

**ISSUES/PROGRAMMING RESPONSE LIST**  
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Local pet shelters and pet adoption agencies bring in one or two animals that are available for adoption.

Making A Difference	Friday	News Center 17 at 6
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# Crime

7/1 DECATUR 4TH MURDER 5PM LIVE PKG 3:07

28 year old Marcelle Brown died after being shot in the 1300 block East Main street last night. Police still looking for 25 year old Brandon Shaw. Police say they got a lot of cooperation from neighbors for a change.

7/1 MT AUBURN CRASH 5PM VO :37

54 year old Jeffrey White of Mt. Auburn identified as victim in fatal rollover crash yesterday. 43 year old Mark Simmons faces aggravated DUI and other charges.

7/1 GAS SIPHONING 10PM PKG 2:17

Three men arrested Saturday for attempting to steal gas from the underground tanks of a Mt. Zion gas station. They had a horse trailer with tanks they were trying to put the fuel into.

7/2 HIT & RUN 5PM LIVE PKG 2:10

Six children hurt in a hit and run over the weekend. Police haven't charged the driver yet because they're still investigating what happened. Driver says it was an accident, victims and witnesses say it was deliberate.

7/2 WAYLON FISHER 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :43

Waylon Fisher formally charged with attempted murder, aggravated battery, and aggravated criminal sexual assault for last week's beating of his father and beating & rape of his father's girlfriend.

7/2 BEAMAN COURT 5PM VO :30

Alan Beaman returns to McLean County court for a motion hearing related to his retrial for the 1993 murder of Jennifer Lockmiller.

7/2 MOTORCYCLE ARSON 10PM GRAPHIC :39

Conversion van and a pickup stolen and set on fire in the Langleyville area in Christian County.

7/2 EFFINGHAM GRAFFITI 10PM VO :30

Police say kids are putting graffiti on homes, businesses and other property in the Bliss Park area of Effingham.

7/2 DECATUR MURDER FOLO 10PM VO :28

25 year old Brandon Shaw still on the loose. Wanted for murder of 28 year old Marcelle Brown.

7/3 PAGEL TRIAL 5PM VO :27

Richard Pagel pleads guilty to aggravated cruelty to animals in Piatt County Court. Sentenced to 120 days in jail and three years probation.

7/3 STATE FARM 6PM MAP GRAPHIC :35

Lockdown at State Farm corporate headquarters in Bloomington ends. What was thought to be an armed intruder turned out to be a janitor carrying a long object.

7/3 BRANDON SHAW 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :19

Police still looking for Brandon Shaw, suspected gunman in Marcelle Brown murder.

7/3 POT DEALER BUSTED 6PM GRAPHIC :26

Urbana police arrest 22 year old Latoya Keys for selling marijuana in the Prairie Elementary school parking lot.

7/3 CAMPUS CRIME 6PM PKG 2:00

U of I police say this summer has been relatively quiet when it comes to property crimes on campus while school is out.

7/4 JOANNE STREET 10PM VO :22

Champaign police still looking for shooter in last Friday's shooting in the 1200 block of Joanne St.

7/6 SPRINGFIELD STABBING 5PM VO :38

Two men injured in a stabbing in the 1600 block of south 6th in Springfield. One man arrested.

7/7 MT AUBURN CRASH 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :33

43 year old Mark Simmons formally charged with Aggravated DUI for fatal crash near Mt. Auburn June 29th.

7/7 TVILLE CRASH 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :53

Police believe alcohol a factor in weekend crash that injured five in Taylorville.

7/7 SPFLD SHOTS FIRED 5PM VO :33

Mentally disturbed man begins shooting into the ground after Springfield police were leaving a welfare check call on him. He's being mentally evaluated.

7/7 SHAW UPDATE 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :27

25 year old Brandon Shaw still on the loose. Wanted for Marcelle Brown murder last Monday.

7/7 CLIFFORD BUSCHER 5PM GRAPHIC :24

Springfield cop Clifford Buscher pleads guilty to disturbing the peace in Taney County, MO. He was arrested March 23 for firing a gun while intoxicated.

7/7 DECATUR MURDER 10PM VOSOT 1:02

Decatur police investigating the suspicious death of a woman in her home in the 1900 block of N. 28th.

7/8 ARLENE BOBBITT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:20

Autopsy finds Arlene Bobbitt died from a brain aneurysm and not traumatic injury.. but Decatur police are still calling it suspicious and continue to investigate.

7/8 BRANDON SHAW 5PM GRAPHIC :15

25 year old Brandon Shaw arrested yesterday in Indianapolis yesterday and brought back to Decatur last night. Wanted for Marcelle Brown murder.

7/8 SCALDED BABY 5PM GRAPHIC :18

Sylvester Henderson's trial on aggravated battery to a child gets underway in Springfield. Accused of scalding a 22 month old girl.

7/8 CWLP IMPOSTER 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :27

Southern View couple says two men identified themselves as CWLP water dept. workers tried to come into the home for an inspection and requested money. CWLP says workers have badges, drive marked vehicles, and never ask for money.

7/8 CHAMP. HITMAN SCAM 10PM GRAPHIC :27

Champaign police say people are getting an email saying they will be killed and possibly their family if they don't send money within 10 days. Police say its a scam.

- 7/9 BOGUS DOCTOR 5PM GRAPHIC :26  
51 year old Lonnie Lynch, Jr arrested for claiming to be a doctor and providing chiropractic services to the Amish in Douglas County.
- 7/9 FISHER COURT 5PM GRAPHIC :14  
Waylon Fisher pleads not guilty to attempted murder, aggravated battery and two counts of aggravated criminal sexual assault for the beating of his father and beating and rape of his fathers girlfriend.
- 7/9 CLINTON SEX ABUSE 5PM GRAPHIC :16  
Clinton police arrest 60 year old Leon Robertson for having sex twice with a child under 13.
- 7/9 MT. AUBURN SEX 5PM GRAPHIC :19  
Anthony Hubbard arraigned on predatory criminal sexual assault charges for allegedly assaulting a child under 13.
- 7/9 SCALDED BABY 5PM GRAPHIC :13  
Sylvester Henderson's aggravated battery trial continues in Springfield. Charged with scalding his 22 month old daughter. May wrap up tomorrow.
- 7/9 BRANDON SHAW 10PM GRAPHIC :19  
25 year old Brandon Shaw expected in court tomorrow for the murder of Marcelle Brown June 30th.
- 7/10 SLOVER APPEAL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:50  
State appeals court rules the Slover's must have a post-sentencing hearing, which a Macon County judge dismissed after they were sentenced for Karyn Hearn Slover's murder in 2002.
- 7/10 SPFLD SHOOTING 5PM VOSOT :31  
Springfield police looking for four men involved in a shooting in the 1600 block of Loveland this afternoon.
- 7/10 BRANDON SHAW 5PM GRAPHIC :14  
25 year old Brandon Shaw formally charged with murder for Marcelle Brown's shooting death June 30th.
- 7/10 RYAN WEEMER 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :34  
Hindsboro native Sgt. Ryan Weemer in a military court for an Article 32 hearing. He's accused of killing four unarmed Iraqis while serving in Iraq.
- 7/10 IMMIGRANTS ARRESTED 5PM GRAPHIC :33  
Coles County deputies arrest two dozen illegal immigrants at a gas station near the Coles County Airport.
- 7/10 SEX ASSAULTS 6PM PKG 2:01  
Champaign police handing out flyers warning residents in one neighborhood about two recent attempted sexual assaults.
- 7/10 SPRINGFIELD BILLBOARD 10PM VO :19  
Sangamon/Menard Co. Crimestoppers putting up billboards with information about a particular unsolved crime.
- 7/11 JUVY CAUGHT 5PM VOSOT :49

Juvenile caught breaking into a home in the 2200 block of East Capitol in Springfield.  
Two other boys got away.

7/11 SCALDED BABY FOLO 5PM GRAPHIC :30

Sylvester Henderson convicted of aggravated battery to a child for the scalding of his 22 month old daughter. Faces up to 30 years in prison.

7/11 ATT ABDUCTION 5PM GRAPHIC :28

Edgar Co. deputies looking for a man who reportedly tried to lure a 12 year old girl into his van in Redmon.

7/11 OLD DRUG DEALER 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :22

Decatur Police arrest 78 year old Arthur Brown for selling cocaine out of his home. Found cocaine and cash during a raid.

7/11 TEXT HOAX 5PM VO :30

Lots of people getting texts saying there's a group of people dressed as door to door salesmen trying to get into homes and raping women. Police say its a hoax.

7/12 OLD DRUG DEALER 5PM VO :28

Bond set for 78 year old Arthur Brown on drug charges.

7/13 SEXUAL ASSAULT 5PM GRAPHICS :44

19 year old woman reports she was raped in a parking lot in the 1800 block of S. Lincoln on the U of I campus.

7/14 SEX OFFENDERS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:10

Accused sex offender Anthony Hubbard makes a court appearance in Christian County. Prosecutors say rising number of sex offender cases there are the result of move victims choosing to speak out.

7/14 CU SEX ASSAULT 5PM VOSOT/GRAPHIC :56

U of I Police investigating weekend sexual assault of a woman in the 1800 block of South Lincoln in Urbana.

7/14 CHMP MOTORCYCLE 5PM GRAPHICS :30

42 year old David Black charged with Aggravated DUI for motorcycle crash that killed William & Julie Orndorff near Broadlands over the weekend.

7/14 SARAH YORK 5PM GRAPHIC :29

Sarah York due to report to jail tomorrow to begin serving three month sentence for leaving scene of an injury accident.

7/14 CLARK CO. BABY 6PM LIVE VO 1:11

State Police and State Fire Marshal investigating a suspicious fire near Westville in Clark County.. and the discovery of a baby's body in a nearby wooded area.

7/14 GARLICK 6PM GRAPHIC :21

29 year old Kethan Garlick charged with two counts of predatory criminal sexual assault of a child.

7/14 SPFLD CRASH/ARREST 6PM VO :22

32 year old Larissa Luttrell ticketed for causing a wreck at 6th & Laurel in Springfield.

7/14 LOPEZ 10PM GRAPHIC :31

39 year old Javier Lopez of Texas arrested on drug charges in Champaign County after state troopers found marijuana in the air cleaner of the semi he was driving during a traffic stop.

7/15 CHILD PORN ARRESTS 5PM GRAPHIC/VO 1:15

59 year old George Wells of Mt. Zion and 60 year old Paul Huber of Harristown both arrested on possession of child pornography charges in separate raids. Wells is a member of the Mt. Zion Chamber of Commerce board.

7/15 DAVID BLACK 5PM GRAPHIC :22

42 year old David Black arraigned on four counts of aggravated DUI for weekend motorcycle crash that killed a Broadlands couple.

7/15 GARAGE ARSON 5PM VO :25

Champaign Fire investigating an arson at a garage in the 2000 block of Cypress Drive.

7/15 CAR FOR DRUGS 6PM READER :21

Urbana teenager borrowed his mom's car and traded it for drugs.. now the car's been reported stolen.

7/15 GIBSON CITY VANDALS 10PM GRAPHIC :37

Four juveniles go on a vandalism spree in Gibson City over the weekend damaging 26 properties.

7/16 HIT/RUN CHARGES 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :41

Casarah Gipson charged with 14 counts related to crash that injured six kids in Decatur.

7/16 BABY DEATH FOLO 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :34

No new information in the investigation into the death of a baby in Westfield.

7/16 CHILD PORN FOLO 5PM GRAPHIC :26

George Wells and Paul Huber out of jail after posting bond on Child Porn charges.

7/16 MT. AUBURN CRASH 5PM :24

Carlos Fernandez of Orland Park arrested for not having a drivers license or insurance after crash in Mt. Auburn last night,.

7/16 BB GUN ATTACKS 6PM VO :20

16 year old girl shot with a BB gun at 4th & Hill in Champaign. Her car also damaged in the 600 block of Devonshire.

7/16 DVILLE AC THEFTS 10PM GRAPHIC :24

Several Danville businesses offering reward for solution of recent stolen air conditioner thefts.

7/17 WILLIAMSVILLE FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :23

23 year old Derek Winningham sentenced to 3 years in prison for fatal DUI crash last September.

7/17 CHAMP FATAL DUI 5PM GRAPHIC :37

40 year old James Daly now faces 3 counts of Aggravated DUI for crash that killed James Marron in May. Daly's been convicted of DUI six times since 1986 in Missouri and Illinois.

7/17 DEMETRICE PHILLIPS 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :32



23 year old Demetrice Phillips gets 35 years in prison for his role in Jeremiah Maclin's murder in September 2006.

7/18 SEX ASSAULT SKETCH 5PM GRAPHIC :27  
U of I police release sketch of rape suspect.

7/18 CHILD PORN BUST 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :27  
19 year old Justin Mentzer arrested for possession and distribution of child pornography.

7/18 METH GOD 5PM GRAPHIC :22  
47 year old Steven Siverly.. the self-proclaimed "Meth God" in Edgar County arrested in Nevada. He's been on the run for several years.

7/18 BB GUN VANDALISM 5PM GRAPHIC/SOT :27  
More than 80 vehicles in Springfield had windows shot out by vandals with a BB gun.

7/18 HOTEL ROBBERY 5PM VO :28  
Springfield Police looking for man wanted for two downtown hotel robberies.

7/19 HOTELS ROBBED 5PM VO :33  
47 year old Steve Jugan charged with Aggravated Burglary and Attempted Aggravated Burglary for two hotel holdups in Springfield.

7/19 CHILD PORN BUST 5PM GRAPHIC :18  
Justin Mentzer bonded out of jail.. faces child porn charges.

7/20 DVILL FATAL SHOOTING 5PM GRAPHIC :43  
23 year old Zellner Brown shot to death in a parking lot in the 500 block of East Main in Danville.

7/20 CIRCLE K ROBBERY 5PM VOSOT 1:06  
Springfield Police arrest one man, searching for another for holdup of the Circle K gas station in the 2200 Block of N. Dirksen.

7/21 TEACHER CHILD PORN 5PM LIVE VOSOT 2:01  
42 year old Scott Brown arrested Friday on child pornography charges. He's a PE teacher at Garfield Montessori in Decatur

7/21 JUSTIN MENTZER 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :22  
19 year old Justin Mentzer of Decatur has bonded out of jail. He also faces child porn charges.

7/21 ANTHONY HUBBARD 5PM GRAPHIC :18  
Christian County judge appoints a public defender to Anthony Hubbard. He faces predatory criminal sexual assault.

7/21 DVILLE HOMICIDE 5PM GRAPHIC :28  
Autopsy shows Zellner Brown died from multiple gunshot wounds early Sunday morning. Police still looking for gunman.

7/21 DALY DUI COURT 5PM GRAPHIC :19  
40 year old James Daly returns to court August 4th for hearing on Aggravated DUI and felony DUI.. for fatal crash last month.

7/21 LSA THEFT 5PM VO :18

Kristine Jones will be in court later this week for a disposition hearing. She's accused of stealing more than 270,000 dollars from LSA.

7/21 TEEN HOUSE DUI 6PM VOSOT :45

16 year old Springfield girl faces DUI charges after she drove into a house on Sunday morning, slightly injuring the homeowner.

7/21 RECONSIDER SENTENCE 6PM LIVE GRAPHIC/VOSOT 1:25

Attorney for Derek Winningham asking for his 3 year sentence for a fatal DUI to be reconsidered due to extraordinary circumstances. Hearing was supposed to be today, but has been delayed a week.

7/21 SEX ASSAULT UPDATE 10PM VO :35

U of I Police say they now believe the man who raped a U of I student last week is college aged instead of in his 20's

7/22 CLARK CO FIRE/BABY 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :31

State Police arrested 23 year old Cayla Wheeler of Westfield for arson. House fire happened nearly two weeks ago.. but police are still investigating the discovery of a newborn baby's body nearby

7/22 TIM MELVIN COURT 5PM VO :26

Timothy Melvin in court for a hearing related to the death of his son. Prosecution gets a continuance until Wednesday.

7/22 RECKLESS DISCHARGE 5PM GRAPHIC :25

Taylorville Police arrest 17 year old Logan Snow for reckless and aggravated discharge of a firearm. Police say he drove around shooting at houses and cars.

7/22 HOOPESTON COUPLE 5PM GRAPHIC/SOT :41

Ronald & Barbara Schwartz plead guilty to unlawful restraint. They supposedly chained their mentally handicapped niece to a bed in 2007.

7/22 DVILLE HOMICIDE 5PM GRAPHIC :14

Still no suspects in the weekend murder in Danville.

7/22 MANHOLE THEFTS 5PM READER :09

Urbana Police say someone stole manhole covers near the Meijer store.

7/22 CHILD PORN FOLO 6PM VOSOT :45

Scott Brown bonded out of jail shortly after his arrest on child porn Friday night. Police are not saying how they investigate these cases.

7/22 SPFLD ROBBERIES 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :40

Springfield Police & Sangamon Co. Sheriff arrest 33 year old Matthew Hill for Circle K armed robbery over the weekend and two other robberies.

7/23 DECATUR MURDER 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:39

54 year old Bennie Topps gunned down in the 900 block of Van Dyke in Decatur this morning

7/23 SANG CO ARRESTS 5PM PKG 1:36

Sangamon County State's Attorney investigator spots Decatur murder suspects car on I-72 near Riverton, calls State Police. Troopers pull car over at I-55 & Toronto Road and arrest them.

- 7/23 BRANDON SHAW COURT 5PM GRAPHIC :16  
Brandon Shaw pleads not guilty to Marcelle Brown's murder in Decatur
- 7/23 THORNTON MOCK TRIAL 5PM VOSOT 1:02  
Christian County State's Attorney holds a mock trial for Kevin Thornton on second degree murder charges for stabbing John Burkett to death in the Pana Wal-Mart parking lot. Mock jury convicted him.. which convinced Thornton to take a plea.
- 7/23 RANTOUL SEX ABUSE 5PM GRAPHIC :20  
22 year old Irshell Rife of Rantoul charged with Aggravated Criminal Sexual Abuse in Champaign County. Accused of having sex with a 14 year old friend.
- 7/23 MT. ZION CHILD PORN 5PM GRAPHIC :13  
Police arrest 71 year old Harry Underwood of Mt.Zion on child pornography charges. They raided his home back in June.
- 7/23 MELVIN HEARING 5PM VO :26  
Trial date of September 15th set for Timothy Melvin.. man charged in the death of his son who was hanging onto his car while on a skateboard in Decatur's Fairview Park.
- 7/23 JEFF WHITE INQUEST 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :29  
Sangamon County coroner's jury rules Jeffrey White's death reckless homicide. 43 year old Mark Simmons charged in the case.
- 7/24 DECATUR 5TH MURDER 5PM LIVE VO 1:28  
Dorian Harris and Cornelius Jones bond set at \$1 million each for murder of Benny Topps yesterday in Decatur.
- 7/24 W. MACON SHOOTING 5PM VO :28  
Man shot in the back in the 600 block of West Macon St. in Decatur last night.
- 7/24 FBI ARRESTS 5PM READER :21  
Three wanted fugitives from the Indianapolis area arrested by the FBI this morning. Two caught in Mt. Zion.. one in Decatur.
- 7/24 GARAGE ARSON 5PM VO :30  
Champaign Police say three teenagers are responsible for arson at garage on Cypress Drive, and several other crimes earlier this month..
- 7/24 RANTOUL CHILD HIT 10PM GRAPHIC :30  
5 year old hit by a car in Rantoul last night. Police say driver, 28 year old Tania Evans was trying to run over another woman she had been involved in an altercation with. She's charged with reckless driving and other charges.
- 7/24 LSA THEFT 10PM VO :19  
Kristine Jones in court tomorrow.. accused of stealing \$270,000 from LSA.
- 7/25 SPFLD DRUG BUST 5PM VOSOT :43  
Crimestoppers tip leads to arrest of 25 year old Gregory Johnson of Springfield for drug possession and intent to deliver charges.
- 7/25 JONES LSA THEFT 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :38  
Kristine Jones pleads guilty to stealing more than \$300,000 from LSA in Decatur. Sentenced to two months probation after paying restitution to the school.
- 7/25 DEC MURDER HISTORY 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :45

One of the suspects in the Bennie Topps murder has a long rap sheet in Macon County. Cornelius Jones has three prior convictions for domestic battery, and was due in court this past Tuesday for Aggravated Battery with a weapon.

7/25 ISP NUMBERS 5PM VO :19

Northwestern University study finds Illinois State Police stopped fewer minorities than local officers statewide.

7/25 HOT FLASH MEDICINE 5PM PKG 1:16

Carle Clinic one place where a medication used to treat nerve pain and seizures is now being tested for relieving hot flashes in menopausal women.

7/25 WHITE LAWSUIT 6PM PKG 1:56

Federal lawsuit filed against Jon White by someone on behalf of one of his victims. Urbana and Normal school districts also named in the suit.

7/26 DVILLE MURDER UPDATE 5PM GRAPHIC :43

Danville Police name 26 year old Alexis Brigham as the suspect in last weekend's murder of Zellner Brown. Released mugshot and issued first degree murder warrant with no bond.

7/26 SEXUAL ASSAULT 10PM GRAPHIC :52

Champaign Police say someone tried to sexually assault a woman on the U of I campus early this morning. Fourth incident in the last two months.

7/28 UI SEX ASSAULT 5PM PKG 2:09

Champaign Police still looking for suspect in weekend attempted rape. Some students becoming more concerned about their safety.

7/28 CAYLA WHEELER 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :30

Cayla Wheeler charged in Clark County with murder and concealing a homicide. This is in addition to arson charges. Accused of killing her newborn son and setting their rural Westfield home on fire a couple weeks ago.

7/28 BABY UNATTENDED 5PM VO :22

Urbana Police arrest a 22 year old mother for leaving her baby outside a bar in a stroller.

7/28 WINNINGHAM COURT 5PM VO :27

Sangamon County judge denies Derek Winningham's request for an alternative sentence. He'll still do 3 years for deadly DUI crash last year.

7/28 CHAMP SHOTS FIRED 5PM GRAPHIC :28

Champaign Police arrest six people after a shots fired call in the 200 block of West William St. One arrested for shooting the shots, another on drug charges and four on unrelated charges.

7/28 DANVILLE MURDER 5PM GRAPHIC :15

Danville Police still looking for Alexis Brigham.. wanted in the Zellner Brown murder.

7/28 GANNON COURT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:27

Former Decatur Police Sergeant Michael Gannon sentenced to probation and TASC program for official misconduct. He admitted to doing cocaine and having sex with prostitutes while on duty.

7/28 HARTWIG COURT 5PM LIVE VO :52

Former Mt. Zion cop Paul Hartwig pleads guilty to one count of theft for stealing gas from the city's public works facility. He'll be on conditional discharge for 24 months.

7/28 ANTHONY HUBBARD 6PM GRAPHIC :15

Christian Co. Grand Jury indicts Anthony Hubbard on Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault.

7/28 PANA BURGLARIES 6PM GRAPHIC :16

Christian Co. Grand Jury indicts 19 year old Nathaniel Bain of Pana on 14 counts of burglary for a string of break-ins in June.

7/28 BUNN PARK DAMAGE 6PM VO :20

Vandals cause more damage over the weekend at Springfield's Bunn Park golf course.

7/28 CHILD PORN PLEA 10PM READER :25

48 year old Keith Chambers of Petersburg pleads guilty to possessing and distributing child pornography using his work computer. He worked for the state.

7/29 JAMAR SMITH 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :47

Champaign Co. prosecutors may revoke Illini basketball player Jamar Smith's probation because he got caught drinking over the weekend. His probation for DUI crash that injured former teammate Brian Carlwell bans him from using alcohol.

7/29 SHEILA MORRIS 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :26

50 year old Sheila Morris pleads guilty to second degree murder for the 2004 stabbing death of Herman Taylor in Springfield. She got 20 years.

7/29 ANTHONY HUBBARD 5PM GRAPHIC :15

Anthony Hubbard gets 20 years for pleading guilty to Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault of a child.

7/29 DECATUR MURDER 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :28

Dorian Harris and Cornelius Jones appear in court for last week's murder of Benny Topps in Decatur. Jones says he's hiring an attorney. Harris wants a public defender.

7/29 STEEL THEFT 5PM VO :22

Champaign Police say someone stole 2 1/2 tons of high nickel steel from Alloy Engineering and Casting. Haul could be worth 15-18,000 dollars at a scrap yard.

7/29 LINCOLN BURGLARIES 5PM READER :16

Lincoln Police telling residents to lock up at night due to a recent string of burglaries.

7/29 CASARAH GIPSON 6PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT :48

20 year old Casarah Gipson appears in court for arraignment on 14 counts including reckless driving. She tearfully apologizes outside the courtroom and claims she was distracted because someone threw a firecracker in her car.

7/29 BAD CHECKS 6PM PKG 1:45

Someone's been passing bogus checks at a Springfield grocery store, banks are working hard to try to stop this kind of fraud.

7/29 JASON COLE 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :30

Jack Jason Cole will undergo psychiatric exam to determine whether he is fit to stand trial for murder of his mother.

7/29 DAVID BLACK 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :17

David Black has trial date set for September 17th for aggravated DUI for crash that killed William & Julie Orndorff.

7/29 CLARK CO. BABY 10PM GRAPHIC :29

Cayla Wheeler's newborn baby died from drowning. She's charged with murder.

7/30 HILTON HEARING 5PM VOSOT 1:08

Melissa Hilton in court for a hearing. She's pregnant again and prosecutors are worried about her new baby because there's no way to tell if she will suffer from post-partum depression again. Has another status hearing in October

7/30 SMITH 5PM VO 1:03

Illini basketball player Jamar Smith appears in court for hearing that he violated his probation. Returns to court Sept.17.

7/30 BANK ROBBERY FOLO 5PM GRAPHIC :34

Police have leads in bank robbery in Livingston, believe the suspect lives and works in central Illinois.

7/30 BB GUN ARRESTS 5PM GRAPHICS :29

Champaign police arrest three teenagers for shooting out car windows with a BB gun.

7/30 BUNN PARK ARREST 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :21

Springfield Park Police arrest 25 year old Tommy Foster for vandalism at Bunn Park golf course.

7/30 GOV PASSES BILL 10PM LIVE PKG 2:27

Gov. Blagojevich signs a bill that toughens penalties for criminal abuse of children.

7/30 MT ZION GAS THEFT 10PM VO :30

Three Christian County men accused of trying to steal gas from a Mt.Zion gas station have a hearing in Macon County Court. Back in court in August for a preliminary hearing.

7/31 CHAMPAIGN MURDER 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:32

26 year old Gregory Moore shot to death last night in the 200 block of Roper St. Police looking for Granville Sanchez Johnson. Police got tip he was at a home in the neighborhood and SWAT team surrounded house. When they went in, Johnson wasn't there.

7/31 TOP STORY 10PM VO :50

Illini basketball coach Bruce Weber throws Jamar Smith off the team for violating terms of his probation.

8/1 CHAMP MURDER FOLO 5PM VO :19

Champaign Police still looking for Granville Sanchez Brown for murder of Gregory Moore.

8/1 MURDER GUILTY PLEA 6PM VO :30

35 year old Kenneth Sean Kelly pleads guilty to first degree murder for Jerry Haigh's murder. Prosecutors recommending a 50 year sentence.

8/2 CHAMPAIGN MURDER 5pm GRAPHIC/VOSOT 1:14

Champaign Police say Chicago Police arrested Granville Sanchez Brown last night.

8/3 CHAMPAIGN ARREST 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :40

Champaign Police not sure yet when Granville Sanchez Brown will be brought back to Champaign County to face murder charges.

- 8/4 SPFLD BANK ROBBERY 5PM VO :25  
National City bank in the 800 block of S.Eleventh in Springfield held up this morning. Suspect got away on a bicycle.
- 8/4 L-STON BANK ROBBERY 5PM F/S GPX :27  
Suspected bank robber in Livingston still on the loose.
- 8/4 ADAM HILL CHARGED 5PM VO :30  
24 year old Adam Hill charged with a long list of violations for causing June 25th four-car crash on 22nd Street at Garfield in Decatur.
- 8/4 JAMES DALY COURT 5PM F/S GPX :29  
James Daly appears in Champaign County court for Aggravated DUI and Felony DUI for fatal crash in May. Due back in court tomorrow.
- 8/4 FORD/COURT 5PM F/S GPX :23  
37 year old Douglas Ford of Taylorville charged with criminal sexual assault and abuse to a minor. Bond set at \$250,000.
- 8/4 LIQUOR STORE SHOOT 5PM VO :27  
20 year old Jaylon Dennis arrested and charged with attempted murder and possession of a firearm by a felon for shooting outside JB Liquor Sunday night. Victim recovering from gunshot wound.
- 8/4 DAY CARE CENTER 10PM VO :30  
Urbana Police investigating allegations of child abuse at the Bradley Learning Center daycare on July 31st. A 1 year old was reportedly hurt. Daycare spokesperson says the allegations are false.
- 8/5 TIN FOIL GAS THEFT 5PM PKG 2:07  
Someone put tin foil on a Urbana gas station's satellite dish.. which disrupted the data flow. That allowed them to use a stolen or expired credit card to buy gas.
- 8/5 JAYLON DENNIS 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :28  
Accused JB Liquor shooter Jaylon Dennis appears in Macon County Court on attempted murder charges. Bond set at \$150,000.
- 8/5 BANK ROB ARREST 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :26  
44 year old James Williams arrested for robbing National City Bank on 11th Street in Springfield.
- 8/5 PRISON PORN 6PM VO :24  
Some inmates at the Jacksonville prison were able to watch porn on their TV's over the weekend. Their TV's were able to unscramble the scrambled signal. Prison pulled the plug while cable company solves the problem,
- 8/5 WENDIE ECKERT 6PM GRAPHIC :31  
Wendie Eckert sentenced to 4 years in prison for aggravated DUI and leaving scene of an accident. She ran over and killed a woman in a Springfield alley last summer.
- 8/5 ROCHESTER GUN 6PM VO :21  
16 year old Jacob Williams pleads guilty to unlawful use of a weapon on school property. He brought a loaded gun to Rochester High School last year. Faces 2-5 years or probation when sentenced in October.

- 8/5 TEEN PLEADS GUILTY 10PM VO :27  
18 year old Erin Ruprecht pleads guilty to driving when she had marijuana in her system when she turned in front of a gasoline tanker causing it to overturn and spill.
- 8/6 TOPPS MURDER 5PM LIVE VO/GRAPHIC 1:32  
Cornelius Jones and Dorian Harris in court for preliminary hearing on murder charges. Came out that Bennie Topps was shot in the back, then shot several times while he laid on the ground.
- 8/6 CAYLA WHEELER COURT 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :21  
Cayla Wheeler pleads not guilty to murdering her newborn son.
- 8/6 UI SEX ARREST 6PM PKG 2:00  
Police in Florida arrest Justin Young for rape of a woman on the U of I campus July 13th.
- 8/6 SLOVER JUDGE 6PM VO :39  
Macon County Judge Timothy Steadman will preside over post-sentencing hearing for the Slovers. The hearing was ordered by an appellate court.
- 8/6 JUDGE VACANCY 6PM GRAPHIC :29  
A judicial screening committee has been formed to pick a replacement for retiring 6th Judicial Circuit judge John Greanias, who is retiring.
- 8/7 JON WHITE TEACHERS 5PM PKG 1:53  
Champaign County prosecutors file misdemeanor charges against former Urbana school superintendent, human resources director, and principal of Thomas Paine Elementary for failing to report suspected child abuse in the Jon White Case.
- 8/7 WRONGFUL DEATH 5PM VO :23  
Federal jury rules Springfield police officer Jason Oliver not liable for Andrew Sallinger's death in 2002. Sallinger's family claimed police used excessive force.
- 8/7 PHARMACY BURGLARIES 5PM GRAPHIC :23  
33 year old Roger Dyer indicted for a series of pharmacy burglaries.. including one in Assumption.
- 8/8 CHILD BEATEN 5PM VOSOT :40  
Daniel Henninger convicted of Aggravated Battery to a Child in Sangamon County court for sevebeating up his girlfriend's 6 year old daughter last year.
- 8/8 RYAN WEEMER 5PM GRAPHIC :22  
Marine Sgt. Ryan Weemer of Hindsboro ordered to stand trial in military court for allegedly killing an Iraqi detainee in Fallujah.
- 8/8 GRANVILLE JOHNSON 5PM PKG 1:26  
Granville Sanchez Johnson makes his initial appearance in Champaign Co. court on murder charges.
- 8/8 PIATT COUNTY BURGLARIES 10PM PKG 1:48  
Number of Piatt County homes have been broken into over the past few weeks.. even while residents are home. Three juveniles have been arrested and more suspects may be out there.
- 8/11 COLLINS PLEA 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :28



Curtis Collins pleads guilty to murder in the death of his girlfriend Heather Muntean last year. He threw her off the Race St. Bridge and into Boneyard Creek in Urbana.

8/11 STOLEN RINGS 6PM READER :22

Someone reportedly stole two rings off a dead woman's body during a visitation at a Champaign funeral home.

8/12 MORE BOGUS CHECKS 5PM VO :25

Three Springfield County Market stores get more bogus checks worth several thousand dollars.

8/13 TEACHER SEX CHARGE 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :31

Scott Brown formally charged with possessing child porn with intent to distribute. Arraigned on Friday.

8/14 HOULIHANS ROBBED 10PM GRAPHIC :16

Brand new Houlihans restaurant at the I Hotel robbed.

8/15 DEAD WOMAN 5PM VOSOT :41

Springfield Police investigating death of a woman in the 1600 block of S. 17th Street. Treating it as a homicide.

8/15 GEORGE WELLS 5PM VO :16

58 year old George Wells of Mt.Zion arraigned on child porn charges.

8/15 SCOTT BROWN 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :35

Decatur gym teacher Scott Brown also arraigned on child porn charges.

8/15 DECATUR DUI RECORD 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :30

Decatur police have made 313 DUI arrests this year, which is a new record for the city.

8/15 CHAMP-URB BIKES 6PM PKG 1:42

Bicycle thefts on the rise in Champaign-Urbana because more people are riding them.

8/15 FUGITIVE ARREST 10PM PKG 1:29

Champaign Police arrest a man who escaped from a Colorado prison about a year ago.

8/15 WOMAN STABBED 10PM VO :33

Springfield Police arrest 55 year old Mamie Hullum for stabbing a family member in the arm during an argument.

8/18 DVILLE MURDER ARREST 5PM GRAPHIC :18

Alexis Brigham arraigned on murder charges.

