

**Quarterly Issues Report For
WMKR (FM) Pana**

1/1/13 – 3/31/13

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Health	1/1/13	6:20am	1:30	PCH
Health	1/9/13	8:20am	1:00	PCH
Health	2/15/13	9:21pm	1:30	PCH
Health	2/28/13	11:22pm	1:00	PCH
Health	3/12/13	2:21pm	1:30	Gowin Parc

1/1/2013-5am

Prevention Is Key Says Pana Community Hospital's Nancy Alexander

Prevention is the best medicine. You may hear this phrase and understand what it means when it comes to your health, but not know how to prevent future ailments.

That's where the Pana Community Hospital's Health and Wellness Center comes in. Nancy Alexander the Health and Wellness Coordinator at the Pana Community Hospital explained how knowing your "numbers" can help.

[audio:NancyAlexanderPCHHealthandWellnessknowyournumbers.mp3]comment here[/audio]

You can contact the Pana Community Hospital at 562-2131.

1/9/2013-5am

Pana Community Hospital Helps with Fitness

With the winter here it's not as easy to stay fit. That's where Pana Community Hospital's Health and Wellness Center comes in.

Coordinator Nancy Alexander says Zumba is a popular exercise program.

[audio:pchzumba011013.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Good health also has to do with good nutrition. Alexander suggests a mushroom squash stew.

[audio:pchstew011013.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Call Pana Community Hospital's Health and Fitness Center for the recipe.

2/15/2013-5am

Pana Community Hospital Wearing Red for Heart Health Awareness

The staff at Pana Community Hospital is wearing red to promote heart health awareness for the month of February. February is American Heart Month which provides an opportunity to educate the public about heart disease and prevention.

The American Heart Association developed the "Go Red" campaign to increase awareness of heart disease specifically in women. More women die of cardiovascular disease than from the next four causes of death combined, including all forms of cancer. Heart disease is the #1 killer of women. The "Go Red" campaign encourages people to wear red on Friday, February 1st in support of the cause, but Pana Community Hospital employees have chosen to wear red every Friday in February.

2/28/2013-5am

Pana Community Hospital offers new Service

It's important to keep a close eye on your health. Pana Community Hospital may be able to help. Melissa Rybolt, Wellness Coordinator at the hospital, says they are offering a new program:

[audio:ryboltwellnesscheck022713.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Pana Community Hospital is located at 101 E. 9th Street in Pana.

3/12/2013-5am

Theresa Gowin says many things led her to Memory Care

Gowin Parc in Taylorville is just one of several Gowin Parc locations in Central Illinois. Theresa Gowin, owner of Gowin Parc says many things led her to pursue a career in memory care:

[audio:gowinmotives031213.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Gowin Parc will open its next facility in Paris Illinois.

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Education	1/1/13	9:20am	1:30	LLCC
Education	1/22/13	6:20am	1:00	CTI Classes
Education	2/1/13	9:21am	1:30	Christian Count Schools
Education	2/19/13	11:20pm	1:30	Child Care Class
Education	3/5/13	1:22pm	1:00	Barber College

1/1/2013-5am

Lincoln Land Community College Taylorville to Have a Class on Employability Skills

Lincoln Land Community College is on break right now, but that doesn't mean you can't sign up for classes for the spring semester.

Scott Stallman the Executive Director of LLCC Taylorville, Litchfield and Hillsboro says that he is going to be teaching a course called employability skills.

[audio:ssallmanllccemployabilityskills1.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Stallman says that having a digital footprint with resume is an important thing to have.

[audio:ssallmanllccemployabilityskills2.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The spring semester for LLCC will start up on January 14th

1/22/2013-5am

CTI Computer Education Courses Starting on Thursday

Computer Techniques in Taylorville is about to start their computer education courses on Thursday. The classes range in price from \$22.50 to \$49.95 and Senior Citizens get a discount on all classes.

The Director of CTI Education Eileen Andrews talked about her experience with computers.

[audio:EileenAndrewsCTIEducationExperience.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Andrews also says that anyone can join these classes and explained why being computer literate is important.

[audio:EileenAndrewsCTIEducationeveryoneedsthisknowledge.mp3]comment here[/audio]

CTI is open to suggestions when it comes to their range of computer education courses you can contact them to register or to suggest a course at 824-6398. The classes will be held at the Christian County Senior Center at 701 West Adams Street.

2/1/2013-5am

Area School Superintendents React to Wednesday Night School Tax Meeting

A standing room only crowd of several hundred Christian County residents, packed the Taylorville VFW Hall Wednesday night, to hear a presentation by the committee calling themselves the "Citizens for Christian County Public Schools." The committee's goal is to pass a one-percent sales tax countywide, for school facility purposes, on April 9th.

