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04-01-2019	Patterson to Be Moved to New Jail	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	The man who admitted to kidnapping Jayme Closs and killing her parents is heading to a new jail. Barron County Sheriff Chris Fitzgerald says Jake Patterson will spend the next month or so in the Dunn County jail. Patterson is facing life in prison for murder and kidnapping. He's due to be sent to prison in late May.
04-01-2019	Body Recovered From Chippewa River	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Chippewa Falls Police say they don't know how a man ended up inside his car, in the Chippewa River. Rescue crews pulled the man's body from the river yesterday morning. They found his car about 150 yards downstream from the Pumphouse Road landing. Police say the high water level on the river made the recovery that much more difficult.
04-01-2019	Man Facing Animal Cruelty Charges	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Prosecutors in Marathon County are looking at animal cruelty charges against a 19-year-old who they say starved his father's cows. Deputies found the cows last week near a farm in Norrie. They then quickly arrested 19-year-old Joshua Litze. He was supposed to be caring for the cows, but investigators say he was intentionally starving them.
04-01-2019	Election Day Coming Up in Wisconsin	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Civics and Politics	Believe it or not, it's time to once again vote in. Tomorrow is Election Day. Voters across the state will pick everything from a new Supreme Court justice to school boards and local leaders. There are also dozens of tax questions on local ballots.
04-01-2019	Legislation to Address Massage Parlors	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	It's proving to be a little tougher than expected to crack down on 'those kind' of massage parlors Joe Sanfelippo is pushing a plan to crack down on massage parlors that act as fronts for prostitution by allowing cities to fine workers who are doing more than just massaging necks and backs. But the association for massage therapists in Wisconsin says that pan won't stop the problem.

04-02-2019	Memorial Athletic Complex Offer Withdrawn	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	It looks like Eau Claire's Memorial High School won't be getting a brand-new football field after all. A group of donors last night withdrew their million-dollar offer to lay field turf at school. Eau Claire's school board initially voted down the donation, and then agreed to accept the money with some strings attached. A few minutes after that second vote, the donors emailed and withdrew their offer.
04-02-2019	Homicide Charges Added after Deadly Crash	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Prosecutors are adding homicide charges to the list of counts against a western Wisconsin man involved in a deadly December crash. The District Attorney in Jackson County yesterday filed homicide by intoxicated use of a vehicle charges against 24-year-old Donald Ames. Police say he was drunk back in December when he rolled his pickup truck on County Road G in the Town of Northfield. His passenger, Tyler Pientok, died in that crash.
04-02-2019	No Foul Play Expected in Chippewa River Body Recovery	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Investigators in Chippewa Falls say they don't suspect foul play in a man's death in the river over the weekend. Police say all evidence points to a suicide. Crews pulled the man from the river Sunday morning; he was not far from the Pumphouse Road boat landing. Crews say his car is still in the river. They won't be able to get that out until the river falls a bit.
04-02-2019	Watchdog Groups Call out Evers Spending	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	Even with a billion dollars in new taxes, the state's fiscal watchdog says Governor Tony Evers' budget would spend two billion-dollars more than Wisconsin has to spend. The Legislative Fiscal Bureau released a review of the governor's spending plan yesterday. The bureau says Evers would add two billion-dollars in new spending to Wisconsin structural deficit. That's twice the gap that Republicans saw under Governor Walker.
04-02-2019	Lifetime to Air Jayme Closs Movie	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Jayme Closs' kidnapping and time in captivity are about to get a lot more attention. Lifetime yesterday announced that it will air a special on her case later this month. Elizabeth Smart, who was kidnapped at 14 as well, will host the show. Closs is not expected to be a part of the show. The program will air on April 27th on Lifetime.
04-02-2019		5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Public Safety	Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul says there's no need for Steven Avery to get a new trial. Avery is serving a life sentence for the murder of Teresa Halbach. Kaul told the court yesterday that none of the 'new' evidence or questions about evidence warrant a second trial.

04-03-2019	Eau Claire Election Results	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Eau Claire has a new council president, again. Terry Weld won last night's election. He beat current council president Andrew Werthmann by about 700 votes. Werthmann took over the job last June. Weld says it's nice to see so many people in Eau Claire stepping up to support him.
04-03-2019	Spring Valley Votes YES to New School	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	Spring Valley is going to get a new school. Voters yesterday approved a nearly 23 million dollar referendum to build a new elementary school. Just 723 people voted for the tax hike to pay for the school, 523 voted against. School leaders say they need to replace Spring Valley Elementary School which was built in 1929.
04-03-2019	State Supreme Court Race Could See Recount	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	The conservative candidate for Wisconsin Supreme Court is in the lead, but the race is likely headed for a recount. Brian Hagedorn ended last night's vote count with a nearly 16-hundred vote lead. That is close enough to allow liberal Judge Lisa Neubauer to request a recount. State election managers say more than one-point-two million people voted in yesterday's election.
04-03-2019	Man Ruled Fit Enough to Stand Trial for Murder	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Law Enforcement	Prosecutors in Chippewa County say a man charged with murder is once again fit enough to face the charges. Preston Kraft has been at a state mental institution since a judge found him unfit for trial last year. Yesterday, prosecutors said Kraft is now well enough to go to trial. He's charged in Chippewa County with shooting at Robert Petit last April. Kraft is charged in Rusk County for allegedly killing Petit last May.
04-03-2019	Fairchild Speaks out Against Halfway House	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & Law Enforcement	Leaders in Eau Claire County are at a loss for words over a proposed halfway house for sex offenders near the Town of Fairchild. Folks from Fairchild turned out last night to once again say they don't want the county to use some county-owned land to build a facility for violent offenders. But the county's lawyer, Rick Eaton says the county has to meet its 'statutory burden.' County board members insist that they have not made any decisions yet.
04-03-2019	Money for Dam Repair in Question	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	No one at city hall in Chippewa Falls is saying where they will get the extra 40 thousand-dollars it's going to cost to fix the Glen Loch Dam. City engineer Rick Rubenzer last night said the project is expected to cost almost 170 thousand-dollars. Chippewa Falls has a state grant that will cover 92 thousand-dollars of that.

04-04-2019	Memorial High School Field Funding Pulled	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The folks who offered Eau Claire's Memorial High School a new football field says the school district was supposed to match their offer. A spokesman for the anonymous group yesterday said school leaders voted to accept their million dollars Monday, but refused to spend any district money to go toward a new field, track, and other improvements. The donors say they pulled their offer rather than wait to see if Eau Claire schools could find another private funding option.
04-04-2019	Police Asking for Help After BB Gun Incidents	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Eau Claire police are looking for whoever shot out nearly a dozen car windows with a BB gun earlier this week. Officers yesterday said they found four cars with broken windows over the weekend. They found five more on Tuesday. Police say it's not a joke, and they are taking the case seriously. Neighbors who see anything are being asked to call the police.
04-04-2019	Congressman Ron Kind Urging Trump to Not Close Border	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State and National Politics	Western Wisconsin's congressman is asking the Trump Administration not to close the border with Mexico. Congressman Ron Kind this week wrote a letter to the USDA secretary asking that they don't close the border and shutdown trade between the U.S. and Mexico. Kind says Mexico is Wisconsin's largest market for milk and cheese. He says Mexico bought nearly 70-million-dollars' worth of dairy products from Wisconsin last year alone.
04-04-2019	FBI Investigating Kidnapping Case	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The FBI is trying to see if a teen who ran to police in Ohio is a boy who was last seen in the Wisconsin Dells nearly eight years ago. Police yesterday said the teen says he's Timothy Pitzen who went missing back in 2011. His mother brought him to the Dells for a visit, but she was later found dead in Illinois. Police say the teen ran to them yesterday claiming to have escaped from two men who kidnapped him years ago.
04-04-2019	Recount Could Come in WI Supreme Court Race	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest/ Justice System	Judge Brian Hagedorn says he's not sure a recount will do much good in the race for Wisconsin Supreme Court, but Judge Lisa Neubauer isn't ruling it out. Neubauer is behind by nearly six thousand votes after Tuesday's election. She told supporters yesterday in a Facebook video to hang in there, and that she wants every vote counted. Hagedorn said his lead is insurmountable, but says he's ready for a recount if it comes to that.

04-05-2019	FBI Announces Man to Come Forward a Fraud	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	It's not him. The FBI says the person claiming to be Timothy Pitzen is not the little boy who was last seen at the Wisconsin Dells back in 2011. Investigators yesterday said the person who came forward is actually 23-year-old Brian Rini of Ohio. Police say Rini has an extensive criminal past and has a history of making false reports.
04-05-2019	Lifetime Claims New Details from Closs Special	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The people behind the Lifetime special that looks at Jayme Closs' disappearance are promising new details. No one is saying what the special will reveal. But producers yesterday said the show's host, Elizabeth Smart, will share exclusive interviews with key players in the case. Smart Justice: The Jayme Closs Case premieres April 27 th .
04-05-2019	Sex Offender Receives Jail Sentence for Another Offense	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Law Enforcement	An Eau Claire man with a sex offense already on his record will spend a year in jail for molesting a four-year-old girl. A judge yesterday sentenced 34-year-old Ben Lashley to 12 months in jail. Lashley was already a registered sex offender after a 2016 child porn conviction.
04-05-2019	CWD Focus of DNR	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Development	The new head of Wisconsin's Department of Natural Resources is defending the governor's new approach to Chronic Wasting Disease. DNR Secretary Preston Cole yesterday told lawmakers that Governor Evers is dedicated to protecting deer in the state, but he doesn't want to spend any more money than is necessary to do it. Cole said the best strategy to contain CWD is to get hunters to turn-in deer heads for study.
04-05-2019	Lawmakers Address School Fire and Safety Drills	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	School kids across Wisconsin could soon get a heads-up about the next fire drill or school safety drill. Lawmakers in Madison are considering a plan that would allow local schools to warn students before any drills. The idea comes after parents in Madison complained that a school shooter drill left their kids traumatized. Current Wisconsin law says fire drills and tornado drills are to be held without warning. The law gives schools more leeway on school shooting drills.

04-08-2019	Winter Storm Heading for Our Area	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Winter is about to make a comeback in Wisconsin. The National Weather Service says the northern half of the state will see between six and eight inches of snow on Wednesday. Most of the state will see something from the winter storm making its way across the Midwest. Folks in and around Milwaukee will see a dusting, while folks in Eau Claire could see some of the worst of the storm.
04-08-2019	High Speed Chase Leads to OWI	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Deputies in Dunn County say a Minnesota man is lucky to be alive after a drunken high-speed chase hit speeds of 100 miles-per-hour. It all happened Saturday about noon in Menomonie. Deputies say 61-year-old Julio Roque stopped to ask a state trooper if he was okay. When the trooper asked Roque for his ID, police say Roque sped away. The chase hit 100 miles-per-hour before Roque hit a ditch and crashed his car. Deputies arrested him for OWI, and prosecutors say they could file formal charges today.
04-08-2019	UW Raises are Slated for Staff	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	The top brass in the University of Wisconsin system are in-line for some hefty pay raises. University regents last week approved pay raises of up to 27 percent for top administrators. Regents also approved a six percent pay bump for all other UW workers over the next two years. No one is saying what all of the pay increases will cost the school.
04-08-2019	Evers Budget to Address Bike Trails	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	Governor Tony Evers wants to use his new budget to expand his power when it comes to bike trails. The governor's budget includes a provision that allows state and local governments to use eminent domain powers to take land for bike trails. That, once again, puts the governor at odds with Republican lawmakers who drafted a law last year specifically designed to stop state and local governments from annexing private land for recreational or nature trails.
04-08-2019	Foxconn Falls Short	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Business Development	Foxconn spent almost 100 million-dollars last year getting its southeast Wisconsin plant ready to go, but a new report says the company didn't do enough to earn tax breaks from the state. The WisPolitics blog last week reviewed Foxconn's latest report to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation and says the company fell 82 jobs short of the threshold needed to earn job creation tax credit for last year. Foxconn hired most of its employees in the last three months of the year.

04-09-2019	More Winter Storms Threatening Area	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	A handful of western Wisconsin counties are already looking at a winter storm watch ahead of this week's storm. The National Weather Service says the watch will start tomorrow evening for counties just north and west of Eau Claire. It will last til Friday afternoon. Forecasters say the northern half of Wisconsin could see six to eight inches of snow from the storm that's due to arrive tomorrow.
04-09-2019	LaCrosse Teacher Heading to Prison for Sex With Students	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A former show choir teacher in La Crosse is heading to prison for eight years after he admitted to having sex with students. A judge sentenced Dustin Bagstad yesterday. Prosecutors charged him with 19 felonies back in 2017. Bagstad pleaded guilty in January to just five charges, the rest were dismissed. La Crosse County's District Attorney says the sentence is validation for Bagstad's victims.
04-09-2019	Eau Claire Woman Sentenced in Deadly Crash	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	An Eau Claire woman will spend the next two years in county jail for a 2017 crash that left four people dead. The judge in Chippewa Falls yesterday said he could not find a reason to send 25-year-old Cara Stevens to state prison, but he also said she needed to be held accountable. Police say Stevens ran a stop sign and smashed into another car in the northeast corner of Chippewa County in May of 2017. Stevens pleaded no contest to homicide and reckless driving charges back in January.
04-16-2019	Local State Reps Hold Budget Listening Session	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Folks in western Wisconsin are the latest to get their say in what could be included in the next state budget. State Representatives Jesse James and Rob Summerfield yesterday hosted a budget listening session. Both reps say it's going to be important to build a consensus on the budget. Neither expect lawmakers and Governor Evers to agree on much, so they say it's important that people let lawmakers know what they want to see as a priority.
04-09-2019	Aaron Rodgers Speaks Out Against Bleacher Report	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers wants everyone to know he and Mike McCarthy don't have a long-simmering feud. Rodgers yesterday made it a point to push back on a story from Bleacher Report that dove into a reported conflict inside the Packers' locker room. Rodgers told reporters that he and McCarthy butted heads, but were able to talk things out throughout his career. He also said the Bleacher Report story got it wrong that Packers' executives begged him not to be a 'problem' for new coach Matt LaFleur.

04-10-2019	Fairchild Neighbors Speak out Against Halfway House	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	State leaders are trying to calm fears about sex offenders in Eau Claire by telling folks that people with sex crimes on their records have been released into the community for years. Neighbors in Fairchild are fighting a plan to turn some county-owned land into a halfway house for sex offenders. The state's Department of Health Services yesterday said the same kind of offenders have been released 'on and off' into Eau Claire County for years. A number of locals in Fairchild said that news doesn't change their minds.
04-10-2019	Chippewa Falls Man Gets Probation	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A Chippewa Falls man who threatened to kill his family is getting one more chance. A judge on Monday didn't send 43-year-old Lorenzo Christopher to jail despite a guilty plea and the fact the Christopher's girlfriend said he threatened to kill her, her kids and their dog. Police say Christopher has a felony record, and therefore shouldn't even have a gun. The judge sentenced Christopher to probation.
04-10-2019	Lawmakers Pause Vote with DNR Law	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Lawmakers in Madison are pressing pause on their showdown with the state's Department of Natural Resources over deer hunting. Neither the Assembly or the state Senate yesterday voted on a plan to allow hunters to move deer they shot across county lines. DNR ordered a ban on county-to-county moves last summer to stop chronic wasting disease. Lawmakers say they hope DNR comes up with a new plan before they move again to vote.
04-10-2019	Old Train Return Plan Abandon	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The old 2719 train won't be coming home to Eau Claire anytime soon. City leaders last night voted to abandon the effort to bring the historic train back to Eau Claire and use it as a museum piece. Eau Claire bought the train for four dollars back in 2013. But organizers have raised just 500 dollars of the 100- thousand-dollars it would take to get the train back from Minnesota and display it in Eau Claire.
04-10-2019	Winter Storm Set to Hit Our Area	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Folks in Eau Claire could see five inches of snow from the spring snowstorm that is due to arrive today. While folks up Highway 53 in Rice Lake could see almost double that. Forecasters say western Wisconsin will miss the worst of this week's storm, but will still see plenty of snow. The storm is due to arrive later today and could linger through Friday. Totals are not quite as hefty as we originally thought and parts of Minnesota are trending to get the brunt of the totals.

04-11-2019	Murder case pushed back in Eau Claire	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	A man who's pleaded guilty to murder in Eau Claire is having his sentencing delayed. Wayne Price was supposed to have been sentenced yesterday for murdering his sister Elizabeth Price and David Dishneau in September of 2017 but Price's original attorney was allowed to withdraw from the case. Price could change his plea with his new lawyer. He's scheduled to have a hearing on April 22nd.
04-11-2019	Deadly Crash in Dunn County Kills One	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	One person is dead after a one-car crash near Menomonie. The Dunn County Sheriff's Office says the driver of an SUV misjudged a bend in the road on 380th Avenue and hit a large tree yesterday morning. The driver was pronounced dead at the scene. Investigators believe speed played a role in the crash.
04-11-2019	Incident Leads to Stand off and Arrest	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	One person is in custody after a shooting in Eau Claire. Reports say a 61-year-old man got into a fight with his roommate last night and pointed a rifle at him. The suspect is believed to have shot the gun at the victim's car multiple times but the victim was able to leave the house and call police. The suspect eventually gave himself up to police after a long stand-off. He's facing multiple charges.
04-11-2019	Public Asked to Help in Car Theft Case	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The Barron County Sheriff's Department is looking for a man suspected of stealing cars. The sheriff's department says one car was stolen from Barron on Tuesday and was found burned up in the Cornstock area in the western part of the county. Another car was later reported stolen from the same area. Deputies say they believe Aaron Miller is responsible. Anyone who has any information on him is asked to call the sheriff's department.
04-11-2019	Ron Kind Could Swing Gas Tax Vote	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Politics	Western Wisconsin could be where a national gas tax is decided. Americans For Prosperity is out with a new ad that highlights the push to raise the federal gas tax by a quarter. AFP Wisconsin's Eric Bott says western Wisconsin Congressman Ron Kind could be a swing vote on the issue, and he wants to make sure people tell Kind to vote 'No.' Bott says the 25 cent tax hike would be in addition to the eight cents-per-gallon that Governor Tony Evers wants to add to the price at the pump. Polls right now say that more than half of people in the state do not want to see a gas tax at our pumps, though Evers says he is pushing ahead anyway to get budget allocated for our roads and improvements.

