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A Lafayette business is expanding and with it comes new jobs. The effects of the government shutdown are being felt by farmers and consumers in the fourth quarter. An urgent care center closes. Hoosiers are warned of fraudulent schemes associated with the Affordable Care Act. News 18 reports that the current agricultural subsidy system could be changing soon and that may not be all good. News 18's Alex Maragos takes a look at why Wall Street prospers and Main Street lags. Tippecanoe County ranks seventh out of 92 counties in Indiana when it comes to tourism spending.

10-1-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

Glitches started nearly as soon as the Affordable Care Act Health Insurance Marketplace opened this morning. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports what is being delayed for possible consumers.

10-2-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:05)

IU Health Arnett is closing one of its urgent care centers in Lafayette, but it's unclear if the move will come with job cuts.

10-3-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

While Christmas is still a few months away, the holiday season for retail businesses has already begun. News 18's Amber Hardwick brings us more on anticipated retail sales in the upcoming season.

10-4-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Soybean fields around the state are showing symptoms of green stem syndrome, which could cause stress to farming equipment during harvest. Purdue Soybean Extension Specialist, Shaun Casteel says excess moisture and weather stress caused green stem syndrome.

10-10-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

The effects of the government shutdown are being felt by farmers and consumers. Information normally collected by the USDA, including the crop report, livestock numbers and yields on production are not being recorded.

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

Aside from the new IRS regulation, Greg Zoeller is warning Hoosiers of fraudulent schemes associated with the Affordable Care Act.

10-11-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration 1:10)

The medical device tax has been used as a pawn throughout the shutdown and debt ceiling negotiations. Here in West Lafayette, Cook Biotech pays a two-point-three percent tax on every piece of artificial skin tissue it makes. The manufacturing facility in the Purdue Research Park employs 160 people. Cook Biotech is one of many companies clamoring for a repeal of the tax. A repeal would take away \$30 billion dollars in revenue for the Affordable Care Act. President of Cook Biotech Mark Bleyer says its worth having a repeal to save quality jobs in the community.

10-18-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration 2:30)

Indiana's automotive industry is a nine billion dollar business that supports about a 120,000 jobs. Now a new council which includes Subaru of Indiana Automotive and Heartland Automotive, wants to pave the way for Indiana's new auto era.

10-20-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

A Lafayette business is raising money for Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the YWCA. Angela's Image Hair Salon held a Cut-a-thon to help fund mammograms for women who can't normally afford one.

10-22-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Purdue is hosting several events this week celebrating past achievements and goals for the future of sustainability. The focus is called "Green Week."

10-22-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Indiana Senator Joe Donnelly says the ongoing problems with the Affordable Care Act website are unacceptable.

10-23-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:40)

Franciscan Alliance is cutting nearly 300 positions at health care facilities across Indiana. 650 more full-time positions will be full-time no longer. As News 18's Brittany Tyner explains hospital officials are placing blame on the Affordable Care Act for the recent cuts.

10-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:10)

Two new websites are designed to boost business as brick and mortar stores. Small-shopper-dot-com was created by Beth Carroll of West Lafayette. The website allows travelers to find local businesses and restaurants when they visit a new town.

10-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Lafayette police and the Tippecanoe County Sheriff's Office are partnering with the Drug Enforcement Administration for two separate prescription drug take-back events this weekend. It's an effort to prevent prescription drug abuse.

10-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

For the past several weeks, Mintonye Elementary school has been focused on keeping its students healthy by teaching them about foods that come from farms. It's called "Farm to School Day." It's an effort by the USDA and Purdue University.

10-24-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A West Lafayette business holds a ladies night to raise money for the YWCA. Fleet Feet kicked off their first Diva Night. More than 70 ladies packed the store for the charitable event.

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

A Lafayette business is expanding and with it comes new jobs. About 50 new jobs will be added over the next three years at ACell Incorporated in Lafayette.

10-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

When the Affordable Care Act was deemed constitutional last year by the U.S. Supreme Court, the court shot down its mandatory medicaid expansion. The court said individual states should choose to expand the healthcare service, but Indiana has chosen not to. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on what the state is doing and on a group of people fighting against it.

