

THERE FOLLOWS A LISTING OF THE SIGNIFICANT ISSUES RESPONDED TO BY RADIO STATIONS WYFX 106.7 FM/WRCYAM 1590 – MOUNT VERNON, INDIANA, 107.1 WJPS, BOONVILLE, INDIANA, & 90.1 WSDM, WADESVILLE, INDIANA, ALONG WITH THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMMING TREATMENT OF THOSE ISSUES.

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First Quarter 2022

1. WEATHER - Emergency crews responded to a water rescue in Union County Saturday morning after a pontoon overturned in heavy rains. Uniontown Water Rescue said the accident happened by Slim Island. (1/1) Cleanup efforts have resumed in Muhlenberg County's Bremen, Kentucky, after a brief pause on those efforts over the holiday season (1/04) Several organizations in Daviess County, Kentucky, area preparing to offer shelter from the cold to those in need. The Daviess County Emergency Management Agency says that a White Flag event will begin on Wednesday night and run through at least Monday night (1/5) The Indiana Department of Transportation sent out crews Wednesday in preparation for snow and the possibility of ice on the roads on Thursday (1/6) Ice and heavy snow can bring trees and power lines to the ground, so power companies are preparing for the winter weather approaching (1/31) With that Winter Storm Watch extending across a majority of the Tri-State, homeowners are bracing for power outages and frozen pipes (2/1) Indiana State Police are reporting several incidents as of Thursday morning due to the winter weather; Thousands of people around the Tri-State area experienced power outages on Thursday due to damaging winter weather that hit the area (2/3) Kentuckians impacted by the tornadoes and storms that hit the state in December of 2021 will now have until mid-March to apply for federal assistance (2/10) EMA directors from across western Kentucky stopped by Dawson Springs Monday to talk about how to be weather prepared (3/1) The latest model data indicates that the first of our snow chances will reach our westernmost communities shortly after our lunch hour on Friday (3/10) For NWS Paducah, the idea of "Tornado Alley" is subjective. For some, it could mean a zone farther west in the Plains States, for others it could be an area a lot closer to the Tri-State (3/23)
2. EDUCATION - Former University of Evansville Men's Basketball Coach Walter McCarty has filed a lawsuit against the University for thousands of dollars. The lawsuit filed against the University in late-December claims it breached its agreement with McCarty by not paying him for services during his employment from 2018 to 2020. McCarty was fired back in January of 2020 after being accused of violating the University's Title IX policy (1/3) Education officials with the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation have released a statement on the district's plans in regard to Thursday's snowy weather. The EVSC says that schools will **not** be dismissing students early but all after-school and evening activities for Thursday would be canceled (1/6) A junior high student in Mt. Carmel, Illinois, is facing several felony charges after threats were made over social media. (1/7) Eight of the 18 schools in the Warrick County School Corporation will temporarily require masks starting on Monday, Jan. 10. (1/8) School Closings; Kentucky's governor unveiled a \$2 billion education investment plan on Monday that proposes raises for all school staff, universal preschool for all four-year-olds, full-day kindergarten for every Kentucky child, and more; For the rest of this week the halls of Mt. Carmel High School will appear empty, after Superintendent, Dr. Chuck Bleyer, made the decision to return to remote learning due to staffing issues (1/10) The Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation has announced a new incentive for substitute teachers working to support the district through the coronavirus pandemic, offering \$40 per-day additional pay to substitute teachers as both an incentive and a "thank you"; Vincennes University says it's making a temporary switch to virtual learning due to the rising number of COVID-19 cases. (1/14) Daviess County Public Schools will be virtual Tuesday due to the high amount of Covid-19 cases. (1/17) The Metropolitan School District of Mt. Vernon on Monday will be making a temporary switch to virtual learning due to the rapid spread of COVID-19 within schools (1/21) The Warrick County School Corp. has extended their mask policy and are now accepting Covid-19 rapid tests (1/24) The Indiana House has passed a bill requiring schools to post curriculum online. It adds the curriculum

