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Description: It is hoped that the MS Golf Experience will be an annual event and raise a lot of money for a great cause. Co-chairs are Mat Rossman and Doug Thomas. Mat's wife Terry is the inspiration for the event. She passed away in 2007 at the age of 47 in the final stages of MS. Mat and Terry had been involved with the MS Walks since 1991 and have been responsible for the Rocklin/Roseville MS Walk for the last five years. They say MS is not hereditary, but Doug Thomas' father Leonard and brother Ken both have MS. There are approximately one-third of a million Americans with Multiple Sclerosis, and every week some 200 people are diagnosed with the disease. That is more than one person an hour. Across the world, about 2.5 million people have the disease. Multiple Sclerosis is not always a fatal disease and individuals can be expected to have normal or near normal life expectancy. In fact, the majority of people with Multiple Sclerosis do not become severely disabled. Two-thirds of people with Multiple Sclerosis are able to walk with or without the use of aides and continue to lead productive and satisfying lives. However, although the life span is not significantly affected by Multiple Sclerosis, the unpredictable physical and emotional effects can be lifelong.

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Date: June 7, 2009
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: Easter Seals Superior California primarily provides rehabilitation services for people with disabilities. In addition to programs that include traditional forms of therapy services we have programs that offer support services for clients and their families, education programs for community members, work training programs and equipment loan programs. Easter Seals programs and services are available to people of all different income levels. In some cases, their programs may focus on providing assistance to specific income groups, but programs are always available to any person meeting the client criteria. Easter Seals Superior California serves the counties of Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tuolumne, Yolo and Yuba. Children and adults with disabilities and special needs find the highest-quality services designed to meet their individual needs when they come to Easter Seals. Teams of therapists, teachers and other health professionals help each person overcome obstacles to independence and reach his or her personal goals. Easter Seals also includes families as active members of any therapy program, and offers the support families need.

Issue: **Health Treatment for All**
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Issue: **Adolescent / Teen Males / Sexuality**
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Description: The goal of this program is to empower teens to delay sexual activity through knowledge and skill building. Empowerment and wise choices can help to reduce the number of teens engaging in high-risk behaviors, decrease the incidence of teen pregnancy and decrease sexually transmitted disease among teens. This program is for preteens, teens and parents of teens. Services provided include parent presentations, abstinence-based education in middle schools and sexually transmitted disease and pregnancy prevention education. Topics discussed in the interview include how our society relates to boys, myths that society has regarding males, and a parent's role as a sex educator for their children.

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Issue: **Support for Adult Cancer Patients**
Program: Public File
Date: April 19, 2009
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: The Me-One Foundation is a non-profit corporation created to provide adult cancer patients and their families with an environment where they can be allowed to embrace life without cancer as the first and foremost thought of their every waking moment. The Me-One Foundation will provide families with activities and events to promote courage, hope, laughter, and enjoyment through Camp Challenge. Camp Challenge is a no-cost camp for families afflicted by cancer and in need of a place of joy and relaxation that will focus them on living life, and not fighting disease. By providing this haven of hope, we allow families to be victorious, even if temporarily, over cancer, and keeping life's scoreboard at Cancer-Zero; Me-One.

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HEALTH (Cont'd)

Issue: **Healthier Air**
Program: Public File
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Issue: **Depression**
Program: Public File
Date: May 24, 2009
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: A depressive disorder is an illness that involves the body, mood and thoughts. It affects the way a person eats and sleeps, the way one feels about oneself, and the way one thinks about things. A depressive disorder is not the same as a passing blue mood. It is not a sign of personal weakness or a condition that can be willed or wished away. People with a depressive illness cannot merely "pull themselves together" and get better. Without treatment, symptoms can last for weeks, months or years. Appropriate treatment, however, can help most people who suffer from depression. Everyone experiences ups and downs in their life. But for some people the "downs" can outweigh the "ups". This can cause problems with everyday activities such as eating, sleeping, working, and getting along with friends. If this happens for more than a few weeks, depression may be the reason. Major depression is very common – it affects an estimated 19 million American adults every year. Nearly twice as many women (6.5%) as men (3.3%) suffer from depression each year. The good news is that it is possible to manage the symptoms of depression.