10-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Exploration Acres is going out with a bang this fall. News 18's Holly Campbell visited the home of northwest Indiana's largest corn maze as they celebrate their last weekend before closing for the season.

10-26-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Local law enforcement spent the day taking back unused prescription drugs so they could be properly disposed of.

10-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

The number of deaths caused by prescription drug overdoses has quadrupled over the past 13 years according to the Attorney General's office. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler reports how the state Medical Licensing Board is working to reverse that trend.

10-30-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration 2:35)

Since the Affordable Care Act insurance exchanges were opened October first, we've covered the law's local successes and failures. News 18 This Morning brings you a new look into how certified navigators help those who are struggling with the law and its website.

10-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

The rain throughout the summer wasn't just great for corn and soybeans, it was also great for pumpkins.

10-31-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

A group of economists share their predictions for the future of local and national economies. News 18's Holly Campbell explains how some markets are not seeing much growth but one Indiana market has proven successful this year.

11-4-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 5:05)

Farm business is big business in this area. Very big. In fact, farming has brought more than a half-billion dollars of income in the last two decades to just three counties: Tippecanoe, Benton and White. But is it money well spent? Over the next two nights, in a special series called 'Harvesting a Profit,' News 18's Dan Klein investigates the impact of farm subsidies on the area and how a new Farm Bill could change the game for both farmers and taxpayers.

11-5-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 5:45)

Farmers across the country are expecting record-breaking income this year, more than 120 billion dollars. It's income that is helped in part through government subsidies. Recipients in just three counties, Benton, Tippecanoe and White, received 28 million dollars last year, on average more than 10,000 dollars per recipient. Last night, in part one of News 18's special series "Harvesting a Profit," we explored some of the top recipients and what subsidies mean to them. Tonight, Dan Klein reports that the current subsidy system could be changing soon and that may not be all good.

11-6-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration 2:15)

You may not have noticed, but stocks overall are doing very well. This year alone, the Dow has climbed 19 percent and the NASDAQ 30 percent. It made us wonder why we're seeing these gains, yet much of the economy seems sluggish. News 18's Alex Maragos takes a look at why Wall Street prospers and Main Street lags.

11-7-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :55)

Governor Mike Pence talks jobs in Jasper County. Pence was in Remington yesterday for a roundtable discussion with nearby businesses about strengths and weaknesses in the area. Strengths included the region's growing agribusinesses. And one weakness nearly all the businesses share is finding qualified workers.

11-7-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration 2:15)

A Tippecanoe County woman has turned a hobby into a fast-growing business that's put her talent and her name on the map. News 18 This Morning brings you a story about a lady "From Where You Live," whose hand-made, Lafayette candles are now lighting up around the U.S.

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

The president and CEO of Riggs Community Health Center is retiring. Veronique LeBlanc announced her retirement from Riggs effective May 6th of next year.

11-11-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :15)

The 10th annual Purdue University Dance Marathon raised more than one million dollars for Riley Hospital for Children. Last year, they raised more than \$520,000.

11-14-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:25)

Now that Toyota will not be renewing its contract with SIA in 2016, the number of jobs an expansion was supposed to bring will be cut in half. News 18's Samantha Thieke spoke with Lafayette Mayor Tony Roswarski about what effects the announcement could have locally.

11-15-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration 2:20)

On Wednesday, the Obama Administration released enrollment numbers for the Affordable Care Act online insurance exchange. 701 Hoosiers signed up for the exchange. While the process has often been described as frustrating or a waste of time for many, News 18 This Morning found one local woman who got through the troubled site to earn her first insurance plan in six years.

11-15-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

The technology is used around the world by the military and now one company is changing this technology to help farmers in the United States. News 18's David DeLong checks out the new drones from Farm Intelligence and explains why this could be the future of farming.

11-19-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 4:20)

As technology evolves, economic leaders agree they want more tech, engineering and business-savvy young people in their states. The Greater Lafayette area has Purdue which produces graduates with those talents. But are those graduates staying? News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the Boiler Makers making an economic impact.