8/18 PRIEST ABUSE 5PM GRAPHIC :26

State Supreme Court rules it will not intervene and stop James Wisniewski's lawsuit against the Belleville Diocese for being sexually abused by a priest in the 1970's.

8/18 HUCKS ROBBERY 6PM VO :28

Woman suspected of holding up Hucks on 22nd St. in Decatur detained on I-72 in Sangamon County.

8/18 CAR VANDALISM 10PM PKG 2:01

Seven Springfield police cars have their windows smashed out in front of the officer's homes overnight.

- 8/18 JUSTIN YOUNG 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :36  
U of I rape suspect Justin Young arraigned in Champaign County Court.
- 8/19 ARNETTE TRIAL 5PM LIVE VO/GRAPHIC 1:21  
Judge denies defense motion for mistrial. Jury has been picked and opening statements set for tomorrow.
- 8/19 PAUL HUBER 5PM GRAPHIC :15  
59 year old Paul Huber of Harristown arraigned on child porn charges.
- 8/19 JUSTIN MENTZER 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :27  
19 year old Justin Mentzer of Decatur arraigned on child porn charges.
- 8/19 HUCKS FOLO 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :33  
47 year old Marlene Beller of Decatur accused of stealing cigarettes from the Hucks on 22nd Street. Told cashier it was a stickup. Police caught her on I-72.
- 8/19 D-G ROBBERY 10PM VO :29  
Dollar General store in the 1600 block of Wabash in Springfield robbed around 9pm.
- 8/20 ARNETTE COURT 5PM PKG 2:02  
Opening statements given and testimony begins in Robert Arnette's murder trial in Champaign County Court.
- 8/20 DEBRA KIRBY 5PM VO :19  
Debra Kirby of Taylorville changes plea to guilty in federal court. She's charged with embezzling more than \$750,000 when she worked in the state Treasurer's office.
- 8/20 SHELBY CO. DOG FIGHTS 6PM PKG 2:29  
34 year old Matthew Dalton of rural Stewardson arrested for running a dogfighting ring and on drug possession charges. 23 dogs seized from the property.
- 8/20 POT BUST 6PM GRAPHIC :20  
State Police seize 450 pounds of marijuana during a traffic stop on Interstate 55 at exit 88 in Springfield. Two Texas residents arrested.
- 8/20 SPFLD STABBING 6PM VO :20  
44 year old man stabbed in the 1300 block of West Miller in Springfield. Victim later died.
- 8/20 D-G ROBBERY FILO 10PM VO :30  
Springfield Police still looking for man who held up Dollar General in the 1600 block of Wabash.
- 8/21 ARNETTE TRIAL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:26  
Day two of Robert Arnette's murder trial in Champaign County Court. Three people testify they heard him talk about killing or burying his wife.
- 8/21 MAN EXPOSING 5PM READER :21  
Champaign Police say a man has been exposing women on the U of I campus. He pulls down their skirts & underwear and takes pictures.
- 8/21 WINDSOR FIRE ARRESTS 5PM VO :24  
Two Shelby County teenagers arrested for setting a house on fire in Windsor. Also admitted to an unrelated burglary.

- 8/21 MATTHEW DALTON 6PM VO :33  
34 year old Matthew Dalton appears in Shelby County Court charged with running a dog fighting ring and drug possession.
- 8/21 POT BUST 6PM GRAPHIC :27  
State Police seized 450 pounds of marijuana during a traffic stop on I-55 yesterday. Sent us pictures of the drugs today.
- 8/21 DEC DRUG BUST 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :30  
Decatur Police arrest 30 year old Jeremiah Campbell on drug charges. He was free on bond awaiting trial on murder charges.
- 8/21 CHAMP WANTED MAN 6PM GRAPHIC :20  
Champaign Police looking for Steven Croom for outstanding warrant on marijuana charges.
- 8/21 SPFLD STABBING 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :19  
Markus Sharp of Springfield arrested for stabbing death of 42 year old Dennis Low, Jr.
- 8/21 GAS THEFT 6PM VO :12  
Urbana Police say someone's stealing gas from the school districts maintenance vehicles.
- 8/22 PUPPY MILL BUST 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:38  
55 dogs seized from an alleged puppy mill in Douglas County. Most of the animals taken to Macon County Animal Shelter.
- 8/22 MARKUS SHARP 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :24  
Sangamon County prosecutors formally charge Markus Sharp with the murder of 42 year old Dennis Low, Jr.
- 8/22 DEC VIOLENCE 6PM PKG 2:01  
Four shootings last night in Decatur. One of the victims shot during an attempted robbery says he's lucky to be alive.
- 8/24 CAB ROBBERY 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :48  
Springfield Police arrest a woman for trying to rob a cab driver. A officer saw the whole thing happen.
- 8/24 MACARTHUR STABBING 5PM GRAPHIC :20  
Argument between two Springfield teens leads to a stabbing. Victim treated and released.
- 8/24 DIANE SHOOTING 10PM VO :32  
Woman found shot in the head in a car outside a home at 5 Diane Drive in Decatur.
- 8/25 ARNETTE TRIAL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:55  
Robert Arnette convicted of first degree murder for the death of his estranged wife Naomi and concealing a homicide.
- 8/25 PUPPY MILL BUST 5PM PKG 2:21  
Animal shelter staff and volunteers working round the clock to help the 55 dogs seized from an alleged puppy mill in Douglas County.
- 8/25 DEC SHOOTING FOLO 5PM VO :27  
43 year old Dawn Marquis dies from being shot in the head on Sunday.

- 8/25 PITBULL FIGHTING 5PM VO :19  
34 year old Matthew Dalton agrees to pay for the care of 23 pit bulls seized from his property in Shelby County. He's charged with running a dogfighting ring.
- 8/25 HEYWORTH STANDOFF 10PM GRAPHIC :37  
34 year old Cletus Ridgeway apparently takes his own life during a standoff with police in Heyworth. Started Sunday when they tried to arrest him for domestic battery.
- 8/25 TAP PROGRAM 10PM VO :25  
40 students ticketed for underage drinking at Campustown bars in latest Campus/Tap detail.
- 8/26 DEJAYNES PLEA 5PM LIVE VO 1:13  
Randy DeJaynes pleads guilty to one count of child pornography in Macon County Court. Prosecutors drop three other counts. He will not go to prison.. goes on probation, pays a fine and will be a convicted felon and sex offender.
- 8/26 MAN HITS COPS 5PM READER :22  
Man trying to run from police on a domestic disturbance runs into two squad cars.
- 8/26 ATT ARMED ROB 5PM VO :24  
Urbana police arrest a teenager for carjacking a BMW.
- 8/26 UI CRIME 6PM PKG 1:54  
Champaign Police presenting new plan to reduce crime in the Campustown area to city council during a study session tonight.
- 8/26 GRANVILLE JOHNSON 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :26  
Granville Johnson appears in Champaign County court for a preliminary hearing on murder charges.
- 8/26 JEREMIAH CAMPBELL 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :30  
Macon County judge revokes Jeremiah Campbell's bond. He was arrested on drug charges while free on bond awaiting trial on murder charges in October.
- 8/26 GARAGE SALE BURGLARY 10PM GRAPHIC :31  
Champaign Police looking for people who stole money and credit card receipts from the YMCA garage sale fundraiser.
- 8/27 SCALDED BABY 5PM GRAPHIC :26  
Sylvester Henderson sentenced to 15 years in prison for scalding his 22 month old daughter.
- 8/27 ATTEMPTED ARSON 5PM VO :21  
Champaign boy charged with attempted arson for starting several fires inside St. Thomas More High School gym on Sunday.
- 8/27 READ MURDER TRIAL 5PM GRAPHIC :19  
Christopher Graves back in court Sept. 3 for hearing in Brandon Read murder.
- 8/27 BEARDSTOWN 10PM VOSOT 1:02  
41 year old Juan Reyes of Beardstown busted for selling drugs. Seized 11 pounds of marijuana from his home and the tavern he owned and operated.
- 8/28 CENTRAL FIGHT 5PM VO :16

Several students involved in a fight at Champaign Central High School. Police called out, school on lockdown, at least one arrest.

8/28 PUPPY MILL FOLO 5PM PKG 1:44

Douglas County prosecutors will not file charges against owner of alleged puppy mill. Family friend shows documents that show state ag inspectors looked at the place a week before it was raided and showed no violations.

8/28 MANHOLE THEFTS 5PM PKG 1:47

Someone stealing manhole covers in Danville. City notifying scrapyards and recycling companies.. who are looking out for suspicious items.

8/28 SPFLD STABBING 10PM VO :26

Sangamon County grand jury refuses to indict Markus Sharp on murder charges for stabbing Dennis Low to death. Grand jury ruled he acted in self-defense.

8/29 HOMICIDE/MISSING MAN 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :35

Decatur Police looking for Joseph Hoffman who may have information about Dawn Marquis' murder.

8/29 TRUCK DRIVER 5PM VO :21

Truck driver involved in Indiana crash that killed Elizabeth Smith of Mt. Zion and four others from Taylor University released from prison.

8/30 HOMICIDE/MISSING MAN 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :33

Decatur Police still haven't found Joseph Hoffman who may have information about Dawn Marquis' murder.

9/1 IROQUOIS CO FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :28

43 year old Robert Rowe of Tennessee facing aggravated DUI for a fatal crash over the weekend in Iroquois County.

9/1 MURDER/MISSING MAN 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :25

Decatur Police still looking for Joseph Hoffman who may have information about Dawn Marquis' murder.

9/2 MURDER/MISSING MAN 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :29

Decatur Police now calling Joseph Hoffman a person of interest in Dawn Marquis' murder. Also named Bill Richter a person of interest. Still looking for Hoffman.

9/2 SPFLD SHOTS FIRED 5PM VO :24

Springfield Police arrest two men after a report of shots fired at 13th & Jackson.

9/2 AMANDA HAMM 6PM VO :25

Amanda Hamm walks out of prison a week after serving nearly 5 years of her 10 year sentence for child endangerment for the drownings of her three kids in Clinton Lake.

9/3 GROUP HOME DEATH 5PM GRAPHIC :23

Charleston Police arrest 26 year old Robert Gardner for beating death of 21 year old Dustin Higgins at the Graywood Residential facility.

9/3 SPFLD SHOTS FIRED 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :35

Springfield Police holding two men for an armed robbery and shots fired in the 1300 block of East Jackson St. yesterday.

9/3 CHRISTOPHER GRAVES 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :26

Pretrial hearing for Christopher Graves, one of the suspects in the Brandon Read murder. Judge ruled Graves' attorney Mark Bradley is ineffective, and will appoint a public defender.

- 9/3 NICHOLSON SENTENCE 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :24  
Robert Nicholson sentenced to 30 years in prison for murdering his wife Donna.
- 9/3 MEREDOSIA MURDER 6PM GRAPHIC :28  
Christopher Walker scheduled for bench trial next Tuesday, Michael Buss has a pretrial in October. Charged with killing Ryan Butler near Meredosia in January.
- 9/4 CHARLESTON DEATH 5PM LIVE PKG 2:11  
Three Graywood Foundation workers fired and resident charged in the death of Dustin Higgins.. who was beaten to death by another resident of the group home.
- 9/4 ROCHESTER ARREST 5PM GRAPHIC :16  
Sangamon County Deputies arrest 55 year old James VonBehren for aggravated domestic battery and aggravated battery to a peace officer.. plus other charges.
- 9/5 S'VILLE COURTHOUSE 5PM VOSOT :44  
Bomb threat forces evacuation of Shelby County Courthouse in Shelbyville.
- 9/7 DECATUR STABBING 5PM VO :32  
Woman found stabbed to death inside a house in the 1300 block of 18th St.
- 9/7 DRUG INVESTIGATION 10PM GRAPHIC :24  
Decatur police seized 150 grams of cocaine, plus marijuana and cash during a raid in the 1400 block of E. Pershing on Wednesday.
- 9/8 HAMM ADVANCER 5PM VO :29  
Amanda Hamm will be released from prison tomorrow.
- 9/8 RANTOUL THREAT 5PM VOSOT :46  
Police say a threat found on the school district's website was a prank. The girl who left it was not allowed at school today, and was chastized by police for it.
- 9/8 STABBING FOLO 5PM VO :25  
Decatur Police still looking for suspects in Leadgrie Cunningham's stabbing death on Sunday.
- 9/9 HAMM FREE 5PM PKG 1:24  
Amanda Hamm released from Dwight Correctional Center after serving half of her 10 year sentence on child endangerment charges for the drownings of her three kids in Clinton Lake.
- 9/9 JUVY FIGHT 5PM VO :22  
Several juveniles taken into custody after fight near Eisenhower High School.
- 9/9 JUSTIN YOUNG 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :32  
U of I rape suspect Justin Young appears in court for a preliminary hearing
- 9/9 SPFLD CHECK SCAM 6PM SOT :41  
Springfield Police warning about another check scam that's circulating.
- 9/9 SPITLER WOODS FIGHT 10PM 2:01

Brawl between two girls in Spitle Woods State Park in Mt. Zion ends up on Youtube. Someone watching recorded it on a cell phone. Deputies made two arrests and more could be coming.

9/10 DRUG BAR SEIZURE 5PM VO :25

City of Beardstown may try to take the tavern and home of a man busted for drug possession and dealing.

9/10 SPFLD DRUGS 5PM GRAPHIC :20

Springfield Police arres a man for dealing drugs

9/10 CHECK SCAM 5PM GRAPHIC :20

Macon County Sheriff says a check scam is also circulating in the county.

9/10 SCOTT BROWN 6PM GRAPHIC :19

Former Decatur gym teacher Scott Brown indicted on federal Child Pornography charges.

9/10 DECATUR HOMICIDES 6PM VOSOT :53

Decatur Police detectives have their hands full investigating Leadgrie Cunningham and Dawn Marquis' murders.

9/10 POLICE CANVASS 6PM VO :28

Decatur Police going door to door in certain neighborhoods asking residents about their concerns.

9/10 CUNNINGHAM STABBING 10PM PKG 1:34

Leadgrie Cunningham's family doesn't want her labeled as just another murder victim.

9/10 SPITLER WOODS 10PM VO :29

Video of two girls fighting in Spitle Woods state park now part of a Macon County Sheriff's investigation. Video has been removed from Youtube.

9/10 WHEELER MENTAL EXAM 10PM VO :25

Cayla Wheeler ordered to undergo a mental examination. She's charged with killing her newborn son and burning her home.

9/10 SPRINGFIELD ROBBERY 10PM GRAPHIC :24

Federal Grand Jury indicts 44 year old James Williams on bank robbery charges.

9/10 KREKELS SEARCH 10PM VO :17

Police searching a car in the Route 36 Krekels parking lot. May be part of a drug investigation.

9/10 CAMPUS TAP 10PM VO :18

32 people caught in an underage drinking detail on the U of I campus.

9/11 PRIEST DRUG ARREST 5PM LIVE PKG 2:22

Priest at Newman Catholic Center on the U of I campus arrested on cocaine possession and sales charges.

9/11 TODDLER KILLED 5PM GRAPHIC :25

Bloomington Police arrest 24 year old Franklin Byers for killing his then-girlfriend's 17 month old son a year ago.

9/11 SHARTZER PLEA 5PM GRAPHIC :16

Stacy Shartzter gets 14 years for pleading guilty to sexual assault charges in Christian County.

9/12 DEC STABBING ARREST 5PM VO :20

Police arrest Brandon Owens for the murder of Leadgrie Cunningham.

9/13 DECATUR STABBING 5PM VO :22

Bond hearing set for Monday for Brandon Owens.. suspect in Leadgrie Cunningham's murder.

9/13 MARQUIS MURDER 5PM VO :20

Now that there's an arrest in the Cunningham murder.. investigators now focusing on Dawn Marquis murder.

9/15 BRANDON OWENS 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :43

Murder suspect Brandon Owens ordered held without bond.

9/15 ERNEST ROSE 5PM VO :26

Ernest Rose requests a bench trial on animal neglect charges. Trial begins today.

9/15 BRANDON OWENS 10PM PKG 2:02

Funeral for Leadgrie Cunningham today, family remembers her as Brandon Owens is ordered held without bond.

9/15 CHAMP ARMED ROBBER 10PM GRAPHIC :19

Champaign Police arrest 18 year old Christopher Baker for robbing the Circle K in the 1300 block of Neil St.

9/16 WHITE 2ND LAWSUIT 5PM PKG 2:13

Another civil lawsuit on behalf of a victim of Jon White filed against White, the Urbana school district, seven former administrators.. and the Normal School district and several administrators.

9/16 ERNEST ROSE 5PM VO :23

Ernest Rose's animal neglect trial continues in Coles County Court

9/16 CHATHAM ARREST 5PM GRAPHIC :31

Eric Smith turns himself in to Chatham Police for damaging and burglarizing several cars at Chatham-Glenwood High School last March.+

9/17 JAMAR SMITH 5PM PKG 2:05

Former Illini basketball player Jamar Smith gets another 18 months probation for violating his probation on DUI conviction.

9/17 BRANDON OWENS 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :20

Brandon Owens formally charged with six counts of first degree murder for Leadgrie Cunningham's murder.

9/17 ZELLNER BROWN 5PM GRAPHIC :16

Vermilion County Coroner's jury rules Zellner Brown's death a homicide. Alexis Brigham charged with his murder.

9/17 BABY BEATEN 6PM PKG 2:02

28 year old Darren Caulk of rural Findlay charged with aggravated battery to a child. Accused of throwing his girlfriend's 7 week old baby to the ground.. breaking several bones.



- 9/17 KELLY SENTENCING 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:38  
Kenneth Sean Kelly gets 50 years in prison for the 2006 murder of Jerry Haigh. Haigh's daughter and husband attacked Kelly in the courtroom. Cory Shackelford has been charged with aggravated battery.
- 9/17 STOLEN CAR/KIDS 6PM LIVE PKG :47  
Three Springfield teenagers arrested after they wrecked a car they stole.
- 9/18 ATTORNEY ARRESTED 5PM GRAPHICS :50  
Decatur attorney Mark Bradley arrested for threatening a public official.
- 9/18 BEARDSTOWN BURGLAR 5PM GRAPHIC :23  
Beardstown Police looking for man who burglarized the Dairy Queen and stole a car
- 9/18 SCOTT BROWN 5PM GRAPHIC :31  
Macon County prosecutors drop child porn charges against former Decatur teacher Scott Brown because he's been charged in Federal Court.
- 9/18 KELLY SENTENCING 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :35  
Champaign County prosecutors will not file assault charges against Corey Shackelford for attacking Kenneth Sean Kelly during his sentencing hearing yesterday.
- 9/19 THORNTON SENTENCE 5PM VO :19  
25 year old Kevin Thornton of Pana gets 10 years in prison for stabbing John Burkett to death during a fight in the Pana Wal-Mart parking lot in 2006.
- 9/19 ROSE VERDICT 6PM VO :22  
Coles County judge finds Ernest Rose guilty of a number of animal cruelty charges.. but not all of the ones he faced.
- 9/20 IROQUOIS DEATH 5PM GRAPHIC :38  
22 year old Leonard Badenhorst arrested for beating death of his grandfather.. 79 year old Herschel Fleming in his rural Milford home on Friday.
- 9/21 SPRINGFIELD HOMICIDE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:36  
Woman who was a student at UIS shot and killed at a convenience store in the 2700 block of Stevenson in Springfield
- 9/21 BEARDSTOWN ARREST 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :35  
Bearstown Police arest 24 year old Brandon Logue for burglarizing the Dairy Queen and stealing a car.
- 9/21 IROQUOIS DEATH 10PM GRAPHIC :29  
Leonard Badenhorst bond set at one million dollars for murder of his grandfather. Returns to court tomorrow.
- 9/22 SPFLD MURDER 5PM VOSOT :57  
LaDarryl House arrested for killing 46 year old Linda Caldwell at a convenience store on Stevenson Drive in Springfield on Sunday.
- 9/22 MARK BRADLEY 5PM GRAPHICS :36  
Macon County attorney Mark Bradley ordered to undergo psychiatric evaluation. Charged with threatening a judge.
- 9/22 MILFORD MURDER 6PM PKG 1:49

Leonard Badenhorst arraigned on first degree murder charges for the beating death of his grandfather over the weekend.

9/22 BTOWN ARREST 6PM VO :32

Beardstown Police credit Newscenter 17 for airing surveillance video from the Dairy Queen arrest.. which lead to the tip that brought them to Brandon Logue.. who's been arrested.

9/22 ALCOHOL CHECKS 10PM GRAPHICS :26

5 workers from nine businesses checked in an alcohol compliance checks in Macon County arrested for selling to minors.

9/23 CHAMPAIGN POLICE 5PM VO :29

Champaign Police shut down three blocks of South First after a woman and a apartment manager get in a dispute over a deposit.. and it was thought the woman pulled a gun. It was just a cell phone and no arrests.

9/23 AGE GUESSER 5PM GRAPHIC :36

U of I developing new software that can guess a person's age by examining their face. Could be used to keep underage drinkers out of bars.

9/23 BABY BEATING 6PM GRAPHIC :28

Shelby Co. prosecutors charge 19 year old Jesicka Bodamer with aggravated battery to a child for the beating of her infant daughter.

9/23 BEATING DEATH FOLO 6PM VO :30

Leonard Badenhorst needs an attorney certified to defend him against a possible death sentence for the beating death of his grandfather.

9/24 EHS PORN 6PM PKG 2:04

Decatur Police investigating the circulation of a picture of a semi-nude teenage girl at Eisenhower that's being passed along via cell phones.

9/24 JON WHITE LAWSUIT 6PM VO :25

Jon White now faces a third civil lawsuit related to his conviction on child sex abuse charges.

9/24 BABY BEATING 6PM GRAPHIC :31

Shelby County judge sets Jesicka Bodamer's bond at 250 thousand dollars for aggravated battery to a child for the beating of her infant daughter.

9/24 PROSTITUTION NETWORK 10PM GRAPHIC :32

61 year old Pleasant Plains woman indicted for being part of a multi-state prostitution operation.

9/24 MEXICAN REST. LABOR 10PM VO :31

US Department of Labor says owners of two Decatur Mexican restaurants violated minimum wage and overtime wage laws.

9/25 LOVINGTON VANDALS 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:43

Vandals cause more than 30,000 dollars damage to Lovington High School overnight . High School classes moved to elementary school while district cleaned up the mess.

9/25 BURGLARY ARREST 5PM PKG 1:57

Champaign County deputies make an arrest for two separate burglaries in the Mahomet area.

- 9/25 ELDERLY ABUSE 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:21  
Five Sangamon County residents indicted on elder abuse charges in separate incidents
- 9/25 BEATING MURDER 6PM VO :31  
Watseka attorney Ronald Boyer appointed to represent Leonard Badenhorst in his upcoming murder trial.
- 9/25 COACH SEX OFFENDER 10PM GRAPHIC :29  
Former Springfield Lanphier baseball coach Jeffrey Borski pleads guilty to aggravated sexual abuse and indecent solicitation of a child. Gets four years probation and must register as a sex offender for life.
- 9/26 CHILD BURNED 5PM GRAPHIC :28  
Sangamon County prosecutors issue warrant for 22 year old Cara Geckles of Springfield.. she's accused of severely burning her 18 month old child.
- 9/26 BABY BEATING 5PM PKG 2:02  
19 year old Jesicka Bodamer's parents say they believe their daughter confessed to beating her baby because she felt guilty for leaving it in her boyfriend Darren Caulk's care.
- 9/26 JON WHITE SUITS 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :36  
Two more victims of Jon White file civil suits.. bringing the number to five.
- 9/26 CLEVELAND BRADFIELD 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :27  
Decatur minister Cleveland Bradfield indicted again on aggravated criminal sexual abuse charges. Prosecutors dropped similar charges a year ago.
- 9/26 ROBBERY SENTENCE 5PM GRAPHIC :24  
22 year old Bradley Gensler of Mt. Zion sentenced to 30 years in prison for holding up Clinton Mobil Super Pantry last year.
- 9/26 LOVINGTON VANDALS 5PM VO :23  
Lovington Police have two people in custody for vandalism at Lovington High School.
- 9/27 CARA GECKLES 5PM GRAPHIC :40  
Springfield Police arrest 22 year old Cara Geckles on an outstanding warrant on charges of aggravated battery to a child for severely burning her 18 month old child. She's free on bond.
- 9/27 PROSTITUTION RING 10PM GRAPHIC :25  
Court records show 61 year old Letha Dean of Pleasant Plains played a key role in an alleged mult-state prostitution ring.
- 9/29 ALLHANDS DUI 5PM GRAPHIC :30  
Ryan Allhands busted for DUI in Vermilion County. Free on bond awaiting trial for beating death of his former girlfriends baby. Likely violated terms of his bail.
- 9/29 ROBERT GARDNER 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :29  
Robert Gardner pleads not guilty to aggravated battery in death of Dustin Higgins at a Charleston group home.
- 9/29 TIM MELVIN LAWYER 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :34  
Timothy Melvin decides to keep Mark Bradley as his attorney. Melvin charged with reckless homicide for his son's death in Decatur's Fairview Park. Bradley has been declared incompetent by a judge.. and faces charges for allegedly threatening a judge.

9/29 POT TO SCHOOL 6PM VO :19

Five year old at Owen Marsh Elementary brings a small bag of marijuana to school. Police called and take the weed away. DCFS looking into the matter.

9/29 JOHN KELLEY 6PM GRAPHIC :16

Former Sangamon Co. Asst. State's Attorney John Kelley suspended from the bar for two years by state Supreme Court after admitting to drug use.

9/30 DECATUR COKE BUST 5PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT 1:11

Macon County Deputies pull over a man in Forsyth for a traffic stop.. he takes off after they call for K9 backup. Wrecks the car and ran away. Deputies caught him and found \$65,000 worth of cocaine in the car.

9/30 WHITE LAWSUIT 5PM GRAPHIC :32

One of the plaintiffs in a civil lawsuit against Jon White reaches a tentative settlement.

9/30 CHAINED TO BED 6PM GRAPHIC :31

Ronald and Barbara Schwartz sentenced to 18 months probation for chaining their mentally challenged niece to a bed.

9/30 BADENHORST FOLO 6PM VO :25

Iroquois County prosecutors subpoena Leonard Badenhorst's school and psychological records as they determine whether or not to seek the death penalty.

9/30 UI RAPE ARREST 10PM VO :28

Former Illini football player Steve Feagin arrested on rape charges in Broward County, FL.

## Economy

7/1 MINIMUM WAGE 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :35

State minimum wage goes up to \$7.75 per hour today

7/1 FUTUREGEN 10PM VO :27

Illinois Clean Coal Review Board will meet tomorrow to decide whether to spend \$2 million for engineering work on Futuregen project so it can stay on track.

7/2 LIHEAP SIGNUP 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :34

Appointments for applications for LIHEAP energy assistance grants starting July 7th in Urbana.

7/2 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:01

New drive-in theater has opened up in Charleston.

7/3 MALL STORES 5PM VO :32

Retail clothier Steve & Barry's in financial trouble, Hickory Point Mall manager says he doesn't know if the store there will be closing. MC Sports is moving inside the mall and reconstruction is underway.

7/3 SHUTTLE BUS 6PM PKG 1:56

Jacksonville transit system considering starting a shuttle bus to Springfield. Rising gas prices have some commuters asking for the service.

- 7/3 HEARTLAND LOCKOUT 6PM VOSOT 1:02  
More than 30 AFSCME union workers at Heartland Human Services in Effingham have been locked out. They had been on strike for a year, but last week offered to return to work and resume contract talks.
- 7/4 UNITED CUTS 10PM VO :41  
United Airlines ending regional service between Bloomington and Chicago this fall. Tough economy to blame.
- 7/6 PANTRIES IN A PINCH 5PM PKG 1:51  
Local food pantries are having a tougher time meeting demand due to more people seeking help due to rising gas & food prices
- 7/6 INSURANCE BENEFITS 5PM VO :27  
State extends unemployment insurance to 13 weeks for some 60-thousand Illinois residents.
- 7/6 KEEP COOL IL 10PM VO :25  
LIHEAP agencies will begin taking appointments starting tomorrow for utility bill assistance.
- 7/6 GAS PRICES UP 10PM VO :21  
Gas prices increased slightly over the holiday weekend..
- 7/7 LIHEAP 10PM LIVE PKG 2:32  
Sangamon County Community Resources says the lines for LIHEAP assistance are getting longer due to rising food & fuel prices.
- 7/9 LIVESTOCK FLOOD 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :27  
USDA says farmers affected by flooding can allow livestock to graze on set-aside conservation land.
- 7/9 STEVE/BARRY'S CLOSING 10PM VO :25  
Steve & Barry's files bankruptcy, and may likely close several stores.. but won't give locations.
- 7/10 REX PIPELINE 5PM VOSOT :31  
Rockies Express gets approval to build pipeline through central Illinois. Macon County Board needs to ok allowing company to bore underneath county highways.
- 7/10 MACON CO. BOARD 10PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT 1:07  
Macon County Board tables vote to allow Rockies Express to bore under county highways for new pipeline. Company says it will begin work and work around the highways until the board makes a decision.
- 7/10 CHRISTMAS IN JULY 10PM VO :36  
Decatur Salvation Army bell ringers will be out Friday & Saturday to raise money to get programs through the summer months.
- 7/11 SA BELLRINGERS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:02  
Salvation Army bellringers out at Decatur Krogers and Wal-Marts trying to raise money for summer programs.
- 7/12 SALVATION ARMY 5PM VO :35  
Bellringers out again in Decatur raising money for the Salvation Army.

- 7/13 SALVATION ARMY 10PM VO :33  
Decatur Salvation Army says bellringer campaign brought in about \$7000.. more than it's goal of \$5000.
- 7/16 SPFLD WALMART 5PM VO :16  
New Wal-Mart supercenter opens in Springfield. Building has a Lincoln theme
- 7/16 GREEN BIZ NEWSER 5PM VOSOT :47  
Businesses can apply for a state sponsored program for low interest loans to become more energy efficient.
- 7/17 REX PIPELINE 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :32  
Rockies Express Pipeline plans to hold a news conference tomorrow to explain what the pipeline project will mean to area residents.
- 7/17 CHATHAM ECON IMPACT 5PM SOT :34  
Chatham mayor says State Farm Classic golf tournament is good for Chatham's economy since the golf course is not far away.
- 7/17 AG DISASTER 6PM LIVE VO/GRAPHICS 1:18  
USDA declares 74 Illinois counties agriculture disaster areas due to flooding. Farmers in 17 central Illinois counties are eligible for federal assistance.
- 7/17 PANA HOSPITAL 6PM GRAPHIC :15  
Pana Community Hospital plans to break ground on a \$2.2 million expansion project later this month.
- 7/17 UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 10PM GRAPHIC :34  
State's unemployment rate went up again in June.. now at it's highest rate since 1993.
- 7/18 ROCKIES EXPRESS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:22  
Rockies Express Pipeline says work is about to begin on pipeline through central Illinois.. 95 percent of the work will be available to local unions.
- 7/19 STARBUCKS 6PM VO :28  
Starbucks stores in Chatham, Danville, and Marketplace Mall in Champaign will be closing.
- 7/21 SCOOTER SALES 5PM VOSOT :45  
Local motorcycle dealers say scooter sales are through the roof due to high gas prices. Some are completely sold out and waiting for 2009 models to arrive.
- 7/24 DVILLE HOUSE CONTEST 6PM VOSOT :51  
Danville couple can't sell their house.. so they're holding an essay contest to get rid of it. \$100 dollar entry fee.
- 7/24 CLINTON CONDOS 6PM VO :17  
DeWitt County Renovation Association considering turning the historic Magill House into condominiums.
- 7/25 UNEMPLOYMENT RISES 5PM GRAPHICS :27  
Unemployment rate goes up in several Illinois cities.
- 7/25 GAS PRICES 10PM VO :15  
Gas down to \$3.85 or lower in the Decatur area.

- 7/27 FARMERS COSTS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:38  
U of I study suggests farmers cost will increase next year..
- 7/29 BENNIGANS 6PM VOSOT :43  
Decatur Bennigan's restaurant will remain open because it's a franchise. Corporate Bennigan's are closing because company filed bankruptcy.
- 7/30 WATER RATE HIKE 5PM VO :28  
Illinois American Water Co. gets ok from Illinois Commerce Commission to raise rates by 26 million dollars. They wanted 35.4 million. Champaign area customers will see a 47.2 percent jump in bills.
- 7/30 QUAKE INSURANCE 5PM VO :27  
Area residents can now buy earthquake insurance. Local agent says more people are adding it.
- 7/30 PIPELINE WORK 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :40  
Work underway for Rockies Express Pipeline in Douglas County.
- 7/31 DRUG DETOX 5PM VOSOT :49  
Prairie Center Health Systems in Urbana no longer accepting patients and laying off 21 workers due to state budget cuts.
- 7/31 HISTORIC SITES 6PM VO :27  
Springfield area historic sites cutting hours starting Monday due to budget cuts.
- 7/31 GAS PRICES 6PM PKG 1:46  
Gas prices are down to 3.68 in the Decatur area. Drivers say its nice but they're still too high. Springfield prices jumped back to \$4 this afternoon.
- 8/1 HERITAGE CUTS 5PM VO :31  
Heritage Behavioral Health in Decatur no longer offering services at Decatur Area Transitional Center, and lost 30 percent of funding for substance abuse programs due to state budget cuts.
- 8/1 HISTORIC SITES CUT 10PM PKG 2:01  
Springfield tourism officials say budget cuts to state historic sites will have a huge impact on the Springfield area.
- 8/2 CELEBRATION SPENDING 5PM LIVE PKG 2:10  
Ways to enjoy the Decatur Celebration without spending a small fortune. The festival is free, but the food, drinks, parking and carnival rides are anything but.
- 8/4 LINCOLN CLOSINGS 6PM PKG 1:36  
Today is the first day state Lincoln sites operating on reduced hours. New Salem was closed today, and several visitors showed up not knowing it wouldn't be open.
- 8/4 EHAM TOURISM 6PM VO :38  
Effingham County generated the highest amount of tourism dollars among 13 southeast Illinois counties in 2007.
- 8/4 MITSUBISHI VOTE 6PM VO :25  
UAW and Mitsubishi not saying anything about a strike authorization vote taken by union members at the Normal plant on Sunday.
- 8/5 ADM PROFIT DOWN 5PM GRAPHIC :27

ADM says 4th quarter profits down 61 percent due to higher grain prices.

