

FCC ASCERTAINMENT REPORT – April through June, 2004

INTERNATIONAL:

Michael Hudson, professor of Arab studies and international relations at Georgetown University and Gary Eichten discuss the current violence in Iraq, and how prepared Iraqis will be to take control of the country on June 30. (MIDDAY 04/07/04) A special program from American RadioWorks. In April 1994, the central African nation of Rwanda exploded in violence. Over the next 100 days, 800,000 people died at the hands of Rwandan government troops and militia gangs. Virtually all of the victims belonged to the Tutsi minority. The killers were from the majority Hutu. (MIDDAY 04/07/04) Rep. John Kline, R-Minn., and a former Marine Colonel who has visited Iraq discusses what should the U.S.-led coalition do to end the violence? (MIDDAY 04/08/04) Host Gary Eichten and his guest discuss the situation in Iraq, how the United States can best deal with attacks upon U.S. troops, and what will happen on June 30 when control of Iraq is to be handed over to an interim Iraqi government. (MIDDAY 04/16/04) Making a rare appearance before the American public, King Abdullah II will give a keynote address at the Commonwealth Club of California. Only 42 years old, King Abdullah II has continued his late father's commitment to a moderating role for Jordan within the Arab region, spearheading efforts to defuse the violence in Israel and Palestine and emphasizing to Washington the importance of finding a route to Middle East peace. (MIDDAY 04/19/04) Host Gary Eichten and his guest University of Minnesota Humphrey Institute Dean Brian Atwood. He is the former head of the U.S. Agency for International Development discuss how the U.S. will lead the rebuilding of Iraq, and how long that might take. (MIDDAY 04/20/04) Minnesota U.S. Sen. Mark Dayton joins host Gary Eichten from Washington to talk about the war in Iraq and the recent hearings in the Senate Armed Services Committee (MIDDAY 4/28/04) Former U.N. Weapons Inspector David Kay, speaking in Minneapolis Tuesday to the closing session of the American Association of Community Colleges, in town for its annual convention. (MIDDAY4/28/04) A discussion about President Bush's interview on Arab TV, followed by analysis. Also a Marketplace series on corruption in the Iraq rebuilding process, called "The Spoils of War," with **guest** Professor Ragui Assaad of the Humphrey Institute (MIDDAY 5/05/04) An expert on military ethics, Scott Silliman, who is executive director of the Duke University Law School's Center on Law, Ethics and National Security and a retired Air Force colonel, with 25 years of service provides some insight into the question of what constitutes fair treatment of prisoners, and appropriate interrogation methods. (MIDDAY 5/06/04) U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld testifies before the Senate Armed Services Committee. The committee is investigating reports of the abuse of Iraqi prisoners at the hands of members of the U.S. military. Joined in progress. (MIDDAY 5/07/04) **Alleged torture in Iraq discussed with guest** Barbara Frey, director of the Human Rights Program at the University of Minnesota. (MIDDAY 5/10/04) Continued live coverage of the Senate Armed Services Hearing on Iraq prisoner mistreatment. The committee will hear testimony from Lieutenant General Lance F. Smith, USAF-Deputy Commander, U.S. Central Command; Honorable Stephen A. Cambone, Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence; Army Major General Antonio M. Taguba, author of the report on the abuses at Abu Ghraib. (MIDDAY 5/11/04) Knight Ridder's Senior Military Correspondent Joseph Galloway joins host Gary Eichten to talk about the war in Iraq, the prison abuse scandal, military chain of command, and more. He'll also take questions from MPR listeners. (MIDDAY 5/13/04) Iraq today is a country on the brink of both chaos and sovereignty. A documentary from WBUR's Inside Out series documents the daily life in Iraq and its people, as they wait to see whether sovereignty will help bring an end to the chaos. (MIDDAY 5/18/04) Continuing coverage of the Senate Armed Services Committee hearings on the Iraq prison scandal. The committee will hear from top generals in Iraq (MIDDAY 5/19/04) Brian Atwood, dean of the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute and former head of U.S. AID, joins host Gary Eichten to discuss the Iraq plan presented by President Bush Monday night. (MIDDAY 5/25/04) The new government in Iraq and the transition coming at the end of the month. Host Gary Eichten talks with political scientist Rick Stoll, associate dean of the School of Social Sciences at Rice University in

Houston, Texas. (MIDDAY 6/01/04) Joseph Kechichian, author of "The National Security of Saudi Arabia" and "Succession in Saudi Arabia." and former political scientist at the Rand Corporation discuss **Saudi Arabian stability and national security (MIDDAY6/8/04)** A speech from former U.S. Ambassador Joseph Wilson, who's out with a new book, "The Politics of Truth." Wilson says the Bush administration exaggerated the case for invading Iraq, and charges that administration officials outed his wife as an undercover CIA agent to punish him for his claims. He spoke recently at the Commonwealth Club of California. (MIDDAY 6/8/04) Public Radio International's America Abroad series, Garrick Utley reports on failures of American intelligence from World War II to the present day. (MIDDAY 6/24/04) The United States has handed power over to the interim Iraqi government two days ahead of schedule. Brian Atwood, dean of the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute and the former administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development discusses the prospects for Iraq's future. (MIDDAY 6/28/04) **Guests** Abbas Mehdi is a professor of sociology at St. Cloud State University. He talks about his recent visit to Iraq and what he sees in the country's future. (MIDDAY 6/30/04)

NATIONAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT:

Host Gary Eichten and his guest, Steven Smith, director of the Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government and Public Policy at Washington University in St. Louis discuss presidential politics and the role of Minnesota as possible swing state. (MIDDAY 04/06/02) Agriculture Secretary Ann Veneman speaking at the National Press Club. With the Department of Agriculture facing pressing challenges from mad cow disease to foreign trade, Veneman will talk on "Current Issues in Food and Agriculture Policy." (MIDDAY 04/06/04) **Live coverage of the 9/11 hearings** and current and former top-level officials from our nation's law enforcement and intelligence including Janet Reno, former Attorney General **with commentary by** Former MN Senator David Durenberger, who chaired the Senate intelligence committee in the mid 1980's (MIDDAY 04/13/04) From Washington D.C., The National Commission on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States is expected to hear testimony from current and former federal officials about what the government knew and didn't know before the terrorist attacks of 9/11. (MIDDAY 04/14/04) Host Gary Eichten and his guests U.S. Attorney Tom Heffelfinger; attorney David Lillehaug; former FBI Special Agent in Charge Nick O'Hara discuss the testimony heard during the 9/11 hearings in Washington, D.C. (MIDDAY 04/14/04) On Tax Day, guest-host Mike Edgerly talks with Minnesota Revenue Commissioner Dan Salomone about filing taxes. Salomone also takes questions and comments from MPR listeners. (MIDDAY 04/15/04) Gary Eichten and his guest University of Minnesota professor Lawrence Jacobs, director of the 2004 Elections Project at the Humphrey Institute's Center for the Study of Politics talk about presidential politics and Minnesota's role in the 2004 election. (MIDDAY 4/22/04) NPR's National political correspondent, Mara Liasson, speaking Thursday at the Minnesota Women Lawyers' Midwest Regional Conference in Minneapolis. She spoke about the political landscape of the 2004 campaigns, the major issues affecting the election, and her experiences covering three presidential elections-- 1992, 1996, and 2000. (MIDDAY 4/23/04) The University of St. Thomas hosted a "Face-off" debate last Thursday about the war in Iraq and the presidential campaign with conservative and Richard Lowry, editor of the National Review and liberal political writer David Corn, Washington editor of The Nation debating those issues. (MIDDAY 4/26/04) A live broadcast from the National Press Club in Washington, DC featuring Congressman Elijah Cummings, D-MD, chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus. (MIDDAY 4/27/04). MPR political analysts Tom Horner and Bob Meek discuss the question: What difference might the Gopher state make in this year's presidential campaign? (MIDDAY 5/03/04) Political analyst Eleanor Clift, author of "Founding Sisters and the Nineteenth Amendment," speaking Tuesday at the Minnesota Women's Campaign Fund luncheon in Minneapolis on the topic: **(MIDDAY 5/13/04)** Minnesota Republican Senator Norm Coleman is in the MPR studios to talk with host Gary Eichten about the Iraqi prisoner abuse scandal, U.S. efforts in Iraq, and other national and regional news events. Also, Senate Majority Leader Dean Johnson, DFL-Willmar, and House Speaker Steve Sviggum, R-Kenyon, talk with Gary near the end of the hour about the end of the recent Legislative session. (MIDDAY 5/17/04) Minnesota Democratic Senator Mark Dayton's fiery speech to the DFL convention delegates about President Bush and Senator Coleman, and analysis by Lawrence Jacobs, director of the 2004 Elections Project at the University of Minnesota Humphrey Institute's Center for the Study