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ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION

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Issue: **Education for People with Learning Differences**
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Date: June 7, 2009
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: The College Internship Program provides individualized, post-secondary academic, internship and independent living experiences for young adults with Asperger's Syndrome and other Learning Differences. With their support and direction, students learn to develop and realize their potential. CIP is a year-around residential program which focuses on social, academic, career and life skills. Besides their in-house curriculum specifically for LD students, academic services include tutorials, counseling an academic liaison, study hall and study groups. For students taking an alternative or adjoined career pathway, they provide career counseling, employment skills class, internship/job liaison, job coaching and internship/job support groups. Also included is social mentoring, social thinking and a social transition group for students transitioning to a college dorm or job. Residentially, students receive life skills support such as one-on-one cooking and cleaning instruction, food shopping and menu planning. 24 hour staffing is available for emergencies. Each student has an advisor which supports them with banking, budgeting, weekly assessments and personal issues. Medication consultation and individual therapy with a licensed psychologist are part of CIP tuition. An average of three recreational weekend activities, yoga, art classes and a spring break trip are fun ways students relax or expend some energy.

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TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE

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Description

Every day, faculty members at schools and universities throughout the world are making discoveries that shape our ways of thinking and redefine our understanding of today's knowledge-driven society. Since 1990, The Best of Our Knowledge has highlighted breakthroughs across disciplines and across the globe, putting you in touch with the men and women at the front of their fields. Each week, co-host Dr. Karen R. Hitchcock examines some of the issues unique to college campuses, looks at the latest research, and invites commentary from experts and administrators from all levels of education.

Glenn Busby, co-host and producer of Best of Our Knowledge, has made a special commitment to report on important developments in educational research. The fact is, at every college and university there is a great deal of research being conducted which could potentially have a dramatic impact on the ways in which we educate our students, from the lower grades right through graduate school. Unfortunately, all too often the results of that research are relegated to a shelf somewhere, or are only seen by the small number of people who actually read the scholarly journals. There is no question that the work is being done – the problem is, once it's done, the people in a position to benefit from it most haven't gotten a chance to hear about it.

PUBLIC FILE
ASCERTAINED COMMUNITY ISSUES

1. **EDUCATION**, including the quality of public education; school busing; white flight; bilingual education; school violence; and the quality of college and adult education.

2. **ECONOMY**, including inflation; economic development; economic opportunity; welfare; unemployment; job training; labor relations; and consumer issues.

3. **GOVERNMENT**, including government spending; the provision of government services; taxes; general political debate by officials and candidates.

4. **HEALTH**, including quality of medical facilities; national health programs; nutrition; physical fitness; mental health; preventative health care; and medical malpractice.

5. **ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION**, including natural disasters; pollution (especially air and water); the water crisis; and the effects of urban sprawl.

6. **MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING**, including discrimination and other problems of racial minorities; women and senior citizens; the handicapped; homosexuals; and religious ethnic groups.

7. **CRIME**, including increasing crime rate; youth and gang crime; police-community relations; gun control; law enforcement; the criminal justice system; and the prison system, reform and rehabilitation.

8. **YOUTH & FAMILY**, including issues regarding marriage; the changing role of the family; parenting; child rearing; and abuse.

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EDUCATION

Issue: **The Promise of Education**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 5, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Now that the Stimulus Package dollars are starting to roll into the economy, attention has turned to President Barack Obama's fiscal year 2010 budget.

While complete details will not be known for a few weeks, Mr. Obama has clearly identified education, energy, and health care as "three areas… absolutely critical to our economic future."

In an address to a joint session of congress, the president promised to increase federal spending on education. And he urged all Americans to pursue "a year or more" of higher education or career training.

These edited excerpts give us a good indication of where the new president wants to take education during his tenure in the oval office.

Issue: **AAAS Speaks Out On Science Education in America**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 5, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: When President Obama speaks, he often talks about the importance of science education. This spotlight on science has renewed the hopes of the science community.

Dr. Alan Leshner, the Chief Executive Officer of AAAS, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, believes the struggling economy is directly linked to a lack of funding for research and development, and science education.

Dr. Leshner hopes Obama administration policies will help make US students more science literate and boost America's science ranking in the world.

Issue: **Science Research and Science Jobs – Part 1 of 2**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 5, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The current recession is impacting more than banks, the housing industry, and your personal finances. State budget cuts, and a natural time lag in new federal spending, is straining research labs and their scientists.

The Environment Report's Adam Allington discovers how the economic crisis is having a long term effect on science innovation and science jobs.