- 8/5 LINCOLN BOX FACTORY 5PM VO :22  
Weyerhaeuser sells Lincoln containerboard and recycling plant to International Paper Company. Part of a six billion dollar deal.
- 8/5 OFF TRACK BETTING 10PM PKG 1:58  
Company plans to open an off-track betting parlor in the Village at the Crossing Retail Center in Champaign. Nearby residents don't like the idea.
- 8/6 BUSINESS ASSOC 5PM VOSOT :42  
MacArthur Blvd. Business Association in Springfield launching new campaign to bring developers back to the area.
- 8/6 FUTUREGEN 10PM VO :31  
Coles Together & Futuregen Alliance plan to go ahead and buy land where the power plant is supposed to be built.. if it ever is.
- 8/7 LINCOLN SITES \$\$\$ 5PM VOSOT :45  
Springfield mayor looking at possibly moving some grant money around in an effort to keep some historic sites open.
- 8/7 STARTEK JOBS 5PM VO :28  
Startek planning to add nearly 300 jobs at Decatur call center. Landed a big new client. and will double work force.
- 8/7 QUARTER MIDGET NATL 6PM PKG 2:05  
Quarter Midget Nationals continue at Christian Co. Fairgrounds.. bringing in lots of tourism dollars to Taylorville, Springfield and Decatur.
- 8/7 AARP STIMULUS CHECKS 10PM GRAPHIC :34  
AARP says nearly 4000 people in Champaign & Macon Counties have not filed for economic stimulus checks because they haven't filed tax returns.
- 8/8 CATHOLIC CHARITIES 6PM LIVE PKG 1:39  
US Labor Dept. says unemployment claims have reached a 6 year high. Local food pantries like Catholic Charities in Decatur struggling to meet increased demand.
- 8/9 TVILLE/GOLF CARS 10PM VOSOT :34  
Battery Specialists and Golf Cars of Taylorville providing 300 golf carts for the State Fair.
- 8/11 FUTUREGEN 5PM LIVE PKG 2:18  
City of Mattoon approves agreement to back line of credit for Coles Together to buy land for proposed Futuregen plant.
- 8/11 HIGH TECH HOTEL 6PM PKG 1:47  
New I Hotel & Conference Center opens on the U of I campus. Lots of high tech gadgets and its hoped Champaign-Urbana can land more conventions and conferences.
- 8/11 SPRINGFIELD AIRPORT 6PM PKG 1:58  
American Airlines dropping flights from Springfield to St. Louis.
- 8/12 CROP REPORT 5PM VOSOT :52  
USDA report says Illinois corn and soybean yields will be very close to last year's record crops despite the rain and flooding.



- 8/12 WILLARD AIRPORT 5PM VOSOT :47  
Willard Airport says despite losing a couple flights, airport is doing well. New hangar being built, a new control tower by 2010, and other improvements being made.
- 8/12 CIRA FLIGHTS 5PM VO :25  
Central Illinois Regional Airport in Bloomington getting a daily flight to Dallas-Ft. Worth
- 8/12 NEW SPORTS STORE 5PM VO :28  
North Dakota based Scheels Sports plans to open a big store in Springfield.
- 8/12 MASS TRANSIT 6PM PKG 1:51  
Champaign Mass Transit District says ridership continues to set records, even during the summer which they consider a slow period.
- 8/12 BIG 10 NETWORK 6PM VO :28  
Comcast putting Big 10 Network on basic cable starting Friday.
- 8/13 FUTUREGEN 5PM VO :34  
Futuregen alliance & Coles Together meeting to close on land for proposed power plant.
- 8/13 HOME SALES 5PM VO :23  
Capital Area Association of Realtors says Springfield area home sale prices rose in the last quarter.
- 8/13 DVILLE BUS SERVICE 5PM VO :25  
Driven To Succeed bus service between Danville and Champaign-Urbana is over. Some 50 people now no longer have a way to their jobs.
- 8/13 VILLA GROVE IGA 6PM VO :18  
Villa Grove IGA holds its grand reopening. Been closed since an April fire.
- 8/13 AMEREN RATES 10PM VO :32  
Administrative law judge backs ICC decision to approve most of Ameren's proposed rate increase.
- 8/14 AMEREN HEAT RATES 5PM GRAPHICS :48  
Ameren warning that natural gas rates will be 30 percent higher this winter.
- 8/14 GREEN ROOFS 5PM VOSOT :51  
UIS planting Sedum plants on roof of new dorm.. green roof will reduce heating & cooling costs.
- 8/14 POOR EMPLOYMENT 5PM GRAPHIC :33  
State dept of Employment Security says state has lost 10,000 construction jobs over the past year. Governor says passing a capital plan will bring some of those jobs back.
- 8/14 CAMPUSTOWN SHOPS 6PM PKG 1:58  
Two new businesses have opened up on Green St. in the Campustown area. Champaign city leaders hope more may be on the way.
- 8/15 UTILITY RECONNECT 6PM VO :24  
Ameren customers who had their service shut off for non-payment can get the service restored on Tuesday.
- 8/19 AMEREN HELP 5PM PKG 2:06

Ameren offering six million dollars over four years to non-profit groups to help them with utility bills.

8/19 AMEREN RECONNECT 6PM VOSOT :45

Decatur Macon County Opportunities Corporation and Ameren team up to offer program to reconnect people who had service cut off for non-payment.

8/23 CARLE GRANT 10PM VO :16

Carle Hospital donates nearly 80-thousand dollars to senior transportation programs in Champaign County.

8/24 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:07

Two banks in Newman offering low interest loans to residents who want to improve their property and hopefully attract new businesses to the downtown area.

8/26 GOOD SAMARITAN 6PM PKG 2:08

Good Samaritan Inn announces it's obtained property to build a new soup kitchen. They're currently serving far more people than they have room for.

8/27 SUMMER TOURISM 5PM PKG 1:34

State tourism officials say fewer people visited state historic sites this summer.

8/27 CAT JOBS OFFICIAL 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:35

Caterpillar says it's officially moving its motor grader division out of Decatur to make it the mining truck headquarters. No word on what this means as far as jobs.

8/27 MITSUBISHI CONTRACT 6PM VO :13

UAW and Mitsubishi extending current contract while they continue talks.

8/29 GAS PRICES UP 5PM PKG 1:27

Gas prices rising as Hurricane Gustav approaches oil operations on the Gulf coast.

8/29 LIHEAP APPT ADVANCE 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :30

Illinois residents can begin applying for LIHEAP assistance on Tuesday

8/29 PARKS CLOSING 6PM PKG 1:45

DeWitt County residents upset that Weldon Springs State Park will close due to budget cuts. Will have a significant effect on the county's economy.

8/30 WOLF CREEK PARK 5PM PKG 2:17

Visitors to Wolf Creek State Park in Shelby County upset that it will likely close due to state budget cuts.

8/31 FOOD PRODUCTS 5PM READER :26

Illinois food companies can get federal matching money to help promote their products in foreign markets.

9/1 GUSTAV & GAS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:03

Hurricane Gustav will likely drive gas prices higher, especially if Gulf Coast refineries suffer damage.

9/1 LIHEAP ASSISTANCE 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :30

Illinois residents can begin applying for LIHEAP assistance tomorrow

9/1 GOOD SAMARITAN #S 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :32

Decatur's Good Samaritan Inn says it served more than 10,500 meals last month.. which is a record.

9/2 DISASTER RELIEF 6PM PKG 1:56

American Red Cross desperately seeking donations because recent disasters are draining it's relief fund.

9/2 LIHEAP 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :25

LIHEAP applications begin statewide today.

9/3 PIPELINE PROGRESS 5PM PKG 1:43

Rockies Express says crews making good progress on pipeline through the area. Hope to begin moving gas through it by the end of the year.

9/3 CONF CTR SALE 5PM VO :31

City of Decatur completes sale of Decatur Conference Center & Hotel to local developer Steve Horve.

9/3 FORSYTH RESTAURANTS 5PM VO :26

Buffalo Wild Wings will open in Forsyth Sept. 14, and a new Chinese buffet will be opening nearby.

9/3 STEVE/BARYS CLOSE 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :20

Steve & Barry's closing in Forsyth, Champaign & Danville

9/3 GILL EXPANSION 6PM VO :24

Gill Athletics plans to expand its Champaign facility by moving it's Porter Athletics operation to Champaign.

9/3 SALVATION ARMY 10PM VO :27

Dozens of Goodwill stores in Missouri & Illinois offering vouchers for clothing to Hurricane Gustav evacuees.

9/4 BENNIGANS CLOSING 10PM VO :16

Bennigans restaurant in Decatur suddenly closed this afternoon. Owners say there was a dramatic drop in business after the corporation filed for bankruptcy.

9/8 MITSUBISHI CONTRACT 5PM VO :18

UAW and Mitsubishi still in contract talks. Union rejected latest contract offer on Sunday.

9/8 DECATUR FOUNDRY 6PM LIVE PKG 1:58

Pennsylvania based investors group buying old Internet foundry in Decatur. Plan to tear it down and build a rail service distribution facility on the property.

9/10 SPFLD AIRPORT GRANT 5PM VO :25

Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport receives a \$750,000 grant to help attract new airline service.

9/10 PIPELINE AERIALS 6PM VO :31

Aerial video of pipeline construction in Macon County.

9/11 ADM PROJECT 6PM PKG 2:08

ADM involved in a carbon sequestration test project that's going to take place near Richland in December 2009.

- 9/11 GAS PRICES 10PM VO :25  
Local gas prices shoot up 20 cents during the day.
- 9/11 MEDICAL CENTER GRANT 10PM GRAPHIC :18  
Memorial Medical Center gives \$65,000 in grants to community and health system projects.
- 9/12 GAS SPIKE 5PM GRAPHIC :34  
Gas prices shoot up again because of panic buying as Hurricane Ike gets closer to Texas.
- 9/12 LATE HARVEST 5PM PKG 1:58  
Current rain and the expected remnants of Hurricane Ike passing over the area is going to delay this years harvest even further.
- 9/12 BANK CONVENTION 5PM VOSOT :37  
Community Bankers Association of Illinois say the banking industry in Illinois is alive and well despite the mortgage crisis.
- 9/12 UNEMPLOYMENT CHECKS 10PM VO :29  
Postal Service error has left many people without their unemployment checks.
- 9/13 JUMP AT THE PUMP 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :33  
Thanks to Hurricane Ike.. gas prices jump to \$4.49 in Shelbyville and \$4.29 in Arcola
- 9/13 BUFFALO WILD WINGS 10PM VOSOT :36  
People lining up outside Forsyth Buffalo Wild Wings restaurant for the Grand Opening tomorrow.
- 9/14 BUFFALO WILD WINGS 5PM VOSOT :35  
Buffalo Wild Wings holds grand opening in Forsyth
- 9/15 CROSSPOINT SVCS 6PM PKG 2:01  
Crosspoint Services in Danville not only suffering financially from delayed Medicaid payments.. but also stae budget cuts. Workers afraid services in a 7 county area will be either cut or the agency forced to close
- 9/15 DECATUR HOUSING 10PM GRAPHIC :22  
City of Decatur has community development block grants available to fix up multi-unit rental housing.
- 9/16 MARKETS BREAK DOWN 6PM PKG 1:56  
Local economists and business leaders say area residents should not worry about financial turmoil on Wall Street.
- 9/17 FOOD DRIVE 6PM VOSOT :56  
Upcoming Community Food Drive in Decatur hopes to collect 300,000 pounds of food for local food pantries.
- 9/18 ECONOMY WORRIES 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:44  
Senator Dick Durbin says people don't need to worry about their bank accounts due to the current financial crisis.
- 9/18 FUEL STRUGGLES 5PM VOSOT :53  
Gas prices up to \$3.87 in Decatur due to Hurricane Ike.. Public Library holds seminar on saving money at the pump.

- 9/18 HARVEST NO GO 6PM PKG 1:16  
Heavy rains from remnants of Hurricane Ike have pushed back the harvest. It may be a few more weeks before farmers can get into the fields.
- 9/19 SENIOR CENTER 10PM PKG 1:35  
Decatur Senior Center needs money for repairs.. kicking off a fundraising campaign.
- 9/19 FISH KILL 10PM VO :37  
University of Illinois Sewer District and a private contractor settle pollution allegations for a 2002 fish kill in the Salt Fork River.
- 9/21 PRESIDENT TOURISM 10PM PKG 1:57  
An Obama victory in the presidential election could boost Illinois tourism. Presidential history is already a big tourism draw in the state.
- 9/21 FOOD SERVICES OPEN 10PM VOSOT :34  
MJ Kellner Foodservice opens a new distribution center in Springfield.
- 9/22 CWLP TOUR 6PM VOSOT :45  
CWLP says construction of the Dallman 4 power plant on schedule and on budget.
- 9/23 GIANNOULIAS/BAILOUT 5PM READER/SOT :44  
State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias says without a government bailout.. the financial system faces a meltdown.
- 9/23 CROP REPORT 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :27  
State ag dept. says there were only 3 days suitable for field work last year.. and it's getting late for harvest.
- 9/23 GAMBLING 10PM VO :33  
U of I professor says gambling is a multi-million dollar drag on the nation's economy. Believes a nationwide ban on gambling is needed.
- 9/23 CUP PLANT JOBS 10PM GRAPHIC :25  
Solo Cup plans to move 47 jobs from a suburban Chicago plant to Urbana later this year.
- 9/24 AMEREN HEARINGS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:00  
Illinois Commerce Commission approves 162 million dollar rate increase for Ameren. Opponents who fought rate hike are expectedly upset
- 9/24 PPG PRODUCTION LINE 10PM VO :26  
PPG announces it will idle one float glass line at the Mt. Zion plant in the second quarter of next year.
- 9/25 COMMUNITY JOB FAIR 5PM GRAPHIC :27  
Community Job Fair taking place at Urbana's Lincoln Square Mall.
- 9/25 UNEMPLOYMENT 10PM GRAPHIC :21  
Unemployment rate in Central Illinois major cities higher than this time a year ago.
- 9/25 ADM REPORT 10PM VO :41  
ADM regulatory filing shows CEO Patricia Woertz received nearly \$15 million in compensation even though the company profits dropped 17 percent. She got \$1.29 million in salary and more than \$3 million in bonuses. Majority of compensation was in stock.

- 9/26 HOG FARM 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :30  
Illinois Supreme Court gives ok for plans for a mega hog farm near Buckhart in Sangamon County to move forward.
- 9/29 FORECLOSURE HELP 5PM VO :27  
Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan releases new data showing fewer people are reaching out for help to avoid foreclosures in Illinois.
- 9/29 BAIL OUT 10PM PKG 2:05  
House of Representatives reject financial bailout package.. local residents say something needs to be done.
- 9/30 PIPELINE TOUR 5PM PKG 1:48  
Rockies Express gives the media a tour of the progress being made on the natural gas pipeline being built through central Illinois.

## Government

- 7/1 ELDO STREETSCAPE 5PM PKG 1:35  
Public meeting tonight to get ideas for project to improve the look of Eldorado St. in Decatur
- 7/1 BLUE MOUND LAND 5PM VO :34  
Macon County Conservation District has plans to improve the Griswold Conservation Area in Blue Mound (the mound). Would cost about 300 thousand dollars to complete the project
- 7/2 SPECIAL SESSION 5PM VO :21  
Governor Blagojevich calls lawmakers back to Springfield for a special session to deal with the budget on July 9th.
- 7/2 JULIE MOORE 5PM VO :36  
Former WAND anchor and Decatur Chamber of Commerce President Julie Moore announces candidacy for Decatur City Council.
- 7/2 PROJECTS STOPPED 6PM PKG 2:12  
Several state construction projects have stopped supposedly because language in the new state budget prevents the state from paying for them.
- 7/2 RAPE CRISIS CUTS 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :30  
Gov. Blagojevich now says funding for rape crisis centers will not be part of budget cuts, if he's forced to make them.
- 7/3 FUEL INSPECTIONS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:20  
State of Illinois stepping up inspections of gas pumps to make sure drivers are actually getting a gallon of gas for what they're paying for it.
- 7/3 LISENBEE HOUSE 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :53  
City of Beardstown says if attorneys for Shane and Stephanie Lisenbee don't have the burned out house demolished, city will do it and bill them for the job

7/3 RAPE CRISIS FUNDS 5PM VOSOT :54

Governor has decided not to cut funding for rape crisis centers. However, area program directors say same funding as last year isn't enough.

7/3 SPORTS COMPLEX 5PM VO :23

Effingham City Council may scale back plans for new sports complex because bids for the project came in too high.

7/3 BLAGO FED PROBE 6PM VO :28

Governor Blagojevich tells reporters in Chicago it's ridiculous to ask if he's the target of a federal investigation into political corruption.

7/4 LAKE SPFLD 5PM VO :28

Lake Springfield beach will not reopen this summer. CWLP cannot reopen it as a swim at your own risk beach without lifeguards, because a city ordinance requires lifeguards. Ordinance would have to be changed in order for that to happen.

7/4 BLAGO PARDONS 5PM VO :30

Gov. Blagojevich pardons 19 people.. some of the cases date back to the 1970's.

7/6 DECATUR COUNCIL 10PM VO :52

Decatur City Council meets tomorrow.. plan to approve a list of five capital improvement projects.. including getting police department more space.

7/7 DEC COUNCIL 5PM LIVE VO 1:09

Decatur City Council plans to discuss possible council election changes, police space, and capital improvement projects.

7/7 GOLF CARTS 10pm VO/GRAPHIC :36

Monticello City Council rejects plans to allow golf carts on streets during a study session tonight.

7/7 SPECIAL SESSION 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :31

Special session to fix state budget will cost taxpayers more than 80-thousand dollars.

7/7 DEC CITY COUNCIL 10PM LIVE VOSOT 2:06

Decatur City Council votes against putting a referendum on the ballot on whether council members should be elected at large and partly from districts. Change Decatur also says it's going to appeal a judge's ruling on denying their attempt to put a government change referendum on the April 2009 ballot.

7/7 CHAMP. CITY COUNCIL 10PM VO :29

Champaign City Council plans to move forward with a program to help companies owned by women and minorities get city contracts.

7/7 ILLINIWEK 10PM VO :35

Federal judge dismisses a lawsuit the creator of the Chief Illiniwek logo filed against the U of I. He wants to regain control of the image.

7/8 HEALTHCARE CAMPAIGN 6PM GRAPHIC/SOT/VO :43

Labor & Community leaders help launch a new 40 million dollar nationwide campaign for health care reform that ensures coverage for all.

7/8 PIPELINE HEARING 6PM VOSOT :40

Illinois Commerce Commission holding hearings on Enbridge oil pipeline that would run from Pontiac to Patoka.

- 7/8 CHANGE DECATUR 10PM LIVE PKG 2:10  
Change Decatur says it's going to appeal judges ruling that would keep a strong mayor referendum off the April 2009 ballot. Some city council members say changing the form of government isn't necessary and the Chamber of Commerce says the group needs to drop it.
- 7/8 MATTOON GOVT. 10PM VO :30  
Mattoon City leaders also looking at possibly changing the form of city government there. Held a study session
- 7/9 MANSION AIR 5PM VO :17  
Air conditioning broken at Executive Mansion, Capital Development Board doesn't know where the money will come from to fix it.
- 7/9 SPECIAL SESSION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:20  
State lawmakers back in Springfield for the first day of a special session on the budget.
- 7/9 AFSCME MEDIATOR 6PM VO :21  
AFSCME and the state reach a deal on a mediator to help with contract talks.
- 7/9 ANIMAL ORDINANCE 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:13  
Sangamon County Board gives animal control officers authority to cite owners of nuisance animals in unincorporated areas. Owners also face 200 dollar fine if dog bites someone, damages property or chases vehicles.
- 7/9 GOLF CARTS 6PM VO :25  
Cerro Gordo village board ok's golf carts on streets.
- 7/9 WIND FARM 10PM VOSOT :57  
Trade Wind Energy announces plans to build a commercial scale wind farm north of Pana.
- 7/9 IDOT HEARING 10PM VO :33  
Commission on Government Forecasting & Accountability schedules a July 31st hearing for proposed move of 100 IDOT jobs to Harrisburg.
- 7/10 SPECIAL SESSION 5PM VOSOT 1:31  
Special Session ends without lawmakers fixing the budget gap or passing a capital bill. Governor now going forward with threats to slash the budget.
- 7/10 IDOT JOBS 5PM VO :31  
IDOT report finds moving 100 jobs to Harrisburg will cost Sangamon County 9 million dollars, but moving those workers will be cheaper for the state in the long run.
- 7/10 PARIS WORK CAMP 5PM VOSOT :44  
City of Paris takes over the former Ed Jenison Workcamp facility from the state. City plans to turn it into some sort of adult education center.
- 7/11 DISASTER ASST 5PM VO :20  
Flood victims who lost their jobs as a result can get disaster unemployment assistance.
- 7/11 WRONGFUL DEATH 5PM VO :39  
City of Danville and police officer being sued for wrongful death for the shooting of Aaron Moss in May of 2006. Cop shot him during a chase in the Fair Oaks housing complex. Witnesses said he had a gun.



- 7/12 FEMA MONEY 10PM VO :26  
FEMA says its approved more than \$3.5 million in disaster assistance in Illinois for last month's flooding.
- 7/13 STATE BUDGET 5PM LIVE PKG 2:22  
Illinois House will return to Springfield this week to try to restore budget cuts made by the Governor.
- 7/13 AUTISM INSURANCE 5PM VOSOT :48  
Governor hopes House will take up a bill that requires insurance companies to cover autism diagnosis and therapies.
- 7/13 STATE REP ANNOUNCES 5PM VO :16  
U of I student Frank Calabrese announces his candidacy for state house. He'll run against State Rep. Naomi Jakobsson.
- 7/13 MGR APPLICATION 10PM VO :24  
Tomorrow is the last day for applications for Decatur Ciy Manager position.
- 7/13 CHAMPAIGN PARKING 10PM VO :23  
New parking regulations go into effect in downtown Champaign tomorrow. You now have to feed the meters until 9pm.
- 7/14 DEC CITY MNGR 5PM VO :28  
Today is the last day search firm will take resumes for Decatur City Manager position.
- 7/14 CHMP PARKING REGS 5PM VO :31  
New parking regulations now in effect in Champaign. You have to feed the meters until 9pm.
- 7/14 HOUSE/BUDGET 5PM VO :40  
Illinois House returning to the Capitol tomorrow to attempt to restore some of the Governor's cuts.
- 7/15 GOP PLAN/BUDGET 5PM LIVE PKG 1:59  
Illinois House only meets for an hour on the first day of their attempt to restore some of the Governor's budget cuts.
- 7/15 HOUSING DISCRIMINATE 5PM VO :45  
Attorney General Lisa Madigan joins Housing and Urban Development secretaries to launch a national commission to investigate housing discrimination.
- 7/15 ELDERLY ABUSE 5PM VO :30  
Governor's office begins 4th annual Break The Silence campaign to bring attention to the problem of elder abuse.
- 7/15 MATTOON GOVT 10PM VOSOT :48  
Mattoon City Council votes to put a referendum on the ballot to change to a city manager form of government.
- 7/15 CHARLESTON LAWNS 5PM VO :27  
Charleston City Council plans to discuss possible changes to the grass & weed ordinance.
- 7/15 VOTING MACHINES 6PM VOSOT :59

Sangamon County Board picks a Nebraska company to rent voting machines from for the upcoming election.

7/15 SPFLD LAKE DROWNING 10PM VO :41

Family of teenager who drowned at Lake Springfield beach last summer suing the city and CWLP. Claim lifeguards were not doing their jobs.

7/15 LOGAN WINDFARM 10PM VOSOT :45

Logan County Board approves a proposed wind farm in northern part of the county.

7/15 SPRINGFIELD COUNCIL 10PM VOSOT :45

Springfield City Council rejects a proposed ordinance that would give five CWLP managers pay increases.

7/16 HOUSE BUDGET 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:15

Illinois House holds second day of a session to attempt to restore the Governor's budget cuts. Few overrides happening due to party bickering.

7/16 RACIAL REMARK 5PM VO :24

Some calling for investigation into comments made by Democrat Rep. Monique Davis of Chicago. She said African American lawmakers have to fight hard for programs to help prison inmates go straight because some downstate lawmakers want to keep the prisons full. Some calling those comments "spreading racial hatred."

7/16 GUN LAW 5PM VOSOT :53

Governor signs bill that increases penalties for those who provide guns to minors who commit felony crimes with them.

7/16 AFSCME MEDIATION 5PM VO :19

AFSCME agrees to extend terms of existing contract with the state because talks are progressing.

7/16 EHAM SPORTS CMLX 5PM VO :26

Effingham City Council puts plans for new sports complex on hold due to high costs. The project needs to be re-evaluated.

7/16 EMERGENCY PREPARE 5PM VO :30

State Health Dept. and Illinois Public Health Assn. holding a three day summit on emergency preparation.

7/17 DURBIN OIL 5PM VOSOT :54

Senator Dick Durbin co-sponsoring bill to crack down on excessive energy speculation.

7/17 LINCOLN BICENTENNIAL 6PM PKG 1:38

State unveils plans for bicentennial celebration of Abraham Lincoln's birthday next year.

7/17 SPRINGFIELD HOMELESS 6PM VOSOT :45

City of Springfield signs onto America's Road Home initiative.. which aims to reduce and eliminate chronic homelessness.

7/17 STATE DRIVING FACILITIES 10PM VO :29

Secretary of State office says \$22 million cut from its budget.. may lead to possible layoffs and even some drivers facility closures.

7/18 ASH BORER 5PM VO :24

State Ag Dept. says two emerald ash borers were caught in bug traps in Bloomington. The bug kills ash trees.

7/18 BUDGET CUTS 6PM PKG 1:50

Secretary of State and Attorney General's offices bracing for big budget cuts. State Treasurer says cuts to his office are revenge for being a critic of the Governor.

7/21 DEC CITY COUNCIL 5PM VO :30

Decatur City Council talking again about police space at tonight's meeting.

7/21 REX PIPELINE 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :24

Macon County Board holding special meeting to discuss approving Rockies Express Pipeline to bore under county highways.

7/21 SCRAP ORDINANCE 6PM VOSOT :38

Springfield Alderman Kris Theilen proposing ordinance requiring metal recyclers to record more information about those who bring in metal. Aimed at cutting number of copper thefts.

7/21 DEC. COUNCIL 10PM LIVE PKG 1:44

Residents near the 735 W. Decatur ask the Decatur City Council to do something about the apartment building to improve neighborhood safety.

7/21 POLICE STUDY 10PM VOSOT :44

Decatur City Council votes to hire a firm to study police space needs.

7/21 VOTING MACHINES 10PM LIVE PKG 2:21

Sangamon County Board votes to rent new voting machines for the upcoming election.

7/22 PIATT CO FUTURE 5PM GRAPHIC :19

Champaign County Regional Planning Commission has been contracted to develop a plan for Piatt County. They will hold a public input forum July 29th in Monticello.

7/22 DNR BUDGET CUTS 6PM PKG 2:15

Department of Natural Resources and others say 14 million dollars worth of budget cuts is going to devastate that agency.

7/22 CHAMPAIGN COUNCIL 10PM VO :21

Champaign City Council discusses proposal to build new apartment complex downtown.

7/22 DISASTER AREAS 10PM VO :29

Governor declares 3 northwestern counties disaster areas due to storm damage.

7/22 PAY TO PLAY 10PM VO :40

While state lawmakers take action to ban "pay to play".. Governor collected donations from people who stood to gain financially from his administration.

7/23 CHAMPAIGN DEVELOP 5PM VOSOT :57

Champaign city leaders want to attract a more diverse population to live in downtown. Took a field trip to Quad Cities to see what they did there.

7/23 LISENBEE HOUSE 10PM VOSOT 1:03

Work begins to tear down Shane and Stephanie Lisenbee's burned out house in Beardstown. Insurance settlement has been released to pay for the demolition. Mayor may write an ordinance that would make homeowners pay for demolition in similar cases

- 7/24 AFSCME/IDOT 5PM VO :29  
Some IDOT workers say they don't trust the Governor when he says workers who don't want to move to Harrisburg will get other state jobs.. they want it in writing.
- 7/24 DAVE WOLFE 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :32  
Former Macon County Board chairman Dave Wolfe died last night at age 47. He had been battling kidney problems.
- 7/24 REX PIPELINE 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :25  
Macon County Board meeting tonight to give Rockies Express Pipeline the ok to bore under county highways.
- 7/24 FORECLOSURES 6PM PKG 2:04  
State Treasurer's office holds a workshop in Springfield aimed at helping people avoid foreclosures.
- 7/24 LANDFILL INSPECTIONS 10PM GRAPHIC :26  
IEPA plans to inspect several area landfills.. make sure there are no illegal dumps, etc.
- 7/25 TRAFFIC SAFETY LAWS 10PM VO :19  
Gov Blagojevich signs four new bills that pay for added safety measures on Illinois roads.
- 7/26 BLAGO FORECLOSURES 5PM VO :36  
US Senate passes a foreclosure rescue bill.. Gov. Blagojevich fires off a letter to President Bush urging him to sign it.
- 7/27 INSURANCE EXTENSION 5PM GRAPHIC :30  
State has made initial payments to those who applied for emergency unemployment compensation benefits.
- 7/28 ALTAMONT GOLF CARTS 6PM VO :30  
Altamont City Council asking for public opinion about allowing golf carts on the streets during a meeting tonight.
- 7/28 DEC CITY COUNCIL 10PM VO :25  
Decatur city Council hears from search firm that's looking for new city manager. Finalists should be interviewed in the next 30 to 45 days.
- 7/29 NO SECOND LAKE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:45  
City of Decatur and ADM scrap plans to build a second lake. City council may vote in a few weeks on how to increase water capacity. Whatever gets decided, water customers will end up paying for it.
- 7/30 SOUTHERN VIEW GRANT 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :27  
Village of Southern View gets a \$200,000 state grant to build a new village hall.
- 7/30 LOSING 4 LINCOLN 6PM PKG 1:57  
Some central Illinois communities receive their Looking for Lincoln wayside signs. However they're worried budget cuts to state historic sites will hurt tourism.
- 7/31 IDOT MEETING 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:47  
Legislative Commission hearing begins into Governor's proposal to move 100 IDOT jobs from Springfield to Harrisburg. Lots of opponents have shown up.

- 7/31 BUDGET MEETING 5PM VO :30  
Governor Blagojevich scales back capital construction plan from 34 billion to 25 billion during meeting with legislative leaders in Chicago.
- 7/31 BLAGO/JONES LAWSUIT 5PM VOSOT :48  
Gov. Blagojevich and Senate President Emil Jones being sued by two government watchdog groups for violating the state's Freedom of Information Act.
- 8/1 GOV ELECTRIC BILL 10PM VO :25  
Gov. Blagojevich signs bill preventing utilities from shutting off customers when temperatures reach 95 or higher.
- 8/1 FUTUREGEN 10PM VO :24  
Senator Durbin says he may block any energy department nominations the President makes if it doesn't extend the Futuregen Project.
- 8/3 DECATUR COUNCIL 10PM VO :34  
Decatur City Council will discuss options to increase water supply at tomorrow night's meeting.
- 8/4 DEC CITY COUNCIL 5PM LIVE VO 1:11  
Decatur City Council will hold study session on options to boost water supply.
- 8/4 NEIGHBORHOOD DEV 5PM VO :30  
Low to moderate income Decatur homeowners can get grants to make their homes more secure.
- 8/4 CU CAR SHARE 6PM PKG 2:02  
Champaign and Urbana may team up to offer a car sharing program for residents.
- 8/4 DECATUR WATER 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:33  
During a study session, Decatur City Council tells city staff to look at lowering the intakes at the water treatment plant.. or building collector wells to increase water supply.
- 8/4 300 BLK N. WATER 10PM VO :27  
Decatur City Council okays a revised public courtyard in the 300 block of N. Water, but removes idea to put Preston Jackson Lincoln sculpture there.
- 8/5 SANGAMON CO BD 5PM LIVE PKG 1:53  
Springfield NAACP, Farm Bureau and others speaking out against proposal to cut the number of Sangamon County Board seats.
- 8/5 SPECIAL SESSION 6PM VO :28  
Governor Blagojevich calls another special session next Tuesday & Wednesday for lawmakers to vote on his revised version of a capital spending plan.
- 8/6 BLAGO HEALTH CARE 5PM VOSOT :45  
Gov. Blagojevich uses amendatory veto to extend health insurance coverage for young adults. Kids can stay on parent's health insurance until age 26.. if they're in the military it's up to age 30.
- 8/6 DRIVING PAYMENTS 5PM VO :16  
Secretary of State drivers facilities now taking Visa, Master Card & American Express for payment.
- 8/6 ICE STORM FUNDS 6PM PKG 1:22

City of Decatur finally gets last reimbursement check from FEMA to recover costs of cleaning up after the 2006 ice storm.

8/7 STATE DAYS OFF 6PM VOSOT :48

Secretary of State's office says some workers can expect mandatory unpaid days off due to budget cuts.

8/7 UNCLAIMED AUCTION 6PM LIVEVOSOT 1:31

State Treasurer's office says selling unclaimed property on EBay a big success. State putting money in account if people claim it.. state keeps the interest.

8/7 OIL STUNT 6PM VOSOT :54

Moveon.org holds demonstration outside Rep. Tim Johnson's office to oppose offshore oil drilling. Johnson's press secretary discussed the issue with them.

8/7 SPEED CAMERAS 10PM VO :37

Gov. Blago proposes putting speed enforcement cameras on Interstates to crack down on reckless drivers.

8/8 GOV BLAGO/STATE FAIR 5PM LIVE VOSOT

Gov Blagojevich cuts ribbon to open State Fair.. gets grilled about the IDOT move, special session and budget issues.

8/8 GOV IDOT MOVE 10PM VOSOT :49

Gov Blagojevich says work on capital plan kept him away from Twilight Parade. Says he's pushing hard for the plan.. and to move 100 IDOT jobs to southern Illinois.

8/10 QUINN PAY RAISES 10PM VO :33

Lt. Governor Pat Quinn calls on the Senate to reject automatic pay raises during special session.

8/11 DISC POOL 5PM LIVE PKG 2:07

Decatur Park District and Millikin University will hold a public meeting Wednesday to discuss possibly adding a pool to the Decatur Indoor Sports Complex.

8/11 FEMA MOBILE HOMES 5PM VOSOT :49

FEMA shows off mobile homes that will be made available to flood victims in Illinois.

8/11 SPECIAL SESSION 5PM VO :31

State lawmakers will be in Springfield tomorrow & Wednesday for special session on education funding and capital construction plan.

8/11 MITCHELL ON GOV. 5PM VOSOT :40

State Rep. Bill Mitchell introducing a bill that would ground state planes during special sessions and force the Governor to be in Springfield for them.

8/11 HARE NEWSER 5PM VOSOT :37

Congressman Phil Hare holds news conference in Springfield to discuss his recent trip to Iraq.

8/12 IDOT VOTE 5PM LIVE PKG 1:56

State legislative panel rejects Gov. Blagojevich's plan to move IDOT traffic safety division to Southern Illinois. Governor says it's happening anyway because the panel's decision is non-binding.

8/12 SPECIAL SESSION 5PM VO :22

House meets for just 20 minutes in special session on education funding.

- 8/12 FIRST RESPONDERS 5PM VO :25  
Gov. Blagojevich signs bill allowing firefighters to block off traffic at emergency scenes.
- 8/12 STATE FAIR GOVERNOR 10PM PKG 1:24  
Governor Blagojevich appears at State Fair Sale of Champions
- 8/12 CAR SHARE PROGRAM 10PM PKG 2:09  
Champaign City Council approves the Zipcar car share program that Urbana okayed last week.
- 8/13 DEMOCRAT DAY 5PM PKG 1:53  
Its Democrat Day at the State Fair. New Mexico Gov. & possible Obama running mate Bill Richardson speaks at events in Springfield.
- 8/13 SHELBY CO. COURT 5PM VOSOT :42  
Shelby County Board votes against increased security at the courthouse due to costs.
- 8/13 HEARTLAND AUDIT 5PM VO :34  
Heartland Human Services in Effingham will be audited by the state. Locked out union claims its getting state money for services its not providing.
- 8/13 SULLIVAN GOLF CARTS 6PM VO :22  
Sullivan the latest community looking into allowing golf carts on city streets.
- 8/13 CLINTON LANDFILL 10PM PKG 2:18  
DeWitt County Board holds emergency meeting on proposal by Peoria Waste to dump hazardous material in Clinton Landfill.
- 8/13 SPECIAL SESSION 10PM PKG 1:56  
Special Session ends in Springfield with a very small capital bill passed.. but nothing like the governor wanted.
- 8/13 AQUATICS MEETING 10PM VOSOT :43  
Decatur Park District and Millikin hold a public meeting about proposal to build a pool at the Decatur Indoor Sports Center.
- 8/13 DECATUR ONLINE SURVEY 10PM GRAPHIC :25  
City of Decatur has contracted with a company to conduct online surveys of residents.
- 8/14 ALLERTON PARK 5PM VO :31  
State DNR buys 151 acres of forest habitat next to Allerton Park in Piatt County.
- 8/14 GOP DAY 5PM VO :28  
It's Republican Day at the state fair.
- 8/14 MACON CTY BRD 10PM VO :39  
Macon County Board approves Tom Schneider's nomination as new sheriff when Jerry Dawson retires at the end of the month. Also names Mike Spente as the late Dave Wolfe's replacement on the board.
- 8/14 SEX OFFENDERS BILL 10PM VO :20  
Gov. signes five new laws dealing with protecting kids from convicted sex offenders.

- 8/15 IDOT JOBS LAWSUIT 5PM VOSOT :48  
Some Springfield area lawmakers and Mayor Davlin meet to discuss possible lawsuit to prevent the Governor from moving IDOT's traffic safety division to Southern Illinois.
- 8/15 STATE LAYOFFS 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:19  
State Treasurer's office one of several state agencies laying off workers, freezing hiring and salaries, and mandatory unpaid furloughs.
- 8/17 SMOKE FREE LAW 5PM VO :28  
State planning to start advertising success of indoor smoking ban.
- 8/18 IDOT LAWSUIT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:38  
Springfield area lawmakers, Chamber of Commerce, and Mayor Davlin file lawsuit to stop move of IDOT traffic safety division to southern Illinois.
- 8/18 DECATUR LANDLORDS 5PM VOSOT :55  
Decatur City Council looking at ways to crack down on landlords whose properties violate city codes.
- 8/18 EMIL JONES RETIRE 6PM VOSOT 1:24  
Senate President Emil Jones says he'll retire after the November veto session.
- 8/18 DECATUR COUNCIL 10PM PKG 1:57  
Decatur City Council discusses making rules tougher for landlords or increase enforcement..also hear options for more police space.. and picks a spot for Preston Jackson sculpture.
- 8/18 SPFLD RACE RELATIONS 10PM VOSOT :49  
Springfield Public Affairs committee okays an ordinance apologizing for Springfield Race Riots.
- 8/19 JONES REPLACEMENT 5PM LIVE PKG 1:46  
Senate President Emil Jones announced retirement yesterday. Number of Senators looking to replace him is growing.
- 8/19 FEMA FUNDS 5PM VO :23  
FEMA sending \$13.6 million in disaster aid to Illinois areas hit by flooding in June & July.
- 8/19 OBAMA ANNOUNCE 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:22  
Sen. Barack Obama coming to Springfield Saturday afternoon for appearance at Old State Capitol. He's expected to introduce his Vice President candidate.
- 8/19 SPFLD CITY COUNCIL 10PM PKG 1:58  
Springfield City Council tables a vote on raising animal control fines, approves resolution apologizing for the Race Riots, and buzz about Obama's announcement in Springfield on Saturday.
- 8/20 BLAGO NO DNC 5PM VO :24  
Gov. Blagojevich not being invited to speak at the Democratic National Convention next week. However, State Treasurer, Comptroller, Attorney General and Chicago Mayor Daley are.
- 8/20 BLAGO PRISON MOVE 5PM VO :25  
Public hearing in Pontiac tonight about Governor's plan to close the prison there and move inmates to western Illinois.



- 8/20 SEX OFFENDERS 5PM VOSOT :56  
Two State Lawmakers want to amend law requiring all sex offenders to register. Currently those convicted more than 12 years ago are not on the state registry.
- 8/20 OBAMA VISIT 6PM LIVE PKG 1:56  
Sen. Obama's event Saturday happening at the same time as the Blues and BBQ event in downtown Springfield. Could be as many as 30,000 at the event.
- 8/20 ASH TREES 6PM VO :19  
Champaign no longer allowing residents to plant ash trees on city right of ways because the Emerald Ash Borer has been found in Bloomington.
- 8/20 PARK BD RETIRE 6PM VOSOT :48  
Decatur Park Board honors Scovill Zoo Director Mike Borders and Recreation Director Karen Benjamin. They're retiring at the end of the month.
- 8/21 MORE OBAMA 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:36  
City of Springfield gearing up for Sen. Obama's appearance in Springfield Saturday to announce VP candidate.
- 8/21 SIGN MAKING PARTY 5PM GRAPHIC :19  
Sign making party tonight at state AFL-CIO headquarters for Obama event.
- 8/21 NO BLAGO 10PM VO :22  
Governor Blagojevich not attending Obama's big announcement Saturday.
- 8/21 EFFINGHAM FUNDING 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :25  
City of Effingham gets \$1.2 million federal grant to extend Outer Belt West transportation corridor.
- 8/22 OBAMANIA 5PM LIVE PKG 2:19  
Sen. Obama plans to announce his VP choice at Old State Capitol tomorrow. Crews setting up for the event, etc.
- 8/23 BARACK/JOE TALK 10PM VOSOT :50  
Estimated 35,000 people attend Sen. Obama announcing Sen. Joe Biden is his VP pick
- 8/23 OBAMA OVERVIEW 10PM VOSOT :48  
Word of Obama's VP selection leaked overnight. Senator Durbin says he made a strong pick.
- 8/23 SECURITY 10PM PKG 1:33  
Security extremely tight around Old State Capitol for Obama event.
- 8/23 PARKING 10PM PKG 1:26  
Parking and long lines to get into the Obama event a big problem.
- 8/24 FEMA DEADLINE 5PM VO :29  
FEMA deadline for flood victims to apply for assistance is tomorrow.
- 8/25 STATE VEHICLES 5PM PKG 2:12  
State of Illinois looking for more fuel efficient vehicles when it replaces older ones.
- 8/25 BLAGO/ETHICS NEWSER 5PM VO :27  
Governor Blagojevich introduces new ethics reform bill.

- 8/25 FEMA DEADLINE 5PM VO :30  
Today is the final day for victims of flooding to apply for FEMA assistance.
- 8/25 CITY GRANTS 6PM PKG 1:53  
City of Decatur hands out first round of Neighborhood Improvement grants. A look at how some groups that received the money plan to use it.
- 8/25 CLINTON FIRE CHIEF 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:50  
Clinton City Council holds emergency meeting about controversy surrounding new fire chief. Two firefighters have resigned and more are expected to.
- 8/25 OBAMA LOOKBACK 10PM PKG 2:10  
Look back at how prepared city of Springfield was to deal with the heat during Obama event last weekend.
- 8/25 SULLIVAN GOLF CARTS 10PM VO :34  
Sullivan City Council okays golf carts on city streets.
- 8/26 SANGAMON CO BOARD 5PM :33  
Challenge filed against proposed advisory referendum to cut the number of Sangamon County Board seats.
- 8/26 GREEN SPFLD 5PM VOSOT :53  
City of Springfield joins list of Cool Cities dedicated to addressing environmental issues locally.
- 8/26 MINORS CIGARETTES 5PM VOSOT :39  
Gov. Blagojevich signs a bill making it even harder for minors to buy cigarettes.
- 8/27 CLINTON FIRE CHIEF 5PM VO :25  
Shawn Milton secretly sworn in as Fire Chief in private ceremony last night.
- 8/27 CLINTON FIREFIGHTERS 10PM PKG 2:01  
Three more Clinton firefighters quit over the Fire Chief controversy.
- 8/27 BLAGO THIRD TERM 10PM VO :27  
Governor Blagojevich calls himself "a great Governor" at the DNC in Denver, but wouldn't say whether he will run for a third term.
- 8/27 UTILITY COMPANY 10PM VO :33  
CWLP picks a team of managers to oversee the construction of new generator at power plant.
- 8/28 HISTORIC SITES 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:07  
Governor makes more budget cuts.. 450 state workers laid off and several state historic sites and state parks closing.
- 8/28 UNION NEWSER 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:29  
AFSCME holds a news conference saying abused and neglected kids are going to be hurt the most by the latest round of budget cuts.
- 8/28 UI JOHN EDWARDS 5PM VO :24  
University of Illinois says former Presidential candidate John Edwards will speak there October 14.

- 8/28 DNC WATCH PARTY 5PM GRAPHICS :35  
Democratic Headquarters in Decatur and Springfield holding watch parties for Sen. Obama's acceptance speech tonight.
- 8/29 SANG CO BOARD 6PM VO :22  
Sangamon County Electoral Board delays a decision on challenge to petitions for referendum on cutting the number of County Board seats.
- 9/1 IL HURRICANE PREP 5PM LIVE PKG 2:00  
State Emergency Management Agency on standby to answer mutual aid call if Louisiana asks for it after Hurricane Gustav
- 9/2 DURBIN/GUSTAV 5PM PKG 1:22  
Senator Dick Durbin praising both Democrats & Republicans for their response to Hurricane Gustav.
- 9/2 DECATUR COUNCIL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:43  
Decatur City Council plans to discuss plans to upgrade Nelson Park during a study session at tonight's meeting.
- 9/2 CHAMPAIGN COUNCIL 5PM VO :25  
Champaign City Council expected to ok the Zipcar carsharing program at tonight's meeting.
- 9/2 DURBIN/PALIN 6PM VOSOT 1:09  
Sen. Dick Durbin says Sarah Palin's experience as Alaska Governor does not make her qualified to be President.
- 9/2 SPFLD CITY COUNCIL 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:34  
Springfield City Council hires new project manager for CWLP project to build new generator.
- 9/2 BLAGO GUSTAV HELP 10PM VO :28  
250 Illinois Firefighters and 70 firetrucks going to Louisiana to help with Hurricane Gustav relief efforts.
- 9/3 DURBIN ON LIEBERMAN 5PM VOSOT :42  
Sen. Dick Durbin says Sen. Joe Lieberman's speech to the Republican National Convention rubbed many Democrats the wrong way.. since he was the Democratic VP candidate eight years ago.
- 9/3 DURBIN COLLEGE TXTS 5PM VOSOT :47  
Senator Dick Durbin in Springfield talking about new law aimed at reducing the cost of college textbooks.
- 9/3 IDOT TRUCKS 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :30  
IDOT has bought more new vehicles than any other state agency.
- 9/3 EXEC SESSION 6PM VO :15  
Decatur City Council holding executive sessions Thursday & Friday to discuss city manager position.
- 9/3 CAPITAL PLAN 10PM VO :30  
House Speaker Mike Madigan calls House back into session next week to discuss capital construction plan.

- 9/3 SANG CO BOARD 10PM VOSOT :45  
President of Sangamon County Farm Bureau withdraws challenge to petition to put an advisory referendum on the ballot to cut the number of County Board seats.
- 9/4 STEVE GARMAN 5PM VO :24  
Former Decatur City Manager Steve Garman hired as Gulf Shores, AL City Administrator.
- 9/4 EXEC SESSION 5PM VO :13  
Decatur City Council holds an executive session this morning to discuss the city manager's job. Meet again tomorrow.
- 9/4 SPFLD CONV WATCH 5PM GRAPHIC :20  
Sangamon County Republicans holding a watch party for John McCain's convention speech at the party headquarters in Springfield.
- 9/4 CHAMP CONV WATCH 5PM GRAPHIC :14  
Champaign Co. Young Republicans holding a watch party at Jupiter Two at the Crossing.
- 9/4 DECATUR CONV WATCH 5PM GRAPHIC :16  
Macon County Republicans not holding a watch party, but have events planned for the upcoming debates.
- 9/4 CONVENTION WATCH 10PM VOSOT :39  
Sangamon County Republicans hold a watch party for John McCain's speech.
- 9/4 UI EDWARDS 10PM VO :28  
Former Democratic Presidential candidate John Edwards cancels October speech at the U of I.
- 9/5 AFSCME CONTRACT 5PM VO :21  
AFSCME members ratify a new contract with the state.
- 9/5 KICKAPOO RALLY 5PM VO :34  
Those opposed to the state closing Kickapoo State Park in Vermilion County holding a rally tomorrow.
- 9/5 CITY MANAGER FOLO 5PM :19  
Decatur City Council has cut the number of City Manager candidates to two.
- 9/5 SPFLD GRAVEL PIT 6PM VO :25  
Springfield City Council looking at proposal to buy a gravel pit near Riverton to boost water supply.
- 9/8 DEC CITY MANAGER 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:27  
City of Decatur hires Sangamon County Administrator Ryan McCrady as the new City Manager.
- 9/8 KICKAPOO RIDE 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :39  
Ride from Kickapoo State Park to Springfield planned for Sept. 27th to protest budget cuts that will force the park to close.
- 9/8 CLINTON COUNCIL 10PM VO :28  
Clinton City Council approves a resolution opposing the plan to close Weldon Springs State Park.

- 9/9 SPECIAL SESSION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:18  
Illinois House returns tomorrow for special session on capital bill. May vote to lease the state lottery and restore money cut from state historic sites.. and also try to restore the ethics bill the governor re-wrote.
- 9/9 STUDENT CREDIT CARDS 5PM VOSOT :57  
State Treasurer proposing new law banning credit card companies from offering gifts to students while marketing on campus.
- 9/9 GUSTAV DEPLOY 10PM VO :20  
Governor sends a six person Incident Management Team to Louisiana.
- 9/9 BOARDING FEES 10PM LIVE PKG 2:35  
Springfield Enos Park Neighborhood Assn. says the city hasn't collected thousands of dollars in fees from owners of boarded up houses. Trying to launch a new effort to get those fees collected.
- 9/10 KICKAPOO PARK 5PM VO :35  
Vermilion County Board Legislative Chairwoman plans to hand deliver a resolution opposing the closure of Kickapoo State Park to the Governor's office.
- 9/10 SPECIAL SESSION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:47  
Leasing the state lottery being considered to pay for capital plan. Also a lot of lawmakers unhappy about cuts to social service agencies and state parks.
- 9/10 MINORITIES/LAYOFFS 5PM VO :22  
Groups representing minority state workers say they're worried layoffs could jeopardize state services.
- 9/10 MACON RESOURCES 5PM VOSOT :44  
Macon Resources clients rally at the Capitol to protest \$200,000 in state budget cuts.
- 9/10 VERMILION CO EMA 5PM PKG 1:49  
Vermilion County Board votes to merge the Vermilion Co. EMA with the IT department to save money. EMA lost a federal grant because they're done disposing VX gas at Newport Chemical Depot in Indiana.
- 9/10 STATE PARKS 6PM PKG 1:37  
State lawmakers are concerned Governor's budget cuts to state parks may force the state to give back federal funding and cost the state tourism dollars.
- 9/10 PAY TO PLAY 10PM VO :30  
Illinois House votes to override Governor's veto of an ethics bill.
- 9/11 SPECIAL SESSION 6PM VO :23  
Illinois Senate has no plans to come back before November to address House action during its special session.
- 9/11 SPECIAL SESSION 10PM PKG 2:02  
Some House members say just passed plan to lease the state lottery doesn't have a spending plan for construction projects.
- 9/13 STATE SITES RALLY 5PM PKG 2:23  
State employees and supporters rally outside the Governor's mansion to stop the closure of state parks and historic sites.

- 9/14 WELDON SPRINGS 10PM VOSOT :53  
Rally at Clinton High School against plans to close Weldon Springs State Park.
- 9/14 DURBIN 10PM VOSOT :40  
Senator Dick Durbin says Senate committee passed a bill that would keep records of purchases of medicines that can be used to make meth electronically.
- 9/15 SPFLD VOTING 5PM LIVE PKG 2:04  
State Board of Elections says new Sangamon County voting machines work and election should go off without a hitch.
- 9/15 DEC CITY PETITIONS 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :25  
Potential Decatur city government candidates can pick up nominating petitions beginning tomorrow. Other cities doing the same.
- 9/15 TVILLE BUFFALO FISH 6PM PKG 2:00  
Taylorville City Council will likely vote to allow a New York company to come to Lake Taylorville to harvest Buffalo fish. Nobody really wants the fish in the lake anyway.
- 9/15 SEC STATE UNPAID DAYS 10PM VO :36  
Secretary of State employees being forced to take four unpaid days off because of budget cuts.
- 9/15 URBANA COUNCIL 10PM VO :27  
Urbana City Council names Ward 5 Alderman Dennis Roberts Mayor Pro Tempore.
- 9/15 DECATUR COUNCIL 10PM VO :17  
Decatur City Council okays rezoning request for St. Mary's Hospital.
- 9/16 PARKS/HIST SITES 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:20  
Governor delaying shutdown of historic sites and state parks because of unresolved personnel issues.
- 9/16 ELECTION PETITIONS 5PM VO :16  
Nominating petitions for municipal election candidates now available.
- 9/16 MATTOON TRAIN DEPOT 6PM VOSOT :45  
Mattoon City Council plans to approve resolution to secure money needed to fix up the train depot and open the bid process.
- 9/16 SPFLD COUNCIL 10PM LIVE PKG 2:19  
Springfield City Council approves tougher dog ordinances
- 9/17 STATE PARKS 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:21  
Lt. Governor Pat Quinn launches online petition drive aimed at keeping state parks open.
- 9/17 BUDGET CUT HEARING 10PM VOSOT 1:13  
Public hearing in Champaign to discuss negative impact Governor's budget cuts will have on Human Services in the state.
- 9/17 PAY TO PLAY 10PM VO :34  
Sen. Barack Obama called Illinois Senate President Emil Jones to urge him to call the Senate back in to vote on the re-worked ethics bill.

- 9/17 DEC COUNCIL/MAYOR 10PM GRAPHICS :44  
Michael Carrigan, Mike McElroy, and Pat McDaniel pick up petitions for Decatur Mayor. Julie Moore and Carla Brinkoetter picked up City Council nominations.
- 9/18 GEN ASSEMBLY 6PM VO :20  
Governor calling General Assembly back to Springfield on Monday for a special session on ethics reform.
- 9/18 ANIMAL SHELTER 6PM VO :27  
Christian County Board approves bid to expand Animal Shelter
- 9/18 CLINTON LANDFILL 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:39  
DeWitt County Board votes to approve an ordinance that it has the power to tell the owners of the Clinton Landfill that they cannot bring toxic waste into the landfill.
- 9/18 CHAUTAUQUA FUTURE 10PM VOSOT :52  
Shelbyville holds a special meeting on renovating the historic 105 year old Chautauqua building in Forest Park.
- 9/19 SPECIAL SESSION 5PM SOT/VO :49  
Gov. Blagojevich calls Legislature back for special session on ethics reform on Monday. One lawmaker says its ridiculous because he recently changed the ethics law.
- 9/22 SPECIAL SESSION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:34  
House & Senate in for special session on ethics reform. House doesn't take action. Senate working on restoring budget cuts to state parks and historic sites.
- 9/22 BLAGO CAMP FUNDS 5PM READER/SOT :43  
Governor Blagojevich says he didn't know \$65,000 Ali Ata donated to his campaign has not been returned. Ata pleaded guilty to tax evasion.
- 9/22 MENARDS LAWSUIT 5PM GRAPHIC :25  
EEOC files a lawsuit against Menards because it allegedly demoted a department manager at the Effingham stroe because she asked for time off for surgery to prepare her for invitro fertilization.
- 9/22 ELECTION JUDGES 5PM LIVE PKG 1:50  
Several area counties still looking for election judges for the November election
- 9/22 OSBORNE SPEAKS 5PM VOSOT :49  
Former Decatur Mayor Paul Osborne speaks at the Rotary Club luncheon.. recieves the Paul Harris Fellows Award.. the group's highest honor.
- 9/23 BACK IN SESSION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:04  
State Senate approves bill requiring insurance companies to provide up to \$36,000 in coverage and unlimited doctor visits for families with autistic children.
- 9/23 CHILD SUPPORT 5PM VO :30  
State threatening to deny hunting and fishing licenses to deadbeat parents who don't pay child support.
- 9/23 URBANA CENSUS 5PM GRAPHIC :19  
City of urbana says new census shows population increased by more than 3000 to 40,550
- 9/23 EDGAR COMMENTS 6PM SOT :34

Former Gov Edgar says he'd like to see state park funding restored, but not based on lottery lease.

9/23 DELINQUENT PROPERTY 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:31

Macon County ready to sell property that's behind on property taxes. For the first time mobile homes will be on the auction block.

9/23 MCARTHUR BRIDGE 10PM PKG 1:43

City of Decatur plans to replace bridge on MacArthur Road. During a public meeting, city tells residents that the bridge will not be completely closed during construction project.

9/24 DANIELS FOR MAYOR 5PM VO :17

Co-founder of Change Decatur Steve Daniels picks up nominating petitions for Decatur Mayor.

9/26 IDOT LAWSUIT 5PM VOSOT :40

Sangamon County judge gives the ok for a lawsuit aimed at preventing the move of 100 IDOT jobs out of Springfield to move forward.

9/26 DECATUR COUNCIL 6PM PKG 2:00

Some Decatur residents questioning expense of renovating the City Council Chambers. Could cost upwards of a million dollars.

9/26 WELDON SPRINGS 6PM VO :28

State Rep. Bill Mitchell draws up new bill that would provide funding to keep state parks like Weldon Springs open. Bill calls for selling Governor's plane and investing the money into capital projects.

9/27 STATE PARK RALLY 5PM LIVE PKG 1:36

Group of people travel from Kickapoo St. Park in Vermilion County to Springfield to protest closing of the park due to budget cuts.

9/29 VOTER REGISTRATION 5PM VO :36

Deadline to register to vote for the November election is one week away.

9/29 DECATUR CITY WEB 6PM PKG 1:52

City of Decatur adds Geographical Informational System to its website. You can get zoning information, historic districts, etc. by clicking on it.

9/29 STUDENT VOTE REGISTRATION 10PM LIVE PKG 2:25

Student voter registration at UIS in Springfield is up.. and there's an upcoming four day drive to register more students.

9/29 SPFLD CITY BUDGET 10PM VOSOT :47

Springfield City Council Finance Committee looking into increased fuel expenses when it meets tomorrow to discuss the next city budget.

9/29 DECATUR COUNCIL 10PM VO :38

Decatur City Council votes to extend contract to study city water supply.

9/30 SPFLD BILL OBAMA 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:12

City of Springfield still considering billing the Obama campaign for expenses related to his announcement in Springfield in August.

9/30 DECISION 2008 6PM PKG 2:06



Three former Congressmen at Millikin University in Decatur discussing the upcoming Presidential Election

9/30 STAIRWELL APPEAL 6PM VO :24

Attorney for the father of Christopher Gaston plans to appeal judges decision that city of Danville not liable for parking garage stairwell collapse that killed his son.

9/30 SPFLD BUDGET 10PM LIVE PKG 2:51

Rising fuel costs have Springfield City Council trying to figure out how to stretch their money. There will be some budget cuts because they expect a 8 to 10 million dollar shortfall.

## Health & Safety

7/1 SPFLD SEMI FIRE 6PM VO :25

Semi carrying butter catches fire on southbound Interstate 55 at Toronto Rd. in Springfield. Southbound lanes shut down for awhile.

7/1 MEDICAL HELICOPTERS 6PM PKG 2:05

So far this year.. six of nine serious accidents with emergency medical aircraft have involved helicopters. We take a look at what procedures AirLife in Champaign has in place for it's choppers.

7/1 CHILD DROWNING 6PM VO :20

Autopsy confirms 3 year old Wyatt DeJesus of Linton, IN died from drowning in a relative's pool in Champaign.

7/1 BEEF RECALL 10PM GRAPHIC :44

Kroger recalling ground beef that may be contaminated with e-coli.

7/1 22ND ST. AX 10PM VO :27

Adam Hill still in critical condition at Carle hospital with injuries suffered in last week's crash at 22nd & Garfield in Decatur

7/1 DMH CANCER CENTER 10PM VO :22

Decatur Memorial Hospital gets ok to build a new cancer care center which will be built just east of the Greater Decatur Y.

7/2 VILLA GROVE WATER 5PM PKG 1:53

Water main break cuts water service to the entire town of Villa Grove. Residents now have to boil their water.

7/2 ROLLOVER 6PM VO :17

A semi hauling dirt rolled over in a crash on Rt. 51 just south of Clinton.

7/2 ARCOLA FIRE 10PM VO :21

Unoccupied house catches fire in Arcola causing significant damage.

7/2 CHAMP. FIRE 10PM VOSOT :45

Fire at 1733 Anita Dr. in Champaign causes an estimated 80 thousand dollars damage.

7/2 OPERATION RANGER 10PM GRAPHIC :28

Moultrie County Sheriff's Dept. getting a Polaris Ranger 6x6 ATV from US Smokeless Tobacco Co. Their program helps provide emergency vehicles that enhance emergency response in communities nationwide/

- 7/3 FINDLAY FIRE 5PM VO :17  
Lightning strike causes a fire at an office building of the Tate & Lyle grain elevator
- 7/3 EFFINGHAM FIRE 5PM VO :27  
Suspicious fire destroyed an Effingham home last night
- 7/3 VEHICLE AWARD 6PM VOSOT :38  
Moultrie County Sheriff's Dept. gets a 6x6 ATV from US Smokeless Tobacco Co. program that awards them to police and public safety agencies.
- 7/4 SKYDIVING AX 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:45  
Skydiver killed in Taylorville this afternoon when his parachute failed to open
- 7/4 4TH & FIREFIGHTERS 10pm PKG 1:36  
Statistically the 4th of July is the busiest day for firefighters nationwide. But Decatur firefighters say actually it's usually one of their slower days.
- 7/4 FIREWORKS SAFETY 6PM PKG 1:40  
Nine people slightly hurt when firework malfunctions at Monticello's display. Champaign Fire Dept says they take extra steps to eliminate or at least reduce the chances of an accident where someone will get hurt.
- 7/4 VILLA GROVE BO 5PM READER :06  
Villa Grove lifts it's boil order
- 7/5 DECATUR AX 10PM VO :32  
Two people hurt in a crash at Franklin and South Shores in Decatur.
- 7/5 TAYLORVILLE AX 10PM VOSOT :41  
Five hurt in a two car crash at Park & Cherokee in Taylorville. Two women thrown from one car.. three occupants of the other rescued by a man who lived nearby.
- 7/5 SKY DIVING 10PM VO :23  
Autopsy shows 54 year old Tony Vieira of Glenarm died from blunt force trauma in Friday skydiving accident.
- 7/5 BOAT SAFETY 10PM VOSOT :39  
Army Corps of Engineers create a team of law enforcement agencies to have a greater police presence on Lake Shelbyville and to teach people about boating safety.
- 7/5 TRIATHLON RESCUE 10PM VO :36  
Emergency crews practice water rescues in preparation for tomorrow's Rodney Miller triathlon.
- 7/6 FATAL MOTORCYCLE AX 5PM GRAPHIC :25  
31 year old Daniel Abbott of DeWitt killed in a motorcycle crash in Cumberland County last night.
- 7/6 VILLA GROVE FIREWORKS 10PM GRAPHIC :35  
16 year old hurt in an accident at Villa Grove's fireworks display.
- 7/7 SKYDIVE FATAL FOLO 5PM PKG 2:31

Taylorville Police working with FAA to determine what caused skydiver's death on July 4th.

7/7 I-55 FIRE 5PM VO :12

RV catches on fire on I-55 near Lincoln. Blocked traffic for awhile.

7/7 LANGLEYVILLE FIRES 5PM VOSOT :52

State fire marshal investigating a fire at a vacant Langleyville house on Saturday. Taylorville fire wont comment on whether it's related to recent vehicle arsons.

7/7 I-57/I-74 CONSTRUCTION. 5PM GRAPHIC :29

Road work begins on I-57 at mile marker 193 in Coles County. Work on Oakland Ave. bridge over I-72 in Decatur also underway.

7/7 WORK ZONE DEATHS 5PM VO :20

IDOT says worker deaths in construction zones were down last year, in part due to increased speed zone enforcement.

7/7 FIREWX INVESTIGATE 6PM PKG 2:17

Department of Natural Resources investigating fireworks accidents in Monticello & Villa Grove.

7/7 DECATUR FIRE VO 6PM :14

Late afternoon fire damages a home in the 900 block of E. Harrison in Decatur.

7/8 I-57 CRASH 5PM VO :24

Two car crash on I-57 in Champaign ties up traffic and sends four to the hospital.

7/8 FIRE GRANTS 5PM PKG 1:54

54 Illinois fire departments including several area ones sharing a \$1million grant to buy new equipment.

7/8 DECATUR FIRE 5PM VOSOT :33

Decatur fire investigators say a box fan that fell over started the fire in the 900 block of E. Harrison.

7/8 SPFLD DAMAGE 6PM VO :13

Some trees and power lines knocked down in Springfield due to storms.

7/8 ELDO AX 6PM VO :16

Car & mail truck run into each other at Eldorado & Witt in Decatur.. car bounces into Decatur Custom Tool building.

7/8 DRIVING TASK FORCE 6PM PKG 2:04

State task force has its list of recommendations to reduce number of distracted drivers on the roads. Could likely lead to cell phone & texting ban among other new driving laws.

7/8 BULLET IN HOUSE 10PM PKG 1:59

50 caliber bullet fired from the Lincoln Gun Club travels two miles and goes into a house. No one hurt but it put a big hole in the wall.

7/8 CANCER CENTER 10PM VO :41

New Simmons-Cooper Cancer Institute at SIU School of Medicine in Springfield will be dedicated Thursday. But it won't open until fall or next year because the state didn't provide money for the utilities and maintenance.

- 7/9 RUSH HOUR SPILL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:57  
Tanker truck overturns while trying to avoid another semi that made an illegal u turn on I-74 in Champaign County.. tanker leaked about 50 gallons of diethanolamine which is classified as a hazardous material. Took all day to clean up and remove truck.
- 7/9 CHEMICAL BREAKOUT 5PM GRAPHICS :12  
diethanolamine explainer, what it's used in and what effect exposure has on the body
- 7/9 CANCER RESEARCH 5PM VOSOT :45  
Two day symposium on cancer research going on at SIU School of Medicine in Springfield.
- 7/9 STORM CLEANUP 6PM VOSOT :37  
Tower Hill residents cleaning up tree damage after last night's severe storms.
- 7/9 DANVILLE FIRE 10PM GRAPHIC :19  
House at 39 Schultz St. in Danville catches fire around 4 this afternoon and is a total loss.
- 7/10 MACON CO SHERIFF 5PM VOSOT :37  
Village of Forsyth renews contract with Macon County Sheriff's Dept. for police services. Also give a check for more than \$140,000 that will go toward new squad cars.
- 7/10 SIMMONS COOPER 5PM VOSOT :40  
SIU School of Medicine cuts the ribbon and dedicates the new Simmons Cooper Cancer Institute. But it won't open yet because the state didn't include money to pay for the utilities and maintenance.
- 7/10 FIREWORKS SUSPEND 6PM GRAPHIC :26  
Department of Natural Resources suspends CHW Displays license for two 4th of July weekend accidents. Owners cannot put on displays or move anything from its storage until investigation is over.
- 7/11 POWER OUT 5PM READER :10  
CWLP says blown transformer knocked out power to 2000 customers in the White Oaks Mall area.
- 7/11 HEAD ON CRASH 5PM VO :18  
Three vehicles involved in a crash on Rt.36 & 85th St. in Long Creek. Reports of multiple injuries.
- 7/11 N STUDENT BODY 5PM SOT 1:01  
Teen reality series starring Eisenhower & MacArthur students premiers tonight.
- 7/11 OIL TANK FIRE 6PM GRAPHIC :16  
Lightning strikes an oil tank near Edinburg and sets it on fire.
- 7/11 STORM DMG TWICE 6PM VOSOT :47  
Central Illinois Transmission in Mattoon cleaning up for a second time in a month after storm damages the building.
- 7/11 DANVILLE LANDSLIDE 6PM VOSOT :52  
Engineers say ground water and leaking water line may have caused a landslide that's threatened a couple of buildings.
- 7/11 RAFTING POLICY 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :31

Army Corps of Engineers issues new regulation on how many boats can be tied together in any area of Lake Shelbyville. Takes effect July 18th. Effort to cut number of fatal accidents in the area known as Party Cove.

7/12 BRIDGE COLLAPSE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:33

Overnight heavy rains washed out a rural bridge in Menard County.. two people hurt when their car went off of it.

7/12 SPRINGFIELD FIRE 5PM VOSOT :37

Springfield man severely burned when his duplex caught fire in the 300 block of Glenwood.

7/12 CHAMPAIGN FIRE 5PM VO :30

Champaign fire investigators looking into cause of a fire in a vacant house in the 3400 block of Mill Creek Court. Fire caused \$100,000 damage. It was for sale with a list price of \$379,000.

7/13 DOUBLE FATAL CRASH 5PM GRAPHIC :27

William and Julie Orndorff of Broadlands killed when a van struck their motorcycle on a rural road outside Broadlands.

7/13 CHILD HIT ON BIKE 5PM VO :20

Child riding his bike hit by a car at Edward & Grand in Decatur. Police say he rode out in front of the car.

7/13 SPFLD FIRE UPDATE 10PM VO :33

Man burned in yesterday's house fire in Springfield remains in critical condition. Investigators say they have two possible causes which are accidental.

7/13 BOILL ORDER 10PM GRAPHIC :10

Village of Kenney under a boil order. Lightning hit a pump at the water plant.

7/14 SPFLD MOTORCYCLE 5PM GRAPHIC :26

61 year old Springfield man hurt in a motorcycle crash in Sangamon County Sunday evening.

7/14 SPFLD FIRE FOLO 5PM VO :20

Springfield man seriously burned in weekend house fire remains in critical condition. Investigators still haven't pinned a cause yet.

7/14 NATURAL GAS LEAK 10PM VO :22

Man riding a lawn mower backed into a gas line in the 500 block of Chatham Road and caused a leak. Fire Department blocked off a small area until Ameren could stop the leak and fix the line.

7/15 SEATBELTS UP 5PM VO :15

IDOT says seat belt usage is up to 91 percent in Illinois & highway deaths are down so far this year compared to last.

7/15 CAR IN YARD 6PM VO :15

Car ends up in a yard in the 1000 block of W. Decatur street this afternoon.

7/15 SPFLD FIRE FOLO 5PM VO :27

Springfield man seriously burned in weekend house fire remains in critical condition. Investigators still haven't pinned a cause yet.

- 7/16 MISSING CHILD 5PM GRAPHIC :26  
Champaign Police looking for 12 year old Terra Anderson who was last seen on Sunday.
- 7/16 HISPANIC WORKSHOP 6PM VOSOT :39  
State Fire Marshal holds workshop in Taylorville for emergency responders to help them learn some Spanish to help them communicate better with Hispanic residents.
- 7/16 GAS CAN ALERT 6PM GRAPHIC :26  
State Fire Marshal says a type of temporary emergency gas can is illegal in Illinois.
- 7/16 CARLE PREVIEW 6PM VOSOT :46  
Carle Clinic shows off new facility on West Curtis Road in Champaign that opens on Monday.
- 7/16 CHICAGO SAFETY 10PM VO :32  
State Police planning to conduct special motorcycle enforcement patrol in the Chicago area aimed at reducing motorcycle accidents & deaths
- 7/16 MOTORCYCLE AX #S 10PM GRAPHIC :37  
There have been a number of fatal motorcycle accidents in the area in just the last few months.
- 7/16 MOTORCYCLE SAFETY 10PM LIVE PKG 2:27  
Local police and motorcycle dealers say new initiative is a good idea.. more accidents likely because more people are considering them due to gas prices.
- 7/16 POWER OUT VO 10PM :20  
Problem with a substation knocks out power to the area around Mueller Co. plant on West Eldorado in Decatur.
- 7/16 EASTER SEALS LOAN 10PM VO :27  
Easter Seals of Central Illinois loaning out medical equipment for those in need.
- 7/17 FIREFIGHTER RECRUITS 5PM PKG 1:55  
Urbana Fire Department used myspace & facebook to recruit potential firefighter candidates. Got an overwhelming response & had to cut off applications.. got more than 400 replies.
- 7/17 WAVERLY FIRE 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :21  
Small fire in grain storage unit at Johnson Shuttle near Waverly. Several fire departments responded.
- 7/17 HEAT SAFETY 5PM PKG 1:51  
Ways to prevent heat related illnesses.
- 7/17 DECATUR CRASH 5PM VO :13  
Four vehicle personal injury accident in the 3200 block of N. MacArthur in Decatur.
- 7/17 CRANE BALL 5PM VO :27  
Headache ball on a construction crane at the M2 parking deck in Champaign falls.. no one hurt but glass broke on the crane.
- 7/17 CWLP OUTAGES 6PM READER :18

Equipment failure knocks out power to several hundred homes in the Cider Mill area of Springfield. About 70 others in the W. Washington-Veteran's Parkway area affected by another outage.

- 7/17 COP PROMOTION 6PM VO :25  
Springfield police officer Chris Cunningham promoted to sergeant.
- 7/18 COP BIKE RIDE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:14  
Police officers from around the state on a bike ride to raise money for the families of fallen officers. Passed through Decatur today. Stopped at crash site where Trooper Brian McMillen was killed near Illiopolis and held a ceremony to remember Douglas County Chief Deputy Tommy Martin.
- 7/18 SHELBYVILLE BOATING 6PM VO :28  
New rafting rules for boats in Lake Shelbyville take effect tomorrow.
- 7/18 DECATUR CAR CRASH 10PM VO :21  
Several people hurt in a crash on the Staley Viaduct in Decatur this evening.
- 7/18 PITBULL ATTACK 10PM VOSOT :37  
Phil Jones attacked by two pit bulls while mowing a lawn in Decatur.
- 7/19 SANGAMON FATAL CRASH 5PM GRAPHIC :29  
Single vehicle crash on South Tower Road near Mechanicsburg kills one man.
- 7/20 FATAL CRASH UPDATE 5PM VO :26  
Coroner identifies victim of Saturday morning crash near Mechanicsburg as 31 year old Shane White of Mt. Auburn
- 7/20 FATHER DEAD 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :20  
Shane White's father Jeffery White was the man killed in a crash near Mt. Auburn just a couple weeks ago.
- 7/20 CUMBERLAND FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :33  
20 year old Timothy McBurmey of Mattoon killed in a crash near Neoga Saturday afternoon.
- 7/20 DEAD IN JAIL 5PM READER :23  
Champaign County deputies investigating death of a Rantoul man while in custody.
- 7/20 BOATERS REACT 5PM PKG 1:48  
Lake Shelbyville boaters we talk to say new rafting policy on Lake Shelbyville is a good idea.
- 7/21 CHILD DEATH 5PM READER :22  
4 year old Springfield boy killed when a tree limb fell on him during a storm this morning at a Quad City area campground.
- 7/21 JAIL DEATH 5PM VO :28  
Some Rantoul cops on leave after a man they took to the Champaign County jail died while in custody. Autopsy shows no evidence of trauma or injury.
- 7/21 URBANA BODY 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :27  
Urbana Police investigating man's death in a Circle K parking lot. Police do not suspect foul play.

- 7/21 FIREFIGHTER SERIES 5PM PKG 2:32  
Behind the scenes look at training Decatur and Willard Airport firefighters recently went through in Chicago.
- 7/21 FATHER/SON FATALS 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :31  
Funeral arrangements set for 31 year old Shane White of Mt. Auburn. He died in a weekend crash. His father died in a crash a few weeks ago.
- 7/21 SAFE DRIVING 6PM PKG 2:01  
Illinois State Police & Indiana State Police plan to increase patrols on I-74 this weekend due to the Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis.
- 7/21 LIGHTNING 10PM VO :15  
Lots of lightning from tonight's severe storms.
- 7/22 MT. PULASKI WX 5PM LIVE PKG 2:12  
Mt. Pulaski residents cleaning up after last night's severe storm.
- 7/22 EDGAR CO. DAMAGE 5PM GRAPHIC :15  
Edgar Co. ESDA says some damage reported in Shiloh Township. ESDA director claims it was a tornado.
- 7/22 COPTER RESCUE 5PM GRAPHIC :31  
Single vehicle crash near Findlay sends two occupants to Springfield Memorial via air ambulance.
- 7/22 URBANA BODY 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :27  
Champaign Co. Coroner says he has to wait for toxicology results to determine 43 year old Tyrone Gaines' cause of death.
- 7/22 ADAM HILL 5PM VO :28  
Adam Hill remains in Carle Hospital in good condition. He was hurt in crash at 22nd & Garfield in Decatur June 25th.
- 7/22 CITIZEN POLICE 6PM VO :25  
Springfield Police will hold a citizen police academy this September
- 7/22 JALAPENOS 10PM LIVE PKG 2:33  
FDA says salmonella outbreak could be linked to jalapeno peppers. Health Departments telling restaurants to check with their suppliers about where they're coming from.
- 7/23 TRAIN JUMPING 6PM GRAPHIC :28  
Teenagers are jumping off a train trestle and into the lake near Chatham. They're doing it just as a train approaches. Sheriff's Dept. trying to put a stop to it.
- 7/23 CHAMP DOUBLE FATAL 6PM PKG 1:32  
Bill and Julie Orndorff were killed in motorcycle crash last week. His sister is taking care of four of their children. People in and around Broadlands are donating money to help the children.
- 7/23 ADM OSHA 6PM VO :25  
OSHA investigation finds no violations related to February fire at ADM that killed two workers.
- 7/23 RT. 51 ACCIDENT 10PM VO :29



Another semi rolls over at the Route 51-Interstate 72 interchange in Decatur. 100 to 200 gallons of diesel spilled into the ditch. Driver slightly hurt.

7/23 I-74 CLOSURES 10PM VO :29

Tank of asphalt sealant falls off a truck at Prospect and I-74 in Champaign and spills all over the place.. closing the road for awhile while they cleaned up the mess.

7/23 SPFLD CONSTRUCTION 10PM PKG 2:00

Several road construction projects in downtown Springfield messing up traffic. City says work should be done in a couple weeks.

7/23 WEST NILE 10PM VO :33

Batch of mosquitos in Macon County test positive for West Nile virus.

7/23 LIGHT BULB RECYCLE 10PM VO :23

Kenney Ace Hardware in Mt. Zion will now accept compact flourescent light bulbs, rechargeable batteries and old cell phones for recycling.

7/24 FORD CO. FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :19

50 year old Michael Taylor of Rantoul killed when his vehicle hit a utility pole and flipped. He wouldn't pull over when Paxton Police tried to stop him.

7/24 SHERIFF GRANT 6PM VO :15

Douglas County gets a \$42,000 Homeland Security grant to get in-car computers for deputy squad cars.

7/24 RED CROSS DEPLOYS 10PM VO :23

Janice Miller of Clinton being deployed to Texas by the Red Cross to help with disaster relief after Hurricane Dolly

7/24 KITCHEN FIRES 10PM GRAPHIC :34

Urbana Fire Dept. says apartment kitchen fires have almost doubled this year.. all because of food left unattended.

7/25 ACID SPILL 5PM PKG 1:43

Three Sangamon County Deputies treated at hospital for breathing in toxic fumes leaking from a truck at truck stop off I-55 near Williamsville.

7/25 DECATUR CRASH 10PM VO :11

Two car crash at Franklin & Wood in Decatur. No word on injuries.

7/25 RED CROSS 10PM VO :32

Springfield Red Cross needs donations due to a string of recent fires leaving several families in need of assistance.

7/26 SHELBY COUNTY FIRE 5PM GRAPHIC :39

Family of eight in Oconee loses thier home in a fire.. Red Cross assisting the family.

7/26 CITY POLICE TRAINING 5PM PKG 1:56

Springfield Police Dept. holds physical agility test for potential officer recruits.

7/26 BRICKYARD 400 10PM VO :26

Reminder that Illinois and Indiana State Police will be watching I-74 tomorrow before and after the Brickyard 400 at Indianapolis.

7/27 DOUBLE FATAL CRASH 5PM GRAPHIC :32

23 year old Chad Hagan and his wife Kimberly killed when a car crossed the center line on Route 1 near the Vermilion-Edgar County line and hit their motorcycle.

7/27 FATAL SEMI AX 5PM GRAPHIC :35

3 vehicle crash in I-57 in Effingham County kills a Chicago trucker.

7/27 OVERTURNED BOAT 5PM VO :25

Boat goes over the Lake Decatur dam with one person aboard.. they were slightly hurt. Boat motor stopped working.

7/27 BRICKYARD 400 5PM VO :33

Illinois and Indiana State Police watching I-57 due to the Brickyard 400.

7/27 FIRE FAMILY 10PM VOSOT :53

Family of eight from Oconee who lost their home in a fire on Friday trying to figure out what to do next.. they don't have insurance.

7/27 CHAMPAIGN FIRE 10PM GRAPHIC :24

Fire at a home in 500 block of East Park St. in Champaign causes \$100,000 damage. Child playing with a lighter caused it.

7/28 FATAL MOTORCYCLE 5PM GRAPHIC :21

23 year old Chad Hagan and his wife Kimberly killed when a car crossed the center line and hit their motorcycle on Route 1 in Edgar County near the Vermilion County line.

7/28 ANIMAL CONTROL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:12

Springfield City Council working to adopt similar animal control ordinances that Sangamon County has.

7/28 MACON CO. STDS 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :29

Macon Co. Health Dept. says county's gonorrhea rate among teens and young adults was the state's highest in 2006. Plan to use a grant to promote STD awareness.

7/28 BACK 2 SCHOOL 5PM GRAPHIC :19

Sangamon County Health Dept. holding a back to school funfest Tuesday where kids can get immunizations, physicals and dental screenings.

7/28 BOAT OVER DAM 6PM PKG 1:32

Boat goes over Lake Decatur Dam over the weekend, one person was slightly injured. Witness who called 911 describes what happened.

7/28 CHAMPAIGN CRASH 6PM VO :22

Driver of a dump truck has a seizure and runs off the road and hits a fence in Champaign. No one hurt.

7/28 CLINIC OPENING 6PM VOSOT :40

Christie Clinic opens new satellite campus at 1710 E. Windsor in Urbana.

7/28 CAMPING BABY DEAD 10PM LIVE PKG 2:21

9 month old Savannah Steubs dies from injuries suffered when tree limb fell on her during a storm at a Quad City area campground. Her brother died last week.

7/29 HOUSE FIRE 5PM VO :22

House at 354 Dawson Road in Macon County catches fire. South Wheatland fire chief believes cause was electrical.

- 7/29 BRIDGE REPORT 5PM VO :44  
New report ranks Illinois bridges 6th best in the nation... Gov. Blagojevich uses it to push for new capital bill.
- 7/29 BLOOD DRIVE 5PM VOSOT :40  
Mid-Illinois Red Cross says blood supply critically low and donors are needed.
- 7/29 MOTORCYCLE SAFETY 6PM PKG 2:23  
ABATE members say they're afraid number of motorcycle deaths will go up as more people turn to them because of gas prices. Group trying to get distracted driving laws on the book.
- 7/29 STOP THE VIOLENCE 10PM PKG 1:54  
Churches and community members hold prayer vigil in a Decatur inner-city neighborhood to stop the violence in the area.
- 7/29 BRIDGE REPORT 10PM LIVE PKG 2:30  
Increased fuel and construction prices are hurting funding for bridge repair in the state.
- 7/29 LUDLOW FATAL 10PM GRAPHIC :18  
80 year old Chicago man killed in a single car crash on I-57 near Ludlow in Champaign Co.
- 7/30 EMERGENCY PREPARE 6PM SOT :48  
State launches new TV ads promoting disaster preparedness.
- 7/30 CHAMP. HOUSE FIRE 10PM VO :24  
Urbana woman sets multiple fires in her home in the 900 block of S. Maple. She's sent in for psychiatric treatment.
- 7/30 CHAMP. STOLEN CAR 10PM VO :25  
Urbana police looking for person who stole a car from an apartment parking lot.. then hit a parked vehicle.
- 7/31 4 NEW DECATUR COPS 5PM VOSOT :30  
Four new officers sworn into Decatur Police Dept.
- 7/31 PANA HOSPITAL 10PM VOSOT :41  
Pana Community Hospital breaks ground on new \$2.2 million rehab-wellness center.
- 8/1 CHAMP BIKE LANE 5PM PKG 1:50  
New bike lane opens at First & Locust in Champaign
- 8/1 PEDESTRIAN V TRAIN 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :30  
20 year old Matthew Petro of Taylorville hit by a train in Taylorville. Suffered a broken arm and several cuts.
- 8/1 STOP SIGN PRANK 6PM PKG 2:03  
Someone stole a stop sign at a rural intersection near Sherman, and that ended up causing a crash that sent five people to the hospital.
- 8/1 TVILLE AIRPORT 6PM VO :28  
FAA approves plans for Taylorville airport to raise the lights glide path angle by one degree because of the water tower nearby.

- 8/2 BLOOD DRIVE 5PM VOSOT :44  
Grace Baptist Church in Decatur hosts a blood drive. Red Cross says supplies are dangerously low.
- 8/3 DURBIN TOY SAFETY 5PM VOSOT :39  
Sen. Durbin calling on President to sign bill that overhauls the Consumer Product Safety Commission.
- 8/3 KEEP COOL TIPS 10PM SOT/GPX :37  
Red Cross offers tips for staying safe in expected hot weather this week.
- 8/4 SUMMER HEAT 5PM LIVE PKG 1:42  
Heat index over 100 today..health officials worried about people working outside etc and suffering from heat-related illnesses. Two golfers collapsed at Hickory Point this afternoon.
- 8/4 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE 5PM VOSOT :45  
Gov Blagojevich signs a bill that allows judges to order domestic violence abusers who violate protection orders to wear a GPS tracking device.
- 8/4 HEALTH DEPT HOURS 5PM VO :25  
Macon County Health Dept. opening earlier and closing earlier due to security concerns and also to help cut energy costs.
- 8/4 ISP/STATE FAIR 6PM VOSOT :48  
Springfield Police, Sangamon County Sheriff, and State Police plan to work together as one force during the State Fair.. especially when the fair closes for the night.
- 8/4 SHERIFF RETIRES 6PM GRAPHIC :30  
Menard County Sheriff Larry Smith announces retirement at the end of the month. Same day Macon County Sheriff Jerry Dawson will retire. Macon County Board holding newser about Dawson's replacement on Tuesday.
- 8/4 NAT NIGHT OUT PREVIEW 10PM VOSOT :52  
National Night Out Against Crime tomorrow night. Events going on in Decatur, Springfield & Champaign.
- 8/5 U OF I POLICE 5PM VO :22  
University of Illinois Police taking applications for new officers.
- 8/5 MOTORCYCLE CRASH 5PM GRAPHIC :27  
Troy couple injured in a motorcycle crash on I-155 north of Lincoln.
- 8/5 MACON CO. SHERIFF 6PM VOSOT :42  
Chief Deputy Tom Schneider picked to succeed retiring Sheriff Jerry Dawson. Appointment needs County Board approval.. which is likely.
- 8/5 DECATUR PD APS 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:59  
275 people applied to become Decatur police officers in latest round of application process. Expect about 16-20 will go on to the police academy.
- 8/5 CHAMPAIGN SPEEDERS 6PM GRAPHICS :30  
Champaign police plan another speed enforcement detail this month.
- 8/5 STATE FAIR TRAFFIC 6PM VO :25  
Traffic pattern around State Fairgrounds changes to it's usual counter-clockwise pattern on Thursday.

- 8/5 NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 10PM PKG 1:42  
25th annual National Night out against Crime events in Decatur, Springfield & Champaign
- 8/5 LIQUOR STORE CRIMES 10PM PKG 1:41  
Neighbors of JB Liquors say crowds that gather there are causing problems and they would like more police presence in the area.
- 8/5 ENOS PARK 10PM PKG 2:03  
Enos Park neighborhood group in Springfield says their efforts to take back their neighborhood appears to be working. Residents say neighborhood policing has cut back on the drug traffic and other crime.
- 8/5 POT HOLES 10PM VOSOT :46  
Oakley residents turn out at the township meeting to complain about the bad roads.
- 8/6 CAR IN BUILDING 5PM VO :19  
Car hits the Custom Trophies building on Water Street in Decatur this morning. No one hurt but significant damage to corner of building. Driver arrested for driving on a suspended license.
- 8/6 MORE ER VISITS 5PM PKG 2:03  
Springfield Memorial is one of many hospitals nationwide reporting ER visits are at an all time high
- 8/6 TEEN PREGNANCY LOW 5PM VOSOT :45  
Vermilion Co. Health Dept. says teen pregnancy rate is the lowest it's been in 36 years.
- 8/6 SPFLD CRASH 6PM VO :17  
Springfield Police say a medical problem may have caused a crash at West Jefferson & Lewis.
- 8/6 PILEDRIVER INQUEST 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:24  
Macon County coroner's jury rules James Tipword's death in a railroad construction accident accidental. However there are more questions than answers about exactly what happened.
- 8/6 DECATUR CRASH 10PM VO :17  
At least one person hurt in a multi-vehicle accident at Fairview & Eldorado in Decatur.
- 8/7 MOWEAQUA CRASH 5PM VO :24  
Semi & pickup involved in a collision at S. Putnam and Route 51 in Moweaqua. No serious injuries.
- 8/7 RIDE INSPECTIONS 5PM VO :26  
State Dept. of Labor inspecting carnival rides at State Fair before they get put to use.
- 8/7 DOG POWER LINES 5PM VOSOT :39  
Dog tied up to a fence in the Garfield Estates trailer park trapped when a power line came down. Dog eventually rescued.
- 8/7 FBI ANNIVERSARY 5PM VOSOT :45  
FBI celebrating 100th anniversary with an event in Springfield.
- 8/7 MOTORCYCLE AX 10PM GRAPHIC :24

Motorcycle crash on Rt. 45 north of Mattoon kills two men last night.

- 8/8 PROVENA VOLUNTEERS 5PM VO :29  
Provena Covenant Medical Foundation looking for volunteers for its senior caregiving program.
- 8/8 VERMILION CO AX 10PM :21  
52 year old Raymond Ingram of Indianola killed this afternoon when a tractor hit his motorcycle
- 8/10 CLINTON APT FIRE 5PM VOSOT :48  
Overnight fire in a Clinton duplex forces two families from their homes. Red Cross assisting families and also helped firefighters.
- 8/10 PEDESTRIAN HIT 5PM GRAPHIC :36  
Woman hit by a car while crossing US 45 in Effingham County. Driver arrested for DUI.
- 8/11 MILLIKIN CONSTRUCTION 10PM PKG 2:08  
City of Decatur and Millikin say road work on West Main St. in front of Millikin should be done before students return next week.
- 8/12 VACCINATIONS 5PM VO :35  
Macon County Health Dept. holding special program for free childrens vaccinations for those who qualify.
- 8/12 PELO SENTENCED 6PM VO :24  
Former Bloomington cop Jeff Pelo sentenced to 440 years in prison for his conviction of raping four women.
- 8/12 ENOS PARK PROSTITUTION 10PM PKG 1:56  
Enos Park Neighborhood association holds a meeting aimed at combating prostitution which has crept into the neighborhood.
- 8/12 PRIEST ABUSE 10PM VO :32  
Chicago Archdiocese settles priest abuse cases for 12 million dollars and apologizes to victims
- 8/13 CARLE EXPANSION 5PM PKG 1:55  
State Health Facilities Planning Board approves Carle Hospital's 200 million dollar expansion project.
- 8/13 KINDRED HOSPITAL 5PM VO :20  
Health Facilities Planning Board also approves continued construction at Kindred Healthcare Center in Springfield.
- 8/13 NURSING HOME FUNDS 5PM GRAPHIC :30  
Country Health Nursing Home in Gifford gets more than a million dollars from Eastern Illini Electric Coop to help pay for \$7.5 million expansion project.
- 8/13 FIRE DEPT. TRAINING 5PM VOSOT :43  
Urbana firefighters go through trench rescue training.
- 8/13 SPFLD CRASH 6PM VO :16  
Six people hurt in a crash at the I-72 Camp Butler Rd. interchange in Sangamon County.
- 8/13 DECATUR HOUSE FIRE 10PM VO :27

Fire in the 800 block of S. Maffit leaves a family homeless.

- 8/14 SAFE TEEN DRIVERS 5PM VO :22  
IDOT says its Safe Teen Drivers initiative is working to cut down the number of teen traffic deaths.
- 8/14 CHRISTIAN CO. AX 5PM GRAPHIC :30  
Kincaid man killed in a head-on crash on Route 104 near Langleyville last night.
- 8/14 VERMILION CO. AX 5PM GRAPHIC :21  
Vermilion Co. Deputies looking for a minivan whose occupants may have witnessed a fatal motorcycle crash last Friday.
- 8/14 DECATUR HOUSE FIRE 6PM VO :23  
Fire inspectors say house fire in the 800 block of S. Maffit was likely accidental.
- 8/14 PEDESTRIAN HIT 10PM GRAPHIC :16  
Woman hit by a car over the weekend in Effingham County died at Carle Hospital.
- 8/14 BLOOD NEEDED 10PM VO :31  
Central Illinois Community Blood Center says its practically out of type O blood.
- 8/15 DECATUR FIRE 5PM VO :25  
Decatur woman and her children left homeless after early morning fire in the 2500 block of Illinois Circle.
- 8/15 ELDO AX 5PM VO :10  
No one hurt in a crash at Jasper & Eldorado in Decatur, but it knocked down a power pole and lines.
- 8/15 BLOOD DRIVE 6PM VOSOT :44  
Red Cross holds a blood drive at Bob Evans restaurant in Decatur.
- 8/16 DEC HOUSE FIRE 10pm PKG 1:46  
Decatur woman speaks about escaping house fire and the help she's received from the Red Cross.
- 8/16 DEAD WOMAN 5PM VO :29  
Sangamon County Coroner says woman found dead in the 1600 block of S. 17th died from an apparent fall.. and foul play is not suspected.
- 8/16 SUV VS MOTORCYCLE 5PM GRAPHIC :17  
Crash on Rt 36 & Route 104 in Morgan Co. leads to some injuries
- 8/16 LAKE SHELBYVILLE 5PM VOSOT :46  
Army Corps of Engineers holds a meeting about boating safety on Lake Shelbyville.
- 8/16 CRITICAL BLOOD DRIVE 5PM VOSOT :43  
Donor Center in Springfield holds a blood drive for Type O Blood.
- 8/16 DANVILLE CHILD HIT 10PM GRAPHIC :17  
Danville girl hit by a car at Vorhees & Logan.. transferred to Carle Hospital in Urbana.
- 8/17 DANVILLE CHILD HIT 5PM GRAPHIC :39  
Danville Police say child hit by car last night ran out from between two parked cars. In critical condition at Carle Hospital.

- 8/17 SUV VS MOTORCYCLE 5PM GRAPHIC :30  
Motorcyclist hurt in crash at Rt. 36 & Rt. 104 in Morgan Co. suffered serious injuries and taken to a Springfield hospital.
- 8/18 DRIVING CRACKDOWN 5PM VO :26  
State and local police planning to step up DUI enforcement leading up to Labor Day weekend.
- 8/18 DVILLE KID HIT 5PM GRAPHIC :25  
6 year old Danville girl hit by a car remains in critical condition at Carle Hospital.
- 8/18 ARGENTA CRASH 5PM VO :16  
Three hurt in a head-on crash on Rt. 48 near Oreana.
- 8/18 DECATUR FIRE 5PM VO :14  
Fire at Sol Tick scrapyard ties up traffic on 22nd St. in Decatur.
- 8/18 URBANA FIRE TOUR 6PM VOSOT :52  
Group of Urbana firefighters tour Memorial Stadium to refamiliarize themselves after the stadium renovations.
- 8/18 RADON TESTING 6PM VOSOT :53  
Sangamon Co. Health Dept giving out radon test kits.
- 8/18 BOIL ORDER 10PM GRAPHIC :17  
Buffalo-Mechanicsburg water customers under a boil order because a well pump isnt working.
- 8/19 AMEREN OUTAGE 5PM GRAPHIC :22  
Ameren cutting off power to about 800 customers in Arthur & Lovington area overnight to fix a switch on a transmission line.
- 8/19 JAIL MED REPORT 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:27  
Sangamon Co. Sheriff plans to bring in new medical provider for the jail. County Board must approve.
- 8/19 HUMAN WEST NILE 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :31  
Human West Nile cases reported in Macon and Montgomery counties.
- 8/19 CAR V HOUSE 10PM VO :28  
SUV hits a house in the 1200 block of E. Grand in Decatur. Driver apparently suffered a seizure.
- 8/19 RIVERTON TRENCHES 10PM VOSOT :55  
Riverton firefighters practice trench rescues.
- 8/20 KID HIT ON BIKE 10PM VO :18  
Teenager slightly hurt when he rode his bike into a van on S. 21st in Decatur.
- 8/21 MACON CO CRASH 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :27  
16 year old Olivia McVay of Dalton City killed in a car crash on Ridlen Road in South Macon Township.
- 8/21 SCHOOL ZONE SAFETY 5PM VOSOT :44



Champaign Police patrolling area around elementary schools enforcing school zone speed limits.

8/21 HICKORY ST. SHOOTING 10PM LIVE VO 1:35

Decatur Police investigating four separate shooting incidents this evening. Police believe suspect in shooting on Hickory St. is nearby.

8/21 ANOTHER SHOOTING 10PM VO :28

Two people shot in the 1500 block of N. Morgan St. in Decatur

8/21 PREGNANT SHOOTING 10PM GRAPHIC :30

Pregnant woman shot in the hip in the 1700 block of N. Monroe in Decatur.

8/21 CAB ROBBERIES 10PM VOSOT :41

Springfield Police say there have been four cab driver robberies and one attempted robberies since June 1.

8/22 CAMPUS SAFETY 5PM VOSOT :51

Governor Blagojevich signs Campus Security Enhancement Act.

8/22 HOUSE VS CAR 6PM VO :26

Two car crash at Marietta & Van Dyke in Decatur sends one of the cars into a house.

8/23 HEAT 10PM VO :21

At least 25 taken to hospitals after being overcome by heat during Obama event. Because of security.. water bottles not allowed inside.

8/24 DECATUR FIRE 5PM PKG 1:51

Family of 4 loses their home in a fire. Red Cross assisting.

8/25 CAR VS MOTORCYCLE 5PM VO :30

One person hurt in a 3 vehicle accident involving a motorcycle and a Decatur Police car.

8/25 POWER OUT 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :20

Problem with a substation knocks out power to wide area of Decatur.

8/26 REVERSE 911 5PM PKG 1:53

City of Decatur uses reverse 911 system to notify residents about large power outage. However thousands didn't answer because it came in the middle of the night.. long after the outage was over.

8/26 PUPPY MILL DOGS 10PM VO :26

Dogs rescued from alleged Douglas County puppy mill won't be available for adoption tomorrow.

8/27 BUS VS PED 5PM VO :24

Pedestrian hit by a Decatur city bus at Jasper & Cantrell streets.

8/27 DRUG REHAB JOBS 6PM PKG 1:47

Budget cuts mean Prairie Center Health System in Urbana had to lay off 22 workers. Will also impact the mental health and drug treatment & prevention services they offer to Champaign County schools.

8/27 PRIEST ABUSE 10PM VO :33

James Wisniewski wins his 5 million dollar lawsuit against the Belleville Diocese for allegedly covering up sexual abuse he suffered by a priest in the 1970s.

- 8/28 SEMI AX 5PM VO :26  
Semi overturns on Interstate 57 in Champaign.. spilling a low hazard chemical.
- 8/28 RED CROSS DEPLOY 5PM VOSOT :49  
Two Red Cross volunteers leave Springfield in preparation of Hurricane Gustav's arrival.
- 8/28 BUS V PED 10PM VO :18  
Decatur Police have identified woman hit by a city bus yesterday, but are not releasing her name until family has been notified.
- 8/29 IL GUSTAV ASSIST 5PM VO :14  
Emergency crews from Illinois on standby to assist Louisiana if needed after Gustav hits.
- 8/29 SHERIFF SWEAR-IN 6PM VOSOT :35  
Tom Schneider sworn in as Macon County Sheriff.
- 8/29 ISP LABOR DAY 6PM VO :13  
State Police warn they will be out in force this Labor Day.
- 8/29 I-57 FATAL 10PM GRAPHIC :20  
DuPage County woman killed when her vehicle rolled over several times on Interstate 57 in Champaign County.
- 8/30 TRAIN VS PERSON 10PM READER :12  
Man hit and killed by a train in Champaign between Springfield and Logan streets.
- 8/30 ELDO/FRANKLIN 10PM VO :12  
Two car crash at Eldorado & Franklin in Decatur sends one to the hospital with minor injuries.
- 8/31 TRAIN VS PERSON 5PM GRAPHIC :25  
Man in his 50s hit and killed by a train last night in Champaign. Name not released yet and remains under investigation.
- 8/31 PED VS BUS 5PM VO :24  
Macon County Coroner says 85 year old Vera Kriisa died from injuries suffered from being hit by a Decatur city bus.
- 9/1 IL RED CROSS PREP 6PM LIVE PKG 2:20  
Local Red Cross chapters gearing up to send volunteers to help with hurricane relief efforts in Louisiana. Some already down there.
- 9/1 DEC CAR AX 6PM VO :14  
Three people go to the hospital after a two car crash at Garfield & Edward in Decatur
- 9/1 LABOR DAY PATROLS 10PM PKG 1:51  
State Police stepped up patrols on Labor Day weekend.
- 9/2 LOCAL RED CROSS 5PM PKG 2:06  
Two more local Red Cross volunteers going to Louisiana, one is actually coming back due to medical reasons.

- 9/2 AMISH CRASH 5PM GRAPHIC :28  
Two Amish men remain hospitalized after being hit by a car while bicycling on a country road.
- 9/2 BABYTALK TEENS 6PM PKG 2:09  
Baby Talk in Decatur's teen pregnancy programs featured on a network morning show. We take a look at some of the programs they offer teen moms.
- 9/2 SPD PROMOTIONS 6PM VOSOT :33  
Springfield Police promote two lieutenants to rank of commander.
- 9/2 CLINTON FIREFIGHTERS 10PM LIVE PKG 1:44  
More Clinton firefighters resign and residents protest to the city council about new fire chief's hiring.
- 9/2 LOCAL RED CROSS 10PM VOSOT :50  
Two more local Red Cross volunteers heading to Louisiana tomorrow.
- 9/3 LA EVACUEES 5PM VO :36  
Family from Louisiana evacuates from Hurricane Gustav to Champaign. They also came here to escape Katrina.
- 9/3 LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :34  
Several local firefighters heading to Louisiana to help out hurricane relief efforts.
- 9/3 WAPELLA FIRE 5PM VO :20  
Fire causes significant damage to a home in Wapella.
- 9/3 TREE IN HOUSE 6PM VO :15  
Storm knocks a tree onto a house in the 1300 Block of East Condit in Decatur.
- 9/3 IEMA CONFERENCE 6PM PKG 1:47  
Illinois Emergency Management Agency holding annual conference in Springfield.. Response to Gustav one of the topics.
- 9/3 AMISH BIKE AX 6PM GRAPHIC ::18  
Vernon Miller and John Miller upgraded to Fair condition at Carle Hospital. Both hit by a car on Monday near Charleston.
- 9/3 CANCER GRANT 6PM VOSOT :40  
Several area agencies getting grants to spread the word about prostate cancer screening.
- 9/3 BUS ACCIDENT 10PM PKG 1:49  
Decatur Public Transit General Manager says driver involved in fatal accident ticketed for not yielding to a pedestrian, and is on unpaid leave and receiving counseling.
- 9/3 ALCOHOL AWARENESS 10PM VO :26  
Sigma Phi fraternity at the U of I hosing national Save A Life tour.. which is an alcohol awareness program.
- 9/4 HOUSE FIRE 5PM VO :19  
House in the 1600 block of West Division in Decatur heavily damaged by a fire.
- 9/4 SHELBY COOP 5PM VO :24

Eight Shelby Electric Coop workers heading to Louisiana to help restore power.

- 9/4 ALZHEIMERS TRACK 5PM PKG 1:36  
Decatur Police and Macon County Deputies hold training on Care Track system.. which helps find Alzheimer's patients if they wander off.
- 9/4 CLINTON LANDFILL 10PM PKG 1:51  
Concerns being raised about fire protection for the Clinton Power station and strain on other nearby fire departments over resignations of several Clinton firefighters.
- 9/5 CHARLESTON FIRE 5PM PKG 2:03  
Fire last evening inside Charleston High School forces entire district to cancel classes today so staff could clean up.
- 9/5 DONUT SHOP FIRE 5PM VO :19  
Fire last night at Bly's Donut Shop in Mattoon being called suspicious.
- 9/5 PIT BULL ATTACKS 6PM PKG 1:42  
City of Springfield taking a harder look at its animal control ordinances after police had to shoot a pit bull that had already been deemed a dangerous animal.
- 9/5 PIT BULL SHOOT 6PM READER :23  
Decatur Police shoot a pit bull while executing a search warrant. Dog being treated by a vet.
- 9/5 CLINTON FIRE CHIEF 10PM PKG 1:37  
New Clinton Fire Chief Shawn Milton talks to Newscenter 17 about the controversy surrounding his appointment.
- 9/5 CHAMP. ACCIDENT 10PM READER :20  
Two car accident at Columbia and Neil in Champaign sends four people to the hospital
- 9/5 GUSTAV VOLUNTEER 10PM VO :19  
Chris Rothenberger of Decatur latest Red Cross volunteer to deploy. Leaves tomorrow for Orlando, FL where he will supervise shelter operations.
- 9/5 HOPE INSTITUTE 10PM GRAPHIC :20  
Hope Institute in Springfield gets a 300,000 dollar federal grant.. only one of six groups to get one.
- 9/6 SPRNGFLD TEEN KILLED 5PM GRAPHIC :29  
13 year old Alexander Rahn killed when hit by a Jeep while riding his bike at Veterans Parkway and Lawrence Ave. in Springfield.
- 9/6 DECATUR HOUSE FIRE 5PM VO :18  
Morning fire causes \$7000 damage to a house in the 1300 block of N. 27th St.
- 9/6 JACKSONVILLE FIRE 5PM GRAPHIC :18  
Cigarette in a bathroom causes a fire at an apartment house in the 300 block of S. Church.
- 9/6 RED CROSS SENDS HELP 5PM VOSOT :38  
Decatur Red Cross volunteer Chris Rothenberger leaves for Orlando to help prepare for Hurricane Ike if it were to hit there.
- 9/6 WARRENSBURG K-9 5PM VOSOT :34

Warrensburg Police get a new K-9 officer.

- 9/7 BOY SHOT HUNTING 5PM GRAPHIC :20  
Shelby County 16 year old accidentally shot in the leg while duck hunting just west of Moweaqua.
- 9/7 CHRISTIAN COUNTY FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :25  
Stonington man killed in a motorcycle accident on Route 48 in Taylorville.
- 9/7 BARN DEATH 10PM GRAPHIC :20  
Sullivan man killed when he fell off or through a barn roof.
- 9/7 LARRY BAKER 10PM VOSOT :56  
Red Cross volunteer Larry Baker of Sullivan currently working in the hard hit area of Houma, Louisiana.
- 9/8 PITBULL FIGHTING 5PM VO :26  
23 pit bulls seized from a suspected dog fighting operation in Shelby County will likely be euthanized tomorrow.
- 9/8 TRAIN DERAIL 5PM VO :21  
Seven cars from a freight train derailed blocking North State St. in Champaign.
- 9/8 TRAFFIC FATALITIES 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :30  
State Police saying 2008 could end up being the lowest number of traffic deaths since 1924.
- 9/8 AMEREN GAS PLANT 6PM VOSOT :51  
Ameren and EPA meeting with residents of a Champaign neighborhood where a coal gasification plant once stood. Although contaminants have been found in the soil.. they don't pose a health risk.
- 9/9 TRAIN DERAIL 5PM VO :18  
North State St. in Champaign has reopened.. crews have cleared the derailed train cars.
- 9/9 GRAIN ELEVATOR 5PM VO :19  
Worker at Monticello grain elevator rescued from inside after an apparent fall. Safety Harness kept his head above the grain.
- 9/9 DOGS EUTHANIZED 6PM PKG 2:14  
Edgar County animal control euthanizes 25 dogs surrendered by a woman. She's upset because she was told they wouldn't be put down when she surrendered them.
- 9/9 PUPPY MILL FOLO 6PM VO :30  
Nearly all the dogs taken from a suspected puppy mill near Arthur have been adopted.
- 9/9 CHAMP FATAL AX 10PM VO :21  
Semi driver killed when his truck crashed on I-74 in Champaign.
- 9/10 MAROA FIREFIGHTERS 5PM PKG 1:56  
9 of 24 Maroa firefighters quitting over what they call a lack of training for new firefighters and lack of confidence in the fire chief.
- 9/10 VEERA KRIISA 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:30

Macon County Coroner's jury rules Veera Kriisa's death accidental. She was hit by a Decatur City Bus.

9/10 OLIVIA MCVAY 6PM VO :24

16 year old Olivia McVay's death ruled an accident. She wrecked her car in southern Macon County.

9/10 BENNY TOPPS 6PM VO :14

Coroners jury rules Benny Topps' death a homicide.

9/10 DECATUR ROLLOVER 10PM VO :23

One vehicle rolls over in a crash at Garfield & 27th in Decatur.

9/11 SIREN MALFUNCTION 5PM READER :14

A tornado siren accidentally went off in Decatur due to an apparent malfunction.

9/11 MAN THROUGH ROOF 5PM VO :21

Man working on roof of the ARC building on the U of I campus fell about 12 feet through the roof.

9/11 FIREFIGHTER GUSTAV 6PM VOSOT :29

Lincoln Firefighter Darrin Coffey just recently returned from Baton Rouge, Louisiana as part of a mutual aid agreement following Hurricane Gustav.

9/11 FLOODING 10PM VO :17

Illinois 97 closed near New Salem Historic Site in Menard County for awhile due to flooding from heavy rain.

9/12 UI HURRICANES 6PM PKG 1:51

Group of U of I law school students plan to go to New Orleans in January to help hurricane victims.. also raising money before Illini-Louisiana Lafayette game Saturday.

9/12 HURRICANE EVAC 10PM VOSOT :49

Decatur native Emily Albert has evacuated from Houston ahead of Hurricane Ike

9/12 POLICE CANVASSING 10PM PKG 1:26

Decatur Police going door to door in Johns Hill neighborhood asking residents about concerns they have in their neighborhood.

9/13 RED CROSS 5PM VOSOT :45

Red Cross volunteer Larry Baker says some Louisiana residents who sought shelter from Gustav are back due to Ike.

9/13 HURRICANE EVAC. 5PM VOSOT :36

Decatur native Emily Albert says she's worried about the stuff in her Houston area apartment.

9/13 FLOOD TIPS/AMEREN 10PM GRAPHIC :28

Ameren offers up some flood safety tips in case your basement gets flooded.

9/13 CHATHAM 10PM VO :26

A water main break in Chatham forces some residents to boil water.

9/14 DECATUR ROADS 5PM VO :25

Heavy rain from Hurricane Ike floods streets in Decatur and roads in Macon County

- 9/14 CHAMPAIGN ROADS 5PM VO :28  
Roads also start flooding in Champaign.
- 9/14 TAYLORVILLE ROADS 5PM VO :17  
Route 48 floods outside Taylorville.. and some homes surrounded by water.
- 9/14 TREE HIT HOUSE 5PM VOSOT :33  
Man escapes injury when a tree falls on a house on Zangle Drive in Decatur.. knocked the ceiling down on him.
- 9/14 FLOODING 5PM PKG 2:07  
Flooding causes major problems for several Mt. Zion area residents.
- 9/14 W LAWRENCE FIRE 5PM VO :33  
Springfield Red Cross helping residents of two fires. Firefighter hurt battling one of the fires in the 2600 block of West Lawrence.
- 9/14 TEEN HIT BY CAR 5PM GRAPHIC :22  
Springfield teenager hit by car in the 2900 block of Stevenson Drive.
- 9/14 PHIL HUNOLT 10PM VO :25  
Decatur Red Cross volunteer Phil Hunolt going to Washington DC to work in the Hurricane Gustav national call center.
- 9/14 ROUTE 48 CRASH 10PM VO :33  
Car goes off Fairview Avenue.. hits a pole and goes into floodwaters. Two occupants escaped.
- 9/15 CHAMP FLOOD FOLO 5PM VO :26  
Flooded streets in Champaign have dried up...
- 9/15 DEC LAKE LEVEL 5PM VOSOT :50  
City of Decatur began closing floodgates on the Dam after most of the rainwater has left the lake.
- 9/15 FAIRVIEW PARK 5PM VO :21  
West side of Fairview Park in Decatur closed because of Stevens Creek flooding.
- 9/15 DRIVE BY SHOOTING 5PM LIVE 2:05  
Family Visiting Nurses in Decatur beginning to offer flu shots. Scot England gets the first one.
- 9/15 FARMER FRUSTRATED 6PM PKG 1:57  
Farmer Dan Miller ticked off at the city of Decatur for releasing tons of water from Lake Decatur due to the flooding rains.. now his fields are flooded once again and his crop's ruined.
- 9/15 RED X VOLUNTEER 6PM VOSOT :39  
Red Cross Volunteer Phil Hunolt leaves for Washington DC.
- 9/15 DECATUR BOATS 10PM VO :27  
Decatur Lake Patrol forced to fetch several boats that floated off their hoists during Sunday's rainstorm.
- 9/16 CAR IN FIELD 5PM VO :17  
Driver of a vehicle slightly hurt when the car went off a rural road and rolled near Oakley.

- 9/16 BIGGEST LOSER 5PM PKG 2:17  
Contestants in Central Illinois' Biggest Loser contest weigh in for the first time.
- 9/16 CHATHAM FIRE 6PM VO :25  
Chatham firefighters battle a fire at an apartment in the 800 block of North Park Avenue.
- 9/16 FLU EXERCISE 6PM VOSOT :44  
State Health Dept. holds a exercise to train first responders on how to deal with a pandemic flu outbreak.
- 9/16 BETHANY FLOOD 10PM PKG 1:36  
Bethany man recieving Red Cross assistance after his home flooded on Sunday.
- 9/16 GUSTAV HELP RETURNING 10PM VO :26  
More than 200 Illinois responders who went to Louisiana for Hurricane Gustav relief headed home.
- 9/17 TRACTOR/MOTORCYCLE 5PM GRAPHIC :12  
Vermilion County Coroner's jury rules Raymond Ingrams motorcycle crash death an accident.
- 9/17 DECATUR SINKHOLE 5PM VO :17  
Sinkhole forming on North Fairview Ave. in Decatur
- 9/17 FLOOD BLOOD DRIVES 5PM VO/GRAPHICS :30  
New blood drive planned for Sept. 20 in Decatur to make up for three washed out last weekend.
- 9/17 MENS EXAMS 5PM VO :22  
St. Mary's Hospital overwhelmed by response to free prostate cancer screenings.
- 9/17 STEP UP KIDS 5PM VOSOT :38  
Voices for Illinois Children call on lawmakers to make childrens issues a top priority on National Step Up for Kids Day.
- 9/17 BLACK BEAR 10PM PKG 1:38  
DNR investigating the discovery of a young black bear in Douglas County. It's believed the bear may have been killed elsewhere and dumped there.
- 9/17 HARVEST ROADS 10PM VO :20  
IDOT warning drivers to look out for farm equipment on the roads now that harvest season is here.
- 9/18 HEALTHCARE REFORM 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:27  
University of Illinois expert speaks about how the two Presidential candidates are handling the issue of healthcare reform.
- 9/18 CHILD SAFETY SEATS 5PM VO :37  
State will hold 95 child safety seat checkpoints statewide to make sure parents have their child safety seats properly installed.
- 9/18 SPFLD BLOOD DRIVE 5PM GRAPHIC :23  
Mid Illinois Medical District holding a blood drive in Springfield



- 9/18 SAVOY AX 6PM GRAPHIC :24  
25 year old Drew McDaniel of Champaign killed in a motorcycle accident on Route 45 in Savoy this afternoon.
- 9/18 SPFLD FIREFIGHTERS 6PM VO :29  
Springfield firefighters who went to Louisiana for hurricane relief are now back.
- 9/18 WOMEN HEART DISEASE 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:12  
American Heart Association holds Go Red For Women luncheon to raise awareness about heart disease in women.
- 9/18 RED X VOLUNTEERS 6PM VO :26  
Four Decatur Red Cross volunteers going to northern Illinois to help flood victims.
- 9/19 SPFLD FIREFIGHTERS 5PM PKG 2:12  
Springfield firefighters who went to Louisiana after Hurricane Gustav talk about their experience down there.
- 9/19 SPFLD HOUSE FIRE 5PM VOSOT :39  
Afternoon house fire in the 600 block of North 15th forces a family of six from their home.
- 9/19 SECRET EXERCISE 5PM PKG 1:54  
Sixty police officers from Champaign, Urbana and Rantoul hold drill at Market Place Mall overnight. Simulated hostage situation in the Mall.
- 9/19 MIDDLE FORK RESTRICT 5PM VO :14  
Boating restrictions on the Middle Fork River in Vermilion County have been lifted.
- 9/19 CHAMP ACCIDENT 10PM VO :25  
Three vehicle crash on Interstate 74 near Saint Joseph kills one man this afternoon and ties up eastbound traffic.
- 9/19 SPFLD ACCIDENT 10PM VO :25  
Springfield man hit and killed by a vehicle while trying to cross North Dirksen Parkway around 8 tonight.
- 9/20 APARTMENT FIRE 5PM VO :20  
Fire at Westbrook Apartments in Springfield chases 20 people from their homes.
- 9/20 CHAMPAIGN CRASH 5PM VO :42  
Fatal crash Friday on I-74 near St. Joseph caused by a driver who got lost and stopped.
- 9/20 PUBLIC SAFETY WARNING 5PM GRAPHIC :29  
Champaign Police warning people about three recent heroin overdoses that resulted in two deaths.. asking for info on heroin dealers.
- 9/20 MONTICELLO SEAT CHECK 5PM VOSOT :38  
Child Safety Seat check in Monticello
- 9/20 DECATUR SEAT CHECK 5PM VO :25  
Child Safety Seat check in Decatur
- 9/20 FOUR BIG TIPS 5PM GRAPHIC :31  
Information on how to keep your kids safe in child safety seats.

- 9/20 SPFLD AX 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :34  
 Man hit and killed while crossing North Dirksen in Springfield last night identified as 56 year old David Singer. His wife was hit and killed by a drunk driver last year. Woman who hit her sentenced last month.
- 9/21 DECATUR FIRE 10PM READER :21  
 Decatur firefighters rescue a woman from a fire in her apartment in the 1000 block of West Main.
- 9/21 FARM SAFETY 10PM VOSOT :46  
 National Farm Safety and Health Weeks start tomorrow. Farmers being asked to be careful as they begin to harvest their crops.
- 9/22 FLU VACCINES 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :29  
 Macon County Health Department will begin offering flu vaccines in October.
- 9/22 MAROA FIRE MTG 10pm LIVE VOSOT 2:14  
 Special meeting about the resignations of nine firefighters in Maroa because many residents are concerned about their safety.
- 9/22 HEROIN OVERDOSES 6PM GRAPHIC :28  
 Champaign Police issue a warning about recent heroin overdoses where two people died.
- 9/22 NEOGA BOIL ORDER 6PM GRAPHIC :15  
 Some Neoga neighborhoods will be under a boil order starting tomorrow.
- 9/22 RED CROSS DEPLOY 10PM VO :20  
 Red Cross volunteer Chris Rothenberger who just returned from Texas now heading to Indiana to help with flood relief efforts there.
- 9/22 IKE RECOVERY/JC PHONER 10PM LIVE PHONER/VO 1:54  
 Stormcenter 17 meteorologist JC Fultz in Houston helping family members clean up after Hurricane Ike.. and describes what he's seen over the last three days.
- 9/23 SPFLD CAR DUPLEX 5PM VO :32  
 Car runs into a duplex in the 900 block of N. 14th in Springfield. Nearly a dozen people out of their homes.
- 9/23 VERMILION FLU SHOTS 5PM GRAPHIC :26  
 Vermilion Co. Health Dept about to give flu shots.
- 9/23 BIGGEST LOSER 5PM PKG 1:57  
 Contestants in Central Illinois Biggest Loser contest participating in special classes at Decatur Athletic Club.
- 9/23 BEAR FROM PA 6PM GRAPHIC :26  
 State wildlife officials say bear carcass found in Douglas County came from Pennsylvania. Still don't know how it got here.
- 9/23 SPFLD DUPLEX 10PM PKG 1:56  
 Family chased out of their home after someone drove a car into their Springfield duplex struggling to get by.
- 9/23 ARGENTA FIRE 10PM VOSOT :36

Fire in a home near Jordan Road in Argenta causes some smoke damage. A neighbor saw smoke and alerted homeowners.. which may have saved the house.

9/23 MAROA FIREFIGHTERS 10PM VO :32

Nine firefighters who quit may return to the department after Maroa Fire Trustees present a plan to solve their issues with the fire chief.

9/23 BUS ACCIDENT 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :42

Decatur bus driver ticketed for making an improper turn and causing an accident at Wood & Church. Witnesses say bus driver was using her cell phone at the time.

9/24 DMH EXPANSION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:55

Decatur Memorial Hospital breaks ground on new high-tech cancer care center.

9/24 DMH EXPRESS CARE 5PM VO :23

DMH building new express care center on the old Lone Star Steakhouse site. Building in process of being demolished.

9/24 ST. MARY'S EXPAND 5PM VO :32

St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur also building an express care facility in the old Tater's restaurant building. Renovations are underway.

9/25 AMMONIA LEAK 5PM VO :34

Valve break causes a big anhydrous ammonia leak at Van Horn Seeds near Heman in Macon County.

9/25 TRAIN DERAILMENT 5PM VO :18

Norfolk Southern closes site of recent train derailment in Champaign for emergency repairs to the track.

9/25 LOU BROCK CANCER 5PM VOSOT :56

St. Louis Cardinals Hall of Famer Lou Brock in Springfield to promote prostate cancer screening for Men's Night Out event in Springfield.

9/25 SNOW RODEO 6PM PKG 1:47

Champaign area snowplow drivers put their skills to the test during a Snow Rodeo competition. Winner moves onto a state competition.

9/25 MOTORCYCLE VS KID 10PM VO :25

Motorcyclist hits a pedestrian near Gulick & W. Center St. in Decatur. One taken to hospital.

9/25 PROPANE FIRE TRAINING 10PM VOSOT :31

Decatur firefighters participating in hands on training on how to handle propane tank fires and spills.

9/25 HEALTH SCREENINGS 10PM VOSOT :48

Walgreens health mobile mobile health screening clinic at the Walgreens by Wal-Mart north in Decatur tomorrow. It was at Fairview & Grand store today.

9/26 RADON 5PM VOSOT :45

Results from nearly 600 radon test kits handed out by Sangamon County Health Dept. starting to come in . Early results show new tests are consistent with previous readings.

9/27 FIRE FACTOR ACADEMY 5PM VOSOT :45

50 U of I students take part in a series of realistic fire scenarios at the Fire Service Institute.

9/28 CONTAMINATED LETTUCE 5PM VO :26

State Health Dept. issues warning about lettuce contaminated with ecoli. Evidence suggests bad lettuce came through commerical suppliers.. not grocery stores.

9/28 CHARLESTON SCHOOL 5PM GRAPHIC :21

Small fire at Mark Twain Elementary in Charleston causes minimal damage and will not affect classes Monday.

9/29 SPFLD CRASH 5PM VO :26

Two car crash in Springfield sends one woman to the hospital. Rain may have been a factor.

9/29 DEFIBRILLATOR LIST 5PM PKG 1:39

Sangamon County now compiling list of locations where difibrillators are in public places for 911 dispatchers. The list is now required by state law.

9/29 HEROIN CLINIC 5PM PKG 2:06

Champaign doctor plans to open up a clinic to help heroin addicts kick the habit.

9/29 CHARLESTON SCHL FIRE 6PM VO :16

Classes held as normal at Charleston's Mark Twain Elementary after a small fire in the all-purpose room caused minimal damage.

9/29 NUTRITION EDU 6PM VOSOT :41

Kohl's donates nearly \$63,000 to St. John's Childrens Hospital program aimed at fighting childhood obesity.

9/29 CANCER GRANT 10PM VO :26

SIU School of Medicine cancer researcher gets \$1.75 million in federal grants to study how to stop prostate cancer.

9/30 BIGGEST LOSER 5PM PKG 2:15

Two contestants in Central Illinois Biggest Loser contest are close friends and helping each other out.

9/30 INTERNET SAFETY 10PM VOSOT :44

Decatur Police and Macon County State's Attorney office hold an internet safety seminar for parents at the Decatur Public Library

9/30 DMH SPORTS CLINIC 10PM VO :28

Decatur Memorial Hospital opening extended hour clinic on Friday nights for injured football players.

9/30 FLU CLINICS 10PM VO :21

Christie Clinic offering flu shot clinics in several area cities.

## Military

7/4 VETS MEMORIAL 6PM PKG 1:46

Jacksonville man pays tribute to fallen troops with chain saw wood carvings.

- 7/5 ROANOKE BAPTIST 10PM VOSOT :50  
Springfield's Roanoke Baptist Church holds a dinner and special gospel concert to pay tribute to past and present military members.
- 7/5 MILITARY LIVING HISTORY 10PM VOSOT :30  
Urbana VFW Post 630 holds re-enactment of how troops served in previous wars.
- 7/5 VET DEDICATION 10PM VO :24  
Crew members and veterans of the USS Springfield attack submarine present a flag and plaque to the ALPLM in Springfield.
- 7/6 WOUNDED WARRIORS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:14  
Group of Iraq and Afghanistan vets who were wounded in battle meeting with local war veterans.
- 7/6 PATRIOTIC SUNDAY 10PM VOSOT :40  
Operation Enduring Support holds a service at Grace United Methodist Church in Decatur to honor troops and veterans for their service.
- 7/9 X-COUNTRY WALK 6PM VOSOT :54  
Keela Carr walking across the country to show her gratitude to troops serving overseas. She passed through Decatur & Champaign-Urbana area today.
- 7/9 SEE YOUR SOLDIER 6PM VOSOT 1:01  
Reagen-Zachary family get to speak to their son Gregory who's serving in Iraq via videoconference at the U of I.
- 7/10 AIRCRAFT SHOW 6PM VOSOT :44  
B-15 Bomber stops at Willard Airport as part of the Salute to Veterans National Tour.
- 7/14 OES DONATIONS 10PM VOSOT :40  
Flo Burdick honored by Operation Enduring Support for donating yarn that the group uses to make helmet liners for troops in Iraq
- 7/15 DAV MOBILE VISIT 5PM VOSOT :50  
Harley's Heroes Tour stops at Decatur DAV Hall to help disabled vets make sure they get the benefits they're entitled to.
- 7/16 PEORIA SOLDIER 5PM VO :29  
Bartonville Army Sgt. being honored by the military as one of America's Army Real Heroes. He now has an action figure.
- 7/17 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION 10PM VO :29  
Readiness center in Urbana's armory getting a 16 million dollar renovation.
- 7/29 DAV OPEN HOUSE 6PM VOSOT :40  
State Veterans Affairs Dept. holds an open house at the Urbana DAV hall to let veterans know what benefits they're entitled to.
- 7/30 FREEDOM SALUTE 6PM GRAPHIC :22  
Local National Guard troops who recently returned from overseas duty will be honored at a Freedom Salute this Sunday at Camp Lincoln in Springfield.
- 8/2 SOLDIERS MESSAGES 10PM VO :16

Visitors to the Decatur Celebration can make videotaped messages to the troops overseas.

8/3 IL SOLDIERS HONORED 5PM LIVE PKG 2:35

Freedom Ceremony at Camp Lincoln in Springfield honors National Guard troops that recently returned from duty in Iraq and Afghanistan

8/10 BLAGO VET HELP 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:40

Veterans get into the State Fair for free. Gov. Blagojevich announces he's changing a bill that would give disabled veterans a property tax exemption.

8/10 VFW FEEDING 5PM PKG 1:28

Sullivan American Legion holds dinner for 634th Battalion Support Brigade from Sullivan and Mattoon soldiers and their families before they leave for overseas duty

8/16 NAVY WELCOME 5PM VOSOT :37

Some 15 Sailors who recently returned from overseas duty honored during a ceremony at the Decatur Naval Reserve Center.

8/19 183RD FIGHTER WING 6PM VO :26

Sen. Obama & Sen. Durbin pushing for new flying mission for the 183rd Fighter Wing so it stays in Springfield.

8/20 LAWMAKER IN IRAQ 10PM VO :26

Jacksonville State Rep. Jim Watson back stateside from tour of duty in Iraq with the Marine Reserves. Currently in demobilization in California.

8/23 GUARD DEPLOY 10PM VO :19

Gov. Blagojevich helps say goodbye to a Chicago area National Guard unit deploying to Afghanistan.

8/23 DISABLED VETS 10PM VOSOT :34

Taylorville American Legion holds poker run to raise money for disabled veterans at the Danville VA hospital.

8/26 183RD FIREFIGHTERS 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:47

Firefighters at the 183rd will stay until at least September 2009 because planes will be coming into Capital Airport to be repaired,

8/27 1ST FEMALE OFFICER 6PM VO :27

61 year old Elizabeth Sheedy of Auburn becomes first female in the Illinois National Guard to reach the rank of Chief Warrant Officer 5.

8/29 LINCOLN GATE 6PM VOSOT :48

Camp Lincoln unveils new security gate at the base that cost nearly a million dollars to build.

8/29 B-17 10PM VOSOT :44

B-17 bomber from World War II on display in Springfield this weekend.

8/30 IL NATIONAL GUARD 5PM VO :31

Governor Blagojevich sending three helicopters to Louisiana for hurricane relief efforts

8/31 IL NATIONAL GUARD 5PM PKG 2:17

Two helicopters and eight crew members from Decatur National Guard unit leave for Louisiana for hurricane relief mission.

- 9/1 B-17 LIVE PKG 10PM 2:28  
B-17 bomber from World War 2 was in Springfield over the weekend.
- 9/2 DEPLOYMENT CEREMONY 10PM GRAPHIC :25  
A deployment ceremony for will be held Saturday in Sullivan for National Guard unit going to Afghanistan.
- 9/3 FREEDOM SALUTE 6PM GRAPHIC/VO  
Freedom salute to the 3637th Maintenance Company will be held Sept. 7th.
- 9/4 HURRICANE GUSTAV 10PM VO :27  
Illinois National Guard helicopters sent to Louisiana are heading home.
- 9/4 SOLDIER HOMECOMING 10PM VOSOT :35  
Mike Kuhn arrives home from Iraq for an 18 day leave.
- 9/6 SOLDIERS DEPLOY 5PM PKG 2:03  
Deployment ceremony in Sullivan for Illinois National Guard 634th Brigade Support Battalion which will deploy soon to Afghanistan.
- 9/6 IL AIR NATIONAL GUARD 5PM VO :16  
12 Air Guard members and a satellite communications system left Peoria today for Louisiana.
- 9/7 FREEDOM SALUTE 5PM VOSOT :38  
Members of the 3637th Maintenance Company honored for their service in Iraq during a Freedom Salute at Camp Lincoln in Springfield.
- 9/7 JIM WATSON 5PM PKG 2:07  
State Rep. Jim Watson of Jacksonville honored for his recent service in Iraq with a welcome home party. He's a Marine Reservist.
- 9/11 TONY LIBRI AFGHAN 6PM VOSOT :51  
Sangamon County Circuit Clerk Tony Libri will be deploying to Afghanistan. He's a member of the National Guards 33rd Infantry Brigade Combat team.
- 9/19 WWII MEMORIAL 5PM GRAPHIC :32  
News conference will be held Tuesday in Scovill Park to announce plans for a World War II memorial in Decatur.
- 9/22 183RD DEPARTS 10PM VO :26  
Last F-16 from the 183rd Fighter Wing leaves Capital Airport tomorrow.
- 9/23 WWII MEMORIAL 6PM PKG 2:02  
Plans for new World War Two memorial unveiled during a ceremony at Decatur's Scovill Park. Hope to have it done in the next two to three years. Donations will pay for it.
- 9/23 FINAL F-16 LEAVES 6PM VO :29  
Last F-16 from the 183rd Fighter Wing leaves Springfield.
- 9/25 DEPLOY CEREMONIES 6PM GRAPHIC :39  
Deployment ceremonies this weekend for departing Illinois National Guard troops in Champaign and Litchfield.
- 9/28 33RD INFANTRY DEPLOY LIVE VOSOT 1:38

Deployment ceremony at the Assembly hall for members of the 33rd Brigade Combat Team which will soon deploy in Afghanistan.

9/28 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:33

Mike Vadeboncoeur of Danville restores old World War Two fighter planes. Hes done a P-51 Mustang and is now working on a T-32 Mentor.

## EDUCATION

7/1 URBANA HIGH SCHOOL 5PM GRAPHICS/VO :34

Graduation rates up/dropout rate down at Urbana High School

7/4 DPS STUDENT SHOW 10PM GRAPHIC :31

New reality show The N's Student Body.. which features Eisenhower & MacArthur students in a Biggest Loser type show will begin airing on the cable network The N next Friday.

7/8 MATTOON SCHOOL CUTS 5PM PKG 2:24

Mattoon school board plans to cut \$3million from the 2008-2009 school year budget.

7/9 STUDENT TECH GRANT 10PM VO :34

16 school districts across the state will share \$5 million in state technology grants. Charleston & Effingham are among them.

7/14 BALD EAGLE DOCTOR 10PM VOSOT :54

U of I Veterinary school doctor Avery Bennett performed surgery on a bald eagle's beak at a Virginia wildlife center. He had to reconstruct the beak.

7/15 BARN MOVE 6PM PKG 1:58

U of I Mumford Horse Barn being moved to a new location tomorrow.. which will tie up traffic in Urbana for several hours.

7/16 BARN MOVE 5PM PKG 1:58

Crews move the U of I Mumford Horse Barn to it's new location. Actually a test run for planned move of the Mumford House by October.

7/22 SPFLD SCHOOLS 5PM PKG 1:52

Springfield School Superintendent proposes some changes in the district.. close a couple schools, expand others, and move Springfield High to the west side of town.

7/22 DECATUR SCHOOLS 10PM VO :25

Decatur School Board discusses restructuring proposal for Eisenhower High School.

7/24 VW BUG 6PM PKG 1:46

Some Lake Land College faculty members created an electric powered VW Beetle.. hit the road for the first time today.

7/25 SISTER CITY REPS 5PM VO :23

Six Japanese students are visiting Decatur for the next two weeks as part of the annual sister cities exchange program.

7/25 SPFLD SCHOLARSHIPS 6PM VOSOT :43



Eight participants of Andre Iguodala's basketball camp at UIS win scholarship money from the Bright State College Savings Plan.

7/28 PARTY SCHOOLS 10PM VO :29

Princeton Review lists University of Illinois as 16th of the top 20 party schools in the country.

7/30 DIST. 116 STATEMENT 10PM VO/GRAPHIC 1:01

Urbana school district issues statement about lawsuit filed against it last week by an attorney representing one of Jon White's victims. District says it intends to defend itself.

8/5 TEACHER TALKS 6PM VO :21

Sullivan teachers union and school board meeting with a federal mediator in an attempt to reach a contract. Another session scheduled for Aug. 14th.

8/6 SPFLD BACK TO SCHOOL 10PM LIVE PKG 2:22

Parents are getting ready to do back to school shopping. Springfield school district trying to help families who can't afford school supplies.

8/6 DECATUR BACK TO SCHOOL 10PM VOSOT :51

Project Success expecting more families to request free school supplies this year.

8/7 CHAMP SCHOOL TAX 5PM VO :28

Champaign County Board committee okays a proposed sales tax increase for schools.

8/7 W'BRG-LATH SCHLS 5PM VO :24

Warrensburg-Latham school board votes to put a tax increase referendum on the November ballot.

8/8 UI APARTMENTS 5PM VO :49

Burnham 310 apartment complex in Champaign won't be ready for U of I students when they arrive. Property owners working with students to find them temporary housing until it's ready in October.

8/8 PROJECT SUCCESS 10PM GRAPHIC :36

Project Success holding a fundraiser Sunday to raise money for school supplies for needy kids.

8/11 HEAD START 5PM VOSOT :45

Champaign County Head Start has room for about 50 more kids.. going door-to-door recruiting potential preschool students.

8/11 OLYMPICS IN SCHOOL 6PM VO :28

Decatur's Hope Academy using the Olympics as a teaching tool. Held their own Olympic opening ceremony today.

