

4th Quarter Topic Report 2020

WFWA Fort Wayne, IN

Combined Local/National Programming

October 1st – December 31st

The following is a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by WFWA, Fort Wayne, Indiana along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues for the period stated above. The listing is by no means exhaustive. The order in which the listings appear does not reflect any priority or significance.

Abortion

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 131
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/30/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:07:27

Argentina on Wednesday voted to legalize abortion, making it the first major Latin American country to take the step. María Victoria Murillo, director of the Institute for Latin American Studies at Columbia University, joins Nick Schifrin to discuss what the historic vote means for Argentina and the region.

Agriculture

American History

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/2/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:16

As the coronavirus pandemic drags on into the fall, we remember the hundreds of thousands of Americans who have passed away from the virus. Here are a few of their stories.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/20/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:32

Four of America's first five presidents were born and raised within a 60-mile radius in the state of Virginia. Those men -- George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison and James Monroe -- and their sometimes complicated relationships are the focus of a new book by former second lady Lynne Cheney. Cheney joins Judy Woodruff to discuss insights from "The Virginia Dynasty."

Series Title: American Experience
Episode Title: Freedom Summer
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 10/24/2020 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

During the summer of 1964, the nation's eyes were riveted on Mississippi. Over 10 memorable weeks known as Freedom Summer, more than 700 student volunteers joined organizers and local African Americans in a historic effort to shatter the foundations of white supremacy in the nation's most segregated state. Working together, they canvassed for voter registration, created Freedom Schools and established the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party, with the goal of challenging the segregationist state Democratic Party at the national convention in Atlantic City. The campaign was marked by sustained and deadly violence, including the notorious murders of three civil rights workers, countless beatings, the burning of 35 churches and the bombing of 70 homes and Freedom Houses.

Series Title: American Experience
Episode Title: The Pilgrims
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 11/19/2020 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 02:00:00

Discover the harrowing and brutal truths behind the Pilgrims' arrival in the New World and the myths of Thanksgiving. Director Ric Burns explores the history of our nation's beginnings in this epic tale of converging forces.

Series Title: John Lewis - Get in the Way
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/31/2020 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 01:00:00

Follow the courageous journey of John Lewis, whose unwavering fight for justice spans the past 50 years, from his youth in the segregated South, through his leadership within the Civil Rights movement, to his current role as a powerful voice in Congress. He was the youngest speaker at the historic 1963 March on Washington, where Dr. King delivered his legendary "I Have a Dream" speech. And in March 1965, Lewis led the Bloody Sunday march in Selma, where Alabama State Troopers attacked peaceful protesters with billy clubs, bullwhips and tear gas. Their horrific actions were broadcast on nightly news reports into living rooms across America; eight months later, the Voting Rights Act was signed into law. Once an activist pushing from the outside, Lewis, now 76 years old, has become a determined legislator making noise on the inside. Considered by many to be the conscience of Congress, with equal measures of modesty and forcefulness, Lewis strives to persuade D.C. powerbrokers to hear the voices of the unheard. Despite setbacks-and there have been many-John Lewis' eyes remain on the prize.

Arts/Culture

Series Title: Hispanic Heritage Awards, The
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/6/2020 8:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Performance
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Celebrate the recipients of the annual Hispanic Heritage Awards. The evening includes performances and appearances by some of the country's most celebrated Hispanic artists and visionaries.

Series Title: Independent Lens
Episode Title: Feels Good Man
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 10/19/2020 10:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Follow artist Matt Furie, creator of the comic character Pepe the Frog, as he begins an uphill battle to take back his iconic cartoon image from those who use it for their own purposes.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/27/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:01

The arts have been devastated by the pandemic, with consumer spending in the sector dropping significantly this year. Now, a pilot program in the mountains of western Massachusetts is looking to ideas from the past to ensure artists' futures. Special correspondent Jared Bowen of GBH reports as part of our American Creators series and ongoing coverage of arts and culture, Canvas.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/11/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:44

The blues is a quintessentially American art form, yet one whose early masters have mostly passed away. The genre relies on each succeeding generation to renew and reinvigorate it. In Clarksdale, Mississippi, 21-year-old guitarist Christone "Kingfish" Ingram is taking up that mantle. Special correspondent Tom Casciato reports for our American Creators series and arts and culture coverage, Canvas.

