ISSUES/PROGRAMMING RESPONSE LIST April, May, June 2008

WAND-TV

For the list of stories aired under the groupings of Crime, Economy, Government, Health & Safety, Military, and Education, please used the enclosed CD.

WAND (TV) Partnership

NewsCenter 17 Today	Monday through Friday	5:00 am – 7:00 am
NewsCenter 17 at Noon	Monday through Friday	12:00 pm – 12:30 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
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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

Story focused on a person in Central Illinois Making a Difference to those around them or their community.

Public Service Announcements Any Day Any Time

The station broadcasts local and national public service announcements of varying lengths throughout the broadcast day.

Community Calendar Any Day Any Time
This is 30 second PSA's informing the public of events in the Central Illinois. 60 second versions appear on Saturday and Sunday. There is a new spot for each day with three versions for Saturday and two for Sunday.

Dateline NBC 3-5 nights a week Various

This is an NBC Network News and public affairs program which features investigative reporting on issues of interest to the American public such as health and medical News, Technology, travel, *Consumer Reports* and product analyses and the environment.

The Today Show	Monday through Friday	7:00am – 11:00am
NBC Nightly News	Monday through Sunday	5:30pm – 6:00pm
Saturday Today	Saturday	7:00am – 9:00am
Sunday Today	Sunday	8:00am – 9:00am
Meet the Press	Sunday	9:00am – 10:00am

The NBC Network News programs noted above offer a mix of News, weather, interviews, and special features on issues of current concern and interest to our viewers.

In the 2nd quarter of 2008, our station aired extensive programming that addressed many areas of concern and interest to the residents in Central Illinois television market.

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

Crime

4/1 ABUSE PREVENTION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:28

Macon County Child Advocacy Center expanding it's services to include Piatt County

4/1 POLICE PURSUIT 6PM VOSOT 1:01

Champaign & Urbana police chase a vehicle after someone reported the driver pulled a gun on them. Car hit another vehicle while fleeing. Chase ended when suspect car wrecked. Cops still looking for driver and one passenger.

4/1 REPEAT OFFENDER 6PM LIVE PKG 2:22

Springfield Police arrest 42 year old Derrick Alexander for a weekend sexual assault. Charged with 20 felony counts. Faces a life term because he's a repeat sexual offender.

4/1 EMBEZZLEMENT 6PM VOSOT 1:01

Taylorville woman indicted on federal embezzlement charges. 53 year old Debra Kirby allegedly took \$750,000 while she worked in the State Treasurer's office.

4/2 DECATUR FIRE 5PM VO :43

Early morning fire at a home on Forest Crest Road apparently set by a man as a result of a domestic dispute. Sheriff's deputies looking for the man who may have suffered serious burns. House destroyed.

4/2 OVERPASS UPDATE 5PM VO :28

Champaign and Piatt County State's Attorneys worling together to review State Police reports about objects being thrown off I-74 overpasses and damaging cars. Six people are being investigated.

4/2 JON WHITE 5PM VO :22

Sentencing begins tomorrow for Jon White, former Urbana teacher who pleaded guilty to sexually abusing some of his students.

4/3 JON WHITE 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:46

Jon White's sentencing hearing gets underway. Asst. Superintendent from Normal school district testifies about White being caught with porn sites on his school computer. Homeland Security agent also testified about computer files found on his home computer. Prosecutors say they's seeking maximum 56 year penalty.

4/3 SEX ABUSE 5PM GRAPHIC :17

58 year old Warren Johnson of Taylorville arrested on aggravated criminal sexual abuse and predatory criminal sexual assault of a child.

4/3 CRIMESTOPPERS 6PM VOSOT :47

Decatur-Macon County Crimestoppers putting most wanted suspects on a couple of billboards around town.. hoping they will result in more calls and arrests.

4/3 CHAMPAIGN SHOOTING 10PM GRAPHIC :17

Man shot in the 900 block of North 4th Street in Champaign. Victim treated for gunshot wound. Police looking for suspect.

4/4 JON WHITE 5PM LIVE VO 1:50

Jon White sentenced to 48 years in prison for his guilty plea to child sex charges involving some of his students.

4/4 DECATUR ARSON 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :30

Macon County Sheriff's office still looking for Leroy Huber who allegedly set fire to a house Wednesday.

4/4 LEWIS CLEARED 5PM GRAPHIC :20

Former Belgium police officer David Lewis acquitted of charges that he sexually assaulted a stripper. He still faces trials for several other cases.

4/4 RUSSELL DURBIN 6PM VO :19

28 year old Russell Durbin gets a 15 year sentence for his role in a series of burglaries in Taylorville.

4/4 ALEXANDER FOLO 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:24

Springfield police investigating whether Derrick Alexander committed other sexual assaults when he was out of prison.

4/5 ESKERS BAR 5PM VO :13

Esker's Tavern held up this afternoon by two suspects.

4/5 ARSON UPDATE 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :40

44 year old Larry Huber arrested in rural Nokomis by US Marshals, State Police and Montgomery County Sheriff's.

4/7 OVERPASS ARRESTS 5PM LIVE VO 1:32

Several People charged with throwing objects off Interstate 74 overpass in Piatt County.

4/7 WOLVERTON COURT 5PM VO :32

A Decatur man, charged in a double fatal D-U-I crash is back in court today.

4/7 LEROY HUBER 5PM GRXVOGRX :42

A man suspected of setting a house on fire last week is under arrest.

4/7 URBANA RAPE 6PM READER :17

A teenager in Urbana reports she wa gang raped.

4/7 LISENBEE GUILTY 6PM GRX :19

Former Beardstown police officer Shane Lisenbee pleads guilty to sexual assault charges today.

4/7 DECATUR HIT, RUN, SHOOT 10PM VO :25

Tonight Decatur police are looking for a man who drove into a parked car, then drove off yelling that he'd been shot.

4/8 OVERPASS CHARGES 5PM VO/GRX :42

An update on endangered drivers taking Interstate 74. Five people now face class four felony charges in Champaign County.

4/8 BIG BURGLARY 6PM PKG 2:01

Springfield police believe a recent break-in... in an up-scale neighborhood... could be tied to an on-going string of burglaries.

4/9 JB'S LIQUOR 5PM VO :28

Federal agents raid JB's Liquor store in Decatur. All police will say is that it's not a criminal matter.

4/9 STEVEN SIMPKINS 5PM VO :23

Steven Simpkins of Decatur charged with one count of predatory criminal sexual assault of a child under age 13.

4/9 BEATEN/ROBBED 5PM VO :19

60 year old Springfield man beaten and robbed in his apartment in the Hildebrand Hi-Rise.

4/9 DRUG SURVEILLANCE 6PM pkg 1:43

Woman hides out in Tuscola drug store until it closes, then steals over \$3000 worth of prescription drugs. Police release surveillance tape.

4/10 DERRICK ALEXANDER 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :30

Derrick Alexander.. Springfield rape suspect.. makes a court appearance.

4/10 KEON CLARK 5PM GRAPHIC :16

Keon Clark sentencing hearing on a weapons charge in Vermilion County happens today. However, judge not issuing sentence until next week.

4/10 OVERPASS COURT 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :33

Five teenagers charged with throwing objects off I-74 overpass appear in Piatt County court.

4/10 SHERIFF PHONE SCAM 10PM VOSOT :45

Macon & Douglas County Sheriffs warning residents about a phone scam where callers are asking for donations to the Illinois Sheriff's Association. Sheriff's says they don't solicit over the phone.

4/11 TRAFFIC STOP FATAL 5PM PKG 2:18

Driver of a car flees Champaign police after he gets pulled over for driving without headlights on. Car slams into several trees and breaks into two.. killing the driver and injuring two passengers. A third passenger fled the scene.

4/11 JOANIS BRADLEY 5PM :37

Joanis Bradley gets 75 years in prison for August 2007 murder of Christoper Napier in Rantoul.

4/11 COKE MOM 5PM :30

37 year old Tammy Flemming appears on court for involuntary manslaughter charge for death of her infant son shortly after birth. She had been using cocaine while she was pregnant.

4/11 DEPEW SENTENCED 5PM VO :27

Matthew Depew sentenced for pleading guilty to second degree murder for the shooting death of Robert Gordon in Mattoon.

4/11 CARPENTER CLEARED 5PM VO :23

Former Springfield Police detective Paul Carpenter cleared of fraud and official misconduct charges.

4/11 BOYD SENTENCED 6PM VO :20

20 year old Stephanie Boyd of Decatur gets 3 years in prison for conspiracy to commit murder in Jeremiah Maclin's murder in 2006.

4/11 SEXUALLY DANGEROUS 10PM PKG 2:11

Champaign County judge declares 39 year old Victor Babcock a Sexually Dangerous Person.. which means he'll likely be locked up in a state psychiatric facility for the rest of his life.

4/13 PARK SEARCH 5PM LIVE PKG 2:22

Family members and volunteers search in Springfield for Michelle Bianco.. who has been missing for a week.

4/13 BUNN PARK SHOOTING 10PM :28

17 year old shot twice this afternoon in Springfield's Bunn Park. Wounds not life threatening and victim & witnesses giving conflicting stories.

4/14 MISSING WOMAN 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:32

Update on search for 43 year old Michelle Bianco of Riverton. Phone interview with her boyfriend.

4/14 CHILD ABUSE 5PM READER :20

Springfield Police investigating possible child abuse related to a 23 month old girl's injuries.

4/15 WORKZONE ARREST 5PM VO:32

State troopers arrest a man for DUI & speeding in a work zone on I-55 in Springfield.

4/15 SEX ARREST 6PM READER :30

36 year old Deborah Kissell of Ludlow arrested for having sex with a student at Ludlow Middle School.

4/15 SEX ABUSE COUPLE 6PM GRAPHIC :31

John & Tonya Spalding of Decaur arrested for sex abuse and child porn charges.

4/15 CHILD PORN 6PM READER :22

66 year old Paul Kincaid of Litchfield sentenced to 30 years in federal prison on child porn charges.

4/15 CRIME VICTIMS RIGHTS 6PM VOSOT :44

Attorney General's office, police, victim service agencies and others hold roundtable talk about crime victim's rights.

4/16 SPFLD SHOOTING 5PM VO :31

18 year old shot in the neck in the 1800 block of Greentree drive in Springfield. Police arrest a 17 year old for the shooting which apparently was an accident.

4/16 SPFLD FIRE 5PM VO :37

Man arrested for trailer fire in Springfield's Riverside Park. Could face fines for ordinance violations or even arson charges.

4/16 CHILD ABUSE ARREST 6PM READER :22

US Marshals arrest 18 year old Leon Jones for beating his girlfriend's one year old daughter.

4/16 JAIL POPULATION 6PM VOSOT :52

Sangamon County Sheriff says jail population is down.. in part due to some cooperation with the court system.

4/16 CHILD LURER 10PM GRAPHIC :32

Champaign Police arrest 20 year old Narcisco Cruz-Pucheta for trying to abduct a 15 year old girl.

4/17 CHATHAM FIRE 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :30

Student at Glenwood Intermediate faces charges and possible expulsion for setting fire in boy's bathroom.

4/17 JUSTIFIED HOMICIDE 5PM VO :26

Sangamon County coroner's jury rules Springfield Police officers were justified in using deadly force when they shot a mentally disturbed man at the Bel-Aire Hotel in March.

4/17 MARIJUANA BUST 5PM GRAPHIC :27

Police make three arrests after they watch 39 pounds of marijuana being delivered to a home in Savoy.

4/17 COURT SYSTEM REPORT 5PM VOSOT 1:03

U of I Law school and League of Women Voters release study of the Champaign County court system.

4/18 SKATEBOARD FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT :57

Decatur Park Police arrest Timothy Melvin on reckless homicide and child endangerment after his son died while being pulled by the car while on a skateboard.

4/18 SPLFD SHOOTING 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :31

17 year old Dominick Day arraingned on unlawful possession of a firearm and reckless conduct for shooting that left an 18 year old critically hurt.

4/19 VTECH MOM 5PM VOSOT :52

Mother of Champaign native and Virginia Tech victim Austin Cloyd in Champaign for a community service day in her memory.

4/21 CLIFF BUSCHER 5PM GRAPHIC :27

Prosecutors in Taney County, MO file unlawful use of a weapon charge against Springfield police officer Cliff Buscher, Jr.

4/21 DUI WORK ZONE 5PM VO :17

Springfield woman arrested for DUI in a construction zone on Interstate 55 in Springfield.

4/21 SPFLD STABBING 6PM VO :29

Springfield police looking for man who stabbed and robbed a worker at a Family Video store overnight.

4/21 CRIMESTOPPERS 6PM VOSOT :56

Sangamon & Menard County Crimestoppers using donation for new software product where people can send anonymous tips via email or text message.

4/21 KIDS MISSING 10PM READER :31

Chicago Police issue Amber Alert after the mother of 3 kids is found dead and the kids are missing.

4/22 MATTOON STABBING 5PM GRAPHIC :22

Jennifer Jean arrested for allegedly stabbing Anthony & Tara Evans in Mattoon early this morning.

4/23 MELVIN LATEST 5PM LIVE PKG 2:04

Coroner's inquest rules Zachary Melvin's death accidental. Timothy Melvin appeared at the inquest, and had a preliminary hearing later in the day.

4/24 DANVILLE OFFICER 5PM VO :28

Danville police officer Tony Piatt pleads not guilty to aggravated assault for allegedly pulling his gun on someone in a Danville Steak & Shake.

4/24 MELVIN LATEST 5PM VO :28

Macon County judge refuses to reduce Timothy Melvin's bond.

4/24 BURGLARIES 6PM LIVE PKG 2:09

Concerns in some local areas about an increase in home burglaries due to the sagging economy.

4/24 GIRL APPROACHED 6PM READER :25

Rossville police say a man tried to lure a 7th grade girl into his car with candy.

4/24 BREAKINS 10PM PKG 2:46

Special report on what to do if someone breaks into your home while you're there.

4/24 VINCENT LIPSCOMB 10PM GRAPHIC :29

State Supreme Court orders 38 year old Vincent Lipscomb back into custody.. a day after a Champaign County judge dismissed a petition to declare him a sexually violent person.

4/25 DECATUR BURGLARIES 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :25

Macon County Sheriff's office arrests a Decatur woman & a Mt. Zion woman for two residential burglaries in southwest Decatur.

4/27 JON WHITE 5PM VO :23

Former Urbana teacher Jon White will be sentenced tomorrow on two counts of aggravated criminal sexual abuse in McLean County.

4/28 JON WHITE 5PM VO :28

First day of sentencing in McLean County Court for Jon White

4/28 ST. JOE SECURITY 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :30

Weekend theft of a gun in St. Joseph puts schools on lockdown

4/28 ROGER SLIFER 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :33

Roger Slifer pleads guilty to failure to report a fatal accident for a 2002 hit & run accident that killed a teenager on Mound Road.

4/29 JON WHITE 5PM VO :32

Jon White gets an additional 12 years in prison for sex abuse guilty plea in McLean County

4/29 NICHOLSON 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :32

Macon County judge throws out Robert Nicholson's motion to suppress statements he gave to police after his arrest in his wife's murder.

4/29 ST JOE GUN 5PM VO :35

St. Joseph schools on lockdown for a second day due to theft of a gun from a nearby home over the weekend.

4/29 OVERPASS KIDS 6PM GRAPHICS/VO :29

Four of the 5 teenagers accused of dropping objects off overpasses on I-74 plead not guilty in Champaign County Court.

4/29 CRIMESTOPPERS TIPS 6PM VOSOT :51

Champaign County Crimestoppers now offers tips through text messaging.

- 4/29 SARAH YORK 6PM VO :30
 - Sarah York's trial for charges related to a hit & run accident two years ago begins.
- 4/30 ST. JOE GUN 5PM VO :28

St. Joseph schools on lockdown for a third day as a result of the theft of a gun over the weekend.

4/30 MELVIN COURT 5PM VO :33

Timothy Melvin pleads innocent to reckless homicide for his son's death in Fairview Park.

4/30 SARAH YORK 6PM VO :30

Sarah York's trial on leaving the scene of a personal injury accident ready to go to the jury.

5/01 BTOWN LOCKDOWN 10PM PKG 2:17

Man severely beats his wife in a domestic dispute and flees the area. All Beardstown schools are put on lockdown as a result.

5/01 SARAH YORK 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :46

Jury convicts Sarah York of leaving the scene of an injury accident and other charges. Sentencing in June.

5/01 BIANCO SEARCH 10PM VOSOT :46

Family & Friends of Michelle Bianco continue their search.. this time at Sangchris Lake.

5/01 MISSING FAMILY 10PM GRAPHIC :24

Urbana family that went missing last month on a trip to San Francisco has been located safe in Los Angeles. They plan to stay in LA.

5/02 ST. JOE INVASION 5PM GRAPHIC :34

Home invasion in St. Joseph leaves one person injured. Police believe it wasn't random.

5/02 ST. JOE GUN 5PM VO :25

Police lift extra security at St. Joseph schools even though stolen weapon hasn't been recovered.

5/02 CHAVEZ FOLO 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :27

Beardstown police still looking for Jose Chavez who severely beat his wife which forced a lockdown of all Beardstown schools.

5/3 CHAVEZ ARRESTED 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :45

Jose Chavez shows up at a family members home in Beardstown and tells them he wants to turn himself in.

5/4 PROTECT SENIORS 10PM GRAPHIC :17

State Reps Bob Flider & Bill Mitchell along with the Attorney General's office holding a seminar to protect seniors from consumer fraud on Monday.

5/6 WHITLOCK UPDATE 10PM LIVE PKG 2:30

Downstate Innocence Project holds a reception to honor Herb Whitlock's attorneys who got his murder sentence overturned after 20+ years. Whitlock was there but didn't speak to the media.

5/7 SHOOTING FATAL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:41

45 year old man shot to death in Decatur while trying to break up a fight. A 23 year old and 15 year old arrested. Decatur's first murder of the year.

5/7 SPFLD SHOOTING 5PM VOSOT :44

Two people wounded in an overnight shooting at Mac's Bar in Springfield. A third person hurt in a stampede out of the bar after the shooting. 38 year old suspected shooter in custody.

5/7 CRIMESTPRS ARRESTS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:02

An online tip led Champaign Police to arrest seven juveniles for a series of recent residential burglaries in a neighborhood around Parkland College.

5/7 ARNETTE TRIAL 5PM VO :29

A Champaign County judge denies Robert Arnette's change of venue motion.

5/7 ST. JOE BURLARIES 6PM GRAPHIC :31

Champaign County Sheriff's deputies arrest 17 year old Kody Alagna for a series of burglaries in St. Joseph.

5/8 MELVIN ONE ON ONE 5PM LIVE PKG 3:21

Timothy Melvin.. father who ran over his son on a skateboard talks about being free on bond and what impact the incident has had on the family.

5/9 SPFLD SHOOTING 10PM VOSOT :29

Afternoon shooting in Springfield in the Poplar Avenue area leaves one person wounded. Police still looking for gunman.

5/9 INMATE BRIBERY 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:09

35 year old Anwan Tucker already jailed for burglary, Sangamon County jailers get tape of phone calls to his girlfriend discussing bribing the man he burglarized. Also accused of using checks stolen from another jail inmate to bribe the victim with.

5/9 JOHNSON SENTENCING 5PM VO/GRAPHIC

Steven Johnson gets life in prison for his role in the April 2007 holdup of the Soy Capital Bank on E. Eldorado in Decatur. Charged with murder because cops shot his son, Jerrell Chism after the robbery.

5/9 STAND OFF 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:46

Apartment building next to UI campus locked down after someone held up at an ATM and suspect fled into building's underground parking garage. Police searched for more than four hours before finding and arresting the suspect.

5/10 CAMPUS STAND-OFF FOLO 5PM PKG 2:06

U of I did not activate its emergency text alert system about the search for the armed robbery suspect because it would have drawn more people to the area.

5/10 MOM'S DAY PRISON 10PM VOSOT :56

Children of inmates at Decatur women's prison have a Mother's Day get-together inside the prison.

5/11 SUSPICIOUS DEATH 10PM VOSOT :43

Macon County Sheriff's deputies investigating death of a man found laying in an Argenta street early this morning.

5/11 STAND OFF UPDATE 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :32

18 year old Terrance Gowder due in court tomorrow for armed robbery and standoff in Champaign Friday.

5/12 DECATUR 2ND MURDER 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:18

23 year old Robert Johnson found shot to death inside his home in the 600 block of South Sycamore street. It's Decatur's second murder of the year, and second within a week.

5/12 ARGENTA BODY 5PM VO :31

Macon County Sheriff still investigating 33 year old Timothy Buckley's death. Autopsy found cause of death consistent with being hit by a vehicle.

5/12 MICHELLE BIANCO 5PM VO :32

Family & friends planning another search for Michelle Bianco in Springfield on Wednesday.

5/12 CHAMP STANDOFF 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :44

18 year old Terrance Gowder of Chicago arraigned on Armed Robbery charge for Friday robbery and four hour search/standoff at U of I apartment building.

5/12 PELO TRIAL 5PM VO :20

Jury selection begins for former Bloomington cop Jeff Pelo's rape trial.

5/13 MURDER FOLO 5PM VO :33

Robert Johnson's autopsy finds he died from massive brain trauma from a single gunshot wound to the head. Police still have little to go on.

5/13 ARGENTA HIT & RUN 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:28

Sheriff's Department still asking for help in solving Timothy Buckley's death. Some Argenta residents worrying about their safety.

5/13 ELLIS PLEA DEAL 5PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT :54

Former Illini football player Jody Ellis gets sentenced to 120 days in jail after pleading guilty to one count of felony theft.

5/13 COLLINS UPDATE 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :31

Champaign County judge denies Curtis Collins' request for a new public defender. He's charged with Heather Muntean's murder last May.

5/13 TN MURDER SUSPECT 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :27

Suspect in a murder of a pregnant woman in Newbern, Tennessee back in February has been arrested in Decatur.

5/13 CRASH SHOOTING 10PM VO :38

Busy evening for Decatur Police.. investigating a shot fired at a home in the 2900 block of East Wood.. and a crash in the 200 block of West Leafland and a report of shots fired there.

5/14 POSSIBLE MISSING KID 5PM VO :25

Decatur Police investigating a woman's report that a 9 or 10 year old boy was forced into a vehicle near the corner of Garfield & Woodford streets.

5/14 LEGS FOUND 5PM LIVE GRAPHIC/SOT 1:48

Pair of human legs found along Interstate 55 near Springfield back in May of 2005 identified as Lindsay Harris of Henderson, Nevada. She was last seen there earlier that month and was associated with an escort service there.

5/14 DECATUR SHOTS FIRED 5PM VO/GRAPHICS :53

Five people arrested for allegedly firing shots at a Decatur teenager in the 2900 block of East Wood.

5/14 ROBERT JOHNSON 6PM VO:35

Decatur Police say they're getting a lot of third hand information about Robert Johnson's murder that isn't panning out.

5/14 SEXUALLY VIOLENT 10PM GRAPHIC :34

Sangamon County prosecutors trying to Keep a man sentenced to 50 years in prison for armed robbery and sexual assault... Behind bars permanently... By declaring him sexually violent.

5/15 ARNETTE INQUEST 5PM PKG 1:36

Champaign County Coroner's jury rules Naomi Arnette's cause of death undetermined. No obvious signs of trauma in her remains.

5/15 SPFLD SHOOTING 5PM VO :29

Springfield police make an arrest in a shooting in the 300 block of West Scarritt. 46 year old victim shot several times.

5/15 DECATUR BULLETHOLE 5PM VO :21

Decatur Police call fire department for a ladder to check out an apparent bullethole in an apartment window in the 1000 block of West Main

5/15 RESTAURANTS ROBBERY 5PM VO :31

Long John Silvers restaurant on Sangamon Ave in Springfield held up by a man armed with a hammer. Gabatoni's on East Laurel held up about an hour later by a masked gunman.

5/15 HUMMINGBIRD FIRE 5PM VO :31

Susan Wilhelm-Hoffman arrested for arson in fire at 3471 Hummingbird Drive in Decatur. House was for sale as part of a messy divorce case.

5/15 CERRO GORDO 6PM VO :19

Cerro Gordo police conduct random drug sweep at the high school.

5/15 SWAT TRAINING 6PM VO :20

Champaign Police SWAT team does training on Round Barn Road.

5/15 TEXT SCAM 6PM VOSOT :50

New scam trying to get personal information. People getting text messages and emails saying their accounts at Land of Lincoln Credit Union will be closed unless they respond.

5/16 BROADLANDS BANK 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :41

Broadlands Community Bank in Champaign County held up just before noon. Suspect still at large.

5/16 CYNTHIA YORK 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :37

Cyntha York sentenced to 18 months probation and community service for Obstruction of Justice for helping her daughter hide evidence after a hit & run crash that injured two motorcyclists.

5/16 ROBERT JOHNSON 5PM GRAPHIC :16

Still no breaks in the investigation into Robert Johnson's murder.

5/16 DECATUR BULLETHOLE 5PM VO : 27

Decatur police say their investigation into a bullethole found in the 1000 block of West Main was part of the Johnson investigation.

5/16 SUSPICIOUS FIRE 5PM VO :23

Springfield fire investigators suspect arson in a fire in the 300 block of Livingston Drive overnight.

5/16 CHAMP ROBBERY 10PM GRAPHIC :23

Champaign Police looking for person who burglarized a home in the 26-hundred block of Kirby Ave.

5/19 URBANA ROBBERY 5PM VO :24

Manager of the Circle K on N. Lincoln in Urbana robbed when he tried to leave to make a bank deposit.

5/19 MOMS/BABIES PRISON 5PM VOSOT 1:03

Department of Corrections program where incarcerated pregnant women who give birth behind bars can keep their newborns with them celebrates its first anniversary.

5/19 SEX CRIME 6PM READER :33

58 year old Danny Orr of Port Huron, Michigan gets a 20 year federal prison sentence for trying to entice what he thought was a 34 year old Decatur woman and her two children to travel for sex. Turned out the woman was an undercover Decatur cop.

5/19 STATE PRISONS 6PM VO :29

Governor's office says a re-entry program started in 2004 has resulted in fewer prison inmates returning to the system once they're released.

5/20 TIMOTHY BUCKLEY 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :29

Macon County Sheriff's investigators still looking for clues in Timothy Buckley's apparent hit & run death.

5/20 8MO OLD SHOT 10PM VO:30

8 month old Decatur child shot in the leg in an apparent drive-by shooting in the 16-hundred block of North Maple.

5/21 BABY SHOT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:22

Mother of 8 month old baby shot in the leg last night speaks about what happened. Baby was treated and released.

5/21 CENTENNIAL FIGHT 5PM VO :34

Two Champaign Centennial students get into a fight at school. One ends up with a broken jaw, the other arrested for aggravated battery.

5/22 ALAN BEAMAN 5PM VO :41

State Supreme Court overturns Alan Beaman's murder conviction and 50 year prison sentence. He was convicted of the 1993 murder of ISU student and Decatur resident Jennifer Lockmiller in 1993.

5/22 BURGLAR COUPLE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:29

Decatur Police arrest 44 year old Charles Rouse and his 38 year old wife Laura for residential burglary. Police believe they're responsible for a string of burglaries in Decatur & Macon County.

5/22 DVILLE SHOOTING 5PM GRAPHIC :26

Danville police investigating first murder of the year. 28 year old Kenneth Sims shot to death in the 1900 block of Deerwood.

5/22 TN MURDER SUSPECT GRAPHIC/VO 10PM :26

19 year old Darnell Madison taken back to Tennessee to face murder charges. He was arrested in Decatur on May 13th.

5/23 CHAMPAIGN STANDOFF 5PM VOSOT :45

Champaign Police involved in a standoff with murder suspect Comonte Sanders at a duplex in the 500 block of North Garfield Ave. Sanders wanted in shooting death of Kenneth Sims in Danville.

5/23 DVILLE MURDER 5PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT 1:15

Danville Police also have four other suspects in custody for Kenneth Sims' murder.

5/23 DECATUR SHOOTING 5PM VO :25

Decatur Police investigating a robbery & shooting on Calhoun street. Victims were forced out of their car by 2 or 3 men and robbed at gunpoint. Shooting victim shot in the leg.

5/23 SPFLD SHOTS FIRED 5PM GRAPHIC :24

Shots fired into a home and car in the 100 block of South Wesley in Springfield, narrowly missing a 4 year old in the house.

5/23 E-COURTS 6PM VO :23

State Supreme Court unveils plan to electronically link all the state's judicial courts.

5/25 SANDERS 10PM VO :26

Comonte Sanders denied bond for his alleged role in the murder of Kenneth Sims in Danville. Arrested after a standoff in Champaign.

5/25 SKYWALKER SHOOTINGS 10PM VO :30

Two teenagers shot in the parking lot of Skywalker Sports Complex in Decatur. Teens were shot while police were dispersing a disorderly crowd inside.

5/26 BEARDSLEY FIRE 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :50

47 year old Kenneth Brown of Champaign arrested for allegedly firing shots into a home in the 900 block of West Beardsley and then setting it on fire.

5/26 NUNCHUCKS STRANGLE 5PM GRAPHIC :25

Bement police arrest 24 year old Alec Hamilton for trying to strangle his girlfriend with a pair of nunchucks.

5/26 SKYWALKER SHOOT 5PM VO :27

Decatur police still have no suspects in shooting at Skywalker Sports Complex.

5/27 DECATUR ROBBERY 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:29

Man robs the Prairie Pantry on West Grand in Decatur.. takes a woman hostage and drops her off.. then got into a wreck with the stolen car at Fairview & King, and ran away.

5/27 DANVILLE MURDER 5PM VOSOT :55

29 year old Comonte Sanders and four others face first degree murder charges for Kenneth Sims' murder. A sixth suspect remains on the loose.

5/27 GOV RYAN 5PM VO :32

Former Gov. Ryan's attorney syas he may seek executive clemency from the President after US Supreme Court refuses to hear Ryan's appeal.

5/27 POLICE CAR 10PM VO :25

Christian County police using a confiscated car from a recent drug arrest to catch drug dealers.

5/28 ROBBERY/HOSTAGE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:39

Decatur police make an arrest for the armed robbery of the Prairie Pantry, took the cashier hostage, then got into a four car wreck & King & Fairview.

5/29 LAGRONE DENIED 5PM VO :29

State Supreme Court declines to hear Maurice LaGrone's appeal of his murder conviction for the drownings of 3 children in Clinton Lake.

