

Quarterly Issues Programs List for WLJE-FM
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WLJE-FM provides coverage of community issues in newscasts at regularly-scheduled times Monday through Friday. WLJE-FM newscasts run approximately 90-to-120-seconds in length at the top of the hour, 5a-6p Mon-Fri, approximately 90-to-120-seconds bottom-of-hour 5:30a-6:30p. Community issues are chosen by assessing the various topics of concern that are evident in our listening area.

Description of Issue	Date	Approx. Length	Content of Program/Segment (news story) Providing Issue Coverage:
Community Outreach, Involvement			
	10/07/22	:90	<p>Neighbors helping neighbors... in Valparaiso, a local non-profit has a fun night tonight (October 7, 2022) planned to raise money for smaller organizations as Mike Bonaventura reports... 1:15 oc: standard</p> <p>Valpo Noon Kiwanis is hosting a 70s theme dinner and roller derby showdown at the Porter County Fairgrounds Cattle Barn Friday, October 7. Becky Wright from Valpo Kiwanis says they've partnered with the South Shore Roller Derby... 9-26-22wright1 :36 oc: t-shirt proceeds benefit the Kiwanis Community Fund... 9-26-22wright2 :15 oc: year Tickets available at roller-derby-showdown-dot-eventbrite-dot-com</p> <p>Tag: We've got that link and more details under Adams Radio Cares under the Community dropdown menu at our website.</p>
	10/07/22	:45	<p>In Valparaiso, the city will host an Art Walk and Talk on 'My Rescue'. Laura Waluszko has more: MyRescue_WalkandTalk-lw voicer :42 ...lw.</p> <p>The Valparaiso Art Walk at Cumberland Crossing is now in its 11th season and the current exhibit on display thru May 2023 features a variety of more than forty colorful "My Rescue" dog and cat and flower sculptures by artist Martha Cares of Sawyer, Michigan. Cares will share insights and lead the free Walk & Talk event, Tuesday October 11th, at 4 pm. Participants are encouraged to dress for the weather and meet near the BikeShare bike rack on Cumberland Crossing, just south of the YMCA parking lot. Light refreshments will be served. The city said Cares is gaining acclaim in the world of Pop Art for the simplicity, spontaneity and honesty of her work. Her iconic red My Rescue Dog is recognized nationally as a symbol of rescue education and awareness. for the rnt i'm lw.</p>
	10/18/22	:60	<p>A closer look...In Valparaiso, the city is hosting a free workshop tonight (Tue Oct 18) at City Hall that'll have info on the</p>

			<p>Neighborhood Improvement Grant Program. Mike Bonaventura has more... 9-14-22_valpograntwrap_MB_updateOCT :45 oc: standard</p> <p>Full Story Community Engagement Director Maggie Clifton...9-14-22clifton1 :15 oc: dollars</p> <p>Clifton says it's a way for neighborhoods to come together for a specific need... 9-14-22clifton2 :12 oc: this program</p> <p>The grant is funded by Valparaiso Redevelopment Commission and has completed 79 projects since 2018.</p> <p>Tag: The free Neighborhood Workshop Tuesday, October 18 at 5 pm at City Hall will feature an overview of the grant program, highlights of successful projects and how to apply. We have a link to reserve a spot at our website.</p>
	10/19/22	:44	<p>In Gary, FAITH -Families Anchored in Total Harmony- Farms and Orchard hosted a news conference to highlight a half-million-dollar grant from the U-S-D-A to develop a FAITH Food is Medicine program in the city. Pastor Curtis Whittaker, Founder of FAITH CDC, said the goals include increasing access: PastorWhittaker_FAITHfoodgrant :23 ...hospital cost.</p> <p>Just a few weeks ago, FAITH CDC received a Food Bank of Northwest Indiana grant to help create a freezing operation to extend the life of fresh produce grown on their urban farm.</p>
	11/03/22	:80	<p>A closer look... A Northwest Indiana city is seeking its 2022 Good Neighbor, and nominations are due this week. Mike Bonaventura has more... 9-27-22_goodneighborwrap_MB 1:10 oc: standard</p> <p>In Valparaiso, the city is seeking nominations for the 2022 Good Neighbor Recognition as the city Community Engagement Director Maggie Clifton explains... 9-27-22clifton1 :12 oc: in town</p> <p>The inaugural winner was Bob Westfall who, with Kiwanis, is recognized for building ramps for seniors and last year's winner Susie Hord was recognized for her work with many community organizations. Clifton explains how to nominate someone... 9-27-22clifton2 :18 oc: recognize them</p> <p>The only qualification is that nominees must reside and primarily perform their volunteer service within the City of Valparaiso. Nominations are due by Nov. 4 to be considered for</p>

