

PUBLIC FILE
WAND-TV, DECATUR, ILLINOIS

PUBLIC/COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
April, May, June 2007

The following are shows and programs focusing on community concerns and needs of Central Illinois. Also listed are WAND-TV sponsored events designed to meet certain needs of communities throughout the area.

WAND-TV Community Outreach Involvement: April, May, June 2007

April 10, **Easter Seals Celebration Day**, WAND-TV in partnership with WSOY raised \$120,000+ for Easter Seals of Central Illinois during live Celebration Day event. Easter Seals was pleased with the day.

WAND-TV had a table at the **RCC Career Fair, Community Marketplace** day on April 18. We spoke with dozens job seekers and a few potential applicants interested in our open Photographer position.

Ebertfest was sponsored by WAND-TV. It was the last weekend in April. The Ebert overlooked film festival was attended by Roger Ebert. Hundreds of people viewed movies during the fest.

WAND-TV sponsored the **"Office Party"** at Decatur Civic Center on April 25. This is part of our sponsorship of various event at the Decatur Civic Center.

The Wheel of Fortune **"Wheelmobile"** was in Decatur looking for contestants on May 5 & 6. Thousands of fans showed up for the chance to get on stage with the fake "Pat" and fake "Vanna" and a chance to appear on the real Wheel of Fortune show. After a call back for a hundred of the contestants, 17 were chosen and will be offered the chance to appear.

World Now website launch was June 8. The new sight looks wonderful and is better than the old one. There is still work to do to make it even better.

Scot England received the AP downstate best reporter award. Congrats to him.

Public Affairs was a Finalist for **IBA Silver Dome Award**, we ended up with Second Place.

Weather Alert Monitor sales continue to generate charitable dollars. A portion of the sales go to the Red Cross.

WAND was a sponsor of the **Future's Golf Tournament** June 11 – 17. We participated in different Pro – Am events. We also provided some volunteers to help with the event.

WAND-TV Fan Club kicks off on July 2 and continues to the 30th. More details to follow.

WAND-TV **Buddy Check Program** continued in April, May and June. We are encouraging people to get a buddy and encourage each other to receive regular check ups and cancer screenings. Each month will have a different cancer profiled. It is sponsored and runs on the 17th of each month.

ISSUES / RESPONSES PSA LIST

April, May, June 2007

HEALTH / MEDICAL

AABB, American Blood Centers, ARC, "Gold Reserve"	:10
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Agency for Health Care Research, "We Need Your Q's"	:15
Al-ANON, "Feelings"	:10
Al-ANON, "What it's Like"	:20
Al-ANON, "What it's Like"	:10
Alcoholics Anonymous, "Testimonials"	:15
American Academy of Dermatology, "IM-ing"	:30
Am. Assoc. of Clinical Endocrinologist, "...then I got help"	:15
Am. Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, "Osteophyte"	:15
American Association of Orthodontists, "The quick fix"	:15
American Association of Poison Control, "What a Day"	:10
American Association of Poison Control, "Whose Advice"	:10
American Diabetes Association, "Choose to Live"	:15
American Diabetes Association, "I Decide"	:15
Am. Dietetic Association, "Granddaughter's Wedding"	:30
Am. Speech/Language Hearing Assoc, "Rock-n-Roll"	:15
American Stroke Association, "Bull's Eye"	:15
Autism Awareness, "Autism Speaks"	:10
Autism Awareness, "Golf"	:30
Autism Awareness, "Lightning"	:30
Autism Awareness, "Baby Sitter"	:30
CISCRP, "Informed Choice"	:20
Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, "The worst Part"	:30
Coalition to Prevent DVT, "DVT PSA"	:30
Colorectal Cancer, "Diane Keaton"	:20
Colorectal Cancer, "Jimmy Smits"	:20
Depression is Real, "Elevator"	:30
The Heart Truth, "Lee Ann Womack"	:30
Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, "Goals"	:10
Lung Cancer Alliance, "Candles"	:15
Mental Health National Anti Stigma, "Video Game"	:15
Nat'l Fnd. for Infect. Dis., "Spell it Out, Whooping Cough"	:30
National M.S. Society, "Dreams"	:30
Parents Against Meningitis, "What Happened Shouldn't"...	:10
Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, "Chubby's"	:60
Physicians Comm. for Responsible Medicine, "Dangerous"	:15
Shriners Hospital, "Sarah McLachlan"	:20
Shriners Hospital, "Betty White"	:20
Shriners Hospital, "Beyonce"	:20

Sickle Cell Disease Assoc. of America, "Taking Control"	:20
Spina Bifida, Folic Acid, "English"	:30
Vision Council of America, "Eye Gym"	:15

CRIME

National Cyber Security Alliance, "Cyber Security"	:30
National Crime Prevention, "Watch/Version B"	:20