04-12-2019	Winter Storm Warning Stays in Effect	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Eau Claire and the rest of western Wisconsin has just a little bit left to endure. The National Weather Service is leaving a winter storm warning in place for the western part of the state til 10 a.m. Forecasters say Eau Claire could see another inch of snow from this storm that's lingered since late Wednesday. As of last night, Eau Claire saw almost eleven-and-a-half inches of snow over the past two days.
04-12-2019	Treu Due in Court Today for Preliminary Hearing	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The young man who police say ran down three western Wisconsin Girl Scouts and one of their mothers is due in court in a few hours. Colten Treu is due in court in Chippewa Falls at 1:30 this afternoon for his preliminary hearing. Police say Treu was high on air duster when he drove off the road in November, and killed the scouts from Chippewa Falls. Treu is facing ten felony charges.
04-12-2019	Gas Tax Pushes Forward on Evers Agenda	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Governor Tony Evers says it doesn't matter if most people in the state don't want to see Wisconsin's gas tax go up. He's pushing ahead anyway. The governor told reporters yesterday that he understands that people don't want to pay an extra eight-cents-a-gallon for gas. But, Evers says Wisconsin can't build new roads unless they do. The latest Marquette University Law School poll shows 57-percent of people in the state oppose a higher gas tax.
04-12-2019	Packer Tailgate Tour Underway	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	It's always football season when the Packers roll through town. The Packers Tailgate Tour stopped in New Richmond yesterday to give fans a chance to meet current and former players, and get a few autographs. This is the 14 th year for the Tailgate Tour. The show will stop in Chippewa Falls today.
04-12-2019	Call to Walmart Ends with Family Arrest	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Eau Claire police promise this really happened. Officers got a shoplifting call from the city's Walmart Wednesday night. When they arrived, they found a mom doing karate in the front of the store, her adult son naked in the back of the store, and the family dog running all over the store. Officers arrested 46-year-old Lisa Smith and her 25-year-old son Benny Vann on a number of charges. Eau Claire police say they took the family dog Bo to a local animal shelter. He's the only one not likely to be charged in the case.

04-15-2019	Case Will Proceed Against Man Accused of Huffing Before Killing Girls Scouts and mom	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Lawyers for the man who police say ran down three Girl Scouts from Chippewa Falls say there's no proof he was high at the time of the wreck. Colten Treu's lawyers on Friday said prosecutors cannot prove their claim that Treu was huffing air duster before police say he drove off the road and killed the girls and a mom who was helping them pick-up trash. Treu was in court Friday for his preliminary hearing. The judge says there is enough evidence to head to trial.
04-15-2019	Wisconsin Green Jobs Get Boost	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Economy	The state of Wisconsin's green economy is growing. A new study from the Environmental Entrepreneurs and the Clean Energy Trust say Wisconsin is adding clean energy jobs while other states are not. The groups say that energy efficiency and renewable energy generation were two of the state's fastest growing job markets last year.
04-15-2019	Old DNA Kits Lead to New Cases	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Public Safety	Wisconsin's Attorney General says prosecutors are pushing ahead with five cases made because the state tested old DNA kits. Attorney General Josh Kaul on Friday said the five cases were the first to be turned over after labs tested almost one thousand old sexual assault kits. Wisconsin is working its way through about six thousand of the old kits. Kaul says the tests have lead to charges in Winnebago, Waupaca, Rock, Oneida, and Milwaukee counties.
04-15-2019	Senator Johnson to Head to US Mexico Border	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Politics	Wisconsin's Republican U.S. Senator is heading to the border with Mexico to get a look at things for himself. Senator Ron Johnson will be in El Paso, Texas today and tomorrow. He wants to get a firsthand look at the border crisis, and to see how the U.S. is handling the flood of immigrants pouring into this country.
04-15-2019	Melon Recall	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	If you have diced melon in the fridge, it may be best to take it back to the store. Wisconsin is included in a 17 state recall for pre-sliced melon that was processed at an Indianapolis plant. The melon from Caito Foods was sold at Kroger, Walmart, Trader Joe's, Target, and Whole Foods stores in Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and West Virginia.

04-16-2019	Largest Drug Bust in Eau Claire Worth Millions	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Eau Claire County's sheriff says it's the largest cocaine bust he's ever seen. Sheriff Ron Cramer says a tip last week lead deputies to a stash of 68 pounds of cocaine inside a trailer at the local Menards. Prosecutors yesterday charged Samuel Serrano from California for having the drugs. Sheriff Cramer says they know where the drugs were headed, but aren't releasing that information just yet. The sheriff says the drugs are worth at least three million-dollars.
04-16-2019	Menomonie Woman Headed to Prison after Sending Drugs to Cell	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A woman accused of trying to mail drugs into the Chippewa County Jail is behind bars herself. Prosecutors filed felony charges yesterday against 26-year-old Danielle Puig of Menomonie. Jailers in Chippewa Falls say they became suspicious of some of the mail she was sending. Sure enough, they say, she was hiding heroin under the stamps on some letters. Puig is due in court today.
04-16-2019	Virtual Classroom Clicks YES	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Public Education	Some kids in Eau Claire will get a chance at a new kind of classroom. School leaders last night approved a new virtual charter school. There will be just 28 seats in the new school when it opens next year, but planners hope to expand the year after that. The new charter school will be online, but school board members say it will be similar to a traditional classroom. There's no word yet how parents can apply for the new charter school.
04-16-2019	Supreme Court of Wisconsin to Hear Cases about December Reforms	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Justice System	The Wisconsin Supreme Court will decide if Republican lawmakers overstepped their bounds with a handful of laws from last December. The court announced late yesterday that it will hear arguments in May about those December reforms. The question is whether the legislature stepped on the powers of the governor and attorney general when they passed a law to keep Governor Evers or A-G Josh Kaul from removing the state from the Obamacare lawsuits.
04-16-2019	Flooding Threat Raises with Rain in Forecast	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Western Wisconsin doesn't need any more water. But forecasters say that's what the state will get. The National Weather Service says Eau Claire and most of western Wisconsin will avoid any severe storms this week. But they say as much as two inches of rain will fall in some places. That will do nothing to help already flooded rivers and streams in the area. There will be updates from the City when it comes to river level and cresting and we will post those updates and any closures on our website so you can alter any plans that may be affected.

04-17-2019	Patterson Not Cooperating Ahead of Sentencing	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Not that it matters, he's going to prison for the rest of his life no matter what. But a new report says Jayme Closs' kidnapper is not cooperating ahead of his sentencing. The Green Bay Press Gazette yesterday reported that Jake Patterson is refusing to work with the court ahead of his sentencing date next month. Patterson pleaded guilty last month to kidnapping Closs and killing her parents back in October. The only sentence available is a life sentence.
04-17-2019	Governor Evers In Eau Claire for Listening Session	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	Governor Tony Evers says he has to get more money for roads, more money for schools, and more money for healthcare in the new state budget. The governor stopped in Eau Claire for a budget listening session yesterday. He heard pleas from local teachers and addiction specialists who asked for more money. The governor told the State Journal later in the day that he'll veto any state budget that doesn't give him what he wants.
04-17-2019	LaCrosse Man Bets and Wins Big on Tiger	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	A man from La Crosse is the other big winner after the Masters. James Adducci stepped forward yesterday as the winner of that 85-thousand-dollar bet on Tiger Woods to win last weekend's Masters. Adducci won just under one-point-two million-dollars when Woods won the tournament. Adducci says he plans to pay off some bills and buy new garage doors with his winnings.
04-17-2019	DNA Kit Legislation Would Shift Focus to Medical Professionals	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	Hospitals and doctors would do most of the work under a new proposal from Wisconsin's attorney general to set standards for DNA rape kits. A-G Josh Kaul yesterday introduced a plan that he says will create one standard for the entire state. Kaul's plan would have doctors or hospitals collect a DNA kit. They would then either send the sample to police or to the state's crime lab if the victim doesn't want to file a complaint. Kaul is trying to work his way through six-thousand untested DNA kits that sat on shelves across the state for year.
04-17-2019	DNR Secretary Touts Water and CWD as Priorities	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Development	The man in charge of the outdoors in Wisconsin is focusing on deer and the health of the state's water. Department of Natural Resources Secretary Preston Cole yesterday told reporters that his two top priorities are clean water and chronic wasting disease. Cole also said he's looking to change how DNR defines and works with climate change. Local governments have taken the CWD into consideration and are urging hunters to bring any cases to their attention to monitor levels in the state.

04-18-2019	TIF District Causing Conflict in Downtown Eau Claire	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics and Business	A conservative group in Madison wants a judge to stop the city of Eau Claire from giving redevelopment benefits to a downtown building owner. The Wisconsin Institute for Law and Liberty yesterday filed the suit over Eau Claire's TIF district. The suit says Eau Claire claimed it needed the TIF to lure developers to the Water Street area. But WILL says there were already plans to develop the area, and there was no need to divert money into the TIF. Eau Claire's city attorney says it looks like the suit is more about a policy difference than the actual law.
04-18-2019	Census Shows Local Growth	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest/City Planning	Eau Claire and Chippewa counties are on the positive side of the latest Census Bureau count. New numbers show both counties have grown over the past decade. Eau Claire County added 56-hundred people since 2010, while Chippewa County added just over 15-hundred. Dane County is the fastest growing in Wisconsin. It added more than 50-thousand people.
04-18-2019	UW Lacrosse Plastic Straw Ban Working for Students	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Environmental	The plastic straw ban at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse isn't saving much money, but students say it is working in other ways. UW La Crosse Student Association President Ben O'Connell this week said thousands of straws have not been used across campus since the school banned them earlier this school year. University managers say the ban only saved about a thousand dollars, but O'Connell says it's more about saving the environment than saving money.
04-18-2019	Deer Harvest Numbers for 2019 Set	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Chippewa County's deer advisory council wants to see four-thousand deer harvested this fall. The council yesterday finalized its deer hunting regulations for 2019. Hunters will be able to ask for one of over nine-thousand deer tags on both public and private land. But the deer council nixed the idea of a special holiday hunt. State regulators must now agree to the county's proposal.
04-18-2019	NFL Releases Full Packers Schedule	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The Packers are getting a lot of prime time games in 2019. The NFL released the full 2019 schedule yesterday. The Packers will play two Thursday night games, two Monday night games, and one Sunday night game. The Packers open the season on Thursday Night Football against the Bears in Soldier Field. The schedule ends with some NFC games that have many fans worried about the indoor stadiums and the record of injuries that the Packers seem to rack up as the season goes on. The full schedule will be on fridges around the state now.

04-19-2019	New Richmond Votes no To Immigration Center	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	If the city of New Richmond doesn't want a immigration detention center, the company that was going to build it says they will go somewhere else. Immigration Centers of America yesterday dropped plans to build a facility to hold people who are in this country illegally. New Richmond city leaders say the center doesn't fit with their comprehensive plan. ICA said the decision will cost New Richmond almost 600 jobs and nearly 40-million-dollars in economic benefits.
04-19-2019	Flood Stage On Local Rivers Going Down	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The Chippewa River should be back below flood stage soon. The National Weather Service says the river in Eau Claire will fall below flood stage tomorrow night. The weather service expects the river to stop just short of the point that it floods in downtown Eau Claire. There could still be some high water along the river, and forecasters say Chippewa will still be fast moving.
04-19-2019	Man Sentenced for Pedestrian Crash	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A western Wisconsin man who admits that he was driving while high will spend less than a week in jail after he hit a man walking along the side of the road. A Barron County judge yesterday sentenced Nathan Ahlm to five days in jail for the wreck last December. The victim was taken to the hospital, but survived the crash.
04-19-2019	Wisconsin Unemployment Rates Remain Below National Average	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Labor and State Workforce	Wisconsin is staying close to full employment. The latest unemployment report from the state show's Wisconsin's jobless rate is just two-point-nine-percent. That's up a tiny bit from a year ago, but is still below the national unemployment rate of three-point-eight-percent.
04-19-2019	Foxconn talks Jobs	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The company yesterday issued a statement that says they are focusing on the long term jobs picture in the state. Foxconn is moving ahead with its new LCD plant in Racine County. Governor Tony Evers says he doesn't think Foxconn will ever hire the 13-thousand people they've promised to employ.
04-19-2019	Democrats Talk Legalization	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Democratic lawmakers in Madison are once again saying it's time to legalize marijuana in the state. A group of Democrats yesterday reintroduced a plan to make marijuana legal. It's failed three times before. State Rep Melissa Sargent blames Republican leaders at the Capitol for that. Sargent says the people of the state of Wisconsin want to see marijuana legalized.

04-22-2019	DNR Warns of Fire Danger	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The wet spring is doing nothing to end the fire worries in western Wisconsin. The state's Department of Natural Resources is keeping all of western Wisconsin under a high fire danger warning. DNR reported four wildfires over the weekend. One of them in Portage County. The state is reminding people they need a burn permit for anything other than a backyard fire.
04-22-2019	Chippewa Falls Investigators Looking into Fire at High School	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Investigators in Chippewa Falls want to know how the propane tank at Chippewa Falls High School ended-up on fire. Firefighters found the fire Saturday evening, and were able to put out the flames. Police and fire officials say no one was hurt. School should be open as usual today. Fire investigators are not saying what, or who, caused the fire.
04-22-2019	WI DNR is Warning of Poisoning Around the State	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is warning anyone who takes their dogs to the north woods. Regulators say someone is poisoning meat and leaving it along the side of the road. DNR says dogs and other animals are finding the meat, eating it, and dying. At least four dogs in Bayfield, Marinette, and Florence counties have died from poisoned meat since December.
04-22-2019	Medical Marijuana to Project Billions in Profit for WI	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	A medical marijuana program, combined with fewer penalties for having small amounts of pot, could be worth a billion dollars for the state of Wisconsin. Researchers at UW Madison crunched the numbers and say the state could benefit from changing the rules about marijuana. The largest benefit, the researchers say, would come from allowing people to buy marijuana as medicine. That'd be worth a quarter billion-dollars a year on its own. The team says you get the billion dollar benefit by calculating those sales over five years, and then subtracting the cost of prosecuting and jailing people over small amounts of marijuana.
04-22-2019	Governor Evers Continues to Talk Renegotiation with Foxconn	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Governor Tony Evers continues to say he wants to write a new deal with Foxconn. The governor talked to WKOW-TV in Madison on Sunday and said he thinks the terms of the original contract with the company are too expansive. Evers said last week that he doesn't think Foxconn will ever hire the 13 thousand people it's promised to bring-on for its factory in Racine County. The static continues to grow as critics claim the jobs are not coming in the way that Foxconn promised and the company continues to lobby for tax breaks and incentives that were part of the original agreement.

04-23-2019	Treu Pleads Not Guilty to Drug Charges	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	The man who police say ran down three Chippewa Falls Girl Scouts is finally answering drug charges from his arrest about a month before that deadly crash. Colten Treu pleaded not guilty yesterday to felony drug charges in Rusk County. Authorities there arrested Treu about a month before police say he ran down the Girl Scouts on the side of the road in Chippewa County last October. Treu was out on bond at the time of the wreck.
04-23-2019	LaCrosse to Vote on Banning Smoking in Parks	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Development	You may soon not be allowed to light up in a city park in La Crosse. The city's park board already approved a ban on cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, and vape products. The full city council will vote next. Parks Director Jay Odegaard says the idea is to both promote a healthy lifestyle, and to save money by not having to clean-up cigarette butts in every park in the city.
04-23-2019	Mississippi River to Stop Short of Flood Stage	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	The Mississippi River will top out just short of major flood stage in La Crosse. The National Weather Service yesterday said the river should crest at just over 14-and-a-half feet tomorrow. That's about a foot below major flood stage. Forecasters though say it will be a while before the river is back inside it's banks. They don't expect the Mississippi River to fall below 12-feet in La Crosse till some time in May.
04-23-2019	Eau Claire Hosts Electric Vehicle Workshop	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Folks in Eau Claire will get a chance to see if an electric vehicle may be in their future. Managers at the Eau Clare Energy and Chippewa Valley Electric Cooperatives are hosting an electric vehicle preview this weekend. The idea is to show what new electric vehicles can do, and perhaps get some folks in western Wisconsin excited about trying one for themselves.
04-23-2019	Wisconsin CWD Rates Rank Highest in Midwest	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Wisconsin has the most confirmed cases of Chronic Wasting Disease in the Midwest. The CDC last month said that 270 counties in 24 states are battling the disease. CWD is most prevalent in Wyoming, Nebraska and Colorado. But researchers say Wisconsin is the hot spot in the Midwest. The CDC says it fears the disease could jump from deer to people at some point.
04-23-2019	New Millionaire To Come Forward Today in WI	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	Wisconsin's newest mega-millionaire will step out of the shadows in a few hours. Wisconsin Lottery managers say the winner of last month's 768 million-dollar Powerball jackpot will claim their prize today.

04-24-2019	Rescue Workers to Return to Chippewa River	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community	Rescue crews in Eau Claire are waiting for more light to head back out on the Chippewa River and look for a missing swimmer. Eau Claire police and fire rescue called off their search for the missing person last night once it became too dark. Crews will head back out to the area between Domer Park and the Big Dells Pond Dam about 8 a.m.
04-24-2019	Missing Barron Man Found Dead in Minnesota	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Investigators in Minnesota say they are questioning three people in the death of a man from Barron. Chris Etchison's family reported him missing last week. Police in Sandstone, Minnesota say they found his body in a cabin yesterday. None of the three people being held are charged with his murder, yet.
04-24-2019	Eau Claire Man Gets Prison for Abusing a Minor	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	An Eau Claire man will be almost 75-years-old when he gets out of prison for sexual assault. A judge yesterday sentenced 35-year-old Trent Woodman to 38 years in prison. Woodman pleaded no contest to charges that he abused a 14-year-old girl for months back in 2017.
04-24-2019	Largest Cocaine Bust Leads to Trial	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	The man at the center of Eau Claire's largest cocaine bust is looking at a trial. A judge yesterday said there is enough evidence to move ahead with the charges against Samuel Serrano. Eau Claire police say they found 67 pounds of cocaine in a trailer that he was driving earlier this month. Federal prosecutors yesterday told the judge they may be looking at charges against Serrano as well.
04-24-2019	UW Incentive Hopes to Pay Grads to Stay in State	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	One Wisconsin lawmaker wants to pay people from out of state to come to school here, and never leave. State Rep. Dave Murphy is pitching a plan that would pay UW system graduates who make more than 40-thousand-dollars a year to stay in Wisconsin for seven years after graduation. The grant would be worth ten-percent of the out of state tuition that someone would pay at a UW campus.
04-24-2019	Gov. Evers to Focus on School Lunch Program	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Politics and Community Interest	Wisconsin ranks last in school breakfast programs. Governor Evers says that his budget would allow for funding of breakfast programs in our schools and his priority is making sure that the elementary and schools are participating in this. Reedsburg recently announced a breakfast program for their elementary and middle schools.