8/12 FFA BARN RENOVATE 6PM VO :31

Future Farmers of America renovating an old barn in Kankakee County.

8/12 BUS DRIVER RALLY 10PM VOSOT :59

Decatur school bus drivers hold rally before school board meeting. They're negotiating a new contract with Durham Bus Services.

8/13 SCHL YEAR PREPS 6PM PKG 1:49

Decatur area teachers getting ready for upcoming school year.

- 8/13 SCHOOL VACCINES 6PM VOSOT :36  
Macon Co. Health Department offering free vaccinations to kids who qualify.
- 8/13 EXCEED ACT 6PM VO :18  
Urbana High students exceeded state average on ACT scores.
- 8/13 CLASS OF 2008 STATS 10PM GRAPHIC :30  
State Board of Ed says Illinois Class of 2008 made improvements on the ACT in all subject areas.
- 8/14 PROJECT SUCCESS 5PM PKG 1:58  
Decatur teachers and school leaders go door to door to get kids and parents ready for school in some neighborhoods.
- 8/14 SCHOOL CONTRACTS 6PM LIVE PKG 2:01  
Several area school districts are in negotiations with teachers union.
- 8/15 SULLIVAN TEACHERS 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:15  
Sullivan teachers and the school board reach a tentative contract agreement.
- 8/18 DECATUR TEACHERS 5PM PKG 2:56  
Decatur school board and teachers union reach a contract deal using what they call interest based bargaining.
- 8/18 PROJECT SUCCESS 6PM PKG 1:49  
Project Success gives out donated school supplies in Decatur. Many more families this year taking advantage of the program.
- 8/19 URBANA AYP 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :30  
Urbana High test scores improved to meet adequate yearly progress required by federal NCLB Act.
- 8/19 SPFLD HS EXPAND 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :31  
Springfield School Board listens to ideas for keeping Springfield High where it is, or building a new school off Koke Mill Road.
- 8/20 MILLIKIN MOVE IN 5PM VO :19  
Students begin moving into Millikin University dorms.
- 8/20 UI MOVE IN WARN 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :30  
Several streets on U of I campus will be very crowded tomorrow when U of I freshmen move in.
- 8/20 KINDERGARTEN 5PM PKG 2:07  
First day of school at LSA in Decatur. Feature on moms dropping their kindergartners off for the first time.
- 8/20 SCHOOL PHYSICALS 5PM GRAPHIC :25  
Reminder that Urbana kindergartners, 6th and High School students need physicals before classes start August 27th.
- 8/21 RENEWABLE FUELS 5PM VOSOT :44  
Richland Community College gets a \$312,000 federal grant to fund new biofuels and ethanol programs.
- 8/21 CONSERVATION EXPO 5PM VOSOT :41

Conservation Expo at Progress City in Decatur shows off land improvement practices and equipment.

- 8/21 PRESBY HALL 5PM VO :29  
Presby Hall opens on U of I campus.. first "green" residence hall.
- 8/21 SHELBYVILLE STRIKE 10PM VO :36  
Shelbyville School Districts support staff threatening to strike
- 8/21 U OF I MOVE IN 10PM VO :19  
U of I freshmen moved into their dorms today.
- 8/22 SVILLE STRIKE? 5PM VO :25  
Union representing Shelbyville school district support staff requests a federal mediator to assist contract talks.
- 8/22 DEC BUS DRIVERS 5PM VO :23  
Decatur school bus drivers and Durham reach a contract agreement.
- 8/22 UHS AUDITORIUM 5PM VO :23  
Repairs complete on Urbana High School auditorium ceiling. Part of it fell last spring after the earthquake.
- 8/22 RCC GROUND BREAK 5PM VOSOT :34  
Richland Community College breaks ground on new building.
- 8/25 ALTAMONT TEACHERS 6PM READER :25  
Altamont teachers union files an intent to strike notice.
- 8/25 OLYMPICS IN SCHOOL 6PM VOSOT :39  
Decatur's Hope Academy hold closing ceremony for their Olympic activity.
- 8/27 STUFF THE TRUCK 5PM VO :22  
Startek collects 100 book bags full of school supplies it collected for Project Success.
- 8/27 KINDERGARTEN STUDY 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :25  
U of I study finds age isn't a big factor when it comes to whether starting kids earlier in school gives them an advantage.
- 8/28 CHAMP TEACHERS 5PM VO :20  
Champaign School District and teachers union make a joint request for federal mediator to assist contract talks.
- 8/29 ALT SCHOOL CLOSING 5PM PKG 1:51  
Champaign School District closing the Columbia Alternative Center in January. District says they're not seeing the progress they had hoped with kids who have behavioral problems.
- 9/2 READING ASSEMBLY 6PM VO :20  
Some U of I football players take part in a reading assembly at Champaign's South Side Elementary school.
- 9/2 TUTORING VOLUNTEERS 10PM VO :26  
Decatur School District looking for volunteers to help students improve their reading and math skills.
- 9/3 TEACHER OF YEAR 5PM GRAPHIC :24

Champaign Franklin Middle School 6th grade teacher Tracey Jones a finalist for state Teacher of the Year award.

- 9/3 SPFLD SCHOOL DIST 10PM VOSOT :49  
Springfield school superintendent unveils plans for changes in the district.
- 9/7 CHARLESTON SCHOOL 5PM VO :25  
Charleston students back to school Monday. They were off Friday so staff could help clean up after fire in the high school.
- 9/7 STUDENT LOANS 5PM READER :21  
Two state agencies and eight credit unions make plans to finance \$100 million worth of Stafford Loans for college students.
- 9/8 DECATUR AYP 5PM VO :22  
Decatur School District says it made adequate yearly progress under NCLB act.
- 9/8 ALTAMONT TEACHERS 5PM GRAPHIC :24  
Altamont teachers union and school board still have not reached a contract agreement. Will meet again on Friday.
- 9/8 E'HAM ELECTRICITY 5PM VO :25  
Effingham schools will be open tomorrow. Closed today due to an electrical problem in the High School.
- 9/8 SCHOOLS VISION PLAN 6PM PKG 1:56  
Champaign Vision Committee plans to present it's Great Schools Initiative plan to the school board at tonight's meeting.
- 9/8 STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT 10PM LIVE PKG 2:29  
New study finds African American students in Springfield High Schools are falling behind their peers in academics. District already working on ways to improve the situation.
- 9/9 DECATUR AYP VOSOT/GRAPHICS 5PM :53  
Decatur School District breaks down schools that made AYP and the high school graduation rate.
- 9/9 URBANA AYP 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :27  
Seven of eight Urbana schools making adequate yearly progress.
- 9/9 CHAMPAIGN AYP 5PM GRAPHIC :16  
None of Champaign's High Schools made AYP
- 9/9 SPRINGFIELD AYP 5PM GRAPHIC :15  
Springfield Schools not releasing AYP numbers until Monday board meeting.
- 9/9 STALEY DAYS 10PM VOSOT :47  
Decatur school district moving Eisenhower-MacArthur Staley Day football game to Sept. 20th.. so it can be after Stick With Your Kids event.
- 9/10 ALTAMONT TEACHERS 5PM GRAPHIC :26  
Altamont teachers have authorized a strike.
- 9/11 PRESCHOOL 4 ALL EXPAND 10PM VO :17  
Governor's preschool for all program expanding

- 9/12 ENROLLMENT UP 5PM PKG 1:46  
Enrollment at most state universities is up.. including UIS.
- 9/12 ALTAMONT TEACHERS 6PM GRAPHIC :22  
Altamont teachers union and school board meeting with a federal mediator tonight.
- 9/13 ALTAMONT 5PM READER :25  
Altamont teachers received a new contract offer from the school board. Teachers will vote on it Monday.
- 9/15 ALTAMONT TEACHERS 10PM GRAPHIC :33  
Altamont teachers not striking.. but have told their negotiating team to get final details of a contract proposal in contract form.
- 9/15 SPFLD AYP 10PM LIVE PKG 2:10  
Springfield School Board says there has been a lot of improvement in moving toward meeting Adequate Yearly Progress.. but the district came up short in some areas.
- 9/19 BOOK CONTROVERSY 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:32  
Lincoln High School makes the book The Tenth Circle required reading for sophomores. Many parents oppose the move because of the book's adult content.
- 9/19 TUTORS NEEDED 6PM VO :24  
Decatur School district and Decatur Area Education Coalition looking for volunteers to serve as reading and math tutors.
- 9/20 STICK WITH YOUR KIDS 5PM PKG 1:59  
Project Success in Decatur holds it's annual Stick With Your Kids parade and event at the Decatur Civic Center
- 9/23 SCHL AFTER SCHL 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :43  
Decatur school district holding after school programs at four schools.
- 9/23 CHAMP TRUANCY 5PM PKG 1:58  
Volunteers going door to door in Champaign neighborhoods in an effort to cut truancy rate.
- 9/24 CHAMPAIGN TEACHERS 5PM LIVE SOT 1:17  
Champaign teachers union holds a rally before latest round of contract negotiations.
- 9/24 STUDENTS DIG 5PM VOSOT :44  
Urbana grade school students visit an archaeological dig on the U of I South Farms.
- 9/24 BOOK BAN SEX 6PM VOSOT 1:01  
Beardstown Parent wants the book 19 Minutes pulled from the middle school's library due to its sexual and violent content.
- 9/24 GLOBAL CAMPUS 10PM VO :27  
U of I President hopes to boost enrollment in its new online Global Campus.
- 9/24 ENGINEERING CLASS 10PM VOSOT :38  
Springfield School District and IDOT holding new program called Saturday Engineering Academy. Hold a meeting tonight to explain how it will work.
- 9/25 UI NO CAMPAIGNING 10PM VO :31

U of I employees being told they cannot wear or pass out anything on campus that supports a particular political party or candidate.

9/25 HOPE ACADEMY 10PM VOSOT :41  
Decatur's Hope Academy holds a celebration for meeting state academic standards for the first time.

9/29 URBANA VOLUNTEERS 6PM VO :20  
Urbana school district looking for volunteers to help tutor students, be lunchroom or playground monitors, etc.

9/29 SCHLS CELL PHONES 6PM PKG 1:58  
Rumor of a threat at Mattoon High School circulates via cell phone text messages. District now looking at text messaging system to spread accurate information.

9/29 ALTAMONT TEACHERS 10PM GRAPHIC :24  
Altamont teachers and the school board ratify new contract.

9/30 ENERGY PARTNERSHIP 5PM PKG 1:40  
Springfield School District and the city partner to put solar panels on Grant Middle School as part of an idea to teach kids about the technology surrounding solar energy.

9/30 HOPE INSTITUTE 6PM VOSOT :38  
Formica Corp. and the Hope Institute of Springfield partner up.. students will be trained to assemble display boards of Formica products.

# Community

7/1 REENTRY PROGRAM 6PM PKG 1:27  
Tower of Refuge prison re-entry program in Springfield adds a community support advisory council to it's list of services.

7/1 JR FIRE CADETS 6PM VOSOT :51  
Decatur Jr Fire Cadets spend part of their day cleaning up at Children's Museum of Illinois.

7/1 LOCAL OLYMPIAN 6PM VOSOT :55  
Springfield native Ann Gaffigan competing in the Olympic trials for the women's steeplechase. Finished 5th in the semifinals last night.. thinks she'll do better in the finals.

7/1 OLYMPIC JUDGE 10PM VO :32  
Butch Zunich of Champaign will be a gymnastics judge at the Beijing Olympics.

7/1 FLAG LOWERING 10PM VOSOT :33  
Civil War reenactment unit band performs during weekly flag lowering ceremony at Lincoln's Tomb.

7/2 NEW MOOSE LODGE 5PM VOSOT :50  
Shelbyville's new Moose lodge will hold an open house this weekend. Old lodge destroyed by fire last year.

- 7/2 CLINTON FIREWORKS 6PM VO :33  
Two Clinton businesses donated money to keep the fireworks display on without cutbacks.
- 7/3 SPFLD HOMELESS 5PM VOSOT :53  
City of Springfield halfway through a ten year plan to address the needs of the homeless.
- 7/3 PRAYER VIGIL 6PM VOSOT :46  
A prayer vigil held in the Decatur alley where Marcelle Brown was shot to death Monday night.
- 7/3 LOCAL OLYMPIAN 10PM VO :30  
Springfield native Ann Gaffigan competing in the women's steeplechase final later tonight at the US Track & Field trials in Oregon. If she wins.. goes to Beijing.
- 7/3 JR CADET GRAD 10PM VOSOT :27  
Graduation ceremony for 85 graduates of this summer's Decatur Jr. Fire Cadet program.
- 7/3 AIR SHOW 10PM PKG 1:40  
2009 Coles County Memorial Airport airshow is tomorrow. Lee Davis goes on a flight to help promote the event.
- 7/3 FREEDOM PARADE 10PM GRAPHIC :27  
Some Urbana streets will be closed for awhile tomorrow for the annual Freedom Parade.
- 7/4 FIREWORKS TRAFFIC 5PM GRAPHIC :32  
Traffic being re-routed around Dodds Park and Parkland College to ease congestion before and after Champaign fireworks.
- 7/4 VETS DRESS UP 5PM VOSOT :45  
Urbana VFW members put artifacts from World War II, Korea and Vietnam on display.
- 7/4 BIKE PARADE 5PM VOSOT :44  
Kids and their parents in Decatur's Richland Heights subdivision have a bike parade through the neighborhood.
- 7/4 FREEDOM PARADE 5PM VO :29  
Thousands line the streets for Urbana's Freedom Parade
- 7/4 FREEDOM RUN 5PM VO :29  
525 runners participate in the annual Freedom Run, just before the Freedom Parade in Urbana.
- 7/4 SPFLD 4TH STUFF 6PM VOSOT :41  
Second annual Little Red Wagon parade in downtown Springfield kicks off 4th of July activities.
- 7/4 MAD FAN CLUB 6PM VOSOT/GRAPHICS :55  
Annual Newscenter 17 Fan Club fan drive is now underway.
- 7/4 DECATUR FIREWORKS 10PM VO :30  
Fireworks display over Lake Decatur
- 7/5 LAKESIDE FESTIVAL 10PM VOSOT :43  
4th annual Lakeside Music & Arts festival began today, continues tomorrow.

- 7/5 KIDS TRIATHLON 10PM VO :18  
70 kids participate in a kids triathlon at Fairview Park
- 7/5 SHELBY MOOSE LODGE 10PM VOSOT :42  
Shelbyville Moose Lodge holds open house to show off the new lodge. Old one burned down last year.
- 7/5 RIDE FOR CAUSE 10PM VOSOT/GRAPHIC 1:02  
Group of bicyclists pass through area on cross-country trip to raise money for charities and awareness about cardiac arrhythmia.
- 7/5 OLD FASHIONED PICNIC 10PM VOSOT :43  
Helping Hands Ministries in Champaign holds a old fashioned picnic in Hessel Park.
- 7/5 LINCOLN HERITAGE DAY 10PM VO :20  
Lincoln holds Heritage Days festival in downtown area.
- 7/6 R MILLER TRIATHLON 5PM VOSOT :36  
Second annual Rodney Miller Triathlon held in Nelson Park and Lake Decatur
- 7/6 LAKESIDE 5PM VO :17  
Second day of the annual Lakeside Music & Arts festival in Decatur.
- 7/6 MORE FIREWORKS 5PM VO/NATS :14  
Lakeside Music & Arts festival ends tonight with fireworks over Lake Decatur.
- 7/6 FAN DRIVE PREVIEW 10PM VOSOT/GRAPHIC 1:26  
Newscenter 17 Fan Drive begins tomorrow.
- 7/6 ARCOLA CELEBRATION 10PM VOSOT :35  
Arcola holds it's Fourth of July Freedom Celebration.
- 7/6 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:13  
Sullivan holds watermelon eating contest on the 4th of July. It's a town tradition.
- 7/7 FAN CLUB 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :42  
95Q DJ in a bucket truck at Decatur Rural King raising money for Newscenter 17 Fan Club fan drive.
- 7/7 ALL AMERICAN SUMMER 6PM LIVE PKG 3:03  
Preview of next month's Lincoln Arts & Balloon Festival.
- 7/8 MACON SPEEDWAY 6PM PKG 2:58  
Part 2 of All American Summer series.. tonight previews the next NASCAR night at Macon Speedway
- 7/9 A TO Z 6PM LIVE VOSOT 2:13  
Live advancer of next month's Urbana Sweet Corn festival from a preview party for the event
- 7/9 N-AMERICAN POWWOW 10PM VOSOT :42  
National Native American Pow-Wow begins today in Danville.. continues through Saturday.
- 7/10 WEIRD AL 6PM PKG 2:50



Fourth part of All American Summer Series. This is an interview with Weird Al Yankovic.. who will be appearing at the Illinois State Fair.

- 7/10 CRUISIN DOWNTOWN 6PM LIVE VO :20  
Cruisin Downtown car show in Downtown Decatur
- 7/10 ICE CREAM SOCIAL 10PM VOSOT :30  
Children's Museum of Illinois holds an ice cream social complete with the Decatur Park Singers.
- 7/11 COPS OF COFFEE 5PM VO :24  
Champaign, Urbana, Rantoul cops serving coffee in area restaurants to raise money for a State Police sergeant who's battling breast cancer.
- 7/11 GAZEBO DEDICATION 6PM VOSOT :44  
Champaign Park District dedicates a new gazebo in West Side Park.
- 7/11 DECATUR CELEBRATION 6PM 3:04  
Final All American Summer special report. Preview of this year's Decatur Celebration.
- 7/11 SPELLING BEE 6PM VO :27  
Regional state senior spelling bee in Springfield
- 7/11 MAKING A DIFF 6PM VOSOT :52  
Shelby Electric Coop accepting new box fans or cash for the Newscenter 17 Fan Club.
- 7/11 XMAS IN JULY 10PM VO :29  
Shelbyville turns on Christmas lights in Forest Park for a fundraiser for the annual Celebration of Lights.
- 7/11 TASTE OF SPRINGFIELD 10PM :24  
17 downtown Springfield restaurants taking part in the Taste of Downtown Springfield tomorrow.
- 7/12 FATAL CRASH BENEFIT 5PM VOSOT :45  
Benefit in Rantoul for crash victim Jacob Head.. who suffered permanent injuries back in April.
- 7/12 HELP BUILD HOPE 5PM VOSOT :35  
St. Joseph Church of Christ holds a car show to raise money for framing up three homes for families in need.
- 7/12 TASTE OF SPRINGFIELD 5PM VOSOT :43  
9th annual Taste of Downtown Springfield features food items from more than 17 restaurants.
- 7/12 DIRT BIKE 10PM VOSOT :33  
Trials motorcycle competition will be held in Oakley tomorrow.. competitors practiced today.
- 7/12 DOG BIRTHDAY 10PM VOSOT :39  
Macon County Animal Shelter holds a birthday party for the pets at the shelter.
- 7/13 MOTORCYCLE RAFFLE 5PM VOSOT :44  
Taylorville man wins a new Harley in a radio station promotion drawing.

- 7/13 GUS MACKER 5PM VOSOT :45  
7th annual Gus Macker basketball tournament is in Springfield.
- 7/13 ANDREWS BENEFIT 10PM VOSOT :42  
Benefit for children of Todd Andrews. Andrews suffered a sudden heart attack and died in March.
- 7/13 CONCERT 10PM VO :22  
Decatur Municipal Band holds Sunday concert at Fairview Park.
- 7/13 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:33  
Feature on Bethany car collector Tom Gregory and his more than two dozen antique vehicles.
- 7/13 BEMENT ICE CREAM 10PM VO :25  
Heritage Sunday Afternoon and ice cream social at Bryant Cottage State Historic site in Bement.
- 7/14 CHATHAM OLYMPIAN 5PM VOSOT :50  
Kelci Bryant's dad talks about emotions when they learned she made the Olympic team.
- 7/14 LINCOLN MOBILE EXHIBIT 6PM VO :31  
Traveling exhibit from Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum will be at the State Farm Classic golf tournament.
- 7/15 FAIR VOLUNTEERS 10PM VO :22  
Illinois State Fair looking for volunteers to help out during the fair.
- 7/16 A TO Z 6PM PKG 1:58  
Preview of a custom van show that's coming to Effingham County Fairgrounds in Altamont.
- 7/17 ROSEBUD THEATER 6PM VO :23  
Rosebud Theater in Effingham kicks off series of classic rock concerts tonight with REO Speedwagon.
- 7/17 MATTOON BAGLEFEST 6PM VO :19  
Mattoon's Bagelfest begins tonight.
- 7/17 SUMMER BLUES 6PM VO :17  
Second Summer Blues in Central Park concert is tonight in Decatur.
- 7/17 OLYMPIC BANNER 10PM VOSOT 1:01  
People signing a banner to support Kelci Bryant of Chatham.. Olympic diver.
- 7/18 RELAY FOR LIFE 5PM VO :30  
Decatur's Relay for Life cancer fundraiser underway at Richland Community College.
- 7/18 FOOTBALL CHARITY 6PM VOSOT :46  
Urbana Police and Firefighters will face off in the third annual benefit flag football game Saturday.
- 7/18 CHAMP POLE VAULT 6PM VO :24  
Gill Athletics factory hosting a pole vault competition Saturday.. at least one Olympian will be there.

- 7/18 RACE RIOT SIGNS 6PM VOSOT :48  
City of Springfield putting up signs at locations where events of the Race Riots happened 100 years ago.
- 7/18 MAKING A DIFFERENCE 6PM VOSOT 1:07  
Doctor Tom Monfort is one of the few horse veterinarians who will work on a horse's teeth.
- 7/18 LINCOLN TRAIN STOP 10PM VOSOT :41  
Full Moon Train Excursion makes a stop in Lincoln tonight.
- 7/18 CORN FESTIVAL 10PM VOSOT :37  
Chatham Sweet Corn Festival begins tonight.
- 7/19 USA GILL ATHLETICS 5PM PKG 2:17  
Gill Athletics of Champaign holds open house and pole vault competition to show the community what it does.
- 7/19 CHAMPAIGN BIKE ROUTE 5PM VOSOT :40  
Several groups unveil map designed to show Champaign bicyclists the safest way to get from place to place.
- 7/19 BAGELFEST 5PM VOSOT :52  
Mattoon Baglefest continues today with a parade and free bagle breakfast.
- 7/19 YMCA RUMMAGE SALE 5PM VOSOT :32  
University YMCA in Champaign holds a fundraiser rummage sale.
- 7/19 CHAMPGN GUSMACKER 5PM VO :17  
Several hundred turn out to play in the Gus Macker 3 on 3 basketball tournament in Champaign's West Side Park.
- 7/19 NOVICE SWIM MEET 5PM VOSOT :40  
Swimmers of all ages take part in a demonstration swim meet at Decatur's Fairview Park pool.
- 7/19 UNION FUNDRAISER 10PM VOSOT :53  
Former Decatur union president Bob Kelly honored today with a fundraiser for his family just days after he lost his battle with cancer
- 7/19 RELAY FOR LIFE UPDATE 10PM VO :24  
Decatur Relay for Life organizers say this year's event raised more than \$129,000
- 7/19 PD VS FD 10PM VOSOT :39  
Urbana Cops and Firefighters raise more than \$2000 for Crisis Nursery in annual flag football game. Cops beat the Firefighters for the first time.
- 7/20 TOY DRIVE 5PM VOSOT :44  
Macon Speedway drivers bring cars to 22nd Discount Liquor in Decatur as a way to collect toys for ABATE's Christmas toy giveaway program.
- 7/20 KICKAPOO INDIANS 5PM VOSOT :38  
Decatur's Rock Springs Nature Center hosts a local historian who spoke about the Kickapoo Indians who once lived in Illinois.

- 7/20 ICE CREAM SAFARI 5PM VO :22  
Scovill Zoo in Decatur holds annual Ice Cream Safari event.
- 7/20 CHAMPAIGN CO. FAIR 10PM VOSOT :34  
Organizers say turnout has been good for the first few days of the Champaign County Fair.
- 7/20 BOY SCOUTS 10PM VOSOT :46  
Reese Lovett of Clinton becomes an Eagle Scout during a ceremony today.
- 7/20 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:32  
Oakley Dirt Riders Club hosts a Motorcycle Trials event. It's not about speed, but being able to maneuver a motorcycle around obstacles without rider's feet touching the ground.
- 7/23 FAN DONATION 5PM VOSOT :44  
Decatur VFW Post 730 donates 15 fans to Newscenter 17 Fan Club
- 7/23 OASIS FUNDRAISER 6PM PKG 2:05  
Advancer for tomorrow's fundraiser for Oasis Day Center. Why it needs money, what it does to serve the homeless in Decatur, etc.
- 7/23 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:06  
Feature of Rick Spangler, minister and 10th Degree Ninjutsu Martial Artist
- 7/24 OASIS FUNDRAISER 5PM LIVE 2:02  
Live update from day-long fundraiser for the Oasis Day Center in Decatur.
- 7/24 RON PULERA RECEPTION 10PM VO :20  
Greater Decatur Chamber holds a welcome reception for Newscenter 17 GM Ron Pulera.
- 7/24 CIVIL WAR MUSICAL 10PM VO/SOT :19  
Civil War Musical at Union Square Park in downtown Springfield.
- 7/25 TRANSFER HOUSE EXT 5PM VO :29  
Work to restore Transfer House is half complete.
- 7/25 STAR WARS TOYS 6PM VOSOT :39  
Springfield Toys R Us begins to sell action figures from animated Star Wars films starting at midnight.
- 7/26 ABE-DOUGLAS DEBATE 5PM VOSOT :41  
Bryant Cottage State Historic Site in Bement hosts a reenactment of the Lincoln-Douglas debate that happened there 150 years ago.
- 7/26 FORSYTH ANNIVERSARY 5PM VO :23  
Forsyth holds 50th anniversary celebration in Forsyth Park.
- 7/26 TROOPS DICE RUN 5PM VOSOT :40  
American Legion Riders motorcycle club holds dice run fundraiser in Mattoon.
- 7/26 KID STOCK 5PM VOSOT :40  
Childrens Museum of Illinois in Decatur holds Kidstock event.. oregami and Tie dye T-shirts.
- 7/26 NEIGHBORHOOD PARTY 5PM VOSOT :30

Several neighborhood organizations in Decatur hold a community fun day at Kingdom Come Ministries.

7/26 PAWS IN THE PARK 5PM VOSOT :40  
Springfield Animal Protective League holds Paws in the Park walk-a-thon fundraiser at Washington Park.

7/26 EARTH STOCK 10PM VOSOT :35  
Decatur Unitarian Universalist Church holds Earthstock fundraiser for Oasis Day Center.. teaching folks how to be more environmentally friendly.

7/26 FLY IN/DRIVE IN 10PM VO :22  
Main Hangar restaurant and Decatur Airport hold a car and gyroplane display.

7/27 DEPUTY FIGHTS CANCER 5PM VOSOT :40  
Benefit for Coles County Deputy Peggy Phifer. who's battling breast cancer.

7/27 DECATUR CELEBRATION 5PM VOSOT :46  
Final preparations underway for next week's Decatur Celebration.

7/27 COLES COUNTY FAIR 5PM VO :25  
Coles County Fair gets underway in Charleston.

7/27 HABITAT 10PM VOSOT :48  
Jacob Martin of Springfield gets the keys to his Habitat for Humanity home.

7/27 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:15  
2008 Illinois Square Dance Convention comes to Lincoln.

7/29 TENT FATAL BENEFIT 5PM VO/GRAPHIC  
Benefit for the Steubs family will be held Sunday at Mariah's restaurant in Springfield.

7/29 STOP VIOLENCE 6PM VO :25  
Ambassadors for Christ holds stop the violence event in Decatur.

7/29 7TH INNING 6PM PKG 1:58  
Tom Morelock of Urbana one of 50 finalists in contest to sing during the 7th inning stretch of the Cubs-Astros game at Wrigley Field September 1st.

7/29 DEC CELEBRATION 10PM VO :25  
Decatur School district wants students, families and staff to walk in the Celebration Parade Saturday.

7/29 HOSP. CRUISE-IN 10PM VO :23  
Dr. John Warner Hospital in Clinton holds a cruise-in car show.. also offered free prostate cancer screenings.

7/30 CELEBRATION PARADE 5PM LIVE PKG 2:17  
Decatur Celebration parade limiting number of people per entry to 100.

7/30 TONY STEWART 5PM PKG 1:09  
NASCAR Stars night 3 featuring Tony Stewart at Macon rained out.. rescheduled for September.

7/30 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:07

Country Cloggers dance group has performed at every single Decatur Celebration. They're the only ones to do that.

7/31 STUEBS VISITATION 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :25

Visitation for the two Stuebs children killed in a storm a week ago is this evening.

7/31 STUEBS BENEFIT 5PM GRAPHIC :21

Benefit for the Stuebs family to help with medical & funeral expenses Sunday at Mariah's Restaurant in Springfield.

7/31 DECATUR CELEBRATION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:36

Decatur Celebration organizers plan to place several large misting fans around the area to help visitors keep cool in the expected heat.

7/31 IL STATE FAIR 5PM VO :30

Illinois State Fair begins next Friday.

7/31 EFFINGHAM LIBRARY 6PM VOSOT :45

Effingham's Helen Matthes library celebrates its 125th anniversary.

8/1 DECATUR CELEBRATION 5PM LIVE 1:48

Scot live interview of one of the Decatur Celebration street performers.

8/1 MAHOMET BAR 6PM PKG 1:51

Mahomet's first bar inside city limits opened this week. Even some opponents of JT Walkers now say they're glad its there.

8/1 MIDGET RACERS 6PM VO :22

Quarter Midgets of America national championships coming to Taylorville starting Saturday.

8/1 MAKING A DIFFERENCE 6PM VOSOT 1:11

St. Jude's Runners coming through central Illinois.

8/1 LIVING ART 10PM VO :18

About 50 people suddenly stand still for five minutes as part of a living art exhibit at the Decatur Celebration.

8/2 STEUBS BENEFIT 5PM PKG :205

Mariah's Restaurant in Springfield holds a benefit for the Steubs family to offset medical and funeral costs for their two children.

8/2 RAZZLE DAZZLE PARADE 5PM VO :22

Razzle Dazzle Goodtimes Parade opened day 2 of the Decatur Celebration.

8/2 STATE FAIR MEGAPASS 5PM VO :25

State Fair Mega Passes are on sale for the State Fair.

8/2 SOLEMN ASSEMBLY 5PM VOSOT :41

Monthly community prayer service in Springfield.

8/2 ADA URBANA 10PM VOSOT :47

Pace Incorporated holds annual banquet and auction to celebrate 18th anniversary of the Americans With Disabilities Act.

8/3 DECATUR CELEBRATION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 2:10

Rain earlier in the day not keeping crowds away from final day of the Decatur Celebration.

- 8/3 ADOPT A PET 5PM VOSOT :40  
Benld adopt a pet organization founded gets an award at a convention in Springfield.
- 8/3 SUMMER DRINKS 5PM VOSOT :36  
Rock Springs Center in Decatur holds event where visitors could see how summer soft drinks were made in the 1800's.
- 8/3 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:35  
Scot England visits with former Heavyweight boxing champion and Jacksonville native Ken Norton. He'll be honored in Jacksonville next weekend.
- 8/4 FOOTBALL CAMP 5PM LIVE VO 1:21  
Illini football team opens training camp in Rantoul.
- 8/4 CELEBRATION CLEANUP 6PM VO :24  
Decatur Celebration cleanup almost over. Last few remaining carnival rides being taken down and moved away. Organizers say financial numbers won't be available for awhile.
- 8/4 MCCARTNEY SIGHTING 10PM LIVE PKG 2:29  
Group of people say they saw former Beatle Paul McCartney at a Springfield Circle K on Saturday and got a picture with him. Self-proclaimed Beatle expert Bob Bartel believes it was McCartney. No official word on whether it was actually him.
- 8/4 TEMPLE OPENING 10PM VO :26  
Hindu Temple of Greater Springfield holds ribbon cutting in Chatham.
- 8/6 CORN PICK-OFF 5PM VOSOT :52  
Champaign-Urbana Health District and Provena Covenant Medical Center Foundation hold a contest to see who can pick the most sweet corn in an hour. Corn goes to Health District's Farmers Market for the WIC food program.
- 8/6 NEW LINCOLN XHIBIT 6PM VOSOT :59  
New exhibit about Lincoln's funeral will be part of this year's Railsplitting festival in Lincoln later this month.
- 8/6 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:02  
Becker Clothing store in Morrisonville about to celebrate it's 100th anniversary. Will be honored by the State Historical Society in September.
- 8/6 FAIR GRAND MARSHALS 10PM VOSOT :52  
The Meeker family from Emden will be this year's State Farm Parade Grand Marshals.
- 8/6 LANTERN PARADE 10PM VOSOT :41  
Decatur Park District's 72nd annual Lantern Parade in Fairview Park. It marks the end of the summer park programs.
- 8/7 TWILIGHT PARADE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 2:03  
State Fair Twilight Parade is tonight in Springfield.
- 8/7 BRIDGE OPENING 6PM VO :15  
New bridge on Bruns Lane in Springfield now open.
- 8/7 MCCARTNEY FOLO 10PM PKG 1:49

Josh & CJ Lowder getting calls from media around the world for their picture of Sir Paul McCartney in Springfield.

8/8 SCOT STATE FAIR 6PM LIVE VOSOT 2:06  
It's Decatur Day at the Illinois State Fair

8/8 KEN NORTON 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :40  
Former Heavyweight boxing champion Ken Norton will be honored this weekend in his hometown of Jacksonville.

8/8 CU DAYS 6PM VO :25  
Annual Champaign-Urbana Days begins tonight in Douglass Park in Champaign.

8/8 MAKING A DIFFERENCE 6PM VOSOT 1:18  
Sullivan's Jon England started a golf fundraiser for a student athlete banquet 17 years ago. Its grown into a fundraiser that's helped the entire school district.

8/9 C-U DAYS 5PM PKG 1:50  
Champaign Urbana Days festival underway in Douglass Park. Talent & Fashion show was going to be dropped but woman who started it all is keeping it going and paying for it herself.

8/9 KEN NORTON 5PM PKG 2:02  
Former heavyweight boxing champion Ken Norton honored by his hometown of Jacksonville on his 65th birthday.

8/9 EASTER SEALS 5PM VOSOT :46  
Easter Seals holds a fundraising softball tournament in Decatur.

8/9 PROJECT WRAP UP 5PM VOSOT :48  
Near Westside Restoration and Preservation Society neighborhood group in Decatur fixing up a house in the 1000 block of W. Tuttle.