The tax would generate some 2-point-2 million dollars a year for county schools beginning in 2014. The one-percent sales tax would not apply to drugs, groceries, cars, trucks, or A-T-V's, boats, R-V's, mobile homes, farm equipment, parts or inputs sold inside of Christian County.

Taylorville Superintendent Doctor Gregg Fuerstenau, one of the presenters for the evening, told Regional Radio News he was very pleased with the huge crowd.

[audio:Fuerstenauaudio2Jan3013.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Pana School Superintendent Doctor David Lett said Wednesday night's turnout was impressive.

[audio:LettaudioJan3013.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The issue will be one of the many items on the April 9th ballot in Christian County.

2/19/2013-5am

Taylorville High School Child Care Practicum Class Planning Its Pre-School

The Taylorville High School Child Care Practicum class is planning its annual pre-school for three and four-year-olds. The junior and senior students in this class will conduct a pre-school for a practical laboratory learning experience in working with preschool children. According to Melissa Williams, instructor, the pre-school will be held for an eight-week period on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of each week, beginning Monday, March 11 and ending Friday, May 3. Time each day will be from 8:15 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

To be eligible, a child must be at least three years of age by March 11 and not older than four years of age by May 3. Due to limited facilities, only ten children will be accepted. Parents interested in enrolling a child are asked to call the high school office, 824-2268, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. anytime between today (February 19) through March 4.

An application form will be sent to the parents to be completed and returned to the school. Parents will be notified concerning acceptance of their children.

3/5/2013-5am

Barber College offers Classic Barber Shop Experience

Many young people have never experienced the feeling of an old fashioned barber shop. According to Denise Johnson of the National Barber College in Taylorville says they have preserved some of the atmosphere and services of the old fashioned shops:

[audio:johnsonbarberatmosphere030513.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The National Barber College, which is located on E. Maincross in Taylorville, is currently accepting students.

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Econ Development	1/2/13	6:22am	1:45	Good Season
Econ Development	1/27/13	9:21am	1:30	New Restaurants
Econ Development	2/4/13	11:20am	1:00	PCC
Econ Development	2/28/13	1:22pm	1:45	Gowin Park
Econ Development	3/11/13	3:21pm	1:45	New Business

1/2/2013-5am

A Good Xmas Shopping Season for One Taylorville Business

The Christmas shopping season is over and local businesses are taking stock in whether or not this was a good or bad season.

Ed Downs the owner of the Best for Less says that this shopping season was good for his business.

[audio:eddownsbestforlessxmasshoppingseason.mp3]comment here[/audio]

You can contact The Best for Less at 713-2600.

1/27/2013-5am

Two New Restaurants Open Their Doors in Pana

Pana has seen two new restaurants come to town in the past week. Fat Moe's and the Spring Garden Restaurant both opened up last week.

Steve Sipes the Mayor of Pana says that Pana has been trying to bring more businesses to town.

[audio:PanaMayorSteveSipesnewrestaurants1.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Sipes explained that another reason why some businesses are coming to town is because of the support of citizens.

[audio:PanaMayorSteveSipesnewrestaurants2.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Both the Spring Garden and Fat Moe's have locations in Taylorville as well.

2/4/2013-5am

Pana Chamber of Commerce Held Ribbon Cutting for Fat Moe's

The Pana Chamber of commerce held a ribbon cutting ceremony last Wednesday for its newest member, Fat Moe's. Located at the corner of Poplar and 4th, Fat Moe's has a large, diverse menu of Chicago style hotdogs and more. The opening follows Fat Moe's recent opening in Taylorville at the corner of Cheney and Spresser.

2/28/2013-5am

Gowin Parc Now Open in Taylorville

Gowin Parc has been open in Taylorville now for a couple of months. Owner Teresa Gowin says what Gowin Parc offers is different from other long term care facilities:

[audio:gowin1022813.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Gowin says Taylorville has been very supportive:

[audio:gowin2022813.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The new Gowin parc in Taylorville is on McAdam Drive, next to the Christian County YMCA.

3/11/2013-5am

New Business for "Dandy Don"

Many people in Edinburg and other towns know Don Kendall. He's been a businessman in the area for decades:

[audio:kendall1031113.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Kendall opened The Country Peddler recently:

[audio:kendall2031113.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Don stocks only American made products.

