

WRAM ISSUES AND PROGRAMS

July 1, 2020 - September 30, 2020

A list of some of the significant issues responded to by WRAM, Monmouth, Illinois along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues

<u>Description Of Issue</u>	<u>Program/Segment</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Narration of Type of Segment</u>
COVID-19 and exercise	Live Interview	7/6/2020	8:20am	20 min	With temperatures expected in the 90s this week, some people won't want to be exercising outside and so it'll be time for some to return to the gym. OSF HealthCare Respiratory Therapist, Johnna Steller, who works in Kewanee, Monmouth and Galesburg says people who plan to exercise at an indoor facility need to realize they should be masked to protect others.
City of Monmouth	Live Interview	7/8/2020	8:20am	20 min	The City of Monmouth is experiencing a decline in revenue according to City Administrator Lew Steinbrecher: Steinbrecher says the City of Monmouth's public safety pension costs are also a challenge.
CBD locally grown products	Live Interview	7/9/2020	8:10am	15 min	As CBD becomes more well-known, American Hemp Research in Roseville continues to expand their knowledge in growing and supplying. Andy Huston reports the farm has six acres of hemp planted this year and is working with three different seed breeders and the University of Illinois:

Warren County Health Dept	Live Interview	7/13/2020	8:10am	20 min	COVID-19 is being deemed as a higher infectious rate than the seasonal flu. Transmission is being seen through droplets in the air and also some potential through surfaces, says Warren County Health Department Administrator Jenna Link:
Crop Update	Live Interview	7/14/2020	8:10am	15 min	The recent strong wind events has caused some corn to flatten in the area, says Bayer Crop Science Learning Center Manager Troy Coziahr in the latest crop update:
M/R School District	Live Interview	7/16/2020	8:10am	15 min	The Monmouth-Roseville School Board has discussed a plan for reopening this fall. Superintendent Ed Fletcher has the highlights on the table for approval:
Monmouth College	Live Interview	7/22/2020	8:10am	10 min	Monmouth College remains fundamentally strong but they are facing budget issues like many colleges and universities across the nation according to President Clarence Wyatt.
Relay For Life	Live Interview	7/28/2020	8:20am	15 min	The coronavirus has put a halt to several community events and the Relay for Life walks were no different. Local Senior Community Manager with the American Cancer Society Stacey Dutton says they are able to hold a drive-thru luminaries event on Saturday, August 29th

Senior Center	Live interview	8/3/2020	7:30am	15 min	For those turning 65 this year or getting ready for retirement, feel free to contact Strom Center and set up an appointment for assistance with any paperwork, says Executive Director Carol McCrery:
United School District	Live Interview	8/6/2020	8:20am	15 min	The United School Board appointed Amelia Tierney as the seventh member on the Board to complete the term of a recent resignation, says Superintendent Jeff Whitsitt. The Board then approved with a vote of 4-3 on a hybrid two group plan for returning to school this fall; two days in-school and three days remote learning each week...
Unsolicited seed packages	Live Interview	8/7/2020	8:10am	15 min	Alerts regarding the unsolicited packages of seeds, believed to be sent from China, have been issued by the Illinois Department of Agriculture. Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau Manager Gina Long, states what has been shared by the Illinois Farm Bureau:
FOOD DRIVE	Live Program	8/6 -8/7	10am-2pr	8 hours	The annual summer food drive airing live on WRAM and interviewing several guests both days while collection cash donations. All cash donations will benefit Jamieson Community Center and the Roseville Helping Hands Food Pantries.