04-25-2019	Missing Teen Identified; Search Continues in River	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Search and Rescue	Police in Eau Claire say they are looking for a 17-year-old who went missing while swimming in the Chippewa River Tuesday night. Officers yesterday identified Williamefipanio Hessel as the young man who they've been searching for. Hessel was last seen swimming near the cliffs at Mount Simon Park.
04-25-2019	Weather Bringing Snow in for the Weekend	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	It's almost May but forecasters are still talking about snow for some folks in Western Wisconsin. The National Weather Service says tomorrow's cool down could bring snow to Eau Claire and other parts of the area. No one is expecting a lot of snow, as forecasters say most of what falls will be a slushy mix and of rain and snow.
04-25-2019	Sculpture Tour Slated for Eau Claire	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Organizers of Sculpture Tour Eau Claire are hoping for another problem-free year. Managers said there were no reports of any vandalism last year. It's been a problem in the past. There are already some sculptures on display for this year's tour. The rest will be installed next month.
04-25-2019	Ron Kind on Russian Interference in Presidential Election	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	Western Wisconsin's Democratic congressman says he's never seen the kind of election interference that he saw in 2016. Congressman Ron Kind yesterday said the meddling from Russia in the last presidential race is unprecedented. Kind said the question he still wants answered is why the Russians tried to play such a big role.
04-25-2019	Governor Evers to Renegotiate with Foxconn	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Local Politics	Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers says he has no idea what Foxconn wants to change about their contract with the state. Evers told reporters yesterday that he still has not spoken with Foxconn officials. The governor said last week that he doesn't believe the company will hire 13 thousand workers for its LCD plant near Racine. He has said since that he wants to renegotiate Foxconn's contract.
04-25-2019	Foxconn Officials to meet with Evers	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers says he has no idea what Foxconn wants to change about their contract with the state. Evers told reporters yesterday that he still has not spoken with Foxconn officials.

04-26-2019	Barron Man's Death Could Lead to Murder Charges from Minnesota	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Investigators in Minnesota and prosecutors in Barron County are shedding a bit more light on the death of a Barron man. Police in Sandstone, Minnesota say 36-year-old Christopher Etchison died last weekend at a 'party gone bad.' Prosecutors in Barron yesterday charged three people for stealing from Etchison. They say any charges surrounding his death will have to come from Minnesota.
04-26-2019	Judge Issues Homework Not Jail Time	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	A young man in Eau Claire is getting a homework assignment instead of a jail sentence. A judge yesterday sentenced Jared Beaulieu to write two essays, one on making Eau Claire a better community and another on integrity. Beaulieu pleaded guilty to a lesser charge after breaking into a gas station and Dairy Queen back in December.
04-26-2019	Late Season Snow Storm Heading to WI	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	For once, Western Wisconsin will not get the worst of the snow in the forecast. The National Weather Service says Eau Claire and the western part of the state should see a dusting of snow tomorrow. The worst of the late season snow is going to fall in southern Wisconsin. Some places south of I-94 could see six inches of snow.
04-26-2019	Reward Money for Poison Meat Case	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Law Enforcement	The state of Wisconsin is hoping a thousand dollars brings in some answers about poisoned meat in the north woods. The Department of Natural Resources yesterday announced a reward in the case. Investigators say someone has been poisoning meat and leaving it for dogs or other animals to find. In addition to family pets, DNR says a number of wild animals also ate the poisoned meat and died.
04-26-2019	Wi National Guard Investigates Claims of Assault	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Development	The National Guard's special investigations office is taking a look at sexual assault complaints inside the Wisconsin National Guard. The National Guard Bureau's Office of Complex Investigations this week said it's going to explore allegations against a Madison-based unit. Wisconsin Guard commanders say they've found 52 reports of sexual assault from 2013 to 2017. The investigations into the reports will continue after the complaints come from people who say for years there was knowledge of these cases but nothing was ever done to follow up on the claims. Now there is more attention being given to the allegations.

04-29-2019	Local Fire Department to Honor Girl Scouts with UTV	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	There is a special importance to Rescue 3055 at the Chippewa Falls Fire Department. The new UTV is dedicated to the three local Girls Scouts who died last fall while doing their community service projects. Firefighters dedicated the new vehicle over the weekend. Chief Scott Bernette said fire crews wanted to do something special for the local scouts, and he said the new dedication will remind everyone of service to the community everytime it goes out.
04-29-2019	Protestors May Face Charges	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	It remains to be seen what will come of last week's pay protest at the University of Wisconsin. Campus police escorted about 15 graduate students from the dean's office on Friday. They forced their way into the office to protest what they say are low wages. The protestors complained that they only made 20 thousand-dollars a year while getting their degrees at UW Madison. Police are not saying if they will ask for charges against the students, and the school is not saying what will become of their demands for more money.
04-29-2019	Evers to Add to State Healthcare Roll	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	Governor Tony Evers' sales pitch to add over 80 thousand young men to Wisconsin's healthcare rolls is working. A number of Republicans in Madison say they think the state should expand Medicaid to get all of the money the governor is promising would come to the state. State Senator Luther Olsen last week said lawmakers need to keep an open mind. The governor has promised that 324 million-dollars extra from Washington D.C. could be turned into a billion-and-a-half dollars here in Wisconsin.
04-29-2019	Dairy Industry Urges Trump and Trade Deal	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	The folks who run Wisconsin's dairy industry are asking President Trump to help them move Congress forward on the new trade deal with Canada and Mexico. The Wisconsin Dairy Alliance wrote an open letter to the president before his visit to Green Bay on Saturday that pleaded with him to move Congress to ratify the new deal.
04-29-2019	Key Brewers Player Pulled from Game with Injury	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Sports	A sore back seems to be the only thing that can stop Christian Yelich this season. The Brewers pulled Yelich from the game yesterday. He complained of soreness after the fifth inning. Yelich is off to another MVP-caliber start this season. No one is saying how long he may be out of the line-up, or how serious his injury may be.

04-30-2019	Eau Claire Police Investigate Death of 2 Year Old Girl	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Law Enforcement	Police in Eau Claire are not saying much about their investigation into a two-year-old girl's death. The little girl died on Saturday. Investigators say her family brought her to the hospital, she was pronounced dead a little while later. Police say they've spoken with the girl's family and are waiting for an autopsy, but they are not saying much else about the case.
04-30-2019	Lawmakers to Target Pensions for Embezzlement	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	Eau Claire County's embezzlement case could spark a new law. Eau Claire state Rep. Warren Petryk and Chippewa Falls state Senator Kathy Bernier yesterday introduced a new law that would allow prosecutors to go after someone's pension if they are convicted of stealing from taxpayers. Petryk and Bernier say the case of former Eau Claire County Treasurer Larry Lokken inspired the plan. Lokken and his deputy treasurer are in jail and facing a 681-thousand-dollar tab for stealing from taxpayers, but the state cannot take that money from their pensions. The new plan would change that going forward, but wouldn't impact Lokken's case.
04-30-2019	UW Regents Appoints Local Professionals	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Higher Education	Two of the newest members of the UW Board of Regents have ties to western Wisconsin. Governor Evers yesterday appointed Eau Claire attorney Edmund Manydeeds the Third and UW La Crosse student Olivia Woodmansee to the board. This is Manydeeds' second go on the board; he served as a regent from 2010 until 2017.
04-30-2019	UW LACrosse Looking to Expand Campus	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The campus at UW La Crosse is looking to grow. School leaders last night asked city leaders in La Crosse to allow them to take over a few more city streets. All of the streets are near campus and will be turned into walking paths. La Crosse's city council is okay with the plan, but is asking UW leaders to make sure the streets are kept-up enough to accommodate fire trucks if there's ever an emergency.
04-30-2019	Lake Altoona Water Levels to Be Raised	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	The ice is gone and the swimmers aren't too far away. The Eau Claire County Parks and Forest Department said it will start to raise the water levels at Lake Altoona over the next few days. Parks managers say they will close the dam and allow the lake to fill-up to its summer depths. The recent flooding and unseasonable temps have kept people off the water so far but with fishing opener around the corner lots of people are anxious to get back into the water

05-01-2019	Former Group Home Worker Accused of Misconduct	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	A now-former worker at an Eau Claire group home is looking at possible jail time after investigators say she had sex with one of the teens she was supposed to be helping. Police say 22-year-old Alissa Martin has sex with a 15-year-old who was placed at the Eau Claire Academy. Investigators say Martin admitted to kissing the teen, but denies that they had sex. She's free on ten-thousand-dollars bond.
05-01-2019	Search Continues for Missing Teen in River	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Rescue	It's been more than a week since anyone last saw 17-year-old Williamefipanio Hessel. Crews were back out on the Chippewa River in Eau Claire yesterday, trying to find his body. Friends say Hessel jumped into the river last week, but never came out of the water. The latest search focused on the area downriver from the Big Dells Pond Dam.
05-01-2019	Hemp Plot to be Tested in Chippewa County	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Ag	You'll get to see a new crop in the fields of Chippewa County this summer. Researchers at UW Madison yesterday said they will use an acre of ground owned by Chippewa County to grow hemp. It's one of several test plots for the new crop. Jerry Clark with the Chippewa County UW-Extension says they hope to plant the hemp sometime later this month.
05-01-2019	LaCrosse Fire Chief not Fired	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	The city of La Crosse will not fire a fire chief charged with child pornography possession. Instead, city leaders will allow Frank Devine to retire in late June. Devine has been on paid leave since police arrested him for child pornography possession back in March. The city says it doesn't want to 'interfere' with the case against him.
05-01-2019	Matthews Chimes in on 52	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Count Clay Matthews as one of the Packer fans who aren't ready to see anyone else in the number 52. Matthews took to Twitter yesterday to express his surprise that the team gave his old number to rookie linebacker Rashan Gary. Matthews said 'the body isn't even cold yet,' in a tweet. Matthews left Green Bay this year to sign with the Los Angeles Rams.
05-01-2019	Bars Looking to Extend Hours for Democratic National Convention	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	The bars in and around Milwaukee could stay open a lot later when the Democratic National Committee comes to town next summer. Planners are considering a proposal to keep the bars in Milwaukee, Waukesha, and Washington counties open till 4 a.m. Right now, state law requires bars to stop serving at 2 a.m, and to close by 2:30

05-02-2019	Murderer Seeking Parole in Chippewa Co.	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest / Law Enforcement	A man convicted of killing two people in a Chippewa Falls bar 40 years ago wants out of prison. Charles Coogan is asking for parole. He's been in prison since the 1979 murder at the Four Corners bar. Coogan is 72-years-old and says if released he will live with his brother in southern Wisconsin.
05-02-2019	Osseo Man Facing Charges After Hidden Camera was Discovered	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues / Law Enforcement	A western Wisconsin man is likely looking at charges after police say they found his hidden bathroom camera. Osseo police arrested Kyle Coleman earlier this week after they say they found a camera hidden to record an underage girl in the shower. Investigators say he also hid the camera in another bathroom to catch another woman showering. Trempealeau County prosecutors haven't yet filed formal charges.
05-02-2019	Local Cities Lead List for Entrepreneurs	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	There's good news for western Wisconsin entrepreneurs. The folks at Verizon say La Crosse and Eau Claire are some of the best places in the country to start a small business. Verizon's latest poll ranks La Crosse as the 20th best place to start a business, Eau Claire is ranked 31st. Appleton also made Verizon's list.
05-02-2019	Gypsy Moth Spraying Slated for This Month – July	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	The small planes are coming with their sprayers. The state of Wisconsin yesterday said it will start to spray for gypsy moths later this month. The Department of Agriculture says the moths can devastate forests in the state. Sixteen counties will be sprayed this year, most of them are in western Wisconsin. Plans are to spray twice between this month and the end of July.
05-02-2019	Lawyers for Transgender Woman Sue State Over Name Change Law	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	Lawyers for a transgender woman are suing the state of Wisconsin because she cannot legally change her name. Karen Krebs cannot legally change her name, she was born Kenneth, because she's a sex offender. Wisconsin law does not allow sex offenders to change their names. Krebs' lawyer this week said that law is unfair and causes her a number of problems. Lawyers filed a similar lawsuit this week in Illinois over a similar name-change law there. This is relatively new legislation that follows movements of equality and gender identity across the country and courts begin to hear cases like this.

05-03-2019	Eau Claire Ranks Near top of WI DOJ Sex Crimes List	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	Authorities say just because Eau Claire is ranked in top three in Wisconsin for sex crimes, doesn't mean there are more sex offenders in Eau Claire than anywhere else. Sheriff Ron Cramer yesterday said the report from the state's Department of Justice highlights the number of reported sex crimes per-capita. Eau Claire had 157 sex crimes per person from 2014 to 2018. Sauk County had the most, followed by Lincoln County.
05-03-2019	Unused Medication Totals for WI	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Chippewa County added nearly a thousand pounds of medication to Wisconsin's unused medication take-back. Attorney General Josh Kaul stopped by Chippewa County yesterday to talk up the take-back programs success. Across the state, people turned in over 58-thousand pounds of medicine. Chippewa County's total hit 870 pounds.
05-03-2019	Housing Gaps Focus of Local Leaders	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Planning	The city of Eau Claire says it knows there are some gaps in the local housing market. Advocates want the city to find more affordable housing. Downtown Eau Claire Inc. hosted a meeting yesterday to focus on housing needs in the city. Eau Claire's Economic Development Manager, Aaron White, said there are different challenges for different people. He said that makes finding one solution difficult.
05-03-2019	Gov. Evers Orders Pay Raise for Prison Guards	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Guards at six Wisconsin prisons are getting a five-dollar-an-hour raise to keep them on the job. Governor Tony Evers ordered the raises this week. He says he wants to fight long running staff shortages at the Columbia, Dodge, Green Bay, Taycheedah and Waupun. Guards will see their pay spiked through at least June of next year. The extra five bucks an hour comes to about an extra ten-thousand-dollars a year.
05-03-2019	Packers Training Camp	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Fans will get their first look at the Packers in late July. The team yesterday said training camp will start July 25th. Green Bay is planning a number of fan friendly events for the first few days of camp. The Green Bay shareholders meeting will convene just before camp opens, on July 24th. The Packers will play their first preseason game August 8th against the Houston Texans. As many Green Bay fans are coming off the recent draft and gearing up for game season and the recently released schedule this will be a family friendly event that many plan to attend.

05-06-2019	Durand Teacher Facing Charges	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	A first-year teacher at Durand's Middle School is looking at charges after police say she sent a topless video to one of her students. Police arrested 24-year-old Sarah Heskin after she admitted to being drunk when she sent the video to an eighth grader. She also admitted to kissing the boy. Heskin is facing charges in Pepin County; she's free on 10 thousand-dollars bond.
05-06-2019	Barn Fire Kills Cows	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	There's no word on what sparked a barn fire in Vernon County that killed 70 cows. The fire started Friday evening at a farm not far from the town of Westby. Firefighters say 20 cows died in the barn, another 50 died from the smoke or other effects of the fire. No people were hurt. Firefighters say the barn was a total loss and had to be torn down for safety reasons.
05-06-2019	Foxconn Jobs Reportedly Still on Way	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Politics / Community Interest	Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers says 13 thousand is not a magic number when it comes to Foxconn jobs. The governor told the editorial boards of the Racine Journal Times and Kenosha News last week that there may be more jobs, there may be less. Evers spent most of last week trying to clarify his comments that Foxconn would never hire as many people as the company promised. The governor met with Foxconn CEO Terry Gou last week, and now says he hopes Foxconn is successful in the state.
05-06-2019	Medicaid Expansion on Governor Evers Agenda	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest / State Politics	Governor Evers' administration is trying to make the case to expand Medicaid in Wisconsin by telling counties how much money they could see. Department of Health Services Secretary Andrea Palm says a Medicaid expansion could be worth nearly two-and-a-half billion dollars statewide. Milwaukee County would see the largest chunk of that, DHS says an expansion would be worth 695 million for Milwaukee County. DHS says an expansion would be worth 81 million in Waukesha County, another 27 million in Washington County, and 17 million in Ozaukee County.
05-06-2019	Rain in Forecast; Colder Temps Return	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	The worst of this week's rain will fall closer to La Crosse. Forecasters say western Wisconsin will be cool and wet later this week. Eau Claire will see some rain, but will miss the worst of it. The National Weather Service says Eau Claire will see high temps only in the 40s by Thursday.

05-07-2019	Search Continues for Missing People	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues / Law Enforcement	There are still no answers about two missing people in the Chippewa River in Eau Claire. More than two dozen volunteers and eight police dogs searched the river yesterday, looking for Panio Hessel and James Liedtka. Hessel jumped into the river two weeks ago and is still missing. Liedtka hasn't been seen since walking along the riverfront last November.
05-07-2019	Teen Sentenced to Community Service for Hunting Accident	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	A western Wisconsin teen who fired into the dark last fall and hit a woman who was hunting will not go to jail. A judge yesterday sentenced Nicholas Sempf-Nyren to 300 hours of community service, and took away his hunting license for five years. Sempf-Nyren admitted to pulling the trigger on his gun last November, that bullet hit a woman as she was climbing out of her tree stand. She survived, but with serious and lasting injuries.
05-07-2019	DNR Investigating Asbestos Violation at City Hall Renovations	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	State regulators say the city of Eau Claire failed to make sure everyone was safe from asbestos during the recent renovations at city hall. The Department of Natural Resources is considering a possible 75-thousand-dollar fine for the city. Colleen Schian with the city of Eau Claire says nothing is final yet. She says the DNR investigation should not slow down the city's renovation work, it's scheduled to wrap-up by June.
05-07-2019	Eau Claire Planning Commission to Plot New Hotel	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	The city of Eau Claire is a big step closer to tearing-down the old Clarion Hotel and the Green Mill Restaurant. Eau Claire's planning commission last night approved a demolition plan. The hope is to tear down the old hotel and build a new one on the same spot. Eau Claire's city council is expected to vote on the idea next week.
05-07-2019	UW Out Of State Students Up	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	Lawmakers in Madison don't seem to have too much of a problem with the University of Wisconsin turning to out-of-state students to pay the bills. A new audit shows UW schools saw almost 13-thousand fewer Wisconsin students from 2008 to 2018, but saw an additional ten-thousand out-of-state students over the same ten years. Sen. Rob Cowles says he'd only be worried about those numbers if the UW system was shutting-out Wisconsin students in order to get more tuition money from out-of-state students, but he doesn't know that to be the case.

