

**FCC Quarterly Programming Report October – December, 2010**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Key 1</b>	<b>Synopsis</b>	<b>Guest/Reporter</b>
10/1	HISTORY	The history, production, global commerce and joys of chocolate-- from the Mayan and Aztec cultures to modern treats. A Field Museum exhibit opens Saturday at the Minnesota History Center and runs until January 2, 2011.	Gretchen Baker, Brian T. McElrath
10/1	EDUCATION	University of Minnesota President Robert Bruininks was the featured guest on the program "Bright Ideas" on September 28, 2010. Minnesota Public Radio's Stephen Smith hosted the live discussion in the UBS Forum at MPR's St. Paul headquarters.	Robert Bruininks
10/4	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Independence Party gubernatorial candidate Tom Horner joins Midday to answer questions as part of this week's "Meet the Candidates" series.	Tom Horner
10/4	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Tom Emmer, Tom Horner and Mark Dayton debated immigration, trade, education, the state economy, taxes and the budget at a debate held Sunday Oct 3, 2010 at Mt. Zion Temple in St. Paul.	Tom Emmer Tom Horner, Mark Dayton
10/5	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Republican candidate for governor Tom Emmer joins Midday to answer questions about the key issues in the gubernatorial election.	Tom Emmer
10/5	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	As the U.S. Supreme Court begins its new term, Justice Stephen Breyer discusses his approach to interpreting the constitution. Breyer spoke at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library in Boston about his book, "Making Our Democracy Work: A Judge's View."	Stephen Breyer
10/6	SPORTS	Howard Sinker previews the American League Division Series and the Twins chances for winning the World Series.	Howard Sinker, Harmon Killebrew

10/6	EDUCATION	Teachers matter. A lot. Studies show that students with the best teachers learn three times as much as students with the worst teachers. Politicians and education reformers are calling for big changes in how teachers are trained and evaluated - and in the way teachers are hired and fired too.	American RadioWorks documentary.
10/7	STATE POLITICS / GOV	DFL gubernatorial candidate Mark Dayton joins Middy to answer questions about the key issues facing the state.	Mark Dayton
10/7	EDUCATION	Teacher quality has been getting lots of attention lately, with politicians and education reformers calling for big changes in how teachers are trained and evaluated. A group of teachers, administrators, parents and students gathered in Minnesota Public Radio's UBS Forum to discuss what makes a good teacher.	Multiple participants
10/8	EDUCATION	Middy welcomes ideas from teachers, parents and students on the best way for teachers to teach, so students can learn. ARW/MPR education reporters share what they've learned.	Emily Hanford, Tom Weber
10/8	MEDIA / CULTURE / ARTS	MPR's first classical music announcer, Arthur Hoehn, is inducted into the Museum of Broadcasting Hall of Fame on Saturday, October 9, 2010. Best known for hosting "Music Through the Night," Arthur joins Middy to discuss his 40-year career in radio.	Arthur Hoehn
10/11	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Polls show the gubernatorial race is close, and all 8 members of Minnesota's congressional delegation and 201 legislators are up for election on November 2. What's likely to happen in the next three weeks?	Maureen Shaver, Todd Rapp, Jack Uldrich
10/11	HISTORY	Ten years ago this week, suicide bombers blasted a hole in the side of the USS Cole while it sat in a harbor in Yemen. Seventeen American sailors were killed in the terrorist attack, and dozens more injured. Many of the crew members on the Cole that day remember the attack in vivid detail.	Documentary from American Abroad "Remembering the Cole."
10/12	EDUCATION	Minneapolis Superintendent Bernadeia Johnson proposes to close North High School because enrollment has dropped nearly 80 percent since 2005. A school board member joins Middy to talk about how the district is addressing the challenges of declining enrollment.	Judy Farmer

10/12	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Three candidates vying to represent Minnesota's 1st Congressional District went head-to-head on health care reform, the federal budget deficit and the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan at a debate Monday in Mankato.	Steven Wilson, Randy Demmer, Tim Walz,
10/13	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	China says awarding the Nobel Peace Prize to dissident Liu Xiaobo was an attack on the country and an attempt to change its political system, and has retaliated by canceling another set of meetings with the Norwegian government. International Relations Professor Roy Grow joins Midday to take questions about that and other issues facing China.	Ray Grow,
10/13	STATE POLITICS / GOV	The major party candidates for governor -- Republican Tom Emmer, Democrat Mark Dayton, and the Independence Party's Tom Horner -- debate issues that affect Minnesota's children. The debate was sponsored by Children's Hospitals and Clinics of Minnesota, the Minnesota Early Learning Foundation, and MinnPost.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
10/14	ENVIRONMENT / SCIENCE	University of Minnesota Climatologist Mark Seeley joins Midday to take questions about the history and science of weather.	Mark Seeley
10/14	HISTORY	American RadioWorks' Stephen Smith and Kate Ellis join Midday to talk about their new book, "Say it Loud!: Great Speeches on Civil Rights and African American Identity."	Stephen Smith, Kate Ellis
10/15	CULTURE / ARTS	Playwright and humorist Kevin Kling, one of Minnesota's best-known storytellers, speaks at the Maplewood Library as part of the Club Book program. Along with several plays, Kling is the author of two collections of stories, "The Dog Says How" and "Holiday Inn."	Kevin Kling
10/15	CULTURE / ARTS	Playwright and storyteller Kevin Kling tells more stories at his Club Book appearance at the Maplewood Library.	Kevin Kling
10/18	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	The Minnesota Legislature convenes in special session today to pass a flood relief package for southern Minnesota. The \$80 million bill would help local governments rebuild roads, provide loans, and offer grants to small businesses.	Tim Pugmire
10/18	HISTORY	Former Vice President Walter Mondale speaks at the Westminster Town Hall Forum in downtown Minneapolis about his new book, "The Good Fight: A life in Liberal Politics."	Walter Mondale

10/19	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	The candidates for Secretary of State in Minnesota join Gary Eichten on Midday to discuss issues facing the state and take questions from listeners.	Mark Ritchie, Dan Severson
10/19	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Former U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice speaks at the National Press Club about her new book "Extraordinary, Ordinary People: A Memoir of Family", an account of her childhood in racially segregated Birmingham and how that childhood shaped her career in diplomacy and politics. Rice spoke at the National Press Club in Washington, DC.	Condoleezza Rice
10/20	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	MPR Capitol reporters Tom Scheck and Tim Pugmire, along with political editor Mike Mulcahy, join Midday to take questions about the race for governor in Minnesota -- and other political issues.	Mike Mulcahy, Tom Scheck, Tim Pugmire
10/20	SOCIAL ISSUES	National Public Radio's Scott Simon talks about his new book, "Baby, We Were Meant for Each Other." In the book, Simon tells the story of how he and his wife adopted their daughters from China -- and the story of other adoptive families.	Scott Simon
10/21	MEDIA	Twitter has become an online sensation, with some 160 million registered users and almost 100 million "tweets" posted every day. Two of the co-founders of Twitter explain how this company, and this phenomenon, came to be -- and where it is headed. Evan Williams and Biz Stone spoke at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival.	Biz Stone, Evan Williams
10/21	CULTURE / ARTS	Best-selling author Alexander McCall Smith joined Garrison Keillor on stage at the Fitzgerald Theater to talk about literature -- and the life of a writer. McCall Smith's new book is called, "The Charming Quirks of Others."	Garrison, Keillor, Alexander McCall Smith
10/22	HISTORY	Former Vice President Walter Mondale joins Midday to take questions about his new political memoir, "The Good Fight: A life in Liberal Politics." The book traces Mondale's career from a young Minnesota attorney general to Vice President. While personal, it's also the story of half a century of progressive	Walter Mondale
10/22	SOCIAL ISSUES	An "Intelligence Squared" debate features two panelists for, and two panelists against, the proposition: Islam is a religion of peace.	Zeba Khan, Maajid Nawaz, Ayaan Hirsi Ali, Douglas Murray
10/25	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	5th district Congressman Keith Ellison debates his major party challengers Joel Demos and Tom Schruck.	Keith Ellison, Joel Demos, Tom Schruck

10/25	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Fourth District U.S. Congresswoman Betty McCollum debates her major party challengers, Teresa Collett and Steve Carlson.	Betty McCollum, Teresa Collett, Steve Carlson
10/25	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Eighth District U.S. Congressman James Oberstar debates his GOP challenger Chip Cravaack, in a Debate Minnesota event in Grand Rapids on October 22, 2010.	James Oberstar, Chip Cravaack
10/26	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Second District Republican Rep. John Kline debates his DFL challenger Shelley Madore on the major issues facing the country.	John Kline, Shelley Madore
10/26	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Third District Rep. Erik Paulsen debates his DFL challenger Jim Meffert and IP challenger Jon Oleson on the major issues facing the country.	Erik Paulsen, Jim Meffert, Jon Oleson
10/26	BUSINESS / EDUCATION	Best-selling author Steven Johnson talks about his new book, "Where Good Ideas Come From: The Natural History of Innovation," in an event hosted by APM's John Moe in MPR's UBS Forum.	Steven Johnson, John Moe
10/27	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Seventh District Rep. Collin Peterson debates his major party challengers Republican Lee Byberg and IP candidate Glen Menze about the major issues facing the country.	Collin Peterson, Lee Byberg, Glen Menze
10/27	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Attorney General Lori Swanson and her challengers Republican Chris Barden and Resource Party candidate David Hoch appeared on TPT's Almanac program hosted by Cathy Wurzer and Eric Eskola.	Lori Swanson, Chris Barden, David Hoch, Cathy Wurzer, Eric Eskola
10/27	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Hear the three major party candidates for governor debate the issues in the final week of the campaign. They debated at Minnesota State University-Mankato on October 26, 2010.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
10/28	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	6th District Rep. Michele Bachmann debates her challengers Tarryl Clark and Bob Anderson about the major issues facing the country.	Michele Bachman, Tarryl Clark, Bob Anderson
10/28	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	State Auditor Rebecca Otto debates her GOP challenger, former State Auditor Pat Anderson.	Rebecca Otto, Pat Anderson

10/28	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	6th District Rep. Michele Bachmann is running for a third term in the U.S. House. She debated her challengers -- DFL State Sen. Tarryl Clark and Independence Party candidate Bob Anderson Oct. 26 at the St. Cloud Civic Center. The event was sponsored by the St. Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce.	Michele Bachman, Tarryl Clark, Bob Anderson
10/29	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	The House and Senate majority and minority leaders discuss the key issues in the legislative campaigns this year. 201 members of the House and Senate are on the ballot Tuesday.	David Senjem, Larry Pogemiller, Kurt Zellers, Tony Sertich
10/29	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Six Minnesotans who have decided on their choice for Governor discuss the issues and factors that influenced their decision...and what they want the new Governor to actually do. Two supporters of each major party candidate talk to Gary Eichten on Midday.	Avonelle Lovhaug, Pat Kittler, Deb Loon, Nancy LaRoche, David Driscoll, Trish Clancy
11/1	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Congressional expert Steven Smith highlights the interesting races for Congress and Governor around the country. Will the GOP gain control of Congress, and what changes will we see if they do?	Steven Smith
11/1	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Democrat Mark Dayton, Republican Tom Emmer and the Independence Party's Tom Horner sparred over the issues Sunday as the three candidates for governor met for their 26th and final debate before Minnesotans head to the polls on Tuesday. The debate, held at the Fitzgerald Theater in St. Paul, was hosted by Minnesota Public Radio and moderated by Midday host Gary Eichten.	Mark Dayton, Tom Emmer, Tom Horner
11/2	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Longtime elections manager Joe Mansky answers all questions about voting procedures and requirements and vote counting procedures.	Joe Mansky
11/2	HISTORY	Fifty years ago, in the fall of 1960, millions of Americans tuned in to watch Sen. John Kennedy of Massachusetts and Vice President Richard Nixon in the first-ever nationally televised presidential debates. Kennedy Advisors Ted Sorensen and William Wilson, along with veteran journalists Russell Baker, Marty Nolan and Sandy Vanocur, reflect on those historical debates and how they changed presidential politics. They spoke at the JFK Library in Boston.	Ted Sorensen, William Wilson, Russell Baker, Marty Nolan, Sandy Vanocur

11/3	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Minnesota's race for governor looks like it's headed for a recount. Democrat Mark Dayton holds a slight lead over Republican Tom Emmer. Meanwhile, Republicans won control of the State Legislature, and longtime Democratic Congressman Jim Oberstar was defeated by Republican Chip Cravaack. Midday looks at the results of Tuesday's election, and what's next.	Mike Mulcahy, Maureen Shaver, Todd Rupp
11/3	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	President Barack Obama holds a press conference in Washington to discuss Tuesday's election, and what it means going forward. Republicans came away with a resounding victory in the midterm elections, with a commanding majority in the House and gains in the Senate.	President Obama Press Conference
11/3	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Congressman Jim Oberstar holds a press conference to discuss his defeat.  Democrat Mark Dayton discusses the latest on the gubernatorial race.	Jim Oberstar, Mark Dayton
11/4	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Newly re-elected Secretary of State Mark Ritchie explains the process for examining the votes cast and the probable recount in the Governor's race.	Mark Ritchie
11/4	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Candy Crowley, CNN's chief political correspondent, discusses the midterm elections and what they mean for America. Crowley speaks live at the Westminster Town Hall Forum in downtown Minneapolis.	Candy Crowley
11/5	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Mark Dayton, the probable Governor-elect, talks to MPR's Gary Eichten about the election results and the job ahead. For the rest of the hour, former Finance Commissioner Pam Wheelock talks about budget transitions between governors, and budget negotiations when the governor and legislature are of different parties.	Mark Dayton, Pam Wheelock
11/5	EDUCATION	Veterinarian Kate An Hunter and her dog, Ansel, stop by the MPR studios to answer questions about animal care and training.	Kate An Hunter
11/8	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Minn. House Speaker-elect Kurt Zellers (R-Maple Grove) and Senate Majority-leader elect Amy Koch (R-Buffalo) join Midday to answer questions from the MPR audience about their legislative priorities and their ideas to balance the budget.	Kurt Zellers, Amy Koch

11/8	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Supreme Court Justice Alan Page talks about his life and career. Page is the subject of a new biography, "All Rise: The Remarkable Journey of Alan Page."	Alan Page
11/9	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	House and Senate DFL-ers are in the minority for the first time in 28 years. The newly-selected minority leaders join Midday to talk about priorities, issues, and strategy for the 2011 legislative session.	Sen. Tom Bakk Rep. Paul Thissen
11/9	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Ceci Connolly, former health care reporter for The Washington Post, spoke at the University of St. Thomas Opus School of Business about the nation's new health care law and what Congress may do to change it.	Ceci Connolly
11/9	HISTORY	On November 11, 1940, one of the deadliest blizzards this region has ever seen struck. The Armistice Day Storm killed 49 people in Minnesota, 150 nationwide. One of the most tragic chapters of the storm occurred on the rivers, lakes and wetlands of the Midwest. Hundreds of duck hunters, trapped by the storm, found themselves in a life-and-death struggle.	
11/10	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	The Independence Party's candidate, Tom Horner, received just fewer than 12 percent of the vote. He joins Midday to talk about why he ran, what he learned, and why he lost. Did he cost Republican Tom Emmer the election? Should the IP fold its tent?	Tom Horner
11/10	HISTORY	When "The World War I Living History Project" produced a radio documentary in 2006, there were 14 surviving American veterans of that war. The documentary tells the story of WWI with their help. Today only one veteran is still living: 109-year-old Frank Buckles.	
11/11	HISTORY	Award-winning military correspondent Joseph Galloway joins Midday to talk about the men and women who serve in the military, and the lessons we can learn from the wars they have fought. Galloway earned the Bronze Star for valor for rescuing a wounded soldier under heavy fire in the Ia Drang Valley in Vietnam in 1965.	Joseph Galloway