also has to be approved of a committee made up of 60% parents, and 40% of educators (1/27) School Districts around the Tri-State are monitoring the incoming weather conditions. The potential for icy roads and freezing temperatures are prompting EVSC Chief Communication Officer, Jason Woebkenberg to plan ahead (2/2) The Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation says students won't be attending classes in-person on Friday, Feb. 4, due to bad weather (2/4) The USI Board of Trustees voted 9-0 Monday to apply with the NCAA to move from Division II Athletics to Division I athletics (2/7) The pandemic has created a huge staffing shortage for businesses across America. Here locally, the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation is still looking to fill empty positions; USI announced it will join the Ohio Valley Conference for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year as part of the move to Division I (2/9) Masks will be optional for all students and staff in the Owensboro Public Schools district as of Monday (2/11) A group of Evansville teachers traveled to Indianapolis Monday to join other educators lobbying against a controversial education bill. (2/15) EVSC has made the decision to become mask optional for all students, faculty, and staff. The policy will go into effect Wednesday (2/16) The Henderson County Schools district says it's removing its mask requirement for students and staff; New guidance from the state of Indiana says students who have been exposed to a positive COVID-19 case no longer need to quarantine, regardless of vaccination status or whether or not the school requires masks (2/17) A controversial education bill was struck down in the Senate on Monday after Hoosier educators expressed their concerns at the Indiana Capitol (3/1) All students at Owensboro High School were dismissed early Wednesday after a bomb threat was made around 11:40 a.m., according to district officials (3/10) Just one day after a bomb threat was made on Wednesday, officials say another bomb threat was made at Owensboro High School, After receiving bomb threats two days in a row, officials with Owensboro High School say extra safety measures will be in place on Friday; The University of Evansville announced Friday that Athletic Director Mark Spencer's is stepping down. The announcement comes after Spencer met with UE President Christopher Pietruszkiewicz. A national search will commence immediately (3/11) A male juvenile has been arrested for making terroristic threats against Apollo High School (3/14)

3. **TRAFFIC** - Several emergency agencies responded to a late-night crash in Gibson County a few miles east of Highway 41 between Princeton and Ft. Branch on New Year's Eve. (1/1) A 47-year-old Shawneetown woman is dead after a car crash in White County on New Year's Day. The preliminary investigative shows Keely Wright tried to pass another car when it hydroplaned and left the south side of the roadway (1/3) The Evansville Police Department is asking for the public's help identifying a vehicle involved in a recent hit-and-run. Police say it happened at the intersection of John Street and Main Street and that a person was hit by the car before its driver left the scene (1/04) Thursdays winter storms covered roadways across our tri-state, causing dangerous driving conditions for all on the road that led to numerous collisions and slide-offs. This winter storm made for a busy day for law enforcement and dispatch across our tri-state with over 400 calls received. (1/8) Salt trucks started pre-treating roads throughout the tri-state Wednesday in preparation for snow expected this weekend. (1/14) Monday, ISP cited one man for driving 100 miles per hour on Interstate 69 in Pike County, leading Troopers to stress the dangers of speeding in icy conditions. (1/18) The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers says the lock chambers at the Newburgh Locks and Dam are currently closed to water traffic after a navigation accident that happened early Tuesday morning (2/8) Drivers in northern Vanderburgh County are being advised of a road closure caused by a fallen tree (2/17) One person is dead and two others injured after a crash that happened on Highway 41 Wednesday in Princeton, Indiana (2/23) American Airlines has paused its flights from the Evansville Regional Airport to Chicago due to several factors including pilot shortages (3/1) According to Evansville first responders, a passing CSX train spotted the sinking car just off Ohio Street near Pigeon Creek (3/04) One of two pedestrians who were hit by a car while crossing the Lloyd Expressway in Evansville on Tuesday night has died from their injuries and been identified as a 19-year-old girl (3/16) Gibson County Traffic Safety Partnership will step up patrols for stop-arm violations, speeding, and other forms of reckless driving around school buses over next few weeks (3/23) The Gibson County Sheriff's Office says the northbound lanes of Interstate 69 near the Mackey exit are currently closed due to multiple fires in the area (3/28)
4. **COVID** - While it's been nearly two years since the Hoosier State saw its first positive case of COVID-19, the state health department reported Indiana's highest-ever day of new positive cases on Thursday, Dec. 30, 2021, with 12,020 new cases of the virus identified statewide (1/3) The Omicron variant is dominating the positive cases of Covid-19 in the Tri-State, making the need for testing hard to come by as the virus spreads (1/04) National Guard members spent months on the frontline with the medical staff at Deaconess Midtown in Evansville and Gateway Hospital in Newburgh, now they are walking away after helping hundreds and