05-08-2019	Merger Could Affect Thousands	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Local Politics	Two of western Wisconsin's largest hospital groups are talking about a possible merger. Gundersen Health System and the Marshfield Clinic Health System yesterday said they are considering combining their hospitals and clinics. The two groups employ almost 20 thousand people in Wisconsin, northern Iowa, and southern Minnesota. It's unclear if anyone will lose their job from the merger. Gundersen and Marshfield say they're going to spend the next few months working out the details.
05-08-2019	Menomonie Man on Probation after Abuse	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues/ Law Enforcement	A Menomonie man who admitted to sexually abusing a four-year-old girl is being sent home with a warning to stay away from children. A Dunn County judge yesterday sentenced Chase Johnson to probation in the case. Johnson told police he abused the little girl, he claimed to be a sex addict. He pleaded guilty in the case back in November.
05-08-2019	Chippewa County Drops Case	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest / Law Enforcement	Prosecutors in Chippewa County are dropping their case against a man charged with murder in Rusk County. The district attorney in Chippewa Falls yesterday dropped reckless endangerment charges against Preston Kraft. He was accused of firing a gun at Robert Petit last year. Rusk is still facing charges in Rusk County that he killed Petit last May. That case is headed for trial.
05-08-2019	Evers in Eau Claire	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Politics	Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers says Eau Claire is doing all it can to bring people to town. The governor was in Eau Claire yesterday as part of his statewide tourism tour. The governor says Eau Claire's effort to keep UW Eau Claire grads in town after graduation should be applauded.
05-08-2019	Wisconsin Takes on Selfie in Ballot Booth	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	There are still some people in Wisconsin who don't want to let voters take a picture with their ballot. Lawmakers are considering a plan to rollback Wisconsin's ban on pictures of completed ballots. Supporters say a lot of voters in 2019 want to take a ballot selfie. But the clerks in Dane County and Brown County say allowing for ballot selfies could 'undo the secrecy of the ballot.' There are also concerns for the safety in the booth and the fact that any possible employers might base a decision to hire off the selfie or any political affiliations that would be posted.

05-09-2019	Judge Dismissed in Murder Case	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues n	A Rusk County man accused of murder in Chippewa County is having his case dismissed from its current judge. Preston Kraft is accused of shooting and killing Robert Petit last May but the only witness was killed as well. Yesterday the judge on the case was removed after a request by Kraft's attorneys and a new judge has been assigned. Kraft was found competent to stand trial in March and he's charged with first-degree intentional homicide.
05-09-2019	Opioid Overdoses on Rise	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues/ Law Enforcement	An Eau Claire man is going to jail after being convicted of breaking bones in his girlfriend's face. Reports say Stephen Jones pleaded guilty to multiple charges yesterday and was sentenced to a year in jail followed by six years probation. A criminal complaint claims Jones attacked his girlfriend last year but she hasn't been able to recall what caused the attack.
05-09-2019		5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	Eau Claire city officials are expecting the opioid overdose reversal drug Narcan to be used twice as much this year as it was last year. The city says it used the drug to treat over 55 overdoses last year and it's already been used to treat about 40 this year. The drug can be administered through the nose, injected, or through an IV.
05-09-2019	Tourism a Hit in Eau Claire	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	An Eau Claire Chamber of Commerce video intended to get people to move to the city is the winner of a regional media award. The Think Eau Claire video and website won Digital Campaign of the Year from the Mid America Chamber earlier this week. Reports say the video has been viewed more than 87-thousand times since it launched last October.
05-09-2019	Local Company to Build Computer	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Technology	A company in Chippewa Falls is building the world's most powerful computer. WQOW reports supercomputer company Cray is building the computer for a Tennessee based company and it'll cost over 600-million dollars and weigh more than one-million pounds. The company's CEO says the computer will be faster than the top 160 supercomputers in the world combined. It's expected to be finished by 2021.
05-09-2019	Evers Pushes Medicaid Expansions	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Governor is criticizing Republicans for their opposition to Medicaid expansion. Tony Evers tweeted today that the Republicans voted to ignore the will of the people by removing Medicaid expansion from The People's Budget. The governor says there needs to be push-back.

05-10-2019	Flooding to Cost Millions	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	There is no price tag for the flooding in La Crosse yet, but city leaders expect it to be big. La Crosse Utilities Manager Bernard Lenz says his department spent 100-thousand-dollars just dealing with their issues this spring. That doesn't take into account any of the other costs. The Mississippi River stayed at flood stage for 41 straight days this spring, and is still high in many places.
05-10-2019	Food Trucks Slowing Roll in La Crosse	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	City leaders in La Crosse aren't ready to okay new food truck rules just yet. City Council member Christine Kahlow last night said she still needs to have a few discussions before she's ready to ask for a vote on her plan to restrict where food trucks can operate. Her proposal would keep trucks at least 150 feet away from brick-and-mortar restaurants.
05-10-2019	Drug Bust Heads To Trial	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	The suspect in Eau Claire's largest drug bust ever is heading toward a trial. Samuel Serrano pleaded not guilty yesterday to drug trafficking charges. Police say they found three-million-dollars' worth of cocaine in Serrano's truck back in April. Federal prosecutors may also be looking to file charges against Serrano as well.
05-10-2019	ECPD Adds Scooters to Fleet	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest / Law Enforcement	The newest vehicles in the Eau Claire County sheriff's fleet aren't going to win any high speed chases, but the sheriff is happy to have them nonetheless. The county yesterday unveiled two new Segway scooters. They're new to Eau Claire, but not new-new, the city picked them up as surplus from the federal government. Sheriff Ron Cramer says he plans to use the scooters at festivals and other places.
05-10-2019	Packers Vs. Browns for Fan Showdown	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The Packers may have a new rival. Cleveland Browns' GM, and former Packer player and executive, John Dorsey says his new team's fans are more passionate. Dorsey made the claim this week on a podcast. He said there are a lot of similarities between Packer and Browns fans, but he gives the edge in passion to Browns fans.
05-10-2019	Milwaukee to Make Scooters Easier to Own	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	You could see a lot of electric scooters zooming around downtown Milwaukee this summer. Lawmakers in Madison are working to rollback the state law that would essentially require license plates for all scooters.

05-13-2019	OWI Laws Looking to Get Tougher	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	The latest plan to get tougher on drunk drivers in Wisconsin would have the judge order ignition interlocks for everyone convicted of an OWI. Current state law requires an interlock for repeat drunk drivers, as well as anyone whose blood alcohol level is twice the legal limit. Judges can also order them under other certain circumstances. Lawmakers will introduce their new plan today.
05-13-2019	School Threat Leads to Arrest	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Three central Wisconsin students could soon be facing charges after police say they threatened their school in Poynette. Officers got a tip about the threat yesterday, and quickly found the three students. Poynette school leaders say the three were arrested because the school takes all threats seriously. There are no details to the threat, but police say there's no danger to the school or community. All three are under the age of 18, so there are no details about who they are.
05-13-2019	Menomonie Police Say School Threat Not Credible	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Law Enforcement	Menomonie Police are telling parents not to worry about rumors of a school threat. The principal at Menomonie Middle School found a note last week that talked about a school shooting. Police say they investigated, but didn't find the threat credible. Officers say the school is handling the discipline in the case.
05-13-2019	Politics Take Sides on Issues of Unemployment	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Democrats Attorney General Josh Kaul and Governor Tony Evers are shifting their approach when it comes to prosecuting unemployment fraud. In January, Kaul paused all prosecutions against those who fraudulently pursued unemployment benefits to re-assess the Justice Department's approach. Kaul is apparently re-evaluating how his GOP predecessor handled the cases. Meanwhile, agency data shows that Evers is also scaling back unemployment fraud enforcement. Workforce Development Secretary Caleb Frostman said in the years under former Attorney General Brad Schimel and former Governor Scott Walker fraud crackdown became so aggressive that many qualified applicants became deterred from applying for jobless claims because they feared getting in trouble from an honest mistake. This is one of those issues that continues to underscore the divisiveness of the political climate at the capitol as legislators work within the new Evers Administration.

05-14-2019	Bloomer Police Chief Position Expected by Friday	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Local Politics	The city police commission met yesterday to talk about what to do with Chief Jared Zwiefelhofer. He pleaded no contest to a series of hunting violations from last year and has already stepped down as chairman of the Chippewa County Board.
05-14-2019	Fairchild Speaks Out Against Halfway House Plans	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	People told County leaders that the plan to send recently released sex offenders to a new facility less near town is dangerous and unsavory.
05-14-2019	Life in Prison for Patterson	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Jake Patterson yesterday pleaded guilty to kidnapping and homicide charges. The only sentence available is life in prison. Closs was not in court, but Patterson said 'Bye Jayme' as he was led out of the courtroom.
05-14-2019	Bloomer Police Chief Retains Job	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Law Enforcement	The city's police commission yesterday said they didn't find any evidence that Chief Jared Zwiefelhofer used a police department rifle to illegally shoot a deer last year. Zwiefelhofer pleaded no contest to the charges, and stepped down as Chippewa County Board chairman. He says he can still be an effective police officer in Bloomer.
05-14-2019	Winning Powerball Ticket Sold in Wisconsin	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Winning lottery ticket sold in our state. Powerball jackpot was over 700mill.
05-14-2019	Counterfeit Cash Making Rounds Locally	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Law Enforcement	Police in Eau Claire and Menomonie were warning local businesses about a new round of fake 100 dollar bills. Officers say they've seen an uptick in counterfeit cash over the past few weeks. Police say the feel of the money is the biggest tip-off, though the ink and printing on the fake bills is also a little off.

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05-13-2019	Menomonie Police Say School Threat Not Credible	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Law Enforcement	Menomonie Police are telling parents not to worry about rumors of a school threat. The principal at Menomonie Middle School found a note last week that talked about a school shooting. Police say they investigated, but didn't find the threat credible. Officers say the school is handling the discipline in the case.
05-13-2019	Politics Take Sides on Issues of Unemployment	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Democrats Attorney General Josh Kaul and Governor Tony Evers are shifting their approach when it comes to prosecuting unemployment fraud. In January, Kaul paused all prosecutions against those who fraudulently pursued unemployment benefits to re-assess the Justice Department's approach. Kaul is apparently re-evaluating how his GOP predecessor handled the cases. Meanwhile, agency data shows that Evers is also scaling back unemployment fraud enforcement. Workforce Development Secretary Caleb Frostman said in the years under former Attorney General Brad Schimel and former Governor Scott Walker fraud crackdown became so aggressive that many qualified applicants became deterred from applying for jobless claims because they feared getting in trouble from an honest mistake. This is one of those issues that continue to underscore the divisiveness of the political climate at the capitol as legislators work within the new Evers Administration.

05-14-2019	Barron Cty. Authorities Look to ID Bones	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	Authorities in Barron County hope a new set of eyes can get them some answers about the bone they found back in 2017. Investigators yesterday said they are sending the bones to a lab in California for testing. There's still no ID on the bones, but the Barron County team says the bones belong to a middle age man who was shot in the head.
05-14-2019	Police Warn of Bear	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Police in Glenwood City are telling neighbors to be aware, there could be a dangerous bear in town. Officers say it looks like a bear attacked a local dog Sunday night. The dog survived, but with some gnarly injuries. The dog's owner told police he shot the bear at least once. Glenwood City police and the Department of Natural Resources say they are both looking to find the bear.
05-14-2019	Man Headed to Jail for Animal Cruelty	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Law Enforcement	An Eau Claire man who kicked his dogs down the steps is headed to jail for a couple of months. A judge yesterday sentenced 23-year-old Bryce Winchell to six months in prison and three years of probation. He pleaded guilty back in September to kicking two dogs down the steps of his home, both dogs later died.
05-14-2019	La Crosse Tackles Parking	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The city of La Crosse is ready to spend 100-thousand-dollars to look at parking. The city's Board of Public Works approved the study last night. La Crosse last studied parking back in 2014, but city leaders say this review will be more comprehensive. The plan is to take a look at available parking around the city's hospitals and around the UW La Crosse campus.
05-15-2019	Robbery Suspect in Custody	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Eau Claire Police are calling the person they took into custody for a southeast side armed robbery a person of interest. Police say they are still trying to confirm that the person is the one who walked into the Eau Claire Tobacco Shop on Gateway Drive and robbed the place. No one was hurt in the robbery, police say they were only looking for one robber.
05-15-2019	VP Pence To Visit Eau Claire	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Vice President Mike Pence is coming to western Wisconsin to talk about trade. He will be at J&D Manufacturing in Eau Claire on Thursday to talk about the new trade agreement with Canada and Mexico. That deal is on-hold because Congress has yet to vote on it. Pence is expected to meet with Wisconsin business leaders to talk about what the agreement could mean WI.

05-15-2019	Durand Firefighter Killed in Crash	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Law Enforcement	Firefighters in Durand are mourning the death of one of their own. Investigators yesterday confirmed that the man who died in a one car rollover wreck in Pepin County on Monday was Durand Firefighter Kyle Hayden. Deputies say it looks like Hayden rolled his car on State Highway 85 on Monday. They're not sure what caused the wreck, but say it doesn't look like speed or alcohol was a factor.
05-15-2019	Wi Special Sessions Headed to Supreme Court	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest / State politics	Wisconsin's Supreme Court is set to decide whether lawmakers in Madison can set their own schedule. The court will hear arguments today from lawyers for the Wisconsin League of Women Voters who are challenging the entirety of last December's extraordinary session at the Capitol. The League says lawmakers cannot call themselves into session whenever they want, so all of the laws passed during that session are null and void. Lawmakers say they specifically gave themselves the power to meet as they see fit. They say there's no constitutional question at all.
05-16-2019	Closs Honored as Hero	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Jayme Closs is getting another recognition, this time from the state of Wisconsin. Closs was at the Capitol in Madison yesterday when lawmakers honored her as a Hometown Hero. She didn't speak, and her aunt was the one who accepted the award. State Rep. Romaine Quinn, who represents Closs' hometown, said her strength, resolve, and bravery are beyond incredible.
05-16-2019	Local Family Seeks Closure	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The family of a 17-year-old from Eau Claire who went missing after jumping into the Chippewa River is hoping for closure. Panio Hessel's family says they won't be able to move forward without finding his body. Hessel jumped into the river last month, but slipped below the water. Friends, family members, and the community turned out yesterday for a vigil in his honor.
05-16-2019	Local Firefighter Killed	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and Law Enforcement	It looks like a heart attack killed Durand firefighter before he rolled his car earlier this week. Kyle Hayden's family said he died of heart failure, not the one car crash on Highway 85. Hayden was just 30-years-old. A public visitation is set for this Sunday at the Rhiel Funeral Home in Durand.

05-16-2019	WI Budget Debate	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest/ State Politics	Wisconsin Republicans don't want to spend any of the new money that the state could see for the next state budget. The Legislative Fiscal Bureau yesterday said Wisconsin will see a one-time bump of about 750 million-dollars over the next three years. Governor Evers says he wants to spend that money to pay down some debt and grow a couple of state programs. Republicans want to put the money away for a rainy day fund, or use the cash to lower taxes.
05-16-2019	Chippewa Looks to Water Management Plan	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Local Politics	County leaders in Chippewa Falls want to get a new water management plan down on paper. The county board on Tuesday agreed to craft new guidelines after a survey said farming and industry in the county could impact local water supplies. The hope is to have new rules in place to guide future developments in Chippewa County. The quality of water supply has been an issue that many residents are making a priority and hope leaders will prioritize.
05-17-2019	Police Investigating Kidnapping Case	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Police in the Dells are asking for help in figuring out if someone tried to kidnap a two-year-old child. Lake Delton police got the call last weekend, they say parents heard a noise, then found their child outside of a bedroom window. They think someone broke in and tried to take the two-year-old. Police say they don't have any suspects. They're asking neighbors for tips in the case.
05-17-2019	Man Facing Charges in Tanning Salon Incident	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	An Eau Claire man is in trouble after police say he tried to snap a picture of a woman at a local tanning salon. Prosecutors filed charges against 34-year-old Nicholas Peterson earlier this week. Police say a woman was tanning when she noticed a cell phone pop-over a divider. Peterson is due back in court next month.
05-17-2019	VP Pence Visits Eau Claire	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Politics	Vice President Mike Pence says Wisconsin could see a trade boom if Congress were to ever vote on a new agreement with Canada and Mexico. The vice president spoke in Eau Claire yesterday about the potential of the USMCA. He said the new agreement levels the playing field for farmers and businesses in Wisconsin. But the deal is on-hold because Congress has yet to vote on it.

05-17-2019	WI on List of States Suing Big Pharm	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	Add Wisconsin to the list of states suing one of the makers of opioid pain pills. Attorney General Josh Kaul yesterday announced that the state is suing Purdue Pharma which makes OxyContin. Kaul, along with attorneys general in four other states are suing, as they blame the company for pushing opioid pain pills despite serious worries about addiction. Those pills, the lawsuit states, went on to fuel the opioid crisis in Wisconsin and across the country.
05-17-19	ECPD Rescue Ducklings	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	About a dozen ducklings are looking for a new home after Eau Claire police pulled them from a busy stretch of Highway 53. Officers say someone ran over the momma duck, and the ducklings didn't know what to do. Police say they were able to stop traffic yesterday and collect all 13 ducklings.
05-20-2019	Temps Dip to Freezing	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	It's a cold start to the day for a lot of folks across western Wisconsin. The National Weather Service is leaving a frost advisory in place for Polk, St. Croix, and Pierce counties till about 9 this morning. Forecasters say temperatures across western Wisconsin will dip into the 30s overnight. That could be cold enough to damage newly planted flowers and vegetables.
05-20-2019	Sheriff Looking for Cemetery Vandals	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Dunn County's sheriff is looking for whoever tipped some headstones at the cemetery in Spring Brook. Deputies aren't sure when the vandals struck the Strawhill Cemetery, but they said this is not the first time. The sheriff's office says several tombstones were knocked over, including some belonging to veterans.
05-20-2019	Pearl Harbor Vet Laid to Rest	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Almost no one at George Naegle's funeral ever met him. But that didn't stop almost 200 people from saying a final goodbye to the sailor from La Crosse who died in the attack on Pearl Harbor. Naegle was buried on Saturday, with full military honors. His family says it was the kind of goodbye that he always deserved, but wasn't able to get because his remains weren't identified until recently.
05-20-2019	WI Frac Sand Industry Seeing Loss	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	The market is shrinking for sand from WI used in the fracking process. One expert says 75% of the mines in the state that provide sand to oil and gas companies could go bankrupt in the next years-or-so. New mines in Texas and Oklahoma have taken over the market. Wisconsin had been 1 of the nation's leaders.

05-20-2019	WI Abortion Laws Under Review	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Wisconsin's Republican U.S. Senator is not on-board with the wave of new laws that look to stop abortions much sooner. Senator Ron Johnson told reporters over the weekend that he doesn't support the idea of an abortion ban after six weeks. Johnson says he's okay with a ban on abortion after 21 weeks, which is almost five months. Wisconsin bans abortion after 20 weeks of pregnancy. The debate rages on as the national scene reacts to the new Alabama legislation and other states examine their own laws.
05-21-2019	School Map Redraw Could Balance Enrollment	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The school map in Eau Claire could soon be changing. A special panel on school boundaries is suggesting that the full school board redraw the district's enrollment map. Superintendent Mary Ann Hardebeck says they hope to draw new school boundaries to balance-out enrollment at Eau Claire's schools. The full school board will decide the question in two weeks.
05-21-2019	Durand Firefighter Honored	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	A fallen Durand firefighter is being remembered as dedicated to both his family and his community. Dozens of people turned out yesterday for a final goodbye to Firefighter Kyle Hayden. He died last week of a heart attack, shortly before he rolled his car along Highway 85. Hayden's family says it was wonderful to see the community turn out to honor one of their own.
05-21-2019	Probation not Jail for Abuser	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A young man who admitted to abusing a six-or-seven-year-old girl isn't heading to jail. Instead, a Chippewa County judge sentenced 19-year-old Alexander Kenealy to five years probation. Prosecutors say Kenealy was about 16-years-old when he says he touched the young girl. The judge says as long as Kenealy stays out of trouble, he'll never serve a day behind bars.
05-21-2019	LaCrosse Priest Crossing Lines	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	A retired La Crosse priest is facing questions after police say he offered a woman cash for sex. It happened last week outside of the library in La Crosse. Police say Monsignor Bernard McGarty offered a woman 20 dollars, and then put his hand in her lap. McGarty told police he offered the woman the money because she's homeless, he denied asking for sex. This is not McGarty's first arrest for something like this. Police in Wausau say he exposed himself to a massage therapist back in 2014, and asked her for sex as well.