11/11	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	The top elections officials in Hennepin, Ramsey and Washington Counties, and 2008 recount attorneys, met at the Humphrey Institute to analyze the counting of the votes in the 2010 Gubernatorial election. DFL candidate Mark Dayton leads by 8755 votes with only one county left to certify its votes.	Joseph Mansky, Rachel Smith, Kevin Corbid, Frederic "Fritz" Knaack, David Lillehaug; Lawrence Jacobs
11/12	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	A bipartisan commission chaired by former Republican Sen. Alan Simpson and former Clinton White House chief of staff Erskine Bowles may propose cutting Social Security benefits, slashing government spending and cutting \$100 billion a year in tax breaks for individuals and businesses. What are the best options to cut trillions from the deficit?	Diane Lim Rogers
11/12	BUSINESS	One of Minnesota's most successful business people Lois Quam sits down with Stephen Smith for a conversation as part of MPR News' Bright Ideas program.	Lois Quam
11/15	MEDIA	Midday probes the perceptions and realities of media bias with a longtime broadcaster and media ethics specialist at the Poynter Institute, and MPR's commentary editor.	Al Tompkins, Eric Ringham
11/15	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	An "Intelligence Squared" debate features two panelists for, and two panelists against, the proposition: Big Government is Stifling the American Spirit.	Phil Gramm, Arthur Laffer, Nouriel Roubini, Laura Tyson
11/16	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV / HEALTH	Three quarters of a million Minnesotans are on Medicare, and they have big decisions to make, starting this week. Experts answer questions on Midday about Medicare, supplemental policies, the alphabet soup programs, etc.	Kelli Jo Greiner, Linda Walker
11/16	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Nine years in, what have we accomplished in Afghanistan? Has the surge failed, or does it need time to take its course? An "Intelligence Squared" debate features two panelists for, and two panelists against, the proposition: Afghanistan is a lost cause.	Peter Bergen, Max Boot, Nir Rosen, Matthew Hoh
11/17	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	What will the lame-duck Congress do in the next few weeks, and how will things be different in 2011 with GOP control of the U.S. House? What influence will Minnesota's delegation have on policy and procedures?	Norman Ornstein

11/17	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	An "Intelligence Squared" debate features three panelists for, and three panelists against, the proposition: Treat terrorists like enemy combatants, not criminals.	Michael Hayden, Marc Thiessen, David Frakt, Stephen Jones
11/18	HISTORY	The longtime director of the Minnesota Historical Society departs at year's end. She joins MIDDAY to talk about why history is important, the role of museums, and how best to convey the story of Minnesota's people and places.	Nina Archabal
11/18	HISTORY	David Eisenhower speaks at the Westminster Town Hall Forum about his new book, "Going Home to Glory: A Memoir of Life with Dwight D. Eisenhower 1961-1969.	David Eisenhower
11/19	MEDIA	Retiring WCCO-TV reporter and news anchor Don Shelby talks about the state of journalism today, broadcast news, and his career.	Don Shelby
11/19	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	New York Times national political correspondent speaks at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls about the meaning of the 2010 elections for President Obama, the new Congress and the American people.	Jeff Zeleny
11/22	EDUCATION	Two Minnesota elementary school teachers received the prestigious Milken Award. They join MIDDAY to talk about what makes an effective teacher.	Carolyn Ruhnow, Jennifer Mitchell
11/22	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Recent Supreme Court decisions have made judicial elections more expensive and potentially more partisan and controversial. A panel of experts discusses how Minnesota should maintain an impartial judiciary.	Eric Magnuson, Greg Wersal, Gary Borgendale, Sarah Walker, Larry Jacobs
11/23	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	One of the nation's pre-eminent experts on election law joins MIDDAY on the day the Minnesota Canvassing Board meets to certify the results of the election for Governor.	Edward B. "Ned" Foley
11/23	SPORTS	Vikings: greatest collapse in 50 year history? Reporter, author and columnist Jim Klobuchar joins MIDDAY to discuss the future of the Vikings football team.	Jim Klobuchar
11/24	EDUCATION	Eric Kaler will be the University of Minnesota President in July 2011. He joins MIDDAY to answer questions about University priorities, funding, tuition, academics, sports and more.	Eric Kaler

11/24	HISTORY / NATIONAL & STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	As part of the Common Good Books series, Garrison Keillor talks to former Vice President Walter Mondale about his new book, "The Good Fight." They appeared together on the stage of the Fitzgerald Theater in downtown St. Paul.	Garrison Keillor, Vice President Walter Mondale
11/26	SOCIAL ISSUES	Some data indicate that child abuse is declining in Minnesota, but many experts say the numbers show a decline for other reasons -- there may be less reporting of it, fewer prosecutions, and fewer services available to help the abused children and their abusers.	Connie Skillingstad
11/26	CULTURE / ARTS	Writer Patricia Hampl presents an MPR-commissioned production of words and music, about the life of F. Scott Fitzgerald. Dan Chouinard is music director.	Patricia Hampl, Dan Chouinard
11/29	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Secretary of State Mark Ritchie explains the recount procedures and MPR reporters check in with live reports from several counties around the state.	Mark Ritchie
11/29	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Steven Chu, Secretary of Energy, speaks at the National Press Club about the need to accelerate technological innovation to meet the nation's demand for energy and reach its climate goals.	Steven Chu
11/30	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Former US Ambassador and career diplomat Barbara Bodine explains diplomatic communication and what the WikiLeaks disclosures tell us about the system... and our relationships with friends and foes.	Barbara Bodine
11/30	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV / SOCIAL ISSUES	An "Intelligence Squared" debate featuring three panelists for and three panelists against the proposition: U.S. airports should use racial and religious profiling	Michael Chertoff, Asra Nomani, Debra Burlingame, Robert Baer, Hassan Abbas, Deroy Murdock, John Donvan
12/1	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	The President's bipartisan National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform debates major changes in government spending and taxes today. Which proposals should become law?	Tim Penny

12/1	CULTURE / RELIGION / HISTORY	The Jewish festival of Hanukkah begins Wednesday night at sundown. On this perennial National Public Radio favorite, Hanukkah stories and memoirs written by acclaimed authors are read by NPR's Susan Stamberg and Murray Horwitz. Hanukkah Lights celebrates its 20th anniversary this year, with four brand new works: "Finding Golda" by Margot Singer, "Legacy" by Lev Raphael, "Geek Week" by Rebecca O'Connell, and "Moon Landing," by Shira Nayman	Susan Stamberg, Murray Horwitz
12/2	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	House Speaker Margaret Anderson Kelliher and Rep. Paul Kohls offer perspective on what the new legislature and new governor will face. Both ran for governor and neither sought re-election to the legislature.	Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Paul Kohls
12/2	INTERNATIONAL / BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	World Bank President Robert Zoellick speaks at the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute about the role of the World Bank and how its policies are working to stabilize an interconnected world economy.	Robert Zoellick
12/3	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Incoming Senate GOP Majority Leader Amy Koch and incoming House DFL Minority Leader Paul Thissen suggest ways to address the looming budget gap	Amy Koch, Paul Thissen
12/3	CULTURE / ARTS	A special broadcast of Kevin Kling's play, "Scarecrow on Fire." Based on the classic tale "The Wizard of Oz," the play picks up where that story left off.	Kevin Kling
12/6	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT / EDUCATION	Outgoing Education Commissioner Alice Seagren joins Midday to talk about challenges in education.	Alice Seagren
12/6	INTERNATIONAL / BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Stephen Smith discusses the work done by the American Refugee Committee with his guest, ARC's president, Daniel Wordsworth. In Liberia, the organization provides microfinancing to get small businesses off the ground.	Daniel Wordsworth

12/7	HISTORY	"War Stories" author Al Zdon is out with a sequel to his 2003 collection. "War Stories Volume 2: Further Accounts of Minnesotans Who Defended Their Nation" tells the story of another 35 Minnesotans who served the nation from the Civil War to the Persian Gulf. Like the first "War Stories," this second volume is filled with sober, sad, often stirring stories of Minnesota men and women who did their part and a whole lot more. Proceeds from this second volume will be used to benefit the American Legion, specifically, the Legion's many youth programs	Al Zdon
12/7	HISTORY	Ten years ago suicide bombers blasted a hole in the side of the USS Cole while it sat in a harbor in Yemen. Seventeen American sailors were killed in the terrorist attack, and dozens more injured. Many of the crew members on the Cole that day remember the attack in vivid detail. A new documentary from America Abroad, "Remembering the Cole," looks back at what happened and how America responded	
12/8	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Mark Dayton is expected to be Governor-elect Mark Dayton very shortly. Political scientist Kathryn Pearson joins Gary Eichten to discuss the conclusion to the 2010 election and how the new Governor will work with a new Republican-controlled House and Senate.	Kathryn Pearson
12/8	ARTS / CULTURE / HISTORY	Thirty years ago today, singer, songwriter, artist John Lennon was shot and killed outside his apartment in New York City. The news sent shockwaves around the world. Midday looks back on Lennon's life and legacy with a documentary, "The Day John Lennon Died."	
12/9	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV / BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Chris Farrell analyzes the impact of extending the Bush-era tax cuts, a payroll tax cut, tax credits, and unemployment benefits.	Chris Farrell
12/9	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Journalist and political analyst Richard Wolffe speaks at the Commonwealth Club about his new book, Revival: The Struggle for Survival Inside the Obama White House	Richard Wolffe, Phil Bronstein

12/10	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT / EDUCATION	Two influential Minnesota organizations say Minnesota must do more to educate the youngest children and say this must be a priority for the new DFL governor and new Republican Legislature. What can be done, what would it cost, and who would pay for it?	Todd Otis, Duane Benson
12/10	GOVERNMENT	New York Times columnist David Brooks debates Republican congressman Paul Ryan from Wisconsin's 1st District on the proper role of government. The program is part of the American Enterprise Debates series from the American Enterprise Institute.	David Brooks, Paul Ryan
12/13	INTERNATIONAL / ECONOMICS	The dean of the U of M Humphrey Institute came to Minnesota from a long career at the State Department and US AID. He joins Midday to discuss all the biggest issues facing the world today. In January, Atwood becomes chair of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development's (OECD) Development Assistance Committee in Paris	J. Brian Atwood
12/13	INTERNATIONAL / HISTORY	Ian Frazier shares travel stories from his new book, "Travels in Siberia" for the Talk of the Stacks series at the Hennepin County Library in downtown Minneapolis. Ian Frazier is a writer for the New Yorker and has visited Siberia a number of times over the past decade. His book is a fascinating look at Russia since the end of the cold war, and a chronicle of Siberia's contributions to science, economics, and politics to the world	Ian Frazier
12/14	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Minnesota Congressman Keith Ellison joins Midday on his way back to Washington to vote on the tax bill and other issues facing the lame-duck Congress.	Keith Ellison
12/14	STATE POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	U.S. Rep.-elect Chip Cravaack, a Republican who will represent Minnesota's 8th congressional district, spoke to the Republican Party of Minnesota's Elephant Club on December 13, 2010.	Chip Cravaack
12/14	HEALTH/SCIENCE	Winter doesn't begin for another a week, but Paul Huttner is ready to answer questions about it now. Snow, cold and wind: what's in store when the real winter begins?	Paul Huttner

12/15	SPORTS	The Vikings play Monday at TCF Field on the U of M campus, as the collapsed Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome can't be repaired in time. What is the future of the Metrodome and where will college and pro football be played in the future?	Bill Lester
12/15	NATIONAL POLITICS / HEALTH	Donald Berwick, administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, speaks to the Commonwealth Club of California about the financial condition of both entities, and the future of health care services for children, older Americans and the poor. These programs provide care to nearly one in three Americans.	Donald Berwick
12/16	STATE POLITICS / SOCIAL ISSUES	One third of the Somalis living in the United States live in Minnesota. Hear a series of MPR special reports by Laura Yuen on their lives here.	Laura Yuen
12/16	INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	The White House review says NATO-led forces are making headway against the insurgency, but serious challenges remain. The report also says the US is on track to begin drawing down its troops and putting Afghan forces in the lead in 2011, but there are many barriers to progress in rebuilding Afghanistan.	Barack Obama, Robert Gates, Hilary Clinton, General James Cartwright
12/17	STATE POLITICS / GOV	The latest census data shine a light on Minnesota's racial, economic, housing, and transportation circumstances. How has Minnesota changed in the last decade, and what has stayed the same?	Tom Gillaspay
12/17	INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	The BBC's "World Have Your Say" meets with members of "Anonymous," the secretive hacking group that briefly brought down the MasterCard, Visa, and PayPal websites for suspending financial services to Wiki-leaks. Members of "Anonymous" will answer listener questions about what they are trying to achieve.	"Anonymous"
12/20	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Congressional expert Steven Smith joins Midday to discuss the action on the tax bill, Don't Ask Don't Tell, The Dream Act and the START treaty...and look ahead to the new Congress with Republican control of the House.	Steven Smith

12/20	NATIONAL GOV / HISTORY	Noah Feldman, author and Harvard Law School professor, says four of the most important Supreme Court justices ever were appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, at a moment of crisis in the U.S. Feldman spoke at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival about those justices, and what their vision means for the Supreme Court today. His forthcoming book is called, "Scorpions: The Battles and Triumphs of FDR's Great Supreme Court Justices." 12:00 p.m.	Noah Feldman
12/21	HEALTH / SCIENCE	MPR's medical analyst Dr. Jon Hallberg presents his list of the most interesting health care developments in 2010 and looks ahead to 2011.	Dr. Jon Hallberg
12/21	RELIGION / SOCIAL ISSUES	An "Intelligence Squared" debate features two panelists for, and two panelists against, the proposition: Islam is a religion of peace.	Zeba Khan, Maajid Nawaz, Ayaan Hirsi Ali, Douglas Murray
12/22	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV / SOCIAL ISSUES	Minnesota Congressman Tim Walz (D-1st district) attended the signing ceremony and joins Midday to discuss gays serving openly in the military, as well as the previous integration of blacks and women in the military.	Barack Obama, Tim Walz
12/22	TECHNOLOGY / SOCIAL ISSUES	Longtime technology journalist David Kirkpatrick, author of "The Facebook Effect: The Inside Story of the Company That Is Connecting the World," spoke at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival about how Facebook got its start, and how it's changing the world.	David Kirkpatrick
12/23	POLITICS / GOVERNMENT / HEALTH	A landmark health care overhaul was signed into law in March 2010; many opponents of that measure vow that 2011 will mark its dismantling.	David Durenberger
12/23	EDUCATION / CULTURE / ARTS	Minnesota's award-winning children's author Kate DiCamillo talks about why she writes and how she does it --and takes questions from kids-- at a recent Club Book event in Apple Valley. DiCamillo is the author of the wildly popular "Because of Winn-Dixie" and "The Tale of Despereaux." Club Book is a Twin Cities-area program that brings popular authors to communities around the metro area. It is coordinated by the Library Foundation of Hennepin County.	Kate DiCamillo
12/24	ENVIRONMENT / SCIENCE	University of Minnesota Meteorologist and Climatologist Mark Seeley joins Midday for a look back at 2010 weather and Christmas weather of years past.	Mark Seeley



