

## WJDK-FM Issues and Program Report Quarter One, 2020

*Most stories first aired at 6am, unless otherwise noted.*

**Recreational Cannabis Becomes Legal in Illinois** – Morris Police Chief John Severson spoke to WJDK about the new rules of the law. We also interviewed the owner of the Greenhouse Dispensary in Morris regarding their first day of sales. **Air dates:** 1/1-1/3

**Dresden Nuclear Power Plant Could Close** – Nancy Norton with the Grundy Economic Development Council was in our studios on January 10<sup>th</sup> providing updates on the importance of keeping the plant open for the future and what local officials are doing to make sure that happens. **Air Dates:** 1/21 – 1/22,

**Yorkville Man Arrested For Killing Verona Woman** - The Grundy County Sheriff's Department along with other agencies on February 4<sup>th</sup> arrested a Yorkville man accused of killing a Verona woman. Robert Turk, 43, of Yorkville is accused of his killing girlfriend, 39-year-old Elizabeth Link inside a residence at 3200 South Verona Road in rural Grundy County sometime on May 14<sup>th</sup> of 2019. After the incident, Turk allegedly set the house on fire and fled the scene. Police officials say Link's body was discovered after the fire was extinguished. Grundy County Coroner John Callahan said Link died prior to the fire. Turk was charged with First Degree Murder and remains in the Grundy County Jail. **Air dates:** 2/4 – 2/5

**Nine People Injured** – Nine people were injured in a multiple vehicle accident that occurred on Interstate 80 near Minooka February 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Illinois State Police said a tow truck hauling a vehicle in the left lane was struck by a vehicle driven by a male. The male driver, who was standing outside of his vehicle after that incident, was then struck by another vehicle. The accident caused a chain reaction involving several other vehicles. The Illinois State Police told WJDK that eight people were transported to area hospitals with non-life threatening injuries. The male driver, who was struck while standing outside of his vehicle, was airlifted to an area hospital with serious injuries. **Air dates:** 2/22, 2/24 – 2/25

**Covid-19 Pandemic** – Between March 13<sup>th</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup>, WJDK ran a story regarding the Covid-19 pandemic. The stories informed residents when each county had their first Covid-19 case, announcement of school closings, bars and other businesses, and different municipalities on what they were doing to help out residents. WJDK interviewed individuals from Morris Hospital, Morris Police Department, local nursing homes, Grundy County Health Department and several other local officials. **Air dates:** 3-13 – 3/14, 3/16 – 3/21, 3/23 – 3/28, 3/30 – 3/31.

*Also provided important information about state legislation, arrest reports, municipal meetings, and public safety/health reminders throughout the quarter.*