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County Gov	7/7/23	8:00 AM	:35	McWard updates
County Gov	7/11/23	4:22 PM	:31	Natural Disaster help
County Gov	7/19/23	11:22 AM	:40	County Board July
County Gov	8/14/23	3:22 PM	:44	Julie Mayer story
County Gov	8/23/23	7:00 AM	:41	Sheriff's Office update

RUN AS OF 7/7/23

AFTER 6AM

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Christian County is constantly busy and court stays consistent with case updates every day. Christian County States Attorney John McWard stopped by to give Regional Radio News an update. McWard says that they have had a major focus on methamphetamine. Some of the cases that McWard says have happened recently include Todd England who was sentenced to 10 years and 10 months by the US Attorney's Office not the Christian County State's Attorney. Mcward says that things are going really well, but they are really looking for some help for his office. For more information, visit <https://www.christiancountyil.gov/states-attorney/>.

RUN AS OF 7/11/23

AFTER 6AM

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Christian County and other surrounding counties received natural disaster designations after storms moved through the area at the end of March and early April. USDA Secretary Tom Vilsack issued four separate disaster declarations for Illinois due to tornadoes and drought that occurred during the growing season. Those eligible should contact their local USDA Service Center to ask questions or file a Notice of Loss.

RUN AS OF 7/19/23

AFTER 6AM

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The Christian County Board met at 6:30 PM at the Christian County Courthouse to discuss appointments, committee reports, and old and new business on Tuesday evening. During public comments Dr. Chad Anderson spoke about a rumor that was going around that there were no nurses at the health department. Dr. Anderson says, that's not true. County Board member Jeff Nolan asked for some transparency when it came to money being spent on the new Health Department building. Five Health Board members were appointed including Lindsay Fox, Dan Held, Janet DeClerk, Stacey Funderburke, and Dr. Hwa-Long Chen. The next County Board meeting is set for August 15th, 2023.

RUN AS OF 8/14/23      TZ

As Julie Mayer walked through the doors of the Christian County Circuit Clerks' office in 2008, she was prepared to head the department with 29 years of free-lance court reporting under her belt. But the path to this position did not come easy. Mayer explains the process of running for this office. With a number of knowledgeable actors helping along the way, Mayer was set up for success. Even though Mayer says she wanted to continue on, her retirement has been announced. But Mayer left the Circuit Clerks' Office much different than she found it. Mayer talks about the vast number of aspects that she needed to familiarize herself with. The next Christian County Circuit Clerk is in great hands with the knowledge and passion that Julie Mayer had for the position. Thanks to the diligent work of Mayer and her staff, the community can count on proper court fillings and advanced online services.

RUN AS OF 8/23/23      TZ

The Christian County Sheriff's Office has been approved for the relocation of their new office. The current office is located at 301 West Franklin Street in Taylorville. The new CC Sheriff's office will reside at 214 West Market Street in Taylorville, the building once served as the solid waste building. Baker says this will be a fast-paced re-model and the funds are received through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). He thanks the board for their cooperation and partnership during the re-location. Chief Deputy Jim Baker appeared as a guest on the WTIM Morning Show.

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City Govt	7/25/23	8:00 AM	:35	TVL City update
City Govt	8/3/23	4:22 PM	:31	National Night Out
City Govt	8/7/23	11:22 AM	:29	City Council Aug1 Prestory
City Govt	8/18/23	3:22 PM	:40	Chamber of Commerce update
City Govt	8/22/23	7:00 AM	:43	City Council Aug 2

RUN AS OF 7/25/23 Air after 6am

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Taylorville Mayor Bruce Barry has much to be proud of after weeks of community engagement. From the successful Christian County Fair to the Car Cruise, to the Saturday Farmers Market, Taylorville has truly come alive this summer. Mayor Barry was present for the Christian County Fair and was again reminded how special the week-long event is. Taylorville Mayor Bruce Barry is excited for the future of Taylorville as community involvement and grant money has grown. Mayor Barry appeared as a guest on the WTIM Morning Show.