ENVIRONMENT

Department of Energy, "Hog of Energy"	:30
Nuclear Threat Initiative, "Coming Together"	:30
Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corp, "Golden Years"	:15
U.S. Department of Energy, "Hog Commandos"	:15
U.S. Department of Transportation, "Precious Cargo"	:15
U.S. EPA, "Little Flower"	:30
U.S. EPA, "The Surgeon General's other Warning"	:20

FAMILY

Abstinence First, Most Teens Wait, "What's Your Reason"	:30
American Red Cross, "Help America II, "Give Blood"	:30
American Red Cross, "There is a Place"	:60
Catholic Campaign for Human Development, "Poverty Line"	:10
Dave Thomas Foundation, "Every Child Needs Love"	:60
Federal Citizen Info Center, "First Gov.gov"	:10
Federal Citizen Info Center, "Fed Info"	:20
Girls and Boys Town, "Labels - Parent"	:10
Girls and Boys Town, "Labels - Teen"	:10
Girls and Boys Town, "Choices - Teen"	:20
Girls and Boys Town, "Choices - Teen"	:10
Habitat for Humanity, "I Helped Build It"	:30
Junior Achievement, J.A. "After School"	:30
Make A Wish, "Just a Kid"	:20
Make A Wish, "Just a Kid"	:60
March of Dimes, "Let the People Sing"	:30
March of Dimes, "Lauren Holly"	:30
March of Dimes, "Thalia"	:30
National Assoc. of Letter Carrier, "Food Drive"	:30
Ronald McDonald House Charities, "All of us together"	:30
Salute America's Hero's, "Travis Tritt"	:20
Salute America's Hero's, "Shelly Fairchild"	:20
Salute America's Hero's, "Gary Sinese"	:20
Sister to Sister, "The Forgotten Fat"	:30

Stamp Out Hunger, "Harlem Globetrotters"	:30
United Way, "Early Childhood"	:30
U.S. Air Force Reserve, "Hurricane Hunters"	:30
U.S. Air Force, "60 th Anniversary"	:15
U.S. Army, "Graduate"	:15
U.S.D.A., "Power Out Food Safety"	:60
Will Rogers Institute, "Exercise"	:20
Will Rogers Institute, "Teen Stress with the Muppets"	:30
Will Rogers Institute, "Teen Stress with the Muppets"	:60

EDUCATION

American Council on Education, "Airplane"	:15
Community Marketplace, "Unlocking Your Future"	:30
Disabled American Vets, "Give Back to Them"	:10
Disabled American Vets, "Give Back to Them, Gary Sinise"	:20
Donate Life, "Priscilla"	:60
Donate Life, "JePahl"	:60
Drug Free dot Org, "URL Meth"	:10
Federal Student Aid, "Only a Dream"	:15
Guide Dog Foundation, "Ed Harris"	:20
Illinois Am. Vets, "Hines VA Hospital"	:30
I.B.A., F.D.R.	:15
Illinois Masonic Children's Home, "Cut #1"	:30
Illinois Sheriff's Association Meth Campaign, "Bath Tub"	:30
Illinois Sheriff's Assoc. Meth Campaign, "Laundromat"	:30
Illinois Sheriff's Association Meth Campaign, "That Guy"	:30
Illinois Sheriff's Association Meth Campaign, "Just Once"	:30
Jamestown 2007, "America's 400 th Anniversary"	:30
NAB Congressional, "Rep Phil Hare, Online Predators"	:30
NAB Congressional, "Rep Phil Hare, Diabetes"	:30
NCI, 1-800-Quit-Now, "I'm A Quitter"	:20
Negligent Driving, "13 Minutes Phone"	:15
Partnership for a Drug Free America, "Forest"	:30
Peace Corp, "Life is Calling"	:10
Richland Community College, "Career Fair"	:30
Underage Drinking Prevention, "Brandon"	:15
U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services, "Be a Player"	:15
WAND, Community Calendar "Promo"	:30
WAND, "Community Calendar Ken Promo"	:30
WAND, "Community Calendar - Sunday"	:60
WAND, "Community Calendar - Sunday A"	:30
WAND, "Community Calendar - Saturday"	:60
WAND, "Community Calendar - Saturday A"	:30
WAND, "Community Calendar - Saturday B"	:30
WAND, "Community Calendar - Monday"	:30
WAND, "Community Calendar - Tuesday"	:30

WAND, "Community Calendar – Wednesday"	:30
WAND, "Community Calendar – Thursday"	:30
WAND, "Community Calendar – Friday"	:30
WAND, EAS Weekly Test/Slide Still	:30

WAND-TV, Decatur, Illinois
2nd Quarter Report
April, May, June 2007

There were no Special Public Affairs Shows during this quarter.