05-21-2019	Xcel Saying Goodbye to Coal	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Western Wisconsin's power company is getting ready to close its last coal fired power plants. Xcel Energy yesterday announced plans to close its two remaining coal plants by 2030. Xcel filed a plan with regulators in Minnesota to close the coal plants, and expand its nuclear plant as part of a mission to be carbon neutral in the next decade or so.
05-21-2019	Evers on Equality in Workplace	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	Governor Tony Evers is stopping just short of calling Republican leaders at the State Capitol sexist. The governor yesterday told reporters to 'connect the dots' as to why the Republican leaders in the legislature won't meet with his office.
05-22-2019	Wheeler Couple Arrested for Multiple Charges	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Lawyers for the young man accused of running down three Girl Scouts in Lake Hallie says there's no way he can get a fair trial in Chippewa County. Colten True's lawyers this week asked the judge to move his trial to a different county. Chippewa County District Attorney Wade Newell said if they can't pick an impartial jury in Chippewa Falls, he'd be open to bringing-in a jury from somewhere else. But Newell said he wants to keep the trial in Chippewa County. True is due back in court in the case on Friday.
05-22-2019	Community Pushback Against Sex Offenders	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement and Community Interest	The community push-back to sex offenders in Eau Claire County continues. Folks in one neighborhood on Eau Claire's south side yesterday convinced the county's supervised release committee not to send a convicted sex offender to a home near Webster Avenue and Fear Street. Neighbors say there are too many kids, and they fear what a sex offender may do. This is the latest hiccup for the county as it looks to deal with sex offenders. There's still a massive pushback to the plan to turn some county-owned land in Fairchild into a halfway house for sex offenders.
05-22-2019	Veggie Tray Recall	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Scratch one more item from your Memorial Day cookout menu. Kwik Trip is recalling Del Monte veggie trays out of fears over salmonella. The recalled trays all had broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, and dill dip. The recall covers Kwik Trip stores in Wisconsin and Minnesota. Three people in Wisconsin got sick after eating the tainted vegetables.

05-22-2019	LaCrosse to keep Beaches Swim at your own Risk	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	Swimmers at La Crosse's public beaches will be on their own this summer. The city's park board this week decided not to hire lifeguards for Pettibone Beach and Black River Beach. The city says both beaches will be 'swim at your own risk,' though there are plans to offer a swimmer safety course for families who go to the beaches. La Crosse's beaches don't officially open till June 7th, but the city expects people will hit the beach this weekend for Memorial Day.
05-22-2019	WI State Employee Pay Raise	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The people who work for the state of Wisconsin are in-line for a pay raise. Lawmakers on the state's budget writing panel yesterday agreed to a four-percent bump for all state employees, and a 14-percent spike for prison guards in the state. Republicans and Democrats on the panel both agreed to the raises, though they are less than what Governor Tony Evers had originally asked for. Evers has made it clear that paying law enforcement has been a priority in the hard to fill positions.
05-23-2019	Leaders Warn about Local River Dangers	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Eau Claire County leaders are asking people to stay off the rivers this weekend. The county's emergency management department yesterday said while the Eau Claire and Chippewa rivers are no longer flooded, they are still very fast and very cold. County Emergency Management Coordinator Tyler Esh said there is a danger of hypothermia. He says if you do go out on the river, please be safe.
05-23-2019	Deadly 2017 Crash Heading to Trial	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Prosecutors in Chippewa Falls are pushing ahead with charges nearly two years after a deadly crash. The district attorney's office yesterday filed homicide charges against Miranda Jo Miller for the July 2017 crash that killed 46-year-old Jeremy Goodwin. Police say Miller ran a stop sign near the town of Colburn and smashed into Goodwin's truck. Miller, who was 18 at the time of the wreck, could spend ten years in prison if convicted.
05-23-2019	LaCrosse Fire Chief Pleads Not Guilty	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A former La Crosse fire chief is heading to trial on charges that he was looking at child pornography. Francis Devine was in court yesterday. He pleaded not guilty to the charges against him. Prosecutors say Devine admitted that he was curious about child pornography. Devine was suspended by the city of La Crosse after his arrest, he plans to retire from the city at the end of next month.

05-23-2019	WI Rural Roads Rated as Poor	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	The folks who want to build new roads say the rural roads in Wisconsin are among the worst in the nation. The TRIP group, which is a national transportation research nonprofit, yesterday released a report that says 19-percent of roads in the state are in poor condition. Another 21-percent are in mediocre condition. The TRIP group is one of many who say Wisconsin needs to find more money to improve its roads and bridges.
05-23-2019	Education Funding At Odds in WI	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Republican lawmakers in Madison say they're ready to spend a half-billion dollars more on public schools in the state. But, Democrats and Governor Evers' office say that's not enough. The legislature's budget writing panel, the Joint Finance Committee, will meet today to vote on a school funding package. Governor Evers pitched a one-point-four-billion-dollar increase for public schools in his budget. Republican lawmakers say they want to spend 500 million. As a former State Superintendent of schools Evers has always touted education as a priority.
05-24-2019	Patterson Sentencing in Barron Co. Court	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Public Safety	There's very little drama heading into the sentencing for the man who took Jayme Closs. That's because there's no question as to what his sentence will be. A judge today will sentence Jake Patterson to life in prison for taking Closs and killing her parents last October. Patterson admitted to both crimes. He's due before the judge in Barron County at 1:30 this afternoon.
05-24-2019	True Arraignment in Chippewa County Court	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	We could get some new details in the case against the man who police say ran down three Girl Scouts last year. Colten True is due in Chippewa County court for his arraignment today. Police say True was huffing air duster when he swerved off the road and hit the three scouts from Lake Hallie. His lawyer said earlier this week that he wants True's trial moved out of Chippewa County.
05-24-2019	Parking in LaCrosse Could Cost	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	As students at UW La Crosse move out, new parking rules for the city are moving-in behind them. La Crosse started charging a dollar-per-hour to park on the streets near campus this week. City leaders say it's just a pilot program for now. They want to know if people will pay to park, or if they'll find a way around the fee.

05-24-2019	Act 10 Under Fire	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Wisconsin Attorney General Josh Kaul says he'd defend Act 10 in court, even if many Democrats don't like the law. Republican lawmakers this week said they plan to step in to the latest attempt to throw out the law that changes how public sector unions can bargain in the state because they're not sure the AG would act. Kaul says that's not necessary, he said he 'fully' anticipates that his office would defend Act 10.
05-24-2019	Wisconsin Cities See Population Drop	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	Wisconsin is one of the states on the list for recalled beef. The USDA is recalling 62-thousand-pounds of beef packaged at a plant in the Chicago suburbs. There are fears about E coli. The meat was packaged at Aurora Packing Company in North Aurora, but was sold at stores across the country. The USDA has a full list of recalled products on its website.
05-24-2019	School Funding Creating Political Divide	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and state politics	Public schools in the state of Wisconsin are in-line to get a half-billion dollars more in the new state budget. Republicans on the state's budget writing panel yesterday voted to spend 500-million-dollars more on schools over the next two years.
05-27-2019	UW Assistant Coach Dies in Car Crash	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The wife and daughter of University of Wisconsin assistant men's basketball coach Howard Moore are dead after a car crash. Reports say Jennifer Moore was riding with her husband and their two children near Ann Arbor, Michigan Saturday morning when they were hit head-on by a car going the wrong way. Jennifer, the couple's nine-year-old daughter, and the driver of the other car all died in the crash. Moore and his 13-year-old son are both recovering in the hospital.
05-27-2019	EC Rescue After Jumping from Footbridge	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A man is safe after being rescued from the Chippewa River in Eau Claire early this morning. Eau Claire Fire and Rescue says the man jumped into the river from the Short Street Bridge and was rescued using a throw rope. The man hasn't been identified and it's unclear why he jumped into the river.
05-27-2019	Madison on Lookout for Man with Bat	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Madison police are on the lookout for a man who attacked a woman with a baseball bat. Police say they were called to a house where a man and woman were fighting. The man broke a window then hit the woman with a bat. He left the scene and hasn't been seen since. He's facing multiple charges relating to the case.

05-27-2019	UWEC Honors Menard	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & Local Politics	A University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire graduate is being honored for his achievements. Reports say 1963 graduate and Menards founder and owner John Menard Junior became the first person to be awarded an honorary doctorate for lifetime achievement from the university over the weekend. More than 14-hundred students graduated from UW-Eau Claire over the weekend as well.
05-27-2019	Memorial Day Goes on Despite Rain	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	People in Monona are commemorating Memorial Day with the longest running parade in Wisconsin. Monona has held its parade for 60 years rain or shine. Residents lined the streets to honor military personnel, past and present. Many other ceremonies were held in the area including at Veteran's Memorial Park and the VFW Post in Monona.
05-27-2019	DNR Warns Against Water Danger	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Public Safety	The Department of Natural Resources is warning people in southern Wisconsin to stay off the Yahara River. Police say they rescued seven people from the flooded and fast moving creek on Saturday.
05-28-2019	Man Rescued from Water	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	It's another reminder to be safe on the water. Eau Claire police say they rescued a man from the Chippewa River early yesterday morning. Officers say the man jumped off the Clairemont Avenue footbridge. They pulled him out of the river near the Short Street Bridge. Eau Claire police are not saying why the man jumped into the river, or if alcohol was involved.
05-28-2019	Man Arrested for Breaking into Homes	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	The sheriff in Black River Falls says there's no more danger from an armed man who was trying to break into some houses. Deputies arrested the man last night. The sheriff's office says the whole thing started with a police chase, then a foot chase, then the man tried to break into some homes. Deputies say they are investigating several different crime scenes in Jackson County. The suspect could be formally charged today or tomorrow.
05-28-2019	UWEC Student Heading to Jail for Camera in Bedroom	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A UW-Eau Claire student is heading to jail for two weeks for putting a hidden camera in a woman's bedroom. A judge on Friday sentenced Matthew Miller to 15 days in jail and two years of probation. Police say he hid the camera in the woman's room last November. The University of Wisconsin Eau Claire put Miller on probation as well.

05-28-2019	Trial for Treu will Stay in Chippewa	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	A jury in Chippewa Falls will decide if the man accused of running down three Girl Scouts is guilty. A judge last week refused to move Colten Treu's trial out of Chippewa County. He's accused of being high while driving, and killing the three scouts from Lake Hallie last fall. Treu's lawyers say he can't get a fair trial in Chippewa Falls. Prosecutors say they'll wait to see if they can find a jury that hasn't heard of the case.
05-28-2019	Packers Fans to pay Tribute to Starr	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Packers fans will have a chance to say goodbye to Bart Starr. Starr's family yesterday said they're planning a public memorial for the late quarterback, but said it may take some time to put everything together. Starr died on Sunday at age 85. His son says they will have a private funeral in Alabama sometime in the next week or so. Then they will have a public memorial in Green Bay after that.
05-29-2019	Rescue Crews Help Plane	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Emergency crews at the Chippewa Valley Regional Airport say an emergency landing was a better safe than sorry kind of thing. A passenger plane headed to Minneapolis landed in Eau Claire last night after the pilot reported a possible engine fire. There was no fire, crews say it was just a faulty indicator. No one on the plane was hurt during the emergency landing.
05-29-2019	Energy Bills to See Drop	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Folks in western Wisconsin should soon be paying a bit less for electricity. Xcel Energy yesterday said a new rate schedule will lower electric and natural gas bills in the state by about five-percent for the next two years. Wisconsin's Public Service Commission signed off on the new rates this month. The agreement sets the price structure for 2020 and 2021.
05-29-2019	Man Gets Probation not Jail	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A western Wisconsin man who made pot cookies and then let his three-year-old eat the dough isn't heading to jail. A Chippewa Falls judge last week sentenced Daniel Sykora to two years probation in the case. Police say Sykora's child ate the pot-laced cookie dough, then ended up in the hospital. He pleaded no contest to disorderly conduct charges.
05-29-2019	Dairy Farmers Say Clean Water Fee Too Much	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & Local Politics	Dairy farmers in WI are worried they won't be able to afford Governor Evers' clean water fees. Dairymen pleaded with lawmakers not to double the state's nearly 345 dollars a year CAFO fee. Dairy farmers say with milk prices low and dairy farms' going out of business, now is not the time to raise fees. The new fees as a way to cover the cost of enforcing clean water rules.

05-29-2019	Public Defenders Pay Increase Approved	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Prosecutors and public defenders in Wisconsin are getting a raise in the next state budget. Lawmakers in Madison yesterday voted to spend nearly 26-million-dollars to boost pay in the courtroom. The hourly rate for public defenders will jump from 40 dollars-an-hour to 70 dollars-an-hour. Legal advocates have complained for years that low pay has created a shortage of lawyers who will handle public defense cases, particularly in rural parts.
05-29-2019	State Budget Gets Kickback	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	The top man at the University of Wisconsin says nearly 80 million-dollars more in state aid in the next state budget is a kick in the shins. UW System President Ray Cross said lawmakers in Madison let him down yesterday by not giving him the nearly 150 million-dollars that he asked Governor Tony Evers for.
05-30-2019	Evers Pushes for Education Budget	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers says diversity and special education are part of what makes schools in the state extraordinary. The governor made a couple of stops in Eau Claire yesterday to talk-up his education plan. Evers says the key to making education better in the state is more money. He said he's disappointed that lawmakers in Madison haven't given him what he asked for in his state budget.
05-30-2019	Homeless Advocates Find Success	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Homeless advocates in Eau Claire say they are a quarter of the way to their goal. The advocates and city leaders back in April said they want to find homes for about 80 of Eau Claire's chronically homeless people. To date, 16 people have been placed in homes. Advocates say they hope to have more homes lined-up in the near future.
05-30-2019	Local Push for Dairy Trade, not Aid	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	If President Trump isn't going to open up trade for Wisconsin's dairy farmers, the head of the American Dairy Coalition says it's time that they get paid. The coalition's Laurie Fischer yesterday wrote a letter to the President that said farmers would always prefer trade to aid, but she says there's not enough trade. Fischer also said the last round of aid amounted to only about 250-million-dollars for dairy farmers. She says the tariff tit-for-tat with China, Canada, and Mexico have cost dairy farmers nearly two-billion-dollars.

05-30-2019	Former Coach Sentenced to Jail	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	A former St. Croix County soccer coach is heading to jail for sending nude photos to a 16-year-old player. Ben Schrock used to coach the Hudson JV girls soccer team. A jury found him guilty back in March of sending the pictures. A judge yesterday sentenced Schrock to a year in jail, work release, and three years of probation.
05-30-2019	Cornell Man Billed for City Theft	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	A former public works employee in Cornell is looking at a 25-hundred dollar bill for stealing from the city. A judge yesterday ordered Brandon Larson to repay the city 25-hundred dollars for stealing scrap metal and building a private road on his boss' land with city materials. Larson pleaded no contest to misconduct charges and should agree to pay the fine without issue.
05- 31-2019	Funding Could Mean Local Prosecutors Added	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Eau Claire County is one of a handful of western Wisconsin counties that could get a new prosecutor-lawmakers earlier this week approved just over three-and-a-half-million dollars to hire new assistant district attorneys across the state. Eau Claire, Dunn, Polk, Pierce, Buffalo, and La Crosse counties are on the list to get new prosecutors.
05-31-2019	Case Stalled as Next Move is Questioned	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A judge in Chippewa Falls is trying to figure out how to move forward with a case against an 11-year-old girl accused of stomping a baby to death last year. Lawyers for the girl say she's not competent enough to stand trial, but they're not sure how to handle her preliminary hearing. The case will be tried in juvenile court, if or when it gets to that point. The young girl is accused of stomping six-month-old Jaxon Hunter late last October. He died a few days later.
05-31-2019	Sunday Bus Service up for Debate	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Are there enough people to ride the bus in La Crosse on Sundays? That's the questions the city's mass transit managers say they need to answer. Some community members are pushing to start Sunday bus service. La Crosse currently runs its buses Monday through Friday, with some limited routes on Saturday. Bus managers say if the interest is there, they'd be happy to start Sunday service.

05-31-2019	Overnight Storms Could Swell Local Rivers	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interests	Forecasters say some overnight storms could swell local rivers across western Wisconsin, but they don't expect much new flooding. The National Weather Service says Eau Claire and other parts of the state are in-line for thunderstorms tonight and into tomorrow morning. The storms could drop as much as a quarter-inch of rain.
05-31-2019	Local Sheriffs Challenge THC and Driving	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & Law Enforcement	Local sheriffs in Wisconsin don't care if farmers in the state grow hemp. They just don't want anyone driving with THC in their system. The sheriffs are pressing lawmakers in Madison to take a provision out of a hemp growing law that would allow for people to drive with a trace amount of THC. The sheriffs say that could be a loophole for people who smoke pot to avoid an OWI charge.
06-03-2019	EC School Discusses Redistricting	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Some kids in Eau Claire could soon be going to new schools. The city's school board is set to vote tonight on whether to redraw the district's enrollment boundaries. Eau Claire's superintendent wants a new map to 'balance' enrollment at six schools. If the school board agrees, the new district map will take effect in the 2020-2021 school year.
06-03-2019	Evers Warns Democrats to Stay Focused	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers is warning Democrats not to get pulled into fights in 2020. The governor told the crowd at this weekend's state Democratic Convention that Republicans will try and 'bait' them next year. Instead, Evers said Democrats must stand up for their values and speak to the issues. The governor also said that simply opposing Donald Trump won't be enough to win.
06-03-2019	WI Gas Tax on Empty	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	It doesn't look like the Wisconsin gas tax is going up. The MacIver News Service broke the story on Friday that Assembly Speaker Robin Vos won't support a gas tax hike. Over the weekend, other top Republicans said without Vos there's not a lot of momentum at the Capitol for a tax hike. Instead, Republicans in the legislature say they're looking to raise fees on big trucks as a way to find money for new roads in the state.
06-03-2019	WI in Chicken Recall	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	Wisconsin is included in a national chicken recall. The USDA says Perdue Foods is pulling 31 thousand pounds of ready to eat chicken from shelves because it may contain pieces of bone. The chicken was packaged in March and had best if used by dates in late May. Regulators say people need to check their freezer for possibly contaminated packages.