			<p>the 2022 award. <i>Anchor tag: we have a link for details at our website.</i></p>
	11/03/22	:25	<p>In Merrillville, the Merrillville Community School Corporation held a ribbon-cutting Tuesday for its new food pantry located inside the high school. Officials say the goal of the pantry is to provide temporary food support to families in the Merrillville Community School Corporation in addition to direction if families need a more permanent solution. Students will be able to lend a hand, packaging up food, planning lists of needed food, and keeping inventory, for instance.</p>
	11/21/22	:30	<p>In Indiana, the first of 120 self-service civil legal kiosks were unveiled last week. It's part of a partnership between the Indiana Bar Foundation, Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority, and Indiana Supreme Court. A news release says the first-of-its-kind kiosks will initially focus on serving Hoosiers facing eviction or housing instability and will expand to include other legal topics next year. It's anticipated that all 92 counties will have at least one kiosk host site, and some counties have requested additional kiosks if more funding becomes available.</p>
	12/07/22	:42	<p>NIPSCO along with Adams Radio Group are helping to “Share the Warmth” during the season and Public Affairs Economic Development Manager Lake County Alexias Barber says assistance is available for a variety of consumers... 12-5-22barber2 :20 oc: hope for the holidays Barber says NIPSCO employees chose a new program this year called “Charity of Choice”.... 12-5-22barber4 :22 oc: by the community logon to nipsco-dot-com-forwardslash-community to findout more or listen to more Region newsmakers at news audio on demand at our website... (12/7/22)</p>
	12/12/22	:51	<p>NIPSCO is encouraging the Region to “Share the Warmth” this holiday season by donating gently used or new winter clothing to the Lake, Porter and LaPorte County Salvation Army. Auxiliary Captain of Porter County Jim Pritchard says last year thousands were helped by the clothing drive... 12-5-22pritchard1 :15 oc: coats Pritchard has the address for Porter County drop-offs.... 12-5-22pritchard2 :12 oc: highway 6 details at s-a-northwestindiana-dot-org and for the full Region newsmaker interview go to news audio on demand at our website ((mon dec 12 22))</p>
	12/15/22 12/16/22	:55	<p>Neighbors helping neighbors...NIPSCO and Adams Radio Group have teamed up to help “Share the Warmth” this season for those in need. Northwest Indiana Salvation Army Commander Captain Bersabe (bair'-sab) Vera (vare-uh) says to bring used winter clothing to any center... 12-5-22vera-locations</p>

			<p>:17 oc: to use Vera (vare-uh) says drop off locations are available throughout Lake, LaPorte & Porter Counties... 12-5-22vera-locations2 :18 oc: to families details at s-a-northwestindiana-dot-org and for the full interview go to news audio on demand at our website (1215)</p>
	12/21/22	:65	<p>Neighbors helping neighbors...Kevin Feldman of the Salvation Army says the need is great this year for the public to donate warm winter clothing because of inflationary times.... 12-20-22feldman-need :16 oc: table Feldman says warm winter clothing can be dropped off... 12-20-22feldman-clothing :22 oc: needed Our broadcast team was Strack & Van Til on Broadway in Crown Point yesterday morning (Tuesday). NIPSCO is helping to Share the Warmth as the Salvation Army of NWI collects new or gently used warm winter clothing this holiday season. (12/21)</p>
	12/21/22	:68	<p>Neighbors helping neighbors...Red Kettle donations are down and the Salvation army is making a final push to raise the funds they need to help those in need. Jonice (jon-eese) McKinney NIPSCO Project Manager and Salvation Army Board Member... 12-20-22mckinney1A :15 oc: quickly McKinney says the Salvation Army is there to help our region communities... 12-20-22mckinney-1 :18 oc: really great Our broadcast team was Strack & Van Til on Broadway in Crown Point Tuesday morning. NIPSCO and Adams Radio Group are helping to Share the Warmth as the Salvation Army of Northwest Indiana collects new or gently used warm winter clothing this holiday season at any NWI location of the Salvation Army or donate online at s-a-northwestindiana-dot-org// 730a, 1p//122122</p>
	12/21/22	:34	<p>As the Salvation Army of Northwest Indiana makes a final push toward their fundraising goal, Kevin Feldman says they have an eye on helping the community in the future and every dollar helps in the red kettles... 12-20-22feldman-give :09 oc: tomorrow Our broadcast team was Strack & Van Til on Broadway in Crown Point yesterday. NIPSCO and Adams Radio Group are helping to Share the Warmth as the Salvation Army of Northwest Indiana collects new or gently used winter clothing this holiday season at Salvation Army of NWI locations//9a//122122</p>