RUN AS OF 8/3/23

AFTER 6AM

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Multiple police agencies held a successful National Night Out on Tuesday evening at the Expo Building in Taylorville. Over 500 people came and had food, got their face painted, played on bouncy houses, threw axes, and participated in the dunk tank, and raffles. Taylorville Police Officer Kirsten Beaman says that the event was a great success. Proceeds for the National Night Out were sent to the Special Olympics. To see more pictures, you can visit the Taylorville Police Department Facebook page.

RUN AS OF 8/7/23

AFTER 6AM

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Taylorville City Council will meet Monday evening at 7 PM at the Municipal Building. After a review of the minutes, the council will review some ordinances, including some BDD agreements. A few real estate lease's will be discussed concerning resolutions with Rick and Lisa Champley and Jake Heberling. Following public comments, city council will be adjourned. Stay tuned to Regional Radio News for a update following the conclusion of the meeting.

RUN AS OF 8/18/23      TZ

The Greater Taylorville Chamber of Commerce recently opened their doors to host Caterpillar Incorporated, for an all-inclusive job fair experience. All items necessary to gain employment with Caterpillar were at the chamber, giving members of the community an opportunity to walk away with a new job. For more information look to the GTCC Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/TaylorvilleChamber/>. Or visit their website at <http://taylorvillechamber.com/> Linda Allen appeared as a guest on the WTIM Morning Show.

RUN AS OF 8/22/23

AFTER 6AM

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Taylorville City Council met Monday evening. All Aldermen were present except Jim Olive and Kathy Driskell. Alderman Larry Budd announced his retirement stating that he was retiring due to health issues. Budd has been on the council for over ten years. Mayor Bruce Barry read his retirement letter. The council approved the purchase of two 2024 Ford F250 Super Cab pickups for the water department. A Gazebo was approved for the lake/airport and motions to approve a fine for \$500 for feeding geese at Lake Taylorville and a motion for any new home construction within Taylorville to have a minimum of 1,000 square feet.

The next city council meeting is set for September 5<sup>th</sup>.

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Economic Development	7/6/23	8:00 AM	:41	YMCA Activities
Economic Development	7/21/23	4:22 PM	:43	Chamber of Commerce updates
Economic Development	7/28/23	11:22 AM	:46	Morrisonville picnic
Economic Development	8/16/23	3:22 PM	:42	Assumption Fest
Economic Development	8/30/23	7:00 AM	37	Music anniversary

RUN AS OF 7/6/23 Air after 6am TZ

The YMCA here in Taylorville has summertime activities that are sure to keep your child busy and active all summer long. Located at the YMCA in Taylorville, soccer camps and clinics, swim lessons and a boxing class for seniors will fill the YMCA calendar. Soccer registration is due August 1st, an added fee will be applied for those that sign up later. The camps are for grades K-8. New this year is the coaches clinic which is instructed by Tim Karbach, Taylorville High School Varsity Soccer coach. The coach's clinic will inform new and veteran coaches on proper drills, skills, and teaching methods for the best production from their players. The Coach's clinic is Saturday, August 12th. For information on all the YMCA events you can visit, [www.CCYMCA.org](http://www.CCYMCA.org).

RUN AS OF 7/21/23      TZ

The Greater Taylorville Chamber of Conference is back with more events that will get the community involved. The chamber has recently welcomed a new member of the board, Robert Harlow of Harlow Industrial. With a new perspective on the board, Harlow looks forward to serving the community, which will not be an issue as Harlow Industrial helps out local community members by fixing or installing overhead doors, garages, and safety shutters for schools. To contact Robert Harlow of Harlow Industrial you can call him directly at, 217-820-1758. For information on the Chillifest, you can visit the Facebook page at Taylorville Chillifest.