5/29 ERIQUE ROBERTSON 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :24

Former Illini football player Erique Robertson found guilty of felony aggravated unlawful use of a weapon. Got a 42 day prison sentence and two years probation.

5/29 JARIUS FILLER 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :35

Bond set at 150-thousand dollars for Jarius Fuller.. man arrested for Prairie Pantry robbery and car crash.

5/30 MELVIN JAILED AGAIN 5PM VO :39

Timothy Melvin back in jail because he violated his probation in Franklin County.

5/30 BROWN/THOMPSON 5PM VO :33

William Thompson and Yusef Brown appear in court for a case management hearing. Thompson's trial set for February 9th.. Brown will have a status hearing then. Both chargd with Douglas County Chief Deputy Tommy Martin's murder.

6/2 ARSON REWARDS 5PM VOSOT 1:04

Jacksonville business leaders adding \$1000 dollars to the reward being offered by Crimestoppers for information leading to arrests in string of arsons.

6/4 SPFLD MURDER 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :25

Springfield Police arrest 32 year old Jill Utterback and 45 year old Thomas Readon for the beating death of William Wahl last October.

6/4 REZKO VERDICT 5PM VO :33

Tony Rezko, fundraiser for Gov. Blagojevich convicted on 16 of the 24 counts against him.

6/4 ILLEGAL KENNEL 6PM VO :30

Two dogs rescued from an illegal kennel in Forsyth.

6/5 DRUG ARRESTS 5PM READER :29

Two Decatur men arrested on drug charges in Ford County after a state trooper pulled them over on I-57.

6/5 DVILLE MDR PRELIMS 5PM GRAPHICS :26

Judge sets preliminary trial date of August 18 for five men charged in the murder of Kenneth Sims in Danville.

6/5 DUI FATAL PRETRIAL 5PM READER :27

Trial date of September 15 set for Charity Jackson-Whitted for fatal DUI crash last November in Christian County.

6/5 CRIMINAL RECORDS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:17

State Police being threatened with contempt of court by a judge who says orders to expunge criminal records are being ignored.

6/6 PHILIPS TRIAL 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :26

23 year old Demetrice Philips convicted of first degree murder for Jeremiah Maclin's murder in September 2006.

6/8 DECATUR MURDER 5PM VO :44

37 year old Jack Jason Cole arrested for allegedly killing his mother, 60 year old Jane Cole in her Decatur home Saturday evening.

6/9 COLE MURDER FOLO 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :37

Autopsy finds Jane Cole died from a severe cutting wound to the back of the neck. Her son Jack Jason Cole has bond set at \$500,000.

6/9 BODY FOUND 10PM READER :19

Railroad workers find a woman's body along the tracks near Hartsburg in Logan County.

6/10 LOGAN CO. BODY 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:32

Body found along railroad tracks in Logan County is identified as MeLisa Cleary. She had been missing since friday and died from obvious signs of trauma. Husband questioned and released by police after being found with his children at a Peoria hotel.

6/10 NICHOLSON TRIAL 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :24

Robert Nicholson's murder trial begins in Macon County. He's accused of strangling his wife last August.

6/10 LEWIS PLEA 5PM GRAPHIC :25

Former Belgium police officer David Lewis pleads guilty to four counts of obstructing justice and attempted official misconduct. 40 felony counts dropped. Sentenced to time served and probation.

6/10 JARIUS FULLER 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :33

Public defender appointed for Jarius Fuller.. Decatur Prairie Pantry armed robber, etc.

6/11 DEC VIOLENT CRIME 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :30

A new FBI report shows a 3.4% decrease in violent crimes in Decatur

6/11 CLEARY UPDATE 5PM VO :31

Still no arrests in the suspicious death of MeLisa Cleary.

6/11 BEAMAN CASE 5PM VO

McLean County prosecutors to decide tomorrow whether they'll appeal the State Supreme Court ruling that overturned Alan Beaman's conviction of Jennifer Lockmiller's murder. She was an ISU student from Decatur

6/11 NICHOLSON TRIAL 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :26

Robert Nicholson's murder trial continues in Macon County Court.

6/11 OVERPASS COURT 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :31

Five teenagers accused of throwing objects off Interstate 74 overpasses in Piatt County court. One teen pleaded guilty.. others did not enter pleas.

6/12 EDGAR CO SHOOTING 5PM GRAPHIC :26

Woman wounded in shooting in the town of Borton. Her boyfriend arrested for it.

6/12 CHARLESTON ARREST 10PM GRAPHIC :34

Coles County deputies arrest 61 year old Dana Beals after finding more than 150-thousand dollars in bags in his car. Beals charged with money laundering and is free on bond. He's a veteran of the Yippie movement and longtime advocate of marijuana legalization.

6/13 EDGAR CO SHOOTING 5PM GRAPHIC :24

Joseph Gross faces aggravated battery with a firearm and possessing a firearm without a FOID card for Wednesday's shooting in Borton that left his girlfriend wounded.

6/13 BEAMAN CASE 5PM VO :26

McLean County prosecutors have not decided yet whether to seek a new trial for Alan Beaman.

6/13 NICHOLSON TRIAL 5PM VO :24

Macon County jury convicts Robert Nicholson of murder charges. He was accused of strangling his wife last August.

6/13 SCHOOL THREAT PLEA 5PM VO :28

Josephine Pierce pleads guilty to a misdemeanor charge for April 2007 threat at Monticello High School. Received a 30 day sentence.

6/13 FATAL CRASH 5PM VO :33

24 year old Seth Brooks of Charleston charged with Aggravated DUI and reckless driving for early morning fatal crash in Arcola that killed 18 year old Matt Foltz of Mattoon.

6/16 PELO TRIAL 5PM VO :29

Former Bloomington cop Jeff Pelo's trial has gone to the jury.

6/16 MELVIN UPDATE 5PM VO :27

Timothy Melvin's attorney demands a speedy trial during a court hearing. He's charged in his son's death at Fairview Park.

6/17 SETH BROOKS 5PM VO :30

Police report shows 24 year old Seth Brooks of Charleston passed two police officers at a high rate of speed before last week's crash in Arcola that killed 18 year old Matt Foltz. He's in court tomorrow to face charges.

6/17 PELO LATEST 5PM VO :23

Jury still in deliberations in Jeff Pelo's rape trial.

6/17 ANTHONY GOODWIN 6PM GRAPHIC/VO:40

Anthony Goodwin gets five years in prison on a weapons charge. Was on probation when cops arrested him and found a gun on him.

6/17 SEX OFFENDER CHECKS 10PM LIVE PKG 2:17

Taylorville Police planning to step up sex offender compliance checks. A large number of recent sex crime arrests in Christian County has something to do with it.

6/18 PELO VERDICT 5PM VO :24

Jury convicts Jeff Pelo of all 35 counts against him for the sexual assaults of four Bloomington area women.

6/18 SETH BROOKS 5PM LIVE VO 1:04

Seth Brooks appears in Douglas County court for arraignment on reckless homicide and aggravated DUI charges for last week's crash that killed Matt Foltz in Arcola. He pleaded not guilty.

6/19 MORGAN GARLICK 5PM GRAPHIC :23

27 year old Morgan Garlick charged with aggravated battery of a child. He allegedly severely beat his four month old daughter. Bond set at \$500,000.

6/19 SPFLD FATAL CRASH 5PM VO :34

Springfield Police now investigating crash in May that killed Nicole Zike as a criminal matter. Police believe she got into some sort of confrontation with a front seat passenger who grabbed the wheel and caused the crash.

6/19 ST. JOE INVASION 5PM PKG 2:10

Champaign County Sheriff's Dept. makes three arrests for a violent home invasion in St.Joseph last month. Fourth suspect still at large.

6/19 PANA BURGLARIES 5PM VO :25

Pana police arrest a 19 year old and a 16 year old for a recent string of burglaries in town.

6/19 REED-MOSS INQUESTS 6PM VO :30

Champaign County coroner's jury rules December's deaths of Sarah Reed and Madeline Ross-Reed homicides, and Mark Moss's death a suicide.

6/20 ARCOLA ANNIVERSARY 5PM LIVE PKG 2:44

Look back at our coverage of the Arcola standoff one year ago.

6/20 ARCOLA 1 YR LATER 6PM LIVE PKG 1:53

Look back at how Arcola residents remember the standoff 1 year ago tomorrow, including one businessman who helped police by letting them set up a command post there.

6/20 DEC BURGLARY 10PM GRAPHIC :23

Decatur Police arrest two men for stealing copper tubing from the old Firestone plant after they tried to sell it at the Sol Tick scrapyard.

6/20 ONLINE PREDATORS 10PM VO :28

New law requires convicted sex offenders to pay an additional \$500 fine, which goes to police to help them catch online predators.

6/21 ARCOLA STAND OFF 5PM VO:43

Today is the one year anniversary of the Arcola Standoff

6/21 URBANA DEATH 10PM VO :30

Urbana Police arrest 30 year old Vera Simmons for the stabbing death of her live-in boyfriend.

6/21 INMATE 10PM READER:14

Inmate in the Shelby County Jail found dead in his cell.

6/23 INMATE SUICIDE 5PM VO :25

33 year old Jason Cox hung himself in the Shelby County Jail over the weekend.

6/23 URBANA STABBING 5PM VO :26

30 year old Vera Simmons arraigned on first degree murder charges for stabbing death of live-in boyfriend Aaron Patton Saturday.

6/23 DUI CRASH 5PM GRAPHIC :24

47year old Bernard Sinclair of Pana hurt in a crash with another motorcyclist on Rt. 16 in Ohlman. He's charged with DUI.

6/23 SPFLD HOMICIDE 5PM VO :28

Springfield police asking for public's help for information about 18 year old Turjwuan Matlock's shooting death at 14th & Stuart.

6/23 STREET CRIMES UNIT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:27

Springfield Police say their new street crimes unit having an impact on crime in the Capital City.

6/23 IMPAIRED DRIVER TOOK 6PM LIVE PKG 2:25

New law now in effect where even first time DUI offenders will have to have ignition interlock breathalyzers installed on their cars.

6/23 PANA ARSON 6PM GRAPHIC :21

Frances Weber charged with residential arson for fire in Pana on June 15. Held on \$250,000 bond.

6/24 SPFLD CRIME 5PM VOSOT :53

Woman says a man tried to rape her Sunday morning on the Wabash trail.. also a man was shot by his stepfather in the 1800 block of Pope Ave. Monday night. Stepdad turned himself in.

6/24 ST. JOE ARREST 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :27

Fourth suspect in violent home invasion in St. Joseph turns himself in to Kankakee County Sheriff's Dept.

6/24 RANDY DEJAYNES 5PM VO :28

Former DeLand-Weldon teacher Randy DeJaynes waives right to jury trial in Piatt County for Sexual Assault and Aggravated Battery charges. Accused of having sexual contact with two male students at the school.

6/24 GANNON PLEA DEAL 5PM VO :14

Former Decatur cop Mike Gannon agrees to plead guilty to three counts of official misconduct and gets probation.

6/24 ALAN BEAMAN 6PM VO :41

McLean County prosecutors say Alan Beaman will be retried for Jennifer Lockmiller's murder in 1993.

6/25 BETHANY HATE CRIME 6PM VO :27

Couple of juveniles spray painted KKK and other vulgar language on a Bethany home

6/25 SPFLD CRIMESTOPPERS 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :29

Springfield Crimestoppers offering a \$1000 reward for arrest in attempted rape on Wabash Trail on Sunday.

6/26 COKE BUST 5PM GRAPHIC :27

Six people arrested on federal and state drug charges in Decatur. Police seized more than a quarter million dollars worth of cocaine.. and more than 88 thousand dollars. Police say it's disrupted a drug pipeline between Chicago & Decatur.

6/26 STEVEN JOHNSON 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :29

Macon County judge denies motion to reconsider Steven Johnson's life sentence for his role in the Soy Capital Bank robbery last April.

6/26 CHILD PORN 6PM GRAPHIC :20

Decatur & Mt. Zion police raid a 71 year old Mt. Zion mans home.. seized his computer on suspicion of child porn. He was not arrested.

6/26 BEAMAN UPDATE 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :45

Alan Beaman walks out of McLean County jail after posting bond. He was released from prison earlier in the day.

6/26 SHOOTING 10PM READER :11

Report of one person shot in the 1200 block of Joanne Street in Champaign.

6/27 BEATING/RAPE 5PM PKG 1:57

30 year old Waylon Fisher arrested for allegedly beating his father and beating and raping his father's girlfriend in their apartment in the 700 block of West Decatur.

6/27 CHAMP SHOOTING 5PM VO :33

Champaign police still looking for suspect in shooting in the 1200 block of Joanne St.

6/27 HIT & RUN 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :27

Roger Slifer sentenced to 14 years in prison for 2002 hit & run that killed Lee West on Mound Road in Decatur.

6/27 STACY BISHOP 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :21

Christian County grand jury refuses to indict Stacy Bishop of first degree murder. Ruled he shot William Alberts in self-defense.

6/27 GAS DRIVE OFFS 6PM PKG 1:52

Champaign & Urbana police say the number of gas drive-offs isn't really up, but the higher prices mean station owners are taking a bigger hit when it happens.

6/27 CHECK FRAUD 6PM GRAPHIC/SOT :46

21 Springfield area residents indicted on charges that they made bogus payroll checks and cashed them at local banks.

6/27 ANTHRAX 10PM VO :39

Justice Department reaches a multi-million dollar settlement with Mattoon native Steven Hatfill.. who was named a person of interest in the 2002 anthrax attacks on Capitol Hill and elsewhere. He was never charged and claimed privacy was violated when the DOJ spoke to the media about the case.

6/29 JACKSONVILLE ARSON 5PM LIVE PKG 2:23

Jacksonville Police & Fire trying to determine if two fires Saturday were related.. and a suspected arson this morning may have been an attempt to cover up a burglary.

6/29 BEATING/RAPE FOLO 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :43

Woman allegedly beaten and raped by Waylon Fisher was treated and released.. his father remains in serious condition. Fisher's bond at \$200,000.

- 6/30 MELISSA HILTON 5PM LIVE VO/GRAPHIC 1:04
- Melissa Hilton found not guilty by reason of insanity for bathtub drowning of her baby last year.
 - 6/30 RICHARD PAGEL 5PM VO :33

Richard Pagel appears in Piatt County court for a hearing on animal abuse charges for the deaths of three horses on his property.

- 6/30 FBI SCAMS 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :50
- FBI issues warning about automated phone call scam and Nigerian Letter email scam.
 - 6/30 OPERATION FALCON 6PM GRAPHIC :20

108 fugitives rounded up in the area in a weeklong sweep by US Marshals and local police agencies.

6/30 DECATUR SHOOTING 10PM VO :25

Man shot in the 1300 block of East Prairie Street in Decatur around 8:45.

6/30 MT. AUBURN CRASH 10PM VO :38

Man killed when the pickup he was riding in rolled over in the 2100 block of Dye Road near Mt. Auburn. Driver 43 year old Mark Simmons faces aggravated DUI and other charges.

6/30 SPFLD BANK ROBBERY 10PM GRAPHIC :29

27 year old Robert McAllister sentenced to 5 years in prison for robbing Security Bank in Springfield January 3rd. 39 year old Marison Benson drove the getaway car and got 3 years and nine months for his efforts.

Economy

4/2 E. CENTRAL BIZ EXPO 5PM VO :21

Dozens of Champaign County businesses put themselves on display at the Assembly Hall.

4/2 DECATUR BIZ EXPO 5PM VO :16

Same thing as Champaign, only this one's at the Decatur Civic Center with Decatur area businesses.

4/2 EASTER SEALS 5PM VO:41

Promoting next Tuesday's Easter Seals Celebration fundraising drive in Central Park.

4/2 ENDANGER LANDMARKS 5PM VOSOT 1:10

State historic preservation groupl lists state's 10 most endangered landmarks for 2008. The list includes The Mill in Lincoln, Ursuline Academy in Springfield, and the U of I Assembly Hall.

4/2 SHADOWS OF LINCOLN 6PM GRAPHICS :58

Jean Smart and Richard Gilliland will be the actors performing at the Lincoln Theater during the Shadows of Lincoln festival in June in Decatur.

4/2 DECATUR CELEBRATION 10PM PKG 1:49

Decatur Celebration organizers say this year's festival may be the last. Organizers say they need to raise at least \$80,000 by September or the event will end this year.

4/2 ENERGY CENTER 10PM VOSOT 1:01

Developer of the proposed Tenaska Energy Center in Taylorville gives an update on the project to the Taylorville Chamber of Commerce. They're still waiting on state lawmakers to pass some legislation to get the project going. Also says this project is different from FutureGen.

4/4 CHURCH HANDOVER 5PM VOSOT :44

Kumler Outreach Ministries gets the keys to the former Trinity United Methodist Church in Springfield. The group assists low-income people with clothing, food, etc.

4/4 DANVILLE JOBS 10PM VO :32

Thyssen Krupp getting a 4.5 million dollar incentive package from the state to move a machining operation from Ohio to Danville, and bring some 200 new jobs to Danville.

4/5 FOOD DISTRIBUTE 5PM PKG 2:10

United Way of Champaign County passes out food to unemployed families in Rantoul.

4/5 ZOO OPENING 5PM VOSOT :40

Scovill Zoo opens for the season today.

4/5 TRANSIT NUMBERS 10PM VO :25

Decatur Public Transit system says there's been a 45 percent increase in senior ridership since free bus rides took effect.

4/6 MONEY SMART WEEK 5PM GRAPHIC :25

It's the first annual "Money Smart Week" in Illinois... a collaboration of banks... schools... and not- for- profits... focusing on different financial topics. More than 3-hundred free educational classes, seminars and activities are planned.

4/6 MAIN HANGAR 10PM PKG 1:57

Main Hangar restaurant in Decatur Airport holds a soft opening.

4/6 SENIOR PHOTO ID 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :37

Springfield Mass Transit District plans to go out in the community and help seniors get free photo ID's for the bus ride program.

4/6 DURBIN/ECONOMY 10PM VOSOT :46

Senator Dick Durban says money being spent on the Iraq war should be going to help struggling families.

4/7 MAIN HANGER OPEN 5PM VO :26

The Decatur airport restaurant officially opens to the public today.

4/7 EASTER SEALS 5PM VO:36

Tomorrow is one of the biggest fundraisers of the year in our area, celebration day for Easter Seals of Central Illinois.

4/7 SENIOR PHOTO ID 6PM VO/GRX :30

Today the Springfiled Mass Transit district began going out into the community to take free phot i-d-'s of seniors for the free bus ride program.

4/7 AMTRAK CHANGES 10PM VO/GFX :30

Amtrak riders will soon see some changes in schedules at local train stations.

4/8 EASTER SEALS 5PM LIVE INTERVIEW 1:48

Easter Seals Celebration day underway in downtown Decatur.

4/8 ISRINGHAUSEN 5PM VOSOT :32

Springfield's Isringhausen Imports officially opened a brand new BMW building in downtown Springfield.

4/8 EASTER SEALS WRAP 10PM PKG 1:39

All day today... we showed you as people generously donated during Easter Seals celebration day. The 12 hour event surpassed its goal.

4/9 WIND FARM 6PM LIVE PKG 2:19

Dominion Power company unveils plans to build a big wind farm in Christian and Montgomery Counties.

4/9 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:08

Feature story on Mattoon nightclub in the Ramada Inn that's just for teenagers.

4/9 AUTO PLANT STRIKE 10PM READER :25

Union workers at ZF Bogelast Metall plant in Paris are on strike.

4/9 WILLARD AIRPORT 10PM VO/GRAPHIC

American Eagle adding an 8th flight to O'Hare Airport.

4/10 THE INFORMANT 6PM VO:40

Crew members for the upcoming movie The Informant are in Decatur scouting possible shooting locations, including WAND.

4/11 K'S DEMO 5PM VO:27

Old Carson Pirie Scott & K's Merchandise building in Decatur coming down. Last of the buildings in the 300 block of North Water to come down.

4/11 FLIGHT DELAYS 6PM PKG 2:00

American Airlines grounded hundreds of planes for inspection. Causing travel headaches for people flying out of Springfield & Champaign airports.

4/11 THE INFORMANT 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :25

Open casting call for extras for The Informant will be held in Decatur on April 19th.

4/11 CAMP COCO 10PM VO :18

Fundraiser at the Decatur Club for Camp Coco.. a summer camp for sick kids.

4/12 HOUSING FAIR 5PM PKG 2:05

Potential Champaign area homebuyers attend the 8th Annual Housing Fair.

4/12 BOOK SALE 5PM VO :20

Decatur Public Library holds second Saturday book sale fundraiser.

4/14 TAX DEADLINE 10PM LIVE PKG 2:28

Illinois Department of Revenue advises people to file by tomorrow's deadline to avoid penalties. CPA's and other tax preparers very busy. Post Offices aren't staying open late.

4/15 INFORMANT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:18

Macon County Courthouse will be the scene of some shooting for The Informant.

4/15 GAS PRICES 5PM VO :22

Gas prices go up again after oil hits \$114 a barrel. Prices up to \$3.49 a gallon.

4/15 TAX FILE DAY 5PM VOSOT :58

Today is the day to file taxes. Man on street interviews about last minute filing.

4/16 STL FLIGHTS 5PM VO:45

Trans States Airlines cances flights due to plane inspections.

4/17 TWIKE 5PM PKG 2:27

Champaign man has his own way to beat high gas prices.. a twike. It's a pedal & electric powered vehicle that's the only one of its kind in the state.

4.17 PUMP TOUR 6PM PKG 2;27

People line up for blocks to buy gas for 2.47 a gallon at the Taylorville FS gas station. Effort to promote ethanol.

4/17 RT. 66 SITES 6PM VO :32

The Mill and Postville Courthouse in Logan County are now officially Route 66 attractions.

4/17 CWLP PAYMENTS 10PM VO :26

CWLP now offering online bill paying or by phone.

4/17 CORKS & FORKS 10PM VO :19

Annual Corks & Forks fundraising event for Decatur Area Arts Council.

4/18 COLES TOGETHER 5PM VOSOT :52

Coles Together announces that a new plant that will produce synthetic diesel & jet fuel from coal will be built in Coles County.. creating more than 600 new jobs

4/19 CASTING CALL 5PM PKG 2:03

Several hundred people turn out for casting call for extras for The Informant.

4/20 HABITAT DEDICATION 5PM VOSOT :43

Danville Habitat for Humanity dedicates new home.

4/20 TWIN CONVENTION 5PM VOSOT :33

44th annual Illinois State Twins Convention held in Champaign

4/20 GEM SHOW 5PM VOSOT :42

56th annual Gem & Mineral show at Decatur's LSA.

4/20 TRAIN SHOW 5PM VO :20

Annual model train show at Decatur Civic Center

4/20 CANCER SOCIETY 10PM VOSOT :49

Fundraiser for American Cancer Society in Rantoul.

4/21 IL FORTUNE 500 10PM GRAPHICS :23

State Farm, Caterpillar & ADM all listed in the top 55 of Fortune 500 companies.

4/22 QUAKE INSURANCE 5PM LIVE PKG 2:26

Last weeks earthquake has many people asking insurance agents about adding earthquake coverage. Many can't get it until 30 days after the last aftershock.

4/22 EATON PLANT LAYOFFS 5PM VO :28

Eaton laying off more workers at it's Lincoln plant due to downturn in the housing market.

4/22 INTERCHANGE OPEN 5PM VOSOT :44

New Interstate 57 interchange at milemarker 192 north of Mattoon is open. Hope is that the new highway exit will boost business development in the area.

4/22 WATER PANEL 5PM VOSOT/GRAPHIC :58

Panel discussion about local & state waterways. Decatur Water Management director says city needs more water supply as an economic developmental tool.

4/22 EBERTFEST 10pm PKG 2:01

Roger Ebert's annual film festival at Champaign's Virginia Theater begins tomorrow. Still don't know whether he'll attend.

4/22 WHEEL OF FORTUNE 10PM VOSOT :58

Audra Fanning of Jacksonville wins more than \$27,000 on Wheel of Fortune. She's the last area contestant from our contestant search.

4/22 ROUTE 66 DEDICATION 10PM PKG 1:37

New Official Route 66 attraction signs go up at Postville Courthouse & The Mill in Lincoln. Hope is it will bring more tourist dollars to Lincoln.

4/23 EBERTFEST 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:31

10th annual Ebertfest opens in Champaign at the Virginia Theater. Roger Ebert will not attend due to health issues.

4/23 WWII MEMORIAL 6PM PKG 1:36

Planners of a World War Two memorial in Decatur are in a battle with the park district over where to put it.

4/23 VILLA GROVE IGA 6PM VO :31

Cause of fire at Villa Grove IGA determined as a faulty microwave. Will remain closed a few more weeks.

4/23 ARBY'S CLOSING 6PM VOSOT :49

Arbys restaurant in Decatur's South Shores are closing on Saturday. Company decided not to renew lease with building owner.

4/23 CURRENT GAS 10PM VO :28

Gas prices go up again.. up to \$3.67 in some places

4/24 DMH ANNOUNCEMENT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:21

Decatur Memorial Hospital announces it's giving the Decatur Celebration \$80,000 in exchange for being the event's title sponsor.

4/24 GAS PRICES 5PM VOSOT :45

Despite high gas prices, central Illinoisians are still keeping and buying gas-guzzling SUV's.

4/24 IRAQ/RECESSION 5PM VOSOT :35

Moveon.org outside Sen. Barack Obama's Springfield office to drop off results of survey about the war in Iraq and the recession here at home.

4/24 PARIS STRIKE OVER 6PM READER :26

UAW members at ZF Boge Elastmetall end their strike by agreeing to work without a contract while talks continue.

4/24 Q5 INITIATIVE 6PM VOSOT :47

Springfield Chamber's Quantum Growth Partnership announces new program to develop medical research and bring top notch doctors and staff to the area.

4/24 GOOD SAMARITAN 6PM VOSOT :43

Decatur area youth pastors deliver canned goods from recent food drives to the Good Samaritan Inn.

4/25 ADM DEDICATION 5PM LIVE INTERVIEW 2:15

ADM officially opens new modeling center at U of I where ag & engineering experts will work with students to develop mathematical models aimed at making ADM's biofuel production more efficient.

4/25 BIKE/SCOOTER SALES 6pm PKG 1:41

Bicycle & scooter sales in Decatur area going through the roof due to high gas prices.

4/25 EBERTFEST 5PM VO :23

Roger Ebert's wife says he will try to make it to Champaign for his film fest.

4/25 WET FIELDS 10PM VO :25

Central Illinois farmers are late getting into the fields for planting due to the wet weather. Could push corn prices even higher.

4/26 DAYCARE ANNIV 5PM VOSOT :47

Decatur Daycare Center celebrates it's 90th anniversary.

4/26 EBERTFEST 10PM VO :22

Roger Ebert doesn't make it to his annual film festival in Champaign.

4/28 PIPELINE UPDATE 6PM LIVE PKG 2:46

Rockies Express Pipeline gives Decatur Rotary Club an update on construction of new pipeline. Macon County leaders say they don't like the proposed route through the county.. REX says it's up to the feds to decide where it goes.

4/28 DECATUR CELEBRATION 10PM VO :37

Decatur Celebration issues statement asking people to be patient while they sort out Decatur Memorial Hospital's naming rights. Issue has caused quite an uproar.

4/29 STATE FAIRGROUNDS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:01

Electrical work at the Illinois State Fairgrounds is done three weeks ahead of schedule and under budget. Fairgrounds can host first event in mid-May.

4/29 SPRING PLANTING 6PM LIVE PKG 2:34

Late spring planting least of local farmer's worries.. high fuel prices and higher propane costs are threatening their bottom line.

4/29 ADM EARNINGS 6PM VO :28

ADM announces 3rd quarter earnings were up 42 percent

4/29 ELDO BOWL 6PM VO :29

Romano knocking down the old Eldorado Bowl, gas station next door, and bowling alley parking deck. Plan to redevelop the property.

4/29 THRIFT SHOPPING 10PM PKG 1:50

Local thrift stores seeing more shoppers and people trying to sell stuff as gas prices and food prices keep going up.

4/29 GAS PRICES 10PM VO :20

Gas prices in Decatur now at \$3.64 a gallon

4/30 DMH CELEBRATION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 2:12

DMH administrator says the hospital plans to pull it's \$80,000 exclusive sponsorship because of public outcry that St. Mary's would be locked out.

4/30 NEW SPFLD WALMART 10PM LIVE PKG 1:51

Wal-Mart considering a new store on Springfield's southwest side.. neighborhood association wants more details before deciding whether they will fight it or not.

5/01 FARMERS PLANTING 5PM PKG 2:06

Central Illinois farmers racing the clock and weather to get crops planted. Next week is their deadline or risk losing yield.

5/01 DANVILLE FUEL TAX 5PM PKG 2:07

City of Danville's 4 cents a gallon fuel tax takes effect today.

5/01 DECATUR CELEBRATION 10PM PKG 1:44

Former Decatur Celebration board chairman Matt Beck explains DMH's decision to withdraw \$80,000 donation.. and instead donate \$40,000 without strings attached.

5/01 FUTUREGEN NOW 1 6PM PKG 2:35

A look at what kind of investment Mattoon & Tuscola made in their bid for the Futuregen project.. and what happens now that the project has stalled.

5/01 FUTUREGEN NOW 2 10PM PKG 2:19

A look at how Mattoon & Tuscola's investment in trying to land Futuregen could pay off in the future.

5/02 UNITED WAY 10PM VOSOT :49

Decatur, Mid-Illinois United Way dishes out over \$1.7 million in funding to community organizations.

5/02 DEBT CONFERENCE 10PM VOSOT :51

University of Illinois College of Law holds a debt conference.

5/02 MATT DAMON 10PM VO :25

Matt Damon and The Informant crew have a pre-shooting party at the Beach House restaurant in Decatur.

5/3 URBANA PLAY DATE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:28

Build Urbana sponsors what it called a play date in three subdivisions where people could check out homes that are for sale.

5/4 INFORMANT 10PM VO/GRAPHIC/SOT 1:02

Shooting begins for The Informant at several locations in Decatur.

5/4 TRANSPORTATION 10PM VO GRAPHIC :25

Decatur Chamber of commerce holding a forum Monday to discuss area transportation issues.

