

WIFE Quarterly Issues/Programs List

Period July 1 – September 31, 2021

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 the growing support for misinformation of the Covid-19 pandemic, businesses slowly closing and looking for workers, returning to normal while the pandemic quietly rages on, community events happening in local areas, and the beginning of the school year.

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, Stephen Clark/STATION MANAGER, Ted Cramer/PROGRAM DIRECTOR, and Mike Plough/NEWS DIRECTOR

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ISSUE: AREA ECONOMY

DESCRIPTION: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES...JOB POSTINGS....TRAINING COURSES....GRANTS AWARDED

SEGMENT: NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

DATE/TIME/DURATION:

7/6- Molly Spaeth Fund for Transformation and Well-Being Established at Rush County Community Foundation

7/9- Franklin County Producers submit nominations for FSA County Committee

7/9- Announcement of Community Based Action Plan meeting

8/23- Decatur County Commissioners pitch fairgrounds to Tourism

9/20- Rush County Treasurer says Fall Taxes due NOV. 10 for Rush County

9/21- Indiana DNR announces plans for Free Fishing Day and National Hunting & Fishing Day

9/23- Nominations are being accepted for best of Rushville 2021

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ISSUE: PUBLIC SAFETY/VOTING ISSUES

DESCRIPTION: VARIOUS ISSUES PRESENTED FROM TRAFFIC SAFETY TO SCHOOL SAFETY....MISSING INDIVIDUALS....WANTED CRIMINALS

SEGMENT: NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

DATE/TIME/DURATION:

7/12- The Rush County Humane Society announces a public meeting

7/12- Rush County Solid Waste Management announces their Board Meeting

7/20- Health officials urge precautions as West Nile Virus is detected in Indiana

7/27- Reid Health and CareSource reach agreement on marketplace insurance plans

8/17- CSX to work on railroad crossings in Rushville

8/17- Crime Gun Intelligence Center in Indianapolis is being expanded

8/18- Newton County drug arrest

8/18- Afternoon shooting at NHK Sealing plant

8/25- Rolling slowdowns scheduled

8/25- I-70 eastbound on ramp from State Road 267 to close

8/27- Danny Niederberger announces his intention to primary Todd Young

9/3- For the second straight day, a student at Marion High School brought a gun to school

9/10- Noblesville's police chief says he is confident an officer will be cleared in a July shooting

9/10- Two people were arrested for over 3,700 grams of marijuana and over 75 grams of mushrooms

9/10- Roads leading to Memorial Stadium are under repair

9/14- California votes to keep or oust Democrat Gavin Newsom as governor

9/14- Maggie Goldberg, CEO of the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation, says that spinal cord injuries affect more people than the general public believes

9/14- Fire destroys Rushville home

9/14- Rush Memorial Hospital was given a renewal of accreditation for electrocardiography by the International Accreditation Commission

9/24- Greensburg Mayor Joshua Marsh partnered with DCMH Senior Life Solutions to proclaim September as Suicide Prevention and Awareness Month

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ISSUE: MISSING PERSONS – WANTED CRIMINALS

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

SEGMENT: NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

DATE/TIME/DURATION:

7/14- Body found in Lake Michigan

8/16-Missing baby in Plymouth

8/19- Missing Plymouth baby found dead

8/31- Man charged in the death of a Plymouth baby

9/2- Missing man in Rush County

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ISSUE: PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

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

SEGMENT: NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

DATE/TIME/DURATION:

7/19- More veterans now eligible for Indiana's Military Family Relief Fund

7/27- Reid Health and CareSource reach agreement on marketplace insurance plans

8/17- Courts side with Gov Holcomb regarding pandemic unemployment

8/24- Greensburg Community High School to host College Fair 2021

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ISSUE: CHILDREN NEEDS

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

SEGMENT: NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

DATE/TIME/DURATION:

7/2- Lion King Jr auditions announced for children

7/6- Children's Bureau hosts regional fair

7/9- Rush County Schools Online Registration announced

8/30- Chevrolet safety engineer Tricia Morrow says parents are nervous about their teen drivers

9/10- More good character rewarded at Rushville Consolidated High School

9/24- Rushville High School student Meredith Lawrence named Commended Student in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program

9/30- Rush County School announces a special meeting

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ISSUE: COVID 19

DESCRIPTION: VARIOUS HEALTH AND ECONOMIC RELATED ISSUES AS PANDEMIC ERUPTS LOCALLY

SEGMENT: NEWS COVERAGE – ALL NEWSCASTS

- 7/2- Decatur County Memorial Hospital resumed regular visitation policies as on July 1st
- 7/6- Additional COVID-19 relief coming to Decatur County United Fund
- 8/17- Daily Covid numbers
- 8/17- March Madness Mask Study
- 8/17- Westfield Washington Schools will require masks
- 8/17- Maconaquah School Corporation returns to remote learning
- 8/27- Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra announces they will require proof of COVID-19 vaccination to attend concerts
- 8/30- Mt. Vernon High School returns to virtual learning
- 9/3- CDC Director tells unvaccinated people to not travel over Labor Day weekend
- 9/3- American parents are not taking their children for a wellness visit during the pandemic
- 9/3- I-U Health is putting all non-emergency hospitalizations on hold due to COVID
- 9/3- State nursing homes could lose federal funding
- 9/7- COVID has now infected 40 million Americans
- 9/10- Rush County Schools approved adjustments to opening school plan

9/10- Todd Rokita wants to sue President Biden over vaccine mandates

9/14- Coronavirus infections in children are up over the past two months

9/14- Florida Governor Ron DeSantis fails to correct Coronavirus conspiracies spewed at news conference

9/23- Average daily COVID deaths rise over 2000 for the first time since March