

WCSJ-FM Issues and Program Report Quarter Two, 2022

Most stories first aired at 6am, unless otherwise noted.

Man Accused of Attacking Two Females at Rest Area – The Illinois State Police said Jairren Williams, 36, of Joliet allegedly battered and attempted to sexually assault a female inside the Interstate 80 Rest Area between Morris and Minooka after midnight on April 22nd. The female was able to escape. A short time, Williams is accused of sexually assaulting another female at the same rest area. Both females were transported to an area hospital. Williams was arrested by the Illinois State Police in the 900 block of Jefferson Street in Joliet that same day after an investigation was conducted.

Air dates: 4/25-26, 4/29, 5/6

Man Sentenced on Murder Charge in Grundy Co. – Robert Turk, 46, of Yorkville entered into an alford plea to the charge of murder, a class M felony and was sentenced to 25 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections on May 10th. Prosecutors said Turk killed his girlfriend, 39-year-old Elizabeth Link inside a residence at 3200 South Verona Road sometime in the early morning hours on May 14th of 2019. After the incident, Turk set the house on fire and fled the scene. Turk was arrested in Oswego by the Grundy County Sheriff's Office and several other agencies on February 4th of 2020. Turk was transported to prison on May 27th. **Air Dates:** 5/10-5/11, 5/26

New Aqueduct in Morris To Be Constructed – A new aqueduct over the Nettle Creek along the I & M Canal tow path will be constructed this year and into 2023. The aqueduct collapsed from rising water during the historical flooding in April of 2013. IDNR Site Superintendent of the Illinois & Michigan Canal State Trail Dan Bell spoke with WCSJ about the project. **Air dates:** 5/16-5/17

Major Morris YMCA Announcement – Morris YMCA Chief Operating Officer Missy Durkin, Guy Christensen with Chamlin and Associates, and Kevin Olson with Grundy Bank were on WCSJ to provide an update about the groundbreaking of the new \$18 million Morris YMCA building. **Air dates:** 5/19-5/20

Fourteen Individuals Injured in Seneca Boat Fire – The Illinois Conservation Police, Illinois State Police and Illinois Fire Marshal's Office are investigating a boat explosion that occurred at Spring Brook Marina along the Illinois River in Seneca around 4:20 p.m. on Saturday, May 28th. Police officials say a 40-foot vessel with 17 people on board had just completed fueling. Based on interviews and a review of video footage, authorities say it appears the explosion happened from inside the vessel. Thirteen people from the boat were taken to local hospitals to be treated for injuries. One of them was airlifted to a Chicago hospital with serious injuries. A marine employee also was taken to the hospital for treatment. **Air dates:** 5/28, 5/30, 6/6

Morris Man Facing Accused of Injuring Child – The Morris Police Department arrested Nicholas Matteson, 30, of Morris for allegedly battering his six-month-old child in the 300 block of Bedford Road around 6:45 p.m. on Saturday, June 11th. Prosecutors say Matteson allegedly stuck his fingers into the mouth of the baby while the child was trying to eat. Matteson then allegedly threw the child to the ground. He then allegedly left the baby unattended for three hours on the ground. **Air dates:** 6/13-6/15

Also provided important information about state legislation, arrest reports, municipal meetings, and public safety/health reminders throughout the quarter.