RUN AS OF 7/28/23      TZ

The Morrisonville Picnic and Homecoming kicks off today, Thursday 27th. and ends Saturday, the 29th. For the 95th year in a row, live music, parades, and frog jump contests fill the week. Jessica Armentrout and Suzanne Grundy are Community Club Officers with the Morrisonville Homecoming and Picnic and want you to experience the events this year. Friday and Saturday nights of the Morrisonville Picnic and Homecoming a children's bicycle giveaway winner will be announced at the carnival ticket booth. The Morrisonville Picnic and Homecoming has something in store for everyone, from carnival rides to nightly live music, and of course the frog jump contest, you will not want to miss out on the picnic. For a full schedule of events visit this story at TDN.



RUN AS OF 8/16/23      TZ

Assumption Fest is getting set to kick off this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, in the Downtown Assumption area. This year, Assumption Fest features six different live music performances and even an appearance from Terry Grawey a hypnohumorist. Thursdays events at the Main Stage include the opening ceremony at 6 PM, Little, Junior, and Miss Pageants at 6:15 PM, a live performance from Dylan Blankenship, playing rock and rolls, blues, and folk music, and rounding out night one, Josh Holland will be performing from 8:00 PM to 10:00 PM in the Beer Tent. For a full list of events and times for Assumption Fest, you can visit their Facebook page at Assumption Fest 2023.

RUN AS OF 8/30/23

AFTER 6AM

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A Taylorville music shop celebrated their second anniversary on Monday evening. Taylorville Music Lessons in Taylorville had an open house with plenty of food, drink, a bouncy house, Kona Ice, and a recital for their many guests to celebrate their second year in business. Mike Semarau, who owns Taylorville Music Lessons, says that he has been proud of how things have been in Taylorville for the last two years. Taylorville Music Lessons is located at 311 South Main Street in Taylorville. You can reach them at 217-777-7100.

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Education	7/4/23	8:00 AM	:33	Safety fireworks
Education	7/7/23	4:22 PM	:39	Heat safety month
Education	7/25/23	11:22 AM	:35	Macon county activities
Education	8/8/23	3:22 PM	:37	School board prestory
Education	8/15/23	7:00 AM	41	ISP Roadway safety for school

RUN AS OF 7/4/23 Air after 6am      TZ

It is easy to lose sight of safety precautions while participating in the 4th of July firework fun in the upcoming days but the dry weather conditions have added yet another safety concern for those lighting off their own fireworks. Stray sparks and even excess smoke can ignite dry trees and grass easily, turning a memorable 4th of July night into a disaster scenario. Matt Lewis is with the Shelbyville Fire Protection District and wants the local community to avoid unneeded emergencies. Lewis reminds everyone to call 9-1-1 in the case of an emergency and to practice extra caution this 4th of July.

RUN AS OF 7/7/23

AFTER 6AM

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July is National Extreme Heat Safety Month and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and Office of Homeland Security (IEMA-OHS) has some easy tips to keep you cool. "Illinois has many days of sweltering high heat including several 100-degree days," explained IEMA-OHS Director Alicia Tate-Nadeau. "Know the differences and prevent heat cramps, heat illness, and heat stroke." These habits will keep you stay safe and help others too. Check on neighbors, friends, family, and elderly who are more vulnerable to extreme heat. And learn the differences between a heat watch vs heat warning (NWS). More tips on extreme heat safety can be found at Taylorville Daily News dot com.

RUN AS OF 7/25/23 Air after 6am TZ

There is still time to enjoy summer outdoor activities with the Macon County Conservation District and the Rock Springs Nature Center, located in Decatur. The Macon County Conservation District presents many events all summer long like educational nature walks, summer concerts, and even out-of-this-world events like the Astronomy Jamboree. To not miss a beat with the Macon County Conservation District, visit <https://www.maconcountyconservation.org/>

RUN AS OF 8/8/23      TZ

The Taylorville School Board is set to meet Tuesday night at 6:00 PM, in the District Office Boardroom, located at 1100 North Sportsman Drive. The Meeting will begin by thanking the efforts of Steve Walter's custodial and maintenance crew for preparing the school for the incoming students. More thanks will be offered to Jessica Miller who has prepared the Taylorville High Schools tech department. Stay tuned to Regional Radio News for all of the details following the event.

RUN AS OF 8/15/23

AFTER 6AM

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The Illinois State Police are reminding the public about the importance of focusing on roadway safety as children across the state prepare to head back to school, especially laws specific to the safety of children in school zones and while boarding buses. ISP reminds motorists to be extra vigilant in school zones and obey posted speed limits. Posted school zones have a speed limit of 20 miles per hour and are in effect from 7 AM to 4 PM on school days when children are present. Driving while talking or texting on a hand-held cellular device is strictly prohibited and fines are increased within a school zone. ISP reminds Illinoisans that school zone laws keep kids safe.



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Healthcare	8/24/23	4:22 PM	:33	Nokomis School update
Healthcare	8/28/23	11:22 AM	:38	IDPH Covid
Healthcare	8/29/23	3:22 PM	:42	Heat awareness
Healthcare	8/30/23	7:00 AM	:37	Legionnaires outbreak

RUN AS OF 8/3/23

AFTER 6AM

LK

August is National Immunization Awareness Month, an annual celebration to highlight the importance of routine vaccinations. The Christian County Health Department is encouraging everyone to get little ones up to date on immunizations. This month is the perfect time for your little ones to get up-to-date on their routine vaccinations. If parents or guardians would like to schedule their child's immunization or have any questions about vaccinations, call The Christian County Health Department at 217-824-4113. Here is a link to a simple test on the CDC website to determine what vaccines your child needs <https://www2a.cdc.gov/vaccines/childquiz/default-sp.asp>.

RUN AS OF 8/24/23      TZ

The Nokomis School District is putting the mental health of their students at the forefront of their focus for the 2023-2024 school year. Nokomis Junior High and Nokomis High School were awarded a national spotlight for their Capturing Kids Hearts Program. This program has put forth efforts to strengthen students in areas that are not just academic. Nokomis Superintendent Scott Doerr says he is fully staffed this year and week one went by without a hitch.

RUN AS OF 8/28/23      TZ

The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) is closely monitoring a surge in COVID-19 cases across the state. Despite low hospital admissions, wastewater surveillance indicates rising COVID-19 activity. IDPH Director Dr. Sameer Vohra urged caution, emphasizing the risk for vulnerable groups. The Illinois Wastewater Surveillance System showed moderate COVID-19 activity in all regions, but flu and RV activity remained low. For updates, visit IDPH's website. The federal toolkit for masks, treatment, vaccines, and testing is available at <https://www.covid.gov/>.

RUN AS OF 8/29/23

AFTER 6AM

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On average, according to the Illinois State Climatologist, there are ten days in Illinois at or above 90 degrees each year. With temperatures last week soaring above 90 degrees its important to remember the difference between heat stroke and heat exhaustion. Dr. Brian Curtis, vice president of Clinical Specialty Services for OSF HealthCare says preparation and awareness are key for staying safe in the summer months. Dr. Curtis encourages you to play it safe when it comes to heat, and drink plenty of liquids, avoid dehydrating liquids, take frequent breaks, and get out of the sun. Find out more information, by visiting this story at [taylorvilledailynews.com](http://taylorvilledailynews.com).

RUN AS OF 8/30/23      TZ

Health authorities in Findlay, IL, are grappling with a difficult situation as they investigate an outbreak of Legionnaires' disease that affected three individuals. The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and the Shelby County Health Department, in collaboration with the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (Illinois EPA), are at the forefront of this investigation. For more information, visit the IDPH and CDC websites. As investigations persist, Findlay's community and health officials remain committed to preventing further cases and solving the outbreak's mystery.