Series Title: Amanpour and Company
Episode Title: Episode 100
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/17/2020 11:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-PLUS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:56:46

Christiane speaks with former senior adviser to Barack Obama Valerie Jarrett about the former president's new memoir. She also speaks with chess grandmasters Judit Polgar and Garry Kasparov about the new hit Netflix show "The Queen's Gambit." Hari Sreenivasan speaks with Professor of Psychology and Behavioral Economics Dan Ariely about the stranger side of human behavior brought on by the pandemic

Series Title: Independent Lens
Episode Title: Won't You Be My Neighbor?
Length: 120 minutes
Airdate: 12/1/2020 2:30:00 AM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

For over thirty years, Fred Rogers, an unassuming minister, puppeteer, writer and producer was beamed daily into homes across America. In his beloved television program, Mister Rogers' Neighborhood, Fred and his cast of puppets and friends spoke directly to young children about some of life's weightiest issues, in a simple, direct fashion. Though he may be best known today as a soft-spoken, cardigan-wearing children's television host, in reality, Fred Rogers' career represents a sustained attempt to present a coherent, beneficent view about how we should best speak to children about important matters and how television could be used as a positive force in our society. In *Won't You Be My Neighbor?*, Academy Award-winning filmmaker Morgan Neville (*Twenty Feet from Stardom*) looks back on the legacy of Fred Rogers, focusing on his radically kind ideas. While the nation changed around him, Fred Rogers stood firm in his beliefs about the importance of protecting childhood.

Series Title: Arts in Focus (*Locally Produced*)

Airdate: November 12th 2020 @ 7:30pm

Arts program featuring local and regional artists, musicians, dancers, etc.

Guest: Todd Harold

Series Title: PFW Holiday Concert (*Locally Produced*)

Airdate: December 7th 2020 @ 7:00pm (2hrs)

PFW students perform classic holiday music.

Crime/Law Enforcement

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/27/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:08

The fatal shooting of a Black man by police in Philadelphia on Monday afternoon sparked large protests overnight. Walter Wallace Jr., whose family said he suffered from mental health issues, brandished a knife at officers Monday, refusing to obey their orders to drop it. They shot him multiple times. It's only the latest police killing in recent months to provoke public outrage. John Yang reports.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 114
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/7/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:09:37

The coronavirus pandemic has upended the lives of all Americans but it's been especially hard on individuals known as returning citizens -- formerly incarcerated men and women who are re-entering society. William Brangham has the story of one man in Washington D.C. who is trying to beat the odds as part of our series, "Searching for Justice."

Economy/Industry/Business

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/13/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:09:49

During the pandemic, Americans have become even more reliant on online shopping -- a realm Amazon continues to dominate. But the company's vast inventory, fast shipping and low prices come with a dangerous tradeoff: an increased risk to workers rushing to fulfill orders. Will Evans of the Center for Investigative Reporting's Reveal has an update on injury patterns at Amazon's busy warehouses.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/19/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:51

While the presidential candidates make their pitches to voters across the country, lawmakers in Washington, D.C., are continuing negotiations over another coronavirus relief package. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin said their differences on a bill are narrowing -- but meanwhile, time is running short. Lisa Desjardins and Yamiche Alcindor join Amna Nawaz to discuss.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/30/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:27

Tony Hsieh, the retired CEO of the online shoe store Zappos, died on Friday from injuries suffered in a fire. Throughout the tech industry he had been seen as a visionary who revolutionized online commerce. He was 46 years old. Last year, Steve Goldbloom, of our "That Moment When" team, spoke to Hsieh about his career and the importance of shared values at his company.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/4/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:33

In our news wrap Friday, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi says she and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell have agreed that a bipartisan relief bill worth \$900 billion is a starting point, the House of Representatives voted to decriminalize marijuana at the federal level, widespread flooding in Indonesia kills at least five people, and an Alabama man turns 104 after surviving COVID-19.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/16/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:08

Lawmakers in Washington inched closer to an elusive deal on an economic relief bill during the pandemic, with both sides making concessions including the possibility of direct-payment checks to Americans. Lisa Desjardins joins Judy Woodruff to discuss the latest.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 126
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/23/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:41

As the nation nears 325,000 total deaths, millions of Americans are feeling the economic impact of the pandemic. The Department of Labor on Wednesday reported 803,000 new jobless claims last week, and up to 14 million people could soon lose unemployment benefits unless President Trump signs the COVID relief bill passed by Congress. POLITICO's Anna Palmer joins Judy Woodruff to discuss.