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Business/Economy			
	10/07/22	:25	In consumer and business news... Mark Mayfield says many business execs see a recession ahead, but the news isn't all bad: MoneyMatters100622a_1_recession :15...mild and short
	11/02/22	:25	In Porter County, a panel of regional business and economic experts will present their forecast for 2023. The Business and Economic Outlook, a free event November 4th, is hosted by the Northwest Indiana Business RoundTable and the Construction Advancement Foundation and will take place at Ivy Tech Community College in Valparaiso. Attendees are requested to register prior to the event by visiting the Business Outlook's webpage.
	11/03/22	:40	One in three businesses in the UK hospitality sector say they expect to be operating at a loss or fold completely by the new year. In London, Laura Makin-Isherwood (make-in) (ih'-sherwood) says a survey found that the majority of their members think the situation will get even worse. Concerns1031MakinIsherwoodVcr_1 :32 SOQ
	11/03/22	:30	A new survey suggests a third of millennials are behind on their retirement savings. More from Brian Shook. Millennialretirement_1 :27 SOQ
	11/04/22	:20	In Lake County, the Indiana University Kelley School of Business will present its 2023 economic forecasts for the nation, Indiana and communities across the state during a visit to Schererville November 18 th . The Outlook Tour will begin in downstate Bloomington November 10 th .
	11/16/22	:30	First District Congressman Frank J. Mrvan testified before the US International Trade Commission yesterday regarding steel dumping and countervailing duties of cut to length steel products from 12 countries. Mrvan testified Tuesday before the Commission for the 9 th time during his term in Congress in support of the United Steelworkers and the domestic steel industry... 11-15-22mrvandistrict :12 oc: district Mrvan says Indiana's First Congressional District is one of the largest steel-producing districts in the nation.
	11/22/22	:52	The holiday shopping season is off to another early start this year. Jason Gaughan [[GONE]], Head of Consumer Credit Card Products with Bank of America, talked about how early consumers began. GAHolidaySpendingA1_1 :09 ...mid-September. He also says he's not surprised many began their holiday shopping early: GAHolidaySpendingA2_1 :12 ...the most. He says at least 50-percent of people are planning to do most of their holiday shopping on or before Black Friday and Cyber Monday.

	11/28/22	:40	October saw plenty of new businesses being formed in the U.S. Erin Real reports: IDDR recessionStartUps_111822_1 :36 oc: standard
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Health/Public Safety			
	10/07/22	:25	In LaPorte County... Region residents will take part in the Alzheimer's Association Walk to End Alzheimer's in Michigan City tomorrow (Saturday Oct 8 th). It's the third of three walks in Northwest Indiana and will be at Washington Park on the Lake. The Porter County walk was in downtown Valpo last weekend and the Lake County walk was held in Highland last month. We have a link for details at Adams Radio Cares under the Community dropdown menu at our website.
	10/10/22	:80	Spotlight on health... Sony is sharing developments of a device aimed at facilitating the early detection of Alzheimer's disease and other illnesses. The machine can measure loss of smell, an early bio marker of Alzheimer's and one of the symptoms of COVID-19. Sony's device uses sealed cartridges, each containing a smell of varying concentrations, including those of roses and fermented soybeans. Users can get the results in about five minutes. Sony hopes to also use this technology in other fields such as gaming and entertainment. The CDC is going to stop reporting daily COVID cases this month, opting to switch to weekly reports instead. In an update on COVID data, the CDC said it was doing so to allow more "flexibility" while reducing the work on state and local governments. The change will start on October 20th. In Hobart, Community Healthcare System will host the "Time is Brain" Stroke Symposium, 8 a.m. to noon, Thursday, October 13th at St. Mary Medical Center. Free health screenings, vendor booths and continental breakfast will be available at 8 a.m. followed by presentations on varying topics, then stroke patients will share their personal stories of conquering the disease, which officials say is the No. 5 cause of death and a leading cause of disability in the United States. Attendees are asked to register for this free event.
	10/12/22	:60	Spotlight on health... The White House predicts a "significant" flu season this year on top of a potential increase in COVID infections. Flu1011Jha1_1 :09 ...how the winter goes. Speaking to reporters, White House COVID Response

