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AGRICULTURE, BUSINESS and HEALTHCARE

A controversial hog farm moves closer to reality in the third quarter. News 18 looks at small town healthcare and talks to one doctor who watched his practice disappear before his very eyes. The West Nile virus hits Tippecanoe county. The governor lands a deal that will bring hundreds of jobs to the Lafayette area. A local plant lays off 125 people and hospitals begin making cuts. A new urgent care facility opens up in West Lafayette. News 18 examines the Affordable Care Act and what it means to residents in the viewing area.

7-1-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A controversial Hog Farm in White County is a step closer to reality. County commissioners approved rezoning of about seven acres of land east of Brookston near Camp Tecumseh.

7-2-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A recent release from the US Department of Agriculture predicts a high yield for both corn and soybeans in Indiana and Ohio. 76 percent of corn in Indiana was rated good to excellent while 72 percent of soybeans received the same rating. Both were ranked second nationally.

7-5-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :25)

US employers added 195,000 jobs in June and hiring turns out to have been more robust in the two previous months than estimated. However, the unemployment rate stays above seven percent, because more people started looking for work.

7-5-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:45)

Indiana crops are bouncing back with an expected record breaking yield. News 18's Holly Campbell reports how the promising crops will impact what consumers pay at the grocery store.

7-19-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :20)

Tippecanoe County's unemployment rate jumped sharply in June. The rate jumped to eight-point-six percent from seven-point-two-percent in May. Tippecanoe County's rate is now higher than the state-wide average, of eight-point-four percent.

7-19-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

Festivals are a great way to showcase the community. But when it comes to making a profit, some downtown businesses say they're missing out. News 18's Holly Campbell reports some businesses hope to change that.

7-19-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Heat at the Jasper County fair forced cattle and other animals indoors during the 4-H show.

7-20-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:50)

In small towns across America, residents rely on family medical practices. But what happens when those practices are gone? News 18 decided to find out. In part one of our Hometown Healthcare series, I sit down with Dr. Joseph Furr, a doctor whose practice was ripped out of a small town, leaving uncertainties behind.

7-21-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Residents of Templeton are showing their appreciation for the business that helped them get water back in their homes. News 18's Holly Campbell has the story.

7-21-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:45)

Yesterday, News 18 brought you the story of Dr. Joseph Furr, a family physician whose Hillsboro practice was taken over by a larger corporation back in March. Tonight, we take a closer look at why this is happening and what's next for the doctor whose life changed in an instant.

7-22-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

Humid weather and a wet spring that delayed farmers from planting corn could create conditions for a crop disease that would reduce yields.

7-22-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:20)

The Tippecanoe County 4-H Fair is underway, but last night's storms have caused some flooding problems, particularly with the horse arena. News 18's Krista Henery reports, despite all of that, it hasn't stopped the 4-H'ers from having fun!

7-23-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

A more than 550,000 square foot distribution center has brought more than 400 jobs to Jasper County. More than a year ago, Advance Auto Parts opened its ninth distribution center in Remington. Human Resources Manager Brian Chupp says they chose Remington because of its proximity to both Indianapolis and Chicago. Chupp says in the next six to eight weeks, they want to hire 100 more people to get working at full capacity.

7-24-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :25)

Purdue Extension will have a strong presence at this year's Indiana State Fair. A veterinary surgery exhibit will run August Second through the 18th. That exhibit will help spay and neuter 29 pets for Humane Society adoptions. There are several other exhibits including why popcorn pops, a healthy eating guide, preparing wild game and the 2013 Women in Agriculture awards.

7-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Students will be back in the classroom before you know it and health officials are encouraging parents to make sure their children are up to date on all necessary vaccinations.

7-24-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

Greater Lafayette Commerce is noticing a trend in unemployment. It went up in the month of June. As News 18's Kelly Roberts reports, unemployment is expected to go back down by summer's end, but it is still not where people want it to be.

7-24-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

It only comes around once a year, a fact our waist lines are grateful for. We're talking about the Tippecanoe County fair and along with it all of the delicious fair food. News 18's Holly Campbell talks with fair-goers about their favorite item on the menu.

7-25-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

News 18's Krista Henery reports how these cooler temperatures are helping boost crops during a critical time in production.

7-26-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A new business opens up in West Lafayette with hopes of adding to economic development in the levee area. Chiffion's Beauty Supply opened up earlier this week. The store caters to a variety of clientele and hair needs.

7-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

West Nile Virus has been confirmed in Tippecanoe County. Tippecanoe County Environmentalist Craig Rich says two mosquito groups have tested positive for the virus.

7-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

While the campers spent the rainy day inside, so did many people who usually spend the hot summer months at the pool. But these cooler temperatures and some sprinkles have meant a different story. West Lafayette Municipal pool officials say they've seen a major decrease in attendance this year.

7-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

To help maintain employees in a competitive job market, the City of West Lafayette will implement a new goal-reward system. As News 18's Kelly Roberts reports, the city hopes financial rewards can bring in loyal workers.

7-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Indiana is making the grade when it comes to asthma and allergy policies in schools. The Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America released its sixth annual report and for the first time ever, the Hoosier state is on the "honor roll."

7-31-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:30)

August 13 is a big day for IU Health Arnett as they celebrate the opening of their brand new West Lafayette facility. News 18's Jamie Jackson has an behind the scenes look and learns why expanded medical service will benefit the area.

8-5-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

A new aggro-tourism attraction is opening at Fair Oaks Farms. It's called Pig Adventure and it features pregnant hogs and litters of piglets.

8-5-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

Workers at Lafayette's Caterpillar Plant found out today 125 people will be laid off indefinitely. Caterpillar blames weak demand. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports while it may not affect the area's unemployment rate significantly, it may hurt in other ways.

8-5-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

Fall practices for high school sports started around the state. One of the most talked about topics in high school sports is concussions. As News 18's David DeLong reports, an area hospital and several area high schools are working to prevent serious injuries from happening on the field.

8-9-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

In West Lafayette, IU Health is poised to open its new clinic next week. The new facility will open next Tuesday. It is home to internal medicine, pediatrics, family medicine and a full imaging center.

8-12-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A new medical facility will be opening in West Lafayette. Indiana University Health Arnett held a grand opening to unveil its West Lafayette Medical Office Building at 253 Sagamore Parkway West.

8-12-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Purdue Dean of Agriculture Jay Akridge says that three quarters of Indiana's corn was rated good to excellent and about the same amount of soybeans received the same rating. That has helped lead to nearly fourteen billion bushels of corn produced, which is a new record.

8-14-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

One of the fastest-growing industries in Indiana is in the area of agriculture. But it's not corn or beans, it's called aquaculture. Aquaculture is any plant or animal that is grown in water. Purdue researchers found the sector growing from a 3-and-a-half million dollar industry in 2005 to a fifteen-million-dollar industry last year.

8-17-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:45)

Farmers Market vendors say they're having a much better season this year thanks to the comfortable weather. News 18's Holly Campbell stopped by the Lafayette Farmers Market and has more on why vendors say the weather's not only good for the produce but for their pockets.

8-19-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A local farm is taking a cheese sculpture from this year's state fair and turning it into electricity. BioTown Ag in Reynolds partnered with the state fair and the American Dairy Association of Indiana and took the 1,600 pound block of cheese. The farm will put the cheese in their digester to create methane gas.