06-03-2019	Storms to Hit WI-Soggy Spring Continues	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Western Wisconsin is not done with the stormy spring. Forecasters say Eau Claire and the surrounding area could see some thunderstorms tomorrow night and into Wednesday. The National Weather Service is not saying if the storms will be strong or severe. But forecasters say they are the only chance for rain this week in western Wisconsin.
06-04-2019	Eau Claire School Board back to Re-drawing Board	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Eau Claire schools will be keeping their enrollment map, at least for a little while longer. The city's school board last night voted to do some more work on a planned boundary shift. Superintendent Mary Ann Hardebeck says some people in the district are fighting the change. The school board wants to know how students will be impacted if they are sent to new schools to 'balance' enrollment in the district.
06-04-2019	Baraboo Kwik Trip to Pull Apples After Metal was Found	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Police in Baraboo have no idea how a piece of metal ended-up in an apple sold at a local Kwik Trip. They are investigating though. Officers say someone from the Kwik Trip on the city's east side called them yesterday afternoon, a customer brought the apple to the store and said there was a piece of metal inside. Kwik Trip says it pulled all of the apples from that store as a precaution.
06-04-2019	City of EC to Address Downtown Parking	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The city of Eau Claire wants to know what people don't like about parking downtown. The city is asking people about downtown parking, as well as the parking options in Randall Park, and the city's Third Ward. It's all part of the annual parking survey. If you have thoughts, you can share them through June 10th.
06-04-2019	Man Facing Charges After Hitting Squad Car	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	The sheriff in Pierce County says a man was likely drunk when he rammed his car into a deputy's squad car. It happened Sunday night in the town of Ellsworth. Deputies were called-out for a domestic violence call, that's when they say 39-year-old Luke Anderson jumped into his car, and took aim at the deputy. The crash was serious enough to send Anderson's car into a ditch. He was taken to the hospital, he'll face charges when he's released.
06-04-2019	Road Funding Stalled	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	Governor Tony Evers is not saying how, or if, he will build new roads in the state without a gas tax increase. The governor yesterday didn't respond to questions about Republican resistance to his proposed eight-cent-per-gallon tax hike. All Evers would say is that Republicans cannot magically improve roads without new money.

06-05-2019	Forcer ECRAC Director to Change Plea	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Law Enforcement	Eau Claire's former regional arts director is ready to plead guilty in his sexual assault case. Prosecutors say Ben Richgruber is due in court next week to change his plea. He originally pleaded not guilty to third-degree sexual assault charges back in August. He's accused of having unwanted sex with someone in his office. The district attorney's office is not saying what charges Richgruber will plead guilty to.
06-05-2019	Curbside Alcohol Delivery Hits Snag in LaCrosse	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	You can have your milk, eggs, bread, steak, and cheese delivered to your car in La Crosse, but not your beer or wine. And it may be awhile before you can. City leaders are still trying to come to an agreement on rules to allow for curbside alcohol delivery. The latest plan before the city council would have someone from the store check your ID, and would limit sales to between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. But there would be a four-hour delay between ordering the alcohol and picking it up. There are some who are wondering if the rules are written specifically to block the local Walmart from selling more alcohol.
06-05-2019	Responders Urge Lawmakers for Better Roads	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Police officers and firefighters are the latest to chime-in on Wisconsin's debate over roads. First responders in the state were at the Capitol yesterday to press lawmakers to find money to build new roads. Lawmakers in Madison will vote tomorrow on whether or not to raise the gas tax by eight-cents to pay for road construction.
06-05-2019	Health Care Funding Hits Static	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	Republicans in the Wisconsin legislature are ready to spend just over one-and-a-half-billion dollars more on healthcare in the state, and Democrats say that's not enough. The state's budget writing panel, the Joint Finance Committee, yesterday approved a one-point-six billion-dollar increase for the state's Department of Health Services. Almost 600-million-dollars of that is new state funding. But, Democrats at the Capitol say that's not enough because Republicans are not expanding Medicaid like Governor Evers proposed in his budget. That, the Democrats say, could bring in another billion-dollars in money from Washington D.C.
06-05-2019	DNR Urges Awareness of Turtles	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	If you see a turtle crossing the road, stop and let it by. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources says this is the season for turtles in the state to lay eggs. That means an increase in the number of turtles crossing roads and streets.

06-06-2019	Crime Stoppers Sees Bump in Calls	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	More people are calling-in more tips about unsolved crimes in and around Eau Claire. The county's Crime Stoppers yesterday released its latest report. Crime Stoppers says it saw an increase in calls in Eau Claire County last year. Police say nearly 40 percent of all Crime Stoppers tips are drug related.
06-06-2019	License Plate Fee on Table	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	State Politics	Republicans in Madison are eyeing a ten dollar license plate fee increase to pay for roads. It's the latest idea to be floated at the Wisconsin Capitol. Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald said the fee increase is an alternative to Governor Evers' plan to raise the gas tax in Wisconsin by eight-cents per-gallon. License plates cost 75 dollars in Wisconsin, the proposed fee would take that cost up to 85 dollars each year.
06-06-2019	EC County Dealing with Deer Numbers	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	There are too many deer in Eau Claire County. The latest county survey says there are about 50 deer per-square-mile in the county. That's three times higher than normal for a county like Eau Claire. Surveyors say people are likely feeding the deer, which is only increasing their numbers.
06-06-2019	Former Pastor Charged with Child Pornography	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Prosecutors in Washburn County are moving ahead with child pornography charges against a local pastor. Police arrested Jeffrey Vesta at his home in Spooner earlier this week. Investigators say he was looking at child pornography. Vesta was last working as the pastor at the New Hope Lutheran Church in Minong.
06-06-2019	High Speed Chase Leads to Felony Counts	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	The man who lead police on a high speed chase across Jackson County is facing formal charges. The district attorney in Black River Falls yesterday filed ten felony counts against 21-year-old Quentin Labansky. Police say he stole a car, fled from police, then fired shots at officers during a wild chase last week. The case states that he also tried to break into multiple homes before being stopped and taken into custody.
06-07-2019	Man Headed to Jail for Sex Trafficking Charges	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	The man who police say sold a western Wisconsin teen for sex isn't going to jail on drug charges. A judge yesterday sentenced Khvyyen Vhasenglu to five years probation on a meth charge. Vhasenglu is still facing charges in Winnebago County that he offered a 17-year-old boy to an older man for sex. He's due in court for that case next week.

06-07-2019	LaCrosse Crime High	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Police in La Crosse say they're not surprised the city is high on the list of cities with a lot of property crime. The website YourLocalSecurity.com says La Crosse is 24th in the nation when it comes to property crimes over the past decade. La Crosse Police Captain Jason Melby says a lot of that comes from college students, and thieves who target college students. Melby said the ranking is not shocking.
06-07-2019	Tractor Theft Traced to KY	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	A Vernon County man is facing charges after police say he took a farm tractor from western Wisconsin and sold it in eastern Kentucky. Prosecutors say 55-year-old Daniel Sandvick took the John Deere 4020 tractor and loader and hauled it to Kentucky. Police found it in a small town near the West Virginia border. John Deere 4020 tractors sell for between 20-thousand and 30-thousand-dollars online. Vernon County investigators say they're also looking for some other missing farm equipment.
06-07-2019	Tax Nixed, Fees Proposed by Republicans	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	Wisconsin Republicans don't want to raise the state's gas tax, but they have no problem raising fees on cars in the state. The legislature's budget writing panel, the Joint Finance Committee, last night approved a nearly 440-million-dollar proposal to build and repair roads across the state. Their plan will raise title fees to 95 dollars, raise the state's license plate fee to 85 dollars, and imposes a new hybrid vehicle fee of 75 dollars. Governor Evers wanted to spend nearly 625-million-dollars on roads, it's not clear what he will do to the Republican proposal.
06-07-2019	Bart Starr Remembered in Alabama	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Bart Starr will be remembered at a public service in his home state of Alabama this weekend. The Alabama Sports Hall of Fame says fans will have a chance to say goodbye to the Packer legend Sunday at Samford University near Birmingham. There will also be a private funeral this weekend as well. Starr's family has said they would like to have a public memorial in Green Bay as well.
06-10-2019	Local Troops Mobilized	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	About 400 troops from western Wisconsin will head to Afghanistan this summer. The 1st Battalion, 128th Infantry out of Eau Claire is being mobilized. Guard commanders say they will provide security for coalition forces in the region. Soldiers from Menomonie, New Richmond, Rice Lake, Arcadia, Onalaska, River Falls and Abbotsford will all make the trip.

06-10-2019	Bullying Could Cost Parents	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Parents in once west-central Wisconsin city could soon pay the price if their children bully other kids. City leaders in Wisconsin Rapids are looking at a 50 dollar fine for parents who don't stop their children from bullying. The push comes after the mother of a seventh grade student says other kids told her daughter to kill herself. The plan will come up for a vote next week. With court fee, that 50 dollar fine would actually cost parents over 300 dollars.
06-10-2019	Deer Cause of Motorcycle Crash	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	One of the people on a motorcycle that ran into a deer in Polk County had to be flown to the hospital. Deputies say two people were hurt yesterday when they crashed into a deer on County Road K, just west of State Highway 65. The sheriff's office says neither one was wearing a helmet.
06-10-2019	WI State Budget Battle Begins	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	The real budget battle could begin soon. Wisconsin lawmakers are looking to finish their state budget this week, but no one is sure what Governor Evers will do to it. The Republicans who control the legislature have spent weeks stripping out the governor's proposals, and adding theirs to the state's spending plan. Lawmakers are looking to vote this week on a tax cut proposal and a plan to build things around the state.
06-10-2019	Starr Honored in Home State	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Most of the people who spoke at Bart Starr's public memorial remembered the man, not the football player. Hundreds of people turned-out to remember Starr at a ceremony in his home state of Alabama yesterday. He died last month after years of failing health. Starr's family says they're still planning for a public memorial in Green Bay some time this fall.
06-11-2019	Man Takes Stand in Own Defense	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The man accused of killing his son last spring told the jury in his murder trial that his son shot himself. Kayle Fleischauer took the stand yesterday in his own defense. Police in New Richmond say he shot his son, Chase, last April. Fleischauer says the gunshot woke him up, and he had to sober up for a moment before he called police. Investigators say Fleischauer was drunk, but delayed his daughter calling 911 and had been in a fight with Chase just hours before the shooting.

06-11-2019	Prison Time for Child Enticement	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A Minnesota man is heading to prison for three years for coming to Wisconsin to have sex with a 15-year-old. A judge in Barron yesterday sentenced 59-year-old Kevin Rust to prison. Barron County deputies say Rust thought he was texting with a 15-year-old, but he really was talking to the authorities. Rust pleaded guilty to child enticement back in February.
06-11-2019	LaCrosse Expanding Funding Options for Center	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	La Crosse County may be willing to chip-in and help pay for the city of La Crosse's convention center. County administrator Steve O'Malley last night suggested using some of the county's premier resort area tax to pay for the city-owned convention center. City leaders want to update and expand the center. O'Malley says it may be tough to convince county leaders to spend road money on a city-owned building, but he said it's an idea worth exploring.
06-11-2019	Republicans Talk Tax Cuts	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	The top Republicans in the Wisconsin legislature say they want to find a way to cut taxes for middle class families by 400-million-dollars. Assembly Speaker Robin Vos and Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald yesterday said they're still working toward a final price tag for the tax cuts. They also didn't say how they plan to cut taxes by that much. Governor Evers vetoed a tax cut proposal from Republicans shortly after he took office in January. That plan was based on using the state's surplus to pay for the cuts.
06-12-2019	Former ECRAC Director Pleas to Lesser Charges	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Eau Claire's former regional arts director is avoiding both jail and felony charges after police say he pushed someone to have sex against their will in his office back in 2016. Ben Richgruber accepted a plea deal yesterday for misdemeanor Lewd and Lascivious behavior charges. He'll serve one year of probation. Prosecutors originally charged Richgruber with felony sexual assault, but agreed to reduce the charges in exchange for a plea.
06-12-2019	Sheriff Shot in Stand Off	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Law Enforcement	A Wood County deputy is recovering after being shot during a stand-off with a suicidal suspect. Wood County Sheriff Shawn Becker says it happened last night in the village of Arpin. The sheriff is not naming the deputy, but says he expects the deputy to survive. There's no word on the suspect who kept police at bay. Authorities are also not saying just how the deputy was shot, and if the deputy returned fire.

06-12-2019	UWEC to See New Science Building	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Higher Education	UW Eau Claire is getting a new science building. Lawmakers in Madison included the project in their nearly two billion-dollar building plan. Half of that money is being dedicated to the UW system. UW-Eau Claire Chancellor James Schmidt says lawmakers have agreed to send 110-million-dollars to the school to start work on what could end-up being a 250-million-dollar science hall.
06-12-2019	Voter Registration Extended	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Folks who move in Wisconsin will have a bit more time to update their voter registration. The state's Elections Commission yesterday voted to give people who have moved in the state two years to correct their voter registration. The old policy gave people a month to respond to a voter outreach postcard, then they would be purged from the roles. Many of those people still lived in Wisconsin, but had simply changed addresses.
06-12-2019	Crops Behind Schedule	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	Wisconsin farmers are way behind where they should be at this point in June, but at least they have something in the ground. The latest crop report for the state shows farmers are at least two weeks behind schedule. That's enough of a delay to put this year's corn and soybean crop in doubt. The report says 78-percent of corn and 60-percent of beans are planted.
06-13-2019	Jury Still out in St. Croix Murder Trial	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Jurors will take at least one more day to try and agree on a verdict in a St. Croix County murder case. The jury in Kayle Fleischauer's trial didn't reach a verdict yesterday. Police say he shot and killed his son after a night of heavy drinking last spring. The jury yesterday asked to see several pieces of evidence, including the police drawing of how officers think the shooting happened.
06-13-2019	LaCrosse Looking for Funding Options to Upgrade Center	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	City leaders in La Crosse want visitors to pay a bigger piece of the cost to upgrade their local convention center. La Crosse Mayor Tim Kabat is looking to raise the city's hotel tax from eight-percent to nine-and-a-half-percent. He wants to find about two-and-a-half million-dollars a year to pay for 42-million-dollars in upgrades to the La Crosse Center. The mayor says he doesn't want property tax payers to have to foot the entire bill. La Crosse's city council will vote on the idea tonight.

06-13-2019	Man Facing Child Abuse Charges	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	Prosecutors in Dunn County are moving ahead with child abuse charges against a man who police say beat his children with metal bars and broom sticks. The district attorney filed three felony counts against 40-year-old Bee Yang yesterday. Police say Yang told them he beat his children because he didn't think they were afraid of him. Yang is free on bond.
06-13-2019	Avery Asking for Support	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	Steven Avery is asking his supporters not to forget about him. Avery's lawyer this week shared a letter from the convicted killer and Making a Murderer star. In it, Avery writes that he's thought about giving-up several times. But he says he's fighting for his life. Avery says he will keep fighting if people keep fighting for him. He's serving a life sentence for the 2005 murder of Teresa Halbach.
06-13-2019	Youth Prisons to Move Ahead in State	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Lawmakers in Madison hope to know soon how they will replace the state's troubled youth prisons. The state's budget writing panel yesterday agreed to let counties borrow about 25-million-dollars to build the replacements for Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake. Governor Tony Evers originally pitched 90-million-dollars in borrowing to have the state pay for the new prisons. Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake are supposed to close by the end of next year, but lawmakers say they're willing to push that date out by about six months to give Milwaukee and Outagamie counties more time to build new youth facilities.
06-14-2019	Amtrak Sets Sights on Local Rail Service	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	There's a new push to get more Amtrak service in western Wisconsin. The West Central Wisconsin Rail Coalition is talking about bringing four trains-per-day to the line between Eau Claire and Minneapolis-St. Paul. The coalition's Scott Rogers says it will take a public-private partnership, which means taxpayers will likely have to foot some of the bill. Rogers says the coalition thinks there's enough interest in train travel to fill the trains.
06-14-2019	LaCrosse Raises Room Tax	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Hotel rooms in La Crosse will cost more as the city looks for a way to pay for work at its convention center. La Crosse's city council last night approved a point-and-a-half increase to the city's hotel-motel tax. Visitors will now pay nine-and-a-half-percent tax each night. City leaders hope the tax will raise the two-and-a-half-million dollars they need to pay for 42 million-dollars in renovations at the La Crosse Center.

06-14-2019	Couple Heads to Prison and Trial	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Law Enforcement	One half of the Dunn County couple charged with child pornography and sexual assault is agreeing to go to prison. Wayne Englin pleaded guilty yesterday to three charges, he was originally facing 30 different counts. His wife, Michelle, is headed for trial. The judge in the case said there's enough evidence against her for prosecutors to proceed. She's due back in court next month.
06-14-2019	Marshfield Schools Scammed	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	Marshfield schools are out over 650-thousand-dollars after getting scammed. The school district yesterday admitted that someone gave banking information to a caller who posed as a vendor. That then lead to the scammers taking 660-thousand-dollars late last month. Marshfield Superintendent Ryan Christianson says they are working with the FBI to try and get the money back or find the scammers. He says the case should be a warning for everyone about privacy and security.
06-14-2019	EC Huskies Win State	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The Eau Claire North Huskies are bringing home the hardware. The team won the WIAA Division One state title last night, beating Sun Prairie 5-4. Sam Stange smacked a three-run home run in the bottom of the sixth to put Eau Claire North ahead for good. The Huskie last won the state baseball title in 2011.
06-17-2019	Manure Spill Contaminates Local Creek	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and DNR	State regulators are putting out a warning to fishermen after a manure spill killed about a thousand trout in La Crosse County. It happened June 8th in the town of Bangor. The Department of Natural Resources says Bostwick Creek was contaminated. DNR says it is still investigating the particulars. The state is warning fisherman along Bostwick Creek that the fish they catch may be contaminated as well.
06-17-2019	Wet Weather Keeps WI Behind Planting Schedule	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	It's going to be another wet week across most of western Wisconsin, but the area should miss some of the strong storms that will hit further south. The National Weather Service says there's a chance for rain tomorrow, Wednesday, and into Thursday. There is only a slight chance for thunderstorms. That's much different than the forecast just a bit south in Iowa and northwestern Illinois.

