

Post date	Tri States Public Radio WIUM/WIUW - 2019 Second Quarter Issues and Programs List	Byline	Category
Fri June 28, 2019	A dispute over the contents of a former church in Keokuk is scheduled to go to trial in November.	Tags Christ Vision, Keokuk, Unitarian Church	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Fri June 28, 2019	The Iowa Department of Human Services has started the process of closing two day care centers in Lee County.	Raisie Eim Uq, Iowa Department of Human Services, child care	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu June 27, 2019	Milwaukee-based Phoenix Investors has announced the acquisition of the two buildings that housed the Maytag facility in Galesburg. Phoenix is a...	Maytag, Galesburg, Knox County Area Partnership for Economic Development, Ken Springer	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Wed June 26, 2019	The Illinois State Police said the suspect in the fatal shooting of a Fulton County Sheriff's Deputy was arrested after a 19-hour standoff. Nathan...	Fulton County Sheriff's Office, Troy Chism, Nathan Woodring, Fatal Shooting, Avon	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed June 26, 2019	Severe storms with damaging winds and large hail moved across the tri states region during the evening hours on Tuesday. The National Weather Service...	National Weather Service, weather, Storm Damage	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Wed June 26, 2019	The Illinois News Broadcasters Association, the RTDNA, and other journalism groups are criticizing a new policy implemented by Marilyn Hite Ross, who...	Shop Talk Cruise, American Cruise Lines, Mississippi River, Fort Madison	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Tue June 25, 2019	Fort Madison could soon see an influx of tourists. The city is close to finalizing a lease with American Cruise Lines for the use of the city's dock...	Tyler McElchtry, KPLRY	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Tue June 25, 2019	A plea deal has been reached in the criminal case of a man accused of stealing money from a volunteer organization in Keokuk. Court records state...	Tim Wondra, Erin Slater, Fort Madison School Board	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Fri June 21, 2019	After a hiatus of several years, the Juneeteenth celebration returned to Macomb. The festivities included food, music, and a school supply collection...	Juneeteenth, Byron Oden-Shabazz, Tammie Leigh Brown-Edwards, Mike Inman, Macomb flooding, Burlington	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Wed June 19, 2019	The Mississippi River at Burlington continues to recede, dipping below major flood stage over the weekend. As the floodwaters supply, the city is...	Wayne Carl, Galesburg	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed June 19, 2019	There might soon be a public transit option for Knox County residents who live outside of Galesburg.	Galesburg, DTF Galesburg, Music, Knox College	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed June 19, 2019	When Solid Smith came to Knox College in Galesburg, he expected she would have to drive hours to see live music. So she was pleasantly surprised to...	Crisis of Confidence, Jack Thomas, Western Illinois University, Greg Aguilar, WIU Board of Trustees	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Tue June 18, 2019	At the beginning of their June 14 meeting, Western Illinois University trustees agreed to a plan that calls for WIU President Jack Thomas to step...	Shop Talk	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Tue June 18, 2019	The Trump administration recently filed new charges against Wikileaks founder Julian Assange. The charges fall under the 1917 Espionage Act and are...	Shop Talk Jack Thomas, Western Illinois University, Crisis of Confidence	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Fri June 14, 2019	The city of Keokuk will have to spend more money than anticipated on some planned renovations to the proposed Southeast Iowa Development Center...	Southeast Iowa Development Center, Cole O'Donnell, Keokuk	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Fri June 14, 2019	The West Burlington School District has a new leader. The school board agreed to hire Lisa Beames as Superintendent effective July 1 st...	West Burlington School Board, West Burlington School District, Lisa Beames, Dave Schmitt	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed June 12, 2019	The Central Lee School Board has voted to hold a \$12.9 million bond referendum on September 10, 2019. This will be the school district's second...	Central Lee School District	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed June 12, 2019	The city of Keokuk said itd€™s received a lot of complaints over the years about the condition of a private cemetery along Main Street. A grass roots...	