12/24	CULTURE / ARTS	Minnesota Public Radio's Movie Maven Stephanie Curtis joins Midday for a look at the best --and worst-- Christmas movies.	Stephanie Curtis
12/27	NATIONAL / STATE POLITICS	The year 2010 brought Republican electoral gains, in Minnesota and across the country, as well as another recount in a statewide election. Midday's political analysts look ahead to politics in 2011.	Todd Rapp, Maureen Shaver
12/27	SCIENCE / POLITICS	At the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival, New York Times columnist David Brooks discussed what scientists are learning about the human mind - and what that means for both our lives and our public policy.	David Brooks
12/28	POLITICS / BUSINESS / MEDIA	2010 was a year when the news business became the news. WikiLeaks may have changed journalism forever by revealing formerly secret diplomatic documents. And NPR's firing of a news analyst kept pundits talking for months. Midday looks back with the U of M's Jane Kirtley.	Jane Kirtley
12/28	POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Judge Gordon A. Martin discusses his new book "Count Them One by One: Black Mississippians Fighting for the Right to Vote," about the 1962 court case that resulted in one of the first victories for voting rights in the South. Judge Martin will be joined by Minneapolis-born John Doar, who worked for the Justice Department under Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy and successfully tried the case.	Gordon A. Martin, John Doar
12/29	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Minnesota's senior senator joins Gary Eichten in studio to answer Midday listeners' questions.	Amy Klobuchar
12/29	EDUCATION	Teachers matter. A lot. Studies show that students with the best teachers learn three times as much as students with the worst teachers. Politicians and education reformers are calling for big changes in how teachers are trained and evaluated - and in the way teachers are hired and fired too.	American RadioWorks documentary, "Testing Teachers."
12/30	INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Tammy Schultz of the US Marine Corps War College and Georgetown University assesses the strategies, leadership, casualties, and prospects for the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.	Tammy Schultz
12/30	CULTURE / ARTS	Garrison Keillor performed in December at the John F. Kennedy Library in Boston. Hear his stories on Midday.	Garrison Keillor
12/31	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	In a longstanding Midday tradition, Chris Farrell responds to his economic predictions from last year, and looks into his crystal ball for 2011.	Chris Farrell

12/31	SPORTS	Another year-end Midday tradition is a recap of the most interesting sports stories of the year. MPR sports analyst Howard Sinker stops by to talk about the most exciting -- and the most disappointing -- Minnesota sports stories in 2010.	Howard Sinker
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## FCC Quarterly Programming Report July – September 2010

Date	Key 1	Synopsis	Guest/Reporter
7/01	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Today Lorie Skjerven Gildea is the new Chief Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court. She answers MPR questions about the courts and the judicial system on MIDDAY.	Lorie Skjerven Gildea
7/01	CULTURE/ARTS	Minnesota's award-winning children's author Kate DiCamillo talks about why she writes and how she does it --and takes questions from kids-- at a recent Club Book event in Apple Valley. DiCamillo is the author of the wildly popular "Because of Winn-Dixie" and "The Tale of Despereaux."	Kate DiCamillo
7/02	EDUCATION	Test data released this week shows little progress in math and reading, and a large ongoing achievement gap between students of different races.	Alice Seagren
7/02	NATIONAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	The idea that all Americans have a right to "life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness" is perhaps the most significant legacy of the Declaration of Independence. During the 2009 Aspen Ideas Festival, David Rubenstein told the story of the Declaration of Independence -- how it was written and how the ideas in it are central to American life.	n/a
7/05	NATIONAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	Yesterday marked the 234 <sup>th</sup> birthday of the United States, and American Revolution historian Pauline Maier joins MIDDAY to discuss the Declaration of Independence, the Revolutionary War, and the drafting of the U.S. Constitution. 11:00 a.m.	Pauline Maier
7/05	CUL/ARTS	Ask the Vet: Dr. Kate An Hunter and her dog, Ansel, join MIDDAY answer questions about pets.	Dr. Kate An Hunter
7/06	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Louis Johnston and Chris Farrell explore the current and future condition of the U.S. economy and answer questions from listeners. 11:00 a.m.	Louis Johnston / Chris Farrell
7/06	SOCIAL ISSUES	Eleven participants in the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival present their "big idea" to the assembled crowd.	Ayaan Hiri Ali, Jeffrey Rosen, Kim Bottomly, David Leonhardt, Vivian Schiller, James Fallows, Buddy Fletcher, Fred Swaniker, Regina Benjamin, James Bennet
7/07	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Congressional expert Stephen Smith takes note of Senator Al Franken's first year in office, and discusses what Congress is likely to accomplish after the Independence Day recess ends Monday.	Stephen Smith

7/07	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Will the financial crisis spell America's decline? Niall Ferguson, Mort Zuckerman and Tom Friedman discuss the impact of the financial crisis on America's future, at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival.	Niall Ferguson, Mort Zuckerman, Tom Friedman
7/08	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Minneapolis Mayor R.T. Rybak assesses the conditions in the city, including crime, city services and the environment -- as well as the city's pitch to host the 2012 Democratic National Convention.	R. T. Rybak
7/08	SOCIAL ISSUES	Every day 70 million tweets are sent. Two of the co-founders of Twitter explain how this company, and this phenomenon, came to be and where it is headed.	Biz Stone / Evan Williams
7/09	BUSINESS/TECH	The iPhone 4 was supposed to be faster and more reliable than the previous generations of attention-grabbing mobile device. Glitches continue, the latest affecting the rates of data upload. MPR tech expert Jon Gordon parses the good and the bad with the new smartphones.	Jon Gordon
7/09	HEALTH / SCIENCE EDUCATION	From the Aspen Ideas Festival: Microsoft Chair Bill Gates talks about his ideas for health care. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has given money to combat malaria and improve health care in countries around the world. Also Geoffrey Canada on his vision of improving education for children who attend the worst performing schools.	Bill Gates / Geoffrey Canada
7/12	STATE POLITICS / GOV	MPR political commentators offer their insights into the final four weeks of the primary election campaign for a new Minnesota Governor.	Maureen Schaver / Todd Rapp
7/12	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	From the Aspen Ideas Festival: Outgoing director of the Office of Management and Budget Peter Orszag discusses the economy and where it's headed. Orszag spoke at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival. He will leave his position at the OMB at the end of July.	Peter Orszag
7/13	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	5th District DFL Congressman Keith Ellison explains the financial reform bill and other key issues facing congress. He also discusses how the Congress functions, and the sagging popularity of congressional Democrats and President Obama.	Keith Ellison
7/13	SPORTS	The All-Star break marks the halfway point of the major league baseball season, and Star Tribune online sports coordinator Howard Sinker joins Midday to discuss how the Minnesota Twins are faring.	Howard Sinker

7/14	HEALTH / SCIENCE	A global ecology expert explains what is happening with the latest ecological disaster and what lessons can be learned from it.	Jonathan Foley
7/14	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	From the Aspen Ideas Festival: Three political analysts discuss the tea party -- how it compares to other populist movements, why it's attracted such a devoted following, and what impact it might have on U.S. politics. The analysts spoke at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival in Aspen, Colorado.	Fred Barnes, Morris Fiorina, E.J. Dionne Jr., Jeffrey Goldberg
7/15	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	During a particularly violent week in the war, Gen. David Petraeus overcame objections from Afghan President Hamid Karzai to establish local defense forces in hopes of thwarting attacks by Taliban insurgents in Afghanistan. Eight US service members were killed this week in the America's	Jonathan Landay
7/15	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Greg Mortenson, co-founder and executive director of the Central Asia Institute and author of "Three Cups of Tea," has devoted his life to building schools in Afghanistan and Pakistan. At the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival, Mortenson discusses whether his ideas about promoting peace can affect U.S. military policy in Afghanistan.	Greg Mortenson
7/16	NATIONAL & STATE POLITICS / GOV	New Hampshire and Iowa political scientists assess Governor Pawlenty's recent and upcoming trips to their states, and tell the stories and strategies of lesser-known presidential candidates' efforts.	Dennis Goldford / Dean Spiliotes
7/16	HEALTH / SCIENCE	At the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival, New York Times columnist David Brooks discussed what scientists are learning about the human mind - and what that means for both our lives and our public policy.	David Brooks
7/19	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS / EDUCATION	The Minneapolis Fed's most visible personality ends his 25 year career this month. Art Rolnick joins Midday to share his wisdom about the state, national economy and his ideas about investing in education.	Art Rolnick
7/19	BUSINESS ECONOMICS / SOCIAL ISSUES	A panel at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival considers how the recession is affecting the middle class - and whether America still offers the possibility of upward mobility.	Arianna Huffington, Edward Reilly, Ellis Cose, Thomas Wilson, Ronald Brownstein
7/20	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	At this spring's international nuclear summit, President Obama said the risk of nuclear attack has gone up. What is the status of nuclear weapons in the existing nuclear countries, and where are nuclear weapons proliferating?	Matthew Bunn

7/20	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Richard Florida, author of the new book "The Great Reset," spoke at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival about how new ways of living and working can create a post-recession prosperity.	Richard Florida
7/21	HEALTH / SCIENCE	As First Lady Michelle Obama steps up her campaign to fight childhood obesity and the FDA denies certification to the first prescription weight loss drug in a decade, Midday takes a look at the causes of obesity and how we can fight it.	Allen Levine
7/21	ENVIRONMENT	Oceanographers and deep-sea explorers Sylvia Earle and Edith Widder travel around the world to study what's happening to our oceans. In a conversation at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival, they discuss the BP oil spill and other threats to our oceans -- as well as what ocean management should look like in the future.	Sylvia Earle, Edith Widder, Andrew Revkin
7/22	ENVIRONMENT	Lazy summer days of sunshine and warm breezes sometimes turn to black skies, thunder, lightning, tornadoes and floods! Mark Seeley explains it all on Midday.	Mark Seeley
7/22	ENVIRONMENT	Don Blankenship, chairman and CEO of Massey Energy Company, speaks lives at the National Press Club about coal mining. Massey Energy Company is the fourth largest coal company in the US. An explosion at the company's Montcoal, West Virginia mine in April killed 29 miners, making it the deadliest coal mine explosion in the US in forty years.	Don Blankenship
7/23	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Best-selling author and economist Carmen Reinhart's book "This Time is Different" looks at financial crises in past centuries to find clues for the future.	Carmen Reinhart
7/23	HEALTH / SCIENCE	Experts gathered this week in Vienna at an international AIDS conference, and there was good news about a vaginal gel that could prevent transmission of the HIV virus. But scientists are still looking for what some have called the Holy Grail of AIDS prevention: a vaccine. Epidemiologist Seth Berkley, founder of the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative, speaks at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival about the prospects for a vaccine.	Dr. Seth Berkley / Laurie Garrett

7/26	GOVERNMENT / SOCIAL ISSUES	President George H.W. Bush signed the Americans with Disabilities Act July 26, 1990. Midday discusses what led to its passage, what has been accomplished, and what remains to be accomplished.	John Tschida / Bud Rosenfield
7/26	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	The leak of 91,000 classified U.S. records on the Afghanistan war by Wikileaks.org is one of the largest unauthorized disclosures in military history. The documents include information about Afghan civilians killed by accident and U.S. officials' fury at alleged Pakistani intelligence cooperation with militants. The BBC's "World Have Your Say" considers the implications of this leak.	From the BBC
7/27	SOCIAL ISSUES	In "North Country: The Making of Minnesota," author Mary Wingerd describes the relationships between Indians and whites in the 200 years before statehood and the early years of statehood.	Mary Lethert Wingerd
7/27	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan discusses the outlook for education reform. Duncan speaks live at a National Press Club luncheon in Washington, D.C.	Arne Duncan
7/28	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Mark Haveman of the nonpartisan Minnesota Taxpayers Association answers questions on Midday about income taxes, sales taxes, business taxes, and property taxes, all of which promise to be key issues in the 2010 gubernatorial campaign.	Mark Haveman
7/28	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Vali Nasr, Iranian-American scholar and senior advisor to the U.S. Special Representative for Afghanistan and Pakistan, speaks about the future of the Muslim world. Nasr was a featured guest at this summer's Chautauqua lecture series in western New York.	Vali Nasr
7/29	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says it will test 2011 cars under a new ratings system with tougher requirements. Toyota announces a recall of another half million cars, on top of the 8.5 million recalled earlier. Which cars are safest and best?	Jack Gillis

7/29	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	A federal judge blocked some of the most controversial parts of Arizona's tough new immigration law hours before it was set to take effect. Midday features special coverage from our sister station KPCC, which is broadcasting live from Phoenix, talking with law enforcement, protesters, activists and legislators on both side of the immigration debate.	Included varied guest interviews
7/30	SPORTS	The Gear Junkie, Stephen Regenold, joins Midday to talk about his latest global adventures, outdoor expeditions, conditioning, equipment and clothing for outdoor activities.	Stephen Regenold
7/30	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Much of the economic conversation in Washington right now revolves around one word: Debt. The federal debt, now at around \$13 trillion, is ballooning. Experts at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival consider what that means for the U.S., and what the country needs to do about it.	David Walker
8/02	STATE POLITICS / GOV	DFL-endorsed Gubernatorial candidate Margaret Anderson Kelliher answers questions about the major issues facing the state. The August 10 primary will decide the DFL candidate to appear on the ballot November 2, 2010.	Margaret Anderson-Kelliher
8/02	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	David Gergen, senior political analyst for CNN and director of the Center for Public Leadership at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government, says it's going to take sacrifice to solve the biggest problems facing our nation. Gergen spoke at the Commonwealth Club of California.	David Gergen
8/03	STATE POLITICS / GOV	DFL Gubernatorial candidate Matt Entenza answers questions about the major issues facing the state. The DFL nominee will be decided in the August 10 primary election, a week from today.	Matt Entenza
8/03	SOCIAL ISSUES	A panel of influential media experts discuss how social media sites like Facebook and Twitter are changing journalism and the news industry. Recorded at the Aspen Ideas Festival.	Arianna Huffington, David Kirkpatrick, Vivian Schiller, Strauss Zelnick
8/04	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Economists are concerned that personal income isn't rising, unemployment may go higher, consumer spending is lagging, deflation is a possibility, and there may be a double-dip recession. U of M economist V.V. Chari looks into his crystal ball.	Varadarajan V. Chari



8/04	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Noah Feldman, author and Harvard Law School professor, says four of the most important Supreme Court justices ever were appointed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt, at a moment of crisis in the U.S. Feldman spoke at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival about those justices, and what their vision means for the Supreme Court today. His forthcoming book is called, "Scorpions: The Battles and Triumphs of FDR's Great Supreme Court Justices."	Noah Feldman
8/05	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	DFL Gubernatorial candidate Mark Dayton answers questions about the major issues facing the state of Minnesota, as part of MPR's "Meet the Candidates" series.	Mark Dayton
8/05	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	In advance of next Tuesday's primary elections, six candidates for governor in Minnesota debated a wide range of issues facing rural communities. They shared the stage at Farmfest, near Redwood Falls.	Margaret Anderson-Kelliher, Matt Entenza, Rob Hahn, Tom Horner, Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Rothman
8/06	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Retired Ambassador Ryan Crocker shares lessons learned in Iraq, Pakistan, Syria, Kuwait and Lebanon.	Amb. Ryan Crocker
8/06	RELIGION	The controversial author of the best-seller "Infidel" and her newest book, "Nomad: From Islam to America: A Personal Journey Through the Clash of Civilizations" speaks at Aspen about women in the islamic world.	Ayaan Hirsi Ali
8/09	STATE POLITICS / GOV	With the primary elections less than 24 hours away, leading Independence Party gubernatorial candidates Tom Horner and Rob Hahn join Midday for a final debate.	Tom Horner, Rob Hahn
8/09	STATE POLITICS / GOV	The DFL candidates for governor laid out their plans for taxes, education, health care, and other major issues facing the state in their final pre-election debate. The debate, held at the Fitzgerald Theater in St. Paul, was sponsored by Minnesota Public Radio News.	Margaret Anderson-Kelliher, Mark Dayton, Matt Entenza
8/10	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Elections expert Joe Mansky answers questions big and small about voter registration, primary election procedures, absentee balloting, and more.	Joe Mansky
8/10	SOCIAL ISSUES	Longtime technology journalist David Kirkpatrick, author of "The Facebook Effect: The Inside Story of the Company That Is Connecting the World," spoke at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival about how Facebook got its start, and how it's changing the world.	David Kirkpatrick