5/5 CLINTON UNITED WAY 5PM VO :28

Clinton United Way announces which groups will share 50-thousand dollars.

5/5 DISABILITY HOUSING 5PM VOSOT :45

5th Street Renaissance re-opens in Springfield.. its affordable housing for people with disabilities.

5/5 TRANSPORTATION FUND 5PM VOSOT :48

Decatur Chamber holds meeting to discuss need for transportation improvements in the state.

5/5 REAL ESTATE MARKET 6PM LIVE PKG 2:13

Decatur area realtors say the housing market here isn't as bad as the national media plans to portray it.

5/5 NURSING HOME LAYOFFS 6PM PKG 2:01

Champaign County Nursing Home has to lay off 27 workers to cover budget gap created by cuts in state Medicaid payments.

5/5 DUMP & RUN 6PM VOSOT :35

University of Illinois YMCA will hold it's 6th annual Dump & Run sale. This is stuff left behind by U of I students. They're collecting items now.

5/5 E'HAM POOL FEES 6PM GRAPHICS :29

Public pool fees in Effingham are going up to keep pace with expenses.

5/5 SPFLD WAL-MART 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:39

Soutwest Springfield neighborhood group meets to discuss new plans for a new Wal-Mart in that part of town. Haven't decided whether to fight the plans or not, but say they have mixed feelings about Wal-Mart's approach this time around.

5/5 OASIS TOWN MEETING 10PM VOSOT 1:03

Oasis Day Shelter directors hold a town meeting to discuss the center's financial plight. Could be forced to shut down because of changes to mental health services in the state mean it no longer qualifies for state funding.

5/6 AMEREN EXPO 5PM VOSOT :52

Ameren holds an expo for it's business customers to explain their power supply options. If you found a better deal with another supplier.. they'll switch you on the spot.

5/6 CUB PHONE CLINIC 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :36

Citizens Utility Board holding a clinic where people can take their phone bills and see where they can save money.

5/6 WABASH CROSSING 6PM LIVE PKG 2:13

City of Decatur rezones part of Wabash Crossing area from single family homes to rental units. Developer says they can't sell the houses, but can rent the apartments

5/6 THE INFORMANT 6PM VOSOT :36

Scenes for The Informant shot at Hickory Point Cinema and Hickory Point Mall.

5/6 ARKWRIGHT LAYOFFS 10PM READER :22

Arkwright Inc. in Charleston laying off more than 20 workers. One worker says it's due to the economy and operation costs. They make high-quality motion picture and X-Ray film.

5/7 FUTUREGEN 5PM VO :31

Department of Energy says it wants to build several smaller clean coal power plants instead of one big one in Mattoon. Senator Dick Durbin repeats his threat to hold up White House appointments to DOE.

5/7 GREAT LAKES AIR 10PM VO :28

Senator Dick Durbin wants Great Lakes Airlines to improve air service in Decatur by signing a code-share agreement with American Airlines.

5/8 CHRYSLER GAS CARDS 5PM PKG 1:51

Local Chrysler dealer talks about new promotion to offer \$2.99 gas if you buy a new Chrysler. Dealer says they've had some inquiries as a result.

5/9 INFORMANT 6PM LIVE PKG 2:09

Matt Damon shoots a scene for The Informant here at WAND. Scot England, Sean Streaty & Patricia Kakridas also involved in the scene.

5/9 SPCL OLYMPICS FUNDS 6PM VO :27

Champaign Police officers spend time on top of a Dunkin Donuts raising money for Special Olympics.

5/9 SIU CANCER GIFT 6PM VO :22

SIU School of Medicine's Simmons-Cooper Cancer Institute gets a \$250,000 gift from Anna Woerner of Ontario, Canada. Her late husband was treated there.

5/9 STAMP OUT HUNGER 6PM VO :36

Advancer for tomorrow's annual Letter Carrier's food drive.

5/9 VOICE OF LINCOLN 10PM VOSOT :41

Lincoln Bicentennial Commission and Illinois Broadcasters Association looking for someone to be the voice of Abraham Lincoln for Public Service Announcements during next year's bicentennial celebrations of Lincoln's birth.

5/10 LETTER CARRIERS 5PM VOSOT :50

Donations to the annual Letter Carrier's food drive in Decatur were way down, economy being blamed for it.

5/10 MILL CLEANUP 5PM PKG 1:50

Volunteers spend the day cleaning up and trying to repair The Mill.. a Route 66 tourist attraction.

5/10 TOURISM WEEK 5PM VO :23

Local Convention & Visitor's bureaus using 25th annual National Tourism Week to showcase their tourist attractions.

5/10 SMALL BUSINESSES 5PM VO :17

White's Auto Body in Elwin holds customer appreciation day to celebrate 50th anniversary.

5/10 GROUND BREAKING 5PM VOSOT :37

Village of Mt. Zion breaks ground on new Fletcher Park.. which will be next to Intermediate School.

5/10 TWIN CITIES TWOSOME 5PM VOSOT :35

Runners raising money in a 5k run for three organizations.

5/11 MOM'S BRUNCH 10PM VO :34

National Retail Federation says people won't spend much on Mothers Day because of the economy.

5/11 FLOWER SHOP 10PM VOSOT :42

Prairie Greenhouse in Decatur closing in June because owners are retiring.

5/11 SPFLD TOURISM 10PM VOSOT :44

City of Springfield shows off it's tourist attractions in a display at Union Station.

5/11 POSTAL RATE 10PM VO :20

Cost of a postage stamp goes up 1 cent on Monday.

5/11 ENERGY SAVE 10PM GRAPHIC :31

Non-profit group CNT Energy holding workshops this month to help people save money on power bills.

5/12 FOOD BANKS 10PM LIVE PKG 2:08

Donations to the Letter Carrier's food drive were down in Decatur & Springfield but up in Champaign County. Food banks like Northeast Community Fund in Decatur say they still vow to help even though donations are down and demand is up.

5/12 UNITED FLIGHTS 10PM LIVE PKG 2:01

United Airlines will end the Springfield to Washington D.C. flight July 4th. It's the result of high fuel prices & downturn in the economy.

5/13 THE INFORMANT 5PM VO :19

Shooting for the moving taking place at the Chinese Tea Garden restaurant in downtown Decatur.

5/13 CHAMP SALES TAX 10PM PKG 2:06

Proposed sales tax for schools will be on the November ballot in Champaign County. County Chamber of Commerce not taking a position yet.. many people we talked to say they're not opposed to it.

5/15 DECATUR CELEBRATION 5PM LIVE PKG 2:18

Decatur Celebration organizers unveil entertainment lineup, address financial issues.

5/15 GAS PRICES 5PM VOSOT :50

Gas prices nearing \$4 a gallon in Springfield.. expected to keep going higher

5/15 BIKE TO WORK 6PM LIVE PKG 2:18

Tomorrow is national Bike to Work day.. we talke to some people who do it every day in Springfield.

5/15 THE INFORMANT 6PM VO :23

Producers of The Informant holding a casting call for people and they 1994 and earlier vehicles for a scene shoot in Springfield.

5/15 DANVILLE BIODIESEL 10PM VO :29

Blackhawk Biofuels buys a biodiesel plant that's nearly complete in Danville.

5/16 DURBIN FUEL PRICES 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:28

Sen Dick Durbin holds newser in Springfield saying he hopes FTC investigation of gas prices that he called for will lead to some action.

5/16 GREAT LAKES 5PM VO :41

Great Lakes Airlines announces a third flight to St. Louis from Decatur. Airport also outlines Airport Fun Day events for Saturday.

5/16 FERGIE STATE FAIR 5PM GRAPHIC :23

Pop singer Fergie will be the State Fair Grandstand's opening act.

5/16 DECATUR SAFE 6PM VO :23

Workers tearing down the old K's Merchandise building find an old safe. Don't know what if anything may still be in it.

5/16 OVERPASS OPEN 6PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT :50

New Curtis Road interchange on I-57 in Savoy has finally opened to traffic.

5/16 CLINTON MAYDAYS 6PM VO :24

Clinton May Days festival is underway.

5/17 AIRPORT FUN DAY 5PM VOSOT :36

Decatur Airport holds fun day where people could visit the control tower and see other stuff.

5/17 URBANA'S BIRTHDAY 5PM VO :26

City of Urbana celebrating it's 175th anniversary..this time they re-created the Old Settler's Reunion photograph.

5/17 ZIPPY ZOO DAY 5PM VOSOT :32

Scovill Zoo officially opens for the summer with annual Zippy Zoo Days this weekend.

5/17 KALEB FUNDRAISER 10PM PKG 1:43

Town of Maroa comes together to raise money for 10 year old Kaleb Snyder who's recovering from a heart transplant.

5/17 NAACP BANQUET 10PM VOSOT :37

Decatur NAACP holds its annual banquet.

5/18 GAS PRICES 5PM PKG 2:00

Drivers fed up with rising gas prices.. Sen Durbin calls for FTC investigation.

5/18 ST. JUDE FUNDRAISER 5PM LIVE PKG 2:21

Hallie's Restaurant in Lincoln holds a fundraiser for the annual St. Jude Childen's Research Hospital run to Peoria.

5/18 TRAVIS BENEFIT 10PM VOSOT :52

Lanphier High students organize a bowling benefit for 3 year old leukemia patient Travis Ater.

5/18 RELAY FOR LIFE 10PM VO :28

Champaign County relay for life ended this morning.

5/19 \$4 GAS 5PM VO :20

Springfield area gas stations dropped prices a bit.. down to \$3.93 a gallon.

5/19 CHICAGO GAS 5PM VO :21

Chicago now has the nations highest average price for gas.. \$4.07 a gallon

5/19 CHAMBER DINNER 10PM VO :15

Greater Decatur Chamber of Commerce holds it's annual meeting & dinner.

5/20 AMBULANCE RATES 5PM VO :27

Medix Ambulance in Danville's increased fees take effect today. Due to rising fuel and insurance costs.

5/20 DANVILLE ARENA 6PM VOSOT :51

Danville's David S. Palmer Arena announces that a new Junior B hockey team will play at the arena next year. Tickets for the Danville Inferno games will be in the \$5 ballpark.

5/20 TVILLE HISTORIC 6PM VO :25

Abraham Lincoln preservationist plans to give Christian County Historical Society a report on plans to renovate the County's first courthouse.. which dates back to Lincoln's time.

5/21 SPRING FLING 5PM VO :19

Decatur Celebration fundraiser Spring Fling carnival begins tomorrow.

5/21 DURBIN GAS PRICES 6PM VOSOT :38

Gas prices break the \$4 barrier in Springfield.. Senator Dick Durbin among those in Congress grilling oil execs about high prices and their record profits.

5/21 REYNOLDS BLDG 6PM VO :18

Developers of the new Reynolds Building in the 300 block of N. Water in Decatur hold open house to show progress.

5/22 GAS POLL RESULTS 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :24

Results of wandtv.com poll finds so far.. 80 percent of respondents say high gas prices will affect summer travel plans.

5/22 OASIS FUNDRAISER 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:46

Premier of documentary film Brothers at War on June 12 will benefit the Oasis Day Center. Actor Gary Sinise will be there for the premier.

5/22 AMTRAK NEWSER 6PM VO :30

Amtrak CEO Alex Kummant says the railroad's partnership with the state has been very successful & serves as a national model.

5/22 SPRING FLING 6PM VO :22

Decatur Celebration Spring Fling fundraising carnival gets underway in downtown Decatur.

5/22 BUILDING DEMO 10PM VO :23

Demolition of old K's building in downtown Decatur nearly finshed.

5/23 BROTHERS AT WAR 5PM VO :41

Tickets for Brothers at War movie premier all sold out.

5/23 ATLANTA 100TH 6PM VOSOT :47

Atlanta Memorial House will hold open house to celebrate it's 100th anniversary. It was the biggest house in town when it was built.

5/24 HOLIDAY TRAVEL 5PM LIVE PKG 2:13

Families we caught up with in Springfield say they are cutting back summer travel due to rising gas prices.

5/24 HUMANE SOCIETY SALE 5PM VOSOT :35

Champaign County Humane Society holds it's 24th annual garage sale fundraiser.

5/24 RUMMAGE SALE 5PM VOSOT :32

Findlay holds its annual all-town rummage sale to benefit the community center.

5/24 SHELBYVILLE BEACHES 5PM VO :15

Lake Shelbyville beaches open for the season.

5/25 DOUBLE GROUND BREAK 5PM PKG 1:40

Habitat for Humanity breaks ground for two new homes in Danville.

5/25 MEMORIAL WALL 5PM VOSOT :38

Wall with the names of Springfields' Home for the Friendless who died during the Civil War era was dedicated.

5/25 SPRING FLING 5PM VOSOT :54

Decatur Celebration Spring Fling fundraiser carnival continues. Organizers say Saturday's turnout was spectacular after rainy start.

5/26 SPRING FLING 5PM VO :26

Organizers say overall turnout for Spring Fling fundraiser carival for the Decatur Celebration was dismal.

5/27 SPRING FLING \$ 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :36

Decatur Celebration organizers say surprisingly the Spring Fling carnival raised roughly \$5000. They hoped for \$6000.

5/27 IL CAR SURVEY 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :36

New poll finds Illinois residents hungry for more hybrid and fuel efficient cars.

5/27 DVILLE RED CROSS 6PM VOSOT :48

Danville Red Cross closing building on Monday due to dropoff in donations, but will provide services at other locations.

5/27 AMEREN RATES 10PM VO :24

Ameren says natural gas rates going up 15 percent in June.

5/28 GAS DEBIT CARDS 5PM VO :31

Greater Decatur Chamber of Commerce offering members discounted pre-paid gas cards, with discounts of up to 4 percent. Can be redeemed at Marathon stations.

5/29 AFSCME PICKET 5PM VO :19

AFSCME Council 31 members picket for what they call a fair contract at several state sites in central Illinois.

5/29 LINCOLN DONATION 5PM VO :33

Ongoing project to identify & catalog every Lincoln document receives a \$1.4 million dollar grant.

5/29 LOVE LETTERS 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :32

Love Letters play ticket prices have been slashed.

5/29 CENTRAL IL FOOD BANK 6PM LIVE PKG 2:53

Central Illinois food pantries trying to cope with higher demand from families trying to stretch their budgets.

5/29 IL WORKNET 10PM PKG 2:00

State Department of Commerce & Economic Opprotunity unveils Illinois Work Net website which allows people to search for jobs that match their interests & skills as well as find education and training programs.

5/30 COAL GASIFICATION 6PM LIVE VO/GRAPHIC 1:22

Planned coal gasification plant for Decatur will finally get a 14 million dollar state grant to begin construction.

5/30 MASS TRANSIT 6PM GRAPHIC/PKG 2:20

More people are using local mass transit systems to get around town due to rising gas prices.

5/31 RETIREMENT COMMUNITY 5PM PKG 1:47

Prairie Village Retirement Community in Rantoul gets new license to provide assisted living services. It's seen as a possible economic boost to the community.

5/31 BARBEQUE BLUES 5PM VO :24

Barbecue cookoff, car show, and music at the Christian County Fairgrounds.

5/31 TEEN CHALLENGE SALE 5PM VOSOT :38

Rummage sale in Decatur to benefit Audrey Ephraim's Home for Girls.

5/31 KISS A PIG 10PM VOSOT :39

Annual Kiss A Pig fundraiser for Diabetes held in Decatur

5/31 CAR SHOW 10PM VO :20

Thousands of hot rods come to Springfield for the annual Hot Rod Super Nationals at the State Fairgrounds.

6/1 SUMMER PLANS 5PM PKG 2:07

High gas prices and gloomy economy have some people re-thinking their summer vacation plans.

6/5 FARMER PROBLEMS 6PM 2:04

All the wet weather has some farmers still waiting to complete planting, while others now have to re-plant.

6/5 PORK DONATION 10PM VO :18

Illinois Pork Producers donating 100-thousand pounds of pork to food pantries across the state.

6/6 FAIR CONCERT TIX 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :28

Illinois State Fair concert tickets go on sale tomorrow.

6/6 FLOOD CLEANUP 6PM PKG 2:01

Area carpet cleaning companies swamped due to all the flooding in the area.

6/7 STATE FAIR TICKETS 5PM GRAPHIC :28

Tickets for State Fair grandstand concerts now on sale.

6/9 GOLF COURSE FLOOD 6PM PKG 1:59

Harrison Park golf course in Danville flooded for the second time this year... costing the Park District more money.

6/9 DVILLE BOOKSTORE 6PM VOSOT :47

Downtown Danville bookstore damaged by a fire in March has reopened just a few doors down and under a new name.

6/9 DURBIN 10PM VO :26

Senator Dick Durbin wants the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to have more resources to find out whats' driving up oil prices.

6/10 TASTE OF DECATUR 5PM VOSOT :34

Decatur Celebration has a fundraiser lunch in Central Park... some of the vendors that will be there were serving up food.

6/10 CORN CROP 10PM PKG 1:49

Flooded fields making life miserable for area farmers. USDA report says the state's corn crop is in poor to fair condition, and yields may be cut in half.

6/11 FLOOD INSURANCE 6PM PKG 1:58

Who should get flood insurance and who shouldn't. Also what does it cover and what doesn't it.

6/11 TOURISM INDUSTRY 6PM VOSOT :40

Illinois Tourism Bureau spending 14 million dollars to attract more visitors to the state.

6/12 CAT NEWSER 5PM PKG 2:24

Caterpillar announces \$1 billion dollar expansion at its Illinois plants. Moving motor grader division out of Decatur to expand the mining truck operation.

6/12 DEC. MASS TRANSIT 5PM VOSOT :42

Decatur Public Transit System getting a \$500,000 grant to buy newer more fuel efficient buses.

6/12 THEATER AUCTION 5PM VO :24

Heart Theater in Effingham going on the auction block later this month. Current owner has no intention of reopening it.

6/12 LPGA PARTNERSHIP 5PM VOSOT :49

Several golfers at the State Farm Classic will auction off the clothes and shoes they wear during the tournament to raise money for orphans and children living with AIDS in Rwanda.

6/12 BROTHERS AT WAR 6PM PKG 1:20

Interview with actor Gary Sinise who's in Decatur for the premier of the documentary film Brothers at War. Event is a fundraiser for Oasis Day Center and a military family support group.

6/15 FUTURES/ECONOMY 10PM 1:54

Organizers say the Duramed Futures golf tournament in Decatur a huge boost to the local economy..

6/16 CROP UPDATE 6PM PKG 2:27

Rains have stopped and many farmers are heading back to fields to replant crops

6/16 AMTRAK 10PM VO :30

Amtrak temporarily cancels some trains along St.Louis to Chicago due to track repairs in the area.

6/18 ETHANOL PLANTS 5PM VO :21

Heartland Ethanol says it's scrapping plans to build seven ethanol plants in Illinois due to high price of corn and difficulty borrowing the money to build. Two plants were planned for Royal in Champaign County and Waverly in Morgan County.

6/18 HABITAT SUBDIVISION 6PM PKG 1:47

Habitat for Humanity building an entire subdivision in Sullivan. Agrifab donated the land for it. Some volunteers who travel the country building habitat homes were working on the first house today.

6/19 BIG 10/COMCAST 5PM VO :26

Comcast and the Big 10 Network finally strike a deal to bring the network to central Illinois cable customers.

6/19 RED CROSS \$\$\$ 6PM LIVE PKG 2:04

Recent flooding, a search in Logan County, and fire assistance has one local Red Cross Chapter seeking donations, which are down due to higher gas & food costs.

6/19 LAKE SHELBYVILLE 6PM PKG 1:59

High water levels have closed Lake Shelbyville's beaches most likely for the entire summer. Some business owners hoping the water goes down faster and brings visitors back to the area.

6/19 HICKORY POINT MALL 6PM VOSOT :47

Hickory Point Mall plans to celebrate it's 30th anniversary this weekend.

6/21 HICKORY POINT MALL B-D 5PM VOSOT :40

Hickory Point Mall holds it's 30th anniversary party.

6/22 PRODUCTS EXPO 5PM VOSOT :42

Small food companies from across the state put themselves on display at the Illinois Products Expo at the State Fairgrounds.

6/23 HI-TECH JOBS 6PM VO :35

State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias in Champaign to tout a program that helps high-tech companies get started and grow in the state.

6/23 TOWN HALL SERIES 10PM PKG 2:03

State Treasurer's office begins a series of town hall meetings to discuss financial assistance for victims of recent storms.

6/24 GRAIN ELEVATOR 5PM VO :30

ADM says it will reopen it's Taylorville facility after sitting idle for 8 years. It will be used for grain storage.. not processing.

6/24 PIPELINE LAWSUIT 5PM VO :27

Rockies Express Pipeline trying to negotiate with landowners in Macon County for the OK to build pipeline under their property.

6/24 HOW IT'S MADE 6PM PKG 1:54

The Discovery Channel show "How it's Made" comes to Decatur Electronics to shoot a show on how radar guns are made.

6/24 OASIS EBAY 6PM VO :32

Picasso reprint donated by Bachrach's that was put on an Ebay auction to benefit Oasis Day center didn't sell. It did sell locally for \$200 and Bachrach employees collected another \$180 to donate.

6/25 EMINENT DOMAIN 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:41

Rockies Express has filed court papers to use eminent domain to gain right to land where they want to put underground pipeline if landowners do not reach a settlement with them.

6/25 AIRPORT BUDGET 10PM VO :35

Business Travel Coalition says many area airports will lose some if not all of their airline service due to rising fuel costs and the current turmoil in the airline industry.

6/25 EARTHQUAKE BENEFIT 10PM GRAPHIC :24

Benefit for Chinese earthquake victims will be held tomorrow in Champaign

6/26 CHAMP UNITED WAY 6PM LIVE PKG 1:48

For the first time ever.. the Champaign Urbana United Way has surpassed it's fundraising goal.

6/26 SUMMER JOBS 6PM VO :35

State program will provide some 10,000 summer jobs for teenagers statewide.

6/26 FLOODING UPDATE 10PM VO :29

Economists say ag losses will be the biggest economic impact of the flooding

6/26 UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 10PM GRAPHICS :28

State's unemployment rate went up to 6.4%

6/26 EARTHQUAKE BENEFIT 10PM VOSOT :41

Benefit for Chinese earthquake victims held at Vineyard Church in Urbana.

6/27 WILLARD AIRPORT 6PM VO :25

American Eagle cutting two flights to Chicago in November due to high fuel costs.

6/30 USDA REPORT 5PM VO :21

New USDA report says nationwide, this is the second largest corn crop as far as acres planted are concerned.

6/30 HEART THEATER 6PM VOSOT :32

Effingham Heart Theater has been sold. New owner plans to make it a discount movie house.

EDUCATION

6/5 GED GRADUATION 10PM VOSOT :42

A married couple in their 70s get their GED during a graduation ceremony at Richland Community College.

6/10 DEC SCHOOL BOARD 5PM VO :25

Decatur School Board will hear proposal to have additional hall monitors, summer hours for counselors and hire assistant principals.

6/10 TVILLE SCHOOLS 5PM VO :16

Taylorville School Board meeting to discuss redistricting options.

6/10 FFA CONVENTION 6PM VOSOT :34

State Future Farmers of America convention going on in Springfield.

6/10 ALT SCHOOL DIR 6PM VO :24

Rhonda Howard of Decatur picked to be the principal of Champaign's new Alternative Academic Academy. She currently works at Decatur's Parsons School.

6/11 TVILLE SCHOOL DIST 5PM VO :28

Taylorville school board decides to keep K-5 concept in it's elementary schools. Also drew up preliminary boundaries for next school year.

6/11 FREE LUNCH 5PM VOSOT :30

Annual free lunch program in Decatur Parks for kids gets underway.

6/16 LINCOLN COLLEGE 6PM VO :20

Lincoln College gets at federal grant to help pay for a new building.

6/16 SPRINGFIELD SCHOOLS 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:41

Springfield school board votes on a budget that gives teachers a pay increase, and gives the district's facilities manager the ok to look into plans to renovate Springfield High School.

6/17 LLCC EXPANSION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:11

Lincoln Land Community College proposing a 34 million dollar construction program.

6/17 DECATUR GRAD RATES 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :44

Decatur's two high schools have increased graduation rates and decreasing dropout rate.

6/18 DEC SCHOOL GRANT 10PM VO:19

Decatur School District gets a \$200,000 federal grant to update security at the schools.

6/25 ILLINOIS TEACHERS 10PM VO :19

Illinois Education Research Council report says experience shouldn't trump academics when it comes to hiring teachers.

6/26 CENTENNIAL PRINCIPAL 5PM GRAPHIC :23

Champaign school district holding a forum for the public to meet Justin Moore, the finalist for the Centennial HS principal's job.

6/26 LINCOLN LAND 10PM VO :21

Lincoln Land Community College Trustees approve a nearly 40 million dollar construction project.

6/27 CENTENNIAL PRINCIPAL 10PM GRAPHIC :14

Champaign school district hires Justin Moore for the principal's job at Centennial High.

6/30 SCHOOL FUNDING 5PM PKG 2:08

Area school districts have received their June state aid payments, but some say they didn't get all the money they expected.

6/30 PRE K FOR ALL 5PM VOSOT :45

Gov. Blagojevich signs a bill to extend the Pre K for All program through 2010.

6/30 KINDERGARTEN READY 6PM VOSOT :45

Decatur School District, United Way and the Education Coalition create a kindergarten readiness calendar that all 3,4,& 5 year olds in Macon County will receive.

Government

4/1 SPFLD WATER RATES 10PM LIVE PKG 1:52

Springfield City Council sends a proposed water rate hike back to committee for further study.

4/1 IHSA PHOTO DISPUTE 10PM VO :31

Senate approves a bill requiring the IHSA to allow newspapers to resell the photos they take at sporting events.

4/2 AMEREN INCREASES 5PM VO :25

Illinois Commerce Commission recommends Ameren only get a 47 million dollar increase in natural gas and electricity rates. Ameren wanted 247 million.

4/2 GUN VIOLENCE 5PM VOSOT :42

Illinois House Black Caucus calls for tougher gun laws in Illinois after another Chicago Public School student was shot to death this week.. the 20th this year alone.

4/2 GPS TRACKING 5PM LIVE PKG 2:05

House Republicans introduce new bill that would put GPS tracking devices on those who violate orders of protection.

4/2 DANVILLE BUDGET 6PM PKG 1:48

Now that Danville City Council refused to cut fire department budget, city has to look elsewhere to cut and has less than two weeks to do it. Fire department considering charges for EMS services provided before an ambulance arrives.

4/2 HOMEOWNERS ASSIST 10PM PKG 1:51

Illinois Senators and Secretary of Financial Regulation unveil a proposed program to help familes who may be facing foreclosure on their homes.

4/2 SMOKING BAN 10PM VO :28

Illinois Senate Committee approves a bill that would make smoking ban violations a civil offense instead of a criminal offense.

4/3 GOVERNOR RECALL 5PM VOSOT 1:04

Bill to create a recall amendment to the state constitution gets through the house. Even though some have made it clear it's directly aimed at Gov. Blagojevich, other lawmakers including some Republicans say a more cautious approach should be taken.

4/3 ECONOMIC STIMULUS 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:24

Senate Republicans unveil their economic stimulus plan aimed at jump-starting the state's economy.

4/3 SOIL & WATER FUNDING 6PM VO :32

State association of soil and water conservation districts calling for Governor to release money allocated to them.

4/4 FEMA AID 5PM VO :33

FEMA says more than 5 million dollars worth of flooding disaster assistance approved for Iroquois and Livingston Counties.

4/4 MLK FLAGS 5PM VO :30

Governor Blagojevich orders all flags fly at half-staff for 40th anniversary of Dr. King's assassination.

4/4 DANVILLE MAYOR 6PM VO :27

Danville Mayor Scott Eisenhauer says he's dropping out of the 104th State Representative race.

4/4 DR PROFILE WEBSITE 10PM VOSOT :42

Illinois Dept. of Professional Regulation has new website where you can see whether your doctor has been disciplined by the state.

4/6 RECALL 10PM VOSOT :50

Illinois House leaders expected to vote whether to put a recall amendment on the November ballot.

4/6 DECATUR COUNCILL 10PM VO :31

Decatur City Council will discuss budget, neighborhood improvement grants & more at tomorrow's meeting.

4/6 PHILO ROAD 10PM VO :28

Urbana City Council expected to vote on plan to beautify Philo Road.

4/7 DECATUR COUNCIL 5PM VO:50

A lot is expected to happen at tonight's Decatur City Council meeting.

4/7 DECATUR COUNCIL 10PM PKG : 2:26

A controversial night at Decatur City Council draws a crowd.

4/7 STREET LIGHT/CELEBRATION 10PM VO :33

Leaders approved letting the Decatur Celebration charge 3-dollars for parking in certain city garges and lots since reports of financial troubles.

4/7 BICYCLE PLAN 10PM PKG 1:35

Urbana City Council moves forward with it's Bicycle Master Plan agreement.

4/7 PHILO ROAD 10PM VO:23

The Urbana City Council voted to move forward with the beauitification plan of philo road, making the area between Florida and Colorado avenues more pedestrian friendly.

4/8 RECALL PASSES 5PM VO :25

The Illinois House says voters should choose whether they want to recall state Government's top officials.

4/8 SAFE HAVENS 5PM VOSOT :27

It's "Save Abandoned Babies Day" in Illinois which is meant to raise awareness of the state's abandoned newborn infant protection act.

4/8 URBANA PARK DIST 6PM VOSOT :39

The Urbana park district made some cuts this month.

4/8 REFERENDA 10PM PKG 2:20

Controvery erupts tonight over potential advisory referenda The Cunningham township held its annual town hall meeting in urbana this evening... which many assumed would result in questions for the upcoming election.... but that was not the case.

4/8 IHSA PHOTO DISPUTE 10PM READER :26

A settlement over photos of school sporting events has been reached between news organizations and the Illinois High School Association.

4/9 GUN BILL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:31

Bill aimed at limiting handgun purchases to one a month fails in the Illinois House.

4/9 NURSES MARCH 5PM VO:22

Hundreds of nurses march to the Capitol to lobby state lawmakers about issues facing the nursing profession

4/9 HIGHER ED 5PM VO :21

Eastern Illinois University administrators, faculty & students rally for lawmakers to increase funding for higher education.

4/9 UI EXTENSION CUTS 5PM VO :32

Governor Blagojevich threatens to withhold 18 million dollars from University of Illinois Extension.

