



VOLUNTEER VOICES

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You may have heard Nine PBS President and CEO Amy Shaw say, "We are a big deal," and you are about to find out why in this information-packed issue!

Thanks to each and every one of you for helping Nine PBS reach more people than we ever could alone. We connected with educators across the region, ambitious broadcasting students to produce Donnybrook, people with a strong sense of justice, and members and donors near and far. Nine PBS is navigating an uncertain period in public media history, and we have been able to do so successfully thus far thanks to supporters like you. Thank you!

Service Anniversaries

Thank you for spending all these years with Nine PBS!

10 Years - Taree McGee
8 Years - Mary Chaudet
7 Years - Larry Brockmeier
1 Year - Ivana Carroll, Zach Buchholz, Ireland Morgan, Rubi Gonzales, Cecilia Henriksen

Welcome to Ronni Zimmerman, Mary Ann Hunzeker, Aja Phan, Patti Sciuto, Johanna Seavey, and Patrick Sun!

Volunteer Projects in October

- Year-end mailing
- Edcamp
- Innocence Should Be Enough Screening
- Tour for Liberty High School
- Major gift support

Nuggets of Information

- Nine PBS is #1 as a percentage of households viewing for the third-quarter of 2025. We've held the top spot all year long!
- Nine PBS celebrated TWO Emmy wins!
- Antiques Roadshow, Season 30 finale, will feature the roadshow at Grant's Farm in St. Louis! Air dates are April 27, May 4, and May 11. (subject to change)
- The first episode of The American Revolution on Sunday, November 16 was the most streamed night EVER for PBS—and then that record was beat on Monday night!
- We have exciting news at ninepbs.org/whatsnext
- We're hosting a volunteer-exclusive State of the Station on January 13, 2026 from 4-5 pm. Email cindyla@ninepbs.org to reserve your seat!

Impact

This year, we had many first-time Edcampers—both guests and volunteers! If you're unfamiliar with Edcamp, it's a free event hosted by Nine PBS to provide a space for educators to discuss what's important to them and their students. This year, educators talked about classroom management, apps for educators, family engagement, STEM/AI, and inclusion along with how to use Nine PBS resources, such as [Teaching in Room 9](#), [What Do I Do With This](#), and [Drawn In](#).

The majority (90%) of survey respondents said that Nine PBS Edcamp met their professional development needs.

- "I plan to immediately incorporate the classroom management strategies I learned today."
- "I plan to use the apps with my students since technology is a huge piece of their lives."
- "I'm a special education teacher and will be using Teaching in Room 9 to break things/topics down for my kids."

Thank you for making Edcamp run smoothly so that our region's educators can make the most of their time at Nine PBS!

Value of Volunteer Time in October

\$9,371.69

Being able to calculate the value of your time is essential to our grant-writing process! Having an accurate number shows how involved our community (which includes you!) is with Nine PBS, which leads to better support.

NOTE: When recording your time in [VicNet](#), we recommend including travel time as it more accurately shows how much of your free time you are giving to Nine PBS.

Volunteer Summary as of November 5, 2025

- 140 active volunteers have contributed 3,726 hours

You have helped with 27 events, 18 tours, 5 mailing projects, 5 caregiver storytelling events, 4 Donnybrook receptions, as well as mailing member premiums and sending acknowledgement letters. You made nearly 3,000 courtesy calls to members of Nine PBS informing them of the discontinuation of Nine PBS Magazine.

You truly make a difference. Thank you.

Congratulations To The 2025 Nine PBS Champions

This year's Volunteer Appreciation Reception was held at City Winery on November 5. Staff chose a handful of outstanding volunteers to recognize, and through the annual volunteer survey, you chose your favorite staff member!

Innovator(s)

Margaret and Larry Brockmeier

Advocate

Ed Madden

Philanthropist

Diane Woepke

Educational Supporter

Chris Burke

Good Neighbor

Dave Roberts

Volunteer Supervisor of the Year

Roya Bromell

"Time is the most valuable coin in your life. You and you alone will determine how that coin will be spent." — Carl Sandburg

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