Sunset Memorial Park, cemetery, Keokuk	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed June 12, 2019	The Shop Talk panel discusses a recent article in Columbia Journalism Review. Itd€™s about a former reporter, 27-year old Valeria Sistrunk, who has...	Shop Talk Rocky on Parade, sculpture, Mural, The Old Dairy, Macomb	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Tue June 11, 2019	About a half-dozen volunteers spent Monday morning painting the north side of The Old Dairy restaurant in Macomb a shade of light blue known as 86€œ...	WIU, Western Illinois University	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu June 6, 2019	The Illinois General Assembly wrapped up their work in Springfield a few days ago, finalizing both a multi-billion dollar state budget and a multi-...	Keokuk City Hall Fire, Keokuk City Hall	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu June 6, 2019	A fire in Le Roy severely damaged the two-story brick building at 415 Blondeau Street that housed Keokukd€™s City Hall. After several months of...	Shop Talk	Jason Parrott Shop Talk
Thu June 4, 2019	NPR reported that the U.S. Army issued a tweet ahead of Memorial Day weekend with a question for service members and veterans: "How has serving... it could be several weeks before Burlington leaves the full extent of damage to the downtown district. Streets, parking lots and buildings near the...	Flood Protection, Burlington Flood, Flood of 2008, Flood Wall, Floodwall, Burlington	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Tue June 4, 2019	The search for a new superintendent for the West Burlington School District appears to be in the final stages. Three finalists for the position are...	West Burlington School District, Andy Crowner	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Mon June 3, 2019	Old Man at Knox College is the only remaining site from the famous Lincoln-Douglas debates of 1858. A filmmaker will be there this weekend (June 7, ...)	Lincoln-Douglas debates, Knox College, Abraham Lincoln	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Sun June 3, 2019	Interim Police Chief Stacy Weber said Fort Madison police officers were called to the 100 block of Avenue C on Friday morning. They found a large dog...	Dog attack, Fort Madison, Dog	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Fri May 31, 2019	The Macomb School District has decided against making changes to one of its construction projects. The district considered redesigning the South...	Macomb School District, Edison School	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu May 30, 2019	Businesses and schools are collaborating in southeast Iowa to bridge the gender gap in the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)...	Investigate Your Future, STEM, LCEDG	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed May 29, 2019	U.S. Senator Cory Booker (D-New Jersey) told a crowd of more than 50 at the Lost Canvas in downtown Keokuk that he is worried about the nation...	Cory Booker, presidential campaign, Caucus Campaigning 2020, Instagram	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Tue May 28, 2019	The San Francisco Chronicle reported that police revealed the home of freelance journalist and videographer Bryan Carmody in response to allegations...	Shop Talk	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Tue May 28, 2019	A long-time administrator at Western Illinois University has left the institution. A spokesperson is saying little about his departure.	Brad Bainter, Crisis of Confidence, Western Illinois University	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Fri May 24, 2019	Lee County has received funding for an unexpected windfall it neglected for years.	Gyrgye Shedd, Lee County Board	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu May 23, 2019	Fort Madison residents will not see a rate hike on their sewer bills later this year. That means fewer sewer improvement projects will take place	Fort Madison, CSO, EPA, Combined Sewer, David Varley	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu May 23, 2019	Illinois State Police report a Macomb man died from injuries suffered in a traffic crash Wednesday afternoon.	Rich Egger TSPR Local	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Wed May 22, 2019	Tuesday's unseasonably chilly weather did not dampen the spirits of about 30 demonstrators in Macomb. They rallied during the noon hour in support of...	abortion, Heather McMeekan	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Wed May 22, 2019	The Illinois Times reported State Journal-Register Editor Amie Muhs was escorted out of the building by the paper's general manager after she...	Shop Talk	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Mon May 20, 2019	Pleasant Plains is a small but prosperous town about 15 minutes northwest of Springfield. Its schools are all rated "commendable," and their tea...	Education, algebra, math	Dusty Rhodes TSPR Local