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

It has been a record-breaking year of business announcements in Tippecanoe County, to the tune of one billion dollars.

11-20-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration 2:25)

You've probably never heard of targeted cancer treatments, but they are exactly as they sound. A way of fighting cancer that targets specific traits of the disease. It's this growing field of medicine that some say will revolutionize the way we treat all kinds of disease. So News 18 This Morning talked to a Purdue chemistry professor who helps lead the charge in the war on cancer.

11-20-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:25)

More than 60 percent of Hoosiers who attend a college in the state end up staying in Indiana. And 20

percent of out-of-state students end up staying here as well. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports how state and local leaders are trying to get those numbers up.

11-21-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:20)

A Lafayette company is gearing up to expand its facilities and add more than a dozen jobs. News 18's Holly Campbell reports how long the project may last.

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

A medical business run by a woman from the area opens its offices near Shadeland.

11-22-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

A Lafayette health center serving the under-insured is expanding. Franciscan Saint Elizabeth donated their building on Tippecanoe Street to Riggs Community Health Center.

11-22-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :15)

Tippecanoe County's unemployment rate fell slightly in October and the state's fell below eight percent. Tippecanoe County's rate was down one-tenth of one-percent, to six-point-two percent unemployment last month.

11-24-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

Cyber security research company Emerging Threats employs people all around the world. The 12-year-old business continues to grow its sales. In fact, this year it received a one million dollar investment. The best part? It's all based out of Lafayette. News 18's Kelly Roberts took a trip to the downtown business to see why after 12 years the company is surging.

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

Holiday shopping for many starts on Friday but Greater Lafayette is asking you to do some shopping on Saturday as well. Greater Lafayette Commerce is preparing for Small Business Saturday later this week.

11-26-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration 2:50)

There are about 500 retail stores in Tippecanoe County. Some are big, some are small, but all of them are vying for your holiday business this year. In the past few years, you may have felt the urge to support small, local businesses more and more around the holidays. This push is no accident. In Part One of our Main Street Money series, News 18 explores how much small businesses need you in the store this holiday season.

11-27-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration 2:55)

In Part One of our Main Street Money series we told you how much some downtown small business owners rely on the holiday season to make ends meet. Now in part two, News 18 This Morning shares how small business owners are fighting the big box stores for a bigger piece of the holiday pie.

11-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

For those of you who are planning on the big family gathering with lots of snacks, treats and dinner, you may need to watch what you eat to avoid gaining too much weight. News 18's Amber Hardwick has a few tips to avoid gaining those dreaded pounds this season.

11-29-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Black Friday shoppers were out and about early this morning getting their gifts. Some even went out after their Thanksgiving meal. But not everyone likes the idea of shopping on Thanksgiving. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler has more on why mall officials say they decided to open early.

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

Some say it's one of West Lafayette's best kept secrets. Riverside Skating Center opened its doors today for the season. News 18's Holly Campbell reports how this year is already proving to be more successful than years past.

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

If you're in the market for some holiday greenery, an area farm is ready with acres of trees and other Christmas favorites. Cosgray Christmas Trees in Idaville is kicking off the holiday season with more than 150 acres of Christmas trees.

11-30-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

Many families are heading out this weekend to find the perfect Christmas tree. News 18's Samantha Thieke has more on two places you can go to find that perfect evergreen.

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

One of the first deadlines in the Affordable Care Act Marketplace is almost two weeks away. If you want health insurance through the marketplace to begin January first you need to enroll by December 23. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the changes made to healthcare dot gov to help make enrolling easier.

12-10-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

As for IU Health, hospitals within the network could be accepting fewer insurance providers if a deal cannot be reached by the end of the year. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler reports on how contract negotiations between IU Health and United Healthcare could affect patients.

12-12-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:45)

Business and civic leaders met in Frankfort today to listen to the economic forecast around the state. An Indiana economist expects our area to have strong economic growth in 2014. News 18's Amber Hardwick, brings us more on the economic forecast.