8/11	STATE POLITICS / GOV	How will the GOP's Tom Emmer, the IP's Tom Horner and the apparent DFL winner, Mark Dayton appeal to Minnesota voters in the race for Governor?	Todd Rapp, Maureen Shaver, Tim Penny
8/11	EDUCATION	mid all the debate over how to improve education in America, there's one point on which most everyone can agree: We need good teachers. But what makes a great teacher? A group of education experts gathered at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival to discuss that question.	Linda Darling-Hammond, John Deasy, Kati Haycock, Peter Wescott, Howard Gardner
8/12	EDUCATION	According to 'No Child Left Behind', nearly half of Minnesota schools did not meet student performance standards. How much are kids learning, and whose fault is it if they don't?	Alice Seagren, Charlie Kyte
8/12	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	A panel of experts at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival considers whether we are living in a time of unprecedented innovation, and what kinds of innovation we're likely to see in the future.	Amar Bhide, Craig Newmark, Andrew Thompson, Vijay Vaitheeswaran
8/13	HISTORY	Charles Peters takes his 50 years of Washington experience to shed new light on Lyndon B. Johnson, the 36th President.	Charles Peters
8/13	MEDIA	National Public Radio President and CEO Vivian Schiller speaks at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival about news literacy, and how to tell fact from fiction in a world of information.	Vivian Schiller
8/13	HISTORY	Tomorrow marks the 65th anniversary of Japan's surrender and the end of World War II. To commemorate, Midday is playing "50 Years After 14 August", a radio drama written by Norman Corwin and produced by NPR in 1995 to mark the 50th anniversary of the war's end.	n/a
8/16	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Political scientist Dan Hofrenning analyzes the key issues in the Minnesota campaign for Governor.	Dan Hofrenning
8/16	HISTORY	In 1961, Charlayne Hunter-Gault made civil rights history when she became the first African-American woman to enter the University of Georgia. Hunter-Gault, a foreign correspondent for National Public Radio, told her story at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival.	Charlayne Hunter -Gault
8/17	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Ramsey County's top crime fighter reflects on prosecutions and the judicial system, as she winds down her 16 year tenure as Ramsey County Attorney.	Susan Gaertner

8/17	ENVIRONMENT	Environmentalist Bill McKibben, author of "The End of Nature" and "Eaarth: Making a Life on a Tough New Planet," spoke at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival about climate change.	Bill McKibben
8/18	SPORTS	Jim Klobuchar talks about the return of Brett Favre and the Vikings chances for a Super Bowl victory. Klobuchar has written about the Vikings for 50 years and has authored numerous books.	Jim Klobuchar
8/18	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Gubernatorial candidates Tom Emmer (R), Mark Dayton (DFL) and Tom Horner (IP) debate the issues at Grandview Lodge in Nisswa. Hear the entire debate on MIDDAY.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
8/19	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	An expert on the Taliban answers questions about how the Taliban ruled in Afghanistan for a decade before being toppled in 2001, and its resurgence in Afghanistan today.	Michael Sempel
8/19	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	Millions of people have been left homeless by the worst floods in Pakistan's history. The United Nations has called an emergency meeting to try to increase aid to the region. The BBC's World Have Your Say has the latest news from the region.	From the BBC
8/20	HISTORY	Forty-five years ago, the Beatles played their one and only concert in Minnesota. It was August 21, 1965, and the Fab Four performed before screaming fans at Metropolitan Stadium in Bloomington.	Jon Bream, Jim McGuinn
8/20	NATIONAL POLITICS/GOV	Five years after Hurricane Katrina and on the heels of the BP oil spill, newly-elected New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu speaks at the National Press Club about the challenges facing his city.	Mitch Landrieu
8/23	ENVIRONMENT	Popular Minnesota Department of Natural Resources wildlife biologist Carrol Henderson joins MIDDAY to discuss the effects of the Gulf oil spill on migrating birds -- and take all other bird questions.	Carrol Henderson
8/23	CULTURE / ARTS	Three preeminent American writers gathered at the 2010 Aspen Ideas Festival to discuss how new technology is changing the art of writing.	Tobias Wolff, Jane Hirshfield, John Guare, Dana Gioia
8/24	STATE POLITICS / GOV	DFL Sen. Tom Bakk, chair of the Senate Tax Committee, and Republican Sen. Julianne Ortman, ranking minority member of that committee, join MIDDAY to discuss state taxes	Tom Bakk, Julianne Ortman

8/24	STATE POLITICS / GOV	The three major party candidates for governor -- Republican Tom Emmer, Democrat Mark Dayton, and Independence Party candidate Tom Horner--gather at the University of St. Thomas for a panel discussion on business issues that affect Minnesota.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
8/25	HISTORY	The 19th amendment giving women the right to vote was adopted August 26, 1920. How did this come about, and how does this civil rights movement compare to others before and since?	Sara Evans
8/25	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Boston University professor and retired U.S. Army colonel Andrew Bacevich speaks about his new book, "Washington Rules: America's Path to Permanent War."	Andrew Bacevich
8/26	ENVIRONMENT	University of Minnesota climatologist and meteorologist Mark Seeley joins Gary Eichten on stage at the Minnesota State Fair to talk about the weather, and give listeners a chance to take the 14th annual weather quiz.	Mark Seeley
8/26	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	U.S. Sen. Al Franken joins Midday at the Minnesota State Fair to answer questions about the economy, health care, taxes, war, foreign affairs and more.	Sen. Al Franken
8/27	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	The economy slowed sharply in the second quarter, and fears are growing that a second recession and higher unemployment are looming. What are the options to fix the economy?	Ed Lotterman
8/27	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Ted Turner, T. Boone Pickens, and Thomas Friedman gather at the 7th annual American Renewable Energy Day conference in Aspen, Colorado to discuss how to wean America of its dependence on foreign oil.	Thomas Friedman, Ted Turner, T. Boone Pickens
8/30	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	U.S. Sen. Amy Klobuchar joins Midday at the MPR State Fair booth to answer questions about the latest political issues.	Sen. Amy Klobuchar
8/30	STATE POLITICS / GOV	MPR's DFL political commentator Todd Rapp and Republican commentator Maureen Shaver join Gary Eichten at MPR's State Fair booth to discuss the 2010 election with fairgoers and MPR listeners.	Maureen Shaver, Todd Rapp
8/31	EDUCATION	Three award-winning Minnesota teachers answer questions from parents, students and teachers about the start of the school year.	Regina Seabrook, Amber Damm, Ryan Vernosh

8/31	CULTURE / ARTS	Playwright and humorist Kevin Kling, one of Minnesota's best-known storytellers, speaks at the Maplewood Library as part of the Club Book program. Along with several plays, Kling is the author of two collections of stories, "The Dog Says How" and "Holiday Inn."	Kevin Kling
9/01	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	At ceremonies marking the formal close of the US combat mission in Iraq, Gates said history will judge whether the 7 1/2 year war was worthwhile. MIT international relations professor Stephen Van Evera joins Middy to look back and look ahead.	Stephen Van Evera
9/01	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Christina Romer, outgoing chair of the White House Council of Economic Advisers, speaks at the National Press Club about the economic challenges facing the country.	Christina Romer
9/02	SOCIAL ISSUES	There's an increase in job openings in Minnesota for the first time since 2007. What's the best way to get one of those jobs?	Amy Lindgren
9/02	HISTORY	U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar remembers Eugene McCarthy, former senator and political icon from Minnesota. Klobuchar was the featured speaker at the fourth annual Eugene J. McCarthy Lecture at St. John's University.	Sen. Amy Klobuchar
9/03	STATE POLITICS / GOV	The major party candidates for governor answer questions from moderator Gary Eichten and the Minnesota State Fair audience at Carousel Park.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
9/03	CULTURE / ARTS	Garrison Keillor, host of A Prairie Home Companion, is on the Carousel Park stage with Middy host Gary Eichten, answering questions from fairgoers and MPR listeners.	Garrison Keillor
9/06	CULTURE / ARTS	Minnesota Public Radio's Movie Maven Stephanie Curtis joins Middy live at the State Fair to talk movies	Stephanie Curtis
9/06	SPORTS	MPR Sports analyst Howard Sinker makes his annual Labor Day appearance at the State Fair to talk about the Minnesota Twins' playoff run, the upcoming Vikings season, and other sports topics.	Howard Sinker
9/07	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Outgoing Minnesota National Guard Adjutant General Larry Shellito joins Middy to discuss Minnesota soldiers deployed to the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and to reflect on his military career which ends next month.	Larry W. Shellito

9/07	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Gubernatorial candidates Tom Emmer (R), Mark Dayton (DFL) and Tom Horner (IP) gathered in Duluth to debate issues facing northern Minnesota. The event was sponsored by the Duluth News Tribune and the Duluth Area Chamber of Commerce.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
9/08	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Congressional expert Steven Smith assesses the chances Congress will pass legislation on major issues before adjourning in October to run for re-election. Control of the US House and Senate is up for grabs on November 2nd.	Steven Smith
9/08	HISTORY	One of the Little Rock Nine, the first black students to integrate Little Rock Central High School in 1957, died Sunday. American RadioWorks and NPR's Juan Williams tell the story on Middy.	Juan Williams
9/09	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Unemployment and trade numbers ease fears of double-dip recession. Will President Obama's economic proposals pass Congress, and will they make any difference?	Louis Johnston, Chris Farrell
9/09	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	On Middy, hear Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's September 8th major foreign policy speech to the Council on Foreign Relations. Clinton said Iran is morphing into a military dictatorship with a religious ideological veneer. She said the world looks to the US to solve problems on a global	Sec. Hillary Rodham Clinton
9/10	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	A new report by former 9-11 Commission leaders Tom Kean and Lee Hamilton says the U.S. does not have systems in place to counteract growing numbers of radicalized terrorists and recruitment occurring in the United States. On the eve of the 9/11 anniversary, terrorism expert Louise Richardson analyzes terrorist threats around the world.	Louise Richardson, Pres. Barack Obama
9/10	MEDIA	MPR founder, president and CEO Bill Kling joins Middy to talk about the future of MPR, the future of public media around the country, and the future of news.	Bill Kling
9/13	STATE POLITICS / GOV	As Governor Pawlenty leads a trade mission to China and Japan, Asia expert Roy Grow discusses the economic, political and cultural environments in both countries.	Roy Grow

9/13	STATE POLITICS / GOV	The three major party candidates for governor in Minnesota --Republican Tom Emmer, Democrat Mark Dayton, and Independence Party candidate Tom Horner-- discussed education issues in a debate sponsored by the Association of Metropolitan School Districts.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
9/14	HEALTH / SCIENCE	NPR's Julie Rovner joins Midday to answer questions about the new federal health care law. What takes effect this fall, and might the 2011 Congress change or repeal the law?	Julie Rovner
9/14	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Hear DFL Gubernatorial candidate Mark Dayton in an hour-long forum at the Humphrey Institute. The three major party candidates will appear separately for a discussion of the major issues facing the state. Today, Mark Dayton.	Mark Dayton, Larry Jacobs
9/15	HISTORY	The advance man and the press secretary for Hubert H. Humphrey share stories about one of Minnesota's most popular politicians. He was Mayor of Minneapolis, US Senator, and Vice President. Documentary "The Art of the Possible" premieres tonight at the University of Minnesota Sept. 15 and airs on Public Television Nov. 18.	Norman Sherman, D. J. Leary
9/15	HISTORY	The number of people in the U.S. living in poverty is on track for a record increase, with the ranks of working-age poor approaching 1960s levels that led President Lyndon B. Johnson to declare a war on poverty. An American RadioWorks documentary, ""The War on Poverty: From the Great Society to the Great Recession," examines the modern face of poverty and asks why LBJ's dream of a Great Society is still beyond reach.	n/a
9/16	ENVIRONMENT	The Clean Water and Climate Adaptation Summit is taking place this week at the University of Minnesota's Landscape Arboretum. National experts join Midday to forecast the changes in natural resources, weather, and animal and human activities that might be needed to adapt to a changing climate.	Ben Santer, Doug Kluck

9/16	STATE POLITICS / GOV	The three major party candidates for governor in Minnesota --Republican Tom Emmer, Democrat Mark Dayton, and Independence Party candidate Tom Horner-- gathered in Minneapolis for their 11th debate of the campaign season. The candidates dialed up the criticism of each others' plans for tackling a looming state budget crisis.12:00 p.m.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
9/17	CULTURE / ARTS	Minnesotan and #1 best-selling author John Sandford joins Midday to talk about his 4th book in the Virgil Flowers series. It takes place in southern Minnesota. Under his real name, John Camp, he was a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist for the St. Paul Pioneer Press.	John Sandford
9/17	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Hear Republican gubernatorial candidate Tom Emmer in an hour-long forum at the Humphrey Institute. The three major party candidates will appear separately for a discussion of the major issues facing the state. Today, Tom Emmer.	Tom Emmer
9/20	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Four minor party candidates for Governor debate the major issues facing the state. They represent the Green Party, the Grassroots Party, the Resource Party and the Ecology Democracy Party.	Linda Eno, Farheen Hakeem, Ken Pentel, Chris Wright
9/20	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Barry Friedman, professor at the New York University School of Law and author of "The Will of the People," speaks at the Chautauqua Institution about the relationship between the US Supreme Court and popular opinion.	Barry Friedman
9/21	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Three former lawmakers with budget-making experience discuss the difficult budget-balancing task facing the new Governor and the 2011 Legislature.	Phil Krinkie, Roger Moe, Tim Penny
9/21	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Hear Independence Party gubernatorial candidate Tom Horner in an hour-long forum at the Humphrey Institute. The three major party candidates appear separately for a discussion of the major issues facing the state. Today, Tom Horner.	Tom Horner
9/22	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	President Obama addresses the U.N.'s anti-poverty summit today and the U.N. General Assembly and the Clinton Global Initiative Thursday. A UN observer joins Midday to discuss the role of the UN in addressing global crises like war and poverty.	Richard Stoll



9/22	STATE POLITICS / GOV	The three major party candidates for governor in Minnesota --Republican Tom Emmer, Democrat Mark Dayton, and Independence Party candidate Tom Horner-- focused on the state budget in a debate sponsored by the St. Cloud Area Chamber of Commerce.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
9/23	ENVIRONMENT	Meteorologist Paul Douglas joins Midday with the latest on the major rainstorm and flooding in Minnesota, and the outlook for the fall and winter.	Paul Douglas
9/23	INTERNATIONAL POLITICS / GOVERNMENT	In a speech to the United Nations General Assembly, President Barack Obama called on world leaders to set aside decades of division and unite around the Israeli-Palestinian peace process. The president was speaking before the U.N. for the second time in two days. Yesterday, he laid out a new direction for U.S. development assistance.12:00 p.m.	Pre. Barack Obama
9/24	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Former Minn. GOP Congressman Vin Weber discusses the policy and politics of the new "Pledge to America" and compares it with the 1994 "Contract with America."	Vin Weber
9/24	CULTURE / ARTS	Today is F. Scott Fitzgerald's birthday, and the theater that bears his namesake is turning 100 years old. To mark the occasion, author Patricia Hampl presents an original production, "The Big Time: F. Scott Fitzgerald." It's a staged storytelling of F. Scott Fitzgerald's vision of making it big.	Patricia Hampl
9/27	CULTURE / ARTS	The Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, former Congressman Jim Leach, is on a 50-state tour to talk about the value of humanities and civility, and the future of our democracy. He speaks at a Minnesota Humanities Center public event Friday in St. Paul.	Jim Leach
9/27	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	The three major party candidates for governor in Minnesota --Republican Tom Emmer, Democrat Mark Dayton, and Independence Party candidate Tom Horner-- focused on health care issues at a debate sponsored by the Minnesota Hospital Association and Aging Services of Minnesota.	Tom Emmer, Mark Dayton, Tom Horner
9/28	EDUCATION	President Obama and some Minnesota Gubernatorial candidates charge that the teachers unions block needed educational reforms. The head of Minnesota's teachers union responds on Midday.	Tom Doohar