4/9 SO IL FLOODING 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :35

Governor Blagojevich asks President Bush to declare 15 southern Illinois counties federal disaster areas due to flooding.

4/9 CAPITAL AIRPORT 5PM VO :18

Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport gets nearly \$2 million in federal money for airport improvements.

4/9 PORK SPENDING 6PM GRAPHICS/SOT :41

Citizens Against Government Waste and Illinois Policy Institute calls out lawmakers on \$686 million worth of what they call wasteful state spending.

4/9 LEADERS MEETING 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:22

Legislative leaders along with Glenn Poshard and Denny Hastert meet at the Capitol to discuss Capital Spending Plan.

4/10 CRISIS COUNSELING 6PM VO :24

Flood victims in Iroquois County are eligible to receive crisis counseling thanks to a FEMA grant to the state Human Services dept.

4/10 BRADLEY/AHOLA 6PM VO:20

Macon County assistant State's Attorney Mark Bradley says he's filed to run against Jack Ahola in the November Election.

4/10 CO ANIMAL CONTROL 10PM VOSOT :52

Macon County Board votes to cancel animal control agreement with the Village of Harristown in a dispute over charges.

4/11 BRADLEY/AHOLA 6PM VO :29

Decatur attorney Jeff Justice files a challenge to the legitimacy of Mark Bradley's candidacy for Macon County State's Attorney.

4/11 DOM VIOLENCE HELP 10PM READER :17

State putting up billboards to advertise the Statewide Domestic Violence Helpline number.

4/12 DECATUR BUDGET 5PM VOSOT :43

Decatur City Council holds a special Saturday meeting to go through the proposed budget.

4/12 WASTE COLLECTION 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:48

IEPA holds hazardous household waste collection in Springfield.

4/12 IDOT CUTS 10PM VO :27

IDOT says it's going to cut back on vehicle use this summer, because it went way over budget this winter.

4/13 URBANA TV 5PM PKG 1:35

Urbana City Council plans to review the city's public access TV channel after some antisemetic programming created some controversy.

4/14 STATE OF CITY 5PM VOSOT :38

Springfield Mayor Tim Davlin says city's population is now over 120,000, which means an additional \$1 million in state and federal money during his state of the city address.

4/14 DANVILLE BUDGET 5PM VOSOT :57

City of Danville must approve a budget tomorrow night & faces a 325-thousand dollar deficit. Proposes eliminating some unfilled fire & police jobs and cutting city travel expenses.

4/14 AG CUTS 6PM LIVE PKG 2:15

Governor Blagojevich's freeze on agricultural programs could cost the U of I Extension hundreds of jobs and programs.

4/14 HATE SPEECH 10PM PKG 2:07

Members of Urbana's Jewish community come to the city council meeting to protest an anti-semitic program that's airing on the city's public access TV channel. City leaders say pulling the program would be illegal censorship.

4/14 BONEYARD CREEK 10PM VOSOT :54

Urbana City Council gets a look at the master plan for redeveloping the Boneyard Creek area of town.

4/15 GOV RECALL 6PM PKG 2:09

Lt. Governor Pat Quinn stops at the U of I on statewide tour to support legislative recall amendment.

4/15 DVILLE STREETS 5pm VO:25

City of Danville asking residents to report problem streets that need repaired.

4/15 DVILLE BUDGET 10PM VO:25

Danville City Council passes a budget.. but the city still has a 300-thousand dollar deficit.

4/15 GARMAN FLORIDA 5PM VO :23

Decatur City Manager Steve Garman does not get the City Manager's job in Marco Island, FL.

4/15 EAGLE CREEK 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:28

Eagle Creek resort beats a deadline to pay the village of Findlay overdue gas bills.

4/15 LIVESTOCK RULE 6PM VO :35

State Ag department says show animals are no longer required to be registered with the state. It's now voluntary.

4/15 BIRD WHISPERER 10PM LIVE PKG 1:59

Springfield City Council was going to cancel it's contract with the so-called bird whisperer.. but he ended up cancelling the contract with the city first.

4/15 CHAMP LIQUOR 10PM PKG 1:45

Champaign City Council expands Mayor's liquor control powers.

4/15 LOGAN CO TURBINES 10PM VO :33

Logan County Board approves development plans for a wind farm in northern Logan County.

4/16 AG FUNDING 5PM PKG 1:57

A joint House & Senate Ag Committee hears complaints from lawmakers and public about the Governor's fund freeze on agriculture programs.

4/16 STATE AUCTION 5PM READER :27

State holding online auction of surplus items.

4/16 DEADBEAT MILESTONE 10PM VO :23

State says its deadbeat website has helped collect half a million dollars in overdue child support since 2003

4/16 NEW WATER RATES 10PM GRAPHICS :35

City Water Light and Power water bills going up 25 percent this year, 17 percent next year, 12 percent in 2010 and 10 percent in 2011.

4/16 SMOKING BAN 10PM VO :16

Bill to exempt casinos from smoking ban gets out of a Senate committee.

4/17 RIOTS DISPLAY 6PM VOSOT :41

Traveling museum of 1908 Race Riots stops in Capitol Rotunda.

4/18 BUDGET 5PM VO :20

Decatur City Council holds special budget meeting.. discussed a proposed 25 percent water rate increase.

4/21 SHIMKUS VISIT 5PM VOSOT :46

Congressman John Shimkus visits the Hope Institute Noll Medical Pavilion in Springfield.

4/21 DEC COUNCIL 10 VO :41

Decatur City Council will hold special meeting Wednesday to hear presentations from four search firms for City Manager's job. Also decided not to reimburse Dan Caulkins for legal fees and will hold special budget meeting Saturday.

4/21 GRAIN SEIZED 10PM GRAPHIC :29

State will reimburse farmers \$6 million for grain lost when Central Illinois Grain Company in Canton was forced to close by the state.

4/22 FEMA DEADLINE 6PM VO :27

FEMA says the deadline to apply for federal flood aid is May 6.

4/22 STEVE GARMAN 6PM VO :38

Decatur City Manager Steve Garman says he's resigning on May 2 instead of staying on until his contract expires in October.

4/22 PRES POLLING 6PM VOSOT :45

Students from Decatur's Phoenix Academy go into the neighborhood asking people who they support for President.

4/22 CITY OF DECATUR 10PM LIVE PKG 2:04

Decatur City Council has been very busy the last few weeks as it deals with a May 1 deadline to come up with a budget.. and now also has to find a new city manager.

4/23 STATES ATTY RACE 5PM VOSOT :40

Mark Bradley has been thrown off the ballot for Macon County State's Attorney in the November election.

4/23 PRAYER BREAKFAST 5PM VOSOT :51

Governor Blagojevich makes a brief appearance and speech at the annual Governor's prayer breakfast in Springfield.

4/23 DURBIN GAS PRICES 6PM SOT :43

Senator Dick Durbin wants the Federal Trade Commission to investigate high cost of gas and record oil company profits.

4/23 DEC CITY MGR SEARCH 10PM VO :27

Decatur City Council picks The Mercer Group from Atlanta to find a new city manager candidate.

4/24 BILL BLACK 5PM VO :29

Danville State Representative Bill Black says he will run for re-election after all.

4/24 MEDICAID REFORM 6PM VO :31

State lawmakers create a website for people to share stories about the Medicaid program.

4/25 AG CUTS FOLO 5PM LIVE PKG 2:31

Soil & Water conservation district offices beginning to close or lay off workers due to the Governor's funding freeze on ag programs.

4/26 DECATUR BUDGET 5PM VOSOT :42

Decatur City Council holds another Saturday budget session. Discussed police, fire & neighborhoods.

4/26 PARKS 5PM VO :20

Decatur, Springfield & Champaign park districts will all share a 5 million dollar state grant.

4/27 DURBIN 5PM VOSOT :52

Senator Dick Durbin calls for relief from soaring gas prices. Repeats call for FTC to investigate high prices and record oil company profits.

4/27 HOSPITAL GRANT 5PM VO :21

Governor Blagojevich's office says some Central Illinois hospitals will get mroe than 60 million dollars in new funding

4/27 URBANA CELL PHONES 5PM :40

Urbana City Council expected to discuss a proposed ban on using cell phones while driving. Also plan to discuss public access television policies.

4/27 DECATUR BUDGET 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :40

Decatur City Council may vote on a budget tomorrow.

4/28 HATE SPEECH 10PM PKG 1:40

Urbana City Council discusses controversial programming on public access channel. Council says they can't just get rid of offensive programming.. suggest producing counter-programming or put a disclaimer on it.

4/28 CELL PHONE BAN 10pm VO :23

Urbana City Council postpones a proposed ban on using any electronic device while driving.

4/28 DECATUR BUDGET 10PM VO :31

Decatur City Council approves a new budget that includes a 25 percent water rate hike.

4/29 LEGISLATURE 5PM VO :33

State lawmakers have a lot on their plate as May approaches.. the time when they try to get their work done before they end the spring session.

4/29 STUDENT RALLY 5PM VOSOT :38

Hundreds of students from the Chicago area come to Springfield to call for increased spending to get money for programs to get dropouts back in school.

4/29 FEMA/SO IL FLOODING 5PM VO :35

FEMA rejects state's request for federal flood aid for 15 southern Illinois counties. State says they'll re-assess the damage.

4/29 DEC CITY MANAGER 10PM VO :29

Decatur City Council will pick an interim city manager during a special meeting early Friday morning.

4/29 CHAMPAIGN BUDGET 10PM PKG 1:54

Champaign City Council gets its first look at a new budget proposal.

4/29 RECALL AMEND 10PM VO :31

Bill for a constitutional amendment to recall elected officials passes a Senate committee.. but this version includes judges and local elected officials. That jeopardizes the amendment because the deadline for it to pass is Sunday.

4/29 INCOME TAXES 10PM VO :25

State Senate rejects a proposed constitutional amendment creating a graduated income tax rate.

4/29 MAINSTREET ARTWORK 10PM VOSOT :56

Volunteers from Illinois Main Street program holding sessions to develop art districts in Illinois communities.

4/30 TEACHER RALLY 5PM VO :28

Illinois Education Association rallies in Springfield to urge the governor to keep his promise to release school state aid payments in June.

4/30 MEDICAL MARIJUANA 5PM VOSOT :42

State lawmakers say they've made changes to a bill that would legalize medical marijuana in hopes of gaining law enforcement's support.

4/30 LINCOLN HERITAGE 5PM VO :37

A bill that would create a Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area in Illinois now awaits President Bush's signature.

4/30 CAMPUS MOVE OUT 5PM PKG 2:02

U of I students getting ready to move out for the summer. Apartment owners have to keep up with the amount of garbage and old furniture that will likely pile up.

4/30 RECALL AMENDMENT 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:36

Senate committee approves a new version of the recall amendment that would also include judges and local elected officials.

4/30 FIREWORKS PERMITS 6PM VOSOT :46

Macon County fireworks permits now available.. but the requirement to have one million dollars in liability insurance scaring many potential applicants away.

4/30 GOVERNMENT RAISES 10PM VO :34

State lawmakers and elected officials in for another pay increase unless lawmakers reject them.

5/01 RECALL VOTE 5PM VO :21

State Senate rejects the legislative recall amendment

5/01 AG FUNDING 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:10

State lawmakers learn Gov. Blagojevich will release funding for ag programs. However, some UI Extension & Soil & Water districts will still have to temporarily lay off workers.

5/01 LAKE SPFLD BEACH 6PM VO :28

CWLP will not reopen Lake Springfield beach because it will cost too much for repairs and to run the place.

5/02 IDOT JOBS SHIFT 5PM VOSOT 1:30

IDOT says it's moving 125 workers from Springfield to southern Illinois to save money. Some claim it's politically motivated by the Governor.

5/02 DEC CITY MANAGER 5PM VOSOT :39

Decatur City Council names John Smith interim city manager.

5/02 DISC AQUATIC CTR 5PM VO :29

Decatur Park District & Millikin discuss plans to expand Indoor Sports Center by adding an aquatic center.

5/02 LAWMAKERS PAY RAISE 6PM VOSOT :47

State lawmakers in for another pay raise unless they vote to reject it. Senator Larry Bomke says he's filed a resolution to do just that.

5/02 FEMA AID 6PM VO :21

FEMA has now approved more than 8 million dollars in flood relief money to Iroquois & Livingston Counties.

5/02 NELSON POOL 6PM VO :31

Decatur Park District says Nelson Park pool will not open this year because of an underground leak that will cost \$150,000 to fix. District will do a study to see if it's even worth fixing.

5/02 PARKING PERMITS 6PM VO/GRAPHIC:31

City of Champaign opening a waiting list for parking permits for the new Hill Street parking lot which opens next February.

5/4 EARTHQUAKE/GOV 10PM VO :30

Governor announces the state will create a panel to improve it's preparedness for an earthquake.

5/4 DEC COUNCIL 10PM VO :31

West Main streetscape project one item on Decatur City Council agenda for Monday.

5/4 DURBIN 10PM VO :34

Senator Dick Durbin in Springfield Monday. He'll discuss pending Lincoln National Heritage Area.. and also speak to students at Lanphier High.

5/4 LAHOOD 10PM VO :27

Retiring Congressman Ray LaHood says he's running for the state's top spot in the Republican National Committee.

5/5 DURBIN ALPLM 5PM LIVE PKG 1:39

Senator Dick Durbin discusses the Abraham Lincoln Heritage District bill that awaits President Bush's signature.

5/5 IRS PUBLIC HEARING 6PM VOSOT/GRAPHIC 1:08

IRS holding a town hall meeting in Springfield Tuesday night were the public can address their concerns with the agency.

5/5 DECATUR CITY COUNCIL 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:34

Decatur City Council meets and approves spending an additional \$120,000 on the West Main Streetscape project which is over budget. .

5/5 AFSCME CONTRACT 10PM VO :21

AFSCME union members picketing outside demanding the city return to the bargaining table for contract talks

5/5 WABASH CROSSING 10PM VO :28

Decatur City Council votes to amend construction plans for Wabash Crossing. Area set aside for single family homes will become rental properties instead. Developers only built 3 houses and had to sell them for half-price.

5/5 FUTUREGEN 10PM VO :36

Senator Dick Durbin says he'll hold up White House nominations to the Energy Dept. because it pulled the plug on FutureGen. He also plans to introduce a bill to keep the plant in the works until a new president takes office.

5/6 AG FUNDING 6PM LIVE PKG 1:57

Governor said he was releasing millions of dollars in Ag funding.. but it's mired in red tape

5/6 URBANA TAX VOTE 10PM VO :31

Urbana school board votes to support proposed county-wide sales tax for schools.

5/6 DEC CITY MANAGER 10PM VO :33

Decatur City Councilmembers will meet one-on-one Wednesday with search firm that will find a new city manager candidate.

5/7 HOLOCAUST OBSERVE 6PM VO :29

Governor Blagojevich was expected to speak at the state's annual Holocaust Memorial Observance at the Old State Capitol.. but he didn't show up.

5/7 LEGIS PAY RAISES 10PM LIVE PKG 2:12

Illinois House rejects automatic pay increases.. saying now is not the time with no capital plan and schools not getting money.

5/7 BOMKE IMPEACHMENT 10PM VOSOT :38

Senator Larry Bomke says he's sent a letter to House Speaker Michael Madigan asking him to start the impeachment process against Governor Blagojevich.

5/8 IMPEACH/AG FUNDS 5PM LIVE PKG 1:37

UI Extensions and Soil & Water districts still haven't received money Governor Blagojevich supposedly released. That's increased the call for his impeachment.

5/8 TRANS FUNDING 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:20

Former IDOT engineer who's now a state senator out of Peoria says the governor using money for transportation for other state agencies.. and some IDOT districts may run out of money to buy fuel.

5/8 FUTUREGEN 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:31

Senator Dick Durbin grills the Energy secretary on Capitol Hill over the decision to drop the Futuregen project.

5/8 STATE PRISONS 6PM VO :27

Some state lawmakers want a board appointed to look at prison conditions statewide before deciding to close any one of them. They also want a moratorium on prison closings until the board is created.

5/8 AFSCME 6PM VO :19

AFSCME Council 31 wants lawmakers to pass a ban on forced overtime for state workers.

5/8 LINCOLN HERITAGE 6PM VO :27

President Bush signs the bill creating Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area.

5/8 WIND FARM OPPOSITION 10PM VO :51

Some Logan County landowners voice their opposition to a proposed windfarm to the Logan County Zoning Board of Appeals.

5/8 CHAMP CO PROP TAX 10PM VO :24

Champaign County Board talks about leaving options open, including a property tax hike.. to keep the County Nursing Home open.

5/8 MACON CO BD RAISES 10PM VO :27

Macon County Board votes to reinstate pay raises for county office holders that have been frozen since 2004.

5/9 AFSCME CONTRACT 10PM VO :33

City of Decatur plans to impose a new contract on city workers on Monday.

5/12 SPFLD EMPLOY 5PM VOSOT :48

City of Springfield now putting job listings and application process on the city's website.

5/12 CUNNINGHAM BEAUTIFY 5PM VOSOT :41

City of Urbana holds a public forum on plans to beautify the Cunningham Avenue corridor.

5/12 CELL PHONE BAN 10PM PKG 1:53

Urbana City Council decides not to vote on an outright ban on using cell phones while driving. Instead they will develop an ordinance banning text messaging while driving.

5/12 AFSCME DEADLINE 10PM VOSOT :43

City of Decatur imposes new contract terms on union city workers. AFSCME regional director says union will file an unfair labor practices charge.

5/13 DESMOND TUTU 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:25

South African bishop Desmond Tutu visits ALPLM in Springfield for unveiling of a portrait of himself that will be in the library. He receives the Lincoln Leadership prize in Springfield later this evening.

5/13 SPFLD URBAN LEAGUE 5PM VOSOT :43

Former Surgeon General Dr. Joycelyn Elders in Springfield to help the Urban League celebrate it's 50th anniversary.

5/13 HORSE ADOPTION 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:09

Coles County board wants to amend animal control ordinance to allow any horse in the county's animal shelter's care to be adopted. Result of the seizure of more than 70 horses from Ernest Rose's property last summer.

5/13 MEDICAID AUDIT 6PM VO :37

Auditor General report says the state had an average of 1.5 billion dollars worth of unpaid Medicaid bills over the last three years.. and Department of Healthcare and Family Services did a poor job of handling the bills it did manage to pay.

5/14 AFSCME NEWSER 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:00

AFSCME calls City of Decatur's imposed contract a slap in the face.. Other Union leaders in town voicing their support. Union hopes to return to the bargaining table.

5/14 COMMON SENSE RALLY 5PM VOSOT :49

People from across the area come to Springfield to voice their frustrations with Gov. Blagojevich.

5/14 CIVIL UNIONS 5PM VOSOT :58

New bill being discussed in the General Assembly would allow widows and widowers to get remarried without losing pension and Social Security benefits.

5/14 GAMBLING 6PM VOSOT 1:10

Anti-gambling groups lining up to oppose plan to increase the number of horse races at the State Fairgrounds and allow betting. Supporters say it will raise money for the city and county.

5/14 MOMENT OF SILENCE 10PM VO :33

State's attempt at a required moment of silence in schools tied up in federal court. State Senate Committee rejects bid to change a House bill Instructing schools to take time at the beginning of each day for silent reflection.

5/14 DURBIN FUEL INVEST 10pm VOSOT :41

After persistence from Senator Dick Durbin ... The Federal Trade Commission is looking into record high fuel prices.

5/15 SPORTS COMPLEX 5PM VO :28

Effingham city planning commission ok's plans for new sports complex.

5/16 CHILDREN WALK 5PM VO :36

Champions for Children walk begins in Springfield. People walking to Chicago to raise awareness about child abuse issues and Child Advocacy Services.

5/16 BOMKE BUDGET 6PM VOSOT :52

Sen Larry Bomke says budget progress at the Capitol is slow and frustrating. Some have talked about a monthly budget.

5/16 ANTI GRASSROOTS 6PM VOSOT :49

Two bills before the General Assembly are being called anti-democratic by some state lawmakers. One bill would reduce the number of contested legislative seats.. the other requires advance notice of adding any item to an annual township meeting.

5/17 CONO STREET FEST 5PM VOSOT :35

Coalition of Neighborhood Organizations in Decatur holds annual event in Central Park showing off neighborhood groups and their activities.

5/18 DURBIN 10PM VOSOT :51

Sen Dick Durbin says FTC is the only agency willing to take on the big oil companies over rising gas prices and their record profits.

5/18 DECATUR COUNCILL 10PM VO :32

Decatur City Council may discuss increasing water rates at tomorrow's meeting

5/18 CITY MANAGER SEARCH 10PM VO :25

Search firm who is looking for Decatur City Manager candidates holding a public meeting on Tuesday where residents can give their input on what they'd like to see in the new city manager.

5/19 LINCOLN HOTEL AUDIT 5PM LIVE PKG 1:52

State treasurer releases audit of Lincoln Hotel in Springfield.. claims owner Bill Cellini and his partners didn't have to make payments on a 15 million dollar loan if the hotel wasn't making money. Alexi Giannoulias claims Cellini & Co. cooked the books.

5/19 DEC. CITY COUNCIL 5PM LIVE VO 1:11

Advancer to Decatur City Council meeting. Plan to discuss a water rate hike. AFSCME members picketing outside before council meeting demanding the city return to contract talks.

5/19 DVILLE CODE ENFORCE 5PM PKG 2:03

City of Danville beginning a series of code enforcement blitzes to look for city building code violations.

5/19 VOTING MACHINES 6PM LIVE VO 1:24

State Board of Elections says Sangamon County's ballot machines cannot be used in the November election. Machines did not go through required federally approved testing because the vendor for the machines didn't have the money.

5/19 GAMING PROPOSAL 10PM LIVE PKG 2:33

State Horsemen's associations and some state lawmakers unveil plan to bring slot machines to Illinois racetracks. Anti-gambling groups say adding slots won't solve any of the state's budget problems.

5/19 BLAGOJEVICH BOOED 6PM VOSOT :27

Gov. Blagojevich booed when he rang the bell to open trading at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange.

5/19 DEC CITY COUNCIL 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:45

Decatur City Council studied a proposal to raise water rates. One council member even mentioned raising them more than originally planned. Nothing decided yet.

5/19 CELEBRATION PARKING 10PM VO :26

Decatur Celebration wants to raise parking fees in city garages and lots to \$5. Council wants to hear someone from the Celebration about the request.

5/20 GAS PLAN 5PM LIVE PKG 1:58

Illinois House Republicans propose a summer gasoline sales tax holiday to reduce gas prices. Democrats say it won't work and refuse to bring it to committee.

5/20 DEC CITY MANAGER 10PM VOSOT 1:05

Search firm The Mercer Group holds a public meeting for Decatur residents to tell them what they'd like to see in the new City Manager.

5/20 CAP FUND 6PM VO :30

Former US House speaker Dennis Hastert in Springfield to help push the Governor's 31 billion dollar capital plan.

5/20 EHAM SPORTS COMPLEX 6PM VO :31

Effingham City Council expected to vote on permit approval for new sports complex.

5/20 LOGAN WIND FARM 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:42

Horizon Wind Energy scraps plans to build a wind farm in the Emden area after pressure from landowners in the area. However the company plans to re-submit it's application after going through the proper steps to contact residents about the wind farm. Logan County Board will have final say in the matter.

5/20 CHAMP GREEN STREET 10PM PKG 1:46

Champaign City Council votes to move forward with a 300 million dollar plan to continue growth along Green Street and the U of I campus.

5/21 AFSCME PICKET 10pm PKG 2:17

IDOT workers hold an informational picket to protest possible move of 150 jobs from Springfield to Marion.

5/22 IDOT HWY REPAIRS 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:51

IDOT unveils an 11 billion dollar plan to fix roads and bridges statewide, but it spends little on new road construction.

5/23 ETHICS BILL 6PM VOSOT :40

Illinois Senate passes its version of an ethics bill that bans "pay to play."

5/27 FILM TAX CREDIT 5PM GRAPHIC :28

Governor signs film tax credit bill in hopes of more films being made in Illinois and creating more jobs.

5/27 C-U STREET LIGHTING 10PM PKG 2:01

Cities of Champaign & Urbana partnering with the U of I to replace 2000 streetlights to hopefully save money on utility costs.

5/27 LAWMAKERS 10PM VOSOT 1:11

State Lawmakers working late into the night to come up with a budget.

5/27 N-HOOD REDEVELOP 10PM GRAPHICS:39

Three neigborhood redevelopment programs in the city of Decatur are now taking applications.

5/28 ILLINOIS WORKS 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:30

Governor and Legislative leadership hopeful the proposed 31-billion dollar capital plan for the state will get passed.

5/28 SPFLD INFRASTRUCTURE 10PM LIVE PKG 2:27

City of Springfield holds a public forum to discuss how to improve infrastructure needs in a time of tight budgets.

5/29 PAY RAISES 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:12

Dozens of state lawmakers are behind a resolution to reject automatic pay raises, but the Senate leadership is holding it up.

5/29 BLUE MOUND PARK 6PM VOSOT 1:01

Macon County Conservation District wants to revamp the Griswold Conservation Area outside Blue Mound.

5/29 LINCOLN HOTEL 6PM VOSOT :44

State spending \$270,000 to make cosmetic improvements to the Abraham Lincoln Hotel in downtown Springfield.

5/29 LAKE MONITORING 6PM VO :22

State EPA putting on a program for volunteers to monitor lakes and waterways.

5/29 FUTUREGEN 10PM VOSOT :46

Mattoon & Charleston city councils hold joint meeting to find out where the Futuregen project now stands.

5/30 STATE BUDGET 5PM VOSOT :46

State Lawmakers trying to come up with a budget plan before Saturday deadline.

5/30 PAY RAISES 5PM VOSOT :44

Measure to reject automatic pay raises for state lawmakers stalled in Senate

5/30 ATHENS WATER 5PM VO :27

City of Athens telling residents to conserve water. Bad pump at a well and water tower is only half-full. Conservation order lasts through weekend.

5/30 DEWITT ECON DIR 5PM GRAPHIC :22

DeWitt County names Ruth Stauffer Executive Director of the newly formed DeWitt County Development Council.

5/31 MAYOR RESIGNS 5PM VO/GRAPHIC 1:07

Decatur Mayor Paul Osborne abruptly announces his resignation effective Sunday. Made announcement in letters delivered to City Council.

5/31 STATE BUDGET 10PM LIVE pkg 2:36

State lawmakers pass a new state budget before today's midnight deadline. But how to pay for everything is still up in the air.

5/31 WABASH CROSSING 5PM VOSOT

Wabash Crossing Ray of Hope neighborhood group holds another meeting to discuss upcoming projects and ideas to keep the neighborhood safe.

6/1 MAYOR'S LAST DAY 5PM VOSOT 1:07

Decatur Mayor Paul Osborne's last day as mayor, resignation takes effect today.

6/1 STATE BUDGET 5PM PKG 2:19

Lawmakers beat the midnight deadline to pass a state budget. Does not include a capital construction bill. Legislature remains a house divided over not passing the capital bill.

6/1 CITY COUNCIL 10PM VOSOT 1:14

Decatur City Council will have to decide what to do next Monday following Mayor Paul Osborne's resignation. Discussion about changing the makeup of the city council may have to be put on hold.

6/1 URBANA BUDGET 10PM GRAPHIC :15

Urbana City Council holding a public hearing about the budget Monday night.

6/2 OSBORNE RESIGNS 5PM LIVEPKG 2:15

Paul Osborne gives his reasons for resigning as Decatur Mayor.

6/2 ATHENS WATER 5PM VO :17

City of Athens lifts water restrictions caused by a bad pump at the city's well.

6/2 STATE BUDGET 5PM VOSOT :57

Governor Blagojevich blasting the new state budget proposal that's unbalanced by \$2 billion.

6/2 ROAD KILL 5PM LIVE VO:50

State lawmakers found 20 million dollars in funding for IDOT so it can start mowing along highways and picking up roadkill.

6/2 DEC CITY COUNCIL 10PM LIVE VOSOT 2:15

Decatur City Council holds first meeting since Paul Osborne's resignation as mayor. Have 60 days to name interim mayor. Also discussed contract talks with AFSCME, having to make a decision on water rates.

6/2 DEC CELEBRATION 10PM VO :20

Decatur City Council also votes to let the Decatur Celebration charge \$5 for parking in certain city parking lots downtown.

6/2 DISABILITY PARKING 10PM VO :27

Drivers who violate disabled parking laws will face increased fines.

6/2 URBANA COUNCIL 10PM VO :20

Urbana City Council holds public hearing on the budget.

6/2 RACE TRACK 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :26

Lincoln City Council talks about Lincoln Speedway and nearby residents complaints about the noise and races running late.

6/4 IDOT MOWING 5PM VO :21

IDOT crews finally mowing along state highways in the Decatur area.

6/4 BLAGO REACTION 10PM VO :35

Gov. Blagojevich says he's saddened by the verdict against Tony Rezko

6/5 BUDGET MEETING 5PM VO :38

Governor & Legislative leaders meet in Chicago. Senate Minority Leader Frank Watson says nothing accompished. House Speaker Madigan didn't go, sent Majority Leader Flynn-Currie instead. She left early saying Governor created a crisis.

6/5 NURSING HOME LOAN 6PM VO:22

Champaign County Nursing Home will ask the county board for a loan. More than two dozen workers are being laid off this week.

6/6 STATE FAIR BUDGET 5PM LIVE PKG 2:09

State audit says state fairs have not been making money. Tax watchdog group says with the current budget situation, its fiscally irresponsible to let the fairs lose a million dollars each year.

6/6 STATE GOP 5PM VOSOT :48

Illinois Republican Party begins it's state convention in Decatur.

6/6 PARKING PAYMENT 6PM VO:30

City of Champaign begins installing two pay stations in city lots where you can use a debit card to feed the parking meter.

6/6 PANA DISASTER 10PM LIVE VOSOT 1:50

Pana city leaders creating a new disaster safety plan for the community.

6/7 GOP CONVENTION 5PM PKG 2:11

State Republican Party convention continues in Decatur

6/9 SANG CO. BOARD 10pm LIVE PKG 2:21

Six Democratic Candidates say they will put an advisory referendum on the ballot to cut the number of Sangamon County Board seats to save money.