12-19-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

A Lafayette factory is asking the city for a tax break, so it can expand existing lines and add new jobs.

12-19-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A new economic impact report is out and Tippecanoe County ranks seventh out of 92 counties in Indiana when it comes to tourism spending.

12-20-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Affordable Care Act marketplace insurance plans available for use at some hospitals in Tippecanoe County continue to change. Lisa Decker, Vice President of Marketing and Business Development at Franciscan St. Elizabeth Health, says Franciscan Alliance will now only accept Med-Wise insurance.

12-23-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Just a week away from the contract deadline between IU Health and United Healthcare and IU officials say a deal has still yet to be reached.

12-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:00)

In 2013 companies in the viewing area added jobs and lost jobs. Unemployment numbers went up then went down. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on Greater Lafayette's economic roller coaster this year.

12-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Flu season is ramping up in Indiana according to the Centers for Disease Control. In its latest report, the CDC says Indiana is one of 20 states seeing increased cases.

12-28-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:25)

Changes to food stamps in Indiana are making some recipients rearrange the way they pay their bills. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the changing system and how one woman is dealing with it.

12-28-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

The owner of a Benton County wind farm is suing Duke Energy accusing the utility company of breach of contract.

12-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

About 19,000 Hoosiers lost their unemployment benefits Saturday. Experts say those affected by the cuts will be job searching in hopes of finding work as soon as possible. News 18's Holly Campbell reports what resources are available for people seeking jobs.

12-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

Local officials are finishing up all of 2013's business before the new year. For many that means putting the final approval on their agreements with Amtrak. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports how some see this as a good move whereas others do not quite think that way.

12-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Local business owners say they're pleased with this year's holiday sales. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler has more on why they believe this year's sales skyrocketed.

CRIME

An inmate escapes from the Warren County Jail and then steals a getaway car. A Lafayette man faces criminal charges after prosecutors say he hit and strangled his pregnant wife. A Lafayette man faces several preliminary charges after police say he shoplifted a case of beer from a liquor store. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler reports how a woman's father is working to bring closure to his daughter's case and find her missing body. A family looks for answers after their little girl's grave site is vandalized.

10-1-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:35)

Handfuls of money were tossed from a getaway vehicle involved in a bank robbery and police pursuit this afternoon. Investigators say each of the three suspects are behind bars in White County tonight. The police pursuit ended 13 miles and one county away from where it began in Brookston. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports troopers had help from good samaritans along the way.

10-2-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Battery and criminal recklessness charges are filed against a man prosecutors say stabbed another man over a stolen moped.

10-2-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Purdue police arrest two people in connection with a stolen credit card on campus. Now they're asking for the public's help identifying a person of interest in another campus crime.

10-3-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration 1:00)

Charges have been filed for three people accused of robbing a White County bank and then leading authorities on a 13 mile pursuit.

10-3-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :50)

Battery charges are upgraded to attempted murder for an Indianapolis man prosecutors say stabbed another man in West Lafayette.

10-4-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:25)

A Fountain County man with some mental health issues leads an area school corporation to add a pair school resource officers.

10-7-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

An inmate escapes from the Warren County Jail this weekend and then steals a getaway car. The car was found at an apartment complex in Lafayette Sunday night, but that inmate is still on the loose. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler spoke with Warren County Sheriff Rusty Hart today on how secure the jail is and if any improvements need to be made.

10-8-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A high speed chase leads an Illinois County Sheriff's Office through Warren County.

10-8-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

A Warren County Jail inmate who escaped Saturday morning has been found. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports.

10-9-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration :30)

An early morning fight at a bar results in one man pulling a knife and fleeing the scene.

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

In Fountain County, a stabbing is under investigation after a boyfriend is airlifted to an Indianapolis hospital. A boyfriend and girlfriend were fighting and the girlfriend stabbed the boyfriend in the upper chest.

10-9-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:00)

Fountain County residents on edge tonight as the search continues for a wanted fugitive. Meanwhile, Gary Conner, the man who broke out of the Warren county jail this weekend and was caught last night, made his first court appearance. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports Conner was found last night in Fountain County but his alleged accomplice these last few days, Danny Horton, is still on the loose.