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County Gov't	1/14/13	6:21am	1:30	Sheriff
County Gov't	1/30/13	10:22am	1:30	Farm Bureau
County Gov't	2/5/13	12:21pm	1:30	Leadership Group
County Gov't	2/7/13	2:21pm	1:00	Sheriff's Office
County Gov't	3/13/13	4:22pm	1:00	CCPC

1/14/2013-5am

Sheriff Reminds Motorists About the Fatal Five

With colder temperatures in place, wintry weather could occur without much warning, making driving hazardous.

Christian County Sheriff Bruce Kettelkamp says it's a good time to think about the "Fatal Four".

[audio:sheriffreminder011513.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Following too closely, or tailgating, is also a leading cause of accidents.

1/30/2013-5am

Christian County Farm Bureau Events Coming Up

Herwig of the Christian County Farm Bureau says they have a variety of meetings coming up.

[audio:herwigupcomingstuff013113.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The number is 824-2940.

2/5/2013-5am

Christian County LEADERSHIP Group Tours Miller Media Group Studios

Some 20 members of the Christian County Leadership Program, toured various media facilities in Christian County this (Tuesday) afternoon. One of the locations they toured were the Miller Media Group studios on West Park Street in Taylorville.

Company president Randal J. Miller gave a tour of the 36-hundred square foot radio center, which Miller Media purchased and moved into, in March of 2000.

Patty Hornbuckle, president and C-E-O of the Greater Taylorville Chamber of Commerce, organized today's (Tuesday's) media tour, and explained why the group toured some of the county's media facilities.

[audio:Hornbucklecut1Feb513.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Hornbuckle says the Christian County Leadership Program, was started by some community leaders 10 years ago.

[audio:Hornbucklecut2Feb513.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Participants in this year's Christian County Leadership Program come from varied backgrounds such as banking, manufacturing, the medical field, and even the ministry.

2/7/2013-5am

Christian County Vehicle Accidents

The Christian County Sheriff's office reports a couple of accidents. Thirty- nine year old Jill K. Burwitz, of Pawnee, was west bound on township roadd. 1550 N. and was approaching township road 175 East and ran off the roadway, striking a concrete bridge support. Burwitz then spun her 2007 Chevrolet Impal 180 degrees through the bridge and ended up facing east on the west side of the bridge. She was issued a citation for driving under the influence of alcohol.

On February 1, Christian County Sheriff's Department responded to a two vehicle accident on County Highway 1. Thirty year old Joshua L. Becker of Taylorville was traveling southbound on County Highway 1, approximately 1/10 of a mile north of township rd 800. Fifty-nine year old Billy D. Craig, of Taylorville was also traveling southbound on County Highway 1 and was behind Becker. Becker slowed and began to turn left into a private drive. Craig began to pass Becker and struck his 1990 GEO Prizm.

3/13/2013-5am

Christian County Prevention Coalition

The Christian County Prevention Coalition is dedicated to stopping drug and alcohol abuse, especially on the part of young people. Retired Judge John Coady is a member, and says they're lucky to have the help of Ted Penesis, Education Manager for the Illinois Liquor Commission:

[audio:coadyccoalition.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Penesis says Christian County is dealing aggressively with the problem as opposed to other counties in Illinois:

[audio:penesisccoalition031213.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Other members of the coalition include Christian County Board Chairman Paul Schmitz and Taylorville Deputy Chief of Police Brian Hile.

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City Government	2/11/13	11:20am	1:30	Taylorville Board
City Government	2/22/13	1:22pm	1:30	GTCC
City Government	3/19/13	2:20pm	1:00	Taylorville Kiwanis

1/7/2013-5am

Taylorville City Council Announces the Hire of a New Police Officer

The Taylorville City Council held their first meeting of 2013 last night and the first item brought up was the hiring of a new police officer. The officer that was hired is Wes Withrow.

Taylorville Mayor Greg Brotherton says that the city has been short on officers over the past few years.

[audio:MAYORBROTHERTONPOLICEHIRE1.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Another issue discussed during the committee reports also involved the Taylorville Police Department and some purchases of equipment.

There were purchases of police equipment which totaled in \$23,868. One of the motions passed within those purchases included a motion to purchase 8 Kenwood P25 portable radios from Global Tech at a cost of \$1400 each.

Brotherton says that this purchase was needed to help the city police officers and other government agencies communicate.

[audio:MAYORBROTHERTONPOLICECOMMUNICATIONISSUE.mp3]comment here[/audio]

There was also an annexation and permanent sanitary agreement between the city and the Curvey family for the property located at 2100 West Spresser Street.

Alderman Earl Walters of Ward IV explained the agreement.

[audio:MAYORBROTHERTONPOLICEHIRE1.mp3]comment here[/audio]

That motion passed unanimously at the meeting.