9/28	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	Should accused terrorists be treated like enemy combatants or criminals? An "Intelligence Squared" debate features two panelists for, and two panelists against, the proposition: Treat terrorists like enemy combatants, not criminals.	Michael Hayden, Marc Thiessen, David Frakt, Stephen Jones
9/29	STATE POLITICS / GOV	Two polls this week show DFL-er Mark Dayton with a big lead over Republican Tom Emmer...and both the DFL and GOP candidates have a large lead over the IP's Tom Horner.	Lawrence Jacobs
9/29	NATIONAL POLITICS / GOV	The U.S. Supreme Court opens a new term next week. Former U.S. Solicitor General Paul Clement speaks at the Chautauqua Institution about how the justices differ in their interpretation of the constitution - and what that means for American law.	Paul Clement
9/30	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	September ends with gains in the stock market, which may be its strongest September performance since 1939. Unemployment claims fell and economic growth and manufacturing exceeded expectations. Chris Farrell sorts through the economic news and looks to the future.	Chris Farrell
9/30	BUSINESS / ECONOMICS	Former Labor Secretary and economics professor Robert Reich addresses the Commonwealth Club of California about his new book, "After-Schock: The Next Economy and America's Future."	Robert Reich

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Key 1</b>	<b>Synopsis</b>	<b>Guest/Reporter</b>
4/01	BUS/ECON	A new study says homelessness in Minnesota has risen sharply as unemployment and foreclosures have forced people out of permanent housing. The survey by St. Paul-based Wilder Research counted nearly 9,500 homeless people - up more than 20 percent from the 2006 count.	Greg Owen, Laura Kadwell
4/01	HEALTH/SCI	Michael Jacobson, executive director of the Center for Science in the Public Interest, speaks at the City Club of Cleveland about food labeling, nutrition, and how to change America's eating habits.	Michael Jacobson
4/02	SPORTS	The Minnesota Twins, just back from spring training in Florida, play an exhibition game at Target Field this afternoon. They take on the St. Louis Cardinals. Doug Grow, longtime sportswriter and author of "We're Gonna Win, Twins!", joins Middy to talk about the history of the Minnesota Twins.	Doug Grow
4/02	HISTORY	On April 3, 1948, President Harry Truman signed legislation launching the Marshall Plan, a plan to rebuild Europe after World War II. Historian Mark Skoler discusses soldier-diplomat General George Marshall, who sold a war-weary America on that plan.	Mark Skoler
4/05	INTL POL	Next weekend, Minnesota will honor its 1,000-plus "Red Bull" National Guard members who served over the past seven years of conflict in Iraq. Foreign service expert and former ambassador to Yemen, Barbara Bodine joins us to discuss America's ongoing presence in Iraq and what the future may hold.	Barbara Bodine
4/05	NATL POL	With just over a week before taxes are due, the commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service, Douglas Shulman discusses his role in overseeing the collection of \$2.4 trillion in tax revenue.	Douglas Shulman
4/06	STATE POL	The Minnesota Legislature is back in session this week. MPR Political Editor Mike Mulcahy, along with reporters Tom Scheck and Tim Pugmire, join Middy for a look at the major issues lawmakers will tackle yet this session.	Mike Mulcahy, Tom Scheck, Tim Pugmire

4/06	NATL POL	Kathleen Sebelius, secretary of the U.S Department of Health and Human Services, speaks live at the National Press Club about the new health care bill.	Kathleen Sebelius
4/07	EDUCATION	Minneapolis Public Schools Superintendent Bill Green joins us to talk about inequalities of opportunity and achievement in public education.	William Green
4/07	NATL POL	Hot on the heels of the passage of historic health care legislation, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi returns to her native California to discuss the bill at the Commonwealth Club of California.	Nancy Pelosi
4/08	INTL POL	President Barack Obama and Russian President Dmitry Medvedev signed a nuclear treaty Thursday in Prague. The treaty, which has been dubbed "New START," will reduce the nuclear warheads of the two countries to 1,550 each over the next seven years. It must be ratified by the U.S. Senate and the Russian legislature.	Brian Atwood
4/08	CULTURE/ARTS	Nick Hayes, professor of history at Saint John's University in Collegeville, joins Midday in the studio to talk about his new memoir, "And One Fine Morning: Memories of My Father." The memoir traces his family origins and his father's story, including his father's experience growing up Catholic in Protestant Minneapolis.	Nick Hayes
4/09	STATE POL	Commentators from two ends of the political spectrum join Midday for a discussion of the latest news in both national and state politics.	Todd Rapp, Maureen Shaver
4/09	NATL POL	Hear the latest news and analysis of Justice Stevens' announcement that he's retiring, followed by former Justice Sandra Day O'Connor and Justice Stephen Breyer discussing judicial selection at the 2009 Aspen Ideas Festival.	Sandra Day O'Connor, Stephen Breyer, Viet Dinh
4/12	SPORTS	The Minnesota Twins take on the Boston Red Sox in their first regular-season game at the new stadium. Politicians, journalists, fans, and a former player join Midday in studio and from the ballpark to discuss the Twins' new home.	Howard Sinkler, Mike Opat, Rick Nelson, Jacque Jones, Dan Kenney, Paul Huttner, Jim Bickal, Brandt Williams
4/13	BUS/ECON	MPR's chief economics correspondent Chris Farrell sifts through the economic tea leaves: the jobs numbers, the stock market, the housing market and more. Is the recession nearing an end? How will we know?	Chris Farrell

4/13	HISTORY	A documentary explores a little-known aspect of the Space Race -- its role in the Civil Rights era. Produced by Soundprint and Richard Paul, the documentary is called, "Race and the Space Race: The Unlikely Story of Civil Rights and the Space Program." It is hosted by Mae Jemison, the first African-American woman in space.	Mae Jemison
4/14	NATL POL	Nationally known political scientist Steven Schier analyzes the Tea Party movement in Minnesota and the U.S.	Steven Schier
4/14	HISTORY	This month marks the 145th anniversary of the end of the Civil War. Historian Jay Winik speaks about his book "April, 1865: The Month That Saved America" at the Commonwealth Club of California.	Jay Winik
4/15	ENVIRONMENT	Pulitzer Prize and Emmy Award-winning reporter Hedrick Smith comes to the Twin Cities for a Freshwater Society speech April 27th. The producer of the acclaimed PBS Frontline documentary "Poisoned Waters" joins MIDDAY to answer listener questions.	Hedrick Smith
4/15	NATL POL	Janet Napolitano, secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, speaks live at the National Press Club about aviation security.	Janet Napolitano
4/16	ENVIRONMENT	On the day of the White House Conference on America's Great Outdoors, two nature experts join MIDDAY to answer questions about wildlife habitat and the spring bird migration.	Jim Williams, Chet Meyers
4/16	INTL POL	Dina Temple-Raston, counterterrorism correspondent for National Public Radio, discusses terrorism on U.S. soil and abroad. Temple-Raston was at the University of St. Thomas as part of Minnesota Public Radio's Broadcast Journalist series.	Dina Temple-Raston
4/19	EDUCATION	Minn. Supreme Court Justice and NFL Hall of Famer Alan Page and his wife Diane Sims Page established the Page Education Foundation to help students of color attend post-secondary education and to provide mentors for younger children.	Alan Page, Diane Sims Page

4/19	HISTORY	The Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), which played a major part in the Civil Rights Movement, marked its 50th anniversary with a celebration at Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina. Congressman John Lewis, a hero of the Movement, and U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder were featured speakers at the event.	John Lewis, Eric Holder
4/20	STATE POL	DFL candidates for governor join MIDDAY to explain their views on the major issues in the run up to the state DFL Party endorsement convention this weekend in Duluth. Four candidates will appear on MIDDAY on Tuesday, and four on Wednesday.	Matt Entenza, John Marty, Tom Rukavina, Paul Thissen
4/20	EDUCATION	Pedro Noguera, a professor at New York University's Steinhart School and the author of "Unfinished Business: Closing the Racial Achievement Gap in Our Schools," spoke at Macalester College about inequality in education.	Pedro Noguera
4/21	STATE POL	Four DFL candidates for Governor join MIDDAY to discuss the major issues. The DFL party will meet to endorse a Gubernatorial candidate Saturday. Four more DFL candidates were on MIDDAY Tuesday.	R.T. Ryback, Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Mark Dayton, Susan Gaertner
4/21	EDUCATION	Nationwide, many suburban schools are doing a good job educating white students, but those schools are not getting the same results with Black and Latino students. This documentary tells the story of a suburban high school with lots of resources and a diverse student body that is struggling to close the achievement gap.	
4/22	ENVIRONMENT	The Dean of Minnesota's environmentalists reflects on the major environmental issues faced in April 1970 compared to today. Are things better or worse? Have new problems emerged?	Chuck Dayton
4/22	SOCIAL ISSUES	To protect the public from sexual violence, the U.S. has enacted get-tough laws targeting released sex offenders. A new documentary, "No Brother of Mine" explores the impact of those laws. The program tells the story of four Minnesota sex offenders.	

4/23	STATE POL	Democrats meet in Duluth to nominate a candidate for governor. The process should reduce the field of current candidates by five who have said they will abide by the will of the delegates. But a number of delegates have not indicated whom to support. The two frontrunners are Minneapolis Mayor R. T. Rybak and House Speaker Margaret Anderson Kelliher.	George Latimer, Joan Growe, Todd Rapp, Maureen Shaver
4/26	STATE POL	Midday features the DFL-endorsed gubernatorial candidate Margaret Anderson Kelliher, and the three other major contenders who will meet her in the party primary: Mark Dayton, Matt Entenza and Susan Gaertner.	Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Matt Entenza, Mark Dayton, Susan Gaertner, Todd Rapp
4/26	RELIGION	Brian McLaren, featured speaker at the Westminster Town Hall Forum in downtown Minneapolis, discusses how to be a person of faith in today's world. McLaren is the founding pastor of a nondenominational church in the Baltimore area and the author of several books, including his latest, "A New Kind of Christianity."	Brian McLaren
4/27	MEDIA	Star Tribune editorial writer and columnist Lori Sturdevant was awarded the David Graven Award at the 2010 Frank Premack Public Affairs Journalism Awards Program and joins Midday to talk about her 35 years of political reporting and editorial writing. She is also the author of several award-winning books.	Lori Sturdevant
4/27	ARTS/CULTURE	Best-selling comic book and science fiction writer Neil Gaiman speaks at Stillwater High School as part of a new Twin Cities-wide program to celebrate reading. Gaiman is the award-winning author of "Coraline," "The Graveyard Book," and the acclaimed DC Comics series "Sandman."	Neil Gaiman
4/28	STATE POL	The two leading contenders for Friday's Republican endorsement for Governor share their views on major issues and say why they are the best candidate to win in November	Tom Emmer, Marty Seifert
4/28	NATL POL	David Sanger, chief Washington correspondent for the New York Times, discusses his book, "The Inheritance: The World Obama Confronts and the Challenges to American Power." Sanger was a guest at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute, where he talked with former Vice President Walter Mondale and political science professor Larry Jacobs.	David Sanger

4/29	STATE POL	Former US Senator and St. Paul Mayor Norm Coleman and former U.S. Congressman Vin Weber discuss the past, present and future of Minnesota's Republican Party.	Norm Coleman, Vin Weber
4/29	BUS/ECON	A bipartisan commission met earlier this week in Washington, D.C. to discuss what to do about America's rising debt. America Abroad presents a special about the summit, "America's Growing Debt: The Stakes for the US and the World."	
4/30	STATE POL	State representatives Tom Emmer and Marty Seifert line up support from among the delegates to the Republican nominating convention in Minneapolis. Prominent state GOPers are expected to make an appearance including Governor Tim Pawlenty.	Todd Rapp, Maureen Shaver
5/03	EDUCATION	Sixth-grade teacher Ryan Vernosh was named Minnesota's Teacher of the Year 2010 at ceremonies Sunday. He teaches a classroom of boys at Maxfield Magnet Elementary School in St. Paul.	Ryan Vernosh
5/03	BUS/ECON	Minnesota Public Radio's Chief Economics Correspondent Chris Farrell and a special panel of guests discussed how we can live well within our means. Farrell is the author of "The New Frugality."	Chris Farrell, Stephen Smith, Janet Bodner, Kara McGuire, Dara Moskowitz Grumdahl
5/04	STATE POL	Gubernatorial candidates Tom Horner, Rob Hahn and John Uldrich answer questions about the major issues prior to the Independence Party endorsing convention Saturday in Bloomington.	Rob Hahn, Tom Horner, John Uldrich
5/04	MEDIA	MPR President Bill Kling answers questions from Minnesota Public Radio listeners and online readers prior to the spring membership drive.	Bill Kling
5/05	STATE POL	GOP Gubernatorial candidate Tom Emmer answers questions in a statewide call-in program following his endorsement at the Republican State Convention Friday.	Tom Emmer
5/05	STATE POL	The Minnesota Supreme Court ruled 4-3 Wednesday that Gov. Tim Pawlenty overstepped his authority when he made unilateral cuts last year to balance the state's budget. Legislative leaders from both parties react to the ruling, and what it means for the state budget deficit.	Tom Scheck, Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Dave Senjem, Dick Cohen



5/06	HISTORY	Nick Hayes, professor of history at Saint John's University in Collegeville, joins Midday in the studio to talk about his new memoir, "And One Fine Morning: Memories of My Father." The memoir traces his family origins and his father's story, including his father's experience growing up Catholic in Protestant Minneapolis.	Nick Hayes
5/06	MEDIA	On May 8, 1945, 60 million Americans tuned in to hear "On a Note of Triumph," Norman Corwin's radio masterpiece marking the end of World War II in Europe. It was the most listened-to radio drama in U.S. history. This week, the legendary radio dramatist Norman Corwin celebrated his 100th birthday. To mark the occasion, Midday features highlights from "On a Note of Triumph."	
5/07	NATL POL	Veteran political journalists John Heilemann and Mark Halperin are out with a sweeping account of the 2008 campaign. It's called, "Game Change: Obama and the Clintons, McCain and Palin, and the Race of a Lifetime." The two journalists talked about their book at the Commonwealth Club of California.	John Heilemann, Mark Halperin
5/07	SCIENCE	University of Minnesota climatologist and meteorologist Mark Seeley answers your questions about the early Spring weather and what lies ahead for the Summer.	Mark Seeley
5/10	STATE POL	Over the weekend, the Independence Party endorsed Tom Horner as their candidate for governor. He joins Midday to take questions on the major issues facing Minnesota.	Tom Horner
5/10	STATE POL	Speaker of the House Margaret Anderson Kelliher and Senate Majority Leader Larry Pogemiller join Midday from the Capitol. They will discuss the DFL's \$2.8 billion plan to close the state budget deficit and preview the final week of the 2010 legislative session.	Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Larry Pogemiller
5/11	CULTURE/ARTS	Minnesota Public Radio producer and "Movie Maven" Stephanie Curtis joins Midday to weigh in on Iron Man 2, Babies, and other films coming out this summer.	Stephanie Curtis
5/11	CULTURE/ARTS	Midday with the "Movie Maven" continues, as Stephanie Curtis lists her all-time best and worst courtroom dramas.	Stephanie Curtis