8-20-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Zoning approval for a White County hog farm could be under review if officials with a Carroll County children's camp get their way. Camp Tecumseh filed the judicial review in Carroll County Circuit Court July 31st. White County commissioners voted to approve the rezone of seven acres of land from agriculture to "agriculture industrial" on July first.

8-22-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :35)

Purdue is making it easier for students to schedule appointments at the Student Health Center. The center is now accepting online appointment scheduling.

8-22-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:25)

Planned Parenthood of Indiana and Kentucky heads to court after they believe a new law is unconstitutional. News 18's Krista Henery reports how the lawsuit stems from legislation that would only affect the clinic in Lafayette.

8-22-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Recent unemployment numbers show a stalled unemployment rate for our area. But with students returning to class at Purdue and Ivy Tech, area businesses say they're ready to hire.

8-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

A law that Purdue and IU students helped pass is being brought back to the forefront after an IU student's death. The Lifeline law helps gives protection to underage drinkers if they call 9-1-1 to get a friend needed medical attention. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on what issues are covered and what are not.

8-27-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :40)

A judge involved in a judicial review filed by Camp Tecumseh has chosen not to hear the case. Today is the final day a request for special judge can be made. The camp filed the motion last month in the Carroll County Circuit Court. According to court documents the camp wants a judge to review a rezoning vote by the White County Commissioners that will allow a hog farm to be within 800 yards of the outdoor childrens camp.

8-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

Two businesses a block from each other are getting ready to open in West Lafayette. The owners have a different range of experiences. But as News 18's Kelly Roberts reports both are excited to see what this community has to offer.

8-28-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:20)

A request by the owner of a controversial dog breeding business is dismissed from the zoning appeals board without a whimper. It's the latest chapter in a saga going back more than a year. You may remember unsanitary conditions were found at Sanders Border Collies in Clarks Hill last summer and fall. Then in April, Tippecanoe County's Board of Zoning Appeals ruled "Thurman 'Randy' Sanders" had been operating the kennel illegally since 1981 when he built a new barn. In May, Sanders filed for a special exception to legitimize his business, but area planners say despite multiple attempts by phone and email, he has not changed conditions at the kennel to allow for an exception or met state requirements for notification of his neighbors. And no one showed up on his behalf at the BZA meeting so his request was dismissed.

8-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Nearly two dozen new jobs are coming to Benton County during the next two years. News 18's Krista Henery explains how an out-of-state company is investing more than one million dollars into the county.

8-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Small business was the topic of a discussion with several state legislators. The small business caucus was in Lafayette to hear concerns from small business owners. Topics included the affordable health care act, commercial property taxes and unemployment.

8-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

The combination of heat and very little rain is having an impact on local crops. With rain totals below average in August, and temperatures in the 90s the corn crop is under stress. Purdue Extension Specialist, Bob Nielsen, says the crop is still premature and beginning to shut down.

9-4-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

The state attorney general's office is launching a campaign to raise awareness of people buying cold medicine containing pseudo-ephedrine to sell to makers of methamphetamine.

9-11-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:15)

A Lafayette employer may more than double its current workforce and it could be the first expected ripple effect from a big jobs announcement earlier this year. The parent company of Heartland Automotive and Pence discussed expansion plans at Lafayette's plant. He says it would mean hundreds of new jobs at the facility in Lafayette that just opened last fall.

9-11-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

One Purdue expert says Indiana's corn crop will have mixed results. Much of central Indiana continues to be abnormally dry, while a northwestern sliver is under moderate drought.

9-12-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :20)

IU Health announces it will be cutting about 800 employees. Hospitals in our area are not expected to be affected, as most of the cuts will take place in Indianapolis.

9-12-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Purdue is investing more than 20 million dollars in plant science research to feed a growing world. News 18's Holly Campbell reports other ways the money will be used in the College of Agriculture.

9-19-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

A Purdue graduate is now working to bring entrepreneurs to the area. MatchBOX, a studio to give business owners a place to work in Downtown Lafayette, has named Ashley Scott its operations manager.

9-20-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:35)

Job numbers released today show a steep drop in local unemployment. News 18's Alex Maragos takes a look at the local economy today and where we're headed.

9-21-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:45)

Businesses along Earl Avenue say the end is in sight as crews finish up construction on the busy road. News 18's Holly Campbell revisits two businesses that have toughed out construction and are ready for the road to be open.

9-23-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

During harvest season, drivers and farmers share the road. News 18 reports safety tips for safe travel when sharing the road with agricultural equipment.

9-23-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

According to Purdue Ag Economist Chris Hurt yields for corn and soybeans should be just short of a record year.

9-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

New businesses are opening up along Main Street in Downtown Lafayette. That's making long-time shop owners hopeful for the future. News 18's Jeff Smith reports.

9-24-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:35)

The Affordable Care Act is a large bill some may be confused about. One week from today people wanting health insurance under the ACA can begin open enrollment. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on what you need to know about what one expert calls a 'game changer.'

9-25-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

Hospitals in Tippecanoe County will only accept one insurance provider under the new Affordable Care Act. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the provider both area hospitals are going with.

9-25-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

News 18 looks at the pay rate changes at a local hospital. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports what pay methods other hospitals are using across the country.

9-26-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A Lafayette automobile parts supplier plans to double the size of its plant and more than double its workforce. Heartland Automotive is looking to invest 38 million dollars into its Lafayette plant, 19 million dollars to expand the facility and 19 million for new equipment. Heartland currently employs 93 people and the expansion is expected to add 224 jobs.

9-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:30)

The Affordable Care Act Marketplace is scheduled to open Tuesday. If individuals do not have health insurance by 2014, they can be taxed. However, that penalty is delayed until 2015 for people receiving benefits through their employers. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports what small and large businesses need to figure out within the next year.

CRIME

The third quarter brings to viewers a special report on four crime cases in the viewing area that are still unresolved. In a special report, "Cold Cases," News 18 looks into each missing person and searches for answers. In another special report, News 18 examines the anniversary of the Tippecanoe County Courthouse bombing attempt. A Kokomo woman attempts to have her daughter's boyfriend murdered in the street. A competitive game turns violent. A man lands in jail after he stabs another man for his scooter. News 18 looks into a series of robberies with a Lafayette tie.

7-3-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A Monticello man is charged with making a bomb threat at a business in Jasper County. Sheriff Terry Risner says Advanced Auto Parts was evacuated on June 24 after a bomb threat was written on a stall in an employee bathroom.

7-4-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

The Frankfort Police Department says the city's crime level is down compared to this time last year.

7-4-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:50)

37 years ago, Gerald Ford was President. The price for a barrel of oil was 12 dollars. And Jimmy Hoffa went missing in July. Three months later, on Halloween night, West Lafayette would have a mystery of its own. In the second part of our Cold Case Investigation series, News 18 profiles the murder of a business owner with a million dollar estate.

7-6-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

An inmate is found dead inside of the Benton County Jail.

7-8-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

A man is repeatedly stabbed early this morning during an armed robbery at a Delphi convenience store. This is the second time in two weeks the store has been robbed. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler reports police are not sure the robberies are related.

