

April 2013 Public File

Crime

04/01 Central Cunningham PKG 1:08

Cunninghams remember couple slain on Easter 1 year ago

04/02 Deonshoray Harris VO 0:23

Man arrested and charged with murder appears in court

04/02 Illegal Gambling VO 0:21

Bar owner arrested and several gaming machines seized

04/03 O'Dell Dead PKG 1:16

A man on the run from Decatur shot and killed in Arkansas

04/05 Deantrae Nash VO 0:22

Man arrested for allegedly shooting another man in the leg

04/08 Trevor Lineberry VO 0:48

Decatur OB/GYN arrested for prescription fraud

04/12 State Street Fatal Fire VO 0:33

Terry Brownlee accused of setting fire to kill his mother

04/12 Knuckles Probation MUGSHOT 0:22

Matthew Knuckles – former police officer – sentenced to probation

04/13 James Bertin Homicide PKG 1:19

Man stabbed and killed in Pana

04/14 Quintin Brown VO 0:19

Man accused of killing his father in Urbana is found in Indiana

04/15 Macon County Armed Robbery PKG 1:19

Robbery linked to gang activity

04/16 Springfield Shooting VO 0:17

3 men allegedly involved in shooting in Springfield

04/18 Haynes/Thomas VO 0:24

3 arrested in connection with robbing a man outside of a grocery store

04/19 Charity Scams PKG 1:12

Police tell you to look out for those wanting to profit from the bombings in Boston

04/20 Grand Shots Fired VO 0:17

Shots fired in Decatur – police aren't saying much

04/21 Missing Maywood Boy VO 0:24

Police want more information about the boy whose disappearance prompted an Amber Alert

04/23 Trooper Killed Indictment VO 0:27

Georgia truck driver indicted for death of a state patrol trooper

04/24 Manchester Murders LIVE VO 1:00

5 people killed

04/24 Red Roof Inn Shooting VO 0:22

Police are looking for a suspect after a someone was shot at a hotel

04/25 Foreclosure Scams VOSOT 0:42

People are asking for a fee up front to stop foreclosure

04/28 Scott County Killings VOSOT 0:48
Manchester Community remembers those killed in shootings

Government

04/01 Decatur Council Water VO 0:33

Council votes to raise water rates

04/02 Senator Kirk Gay Marriage VO 0:19

Senator Kirk, a Republican, says he supports gay marriage

04/03 Decatur Recycling VOSOT 0:51

Decatur recycling program operating in the red

04/05 Mom Son Mayor Race VOSOT 0:41

Mother and Son run against each other in Chicago-area mayoral race

04/06 Union Membership VO 0:16

Governor Quinn signs bill restricting union membership among state employees

04/08 Macon County VOSOT 1:08

Early voting in Macon County has begun

04/08 Springfield State of the City PKG 1:31

Mayor Mike Houston talks about the state of Springfield in annual address

04/09 Macon County Voting LIVEVO 0:48

Election Day in Illinois – Primaries

04/09 Medical Marijuana PKG 1:35

Medical Marijuana up for a vote

04/10 Background Checks PKG 1:16

Local story on the national debate over extending background checks for would be gun buyers

04/15 Decatur Council/Sewer \$\$

Decatur Council will vote on upgrading aging sewer system

04/17 Medical Marijuana PKG 1:04

House passes medical marijuana legislation

04/17 Springfield Sales Taxes VO 0:17

Lawmakers vote to increase sales tax by half of one percent

04/18 Local Background Checks PKG 1:13

Local reaction to President Obama's initiative being voted down

04/18 Concealed Carry VO 0:18

Concealed carry legislation fails; lawmakers will try again

04/24 Speed Limit Hike RDR 0:16

Speed limits on rural interstates could be raised to 70 MPH – Senate committee approved

04/25 Puppy Lemon Law VOSOT 0:54

If a puppy is defective, you can return it – new law was passed

04/25 Lawmaker Inaction PKG 1:22

A number of meaningless laws are being passed while the big ones remain on the table

04/27 Decatur Drug Bust GFX 0:16

Family of 3 is arrested

04/29 Chris Harris Phoner GFX 0:45

Chris Harris Trial has begun – Jury selection begins in one day

04/30 EIU Student Sexual Assault VOSOT 1:31

Gang rape near campus

Jobs/Economy

04/01 Foreclosure VO 0:24

Governor's plan helps people facing foreclosure

04/04 Water Hike Effects PKG 1:25

What effect will raising the water rates have on Decatur?

04/05 CAT Layoffs NRMVO 1:15

Hundreds of layoffs expected

04/07 Cherry Berry VOSOT 0:30

New Cherry Berry is thriving – some wait in line for 40 minutes

04/10 Saturday Mail – Hold VO 0:24

USPS will look for other ways to save money after plans to scrap Saturday delivery were put on hold

04/11 Tuscola Jobs PKG 1:22

Breakthrough to bring a chemical plant to Tuscola

04/12 Foreclosure Help VOSOT 1:04

How you can get help...before it's too late

04/15 Decatur Council – County Market VOSOT 1:07

Council to vote on County Market coming to Decatur's West End

04/17 Plant Impact VOSOT 1:18

State ups the ante to attract chemical plant to build in Tuscola

04/18 S&K Buick Opening SOTVO 0:18

Grand re-opening for S&K Buick

04/24 Gas Prices GFX 0:16

Gas prices climb up again

04/25 Health Job Fair VOSOT 0:51

Those looking for jobs in healthcare had an opportunity in Forsyth

04/30 Champaign Library Cuts PKG 1:25

Library is \$500,000 in debt – cuts will be needed

Education

04/01 Self Defense Class VOSOT 0:40

Rick Christie holds self defense class for interested parties

04/02 RCC Groundbreak VOSOT 1:15

Richland breaks ground on a multi-million dollar facility that will expand educational opportunities