5/12	BUS/ECON	Chris Farrell joins Midday to discuss the recent record market swings, and what the simultaneous job gains and unemployment rate increase in April mean for the economic recovery.	Chris Farrell
5/12	HISTORY	Atlanta Congressman and civil rights leader John Lewis spoke recently at the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, a group called "the shock troops" of the civil rights movement.	John Lewis
5/13	HEALTH/SCI	Now that the federal health care overhaul has passed, what happens next? NPR's Julie Rovner, who has reported on health policy for 26 years, joins Midday to answer questions about how the sweeping changes to the health care system will affect people's coverage.	Julie Rovner
5/13	ARTS/CULTURE	Attorney and best-selling author Scott Turow spoke recently at the Commonwealth Club to discuss his latest legal thriller. It's the sequel to his best-selling novel "Presumed Innocent," which was published 23 years ago.	Scott Turow
5/14	STATE POL	Gary Eichten and MPR's political editor Mike Mulcahy will speak live from the Capitol rotunda with dozens of influential legislators. They will be in the midst of trying to hammer out a solution to the state's budget crisis before the session deadline at midnight on Sunday.	Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Kurt Zellers, Tony Sertich, Tom Bakk, Julianna Ortmann, Alice Hausman, Keith Langseth, Mindy Greiling, David Hann, Erin Murphy, Matt Dean, Karla Bigham, Paul Kohls, Marty Seifert
5/14	STATE POL	In Midday's second hour broadcasting from the Capitol rotunda, Gary Eichten and Mike Mulcahy will continue interviewing key DFLers and Republicans as they try to wrap up the many issues facing the Legislature before the session deadline on Sunday night.	Larry Pogemiller, David H. Senjem, Tom Hanson, Lyn Carlson, Dick Cohen, Terri Bonoff, Sandy Pappas, Tom Rukavina, Ann Lenczewski, John Marty, Julie Rosen, Ellen Anderson, Tom Hackbarth, Steve Simon, Steve Gottwalt, Jim Vickerman, Dennis Fredrickson
5/17	STATE POL	Gov. Pawlenty and state lawmakers reached an agreement on how to close a nearly \$3 billion budget deficit. The Legislature is meeting in a special session to approve the deal. MPR's political team analyzes what happened at the Capitol over the weekend - and the political fallout.	Mike Mulcahy, Tom Scheck, Tim Pugmire

5/17	STATE POL	After the legislative session adjourned, Gov. Pawlenty met with reporters at the state Capitol to take questions about the budget deal. Midday features that audio. Afterward, to mark the 56th anniversary of Brown vs. Board, Midday features an excerpt from an American RadioWorks documentary about Thurgood Marshall's life and career.	Tim Pawlenty
5/18	STATE POL	The day after Minnesota's 2010 Legislative session adjourned, Gov. Tim Pawlenty is in the MPR studio to answer questions about the budget, taxes and other major issues.	Tim Pawlenty
5/18	HISTORY	Minnesota Public Radio's Stephen Smith interviews best-selling author Hampton Sides about his new book, "Hellhound on His Trail: The Stalking of Martin Luther King, Jr. and the International Hunt for His Assassin."	
5/19	NATL POL	Minnesota's U.S. Sen. Amy Klobuchar joins Gary Eichten from Washington D.C. to talk about President Obama's Supreme Court nominee, the oil spill in the Gulf, and other key domestic and foreign policy issues facing the U.S. Congress.	Amy Klobuchar
5/19	NATL POL	Democratic National Committee Chairman Tim Kaine speaks to the National Press Club about Tuesday's primary elections and his party's plan to win over voters this fall.	Tim Kaine
5/20	HEALTH/SCI	Two professors at local nurses training programs discuss what nurses do to provide health care.	Christine Mueller, Alice Swan
5/20	INTL POL	Hanan Ashrawi, featured speaker at the Westminster Town Hall Forum in downtown Minneapolis, discusses the conflict in the Middle East. Ashrawi is the founder of Miftah - the Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of Global Dialogue and Democracy. She is also a member of the executive committee of the Palestinian Liberation Organization, and was the official spokesperson for the Palestinian Authority delegation to the US-Israel-Palestinian peace talks in the early 1990s.	Hanan Ashrawi
5/21	STATE POL	Political analysts Todd Rapp, Maureen Shaver and Jack Uldrich join Midday to discuss the recently adjourned legislative session, the gubernatorial elections underway, and Gov. Tim Pawlenty's last months in office.	Todd Rapp, Maureen Shaver, Jack Uldrich

5/21	INTL POL	An 'Intelligence Squared' debate features two panelists for and two panelists against the proposition: Does Obama's foreign policy spell America's decline?	Mort Zuckerman, Dan Senor, Wesley Clark, Bernard Henri-Levy
5/24	INTL POL	Former senior staff member of the 9/11 Commission and CIA officer Michael Hurley joins Midday to discuss the staff shakeups in national intelligence and recent intelligence failures.	Michael Hurley
5/24	INTL POL	Despite worries over violence in Iraq, U.S. officials remain committed to a Sept. 1 deadline for cutting the American military presence in that country by nearly half. A new documentary from American Abroad Media takes a look at what's next for Iraq.	
5/25	ENVIRONMENT	Minn. Congressman Jim Oberstar answers MPR questions about hearings investigating the massive and ongoing oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.	Jim Oberstar
5/25	INTL POL	In a speech to the graduating class of cadets at West Point on May 22, 2010, President Obama outlined a foreign policy vision that repudiated the approach taken by President George W. Bush.	Barack Obama
5/25	SOCIAL ISSUES	International activist and daughter of Archbishop Desmond Tutu delivered the keynote address at the St. Paul Foundation's "Facing Race Ambassador Award Celebration" April 19, 2010.	Naomi Tutu
5/26	ARTS/CULTURE	Karl Marlantes, a decorated Marine veteran of the Vietnam War and author of the best-selling novel, "Matterhorn: A Novel of the Vietnam War" joins Midday to discuss war-time experiences.	Karl Marlantes
5/26	HEALTH/SCI	Barbara Bush, the daughter of former President George W. Bush, speaks live at the National Press Club about the disparity in health care between the world's rich and poor. Bush is founder and president of the non-profit Global Health Corps.	Barbara Bush
5/27	BUS/ECONOMY	Reports from MPR's series on how the Great Recession is affecting Minnesota's job market.	
5/27	ENVIRONMENT	As his administration continues to respond to the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, President Obama announced today a moratorium on new deep-water oil drilling permits. He held a news conference at the White House.	Barack Obama
5/28	NATL POL	Heading into the Memorial Day weekend, international relations professor and Army veteran Roy Grow talks about the Vietnam War and its impact then and now.	Roy Grow

5/28	NATL POL	Meet the Press moderator David Gregory brings the show to Minneapolis to interview Governor Tim Pawlenty on the major issues facing the country. The audience asked questions as well. Hear the entire event on MIDDAY.	David Gregory, Tim Pawlenty
5/31	ARTS/CULTURE	On a special Memorial Day edition of MIDDAY, Vietnam Veteran and author Tim O'Brien reflects on "The Things They Carried." This month is the 20th anniversary of the celebrated war novel, and O'Brien marked the occasion with an audience at the Club Book series.	Tim O'Brien
5/31	ARTS/CULTURE	A Memorial Day broadcast of a conversation with Karl Marlantes, author of the best-selling book, "Matterhorn: A Novel of the Vietnam War."	Karl Marlantes
6/01	BUS/ECONOMY	What is the nature of the economic recovery? How much economic optimism is out there?	Louis Johnston
6/01	SOCIAL ISSUES	The Yes Men say they create elaborate hoaxes to embarrass corporations and denounce corporate greed. One of the co-founders explains his tactics in an appearance at the Commonwealth Club of California.	Andy Bichlbaum
6/02	STATE POL	Former Republican Governor Arne Carlson says he's embarking on a Paul Revere Tour to raise alarm about Minnesota's financial condition.	Arne Carlson
6/02	HEALTH/SCI	New York Times reporter Michael Moss won a Pulitzer Prize in Explanatory Reporting this year for his article "The Burger that Shattered her Life," about the troubling gaps in safety in the food industry. Moss recently spoke to an audience at the Commonwealth Club about his investigative reporting on food safety.	Michael Moss
6/03	EDUCATION	What should children learn in school? Around the country, battles rage over what texts kids should read and what they should be expected to know. "The Great Textbook War" is an American RadioWorks documentary that takes us to West Virginia, where a battle for the hearts and minds of American schoolchildren erupted in violence in the 1970s.	

6/03	EDUCATION	Minnesota's academic standards are often cited as some of the best in the nation. But are schoolchildren really learning what the state says they should know? American RadioWorks and Minnesota Public Radio host a live conversation in MPR's UBS Forum about the documentary, "The Great Textbook War" and how we decide what our children learn.	Stephen Smith, Tom Weber, Alice Seagren, Jamie Crannell
6/04	MEDIA	Dale Connelly joins Midday to talk about his 34-year career as a radio reporter, humorist, writer, and music host at Minnesota Public Radio. This morning was the last broadcast of The Dale Connelly Show on the Radio Heartland service.	Dale Connelly
6/04	HISTORY	Tomorrow marks the 63rd anniversary of a speech given by former U.S. Secretary of State George C. Marshall calling for American assistance in rebuilding Europe after World War II. Marshall went on to craft the Marshall Plan and became an eminent figure in 20th century history. Historian, author and University of Vermont Professor Mark Stoler spoke earlier this year about Marshall and his illustrious career at the Minnesota History Center in St. Paul.	Mark Stoler
6/07	INTL POL	U.S. Rep. John Kline, R-Minn., joins Midday to report on his five-daylong trip to Afghanistan. Kline was part of a bipartisan group of Congressmen that returned last week. They studied troop training and equipment, the surge in forces, reconstruction efforts, combating corruption and training of the Afghanistan army and national police.	John Kline
6/07	MEDIA	Former National Security Advisor Brent Scowcroft speaks live at the National Press Club as part of the annual Gerald Ford Journalism Awards, which honor outstanding coverage of the presidency and national defense.	Brent Snowcroft
6/08	HEALTH/SCI	Family medicine doctor Jon Hallberg joins Midday to answer questions about health care practices and medical concerns.	Jon Hallberg

6/08	HISTORY	A Minnesota law professor is jailed in Rwanda, charged with denying that country's 1994 genocide. Peter Erlinder doesn't deny mass violence happened, but says it's wrong to blame just one side. Midday features an American RadioWorks documentary, released on the 10th anniversary of the massacre, about what happened in Rwanda when the central African nation exploded in violence.	
6/09	HEALTH/SCI	MPR health correspondent Lorna Benson joins Midday to discuss the nurses strike that is scheduled to begin Thursday at 7 a.m. The strike would last 24 hours and involve 14 metro-area hospitals.	Lorna Benson
6/09	HEALTH/SCI	An 'Intelligence Squared' panel debates whether organic food is just good for marketing or if there are actually health benefits.	Dennis Avery, Blake Hurst, John Krebs, Charles Benbrook, Urvashi Rangan, Jeffrey Steingarten
6/10	STATE POL	Join a Midday discussion about the gubernatorial election in Minnesota and the trends in political races around the country.	Maureen Shaver, Todd Rapp
6/10	ARTS/CULTURE	Journalist and best-selling author Sebastian Junger speaks at the UBS Forum about his new book titled 'War'. The book follows a platoon of soldiers in Eastern Afghanistan and explores the psychological and social effects of combat in one of the most dangerous regions of the country.	Sebastian Junger
6/11	EDUCATION	Almost a decade ago, third graders at seven high-poverty schools in the Twin Cities got an offer: Stay in school, and we'll give you \$10,000 for college. All the students had to do was stay in the Minneapolis or St. Paul public schools, graduate, and go to college. Midday looks at how the experiment turned out.	Joe Nathan
6/11	SPORTS	Live coverage of the opening day of World Cup soccer on the BBC's "World Have Your Say." The World Cup is the globe's most popular sporting event.	
6/14	STATE POL	Upon her retirement from Cal Polytech, former Minn. Supreme Court justice Sandra Gardebring joins Midday to discuss her ideas about higher education, justice, the environment, social services, the role of government and more.	Sandra Gardebring Ogren

6/14	HISTORY	This year marks the 50th anniversary of the 1960 presidential election. Midday features a discussion about a pivotal moment in that contest: the West Virginia primary, in which Sen. John F. Kennedy defeated Minnesota's own Hubert Humphrey.	
6/15	NATL POL	A political scientist from the gulf region joins Midday to discuss presidential leadership in times of crisis.	Ric Stoll
6/15	MEDIA	Paul Steiger, the editor-in-chief of ProPublica and chairman of the Committee to Protect Journalists, speaks live at the National Press Club about collaborating and competing in the new era of journalism.	Paul Steiger
6/16	ENVIRONMENT	In his Oval Office address, President Obama urged the country to unleash American innovation to create a green energy future. How can Minnesota get from here to there?	Bill Glahn, J. Drake Hamilton
6/16	ENVIRONMENT	Four people working to make electric cars a reality gathered recently at the Commonwealth Club of California to discuss the challenges and promises of electric vehicles.	Mark Duvall, Tony Posawatz, Jit Bhattacharya, Richard Lowenthal
6/17	CULTURE/ARTS	Minnesota's newest park, Lake Vermilion State Park, opens for limited activities later this summer. The director of state parks joins Midday to answer questions about features, costs, conditions and activities at the new park and the old ones.	Courtland Nelson
6/17	SOCIAL ISSUES	In 1964, President Lyndon B. Johnson declared a war on poverty. He believed a mighty nation could eliminate want. Almost five decades later, nearly 40 million Americans still live in poverty. A new American RadioWorks documentary examines the modern face of poverty and asks why LBJ's dream of a Great Society is still beyond reach.	
6/18	EDUCATION	University of Minnesota Regents meet next week to fix a \$152 million gap in the 2010-11 budget. President Bruininks discusses the challenges ahead.	Robert Bruininks
6/18	INTL POL	Rajiv Shah, administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), speaks at the National Press Club about the U.S. response to disasters in Haiti and elsewhere, as well as the future of international development.	Rajiv Shah
6/21	STATE POL	Former St. Paul Mayor George Latimer joins Midday to talk about the state of political discourse today, and share his views on major issues in the news.	George Latimer



6/21	HEALTH/SCI	Dr. Edward Miller, dean and CEO of Johns Hopkins Medicine, speaks at the National Press Club about the nation's new health care law, including how doctors and hospitals are preparing for the expected increase of 32 million newly insured individuals.	Edward Miller
6/22	HEALTH/SCI	Representatives of the nurses and the hospitals discuss the key issues that divide them. Nurses voted Monday to authorize a second open-ended strike.	Maureen Shriner, Dick Hebrink
6/22	ARTS/CULTURE	Garrison Keillor -- author, storyteller, humorist, and host of the radio show "A Prairie Home Companion" -- speaks in Blaine as part of the Club Book program.	Garrison Keillor
6/23	NATL POL	Tim Walz, the U.S. Representative for Minnesota's 1st Congressional District, discusses the relationship between generals, diplomats and the U.S. president.	Tim Walz
6/23	ARTS/CULTURE	Oliver Stone, renowned film director and screenwriter, speaks at the National Press Club about making his new movie, "South of Border". The movie examines modern politics in Latin America.	Oliver Stone
6/24	NATL POL	Constitutional law professor Suzanna Sherry analyzes the important rulings of the Supreme Court this term, the final term of Justice John Paul Stevens. She also previews next week's confirmation hearings for the new justice, Elena Kagan.	Suzanna Sherry
6/24	NATL POL	Jonathan Alter, Newsweek columnist and author of "The Promise: President Obama, Year One" speaks at the Westminster Town Hall Forum.	Jonathan Alter
6/25	HISTORY	In the final weeks before July 4, 1776, how and why did a group of patriots abandon reconciliation with England and embrace American independence?	William Hogeland
6/25	HISTORY	Sixty years ago today, North Korean military forces crossed the 38th Parallel, igniting the Korean War. More than 36,000 Americans lost their lives in that war. However, the war is technically still not over; only a cease fire was signed in 1953. Midday features a 2003 American RadioWorks documentary that examines how the war began and its impact on global politics in the second half of the 20th century.	