**ISSUES/PROGRAMMING RESPONSE LIST
APRIL-JUNE 2007**

LIN Television Corporation
June 30, 2007

WAND-TV

LIN Television Corporation – WAND TV

NewsCenter 17 Today	Monday through Friday	5:00 am – 7:00 am
NewsCenter 17 at Noon	Monday through Friday	12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
NewsCenter 17 at Five	Monday through Friday	5:00 pm – 5:30 pm
NewsCenter 17 at Six	Monday through Friday	6:00 pm – 6:30 pm
NewsCenter 17 at Ten	Monday through Friday	10:00pm – 10:35pm
NewsCenter 17 at Five	Saturday & Sunday	5:00 pm – 5:30 pm
NewsCenter 17 at Ten	Saturday & Sunday	10:00pm – 10:30pm

All of the programs noted above are locally produced News programs presenting a mix of News, weather, sports and issue related feature stories. The 12:00pm News also features guests and a health segment. Other reoccurring segments include:

News Extra: M-F Newscenter 17 at 10
Local or National package concerning issues of the day.

Check Up On Your Health Monday Newscenter 17 at 5
Weekly health segment talking about local programs.

Central Illinois A-Z Wednesday NewsCenter 17 at 6
Sunday NewsCenter 17 at 10
Feature stories about the interesting towns and people in Central Illinois

Recall Roundup Friday NewsCenter 17 at 5
Weekly consumer segment informing watchers of recalls.

Consumer Watch Thursday NewsCenter 17 at 5
What's new and exciting in the world available for consumers

Pet Adoption M – W – F NewsCenter 17 at Noon
Friday NewsCenter 17 at 5
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

These areas and representative examples are as follows: Crime, Economy, Education, Family & Outreach, Government, Health and Safety, and Military.

Crime

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 28 10pm 2:05
ONE GROUP IS SAYING THANK YOU TO LOCAL POLICE OFFICERS. A CHAMPAIGN COUPLE HAS ORGANIZED A GROUP DEDICATED TO SHOWING APPRECIATION TO LOCAL OFFICERS. IT'S BEEN THREE WEEKS NOW SINCE A MAN OPENED FIRE AT WEST SIDE PARK... SHOOTING THREE CHAMPAIGN POLICE OFFICERS. ONE COUPLE THAT WAS THERE WHEN IT HAPPENED... SAYS THEY WERE HORRIFIED BY IT.

Newscenter 17 Today June 29 5am :29
THE CHAMPAIGN POLICE DEPARTMENT NEEDS YOUR HELP FINDING A SUSPECT WANTED FOR A STABBING. POLICE SAY ON JUNE 16TH.. 33-YEAR OLD DERRICK L. WILSON STABBED ANOTHER MAN WITH A LARGE KITCHEN KNIFE DURING AN ARGUMENT. IT HAPPENED INSIDE AN APARTMENT IN THE 1500 BLOCK OF WEST HEALEY. THEY SAY WILSON RAN AWAY FROM THE SCENE AND HASN'T BEEN SEEN SINCE. THE STABBING VICTIM IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION AT THE HOSPITAL. ANYONE WITH INFORMATION ON THIS MAN'S WHEREABOUTS IS ASKED TO CALL CHAMPAIGN CRIME STOPPERS AT 373-TIPS.

Newscenter 17 at 12 June 29 12 pm :35
DECATUR POLICE SAY IT WAS A TURN OF EVENTS THAT LED THEM TO SOLVE A FATAL HIT AND RUN THAT OCCURED NEARLY FIVE YEARS AGO. WEDNESDAY DECATUR POLICE ARRESTED A MAN THEY BELIEVE HIT AND KILLED A TEENAGER, AND THEN TOOK OFF.

Newscenter 17 at 12 June 29 12 pm :35
WE HAVE SOME BREAKING NEWS TO TELL YOU ABOUT. ILLINOIS STATE POLICE HAVE PUT OUT AN AMBER ALERT FOR A WOMAN AND HER THREE CHILDREN. STATE POLICE SAY THEY RECEIVED A REPORT AROUND SIX THIRTY THIS MORNING THAT JANICE CHRISTOPHER AND HER THREE CHILDREN, AGES 7,10, AND 11 WERE ABDUCTED IN THE STREATOR, ILLINOIS AREA ON I- 39 SOUTHBOUND. AUTHORITIES BELIEVE THE SUSPECTS INVOLVED IN THE ABDUCTION MAY BE ON THEIR WAY TO FLORIDA.

Newscenter 17 at 5 June 29 5 pm :30
MORGAN COUNTY PROSECUTORS FORMALLY CHARGE THREE MEN FOR HOLDING TWO OTHERS HOSTAGE IN JACKSONVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT. 33 YEAR OLD TYRONE MERRIWEATHER, 28 YEAR OLD DION JACKSON, AND 22 YEAR OLD SEANTAE HAYDEN EACH FACE THREE COUNTS OF

AGGRAVATED UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT, AGGRAVATED BATTERY WITH FIREARM, AND FORCIBLE DETENTION. THEY RETURN TO COURT JULY TENTH.