even thousands of patients in need (1/5) Tuesday, Deaconess reported 126 COVID-Positive patients who are hospitalized, 46 in the ICU, and 26 patients on the ventilators. (1/6) The Indiana State Department of Health's daily COVID-19 update Wednesday showed 656 new positive cases of COVID-19 in Vanderburgh County. The record-breaking day of new positive cases in the county surpassed the previous one-day record of 534 new positive cases, which was set just eight days earlier on Jan. 4 (1/12) As case counts surge with the spread of Omicron, the rapid tests are a quick and easy way to know whether you're positive or negative, and while they're convenient, local health leaders said there's one notable problem. Because the store-bought tests are never sent to a lab, those results are not being reported; Owensboro Health Regional Hospital is postponing some surgeries due to the high number of COVID-19 patients it's currently treating (1/13) The Indiana State Department of Health says there were 704 new positive cases of COVID-19 identified in the county on Friday, breaking the county's record for the third day in a row . (1/14) On Friday, the Community Patient Safety Coalition stated that local hospitals in the area are decreasing visitation effective January 17th (1/17) All 92 counties in Indiana are now listed as 'Red' on the state health department's COVID-19 County Metrics Map, indicating a high spread of the virus in every county throughout the state (1/19) Another record breaking day in Vanderburgh County as almost 800 new positive cases of the virus were reported in the county on Thursday (1/20) Posey County Sheriff Tom Latham said Friday that the jail was currently dealing with 25 positive COVID-19 cases among inmates/detainees (1/21) The number of people getting both the coronavirus and the flu at the same time is on the rise (1/25) State health officials are reporting a high number of new positive COVID-19 cases in our area with Vanderburgh County announcing 858 new cases on Thursday (1/28) The Henderson County Schools district says it's making some changes to its "Test to Stay" program, accepting at-home test results (2/4) The Green River District Health Department is reporting another 506 new positive cases of COVID-19 in its seven-county area since Friday. Meanwhile, the Indiana State Department of Health reported 4 new COVID-19 deaths in Vanderburgh County. (2/10) Tyson Foods, Inc. took the first steps in removing the mask mandate for vaccinated team members in a letter sent out to employees on Tuesday (2/16) The six new local COVID-19 deaths reported by ISDH on Friday were in Vanderburgh, Posey, Perry, and Warrick counties (2/18) Several major healthcare providers in the Tri-State area are relaxing their visitation policies due to the recent decrease in COVID-19 numbers (3/4) The city of Henderson's mask mandate will be lifted to a voluntary status on March 7th (3/7) The Indiana Family & Social Services Administration says pandemic-related SNAP benefits are expiring soon (3/14)

