for re-election.
4/29/2023	30:00	2318	On this week's Gazette: over a month late, state lawmakers pass a \$229 billion dollar state budget, our political observer Alan Chartock speaks with John Kaehny of Reinvent Albany about how transparent the budget process was, and we'll take a closer look at funding for higher education in this year's budget.
5/6/2023	30:00	2319	On this week's Gazette: while the state budget has now been passed, there are still a number of issues on the negotiating table before the official end of session, our political observer Alan Chartock speaks with Ed Cox, the Chair of the state Republican party about bail reform changes in the budget, and a new study finds the Empire State second in the nation when it comes to electric vehicle readiness.
5/13/2023	30:00	2320	On this week's Gazette: County leaders across the state sound the alarm over what they call a growing migrant crisis, our political observer Alan Chartock speaks with Republican County Executive Steve Neuhaus about the migrant situation in Orange County, and the verdict is in, in the 2018 Schoharie limo tragedy trial – we'll speak with Kevin Cushing, who lost his son Patrick in the crash.

5/20/2023	30:00	2321	On this week's Gazette: Governor Hochul is caught in the middle as the migrant crisis intensifies, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer stops in Albany to call for an adjustment in the Medicare Wage Index, and the EPA provides an update on the cleanup of toxic PCBs from the Hudson River.
5/27/2023	30:00	2322	On this week's Gazette: Supporters of a bill that would legally give terminally ill people the option to end their lives make a last-minute pitch to lawmakers, Sarah Rogerson, Albany Law Professor and Director of the Immigration Law Clinic on migrants being sent upstate from New York City, and we'll take you to the sentencing of Nauman Hussain, the operator of the limo company involved in the 2018 Schoharie crash that killed 20 people.
6/3/2023	30:00	2323	On this week's Gazette: We'll mark the end of the legislative session, and find out what made it through the final negotiations, former Legislative Gazette political observer and WAMC CEO Alan Chartock is honored by the state legislature, and we'll find out how the army's future leaders at West Point are learning about climate change.
6/10/2023	30:00	2324	On this week's Gazette: We'll take a look at how the issues of housing and criminal justice fared this legislative session, we speak with the Republican minority leader of the state assembly about his take on the session so far, and what comes next, and New York's Independent System operator says rapid electrification is causing a surge in power demand.
6/17/2023	30:00	2325	On this week's Gazette: A new financial forecast released by the governor's budget office shows future deficits doubling next year. Also, the Olympic Regional Development Authority responds to a recent report raising questions about investments in its facilities.
6/24/2023	30:00	2326	On this week's Gazette: We speak with New York Lieutenant Governor Antonio Delgado about the Hate and Bias Prevention Unit that he is leading. Also, we sit down with the Special Agent in Charge of the Internal Revenue Service's Criminal Investigation New York Field Office.

The Media Project

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4/1/2023	30:00	1661	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Rex, Judy and Rosemary talk about whether the struggle over how to cover crime, the lack of safety for journalists on the street, and much more.
4/8/2023	30:00	1662	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, Daily Freeman Publisher Emeritus Ira Fusfeld, and Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Judy Ira and Rosemary talk about media coverage of Donald Trump's arraignment in Manhattan, cameras in courts, the Dominion Systems lawsuit against Fox, and much more. about media coverage of Donald Trump's arraignment in Manhattan, cameras in courts, the Dominion Systems lawsuit against Fox, and much more.
4/15/2023	30:00	1663	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, and Barbara Lombardo, former Editor of the Saratogian and an Adjunct Journalism Professor at the UAlbany. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Rex, Rosemary and Barbara discuss the ongoing lawsuit between Dominion Voting Systems and Fox news, the case of the Wall Street Journal reporter detained by Russian authorities, a breakdown of journalists' beats, and more.
4/22/2023	30:00	1664	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association. Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, and Daily Freeman Publisher Emeritus Ira Fusfeld. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Judy, Rosemary and Ira discuss the Fox News defamation lawsuit settlement with Dominion Voting Systems, problems finding reporters to work in journalism, an update on the Wall Street Journalist detained in Russia, and more.
4/29/2023	30:00	1665	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Judy, Rosemary and Rex discuss the firing of Tucker Carlson from Fox News, social media and the Supreme Court, and much more.

5/6/2023	30:00	1666	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and and Daily Freeman Publisher Emeritus Ira Fusfeld. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Rex, Judy and Ira discuss the upcoming town hall with Donald Trump and whether CNN should be hosting it, journalists concerns about press freedoms, and much more.
5/13/2023	30:00	1667	With WAMC's CEO Alan Chartock, former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany. On this week's Media Project, Alan, Judy, Rex and Rosemary discuss the town hall with Donald Trump and whether CNN should have hosted it, some of this year's Pulitzer prize-winners, and much more.
5/20/2023	30:00	1668	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, and Daily Freeman Publisher Emeritus Ira Fusfeld. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Rosemary and Ira discuss the fallout from the town hall with Donald Trump, the perils of the "impartial middle" in journalism, and much more.
5/27/2023	30:00	1669	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and Barbara Lombardo, former Editor of the Saratogian and a Journalism Professor at the University at Albany. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Judy and Barbara discuss a bogus story and how it made its way into the press, how to write the obituary of a public official, and much more.
6/3/2023	30:00	1670	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, and Daily Freeman Publisher Emeritus Ira Fusfeld. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Judy, Rosemary and Ira discuss how the media is covering artificial intelligence and the debt ceiling, how newsrooms do more with less, and more.
6/10/2023	30:00	1671	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, and WAMC News Director Ian Pickus. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Judy, Rosemary and Ian discuss how high school sports coverage can save democracy, the downfall of the CEO of CNN, and more.