Newscenter 17 at 5 June 29 5 pm :20
AN AMBER ALERT ISSUED BY ILLINOIS STATE POLICE HAS BEEN CANCELLED. STATE POLICE SAY THEY RECEIVED A REPORT AROUND EARLY THIS MORNING THAT JANICE CHRISTOPHER AND HER THREE CHILDREN, AGES 7, 10, AND 11 WERE ABDUCTED ON INTERSTATE 39 NEAR STREATOR IN LASALLE COUNTY. POLICE CANCELLED THE AMBER ALERT AFTER THEY WERE LOCATED UNHARMED IN THE SAINT LOUIS AREA THIS AFTERNOON.

Newscenter 17 at 6 June 29 6 pm :21
POLICE ARREST A WOMAN FOR ALLEGEDLY SELLING DRUGS OUT OF HER HOME. THE TAYLORVILLE POLICE EMERGENCY RESPONSE UNIT AND MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL ILLINOIS ENFORCEMENT GROUP ARRESTED JENNIFER WATSON LAST NIGHT AT 1015 WEST VANDEVEER IN TAYLORVILLE. POLICE SAY NO DRUGS WERE FOUND IN THE HOME WHEN THEY ARRESTED HER. THE ARREST IS PART OF AN ONGOING INVESTIGATION INTO DRUG SALES IN THE TAYLORVILLE AREA.

Newscenter 17 at 6 June 29 6 pm :25
POLICE SAY YOU SHOULD BE AWARE OF A SCAM CIRCULATING AROUND THE ARCOLA AREA. ARCOLA POLICE SAY SOMEONE IS CALLING AROUND ASKING FOR MONEY TO BUY BULLET PROOF VESTS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. BUT POLICE SAY THE PEOPLE ARE SCAMMERS... AND POLICE NEVER CALL RESIDENTS ASKING FOR MONEY TO BUY EQUIPMENT.

Newscenter 17 at 6 June 29 6 pm :30
A TAYLORVILLE MAN IS IN JAIL TONIGHT... ACCUSED OF MOLESTING TWO OF HIS RELATIVES. POLICE SAY THEY ARRESTED 43 YEAR OLD BRIAN T. WOODS AFTER A JOINT INVESTIGATION WITH THE CHRISTIAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND D-C-F-S. INVESTIGATORS SAY WOODS ADMITTED TO TOUCHING AND OTHER SEX ACTS WITH TWO GIRLS AGED 9 TO 14. POLICE ALSO SAY WOODS CLAIMS THE GIRLS WANTED TO DO IT. WOODS FACES TWO COUNTS OF PREDATORY CRIMINAL SEXUAL ASSAULT.

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 29 10:00 pm :29
NOW, AN UPDATE ON A STORY WE'VE BEEN FOLLOWING FOR YOU. MORGAN COUNTY PROSECUTORS FORMALLY CHARGE THREE MEN FOR HOLDING TWO OTHERS HOSTAGE IN JACKSONVILLE TUESDAY NIGHT. TYRONE MERRIWEATHER, DION JACKSON, AND SEANTAE

HAYDEN EACH FACE THREE COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED UNLAWFUL RESTRAINT, AGGRAVATED BATTERY WITH FIREARM, AND FORCIBLE DETENTION. THE TWO HOSTAGES WERE HELD AT THIS HOUSE ON CHURCH STREET THREE NIGHTS AGO. JACKSONVILLE POLICE SAY THE VICTIMS WERE RESTRAINED WITH DUCT TAPE AND BEATEN. THE THREE SUSPECTS ARE STILL IN JAIL, HELD ON ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS BOND.

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 29 10:00 pm :23
A SCAM ARTIST IS APPARENTLY TRYING TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF PUBLIC CONCERN, IN THE WAKE OF LAST WEEK'S HOSTAGE STAND-OFF IN ARCOLA. ARCOLA POLICE SAY SOMEONE IS MAKING PHONE CALLS ASKING FOR MONEY TO BUY BULLET PROOF VESTS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. BUT POLICE SAY THE CALLERS ARE SCAMMERS... AND POLICE NEVER CALL RESIDENTS ASKING FOR MONEY TO BUY EQUIPMENT. POLICE SAY DO NOT GIVE MONEY OVER THE PHONE.

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 29 10:00 pm :25
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Newscenter 17 at 5 June 30 5pm :40
AUTHORITIES ARE NOT RELEASING NAMES OR MORE INFORMATION TONIGHT ON THAT STANDOFF IN CHAMPAIGN WE SHOWED YOU LAST NIGHT. CHAMPAIGN POLICE SAY THEIR OFFICERS WERE ASSISTING MC LEAN COUNTY... AND THAT COUNTY IS HANDLING THE INCIDENT. MC LEAN COUNTY IS NOT RELEASING INFORMATION TODAY.