of Politics. (MIDDAY 5/24/04) Highlights from the Memorial Day commemorations in Minnesota and Washington DC. Speakers include Tom Brokaw, Tom Hanks, former Senator Robert Dole, President George Bush, General Richard Myers, Senator Mark Dayton and Congressman Jim Ramstad. (MIDDAY 5/31/04) A program on **Campaign finance reform** at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute, featuring Minnesota native Norm Ornstein, a visiting scholar at the Center for the Study of Politics, and Kenneth Goldstein, an associate professor of political science at the University of Wisconsin, Madison (MIDDAY 6/02/04) Host Gary Eichten and his guest, Gustavus Adolphus political science professor Chris Gilbert discuss this year's presidential election. With headlines dominated by violence in Iraq and rising gasoline prices, Democrats are encouraged by polls that show that most Americans believe the nation is on the "wrong track" and President Bush's approval ratings are below 50 percent, the lowest of his term. (MIDDAY 6/03/04) "Breaking the two-party system" is the title of an address by Independent presidential candidate Ralph Nader at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. (MIDDAY 6/03/04) LIVE coverage of Democratic presidential candidate John Kerry's visit to Minnesota with analysis by political scientist Steven Smith of Washington University in St. Louis. (MIDDAY 6/04/04) Gary's guests Former Vice President Walter Mondale, former Republican U.S. Senators David Durenberger and Rudy Boschwitz, the President of the Center of the American Experiment, Mitch Pearlstein, MPR senior economics correspondent Chris Farrell, and Melor Sturua of the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute take a look at the lasting effects Reagan has had on America's economy, foreign policy and domestic political landscape. (MIDDAY 6/7/04) Speeches by Ronald Reagan biographer Dinesh D'Souza and speechwriter Peter Robinson, who wrote Reagan's famous Berlin Wall speech as well as a book titled "How Ronald Reagan Changed My Life." He spoke earlier this year at the Commonwealth Club of California. D'Souza, a senior domestic policy analyst in the Reagan administration, is the author of "Ronald Reagan: How an Ordinary Man Became an Extraordinary Leader." He spoke at the Center of the American Experiment in 1998. (MIDDAY 6/7/04) National Public Radio's live coverage of President Ronald Reagan's funeral service from the National Cathedral in Washington. (MIDDAY 6/11/04) The Sept. 11 commission has reported "no credible evidence" that al-Qaida and Iraq have cooperated in attacks against United States and that there was widespread confusion in the immediate military and civilian response to the attacks of September 11, 2001. In its final day of hearings, the commission looking into the attacks of hears testimony from the military and civilian leaders who responded to the attacks. In its report, the panel describes the agencies struggling to "improvise a homeland defense against an unprecedented challenge they had never encountered and had never trained to meet.". MPR's Midday was pre-empted for coverage of the final commission hearing (MIDDAY 6/16/04 & 6/17/04) With the Green Party meeting in Milwaukee for its national convention, it's time to talk politics with guests Political analysts Tom Horner, Cam Gordon and Bob Meek. Gordon is a Green, Horner is a Republican and Meek is a Democrat. (MIDDAY 6/24/04)

STATE POLITICS/GOVERNMENT:

Host Gary Eichten talks with Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty about national and local current events. Pawlenty also takes questions and comments from MPR listeners. (MIDDAY 04/09/04) A look ahead to the end of the Minnesota Legislative session, and at the issues that need to be resolved before then with guests House Speaker Steve Sviggum, R-Kenyon; Senate Assistant Majority Leader, Ann Rest, DFL-New Hope (MIDDAY 04/12/04) What will the future of metro transit look like? **Guests** Curt Johnson, senior writer for The CitiStates Group and chair of the Metropolitan Council during the last Metro Transit strike in 1995; Peter Bell, chair of the Metropolitan Council discuss the question. (MIDDAY 04/19/04) Host Gary Eichten and his guests, Former DFL Senate president Allan Spear; former Republican Senator and Lt. Governor Joanne Benson, discuss the role of the State Senate in confirming gubernatorial appointments. (MIDDAY 04/21/04) Host Gary Eichten talks with Rich Stanek, former public safety commissioner. Stanek resigned last week under pressure from Gov. Pawlenty after a 12-year-old deposition surfaced in which Stanek acknowledged using racial slurs. (MIDDAY 4/23/04) Steve Kelley, DFL-Hopkins, Senate education committee chair; Sen. Gen Olson, R-Minnestrata, Senate education committee ranking minority member and Gary preview the hearing for Education Commissioner Cheri Pierson Yecke and hear comments and questions from MPR listeners **(MIDDAY 4/27/04)** Minneapolis Mayor R.T. Rybak is in the MPR