			<p>Coordinator Ashish Jha [[ah-SHEESH jaw]] urged Americans to get the updated booster that targets new strains Fly1011Jha2_1 :09 ...and deaths. Jha also noted that given what Australia's winter was like during the U.S.'s summer, Americans can expect an uptick in flu infections. Flu1011Jha4_1 :08 ...today.</p>
	10/12/22	:70	<p>A closer look... October is pedestrian safety month. Laura Waluszko has more: PedSafetyMonth-lw wrap 1:09 ...lw. Indiana Criminal Justice Institute Executive Director Devon McDonald says Autumn brings increased risk: Mcdonald_pedsafety1 :09 ...as well. Mcdonald says 124 pedestrians lost their lives in Indiana last year, a 33-percent increase from the year before and the highest number in a decade: Mcdonald_pedsafety2 :12 ...Porter County had one. The Indiana Criminal Justice Institute says Lake County saw the second highest number of pedestrian fatalities in 2021, after Marion County. Mcdonald added: Mcdonald_pedsafety3 :18 ...crosswalks. You can hear more Region Newsmakers at News Audio on Demand at our website. For the rnt I'm lw.</p>
	10/14/22	:42	<p>U.S. Attorney Clifford D. Johnson announced that the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute was awarded a \$135,000 grant to support the Project Safe Neighborhoods Program in the Northern District of Indiana. Associate Attorney General Vanita Gupta said, "The resources in these grants will help out state and local partners reduce gun violence through increased community trust and investments in community-based initiatives like violence intervention programs." Project Safe Neighborhoods was launched two decades ago and is led by U.S. Attorneys' Offices in collaboration with local public safety agencies and community organizations.</p>
	10/14/22	:65	<p>Spotlight on health... The White House predicts a "significant" flu season this year on top of a potential increase in COVID infections. More from Mark Mayfield. FluSeason101222_1 :24 SOQ</p> <p>Doctors are issuing a warning for COVID-19 patients with a history of cardiovascular disease. Lisa Taylor has more. IDDCOVIDPaxlovidWarning_1 :25 oc: standard</p> <p>Pediatricians should be looking out for signs of anxiety in children as young as eight, according to the U.S. Preventative</p>

			<p>Services Task Force. A panel of experts recommended that doctors should also screen for depression in children starting at 12 years old. These benchmarks apply to children who don't show any symptoms of a mental health issue, but one task force member noted that children who do show symptoms regardless of age should be referred to specialized care.</p>
	10/19/22	:67	<p>In Crown Point, local officials along with First District Congressman Frank Mrvan gathered at Crown Point Fire and Rescue to discuss a federal grant the city received. The FEMA grant – Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response – or SAFER will fund 7 additional firefighters with the 2 point 26 million dollars received through the grant. Mayor Pete Land... 10-18-22petelandsafer :10 oc: doing that The Mayor says it will have a big impact on the fire department to help protect and serve businesses and citizens... 10-18-22petelandsafer2 :26 oc: resources Fire Chief Mark Baumgarder says the grant helps expand staff... 10-18-22baumsafer :11 oc: on all 3 shifts Crown Point received the SAFER grant in September.</p>
	10/21/22	:57	<p>A closer look... An Indiana school counselor has suggestions for helping kids cope with the scary that accompanies Halloween. Aaron Munson, a school counselor at Indianapolis Public Schools Butler University Lab School 55 and the 2022 Indiana Elementary School Counselor of the Year, told us on Region Newsmakers: Munson_Halloweendecorations :32 ...feel safe. He has a list of tips and you can hear more at News Audio on Demand at our website.</p>
	11/03/22	:105	<p>Spotlight on Health... Spotlight on health... there's been concern over three viruses circulating this fall, influenza, COVID-19 and R-S-V. Jack Cronin (croh-nen) has more from a doctor at the local children's hospital in San Diego County, California: SDWinterVirusesWrap_1 : 41 SOQ</p> <p>Nov 1st marked the start of National Diabetes Awareness Month. Dr. Griffin Rodgers is Director of the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases with the National Institutes of Health: GADiabetesMonthA2_1 :12 ...risk factor. Rodgers says roughly 37 million Americans have the chronic disease and 96 million are pre-diabetic.</p>