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EDUCATION (Cont'd)

Issue: **Science Research and Science Jobs – Part 2 of 2**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 12, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: To re-purpose and old phrase: "it could be the best of times, and the worst of times" to start a science career in the United States.

Researchers today have access to tools and techniques that have accelerated the pace of discovery to new heights. But as record numbers of Ph.D.'s graduate, many young scientists are finding a job market that's not ready to absorb them.

The Environment Report's Adam Allington traces the supply and demand for young scientists in a faltering economy.

Issue: **Science and Technology Education Emphasis**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 19, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The National Science Foundation funds about 20% of all federally supported basic research done by U.S. colleges and universities. In some fields like math, computer science and social sciences, NSF is the major source of federal backing.

The National Science Foundation annual budget is just over 6-billion dollars. But they just received a one-time stimulus boost equal to 50% of their budget. The stimulus package, or American Reinvestment and Recovery Act, provides an additional 3-billion dollars for the NSF to invest in America's scientific ventures.

The administration's emphasis on science is clear. Even when Barack Obama was still President-elect, he focused on the importance of science and technology in his weekly radio address to the country.

Issue: **Sisters in Science: Can a Hook Shop – Hook the Scientific Mind? Teaching Science Through Sports**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 19, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: One of the programs the National Science Foundation has funded over the years is called Sisters in Science. It's researched how to close the equity gap in science education for girls from disadvantaged socio-economic backgrounds.

Sisters in Science uses sports to teach physics and life sciences to middle school students. Evaluations of the program have found a statistically significant increase in girls' attitudes towards science and a 50% increase in scores on state and national science and math tests.

Dr. Penny Hammrich has been the Principal Investigator on more than a dozen NSF grants. Dr. Hammrich is the Dean of Education at Queens College, City University of new York, where she is also a Professor of Science Education and directs the equity Studies Research Center.

TBOOK went on location with her to a gym in one of the toughest neighborhoods in North Philadelphia and got this exclusive report.

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EDUCATION (Cont'd)

Issue: **National Poetry Month – "My Hippo Has the Hiccups"**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 26, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: When Vegetables are Angry… My Car is Constructed of Pickles… Don't Ever Bite Your Sister… I Cloned Myself on Friday Night.

With titles like these, it's easy to see why young children all across American love the poetry of Kenn Nesbitt.

Nesbitt's new collection, My Hippo Has the Hiccups, includes 120 poems with cool, colorful, and funny illustrations by Ethan Long, to help bring the poetry to life. Plus, My Hippo also comes with a CD full of exceptional performances of the poems in the book.

This newest collection of poetry has just been released to coincide with National Poetry Month.

Issue: **Book Bank – Sister Power: Afterschool Tutoring and Mentoring Center**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 26, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: As we said earlier, this is National Poetry Month. And since we've been talking about literacy, we wanted to let you know as well about a book bank that's distributed as many as 50-million books to school children.

Teaching your child how to read without a book is a problem for many American families who simply cannot afford children's books.

But there's an innovative after-school program in New York city's East Harlem overcoming that obstacle. It's called Sister Power. Children love coming to the storefront's library to read. Then, if they like the book, they can keep it.

Another organization, First Book, works with publishers to secure the overstocked books they then donate to children, like those served by Sister Power.

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EDUCATION (Cont'd)

Issue: **International Year of Astronomy 2009**
For Some Students, the Sky's the Limit: 14-Year Old Caroline Moore Becomes Youngest Person to Ever Discover a Supernova
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: May 3, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The International Year of Astronomy is a global effort initiated by the International Astronomical Union (IAU) and UNESCO. They hope people all over the world will rediscover their place in the universe, and engage in discovery and the wonder of the night-time sky.

And to prove astronomy has no age limits, 14-year old Caroline More was just named Young Astronomer of the Year. Caroline is the youngest person ever to discover a supernova.

According to the latest peer-reviewed literature set for publication this year, Caroline Moore's supernova is one of only eight of this type over discovered, and is the most extreme example. The reports say her discovery holds great significance in how supernovae will be looked at and classified.

We invited her into our TBOOK studios to explain how she was able to accomplish this feat, describe reactions at her school, and let us know how this could possibly influence future academic and career decisions.

Issue: **U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan Discusses Education Reform in the New Fiscal Year 2010 Education Budget**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: May 10, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: President Barack Obama has submitted his education budget for fiscal year 2010 which starts next fall.