6/9 CHANGE DECATUR 6PM VO :38

Macon County judge rules referendum on whether Decatur should adopt a strong mayor form of government violates the state's municipal code.. because there must be a 46 month gap between questions about changing a form of government.

6/9 AFSCME COMPLAINT 6PM VO :36

State Labor Relations Board files an unfair labor practices complaint against the City of Decatur.

6/9 CELL PHONE FINES 10PM PKG 2:06

Urbana City Council committee of the whole approves an ordinance that would impose stiff fines for drivers who cause an accident while using electronic devices. Goes to the full council for a vote next week.

6/9 DEPUTY GOVERNOR 10PM VO :27

Deputy Governor Sheila Nix leaving her job to spend more time with family.

6/10 IL FLOOD ASSIST 6PM VO :29

Governor Blagojevich declares six southeast Illinois counties disaster areas due to flooding. Coles & Cumberland among them.

6/10 DEC MAYOR 6PM VO :30

News conference will be held Friday to update search for former mayor Paul Osborne's replacement.

6/10 DECATUR LAKE WATER 10PM VO:33

Decatur city leaders say if a proposed lake was built, all the rain & floodwater would fill that lake in less than a month.

6/10 STATE BUDGET 10PM VO:45

Gov. Blagojevich pushing lawmakers to come up with a new budget, but not offering many ideas for a solution.

6/10 IMPEACH 10PM VO :21

House Speaker Michael Madigan sends a memo of talking points for Democratic candidates about impeaching the Governor.

6/11 IMPEACHMENT MEMO 5PM PKG 2:09

Some political observers say Michael Madigan's impeachment memo is unprecedented in Illinois politics. Senator Larry Bomke says he thinks the process needs to get going.

6/11 BUDGET MEETING 5PM VO :20

Governor Blagojevich holds another budget meeting in Chicago.

6/11 MITCHELL REACTS 10PM VOSOT :42

State Rep. Bill Mitchell says House Speaker Michael Madigan should begin impeachment proceedings.

6/12 PREVIEW OF MAYOR 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :32

Advancer for tomorrow's news conference about the search for Decatur's next mayor.

6/13 DEC MAYOR 5PM LIVE PKG 2:09

Michael Carrigan says he's willing to serve out Paul Osborne's term as mayor, and then will step down and leave local politics. New mayor pro-tem will have to be appointed, as will someone to take Carrigan's seat on the city council.

6/13 CHANUTE CLEAN UP 6PM PKG 2:01

Rantoul village leaders want federal money to tear down some old buildings on the former Chanute Air Force base so they can redevelop the area.

6/13 FUTUREGEN STATEMENT 10PM VO :36

Department of Energy sends a letter to Futuregen Alliance saying it's officially ending the relationship.

6/14 FUTUREGEN 10PM PKG 1:59

Sen. Dick Durbin meets with Charleston & Mattoon city leaders about what's next for the Futuregen plant now that the DOE is pulling out.

6/15 DURBIN/FLOODING 10PM 1:58

Sen. Dick Durbin has asked FEMA to preposition resources along the Mississippi so residents can be ready when high water arrives.

6/15 DECATUR MAYOR 10PM VO :41

Decatur City Council expected to appoint Michael Carrigan as mayor tomorrow.

6/15 WATER INCREASE 10PM VO :28

Decatur City Council also expected to vote on a water rate increase.

6/15 URBANA COUNCIL 10PM VO :25

Urbana City Council expected to approve ordinance that levies hefty fines on drivers who cause accidents while using electronic devices in the car.

6/16 AMBULANCE/JAIL 5PM LIVE PKG 2:20

Douglas County Board may put another public safety tax referenda on the November ballot to get an ambulance for Villa Grove and make needed improvements to the county jail.

6/16 DECATUR COUNCIL 10pm LIVE PKG 2:44

Decatur City Council appoints Mike Carrigan as mayor and approves a water rate hike.

6/16 URBANA COUNCIL 10pm VO:30

Urbana City Council approves the distracted driver ordinance.

6/16 POLICE RADIOS 10PM VOSOT :54

Decatur City Council also approves an plan to upgrade the Police & Fire Department's radio systems.

6/16 PAY RAISES 10PM VO :45

Urbana City Council talking about raising the mayor's and other city office holders pay.. but haven't voted on it yet.

6/16 DURBIN 10PM VOSOT :36

Senator Dick Durbin praises people for helping with sandbagging efforts in Quincy, and says there's a need for federal help.

6/17 LOW INCOME HOUSING 10PM PKG 1:54

City of Decatur gives the Neighborhood Housing Development Corporation a grant to get low to moderate income families in more energy-efficient homes.

6/17 SPRINGFIELD COUNCIL 10PM VO :31

Springfield City Council approves new contract for police department employees.

6/17 ILLINOIS WORKS 10PM VOSOT :58

University of Illinois leaders and state lawmakers make a push to pass the capital plan.

6/18 EFFINGHAM COUNCIL 10PM VO:30

Effingham City Council votes to raise water and sewer rates, also put a final decision on the option for buying land for sports complex on hold.

6/18 T-VILLE MEETING 10PM VO :31

Taylorville City Council holds special committee meeting to discuss major storm drainage repair, and possible sewer rate hike to pay for it.

6/18 INDEPENDENCE DAY 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :23

Sen. Dick Durbin says bill creating Juneteenth Independence Day on June 19th has passed the Senate.

6/19 RT. 29 EXPAND 6PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT :55

Group of lawmakers call for capital plan to finish Rt. 29 expansion project.

6/19 CHAMBER D.C. 6PM VOSOT :48

Decatur Chamber of Commerce members go to Washington D.C. for their annual legislative fly-in to meet with our lawmakers in Congress.

6/19 NURSING HOME 10PM VOSOT 1:01

Champaign County Board voting on whether to give the County Nursing Home a loan.

6/19 BLAGO SPOKESWOMAN 10PM VO :29

Gov. Blagojevich's Communications Director Abby Ottenhoff resigning.

6/20 FLOODING LATEST 5PM VO :30

Gov. Blagojevich urges President Bush to rush disaster aid to western Illinois.

6/20 VOTING MACHINES 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:37

Sangamon County has to buy new voting machines before the November election. Could cost the county more than one million dollars.

6/23 AFSCME RALLY 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:24

Thousands of AFSCME members rally in Springfield as the union and state resume contract talks.

6/23 CHAMP. CITY COUNCIL 10PM VO :21

Champaign City Council plans to discuss downtown traffic signals.. pedestrian safety. and a dumpster ordinance.

6/24 BLAGO BUDGET CUTS 5PM VO:24

Gov. Blagojevich says he'll cut more than a billion dollars form the budget unless state lawmakers do it for him. He's given the House until July 9th.

6/24 BUDGET/PRISONS 10PM LIVE PKG 2:10

Two state lawmakers come to Decatur as part of a tour to call for a moratorium on closing state prisons.. at the same time the Governor is threatening budget cuts.

6/24 LINCOLN SECURITY 10PM VOSOT :49

Lincoln City Council looking for ways to increase security at city hall.

6/25 COUNTRYWIDE LAWSUIT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:38

Attorney General Lisa Madigan files a lawsuit against Countrywide Financial.. claiming it promoted high risk loans which contributed to a high number of foreclosures in the state.

6/25 STATE BUDGET 5PM VOSOT :46

Protesters gather in downtown Chicago to urge lawmakers & Governor to reach a budget deal. Rep. Bill Mitchell says budget passed says ok to every major interest group but is out of balance.

6/25 ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS 6PM VOSOT :46

Rep Bill Mitchell introducing a bill that would ban illegal immigrants from receiving state Medicaid benefits.

6/25 STATE BUDGET 10PM LIVE PKG 2:35

If Gov. Blagojevich goes through with threatened budget cuts, some local pharmacies may also feel the pinch.

6/25 DEC COUNCIL 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :25

Decatur City Council will appoint someone to fill mayor Mike Carrigan's seat on the council tomorrow.

6/26 LARRY FOSTER 5PM LIVE VOSOT :55

Larry Foster appointed to the Decatur City Council. He's served on the council twice before.

6/26 AFSCME MEDIATOR 6PM VO :26

AFSCME is requesting a mediator to help with ongoing contract talks with the state.

6/26 WIND FARM HEARING 10PM VOSOT 1:04

Logan County zoning board of appeals holds a hearing about a proposed wind farm. Many residents in the area where it would be built voiced their concerns.

6/27 FLOOD AID 5PM VO :26

State gets \$3 million from US Dept. of Labor for flood cleanup & recovery.

6/27 IDOT MOVE 5PM PKG 2:02

Gov Blagojevich announces more than 100 IDOT jobs are moving from Springfield to Harrisburg.

6/27 RAPE CRISIS BUDGET CUT 10PM VOSOT 1:19

If Gov. Blagojevich's proposed budget cuts go through.. a number of rape crisis centers may be forced to close down.

6/27 DEATH PENALTY 10PM VO :39

Activists on both sides say state officials need to decide whether or not to abolish the death penalty.. or resume executions.

6/28 RAPE CRISIS BUDGET CUT 5PM VO/GRAPHIC/SOT :55

Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault says they worked with the Governor to get funding for rape crisis centers.. now they're shocked that he's threatening to cut funding.

6/29 LARRY FOSTER 10PM VOSOT :47

Decatur City Council will swear in appointee Larry Foster to the Council at tomorrow night's meeting

6/29 CHANGE OF GOVT 10PM VO :27

Decatur City Council will hold a study session Monday night about proposal to change the way council members are elected.

6/29 POLICE SPACE 10PM VO :30

Decatur City Council will also hold a study session on the police department's need for more space.

6/30 DECATUR COUNCIL 5PM LIVE VO 1:08

Decatur City Council will swear in Larry Foster as new councilman, and hold study sessions on changing the way council members are elected, police space, and increasing water supply.

6/30 STATE BUDGET 10PM VO :38

New fiscal year starts tomorrow and there's no state budget. Government will continue to operate normally until July 10th.. then problems may start happening.

6/30 HERITAGE/OASIS 10PM VO :29

Senator Dick Durbin visits Heritage Behaviorial Center and Oasis Day Center.

Health & Safety

4/1 ADM INQUESTS 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:22

Macon County Coroner's jury rules the carbon monoxide deaths of two ADM employees accidental.

4/1 SEMI CRASH 5PM VO :28

Wheel flies off a semi on Interstate 72 at the Niantic exit, strikes the front of another semi. No injuries

4/1 DALTON CITY CRASH 5PM VO :21

Woman injured when her SUV rolled over on Route 128 near Dalton City

4/1 DVILLE FIRE CUTS 10PM PKG 2:10

Danville City Council decides against cutting the fire department's budget which would have led to the layoffs of 9 firefighters. Mayor says the budget cuts are going to have to come from somewhere else.

4/2 DECATUR CRASH 6PM LIVE VO 1:05

Three people hurt, one of them a baby critically injured, in a two car crash at Mound & Route 48 in northeast Decatur

4/2 DANVILLE FIRE 5PM VOSOT :47

Fire investigators rule last week's fire in Downtown Danville undetermined.

4/2 DANVILLE VA 5PM VO :19

Danville VA Medical Center warning patients who underwent procedures with an endoscope that the equipment may have been contaminated.

4/2 TRAIN VS PED 5PM VO :20

21 year old man hit by a train outside Rocco's tavern near Route 48 & Rock Springs Road in southwest Decatur. In critical condition at Carle hospital.

4/2 MACON COUNTY 911 5PM VOSOT :55

Macon County 911 board says the new digital 911 system has been activated.

4/2 MAIN & ELDO CRASH 6PM VO :16

A semi & 2 cars involved in wreck at Main & Eldorado in Decatur. No one hurt but it messed up traffic for awhile.

4/3 SHELBY CO. FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :42

54 year old Diana Turner of Shelbyville killed Wednesday evening after her vehicle struck a semi head-on on Route 128 in Shelby County.

4/3 DECATUR CRASH 5PM VO :16

17 month old Allie Trulock remains in critical condition at Carle hospital aftrer Wednesday crash at Route 48 & Mound Road.

4/3 TEEN DRIVING 5PM VOSOT :46

Students from four Springfield area high schools put 155 crosses on IDOT headquarters lawn to signify the number of teen drivers killed on Illinois roads last year. It's part of a teen safe driving initiative.

4/3 TEEN DRINKING 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :30

Another of these town hall meetings about underage drinking.. this one's in Decatur

4/3 PAPA JOHN'S FIRE 5PM VO :20

Overnight fire damages the Papa Johns restaurant on East Florida Ave. in Urbana.

4/3 CHILD HEALTH 5PM VOSOT :53

State Public Health Director visits Maroa-Forsyth grade school to tout the state's new CATCH program.. or Coordinated Approach To Child Health.

4/3 SKATEBOARD FATAL 6PM LIVE PKG 1:39

12 year old boy killed in Decatur's Fairview Park after he was supposedly riding a skateboard and holding onto a car driven by his father. Boy falls off and witnesses say he was run over by the car.

4/3 MAN VS TRAIN 6PM VO :15

21 year old Justin Hackl still in critical condition after being hit by a train on Tuesday.

4/3 PIN A SISTER 10PM VOSOT :52

NAACP holds a Pin A Sister program to promote breast and cervical cancer screenings among African American women.

4/4 SKATEBOARD FATAL 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:19

Funeral held for 12 year old killed in Fairview Park skateboard incident, which remains under investigation

4/4 DECATUR CRASH 6PM VO :20

17 month old Allie Trulock's condition updated to serious.

4/4 MAN VS TRAIN 6PM VO :15

21 year old Justin Hackl still in critical condition.

4/4 ST. PAT'S SAFETY 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :34

Springfield cab companies gave 244 free rides home to people on St. Patricks' Day Saturday.

4/5 PED V TRAIN 5PM VO :21

21 year old Justin Hackl died this afternoon from injures suffered when he was hit by a train.

4/5 MORGAN CO. FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :22

45 Year old Larry Jones of Murrayville died when car he was working on rolled on top of him.

4/5 CRASH UPDATE 10PM VO :13

Carle Hospital says 17 month old Allie Trulock is in fair condition.

4/6 CANCER CONCERT 5PM PKG 1:45

A bar in Tolono holds a fund raiser for cancer patients. Story focuses on one cancer survivor who donates her time to raising money for cancer patients.

4/6 MOTORCYCLE AX 10PM VO :15

Motorcyclist hurt when he hit a curb on Southside Drive.

4/6 E.ENOS FIRE 10PM GRAPHIC :24

Springfield firefighters battle fire at 12th and E. Enos. House was vacant & police reports list cause as arson.

4/7 MAHOMET FIRE 5PM VO:29

An afternoon fire deystroys a home in Mahomet.

4/7 CHAMPAIGN DUMPTRUCK 5PM VO :24

Traffic was tied up this afternoon in Champaign, after a dumptruck flipped over.

4/7 TRAINING ADVANCE 5PM VOSOT :47

Police are planning a training exercise at a Springfield school tomorrow, and do no want people to panic.

4/7 HACKL DEAD 5PM VO: 19

A Decatur man hit by a train last week has died.

4/7 CRASH BABY 5PM VO: 20

A baby involved in a Decatur crash last week has taken another turn for the worse, and is now in critical condition.

4/7 ISP AWARDS 5PM VO:19

More than 100 people are recognized at the annual state police awards ceremony.

4/7 MAHOMET FIRE 6PM VOSOT :46

An afternoon fire deystroys a home in Mahomet.

4/8 SHOOTER EXERCISE 5pm VOSOT 1:32

Springfield police tested their response to an active shooter situation this afternoon at Lanphier high school.

4/8 WORKZONE SAFETY 5pm VO/GRX :21

National Work Zone Safety week will bring out advocates at area rest stops.

4/8 SEMI ROLLOVER 5PM VO:18

A semi overturned when it tried to make a turn and it's cargo apparently shifted.

4/8 DECATUR FIRE 5PM VO:16

Three people escaped a fire earlier today om Decatur, believes a cigarette sparked the blaze.

4/8 DANVILLE FIRE 6PM VO :22

The remains of a burned building in downtown danville... will be demolished.

4/8 MARTIN MEMORIAL 6PM GRX/VO :29

A date is now set for a sepcial ceremony to remember fallen douglas county sheriff's chief deputy Tommy Martin.

4/9 CONTROLLED BURN 5PM VO :26

IEPA does a controlled burn of grass at two Decatur landfills

4/9 WX SPOTTER CLASS 10PM VOSOT :45

Douglas County EMA and National Weather Service hold a storm spotter training class in Tuscola

4/10 SPFLD HAZMAT 5PM VOSOT :46

Springfield Fire Dept. Haz-Mat unit responds to Howlett Building after a Secretary of State employee found a suspicious letter.

4/10 EMERGENCY PHONES 5PM VOSOT :44

Mt. Zion school district tests it's new emergency notification system to parents.

4/10 LAKE SHELBYVILLE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:12

Army Corps of Engineers holds a public meeting in Shelbyville. Discussing how they plan to increase water patrols to reduce boating accidents and deaths.

4/10 JERRY MATHERS 5PM VOSOT 1:02

Leave It To Beaver star Jerry Mathers in the area for the Help Is Here bus tour.. to promote free prescription drug programs.

4/10 MARTIN MEMORIAL 6PM PKG 1:57

A look at the memorial to the late Douglas County Chief Deputy Tommy Martin.. which will be dedicated next month.

4/11 ELDO CAR AX 5PM VO :15

Pickup and car involved in a wreck at Eldorado & Union streets in Decatur. No word on injuries.

4/11 WORK ZONE SAFETY 5PM VOSOT :47

IDOT, State Police,, and Laborer's union reps at I-55 rest area near Sherman reminding drivers to slow down in construction zones.

4/11 NETSMARTZ 6PM VOSOT :43

State Police hold internet safety seminar for 6th graders thru high school students in Springfield.

4/11 CHILD ABUSE RIBBONS 6PM VO:20

SIU Medical School students put up blue ribbons to call awareness to child abuse cases in Sangamon County.

4/11 IROQUOIS FEMA 10PM VO :28

FEMA has now approved more than 6 1/2 million dollars in federal disaster assistance to Iroquois and Livingston Counties.

4/11 SPFLD FIRE 10PM VOSOT :43

Fire severely damages a Springfield home at 256 Maple Grove Road. Lack of water supply in the area hampered efforts. Fire began in the garage and destroyed the whole house.

4/12 MAPLE GROVE FIRE 10PM VO :26

Homeowner tells fire inspectors that he was grilling in the garage before the fire that destroyed the house began.

4/13 REST STOP SECURITY 5PM VO:20

Governor's office says 52 state highway rest areas will get new security cameras and emergency phones.

4/15 IL CAMPUS SECURITY 5PM VOSOT 1:00

Illinois Campus Security Task Force releases recommendations for improving safety on college campuses statewide.

4/15 SPFLD FIRE 5PM VO :14

Fire destroys a trailer in Springfield's Riverside Park.

4/15 CARLE DISASTER 6PM VOSOT :45

Carle Hospital announces it's entered into a partnership with a crisis management team to develop a new disaster preparedness plan.

4/15 COAL MINE SAFETY 6PM VO:30

Illinois has now gone 5 years without a coal mining death.

4/16 IGA FIRE 5PM PKG 1:57

Villa Grove IGA catches fire. Town's only grocery store will be closed for up to a month.

4/16 CHATHAM FIRE 5PM VO :31

Small fire in the boys bathroom of Glenwood Intermediate school.

4/16 BIANCO SEARCH 5PM LIVE VO 1:02

Another search for missing Riverton woman Michelle Bianco gets underway in Springfield.

4/16 SEMI PAPAYAS 5PM GRAPHICS :28

Semi carrying papayas flips on Interstate 55 in northern Montgomery County. Driver wasn't hurt.

4/16 URBANA MISSING FAMILY 6PM GRAPHIC :50

Urbana police say a family headed to California hasn't been heard from.

4/16 ALLIE TRULOCK 10PM VO :35

17 month old Allie Trulock is out of Carle Hospital, and is now at a rehab facility in St. Louis.

4/17 SPFLD FIRE 5PM VOSOT :45

Fire breaks out at Richardson Manufacturing Company in Springfield.

4/17 GAS MAIN AX 5PM VO :47

Some businesses evacuated after someone broke a gas main at the intersection of Cook & College in Springfield.

4/17 WEED OVERSPRAY 5PM LIVE PKG 1:53

Reminder of new Decatur city ordinance governing use of herbicides & pesticides.

4/17 DMH RIBBONS 6PM VOSOT :53

DMH pediatric department putting up blue ribbons as part of Child abuse awareness month.

- 4/17 TAKE BACK NIGHT 10PM VOSOT :58

 Annual Take Back the Night march & rally against sexual assault in Champaign.
- 4/17 DOM VIOLENCE TRAIN 10PM VOSOT :54

 DOVE training new volunteers who want to become counselors to domestic violence victims.

4/18 QUAKE EPICENTER 5PM LIVE VOSOT 2:30

5.2 magnitude earthquake rattles southern and central Illinois. Epicenter was near West Salem in Edwards County. Damage is minimal.

4/18 QUAKE RESPONSE 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:19

911 calls light up police switchboards after the earthquake. IEMA says it does not expect to make a federal disaster declaration request.

- 4/18 MIDWEST EFFECTS 5PM VO :25

 Quake felt in Chicago and Nashville
- 4/18 MOS REAX 5PM SOT :48

 Man on street reaction to the earthquake

4/18 MOTORCYCLE FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :26

Motorcyclist killed Thursday afternoon in rural Logan County after he lost control of the motorcycle and was hit by a semi.

4/18 DISASTER PLAN 6PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT 1:19

U of I's Mid America Earthquake Center says today's earthquake was a test of a plan to deal with a bigger earthquake in the future.

- 4/18 USGS INTERVIEW 6PM SOT :44
 - US Geological Survey says the earthquake was a moderate one.. and not unexpected.
- 4/18 FIRE RECRUITS 10PM VO :14

Four new Decatur firefighters officially graduate training and get their badges

4/19 DECATUR FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :22

Brandon Keppler of Decatur killed when his car crossed the median of Interstate 24 in Kentucky, and was hit by a semi.

- 4/19 DOUGLAS FATAL 10PM GRAPHIC :31
 - 1 killed, one hurt in a crash on US 45 in Douglas County
- 4/19 WESTVILLE FIRE 10PM VO :32

Fire severely damages what used to be the Interstate Heat treating facility in Danville.

- 4/19 SEARCH & RESCUE 10PM VOSOT :40
 - Area search & rescue teams hold a training event in Effingham County
- 4/19 MILE IN HER SHOES 10PM VOSOT :35

Men walk through downtown Springfield in heels wo raise awareness about rape, etc.

4/19 BONE MARROW DRIVE 10PM VO :13

Bone Marrow Drive at Decatur's Holy Family church

4/20 CHILD HIT 5PM VO :42

7 year old Springfield boy riding his bike hit by an ambulance and killed.

4/20 PRAIRIE ST. FIRE 5PM VO :30

Fire severely damages a home in the 1000 block of East Prairie street in Decatur

4/20 MLK ACCIDENT 5PM VO :20

Two vehicle accident sends two people to hospital at MLK & Pershing in Decatur

4/20 DOUGLAS FATAL FOLO 5PM GRAPHIC :20

Names released in yesterday's fatal crash in Douglas County.

4/20 MISSING WOMAN 10pm PKG 1:57

Family members of Michelle Bianco hold another search for her.

4/20 SCHOOL SECURITY 5PM VO :27

Governor's office says more than 4000 school officials have gone through a state school security program.

4/20 BLESSING BIKES 5PM VOSOT :31

Annual Blessing of the Bikes at Decatur's Cozhiar Harley-Davidson.

4/20 VILLA GROVE 10PM VO :31

City offering free transportation out of town to buy groceries for residents who can't drive

4/21 CHILD HIT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:48

7 year old Springfield boy dies in a St. Louis hospital after he was hit by an ambulance while riding his bike on Saturday. Neighbors say broken street lights may have been a factor.

4/21 WX RADIOS 5PM LIVE INTERVIEW 1:36

WAND & Mid Illinois Chapter of the Red Cross selling NOAA weather radios in Decatur for a special price.

4/21 QUAKE PREPARE 5PM GRAPHICS/SOT :48

American Red Cross tips for what to do in case of an earthquake.

4/21 WATER QUALITY 5PM VO/GRAPHICS :39

Advancer to roundtable discussion Tuesday on quality & quantity of the Central Illinois water supply.

4/21 BRANDON KEPPLER 6PM GRAPHIC :33

Army Specialist Brandon Keppler killed in a weekend traffic crash in Kentucky over the weekend.

4/21 EARTHQUAKE PETS 6PM VOSOT :58

Some area residents say the earthquake freaked out their pets.

4/21 WESTVILLE FIRE 10PM PKG 2:31

Westville firefighters say weekend fire at old Interstate Heat Treating company building was arson & there was no threat of toxic fumes from the fire.

4/21 AFTERSHOCKS 10PM VO :25

US Geological Survey says there have been 22 recorded aftershoks.. including a 4.0 early this morning.

4/22 AMEREN SUBSTATION 6PM READER :25

Ameren substation at Wood & MLK in Decatur blows a fuse.. making a big noise and a few puffs of smoke.. also knocked out power to about 2300 customers.

4/22 AMBULANCE RATES 6PM GRAPHIC/PKG 2:19

Medix Ambulance service in Danville says it's raising its prices due to rising fuel and insurance costs. Some other local ambulance services are doing the same.

4/22 SHRINER'S EVENT 6PM VO :30

Shriner's Hospitals holding a free screening in Champaign this Saturday.

4/22 CLINTON FIRE 10PM VO :15

Shed burns down outside Clinton. Property owner was burning stuff nearby.

4/22 WASHINGTON ST. FIRE 10PM VO :09

Fire causes damage to a garage at a home on East Washington St. in Clinton.

4/23 AFTERSHOCKS 5PM VO:27

Another aftershock recorded around 8:30.. registered 2.1

4/23 SERVICE DOG EXAMS 5PM VOSOT :54

U of I Vet school offering free eye exams for service dogs.

4/23 HOSTAGE NEGOTIATE 10PM 2:07

Springfield Police hold a hostage negotiation training exercise at the Municipal Building.

4/24 SPFLD FIRE 10PM VO :18

Garage fire in the 3000 block of 13th Street in Springfield. Owner was burning trash and wind picked up spreading flames to garage.

4/24 ST. MARY'S TOMOTHERAPY 10PM VOSOT :45

St. Mary's Hospital shows off it's new tomotherapy cancer treatment machine. It's one of only 250 in the world.

4/25 SPFLD CAR AX 5PM VO :10

Five vehicles involved in accident at Walnut & Washington in Springfield. No one hurt.

4/25 PET OXYGEN MASKS 5PM PKG 1:35

A Champaign Brownie troop used money from cookie sales to buy the fire department a pet oxygen mask.

4/25 POLE/TREES DOWN 10PM VO :21

Severe thunderstorm snaps a power pole in Decatur's Ravina Park area.. also trees reported down on West End.

4/25 MARTIN MEDAL 10PM VO :32

Slain Douglas County Chief Deputy Tommy Martin will receive the State of Illinois Governor's Award Medal of Honor next month. It's the state's highest award.

4/26 GO GREEN 5PM PKG 1:48

Two groups on the U of I hold an electronics recycling drive

4/26 SEMI OVERTURN 5PM VO :15

Another semi rolls over on the Route 51/I-72 interchange in north Decatur. Driver not

hurt.

4/26 WABASH CROSSING 5PM VOSOT :32

Wabash Crossing neighborhood group holds meeting.. talk about setting up a neighborhood watch program with Decatur Police.

4/26 TREE PLANTING 5PM VOSOT :42

Friends of Virginia Tech shooting victim Austin Cloyd plant a tree in her memory at Champaign's Centennial Park.

4/26 TAYLOR MEMORIAL 10PM VO :27

Taylor University in Indiana dedicates a prayer chapel in memory of five victims of a van crash. One of the victims was Betsy Smith of Mt. Zion.

4/26 CARE TRAK 10PM VOSOT :41

Benefit to raise money for device that helps police track down and locate people with alzheimer's and other mental disorders if they wander off.

4/26 URBANA FIRE 10PM VO :29

Three townhomes damaged in a fire in the 900 block of Lierman in Urbana.

4/27 MISSING WOMAN 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:35

Search continues for missing Riverton woman Michelle Bianco.

4/27 LOGAN CO. FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :18

One person killed in a single vehicle crash on Interstate 55 near Lincoln.

4/27 URBANA FIRE 5PM VOSOT :45

Investigators looking for cause of fire in Woodstone Townhomes in the 900 block of Lierman in Urbana.

4/28 SPFLD MISSING TEEN 5PM GRAPHIC :26

Springfield police say 16 year old Shaylee Hill hasn't been seen since January 24th. She was found later tonight with friends in Bloomington.

4/28 BIANCO SEARCH 5PM VO :30

Family and friends latest search for Michelle Bianco over the weekend turns up nothing.

4/28 RANTOUL FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :20

18 year old Devin Fiedler of Rantoul died of head injuries suffered in a car wreck last week.

4/28 URBANA DEATH 5PM GRAPHIC :38

Champaign woman died last week.. found laying in the middle of 1200 block E.

Florida. Police think she was hanging onto the side of a pickup and fell off. Pickup driver hasn't come forward.

4/28 URBANA APT FIRE 5PM VO :29

Cause of Saturday fire at Woodstone Townhomes still undetermined.. but did start in mechanical area on the roof

4/28 LABOR MEMORIAL 5PM VO :46

Decatur Trades & Labor Assembly holds Workers Memorial Day ceremony at the Macon County Courthouse.

4/28 DECATUR FIRE 6PM LIVE VO 1:15

Fire breaks out in the old YWCA Wear To Work program office. Lots of old clothes ruined. Program had ended and they were in the process of moving out.

4/28 DRUGS/WATER SUPPLY 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:17

CWLP says an independent study found minute traces of some pharmaceutical drugs in the water supply. Nowhere near enough to pose a health threat.

4/28 LOGAN CO FATAL 6PM GRAPHIC :17

State police release name of man killed in a 1 car crash on I-55 in Logan Co. It's 38 year old Timothy Call of Bloomington.

4/29 MED DROPOFF 5PM PKG 1:40

Carle RX Express Pharmacies held an old medication collection last week.. collected over 500 pounds of old meds that will be incinerated in Texas.

4/29 CERVICAL CANCER 5PM VOSOT :57

Lt. Governor announces new state effort aimed at getting the word out about early screening for cervical cancer.