Mon May 20, 2019	Scott Cook grew up in Macomb. After college, he worked at NTN tower and Western Illinois University before becoming the city's public works director...	Scott Cook, Dean Torrison, Macomb	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Fri May 17, 2019	When Heather Dickson relocated to Galesburg with her husband and daughter, she had no personal connection to the town. In Hope Cemetery, she began...	Galesburg, Hope Cemetery, Friends of Hope Cemetery, Heather Dickson, Paulina Dickson, Rex Cherrington, Jr	Phoebe Billups TSPR Local
Fri May 17, 2019	Nearly 50 years ago, the National Trust for Historic Preservation declared the month of May as Preservation Month. It is a way to promote historic...	Steve Frevert, Historic Preservation, Burlington, National Trust for Historic Preservation	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu May 16, 2019	Congressman Dave Loeback (D-Iowa) announced just one month ago that he will retire at the end of his current term. A couple people have already filed...	Rita Hart, Congressman Dave Loeback	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu May 16, 2019	The Burlington Police Department honored two of its officers for their life-saving efforts.	Burlington Police Department	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu May 15, 2019	Law Day was observed on May 1. This yeard€™s theme was "Free Speech, Free Press. Free Society." Illinois Supreme Court Chief Justice Lloyd Karmeier... County board members unanimously agreed to ask the Third District Appellate Court to rehear the Tom Pledge case. If that is unsuccessful, the county...	Shop Talk Rafaela Herrera, Thomas Pledge, George Dixon, McDonough County	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Mon May 13, 2019	Six attorneys have applied to be the next judge in west central Illinois' Ninth Judicial Circuit. The person chosen will replace Paul Mangier, who...	Ninth Judicial Circuit, legal	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Fri May 10, 2019	A lengthy law enforcement career is coming to an end in Galesburg. Police Chief David Christensen said he will retire soon.	David Christensen, Galesburg, Galesburg police	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Fri May 10, 2019	The West Burlington School District is receiving interest in its vacant superintendent position. School Board President Andy Crowner said this week...	West Burlington School District	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu May 9, 2019	Albert Bope moved from the Democratic Republic of Congo to the United States in November, 2016. He works at the JBS Pork plant in Beardstown but...	Albert Bope, The Hub Arts and Cultural Center, Rushville	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Wed May 8, 2019	I have built my adult life and career around the privilege of crossing borders to live, work, and explore. On various travels to Central and South...	Gloria Delany, Barnhart, Edson Corps, Guatemala, Instagram	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed May 8, 2019	The Macomb City Council took time Monday night to honor outgoing Alderman At Laraz Don Wynn and retired City Administrator Dean Torrison. The council...	Tammie Leigh Brown-Edwards, Macomb City Council, Macomb	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed May 8, 2019	Poynter recently posted a list of 515 "unreliable" news websites. Poynter said the list was built from pre-existing databases compiled by journalists...	Shop Talk	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Tue May 7, 2019	The Cardinal Point Wind Farm will include 60 turbines spread across northern McDonough County and southern Warren County. The developer said...	Cardinal Point, wind power, wind turbines, wind farm, Matt Martin, Capital Power	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Fri May 3, 2019	Keokuk is keeping a close eye on the entertainment barge that is docked south of Lock & Dam 19, near the South Side Boat Club. Thatd€™s because...	Keokuk Barge, barges, Keokuk Entertainment Barge	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu May 2, 2019	The West Central Illinois Arts Center in downtown Macomb is undergoing some major renovations. For starters, the facility has a new name: the Macomb...	West Central Illinois Arts Center, Macomb Arts Center, Macomb	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu May 2, 2019	In today's legal marijuana market, there is more than just a typical joint to get high. There are cookies, gummies, weed edibles, and more...	State of Cannabis	Jaclyn Driscoll TSPR Local
