

WOUB Radio FM Network  
Issues/Programs List July to September 2023

This quarter, news and events were dominated by the re-starting of a post-COVID world, from ending of restrictions to the re-opened economy, as well as coverage of Congressional feuding over house leadership. In addition to our daily news reports and special features, the WOUB FM network broadcast news stories focused on actions of the Ohio state legislature, state news of Kentucky and West Virginia, and energy security. Regional news is also accessed through the Ohio Valley Resource, a network of stations throughout the Ohio River/Appalachian region funded by the stations and CPB.

We continue to provide an international perspective with programming from the BBC from 9-10am on our FM network. Public affairs and news programming from NPR continue to be the prime focus of our weekday FM programming. The daytime format consists of Morning Edition, 1A, Fresh Air, Here and Now, and All Things Considered from NPR; the Takeaway from PRI, and the BBC Newshour. NPR News is used hourly (except midnight to 5am).

This quarter, we continued our series “Spectrum” where Tom Hodson interviewed guests on a wide variety of topics from politics to culture to education. These interviews were featured in half hour programs on our AM service, with five minute features used during Morning Edition and All Things Considered. We base our programming and production decision on a number of factors, including news stories and events in the region, letters and phone calls from listeners and efforts to find local angles to important national or international stories.

Rusty Smith  
October 10, 2023

## WOUB Morning Edition/ATC Third Quarter Ascertainment 2023

Story: Rural Action Farm Walk

Description: Foraging -- pasture management -- and sustainable agriculture practices were just a few of the topics farmers in southeast discussed at rural action's \*farm walk and talk.\*

Date: 06/13/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0642 0742 0824

Length: 1:45

Story: Glouster Food Assistance

Description: The Glouster-Trimble area is seeing a surge in demand for food assistance this summer.

WOUB's Theo Peck-Suzuki reports.

Date: 07/06/23

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0642 0745 0842

Length: 1:30

Story: MoSo Farm Profile

Description: A first generation, beginning farmer in Athens County is breaking the mold of a typical farmer.

WOUB's Morgan Anderson reports rural action's sustainable agriculture manager is planting proverbial seeds for a greener future.

Date: 07/10/2023

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0642 0842 1629

Length: 4:12

Story: Anti-Frack in Ohio Parks

Description: Activists who want to prevent fracking in Ohio's state parks are trying to rally more people to protect them. A new law requires agencies to consider proposals to drill for oil and gas under Ohio's public lands. The Allegheny Front's

Julie Grant reports

Date: 07/11/2023

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0642 0842 1629

Length: 4:20

Story: Poverty Report

Description: The 2023 State of Poverty in Ohio report says while the state's economic prospects look good, low-income families are being left behind.

WOUB's Theo Peck-Suzuki has more.

Date: 07/12/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0642 0742 0842

Length: 1:05

Story: Mental Healthcare Access

Description: The 2023 State of Poverty in Ohio report identifies learning loss and mental health care access as two factors keeping low-income Ohioans in poverty.

WOUB's Theo Peck-Suzuki reports how children and the people watching out for them face these issues in southeast Ohio.

Date: 07/17/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0642 0842

Length: 2:00

Story: Abortion Amendment Sate Issue 1(Fall)

Description: The 2023 State of Poverty in Ohio report identifies learning loss and mental health care access as two factors keeping low-income Ohioans in poverty.

WOUB's Theo Peck-Suzuki reports how children and the people watching out for them face these issues in southeast Ohio.

Date: 07/26/2023

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0642 0842 1629

Length: 4:25

Story: New Lex School Farm

Description: From driving tractors to shearing sheep -- a high school in Perry County brings students hands-on experiences through its school farm.

The New Lexington FFA Chapter --and its more than 450 students-- use their farm to give their students an innovative education experience.

WOUB news reporter Morgan Anderson brings us more

Date: 07/31/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0624 0742 0842

Length: 2:00

Story: Autonomous Truck

Description: Later this year Ohio will join forces with Indiana to deploy self-driving trucks.

From public radio member station WVXU, Ann Thompson reports this is just the latest autonomous vehicle project for Ohio.

Date: 08/01/2023

Program: Morning Edition/All Things Considered

Time: 0742 1629

Length: 4:28

Story: August Issue 1

Description: Later this year Ohio will join forces with Indiana to deploy self-driving trucks.

From public radio member station WVXU, Ann Thompson reports this is just the latest autonomous vehicle project for Ohio.

Date: 08/07/2023

Program: Morning Edition/ All Things Considered

Time: 0642 0842 1629

Length: 4:53

Story: Issue 1 Corruption

Description: The only issue on today's 8 special election ballot would raise the voter approval threshold for future constitutional amendments to 60%. But Issue 1 would also require groups proposing amendments to gather signatures from all 88 counties, doubling the current 44 county requirement.

Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports that's being cited by a prominent Republican as a cause for concern about corruption.