7-9-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

Several weeks after saying there was no solid evidence of gang activity around Columbian Park, Lafayette police say there may now be evidence of gangs in the area. Since Saturday officers have had almost a dozen reports of graffiti. News 18's Brittany Tyner has the story from Columbian Park where park officials have made some changes.

7-11-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

Lafayette police ask for your help to find 34 year-old Rende Miller, the subject of this week's Fugitive Search. He pleaded guilty to dealing cocaine in 2002 but a warrant was issued in 2009 to revoke his probation.

7-11-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 5:10)

For three weeks of 1998, a Lafayette man, an Army veteran, was missing. His decomposing body was finally located in a Tippecanoe County park near a popular hiking trail. But more than 15 years later his killer has not been brought to justice. In Part three of our special series Cold Case Investigation, News 18 explores the story of the disappearance and murder of Kenneth Josey.

7-12-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A Carroll County man is in jail after a disagreement over sleeping arrangements leads to a stabbing south of Monticello.

7-12-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

An Indianapolis woman now faces multiple felonies, including attempted murder, after prosecutors say she tried to lure a man out of his home as part of a plan to kill him and then kill herself.

7-15-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:05)

A verbal argument leads to murder in Jasper County this weekend. A Jasper County man is in jail after another man is found dead in a home near DeMotte. News 18's Brittany Tyner has the story.

7-16-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:40)

The search is over for a former Montgomery County community leader accused of misappropriating funds from a non-profit organization. News 18's Krista Henery has more on the investigation.

7-18-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Lafayette police are still looking for a man wanted for dealing and possessing cocaine.

7-18-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 4:50)

Eight years apart, two female Purdue students went missing near campus. Seven weeks after Kristine Kozik disappeared in 1977, her body was found along Wea Creek. Then in 1985, Jennifer Schmidt vanished, never to be seen again. In Part four of our special series 'Cold Case Investigation,' News 18's Dan Klein digs deeper into their cases and a link to a man who committed suicide 26 years ago before police could arrest him.

7-18-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A Schererville man is found guilty for his role in a Monticello murder. After four and a half hours of deliberation, a jury found Ray Chamorro guilty for the murder of 29 year-old Tye Rentfrow.

7-22-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

Police say strong neighborhood watch groups have helped report suspicious activity in the Columbian Park neighborhoods. Those are a few of the two dozen watch groups in the city of Lafayette. News 18's Kelly Roberts joins us with more on the groups.

7-23-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Delphi's third robbery in a little more than a month leaves police with very little information. According to Indiana State Police Sergeant Kim Riley, Bill's Rock Shop in Delphi was robbed just after noon.

7-23-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Police arrest a man in connection with a robbery this afternoon in Delphi. Indiana State Police say 18 year-old David Josleyn of Delphi was booked into the Carroll County Jail earlier this evening on a preliminary charge of robbery.

7-24-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :40)

A Lafayette gas station is robbed overnight and now police are looking for two suspects. Lafayette police say two men wearing dark clothes with hoodies pulled up over their heads walked into the Citgo gas station on South Creasy Lane just before 2:30a.m.

7-25-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Lafayette police are asking for the public's help to find a man wanted on drug and traffic charges. 23 year-old Deshawn Johnson is the subject of this week's fugitive search.

7-25-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Fights and car break-ins are the biggest issues at this year's fair according to sheriff's deputies. News 18's Holly Campbell reports some important tips to keep in mind before heading out to the fair.

7-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

A mother says she wants justice for her daughter who is in serious condition at Saint Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis. Police say a fight Friday morning ended with her daughter getting run over by a car. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports as a daughter fights for her life, one mother fights for justice.

7-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Purdue police say one of the students charged for changing his grades illegally is still in Japan. Officers say Mitsutoshi Shirasaki has not returned to Indiana.

7-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

Nearly a dozen semi trucks were pulled off of Interstate 65 after state police say they were operating below standards. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler has more on what police found when they pulled these trucks off the roadways.

7-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:00)

A police chase involving five agencies ends in a White County corn field. Four people are behind bars this morning for various charges including resisting law enforcement and escape. News 18's Brittany Tyner explains how the pursuit lasted for nearly 13 miles and went through two corn fields.

7-30-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :40)

A Lafayette man gets a 10 year sentence in a robbery case. Joshua Smith pleaded guilty to one count of robbery with a deadly weapon and one count of battery resulting in bodily injury.

7-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Two more people plead guilty in a White County murder case. Court documents say David Jones of Chicago and Lashea Ramsey of Monticello both pleaded guilty to assisting Ray Chamorro in killing 29 year-old Tye Rentfrow of Monticello last October.

7-30-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

Lafayette police warn residents of a fraudulent scheme hitting the community. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports detectives say just this month, three people have lost money and there could be more victims out there.

7-31-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:30)

A reported armed robbery forces Lafayette police to draw their guns. Now one suspect is in custody and detectives are trying to put the pieces together. News 18's Brittany Tyner explains how it all began at a Lafayette park.

8-1-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Two more people plead guilty to assisting in a White County murder case. Court documents say 20 year-old Alexandria Chapman of Monon and 22 year-old Robert Brown of Monticello, both pleaded guilty to assisting Ray Chamorro in killing 29 year-old Tye Rentfrow of Monticello last October.

8-1-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 4:45)

15 years ago tomorrow, the eyes of the country were on Lafayette. The reason: An act of domestic terrorism. Late on a Sunday night, someone drove a truck through the doors of the Tippecanoe County Courthouse with a homemade bomb that failed to go off. News 18's Dan Klein reports, for those involved, August 2, 1998 seems like yesterday.

8-2-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 4:50)

15 years ago today, Lafayette was the site of a domestic terrorism attack. August 2, 1998 came almost exactly halfway between two other notable incidents; the Oklahoma City bombing in 1995 was still fresh on everyone's minds. September 11 would come 37 months later. Last night, News 18's Dan Klein reviewed the case of the attempted bombing of the Tippecanoe County Courthouse. Tonight, on the anniversary, Dan looks at how security measures have changed and how those who opposed the changes have a different outlook today.

8-7-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

A West Lafayette man faces charges after prosecutors say he robbed a teenager during a marijuana deal then caused a short stand-off in Lafayette last week.

8-12-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Montgomery County Sheriff's are investigating an early morning robbery at the Hoosier Heartland State Bank in Ladoga.

8-15-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

In White County, a woman is arrested more than a month after her son was found face-down on the Big Monon Creek.

8-19-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:40)

Since several reports of theft have come into the Purdue Police Department, officers want to remind people how to prevent from becoming a victim. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the steps to take to keep you and your valuables safe.

8-19-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

A Lafayette man is sentenced to two decades behind bars after pleading guilty to two counts each of robbery with a deadly weapon and confinement.

8-22-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

A Shererville man gets a 60 year sentence in a Monticello murder case. Last month, a jury found Ray Chamorro guilty for the murder of 29 year-old Tye Rentfrow. According to the White County Clerk's Office, Chamorro was sentenced to 60 years in prison.

8-22-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Lafayette police are asking for the public's help to find a woman wanted on drug and neglect charges.

8-25-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Two Indiana State Prison guards have been released from hospitals after being stabbed by an inmate.

8-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:15)

Police believe the same woman who robbed a cash advance store in Lafayette this morning robbed another cash advance business about 90 minutes later in Brownsburg.

8-26-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A police chase in Illinois comes to an end in Warren County. Sheriff Rusty Hart says it started in Danville, Illinois. Hart says once the car made the roughly 20 mile trip into Indiana, a Warren County deputy set up stop sticks which ripped the tires of the vehicle and caused it to roll over into a small creek off State Road 28.

8-28-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

A Chicago man gets the maximum sentence for his role in the murder of Monticello resident Tye Rentfrow last year. News 18's Krista Henery joins us from White County with more on why prosecutors say the maximum was appropriate in this case.

8-29-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

37 year- old Jeffery Barber of West Lafayette is sentenced to ten years in prison after pleading guilty to possession of methamphetamine.

8-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Two teens are in custody after police they say escaped and stabbed two transport officers with a pencil while being taken to the Robert J. Kinsey Youth Center in Kokomo.

8-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A Chicago man faces forgery charges after prosecutors say he tried to use fraudulent checks at the Teal Road Rural King in Lafayette.

8-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Lafayette police are asking for the public's help to find a man who was arrested more than a decade ago for sexual misconduct with a minor. 32 year-old Justin Corbett is the subject of this week's Fugitive Search.

8-30-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

Montgomery and Tippecanoe Counties are among the top 20 in the state for meth labs busts for the first seven months of the year.

8-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

A man is arrested after spitting blood on police officers at a Lafayette hospital.

8-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:30)

A Purdue student is attacked with a knife on campus early this morning. Now, the attack has other students thinking about their safety. News 18's Brittany Tyner has more on what happened.

9-1-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

The Lafayette Police Department's SWAT unit is now the proud owners of two new vehicles. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler hears from SWAT members who say it doesn't get much safer than this.

9-3-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :35)

The woman police say robbed a Lafayette cash advance store at gunpoint, now faces formal charges. Emily Karnes of Indianapolis faces armed robbery and theft charges after the August 26 incident.

9-9-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

18 year-old Benjamin Morehouse-Braswell of Lafayette is sentenced to six years in prison for his role in an armed robbery last summer.

9-10-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Two Lafayette men are in police custody after they were arrested in connection with a bank robbery in Illinois this afternoon.

9-11-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:40)

Police say one of the Lafayette men arrested in connection to an Illinois robbery last night is a suspect to multiple bank robberies in the Lafayette area. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports.

9-12-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

Two Lafayette men face charges for an armed bank robbery in Illinois. News 18's Alex Maragos reports on why one of these suspected bank robbers raised red flags at the FBI.

9-12-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

A White County woman gets a four year sentence for her role in a murder, but won't have to serve any more time in prison.

9-13-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

Lafayette police are searching for the person or people who broke into an apartment and stole a gun this morning.

9-15-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

Two people are recovering after a stabbing late Saturday night in Chalmers. Deputies say it all happened when a yard game turned competitive.

9-16-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Two 21 year-old men face multiple felony charges after deputies say they do more than 6,000 dollars of damage at an agriculture retailer and then are arrested at the scene of the crime.

9-17-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

Sheriffs in Carroll and White Counties are teaming up with the state to fight meth use and child neglect.

9-26-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Police are looking for the man they say is involved with a bank robbery in Lafayette. It happened at the Regions bank at the intersection of Union and 30th Streets.

9-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:30)

Police are still looking for the person they say is responsible for a bank robbery this morning. News 18's Holly Campbell reports how police hope the public can help them catch the person responsible.

9-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A forum at the Purdue Research Park is showing law enforcement agencies how digital data can make their jobs simpler.

9-27-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

An update now to a story News 18 first brought you back in May. Human remains discovered in Montgomery County have been identified as a 1996 murder victim.

9-27-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :20)

A break-in at the Spurgeon Golf Training Center on Purdue's campus lands an Indianapolis man behind bars.

9-28-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A man is behind bars after police say he stabbed another man over a stolen moped.

9-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

A Kokomo woman is behind bars tonight after trying to have her daughter's boyfriend murdered.

9-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :20)

West Lafayette Police stayed busy this Purdue Homecoming weekend. They responded to 264 calls and arrested six people.

DIVERSITY

A local organization falls short of its fund-raising goal but is still pleased with the results. News 18 looks at the Salvation Army's Tools For School campaign. A program in Lafayette aims to educate teenagers about drug use. Purdue University donates more than 188,000 dollars to charitable organizations. Two community members are doing everything they can to save a youth center and day care in Jasper County. An area seventh grade girl sues her school district so that she can play football with the boys on her school's team.

7-1-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

Area veterans kick off Fourth of July festivities with a picnic and a film. The Hanna Center in Lafayette hosted the event. Those who attended enjoyed some delicious food while visiting with friends. The center also showed an honor flight documentary, a film about what it's like on the one day trips to Washington DC.

7-3-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

With the Fourth of July tomorrow, many people will be setting off fireworks, but you may need to take extra precautions to keep your pets safe this holiday. As News 18's David DeLong reports, it's not just keeping them from running away, it's keeping them from getting hurt.

7-9-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:45)

A camp in Tippecanoe County aims to give kids with disabilities the chance to enjoy water sports. Videojournalist Tom Sheehan takes us the seventh annual Camp WACK, an adaptive water ski camp.

7-11-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :40)

Purdue's Latino Cultural Center continues its search for new leadership. The group, which promotes understanding of Latino culture on campus and in the community, will soon begin the formal process of looking for a new Executive Director

7-12-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

Kindergarteners get a taste of the new school year by participating in Kindergarten Countdown Camp. In today's Eye on Kids Report, News 18's Amber Hardwick tells us more on how the kids are preparing for the school year.

7-14-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

More than 100 classic cars were at the Mike Raisor car show to help raise money for cancer research.

7-18-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A Boys and Girls Club facility is set to open in White County this October. The new club is a unit of the Lyn Treece Boy's and Girl's Club of Tippecanoe County.

7-22-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:05)

School is just around the corner and for the next two weeks, WLFI is teaming up with the Salvation Army to collect school supplies for children in our area.

7-22-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

The Benton Community School Corporation is also holding its tools for school campaign this week. This is the second year the school district has participated.

7-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A program in Lafayette aims to educate teenagers about drug use. The five-week Insight Program is for kids who abuse illegal substances. The program is through Family Services in Lafayette, and is for grades seven through 12.

7-25-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A Lafayette Boys and Girls Club is keeping kids active with gardening activities. The Lyn Treece Boys and Girls Club has a community garden where kids get their hands dirty.

7-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

Kids learn to be proactive by participating in a week long camp, teaching them confidence and self defense. News 18's Amber Hardwick brings us more on the RAD kids program and the graduation.

7-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:35)

Hundreds of kids will be heading back to school with the supplies they need thanks to the backpack to school rally. News 18's Holly Campbell explains how this annual event helps make going back to school a little easier.

7-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

A school shooting is something no school teacher or principal wants to think about. But the Indiana State Police want everyone, including students, to be prepared for the worst. News 18 Videojournalist Jamie Long takes us to Rossville High School for "active shooter scenario training".