06-17-2019	Local Sports Stars Head to Same UW College	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	La Crosse Central basketball standout brothers Johnny and Jordan Davis will play their college basketball together. The two gave a verbal commitment to the University of Wisconsin over the weekend. Both are getting scholarships offers. The two brothers have made headlines across western Wisconsin for years, they hope to take that same success with them to Madison. UW Coach Greg Gard said the two will only add to the talent that the class of 2020 will bring to the school.
06-17-2019	WI State Budget Headed to Evers	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	All eyes in Wisconsin's budget debate are shifting to Governor Tony Evers. The full legislature still has yet to vote on the 40 billion-dollar spending plan, but once they do it will head to the governor's desk. The governor has not given any indication if he will sign the plan, veto the entire thing, or just veto parts of the budget. Republican lawmakers have said for a week or so that it'd be a mistake for the governor to veto the entire state budget.
06-17-2019	WI Pardon Board to Consider Cases	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Folks wanting a pardon in Wisconsin have a new chance to clear their names. Governor Evers last week said that he reformed the state's Pardon Board. Former Governor Scoot Walker didn't pardon a single person during his eight years in office. Governor Evers ran for election last year promising to get the board back to work. The governor says the board will only consider pardons, and not commuting anyone's sentence.
06-18-2019	LaCrosse Teen Dies in Crash	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The sheriff in La Crosse says one of the teenagers hurt in a six car wreck over the weekend has passed away. The sheriff yesterday said the 17-year-old who died was a passenger in one of the cars that crashed. Three other people were taken to the hospital.
06-18-2019	Power Co. Preps for Summer Season	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Western Wisconsin's power company hopes that by looking at its power lines now, it can keep the power on all summer. Xcel Energy has started to inspect its lines in western Wisconsin and eastern Minnesota. The company yesterday said the idea is to get ahead of any problems that could cut the power during the busy summer season.

06-18-2019	UW Big Wigs Want to Lift Tuition Freeze	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Higher Education	A group of UW donors and big-wigs in Wisconsin are coming together to get lawmakers to raise tuition in the UW System. The newly formed Badgers United group includes some heavy hitters in the state, including Bud Selig. The group says it wants to convince lawmakers to end the tuition freeze at the University of Wisconsin. School leaders say that freeze is making it tough for them to attract top talent to the school. Lawmakers have said the tuition freeze is needed to help Wisconsin students be able to afford the University of Wisconsin.
06-18-2019	Programs Aims to Help Teachers	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	There's some support at the Capitol in Madison to expand a teaching loan program that is aimed at getting more minority teachers into Wisconsin classrooms. The program used to forgive loans for African American, Latino, American Indian, and some other minority teachers if they agreed to teach in Milwaukee after graduating from a Wisconsin college or university. Lawmakers tightened eligibility in 2015, and that led to a sharp drop in the number of applications.
06-18-2019	Evers Not on Board with Republican Road Plan	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Governor Tony Evers doesn't appear to be a fan of the Republican road plan in the state. The governor yesterday said the proposal from lawmakers to increase fees on drivers in Wisconsin lets out-of-state drivers use our roads for free. Evers wanted to raise the gas tax by eight-cents-per-gallon to pay for new road construction. The governor is waiting for the full legislature to approve the road plan, and the rest of the new state budget, before he will act.
06-19-2019	Appeal Set Aside for Former EC Cty Treasurer	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and DNR	Former Eau Claire County Treasurer Larry Lokken isn't getting a break on his sentence for stealing from taxpayers. An appeals court yesterday set aside Lokken's appeal. Lokken challenged the sentence that required him to repay Eau Claire County or face a longer prison term. Lokken and his former deputy Kay Onarheim have to pay back almost 700-thousand-dollars.
06-19-2019	Man Headed to Trial for Facebook Posts	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Prosecutors in Dunn County are heading to trial against a man who they say posted semi-nude pictures of his ex-girlfriend on Facebook. The district attorney says Joshua Arbuckle hacked his ex's Facebook account and posted the pictures earlier this year. Arbuckle pleaded not guilty yesterday in court in Menomonie. He's due back in court in November.

06-19-2019	Rescuers Look for Owner of Abused Dog	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Animal rescuers in Sauk County are looking for the owner of an abused poodle who they found along the side of the road. Dana Madalon with the Sauk County Humane Society says the dog suffered from some of the worst abuse and neglect she's ever seen. The Humane Society found the dog along Highway 12 earlier this month. The dog has been in surgery and recovery ever since. Madalon says they're now looking for the owner who abandoned the dog or anyone who can help them find the owner.
06-19-2019	Property Taxes Remain Same in Budget Plans	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	It doesn't matter which budget Wisconsin ends-up with, a new report says property taxes in the state won't change. The Legislative Fiscal Bureau yesterday reported that property taxes in the state will increase slightly under both spending plans. The LFB says taxes on an average 167-thousand-dollar home would jump about 50-dollars a year under both budgets. The projections have homeowners paying almost three-thousand-dollars in property taxes on that hypothetical home.
06-19-2019	Peek at the Pack	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Packer fans will have plenty of chances to see the team play before the first game of the year. The team released its training camp schedule yesterday, there are 16 public practices. Almost all of the practices will start at 10:30 in the morning. The public parts of training camp will start July 25th and run through August 19th.
06-20-2019	Additional Charges Against Local Business Owner	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Prosecutors in Eau Claire are adding a new charge to the sex crime case against a local dance studio owner. The district attorney yesterday charged 39-year-old Todd Paulus with using a computer to facilitate a child sex crime. He's already facing three charges related to that sex crime case. Paulus is accused of abusing a 13-year-old girl at his home last year. He's due back in court later next month.
06-20-2019	Chase Leads to Jail for Chippewa Falls Man	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Law Enforcement	A young man is in jail in Chippewa Falls after police say he led them on a hit and run chase. Officers started looking for the man after a hit and run accident in Lake Hallie. When Chippewa Falls police found the man's car, they say he sped off. That chase went through Casper Park. It ended when the driver went down a dead-end street.

06-20-2019	Supreme Court Will Rule on Lame Duck	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	The fight over Wisconsin's lame duck laws will end tomorrow. The Wisconsin Supreme Court will release its ruling tomorrow on a challenge to the laws that Republicans passed back in December. The specific case before the court dealt with a law that blocked Governor Evers or Wisconsin's attorney general from withdrawing the state from lawsuits on their own.
06-20-2019	WI Census Numbers Show Older Population, Minority Growth	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	The state of Wisconsin is getting older and a little less white. The latest snapshot from the U.S. Census shows that half of the people in the state are now over 40. Wisconsin is still overwhelmingly white, about 87-percent. But the latest numbers from the Census show the state's minority population is starting to grow.
06-20-2019	Dragon Boat Fest Comes to LaCrosse	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The dragons are coming to La Crosse. The city is getting ready for this weekend's Big Blue Dragon Boat Festival. The festival brings teams of racers to the Black River to compete for a good cause. The race helps raise awareness for breast cancer research. The races start about 7 a.m. Saturday morning, and will run till about 4 p.m. that afternoon.
06-21-2019	Campaign Payment Still Not In	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	As Wisconsin gets ready for the 2020 race for president, the city of Eau Claire says it's still waiting to be paid from the 2016 campaign. Eau Claire Finance Director Jay Winzenz says the Trump and Clinton campaigns owe the city about 55-thousand-dollars. Most of that is the cost to provide extra police protection. But Winzenz isn't holding his breath. He says they sent the campaigns a bill, but doubts the city will ever be paid.
06-21-2019	Naming Rights Up in Air for Local Park	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	No one is sure when, or if, the city of Eau Claire will rename the park off Forest Street. Organizers want to rename the park to honor veterans, but folks who've hosted a community garden at the park for years aren't so sure. The disagreement so far seems to be about hurt feelings rather than an opposition to supporting vets. Mark Beckfield, who is leading a two-million-dollar veterans trail project, says the name change really means a lot to many people.

06-21-2019	Republicans Look to Edit Budget	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Top Republicans at the Wisconsin Capitol are changing their state budget plans to keep their own party members from voting 'No.' Assembly Speaker Robin Vos and Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald yesterday said they expect to make some tweaks to the 40-billion-dollar-a-year state budget that they want to send to the governor. Two Republicans, state Senators Steve Nass and David Craig, have already said they won't vote for the budget because it spends too much. Two other Republicans, Duey Stroebel and Chris Kapenga, are either reluctant to vote or silent about the spending plan. If all four vote 'No,' the Republican spending plan wouldn't pass.
06-21-2019	OWI Law Changes Move Ahead	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	Lawmakers in Madison are taking some baby steps toward getting tougher on drunk drivers. The state Assembly yesterday approved two plans to increase OWI penalties. The first would require first time OWI offenders appear in court. The other would set a five-year mandatory-minimum sentence for deadly OWI crashes. The plans now head to the state Senate where their fate is not 100-percent certain.
06-21-2019	Rock the Riverfront Rock Located	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	That didn't take long. A group of four friends needed just three days to find the Royal Credit Union's 500 dollar rock. The rock was hidden in Owen Park by the Lake Street bridge stairs. The event kicks money to local causes.
06-24-2019	Job Shake up in Chippewa Public Health Department	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Four part-timers at the Chippewa County Public Health Department are losing their jobs. The county last week announced that it is cutting positions in the health department. An unfilled full time job is also being eliminated. The job cuts come as county leaders are giving the health department's director a raise. Public Health Administrator Randy Scholz is getting a raise that will take his salary from 125 thousand-dollars next year to 144 thousand-dollars in 2023.
06-24-2019	RV Crash Kills One	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Prosecutors are losing some of their evidence against the man they say killed a mother of two last year. A judge on Friday said La Crosse Police didn't read Erik Sackett his Miranda rights when questioning him about Erin Somvilai's death. Sackett's lawyers also wanted police searches of his phone tossed out, but the didn't go that far. Sackett's trial is supposed to start in October.

06-24-2019	March to Madison Underway	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	The March to Madison is underway. Several Democratic politicians, public school union leaders, and kids started their 60 mile march to the state capital on Saturday. They will make several stops along the way, then arrive in Madison tomorrow. The group is hoping to convince Governor Tony Evers and lawmakers to agree to spend more money on public schools in the next state budget.
06-24-2019	Search Continues, Recovery Called Off in Dells	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The sheriff in Adams County is canceling the underwater search for a missing boy near the Wisconsin Dells. Crews have been looking for 11-year-old Jamison Miller since he slipped under the water on the Wisconsin River last Tuesday. Deputies say they will still work the river, looking for the boy's body, but crews will no longer dive beneath the water to search.
06-24-2019	Brewers Pick up a Win	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The Brewers did just enough to get their latest win over the Cincinnati Reds. Milwaukee used 12 strikeouts from Brandon Woodruff as well as home run from Travis Shaw and Orlando Arcia to beat the Reds 7-5 yesterday afternoon at Miller Park.
06-24-2019	Naming Rights Up in Air for Local Park	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	No one is sure when, or if, the city of Eau Claire will rename the park off Forest Street. Organizers want to rename the park to honor veterans, but folks who've hosted a community garden at the park for years aren't so sure. Mark Beckfield, who is leading a two-million-dollar veterans trail project, says the name change really means a lot to many people.
06-25-2019	LaCrosse Police Department Sounds off on Criminal Release	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	The assistant police chief in La Crosse says the county's justice system is a joke. Assistant Chief Rob Abraham took to Twitter yesterday to express his frustration that judges in the county don't keep anyone in jail. Abraham pointed to the case of Ronald Crosby Jr., who was arrested over the weekend on a rape charge. A judge released Crosby on a signature bond, police then re-arrested him for trying to intimidate the victim, and then a judge released Crosby again yesterday. Abraham apologized to the people of La Crosse in a Tweet, he said he's sorry the police cannot protect them better.

06-25-2019	Scams Hit Locals	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	The sheriff in Barron County is putting out a new warning about scammers after a round of recent scams. Sheriff Chris Fitzgerald yesterday said scammers have hit his community for about 100-thousand-dollars in scams recently. Fitzgerald is reminding folks never to give anyone any money over the internet or over the phone. He says real utilities, real police departments, and the real IRS don't call and demand a payment to avoid charges. The sheriff says people also need to be very careful about calls from charities. He says only give to charities that you know are real.
06-25-2019	New Tick to Be Aware of	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	There is a new tick to look out for in Eau Claire County. Public health managers say they've confirmed the lone star tick has been found in the county. The lone star tick has a white spot in the middle of its back. And just like all other ticks, the lone star tick carries diseases.
06-26-2019	Body Recovered in WI River	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The search for 11-year-old Jamison Miller is over. The sheriff in Adams County yesterday said crews found the boy's body near the Kilbourn Dam on the Wisconsin River. Miller had been missing since last Tuesday when he slipped below the water.
06-26-2019	Liquor Sales Get Uncapped	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	You can now buy as much whiskey, vodka, and gin as you want in the state of Wisconsin. Governor Tony Evers yesterday signed a law that removed the old cap on hard liquor sales. Shoppers have always been able to buy all of the beer and wine that they want, but Wisconsin limited stores to selling just four liters of hard alcohol.
06-26-2019	Nurse Accused of Drug Theft	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	A western Wisconsin nurse is free on bond after two local hospitals say she stole fentanyl. HSHS Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire says 40-year-old Jessica Gums stole 500 vials of fentanyl, and the Mayo Clinic says Gums also stole fentanyl from them as well. She's out on a signature bond after being arrested this week. Prosecutors are not saying if Gums stole the drugs for herself or to sell.

06-26-2019	EC City to Borrow Money for Repairs	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	The city of Eau Claire is looking to borrow to fix a laundry list of projects. City finance director Jay Winzenz last night pitched city leaders on a plan to borrow 26-million-dollars to pay for work on everything from city streets to library improvements to work at the Hobbs Ice Arena. Winzenz says some of the money could also be earmarked to pay off old debt from the last couple rounds of borrowing.
06-26-2019	Death Under Investigation at Local Campground	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Investigators in St. Croix County are trying to figure out how a man died outside his camper in a local state park. Deputies found the unidentified man yesterday afternoon at his campsite in the Willow River State Park in Hudson. The sheriff's office is not saying how the man died, or how long he'd been dead.
06-26-2019	Supreme Court Rules on School Policy	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Wisconsin's state superintendent needs permission before they can order a new policy for the state's schools. The Wisconsin Supreme Court yesterday ruled that the governor needs to sign-off on any new rules or policies before they can go into place. That's a reversal of a 2016 law that gave then-Superintendent Tony Evers a wide range of powers. Conservatives say the ruling is a check against the growing power of the state bureaucracy.
06-26-2019	State Budget on to Senate	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest & State Politics	The easy part of getting a new state budget in Wisconsin is over. The Republican-controlled Assembly yesterday voted to approve a new, two-year 81-billion-dollar state budget. It was expected to pass. The plan now heads to the state Senate, where some Republicans are promising to vote against it because it spends too much. The budget would then head to Governor Evers, who could change it and is expected to resist portions.
06-27-2019	Battle Over Park Name Continues	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	The fight over what to name a park next to the to-be-built Veterans Tribute Trail in Eau Claire isn't over. The city's Waterways and Parks Commission last night punted on the issue. The folks behind the two million-dollar trail want to name the small park Veterans Tribute Park. But some neighbors, particularly people who use the community garden in the park, don't want to change the name. The commission is asking Eau Claire's city council to make the decision.

06-27-2019	No Jail for Closs Burglar	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues and State Politics	The man who broke into Jayme Closs' home and stole her clothes isn't going to jail. A judge yesterday sentenced 33-year-old Kyle Jaenke-Annis to two years of probation. Police say Jaenke-Annis broke into the Closs home while Jayme was missing last year and stole some of her clothes.
06-27-2019	Prison for Sexual Predator	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	A Chippewa County man is heading to prison for more than a decade for abusing a 10-year-old boy in an Eau Claire bathroom last year. A judge yesterday sentenced Derrik Sheffield to 12-years in prison. The judge also ordered Sheffield to register as a sex offender for life, and to never have contact with anyone under 18 unless the court says its okay first.
06-27-2019	Bow and Hand Catfishing Gets Season	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	The rules for bow and hand catfishing in Wisconsin are set. The Department of Natural Resources yesterday approved the regulations for the state's newest fishing season. Hand-fishing season will run from June 1st til August 31st each year. Bow fishing will run all year across the southern two-thirds of the state. Governor Walker created temporary rules for hand and bow fishing last year, the new rules simply make those seasons permanent.
06-27-2019	Democrats Blast Medicaid Exclusion	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Democrats in Madison are upset that their cornerstone issue is essentially dead for the next two years. Democratic lawmakers yesterday told reporters at the Capitol that Republicans made a mistake by not including a Medicaid expansion in the new state budget. State Rep. Chris Taylor said the decision is morally bankrupt and fiscally irresponsible. Republicans say adding more than 80 thousand people to the state's healthcare rolls would simply cost too much.
06-28-2019	Governor Evers Chimes in on Supreme Court Decision	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and State Politics	Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers says the Supreme Court's decision about the politics of political maps is "devastating for our democracy." The governor said the decision yesterday to allow state legislature to draw their own political boundaries will allow politicians to pick their voters, rather than the other way around. The high court said federal courts should not overrule state lawmakers when it comes to how political the political map is in each state. The ruling all but ends a challenge to the Republican drawn map in Wisconsin.

06-28-2019	WI High in National Crime Ranking	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Issues	Police say there's no reason to be worried that Wisconsin is ranked high on a national crime tracking website. The folks at Asecurelife.com rank Wisconsin fifth in the nation when it comes to the number of sex offenders. The site says Wisconsin has 435 sex offenders for every 100-thousand people in the state. Police say that's not a reflection of an abnormally large number of offenders, rather it shows how well police are doing in catching sex offenders.
06-28-2019	Local Teen Is Winner of Cow Judging Title	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	Ethan Witscher has a new entry for his resume. The 14-year-old from Cumberland is this year's Hoards Dairyman Magazine cow judging junior champion. Witscher beat out other teens from 48 states to take home the crown. He says it's an honor to be recognized. Witscher's family has been working with cows for five generations. He says he wants to be a dairyman as well, after he goes to college.
06-28-2019	YMCA Merger Unites Chippewa and Eau Claire	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest and Development	There is just one Y in the Chippewa Valley. Managers from the YMCA's in Eau Claire and Chippewa Falls yesterday held a ribbon tying ceremony to mark their official merger. The two chapters came together about a month ago. The Y's Theresa Hillis says it just makes sense to share people and resources. YMCA facilities in both communities will stay as they are for now.
06-28-2019	Hot Weather Expected in Area	5:00am 6:05am 6:30am 7:05am 7:30am 8:05am	2 minutes	Newscast	Community Interest	It is going to be hot and steamy in western Wisconsin this weekend. The National Weather Service says the heat index is expected to hit 101 in Eau Claire on Sunday. It's expected to hit 105 in La Crosse.