			<p>This is the weekend to turn the clocks back an hour. Daylight Saving officially ends Sunday morning at 2:00. Experts say this is the time to check all fire, smoke and CO-2 alarms in your house and replace the batteries. Health experts say it's also a time that is taxing on some people's hearts so it's important to get to bed a little earlier to adjust to the change.</p>
	11/17/22	:64	<p>A closer look... Groups across Indiana are calling on legislators and Governor Holcomb to address the issue of access to health care delivered by the provider of their choice. This week they announced the launch of Hoosiers for Health Care Access, a coalition representing 10 Indiana patient, business, faith and community-based organizations. Laura Waluszko has more: Healthletter-lw voicer :51 ...lw.</p> <p>In an open letter the groups say over the past two years, the public health emergency temporarily empowered patients with greater health care choice through direct access to advanced practice registered nurses, and urges lawmakers to make this permanent. It's signed by the Indiana Chamber, AARP Indiana, Americans for Prosperity-Indiana, the Coalition of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses of Indiana, the Convenient Care Association, the Indiana Minority Health Coalition, Purdue University NW College of Nursing, INhouse Primary Care, Rounding Providers and Sojourner Truth House. They say more than 2 million Hoosiers live in federally designated primary care provider shortage areas and 4.7 million more lack access to mental health care. They also said 33 out of 92 counties are classified as obstetric deserts, meaning women in over a third of the state don't have access to vital health care services or don't have a hospital with labor and delivery capabilities.</p>
	11/22/22	:30	<p>The use of masks is once again being recommended by health officials as the holidays approach. UCLA Infectious Disease specialist Dr. Annabelle De St. Maurice says there's a rapidly spreading increase in cases due to the COVID Omicron subvariants.</p> <p>DrMaurice_1 :06 oc: as well</p> <p>Experts are also urging people to once again mask up when traveling through airports and airplanes this holiday season. Also consider taking a home COVID test before going to a holiday gathering, especially with elderly relatives.</p>
	11/22/22	:30	<p>U.S. Antibiotics Awareness Week is November 18th thru the 24th and the Indiana Department of Health is encouraging Hoosiers to learn about good antibiotic use and prescribing practices. State Health Commissioner Doctor Kris Box says, "Unfortunately, improper use of antibiotics can render these medications useless and reduce the tools available to fight serious illness." The CDC says at least 30 percent of the antibiotics in outpatient settings nationwide are prescribed unnecessarily and can lead to antibiotic resistance. Box says you</p>