7-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

Nearly four months ago, Mary Savoie's daughter was killed in a car accident in Carroll County. Savoie says it was because her daughter was texting and driving. Now, she's decided to make sure other mothers don't have to experience the same thing. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler has more on the mother who's using her family's tragedy as a teaching tool.

7-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

More than 80 kids from low income families are taking part in a Lafayette Urban Ministry camp. The LUM Camp started at Hanging Rock Camp in Warren County. It's for children ages eight through ten whose families were served by LUM in the past year. Activities at the camp include hiking, swimming, and arts and crafts.

7-31-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

With just two days to go, the Salvation Army says it needs more donations for the Tools for School supplies drive.

8-1-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

The thirty third annual Steam and Gas Power Show is underway at the Tippecanoe County Amphitheater Park this week. John Deere tractors are the main focus this year, but steam engines are also featured. News 18 Video journalist Jamie Long introduces us to a Cass County man who is carrying on his father's dying wish.

8-1-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Almost two dozen area non-profits are hoping the community unites behind a common cause over the next few months. The United Way of Greater Lafayette kicked off its annual community fund raising campaign this evening. This year's goal is just under five million dollars

8-2-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

Today marks the last day of the Tools for School campaign. News 18's Krista Henery joins us from LARA in Lafayette with more on how donations are still needed.

8-4-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

A man walking through 14 states to raise money for veteran organizations stopped for the night in Lafayette. This morning, he was able to meet a local man he calls an inspiration. News 18's Kelly Roberts has more on his "Journey for the Fallen."

8-8-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:10)

The Salvation Army, with the help of WLFI and other area businesses, started collecting supplies last month and hope to serve 1,000 students this year.

8-10-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Tippecanoe County families wrapped around LARA this morning for this year's Tools for School drive. Video journalist Austin Miller tells us how important a notebook and binder can be for children starting school next week.

8-14-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

A Lafayette White Castle is offering free food to people who donate to a children's hospital. All donations go to Shriners Hospitals for Children. Those donations will pay for medical treatments. News 18's Amber Hardwick brings us the story of a Lafayette boy who is being treated at the Chicago Shriners Hospital for Children.

8-16-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Purdue students are teaming with Food Finders Food Bank and other organizations, as part of a community action day. Close to 150 students came out for the Boiler Up Hammer Down Hunger Drive.

8-16-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Some members of the Rossville High School Class of 1940 gathered to celebrate their class reunion.

8-19-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :35)

The Greater Lafayette YWCA hosts a corn-hole tournament with proceeds directly benefiting the YWCA.

8-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:25)

An area seventh grade girl sues her school district so that she can play football with the boys on her school's team.

8-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

The Greater Lafayette YWCA and Purdue University are teaming up to help cancer survivors improve their wellness. It's called the Cancer Wellness Program. The mission is to increase the quality of life of cancer survivors by providing fitness training.

8-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Wabash Center is celebrating 60 years of business. About a hundred people gathered at the Outpost for the center's diamond jubilee. Since 1953, the organization has helped people with disabilities develop daily living skills and learn to become more independent.

8-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:40)

When the Eastern Pulaski school corporation told a seventh grade girl she couldn't play football because of her gender her family responded with a lawsuit. The suit was filed Wednesday in the US District Court in South Bend. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler joins us now with more on what the lawsuit says.

8-31-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

September is Hunger Awareness Month and to kick it all off, the Mosey is teaming up with Food Finders for a food drive.

9-1-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

September is National Cancer Awareness Month and for one Newton County mother, the news that her son has cancer is still fresh. But she has two friends who also know what she's going through. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the hopes this mother holds in tonight's eye on kids segment.

9-2-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Hundreds spent the Labor Day holiday at Hanna Fest in Lafayette. Hanna Fest helps raise money for the Hanna Center, which offers a variety of programs and assistance for people when they need it most.

9-4-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

CityBus and Food Finders Food Bank are trying to "Stuff the Bus" to kick off Hunger Action Month. Food Finders' Amy Gaulke says there are 86-thousand people in their service area who are considered food insecure.

9-11-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

The YWCA begins its Network Luncheon Series talking about bullying and its impact on the children and ways to prevent bullying.

9-15-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Purdue students came out in full force for this year's Hunger Hike. More than 900 people came down to Riehle Plaza for the charity event put on by Lafayette Urban Ministry and Food Finders.

9-16-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Ivy Tech's Lafayette campus is now offering reserved parking for wounded warriors.

9-16-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

As Purdue students get settled back into the classroom, some women are stepping it up in the RAD classroom. News 18's Brittany Tyner was at the Purdue Police Department's Rape Aggression Defense class and reports more than just Purdue students are taking advantage of the opportunity.

9-18-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:10)

Two community members are doing everything they can to save a youth center and day care in Jasper County.

9-19-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Near record numbers came out for this year's Hunger Hike, but the money raised was short of their goal. The Hunger Hike raises money for Lafayette Urban Ministry's food bank, Food Finders Food Bank and St. Thomas Aquinas' mission for clean water in Haiti. The Hike raised 60,000 dollars, 30,000 short of their goal.

9-19-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Purdue University is donating more than 188,000 dollars to four area non-profits.

9-20-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Art and music programs for kids in Greater Lafayette could be affected by a decision from Congress. News 18's Amber Hardwick brings us more on the budget cuts in the arts.

9-26-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :20)

LFD says they raised more than 32,000 dollars for the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

9-26-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Lafayette area veterans shared their stories of service. It was part of the Veterans History Project that the Library of Congress has been conducting for several years now.

9-27-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

A group of Ivy Tech students spent a week in Mexico looking at how to best use plants to remove heavy metals from water.

9-28-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

In the last year, Paws 'n' Claws Animal Shelter in Attica has seen its share of ups and downs. Today, volunteers saw the shelter's future grow. News 18's Kelly Roberts has more on the shelter expansion needed for the growing amount of abandoned animals.

Lafayette's Ivy Tech Community College campus has a new energy technology learning center. With new laws passing during the 2013 Legislative session, News 18 looks directly into the impacts the laws will have on local classrooms. News 18 looks at the cuts a local head start program makes after the sequester. A local high school receives the 4 Star School Award from the Indiana Department of Education. ISTEP results are delayed and News 18 looks into the cause. A Purdue website that started as a way for professors to email assignments to students has been changed to a worldwide writing resource.

7-1-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:40)

A pair of partnerships are established for Purdue after a trip by administrators to Asia. Purdue has signed agreements with the Nanshan Group, as well as a university in China. The agreement with Nanshan is a chance to explore educational and research opportunities in the airline industry.

7-1-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

Many of Indiana's new laws passed during the 2013 legislative session go into effect today. News 18's Krista Henery reports two of the biggest affect the classroom.

7-2-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

The Tippecanoe School Corporation has some extra cash thanks to a visit that included a check for nearly 3,500 dollars. Attorney General Greg Zoeller presented the check to TSC. The money is from uncashed checks sent out by TSC over the last few years.

7-8-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A tech tool for Lafayette third and fourth graders will arrive in classrooms this fall. The Lafayette School Corporation trustees approved a lease agreement for 1,300 iPads, enough for each third and fourth grader in the district.

7-9-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration 1:00)

Lafayette 3rd and 4th graders will have a new piece of technology in classrooms this fall. The Lafayette School Corporation trustees approved a lease agreement for 1,300 iPads, enough for each third and fourth grader in the district. It's part of the one-to-one tech initiative at LSC.