Election for judges	Live Interview	8/10/2020	8:10am	20 min	<p>In the upcoming general election on November 3rd, voters will have the option of choosing a Judge for the 9th Judicial Circuit. Appointed Judge Emily Sutton is running on the Democratic ballot and currently holds the position after being appointed by the Supreme Court of Illinois to fill the vacancy of retiring Judge Paul Mangieri...</p> <p>Warren County States Attorney and local business owner Andrew Doyle is running on the Republican ballot. Doyle says being the States Attorney has allowed him to make an impact in the community...</p>
M/R School District	Live Interview	8/12/2020	8:20am	15 min	<p>The Monmouth-Roseville School District is preparing for a fully e-learning first semester this upcoming school year. Junior High Principal Don Farr states this fall will be nothing like the spring. The first day of school for Monmouth-Roseville students is Monday, August 24th.</p>
Unemployment numbers	Live interview	8/14/2020	8:10am	15 min	<p>Unemployment numbers in the local area continue to raise concerns. Knox County Area Partnership President Ken Springer, reports the results of the June numbers from the Bureau of Labor Statistics:</p>
United School District	Live Interview	8/17/2020	8:40am	15 min	<p>One week away from the first day of school for students in the United District, who has passed a hybrid return to learn plan for this fall. Superintendent Jeff Whitsitt says now the focus is on the logistics in keeping everyone safe and healthy:</p>

City of Monmouth	Live Interview	8/18/2020	8:20am	15 min	The City of Monmouth received a CDBG grant to replace a large section of a water main on East Euclid between North 1st and North 6th Street during the month of July. The next stage involves resurfacing the roadway says Director of Public Works Andy Jackson:
CRP	Live Interview	8/25/2020	8:20am	15 min	Landowners going to re-enroll in CRP or newly accepted back in May will be receiving phone calls to sign paperwork before the September 11th deadline. District Conservationist Cathy Froelich states that maintenance can be done on CRP land:
YMCA Academy	Live Interview	8/27/2020	8:10am	15 min	Today is the last day to sign up your kindergarten through sixth grade aged child for the Warren County YMCA Academy this fall school year. Day camp and after school coordinator Emily Brooks highlights how the program will go:
Senior Center	Live Interview	9/1/2020	8:10am	15min	If you will be eligible for Medicare or already are and need to enroll in Medicare Part D, Strom Center has their yellow medication sheets available. Executive Director Carol McCrery encourages those individuals to sign up early:

Monmouth Chamber	Live Interview	9/3/2020	8:10am	15min	The Monmouth Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors is seeking a new Executive Director. Board Chairman Jason Spanhook has more:
Monmouth College	Live Interview	9/9/2020	8:20am	15 min	874 students are enrolled at Monmouth College this fall with 63 learning remotely. To maintain social distancing on campus, the College got creative with providing open air classrooms, says Dean of Faculty Mark Willhardt:
Warren County Sheriff	Live Interview	9/11/2020	8:20am	15 min	Sheriff Martin Edwards is reporting an increase in the jail population in Warren County. Sheriff Edwards says he is in need of 3 Correctional Officers to fill positions immediately and he is in the process of recruiting qualified candidates. Sheriff Edwards explains:
M/R School District	Live Interview	9/15/2020	8:10am	15 min	Almost two weeks of e-learning has been completed this fall semester for the Monmouth-Roseville School District and student attendance has been very respectable at 90% across all grade levels. Superintendent Ed Fletcher reports they continue to work with families to solve any issues:
U.S. Census	Live Interview	9/17/2020	8:10am	15min	70.5% of residents in Warren County have responded to the 2020 Census. Responding is important for the area as it will affect funding over the next ten years, reminds Warren County United Way Executive Director Jeannie Weber:

Wind Turbines	Live Interview	9/18/2020	8:10am	15min	The Warren County Board has held a series of special meetings to discuss and update the zoning codes in Warren County, which was initially brought on by the wind turbine project, says Buildings and Grounds Committee Chair Sean Cavanaugh:
Economic Development	Live Interview	9/22/2020	8:10am	15 min	In this new era of economic development, closed indoor shopping malls are slowly fading as the trend for retail. Knox County Area Partnership President Ken Springer explains:
Warren County United Way	Live Interview	9/25/2020	8:10am	15min	The Warren County United Way annual campaign is underway. 25 agencies were able to receive funds through the Warren County United Way. Executive Director Jeannie Weber highlights some of the agencies they fund:
Fire Safety	Live Interview	9/28/2020	8:10am	15min	You never know when a disaster will strike, but you can plan ahead for one to be ready at any moment. Monmouth Fire Chief Casey Rexroat states it is ideal to have two weeks of supplies in an emergency kit: