

WUEZ-FM
Carterville, Illinois
Issues and Programs List
Fourth Quarter: October – December 2020
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Program: Week in Review
Date / Time: 10/04/2020 | 6:00am
Length: 14 minutes

Issue: Southern Illinois Economy
Issue: Scott Albert, Shawnee Hills Wine-Grape Association

Synopsis: Throughout 2020, many businesses and industries suffered due to the economic downturn brought on by COVID-19 and lockdowns put in place to control its spread. But at least one southern Illinois industry saw nearly the opposite. Wineries and vineyards were busier than ever this summer and fall. People flocked to the business to spend the day outdoors and socially distanced. Scott Albert, with the Shawnee Hills Wine-Grape Association, says in this interview that the success of wineries in the area is nothing new.

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Date / Time: 10/11/2020 | 6:00am
Length: 16 minutes

Issue: US Senate Election
Issue: Republican Candidate Mark Curran

Synopsis: Mark Curran is the former Sheriff of Lake County. In March, he emerged victorious from a crowded primary race to become the Republican candidate for US Senate. In November, he tried, unsuccessfully, to oust longtime democratic incumbent Senator Dick Durbin.

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Date / Time: 10/11/2020 | 6:00am
Length: 11 minutes

Issue: 12TH Congressional District Election
Issue: Democratic Candidate Ray Lenzi

Synopsis: Ray Lenzi holds a PhD in economics. He's the former Director of the SIU Office of Economic Development. In March, he won a two man primary to become the democratic candidate for Illinois' 12th congressional district. In November, Lenzi unsuccessfully challenge Republican incumbent Mike Bost.

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Date / Time: 10/18/2020 | 6:00am
Length: 26 minutes

Issue: 15TH Congressional District Election
Issue: Erika Weaver (D) / Mary Miller (R)

Synopsis: Illinois' 15th Congressional District was wide open in the 2020 election. Incumbent Republican John Shimkus deciding earlier in the year to retire. Two women campaigned to take his place in Washington, D.C. - Democrat Erika Weaver and Republican Mary Miller.

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Date / Time: 11/01/2020 | 6:00am
Length: 28 minutes

Issue: Graduated Income Tax Amendment Question
Issue: Quentin Fulks / Pete Sopczak

Synopsis: The first question on the Illinois ballot asked voters to approve a state constitutional amendment moving Illinois from a flat income tax, to a graduated one - meaning those who earn more, would pay a higher tax rate. We heard from both sides of the debate. Quentin Fulks was the chairman for Vote Yes for Fairness. Pete Sopczak was associated with The Coalition to Stop the Proposed Tax Hike Amendment.

Program: Week in Review
Date / Time: 11/22/2020, 6:00am
Length: 13 minutes

Issue: COVID-19 Pandemic
Issue: Dr. Kasey Nelson, Associate Medical Director for SIH Emergency Departments

Synopsis: In November, hospitals across the region reported record numbers of patients receiving care for COVID-19. For many of these sick individuals, their first interaction with a healthcare provider happened in the emergency room. We spoke with the Associate Medical Director for SIH Emergency Departments, Dr. Kasey Nelson who outlined some common symptoms of the coronavirus and when it's time to seek medical attention.

Program: Week in Review
Date / Time: 11/29/2020 | 6:00am
Length: 21 minutes

Issue: COVID-19 Pandemic
Issue: Illinois Governor JB Pritzker

Synopsis: In the days leading up to the Thanksgiving holiday, state health officials, as well as Governor JB Pritzker, pleaded with Illinoisans to avoid large gatherings with family and friends outside their immediate household. In this interview with Governor JB Pritzker, he repeats that message as well as explains some of the reasoning behind his handling of the coronavirus pandemic.

Program: Week in Review
Date / Time: 12/06/2020 | 6:00am
Length: 9 minutes

Issue: New Jackson County State's Attorney
Issue: Jackson County State's Attorney Joe Cervantez (R)

Synopsis: For the first time in decades, a Republican was elected to the office of State's Attorney in Jackson County. Joe Cervantez beat out incumbent Democrat Mike Carr in the November election. We spoke with Cervantez the day after he took the oath of office. He outline some of his goals for the office as well as his guiding principals when it comes to the application of the law.