5. **SHOTS FIRED** - Monday evening family, friends and fellow officers came out to mourn fallen Wayne County Sheriff Deputy, Sean Riley. Last Wednesday Deputy Riley was shot and killed while in line of duty when he responded to a motorist assist call. (1/04) New charges have been filed against the man accused of shooting and killing a Wayne County, Illinois sheriff's deputy. Officials in St. Charles County, Missouri, filed 14 new charges against 40-year-old Ray Tate in connection to a string of incidents that took place on Dec. 29 - the day that Wayne County Sheriff's Deputy Sean Riley was shot and killed (1/5) The Owensboro Police Department says it's investigating after two juveniles were shot in different areas of the city on Tuesday (1/6) The Evansville Police Department is investigating an explosion they say took place Saturday night that was caused by a firework that malfunctioned (1/10) One person was sent to the hospital after a Friday morning shooting in Evansville. Officers with the Evansville Police Department responded to the America's Best Value Inn off of S. Green River Road on Friday morning after a shooting was reported around 1:00 a.m. (1/14) Officers are investigating a shooting that took place in Evansville Sunday night after a house was hit by gunfire. (1/17) An attempted break-in that happened at an apartment complex in Evansville on Sunday ended with one man being shot, according to police (1/24) A murder investigation is underway in Owensboro, Kentucky, after a woman was killed and two others were injured in a shooting that happened Wednesday, according to police (1/27) A man was shot and killed during a hostage situation in Evansville on Friday, according to police (2/4) The hostage suspect involved in a fatal Evansville Police Department shooting has been identified as 34-year-old Phillip Dill (2/5) The victim of a shooting that happened on Sunday night on Madison Avenue in Evansville has died from their injuries, according to police (2/7) For the second time in two days, a neighborhood on Evansville's south side is on alert after bullets rang out last night (2/10) A 70 year-old man has been arrested after police say he shot his son in the stomach Saturday night (2/21) A standoff at an Evansville apartment complex came to an end on Thursday morning after it began almost 12 hours ago with an exchange of gunfire between police and a suspect (3/24) Gun violence is rising in Vanderburgh County. It has been for the past few years. And with that climb, the Sheriff's Office has now added an armored Bearcat vehicle. (3/29)
6. **ASSAULT** - The Evansville Police Department is looking for a suspect in a recent battery incident that took

place at a restaurant along Morgan Avenue. Police took a report from a pregnant woman working at the Long John Silver's restaurant at Boeke and Morgan after she said she was kicked in the stomach by a customer who became angry over hush puppies (1/6) The Evansville Police Department is looking for a man they say dragged a woman down a flight of stairs at her apartment building, after making threats against her and her dog's life (1/24) An investigation into a report of an assault involving an off-duty Muhlenberg County deputy has resulted in several criminal charges, according to the Kentucky State Police (1/28) A Warrick County man is recovering from a shooting that took place early Thursday morning in Henderson County after a violent carjacking (2/11) The Evansville Police Department has worked 122 domestic violence battery reports since January 1st (2/14) Police say an 18-year-old was arrested for assault on Wednesday after heating up a piece of metal during shop class at Henderson County High School and asking another student to hold it, causing them to burn their hand (2/17) A Madisonville man was arrested following an investigation into a sex abuse case (2/18) A Warrick County Sheriff's Deputy has been arrested and is facing charges stemming from an incident at a bar over the summer; Parents and students continue to react after a fight broke out at the Harrison and Bosse basketball game Friday night. Athletic officials say the fight was started by three students under the age of 16, two of which are middle schoolers (2/21) An Evansville man is facing charges tonight after allegedly sexually assaulting a woman that he offered a ride to (3/1) Three people were arrested in Madisonville on Thursday after police say they attacked a man and stole his puppy after he was lured to a home on Dempsey Street (3/5) Two people were arrested in Evansville on Tuesday morning after an incident in the area of W. Franklin Street and Main Street that was started by a 911 hang-up call (3/8) An Evansville man was booked into jail and charged with Rape on Monday after an investigation dating back to 2017, according to the Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office (3/15) An Evansville man is charged with 10 counts, after he led Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Deputies on a chase through the east side of the city; A Henderson, Kentucky man was arrested and charged with assault over the weekend after another man showed up at the hospital with multiple stab wounds, according to police (3/28)