Economy

Newscenter 17 Today June 28 10pm :39
TUSCOLA RESIDENTS AND OFFICIALS WITH THE U-S DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY MET TONIGHT... PART OF A HUGE EFFORT TO BRING A BILLION DOLLAR POWER PLANT TO CENTRAL ILLINOIS. MATTOON AND TUSCOLA ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE FUTUREGEN PLANT... ALONG WITH TWO CITIES IN TEXAS. THE POINT IS TO TALK ABOUT DRAFTS OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS RECENTLY PUT OUT. THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE SAYS THE FUTUREGEN PLANT IS EXPECTED TO CREATE EVEN MORE THAN THE ESTIMATED 13-HUNDRED CONSTRUCTION JOBS... AND 150 PERMANENT JOBS. TONIGHT TUSCOLA

RESIDENTS ASKED ONE ON ONE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROJECT.
THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ALSO GAVE A PRESENTATION.
AN ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE FUTUREGEN SITE IS EXPECTED IN
NOVEMBER.

Newscenter 17 Today June 29 5am :32
TWO CENTRAL ILLINOIS CITIES HOPE TO HEAR SOME GOOD NEWS THIS
NOVEMBER ABOUT A PROPOSED BILLION-DOLLAR POWER PLANT.
MATTOON AND TUSCOLA ARE BEING CONSIDERED FOR THE
FUTUREGEN PLANT... ALONG WITH TWO CITIES IN TEXAS. TUSCOLA
RESIDENTS AND OFFICIALS WITH THE U-S DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
MET LAST NIGHT TO DISCUSS THE PLANT'S ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
REPORT.

Newscenter 17 at 5 June 29 5pm 2:10
GOOD NEWS FOR EMPLOYEES .. BAD NEWS FOR BUSINESS OWNERS.
THE STATE'S MINIMUM WAGE GOES UP ONE DOLLAR TO 7-50 AN
HOUR JULY FIRST.. AND THEN INCREASES BY A QUARTER FOR THE
NEXT THREE YEARS. SPRINGFIELD'S GRAND AVENUE DELI IS ONE OF
THE MANY BUSINESSES AFFECTED.
ALTHOUGH IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE MUCH .. MINIMUM WAGE WORKERS
SAY THE INCREASE WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 30 10pm :35
A-T AND T REACTS... AFTER THE GOVERNOR SIGNED A BILL
TODAY OPENING THE STATE'S CABLE T-V MARKET TO COMPETITION.
THE BILL LETS NEW CABLE COMPANIES ENTER THE STATE MARKET
WITHOUT NEGOTIATING SEPARATE FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS WITH
EACH CITY AND TOWN. A-T- AND T CALLS IT A "VICTORY FOR ILLINOIS
CONSUMERS"...

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 30 10pm :20
ALSO STARTING TOMORROW... HIGHER MINIMUM WAGE FOR ILLINOIS
WORKERS. IT INCREASES ONE DOLLAR... TO 7-50 AN HOUR. THEN, THE
PAY INCREASES 25 CENTS A YEAR FOR THREE YEARS. THE *FEDERAL
MINIMUM WAGE RISES 70 CENTS TO 5-85 LATER THIS MONTH. ILLINOIS
IS ONE OF 30 STATES AND D-C THAT HAS A MINIMUM WAGE HIGHER
THAN THE FEDERAL LEVEL.

Newscenter 17 at 5 June 30 5pm :22
AN UPDATE NOW ON NEW LEGISLATION WE'VE BEEN FOLLOWING AND
HOW IT MIGHT AFFECT AN AREA CITY. THE GOVERNOR SIGNED A BILL
TODAY THAT OPENS THE STATE'S CABLE T-V MARKET TO COMPETITION.
THAT MEANS NEW CABLE COMPANIES CAN ENTER THE STATE MARKET
WITHOUT NEGOTIATING SEPARATE FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS WITH

EACH CITY AND TOWN. IT ALSO REQUIRES COMPANIES TO QUICKLY INTALL AND REPAIR EQUIPMENT.. AND LET CUSTOMERS KNOW ABOUT RATE INCREASES IN WRITING.

Education

Newscenter 17 Today June 29 5am :35
LEGAL EXPERTS SAY A U-S SUPREME COURT RULING PROBABLY WON'T AFFECT THE WAY THE CHAMPAIGN SCHOOL DISTRICT ASSIGNS KIDS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS. THE RULING SAYS SCHOOLS CANNOT USE RACE AS A FACTOR TO ASSIGN KIDS TO SCHOOL. THAT DECISION ONLY AFFECTS SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON... AND LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY.... THAT USE RACE AS A FACTOR TO **MAINTAIN** DIVERSITY. IN CENTRAL ILLINOIS.. CHAMPAIGN SCHOOL OFFICIALS SAY THEY CURRENTLY USE WHAT'S CALLED A "CONTROLLED CHOICE" STUDENT ASSIGNMENT SYSTEM.. IN WHICH RACE IS ONE FACTOR.