Bob Bosold Farm Department - Second quarter

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Day & Date	Issue	Time	Duration	Program Type	Short Program Description	How Program was Responsive to Issue
4/1/19	Waterhemp weed control with Rodrigo Wehrli of the University of Wisconsin	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Weed control	The agronomist discusses the need to control water hemp weeds during the upcoming growing season.
4/1/19	Winter issues with 2019 forages, with Dan Undersander of the UW-Madison	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Winter crop damage	The UW forage specialist talks about assessing alfalfa stands for winter-kill.
4/2/19	Crop weed-control with Mark Renz of the University of Wisconsin	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Weed control	Renz talks about weed control needs expected during the upcoming growing season.
4/3/19	Consumer food education, with Clark County dairy farmer Pam Selz-Pralle	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Farm-consumer connections	Selz-Pralle outlines reasons she travels to urban areas around the nation to facilitate food-production discussions between farmers and consumers.
4/4/19	Mental health among farmers, with Laura Baalrud of HSHS Hospital in Chippewa Falls, WI	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Farmers' mental health issues	Baalrud discusses issues she's heard while doing a mental health for farmers' program through the Marshfield-based National Farm Medicine Center.

4/5/19	Wisconsin dairy research and education, with John Holevet of the Dairy Business Association	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Dairy innovation hub	Holevet talks about the potential for state funding for a proposed Wisconsin Dairy Innovation through the University of Wisconsin System.
4/6/19	Chippewa Valley Technical College with horticulture instructor Susan Frame	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Horticulture open house	Frame talks about the CVTC horticulture open house and internships.
4/7/19	Conservation issues with Tammy Lindsay of the Chippewa-Eau Claire NRCS office	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Conservation issues	The conservation discusses conservation issues that are coming to light with spring conditions.
4/8/19	Winter crop damage, with Wisconsin ag secretary designee Brad Pfaff	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	State crops damaged during winter	Pfaff assesses early reports of alfalfa killed during this year's extended winter.
4/8/19	Overcoming winter crop damage issues, with Dan Undersander of the UW-Madison	5:50 am	9 minutes	Interview	Interseeding in damaged alfalfa	The UW forage specialist talks about interseeding forages into alfalfa fields that received winter damages.
4/9/19	Sheep production, with Dunn County farmer Caleb Langworthy	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Sheep-grazing	Langworthy discusses picking sheep-grazing information out from grazing conferences usually focused on bovines.

4/10/19	Horse matters with Nicole Glynn of the Midwest Horse Fair	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Horse Fair preview	Glynn highlights real-life Breyer Horse models to be on display at the Midwest Horse Fair.
4/11/19	Hemp growth with Larry Konipake of the state Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Hemp growth	Konipake describes the numbers of hemp permits issued in the state and what growers must do to obtain and hold the permits.
4/12/19	Grain marketing with Mercaris Company economist Ryan Koory	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Grain marketing issues	Koory examines the markets available for organically produced grains.
4/13/19	CVTC updates with agriculture instructor Sara Novotny	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Internships	Novotny talks about ag internships available through the Chippewa Valley Technical College.
4/14/19	Forestry issues with area DNR forester Ryan Peaslee	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Fire season	Peaslee discusses what landowners should do as wildfire season approaches.
4/15/19	Vocational agriculture education with Medford School District teacher Lisa Koppp	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Educational program expansion	Kopp describes a dairy farm and new barn facility the Medford School District has purchased to enhance vocational agriculture education programs.

4/15/19	Alfalfa production with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Winter alfalfa damage	Undersander talks about post-winter alfalfa stand assessments, especially in fields' low spots.
4/16/19	International dairy farming with researcher Paul Weimer	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Alternative forages	The retired USDA dairy forage researcher talks about his finding of African dairy farmers using mesquite as a forage.
4/17/19	International dairy production with Dutch farmer Albert Buerson	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Floating dairy farm	Bob Bosold's Holland farm tour hears Buerson talk about the world's first floating dairy farm.
4/17/19	Soybeans, with UW-Madison soybean specialist Shawn Conley	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Soybean yields and diseases	Conley says farmers should consider entering the next state soybean yield contest, and talks about soybean nematode issues.
4/18/19	International flower markets with The Netherlands producer Michelle Von Suis	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Flower trade	The producer describes the Royal Floral gardens in Holland and how the farm's flowers are marketed.
4/19/10	Beer cultures, with brewer Paul Prince	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Brewing	Prince talks about the importance and practice of maintain lines of cultures for producing beer.

4/20/19	CVTC update with agriculture instructor Sara Novotny	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Internships	Novotny again talks about internships through Chippewa Valley Technical College.
4/21/19	Land conservation issues with Eau Claire County land conservationist Greg Leonard	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Trees and shrubs	Leonard talks about the tree and shrub sales being coordinated through his office.
4/22/19	Kidney bean marketing with Chippewa Valley Bean marketing director Charles Wachsmuth	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Trade issues	Wachsmuth talks about how tariff and trade wars are hurting his company's marketing efforts.
4/22/19	Alfalfa issues with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Alfalfa winter-kill	Undersander discusses the need to do density assessments in post-winter alfalfa fields.
4/23/19	Midwest Horse Fair plans	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Horses	Representatives of the Midwest Horse Fair highlight some of the event's upcoming programs.
4/24/19	African swine fever, National Pork Producers Council representatives	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Animal health	Updates are provided about the NPPC's work in preventing the spread of African swine fever into the U.S. swine herd.

4/24/19	Soybean issues with UW-Madison soybean specialist Shawn Conley	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Soybean planting	Conley tells farmers it's best to get soybeans into the soil as soon as possible.
4/25/19	Honey production, John Logterman of Osseo, WI	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Honey industry	Logterman recently started working full time with his family honey business, five years after purchasing his first hives.
4/26/19	Wood ticks, PJ Leash, University of Wisconsin entomologist	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Lymes disease	Leash provides an update about the Wisconsin tick population.
4/27/19	CVTC update with agriculture instructor Sara Novotny	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Farm safety	Novotny talks about farm safety programming at Chippewa Valley Technical College.
4/28/19	FSA issues with Chippewa-Eau Claire Farm Service Agency director Kristine Lentz	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Farm Bill implementation	Lentz talks about delays in the federal Farm Bill implementation created by government shut-downs.
4/29/19	Dallas Wuethrich, Grassland Dairy of Greenwood, WI	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Butter production	Wuethrich looks back at his time working in the butter industry after UW-River Falls named him a Wisconsin Distinguished Agriculturist.

4/29/19	Forage issues with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Crop updates	Undersander reports that winter-kill is high in many Wisconsin alfalfa fields.
4/30/19	Dairy markets with Jim Mulhern of the National Milk Producers Federation	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Dairy markets	Mulhern goes over the latest issues milk processors are facing with the dairy economy.
5/1/19	Ken Anderson of the Legacy Hemp company, about hemp markets	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Hemp marketing	The newly developing hemp industry has marketing needs that Anderson talks about.
5/2/19	Rural community revitalization, Michigan State University researcher David Ivan	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Rural economic issues	Ivan reviews what he's seen in rural communities that have been revitalized and which are thriving.
5/2/19	Soybean issues with UW-Madison soybean specialist Shawn Conley	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Soybean planting problems	Conley tells farmers they should use the weather-related down-time to double-check their soybean seeds and planting equipment.
5/3/19	The preservation of dairy cultures, with Dave Potter, Dairy Connections scientist	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Preserving cultures used in foods	Potter talks about the measures used to preserve the cultures used in dairy foods.

5/2/19	CVTC update with agronomy Brent Christenson	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Vo-ag scholarships	Christenson talks about partnerships creating Chippewa Valley Technology College agronomy students.
5/5/19	Natural resources and conservation issues with area NRCS director Tammy Lindsay	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Internship opportunities	Lindsay discusses internship opportunities students have through area natural resources and conservation programs.
5/6/19	Bruce Mlsna, River Country Co-op CEO, about a co-op merger	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Cooperative mergers	Mlsna talks about the merger plans for the River Country and Heartland cooperatives in Wisconsin.
5/6/19	Alfalfa issues with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Alternative forages	Undersander discusses the option of over-seeding to thicken alfalfa stands.
5/7/19	Dairy goat production with LeClaire Farms of Fond du Lac	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Dairy production	LeClaire Farms' owners talk about the place dairy goats hold in Wisconsin's dairy industry.
5/8/19	Mark Stephenson, UW-Madison ag economist, about dairy policies	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Wisconsin dairy policies	Stephenson talks about the next steps for the state's Dairy Task Force 2.0.

5/9/19	UW-Madison microbiologist Cathy Glass talks about food labeling and safety	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Food safety and awareness	Glass discusses the importance of understanding food labeling.
5/10/19	Agricultural careers with Pete Curran of the Jefferson County Farm Technology Days	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Agricultural career awareness	Curran outlined programs at this year's Wisconsin Farm Technology Days designed to show young people the many ag careers available to them.
5/11/19	CVTC update with agronomy instructor Brent Christenson	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Spring planting	Christenson provide updates about crop-planting during the wet spring.
5/12/19	Forestry issues with area DNR forester Ryan Peaslee	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Forestry partnerships	Peaslee outlines forestry partnerships between the state Department of Natural Resources, counties and private property owners.
5/13/19	Scott Heiberger of the National Farm Medicine Center, concerning a new farm safety project	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Farm safety projects	Heiberger informs listeners about a new "tell your story" program available to help raise farm-safety awareness.
5/13/19	Alfalfa issues with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Controlling weeds	Undersander addresses the potential need for weed control in alfalfa fields where high winter-kill occurred.

5/14/19	Community supported agriculture with farmers Carie Sedlak and Joanna Dorn	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Community supported agriculture	Sedlak and Dorn discuss how CSAs are growing and can bring profitability to farmers.
5/15/19	Ethanol production with Neal Kemmett of Ace Ethanol at Stanley, WI	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Discussion about the ethanol industry	Kemmett's discussion updates the latest regulations and processes in the industry.
5/16/19	Dane County Farmers Market participants	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Farmers markets	A variety of participants in the Dane County Farmers Market talk about the Madison event.
5/16/19	Soybean issues with UW-Madison soybean specialist Shawn Conley	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Soybean planting	Conley tells farmers it's too early in the planting season to change soybean planting strategies because of the wet spring.
5/17/19	Merle Richter, former Bloomer (WI) vocational agriculture teacher	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Fundraising	Richter discusses the annual Tour de Farm bicycle ride to help with farm safety programs.
5/18/19	CVTC update with agronomy instructor Brent Christenson	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Hands-on agronomy education	The instructor talks about the Chippewa Valley Technical College's agronomy program land.

5/19/19	Land conservation issues with Eau Claire County land conservationist Greg Leonard	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Livestock ordinance	Leonard provides an update about Eau Claire County's proposed animal livestock ordinance.
5/20/19	Katy Hepler, Dairy Farmers of Wisconsin	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Dairy promotion	Hepler talks about June dairy promotion programs.
5/20/19	Forage alternatives with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Animal feeds	Undersander talks about having awareness in keeping crop rotations intact as alternative forages are used this season.
5/21/19	Cheryl Zimmerman, Wisconsin FFA coordinator	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	FFA	Zimmerman highlights the upcoming Wisconsin FFA Convention.
5/22/19	Farm safety, National Farm Medicine Center staff and Wisconsin legislators	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Farm safety	Those interviewed discuss state legislation to provide state cost-share funding for retrofitting older tractors with rollover protection structures.
5/23/19	Flood-related transportation issues with Jake Neiderer of Archer Daniels Midland, Minneapolis	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Agricultural transportation	The story reviews problems spring flooding has created for barge traffic using the Mississippi River system.

5/24/19	Dairy pricing, Wisconsin Farmers Union president Darin Von Ruden	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Dairy economy	Von Ruden talks about work he and his organization are doing through its Dairy Together program to develop long-term plans for providing dairy farmers with adequate prices for their milk.
5/25/19	CVTC update with horticulture instructor Susan Frame	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Spring planting	Frame talks about the timing for planting some common garden plants.
5/26/19	Farm Service Agency issues with area FSA director Kristine Lentz	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Farm Bill implementation	Lentz provides another update about implementation of 2018 federal Farm Bill programs.
5/27/19	Alfalfa issues with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Forage alternatives	Undersander discusses the need to look at alternative forage options this year.
5/28/19	Milk storage with Jon Luce of the Center for Dairy Research	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Milk marketing	Non-refrigerated milk is being considered as an option for U.S. dairy marketing.
5/29/19	Late corn planting with University of Wisconsin agronomist Joe Lauer	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Crop planting	Lauer discusses alternatives concerning corn planting as weather affects the season.

5/30/19	Food systems	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interviews	Local foods	A variety of Madison-area food experts discuss talk about the arrival of summer's grilling season.
6/1/19	CVTC update with horticulture instructor Susan Frame	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Shrub flowering	Frame talks about the timing for pruning flowering shrubs.
6/2/19	Natural resources and conservation issues with area NRCS director Tammy Lindsay	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Maintaining conservation practices	Lindsay says farmers should look at their conservation practices and work with NRCS personnel to assure the farms are meeting the farmers' conservation plans.
6/3/19	Farm business management, with Mike Harer, president of the Farm Business Management Association	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Business management	Harer reviews some of the latest issues and technologies farmers might encounter when dealing with farm-business issues.
6/3/19	Alternative forages with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Forage alternatives	Undersander talks about using Teff grass as a forage alternative during this year of forage winter-kill and we spring.
6/4/19	Wisconsin water quality	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interviews	Environmental protection	Homeowners' responsibilities and practices for protecting the state's water are reviewed.

6/5/19	Animal biosafety, with Kerri Retallick of the Wisconsin Pork Producers Association.	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	African swine fever	Retallick discusses what's being done in the hog industry to prevent African swine fever from infecting the U.S. hog herd.
6/6/19	Dairy cattle husbandry with Kristin Olson of the National Holstein Association	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Holstein dairy cattle	Olson previews the National Holstein Convention at Appleton, Wisconsin.
6/7/19	Technology and information with farmer Ryan Kuester	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Youtube programming	Kuester describes his Youtube project in which he tells people the story about his farm and agriculture in general.
6/8/19	CVTC update with ag instructor Adam Zwiefelhofer	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Livestock breeding	The animal science instructor talks about animal reproduction and fertility instruction at Chippewa Valley Technical College.
6/9/19	Forestry issues with DNR forester Ryan Peaslee	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Wildfires	Peaslee assesses the year's fire season, which was kept in control in part because of the spring's wetness.
6/10/19	Funding agriculture education, with Mark Conouyer, the Auburndale, Wisconsin vocational agriculture instructor	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Fundraising and grant-writing to fund vocational agriculture programs	Conouyer talks about grant-writing and other fundraising he's done to help offset some vocational agriculture education programs in Wood County, Wisconsin.

6/10/	Estate planning with Valley Crossing Law attorney Bridget Finke	5:10 am	5 minutes	Interview	Estate planning	Finke says it's a good time of the year to revisit farm estate plans and deal with plans that no longer fit needs.
6/10/19	Alternative forages with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Alternative crops	Undersander discusses the potential of using sorghum to replace forage losses from winter-kill and the wet spring.
6/11/19	Post-secondary vocational agriculture education with Ron Zillmer of Mid-State Technical College	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Meeting the region's post-secondary vocational agriculture education needs	Zillmer, dean of MSTC's agriculture programs at the central Wisconsin college, discusses advancements made in the school's programming to meet the district's latest needs.
6/12/19	Insect problems in crops with Bryan Jensen of UW-Madison	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Potential insect invasions caused by late crop-planting and wet conditions	Entomologist Jensen says farmers could face more pest problems than normal because of Wisconsin's wet field conditions this year.
6/13/19	Wisconsin dairy trade issues with Mexico, Wisconsin ag secretary Brad Pfaff	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Keeping Mexican dairy markets open for Wisconsin	Pfaff reports about his recent trade mission to Mexico as the U.S., Mexico and Canada work on a new trade deal.
6/15/19	CVTC update with animal science and livestock instructor Adam Zwiefelhofer	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Vo-ag class enrollments	The instructor talks about the variety of students at Chippewa Valley Technical College along with partnerships and internships.

6/16/19	Conservation issues with Eau Claire County conservation director Greg Leonard	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Livestock ordinance	Leonard gives a final look at the county's proposed livestock ordinance, which the County Board will consider this week.
6/17/19	Legislation to expand the number of large-animal veterinarians	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Animal health issues	Bob Bosold checks into the potential for legislation to expand the number of large-animal veterinarians in the nation.
6/17-19	Alternative forages with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Forage alternatives	Undersander discusses sudan grass as a potential forage alternative during this year's potential animal-feed shortfalls.
6/18/19	Rural development, with Anne Katz of Arts Wisconsin	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Creative economy in rural development	Katz talks about the use of a creative economy – including arts – to revitalize Wisconsin's rural communities.
6/19/19	Crop-seed availability with Wisconsin seed producer Jeff Renk	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Crops and planting	Renk talks about the effects Wisconsin's wet spring will have on next year's corn seed and soybean seed availability.
6/20/19	Federal dairy programs, with Sandy Chalmers of the Farm Service Agency	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Dairy assistance	The Wisconsin FSA director talks about farmers signing up for the new Margin Coverage Program for dairy farmers.

6/21/19	Start-up dairy farming, with Wisconsin dairy farmer Brian Larson	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Re-starting a dairy operation	Brian Larson returned to his family's farm after his father became ill and their dairy herd was sold; Brian is re-starting the farm's dairy operations.
6/22/19	CVTC update with dean Adam Wehling	5:30 am	5 minutes	Interview	Teachers helping teachers	Wehling talks about Chippewa Valley Technical College assistance and program for secondary vo-ag instructors.
6/23/19	Federal FSA issues with Kristine Lentz of the Chippewa-Eau Claire County Farm Service office	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Dairy program	Lentz talks about the farmers' sign-up period beginning for the new federal Dairy Market Coverage program.
6/24/19	Wisconsin multiple-cutting forage yields with UW-Madison forage specialist Dan Undersander	5:50 am	5 minutes	Interview	Animal feed availability	Undersander talks about the potential for second cuttings on forage fields planted during wet the wet spring.
6/25/19	Digital technologies available to farmers, with Terry Griffin of the University of Missouri	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Technology updates	Griffin discusses new digital technologies available to the nation's farmers.
6/26/19	Dairy marketing, with Midwest Farm Report staff	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interviews	Creative dairy marketing	Creative dairy marketing ideas are explored, with an emphasis on wedding cakes made from cheese.

6/27/19	Ginseng marketing issues with Wisconsin ginseng farmer Dave Schumacher	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interview	Trade issues	The vice president of the Ginseng Board of Wisconsin talks about marketing ginseng in China during a trade war between that country and the United States.
6/28/19	Crop insurance issues with Rural Mutual Insurance Company staff	5:20 am	9 minutes	Interviews	Crop and weather issues	Rural Mutual officials talk about crop insurance issues as Wisconsin farmers this had weather-related late-planted and prevented-planted acreage.
6/30/19	Conservation issues with Eau Claire County conservation director Greg Leonard	5:45 am	5 minutes	Interview	Livestock siting	Leonard gives a final review to the county's livestock ordinance approved recently by the Eau Claire County Board.