Environmental Issues

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/7/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:37

In our news wrap Wednesday, Hurricane Delta is back over the Gulf of Mexico after crossing the Yucatan Peninsula. The storm weakened before making landfall near Cancun, but debris littered the shoreline, boats were capsized and trees toppled. Also, Derek Chauvin, the fired Minneapolis police officer charged with murdering George Floyd, has been released from jail after posting a \$1 million bond.

Series Title: NOVA
Episode Title: Can We Cool the Planet?
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/28/2020 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS-NPS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

As global temperatures rise, scientists are exploring geoengineering solutions, from planting trees to sucking carbon out of the air to physically blocking out sunlight. But would it work? And what are the risks of engineering Earth's climate?

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend
Episode Title: Episode 41
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 11/21/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:05:55

Hurricane Iota made landfall in Central America earlier this week as a Category 4 storm. It's the 30th storm this Hurricane season, surpassing 2005 as the year with the most hurricanes ever. With this record Atlantic Hurricane season officially ending this month, Hari Sreenivasan speaks with Kevin Reed, a professor at Stony Brook University and director of the Climate Extremes Modeling Group about the connection between climate change and hurricanes.

General Health

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 10/3/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:04:25

President Trump, who has been hospitalized at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, has been given a five-day dose of remdesivir and another experimental treatment that has not yet been authorized by the FDA for treating COVID-19. ProPublica reporter Caroline Chen joins to discuss the President's treatment and when there may be a vaccine available.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/6/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:06

President Trump is telling Americans not to be afraid of coronavirus, as the national death toll from the pandemic tops 210,000. Cases are again climbing in much of the country -- but attitudes about the threat posed by COVID-19 vary greatly. Amna Nawaz explores why so many Americans feel fears about the virus are overblown.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/13/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:08:53

This week, President-elect Biden announced a COVID-19 task force to prepare specific plans for the months ahead -- and assess what can be done differently as coronavirus rages across the country. Dr. Vivek Murthy, a former U.S. surgeon general, is a co-chair of the group, and he joins Judy Woodruff to discuss the current surge, encouraging vaccine data and how Americans can keep coping.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/16/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:47

Early results from Pfizer and Moderna vaccine candidates are very encouraging. But even if a successful vaccine is developed, challenges around production and distribution remain -- not to mention public trust and willingness to receive it. Dr. Francis Collins, director of the National Institutes of Health, joins Judy Woodruff to discuss the advances and how Americans can fight the pandemic now.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend
Episode Title: Episode 43
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 11/28/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:05:03

What has it been like handling the COVID-19 pandemic day to day in a busy hospital? Dr. Adam Jarrett, Chief Medical Officer at Holy Name Medical Center in Teaneck, New Jersey and co-author of: "In the Time of COVID: One Hospital's Struggles and Triumphs," joins Michael Hill to discuss the daily effort to save lives and keep staff safe.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/4/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:27

The first doses of the long-awaited COVID-19 vaccine are on their way to the United Kingdom, the earliest western country to grant emergency authorization. The vaccine is manufactured by the U.S pharmaceutical giant Pfizer, but most of the 1.3 billion shots Pfizer hopes to deliver in 2021 will be produced in the tiny factory town of Puurs, Belgium. Special correspondent Lucy Hough reports.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 115
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/8/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:54

A COVID-19 vaccine may be ready for distribution as soon as this month in the U.S. for some of those who are most in need of protection against the virus. But how will a rollout look in the coming months, including for some hard-to-reach populations? Dr. Carlos del Rio, a professor of global health at Emory University School of Medicine, joins Judy Woodruff to discuss.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 119
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/14/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:28

The U.S. passed 300,000 deaths from COVID-19 on Monday just hours after vaccine doses rolled out to Americans for the first time. William Brangham reports on a day that has brought landmark moments in the pandemic.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend
Episode Title: Episode 50
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 12/20/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:04:57

As vaccines rollout throughout the country, frontline healthcare workers are the first to receive the COVID-19 protection. Dr. Alexis Langsfeld, a New York physician, spoke with NewsHour Weekend Special Correspondent Karla Murthy about the vaccination and the surge in cases across the country.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 128
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/25/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:37

In our news wrap Friday, U.S. COVID-19 deaths top 330,000 as hospitalizations hit another record high. Firefighters in Southern California continue to battle the "Creek Fire," which forced more than 7,000 residents to evacuate on Christmas Eve. And the U.S. will require travelers flying from the UK to get a COVID test beginning Monday, as a new variant of the virus continues to spread there.