			can find details at cdc-dot-gov.
	11/28/22	:60	<p>Spotlight on Health... America is facing a shortage of children's antibiotics due to what health experts are calling a "triple-demic." Sara Lee Kessler reports. IDDSLKAntibioticsShortageNBC_1 :35 SOQ</p> <p>November is National Family Caregivers Month and the Alzheimer's Association says nearly half of all caregivers who provide help to older adults do so for someone with Alzheimer's or another dementia. Laura Forbes is Communications Director for the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Indiana Chapter: NovCaregiversMonth :14 ...of the disease. The Alzheimer's Association offers caregiver support groups in Dyer, Gary, Michigan City, and Valparaiso.</p> <p>Chemicals extracted from hop flowers could possibly help in the fight against Alzheimer's disease. The plant, which is a key component of beer, can inhibit protein clumping that's linked to the disease. Experts believe the compounds from hops could eventually be put to work by the pharmaceutical industry. The research is published in the journal ACS Chemical Neuroscience.</p>
	12/08/22	:80	<p>Spotlight on health... In California, researchers at U-C Davis could be on the verge of a medical breakthrough. A major study is underway to see if a new treatment in dogs could one day help people. It's hailed as promising, working so far on 40-percent of the 21 dogs involved in a clinical trial. That includes a nine-year-old rescue diagnosed with bone cancer and given a year. After a leg amputation, chemo, and the immunotherapy treatment, he's thriving.</p> <p>New research shows the language of medicine has the possibility of being fraught with confusion on the patient side. A study by researchers at the University of Minnesota in the online journal JAMA (jah-muh) Network Open says a survey of 215 adults found participants not only often misunderstood common phrases used by doctors, they also thought the phrases meant the opposite of what the physician meant. For instance, the study said only about one-fifth correctly understood that a clinician saying their radiography was "impressive" was generally not good news.</p> <p>Health officials are encouraging Americans to wear masks to reduce the spread of respiratory illnesses. Lisa Taylor reports. IDDCDCMasks_1 :21 SOQ</p>

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Environment			
	10/06/22	:25	In Hammond, U.S. Attorney Clifford Johnson has designated an Environmental Justice Coordinator to address environmental-related concerns in the Region. He also said the public can visit the U-S Attorney's Office website to learn more. In today's (Wednesday's) announcement about the new initiative, Johnson said "Strong and fair enforcement of environmental and public health laws protects our precious natural resources, including Lake Michigan and the Indiana Dunes National Park, and ensures a healthy environment for everyone to live, learn, play, and work."
	10/20/22	:25	A milestone achievement for Northwest Indiana's urban forestry program: more than 10,000 trees planted in communities across the Region; CommuniTree's Celebration of "10,000 Trees & Counting" was held at Gabis (gabe-iss) Arboretum this month. CommuniTree partners include the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, Student Conservation Association, Wildlife Habitat Council, US Forest Service, and Urban Waters Federal Partnership.
	10/21/22	:35	In Valparaiso, hundreds of people are expected to attend the annual Festival of Owls hosted by Humane Indiana Wildlife this Saturday, October 22nd at the Porter County Expo Center, 9 am to 4 pm. Humane Indiana Director of Wildlife, Nicole Harmon says the day-long family-friendly event features presentations from 8 educators across the state. Tickets are available online and we have that link at Animal Corner and Green Zone under the Community dropdown menu at our website. Eight owl species are native to Indiana.
	11/15/22	:28	In Porter County, a rare moment for Region birders. Laura Waluszko has more: Forktailed-lw voicer :22 ...lw. A post at the Town of Chesterton Facebook page says a Fork-tailed Flycatcher was spotted in Beverly Shores last month; the visit reportedly only the third Fork-tailed Flycatcher ever documented in the Hoosier state. The article says sometimes during migration these birds who live in the tropics find themselves off course and are seen, for instance, along the Atlantic seaboard. For the rnt i'm lw.
	11/22/22	:20	A bird thought to be extinct for 140 years has been rediscovered. The black-naped pheasant-pigeon was recorded for the first and only time in 1882, and scientists believed the species had long since vanished. However, researchers on a remote island off Papua (PAHP'-oo-ah) New Guinea recently spotted the bird on video. It's still unclear just how many are left, but scientists are optimistic.
	11/28/22	:38	In northern California, the giant sequoias that live there are the largest tree on the planet, but because of wild fires, experts fear these majestic wonders may be heading toward extinction. CASequoias111_1 :12 ...unprecedented.

