

## QUARTERLY PROGRAM TOPIC REPORT

WNEO/WEAO

July–September 2022

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1. Business / Industry
2. Environment
3. Health and Wellness
4. Local History
5. Minority Affairs

PBS Western Reserve is committed to presenting outstanding programs that teach, illuminate and inspire Northeast Ohio viewers. Following is a review of community issues addressed during the third quarter of 2022. All programs aired on PBS Western Reserve (WNEO 45.1 / WEAO 49.1) unless otherwise indicated.

### **Business / Industry**

**Around Akron with Blue Green** **.5 hour**

*Friday, July 15, at 10:30 PM*

Learn about Essential Dipped Delights, Mueller Honey Bee, ArtSparks and Killinit Kayaks.

**Around Akron with Blue Green** **.5 hour**

*Saturday, Aug. 13, at 12:30 PM*

Features Jim Ballard, Wadsworth Community Radio, Arnold's Candies and Oddmall Outpost.

**Around Akron with Blue Green** **.5 hour**

*Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 10:30 PM*

Features Rock Candy, Rock Mill, Porchlight Coffee and Summit County Master Gardeners.

### **Environment**

**Great Lakes Now, Salamanders, Shipping and Shorelines** **.5 hour**

*Monday, July 25, at 9 PM*

Saving salamanders, how Great Lakes ports fit into global shipping and "The Catch."

**Great Lakes Now, Poisonous Ponds: Tackling Toxic Coal Ash** **.5 hour**

*Monday, Aug. 29, at 9 PM*

Investigate the complicated policy and impacts of coal ash in the Great Lakes through a student reporting initiative that studies coal ash threats on Lake Michigan, ideas for beneficial reuse and more.

**Linking Land & Lakes: Protecting the Great Lakes Coastal Wetlands** **1 hour**

*Wednesday, Aug. 31, at 5 PM*

Coastal wetlands, which are a small but mighty ecosystem that protects the Great Lakes, are explored.

### **Health and Wellness**

**Forum 360, Public Health and the Pandemic** **.5 hour**

*Monday, Aug. 1, at 5 PM*

Donna Skoda, director of Summit County Public Health, talks about what the pandemic has done to public health planning.

**Forum 360, Nutrition and Wellness** **.5 hour**

*Monday, Sept. 5, at 5:30 PM*

Forum 360 talks to Kim Hemminger, owner of Wellness Works for You. She will discuss the benefits of incorporating functional health and nutrition coaching, which can lead to a more balanced and healthier lifestyle.

**Facing Suicide****1.5 hours***Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 9 PM*

Explore the powerful stories of those impacted by suicide—one of America's most urgent health crises—and journey to the front lines of research with scientists whose work is leading to better prevention and treatment.

**Local History****The Ohio and Erie Canal****.5 hour***Tuesday, July 12, at 8 PM*

Over nearly two centuries the Ohio and Erie Canal evolved from a significant transportation route to an important civic asset. This documentary tells the story of its construction in the early 1800s and its ensuing history. It tells of life along and on the canal for people and businesses. It also chronicles its decline, demise and then redevelopment as an important natural and recreational resource.

**Treason Island: The Blennerhassets and Aaron Burr****1 hour***Saturday, Aug. 13, at 3 PM on Fusion (WNEO 45.2 / WEAO 49.2)*

Learn the tragic tale of Harmon Blennerhassett, a rich, enlightened, aristocrat who settled on an island near Marietta, Ohio. His naivete brought about the loss of his reputation, his fortune, his home, his family, and ultimately his life.

**Training for Freedom****.5 hour***Tuesday, Sept. 13, at 10:30 PM*

PBS Western Reserve was the presenting station for this documentary, which tells the story of how idealistic college students and Black activists came together in 1964 in Oxford, Ohio, on a civil rights mission.

**Minority Affairs****Voces on PBS, The Pushouts****1 hour***Friday, Sept. 16, at 5 PM*

Meet Victor Rios, a high school dropout and former gang member-turned-award-winning professor, author and expert on the school to prison pipeline, who works with young people who have been "pushed out" of school for reasons beyond their control.

**Beyond the Canvas, Art, Black Women Lead****.5 hour***Friday, Sept. 16, at 10:30 PM*

Explore the enormous contributions of Black women throughout American history to the arts. This episode looks at recentering Black history in American history and bringing humanity to those stories with Nikole Hannah-Jones, Regina King and Roxanne Gay.

**Tell Me More with Kelly Corrigan, Ai-jen Poo****.5 hour***Saturday, Sept. 17, at 5 PM*

Ai-jen Poo has been organizing domestic workers for over two decades, ensuring that they have the same structure and security we give to every other job we value. In this episode, she discusses the roots of her activism, the art of listening with dignity and the future of caregiving as a profession.