Series Title: HealthLine (*Locally Produced*)

Air Date: October 13th 2020 @ 7:30pm 30 min

PBS39 invites viewers to call in with their questions for local experts.

This week's Topic: Skin Cancer

Immigration

Series Title: POV Shorts
Episode Title: The Infiltrators
Length: 90 minutes
Airdate: 10/5/2020 10:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Meet two young immigrants who get purposefully arrested by Border Patrol and put in a shadowy for-profit detention center. Marco and Viri, members of a group of radical Dreamers, believe the best place to stop deportations is in detention.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/6/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:57

The coronavirus pandemic has changed life for almost everyone in the United States. But it has also significantly disrupted the efforts of those seeking to become American citizens -- some of whom are eager to vote in the November election. John Yang reports on how COVID-19 has made the already challenging path to citizenship even more difficult.

Legislative Issues/Local Government/General Local Interest

Series Title: Indiana Gubernatorial Debates

Air Date: October 20th 2020 @7:00pm 60 min

Series Title: Primetime39 (*Locally Produced*)

Air Date: November 20th 2020 @ 7:30pm 30 min

Topic: Moving Forward (COVID related episode)

Series Title: Indiana Week in Review

Air Date: December 20th 2020 @ 12:30pm 30 min

Hoosiers "in the know" are getting their answers from the show that does the talking: Indiana Week in Review. You may watch for the news, but you'll stay for the no-holds-barred debate and discussion. A look at issues facing Indiana from differing viewpoints makes for an entertaining, lively and informative half-hour.

Minorities

Series Title: Latino Vote: Dispatches from the Battleground
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/6/2020 9:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Get an inside look at the high-stakes effort to get out the Latino vote in this year's election. Political candidates are focused on maximizing turnout and support from Latinos, poised to be the largest non-white voting bloc.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/12/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:08:12

This year, U.S. protests over police brutality and violence against Black Americans have led to a prominent national conversation on racism. Indigenous peoples in Canada, Australia and New Zealand have leveraged the momentum both to show solidarity and to bring attention to similar issues in their own countries. Amna Nawaz reports on a global effort to identify and address racism and oppression.

Series Title: Firing Line with Margaret Hoover
Episode Title: Episode 26
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 12/25/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:26:56

Activist, attorney and author Bakari Sellers discusses the Black Lives Matter movement and whether it will lead to change. Sellers, the son of an activist who was shot and wounded by police at a 1968 protest, talks about police brutality and reform.

National Politics with Local Interest

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/8/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:43

The FBI says it has broken up an alleged plot by violent extremists in Michigan to kidnap Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and overthrow the state government. The shocking revelation included details of a plan to storm the state capitol that started to take shape after this summer's heated political battles regarding the pandemic. John Yang reports and talks to Michigan's attorney general, Dana Nessel.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/14/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:56

Discussions about how to vote safely in a pandemic have been occurring across the country for months. Will Americans be willing to wait in line at the polls to cast their ballots? In Georgia, early in-person voting began this week. Daniel Bush has been reporting in the state, and he joins Judy Woodruff to discuss what he's seeing at polling places -- and hearing from concerned voters.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/16/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:54

President Trump and Democratic rival Joe Biden campaigned in battleground states Friday, with Biden traveling to Michigan and Trump to Florida. The appearances come after the two participated in televised town hall events Thursday night. On different broadcast networks, they took questions from voters on issues including the pandemic, racism and the Supreme Court. Lisa Desjardins reports.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 10/18/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:04:32

Ohio, a swing state which Obama won in 2012, voted overwhelmingly for Trump in 2016. This election, the Biden campaign seems to have made some inroads in winning some of that lost support, reverting the state to a swing state. Paul Beck, professor emeritus in the department of political science at The Ohio State University joins Hari Sreenivasan to discuss the state's political landscape.

