# WIFE Quarterly Issues/Programs List

Period July 1 – Sept 30, 2020

Attached is documentation of some of the key issues addressed this quarter by WIFE Radio. These issues were determined by various means, such as attending public meetings, inviting guests into the studio for LIVE interviews, news coverage, and direct contact with our listeners through email, letters, and phone calls. The order of appearance does not reflect priority or significance.

This quarter we covered a variety of issues, such as how to get children back to school, but newscasts were dominated by the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting public assistance needs.

Public service announcements air regularly. A list of PSA's is attached to this report.

Assisting with this quarter's report were Dave Rodgers/PRESIDENT, Michelle Bottomley/STATION MANAGER, Ted Cramer/PROGRAM DIRECTOR, Annette Miller/NEWS DIRECTOR, and staff members: Rebecca Hymer, Jack Reynolds, Starr Miller, and Matt Ball.

**ISSUE: AREA ECONOMY** 

DESCRIPTION: JOB POSTINGS...JOB TRAINING COURSES AVAILABLE. . . NEW

**BUSINESSES** 

**SEGMENT:** NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

#### DATE/TIME/DURATION:

7/1...Duke energy increases coming over next 2 years

7/15. . . New Wendy's – new jobs

8/4. . . Ponderosa Greenfield WARN notice

9/3. . .INDOT Winter Seasonal Jobs Hiring Event

9/10. . . Honda of Greensburg expanding

9/17. . . Hot Head Restaurant open

**ISSUE: MISSING PERSONS** 

DESCRIPTION: STATEWIDE MISSING PERSONS REPORTS, GIVING DESCRIPTIONS, LOCATIONS, AND CONTACT PHONE NUMBERS

**SEGMENT:** NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

#### DATE/TIME/DURATION:

- 7/6. . . MISSING 89 yr old husband and wife passed thru Indy
- 7/6. . . Silver alert Shane Cooper 29 La Porte
- 7/23. . . SILVER ALERT. . . Kannon Ellis 1 East Chicago
- 8/5. . . MISSING. . . ESCAPED Timothy Biddy Clay county jail
- 8/19. . .SILVER ALERT Shailee Stephens 15 Decatur County
- 9/1. . . Shelbyville 5/3 Bank robbery, info needed
- 9/14. . . MISSING Nicole O'Connor-Petro teen Hamilton County
- 9/17...Missing HOLLIE TOWNS 16 Centerville
- 9/18. . .WANTED male suspect in New Castle Dollar General robbery
- 9/23. . . WANTED. . . info on man breaking into Shelbyville apartment
- 9/24. . .WANTED. . .reward for Denise Pflum information upped to \$100,000

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**ISSUE: PUBLIC SAFETY** 

DESCRIPTION: VARIOUS ISSUES PRESENTED FROM SPRING STORM SAFETY TO

**SCAMS** 

**SEGMENT:** NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

#### DATE/TIME/DURATION:

7/1. . . New Hands free law in effect today

7/14. . . INDOT closing 46 in Greensburg

7/15. . . Duke Energy phone scams escalating

7/22, 7/23. . .Big area Boil water advisory in New Castle – many businesses unable to serve fountain drinks/coffee

7/30. . . Duke Energy reporting phone scams to business owners

8/4. . . Shelby county bomb threat

8/24. . . Porch pirates, car break-ins, mailbox thefts Greensburg

8/20, 8/28. . . Drive Sober/Get Pulled Over

9/1. . . Huge Area Dense Fog Advisory

- 9/8. . . Traffic changes in downtown Shelbyville today
- 9/16. . . Possible rusty lines during water main replacement Rushville
- 9/24. . . Shelbyville street closures
- 9/25. . . Additional Shelbyville street closures in downtown area
- 9/25. . . Six county-wide burn bans including Union and Franklin... Dublin city
- 9/28. . . Wayne County now on burn ban