Other motions that were passed unanimously at the meeting include

Ordinance – Authorizing the City to Enter Into Certain Annexation Agreements – Water Annexation Agreement

Ordinance – Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Taylorville, Taylorville Community unit School District #3 – 3702 Lake Drive Ordinance – Annexing Certain Territory to the City of Taylorville, Natalie Blevins – 1130 W. Waco

Motion to approve a bid for the Dredging of Locust Creek Silt Area II. Again all of those motions passed unanimously at the meeting the next meeting is scheduled for January 21st.

1/28/2013-5am

Taylorville Community Garden to Hold a General Planning Meeting

Planning is underway for the Taylorville Community Garden. Bill Kerns Pastor with Davis Memorial Church Explained what is being planned with the garden.

[audio:BillKernsCommunistGarden1.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Kerns also talked about why this garden will be good for Taylorville.

[audio:BillKernsCommunistGarden2.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Anyone is welcome to attend the next general planning meeting on Thursday at 7 pm at Davis Memorial Christian Church.

Taylorville Board Approves Closing of South School

The Taylorville School Board voted in regular session to close South school in Taylorville effective for the 2013 – 2014 school year. The restructuring is designed to help in budgeting for the upcoming school year. Additional restructuring will occur with the elementary schools becoming attendance centers. North school will be K, 1 and 2, Memorial school will be half day Preschool at risk and grades 3 and 4 and Stonington will remain as a K through 4 building, keeping the current boundaries. The expected savings in salaries alone is approximately \$650,000.

The board also approved the elimination of French leaving Spanish as the only foreign language offered at THS. It was agreed that students that have already completed French 2 or 3, will have the opportunity to take French 3 or 4.

In other business, the board approved the awarding of a diploma to Quentin Christopher, who has fulfilled all the necessary requirements for graduation.

It was noted that the Taylorville High School journalism class achieved a 2nd place award for best overall yearbook in division III in the state of Illinois. The class has been awarded year after year for their excellence in composing the yearbook.

The board heard a report from Technology Director Chris Kuntzman requesting the consideration of Taylorville High School Technology Bid specifications. It was approved, unanimously, to allow the considerations. The upgrades requested would prepare the school system for the next 5 to 10 years and would possibly pay for itself in 3 to 5 years.

The meeting concluded with Superintendent Fuerstenau's report in which he invited all to attend the Midwinter Band concert to be held at 7 pm on Tuesday. He also noted that the ISAT testing would begin on March 4th. The spring play, "Beauty and the Beast", will be presented on March 22nd and 23rd.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:45.

2/22/2013-5am

Chamber Events this Week

It has been a busy week for the Greater Taylorville Chamber of Commerce. President and CEO of the chamber Patty Hornbuckle, says The monthly Business After Hours took place Wednesday:

[audio:pattyagbreakfasto22213.mp3]comment here[/audio]

Hornbuckle says she attended an Ag Breakfast Thursday morning:

[audio:pattyclbouqutbah022213.mp3]comment here[/audio]

The Greater Taylorville Chamber of Commerce is located on the S. side of the Taylorville Square.

Taylorville Kiwanis Club Hears About Electricity Choices from Ameren

(Taylorville)—The Taylorville Kiwanis Club heard about choices Ameren residential customers have, from one of their spokespersons, at Tuesday's weekly meeting at the Taylorville Memorial Hospital auditorium.

Kenny Blum told Kiwanis members that due to electricity deregulation in Illinois, Ameren customers can choose their electric supplier. All Ameren does now, is deliver the electricity to their customers. Blum added that the area's recent vote allowing electric aggregation, is one of the ways customers can choose their electricity supplier.

Blum also told the Kiwanis Club that as a result of electricity deregulation, power suppliers in Illinois must purchase 25% of their power from renewable sources by the year 2025, and that Ameren is presently at 6%. He urged Kiwanis members to go to the web site actonenergy-dot-com to learn about ways Ameren customers can save money on their power bills.

Kiwanis treasurer Dan Sneed reported that the club's recent pancake and sausage breakfast fund raiser has so far netted the club over 27-hundred dollars for local Kiwanis projects for children and youth.

WTIM local farm broadcaster Jared White, was a guest at Tuesday's Taylorville Kiwanis Club meeting, in honor of National Agriculture Day.

The Taylorville Kiwanis Club is part of a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world one child and one community at a time. Weekly meetings are held Tuesdays at noon at Taylorville Memorial Hospital auditorium. For more information on the Taylorville Kiwanis Club, go to taylorvillekiwanis-dot-com.