4/29 COLON CANCER 5PM VOSOT :48

Decatur Memorial Hospital and American Cancer Society teaming up for new campaign aimed at reducing a higher than normal rate of colon cancer cases already in advanced stages.

4/29 MOTORCYCLE SAFETY 6PM VO :30

IDOT & State Police launch this year's Start Seeing Motorcycles safety campaign.

4/29 RT 51 AX 6PM VO :18

Two people hurt in a 3 vehicle accident at Route 51 & Grove Road in Decatur

4/29 RAILROAD WORK 6PM VO :26

Several streets will be closed periodically in Springfield as Union Pacific replaces the 3rd street rail line

4/29 SANG CO STD'S 10PM LIVE PKG 2:20

State Health Department holds a meeting for teens and their parents about the rising level of sexually transmitted diseases in Sangamon County.. especially among teens.

4/30 PANA DQ 6PM VOSOT :45

Overnight fire severely damages the interior of the Pana Dairy Queen.

4/30 CASA PLAYHOUSES 10PM VO :34

Macon County Court Appointed Special Advocates hold annual playhouse raffle at Hickory Point Mall.

5/01 POLICE MEMORIAL 5PM VOSOT 1:01

State trooper Brian McMillen and Douglas County Chief Deputy Tommy Martin's names added to the State Police memorial in Springfield

5/01 MACON SHERIFFS 5PM VOSOT :56

Macon County Sheriff's Dept. now contracted with Village of Argenta to provide police services. Similar to deals with Forsyth & Macon.

5/01 GAS MAIN AX 5PM VO :19

Person who broke a gas line with an auger in Springfield a couple weeks ago didn't call JULIE before digging and now faces fines.

5/01 811 DIG 5PM VOSOT :49

Representative from JULIE explains importance of calling first before digging.

5/01 TEEN DRIVING 6PM VOSOT :47

Secretary of State's office says teen driving deaths in Illinois were down last year.. in part due to tougher teen driving laws.

5/01 DIALYSIS DEATH 10PM GRAPHIC :34

Cass County man dies at a Jacksonville dialysis center when a tube disconnected and he bled to death.

5/02 SEVERE WX 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:19

Severe storms moved through the area this morning but no significant damage. Taylorville's new sirens worked perfectly

5/02 EMS TRAINING 5PM PKG 2:05

Several area fire departments undergo training in Villa Grove for hazardous materials incidents involving rail cars.

5/4 PED V CAR 5PM VO :38

Pedestrian hit and killed by a pickup on High Cross road in Urbana around 2:45 am

5/4 BIKE SAFETY 5PM PKG 1:55

Champaign County Bikes group launches new community education program to keep bicyclists safe.

5/4 CIVIL AIR PATROL 5PM LIVE PKG 2:25

Civil Air Patrol olds its annual preparedness training event in Springfield.

5/4 MOTORCYCLE 5PM VOSOT :46

ABATE holds annual Freedom Rally in Springfield to kick off motorcycle awareness month.

5/4 N.MAIN FIRE 10PM VO :28

Fire severely damages a home in the 1000 block of North Main in Decatur.

5/5 URBANA CRASH 5PM READER :24

U of I student hit by a truck at Springfield & Goodwin in Urbana.. student slightly injured.

5/5 PLANE CRASH DRILL 5PM :34

Emergency responders will take part in a simulated plane crash drill tomorrow.

5/5 FATAL AX FOLO 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :41

Urbana police looking for information into a homeless man being hit and killed by a car over the weekend.

5/5 PINEHURST FIRE 10PM VO :14

Fire breaks out in a home in the 3200 block of South Pinehurst in Decatur around 6pm. No injuries, no cause yet.

5/5 BRUSH FIRE 10PM VO :13

Big brush fire near Mound Road in Decatur.. great video.. big flames. Looks like a brush fire from California.

5/5 DECONTAMINATION DRILL 10PM VO :30

Decatur area emergency responders participate in a decontamination drill at St. Mary's Hospital. There was also a similar drill at DMH at the same time.

5/6 DUFFLE BAG 5PM VO :26

Secretary of State Bomb Squad called to the Firefighter's Memorial at the State Capitol because someone left a duffle bag behind.

5/6 PLANE CRASH FATAL 5PM VOSOT :49

Petersburg man killed in a small plane crash in southern Wisconsin on Monday.

5/6 PLANE CRASH DRILL 5PM VO :19

Springfield area emergency responders take part in a mock passenger plane crash at Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport.

5/6 FIREMEN RECRUITS 1 5PM PKG 4:07

A behind the scenes look at the training four Decatur Fire Department recruits went through.

5/6 CLICK IT TICKET 6PM VO :32

State and local police plan to increase seat belt compliance patrols statwide through June 1st.

5/6 SAFE ROUTES TO SCHL 10PM LIVE PKG 1:52

City of Decatur trying to get federal money for the Safe Routes to School Program for certain schools in Decatur to make sure kids can walk or ride bikes to school safely.

5/6 FIREMEN RECRUITS 2 10PM PKG 3:44

More behind-the-scenes look at training new Decatur firefighter recruits went through.

5/7 CWLP BLAST REPORTS 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:20

City Water Light & Power releases two reports on the November explosion at the Dallman Power Station. Reports show failure of two sets of valves in the turbine started the chain reaction of events that led to the blast.

5/7 FIREMEN GRADUATION 5PM PKG 4:28

Behind the scenes look at four Decatur firefighter recruits. This is their graduation from the fire academy.

5/7 DANVILLE DRILL 6PM PKG 1:54

Vermilion County emergency responders hold drill to respond to a large scale anthrax scare.. even involved a Walgreens drug store.

5/7 FIREMEN 1ST DAY 10PM PKG 4:00

Behind the scenes look at four Decatur firefighter recruits. This is their first day on the job.

5/8 FIREMEN 1ST CALL 5PM PKG 3:58

Behind the scenes look at four Decatur firefighter recruits as they go on their first run.

5/8 FACEBOOK 6PM VO :32

Attorney General Lisa Madigan reaches agreement with Facebook to remove registered sex offender pages and other safety measures.

5/8 CELL PHONE DRIVE 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :39

Used cell phone drive underway for domestic violence victims.

5/8 POLICE SWEAR IN 6PM VOSOT :44

10 new Decatur Police officers are sworn in

5/8 SPFLD POLICE AWARDS 6PM VOSOT :39

Springfield Police Dept. holds it's annual awards ceremony.

5/8 FIREMEN OVERNIGHT 10PM PKG 3:49

Behind the scenes look at four Decatur firefighter recruits as they work their first overnight shift.

5/9 TRAIN FATAL 5PM GRAPHIC :32

43 year old David Mentzer of Arthur hit & killed by a train early this morning. Was trying to cross the tracks on his way to work.. tripped and fell in front of the oncoming train.

5/9 MEDICAID WEB PORTAL 5PM VO :28

State launches new website aimed at reducing medical mix-ups in the Medicaid system.

5/9 FIREMEN ADVNCE TRAIN 5PM PKG 3:29

Behind the scenes look at new Decatur firefighters as they go through advanced training.

5/9 LOGAN FATAL 6PM VO :20

Logan County coroner's jury rules the deaths of four teenagers killed in a crash back in February accidental.

5/9 JVILLE FATAL CRASH 10PM GRAPHIC :22

81 year old Gilbert Todd killed in a rollover crash just before noon. Apparently he was a well known banker in Jacksonville.

5/9 CHAMP POLICE AWARDS 10PM VO :30

Champaign Police get a award from the Federal Law Enforcement Officers Association for it's efforts in solving the La Bamba restaurant owner's kidnapping.

5/10 GUN SAFETY 5PM VOSOT :39

Sangamon County Sheriff's office holds handgun safety clinic.

5/10 RABIES CLINIC 5PM VOSOT :28

Several Macon County animal clinics hold a rabies clinic at Harristown Fire Department.

5/10 COMMUNITY FAIR 5PM VO :29

Decatur's Greenwood Neighborhood Organizations holds Emergency Services Community Fair at Coates Park.

5/10 CRASH 10PM VO :25

One person hurt in crash at Route 51 & Barnett in Forsyth.

5/11 STORMY WEATHER 10PM 1:25

Strong winds knock down trees and power lines in Vermilion County.

5/11 WALKABILITY AUDIT 10PM VO :29

City of Decatur and other groups going around Harris School area in effort to get Safe Routes to School funding.

5/11 BREAST CANCER 10PM VOSOT :43

Decatur women's prison inmates hold a Pin a Sister Breast Cancer awareness program.

5/12 DUPLEX FIRE BODY 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:22

Springfield man with multiple sclerosis dies when his duplex catches fire at around 4:30 this morning.

5/12 SEMI ROLLOVER 5PM VO:42

Semi dump truck experiences a mechanical problem on West Eldorado street by Millikin, dump truck bed lifts and flips the truck over. No one hurt but traffic affected for most of the day.

5/12 GAS LINE RUPTURE 5PM GRAPHIC :12

Utility crew accidentally ruptures a gas line in Springfield on 6th Street between Pine & South Grand.

5/12 WALKABILITY AUDIT 5PM VOSOT 1:00

Students from Decatur's Harris School walk four different routes around the school in an effort to improve safety and security for kids who walk and ride bikes to school.

5/13 SPFLD DUPLEX FOLO 5PM VO :28

Victim of Springfield duplex fire ID as 44 year old Mark Davidson. Cause of fire remains under investigation.

5/13 DEPUTY CRASH 5PM VO :31

Sangamon County sheriff's deputy involved in crash at 6th & South Grand in Springfield. Deputy John McDowell ticketed for running a red light. Other driver got ticketed for no proof of insurance. Both slightly injured.

5/13 INTERNET SAFETY 5PM VOSOT :48

Maroa-Forsyth Middle School students take part in an internet safety seminar.

5/13 AG SAFETY 6PM VOSOT :46

Some 250 students from Bement, Monticello and Atwood-Hammond schools attend a farm safety seminar.

5/13 VILLA PARK DUI CRASH 10PM VO :35

20 year old Gabriela Dawson of Decatur killed after her car hit a tree at a high rate of speed overnight in Villa Park. Police believe she may have been drunk.

5/14 MISSING TEEN 5PM LIVE PKG 2:19

Search underway in Logan County for 18 year old Billy Ray Eskew, who left a group of friends at a campsite south of Lincoln.

5/14 SPFLD FIRE 5PM VO :16

Springfield Fire Department investigating fire at 1001 South 14th.

5/14 SWAT TRAIN ADVANCE 5PM GRAPHIC :23

Champaign Police SWAT team will be training at 2007 Round Barn Road tomorrow.

5/14 BIANCO SEARCH 10PM VO :23

Family & Friends search the area of South Grand & Wheeler for Michelle Bianco.. who's now been missing since April 5.

5/15 LOGAN CO. SEARCH 5PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT :56

Search resumes for 18 year old Billy Ray Eskew in an area south of Lincoln.

5/15 CHINA QUAKE VIGIL 10PM VOSOT/GRAPHIC 1:05

Chinese students at U of I hold a vigil for earthquake victims at U of I quad.

- 5/15 W. KING FIRE 10PM VO :24
- Late afternoon fire does some 20-thousand dollars damage to a home on West King Street in Decatur.
 - 5/15 FATAL ACCIDENT 10PM GRAPHIC :26

87 year old Elmhurst man killed in a crash at Route 51 and Andrews Street in Macon.

5/15 CLINTON NUCLEAR SAFETY 10PM VOSOT :46

Clinton nuclear power plant gets good grades in it's 2007 safety assessment by the NRC.

5/15 FIREFIGHTER AWARDS 10PM VOSOT :38

Annual firefighters memorial ceremony in Springfield.

5/16 POLICE MEMORIAL DAY 5PM PKG 1:59

Champaign Police hold a memorial service for fellow officers who were killed in the line of duty.

5/16 NBA CANCER SCREEN 5PM GRAPHIC :32

State health department holding prostate cancer screening and basketball tournament at Springfield Southeast HS Saturday. Retired Chicago Bull Bob Love will be there.

5/16 ESKEW SEARCH 6PM LIVE VO 1:50

Searchers focus their efforts on finding Billy Ray Eskew on Salt Creek.

5/16 CHINA COLLECTIONS 10PM PKG 2:11

Chinese students at U of I have collected 5-thousand dollars so far for earthquake victims..

5/17 ESKEW SEARCH 5PM PKG 2:05

Searchers for Billy Ray Eskew look in an area of Lincoln and back onto Salt Creek.

5/17 FATAL ACCIDENT 5PM GRAPHIC :19

25 year old Brett Tolley of Fisher killed in a crash on a rural Champaign County road.

5/17 RELAY FOR LIFE 5PM PKG 1:26

American Cancer Society holds a relay for life fundraiser at Champaign Centennial High School.

5/17 CANCER SCREENINGS 5PM VOSOT :37

State health department holding prostate cancer screening and basketball tournament at Springfield Southeast HS. Retired Chicago Bull Bob Love was there.

5/17 BLOOD DRIVE 10PM VO :23

American Red Cross holds a blood drive at the Macon County Farm Bureau.

5/18 MILLS BREAST CANCER 5PM VOSOT :39

Mills Breast Cancer Institute at Carle Hospital holds open house.

5/18 WEST NILE MONEY 10PM VO :34

State giving local health departments nearly 3 million dollars to fight mosquitoes and West Nile Virus

5/19 ESKEW SEARCH 6PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT :45

Search continues for Billy Ray Eskew.. teams looked on the west side of Lincoln. Bad weather isn't helping because current in Salt Creek is too swift for divers and making it hard for DNR to control their boats.

5/19 DISCOLORED WATER 6PM VO :31

Illinois American Water says it's flushing water mains and fire hydrants in the Champaign area. Warning customers they may notice a funny taste or odor in the coming weeks.

5/20 TRAIN DERAIL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:25

Train derails at Route 121 & Riedel in Decatur by the county fairgrounds. Roughly eight coal cars and a locomotive jumped the tracks. No one hurt but eastbound 121 shut down for cleanup.

5/20 DISABLED RESIDENTS 5PM VOSOT :43

Springfield Center for Independent Living holds a meeting with Taylorville residents with disabilities to improve services for them in the community.

5/20 EARTHQUAKE CONCERT 5PM GRAPHIC :26

Advancer for fundraiser concert for Chinese earthquake victims tomorrow at the U of I.

5/21 BILLY RAY ESKEW 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:43

Search for Billy Ray Eskew moves to Kickapoo Creek park on Lincoln's north side.

5/21 TRAIN DERAIL 5PM VO :24

Cleanup continues on the northwest side of Decatur where a train derailed yesterday.

5/21 KID EYE EXAMS 5PM VOSOT :45

State lawmakers hold news conference at the Capitol to remind parents of kindergartners and kids entering school for the first time that eye exams are now required by law before entering school.

5/21 POOL INSPECTOR 6PM LIVE PKG 1:49

State health inspectors going around checking public pools to make sure the water is properly chlorinated to stop waterborne illnesses.

5/21 MAN ON BIKE HIT 10PM VO :33

Bicyclist hit by a car in the 3100 block of North Charles in Decatur. Cyclist taken to hospital.. driver of the car ticketed.

5/21 EARTHQUAKE CONCERT 10PM PKG 2:05

U of I music students including one from the area in China hit hardest by the earthquake hold a fundraising concert for earthquake victims.

5/21 AMEREN STORM 10PM VOSOT :43

Ameren holds open house for new storm trailer that's coming to Decatur. It helps train workers to get power back on after storms and improve communication with customers.

5/22 ESKEW SEARCH 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :27

Search for Billy Ray Eskew returns to Salt Creek area.

5/22 TRAIN DERAIL 5PM VO :20

Cleanup of train derailment on Decatur's northwest side taking longer than expected.

5/22 CHAMPAIGN CRASH 6PM GRAPHIC :19

Motorcyclist hurt in a crash at Crescent & Southwood in Champaign.

5/23 GOVERNOR'S AWARDS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:26

Fallen police officers State Trooper Brian McMillen and Douglas County Chief Deputy Tommy Martin receive Law Enforcement Medal of Honor.

5/23 SPFLD FATAL CRASH 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :30

29 year old Nicole Zike of Springfield, formerly of Effingham, killed in a single car crash at MLK & Morgan Streets in Springfield. Two other passengers hurt.

5/23 DUI HITS COP 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :26

22 year old Jessica Chambers runs into the back of a Champaign Police car at Springfield & Randolph .and gets arrested for DUI. Police officer was treated and released from the hospital.

5/23 CLICK IT/TICKET 5PM VO:19

Police are doing a seat belt enforcement crackdown during the Memorial Day holiday weekend.

5/23 TRAIN DERAIL 5PM VO :15

Cleanup of the train derailment along Route 121 in Decatur is over.

5/23 ESKEW IN-DEPTH 6PM LIVE PKG 1:45

Search for Billy Ray Eskew continues.. now as the search continues rumors about what happened are swirling around Lincoln.

5/23 BLUE MOUND CRASH 10PM READER :20

Several people reported hurt in a crash on Route 48 in Blue Mound

5/24 MARTIN MEMORIAL PKG 5PM 1:58

Memorial to fallen Douglas County Chief Deputy Tommy Martin dedicated at Sheriff's Dept.

5/24 BLUE MOUND ACCIDENT 5PM VO:43

A total of eight people were hurt in a three vehicle crash on Route 48 just south of Boody last night. One man airlifted to a Springfield hospital. Three others remain hospitalized in fair condition.

5/24 CHAMPAIGN FIRE 5PM VO :27

Fire at a home at 1204 Clock Street in Champaign caused about 10 thousand dollars damage.

5/24 POLICE PATROL 5PM VOSOT :46

It's not just the highways where police are stepping up patrols for the holiday weekend. Springfield Police increasing patrols on Lake Springfield.

5/25 MISSING CHILDREN DAY 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :32

Missing Children day in Illinois, Gov.'s office wants parents to take 25 minutes to talk to kids about safety and abduction prevention.

5/26 DOWNED POWER LINES 5PM VO :24

High winds knock down more than a dozen power poles in eastern Macon County, closing part of Route 36 and knocking out power to dozens of rural homes.

5/26 BOAT SAFETY 10PM LIVE PKG 2:18

First day of the summer boating season. Springfield police boat patrol out checking things out to make sure people are boating safely.

5/27 BODY FOUND 5PM LIVE VO 1:20

Searchers think they found Billy Ray Eskew's body yesterday in Salt Creek about two miles where he disappeared from.

5/27 ATHENS WATER 5PM VO :37

Problems with a well pump has Athens putting water restrictions into place.

5/27 WX RADIOS 6PM VO :31

The Mid-Illinois chapter of the American Red Cross today received 100 NOAA weather radios.It's the last shipment for our special offer.

5/27 CURB CHECK 10PM LIVE PKG 2:14

Advocacy group for the disabled say crumbling sidewalks and curbs are making it dangerous for the disabled in Springfield.

5/28 DIESEL SPILL 5PM VO :31

Collision between two semi trucks at Brush College & Reas Bridge Road in Decatur spills 100 gallons of diesel fuel. One driver taken to the hospital.

5/28 HOMELAND SECURITY 5PM VO :29

Local Emergency agencies can apply for federal grants to buy emergency equipment.

5/28 I-57 6PM LIVE PHONER :37

Multiple vehicle accident happened around 4:30 on Interstate 57 in Champaign County.

5/28 DOCTOR DIES 10PM GRAPHIC :24

Doctor Harvey Scott of Jacksonville hit by a car and killed while bicycling in Italy.

5/29 HUMAN REMAINS ID 5PM VO :45

Human remains found in a submerged car in Lake Decatur last June positively identified as Shannon Green, who disappeared in 1999.

5/29 TALL GRASS 5PM LIVE PKG 1:55

Grass continues to grow in medians of state highways and isn't getting cut due to IDOT's funding issues.

5/29 YOUTH POLICE 5PM PKG 2:07

Champaign police hosting a summer youth police academy for kids 12-14.

5/29 SHERIFF DAWSON 6PM LIVE PKG 2:07

Macon County Sheriff Jerry Dawson says he's going to retire at the end of August.

5/29 CHILD HIT 10PM VO :33

Child hit by a car in the 1300 block of Martin Luther King in Decatur. Child seriously hurt.

5/29 WORK ZONE 10PM GRAPHIC :23

IDOT beginning construction work on the W. Lake Shore Drive bridge over Interstate 55 in Springfield.

5/30 DEC/PANA KIDS HIT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:28

6 year old Bryson Jones died after being hit by a car in the 1300 block of Martin Luther King in Decatur. Child in Pana also hit by a car while riding a bike but wasn't seriously hurt.

5/30 SHANNON GREEN 5PM VOSOT :55

Remains found in submerged car in Lake Decatur last June positively identified as Shannon Green, who disappeared in 1999.

5/30 FIRE DEPT GRANTS 5PM VO :23

State Fire Marshal says local fire departments can apply for grants for small equipment.

5/30 ONLINE DOG AUCTIONS 5PM VOSOT :50

Macon County Animal Control & Care Center checked out an online dog auction, ended up going to southwest Missouri where they found several dogs in inhumane conditions.

5/30 EHAM FIREFIGHTERS 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :31

Effingham firefighters planning to go door to door to check residents' smoke detectors. Will replace batteries or the detector if need be.

5/30 SPFLD DAMAGE 10PM VO :16

Severe storms dump heavy rain and floods roads in Sangamon County

5/30 NIANTIC LIGHTNING 10PM VO :13

Lightning lights up the skies over Niantic.. heavy rain stops traffic on Route 36.

5/30 TRUCK V POLE 10PM VO :15

During the storm, driver of a pickup hit a power pole at Jasper & Rogers in Decatur.

5/30 DEC DAMAGE 10PM VO :10

Heavy rain in Decatur.

5/31 CHAMP DAMAGE 5PM VO :25

Tolono one of the hardest-hit areas in Champaign County by last nights' storms.

5/31 BOIL ORDER 5PM GRAPHIC :19

Hammond under a boil order due to a water main break.

5/31 BRYSON JONES VIGIL 10PM GRAPHIC/VOSOT :49

Candlelight vigil for Bryson Jones, child hit and killed by a car earlier this week.

6/1 TVILLE PED HIT 10PM VO :20

Pedestrian hit by a truck in the 400 block of West Spresser in Taylorville this afternoon.

6/1 CHAMPAIGN PD MTG 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :16

Champaign Police holding a district meeting for residents Monday evening.

6/1 RED CROSS CLOSE 10PM VO :36

Danville Red Cross chapter holds a final blood drive in it's building. The building closes Monday and services will be rendered in other locations.

6/2 MIDDELFORK RIVER 5PM PKG 2:13

Middle Fork of the Vermilion River closed to boaters due to strong current & debris.

6/2 FATAL MOTORCYCLE 5PM GRAPHIC :17

Waverly couple killed in a motorcycle crash on Route 67 Sunday.

6/2 TVILLE PED HIT 5PM VO :21

87 yea old Joe Nagle in fair condition at Springfield Memorial after being hit by a truck in Taylorville yesterday.

6/2 DECATUR WATER 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :44

City of Decatur has comprehensive tests done on its water. A few small amounts of three different pharmaceuticals were found.

6/2 DVILLE RED CROSS 5PM VO :33

Danville Red Cross closing its building this evening.

6/2 TVILLE RUNWAY 6PM PKG 2:03

New runway at Taylorville airport has a problem: Water tower is in the approach path and blocks pilot's view of Plazi lights which helps them land. Asking FAA to raise the glide scope from three percent to four.

6/2 EHAM FIREFIGHTERS 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :32

Effingham firefighters going door to door tonight checking residents smoke detectors & replacing batteries and smoke detectors if need be.

6/2 WEATHER RADIOS 10PM VO :32

Weather radios still on sale at the Decatur Red Cross & Schnucks stores in Champaign-Urbana & Springfield.

6/2 N-HOOD MEET 10PM VO :37

Champaign Police hold a neighborhood meeting to speak to residents about their concerns.

6/2 GAS PLANT 10PM VO :37

IEPA says area around former coal gasification plant in Champaign is safe even thought some tests are still being done.

6/2 CATERPILLAR SMOKING 10PM VO :30

Caterpillar banning smoking at all plants.. and union says some workers already being suspended for violating ban.

6/3 BILLY RAY ESKEW 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :36

Logan County coroner confirms body found in Salt Creek is Billy Ray Eskew.

6/3 HESSEL PARK 5PM GRAPHIC :24

Champaign's Hessel Park underwater due to heavy rains.. will be closed for awhile

6/3 OAKLEY FLOODING 5PM GRAPHIC :15

Picture of flooding in Oakley area

6/3 SHERMAN FLOODING 5PM GRAPHIC :10

Picture of flooding in Sherman area

6/3 AUBURN LIGHTNING 5PM GRAPHIC :24

Picture of lightning strike in the Auburn area

6/3 MACON CO FLOODING 5PM LIVE PKG 1:46

Flooding in parts of Decatur due to heavy rain this morning

6/3 FOREST STREET 5PM VO :17

Trees down on Forest Street in Decatur's west end from morning storm.

6/3 SANG CO DAMAGE 5PM PKG 1:21

Morning storms cause some damage in Sangamon County town of Berry

- 6/3 EDINBURG FLOODING 5PM VO :22

 Storm damaged the roof of a home in Edinburg
- 6/3 POWER OUTAGES 5PM GRAPHIC :25
 Storms knock out power to thousands in the area.
- 6/3 AMBER ALERT 5PM VO :33

New addition to the Amber Alert system.. Electronic billboards in Champaign can now flash Amber Alert info.

- 6/3 SEMI OVERTURNED 6PM VO :16
 Storm blows a semi over on Kenney Road near Warrensburg.
- 6/3 WEST MAIN TREE 6PM VO :17
 Storm blows down a tree at West Main & Edgewood Court in Decatur
- 6/3 DEBRIS PICKUP 6PM GRAPHIC :24

In Decatur if tree limbs fall from a tree on a boulevard.. it's the city's job to remove them. If falls from tree on your property, it's your problem.

- 6/3 CHAMP UNDERPASSES 6PM PKG 2:04

 Several underpasses in Champaign flooded due to heavy rain. The usual underpasses flooded.
- 6/3 NELSON MARINA 6PM VO :15
 Parking lot of Nelson Park Marina flooded
- 6/4 ARGENTA FLOODING 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:39 Flooding in Argenta due to heavy rains
- 6/4 CLINTON FLOODS 5PM LIVE INTERVIEW 1:25

Flooding in Clinton, Mayor has evacuation plans for dozens of homes threatened if a levee breaks.

6/4 ILLIOPOLIS FLOODS 5PM VOSOT :42

Dozens of homes flooded in Illiopolis because infrastructure can't handle all the rainfall

- 6/4 DECATUR LAKE CLOSED 5PM VO :19

 Lake Decatur closed to boaters due to swift current and debris.
- 6/4 MACON CO. ROADS 5PM GRAPHIC :18
- Some Macon County highways closed due to flooding
- 6/4 OIL TANK FOLO 5PM LIVE PKG 1:54
 Oil tank near Mechanicsburg hit by lighning during last nights storm and exploded.
- 6/4 VILLA GRV FLOODING 6PM 1:29
 Flooding in Villa Grove for the second time this year.
- 6/4 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:06

Altamont Village leaders say problems with the water system are the result of April's earthquake

6/4 CHANNEL 17 10PM READER :15

NOAA weather radios out most of the day because a fiber optic cable got cut in the Downers Grove area.

6/4 BOMB THREAT TRAIN 10PM VOSOT :44

Secretary of State Police hold demstration of how they handle & dispose of bombs.

6/5 COLES CO RESCUE 10PM PKG 1:56

Car swept off a rural bridge over the Kaskaskia River in Coles County, driver drowned.

6/5 SANDBAG HANDOUT 5PM LIVE PKG 2:01

City of Decatur handing out sandbags to lakefront residents who need them due to rising lake level.

6/5 FLOODING UPDATE 5PM VO :28

Red Cross closing shelter in Argenta, Clinton city leaders say flooding receding there.

6/5 ROADS UPDATE 5PM GRAPHIC :33

Some Macon County highways remain closed due to field flooding, couple others have reopened. Vine St. viaduct in Urbana has reopened.

6/5 DeWITT COUNTY ROADS 5PM VO :26

Some rural roads in DeWitt County remain closed due to flooding, at least three have washed out culverts

6/5 WEST NILE THREAT 6PM PKG 1:51

Experts say all the rain and flooding will not create a increased risk for West Nile. The mosquito that carries the disease doesn't like flooding... although floodwater mosquitoes do.

6/5 WATER QUALITY 10PM VO :30

City Water Light & Power monitoring Lake Springfield for ecoli at five locations, some parts of the lake have high counts of the bacteria, so swimming in lake not recommended right now.

6/5 WATER WEBSITE 10PM VO :24

State Dept. of Public Health has created a beach monitoring website to give water testing results, etc.

6/5 SALMONELLA 10PM GRAPHIC :22

State Health Dept. investigating three salmonella cases that may be linked to contaminated tomatoes.

6/6 WATER CONSERV 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:05

Mechanicsburg-Buffalo water customers under water conservation order because their wells are flooded over.

6/6 CLINTON LEVEE 5PM VO :25

Clinton flooding issues appear to be going away.

6/6 SANDBAGS 5PM VO :17

City of Decatur no longer filling up sandbags.

6/6 ROADS OPEN 5PM GRAPHIC :17

Macon County highways closed by flooding have now reopened.

6/6 PARIS BODY FOUND 5PM GRAPHIC :27

32 year old Scott Brossman of Paris died when he drowned in Sugar Creek.

6/6 COLES CO BODY FOLO 5PM VO :23

Victim of Coles County drowning yesterday identified as 72 year old Ralph Idelman of Mattoon. His car was swept off a bridge.

6/6 ARGENTA FLOOD 6PM VO :19

Argenta residents getting ready to clean up from the recent flooding.

6/6 ESKEW UPDATE 6PM GRAPHIC/VO :30

Funeral services set for drowning victim Billy Ray Eskew.

6/6 COLES STORM DAMAGE 10PM VO

Storms that moved through Coles County this afternoon left quite a bit of damage.

6/7 MACON CO. FLOODING 5PM VO :15

More heavy rain means more flooding on Macon County roads.

6/7 LOVINGTON 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:40

Flooding in Lovington forces some residents out of their homes.