It asks for more money in many of the three or four key areas the President and the Secretary of Education continually refer to – the three pillars: pre-K, K thru 12, and higher education.

Mr. Obama of course stresses the important role education plays in helping the U.S. economy to recover.

So, a few days ago, TBOOK sat down (via telephone) with Education Secretary, Arne Duncan. We spoke about the proposed education budget, its reforms, and its chances of getting through Congress.

Issue: **Teacher Difficulties Grow in Mexico**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: May 10, 2009
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Description: The U.S. is not the only country undergoing education reforms. Neighboring Mexico has its own education problems. And, as we hear, their education system needs some reforming, too.

In rural mountainous regions of Mexico, children strive to get an education. But teachers often don't bother to show up for work.

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Issue: **Gender Differences in Science and Math: Diversity and the Role of Social Context**
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Description: In one of our recent shows during Women's History Month, we posed the question about whether women-only schools are still necessary. That discussion generated a number of calls and emails from listeners. So we've looked into the issue further, and discovered single-gender education remains a highly researched field of study.

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Dr. Alan Leshner, the Chief Executive Officer of AAAS, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, believes the struggling economy is directly linked to a lack of funding for research and development, and science education.

Dr. Leshner hopes Obama administration policies will help make US students more science literate and boost America's science ranking in the world.

Issue: **Science and Technology Education Emphasis**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
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Description: The National Science Foundation funds about 20% of all federally supported basic research done by U.S. colleges and universities. In some fields like math, computer science and social sciences, NSF is the major source of federal backing.

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Date: April 5, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The current recession is impacting more than banks, the housing industry, and your personal finances. State budget cuts, and a natural time lag in new federal spending, is straining research labs and their scientists.

The Environment Report's Adam Allington discovers how the economic crisis is having a long term effect on science innovation and science jobs.

Issue: **Science Research and Science Jobs – Part 2 of 2**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 12, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: To re-purpose and old phrase: "it could be the best of times, and the worst of times" to start a science career in the United States.

Researchers today have access to tools and techniques that have accelerated the pace of discovery to new heights. But as record numbers of Ph.D.'s graduate, many young scientists are finding a job market that's not ready to absorb them.

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Description: Not only is this the International Year of Astronomy, we're also wrapping up International Polar Year. What's it like to live and study at the ends of the earth?

Dr. Birgit Obermuller is a marine biologist studying with the British Antarctic Suvey Team at their research station near the South Pole. It's isolated during the summer. They do have extra research staff and occasional visitors, passing engineers or pilots delivering supplies. But in the winter, with the base in permanent darkness, only a few core researchers remain.

Dr. Obermuller is part of the marine diving team researching microflora under the ice. She spoke with us via satellite phone about what it's like living in one of the most remote places on the planet.

Issue: **Astrobiology Research and Education Series – Sedimentary and Groundwater History of the Burns Formation, Meridiani Planum, Mars**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: June 7, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: As we reported on earlier this year, NASA's Mars Rovers are celebrating their 5th birthday on the red planet. The rover Spirit landed on Mars early in 2004… with Rover Opportunity touching down a mere 21 days later.

The Rovers have returned over 250,000 images, covered more than 21 kilometers, climbed a mountain, descended into craters, struggled with sand traps and aging hardware, and survived dust storms.

All along the way, Dr. Scott McLennan and a handful of his graduate students have been their to research and record fascinating discoveries. Dr. McLennan is a Professor of Geochemistry, Department of Geosciences, at the University of New York at Stony Brook.

As a member of the Science Team for the Mars Exploration Rover Missions, his role has been to support mission planning and operations, and carry out research using the most recently returned data from Mars.

Issue: **Astrobiology Research and Education Series – Pre-Protocluster Cores and Infrared Dark Clouds**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: June 21, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The primary mission of NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope came to an end last month after nearly six years probing the cosmos with its keen infrared eye.

The liquid helium, which kept its infrared detectors near absolute zero temperatures, was expected to run out.

But the good news is that Spitzer will remain cold enough to keep on probing space for at least two more years. The spacecraft is currently in orbit around the Sun, about 62-million miles behind earth.

More than 800,000 snapshots from Spitzer have been laced together to create a new "coming of age" portrait of stars in our inner Milky Way Galaxy. And more than 100,000 stars have been catalogued. You often see these spectacular photos in magazines.