Family & Outreach

Newscenter 17 Today June 28 10pm :38
HOT WEATHER MEANS IT'S TIME FOR THE ANNUAL W-A-N-D T-V N-B-C 17 FAN CLUB.. TO GET NEW FANS TO THE ELDERLY. AMERGEN.. THE OWNER OF THE CLINTON NUCLEAR POWER PLANT.. DONATED 20 FANS TO THE FRIENDSHIP CENTER IN CLINTON. IT'S PART OF THE COMPANY'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM... TO HELP SENIORS IN THE SURROUNDING AREAS. WE NEED YOUR HELP TOO... YOU CAN DONATE NEW FANS AT SENIOR CENTERS IN CHRISTIAN, COLES, MACON, MOULTRIE, CHAMPAIGN, SANGAMON AND SHELBY COUNTIES. ALSO AT WAL-MART STORES IN CHAMPAIGN, URBANA, CHARLESTON, CLINTON, DECATUR, LINCOLN, MATTOON, SHELBYVILLE, SPRINGFIELD, AND TAYLORVILLE. THE W-A-N-D T-V FAN CLUB RUNS JULY 2ND THROUGH 30TH.

Newscenter 17 at 12 June 29 12pm
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HOT WEATHER MEANS IT'S TIME FOR THE ANNUAL W-A-N-D T-V N-B-C 17 FAN CLUB.. TO GET NEW FANS TO THE ELDERLY. AMERGEN.. THE OWNER OF THE CLINTON NUCLEAR POWER PLANT.. DONATED 20 FANS TO THE FRIENDSHIP CENTER IN CLINTON. IT'S PART OF THE COMPANY'S COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM... TO HELP SENIORS IN THE SURROUNDING AREAS. WE NEED YOUR HELP TOO... YOU CAN DONATE NEW FANS AT SENIOR CENTERS IN CHRISTIAN, COLES, MACON, MOULTRIE, CHAMPAIGN, SANGAMON AND SHELBY COUNTIES. ALSO AT WAL-MART STORES IN THE COUNTIES ON YOUR SCREEN. THE W-A-N-D T-V FAN CLUB RUNS JULY 2ND THROUGH 30TH.

Newscenter 17 Today
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June 29

5am

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Government

Newscenter 17 at 5

June 29

5pm

:34

LAWMAKERS WILL RETURN TO THE STATE CAPITOL NEXT WEEK FOR A SPECIAL SESSION. AS WAND-TV DOT COM FIRST REPORTED.. GOVERNOR BLAGOJEVICH AND THE LEGISLATIVE LEADERS SAY THE SPECIAL SESSION ON THE BUDGET BEGINS JULY FIFTH. LAWMAKERS HAD PLANNED TO TAKE NEXT WEEK OFF. THE ANNOUNCEMENT COMES AFTER THE SENATE PASSED THE ONE-MONTH SPENDING PLAN HOUSE MEMBERS OKAYED EARLIER THIS WEEK.

Newscenter 17 at 6

June 29

6pm

1:05

STATE LAWMAKERS WILL HAVE A SHORTER THAN PLANNED FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY. AS WAND-TV DOT COM FIRST REPORTED THIS AFTERNOON.. GOVERNOR BLAGOJEVICH CALLED A SPECIAL SESSION TO ADDRESS THE BUDGET NEXT WEEK. SOME LAWMAKERS ARE NOT VERY HAPPY ABOUT IT..

Newscenter at 10

June 29

10pm

:35

IN CAPITOL NEWS... STATE SERVICES CONTINUE.. THANKS TO A ONE-MONTH BUDGET APPROVED TODAY IN SPRINGFIELD. AS FOR A LONG-TERM BUDGET... GOVERNOR BLAGOJEVICH IS CALLING LAWMAKERS INTO SPECIAL SESSION NEXT WEEK TO DEAL WITH THE BUDGET ISSUE. AREA REPRESENTATIVE FRANK WATSON SAYS A SPECIAL SESSION IS MORE EXPENSIVE THAN AN OVERTIME SESSION... BECAUSE STATE LEGISLATORS RECEIVE A PER DIEM IN SPECIAL SESSION... MONEY THEY DON'T GET IN OVERTIME. THE GOVERNOR SUGGESTS LEGISLATORS WAIVE THEIR PER DIEM TO SAVE THE STATE MONEY.

Newscenter 17 at 10

June 30

10pm

:20

ILLINOIS STARTS A NEW BUDGET YEAR TOMORROW... WITHOUT A NEW BUDGET.

AS WE'VE TOLD YOU... LAWMAKERS CAN'T AGREE ON A NEW SPENDING PLAN. SO... THEY PASSED A ONE- MONTH EXTENSION OF THE CURRENT BUDGET YESTERDAY TO KEEP STATE AGENCIES OPERATING. GOVERNOR BLAGOJEVICH IS HAVING LAWMAKERS MEET IN SPECIAL SESSION NEXT WEEK.... STARTING JULY 5TH.... TO TACKLE A LONG- TERM BUDGET.