6/28	NATL POL	The Senate Judiciary Committee is set to scrutinize Supreme Court hopeful Elena Kagan in hearings this week. The stakes are high for the court's liberal minority justices, but Kagan's lack of judicial experience makes it tough to predict how she'll vote on sensitive social issues.	Lee Epstein, Bradley Joondeph
6/28	NATL POL	Live coverage of the confirmation hearings for U.S. Supreme Court nominee Elena Kagan. Kagan will be questioned by members of the Senate Judiciary committee.	
6/29	NATL POL	Live coverage of the confirmation hearings for U.S. Supreme Court nominee Elena Kagan. Kagan will be questioned by members of the Senate Judiciary committee.	
6/29	STATE POL	Minnesota Supreme Court Chief Justice Eric Magnuson joins Midday to discuss his tenure on the state's highest court, including the U.S. Senate election recount. He retires Wednesday.	Eric J. Magnuson
6/29	NATL POL	In a speech this month to the American Constitution Society, U.S. Sen. Al Franken, D-Minn., criticized the direction of the high court, which he says has been favoring powerful corporate interests over individuals. His speech drew criticism from some conservatives and garnered a lot of national press attention.	Al Franken
6/30	NATL POL	All the members of the Senate Judiciary Committee made opening statements and asked questions of Supreme Court nominee Elena Kagan. What have we learned about her, and about the senators?	David Schultz
6/30	NATL POL	Hear extended excerpts of today's questioning of Supreme Court nominee Elena Kagan by Minnesota Senators Al Franken and Amy Klobuchar.	Amy Klobuchar, Al Franken
6/30	NATL POL	Minnesota Public Radio reporter Stephanie Hemphill's 2006 "Voices of Minnesota" interview with Gerald Heaney about his 40-year career on the federal appeals court, his role in the DFL party, and his heroism on D-Day in World War II. Heaney died this month at the age of 92.	Gerald Heaney

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<b>Date</b>	<b>Key 1</b>	<b>Synopsis</b>	<b>Guest/Reporter</b>
1/01	HISTORY	From the pilgrims to Independence Hall, the Civil War and the Civil Rights movement, author Bruce Feiler traces how the Exodus story of Moses plays out in American history. Feiler discusses his newest book, "America's Prophet: Moses and the American Story" in conversation with Stephen Smith, executive editor of American RadioWorks.	Bruce Feiler, Stephen Smith
1/01	CULTURE/ARTS	Playwright and humorist Kevin Kling talks about his new book, "Holiday Inn," which he calls "a romp through a year of holidays." Kling spoke at the Minneapolis Central Library as part of the library's Talk of the Stacks program.	Kevin Kling
1/04	STATE POL	Senate Majority Leader Larry Pogemiller and House Speaker Margaret Anderson Kelliher discuss the Governor's unallotment process and how they plan to address the state's budget crisis.	Larry Pogemiller, Margaret Anderson Kelliher
1/04	MEDIA	An 'Intelligence Squared' debate features three panelists FOR and three panelists AGAINST the proposition: Good Riddance to the Mainstream Media.	Jim VendeHei, Michael Wolff, Phil Bronstein, David Carr, Katrina vanden Heuvel, John Hockenberry
1/05	NATL POL	Former Vice President Walter Mondale joins Middy on his 82nd birthday to offer his views on the major issues facing the country in 2010 and beyond.	Walter Mondale
1/05	INTL POL	An "Intelligence Squared" debate features three panelists for, and three panelists against, the proposition: America is to blame for Mexico's drug war.	Andres Martinez, Jeffrey A. Miron, Fareed Zakaria, Jorge Castaneda, Chris W. Cox, Asa Hutchinson
1/06	HEALTH SCI	Nationally renowned bioethicist Arthur Caplan reviews the ethical challenges of the past decade, and the controversies he thinks will emerge in 2010 and beyond.	Arthur Caplan
1/06	HISTORY	As we work our way out of a recession, an American RadioWorks documentary explores the lessons we can learn from Franklin Delano Roosevelt's New Deal.	

1/07	NATL POL	President Obama says the Christmas airplane bombing plot was not uncovered because of a "failure to integrate and understand the intelligence that we already had." An intelligence expert analyzes what went wrong and what needs to be fixed in America's intelligence network.	John Radsan
1/07	NATL POL	Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, spoke recently at George Washington University about the state of the U.S. military. He answered questions from college students about national security, intelligence failures, and the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.	Adm. Mike Mullen
1/08	STATE POL	Republican Senate Minority Leader Dave Senjem and Republican House Minority Leader Kurt Zellers preview their priorities to solve the state's budget crisis and address key issues in the 2010 legislative session opening February 4th.	Senator Dave Senjem, Representative Kurt Zellers
1/08	HEALTH SCI	Three scientists sat down together at the 2009 Aspen Ideas Festival in Aspen, Colo. to discuss how our brains develop over the course of our lives.	Patricia Kuhl, Andrew Meltzoff, Harold Koplewicz
1/11	HEALTH SCI	NPR's health policy correspondent Julie Rovner explains the details of the final negotiations underway in Congress. The president is hoping for passage of a health care reform bill in the next few weeks.	Julie Rovner
1/11	NATL POL	Union officials meet today with President Barack Obama to discuss the president's health care overhaul plan. In advance of that meeting, AFL-CIO President Richard Trumka speaks live at the National Press Club about major domestic legislative initiatives and labor issues.	Richard Trumka
1/12	INTL POL	Former U.S. Ambassador to Yemen, Barbara Bodine, describes the history, culture, economy and politics of the country that is a new focus of the war against Al-Qaida.	Barbara Bodine
1/12	NATL POL	David Walker, a former comptroller general of the United States and former head of the Government Accountability Office, says the U.S. faces longterm disaster if it doesn't fix its financial condition.	David Walker
1/13	MEDIA	Media ethics professor Jane Kirtley joins Midday to sort through the ethical dilemmas ahead in 2010. Should TV cameras be allowed in the courtroom? Is it proper to pay news sources for the news they provide? Should journalists be forced to divulge their sources?	Jane Kirtley

1/13	SOCIAL ISSUES	The number of dead from yesterday's devastating earthquake in Haiti is expected to run into the thousands. Midday features the BBC program "World Have Your Say," with the latest from Haiti.	
1/14	SOCIAL ISSUES	The Twin Cities-based American Refugee Committee humanitarian relief team arrives in Haiti today. Team leader Monte Achenbach, a veteran of rescue and relief efforts, joins Midday from the airport to discuss what the needs are, and what will be done to help.	Monte Achenbach
1/14	HISTORY	Miep Gies, the woman who helped hide Anne Frank from the Nazis and later saved Anne's diary, died this week in Amsterdam. She was 100 years old. Midday features a remembrance of Gies, plus an excerpt from an interview with Holocaust survivor and Nobel Peace Prize winner Elie Wiesel.	Elie Wiesel
1/15	BUS ECON	Which carmakers have the momentum coming out of this week's North American International Auto Show... and why?	Paul Eisenstein
1/15	SOCIAL ISSUES	An American RadioWorks investigation into the abuse of Iraqi detainees and the psychological effect on American soldiers has won the silver Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Award. Midday features that documentary, which follows members of a U.S. Army unit and their struggle to come to terms with what they did, and didn't do, in Iraq.	
1/18	INTL POL	Sen. Al Franken, D-Minn, stops by Midday upon his return from a fact-finding trip to Afghanistan and Pakistan. He also answers listener questions about Haiti relief, health care reform, the economy and more.	Al Franken
1/18	HISTORY	Prominent civil rights leader Rev. Joseph Lowery discusses the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream. Lowery spoke at the 20th annual MLK Day breakfast at the Minneapolis Convention Center.	Rev. Joseph Lowery
1/19	NATL POL	Pulitzer Prize-winning columnist David Broder reflects on the first year of the Obama presidency, and the first years of presidents he has covered since Dwight Eisenhower.	David Broder

1/19	HEALTH SCI	Surgeon and best-selling author Atul Gawande says a simple checklist can reduce the number of errors made in hospitals. Dr. Gawande discusses his new book, "The Checklist Manifesto: How to Get Things Right," at the Los Angeles Public Library's Aloud series.	Atul Gawande
1/20	SOCIAL ISSUES	Monte Achenbach of the Minneapolis-based American Refugee Committee gives an on-the-scene report from Haiti on the rescue and relief mission after the earthquake and today's 6.1 aftershock. Achenbach has been in Haiti since Friday.	Monte Achenbach
1/20	NATL POL	Former Medtronic CEO Bill George shares his thoughts on health care reform in a speech to business and civic leaders. George was a featured speaker at the Cuningham Group as part of the architectural firm's "Urban Currents" program.	Bill George
1/21	NATL POL	Congressional scholar Steven Smith discusses the impact of the election of a Republican senator from Massachusetts and today's Supreme Court ruling on campaign finance. Midday also looks at the Minnesota gubernatorial election.	Steven Smith
1/21	HISTORY	A play about Sister Kenny, the Minnesota nurse who took on the medical establishment and helped thousands of polio survivors, opens Saturday at the History Theatre in St. Paul. Midday rebroadcasts a documentary about Sister Kenny's work and legacy.	
1/22	BUS ECON	Two Minnesota economists analyze the unemployment data and predict which sectors of the economy will improve in 2010. How does Minnesota compare to the rest of the country--and why?	Louis Johnston, Tony Barrett
1/22	NATL POL	As democrats regroup in the wake of this week's Massachusetts special election, liberal historian and author Alan Brinkley discusses what President Obama has been doing wrong, and what Obama must do to turn things around.	Alan Brinkley
1/25	STATE POL	One in 10 Minnesota drivers has a DWI on their driving record. How should drunk driving be prevented and punished?	Stephen Simon

1/25	HEALTH SCI	For nearly 30 years, the AIDS epidemic has ravaged lives --and nations-- around the world. Now, a new documentary from America Abroad looks at what's been done in those three decades to prevent AIDS both here in the U.S. and in the countries hardest hit by the epidemic.	
1/26	STATE POL	Former Republican Gov. Arne Carlson joins Midday to offer suggestions on how to solve Minnesota's budget problems.	Gov. Arne Carlson
1/26	BUS ECON	Economist and former Secretary of Labor Robert Reich lays out his thoughts on what the economy will look like in 2010. Reich gave the Bank of America Walter E. Hoadley Annual Economic Forecast to the Commonwealth Club of California.	Robert Reich
1/27	NATL POL	One of the nation's leading political analysts previews President Obama's first State of the Union Address.	David Brooks, Tim Penny
1/27	SOCIAL ISSUES	Tens of thousands of Somali-Americans have escaped a brutal civil war in their homeland and now call Minnesota home. But their journey in the United States has been fraught with new dangers. In a three-part series, reporter Laura Yuen explores the challenges facing young Somalis in Minnesota.	Zuhur Ahmed
1/28	STATE POL	Twenty candidates for governor debated the issues in a forum Wednesday night, sponsored by the Minnesota News Council and the League of Women Voters.	Tom Bakk, Leslie Davis, Mark Dayton, Tom Emmer, Susan Gaertner, Rob Hahn, David Hann, Bill Hass, Phil Herwig, Tom Horner, Steve Kelley, Margaret Anderson Kelliher, John Marty, Tom Ruckavina, R.T. Rybak, Ole Savior, Marty Seifert, Paul Thissen, John Uldrich, Rahn Workcuff
1/29	STATE POL	The superintendent of Minnesota's largest school district and the president of Minnesota's teachers union discuss they key funding and education policy issues the legislature will address in the 2010 session starting February 4th.	Dennis Carlson, Tom Doher
1/29	MEDIA	A new report from the USC Annenberg School for Communications and Journalism finds that government subsidies, which have been a long-running source of revenue even for commercial media, are on the decline. The authors of the report spoke at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.	David Westphal, Geoffrey Cowan

2/1	STATE POL	DFL Gubernatorial candidates on eve of caucuses 12 DFL'ers are running for Governor in 2010. They discuss the issues on MIDDAY to help potential caucus-goers decide on a candidate to support.	Tom Bakk, Mark Dayton, Matt Entenza, Susan Gaertner, Steve Kelley, Margaret Anderson Kelliher, John Marty, Felix Montez, Tom Rukavina, R.T. Rybak, Paul Thissen, Ole Savior
	STATE POL	GOP candidates meet on caucus eve 7 Republican candidates for Governor meet on MIDDAY to discuss the issues, so potential caucus-goers can decide which candidate to support.	Bob Carney Leslie Davis Tom Emmer, Bill Haas, Phil Herwig, David Hann, Marty Seifert
2/2	STATE POL	Precinct caucuses will be held across the state tonight. Minnesotans will start to narrow the crowded field in the governor's race, as nonbinding straw polls give an early indication of how the fields are shaping up. The chairs of Minnesota's three major parties join MIDDAY in the studio to take listener questions.	Brian Melendez, Tony Sutton, Jack Uldrich
2/2	CULTURE/ARTS	The science fiction sensation "Avatar" and the war-on-terror thriller "The Hurt Locker" lead the Academy Awards with nine nominations each. Minnesota Public Radio's Movie Maven Stephanie Curtis breaks down the Oscar favorites.	Stephanie Curtis
2/3	STATE POL	On the eve of the 2010 legislative session, Gov. Tim Pawlenty joins Gary Eichten in the MPR studios to answer questions about the state budget and the issues that will be the focus of the upcoming legislative session.	Tim Pawlenty
2/3	STATE POL	Four gubernatorial candidates are emerging as candidates to beat after straw polls at the major party precinct caucuses last night. MPR political analysts Todd Rapp and Maureen Shaver will join MIDDAY to sift through the tea leaves from this year's caucus results.	Todd Rapp, Maureen Shaver
2/4	STATE POL	The Minnesota House and Senate face figuring out how to balance a budget with a \$1.2 billion shortfall. MIDDAY talks with legislators including DFL and Republican leaders of the House and Senate.	Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Kurt Zellers, Larry Pogemiller, David Senjem
2/5	MEDIA	Minnesota Public Radio President Bill Kling stops by MIDDAY to answer questions from MPR listeners.	Bill Kling



2/5	NATL POL	Former Bush Administration Justice Department lawyer John Yoo spoke at the Commonwealth Club of California about presidential power in times of national crisis. Yoo is best known as one of the authors of the "torture memos," which provided the basis for enhanced interrogation of enemy combatants.	John Yoo
2/8	BUS ECON	The national unemployment rate dropped to 9.7% in January, but businesses remain reluctant to hire, and financial markets are still jittery. State Economist Tom Stinson joins Midday in the MPR studios to discuss the condition of the economy here in Minnesota.	Tom Stinson
2/8	SOCIAL ISSUES	While there's some agreement among world leaders on the need to cap carbon, there's plenty of debate over how much to cut and how to do that. A new documentary from America Abroad explores the questions surrounding carbon emissions. It's called, "The Carbon Conundrum: Confronting Climate Change."	
2/9	SOCIAL ISSUES	Nearly all the soldiers from the Minnesota National Guard's 34th Infantry Division are back home with family and friends after serving 10 months in southern Iraq. What's in store beyond the immediate homecoming?	Ross Holtan, Manfred Tatzmann
2/9	NATL POL	Former Vice President Walter Mondale speaks about presidential power as part of the University of Minnesota's "Headliners" series.	Walter Mondale
2/10	INTL POL	Colin Kahl serves as Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for the Middle East. He just returned from three trips to Iraq, the latest with Vice President Biden	Colin Kahl
2/10	NATL POL	An 'Intelligence Squared' debate features three panelists FOR and three panelists AGAINST the proposition: California is the first failed state.	Andreas Kluth, Sharon Waxman, Joseph "Gray" Davis, Van Jones, Lawrence O'Donnell, Bobby Shriver
2/11	STATE POL	Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty delivers his final State of the State address, speaking to a joint meeting of the Minnesota House and Senate about the challenges facing Minnesota.	Tim Pawlenty
2/11	STATE POL	Past legislative leaders and political analysts react to Gov. Tim Pawlenty's speech, his final State of the State address as the governor of Minnesota.	Jim Ulland, Bob Vanasek
2/12	STATE POL	School superintendent and former Republican Minn. House Speaker David Jennings shares his ideas on the education reform proposals being considered at the capitol.	David Jennings