Date: 08/08/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0704

Length: 1:10

Story: Issue 1 Fails

Description: The only issue on today's 8 special election ballot would raise the voter approval threshold for future constitutional amendments to 60%. But Issue 1 would also require groups proposing amendments to gather signatures from all 88 counties, doubling the current 44 county requirement.

Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports that's being cited by a prominent Republican as a cause for concern about corruption.

Date: 08/09/2023

Program: Morning Edition/ All Things Considered

Time: 0742 1629

Length: 3:58

Story: Amon Amarth

Description: Swedish melodic death metal band Amon Amarth is known for songs about Old Norse history and mythology.

Vocalist Johan Hegg says these topics are relevant to contemporary audiences Amon Amarth plays in Cincinnati Wednesday, supporting Swedish rock band Ghost. Find WOUB's full interview with Hegg at [woub.org/culture](http://woub.org/culture).

Date: 08/14/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0632 0832

Length: 1:00

Story: Homeless in Southeast Ohio

Description: There aren't many places to go for people experiencing homelessness in Athens.

WOUB's Theo Peck-Suzuki reports this puts more pressure on local organizations trying to provide shelter.

Date: 08/22/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0642 0742 0842

Length: 1:44

Story: Homeless in Southeast Ohio 2

Description: Counties across southeast Ohio have found different paths to economic renewal. But their strategies may contribute to a growing issue of homelessness.

Date: 08/25/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0642 0742 0842

Length: 3:42

Story: Issue 1 Preview

Description: Ohio voters will decide Nov. 7 on Issue 1, an amendment that would enshrine abortion rights into the constitution. There has already been confusion over the ballot language for it. And as Statehouse correspondent Jo Ingles reports, there will be a lot more confusion over the amendment between now and Election Day.

Date: 08/30/2023

Program: Morning Edition/ All Things Considered

Time: 0642 0842 1629

Length: 4:24

Story: Wayne/Buckeye Forest

Description: Ohio's only national forest might get a new name. Wayne National Forest is named for General Anthony Wayne, a Revolutionary War veteran with a complicated history that includes the removal of American Indians from Ohio. From public radio member station WOSU, Allie Vugrincic (Voo-grin-sick) reports the U.S. Forest Service worked with American Indian tribes to choose the proposed name "Buckeye National Forest" – but not everyone is sold.

Date: 09/05/2023

Program: Morning Edition/ All Things Considered

Time: 0642 0842 1629

Length: 4:24

Story: State of Working

Description: Ohio's economy is tipping toward workers, after years of favoring businesses and employers. That's a conclusion from an annual report from a progressive think tank. The group still has ideas for improvement, but a research group on the other side of the spectrum has different views. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports.

Date: 09/05/2023

Program: Morning Edition/ All Things Considered

Time: 0742 1629

Length: 4:30

Story: Redistricting Panel

Description: The first meeting of the panel of politicians that draws maps for Ohio's House and Senate districts was supposed to be just a quick organizational session. But the Ohio Redistricting Commission meeting got a late start and then recessed until Friday with no progress – because the commission members couldn't select co-chairs. Statehouse correspondent Karen Kasler reports.

Date: 09/14/2023

Program: Morning Edition/ All Things Considered

Time: 0642 0842 1629

Length: 4:49

Story: Dissent Within State Issue 1

Description: There is dissent among the state's various anti-abortion groups, as one is accusing the others of blocking efforts to enact a total ban on abortion in Ohio before voters cast ballots on a reproductive right amendment to the state's constitution.

Statehouse correspondent Jo Ingles reports that was apparent when one anti-abortion group held a rally at the Statehouse earlier this week.

Date: 09/15/2023

Program: Morning Edition/ All Things Considered

Time: 0642 0842 1629

Length: 5:00

Story: Avatar

Description: Swedish metal band Avatar topped the rock charts early this month with its single "The Dirt I'm Buried In."

Vocalist Johannes Eckerström says the crossover hit didn't surprise him at all.

Avatar plays the Louder Than Life Festival in Louisville Friday.

Find WOUB's full interview at [woub.org/culture](http://woub.org/culture).

Date: 09/19/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0632 0732 0832

Length: 1:00

Story: UNESCO Mound

Description: Ohio's Hopewell Ceremonial Earthworks are now the 25th site in the United States to be added to the UNESCO World Heritage List. These are locations considered of outstanding universal value such as the Pyramids, the Great Wall of China, Maccu Picchu, the Great Barrier Reef, and the Grand Canyon. The formal decision occurred this meeting during a meeting of the World Heritage Committee in Saudi Arabia.

From public radio member station WVXU, Tana Weingartner reports this day has been more than a decade in the making.

Date: 09/20/2023

Program: Morning Edition/ All Things Considered

Time: 0642 0742 0842 1629

Length: 4:36

Story: SUPCO Abortion Hearing

Description: The Ohio Supreme Court will hear arguments today on a technical question involving the court suit that led to the state's six-week abortion ban being put on hold in Hamilton County last year. Statehouse correspondent Jo Ingles explains.

Date: 09/27/2023

Program: Morning Edition

Time: 0604 0742 0804

Length: 1:00