Spitzer now enters what's called its "Warm Mission." It will continue to study extra-solar planets, plus survey thousands of asteroids in our solar system.

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MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING

Issue: **Sisters in Science: Can a Hook Shop – Hook the Scientific Mind? Teaching Science Through Sports**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: April 19, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: One of the programs the National Science Foundation has funded over the years is called Sisters in Science. It's researched how to close the equity gap in science education for girls from disadvantaged socio-economic backgrounds.

Sisters in Science uses sports to teach physics and life sciences to middle school students. Evaluations of the program have found a statistically significant increase in girls' attitudes towards science and a 50% increase in scores on state and national science and math tests.

Dr. Penny Hammrich has been the Principal Investigator on more than a dozen NSF grants. Dr. Hammrich is the Dean of Education at Queens College, City University of new York, where she is also a Professor of Science Education and directs the equity Studies Research Center.

TBOOK went on location with her to a gym in one of the toughest neighborhoods in North Philadelphia and got this exclusive report.

Issue: **Gender Differences in Science and Math: Diversity and the Role of Social Context**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: May 17, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: In one of our recent shows during Women's History Month, we posed the question about whether women-only schools are still necessary. That discussion generated a number of calls and emails from listeners. So we've looked into the issue further, and discovered single-gender education remains a highly researched field of study.

In fact, a report just published by UCLA's Higher Education Research Institute found that girls' school graduates demonstrate measurably stronger academic orientation than their co-ed peers, and assess themselves stronger across academic disciplines. The nationwide study was commissioned by the National Coalition of Girls' Schools which represents 55,000 girls in 130 girls' schools.

This brings us to our story, which is on another study done at the University of Texas at Austin on "Gender Differences in Science and Math." Investigators reveal findings that are having an impact on single-gender education. Important results show that having academically high-performing same-sex friends can determine whether girls choose to take advanced math and science courses.

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Issue: **Education Policy Remarks by President Barack Obama at the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in Washington**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: May 24, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: In what many term as his first major policy speech on education, President Barack Obama, outlined a sweeping education reform agenda in his remarks to the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

President Obama grouped his education reforms into five pillars including: early childhood initiatives; better standards and assessments; recruiting, preparing and rewarding outstanding teachers; promoting innovation and excellence; and providing every American with a quality higher education.

Mr. Obama also focused on the importance of world-class standards, data systems that can track students' academic progress, and the need to focus on the 2,000 high schools that account for over 50% of the nation's dropouts.

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Description: President Barack Obama supports a new approach to education – one that would reward good teachers, remove limits on charter schools, and lengthen both the school day and the school year.

Mr. Obama opened his recent education reform speech before the U.S Hispanic Chamber of Commerce – promoting pre-K education. Last week, in our program, we broadcast some of those comments, including his proposal for Early Learning Challenge Grants.

This week, President Obama talks about: better standards and assessments; recruiting, preparing, and rewarding outstanding teachers; and promoting innovation and excellence.

Issue: **Young Women's Summer Institute Study**
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Description: It's summer again, which means it's time for the Ohio Supercomputer Center's annual Young Women's Institute. The program has been running for more than eight years, and this year, begins at the end of July. They have a successful track record of promoting math, science and engineering skills.

Research reveals over 90% of the middle-school age girls who attended in the past were more confident about using technology. And 87% of parents felt their daughters had a greater self-assurance in science and math classes.

TBOOK's Sandra Sleight-Brennan, went on location in Ohio and spoke with Dr. Steve Gordon, Director of Education Programs at the Ohio Supercomputer Center. Dr. Gordon is the lead researcher in the Young Women's Summer Institute Study, and a faculty member at Ohio State University in Columbus.

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Issue: **K-16 Fiscal Year Education Budget Cuts and Spending**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: June 28, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The U.S. Department of Education's fiscal year 2010 budget proposes nearly 50-billion dollars in spending, plus half a billion in cuts.

Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan, and other department of education officials discussed the administration's education budget recently during a conference call with reporters.

TBOOK also spoke with Carmel Martin, Assistant Secretary Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development and Bob Shireman, Deputy Undersecretary of Education.

Topics included cuts to at least 12 programs and positions, the controversial expiration of 85-million dollars a year in funding for Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and deleting the DC Voucher Scholarship Program.