			Tim Borden with the Save The Redwoods League says this is an emergency for the sequoia range. CASequoias333_1 :04 ...this mess. Experts say wildfires have gone from low severity to high severity.
	12/06/22	:40	A closer look... Thousands of well-known visitors to the Region are flying through now. Laura Waluszko has more: SandhillCranes2022-lw voicer :68 ...lw From two-thousand to over 30-thousand... that's how the population of the migrating Sandhill Cranes has grown at their well-known stop in Northwest Indiana over the past several weeks. Cranes :33 ...existence. Jim Bergens on a special Indiana DNR YouTube video. The Indiana DNR says staff at Jasper-Pulaski Fish and Wildlife area make weekly crane counts during the park fall migration from October thru the end of December. The first in early October was 2-thousand-69... last week the number was over 31-thousand, jumping from about 72-hundred the week before. The latest count was over 24-thousand. For the rnt i'm lw.
	12/08/22	:24	In California, the nation's second largest city is banning the sale and use of Styrofoam products. A full ban on Styrofoam products was approved by the Los Angeles City Council on Tuesday. The ban takes effect for small businesses in April of next year, and for larger businesses in April of 2024. The council is also limiting single-use plastic bags to just restaurants and retail stores. More than 150 other U.S. cities have similar restrictions on Styrofoam and single-use plastics.
	12/30/23	:20	More than half of Antarctica's plants and animals could disappear by the end of the century. More from Brian Shook. Antarcticaenvironment :17 SOQ

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Local Infrastructure, Development; Transportation, Government			
	10/12/22	:48	In downtown Valparaiso, the city is hosting an open house tonight (Wed Oct 12) to share plans for the new sports and recreation campus being developed on Valpo's east side -- and there's been a location change .. originally set to be at Urschel Pavilion the open house will instead be at Valparaiso City Hall same time 6 to 7:30 pm tonight, in a message at the city's Valparaiso Now Facebook page, Mayor Matt Murphy encourages residents to attend: murphy_ParksOpenhouse :17 ...ask questions. There will be additional opportunities to view plans at the upcoming Redevelopment Commission, City Council, and Park Board meetings this month.

	10/13/22	:30	In Valparaiso, the public got a chance on Wednesday to learn more about a sports and recreation campus planned for just east of State Road 49 between Vale Park Road and 500 North. Mayor Matt Murphy says it will include nature trails and open green space, and along with turf fields for baseball, soccer and other sports, there will also be places for pickleball. There will be additional opportunities to view plans at the upcoming Redevelopment Commission, City Council, and Park Board meetings this month.
	11/04/22	:30	INDOT says two public meetings, one in-person in Lake County and the other virtual, are planned this month to provide an update on 80/94 Flexroad, a project to improve traffic flow and safety along Indiana's busiest interstate corridor. The in-person meeting is Wednesday, Nov. 16, 5:30 to 7 p.m. at Purdue Northwest in Hammond; the virtual meeting is Thursday Nov 17th at 6 pm. Strategies being considered include dynamic shoulder lanes, variable speed limits, ramp metering, lane control and queue warning systems.
	11/16/22	:40	Two public meetings to increase traffic flow and improve safety on the Borman Expressway, the states busiest interstate corridor, will be held this week. INDOT is looking to identify the best solutions through the 80/94 Flexroad study. The public meetings will provide an update, focus on next steps and offer an opportunity for one-on-one conversations with members of the Project Team. The "in-person" meeting is Wednesday, November 16 at the Purdue Northwest Student Library building in Alumni Hall in Hammond from 5:30 to 7pm. The "virtual meeting" is available via Microsoft teams at 7pm Thursday November 17. We have a link at our website.
	11/21/22	:32	First District Congressman Frank J. Mrvan has introduced legislation to strengthen cyber security at the VA to protect and safeguard veteran's personal identification. He spoke in front of the house last week for HR 7299 which the House approved 381 to 39... 11-18-22mrvan-va1 :12 oc: deficiencies The legislation is now referred to the Senate for consideration.
	11/28/22	:28	The Indiana Department of Transportation will host a public information meeting this week on ProPEL US 30. The study team is seeking Hoosiers' input on the vision and scope for the planning studies, including local transportation needs and community priorities along the US 30 corridor from Valparaiso to the Indiana/Ohio state line, excluding the Fort Wayne bypass in northern Indiana. The upcoming local meeting will be at Oregon Davis School in Hamlet, 5-to-7pm, with a presentation at 6 pm, on Wednesday November 30 th .
	11/30/22	:24	INDOT invites the community to a public meeting to provide input on the future of the US 30 corridor in northern Indiana. Participants will learn more about the Planning and Environmental Linkages study, share their comments, questions, and concerns regarding the long-term transportation