studios to talk about key issues facing the city, and answer listener questions. He gives his State of the City address Thursday afternoon. (MIDDAY 4/29/04) Republican House Speaker Steve Sviggum and DFL Senate Majority Leader Dean Johnson talk about the key issues remaining in the session: the bonding bill, constitutional amendments, taxes, the confirmation of commissioners, the ban on same-sex marriage, and more. (MIDDAY 5/03/04) Dave Thune, St. Paul City Council member and author of the smoking ban proposal discusses the issue of **should St. Paul go smoke-free?** (MIDDAY 5/06/04) DFL Senate Majority Leader Dean Johnson and Republican House Speaker Steve Sviggum join host Gary Eichten to talk about agreements reached and not reached in the final week of the session. (MIDDAY 5/11/04) Minnesota Gov. Tim Pawlenty joins host Gary Eichten in the MPR studios to discuss the end of the legislative session, as well as other state and national news issues. He also takes questions from MPR listeners. (MIDDAY 5/12/04) MIDDAY broadcasts live from the Capitol rotunda on one of the last regular days of business for the state legislators. By law the state Legislature must adjourn by Monday with key Minnesota lawmakers stopping by the MPR broadcast table to talk with host Gary Eichten and MPR's political editor Mike Mulcahy. (MIDDAY 5/14/04) **Assessing the legislative session.** What happens now? Answers from Dan McElroy, chief of staff for Gov. Pawlenty (MIDDAY 5/18/04) MPR political analysts Bob Meek and Tom Horner will be in the MPR studios to talk about the presidential campaign and Minnesota politics on the eve of the DFL State Convention. (MIDDAY 5/21/04) Attorney General Mike Hatch will be in the MPR studios to talk about his lawsuit regarding sex offenders housed at a Minneapolis nursing home. (MIDDAY 5/27/04) Former Governor Elmer Andersen's remarks Wednesday night at the Barnes and Noble Galleria Bookstore. He celebrates his 95th birthday next month and is out with a new book *I Trust to be Believed*. (MIDDAY 5/28/04) Senate Majority Leader Dean Johnson, DFL-Willmar, and Speaker of the House Steve Sviggum, R-Kenyon talk of the possibility of a special session of the Legislature (MIDDAY 6/9/04) Peter Bell, chair of the Metropolitan Council, answers listener questions about light rail. We also talk to light rail opponent Rep. Phil Krinkie, and Lea Schuster, Executive Director of Transit for Liveable Communities. (MIDDAY 6/25/04) Gov. Tim Pawlenty is just back from a trade mission to Eastern Europe. He is still negotiating with Republican and DFL legislators over the possibility of a special session. On Monday he sent a letter to Sen. Dean Johnson, DFL-Willmar, proposing an agenda focusing on state bonding, taxes, aid to local governments and public safety. (MIDDAY 6/30/04)

EDUCATION:

The University of Minnesota president, Robert Bruininks, will be in the MPR studios to discuss a new Gophers stadium, tuition issues, and other university news. He'll also take questions from MPR listeners. (MIDDAY 4/01/04) A special Justice Talking program about the 50 years since the Supreme Court *Brown v. Board of Education* ruling. While many hail the profound importance of the desegregation ruling, others openly question if the reality lives up to the promise. (MIDDAY 4/30/04) **The 2004 Minnesota Teacher of the Year**, Tom Keating, who teaches at Turning Point Alternative School in the Monticello school district (MIDDAY 5/04/04) The chairs of the House and Senate Education Committees, Sen. Steve Kelley (DFL-Hopkins). Rep. Barb Sykora (R-Excelsior), will be in the MPR studios to talk about legislative action on standards and testing, and about the upcoming appointment of a new education commissioner. (MIDDAY 5/20/04) **Outgoing Minneapolis Interim Superintendent David** reflects on his time at the helm of Minneapolis Public Schools and its future challenges. (MIDDAY 6/29/04)

HEALTH/SCIENCE:

Gail Sheehy and Pauline Boss speak as part of the University of Minnesota's Great Conversations series. They have both written about the victims of 9/11. Gail Sheehy is author of *Middletown, America* and Pauline Boss is author of *Ambiguous Loss: Learning to Live with Unresolved Grief*. (MIDDAY 5/21/04) University of Minnesota meteorologist and climatologist Mark Seeley answers questions about Minnesota's summer weather! (MIDDAY 6/02/04) **Lost in Space: What is the future for NASA?** The central question: Is it worth the cost? NPR's Justice Talking series takes up that question in this program on the future of space travel. (MIDDAY 6/29/04)

BUSINESS/ECONOMICS:

A Voices of Minnesota broadcast with two businessmen. Edgar Hetteen is one of the inventors of the snowmobile, and at 83 he's still developing new products for his northern Minnesota company. Banker Jim Campbell is the retired chief executive officer of Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota and now co-chair of a major Twin Cities study group made up of other CEO's (MIDDAY 04/05/04) A discussion about corporate responsibility between Ralph Nader, consumer advocate and presidential candidate, and University of Minnesota business ethics professor, Ian Maitland, who has examined the recent state of corporate accounting scandals. (MIDDAY 04/21/04) Gary's guest Art Rolnick, senior vice president and director of research at the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis discusses **The government's role in stimulating the economy.** (MIDDAY 4/26/04) Chris Farrell, MPR economics editor and author of "Deflation: What Happens When Price Fall." (MIDDAY 5/04/04) A Twin Cities speech by MPR's chief economics correspondent Chris Farrell. He is out with a new book *Deflation: What Happens When Prices Fall*. (MIDDAY 5/25/04) Wednesday's Minnesota Meeting featuring former U.S. Labor Secretary Robert Reich. Reich is currently a professor of social and economic policy at Brandeis University. (MIDDAY 5/27/04)

SPORTS:

The Minnesota Twins are aiming for a third straight division title, and they're confident another one can be had. Host Gary Eichten and his guest, Howard Sinker, sports commentator and state news editor for the Minneapolis Star Tribune discuss the outlook for the Minnesota baseball team on the opening day of the season. (MIDDAY 4/05/04) Jay Weiner of the Star Tribune; Aron Kahn of the St. Paul Pioneer Press talk about **What's next for the stadium bill?** (MIDDAY 5/05/04) Chet Meyers, local angler and professor in the Non-traditional Individualized Education Program at Metro State University with **a fishing season preview.** (MIDDAY 5/10/04) **Gary's guest, Minnesota's sports boss,** Glen Taylor rescued the Timberwolves when they were about to relocate to New Orleans. He also owns the WNBA Lynx. Some people want him to buy the Vikings, to keep them from moving. And his name is often mentioned as a potential owner of the Twins. So how does Taylor view the future of Minnesota's sports teams? (MIDDAY6/04/04)

CULTURE/ARTS:

Highlights from Thursday night's show with Minnesota humorist and playwright Kevin Kling. He hosts an April Fool's evening of mixed monologues, music and mayhem. (MIDDAY 04/02/04) Minnesota author Patricia Hampl presents a literary view of the Upper Mississippi. She reads from works by F. Scott Fitzgerald, Sinclair Lewis and even Henry David Thoreau, as well as her own musings on the great river. Music by pianist and Minnesota Public Radio favorite Dan Chouinard underscores the program. (MIDDAY 6/9/04) Mainstreet Radio sets its course for west central Minnesota and the town of New York Mills. Only 1,100 people live in this tiny Finnish farm community, but it manages to sustain a vibrant arts scene. There's a steady parade of visiting artists, regular art workshops and concerts, ongoing exhibitions and a strong youth arts program. (MIDDAY 6/10/04) Barbara Flanagan still writes the column she has had in the Minneapolis Star Tribune since 1965--though it doesn't run daily anymore--and through it she has become the city's unofficial ambassador. Don Stolz has had a similarly impressive career. He founded the Old Log Theater in 1941, and his name has become synonymous with the place. On this special Voices of Minnesota program, Dan Olson and Marianne Combs profile these two Minnesota treasures. (MIDDAY 6/28/04)