7-10-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

A Tippecanoe County School is bringing the classroom to students over the summer. News 18's Jamie Jackson shows us what kind of difference the Klondike Bookmobile is making in the lives of young people.

7-16-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

Purdue President Mitch Daniels says new opportunities are in store for the university, not only close to home, but half way across the world as well. He sits down one on one with News 18. Brittany Tyner reports, he's hoping for potential development with the West Lafayette annexation as well as new partnerships in China.

7-17-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

West Lafayette school officials are looking to improve security as part of a strategic facilities plan. Last month, a committee met to look at data related to aging buildings. Superintendent Rocky Killion says school districts constantly need to update their facilities by remodeling offices and entryways keeping students and security as top priorities.

7-19-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

A number of changes are coming to Purdue University Calumet. The board of trustees approved several academic changes to be more consistent with other Purdue system campuses. The Department of Information Systems and the Department of Finance are merging and will be called the Department of Information Systems, Finance, and Business Analytics.

7-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Lafayette's Ivy Tech Community College campus has a new energy technology learning center. It's called the Craig Porter Energy Center and it's a home on Sagamore Parkway South.

7-25-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A Lafayette organization will give away free school supplies to hundreds of children this weekend.

7-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

More than 250 new laws went into effect earlier this month. News 18's Krista Henery reports, as students get ready to head back to the classrooms, many of these new laws will affect Indiana schools.

7-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:30)

Some low-income families may not be able to enroll their children in an early head start program. News 18's Kelly Roberts joins us with more on the cuts one head start program is making after the sequester.

7-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

An outside review of glitches that disrupted Indiana's ISTEP testing this spring, concludes those problems had no measurable negative impact on students' scores. News 18's Krista Henery reports while the results show there wasn't a significant negative impact on performance one area superintendent says he still questions the test's validity.

7-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:30)

Indiana's former Superintendent of Public Instruction is under fire, accused of possibly manipulating data for one of his signature education overhauls.

7-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Jeff High School has a new principal and it's a familiar face. Mark Preston was selected by the Lafayette School Corporation trustees.

7-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

State Senate Pro Tem President David Long says the A to F school grading scale should have an annual review. This comes after emails obtained by the Associated Press revealed former State Schools Superintendent Tony Bennett's staff changed the formula to favor a Republican donor's school.

8-1-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:35)

Former State Schools Superintendent Tony Bennett announces he's stepping down as Florida's education commissioner. As News 18 has reported, his resignation comes after e-mails obtained by the Associated Press indicate he changed Indiana's school grading system, to ensure a Republican donor's school got a better result. News 18's Krista Henery has the story.

8-2-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration 1:40)

The Tippecanoe Youth Center's mission is to help youngsters improve their grades, behavior and social skills. After wrapping up a special summer camp, the organization works to help even more children in the community.

8-6-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

For students in the Lafayette and West Lafayette districts, school starts a week from today. Tippecanoe School Corporation students start one day later. Either way, it means Back to School shopping is well underway. News 18's David DeLong took a shopping list today to find out just how much everything would cost.

8-12-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:25)

Administrators at LSC and schools across the state have a new law to work with aimed at protecting students from bullies. As News 18's Kelly Roberts reports, area superintendents hope the law leads to useful changes, not just more paperwork.

8-12-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

Just hours before the first LSC students arrive on the first day of school, they may want to add a few things to their backpack. Board members updated their electronic use policy and will allow students to bring their own devices including laptops, smart phones and iPads to school.

8-13-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

For the Tippecanoe School Corporation, one high school in the district is already getting high marks. Harrison High School received the 4 Star School Award from the Indiana Department of Education.

8-14-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

The superintendent of the Lafayette School Corporation says it is unlikely they will join a Fort Wayne school board in rejecting the A to F grading scale.

8-14-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :20)

TSC teachers have a new contract. The board approved the agreement. Included in this one is a new compensation model based on state mandates.

8-15-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration 1:05)

Concerns over recent I-STEP testing leads the Tippecanoe School Corporation to change it's teacher pay rate formula. Based on recommendations by State Schools Superintendent Glenda Ritz, the school board voted to decrease the weight of student learning in evaluating teachers. The TSC model calls for student learning measures, including I-STEP results, to make up 30 percent of a teacher's score.

8-15-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

While Purdue's newest batch of students has just arrived on campus, some faculty say they're concerned about the university's future. News 18's Krista Henery reports, this comes after President Mitch Daniels declined to sign a letter asking President Obama to beef up federal funding.

8-18-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

Tomorrow is the first day of class at the new Ivy Tech in downtown Frankfort. News 18's Holly Campbell toured the new building this afternoon.

8-19-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :50)

Students in Clinton County officially begin their first day of classes at the new Ivy Tech campus in Frankfort.

8-20-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

This school year White County students have another option for learning. The alternative school, The Crossing Educational Center, is now in Reynolds. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the first week of this new opportunity for students.

8-21-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

Some area high school students are 'clicking' through several of their classes in order to get credit. News 18's Krista Henery takes us to a Tippecanoe School Corporation classroom where students are ditching the books and instead, logging onto the internet.

8-22-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

Tippecanoe County schools have been in session for a week now and an alumni is back as well. Tippecanoe County Deputy Aaron Gilman is the new School Resource Officer for the Tippecanoe School Corporation.

8-23-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :40)

Governor Mike Pence announces the creation of an agency aimed at improving education and workforce training and development. It's called the Center for Education and Career Innovation. Pence it will ensure quality education for children and help prepare adults for new careers.

8-27-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

The Lafayette School Corporation expects to receive students' ISTEP results this week.

8-28-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

The release of ISTEP test results from this spring is being delayed further, That's according to a radio news station in Indianapolis.

8-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

The company blamed for issues with the last round of ISTEP testing has a new contract with the state. The state plans to replace the GED test.

9-4-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :20)

IREAD-3 scores were released by the Indiana Department of Education. IREAD-3 is a measure of reading skills through third grade.

9-9-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

The Lafayette school corporation makes some transformative decisions of their own at the board meeting. The school board approved funding for the BoardBook program which will make all meetings at the central office paperless. The program is expected to save the district money and also help it go green.

9-18-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

ISTEP results are in for a group of test that generated a lot of controversy. Tippecanoe County superintendents are happy with the scores. But as News 18's Kelly Roberts reports, that does not mean they are happy with the tests.

9-18-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

In today's Eye on Kids report, volunteers helping students enhance reading and literacy skills. News 18's Amber Hardwick brings us more on how the public can volunteer at local elementary schools.

9-22-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:40)

Benton Community School Corporation Superintendent Destin Haas tells News 18, that his contract will not be renewed after this school year. But this doesn't mean this is the end for Haas' educational career. News 18's Kelly Roberts has the latest on his future.

9-23-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:30)

Purdue University is shelling out thousands for students to study abroad. It's one of President Mitch Daniels' new initiatives to increase the number of students who take part in international programs. News 18's Brittany Tyner has the story from Purdue where currently, fewer than one in five students participate in international study.

9-24-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:20)

ISTEP results, enrollment numbers and a strategic plan are topics of discussion at Lafayette School Corporation.