Series Title: Firing Line with Margaret Hoover
Episode Title: Pete Buttigieg
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 10/23/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:26:46

Pete Buttigieg, the former mayor of South Bend, IN who ran for president, discusses the election, his political future and the COVID vaccine. Buttigieg talks about coming out as mayor and his concerns about Amy Coney Barrett on the Supreme Court.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/26/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:40

South Carolina Sen. Lindsey Graham, chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, is himself in the political hot seat. His support for the nomination of Amy Coney Barrett to the Supreme Court during an election year, after opposing Merrick Garland's nomination in 2016, has left many voters fed up. Gavin Jackson of South Carolina ETV reports on a close race with Democratic challenger Jaime Harrison.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/27/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:12

This year, more women are running for Congress than ever before, shattering records set in 2018. But this time, the increase in female candidates is driven in part by Republican women on the ballot. Lisa Desjardins reports on what the GOP has done to attract women -- and what they still need to do to close the wide gender gap in the House.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 88
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/30/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:07:30

Arizona has emerged as a surprising battleground state in this year's presidential election, considering President Trump beat Hillary Clinton there by 3.5 percent in 2016. Latinos make up a quarter of the state's eligible voters -- and while polls indicate most of them are supporting Joe Biden, Latinos in Arizona are not a completely united voting bloc. Stephanie Sy reports.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 10/31/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:04:52

The 2020 election cycle is by far the most expensive campaign year in U.S. history. Advertising spending for candidates running for federal office has reached unprecedented amounts, totaling at least \$2.5 billion on TV ads so far. Erika Franklin Fowler, co-founder of the Wesleyan Media Project, which tracks political advertising, joins NewsHour Weekend's Christopher Booker to discuss the different purposes, priorities and methods for political ads.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/2/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:02:11

Pennsylvania could be a critical milestone in any path to victory during this presidential contest. Daniel Bush is on the ground in the swing state, and he joins Judy Woodruff to discuss why Philadelphia and its surrounding suburbs are so important to both candidates, how local election officials are preparing for the vote count and when we might have an understanding of the state's results.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/6/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:11:27

Syndicated columnist Mark Shields and New York Times columnist David Brooks join Judy Woodruff to discuss the week in politics, including surprises from a very close presidential election whose result is still unknown, which groups of voters increased their support for President Trump, political challenges for the Democratic Party and what national divisions say about the future of the country.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/11/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:07:10

The deep divisions in American politics are also on display within the Republican Party since the election. Many GOP officials are standing with President Trump as he makes false claims about election fraud. Some have remained silent, and still others are calling Trump's allegations "unacceptable." Former Missouri Congressman Tom Coleman is among the last group. He joins Judy Woodruff to discuss.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/18/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:40

On Tuesday night, President Trump fired Christopher Krebs, the top cybersecurity official at the Department of Homeland Security. The termination comes after Krebs, whose job it was to secure U.S. election systems, fact-checked Trump's false claims of voting fraud. But Krebs had earned bipartisan support for his successful efforts, and his dismissal drew wide criticism. William Branham reports.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/27/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:14

In our news wrap Friday, President Trump has lost yet another legal round in his bid to challenge the election results, "Black Friday" unofficially ushers in the holiday shopping season under the pall of the pandemic, and thousands of Indian farmers march on New Delhi.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/2/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:09:02

A top Georgia election official on Tuesday had sharp words for President Trump and some Republicans, as the president continues to cast doubts on Georgia's election results with disproven claims of widespread fraud. Gabriel Sterling, who works with the Georgia secretary of state's office, joins Judy Woodruff to discuss his comments.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 119
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/14/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:02:46

President-elect Joe Biden will be taking a bit of a victory lap in a planned address to the nation Monday evening, just hours after he won a majority of votes from the Electoral College. Meanwhile, President Trump continued to lash out. Yamiche Alcindor joins Judy Woodruff to discuss.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 130
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/29/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:09:04

When President-elect Joe Biden enters the Oval Office three weeks from now, his health team will be tasked with taking over the U.S. response to COVID-19, including the vaccine rollout. One of the members of Biden's team is Dr. Rochelle Walensky, who was named the next director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. She joins Amna Nawaz to discuss.