6/17/2023	30:00	1672	With former Times Union Editor and current Upstate American, Substack columnist Rex Smith, Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, and WAMC News Director Ian Pickus. On this week's Media Project, Rex, Judy, and Ian talk about coverage of the indictment of former President Donald Trump, how to cover a UFO whistleblower, and more.
6/24/2023	30:00	1673	With Judy Patrick, former Editor of the Daily Gazette and Vice President for Editorial Development for the New York Press Association, Rosemary Armao, Investigative Journalist and Adjunct Professor at RPI and UAlbany, Barbara Lombardo, former Editor of the Saratogian and Adjunct Professor at the University at Albany, and WAMC News Director Ian Pickus.On this week's Media Project, Judy, Rosemary, Barbara and Ian talk about ProPublica's investigation into Supreme Court Justice Samuel Alito and the Wall Street Journal's decision to publish an op-ed from Alito, artificial intelligence, the OceanGate submersible and more.

The Book Show

DATE	TIME	SHOW #	TOPIC
4/1/2023	30:00	1811	Owen King's "The Curator" is a fantasy of illusion and mystery set in an unnamed city in the midst of a revolution where nothing and nobody is as it seems. "The Curator" is an exploration of power, revolution, ghosts, cats, and more.
4/8/2023	30:00	1812	Oscar nominated filmmaker and author John Sayles's new novel, "Jamie MacGillivray: The Renegade's Journey," spans 13 years, two continents, several wars, and many smoldering, blood-soaked battlefields.
4/15/2023	30:00	1813	Mona Simpson is one of the foremost chroniclers of the American family in our time. Her new novel, "Commitment," is about a single mother's collapse and the fate of her family after she enters a California state hospital in the 1970s.
4/22/2023	30:00	1814	From the New York Times bestselling author of "Cold Mountain" and "Varina," Charles Frazier's new novel, "The Trackers," paints a vivid portrait of life in the Great Depression. "The Trackers" conjures up the lives of everyday people during an extraordinary period of history that bears uncanny resemblance to our own.
4/29/2023	30:00	1815	Bestselling author Nana Kwame Adjei-Brenyah is the author of the debut novel, "Chain-Gang All-Stars," the story of two top women gladiators fighting for their freedom within a depraved private prison system.
5/6/2023	30:00	1816	"Lessons in Chemistry" by Bonnie Garmus is the #1 New York Times bestselling novel featuring Elizabeth Zott, a headstrong, gifted chemist in 1960s California whose career takes a detour when she becomes the unlikely star of a beloved TV cooking show. Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.
5/13/2023	30:00	1817	Susanna Hoffs co-founded the pop-rock band The Bangles in 1981 before embarking on a critically acclaimed solo career. Now, she has written a rock and roll rom-com novel entitled "This Bird Has Flown."
5/20/2023	30:00	1818	Abraham Verghese is The New York Times-bestselling author of "Cutting for Stone." His latest, "The Covenant of Water," is a stunning epic of love, faith, and medicine, set in Kerala, South India, following three generations of a family seeking the answers to a strange secret known as "the condition."
5/27/2023	30:00	1819	Ann Napolitano took the literary world by storm with her tear-jerker of a novel "Dear Edward." Her latest, "Hello Beautiful," is an homage to Louisa May Alcott's classic, "Little Women." "Hello Beautiful" is a portrait of what is possible when we choose to love someone not in spite of who they are, but because of it.

6/3/2023	30:00	1820	Acclaimed New York Times bestselling author, Dennis Lehane's latest, "Small Mercies" is a brutal depiction of criminality and power and an unflinching portrait of the dark heart of American racism. Mary Pat Fennessey, propelled by a desperate search for her missing daughter, begins turning over stones best left untouched.
6/10/2023	30:00	1821	Novelist Susanna Moore's eighth novel, "The Lost Wife," is an immersive story about a seminal and shameful moment in America's conquest of the West. Drawing partly from a true story, it brings to life a devastating Native American revolt and the woman caught in the middle of the conflict.
6/17/2023	30:00	1822	Steven Wright is one of the most significant and influential stand-up comedians in history. His first novel, "Harold," documents the meandering, surreal, often hilarious, stream-of-consciousness ruminations of the title character during a single day in class.
6/24/2023	30:00	1823	Set in an alternate version of America's recent past, Elliot Ackerman's latest, "Halcyon," is a chilling novel about two self-made men confronting a world that seems to be moving on without them. It grapples with what history means, who is affected by it, and how the complexities of our shared future rest on the dual foundations of remembering and forgetting.