9-25-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

The Community Schools of Frankfort is continuing to look at their results from last year's ISTEP test that saw the district among the bottom ten public schools in the state. As News 18's David DeLong reports, the initial response from school officials was disappointment, but they are still finding some positives.

9-25-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

The Benton County school board president speaks for the first time after a controversial decision to change the contract for current Superintendent Destin Haas is made public.

9-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

It's hard enough staying up to work on a project for class, but what if your project is something you can walk through? In Tonight's Eye on Kids report, News 18's David DeLong shows us a home in Monticello that's being built by high school students.

9-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Students at Purdue University can now get paid and get some real-world work experience without leaving campus. It's all thanks to a new program called Purdue Pathmaker. Through the program, students are able to get part-time engineering jobs or internships on or near campus while still pursuing their education full-time.

9-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A Purdue website that started as a way for professors to email assignments to students has been changed to a worldwide writing resource. The Online Writing Lab or OWL is celebrating its 20th year.

9-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

An administrator for the Community Schools of Frankfort is being recognized as an up-and-coming K through 12 educational leader.

TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

A new Ivy Tech campus opens in Frankfort. The new US 231 bypass opens and News 18 is there as motorists hit the new time-saving bypass. News 18 returns to US 231 to hear their complaints about noise from residents living next to the new bypass. Uncertainty regarding the future of Amtrak service from Lafayette to Chicago intensifies. Talks of annexation sweep through the West Lafayette area. Logansport decides to move forward with a new annexation plan. A proposal that would ban shooting off fireworks for most of the year in Tippecanoe County gets support from commissioners.

7-1-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

Construction work means the Tippecanoe River in Monticello could be congested. The Indiana Department of Transportation says work continues on Monticello's Washington Street Bridge replacement project.

7-1-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Tippecanoe County commissioners say rezoning property near the Hoosier Heartland Highway is a step in the right direction. Commissioners approved Tri-Tech Construction owners' request to rezone their land from agriculture-residential to general business.

7-1-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:05)

For more than 20 years the idea of a commercial corridor has been talked about in White County. In a few weeks that idea will be closer to reality. White County Economic Development Organization President Randy Mitchell says the corridor will start at the I-65 and U-S 24 interchange.

7-1-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

After more than 20 years of talking about the idea of a US 24 corridor in White County, the idea is becoming more of a reality. The county is weeks away from finalizing a grant to help fund the project. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports how one town hopes the long work pays off.

7-1-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

A controversial hog farm in White County is approved. The case has received quite a bit of attention, including an online petition with thousands fighting against the facility. News 18's Jamie Jackson was there as commissioners voted to allow the Erickson Family to begin work on the farm.

7-1-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

Lafayette residents who live near consistent neighborhood eyesores can expect some relief a little faster than usual. The city council tonight voted on first reading to streamline the process to get overgrown yards cleaned up.

7-1-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:35)

Seven neighborhoods in Tippecanoe County are no longer targeted for annexation. The West Lafayette City Council officially adopted a smaller map for a proposed annexation. News 18's Brittany Tyner has the story.

7-2-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

The city of Lafayette looks to save millions of dollars in energy costs. The board of works approved a contract with the Indiana-based company Bowen Engineering. The agreement covers work scheduled for Phase two reconstruction of Durkees Run and Earl Avenue. Contractors will install a new roadway, curbs, sidewalks and sewer modifications.

7-2-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:40)

Clinton County commissioners put a red light on a wind farm project before it even starts. News 18's Krista Henery explains more on how the county is weighing in on wind farms.

7-3-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

Drivers dealing with lane restrictions on US 231 in West Lafayette this summer will see more next week. But the project is on its way to finishing on time. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on what is to come and when it all will be gone.

7-8-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

In a sharply divided vote, Logansport city leaders move ahead with annexation plans on the city's south side. The annexation adds about 2,500 acres and includes about 40 homes.

7-10-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

A major gateway to West Lafayette could be soon getting a major overhaul. A week from tonight, the area plan commission will consider a new hotel at the corner of Tapawingo Drive and State Street across from the Wabash Landing. Area planners say it could be a sign of things to come. News 18's Dan Klein reports.

7-15-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Tippecanoe County commissioners are looking at a new fireworks ordinance. This after hearing residents' complaints about the blasts. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports what some residents hope to see.

7-16-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

A plan for a proposed hotel will go in front of the Tippecanoe County Area Plan Commission.

7-16-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :25)

Lafayette Board of Works approves changes to work set to get underway on Elmwood Avenue.

7-16-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

An irrigation system is also being blamed for two wells going dry in State Line City in Warren County and one well just over the border in Illinois. Town Board President Greg Robison tells News 18 brand new irrigation pumps on a farm just north of town were tested and soon after, the wells dried up.

7-17-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

The state says a farmer's irrigation system is to blame for more than a dozen residents' wells drying up in Benton County. News 18's Krista Henery has the story from Templeton where 16 residents are still without water.

7-17-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Construction crews continue working on the new Ivy Tech campus in Frankfort. Classes are slated to begin August 19.

7-17-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

A vote on plans for a new hotel at a major West Lafayette gateway is pushed back a month. Area planning staff say because they still need to iron out an agreement with the developer for how to share the cost of a public plaza on the corner, the rezoning vote had to be pushed back until next month's meeting.

7-18-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

A new unit of the Lyn Treece Boys and Girls Club of Tippecanoe County plans on opening in White County this October. The Twin Lakes School Corporation agreed to let the new club use Meadow Lawn Elementary School for the next two years.

7-21-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Residents of Templeton are showing their appreciation for the business that helped them get water back in their homes. News 18's Holly Campbell has the story.

7-23-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

The City of Lafayette unveils plans for resurfacing on Union Street.

7-23-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

The city of Kokomo is taking ownership of several homes hit by severe flooding in April as it works on a plan for flood control. The city now owns a dozen flood-prone properties near Wildcat Creek.

7-23-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:40)

On the interstate or any road in Indiana, wearing a seat belt is a requirement. It may be inconvenient, but it could save your life. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports, when an area school bus flipped on the interstate this spring, most were wearing seat belts.

7-24-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:20)

Fastening a seat belt when you get into your vehicle is a simple concept that can save your life. It becomes a bit more complex when we talk about seat belts on school buses. So, why don't all school buses have seat belts? News 18's Brittany Tyner reports, some say they may not always make for a safer ride.

7-24-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:20)

A Purdue fraternity could soon be building a new frat house possibly thanks to some impassioned pleas at tonight's Board of Zoning Appeals meeting.

7-25-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Construction on the Frankfort Ivy Tech building is still on schedule for the first day of classes August 19.

7-30-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

Lafayette's Board of Works officially announces bidding for a drainage project on Union Street.

7-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

The City of West Lafayette hopes a new goal-reward program will keep employees around longer. The Board of Works approved a plan for a step program in the Street and Sanitation Department.

8-1-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

The West Lafayette city budget for next year is slightly bigger next because of uncertainty in health care costs.

8-2-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

An iron bridge across the Wabash-Erie Canal in Delphi is nearing completion. The nearly 200 foot walking bridge will connect the north and south sides of Erie Canal Park. It was donated to the park by the Putnam County Commissioners and the Indiana Department of Transportation.