			solutions along US 30 in Marshall, Starke, LaPorte, and Porter counties. The meeting is tonight/Wednesday, Nov. 30 from 5-7pm Central at Oregon Davis School in Hamlet. We have a link for more details at our website.
	12/07/22	:32	INDOT Tuesday announced 229 cities, towns and counties statewide receiving a share of over 119-million-dollars in state matching road improvement funds through community crossings. To qualify for funding, local governments must provide local matching funds of 50 percent for larger communities or 25 percent for smaller communities and have an asset management plan for maintaining existing roads and bridges. A combination of 22 counties and municipalities from NWI received funding through community crossings. This was the second application of the program for 2022.
	12/08/22	:30	First District Congressman Frank J. Mrvan spoke on the house floor Tuesday in support of funding and finalizing NWI projects for fiscal year 2023... 12-7-22mrvanfy23 :22 oc: NWI
	12/30/22	:26	Northwest Indiana Congressman Frank J. Mrvan says over \$20 million in Community Project Funding requests across the Region are in the final Fiscal Year 2023 appropriations package. They include shoreline restoration near Mount Baldy in Michigan City. Also in the measure are funds to assist the Porter County Sheriff's office in equipment upgrades, for Whiting Police to get license plate readers to assist officers in their ability to protect the community and for Gary Police to obtain body-worn and in-car cameras. Monies are also set aside for additional phases of Portage's Central Avenue Reconstruction Project. You can see the full list at our website.
	12/30/22	:15	In Indianapolis, Governor Holcomb will unveil his 2023 Next Level Agenda next week. During the event January 4th, Holcomb will announce his legislative and administrative priorities for the 2023 session. The livestream link is available at our website.

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Education/ Learning skills			
	11/04/22	:60	<p>"Raising Readers and Building Leaders"... that's the topic and the title of the latest column from Tami Silverman, President and CEO of Indiana Youth Institute:</p> <p>Tami_ReadersLeaders :19 ...confident readers. Silverman says talking to babies in a grown-up way can be part of it:</p> <p>Tami_Talking :10 ...those connections. Silverman says building literacy and language skills begins in infancy before making the transition from learning to read to reading to learn. You can hear more at Region Newsmakers at</p>

			News Audio on Demand at our website.
	11/15/22	:24	In Merrillville, students from Merrillville, Gary, Griffith, Hobart, Lake Station and River Forest schools took part last night (Mon Nov 14) in the first in-person Elementary Spell Bowl since 2019. About six-thousand students in grades 4, 5, and 6 were part of the 29th annual competition taking place at 48 sites statewide and administered by the Indiana Association of School Principals and sponsored by Purdue. It's similar to the Spell Bowl held in high schools and junior high/middle schools.
	11/22/22	:50	November was designated National American Heritage Month more than 30 years ago, encouraging all Americans to learn about the contributions, past and current, of North America's Indigenous peoples, and Indiana Youth Institute President/CEO Tami Silverman also says it's a good time to help kids learn about Indiana's history: Silverman_NativeAmericanHeritage:22 ...during this month. Silverman adds perhaps one of the most impactful actions is to focus on Thanksgiving as a holiday of gratitude: Silverman_gratitude :18 ...neighbors.
	11/30/22	:20	In Hammond and Westville, Purdue University Northwest says it has received \$5-point-9 million in renewed federal funding that will support programs for first-generation, low-income and underrepresented college students over the next five years. A news release said three of the six TRIO programs at P-N-W, Upward Bound, Upward Bound Math and Science and the Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, will benefit.
	11/30/22	:20	The Indiana Department of Education says it has entered into a partnership with the University of Indianapolis Center of Excellence in Leadership of Learning to strengthen the state's English learner teacher pipeline. The announcement said the new initiative will fund tuition, books and material fees for current educators and bachelor's degree holders to complete coursework leading to English as a New Language licensure.
	12/08/22	:30	In West Lafayette, \$5 million is going to a Purdue-Ivy Tech Community College partnership on the Semiconductors Workforce Development Project to develop the talent pipeline of high school and college students and increase training. Purdue and Greater Lafayette officials revealed seven regional READI ("ready") projects that would share \$30 million in funding, which also includes \$7 million for building infrastructure to support a passenger terminal at Purdue Airport to help bring commercial air service back to Greater Lafayette. The last commercial flight was in 2004.