SOCIAL ISSUES:

Wayne LaPierre, executive vice president of the National Rifle Association of America, speaking recently at the Commonwealth Club of California. He has written the best-seller "Guns, Crime and Freedom," and "Guns, Freedom and Terrorism," and he co-authored "Shooting Straight: Telling the Truth about Guns in America." (MIDDAY 4/01/04) A special broadcast from National Public Radio's *Justice Talking* series. In May, 2002, President Bush lifted the ban on domestic spying by the FBI. The administration argued such measures enhance law enforcement's efforts to track terrorists and ensure homeland security. Civil libertarians decried the move as unprecedented and unfair. (MIDDAY 04/15/04) A live broadcast of the St. Catherine Forum on Women in Leadership, featuring Nancy Grace, television legal commentator and victims' rights activist. Her speech is titled, "Heroes Who Walk Among Us: Ordinary People Doing Extraordinary Things." (MIDDAY 04/20/04) Nathan Dungan is a national expert on family finances whose book, *Prodigal Sons & Material Girls: How Not to Be Your Child's ATM*, gives parents advice on how to raise financially savvy and responsible children. A live broadcast of his speech at the Westminster Town Hall Forum at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Minneapolis (MIDDAY 4/29/04) MPR's Chris Julin presents a discussion among several gay and straight couples about the meaning of marriage. (MIDDAY 5/20/04) **Gender discrimination in the workplace.** If the "glass ceiling" has shattered, are laws protecting women outdated relics? A debate on this subject from NPR's *Justice Talking* series. (MIDDAY 5/24/04) Mainstreet Radio's Rachel Raebe explores the history of the Great American Think-Off, held annually in New York Mills, Minn. The Think-Off is now in its twelfth year, and its organizers bill it as an opportunity for regular people to engage in serious discourse. This year, the amateur philosophers will address the question of same-sex marriage. (MIDDAY 6/10/04) **The Hospice Experiment** Today three in ten Americans will die in hospice care. In this new American RadioWorks documentary, John Biewen explores the birth of the hospice movement and traces its influence through one woman's final months of life. (MIDDAY 6/14/04) **Methamphetamine Madness** Methamphetamine is one of the most addictive, most abused and most readily available drugs in America. Experts are calling it an epidemic, and Minnesota is anything but sheltered from it. Mainstreet Radio has compiled a series of stories on meth and the effect it is having on the state for the first half of this two-hour special report (MIDDAY 6/15/04) Mainstreet Radio is live from Collegeville for the second hour of this special report. Rachel Reabe hosts a call-in discussion about Minnesota's methamphetamine epidemic with three experts, **Guests:** Deborah Durkin from the Minnesota Department of Health, Paul Stevens from the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension and Roger Hahn, a 21-year old recovering methamphetamine addict from Fergus Falls who has been clean for 14 months (MIDDAY 6/15/04) Dr. James Dobson says that the legalization of gay marriage could have dire consequences for America. He argues that unless legislatures take action--and quickly--they will jeopardize not only the institution of the American family, but of the health insurance industry and social security as well. Dobson, a psychologist and best-selling author whose

latest book is "The New Strong-Willed Child," founded Focus on the Family in 1977. He hosts a daily radio program heard on more than 3,000 stations in North America and in 15 languages on about 3,300 stations in more than 116 other countries. He speaks live from the National Press Club in Washington. (MIDDAY 6/25/04)

RELIGION:

A Commonwealth Club speech by John Esposito, founding director of the Center for Muslim-Christian Understanding at Georgetown University, on Americans' perceptions of Muslims after the terrorist attacks of 9/11. (MIDDAY 04/12/04) A new Speaking of Faith program about the debate over gay marriage, which has been framed in Christian terms in this country. Hear interviews with two Evangelical Christians, Richard Mouw, the President of Fuller Theological Seminary, and Virginia Ramey Mollenkott, a feminist theologian and Professor Emeritus of English at William Paterson University of New Jersey. (MIDDAY 5/12/04)

MEDIA:

National Public Radio ombudsman Jeffrey Dvorkin joins guest-host Mike Edgerly from the NPR studios in Washington to answer listener questions about the replacement of long-time Morning Edition host Bob Edwards. (MIDDAY 4/02/04) The first of two Midday speeches about the past and future of television news. A speech by Av Westin, former ABC and CBS television news executive, now executive director of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences at the City Club of Cleveland. (MIDDAY 04/08/04) Aaron Brown, long-time CNN News anchor, and host of CNN's "News Night with Aaron Brown," speaking recently at the 2004 Midwest Journalism Conference in the Twin Cities **on reporting for CNN. (MIDDAY 04/09/04)** Minnesota Public Radio president Bill Kling is in the MPR studios to talk with host Gary Eichten about the station, the new MPR building, and topics on the minds of MPR listeners. (Midday 5/26/04) National Public Radio special correspondent Bob Edwards is in the MPR studios to talk about his new book, Edward R. Murrow and the Birth of Broadcast Journalism. He also takes questions from MPR listeners. (MIDDAY 5/26/04) As our fiscal-year-end fund drive gets into full swing, Minnesota Public Radio President Bill Kling takes to the air to highlight some of the great things MPR has been doing recently, where it will go in the future and why listeners should support it. He's joined by Morning Edition's Cathy Wurzer and Classical Music Host Tom Crann (MIDDAY 6/18/04) Bob Edwards' book tour made a stop at St. Paul's Macalester College in May as part of Minnesota Public Radio's Broadcast Journalist Series. He reflected on his time at Morning Edition, on his book and on the current state of the medium Edward R. Murrow helped to define. (MIDDAY 6/21/04)

ENVIRONMENT:

A Great Conversations event from the University of Minnesota's College of Continuing Education. On Earth Day, this edition is about the world's ecological future, with U of M ecologist David Tilman and UCLA professor of geography and physiology Jared Diamond. Diamond is the author of the Pulitzer Prize-winning book, *Guns, Germs and Steel: The Fates of Human Societies*. (MIDDAY 4/22/04)

Guests: Journalist Mark Obmascik documented the extreme birdwatchers in their trek across North America in his new book, "The Big Year: A Tale of Man, Nature, and Fowl Obsession." We also hear from Minnesota birder and Non-game Wildlife Specialist at the Department of Natural Resources Carrol Henderson. Henderson has written many books, including "Wild about Birds: The DNR Birdfeeding Guide." (MIDDAY 6/18/04) Tornadoes, lightning, sunburns and mosquito bites: Minnesota's summer weather As the first week of summer begins, we peer into the crystal ball to see what the rest of the season might have in store. Plus: answers to all your summer weather questions **with** Mark Seeley, meteorologist and climatologist from the University of Minnesota (MIDDAY 6/23/04)

HISTORY:

A Voices of Minnesota broadcast with two remarkable women. Sabina Zimering, a Polish Jew, survived the Holocaust during World War II while literally working under the noses of the Gestapo. She wrote a book about her experiences, and now it's a play at the Great American History Theatre in St. Paul. Also, Hyun Sook Han, who survived the Japanese occupation of Korea during World War II and lived through the Korean war as well. She's a retired Children's Home Society social worker, and she'll be honored on April 29th and May 1st for her work. (MIDDAY 04/16/04) Host Gary Eichten talks with retiring University of Minnesota historian Hy Berman about his life and Minnesota history. (MIDDAY 4/30/04) A new American RadioWorks documentary by Stephen Smith and Kate Ellis. In 1967, Thurgood Marshall became the first African American appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court. But Marshall had already earned a place in history - as the leader of an extraordinary legal campaign against racial segregation in America. Marshall's biggest victory was the Supreme Court's landmark 1954 Brown v. Board of Education ruling. (MIDDAY 5/17/04) A new documentary from the Veterans History Project called Lest We Forget. It features personal stories of World War II veterans and civilian workers on the home front. (MIDDAY 5/28/04) Emily Yellin, author of the new book *Our Mothers' War: American Women at Home and at the Front During World War II*. (MIDDAY 5/31/04) Twin Cities speech by author Ron Chernow speaking on **The life and times of Alexander Hamilton** recently at Barnes and Noble in Edina. (MIDDAY 6/01/04) 200 years after they charted the American West, author, of "Leadership Lessons From Lewis And Clarks's Daring Westward Expedition" Jack Uldrich says we can still draw lessons in leadership, business and life in general from Lewis and Clark. (MIDDAY 6/14/04) Senator John McCain is Gray's guest. McCain is out with a new book, "Why Courage Matters: The Way to a Braver Life," a collection of essays about individuals he believes have displayed great courage in their lives. (MIDDAY 6/22/04) Forty years ago Monday, civil rights workers James Cheney, Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner disappeared in Mississippi. They were brutally beaten and shot. Cheney, Goodman and Schwerner were three of about a thousand young Americans, black and white, who came together in Mississippi for a peaceful assault on racism. It came to be known as Freedom Summer, one of the most remarkable chapters in the Civil Rights Movement. In this American RadioWorks documentary, correspondent John Biewen brings us the voices of those who fought for democracy that Freedom Summer. (MIDDAY 6/22/04)

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INTERNATIONAL:

America and Iran: Cooperation or Conflict in the Post-Saddam Gulf focuses on the history between the two countries and what the future might hold (MIDDAY 1/5/04). A documentary from the America Abroad series, called *Afghanistan: A Future for Reconstruction?* (MIDDAY 1/13/04). Stephen Van Evera, professor in the Department of Political Science at MIT discusses the prospects for elections and a constitution in Iraq, and a possible role for the United Nations. (MIDDAY 1/27/04) David Frum, co-author of the new book, *An End to Evil: How to Win the War on Terror*, in a Commonwealth Club of California speech on the war on terror (MIDDAY 2/09/04) In the documentary, **My name is Iran**, from American RadioWorks, NPR producer Davar Ardalan and co-producer Rasool Nafisi explore the voices for change within Iran, including Nobel Peace Prize winner Shirin Ebadi (MIDDAY 2/11/04) Former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright discusses her thoughts on the situation in Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Middle East. She spoke about the United States in world affairs and her new book, *Madam Secretary: A Memoir*, Thursday at the Commonwealth Club of California (MIDDAY 2/13/04) Former U.S. Ambassador Galbraith on violence in Iraq in a City Club of Cleveland speech. (MIDDAY 2/17/04) Former President Jimmy Carter says Americans aren't doing enough to help people in developing countries. Carter was in Minnesota this weekend to speak at the annual Nobel Peace Prize Forum at St. Olaf College in Northfield. (MIDDAY 2/23/04) Author and Pulitzer Prize-winning correspondent, Judith Miller, on the threat of biological warfare. She is the author of *Germs: Biological Weapons and America's Secret War*. (MIDDAY 2/25/04) Nick Hayes, history professor at St. John's University who just returned Sunday from a week-long trip to Russia talks with Gary about **Russian elections and global politics. (Midday 3/08/04)** Yale Law professor Amy Chua at a recent Westminster Town Hall Forum discusses her book, *World on Fire: How Exporting Free Market Democracy Breeds Ethnic Hatred and Global Instability*. (Midday 3/08/04) Stephen Van Evera, political science professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology talks with Gary about Iraq's U.S.-appointed Governing Council and the signing of an interim constitution which will guide the country until a permanent version is drawn up next year. (Midday 03/10/04) Roger Cressey, a former counter-terrorism official with the National Security Council in the Clinton and Bush administrations speaks on international terrorism and terrorist groups-- in Europe and beyond. (Midday 03/17/04) Foreign policy speeches by likely Democratic presidential nominee John Kerry and Vice President Dick Cheney. Kerry spoke Thursday at George Washington University and Cheney spoke at the Ronald Reagan Library in California. (Midday 03/18/04) On the first anniversary of the the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq a collection of MPR and NPR stories about the start of the war and the developments since runs (Midday 03/19/04) Rick Stoll, associate dean of the School of Social Sciences at Rice University in Houston, Texas with a look back at the year since the U.S.-led invasion of Iraq began. (Midday 03/19/04) This special America Abroad documentary examines America's relationship with Pakistan, a country many believe to be the most important, and least understood, single policy challenge facing the United States after September 11. Is Pakistan a stable U.S. ally? (MIDDAY 3/22/04) Michael Barnett, professor of political science and director of the International Relations Program at the University of Wisconsin speaks on the conflicts between Israel and Palestine, and whether this attack will spur a wave of attacks and suicide bombings in the near future Following the killing of Hamas leader Sheik Ahmed Yassin by Israeli forces. (MIDDAY 3/22/04) Admiral Thomas Collins of the U.S. Coast Guard

speaking at the National Press Club luncheon last week. He talked about how the Coast Guard is working to protect domestic and foreign ports from terrorist attacks. (MIDDAY 3/30/04)

NATIONAL POLITICS/GOVERNMENT:

Knight Ridder's senior military correspondent Joseph Galloway on the American military (MIDDAY 1/2/04). Drake University political scientist Dennis Goldford discusses presidential politics (MIDDAY 1/5/04). A Twin Cities speech by former Colorado Congresswoman Patricia Schroeder on the future of women in politics (MIDDAY 1/6/04). A Twin Cities speech by former Republican political strategist Kevin Phillips on the nature of the "Bush dynasty" and its effects on American politics (MIDDAY 1/9/03). Vin Weber, former Minnesota Republican Congressman and the midwest chairman of President Bush's re-election campaign, co-founder of Empower America, and chairman of the National Endowment for Democracy on Republican politics and policies (MIDDAY 1/12/04). Sen. Norm Coleman, R-Minn. discusses current events (MIDDAY 1/14/04). A panel discussion at the new Center for the Study of Politics featuring Norman Ornstein, resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute, Vin Weber, midwest chair of the Bush re-election campaign, Tim Penny, 2002 Independence Party candidate for governor of Minnesota, and Ted Mondale, Minnesota state coordinator for the Howard Dean campaign on Minnesota's role in the 2004 elections (MIDDAY 1/15/04). Jim McCormick, chair of the Political Science Department at Iowa State University in Ames; Buck Humphrey, spokesman for the John Kerry campaign; Ryan Winkler, Minnesota coordinator of the John Edwards campaign; Ted Mondale, Minnesota coordinator for the Howard Dean campaign; Bill Luther, spokesman for the Richard Gephardt campaign; Vin Weber, Midwest chair for the George W. Bush campaign discuss the Iowa caucuses (MIDDAY 1/19/04). Knight Ridder national political correspondent Steve Thomma; Gustavus Adolphus political science professor Chris Gilbert discuss Democratic presidential candidate Wesley Clark's campaign, and how he'll fare in the New Hampshire primary. After sitting out Iowa, both Joe Lieberman and Clark, a retired general, will get their first taste of primary combat next week in New Hampshire. (MIDDAY 1/20/04) An analysis of President Bush's State of the Union address with Steven Smith, director of the Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government and Public Policy at Washington University in St. Louis. (MIDDAY 1/21/04) Steven Smith, director of the Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government and Public Policy at Washington University in St. Louis; Blease Graham, political science professor at the University of South Carolina; Barbara Norrander, political science professor at the University of Arizona, Tucson; Lloyd Omdahl, political science professor at the University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, and former democratic Lt. Governor take a look ahead to the *next* series of primaries on Tuesday, Feb. 3. (MIDDAY 1/28/04) Vanderbilt University professor John Geer has analyzed presidential campaign ads for many years--he says they are not only effective, but improve the quality of information available to voters. (MIDDAY 1/23/04) A preview of Tuesday's New Hampshire presidential primary with Linda Fowler of the Rockefeller Center at Dartmouth College. (MIDDAY 1/26/04) Marsha Evans, president and CEO of the Red Cross, speaks at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C. She addresses the major policy issues surrounding preparedness after the

terrorist attacks of 9/11. (MIDDAY 1/28/04) Boston Globe columnist David Nyhan speaks on John Kerry's victories in five more states (MIDDAY 2/04/04) Bruce Berkowitz, research fellow at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University discusses the commission that would be handpicked by President Bush for the **Investigation into reasons for Iraq war (MIDDAY 2/04/04)** Lawrence Jacobs, from the Center for the Study of Politics at the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute with a look at the key issues and leading candidates in the presidential campaign (MIDDAY 2/09/04) Sen. Scott Dibble, DFL-Minneapolis, and Sen. Michele Bachmann, R-Stillwater, are Gary Eichten's guests to discuss the gay marriage issue in Minnesota. Bachmann supports a constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage, and Dibble opposes it (MIDDAY 2/12/04) Sen. Mark Dayton, D-Minn and the debate on **Pre-war intelligence (MIDDAY 2/12/04)** William Doyle, presidential historian and author of *Inside the Oval Office: The White House Tapes from FDR to Clinton* explores the characteristics of the men who have served as commander in chief. (MIDDAY 2/16/04) A speech by Peter Robinson, special assistant and speechwriter to President Ronald Reagan, at the Commonwealth Club of California on The presidency of Ronald Reagan (MIDDAY 2/16/04) Host Gary Eichten and his guests discuss why the Vietnam War has become a political issue for the 2004 presidential election. (MIDDAY 2/17/04) Ted Mondale, Minnesota chair of Dean campaign; Buck Humphrey, Minnesota chair of Kerry campaign; Scott Benson, Minnesota co-chair of Edwards campaign; Jennifer Millerwise, deputy press secretary for the Bush campaign; Chris Gilbert, political science professor at Gustavus Adolphus discuss the race for president. (MIDDAY 2/18/04) Democratic presidential candidate Dennis Kucinich talks about his campaign and his race to be commander-in-chief. He'll also take questions from Minnesota Public Radio listeners (MIDDAY 2/20/04) Lisa Disch, political science professor at the University of Minnesota and author of *The Tyranny of the Two Party System*; Cam Gordon, spokesman for the Minnesota Green Party talking about **The Nader factor**. (MIDDAY 2/23/04) Mike Erlandson, Minnesota DFL Party chair; Ron Eibensteiner, Minnesota Republican Party chair; Nick Raleigh, Minnesota Green Party chair; Jim Moore, Minnesota Independence Party chair talk about the Minnesota Caucuses. (MIDDAY 3/02/04) Norman Ornstein, American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research on the beginning of the general campaign (MIDDAY 3/03/04) Mondale and Ferraro discuss the topic **"Are we ready for a woman in the White House?"** during a "Mondale Lectures on Public Service" event. (MIDDAY 03/10/04) Amid the atmosphere of corporate tax scandals and tax evasions by wealthy individuals, IRS Commissioner Mark Everson, at the National Press Club, discusses what he calls troubling signs that a growing proportion of taxpayers think it is okay to cheat on their taxes. (MIDDAY 03/15/04) Investigative journalist and author, Charles Lewis, speaking recently at the City Club of Cleveland on **The buying of America's elected leaders** He is the founder and executive director of the Washington-based Center for Public Integrity, a non-profit, non-partisan watchdog group that tracks the links between monied interests and American elected leaders. (MIDDAY 03/16/04) Minnesota's Democratic senator, Mark Dayton, is in the MPR studios to discuss a wide range of local, national and international issues. He also answers questions from MPR listeners. (MIDDAY 03/17/04) Nick Hayes, professor of history and holder of the University Chair in Critical Thinking at Saint John's University and live coverage of the National 9-11 Commission opens two days of hearings in Washington, D.C. exploring what the government knew about terrorist threats, when it knew it and how it responded. Today, testimony from U.S Secretary of State Colin Powell, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, and terrorism advisor Richard Clarke, among others. (MIDDAY 3/23/04) Retired Army Colonel W. Patrick Lang, former special forces officer and longtime analyst for the Defense Intelligence Agency analysis of the live coverage of the commission investigating the 9/11 terror attacks hears more testimony today from top officials. They include CIA Director George Tenet and the former national security adviser in the Clinton administration, Sandy Berger. Hear live coverage and analysis from National Public Radio and Minnesota Public Radio. (MIDDAY 3/24/04) Continuing coverage of the 9/11 hearings. The current national security adviser, Condoleezza Rice, will not be testifying in public, although her accuser will be. Richard Clarke, the former counterterrorism expert in the Bush and Clinton administrations, will testify at the end of the day with Nick Hayes, professor of history at St. John's University, and Roy Grow, international relations professor at Carleton College (MIDDAY 3/24/04) Tricia Neuman, vice president at the Kaiser Family Foundation, and director of the Medicare Policy Project on **The future of Medicare** following Tuesday's announcement from Treasury Secretary John Snow and the Medicare program's other trustees reported that primary hospital care trust fund will be insolvent by 2019 without changes. That is 11 years sooner than the trustees had projected just two years ago. (MIDDAY

3/25/04) Host Gary Eichten and his guest Suzanna Sherry, law professor at Vanderbilt University, discuss "judicial activism," and how judges decide what is constitutional. How should they decide? (MIDDAY 3/26/04)

STATE POLITICS/GOVERNMENT:

Minneapolis Mayor R.T. Rybak; and William McManus, Rybak's pick for Minneapolis police chief discuss city issues (MIDDAY 1/8/04). Sen. Dean Johnson, DFL-Willmar, new senate majority leader, discusses the upcoming Legislative session (MIDDAY 1/15/04). A report from Mainstreet Radio's Cara Hetland about the end of Bill Janklow's political career. The former South Dakota governor will be sentenced on Thursday for felony manslaughter. We also hear from Bill Richardson, chair of the Department of Political Science at the University of South Dakota. (MIDDAY 1/21/04) Live from the Capitol rotunda, host Gary Eichten and Minnesota Public Radio's Mike Mulcahy talk with key legislative leaders, including DFLer Dean Johnson, the new Senate majority leader, as well as discuss the upcoming year with Gov. Tim Pawlenty and other lawmakers (MIDDAY 2/2/04) Gary Eichten talks with political analysts Tom Horner and Bob Meek about what to expect and public opinion concerning Pawlenty's actions in office in a **Preview of Pawlenty's State of the State address**. (MIDDAY 2/05/04) Minnesota Public Radio's political editor, Mike Mulcahy, joins host Gary Eichten from the Capitol for a live broadcast of Gov. Tim Pawlenty's State of the State address. (MIDDAY 2/05/04) Rep. Jim Rhodes, R-St. Louis Park, and John McCarthy of the Minnesota Indian Gaming Association discuss the range of gambling proposals being considered at the Legislature. (MIDDAY 2/06/04) Rep. Erik Paulson, R-Eden Prairie, house majority leader and sponsor of the "Initiative and Referendum" bill; Sen. Linda Scheid, DFL-Brooklyn Park discuss how this would let Minnesotans add legislation to statewide ballot (MIDDAY 2/11/04) Metropolitan Council chair, Peter Bell on the potential transit strike, other transit issues, and the future of the Metropolitan Council. (MIDDAY 2/19/04) Gov. Tim Pawlenty joins host Gary Eichten in the MPR studios to talk about the Metro Transit drivers strike, major issues before the state Legislature, and current local and national events. (MIDDAY 3/04/04) Ann DeGroot, executive director of OutFront Minnesota; Tom Prichard, president of the Minnesota Family Council debate **a state constitutional ban of gay marriage in Minnesota**. (MIDDAY 3/09/04) **Guests:** House Speaker Steve Sviggum, R-Kenyon; Senate Majority Leader Dean Johnson, DFL-Willmar discuss issues before the Minnesota State Legislature. (MIDDAY 03/15/04) The state House voted Wednesday on a proposal that would let voters decide if the Minnesota constitution should ban same-sex marriage. Hear excerpts of the debate. (MIDDAY 3/25/04) Tom Maertens, former national security council director for nuclear non-proliferation and colleague of Richard Clarke discuss with Gary the 9/11 hearings and his belief that the evidence of weapons of mass destruction was spotty and that it was unnecessary to go to war with Iraq. (MIDDAY 3/26/04)

EDUCATION:

Rep. Alice Seagren, R-Bloomington; Rep. Mindy Greiling, DFL-Roseville discuss Gov. Pawlenty's latest education proposals (MIDDAY 1/9/04). Abigail Thernstrom, author of *No Excuses: Closing the Racial Gap in Learning*. Thernstrom says this is the central civil rights issue of our time. She spoke Thursday at the Center of the American Experiment in the Twin Cities. (MIDDAY 1/23/04) According to a recent independent survey commissioned by the Minnesota Department of Health the Abstinence-Only sex education programs taught in some Minnesota schools aren't effective at getting teens to stop having sex. Both sides of the issue are debated in this program from National Public Radio's *Justice Talking* series. (MIDDAY 1/26/04) Minneapolis Schools interim superintendent David Jennings talks about his ideas to change the system and his ideas for school reform. (MIDDAY 2/10/04) The debate over No Child Left Behind and the sweeping educational reforms passed in 2001 that have sharply divided teachers and policy makers over the direction of our nation's schools.(MIDDAY 2/10/04) A speech by William Ouchi, education researcher, professor of management at UCLA, and author of *Making Schools Work: A Revolutionary Plan to Get Your Children the Education They Need* on changing how schools are funded and structured. (MIDDAY 2/18/40) Lynn Reed, executive director of the Minnesota Taxpayers Association; Mark Haveman, project director of the Center for Public Finance Research discuss a new study about what it costs to provide a basic education in Minnesota. (MIDDAY 2/25/04) Minnesota education commissioner, Cheri Pierson Yecke, is in the MPR studios to discuss the latest on the social studies standards, school funding, and the federal No Child Left Behind law (MIDDAY 3/02/04) A Minnesota Senate Committee will debate the job performance of Education Commissioner Cheri Pierson Yecke this week. The first of two confirmation hearings for the commissioner is scheduled for Thursday afternoon. Yecke will be in the MPR studios to discuss her job and education issues, and to take listener questions.(MIDDAY 3/31/04)

HEALTH/SCIENCE:

Veterinarian KateAn Hunter and her dog Ancel answer questions about animal care and training (MIDDAY 1/2/04). University of Minnesota planetary scientist Robert Pepin on the new Mars rover just landed and the possibility of Mars exploration in the future (MIDDAY 1/6/04). This edition of *Gray Matters* examines the human and social implications of contemporary brain research (MIDDAY 1/8/04). Former Sen. Dave Durenberger, R-Minn. and chair of a commission appointed by the governor to study Minnesota health care policies (MIDDAY 1/13/04). Michael Osterholm, director of the University of Minnesota's Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy on infectious diseases, food-borne illnesses and bioterrorism. (MIDDAY 1/22/04) A look at the difficulty people have getting treatment for mental health problems. Gary Eichten's guests are Sue Abderholden, executive director of the National Alliance for the Mentally Ill, and Kevin Goodno, Minnesota commissioner of human services (Midday 2/13/04) The former director-general of the World Health Organization, Dr. Gro Brundtland, is in Minnesota this weekend for the Nobel Peace Prize Forum at St. Olaf College. Speaking on Working

to end health problems (MIDDAY 2/20/04) Lawmakers want smoking ban The bill's sponsor, Rep. Ron Latz, DFL-St. Louis Park and an opponent, Rep. Tony Sertich, DFL-Chisholm discuss the issues. (MIDDAY 2/24/04) Dave Durenberger, head of the Minnesota Citizens Forum on Health Care Costs talks about how Gov. Pawlenty's health care task force has recommended adding a dollar per pack tax on cigarettes to pay for expanding health insurance coverage in the state and the implications of the tobacco tax as part of a broader plan that would try to both punish and cajole people into leading healthier lives. (MIDDAY 2/24/04) Host Gary Eichten and his guest Mark Seeley, University of Minnesota meteorologist and climatologist, discuss Minnesota weather and take MPR listener phone calls. (MIDDAY 3/05/04) A Great Conversations event at the University of Minnesota about bioethics. Jeffrey Kahn, director of the University of Minnesota's Center for Biomedical Ethics, and Harold Shapiro, professor of economic and public affairs at Princeton University, discuss cloning, health care reform, and genetic engineering. (MIDDAY 3/29/04)

BUSINESS/ECONOMICS:

Economist and New York Times Columnist Paul Krugman, speaking to the Commonwealth Club of California about the future of the U.S. economy (MIDDAY 1/12/04). Former Oklahoma Gov. Frank Keating, who now heads the world's largest life insurance trade group, American Council of Life Insurers, speaks at the National Press Club about the imminent financial danger facing Baby Boomers nearing retirement. (MIDDAY 1/20/04) Robert Heller, Chief Economist for SDR Capital Management in San Francisco and former governor of the Federal Reserve System, with his economic forecast for 2004. (MIDDAY 1/22/04) A special State of the Unions edition of Mainstreet. It's a look at union organizing in the 21st century, from high tech workers to iron range miners with Tom O'Connell, Metro State Political Science professor. (MIDDAY 1/28/04) Unions in the U.S. are working hard to make up ground they lost in the changing realities of the modern work world. At one time, half of American workers were in a union. Now the number is just one in eight. Rachel Reabe hosts a Mainstreet program. (MIDDAY 1/29/04) St. John's University economist Louis Johnston and Minnesota Public Radio's chief economics correspondent Chris Farrell discuss the issues involved in "outsourcing" jobs overseas. (MIDDAY 2/03/04) Robert Reich, professor at Brandeis University, and former secretary of labor under President Bill Clinton discusses the concept of "outsourcing" - which has loomed large in the political debate over lost jobs in America. (MIDDAY 2/26/04) University of St. Thomas marketing professor David Brennan, and Pioneer Press columnist Dave Beal discuss how Target Corporation is considering the possible sale of its struggling Mervyn's and Marshall Field's chains (MIDDAY 03/11/04) Jack Gillis, author of *The Car Book 2004* talks with Gary about the newest models on view at the 31st Annual Greater Minneapolis and St. Paul International Auto Show (MIDDAY 03/12/04) The country's two most prominent leaders of business and labor debating at Boston College on the controversial issue of globalization and the impact of outsourcing on American jobs and the economy. John Sweeney is president of the AFL-CIO, and Thomas Donohue the president and CEO of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. (MIDDAY 3/31/04)

SPORTS:

Sports commentator Howard Sinker makes sports predictions for 2004 (MIDDAY 1/1/04). Aron Kahn, reporter for the St. Paul Pioneer Press; and Jay Weiner, sports writer for the Minneapolis Star Tribune on the latest stadium plans for Minnesota's pro sports teams (MIDDAY 1/7/04). Aron Kahn, reporter for the St. Paul Pioneer Press, and Jay Weiner, sports writer for the Minneapolis Star Tribune review the results of yesterday's deadline for sports stadium proposals (MIDDAY 1/16/04). Dan McElroy, finance commissioner, and head of Gov. Pawlenty's stadium screening committee with an update on the stadium debate. (MIDDAY 1/30/04) Sports analyst Howard Sinker and Pioneer Press baseball reporter Gordon Wittenmyer are Gary's guests talking baseball (MIDDAY 3/03/04) Dan McElroy, Gov. Tim Pawlenty's chief-of-staff, and head of Gov. Pawlenty's Stadium Screening Committee talks with Gary about their recommendation that the state build new ballparks for both the Minnesota Twins and the Vikings. (Midday 03/16/04) Mary Jo Kane, professor of kinesiology and leisure studies at the University of Minnesota, and director of the University's Research Center for Girls and Women in Sport discusses with guest host Mike Edgerly the **Major issues facing women's sports** as University of Minnesota Gopher women's basketball team advanced to the Elite 8 of the NCAA tournament with their weekend win against Boston College Sunday and the Gopher women are the NCAA Frozen Four hockey champions. (MIDDAY 3/29/04)

CULTURE/ARTS:

Minnesota Public Radio's new *State of the Arts* program at a special time (MIDDAY 1/16/04). The Movie Maven, Stephanie Curtis, talks about the Academy Awards 2004 nominees and takes listener questions. (MIDDAY 1/27/04) The Movie Maven, Stephanie Curtis, talks with host Gary Eichten about the Oscar Award winners Sunday night. (MIDDAY 3/01/04) Minnesota author Bill Holm takes the stage at the College of St. Benedict. In books and essays like "Box Elder Bug Variations" and "Playing the Black Piano", Holm has often explored the places where language and music intersect. (Midday 03/11/04) Paul Gruchow, the award-winning Minnesota writer, died Feb. 22 of a presumed drug overdose. He was honored Friday at a memorial reading organized by his publisher, Minneapolis-based Milkweed Editions. (Midday 03/12/04)

SOCIAL ISSUES:

This program from *Justice Talking* explores ineffective counsel and the death penalty (MIDDAY 1/7/04). An Augsburg College speech by Colman McCarthy, director of the Center for Teaching Peace and a syndicated columnist for the Washington Post discusses **Nonviolence in a time of war.** (MIDDAY 2/03/04) An in-depth look at the arguments surrounding the gay marriage debate from the Commonwealth Club of California. (MIDDAY 2/06/04) A Great Conversations event focusing on the loss of life, loss of innocence, and the jarring blow to Americans' sense of security following the terrorist attacks of 9/11. Pauline Boss, University of Minnesota Family Social Science professor and author of *Ambiguous Loss: Learning to Live with Unresolved Grief*, talks with Gail Sheehy, a cultural observer and best-selling journalist, and author of *Middletown, America: One Town's Passage from Trauma To Hope*. (MIDDAY 2/27/04) Anthony D. Romero, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union, speaks about the detentions at Guantanamo Bay and related government actions since 9/11 that he says go beyond the fight against terrorism and threaten the freedom of all Americans (Midday 03/09/04)

RELIGION:

MEDIA:

A live broadcast from the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., featuring Michael Powell, chairman of the Federal Communications Commission (MIDDAY 1/14/04). Columnist, Thomas Friedman, speaking Thursday to the Minnesota Newspaper Association on his experiences working in Minneapolis, Beirut, and Jerusalem. (MIDDAY 1/30/04) As the March membership drive winds down, Minnesota Public Radio President Bill Kling discusses MPR, its history and his vision for the future (MIDDAY 3/04/04) Host Gary Eichten talks with NPR foreign correspondent Anne Garrels about her time reporting in Iraq.(Midday 03/18/04) Katherine Lanpher, host, Air America Radio; Dante Chinni of the Project for Excellence in Journalism at Columbia University discuss the **role of political radio** with guest host Mike Edgerly (MIDDAY 3/30/04)

ENVIRONMENT:

Theodore Roosevelt IV, the great-grandson of President Theodore Roosevelt, speaking recently about environmental issues at the Westminster Town Hall Forum. His speech is titled, "Regaining the Common Ground: The Land Ethic and the Radical Center (MIDDAY 2/19/04) Robert Janssen author and co-author of several books about birds, including *Birds In Minnesota* is the former president of the Minnesota Ornithologists Union and is one of Minnesota's best known birders speaks on the **Voices of Minnesota** (MIDDAY 2/26/04)

HISTORY:

An American RadioWorks documentary, *White House Tapes: The President Calling*, on Oval Office phone tapes made by Presidents Kennedy, Johnson and Nixon (MIDAAY 1/1/04). A Martin Luther King Day special including remarks by Kweisi Mfume of the NAACP, and Vernon Jordan, former head of the National Urban League. (MIDDAY 1/19/04)