Mental Health

Series Title: Matters of the Mind (*Locally Produced*)

Air Date: October 12th 2020 @ 7:30pm 30 min

Psychiatrist Jay Fawver answers viewer calls about mental health issues

Religion and Ethics

Science and Technology

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend

Episode Title: Episode 40

Length: 30 minutes

Airdate: 11/15/2020 5:00:00 PM

Service: PBS

Format: Interview/Discussion/Review

Segment Length: 00:04:18

NASA and SpaceX are set to make history—again—when they launch their first operational commercial voyage to the international space station from the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Florida. Dave Mosher, Senior Space Correspondent for Business Insider, speaks with Hari Sreenivasan about the anticipated historic flight.

Senior/Aging Issues

Series Title: Life Ahead (*Locally Produced*)

Air Date: October 21st 2020 @ 7:30pm 30 min

Guest: Sage Insurance

Local experts answer viewer questions on a variety of senior related topics.

War/Veterans/National Security

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
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Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:05:04

In Afghanistan, the Taliban have welcomed an announcement by President Trump that all U.S. troops should leave the country by the end of the year. But there are questions about how that declaration was received by the U.S. military -- and by American and Afghan negotiators currently in the midst of peace talks. Nick Schiffrin joins Judy Woodruff to discuss.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/23/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:40

In our news wrap Friday, Sudan moved to normalize relations with Israel, becoming the third country in recent months to do so. President Trump announced the news at the White House with the leaders of both countries on the phone. Also, rival factions in Libya signed a permanent cease-fire after years of fighting. The United Nations brokered the deal, which became official during a Geneva ceremony.

Series Title: People's Protectors; The
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/4/2020 3:00:00 AM
Service: PBS-PLUS
Format: Documentary
Segment Length: 00:00:00

Four Native American veterans reflect on their experiences in the military during the divisive Vietnam War and how their communities helped them carry their warrior legacy proudly. From the Marine Corps to the Navy to the US Army veterans Valerie Barber, Art Owen, Sandy White Hawk, Vince Beyl, and civilian eyapaha (announcer) Jerry Dearly recall their memories of one of the most controversial wars in United States history. Even as they struggled with their relationship to the United States government from genocidal policies and government oppression; the Dakota, Lakota, and Ojibwe warriors still felt compelled to honor their duty to their people as Akichita | Ogichidaag | Warriors, as protectors of the people. A lifetime later, these soldiers meet us in the studio as they begin to tell their stories.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Episode Title: Episode 122
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 12/17/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:04:25

There is new and troubling information on a massive cyberattack in the U.S.. The Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency has determined that the attacks on the government, critical infrastructure and the private sector, pose a serious risk to national security. Dmitri Alperovitch, co-founder of the think-tank of the Silverado Policy Accelerator, joins Judy Woodruff discuss.

Women's Issues/Female Pioneers

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/24/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:49

Megan Rapinoe is best known for her successful soccer career, leading the U.S. women's national team to two World Cup championships and an Olympic gold medal. She's also known for her fierce advocacy for social justice. Judy Woodruff recently spoke with Rapinoe about her career, causes and new book, "One Life."

Youth/Education

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 10/5/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:03:22

In our news wrap Monday, some New York City schools will close Tuesday in areas where COVID-19 infections are on the rise. Gov. Andrew Cuomo issued an order affecting 100 public and 200 private schools, citing a lack of testing data. Also, a single fire north of San Francisco has charred 1 million acres, making it the state's largest ever. Some two dozen blazes are still burning.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour
Length: 60 minutes
Airdate: 11/10/2020 6:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: News (live news only)
Segment Length: 00:06:07

Even with all that has been known about the Catholic Church's sexual abuse scandals, revelations about the role of Pope John Paul II in elevating a former archbishop accused of abuse caused shockwaves. A new report from the Vatican found two popes ignored, overlooked for downplayed allegations against Theodore McCarrick. Anna Nawaz talks to The New York Times' Elizabeth Bruenig.

Series Title: PBS NewsHour Weekend
Episode Title: Episode 41
Length: 30 minutes
Airdate: 11/21/2020 5:00:00 PM
Service: PBS
Format: Interview/Discussion/Review
Segment Length: 00:05:35

According to a recent study, more than a third of kids in New York City's foster care system identify as LGBTQ. Most of those children end up in group homes and treatment centers, rather than finding permanent homes with families. Ivette Feliciano speaks with Mary Keane of You Gotta Believe, a New York City adoption center, about the challenges these young people face in the foster system.