7. FRAUD - The Evansville Police Department is searching for a man who tried to pass off counterfeit bills at a local gentlemen's club on Saturday night (1/10) The owners of an Evansville restaurant have entered guilty pleas on several federal charges. Kent Dam and Gracie's Chinese Cuisine, Inc. are listed as defendants in the case charging Transporting and Harboring Aliens, Money Laundering, and Unlawful Employment of Aliens between 2017 and 2021 (1/12) The Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office says phone scammers posing as deputies are making calls and threatening potential victims by telling them there's a warrant out for their arrest (1/20) A Hopkins County pastor was arrested on several charges after being accused of stealing from a local nonprofit organization (1/24) The Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's Office said Wednesday that Christopher Leduc, who formerly served as the county's deputy coroner, had pleaded guilty to charges of Theft and Official Misconduct. He was accused of stealing during death investigations (1/26) A suit filed in the Vanderburgh County Circuit Court on Wednesday morning accuses officials in the town of Darmstadt of a wide range of illegal conduct (1/27) Police say they are receiving reports of someone falsely claiming to be Evansville police chief Billy Bolin. The department says the scammer is posing as chief Bolin, telling victims their identity has been stolen (2/11) A new scam is circulating in the Tri-State that is demanding CenterPoint Energy customers to pay or else service will be shut off (2/18) A chilling call to 911 sent Henderson police into a panic and crews scrambling to what they thought was a murder scene (3/04) The Vanderburgh County Prosecutors office held a press conference in response to "questionable purchases" on the company credit card from 2020 and 2021 (3/17)
8. CHILD ENDANGERMENT - Owensboro Police continue searching for Alina Bartolon. Alina was last seen on Christmas Eve. She spent the evening with her father. They attended a Christmas Eve church service and got dinner before returning home (1/11) A 29-year-old Evansville man is facing several charges including neglect and DUI after an incident that happened on Tuesday evening. The 911 caller for that crash said that a blue car with two kids inside it had crashed. They said that one of the kids wasn't in a child restraint and that one of them had a busted lip (1/12) The Owensboro 14-year-old that has been missing since Christmas Eve has been located and a Colorado man is taken into custody in the case. (1/20) Three people were arrested on multiple drug and neglect charges in Evansville after authorities say they found fentanyl and two young kids inside a home on Madison Avenue (1/21) A Hopkins County, Kentucky man was recently indicted on dozens of child pornography charges (1/27) The two people charged in the death of 5-year-old Braydon Irwin of Tell City are facing new charges out of Meade County (1/28) State Police says a Pike County man was arrested on several charges following an investigation concerning child pornography files being shared through social media (1/31) A man and woman were arrested over the weekend after police say they were found passed out

in a car with drugs and a young child inside (2/7) A mom, dad and their 19-year-old friend were arrested after a police chase involving drugs and a baby (2/14) Authorities in Hopkins County, Kentucky, say they're looking for a 16-year-old who has been missing since Monday night (2/22) An Evansville mom is facing several neglect charges after police say she crashed while driving under the influence with three kids in the car (2/24) An Evansville man was arrested on multiple neglect charges Friday after authorities say his kids were found to be living in a filthy home with no running water and no electricity (2/25) Kentucky State Police say the kidnapped two-year-old boy has been found but his father is still on the loose (2/28) A Nortonville woman who was arrested back in February in connection to a child sex abuse case is facing 30 new felony charges, including 10 counts of rape, after police say she admittedly participated in abuse on at least 10 occasions (3/11) A Princeton, Indiana man was sentenced to several decades in prison on Wednesday after previously admitting to molesting two young victims, according to the Gibson County Prosecutor's Office (3/17) An Evansville woman was arrested and charged with neglect on Tuesday after an incident that happened at the end of February, according to police (3/23) An Evansville Police Department employee was arrested on a child molestation charge, according to the department (3/30)