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CRIME

Issue: **Columbine Remembered – Marks 10th Anniversary Chatroom Confessions of Another School Shooter**
Program: To the Best of Our Knowledge
Date: May 17, 2009
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: In our Education Headlines and Shorts segment… it seems like only yesterday. We just marked the ten-year anniversary of the Columbine High School shooting tragedy in Colorado.

While that gruesome date was being remembered in the U.S., another similar tragedy unfolded in Germany.

A 17-year old gunman opened fire at his former school, killing 15 people. His victims included nine fellow pupils, all girls but one, and three teachers.

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YOUTH & FAMILY

Issue: **Book Bank – Sister Power: Afterschool Tutoring and Mentoring Center**
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Date: April 26, 2009
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Description: As we said earlier, this is National Poetry Month. And since we've been talking about literacy, we wanted to let you know as well about a book bank that's distributed as many as 50-million books to school children.

Teaching your child how to read without a book is a problem for many American families who simply cannot afford children's books.

But there's an innovative after-school program in New York city's East Harlem overcoming that obstacle. It's called Sister Power. Children love coming to the storefront's library to read. Then, if they like the book, they can keep it.

Another organization, First Book, works with publishers to secure the overstocked books they then donate to children, like those served by Sister Power.

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Date: May 31, 2009
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: The recession has monopolized our attention for the past several months... but the world hasn't stopped for us and international problems haven't vanished while we weren't looking. Today, we're turning our attention outside the U.S. First, Laura Liyama reports on one of the world's hottest spots... Afghanistan.

Next, let's talk about a country that, according to reports from both inside the country and outside, has fallen apart. Zimbabwe was in the news recently after 17 pro-democracy activists were re-arrested while recovering from injuries sustained during their recent imprisonment. Jestina Mukoko and other outspoken critics of the former Mugabe regime were released again, but the problems in Simbabwe are deep and troubling. I spoke with Nondomiso Gasa, a South African activist who has been part of a hunger strike aimed at getting international attention targeted towards neighborhing Zimbabwe.

Amy Agnew is based in Amnesty International's London office – and her job is to monitor what's happening in Africa – particularly Zimbabwe. She sees the political oppression as a sign that attempts to create democracy there are being sabotaged.

And finally, let's look at the ongoing problems in China. I became aware of the jailing of political dissident Liu Xiaobo after reading a letter posted online by his wife. She asked for international pressure to win the release of her husband, one of the country's leading intellectuals, along with other jailed political dissidents. And Larry Siems of the PEN American Center, an international group of writers and journalists based in New York City, says the group has a growing campaign to focus on governments that stifle free speech... including our own.

Program: 51%
Date: June 7, 2009
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Charts of projected world population growth look like the up ramps of a rollercoaster... with a report from the UN Population Fund projecting that the world's population will explode from two and a half billion in 1950, to just under nine billion one hundred years later. Today, Laura Liyama reports on efforts in Nepal that show just what this means.

Okay, let's talk about the F-word. Feminism. There was a time when it was a call to arms, a battle cry for equal rights and equal pay. Almost ten years later into the new millennium, women still earn 70 cents on the dollar compared to men, and Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign was as much about her wardrobe as it was about her qualifications. So what does feminism mean now? Katie Britton chats with Amanda Marcotte, author, blogger and feminist.

Whatever you earn, are you managing to save any money? Many of us are discovering a new relationship with the dollar bill as the recession drags on. And financial expert Manisha Thakor thinks it's time for reviving a system that translates what you spend, into what it actually costs you.

This week on 51% we're talking about big issues – how population growth impacts every aspect of our lives... how feminism is changing the new millennium. Financial expert Manisha Thakor dusts off an old idea that's making a lot of sense again. But Kimberly Kay has a commentary on an issue that everyone with a computer can relate to – people who send forwards. Is it life or death? Nope. But when you find six of these internet-age chain letters in your inbox, it sure does seem like a big issue.

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Fair pay isn't just a women's issue… it's a class issue. There are new statistics that indicate that America's becoming stagnant… that not only do very few people live the rags to riches story… but few ever move far beyond whatever economic level they grew up in. I spoke with Kim Bobo, who is director of Interfaith Worker Justice and the author of Wage Theft in America: Why Millions of Working Americans Are Not Getting Paid – And What We Can Do About It. She was joined by Betsey Leondar-Wright, an advisor to Let Justice Roll… a national coalition to raise the minimum wage to $10 an hour by 2010.

As part of our National Science Foundation *The Sounds of Progress* series, narrator Kate Mulgrew, profiles a modern day miracle inventor. Stephanie Kwolek wanted to be a fashion designer… and her interest in medicine combined with her love of designing to create a lifesaving material.

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Description: Sonia Sotomayor became a household name in a matter of hours. Her nomination to the Supreme Court revved up the right wing to near hysteria. There was even a right wing blogger who said she should stop trying to get us to pronounce her name correctly – she was just being ethnic. Really. I read it. In search of a rational reaction to the nomination, I spoke with legendary workers' rights advocate Dolores Huerta, founder of the Dolores Huerta Foundation.

But what about the Sotomayor's legal qualifications? For answers on that, we turn to Professor Susan Low Bloch, who teaches constitutional law and a seminar on the Supreme Court at Georgetown University.

Most of us learn about men from our dads. We're either Dayy's girl, the apple of his eye, or we're constantly trying to get there. Just as no mothers are perfect, neither are the men who become our fathers. But once we grow up, it's possible that they've given us strengths we never imagined. Carol Ascher is a Connecticut author and anthropologist who finally wrote about her own father as a way to come to terms with their troubled relationship. He was a refugee of the Holocaust… and he was never really free. But Ascher says it's not really a Holocaust story.

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HEALTH

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Description: A survey of more than a thousand teenagers... finds more than one in three has been sexually or physically abused or threatened with physical abuse by their boyfriend or girlfriend. Nearly half report being victimized by controlling behavior from their boyfriend or girlfriend. A campaign aims to bring attention to the issue... to curb teenage dating abuse, which can lead to far worse consequences than hurt feelings. Washington correspondent Laura Liyama has more.

Genocide – the word, for some, brings up the horrors of the Holocaust. Others think of Darfur. But what about Rwanda, Cambodia, Bosnia, the events the Armenians call The Great Calamity... the systematic destruction of Armenians that the Turkish government still refuses to label a genocide. Many scholars say the Armenian Holocaust was the first modern genocide. The targeting of one group for mass murder is an ugly constant in human history. Photographer Lane Montgomery has traveled the globe and collected photos that show the raw truth about genocide. It's called Never Again, Again, Again.

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Description: Recession, foreclosures, earthquakes in Italy and China, floods in St. Louis, hurricane Katrina, terrorists, war... and now swine flu! It can feel overwhelming. I sat down with three women who are experts in the area of emotional distress in disasters. Today, we'll talk about the human response to disaster.

The State University of New York at New Paltz Institute for Disaster Mental Health hosted its annual conference in April, and I got the opportunity to have an extended discussion with three experts. Monica Indart is a consultant to the UN, a visiting professor at Rutgers and part of the Emergency Response Coordination on New Jersey. Paula Madrid is with the National Center for Disaster Preparedness at Columbia University and senior director of the Children's Health Fund. And Dianne Kane is assistant director of counseling services for the NYC Fire Department.

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MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING (Cont'd)

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Description: Charts of projected world population growth look like the up ramps of a rollercoaster… with a report from the UN Population Fund projecting that the world's population will explode from two and a half billion in 1950, to just under nine billion one hundred years later. Today, Laura Liyama reports on efforts in Nepal that show just what this means.

Okay, let's talk about the F-word. Feminism. There was a time when it was a call to arms, a battle cry for equal rights and equal pay. Almost ten years later into the new millennium, women still earn 70 cents on the dollar compared to men, and Hillary Clinton's presidential campaign was as much about her wardrobe as it was about her qualifications. So what does feminism mean now? Katie Britton chats with Amanda Marcotte, author, blogger and feminist.

Whatever you earn, are you managing to save any money? Many of us are discovering a new relationship with the dollar bill as the recession drags on. And financial expert Manisha Thakor thinks it's time for reviving a system that translates what you spend, into what it actually costs you.

This week on 51% we're talking about big issues – how population growth impacts every aspect of our lives… how feminism is changing the new millennium. Financial expert Manisha Thakor dusts off an old idea that's making a lot of sense again. But Kimberly Kay has a commentary on an issue that everyone with a computer can relate to – people who send forwards. Is it life or death? Nope. But when you find six of these internet-age chain letters in your inbox, it sure does seem like a big issue.