04/03 Robotics Team PKG 1:27

Decatur's Robotics team is competing nationally

04/04 Youth Police Academy GFX 0:20

Your child's chance to learn the ins and outs of police work

04/06 Tech Fair VOSOT 0:27

Educators attend tech fair

04/08 Cursive Writing PKG 1:30

Schools are beginning to phase out cursive writing

04/09 Springfield Teachers PKG 1:06

School Board members will face a tough time during elections today

04/10 School Board Change PKG 1:25

Elections turned DPS 61 Board of Education upside-down

04/11 Mt. Zion Changes PKG 1:16

Mt. Zion will use sales tax money to upgrade schools

04/20 College Cuts Sports VO 0:19

Danville Community College is considering dropping two sports

04/23 Gloria Davis Retires RDR 0:25

Superintendent Davis retires from Decatur School District

04/25 Millikin PACE Open House GFX 0:21

Evening classes offered for adults looking for career changes

04/28 U of I Applications VO 0:19

U of I receives a record number of new student applications

04/30 GA Back in Action VOSOT 0:48

General Assembly is back in session

Health/Public Safety

04/02 Child Abuse Month PKG 1:05

Child abuse awareness month – bring attention to child abuse

04/02 ACE Patrols VO 0:14

Police patrolling for drunk drivers

04/02 Danville VA Influenza VO 0:23

Small flu outbreak at VA hospital in Danville

04/02 Autism Awareness PKG 1:22

Autism awareness month story

04/04 Weather Radio Program PKG 1:25

Weather radios sold – could help save lives

04/06 Operation KidSafe PKG 1:15

Digital fingerprints offered for free to help identify children

04/08 Assault on Campus PKG 1:18

Sex Offender strikes on UI campus, arrested, what are they doing to bolster safety?

04/11 Fewer Health Insurance VO 0:42

Fewer people are accepting employers' health insurance plans

04/12 Operation Yellow Dot VOSOT 0:51

Yellow Dot program will be expanded to help identify people with Autism

04/14 Preventing Vandalism VOSOT 0:54

Ways to prevent vandalism

04/16 Storm/Lightning PKG 1:06

Staying safe during storms and lightning

04/16 Marathon Explosion Local PKG 1:23

Illinois Marathon officials tightening security after bombings in Boston Marathon

04/16 Forsyth Grenades VO 0:28

Grenades left in Forsyth well were pranks

04/16 Clarksburg Fire VO 1:16

Massive Oil Rig fire in Clarksburg

04/17 Illinois Fire Grants VO 0:22

Grants will benefit local firefighters

04/18 Flooding Dangers vosot 1:06

Constant rainfall is causing trouble all over Decatur

04/19 Red Cross Coping PKG 1:21

Coping with a number of disasters can take a toll on your health – here is how to deal with it

04/20 CCHS Vaccines VO 0:20

CCHS holds \$5.00 for vaccines

04/21 Child with Leukemia PKG 1:21

Family asks for help

04/25 WOTW: Fitness Couple PKG 2:08

Fitness loving couple profiled for franchise “Workouts that Work”

04/30 Stroke/ Call 911 VOSOT 1:09

Only 1/3rd of stroke victims bother to call an ambulance

Military

04/11 Mr. G – Letter Writing Campaign PKG 2:13

Man writes to servicemen overseas for 50 years

04/14 Military Relief Fund VO 0:14

Governor Quinn asks you to contribute to military relief fund when you file your taxes

04/18 Operation Breakfast VO 0:14

Promotion for food and clothing drive for military

04/30 Military Jobs Partner VOSOT 0:53

New partnership enables veterans to get high tech jobs

Performing Arts/Charitable Events

04/04 Grant Park Renovations PKG 1:20

Corporate donation helps make renovation possible

04/04 Women of Excellence LIVE 1:30

Women of Excellence honored

04/04 Taylorville Schools Help VOSOT 0:47

Mexican restaurant donates part of its profits to help Taylorville Schools

04/06 Cinderella Project VOSOT 1:04

Program designed to enable kids to buy low-cost prom dresses

04/07 Community Baby Shower VOSOT 0:48

Community Baby Shower held

04/07 Habitat Dedication SOTVO 0:27

Family given keys to Habitat for Humanity home

04/08 Walk for Unity VO 0:24

A man carrying across Illinois is doing it to spread a message about unity

04/12 Macon County Heart Walk VO 0:23

Promotion for upcoming Heart Walk

04/13 Not Forgotten Vigil VOSOT 0:47

Crime victims remembered in community vigil

4/20 Cigarette Butt Cleanup VO 0:20

Volunteers clear Nelson Park of cigarette butts and debris

04/21 Roller Derby VOSOT 0:29

Prairieland Punishers help raise money for Big Brothers Big Sisters

04/23 Catholic Charities VOSOT 0:31

Volunteers are sorting out food donations for the hungry

04/28 Autism Walk PKG 1:17

Walk benefits Autism research

04/29 Komen Grants FSG 0:21

\$80,000 in grants will benefit community health in Springfield

04/29 Easter Seals LIVEVO 1:15

Easter Seals fund raiser