9. **ELECTION 2022** - A Republican candidate for the next sheriff of Vanderburgh County filed his election paperwork on Wednesday morning. Jeff Hales filed for Vanderburgh County Sheriff on Wednesday morning inside the Evansville Civic Center (1/12) On Wednesday, Vanderburgh County Clerk Carla Hayden announced a change to the list of Election Day vote centers (3/24)
10. **TAXES/LEGISLATION** - Used and new vehicles have become more valuable during the pandemic, but that increase in value will also be affecting the vehicles tax bill; The Indiana House approved a bill on Tuesday that would repeal the law that requires a person to obtain a license to carry a handgun in the state of Indiana (1/13) The filing of legislation in Illinois to reinstate the death penalty for killing a police officer follows the murder of Wayne County Deputy Sean Riley, who was shot and killed while responding to a motorist assist on Interstate 64 back in December (1/26) The nursing shortage will not fix itself. That's the idea behind a new proposal in Indiana to bridge the gap when it comes to properly staffing hospitals. Now, lawmakers are stepping up in hopes of solving the nursing shortage crisis (2/10) Indiana Governor Eric Holcomb signed the Constitutional Carry Bill Monday and it will go into affect July 1, 2022 (3/23)
11. **OTHER MAJOR CRIMES** – The Vanderburgh County Prosecutor's Office says an Evansville man was found guilty of several charges after an incident that happened back in July of 2021 (1/19) Evansville Police have arrested a man in connection to a November 2021 murder at the Vann Park Apartments (2/11) Te man accused of setting the Diamond Avenue Flea Market on fire back in May of 2021 has taken a plea agreement, court records show (2/14) An Evansville woman is facing multiple burglary charges after police say she broke into two downtown businesses and tried to break into an ATM (2/17) Members of the Evansville Police Department and the FBI are currently searching a lake by the Grandview Tower Apartments for evidence related to a lengthy, joint investigation (2/22) Two men were sentenced to prison for a spree of armed robberies that happened in Evansville and Elberfeld back in August of 2020 (2/25) The Evansville Police Department says charges have been filed in the 2021 murder of Keshon Hensley (3/8) Three Evansville women are facing charges of neglect resulting in death in connection to the 2020 death of a special needs individual who was in their care, according to a probable cause affidavit (3/10) The man accused of arson in connection to a large fire that happened in Evansville back in 2021 was sentenced to prison on Friday (3/14) Ray Tate, accused of shooting and killing a Wayne County deputy, will now be sentenced in April after pleading guilty to Murder in court on Thursday (3/18) A man wanted in a double homicide investigation that began in Evansville has been identified by authorities after a fatal crash in Corydon (3/24) One person is dead and another in custody after an incident on the west side of Evansville Wednesday (3/31)
12. **EMPLOYMENT** - Tyson Foods officials say a shift in production to meet the needs of customers is behind layoff of 200 employees at the plant in Henderson County's Robards, Kentucky (1/20)
13. **DEPUTY HICKS** – Posey County Deputy Bryan Hicks was shot in September 2021 when he responded to a welfare check in New Harmony. On Saturday, he returned home to Posey County after months of treatment for the injuries he sustained. (1/24) Deputy Bryan Hicks made his first public appearance over the weekend. Hicks and his wife were at the semi-annual regular season showdown between Reitz and Central Friday. (1/31)
14. **SAVE JAGER** – The dog that has been in the middle of a legal battle in Mt. Vernon over the past year has now been stolen, according to Mayor G. William Curtis. Jager, a pit bull-boxer mix, was stolen following the

Indiana Supreme Court refused to overturn the order to destroy the animal. (1/24)