8-5-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :55)

A new flood plain ordinance amendment is approved by White County Commissioners.

8-5-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

A proposal that would ban shooting off fireworks for most of the year in Tippecanoe County gets support from commissioners.

8-5-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:25)

Some hot debate and prickly words were exchanged tonight at Lafayette City Council over a request for the city to hand over land so an automobile dealership can have a bigger employee parking lot.

8-5-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

The city of West Lafayette is one step closer to having a historic preservation commission. The ordinance says the nine member commission will determine which homes, almost exclusively in the New Chauncey neighborhood, should be deemed historic for architectural reasons.

8-6-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

Two construction projects move forward in Lafayette. The Lafayette Board of Works is taking under advisement a two million dollar proposal for the addition of sidewalks on State Road 38.

8-6-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:40)

Twenty years in the making and nearly one hundred million dollars later, a major Tippecanoe County road project is slowly, but surely coming to an end. News 18's Krista Henery has the latest on the US 231 bypass project.

8-8-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

Drivers in Boone County need to be aware of a ramp closure. INDOT says the ramp from US 52 to the southbound side on Interstate 65 is closed for resurfacing

8-12-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

All summer, construction crews have been working on Northwestern Avenue in West Lafayette. News 18's Krista Henery has more on when the work is expected to be done.

8-13-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :55)

Lafayette approves a project to prevent raw sewage from overflowing into the street.

8-19-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A plan to restrict fireworks use is tabled by Tippecanoe County Commissioners. The ordinance would restrict fireworks use to the ten days surrounding the Fourth of July and New Year's Eve and Day.

8-21-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:35)

In a little more than a month, the Amtrak train that runs through Lafayette may stop. In about six weeks, federal legislation kicks in that would get rid of any railway that travels less than 750 miles a day. Those railways can be saved if states start funding them. The Indiana Department of Transportation says to do that, they need help from local entities. News 18's Kelly Roberts spent the day at the Amtrak Summit where stakeholders listened to what could be the future of rail service in Tippecanoe County.

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A White County project more than 16 years in the making takes another step towards completion. The White County Commissioners held a special meeting to receive bids for the US 24 Corridor project in Wolcott.

8-21-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

The Indiana Department of Transportation reveals a future construction project that would connect multi-purpose trails in Lafayette and West Lafayette. The project would not take place for about another three years.

8-21-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

One of West Lafayette's busiest gateways is one step closer to getting a brand new hotel. The Area Plan Commission approved a proposal for a Hampton Inn and Suites at the intersection of Tapawingo Drive and State Street across from Wabash Landing.

8-22-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Officials and community members are fine tuning a management plan for a scenic byway project in West Lafayette. The overall goal is to maintain the scenic aspects of the road and prevent over-development in the area.

8-26-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

News 18's Brittany Tyner explains why some construction will be suspended for the long weekend to help those hitting the road.

8-27-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

Lafayette looks to update their software system for the first time in 15 years.

8-28-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Gas prices are expected to go up after the United States' response to the conflict in Syria. This week the stock market is also taking a hit. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports what is certain in a time of uncertainty.

8-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

City and business leaders in Delphi are set to take another step in the facade improvement program. The project is part of the city's Stellar Communities program.

8-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

A Crawfordsville redevelopment project 30 years in the making is closer to becoming a reality. The city of Crawfordsville announced this morning that Indianapolis based Sustainable Solutions LLC will be applying for a 160,000 dollar economic development grant to purchase and renovate the former Culver Union Hospital.

8-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Planning for a new West Lafayette hotel is in its final stages as council members prepare to vote.

8-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

DNR officials continue to monitor water levels in Templeton after more than 20 wells dried up in July. News 18's Holly Campbell reports how residents say it's still a day-to-day battle.

9-3-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :50)

The City of Lafayette approves the use of federal funds to pay for the renovation of a major foot traffic area. The John T Myers Pedestrian Bridge will undergo renovations next year.

9-3-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

15 years after a Tippecanoe County zoning ordinance was put in place three apartment complexes are finally zoned properly. Those complexes are: Country Squire Apartments, Derbyshire Court Apartments, and apartments on Cortez Drive.

9-3-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

The issue of crowding in Tippecanoe County courthouse offices is leading the county to look for extra space. Commissioners have their eyes on a certain building. But as News 18's Kelly Roberts reports, more convincing is needed to get everyone on board.

9-3-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:15)

A new project for one of West Lafayette's busiest gateways gets 14 thumbs up from council members. Council members unanimously approved a proposal for a new Hampton Inn and Suites at the intersection of Tapawingo Drive and State Street, across from Wabash Landing.

9-7-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A problematic area on Interstate 65 will soon be getting some repairs. Both the north and southbound lanes of Interstate 65 near mile marker 159, which is near the Frankfort exit, have potholes and divets. Work is expected to begin in October.

9-9-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:20)

Lafayette city leaders say no to a rezoning request with hundreds of thousands of dollars of implications. The city council voted unanimously to not allow the Landis-Gyr building at the corner of Duncan Road and US 52 to change from an industrial zone to general business.

9-10-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :50)

Changes are coming to the Market Square Shopping Center in Lafayette. City leaders approved two initial changes to the shopping center. The first was the parceling of the lot where the Subway off Elmwood Avenue is located. The city also approved the right-of-way to be included in the shopping center so a sidewalk could not be added in the future.

9-10-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:25)

A youth center in Jasper County is slated to close in just 20 days and could mean the end of more than one community program. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports, as time dwindles down, so does the hope of county officials.

9-10-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:15)

One week after several members of West Lafayette city council expressed concern and disappointment with the possible future tenants of Wang Hall, they say it's not as big of an issue as they thought.

9-11-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:05)

An area school corporation spends almost 300,000 dollars to expand its bus parking, but saves almost 30,000 dollars in the process.

9-16-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

The new US 231 bypass has only been open for one weekend. But some residents say they're already tired of the noise. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler reports neighbors say they miss their peace and quiet and will do what it takes to get it back.

9-16-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

Some Tippecanoe County residents will soon have restrictions on when they can use consumer fireworks. Right now you can use them any day of the year until 11:00p.m. But as News 18's Kelly Roberts reports, not everyone will be under the new restrictions.

9-18-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

A busy state highway in Carroll County will be closed for the next month as work continues on the Hoosier Heartland. INDOT officials say State Road 218, northeast of Delphi, off the old State Road 25 will be closed for a month.

9-19-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration 1:00)

More than a dozen neighborhood residents express their concerns about a small yet valuable piece of property. As News 18 previously reported, the Bob Rohrman Auto Group wants to build a parking lot behind the Toyota dealership on State Road 26. They asked the Area Plan Commission for a rezoning from residential to general business.

9-24-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :50)

Plans are in place for major construction and possibly some headaches for drivers next summer. The West Lafayette Board of Works approved 730,000 dollars from INDOT to help reconstruct Happy Hollow Road.

9-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:15)

The debate over how to save passenger rail service from Indianapolis to Chicago is moving into negotiations.

9-27-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :25)

A portion of Interstate 65 in Clinton County is set for resurfacing. The Indiana Department of Transportation says the work is planned for the southbound lanes of 65, just north of State Road 28.