

WMOI ISSUES AND PROGRAMS

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A list of some of the significant issues responded to by WMOI, Monmouth, Illinois along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues

<u>Description Of Issue</u>	<u>Program/Segment</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Narration of Type of Segment</u>
Health	Local News	1/4/2023	5 times	10 min	Utility services assistance is available with the Knox County Health Department through their Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), says Director of Wellness Erin Olson. LIHEAP services are available through the end of May. Eligibility guidelines can be found at
Political	Local News	1/5/2023	5 times	10 min	Illinois losing a combined 20-years on the US House Ag Committee as Cheri Bustos and Rodney Davis leave Congress in 2022. Both Davis and Bustos were elected to Congress in 2012. Bustos chose not to run for re-election and Davis lost in the GOP primary to fellow incumbent Mary Miller as Illinois lost one seat in Congress due to population loss following the 2020 census. For Bustos. a 2023 Farm Bill is all about
City	Local News	1/6/2023	5 times	10 min	Andy Jackson, Public Works Director for the City of Monmouth informed the city council this week that the water tower is leaking. Mayor Rod Davies explains what the next steps will be.....Communications Director for the city, Ken Helms adds one of the projects they have been working on is securing funding to build another elevated water tank and

Behavioral Health	Local News	1/10/2023	5 times	10 min	Stacy Brown, Vice President of Behavior Health Services at Bridgeway is reporting a grant was received for the Human Service Council serving the Knox, Warren and Henderson Counties area. The program is called the Yes System of Care and focuses on serving youth and families locally. Referrals
Knox County Economy	Local News	1/12/2023	5 times	10 min	It was a soft quarter for the Monmouth and Galesburg area in total sales for 2022. Knox County Area Partnership President Ken Springer reports that Monmouth had a 1.29% in sales tax receipts which was mainly in package foods and general merchandise. A 1.3% decline occurred in Galesburg during the same quarter but both communities are seeing a decline in
Girl Scouts	Local News	1/16/2023	5 times	10 min	On January 13th, local Girl Scouts kicked off the 2023 Girl Scout Cookie season! Girl Scouts and their troops are rallying their communities to support the world's largest entrepreneurial program for girls. Every box of cookies sold provides invaluable experiences for Girl Scouts, such as
Non-Profit	Local News	1/18/2023	5 times	10 min	Western Illinois Animal Rescue in February. The event will be held on February 16th from 5-6 p.m. at the Library. The event is open to residents of all ages. Youth Librarian Cammy Davis explains:

Community	Local News	1/20/2023	5 times	10 min	January and February normally see a slight lull in services provided through Jamieson Community Center; however, Executive Director Nancy Mowen reports that is not the case this year as the Community Marketplace, Senior Nutrition, and the Learning Center continue to see increased visits and
Education	Local News	1/24/2023	5 times	10 min	Back in session after winter break, sickness within the Monmouth-Roseville school district has improved says Superintendent Ed Fletcher. Furthermore, during the January Board of Education meeting, the Monmouth-Roseville board approved a resolution for Superintendent Fletcher to begin a
Higher Education	Local News	1/26/2023	5 times	10 min	The Monmouth College educational studies program has received a federal grant in the amount of \$750,000 through the federal Community Project Funding Program to support the Monmouth Rural Education Initiatives program to prepare more teachers for rural communities, explains Professor and Co-Chair of Educational Studies Craig Vivian:
Health	Local News	1/30/2023	5 times	10 min	part of maintaining good health, especially as you get older. With an extensive background in women's reproductive health, Solvera Health Nurse Practitioner Emily Mynatt shares when women should begin those annual screenings:

City	Local News	2/1/2023	5 times	10 min	The Monmouth City Council has passed a resolution to support the current form of the Tax Increment Financing, or TIF, legislation without any further restrictions or limitations placed on the municipalities in creating and using the TIF Districts. City Administrator Lew Steinbrecher says utilization of TIF Districts are by far one of the most effective economic development tools that local municipalities have and have been very successful for the Monmouth area:
Music	Local News	2/3/2023	5 times	10 min	Recruitment for the Monmouth College Symphonic Concert and Athletic Bands continues to gain momentum and grow among students and local community members. As rehearsals have begun for the 2023 Spring Semester, Director John Eckstine says the upcoming concert in April will feature some
Community	Local News	2/7/2023	5 times	10 min	actors” try and obtain your personal information for their own gains by opening credit cards, bank accounts, or one that has been on the rise nationally is purchasing houses says Monmouth Police Department Investigator Josh Kramer:
Health	Local News	2/9/2023	5 times	10 min	In the heart of flu season, McDonough District Hospital Ear, Nose, & Throat Specialist Dr. Jeffrey Sparks says Influenza A has been a main culprit in the local area and in some cases, symptoms are lingering well past the so called normal ten day span, or even progressing into an ear infection or sinusitis:

Arts	Local News	2/13/2023	5 times	10 min	The Murder Mystery Dinner Theater: A Red Carpet Murder will take the stage at the Buchanan Center for the Arts on Friday, February 17 th and Saturday, February 18 th . BCA Board of Directors member Stacia Matton, who also wrote and will direct the murder mystery, previews what the audience can
Community	Local News	2/15/2023	5 times	10 min	For the past year and a half, a group of area agencies, headed by the Galesburg Community Foundation, has met to brainstorm creative solutions to address root causes of hunger through a Hunger Collaborative. Jamieson Community Center Executive Director Nancy Mowen says the core of this collaborative is about connections and networking within the
Non Profit	Local News	2/17/2023	5 times	10 min	The Western Illinois Regional Council is celebrating their 50 th Anniversary of providing assistance to local governments and members of the community. Public Relations Manager Jamie Roth shares the wide variety of services available: Western Illinois Regional Council serves individuals and local governments in Hancock, Henderson, McDonough, Knox,
Education	Local News	2/20/2023	5 times	10 min	At the recent United Board of Education meeting, fees were set for the upcoming 2023-2024 school year. Lunch fees for the year will increase by ten cents and Superintendent Jeff Whitsitt reported the substitute teacher base rate will not increase; however, there will be an added incentive to subs

Awareness	Local News	2/22/2023	5 times	10 min	<p>Tax filing season is here and with that brings scammers. Security Savings Bank Vice President Dorothy Ricketts offers this advice for spotting fraudulent callers claiming to be the IRS, the federal government, or Social Security office. Ricketts says another item to recognize in identifying a scam is the person that contacted you will want you to keep the situation a secret. Always feel free to contact your local banker</p>
Chamber	Local News	2/24/2023	5 times	10 min	<p>jam packed 2023. Between Young Professional events, ribbon cuttings, Business After Hours, and the annual pillar events, Executive Director Pam Gaither is excited for the remainder of the year:</p>
College	Local News	2/27/2023	5 times	10 min	<p>Monmouth College has officially closed their record-setting 'Light This Candle Campaign,' which will help lead the college's successes with more student scholarships, supporting faculty innovation, and enhancing students living and learning on-campus experiences, says Associate Vice President of</p>
Agriculture	Local News	3/1/2023	5 times	10 min	<p>Ag Mech Farm Expo returns to Macomb. Senior ag major Jaclyn Janssen, of Avon, IL serves as show coordinator. This marks the 51st year for the event, which takes place March 4 and 5 at WIU's Western Hall.....</p>

Health	Local News	3/6/2023	5 times	10 min	<p>in the 2022 Annual Report for the Warren County Health Department, Administrator Jenna Link looked back at COVID cases for the county over the past two years. 1,800 cases were reported, while 4,600 vaccinations were administered in 2021 compared to 1,400 cases and 1,500 vaccinations in 2022. Meanwhile, with a federal declaration for the end of the emergency response to COVID in May, Link says COVID will</p>
Community Safety	Local News	3/7/2023	5 times	10 min	<p>models and 2015 to 2021 Hyundai models are on the rise. Monmouth Police Department Investigator Josh Kramer says the rising theft is among those vehicles using ignition keys and owners should contact their dealership:</p>
Election	Local News	3/10/2023	5 times	10 min	<p>referendum on the ballot for a potential new Law Enforcement Center where Warren County voters are being asked to approve a three quarter percent increase in the sales tax, equating to a seventy-five cents additional tax on a one hundred dollar purchase. Citizens Advisory Committee Chair Chip Algren informs Warren County has designated \$2 million in COVID relief funds to go toward the down payment of the project, which would be added to collected funds from a</p>
Non-Profit	Local News	3/14/2023	5 times	10 min	<p>will hold their main fundraising event of the year at the Monmouth American Legion. Treasurer Jan Helms highlights the schedule of event for the upcoming Furry Friends Fundraiser:</p>

Education	Local News	03/16/23	5 times	10 min	University of Illinois Extension, Carl Sandburg College is partnering to host “Welcome to the Real World” for area 8 th Grade students, explains Coordinator of Career Development Tracy Engstrom:
Agriculture	Local News	03/20/23	5 times	10 min	right now within the Conservation Reserve Program says local NRCS District Conservationist Cathy Froelich. Seed tags and invoices can be dropped off at the USDA office in Monmouth at 701 North Main Street.
Community	Local News	03/22/23	5 times	10 min	With the recent concerns over the amount of capital at banks on the West and East Coasts, causing a shutdown due to what is being called a 'bank failure,' local Security Savings Bank President and CEO Brad Ray and Midwest Bank President and CEO Chris Gavin ensures what is going on in New York and California is not the case in the Midwest. Under the FDIC, each account that a person holds is insured up to \$250,000, per depositor and per insured bank, explains Ray:
Health	Local News	03/24/23	5 times	10 min	Eagle View Community Health System is a non-profit public healthcare organization serving uninsured and under served communities by offering medical, dental, and behavioral health care services. As insurance is a major question when it comes to healthcare, Marketing and Public Relations Coordinator Emily Higgins reports Eagle View accepts most

Chamber	Local News	03/28/23	5 times	10 min	Nominations for the 104th Monmouth Area Chamber of Commerce Dinner and Awards Night are currently being accepted, shares Executive Director Kelli Kinzer. The Annual Casino Night Chamber Dinner will be held at Meks on Main beginning with registration and a cocktail hour on Friday, April 28th, followed by dinner, awards, and casino play.
Community Safety	Local News	03/30/23	5 times	10 min	As computer software becomes more complex, integrates with more programs, and becomes more user friendly, it opens up the opportunity for vulnerabilities to occur. Local Information Technology Admin Michael Spainhour advises keeping your computer updated with the latest software, watch for suspicious emails containing ransomware, and remember to