Health & Safety

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 28 10pm 1:58
INDEPENDENCE DAY IS LESS THAN A WEEK AWAY... AND TRIPLE-A ESTIMATES A RECORD 41-POINT-ONE MILLION PEOPLE WILL LEAVE HOME THIS WEEK. BUT BEWARE OF UNEXPECTED DANGERS. TIPS YOU NEED TO BE AWARE OF... IN TONIGHT'S NEWS EXTRA.

Newscenter 17 Today June 29 5am :37
A NEW STUDY COMPARES THE SIDE EFFECTS OF DRUGS USED TO HOLD OFF PRE-TERM LABOR. PREGNANT WOMEN WHO GO INTO LABOR BEFORE 37-WEEKS GESTATION GENERALLY RECEIVE EITHER MAGNESIUM SULFATE OR NIFEDIPINE ("nigh-FED-ih-peen") TO DELAY DELIVERY FOR AT LEAST 48 HOURS. AFTER RANDOMLY GIVING 192 WOMEN EITHER DRUG, RESEARCHERS AT STANFORD UNIVERSITY SAY BOTH DRUGS WERE SIMILAR IN THEIR EFFECTIVENESS. BUT TWO-THIRDS OF WOMEN ON MAGNESIUM SULFATE EXPERIENCED UNPLEASANT SIDE EFFECTS, SUCH AS SHORTNESS OF BREATH AND FLUID BUILD-UP IN THE LUNGS. ONE-THIRD OF WOMEN ON NIFEDIPINE HAD SIDE EFFECTS, SUCH AS HEADACHES. RESEARCHERS SAY MAGNESIUM SULFATE CONTINUES TO BE AN APPROPRIATE TREATMENT, BUT THAT DOCTORS MAY WANT TO WEIGH THE SIDE EFFECTS.

Newscenter 17 at 12 June 29 12pm :30
THE BODY CAN BENEFIT FROM EXERCISE IN OTHER WAYS, TOO... RESEARCHERS FROM THE MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA SAY OLDER PEOPLE CAN SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THEIR RISK OF HEART DISEASE AND DEATH IF THEY ADOPT FOUR HEALTHY BEHAVIORS: EXERCISING AT LEAST TWO AND A HALF HOURS A WEEK, EATING AT LEAST FIVE FRUITS AND VEGGIES A WEEK, MAINTAINING A HEALTHY BODY MASS INDEX AND NOT SMOKING.

Newscenter 17 at 12 June 29 12pm 1:30
ALARMING HEALTH NEWS FOR DIABETIC WOMEN. A NEW STUDY SUGGESTS WOMEN ARE BEING LEFT BEHIND WHEN IT COMES TO TREATMENT.

Newscenter 17 at 12 June 29 12pm :30
IF GETTING TO YOUR FAVORITE SUMMER HOTSPOT MEANS YOU'LL BE CRAMPED IN AN AIRPLANE .. THIS NEXT STORY IS FOR YOU. THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION IS ENCOURAGING PASSENGERS ON LONG FLIGHTS OR ANY FORM OF TRAVEL TO EXERCISE THEIR LEGS REGULARLY TO REDUCE THE RISK THEY'LL DEVELOP POTENTIALLY DEADLY BLOOD CLOTS.

Newscenter 17 at 5 June 29 5pm :23
MORE THAN 40-THOUSAND PEOPLE NEED BLOOD EACH DAY. THE RED CROSS SAYS DURING AND IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING VACATIONS AND HOLIDAY WEEKENDS, THERE IS OFTEN A SHORTAGE OF BLOOD AND THE SUMMER SEASON IS ONE OF THOSE TIMES. DURING SHORTAGES, EMERGENCY NEEDS ARE MET FIRST AND IF THERE ISN'T ENOUGH BLOOD... SCHEDULED SURGERIES MAY BE POSTPONED UNTIL THERE'S A SUFFICIENT SUPPLY BLOOD. AREA BLOOD CENTERS ASK YOU DONATE BLOOD THIS SUMMER.

Newscenter 17 at 5 June 29 5pm 1:02
IN TONIGHT'S RECALL ROUND UP. LASKO IS RECALLING CERAMIC HEATERS BECAUSE OF A FIRE HAZARD. MORE THAN A MILLION CERAMIC HEATERS FALL UNDER THIS RECALL. PLAY WONDER TOY BARBEQUE GRILLS SOLD AT TARGET STORES ARE BEING RECALLED BECAUSE THEY CAN CUT CHILDREN. THESE FOLDING CHAIRS ARE BEING RECALLED BY BOND MANUFACTURING COMPANY. THEY CAN COLLAPSE AND INJURE YOU.