8/9 MACON/RUMMAGE SALE 5PM VO :31  
Macon County Home and Community Education Association holds fundraiser rummage sale at the County Fairgrounds.

8/9 DECATUR BLOOD DRIVE 5PM VO :24  
Faith Baptist Church holds blood drive.

8/9 TRACING FAMILY ROOTS 5PM VOSOT :39  
Macon County History Museum holds program to show people how to trace their family roots.

8/9 JUSTIN SPRING 10PM VO :24  
Illini assistant gymnastics coach Justin Spring competes in Beijing. Men's team qualified 6th for Monday's finals.

8/9 BLACK CHAMBER 10PM VOSOT :32  
Decatur Black Chamber of Commerce holds a party at the Decatur Club to celebrate 5th anniversary.

8/9 PARADE 10PM VO :10  
State Fair Queen in a parade at the fair.

8/9 BLUE MOUND FESTIVAL 10PM VOSOT :33  
Blue Mound's 3 day Fall Festival comes to an end.



- 8/9 CAR WASH 10PM VOSOT :41  
Scovill Zoo holds a car wash to raise money for the International Cheetah Conservation efforts.
- 8/10 BACK TO SCHOOL PICNIC 5PM VOSOT :35  
St Peter AME church passes out school supplies during its annual Back to School picnic in Coates Park in Decatur.
- 8/10 SCAVENGER HUNT 5PM VOSOT :36  
Tanger Outlet Mall holds a school supply scavenger hunt.
- 8/10 ART FOR ALL SEASONS 5PM VO :28  
Clinton Elks Lodge host an auction to benefit the Faith In Action program in DeWitt County.
- 8/10 JFL DEDICATION 10PM VOSOT 1:06  
Decatur JFL dedicates its field to Tony Austin, who died last summer while saving his son when their boat sank in Lake Decatur.
- 8/10 GRADS HONORED 10PM VOSOT :31  
Lt. Governor Pat Quinn honors high school valedictorians at State Fair.
- 8/10 PROJECT SUCCESS 10PM VOSOT :46  
Fundraiser for Melissa Watson.. one of the Project Success King & Queen contest contestants.
- 8/10 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:32  
Arcola nature photographer Richard Hershberger featured.
- 8/10 CALLING CONTEST 10PM VO :25  
Annual Hog Calling and Husband Calling contest at the State Fair.
- 8/11 SENIOR SPELL BEE 5PM VO :33  
Senior Spelling Bee at the State Fair
- 8/11 CAMP RANTOUL 10PM PKG 2:02  
Illini fans at fall scrimmage say they're excited about the upcoming season.
- 8/11 SPAM CONTEST 10PM PKG 2:02  
State Spam cookoff at the State Fair.
- 8/11 ZOO OPEN 10PM VOSOT :40  
Scovill Zoo Foundation fundraiser golf outing at Red Tail Run golf course.
- 8/12 LAKE SHELBYVILLE 5PM PKG 1:55  
Army Corps of Engineers and volunteers trying to clean up Wilborn Creek area of Lake Shelbyville for upcoming boat races next month.
- 8/12 HD RADIO 5PM VOSOT :43  
WYDS Radio in Decatur now broadcasting in High Definition. But you need an HD radio to hear it.
- 8/12 POSTVILLE COURTHOUSE 6PM VO :27  
Postville Courthouse historic site in Lincoln unveils its Lincoln Wayside sign.

- 8/12 MED SOCIETY APOLOGY 10PM GRAPHIC :29  
Sangamon County Medical Society apologizing to African American community for treating black doctors unfairly in the early 1900's.
- 8/13 DUMP & RUN 5PM VO :19  
U of I YMCA holding annual Dump & Run rummage sale later this month.
- 8/13 RACE RIOTS ANNIV. 5PM VO/GRAPHICS :34  
100th anniversary of the Springfield Race riots is tomorrow.
- 8/13 7TH INNING STRETCH 5PM VO :29  
Sally Weiskopf of Springfield and Leslie Wrankovics of Champaign are in the top 10 for the contest to sing during the 7th inning stretch at Wrigley Field on September 1.
- 8/13 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:00  
Wild West show at the State Fair
- 8/14 RACE RIOT ANNIV. 5PM PKG 2:31  
City of Springfield commemorates the 100th anniversary of the Race Riots. Apologies all around.
- 8/14 HISTORIC GUNS 5PM VO :19  
Springfield Police donate Korean-War guns turned in during a recent gun buyback to the Korean War Veterans Museum.
- 8/14 FORMER KAYAKER 6PM PKG 1:58  
Diane Smith of Shelbyville was a kayaker in the 1960 Olympics in Rome. She was also involved as a team official and international official at the Montreal, LA, and Atlanta Games.
- 8/14 501 CLUB 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :27  
Shellie Klink named director of Decatur 501 Club
- 8/14 DOG CANCER RIDE 6PM VOSOT :49  
Ted Schneck riding cross country to raise money and awareness about dog cancer.
- 8/14 PONY XPRESS DAYS 6PM VO :16  
Pony Express Days begins in Mt. Zion
- 8/14 FILL THE BOOT 10PM GRAPHIC :26  
Urbana firefighters raising money for MDA tomorrow.
- 8/15 JR BROADCASTERS 5PM PKG 1:30  
Former Chicago Bear Jim "Big Cat" Williams hosts a junior broadcasters competition at State Fair
- 8/15 MILLIKIN/WEST MAIN 5PM VO :25  
West Main St. between Oakland and Fairview expected to re-open this weekend.
- 8/16 RACE RIOT 5PM LIVE PKG 2:22  
Springfield NAACP recalls the story of the Race Riots 100 years ago this week.
- 8/16 BBQ FOR HOMELESS 5PM VOSOT :42  
Vinnies' BBQ in Decatur holds annual picnic for homeless in Nelson Park.
- 8/16 BACK TO SCHOOL 10PM VOSOT :31  
Garfield Park neighborhood association holds a Back To School block party.

- 8/16 MOMS NETWORK 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :24  
Springfieldmoms.org holds first meeting for single parents at Washington Park.
- 8/16 AUCTION FOR AUTISM 10PM VOSOT :37  
Angels for Autistic Children holds a fundraising auction in Clinton.
- 8/17 STEUBS FAMILY 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:40  
Another benefit for the Steubs family.. whos two children died in a tragic camping accident last month.
- 8/17 CHURCH NEEDS HELP 5PM VOSOT :42  
Grace Apostolic Ministries needs help fixing it's old building.
- 8/17 STATE FAIR ATTENDANCE 5PM VOSOT :42  
State Fair managers say attendance is up 25 percent this year.
- 8/17 ILLINI FAN DAY 5PM VOSOT :49  
U of I football team holds fan appreciation day at Memorial Stadium.
- 8/17 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY 5PM VOSOT :44  
Habitat for Humanity holds a house blessing for a Shelbyville family.
- 8/17 BACK TO SCHOOL CELEB 5PM VOSOT :38  
Knightriders Motorcycle Club holds a back to school celebration in Decatur's Mueller Park.
- 8/17 PRAYER RALLY 10PM VOSOT :40  
Christian Ministerial Alliance holds a back to school prayer rally at the Decatur Civic Center
- 8/17 BORDERS RETIREMENT 10PM VOSOT :49  
Scovill Zoo holds a retirement party for Zoo Director Mike Borders, who leaves at the end of the month.
- 8/17 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:07  
Decatur's Derrick Rushing puts shoes on horses at the State Fair.
- 8/17 BREAKFAST ON STICK 10PM VOSOT :41  
Breakfast on a stick contest at the State Fair.
- 8/18 BIGGEST LOSER 5PM GRAPHIC :20  
Signup for central Illinois Biggest Loser contest begins today.
- 8/18 OLY GYMNASTS U OF I 5PM VO :30  
US Mens & womene gymnastics team will put on an exhibition November 5th at the Assembly Hall.
- 8/20 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:11  
Feature on the village of Hume.. home of a Nobel Prize winner and Newscenter 17 morning anchor Tara Barrett.
- 8/21 BALLOON FEST 5PM VO :30  
Lincoln Art & Balloon Festival begins this weekend.
- 8/21 SHELTER EXPANSION 6PM PKG 1:50

Christian County Animal Shelter expanding thanks to a \$300,000 donation.

- 8/21 BLUES CONCERT 6PM GRAPHIC :25  
Blues in Central Park concert moved to Fairview Park due to rain.
- 8/22 SWEET CORN FEST 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :26  
Urbana Sweet Corn Festival is underway.
- 8/22 JUSTIN SPRING 6PM PKG 1:47  
Former U of I gymnast and bronze medalist Justin Spring back from the Olympics.
- 8/22 LINCOLN BALLOONS 6PM VO :27  
Lincoln Art & Balloon Festival opens in Lincoln.
- 8/22 MAD CONSERVATION 6PM VOSOT 1:16  
Conservation Expo in Decatur this week making a difference by showing ways to prevent soil runoff and clean up the watershed.
- 8/23 BACK TO SCHOOL 10PM VOSOT :38  
Mattoon area churches put together a Back to School Jam at Peterson Park.
- 8/23 SWEET CORN 10PM VOSOT :34  
Urbana Sweet Corn Festival draws to a close.
- 8/24 STATE FAIR DATES 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :29  
2009 Illinois State Fair will be August 13-23rd.
- 8/24 POSTVILLE CRAFT FAIR 5PM VOSOT :51  
Annual 1840's Craft Fair at the Postville Courthouse in Lincoln.
- 8/24 OLD FASHION DINNER 5PM VO :26  
Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Decatur holds an old fashioned dinner to celebrate 151st anniversary.
- 8/24 ROCH FUNDRAISER 10PM VOSOT :45  
Family and friends hold a fundraiser for Caleb Roch.. who died in a motorcycle crash in Champaign in June. Raising money for Cops & Kids program.
- 8/25 FARM PROGRESS 5PM PKG 1:44  
Farm Progress Show begins tomorrow in Boone, IA
- 8/25 FARM PROGRESS 6PM PKG 2:01  
A look at the Boone, IA site of the Farm Progress Show.
- 8/25 WEST MAIN STREET 10PM VO :26  
City of Decatur reopens West Main Street in front of Millikin to traffic.
- 8/25 THOUSAND FATHERS 10PM VOSOT :48  
Thousand Fathers walk event in Springfield. Aimed at getting dads more involved in their childrens lives.
- 8/26 HARLEY RIDE 5PM VOSOT :40  
Dozens of Harley riders roll through Springfield on their way to the 105th Anniversary Celebration in Milwaukee.
- 8/26 IOWA STATE UNIV 5PM PKG 2:06

Look at the role Iowa State University plays at the Farm Progress Show in Iowa.

- 8/26 EASTER SEALS RETIRE 6PM VO :27  
Easter Seals in Decatur holds reception for Jan Kelshimer.. whos retiring as president.
- 8/26 MODERN FOOD PRODUCTION 6PM PKG 1:59  
Rancher going around at the Farm Progress Show in an old fashioned chuckwagon talking about how food is produced today compared to yesterday.
- 8/26 AMERICA'S GOT TALENT 10PM PKG 2:07  
Bill Alexander of Springfield and his family watch his son Brandon compete on America's Got Talent show. He's part of a group called The Cadence.
- 8/27 CHRISTENING REENACT 5PM VO :20  
City of Lincoln reenacts Lincoln's christening of the city.
- 8/27 CIVIL WAR BAND 5PM VO NATS :27  
97th Regimental String Band.. a group of Civil War reenactors.. perform at the ALPLM.
- 8/27 ILLINI TIX 5PM VO :33  
Four of six Illini football games now a sellout.. along with most season ticket plans.
- 8/27 READ TOURNEY 5PM GRAPHIC :27  
Annual Brandon Read Memorial basketball tournament will be this Saturday at MacArthur High School.
- 8/27 RAILWAY MUSEUM 5PM PKG 1:20  
Monticello Railway Museum building big new train shed.
- 8/27 MONSANTO 5PM PKG 1:37  
Monsanto has big display and presence at the Farm Progress Show,
- 8/27 DECATUR GROUP TOUR 6PM PKG 1:44  
Decatur contingent including RCC President Dr. Gayle Saunders visits the Farm Progress Show in Iowa to check out the site.
- 8/27 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:08  
Casey will cut ribbon on revamped softball museum during Popcorn Festival this weekend.
- 8/27 PUPPY MILL ADOPTS 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :32  
Macon County Animal Shelter taking applications to adopt puppy mill dogs tomorrow.
- 8/27 AG CARTOONIST 10PM PKG 1:47  
Leigh Rubin.. artist behind Rubes cartoon.. is at the Farm Progress Show
- 8/28 ZOO REPLACEMENT 5PM SOT :40  
Scovill Zoo director Mike Borders last day on the job is tomorrow. No replacement has been picked yet.
- 8/29 FRIDAY NIGHT TAILGATE 5PM LIVE 1:38  
First of weekly series highlighting a local high school football game.
- 8/29 GREG FOOTBALL TEASER 5PM PKG 1:33  
Explainer on how to navigate new high school page on wandtv.com.

- 8/29 MAKING A DIFFERENCE 6PM VOSOT 1:09  
Retiring Easter Seals president Jan Kelsheimer is featured.
- 8/30 STOP THE VIOLENCE 5PM VO :23  
Ambassadors for Christ holds 7th summer festival at the Macon County Health Department.
- 8/30 BRANDON READ BENEFIT 5PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT :48  
About 150 people turn out for second annual Brandon Read Memorial 3 on 3 basketball tournament at MacArthur High School.
- 8/30 FILL THE BOOT 5PM VOSOT :47  
Pawnee Firefighters raised nearly \$2500 for MDA in a Fill The Boot fundraiser.
- 8/30 HOLY FAMILY CONCERT 10PM VO/NATS :20  
Holy Family Church in Decatur's contemporary music group holds outdoor fundraising concert.
- 8/31 MORRIS BENEFIT 5PM VOSOT :45  
Fundraiser at the Decatur Elks lodge for Angie Morris.. who's battling colon cancer.
- 8/31 COAL CREEK DAYS 5PM VO :20  
Pana Pioneer Heritage Guild holds Coal Creek Days event at the Tri County Fairgrounds.
- 8/31 POWER FORCE 5PM VOSOT :47  
John Jacobs Next Generation Power Force shows of strength and skills at Heartland Community Church in Decatur.
- 8/31 GIANT USED BOOK SALE 5PM VOSOT :41  
Decatur Public Library holds big used book sale at the Decatur Civic Center.
- 8/31 CELEBRATION BINGO 10PM VO :35  
Decatur Celebration holding midnight bingo fundraiser at the Majestic Hall in Mt. Zion.
- 8/31 ETHNIC FESTIVAL 10PM VOSOT :40  
Annual Ethnic Festival at the Illinois State Fairgrounds.
- 8/31 LABOR DAY EVENTS 10PM GRAPHIC :18  
When Labor Day Parades are in Decatur, Springfield & Champaign.
- 8/31 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:47  
Douglas County Man who hopes to set a new world record by hitting 3000 moving objects using a slingshot.
- 9/1 LABOR DAY EVENTS 5PM PKG 1:52  
Urbana AFL-CIO holds annual Labor Day parade and festival. The unions fundraise all year to make the event free to the public.
- 9/1 DECATUR PARADE 5PM VO :21  
Labor Day parade in downtown Decatur
- 9/1 SPFLD PARADE 5PM VO :17  
Labor Day parade in downtown Springfield
- 9/1 PANA PARADE 5PM VO :17

Labor Day parade in Pana.

- 9/1 MIDNIGHT BINGO 6PM VO :25  
Decatur Celebration says about 280 people showed up for midnight bingo fundraiser last night. No idea yet how much they raised.
- 9/2 STAMP UNVEIL 6PM VO :25  
Postal Service unveils new Illinois Flags of Our Nation stamp.
- 9/2 MIDNIGHT BINGO TOTAL 6PM VO :24  
Decatur Celebration organizers raised more than \$2000 during Sunday night's midnight bingo fundraiser.
- 9/3 MACON SPEEDWAY 5PM VO :25  
NASCAR stars night at Macon Speedway rained out again.
- 9/3 SPAY/NEUTER CATS 5PM GRAPHIC :20  
Central Illinois Animal Welfare Coalition offering low cost spay and neutering for cats in Champaign County.
- 9/3 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:23  
Allison England has been performing at county fairs as Mini Minnie.. a miniature Minnie Pearl.
- 9/3 PIED PIPER 10PM VO :27  
Downtown Springfield Inc. holds a walking tour of historic buildings.
- 9/4 LARRY CUNNINGHAM 5PM GRAPHIC :18  
Former ADM Senior VP of Corporate Services Larry Cunningham has died.
- 9/4 SPFLD UW 5PM VO :22  
Springfield United Way holds a kickoff tonight for it's annual campaign.
- 9/4 DECATUR UW 5PM VO :14  
Decatur United Way kickoff rained out.. will be held Sept. 18th.
- 9/4 CHAMP UW 5PM VO :16  
Champaign United Way holds it's kickoff next Wednesday.
- 9/4 TWIN TOWERS 5PM VO :31  
Lincoln Heritage Museum at Lincoln College has last watercolor of the World Trade Center on display.. 7th anniversary of 9-11 is next week.
- 9/4 PIE IN FACE 5PM VOSOT :49  
Springfield Fire Dept. wins annual Badges For Life blood drive competition
- 9/4 TOMATO TASTING 5PM VO :24  
U of I Extension Master Gardeners holding a tomato tasting event in Decatur
- 9/4 CONCERT CANCELED 5PM GRAPHIC :30  
American English concert in downtown Springfield rained out.
- 9/4 SPFLD U-W KICKOFF 10PM VOSOT :50  
Springfield United Way holds kickoff to fundraising campaign. Their goal is just over 3 million dollars.

- 9/5 ARTHUR BELL BACK 5PM VOSOT :44  
Bell and Bell tower being replaced on a one room schoolhouse that's being restored near Arthur.
- 9/5 PROJECT PLAYGROUND 5PM VOSOT/GRAPHIC :48  
Project Playground next to Scovill Zoo in Decatur will be torn down Monday. A playground that's more accessible to children with disabilities will go in it's place.
- 9/5 EIU VS UIUC 5PM VO/GRAPHICS :43  
Illini home opener in renovated Memorial Stadium is tomorrow. Some roads will be closed.
- 9/5 FRIDAY NIGHT TAILGATE 5PM LIVE 1:41  
Preview of tonight's Maroa-Forsyth vs St. Teresa game.
- 9/5 BROOMCORN FEST 6PM VO :21  
Arcola Broom Corn Festival underway.
- 9/5 MAKING A DIFFERENCE 6PM VOSOT 1:13  
Mt Pulaski EMS honored for helping save a man's life on May 13th.
- 9/5 FURRY SCURRY PREV 10PM VO :23  
Decatur Animal Shelter Furry Scurry fundraiser is tomorrow.
- 9/6 LAKE SHELBYVILLE 5PM VOSOT :37  
Volunteers cleaning up Wilborn Creek area from summer flooding before upcoming boat races on Lake Shelbyville.
- 9/6 MEMORIAL STADIUM 5PM VOSOT :37  
Illini fans get first look at newly renovated Memorial Stadium during pregame Renaissance Celebration.
- 9/6 FURRY SCURRY 5PM VO :37  
Decatur Animal Shelter Furry Scurry fundraiser walk/run in Fairview Park.
- 9/6 FALL FEST/CPR 10PM VOSOT :39  
Volunteer EMS workers and a bystander honored for saving a man's life by performing CPR during the Mount Pulaski Fall Festival.
- 9/6 GARDEN HILLS 50TH 10PM VO :20  
Champaign Garden Hills Neighborhood association holds a 50th anniversary celebration.
- 9/7 GROUNDBREAKING 5PM VOSOT :34  
Monticello United Methodist Church breaks ground on new church.
- 9/7 ONE HUNDRED YEAR RUN 5PM VOSOT :50  
Runners from Decatur & Bloomington re-enact relay race that took place 100 years ago.
- 9/7 WEST SIDE MEETING 10PM GRAPHIC :28  
Meeting on Tuesday to possibly form a new neighborhood organization in Decatur.
- 9/7 MORGAN HORSE 10PM VO :23  
Brunk Morgan Horse Museum in Rochester holds an event to celebrate the breed of horse.



- 9/7 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:22  
Look at how Plus Size beauty queen DoraLee Durham's life has changed since winning a national contest a year ago.
- 9/8 N'HOOD MEETING 5PM GRAPHIC :25  
Meeting on Tuesday to possibly form a new neighborhood organization in Decatur.
- 9/8 PROJECT PLAYGROUND 6PM VO :23  
Decatur Park District begins tearing down Project Playground next to Scovill Zoo. A new playground will be built in its place.
- 9/9 NEIGHBORHOOD MTG 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :23  
Meeting happening to possibly form a new neighborhood organization in Decatur.
- 9/9 NATL AWARD WINNER 6PM GRAPHIC :29  
Dr. Brenda Krause Eheart of Champaign one of five Heinz Family Foundation Award for Human Achievement.
- 9/10 FIRST CALL 4 HELP 5PM VO :30  
First Call for Help in Decatur took 399 assistance calls in August. Top reasons were power and rent assistance.
- 9/10 CELEBRATE FUNDRAISER 5PM VO :24  
Decatur Celebration opening a haunted house to raise money for the festival.
- 9/10 ORCHESTRA GRANT 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :24  
EIU Symphony Orchestra gets a \$10,000 grant for the upcoming season.
- 9/10 UNITED WAY KICKOFF 6PM VO :20  
Champaign County United Way holds it's fundraising kickoff. This year's goal is \$3.2 million.
- 9/10 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:24  
Author from St. Elmo who has ALS has been racing the clock to finish his first ever book. He was told he only had two years to live seven years ago.
- 9/10 LINCOLN AUTHOR 10PM VOSOT :43  
Author of Lincoln book "The Great Comeback" holds a book signing at the Decatur library
- 9/11 LINCOLN 9/11 5PM PKG 1:58  
Lincoln Fire Department holds a 9/11 remembrance ceremony.
- 9/11 DECATUR 9/11 5PM VO :16  
9/11 remembrance ceremony outside Macon County Courthouse
- 9/11 THANK MY TEACHER 5PM GRAPHIC :24  
Champaign Urbana Schools Foundation selling thank you cards for teachers on its website.
- 9/11 VINNIES BBQ 9/11 6PM VOSOT :47  
Vinnies BBQ owner Vinnie Barbee giving free meals to police, fire and EMS workers.
- 9/11 CHAMPAIGN 9/11 6PM VO :16  
Champaign Fire Dept holds 9/11 remembrance ceremony.

- 9/11 TV DROPOFF 6PM VOSOT :39  
WalMart in Springfield a drop off site for people wanting to get rid of old analog TV sets. They'll give you a coupon for a discount on a new digital set.
- 9/11 TEEN CHALLENGE 10PM VOSOT :45  
Fundraising banquet for Teen Challenge program at Heartland Community Church.
- 9/11 RACE RIOT 10PM VOSOT :45  
Expert in race relations speaks at UIS about race relations in the Lincoln era and after the 1908 race riots.
- 9/12 RAILSPLITTING FEST 6PM VO :28  
Lincoln Railsplitting Festival is this weekend.
- 9/12 MAKING A DIFFERENCE 6PM VOSOT 1:11  
Decatur Humane Society President Irene Peterson making a difference by helping abused and abandoned animals.
- 9/13 HEALTH FAIR 5PM VO :19  
Antioch Missionary Baptist Church in Decatur holds ninth annual health fair.
- 9/13 SPECIAL OLYMPICS 5PM VO :16  
More than 700 Special Olympians in Decatur for a outdoor sports festival
- 9/13 SIGN LANGUAGE 5PM VO :23  
Children and their families have stories told to them in American Sign Language at the Decatur Public Library.
- 9/14 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:10  
Annual Midwest Dachshund Festival in Danville
- 9/16 ROUTE 66 FESTIVAL 5PM VO :22  
International Route 66 Mother Road Festival is next weekend in Springfield.
- 9/16 SPFLD KIDZEUM 6PM VOSOT 1:01  
St. Johns Childrens Hospital donating \$1.25 million to help open the new Springfield Kidzeum.
- 9/16 ART BY ANIMALS 6PM VO :42  
Two "paintings" made by zoo animals at Scovill Zoo part of an online auction to raise money for zoos nationwide. Money from those paintings goes directly to Scovill Zoo.
- 9/16 BLAGO BASUAH 10PM VOSOT :38  
The celebration of the third anniversary of Governor Blagojevich's "Brothers and Sisters United Against HIV/AIDS" campaign was held tonight..
- 9/17 A TO Z 6PM PKG :200  
Longtime Decatur Library bookmobile employee George Roberts retiring after 35 years later this month.
- 9/17 ATHENA AWARDS 10PM VOSOT :47  
Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce holds annual Athena Awards.
- 9./18 UNITED WAY 5PM VOSOT :48

Decatur/Mid Illinois United Way holds fundraising campaign kickoff golf outing. This year's goal is \$2.5 million

9/18 ART BY ANIMALS 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :51

Decatur's Scovill Zoo gets over \$1100 for two paintings made by zoo animals that were sold on an online auction.

9/18 TOWN HALL MEETING 10PM VOSOT :44

State agencies hold a town hall meeting in Springfield to discuss several issues facing African American men.

9/18 LINCOLN COMPOSER 10PM VOSOT :39

David Kneupper.. who composed all the music played at the Lincoln Presidential Museum.. holds a special concert in Springfield.

9/19 SANGAMON CLEANUP 5PM GRAPHIC :25

Sangamon River cleanup in Macon County scheduled for Saturday has been delayed.

9/19 SHORELINE CLASSIC 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :36

19th annual Shoreline Classic road race is Sunday. Some roads will be temporarily closed.

9/19 FRIDAY NIGHT TAILGATE 5PM LIVE 2:02

Friday Night Tailgate feature from Mattoon-Urbana football game.

9/19 NATIONAL PARKING DAY 6PM VOSOT :38

City of Springfield announces plans to create a mini-park in the downtown historic district.

9/19 WELDON SPRINGS 6PM VO :20

Ridgewalkers walking club holding a 10k walk at Weldon Springs State Park.

9/19 S'VILL BOAT RACES 6PM VO :15

Hydroplane boat races this weekend on Lake Shelbyville.

9/19 BLACK DIAMOND 6PM VO :26

Neil Diamond tribute singer The Black Diamond performing one final time in Decatur Saturday night before taking his act to Las Vegas.

9/19 ARTS IN PARK 6PM VO :23

46th annual Arts in Central Park taking place this weekend in Decatur

9/19 MAKING A DIFFERENCE 6PM VOSOT 1:19

Annual Decatur Community Food Drive is three weeks away.

9/20 TREE SERVICE RELIEF 5PM VOSOT :32

Three people from a Warrensburg tree service heading for Houston to help with hurricane cleanup.

9/20 UOFI CAR WASH 5PM VOSOT :42

Student Hurricane Network at U of I holds fundraiser car wash to raise money to go to Gulf Coast over the winter break.

9/20 PUTT FOR KIDS 5PM VOSOT :36

ABC Counseling & Family Services in Champaign holds a fundraiser miniature golf tournament in Savoy.

- 9/20 FILM FEST 5PM VOSOT :44  
7th annual Route 66 Film Festival at the Hoogland Arts Center in Springfield.
- 9/20 BIKES/GOLF CARTS 10PM VO :18  
Cerro Gordo church holds a golf cart and bike blessing
- 9/20 WHISKERS/TAILS 10PM VO :16  
4th annual Whiskers & Tails fundraiser for the Decatur Animal Shelter.
- 9/20 GRANDPARENTS 10PM VO :16  
Imboden Creek holds Grandparents Day festival in Decatur.
- 9/21 GOOD SAMARITAN 5PM VOSOT :50  
Decatur's Good Samaritan Inn kicks off a fundraiser to build a new facility.
- 9/21 SPFLD SALV ARMY 5PM VO :23  
Springfield Salvation Army kicking off a food drive to restock food pantry.
- 9/21 EASTERN IL FOODBANK 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :35  
Eastern Illinois Foodbank in Champaign County also needs help.
- 9/21 WSOY FOOD DRIVE 5PM VO :22  
Reminder that the Community Food Drive in Decatur is October 10.
- 9/21 SHORELINE CLASSIC 5PM VOSOT :33  
Annual Shoreline Classic road race in Decatur
- 9/21 FILM FEST 5PM VOSOT :38  
7th annual Route 66 Film Festival continues in Springfield.
- 9/21 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:02  
Profile of 12 year old motorcycle racer Zach Loehr of Long Creek.. recently finished 9th in the AMA Amateur Nationals.
- 9/21 ARTS IN THE PARK 10PM VO :15  
Annual Arts In Central Park wraps up today in Decatur.
- 9/22 KID BOOK DONATE 6PM READER :28  
6 year old Josh Scott of Mahomet asks friends to donate books to Provena Covenant's Pediatric Department instead of buying him presents for his birthday.
- 9/22 CHEETAH RESEARCH 6PM VO :35  
Cheetah researcher Deon Cilliers from South Africa will be giving a presentation at Scovill Zoo in Decatur this evening.
- 9/22 HUNGER ACTION MONTH 10PM GRAPHIC :28  
Eastern Illinois Foodbank in Urbana holding 25 dollar challenge in honor of Hunger Action Month. Idea is trying to feed your family for a week in 25 bucks.
- 9/23 URBANA 175TH BDAY 5PM :26  
Presentation on Urbana Fire Department tonight as part of 175th birthday celebrations.
- 9/23 MEALS IN FIELD 6PM VOSOT :45

Farm Credit Services delivers a lunch to the Sefton family of rural Dalton City as they begin harvest. Meals in Fields program part of Farm Safety Week.

9/23 YMCA MOVE 10PM VOSOT :51

Springfield YMCA plans a new facility on the southwest side of town. Downtown facility would remain open.

9/24 CLINTON UNITED WAY 6PM VOSOT :44

Clinton United Way kicks off its annual fundraising drive.. goal is \$50,000

9/24 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:00

Profile of Negro League All-Star Ernie Westfield.. who currently lives in Champaign.

9/25 WINE TASTING 5PM VO :18

Springfield Park District Foundation holding an organic wine tasting fundraiser tonight.

9/25 BIG PUMPKIN 5PM VOSOT :59

Tyson Naylor of Stonington grew a pumpkin that's over one thousand pounds. Taking it to a state weigh-in in Chicago next weekend.

9/25 ROUTE 66 FESTIVAL VO/GRAPHIC :26

Several Springfield streets will be closed this weekend for the annual Route 66 Festival

9/26 PAINT DT RED 5PM VO :20

City Centre Decatur painting doors in alleyways downtown red and cleaning them up to make it look better.

9/26 FRIDAY NIGHT TAILGATE 5PM LIVE 2:07

Preview of Mt.Zion-Effingham football game.

9/26 ROUTE 66 FEST 6PM PKG 1:17

Route 66 Festival in Springfield getting underway tonight.

9/26 CHAMBER AWARDS 6PM VO :26

Greater Decatur Chamber of Commerce holds a news conference to announce finalists for annual Small Business Awards finalists

9/26 MAKING A DIFFERENCE 6PM VOSOT :59

Profile of Clinton High School Band teacher Tim Holl.. who is in his 20th year at the school.

9/27 HEART WALK 5PM VOSOT :31

About 400 people take part in the American Heart Associations annual Heart Walk at Parkland College in Champaign.

9/27 HEALTHY KIDS 5PM VO :21

Springfield Park District puts on a event at the Nelson Center to help address the problem of child obesity.

9/27 BAGS TOURNEY 5PM VO :27

More than 100 teams participating in a bags tournament on Green Street. It's a fundraiser for the Boys & Girls Club.

9/27 NAACP HISTORY 10PM VOSOT :38

Decatur NAACP holds 11th annual Soul Food Festival at the Decatur Civic Center.

- 9/27 WRESTLING 10PM VOSOT :32  
Mid-Pro Professional Wrestling puts on a show at the Decatur Masonic Temple to raise money for Growing Strong Sexual Assault Center.
- 9/27 APPLE & PORK 10PM VOSOT :38  
40th annual Clinton Apple & Pork festival is this weekend.
- 9/27 ANIMAL ADOPTION 10PM VO :26  
Springfield Animal Protective League holds an adoption event at the Ace Hardware on Wabash Ave.
- 9/28 TOGETHER LINCOLN 5PM VOSOT :42  
Volunteers come together in Lincoln to fix up homes of disabled residents.
- 9/28 FOOD DRIVE 5PM VO :24  
Decatur Community Food Drive is less than two weeks away.
- 9/28 REDUCED ADMISSION 5PM VO :16  
Childrens Museum of Illinois offering reduced admission for visitors who bring non-perishable food items for the Community Food Drive.
- 9/28 AMBULANCE RUN 5PM VOSOT :41  
Womens College of Law Society at U of I hold a run to raise money for A Woman's Fund.. which helps domestic violence victims.
- 9/28 APPLE AND PORK FEST 5PM VO :26  
Final day of the Clinton Apple & Pork Festival.
- 9/28 SLING SHOT SHOOTER 5PM VO :26  
70 year old John Huffer tries to set a world record for shooting moving targets with a slingshot in Tuscola.
- 9/28 CONCERT BENEFIT 10PM VOSOT :41  
Benefit concert at the Beach House restaurant in Decatur for Big Brothers/Big Sisters.
- 9/29 FOOD DRIVE 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :34  
Hickory Point Bank now accepting donations for Community Food Drive
- 9/29 CHAMBER AWARDS 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :36  
Greater Decatur Chamber of Commerce Community Awards this coming weekend.
- 9/29 URBANA BIKE AWARD 6PM VO :33  
City of Urbana's master bicycle plan gets an award from the American Planning Association and the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations.
- 9/30 DECATUR APTS 5PM VOSOT :47  
The Reserve At Lakeview senior apartments hold a ribbon cutting to open the facility.
- 9/30 DIANE JOHNER 6PM VO :28  
Macon County Health Department Health Education Director Diane Johner leaving after more than 20 years.
- 9/30 DANVILLE HOME 6PM VO :30  
Essay contest to win a Danville house cancelled due to lack of interest. Those who entered will get their money back.

- 9/30 ANGEL TREE 6PM VO :32  
Applications for DeWitt County's angel tree program are now being taken.
- 9/30 LINCOLN PLAY 10PM VOSOT :52  
New play called Lincoln-Esque opens later this week at the ALPLM in Springfield.