Thu May 2, 2019	For decades, it was "marijuana" and conjured images of tie-dyed T-shirts and hemp hoodies. Now, it's "cannabis" and you're more likely to picture lab...	State of Cannabis	Susan Stephens TSPR Local
Thu May 2, 2019	Champaign County State's Attorney Julia Rietz says she's concerned about how legalization could impact the juveniles she works with on a daily basis...	State of Cannabis	Lee V. Gaines/II TSPR Local
Wed May 1, 2019	Behind a tall security fence and countless coded keypads, the future of the Delavan economy is growing under bright lights. There are around 60...	State of Cannabis	Ryan Denham TSPR Local
Wed May 1, 2019	The McDonough County Sheriff's Office placed Deputy Justin Lundgren on paid administrative leave on May 30, 2018. Lundgren's annual salary is \$58,000.	McDonough County Sheriff's Department, Nick Pettigout, Justin Lundgren	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed May 1, 2019	Spring traditionally marks the end of the school year and a time of transition. My oldest, Willow, who I swear was just born yesterday, will...	Heather McIvaine-Newsad	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed May 1, 2019	Burlington Assistant City Manager Nick McGregor said Wednesday afternoon that the community's top priority is to install extensions to the top of its...	flooding, Flood 2019	Jason Parrott News
Wed May 1, 2019	Shop Talk panelist and TSPR News Director Rich Egger recently spoke at a conference about what it is like to report on your boss (i.e., Western...	Shop Talk	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Mon April 29, 2019	In 2018 only three compositions were nominated finalists for the Pulitzer Prize in Music. One of those works is STILL for solo piano. It didn't come...	James Romig, Ashley Mack, WIU School of Music, Pulitzer Prize, Clifford Hill	Ken Zehnle TSPR Local
Mon April 29, 2019	The O'Hern family in west central Illinois has long been involved in traditional farming. They grow corn, soybeans, and wheat, plus they raise cattle...	Nature's Grace and Wellness, Medical Marijuana, Tim O'Hern, recreational marijuana, State of Cannabis	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Thu April 25, 2019	Two former Southeastern Community College employees claimed they were forced to leave their jobs due to harassment and hostile work environments. They...	Whistle-blower, whistleblower, SCC, Curt Dial	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu April 25, 2019	The McDonough County Health Department has revoked the restaurant license of Lupe Lou, the owner of El Ranchoito in W. Jackson St. in Macomb...	El Ranchoito, McDonough County Health Department, Chris Adams	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu April 25, 2019	The Macomb Police Department has gone without a K-9 unit for more than a year following the early passing of the previous police dog, Police Chief...	Macomb Police Department, K-9 officer, Curt Barker, Nick Sewers	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed April 24, 2019	Everyone has been exposed to the idea or thought of faith, but not everyone gives it a voice. Who recognizes faith? Historically, prophets of old...	Sharon Hunter, faith, religion	Sharon Hunter Local Commentaries
Wed April 24, 2019	1919 proved to be a violent year in the United States. Race riots flared up across the country. But today, those events seem lost to history. An...	Clare Hartfield, Chicago Race Riot, Carl Sandburg Festival, Carl Sandburg, Western Illinois Museum	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Wed April 24, 2019	Congressman Tim Ryan (D-Ohio) asked State Rep. Jeff Kurtz (D-Fort Madison) to stretch out his introduction during a recent campaign stop in Fort...	Tim Ryan, Caucus Campaigning 2020, Iowa Caucus	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed April 24, 2019	Legislation to legalize gambling on college and professional sports seems as well as fantasy sports is sitting on the desk of Iowa Governor Kim...	Sports Gambling, Catfish Bend Casino, Iowa, Kim Reynolds, gambling	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Tue April 23, 2019	NPR recently reported on a study by the group Reporters Without Borders, which found the United States has become a less safe place for journalists...	Shop Talk	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Mon April 22, 2019	Several fire departments spent Sunday night battling a house fire just west of Macomb. The fire destroyed the end unit on a row of townhomes in the...	Emmet-Chalmers, Georgetown, Macomb Fire Department	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Fri April 19, 2019	Western Illinois University has been making headlines for decreasing enrollment, employee layoffs, and program cuts. Yet, some students are still...	Crisis of Confidence, Western Illinois University	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Fri April 19, 2019	The Keokuk Community Child Development Center will open its doors on April 22. Supporters said the center will help fill a need for more quality...	