6/7 LERNA HELP CTR 5PM GRAPHIC :13

American Red Cross sets up a help center at the Lerna firehouse for homeowners with structural damage caused by storms.

6/7 SANGAMON RIVER 5PM VOSOT :43

Riverton fire department organizes a sandbag pickup where residents can get sandbags to fight rising river.

6/7 HARRISTOWN 5PM VO :11

Flooded yards and streets in Harristown

6/7 INTERSTATE 57 5PM VOSOT :44

Flooding on Interstate 57 near Arcola brings traffic to a crawl. 10 inches of water covered both lanes.

6/7 COLES COUNTY RESCUE 5PM GRAPHIC :27

Two utility workers had to be rescued after their truck got washed off a road.

6/7 BROCTON 5PM GRAPHIC :17

Flooded roads forces the mayor of Brocton in Edgar County to impose a 9pm curfew.

6/7 WATER RESTRICTION 5PM GRAPHIC :37

Flooding at wells has Mechanicsburg-Buffalo water customers still under water restrictions. Boil order in one area of Coles County.. and water conservation order in Greenup.

6/7 FOUNDATION DAMAGE 10PM VOSOT :34

Homeowner on Kenwood Court in Decatur had to call firefighters after water damaged the foundation. Tried to plug the hole and found a leaking gas line.

6/7 MATTOON DAMAGE 10PM VOSOT :36

Workers at Kirchner Lumber spent the day picking up damage left by yesterday's storm.

6/7 ESKEW FUNERAL 10PM GRAPHIC/VO :34

Visitation today for drowning victim Billy Ray Eskew. Funeral is tomorrow.

6/8 RESCUE 5PM VO :16

Two people rescued after falling off an inflatable raft on the Sangamon River near Riverton.

6/8 LOVINGTON UPDATE 5PM LIVE PKG 2:04

Flooding has gone away in Lovington, now residents trying to clean up the mess

6/8 WATER RESTRICTIONS 5PM GRAPHICS :35

Water restrictions lifted in Greenup, remain in effect for Mechanicsburg-Buffalo. Boil order continues for one area of Coles Co.

6/8 ESKEW FUNERAL 5PM GRAPHIC/VO :24

Drowning victim Billy Ray Eskew's funeral was today.

6/8 DAWSON WATER PLANT 10PM VOSOT :48

Volunteers sandbag around the Dawson water plant to keep if from going under the Sangamon River.

6/8 LAKE SHELBYVILLE 10PM GRAPHIC :47

Some boat ramps closed at Lake Shelbyville, debris piling up at Sullivan Marina, damaging some docks.

6/8 SHELBY TRAIN V CAR 10PM GRAPHICS :22

Shelbyville man seriously hurt when his truck was hit by a train just outside Findlay.

6/9 LERNA TORNADO 5PM PKG 2:23

Residents of Lerna still picking up after Friday's EF1 tornado that damaged several buildings.

6/9 SPFLD AREA FLOODS 5PM PKG 1:53

High water still covering some Sangamon County roads, Petersburg bracing for rising Sangamon River.

6/9 CLINTON LEVEE 5PM VO :20

Floodwaters continue to recede in Clinton.

6/9 DAWSON WATER 5PM VO :28

Dawson water superintendent says sandbagging will keep the Sangamon River out of the water plant.

6/9 WATER RESTRICTION 5PM GRAPHIC :28

Boil order remains in part of Coles County, water restriction still in place for Mechanicsburg-Buffalo.

6/9 TRUCK/TRAIN FOLO 5PM GRAPHIC :21

51 year old James Sudduth remains in critical condition after a train hit his truck near Findlay.

6/9 SPFLD FIRE 10PM VO :41

Fire at 106 S. Glenwood in Springfield leaves a family homeless and a firefighter slightly injured.

6/9 TOMATOES 10PM PKG 1:47

Some area restaurants pulling tomatoes off the menu as a result of the salmonella outbreak.

6/10 SALVATION ARMY/IOWA 5PM VOSOT :47

Springfield Salvation Army's Emergency Disaster Team going to Iowa City to help flood victims.

6/10 COLES CO. BOIL ORDER 5PM GRAPHIC :27

Boil order remains in effect for some residents in Coles County.

6/10 MECHANICSBURG/BUFFALO 5PM VO :32

Water conservation no longer in effect, but now there's a boil order. The Water Commission also holding a public meeting about proposed improvements

6/10 PEORIA ROAD 5PM VO :11

Peoria Road in Springfield now completely reopened since the Sangamon has gone down enough.

6/10 LAKE DECATUR OPEN 5PM VO :20

Lake Decatur has reopened to boat traffic.

6/10 DECATUR CRASH 5PM VO :27

Decatur woman hurt in two-car accident at Route 51 & Grove Road.

6/10 IROQUOIS CO. AX 6PM GRAPHIC :28

34 year old Juan Ramirez killed in a rollover crash in Loda.

6/10 FIREFIGHTER COND. 10PM VO :19

Springfield firefighter hurt battling a fire yesterday was treated and released.

6/10 CYCLING FOR A CURE 10PM PKG 1:54

Group of U of I students cycling from New York to Seattle to raise money for cancer research.

6/11 GAS MAIN LEAK 5PM VOSOT :44

Gas leak at West Lawrence & Illinois in Springfield forces the evacuation of three homes around noon. A plumbing contractor broke a gas line.

6/11 SULLIVAN AMBULANCE 5PM PKG 1:38

A Sullivan ambulance was hit by another car on Rt. 121 on the south edge of Mt. Zion. Ambulance rolled over. Two occupants of the ambulance and driver of the other car slightly hurt.

6/11 GREEN INQUEST 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:25

Macon County coroner's jury rules Shannon Green's death undetermined. She disappeared in 1999 and some skeletal remains were found in her submerged car in Lake Decatur last June.

6/11 BUCKLEY INQUEST 5PM VO:35

Coroner's jury rules Timothy Aaron Buckley's death a homicide. He was apparently hit by a vehicle in Argenta. Sheriff's Deputies still looking for the driver.

6/11 BOIL ORDER UPDATES 5PM VO :20

Boil order in Coles County lifted, remains in effect for Mechanicsburg-Buffalo.

6/11 FORSYTH FIRE 6PM VO :26

Village Peddler gift shop in Forsyth catches fire. Traced to burning wood in a metal stove that workers thought was already out.

6/11 MED OFFICE GRNDBRK 6PM VOSOT :45

Taylorville Memorial Hospital breaks ground on new Springfield Clinic. 12 million dollar project will offer space for various medical specialists.

6/11 MIDDLEFORK BOATING 10PM GRAPHIC :13

Middle Fork River in Vermilion County has reopened to boat traffic.

6/11 CHAMP. FIRE CHIEF 10PM VO :29

Former Champaign fire chief Douglas Forsman is the leading candidate to become Champaign's next fire chief.

6/11 JR POLICE ACADEMY 10PM VOSOT :40

Springfield Police holding their 3rd annual Jr. Police Academy for kids. Three more sessions will take place.

6/12 LAKE SPRINGFIELD 5PM LIVE PKG 1:57

CWLP considering idea of reopening Lake Springfield beach. However there would be no lifeguards and the water would not be chlorinated.

6/12 SALMONELLA CASES 5PM VO :29

More than two dozen cases of salmonella reported in Illinois, all in the Chicago area. Still trying to determine if tomatoes are the source.

6/12 BOIL ORDERS 5PM READER :25

Oakley Township under a boil order due to a water main break. Mechanicsburg-Buffalo remains under one as well.

6/12 WX & ROADS 6PM PKG 2:06

Area street crews keeping an eye on roads now that temperatures starting to rise after this winter's harsh weather and all the recent rains.

6/12 RUNAWAYS 10PM GRAPHIC :38

Police looking for a 10 year old and a 13 year old who escaped from a DCFS case worker near Niantic. Kids were wards of the state.. not criminals.

6/13 STORM DAMAGE 5PM VOSOT :38

Afternoon thunderstorm caused some damage near Arthur.

6/13 PRIVATE WELLS 5PM VO :31

Macon County Health Department says owners of private wells need to have the water tested due to all the rain and threat of contamination.

6/13 RUNAWAYS UPDATE 10PM GRAPHIC :27

11 year old Leonard McClain and his 13 year old brother Arthur have been located and are safe. They ran away from a DCFS case worker yesterday.

6/13 MELANOMA SCREEN 6PM VO :22

St. Mary's Hospital offering free melanoma screenings for men & boys.

6/13 RED CROSS 10PM VOSOT :52

Local Red Cross volunteers being deployed to flood zones in Iowa & Wisconsin

6/14 MOTORCYCLE AX 10PM VO :15

Two people hurt in a motorcycle accident at Church & Wood Streets in Decatur.

6/14 DISASTER DECLARATION 10PM GRAPHIC :29

Gov. Blagojevich adds Douglas County as a disaster area due to severe storms. Some 200 National Guardsmen heading to Western Illinois tomorrow to help sandbag along the Mississippi.

6/14 LOCAL TROOPS HELP 10PM GRAPHIC/SOT :51

Sgt. Andrew Hoeft from Decatur helping sandbag in the Quincy area.

6/16 QUINCY FLOOD 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:39

National Guard troops from central Illinois in Quincy helping out with sandbagging efforts.

6/16 PUBLIC HEALTH 6PM VO :31

Centers for Disease Control gives state 20 million dollars to better respond to public health emergencies.

6/16 DECATUR FIRE 10PM VO :29

Fire forces family out of their home in the 1300 block of North Huron in Decatur.

6/16 CAR IN POND 10PM VO :25

Champaign police say a driver lost control of his car.. and went into a pond behind the Furniture Row stores. Driver escaped unharmed.

6/17 SULLIVAN PRINCIPAL 5PM VO:41

Sullivan Middle School principal and former Arcola football coach Joe Marks killed in a traffic accident this morning in Sullivan.

6/17 MATT FOLTZ 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :23

Visitation is tonight, funeral tomorrow for Matt Foltz, who died in car crash in Arcola last week.

6/17 DVILLE TRAFFIC 5PM PKG 2:03

City of Danville plans to deactivate traffic light at Vermilion & Seminary streets in an effort to improve traffic flow in the area.

6/17 FLOOD LATEST 5PM VOSOT/GRAPHIC :51

Gov. Blagojevich sends 400 more National Guard troops to help with sandbagging along the Mississippi.

6/17 700 BLOCK W. DECATUR 6PM LIVE PKG 2:58

Neighbors around an apartment complex in the 700 block of West Decatur street are sick of the building's condition and crime in the area. Cops have been called to the area more than 300 times in the past year.

6/17 FLOOD HELP 10PM VO :24

Three Champaign city workers are going to help with sandbagging in Henderson County. They're taking the portable emergency communication system trailer.

6/18 FLOOD LATEST 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:32

Members of the 183rd Fighter Wing, Champaign Fire HazMat and other area folks in Quincy to help fight rising Mississippi River

6/18 SEMI V MOTORCYCLE 5PM VO:31

20 year old Caleb Roch killed when his motorcycle hit a semi on Interstate Drive in Champaign.

6/18 MATT FOLTZ 5PM VO :18

Funeral held for 18 year old Matt Foltz, who died in crash in Arcola last week.

6/18 JOE MARKS 5PM GRAPHIC :32

Funeral services set for Sullivan Middle School principal and former Arcola football coach Joe Marks, who died in a traffic accident yesterday.

6/18 DVILLE STORM SIRENS 5PM PKG 1:49

City of Danville and Vermilion County looking at upgrading storm warning system. May need to replace outdoor sirens and also considering a reverse 911 system or automatic text messaging system.

6/18 CHAMPAIGN FIRE 6PM GRAPHIC :24

City of Champaign names former fire chief Doug Forsman as the new chief. He starts August 6.

6/18 TOMATOES UPDATE 10PM LIVE PKG 2:12

More salmonella cases related to tomatoes reported nationwide, but many local restaurants have put them back on the menu or never stopped serving them. Local health departments say they will be safe if washed properly.

6/19 SPFLD HAZMAT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:44

Springfield Fire Dept HazMat called to area around West Jefferson & Lincoln after gasoline leaked into the storm sewers. Several homes were evacuated and traffic blocked off.

6/19 DECATUR KID HIT 5PM VO :18

Decatur child hit by a car at Jasper and Olive Streets, suffered a very minor injury.

6/19 BIGGEST LOSER 10PM VOSOT :47

A past winner on NBC's The Biggest Loser appears at a camp for kids at Sarah Bush Lincoln Hospital that teaches them about healthy eating and exercise

6/20 ASPEN RIDGE LAWSUIT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:34

Echols family suing Aspen Ridge nursing home in Decatur for \$300,000 for the alleged wrongful death of Nathaniel Echols. He fell out of a window a year ago.

6/20 SPFLD HAZMAT 5PM VO :35

State Fire Marshal says gasoline that got into Springfield storm sewer came from a nearby gas station. Underground pipes were leaking and heavy rain washed it into the storm sewer.

6/20 CHAMPAIGN FIRE 10PM PKG 1:57

Afternoon fire at Twin Oaks Apartments damages several units and forces more than a dozen people out of their homes.

6/21 CERRO GORDO BOIL 5PM GRAPHIC :16

Water main break forces Cerro Gordo residents under a boil order

6/21 WABASH CROSSING 5PM VOSOT :51

Wabasn Crossing neighborhood group meets to discuss asking for stop and yield signs in the neighborhood after a 6 year old boy was hit by a car and died at the end of May

6/21 RED CROSS IOWA 10PM VO :31

Glenda Plunkett of the Mid-Illinois Red Cross going to Iowa tomorrow.

6/22 LAKE SHELBY DROWNING 5PM PKG 2:15

Man drowns in Lake Shelbyville in the area known as Party Cove

6/22 GARAGE ROOF DEATH 5PM VO :27

Decatur man dies after falling off his garage roof while trying to remove a tree limb.

6/22 RED CROSS FLOOD AID 5PM VOSOT :42

Glenda Plunkett of the Mid-Illinois Red Cross leaves for Iowa

6/23 SHELBYVILLE DROWNING 5PM VO :32

Investigators looking into 32 year old Troy Newcomb's drowning in Lake Shelbyville Saturday night.

6/23 MT. AUBURN FIRE 5PM VOSOT :41

Controlled burn at a farm near Mt. Auburn gets out of control due to a wind shift, and burns down a corn crib.

6/23 CHAMP APT FIRE 5PM VO:26

Champaign Fire Investigators still looking for cause of fire at Twin Oaks Apartments Friday afternoon.

6/23 DANVILLE LANDSLIDE 6PM PKG 2:01

Part of a hillside in Danville is starting to slide and sink.. damaged a doctors office parking lot and a nearby home. Could get worse with more rain.

6/23 TRUCKER FATAL 10PM GRAPHIC :18

42 year old John Pinkston of Kenney killed when his semi struck another on Interstate 40 in Kentucky.

6/23 INTERSECTION UPDATE 10PM VO :26

City of Danville deactivating stoplights at Vermilion & Seminary Streets tomorrow.

6/24 SPFLD AMTRAK 5PM LIVE PKG 2:04

Work to improve rail line through Springfield that Amtrak uses is basically finished, which means fewer traffic headaches in downtown Springfield.

6/24 TOLONO GAS 6PM VO :30

Freedom Oil station in Tolono suddenly closes after discovering underground tanks are leaking. They're going to have to have them dug out.

6/24 CAR IN POND 10PM READER :24

Decatur police say car has been discovered in a pond at Route 36 & Lincoln Parkway. Car was reported missing back in February.

6/24 FLOODING LATEST 10PM GRAPHIC/SOT :54

President Bush names several Illinois counties federal disaster areas due to flooding.

6/24 NOLL MEDICAL 10PM VOSOT :54

Noll Medical Pavilion in Springfield holds grand opening and dedication ceremony. Its a one-stop shop for medical services for children with mental and developmental disabilities.

6/25 22ND STREET AX 5PM VO :44

Several people hurt in a four vehicle crash at 22nd Street and Garfield Avenue in Decatur.

6/25 SHELBY DROWNING 5PM VO :25

Autopsy shows 32 year old Troy Newcomb drowned in Lake Shelbyville.

6/25 RISK WATCH 5PM VOSOT :46

State Fire Marshal's office holding Risk Watch symposium to help firefighters and others teach kids about fire safety.

6/25 HEARING LOSS FACILITY 6PM PKG 1:52

Carle Hospital breaks ground on it's New Echo Center and Auditory Oral School.. latest class graduates before the groundbreaking.

6/26 FATAL CRANE AX 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:40

Railroad construction worker in Decatur killed when cable on a crane snaps and sends a pile driver on top of him.

6/26 18 WHEELER CRASH 5PM PKG 1:34

Woman cuts off a semi at Clear Lake & Dirksen in Springfield.. truck hits car and flips over.. minor injuries.

6/26 I-55 FATAL CRASH 5PM VO :29

One person killed in a one vehicle rollover crash on I-55 southbound at the Williamsville exit.

6/26 SMOKE FREE SURVEY 6PM VO/GRAPHIC/SOT :55

New survey finds six months after it took effect.. there's more public support for the indoor smoking ban.

6/26 22ND STREET CRASH 10PM VOSOT :27

Adam Hill remains in critical condition at Carle Hospital following 4 car crash at 22nd & Garfield in Decatur

6/26 CRANE AX 10PM VO :33

35 year old Decatur man was the victim of today's railroad crane accident

6/27 CRANE AX FOLO 5PM VO :40

Coroner still hasn't released name of victim of yesterday's railroad construction accident in Decatur. Autopsy determined blunt force trauma cause of death.

6/27 22ND STREET CRASH 5PM VO :23

No change in Adam Hill's condition. He's a victim in Wednesday's 22nd street crash.

6/27 HOUSE FIRE PETS 6PM VOSOT

Decatur firefighters rescue a mother dog and her five puppies in a house fire at the corner of Pine & Packard Streets. House damaged and Red Cross assisting family.

6/28 REDCROSS FLOOD UPDATE LIVE PKG 2:23

Glenda Plunkett of the Mid-Illinois Red Cross is assisting flood victims in Iowa

6/28 JVILLE FIRES 10PM GRAPHIC :35

One man critically hurt in an early morning fire in Jacksonville. One of two early morning fires there.

6/29 S. CHURCH FIRE 5PM VO:27

Victim of Saturday morning fire in Jacksonville remains in critical condition

6/29 RAILROAD AX FOLO 5PM VO :32

Victim of railroad construction accident identified as 35 year old James Tipsword of Decatur. Delay in release of his name due to notification of his daughter who lives out of state.

6/29 FIREWORKS SAFETY 5PM PKG 2:00

Firefighters say parents need to keep a close eye on kids who are using sparklers. Adults also need to be careful with fireworks.

6/29 BEARDSTOWN DEATH 10PM READER :20

35 year old Kevin Lyles of Beardstown killed in a racing accident at Macomb Speedway.

6/30 CHAMP CRASH 5PM VO :14

Semi gets stuck in a railroad underpass on Springfield Ave. in Champaign

6/30 DECATUR CRASH 5PM VO :15

Box truck gets the top of the box ripped off when driver tried to go under the Jasper St. subway in Decatur

6/30 CHILD IN POOL 5PM GRAPHIC :29

3 year old Indiana boy drowns in a relative's swimming pool in Champaign.

6/30 DECATUR FIRE 6PM VO :15

House in 1200 block of East Walnut street catches fire.. kids playing with fireworks suspected cause

6/30 TRUCK ROLLOVER 6PM VO :17

Another semi rolls over on the Route 51/I-72 interchange on Decatur's north side.

6/30 DOG ATTACKS 6PM PKG 2:17

Two pit bull attacks within the last week has some in Springfield wondering if vicious dog ordinance needs to be stiffened.

6/30 MEDICARE REDUCTION 6PM LIVE PKG 2:18

Some local doctors say they may no longer accept Medicare patients because the federal government may cut the Medicare fee doctors receive. President Bush froze the cut until Congress gets back from 4th of July break.

Military

4/9 POW CEREMONY 5PM VOSOT :48

Illinois Dept of Veterans Affairs holds American Ex-POW ceremony in Springfield. Also names monthly state Veteran of the Month.

4/11 POW ROLLING MUSEUM 5PM VOSOT :47

Rolling Exhibit of Midwest POW's in Nazi Germany stops in Gibson City.

4/18 NATL GUARD PLANE 6PM VOSOT 1:10

Fly-along with the 183rd Fighter Wing on a mid-air refueling training mission.

4/19 183RD PLANES 5PM PKG 1:59

More with the 183rd fighter wing during a mid-air refueling training mission.

4/19 FAMILY ACADEMY 10PM VOSOT :35

Illinois National Guard and Lincoln Christian College hold a program for military familes whose loved ones are deployed.

4/23 WWII MEMORIAL 6PM PKG 1:36

Planners of a World War Two memorial in Decatur are in a battle with the park district over where to put it.

4/23 KEPPLER ROUTE 10PM GRAPHIC :32

Map of funeral route for Spc Brandon Keppler who was killed in a car crash in Kentucky last weekend.

5/3 VIETNAM VETS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:13

Hundreds gather for the 20th anniversary of the Illinois Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Springfield.

5/3 SOLDIERS HONORED 5PM VOSOT :45

16 Army National Guardsmen honored in Springfield for their recent service in Afghanistan.

5/8 MOTHERS DAY ARMY 6PM GRAPHICS :41

Springfield mother and daughter are now both serving in the Army National Guard. Mom recently graduated boot camp.

5/11 NATIONAL GUARD FAMILY 10PM PKG 1:55

Feature on Mother & Daughter from Springfield who are serving in the Army National Guard.

5/12 ROTC COMMISSIONING 6PM VOSOT :48

U of I ROTC graduates officially commissioned into their branch of the military during a ceremony on the U of I campus.

5/16 UNIT HOME 10PM VO :23

Members of the 3637th Maintenance Company will be coming home from Iraq over the Memorial Day weekend.

5/18 VETS HONORED 5PM VOSOT :35

Area veterans honored during the second annual Patriotic Celebration in Decatur's Central Park.

5/21 183RD OCTOBER 5PM VO :27

Military says fighter jets from the 183rd Fighter Wing will be gone from Springfield by October.

5//21 DURBIN VET CARE 5PM VOSOT :46

Senator Dick Durbin promoting new bill in Congress to improve the quality of care at Veterans Administration hospitals.

5/22 3637TH HOMECOMING 6PM VO :22

Members of the 3637th Maintenance company based in Springfield returning home from Iraq this weekend.

5/22 VETS DAY 6PM VO :23

Illinois veterans gather at the State Capitol to lobby lawmakers about Veteran's issues.

5/23 PURPLE HEART 6PM VO :25

Vietnam Vet William Siders receives a Purple Heart for injuries he suffered in Vietnam. Senator Dick Durbin helped Siders get the medal.

5/24 FLAG POLE DEDICATION 5PM VOSOT :40

New flag pole at Clinton Lake Marina dedicated to the memory of Clyde Barnes.. a 27 year veteran of the Coast Guard Auxiliary and World War 2 veteran.

5/24 3637TH HOMECOMING 10PM VO :27

Members of the 3637th Maintenance Company returning to Springfield Sunday after more than a year in Iraq.

5/24 QUINN/IHSA 10PM VOSOT :42

Fallen Marine Captain Ryan Beaupre honored at the state high school track & field championship in Charleston. His relay team won a state title 17 years ago. Beaupre was first Illinoisian killed in the Iraq war.

5/24 MEMORIAL FUNDRAISER 10PM VOSOT :35

Fundraiser in Savoy raises money for disabled veterans in Urbana.

5/25 TROOPS HOME 5PM PKG 2:24

The 3637th Maintenance Company arrives home from Iraq.

525 GREENWOOD CEMETERY 5PM VOSOT :39

Fallen soldiers remembered for their sacrifice during a ceremony in Decatur's Greenwood Cemetery.

5/25 VETERANS BENEFITS 10PM READER :24

Governor's office encourages veterans to apply for the state benefits they're entitled to.

5/26 GRANDVIEW GARDENS 5PM VOSOT :52

More than 100 show up for a Memorial Day observance at Grandview Gardens in Champaign.

5/26 FAIRVIEW/GRACELAND 5PM LIVE PKG 1:58

Despite rainy weather.. large crowds gather for Memorial Day ceremonies in Decatur

5/26 OAK RIDGE CEMETERY 5PM LIVE PKG 1:23

Memorial Day ceremony at Springfield's Oak Ridge Cemetery.

5/26 ST. ELMO DEDICATION 6PM PKG 1:34

Town of St. Elmo dedicates new veterans memorial. They raised \$60,000 to build it.

5/26 3637TH 10PM LIVE PKG 2:18

Specialist Brent Harney is back home with his family after his 1 year tour of duty in Iraq with the 3637th Maintenance Company.

5/26 MILITARY MUSEUM 10PM VO :15

Illinois State Military Museum shows off a few special exhibits for Memorial Day.

5/26 MEMORIAL DAY 10PM PKG 1:56

Some local veterans say they're saddened by small crowds at Memorial Day ceremonies, and the younger generation is losing a sense of history.

5/31 183RD FIREFIGHTERS 5PM VOSOT :43

Firefighters at the 183rd Fighter Wing will soon lose planes, and their jobs. Supporters hold a rally at the Springfield American Legion.

6/8 WWII MEMORIAL 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:39

American Legion held a memorial service to honor African American servicemen who were in segregated units during World War 2

6/8 OES CAR SHOW 10PM VO :22

Military support group Operation Enduring Support holds a fundraiser car show at the All Star Diner in Mt. Zion.

6/10 183RD JETS 5PM VOSOT :53

Federal judge refuses Governor Blagojevich's request to stop the move of the 183rd Fighter Wing's jets to Indiana.

6/13 183rd LAWSUIT 6PM LIVE VO :51

A federal judge throws out a lawsuit filed by Gov. Blagojevich to keep the 183rd Fighter Wing's jets in Springfield.

6/17 DOGGIE BOOTIES 5PM VOSOT :43

Two Decatur women looking for people to help make booties for military dogs in Iraq. Hot sand burns their paws.

6/19 EHAM DEPLOYMENT 5PM VO :25

Deployment ceremony Monday for members of the Illinois National Guard's Company B, 2nd Battalion, 130th Infantry. They're going to Afghanistan.

6/19 SOLDIER HOMECOMING 10PM VOSOT :43

Army Reservist Melissa Crawford arrives home in St. Joseph after a deployment to Iraq.

6/22 NATIONAL GUARD 10PM PKG

Area National Guard unit training at Ft. Chaffee Arkansas for their deployment to Afghanistan. They've created an Afghan village with real Afghanis.

6/22 EFFINGHAM DEPLOY 10PM VO :25

National Guard unit from Effingham has it's deployment ceremony tomorrow.

6/23 E'HAM DEPLOYMENT 5PM LIVE VOSOT 1:38

Deployment ceremony held for members of Company B 2nd Battalion 130th Infantry at Effingham High School. They're going to Afghanistan.

6/23 MOM/DAUGHTER 5PM PKG 1:49

National Guard Specialist Alyssa Peterson and her mother Specialist Lalita Laksbergs training together at Ft. Chaffee Arkansas

6/23 EFFINGHAM DEPLOY 10PM PKG 2:01

More from the Effingham Guard unit's deployment ceremony. American Legion was making pillowcases for the soldiers and their families with their pictures on it as a keepsake.

6/25 VET OF THE MONTH 5PM VO :18

Raymon Trost of Hillsboro is the Illinois Dept. of Veteran's Affairs Veteran of the Month.

6/29 WWII REENACTMENT 5PM VOSOT :47

World War Two reenactors set up a camp at Rockome Gardens.

6/29 UNKNOWN SOLDIER 5PM VO :22

Decatur's Central Baptist Church holds a ceremony to honor war veterans.

6/30 183RD MISSIONS 6PM LIVE VOSOT 1:29

183rd Fighter Wing learns its new missions will not be flying missions. They'll be working on jet engines and be a headquarters for planning, coordinating and controlling air operations in a wartime theater.

6/30 NEW GI BILL 6PM VO :27

Sen. Dick Durbin says President Bush signed a new GI bill which increases college aid for military members.

EDUCATION

4/1 URBANA HIGH SCHOOL 5PM PKG 2:00

Urbana school district needs to restructure Urbana High due to failure to meet No Child Left Behind requirements. District discussing several options.

4/1 DROPOUT PREVENTION 5PM VOSOT 1:27

New government study finds dropout rates extremely high in urban school districts nationwide. However the big 3 local districts have graduation rates of 73 percent & higher.

4/3 KIRKLAND CONCERT 5PM VOSOT :51

Decatur Youth Symphony performes for 2nd-4th grade students from several area school districts. Decatur Area Arts Council puts on the concerts each year in an effort to promote music programs and get kids interested.

4/5 TRACK BACKERS 5PM VOSOT :32

50 runners take part in an event to raise money for new all weather track at Maroa-Forsyth High School.

4/5 YOUTH GOV. DAY 10PM VO "20

About 400 high school students from around the state in Springfield for Paul Simon Public Policy Institute Youth Government Day.

4/5 VET OPEN HOUSE 10PM VOSOT :34

University of Illinois Veterinary School holds open house.

4/7 TVILLE SCHOOL PROBS 10PM VOSOT 2:10

The Taylorville school board has a meeting about it's financial future.

4/14 MAGILL RECEPTION 10PM VOSOT :45

Some Bloomington Area Vocational Center students come up with possible uses for the Magill House in Clinton.

4/14 DEPT OF EDU 6PM VOSOT :40

US Dept. of Education representative visits Decatur schools & met with students, staff, and administrators.

4/14 WL WIND TURBINE 10PM VO:29

Meteorological tower being assembled near Warrensburg-Latham High School. Its purpose is to determine whether putting up a wind turbine to power the schools there is feasable.

4/15 WIND TURBINE 6PM VO :26

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4/17 BOOK GIVEAWAY 5PM VOSOT :49

Marine Bank gives 675 dollars to Springfield's Douglas Alternative School to buy a new book for every student.

4/21 EIU TUITION 6PM VO :21

EIU Board of Trustees approves a 12 percent tuition increase.

4/21 DAN MARVIN 10PM READER :19

Former EIU President Dan Marvin died this morning.

4/23 UI SIT IN 5PM VOSOT :47

U of I students hold a sit-in demonstration to call for an expansion of the women's center on campus.

4/23 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:04

Decatur Daycare Center celebrating it's 90th anniversary this weekend.