15. **DRUGS** – An Evansville man was arrested on Monday after police say they discovered 175 grams of methamphetamine during a traffic stop (1/25) Pennyriale Narcotics task force Detectives, Henderson Sheriff Deputies and Providence Police Officers have been conducting a 2-month long illegal drug and narcotics investigation that resulted in a series of arrests over the weekend. (1/31) Three people have been indicted on drug charges in connection to several fentanyl investigations out of Henderson County, Kentucky, the Department of Justice announced Monday (2/15) Two people were arrested in Hopkins County on Thursday after police say they found possible fentanyl pills and an AK-74 style rifle in a home where kids were living; An Evansville man is facing multiple drug-related charges after the Indiana State Police says troopers found a gun, a large amount of marijuana, and a large amount of cash in his possession (2/26) Authorities in Hopkins County say a 21-year-old Madisonville man has been arrested and charged with Murder in connection to the fatal fentanyl overdose of a 15-year-old girl; A Henderson man is facing multiple drug trafficking charges after investigators say he was selling and using drugs that he was bringing into a local business (3/4) Four people, including an elementary school teacher, were arrested in Union County, Kentucky on Friday as the result of an ongoing drug investigation, according to the Union County Sheriff's Office (3/7) A contract employee who was working as an EMT at the Henderson County Detention Center was arrested on charges of drug trafficking and promoting contraband after authorities say she gave suboxone to two inmates at the jail. (3/8) An 18-year-old from Morganfield has been charged with drug trafficking after the Union County Sheriff's Office says more than 250 suspected fentanyl pills were seized during the search of an apartment (3/11) According to Dubois County Sheriff's Office, 177 grams of psilocybin mushrooms, 15 pounds of marijuana, and other products found at a home on N Niehaus Trail (3/22)
16. **ECONOMY** - On Monday, it was announced that a new business will be moving into the old Alorica building in downtown Owensboro, expected to bring with it an economic impact of more than \$50 million. Bell Bank is expected to have 37 employees by the end of this year (2/1) While shoppers may not yet be facing empty shelves, grocery prices have been rising for a while now, costing them more at the checkout counter (2/2) Kentucky Governor Andy Beshear says a new form of assistance is available for Kentucky homeowners impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic; One of the 200 Tyson Foods employees laid off from the Robards, Kentucky facility is speaking out for the first time, saying the workers were not notified of pending layoffs (2/8) The Indiana State Board of Animal Health said Wednesday that 29,000 commercial turkeys have tested positive for the highly pathogenic flu in Dubois County (2/10) A second Dubois County, Indiana turkey farm is under quarantine for the bird flu (2/16) The shortage of meat products throughout the nation and it's having an affect on restaurants in Evansville. (2/22) Officials with the Indiana Board of Animal Health say avian influenza has been detected at another Dubois County farm (2/23) While the price in gas will be one of the most obvious impacts of Russia's invasion of Ukraine, local professors believe it will not be the only one to hit our wallets (2/26) The new Ellis Park Owensboro venue will be located in the former JCPenney location in the Towne Square Mall and is slated to open in early 2023, officials with the project announced Tuesday (3/1) Many are starting to feel that pain at the pump..Some more than others, and that's including the Meals on Wheels Program; A lawsuit has been filed accusing Alorica of violating its lease agreement at a property on Frederica Street in Owensboro, interfering with Bell Bank's expansion into the city (3/8) Officials with Toyota say they'll be temporarily suspending operations at the Toyota Motor Manufacturing Indiana (TMMI) facility in Princeton, Indiana, for five days in April (3/18) On Tuesday the U.S. Senate passed an act called the Sunshine Protection Act, which would make Daylight Saving Time permanent. (3/21) It's the 27th year Evansville is hosting the NCAA Division II tournament and it's the first one back in two years without any pandemic restrictions (3/22) Evansville's mayor delivered his 2022 State of the City address on Tuesday, where he remarked on a number of different projects, challenges, accomplishments, and new developments seen throughout the city over the past year; The new Holiday Inn Express in Downtown Evansville is now open for business after a decade of renovations (3/30)
17. **UTILITIES** - Recently people may have noticed a spike in their CenterPoint Energy utility bill. It is believed the ultimate reason behind the bill spike is due to the usage of heat throughout the winter months (2/9) Things got heated Saturday morning as a packed room of angry CenterPoint Energy customers demanded answers from legislators regarding their energy bills (2/14) The topic of discussion at Monday's City Council meeting quickly turned to utility bills, when members allowed public comment towards the end of the meeting (2/15) With many CenterPoint Energy customers frustrated about the increase in their monthly bills, the company decided to explain the reason behind it. (3/1) The Evansville Utility Board unanimously approved measures

proposed by Mayor Lloyd Winnecke to bring major relief to EWSU customers; The Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission has approved a water rate increase for Evansville Water & Sewer Utility customers that will be spaced out over a five-year period; Kentucky's Lieutenant Governor was in Daviess County on Thursday, where she announced more than \$4.7 million in grant funding that will go toward water and sewer improvements throughout the county (3/4) Another city council meeting was packed with members of the Direct Action Against Center Point group. It's been over a month since the group began attending the weekly council meetings and speaking out to city leaders about the increase in their utility bills, CenterPoint Energy says it's suspending disconnections for all of its residential Indiana customers through May in an effort to help customers needing payment assistance (3/15) Officials in Poseyville, Indiana, have issued a warning to community members after high levels of nitrate were found in the town's drinking water (3/18)

18. JANUARY 6th RIOT - Federal officials say another person from the Tri-State area (Union County) has been arrested on charges stemming from the Jan. 6, 2021 Capitol riot (2/17)