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Description: According to the National Women's Law Center, women are going to feel the effects of the recession more than their male co-workers. That's because they make less – 77 cents to every dollars paid to a man doing the same job. It's against the law, but that doesn't mean it isn't happening. A landmark case brought the issue back into the spotlight… and many fair pay advocates are hoping the new administration puts some muscle behind reform. Laura Liyama reports for 51% from Washington.

Fair pay isn't just a women's issue… it's a class issue. There are new statistics that indicate that America's becoming stagnant… that not only do very few people live the rags to riches story… but few ever move far beyond whatever economic level they grew up in. I spoke with Kim Bobo, who is director of Interfaith Worker Justice and the author of Wage Theft in America: Why Millions of Working Americans Are Not Getting Paid – And What We Can Do About It. She was joined by Betsey Leondar-Wright, an advisor to Let Justice Roll… a national coalition to raise the minimum wage to $10 an hour by 2010.

As part of our National Science Foundation *The Sounds of Progress* series, narrator Kate Mulgrew, profiles a modern day miracle inventor. Stephanie Kwolek wanted to be a fashion designer… and her interest in medicine combined with her love of designing to create a lifesaving material.

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Description: You undoubtedly know that shelters that take in dogs and cats are filled to bursting and funding for their care is tight. But did you know that as the cost of keeping horses goes up, more of them are being abandoned… and so far the answer being proposed is increasing the number slaughterhouses? Equine veterinarians are beginning to call for a second look at slaughterhouse bans as an alternative they call "humane." Jerry Bilinski is an equine vet and former official with the New York racing association. He outlines the issue..

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Description: This economy it hitting all of us – and the corporate world is no exception. Big business, Wall Street and the traditional corporate model is in the midst of a meltdown. But Cheryl Heller, head of a marketing agency that works with business and non-profits, believes it may be an unprecedented opportunity.

We're a society in upheaval in every area… and one sign is the rising number of grandparents raising children. They face extraordinary pressures in this economy… and many of them are on a fixed income. Advocates say we have to change the system to help them.

Families can mean security, or they can be the source of our neuroses. And sometimes they can be both. Kimberly Kay takes a look at what you might call dysfunction… and realizes maybe it's better called "coping."

Finally, photographer Tanya Marcuse visits Artspace. She has a series of photographs that question how women are seen… she has photographed fashion mannequins and anatomical mannequins in a way that's vaguely unsettling and very, very beautiful. We met in a coffee shop and she talked about what drew her to her subjects.

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Babies don't come with instruction manuals, and no matter how hard they try, no mother is perfect. But some of them come darned close. My mom was one of those. She was my very best friend for most of my life. She was convinced there was nothing I couldn't do. And despite whatever mistakes she made, she'd set the bar high as I tried to be half as good a mom as she was. My mom died of cancer eight years ago. Until then, I didn't truly understand grief. But that experience has made me part of a universal experience – one that Dmae Roberts expresses beautifully in this essay she calls "Messages."

Can we ever understand how tightly our lives are entwined with our parents before they're gone? Rachel Stein explores the aching holes that are left, and the disorientingly strange, yet familiar world that exists after loss.

Our mothers are our first interpreters of the world… and our first teachers. This month's "She's All That" is a two-fer. Katie Britton gets behind the picture of two women whose relationship is the stuff of legend… a teacher and mentor who opened the world for her student, and a student whose inspiring story is far more complex than Hollywood would have you believe.

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Description: Sonia Sotomayor became a household name in a matter of hours. Her nomination to the Supreme Court revved up the right wing to near hysteria. There was even a right wing blogger who said she should stop trying to get us to pronounce her name correctly – she was just being ethnic. Really. I read it. In search of a rational reaction to the nomination, I spoke with legendary workers' rights advocate Dolores Huerta, founder of the Dolores Huerta Foundation.

But what about the Sotomayor's legal qualifications? For answers on that, we turn to Professor Susan Low Bloch, who teaches constitutional law and a seminar on the Supreme Court at Georgetown University.

Most of us learn about men from our dads. We're either Dayy's girl, the apple of his eye, or we're constantly trying to get there. Just as no mothers are perfect, neither are the men who become our fathers. But once we grow up, it's possible that they've given us strengths we never imagined. Carol Ascher is a Connecticut author and anthropologist who finally wrote about her own father as a way to come to terms with their troubled relationship. He was a refugee of the Holocaust… and he was never really free. But Ascher says it's not really a Holocaust story.