4/23 ATHLETE MENTORING 10PM VOSOT :47

Springfield School District considering bringing a mentoring program for student athletes. Program started by Philadelphia Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb.

4/24 UIUC OLYMPICS 5PM VOSOT :41

Chinese students at U of I show supports for the 2008 Olympics and set up displays to educate people about the Chinese culture.

4/24 STUDENT TRASH 6PM VOSOT :36

Eisenhower & MacArthur students pick up trash, etc in the Wabash Crossing neighborhood.

4/25 URBANA HIGH SCHL 5PM VO :26

Urbana school district trying to find out why part of the High School's auditorium ceiling fell off.

4/25 TREE PLANTING 5PM VOSOT :46

Kids at Urbana's Wiley elementary plant trees in Crestview Park as part of Arbor Day.

4/25 FINGERSPELLING BEE 6PM VOSOT :37

Deaf students compete in a fingerspelling bee at UIS in Springfield.

4/25 CAREER FAIR 6PM VO :17

Eisenhower High School students have a career day.

4/26 LINCOLN TRAIL HIKE 5PM VO :27

Nearly 600 Boy Scouts participate in the annual Lincoln Pilgrimage in Springfield.

4/27 SPFLD EDU FORUM 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :28

Business/Education partnership of Sangamon County holding an open session about school funding issues and solutions tomorrow.

4/28 CHIEF STAND BY 5PM PKG 2:14

Council Of Chiefs at the U of I names a new Chief Illiniwek just in case the symbol is reinstated.

4/28 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 5PM VO :33

State Treasurers office announces new college scholarship program funded by Oppenheimer Funds. Public & private universities will select recipients based on need.

4/28 Q5 EDU FORUM 5PM VOSOT :32

Springfield Quantum Growth partnership holding a panel discussion about school funding tonight.

4/28 TVILLE SCHL CLOSING 10PM VOSOT 1:05

Taylorville School Board holds a public meeting in Stonington to discuss closing two grade schools in the district.

4/29 MATH & SCIENCE 5PM VO :25

Students and teachers participate in the annual Capitol Showcase for the Illinois Math & Science Partnerships program in the Capitol Rotunda.

5/01 ADULT ED OPEN HOUSE 5PM VOSOT :48

Urbana school district has open house for it's adult education program.

5/01 TEEN DIVERSITY 10PM VO :27

Annual youth summit at Richland Community College focusing on teaching Decatur high school students the importance of diversity.

5/3 PRINCIPAL HONORED 10PM VOSOT :45

Eisenhower principal April Hicklin receives her Illinois Outstanding Young Person award from the Illinois Jaycees.

5/4 TEACHER WEEK 5PM VO :15

Teacher Appreciation week begins today.. National Teacher Day is Tuesday.

5/5 MAHOMET SALES TAX 10PM PKG 1:56

Mahomet-Seymour school district holds a public forum to see if there's support for them to vote in favor of a county-wide school tax referendum on the November ballot.

5/6 QUAKE AUDITORIUM 5PM PKG 1:55

Urbana School district says portion of high school auditorium ceiling that fell down was the result of last month's earthquake. Insurance will cover most of the repair cost.

5/6 CAREERS ON WHEELS 10PM VO :32

Annual Careers on Wheels career fair for 4th graders at Macon County Fairgrounds.

5/7 HISTORY MUSEUM 10PM :29

3rd & 4th grade students visit the Macon County History Museum for the annual Prairie Life Days Program.

5/9 JOHNS HILL JOB FAIR 5PM VOSOT :40

Decatur's Johns Hill Magnet School holds a career fair for third graders.

5/9 RECYCLED BOAT RACES 6PM VOSOT :47

Pana high school students make boats out of recycled materials.. have races in a park lagoon.

5/9 UI STUDENTS/PETS 6PM PKG 1:57

Champaign County Humane Society gets more pets this time of year because students leaving U of I don't take their pets with them.

5/9 TEACHER RECRUITING 10PM VO :28

Decatur Education Association and 501 Club teaming up to create Club 3:15, give new teachers a support system and also help recruit new teachers and keep them in the district.

5/11 UIUC GRADUATION 10PM VOSOT :36

Thousands of U of I students graduate today.

5/12 ROOF BLOWN OFF 6PM PKG 2:02

Sheldon Grade school has the gym roof blown off by strong winds over the weekend. School district doesn't know how much it will cost to repair. Students temporarily going to class in Milford.

5/12 TVILLE SCHOOLS 10PM VO :38

Taylorville school board votes to close the Mt. Auburn grade school and West Elementary in Taylorville. This will be the last school year for both schools.

5/13 ALT ACADEMY 6PM VOSOT :45

Champaign school district will open Academic Alternative Academy in August.. but haven't picked a site for it yet. Public meeting tonight to discuss where to put it.

5/13 TVILLE SCHOOLS 10PM LIVE PKG 2:12

Mt. Auburn parents disappointed that Taylorville school board is cloing the elementary school. Some actually say they may move out of town.

5/14 UI DONATION 6PM VO :30

BET co-founder and UI alum Sheila Johnson donates four million dollars to the UI School of Music.

5/14 A TO Z 6PM PKG 1:53

Lovington students have a chef that comes in and makes the school lunch. He even sometimes prepares it outside and kids eat outside. They love it.

5/15 GREEN SCHOOLS 10PM VO :25

Green Cleaning Schools Act took effect last week..schools now have to use more environmentally friendly cleaning agents.

5/16 U OF I PARTNERSHIP 5PM VO :22

U of I and Parkland College have a deal where students can attend classes at both schools as they go toward their bachelor's degree.

5/17 DECATUR POWER DRILLS 5PM VO :21

Power Drill teams from around the state hold parade through Decatur before exhibition show tonight.

5/18 SPFLD SUPERINTENDENT 5PM VO :24

Springfield school superintendent Walter Milton hurt both knees in a charity basketball game Saturday. In the hospital after surgery.

5/18 MILLIKIN COMMENCEMENT 5PM VOSOT :32

Some 350 students graduated from Millikin University.

5/18 YOUNG ACHIEVERS 10PM VOSOT :44

More than 350 Champaign elementary students received Young Achiever awards from the district.

5/19 FRONTIER DAYS 5PM VO :19

Meridian Intermediate school students have a Frontier Days.. where they learned about what life was like back when this area was being settled.

5/19 WETLANDS DEDICATION 6PM VOSOT :47

A wetland area of Rock Springs Conservation Area in Macon County dedicated to the memory of Rodney Miller. Classmates of Miller's sons planted wildflowers in the area as part of their studying wetlands in school.

5/19 EIU DONATION 6PM VO :23

Tarble Foundation donates \$2.5 million to pay for programming at the new Doudna Fine Arts Center on the EIU campus.

5/19 CHAMP SCHOOL FEES 10PM PKG 2:13

Champaign school board votes to increase textbook fees and lunch prices.

5/19 ALT HS LOCATION 10PM VO :25

Champaign school board also discusses location for new alternative High School program. Discussion moved to closed session at end of meeting, so no word on what if anything got decided.

5/20 RCC/PARTNERS IN ED 5PM VO :26

Richland Community College trustees may decide to combine the Partners in Education program with the school's operations.

5/20 LINCOLN TRAVELING 5PM VO :25

Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library & Museum unveils a new traveling exhibit that will go around the country over the next two years as part of the bicentennial celebration of Lincoln's birthday.

5/20 LAKE LAND ITALY 5PM GRAPHIC :24

Lake Land College and Apicius International School of Hospitality in Florence Italy offering a joint study abroad program in October. Informational meeting about the program next Tuesday.

5/21 NEW DOVE LIBRARY 5PM VOSOT :51

Garfield Montessori students deliver books for new library at DOVE domestic violence shelter.

5/21 A TO Z 6PM PKG 2:10

Central A&M high school students interviewing residents about the December 1932 coal mine explosion that killed 54 miners in Moweaqua.

5/22 U OF I BUDGET 5PM READER :11

U of I Board of Trustees meeting to consider a \$4.1 billion budget. School's budget has never topped \$4 billion.

5/22 UI SINGAPORE PARTNER 5PM VO :22

U of I Trustees also considering opening a new Digital Science Research Center in Singapore.

5/22 HOLOCAUST MUSEUM 6PM VOSOT

8th grade students at Franklin Middle School in Champaign create a Holocaust museum as part of their studying the subject.

5/22 VET DIPLOMAS 10PM PKG 1:32

Two Danville World War 2 veterans who are brothers get their diplomas after more than 60 years. They joined the military before they could graduated.

5/25 EISENHOWER/ MACARTHUR 10PM VOSOTS 1:00

Decatur's Eisenhower & MacArthur high schools hold graduation ceremonies at the Civic Center.

5/27 DECATUR SCHOOL BOARD 10PM LIVE VO 2:05

Decatur School Board meets to discuss county wide sales tax to benefit school districts, and hear a presentation to possibly combine the two high schools.

5/27 SPFLD CATHEDRAL 5PM VO :24

Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception meets fundraising goal for new air conditioning and science lab for the school, and also names a new principal.

5/28 HYNES HIGHER EDU 5PM VOSOT :55

State Comptroller Dan Hynes wants an overhaul of higher education funding. Says current budget proposals don't do enough and rising tuition costs may drive students to out of state schools.

5/28 CONSOLIDATE SCHOOLS 5PM LIVE PKG 2:20

Decatur school board heard a proposal last night to build a new high school campus in the Wabash Crossing area that would combine Eisenhower & MacArthur.

5/28 SCHOOL FUNDING 6PM GRAPHICS/PKG 2:16

School state aid payments start going out in June. St. Joseph-Ogden superintendent says the money will keep them from having to do some creative banking.

5/29 DIST 186 DISMISS 5PM VO :18

Springfield schools dimsmissing an hour early tomorrow.

5/31 UNIT 4 SCHOOLS 10PM VOSOT :39

Champaign School district held community forums throughout the year to put together long-range plans. Held a cookout for the final two forums

COMMUNITY

6/1 NATIONAL CANCER DAY 5PM VOSOT :42

Some 1300 people gather at Decatur Conference Center & Hotel for 21st annual National Cancer Survivors Day.

6/1 URBANA ARTIST 5PM VOSOT :42

Robin Luebs of Urbana holds a book launch party for her first published children's book that she illiustrated.

6/1 BENEFIT POKER RUN 5PM VOSOT :44

Decatur Elks Lodge holds its first ever Crippled Children Benefit Poker Run. Raised about 800 dollars.

6/1 HOMESTEAD PRAIRIE 5PM VOSOT :42

Rock Springs Center in Decatur opens it's 1860's Living History House & Gardens.

6/1 PROGRESS FLEA MARKET 5PM VOSOT :41

Second Sunday monthly Flea Market at Progress City in Decatur.

6/1 KISS A PIG 5PM VO :30

Annual Diabetes Kiss A Pig fundraiser in Decatur raised more than 64 thousand dollars. Jonathon Smith was the leading fundraiser.

6/1 GREENPEACE CAMPAIGN 10PM VOSOT :40

Members of Champaign-Urbana Greenpeace hold a gathering to demand change in current legislation in Congress to stop global warming.

6/1 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:53

9 year old Braden Johnson of Moweaqua won the International Go Kart racing championship last year. He's picked up where he left off this year.

6/2 LINCOLN EXHIBIT 6PM VOSOT 1:09

Madden Arts Center in Decatur setting up a new traveling exhibit from ALPLM that will go around the country for the bicentennial of Lincoln's birthday.

6/3 MIKE BORDERS 6PM PKG 2:08

Scovill Zoo director Mike Borders retiring in August after 33 years. He's been director since Scovill Zoo became Scovill Zoo.

6/5 REQUARTH DIES 6PM VO :33

Retired doctor and Decatur area philanthropist Dr. Willam Requarth has passed away. He was also a Pearl Harbor survivor.

6/5 CSPAN BUS 10PM VOSOT :34

CSPAN's Road To The White House production bus makes a stop in Decatur.

6/6 IL FISHING DAYS VO/GRAPHIC: 23

State DNR holding it's annual free fishing days this weekend. Don't need a license to catch fish.

6/6 MAD BILL EICHENAUER 6PM VOSOT :59

Decatur businessman Bill Eichenauer who was very involved in the community honored as one person who was Making A Difference. He passed away earlier in the week.

6/7 TRAP SHOOT 5PM VOSOT :33

Macon County Sheriff's office holds a law enforcement trap shoot to raise money for Special Olympics

6/7 BEAUTY CAN CURE 5PM VO :19

Mister Johns School of Cosmetology holds a cut a thon to raise money for juvenile diabetes and childhood cancer research & treatment.

6/7 CRAFT FAIR 5PM VO :20

Country Treasures Craft Show at the Illinois Building at the State Fairgrounds in Springfield.

6/7 TIPPIT BENEFIT 10PM VOSOT :37

Benefit at the Sundown Lounge in Decatur for Lisa Tippit whose battling cancer and doesn't have medical insurance.

6/7 SHADOWS OF LINCOLN 10PM VOSOT :34

Shadows of Lincoln festival in downtown Decatur. Folks go on tours of Lincoln sites in the area.

6/8 RIVERTON F.D 5PM VOSOT :39

Riverton Fire Department cuts ribbon on new firehouse.

6/8 HARRISTOWN F.D. 5PM VOSOT :36

Harristown Fire Department celebrates 50th anniversary with an open house.

6/8 TUSCOLA FUNDRAISER 5PM VO:27

Tuscola Moose Lodge holds a pork chop dinner to raise money for Douglas County Relay For Life.

6/8 GARDEN WALK 5PM VOSOT :40

U of I Extension holds annual Master Gardener's Garden Walk in Decatur.

6/8 CANCER SURVIVORS DAY 10PM VOSOT :38

St. John's Hospital in Springfield holds it's 7th annual Cancer Survivors Day event.

6/8 6/8 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:19

Feature story of a St. Elmo woman who uses a chainsaw to turn 1000 pound logs into works of art.

6/9 FAIR PAGENTS 5PM VO/GRAPHIC :35

Macon County Fair ribbon cutting is this evening. Junior Miss Pagent is tonight. Fair Queen Pagent is tomorrow.

6/10 LICHTENBERGER FNRL 5PM VO :27

Funeral for retired Macon County Deputy Dutch Lichtenberger is today. Lots of classic cars in procession. He founded a big car show that happens in Decatur.

6/10 CHAMP CO CLOCK TWR 6PM PKG 2:02

Clocktower on the Champaign County Courthouse being taken down and a new one will be put up in its place.

6/10 MACON CO FAIR 6PM VO :27

Macon County Fair is officially underway.

6/11 OASIS E-BAY 5PM VOSOT :47

Bachrach's donated a big Picasso reprint to Oasis Day Center, which plans to auction it off on Ebay to raise money.

6/11 A TO Z 6PM PKG 3:03

Scot England attempts to ride a bull at the C-Bar Rodeon in St. Peter.

6/11 TORCH RUN 10PM VOSOT :46

Annual Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics goes through Springfield.

6/11 COUNTY FAIR PREVIEW 10PM VO/GRAPHICS :27

Tractor pull at Macon County Fair was tonight. JC Fultz, Scot England & Ken Frye will be in the calf dressing event at tomorrow's rodeo.

6/12 MACON COUNTY FAIR 5PM PKG 1:34

Preview of tonight's rodeo at the Macon County Fair

6/12 CALF DRESSING 10PM VO :23

Newcenter 17's JC Fultz, Ken Frye, and Liz Adeola take part in the calf dressing contest during the rodeo at the Macon County Fair.

6/12 STATE FAIR ENTRY 10PM VO :29

Deadline to enter livestock and exhibit competitions at the State Fair is June 16.

6/12 ROTARY DONATION 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :27

Champaign Urbana Rotary Club makes a \$15,000 donation to the Eastern Illinois Foodbank tomorrow to buy a refridgerated truck.

6/13 RACE RIOT 5PM PKG 2:30

New exhibit at the ALPLM about the 1908 race riots in Springfield.

6/13 BROS @ WAR ON WEB 5PM VO :31

Entire interview with Gary Sinise on wandtv.com

6/13 DIVERSITY CONF. 6PM VOSOT :49

Business and Education leaders gather for 8th annual conference on diversity at Richland Community College.

6/13 FLAG COLLECTION 6PM VO/GRAPHIC :22

Boy Scouts from Illini Lodge 55 collecting worn US flags for proper disposal on Flag Day which is Saturday.

6/13 ROTARY DONATION 10PM VO :22

Champaign Urbana Sunrise Rotary Club makes 15 thousand dollar donation to Eastern Illinois Foodbank to buy a refridgerated truck.

6/13 SAFE KIDS DAY 10PM GRAPHIC :30

Safe Kids Day 2008 is tomorrow at Fairview Park Pool in Decatur.

6/14 TEE-PARK DEDICATION 10PM PKG 1:33

Tee Ball field in Tolono's West Side Park dedicated in the memory of Mary Kate Douglas , who died of cancer at age nine back in 2007.

6/14 FLAG COLLECTION 10PM VOSOT :41

Champaign Boy Scouts collect worn US Flags for proper retirement. Collected more than 100 flags.

6/14 RUN FOR VETS 10PM VO :17

A chapter of ABATE holds a ride to honor those who protect the flag on Flag Day

6/14 SULLIVAN CANCER 10PM VOSOT :35

American Cancer Society's Moultrie County branch holds a cancer survivors celebration event in Sullivan.

6/14 SAFE KIDS DAY 10PM VO :28

Macon County Safe Kids Coalition holds Safe Kids Day 2008 at Fairview Park.

6/14 ADOPT A CAT 10PM VOSOT :38

Macon County animal shelter holds a event to adopt out the 200 cats & kittens it has.

6/14 JUNETEENTH 10PM VOSOT :36

Champaign holds its' annual Juneteenth celebration in Douglass Park.

6/14 LINCOLN/DOUGLAS 10PM VO :20

Impersonators reenact the Lincoln-Douglas debate at the Old State Capitol.

6/14 HORSESHOE 10PM VO :18

30 horseshoe pitchers from across the state compete in the Don Bailey Memorial Horseshoe Tournament at Springfield's Lincoln Park.

6/15 DINING FOR DOLLARS 10PM VOSOT :41

Non-profit group holds dinner fundraiser at Bella Milano restaurant to raise money for a Angel of Hope statue in Springfield.

6/15 MACON CO. FAIR END 10PM VO :21

Macon County Fair comes to an end this evening. Rain held off in time to get the demolition derby in.

6/15 LINCOLN/DOUGLAS 10PM VO :25

Historians give presentations about Lincoln-Douglas debates and Lincoln's House Divided speech at the ALPLM.

6/15 VINNIES CAR SHOW 10PM VOSOT :46

Some 100 cars on display at the 7th annual Vinnie's Car Show at the Hickory Point Mall. It's a fundraiser for Vinnie's BBQ annual picnic for the homeless in Nelson Park August 16.

6/15 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:21

George's Candy Shop & Soda Fountain was the big hangout in the Taylorville square from 1929 until it closed in 1968. Last year Joe Nassour began restoring the business and it's now open and doing very well

6/15 RAGGEDY FESTIVAL 10PM VO :25

Arcola's annual Raggedy Ann & Andy festival was this weekend.

6/16 LINCOLN-DOUGLAS 5PM VO :37

Reenactors will hold a series of seven Lincoln-Douglas debates across the state.

6/16 BIRD WHISPERER 6PM VO :19

James Soules.. better known as the bird whisperer has died.

6/16 WHEEL OF FORTUNE 10PM VO :18

Sue Cundall of Warrensburg wins \$21,000 on Wheel of Fortune.

6/17 SENIOR BOWL CHAMPS 6PM VOSOT:44

Senior bowling team sponsored by Addus Healthcare won their league, and the facility held a party for them.

6/17 SUMMER BLUES 6PM VO :27

First of the annual summer Blues in Central Park concert series is Thursday.

6/18 QUINN SPELLERS 5PM VO :19

Some of the Illinois contestants in the national spelling bee honored by Lt. Gov. Pat Quinn.

6/18 RUSSERT-LINCOLN 6PM VOSOT :47

TV studio display about the Lincoln-Douglas debates that Tim Russert narrated and appears on will remain on display at the ALPLM as a tribute to Russert.

6/18 WAYNESVILLE FIRE 6PM GRAPHIC:11

Funeral held this morning for Waynesville Fire Chief Glenn Cowan who died on Sunday.

6/18 CORPSE FLOWER 6PM GRAPHIC :16

EIU greenhouse managers waiting for the Titan Arum, also known as the Corpse Flower to bloom.

6/19 CENTRAL PARK 10PM VO/NATS :22

Blues guitarist Jimmy Thackery kicks off the annual Blues in Central Park summer concert series in downtown Decatur.

6/20 MODEL T CARS 5PM VOSOT :47

Hundreds of T-Bucket hot rods are in Springfield for the annual T-Bucket Nationals.

6/20 TASTE OF CU 5PM LIVE VO 1:32

Annual Taste of Champaign Urbana beginning at West Side Park in Champaign.

6/20 JUNETEENTH 6PM VO :32

Decatur's Juneteenth celebrations are tonight

6/20 SANGAMON CO FAIR 6PM VO :27

Sangamon County Fair is underway in New Berlin.

6/20 JACKSONVILLE 10PM VO :19

Civil War reenactors setting up for annual Grierson Days in Jacksonville.

6/21 TASTE OF CHAMPAIGN 5PM PKG 2:03

38th annual Taste of Champaign in its second day. Money raised goes to Champaign Park Districts' Youth Scholarship Fund.

6/21 CHESTNUT FIRE 50TH 5PM VOSOT :35

Chestnut Fire Department holds a 50th anniversary party.

6/21 JUNETEENTH 5PM VOSOT :44

Annual Juneteenth celebration in Decatur's Central Park, a parade started todays' events.

6/21 SANGAMON COUNTY FAIR 5PM VO :23

Country Music Hall of Famer Randy Owen from Alabama performing tonight.

6/21 STONINGTON PARADE 5PM VO :25

Stonington holds it's Summerfest parade this morning.

6/21 TVILLE GARDEN 5PM VO :24

Taylorville holds it's annual Garden Walk.

6/21 GARDEN WALK 5PM VOSOT :32

Champaign County Master Gardeners hold their own Garden Walk.

6/21 RIDE FOR THE RED 10PM VOSOT :38

Red Cross holds a fundraiser motorcycle ride between Bloomington & Decatur

6/21 RELAY FOR LIFE 10PM VOSOT :46

American Cancer Society holds a Relay for Life at the State Fairgrounds in Springfield.

6/21 CIVIL WAR 10PM VOSOT :43

Civil War reenactors stage a battle in Jacksonville's Community Park.

6/21 ARGENTA 10PM VO :20

Brian Jodice, Steve Breitwieser & J-C Fultz in Argenta Prairie Festival Parade.

6/22 WORKCAMP VOLUNTEER 5PM VOSOT:47

Students from across the state in Mattoon where they will go around and help elderly, low income or disabled residents improve their homes.

6/22 OLYMPICS TEASE 5PM:23

Former U of I gymnast Justin Spring made the US Olympic team and is going to Beijing.

6/22 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY 5PM VO :25

Riverside Baptist Church celebrates its 100th anniversary.

6/22 ORCHESTRA BENEFIT 5PM VOSOT :31

Beach House restaurant hosts Jazz in June fundraiser for the Millikin-Decatur Symphony Orchestra.

6/22 KEYLON FAMILY 10PM VOSOT :40

Friends of the Keylon family hold a benefit at the Elks Lodge for the family. They lost their home and lots of stuff in a fire.

6/22 SANGAMON CO. FAIR 10PM VOSOT :31

Sangamon County Fair ends tonight.

6/22 TASTE OF C-U 10PM VO :17

Annual Taste of Champaign-Urbana also comes to an end.

6/22 6/22 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:24

Decatur DJ David Lee's Coca-Cola collection got too big for his house, so he opened a museum in Hickory Point Mall

6/22 ADOPT A SHELTER 10PM VO :24

Decatur Humane Society holds a Kitty Extravaganza to promote animal adoption. Reduced fees to find about 50 kitty cats a new home.

6/23 LARGE SNAKE 5PM VOSOT :44

Sombody's pet albino corn snake got loose.. and freaked out two women in the 1100 block of N. University in Decatur. Animal control picked it up.

6/23 DECATUR AIRPORT RACE 6PM VO :31

The 32nd Air Race Classic women's airplane race will pass through Decatur later this week.

6/23 W. MAIN STREETSCAPE 6PM VO :30

West Main streetscape project in front of Millikin campus a quarter of the way done. Hope to have it finished by the time classes resume in August.

6/23 GLOBAL WARMING 10PM GRAPHIC :32

Illinois Environmental Council holding a forum tomorrow at Decatur Library about global warming. First of a series around the state this summer.

6/23 CORPSE FLOWER 10PM GRAPHIC :35

Titan Arum plant at EIU bloomed over the weekend.

6/24 PARALYMPIC PRAC 5PM VOSOT :45

Five U of I students & staff members have made the US Paralympic team and will compete in Beijing.

6/24 AIR RACE CLASSIC 5PM LIVE INTERVIEW 1:54

Planes competing in the 32nd annual Air Race Classic due to arrive at the Decatur Airport at any time. (at 6 we found out they were held up by weather and aren't coming.)

6/24 PIATT CO ANIMAL 10PM VOSOT :43

Newly-formed Piatt County Animal Shelter sponsors a ladies night out fundrasier for a new facility.

6/24 SHORELINE SQUAD 10PM VO/GRAPHIC :31

Group for new runners formed to help them prepare for upcoming Autumn Shoreline Classic race in Decatur in September. They'll meet and run every Thursday in Nelson Park.

6/25 GETTYSBURG ADDRESS 5PM GRAPHIC/SOT :59

A original copy of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address will go back on display at the ALPLM on July 1st.

6/25 LINCOLN MONUMENT 5PM GRAPHICS/SOT :52

Preston Jackson's Lincoln monument is moving along.. first panel done. Whole thing should be done by mid-fall. It will be erected in Decatur.

6/25 UI FOOTBALL CHARITY 5PM VOSOT :50

Illini football team holding their third annual supply drive for Cunningham Children's Home.

6/25 AIR RACE CLASSIC 6PM VOSOT :52

One of the pilots in the 32nd Air Race Classic is Margaret Ringenberg.. who was one of the first female military pilots in World War 2.

6/25 A TO Z 6PM PKG 1:53

Teenagers from across the country are in Mattoon for a church-based community service project.

6/25 PIATT COUNTY PAGEANT 10PM VOSOT :41

Miss and Little Miss Piatt County Fair pageant is tonight.

6/26 IL PRODUCT MARKET 5PM VO :28

Illinois Products Farmers Market at the State Fairgrounds begins. Will be open every Thursday through October 30th.. except for during the State Fair.

6/27 RACE 4 CURE 5PM VOSOT :52

Annual Race For The Cure is tomorrow in Fairview Park.

6/27 4X4 JAMBOREE 6PM VOSOT :42

Second annual Four Wheel Jamboree Nationals at State Fairgrounds. Promoters are donating some proceeds to the American Red Cross.

6/27 BETHANY CELEBRATION 6PM VO :16

The Bethany Celebration is this weekend.

6/27 MAKING A DIFFERENCE 6PM VOSOT :41

Two teen volunteers who have been doing community service projects in the Mattoon area this week.

6/27 RELAY FOR LIFE 10PM VOSOT :37

Taylorville holding Relay for Life Cancer fundraiser.

6/27 WOOFSTOCK 10PM VO :28

Annual Woofstock fundraiser for Homeward Bound Pet Shelter in Decatur is tomorrow.

6/28 RACE FOR THE CURE 5PM VOSOT :45

Thousands turn out for the annual Race for the Cure fundraiser run/walk in Decatur's Fairview Park

6/28 PIATT ANIMAL SHELTER 5PM PKG 1:37

Newly formed Piatt County Animal Shelter opens new temporary facility in White Heath.

6/28 BLUES BREW AND BBQ 5PM VOSOT :41

First Blues, Brews & BBQ event in Urbana.

6/28 TOLONO FUN DAY 5PM VOSOT :35

It's the 4th of July a week early in Tolono.. the town's annual Fun Day festival.

6/28 BETHANY PARADE 5PM VO :17

Bethany's own Newscenter 17 meteorologist JC Fultz part of the Bethany Celebration parade.

6/28 WOOFSTOCK REDO 5PM VOSOT :50

Bad weather a few weeks ago forced a big part of the Homeward Bound Pet Shelter's Woofstock fundraiser to be delayed until today.

6/28 WARRENSBURG 10PM VOSOT :52

Warrensburg Fire Dept. holds annual chicken fry and ice cream social. Moeny raised goes towards the town's Halloween parade and fire prevention activities in schools.

6/28 LINCOLN TRAIL 10PM VOSOT :51

Railsplitter Antique Auto Club and Main Street Lincoln hold a fundraiser car show and other events in downtown Lincoln to raise money for St. Jude's chapter in Peoria.

6/28 ROCKET LAUNCH 10PM VOSOT :35

Model rocket enthusiasts hold a big launch party at Dodds Park in Champaign.

6/29 MIDWEST 4 WHEEL JAM 5PM VOSOT :34

Second annual Four Wheel Jamboree Nationals continues at the State Fairgrounds.

6/29 SYMPHONY GARDEN TOUR 5PM VO :30

Illinois Symphony Orchestra and Guild holds a garden walk benefit in Rochester.

6/29 DOG SHOW 5PM VOSOT :41

American Kennel Club All Breed Dog Show comes to an end at the Champaign County Fairgrounds.

6/29 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY 10PM VOSOT :50

DeWitt County Habitat for Humanity now has it's new office and warehouse all in one location.

6/29 BENEFIT 10PM VOSOT :51

Benefit for Kent Lange and his family. Lange was hurt in a crash back in May.. suffered four fractured vertebrae in his neck in two in his back.

6/29 CRUISE AGAINST CANCER 10PM VOSOT :53

Car show fundraiser for Taylorville Kroger's Relay for Life team.

6/29 A TO Z 10PM PKG 2:21

Decatur woman's doll collection got so big, husband had to build an addition to the house to store it all.

6/30 FIREWORKS 5PM VO :34

Champaign's fireworks show moving to different location this year due to construction at Memorial Stadium.

6/30 OUTHOUSE RACES 6PM VO :38

Outhouse races will be part of Beardstown's 4th of July festivities this year.