**ISSUE: ELECTION INFORMATION** 

DESCRIPTION: CONSTANT REMINDERS TO VOTE/ELECTION NIGHT COVERAGE

**SEGMENT:** NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

#### DATE/TIME/DURATION:

8/19. . . Census takers are out

9/10. . .voter registration

9/25. . . Voter registration deadline approaching

**ISSUE: PUBLIC ASSISTANCE** 

DESCRIPTION: VARIOUS ASSISTANCE – FOOD, MONIES, ETC. . . FOR INCOME CHALLENGED

**SEGMENT:** NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

#### DATE/TIME/DURATION:

- 7/2. . . Gleaners Fairgrounds Monday
- 7/15. . . Community Assistance Food Pantry
- 7/13, 7/16. . . Free Milk today fairgrounds
- 7/16. . . RCS Food Pantry open today
- 7/20. . . Gleaners Mobile Food Pantry tomorrow at fairgrounds
- 7/28. . .Rushville food Pantry reopening
- 7/31. . . Milroy food pantry tomorrow
- 8/17. . . Gleaners Mobile Food Pantry tomorrow
- 8/20. . . RCS Food Pantry today
- 8/20. . . Decatur County Hospital starting Milk Depot for donor mothers
- 8/24. . . Pandemic Rental Assistance application
- 8/26. . . Tox Away day moved to September

- 8/27. . . Landlord Tenant Settlement Conference Program
- 8/27. . . Blood drive Decatur County Purdue Ext.
- 9/2. . . Heavy trash pickup schedule
- 9/2, 9/4. . . Milroy Food Pantry Saturday
- 9/9. . . Shelbyville free flu shots for veterans
- 9/9. . . Food Pantry snack Shack open next Thursday
- 9/16. . . American Red Cross needs volunteers
- 9/17. . . RCHS Food Pantry open today

**ISSUE: CHILDREN NEEDS** 

DESCRIPTION: VARIOUS ISSUES, FUNDRAISERS, ORGANIZATIONS THAT BENEFIT THE WELFARE OF CHILDREN

**SEGMENT:** NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

#### DATE/TIME/DURATION:

7/15, 7/16. . .Rush county Services school supplies and backpack giveaway today K-8

7/16. . . Registration fast approaching

7/23. . . Freshman Orientation tonight

7/24. . . Kids must wear mask on Rush county buses and most school areas

7/29. . . Numerous RCHS athletic department schedule changes

8/5. . . RCHS athletes mandatory meeting

8/20. . . Purdue Python coding for grades 9-12

9/8. . . Purdue Ag Sciences Zoom recruitment next Tuesday

9/14. . .4H Youth Social Justice Book Club

9/22. . .M.O.R.E. for Kids Facebook LIVE auction

9/22. . . Indiana College application Week

**ISSUE: COVID 19** 

**DESCRIPTION: VARIOUS HEALTH AND ECONOMIC RELATED ISSUES AS** 

PANDEMIC ERUPTS LOCALLY

SEGMENT: NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

- 7/1...5 in 50 RCCF ride cancelled
- 7/13. . . Coin shortage. No change back at Kroger
- 7/14. . . Indiana Grand Racing in Shelby County change racing schedule
- 7/15. . . Teachers Union demanding mask usage
- 7/16. . . Must wear mask in Kroger and Walmart
- 7/17. . . All marching band statewide cancelled
- 7/20. . . Riverside Park shows cancelled
- 7/22. . . Mt. Vernon delays school more than 2 weeks
- 7/23. . .Rush county 20 positive tests 0 deaths
- 7/24. . .RCCF offices will stay closed for the foreseeable future
- $7/28.\ .\ .1^{\text{st}}$  day of Indiana's mask requirement. . .take mask to work
- 7/31...Indiana FSSA crisis line set up due to pandemic
- 7/31. . . greenfield student tests positive
- 8/4. . . Ponderosa Greenfield closed forever
- 8/6. . . Stagg's Restaurant close to COVID

- 8/7. . . Duke Energy moves towards standard billing but still providing COVID hardship assistance
- 8/17. . . New Castle Middle and High Schools go e-learning today due to Covid
- 8/20. . . Wilkie Days cancelled
- 8/20. . . Milroy EDC Golf Outing cancelled
- 8/25. . .FEMA allocation to pay extra \$300 unemployment
- 8/31...Covid relief grant for farmers 1<sup>st</sup> of 2
- 9/2. . . Color-coded County map for school recommendations
- 9/10. . . More testing sites available soon
- 9/11. . . Health Dept changes to annual flu clinics
- 9/28. . . 2<sup>nd</sup> Covid relief grant open for farmers and ranchers