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Newscenter 17 at 10 June 28 10pm :25
THE FAMILY OF INJURED CHIEF DEPUTY TOM MARTIN SPEAKS OUT THIS AFTERNOON. CHIEF MARTIN'S SON, DANIEL WANTS TO THANK EVERYONE WHO HAS SHOWN SUPPORT SINCE ARCOLA CHIEF DEPUTY MARTIN WAS SHOT LAST WEEK. MARTIN IS STILL IN CRITICAL CONDITION AT CARLE FOUNDATION HOSPITAL IN URBANA. HIS FAMILY ASKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED PRAYERS THROUGHOUT HIS LONG ROAD TO RECOVERY.

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 28 10pm 1:03
VISITATION IS TOMORROW FOR A MT ZION SOLDIER KILLED IN BAGHDAD LAST WEEK.

TODAY THE BODY OF 22 YEAR OLD KAREN CLIFTON WAS FLOWN INTO THE DECATUR AIRPORT. DURING A FIVE MILE PROCESSION... LOCAL RESIDENTS STOOD IN THE RAIN TO PAY TRIBUTE TO THE FALLEN SOLDIER. KAREN CLIFTON'S VISITATION WILL BE TOMORROW AFTERNOON FROM FOUR UNTIL EIGHT.. AT THE DAWSON AND WIKOFF FUNERAL HOME. BURIAL WITH FULL MILITARY HONORS WILL FOLLOW AT POINT PLEASANT CEMETERY IN LONG CREEK. THE MOUNT ZION

PUBLIC LIBRARY IS NEXT DOOR TO THE FUNERAL HOME.. AND WILL CLOSE TOMORROW AT ONE AND RE-OPEN MONDAY.

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 28 10pm :33
ONE SPRINGFIELD FAMILY FEELS LUCKY THEIR SON IS ALIVE TONIGHT ... AFTER A ROADSIDE BOMB HIT HIS HUMVEE IN IRAQ. THE ATTACK LEFT 22 YEAR OLD RALPH "RYAN" MCCALLUM WITH SHRAPNEL WOUNDS .. A HOLE IN HIS LEFT ARM AND RIGHT PALM... SEVERAL BROKEN FINGERS .. AND A SHATTERED LEFT EARDRUM. MCCALLUM IS CURRENTLY IN A HOSPITAL IN GERMANY RECEIVING TREATMENT. EVEN THOUGH RYAN'S PARENTS KNOW HE'S OKAY... THEY'RE STILL NERVOUS ABOUT THE TREATMENT.

Newscenter 17 at 6 June 29 6 p.m. :43
VISITATION IS UNDERWAY RIGHT NOW FOR ANOTHER FALLEN CENTRAL ILLINOIS SOLDIER.... MT ZION NATIVE CORPORAL KAREN CLIFTON. MOURNERS ARE LINING UP OUTSIDE THE DAWSON AND WIKOFF FUNERAL HOME IN MOUNT ZION TO PAY THEIR RESPECTS AND SAY GOODBYE TO THE 22 YEAR OLD.. KILLED IN BAGHDAD LAST WEEK. CLIFTON'S BODY ARRIVED HOME AT THE DECATUR AIRPORT YESTERDAY MORNING.
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Newscenter 17 at 10 June 29 10:00 p.m. :45
A YOUNG MAN WHO DIED FIGHTING IN IRAQ IS REMEMBERED FOR HIS BRAVERY AND SERVICE TONIGHT IN LINCOLN. MANY PEOPLE GATHERED THIS EVENING AT LINCOLN'S "ALL VETERAN'S PARK" FOR A MEMORIAL SERVICE HONORING A LIFETIME OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM U.S. ARMY CORPORAL FRANK TRUSSEL JUNIOR.

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 29 10:00 p.m. :42
HUNDREDS TONIGHT TURNED OUT TO OFFER SYMPATHY TO SURVIVORS OF ANOTHER FALLEN CENTRAL ILLINOIS SOLDIER. MT ZION NATIVE CORPORAL KAREN CLIFTON WAS KILLED IN ACTION IN BAGHDAD LAST WEEK. CLIFTON'S BODY ARRIVED HOME AT THE DECATUR AIRPORT YESTERDAY MORNING.

Newscenter 17 at 10 June 29 10:00 p.m. :26
THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FOR HELP FROM A SPRINGFIELD-BASED MARINE SUPPORT GROUP. THE GROUP TELLS NEWSCENTER 17... MILITARY HOSPITALS IN IRAQ ARE RUNNING OUT OF PERSONAL ITEMS.. LEAVING NURSES NO OPTION BUT TO PUT BLOOD STAINED CLOTHING BACK ON SOLDIERS AFTER MEDICAL TREATMENT.

NewsCenter 17 at 5 June 30 5pm 1:40
22 YEAR OLD KAREN CLIFTON... A MT. ZION NATIVE WAS KILLED
WHEN A ROCKET PROPELLED GRENADE HIT HER VEHICLE IN BAGHDAD.
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NewsCenter 17 at 10 June 30 10pm 1:47
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