Keokuk, child care, Keokuk Community Child Development Center	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu April 18, 2019	Congresswoman Tulsi Gabbard (D-HI) spent about 45 minutes at Sub-Arena Sandwich Shop in Fort Madison as part of a campaign swing through southeast...	Tulsi Gabbard, Caucus Campaigning 2020, Iowa Caucus	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu April 18, 2019	Congressman Dave Loeback (D-Iowa) announced this month that he will retire at the end of his current term in office. Who is his replacement, and of...	Congressman Dave Loeback	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed April 17, 2019	This week in the religious world we have holidays and Holy days -- not just in one world religion but two. It is Holy week leading up to Easter for...	Monica Corsaro	Monica Corsaro Local Commentaries
Tue April 16, 2019	Brian Dietz came to Macomb more than nine months ago to lead McDonough District Hospital on an interim basis. He said he enjoyed it so much in Macomb...	McDonough District Hospital, MDH, Brian Dietz, Health Care	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Tue April 16, 2019	Scientific American recently conducted a study that found newspaper closures are linked to partisanship. The publication used voting data from across...	Shop Talk	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Fri April 12, 2019	A day-long run through western Illinois will honor and remember the state's fallen military service members and first responders.	Run for the Fallen, War on Terror, Gold Star Families	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu April 11, 2019	The Macomb School District plans to build a middle school just south of the high school, so the city will make improvements in one of the older...	Santa Fe Depot RAGBRAI, Keokuk, Bicycle	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu April 11, 2019	RAGBRAI will get underway in about 100 days. Planning is well underway in Keokuk to be the final stop for the seven-day bicycle ride across Iowa in...	Pickleball, Santa Fe Depot	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed April 10, 2019	This is a commentary. The opinions expressed in this commentary are not necessarily those of Western Illinois University or Tri States Public Radio...	Gayle Carper	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed April 10, 2019	The Atlanta Journal-Constitution reported last week that a group of House Republican lawmakers in Georgia filed legislation to create a state...	Shop Talk	Rich Egger Shop Talk
Sun April 7, 2019	Lee County is taking legal action against the owners of several homes near Chatfield Lake in an attempt to prevent future pollution of the lake.	Lake Chatfield, Chatfield Lake, Lee County, pollution, Sewer Run Off	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu April 4, 2019	Fort Madison has spent more than a decade negotiating to bring passenger rail service to the historic downtown train depot. It now appears those...	Santa Fe Depot	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Thu April 4, 2019	Members of Western Illinois University's new Board of Trustees barely got to introduce themselves to each other before holding their first meeting...	Greg Aguilar, WIU Board of Trustees, Western Illinois University, Crisis of Confidence	Rich Egger TSPR Local
Thu April 4, 2019	The Fort Madison Area Arts Association is hosting its largest fundraiser of the year Saturday night. The annual event comes at a time when the...	FMAAA, Brian Riggs, Arts, Fort Madison	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Wed April 3, 2019	This is a commentary. The opinions expressed in this commentary are not necessarily those of Western Illinois University or Tri States Public Radio...	Heather McIvaine-Newsad	Jason Parrott TSPR Local
Tue April 2, 2019	There were plenty of contested races and ballot questions for residents of Clark and Lewis Counties to settle during yesterday's municipal election.	Missouri Election 2016	Jason Parrott Elections
Tue April 2, 2019	Two southeast Iowa school districts held special elections on Tuesday, April 2. The polls were busy in Fort Madison with more than 3,200 votes cast...	Fort Madison School District, Burlington School District, Iowa Election	Jason Parrott Elections
Tue April 2, 2019	Congressman Dave Loeback (D-Iowa) announced this month that he will retire at the end of his current term in office. Who is his replacement, and what...	Voting Election	Jason Parrott Elections
Tue April 2, 2019	The Guardian reported Facebook's effort to establish a service that provides users with local news and information is being hindered by the lack of...	Shop Talk	Rich Egger Shop Talk