2/12	SOCIAL ISSUES	For soldiers deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan, the prospect of returning home is a hopeful one. Yet, upon returning, many veterans face challenges of reintegrating into day-to-day life. Veterans, their families and supporters gathered in MPR's UBS Forum to share stories and advice about returning home.	
2/15	HISTORY	Foremost Reagan biographer Lou Cannon and award-winning White House reporter Carl Cannon join Middy for a Presidents Day program about Ronald Reagan, who was elected to the White House 30 years ago.	Lou Cannon, Carl Cannon
2/15	STATE POL	MPR political editor Mike Mulcahy and Capitol reporter Tom Scheck explain the details of Gov. Tim Pawlenty's supplemental budget proposal which he released this morning.	Mike Mulcahy, Tom Scheck
2/16	STATE POL	Legislators in charge of health and human services budget decisions discuss Gov. Pawlenty's budget-cutting proposals announced Monday.	Matt Dean, Thomas Huntley
2/16	HISTORY	Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Garry Wills speaks at the Commonwealth Club of California about his new book, "Bomb Power: The Modern Presidency and the National Security State." Wills argues that the invention of the atomic bomb significantly changed power dynamics in Washington.	Garry Wills
2/17	HEALTH SCI	Parts of Minnesota have seen more than three feet of snow this winter. University of Minnesota Climatologist and Meteorologist Mark Seeley joins Middy to talk about the winter and other Minnesota weather topics.	Mark Seeley
2/17	HEALTH SCI	University of Minnesota Climatologist and Meteorologist Mark Seeley joins Middy for a second hour to talk more about winter and other Minnesota weather topics.	Mark Seeley
2/18	SOCIAL ISSUES	Hear three recent examples of in-depth reporting from Minnesota Public Radio News: Laura Yuen's report on Somalis in Minnesota, Jess Mador's report on the returning Red Bulls, and Tom Crann's interview with the wife and friend of Ben Larson, who died in the Haiti earthquake.	N/A
2/18	NATL POL	Newsweek editor Jon Meacham discusses what is happening to political discourse in America, and what he thinks the country needs to do about it. Meacham spoke at the University of St. Thomas as part of the university's annual Public Discourse Lecture Series.	Jon Meacham

2/19	NATL POL	Congressional scholar Norman Ornstein weighs in on the state of affairs in Washington. Does the public support anything the Congress is considering passing? Does the Congress support anything the public wants? Does anyone support the President and what HE wants?	Norman Ornstein
2/19	HISTORY	Rev. Joseph Lowery was on the front lines of the Civil Rights struggle, working closely with Martin Luther King Jr. Lowery helped lead the Montgomery bus boycott and headed up a broader push to fight Jim Crowe segregation. He spoke recently at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library in Boston about his life and work.	Joseph Lowery
2/22	HISTORY	On George Washington's birthday, Pulitzer Prize-winning historian David McCullough speaks about America's first president and Washington's influence on one of the most important years in American history. McCullough is the author of the bestseller, "1776."	David McCullough
2/23	BUS ECON	MPR Chief Economics Correspondent Chris Farrell joins Midday in the studio to answer listener questions about the economy and personal finance. Farrell is out with a new book, "The New Frugality: How to Consume Less, Save More, and Live Better."	Chris Farrell
2/23	BUS ECON	MPR Chief Economics Correspondent Chris Farrell answers more listener questions about the economy and personal finance.	Chris Farrell
2/24	INTL POL	Pulitzer Prize-winning author Thomas Ricks discusses the Iraq war and his book, "The Gamble: General Petraeus and the American Military Adventure in Iraq."	Thomas Ricks
2/24	HISTORY	Award-winning Minnesota history author Dave Kenney discusses the history of the Boy Scouts in central Minnesota and western Wisconsin. Kenney is out with a new book on that subject, "Honor Bright: A Century of Scouting in Northern Star Council."	Dave Kenney
2/25	SOCIAL ISSUES	Reverend Jim Wallis, speaking at the Westminster Town Hall Forum about his new book "Rediscovering Values on Wall Street, Main Street and Your Street: A Moral Compass for the New Economy."	Jim Wallis

2/25	NATL POL	President Obama, Senator Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.)Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nevada)and Rep. John Kline (R-Minn.)discuss health care and health insurance reform with colleagues at a day-long summit today in Washington.	Barack Obama, Lamar Alexander, Harry Reid, John Kline
2/26	NATL POL	A day after President Barack Obama gathered top lawmakers in Washington for a bipartisan summit on health care, former U.S. Sen. Dave Durenberger, Chair of the National Institute of Health Policy, assesses the ideas and accomplishments of the all-day session.	Dave Durenberger
2/26	HEALTH SCI	Dr. Francis Collins, director of the National Institutes of Health, discusses recent leaps in biomedical research and what those leaps mean for American medicine. Collins is the featured guest at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.	Francis Collins
3/1	STATE POL	Three Independence Party candidates for governor join Gary Eichten on Midday to discuss issues facing the state and take questions from listeners.	Rob Hahn, Tom Horner, John Uldrich
3/1	HEALTH SCI	Thomas Goetz, executive editor of Wired magazine, discusses his new book, "The Decision Tree: Taking Control of Your Health in the New Era of Personalized Medicine." Goetz was in MPR's UBS Forum for the series, "Policy and a Pint."	Thomas Goetz
3/2	STATE POL	The state's budget deficit has narrowed from a projected \$1.2 billion to just under \$1 billion. Former State Finance Commissioner Pam Wheelock and former DFL Sen. Majority Leader Roger Moe join Midday to discuss the new forecast and what it means for the legislative session.	Pam Wheelock, Roger Moe
3/2	EDUCATION	Cory Booker, the mayor of Newark, New Jersey, speaks at the Westminster Town Hall Forum in Minneapolis about efforts in his city to bridge the achievement gap and help at-risk youth.	Cory Booker
3/3	STATE POL	The state's budget deficit has narrowed to \$994 million, but fixing it won't be easy. DFL House Speaker Margaret Anderson Kelliher and DFL Senate Majority Leader Larry Pogemiller join Midday in the studio to discuss what to do about the deficit and other issues at the Capitol.	Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Larry Pogemiller

3/3	BUS ECON	Nobel Prize-winning economist Joseph Stiglitz looks at what we've learned from the economic downturn and how to prevent another crisis. Stiglitz spoke at the Commonwealth Club of California	Joseph Stiglitz
3/4	BUS ECON	Veteran auto-industry journalist Paul Eisenstein joins Midday to discuss the latest news on Toyota and other developments in the auto industry. The Twin Cities Auto Show starts on Saturday	Paul Eisenstein
3/4	CULTURE/ARTS	One of Minnesota's best-known children's authors, Kate DiCamillo, is one of six nominees for the Most Engaging Author in the American Booksellers Association's 2010 Indies Choice Book Awards. She spoke with MPR's Cathy Wurzer about her writing last fall at the Fitzgerald Theater.	Kate DiCamillo
3/5	BUS ECON	Minnesota budget officials released a new forecast this week, narrowing the state's deficit to \$994 million. Meanwhile, The Labor Department reports the percentage of Americans without a job last month was 9.7 percent, identical to the January figure. Economist Louis Johnston joins Midday to answer listener questions about the state economy.	Louis Johnston
3/5	NATL POL	Former Massachusetts governor and 2008 presidential candidate Mitt Romney is out with a new book, "No Apology: The Case for American Greatness." He speaks at the National Press Club in Washington D.C.	Mitt Romney
3/8	INTL POL	Dozens of people were killed in Baghdad Sunday as Iraqis went to the polls in an election that will help shape the future of the country. Columbia University International Affairs Professor Austin Long joins Midday to analyze Sunday's election, and what it means for security in the region.	Austin Long
3/8	CULTURE/ARTS	"The Hurt Locker" won best picture and five other prizes Sunday at the Academy Awards. The awards include best director honors for Kathryn Bigelow. Minnesota Public Radio's Movie Maven Stephanie Curtis joins Midday in studio to talk about Oscar winners and losers.	Stephanie Curtis
3/9	STATE POL	DFL Sen. Tom Bakk, chair of the Senate Tax Committee, and Republican Sen. Julianne Ortman, ranking minority member of that committee, join Midday to discuss state taxes -- and whether the sales tax should be expanded to include a tax on clothing.	Tom Bakk, Julianne Ortman

3/9	NATL POL	U.S. Trade Representative Ron Kirk discusses the Obama Administration's trade agenda. Kirk is the featured guest at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C.	Ron Kirk
3/10	NATL POL	President Obama is in St. Louis drumming up support for his health reform bill and says he wants a Congressional vote within a week. Will health care pass, or die on the vine?	Steven Smith
3/10	HISTORY	Elizabeth Strohfus is among about 1000 women who will receive a Congressional Gold Medal today for their service during World War II. As Women Airforce Service Pilots, or WASPs, these women tested and transported planes in the U.S. so that male pilots could go overseas for combat. They were the first women to fly military planes, and their work was extremely dangerous.	Elizabeth Strohfus
3/10	CULTURE/ARTS	Sabrina Zimering is a Polish Jew who survived the Holocaust and now lives in Minnesota. She and her sister made it through the war by pretending to be Catholics, while at the same time working in a hotel full of German soldiers. A play based on her story is currently on stage at the History Theatre in St. Paul.	Sabrina Zimering
3/11	EDUCATION	Minnesota's top education official, Alice Seagren, joins Midday to answer listener questions about school funding, education policy issues, testing, teacher quality and more.	Alice Seagren
3/11	INTL POL	An 'Intelligence Squared' debate features three panelists FOR and three panelists AGAINST the proposition: The U.S. should step back from its special relationship with Israel.	Roger Cohen, Itamar Rabinovich, Rashid Khalidi, Stuart Eizenstat
3/12	SOCIAL ISSUES	State Demographer Tom Gillaspay discusses the history and current practices of the Census and the demographic trends in Minnesota.	Tom Gillaspay
3/12	HEALTH SCI	Veterinarian Kate An Hunter stops by the MPR studios with her dog, Ansel, to answer questions about animal care and training.	Kate An Hunter
3/15	ENVIRONMENT	The author of "Water Follies" and "Unquenchable: America's Water Crisis and What to Do About It" joins MIDDAY to explore the issues.	Robert Glennon
3/15	NATL POL	Former House Majority Leader Dick Armey, a strong force behind the tea party movement, will speak about the future of the Republican Party.	Dick Armey

3/16	BUS ECON	The former head of the GAO joins MIDDAY to talk about his new book, "Comeback America: Turning the Country Around and Restoring Fiscal Responsibility."	David M. Walker, Tim Penny
3/16	SOCIAL ISSUES	Joel Kotkin, an expert on economic and social trends, is out with a new book about how the U.S. will evolve over the next four decades. It's titled, "The Next Hundred Million: America in 2050." Kotkin spoke at the Los Angeles Central Library as part of the library's "Aloud" series.	Joel Kotkin
3/17	EDUCATION	The head of Minnesota's statewide teachers union Education Minnesota answers questions about teacher quality, training and tenure.	Tom Doohar
3/17	NATL POL	Veteran political journalists John Heilemann and Mark Halperin are out with a sweeping account of the 2008 campaign. It's called, "Game Change: Obama and the Clintons, McCain and Palin, and the Race of a Lifetime." The two journalists talked about their book at the Commonwealth Club of California.	John Heilemann, Mark Halperin
3/18	STATE POL	The chairs of the House Tax Committee and Senate Finance Committee join MIDDAY to answer questions about their plans to address the billion dollar state budget deficit.	Ann Lenczewski, Richard Cohen
3/18	BUS ECON	Paul Light, professor of Public Service at New York University and one of the nation's leading experts on government, considers whether social entrepreneurship can significantly change the world. He spoke in St. Paul at Macalester College's annual Mitau Lecture.	Paul Light
3/19	HEALTH SCI	MPR Chief Meteorologist joins MIDDAY to celebrate the first day of spring Saturday, warmer weather and rising waters	Paul Huttner
3/19	INTL POL	On the 7th anniversary of the Iraq war, MIDDAY features excerpts from two America Abroad documentaries -- one about Iraq, and the other about Yemen.	
3/22	NATL POL	Two national experts explain all the details and broader policies of the health insurance reform bill passed Sunday. President Obama is expected to sign it Tuesday.	David Durenberger, Susan Bartlett Foote
3/22	SOCIAL ISSUES	Journalist Steve Roberts speaks at the City Club of Cleveland about his new book, "From Every End of This Earth: 13 Families and the New Lives They Made in America."	Steve Roberts

3/23	HEALTH SCI	University of Minnesota family practice physician Dr. Jon Hallberg joins Midday in the studio to talk about medical issues in the news.	Jon Hallberg
3/23	NATL POL	President Barack Obama has signed into law a bill that dramatically changes the nation's entire health care system. The bill, passed by the U.S. House in a dramatic, party-line vote Sunday night, was a hard-fought victory for President Obama and could help shape his legacy.	
3/24	STATE POL	MPR political analysts size up the race for delegates supporting candidates for Governor and Congress. Six Gubernatorial candidates are sitting legislators, working for and against the current Governor they want to replace.	Todd Rapp, Maureen Shaver
3/24	EDUCATION	An 'Intelligence Squared' debate features three panelists FOR and three panelists AGAINST the proposition: Don't blame teachers unions for our failing schools.	Rod Paige, Randi Weingarten, Terry Moe, Larry Sand, Kate McLaughlin, Gary Smuts
3/25	NATL POL	The Attorneys General in 13 states have already sued on the basis that it is unconstitutional to require Americans to buy health insurance, and some say the law violates states' rights. South Dakota's Attorney General and Minnesota's former Attorney General discuss the constitutional issues involved.	Marty Jackley, Mike Hatch
3/25	INTL POL	David Lampton, a professor at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies and the founding director of China studies at The Nixon Center in Washington, D.C., speaks live at the Westminster Town Hall Forum in Minneapolis.	David Lampton
3/26	STATE POL	DFL delegates in the 6th Congressional district meet Saturday to endorse a candidate to run against Republican incumbent Michele Bachmann. The two DFLers in the race are Maureen Reed and state Sen. Tarryl Clark.	Tarryl Clark, Maureen Reed
3/26	HEALTH SCI	In a series of reports, MPR news explores how changing our food culture could help cure obesity.	
3/29	INTL POL	On Sunday, Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu played down tensions with the US and a top Obama administration official said Israel is a valued friend and great ally. What is the future of US-Israel relations?	Michael Barnett



3/29	INTL POL	At least 37 people have been killed after two female suicide bombers blew themselves up in the Moscow subway during morning rush hour. Officials are blaming the carnage on rebels from the region that includes Chechnya. The BBC's "World Have Your Say" goes live to Moscow for the latest news, and considers what the subway bombings mean for Russia.	
3/30	STATE POL	The Speaker of the House and the Senate Majority Leader join Midday at the start of the Passover-Easter break in the legislative session to answer questions about what's been accomplished so far, and priorities for the rest of the 2010 session.	Margaret Anderson Kelliher, Larry Pogemiller
3/30	INTL POL	Deborah Amos, who covers Iraq for National Public Radio, is out with a new book that examines the effect the Iraq War has had on the four million Sunnis displaced by the downfall of Saddam Hussein's regime. Amos discussed her book, "Eclipse of the Sunnis," at the University of St. Thomas as part of MPR's Broadcast Journalist Series.	Deborah Amos
3/31	EDUCATION	Two other states received \$100-500 million in federal "Race to the Top" money for their schools, and Minnesota's application didn't even make the final cut. Can Minnesota be a leader in education?	Joe Nathan
3/31	NATL POL	President Barack Obama says he's expanding offshore oil drilling along the Atlantic coast, arguing that America must break its dependency on foreign oil and rely more on "homegrown fuels and clean energy." The move reverses long-standing government policy.	Barack Obama
3/31	NATL POL	U.S. Sen. Byron Dorgan, a democrat from North Dakota, shocked many political observers in January when he announced that he won't seek another term on the ballot. After nearly 30 years in Congress, Dorgan discusses life in the Senate and the biggest issues facing Congress today.	Byron Dorgan

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