10-10-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Formal charges are filed after inappropriate comments about a female bartender lead to a stabbing in Tippecanoe County.

10-15-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration :25)

One man finds his roommate stabbed outside of their apartment early this morning.

10-16-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :40)

Murder charges for a Warren County man, also accused of arson, have been dropped.

10-16-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

An armed robber who held up a Lafayette gas station at gunpoint and then pistol whipped the cashier on the head gets a 20 year prison sentence.

10-16-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

West Lafayette police want a view from above to find out what improvements State Street needs. Police say installing video cameras on the street is a milestone project for the city. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the four cameras that could help reshape West Lafayette.

10-17-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Two White County adults and a juvenile are in trouble after deputies say they tried to break into a house while the residents were inside.

10-18-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:15)

A matching license plate number leads to an arrest after a Lafayette bank is robbed this afternoon.

10-18-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:15)

We now know the name of the man arrested after a bank robbery this afternoon in Lafayette. News 18's Brittany Tyner has the story from the Lafayette Police Department with more on his identity and how officers were able to take him into custody minutes after the crime.

10-20-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

Two people are behind bars after a body was found lying in the middle of a Clinton County road.

10-20-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

30 years ago this month four murdered bodies were found in Newton County. Their killer was tried and sentenced, but two victims remain unidentified. News 18's Kelly Roberts has the story of the coroner who is determined to give the two young men complete justice three decades later.

10-22-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:25)

The costumes, the candy, the parties. Only one thing comes to mind: Halloween. And with October 31st just a week away, area law enforcement agencies will be stepping up patrols to make sure children

and adults stay safe. News 18's Brittany Tyner joins us now with more on the "do's" and "don'ts" of trick or treating, as well as some tips for adults who plan on celebrating too.

10-23-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

A Lafayette man formally charged after a bank robbery last week in Lafayette. Prosecutors say 48-year-old Kenneth Wetterman faces three felonies, two counts of robbery and a theft charge.

10-27-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Two Indiana University students were arrested this morning after an early morning stabbing in Bloomington. The incident happened at an apartment complex. The victims told police the suspects chased them around the complex with meat cleavers.

10-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:45)

The SWAT Team was called out to an apartment complex today after police say a woman was held at gunpoint by her husband. It happened at the Fowler Apartments in downtown Lafayette. News 18's Holly Campbell has more on what police found when they got inside the apartment.

10-28-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:25)

A man is in an Indianapolis hospital tonight and another is behind bars after a shooting this morning at a Lafayette apartment complex. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler has the story from the Cambridge Estates Apartment Complex with the latest on the investigation.

10-28-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A Lafayette man faces seven criminal charges after prosecutors say he hit and strangled his pregnant wife in front of her 8- month-old son.

10-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

Forgery and theft charges are filed against a West Lafayette woman after prosecutors say she spent thousands of dollars with a credit card that did not belong to her.

10-30-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

Fountain County authorities arrest a man accused of robbing a convenience store early this morning.

10-30-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

A homeless man, 33- year- old Terry McCollum, faces three felony charges after prosecutors say he stabbed a friend in the abdomen this summer

10-31-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Lafayette police are on the hunt for a mugger who hit a Lafayette man on the head with a gun, then robbed him.

11-4-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

Two years ago, a Kokomo woman goes missing. Her boyfriend confesses to her murder. But her body has never been found. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler reports how the woman's father is working to bring closure to his daughter's case.

11-7-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

Three suspects rob a bank and lead police on a pursuit and it's all caught on camera. News 18 has exclusive dash cam video from the 1 3 mile pursuit. News 18's Samantha Thieke takes us behind the wheel of the scene that day.

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

A Frankfort man could face charges of attempted murder after police say a woman and her great-granddaughter were stabbed outside of the Frankfort Public Library.

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

A six year old is dead and one man is behind bars after an early morning house fire in Tippecanoe County. That fire has been ruled as arson. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the little girl who was in the burning home.

11-12-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:40)

Formal charges are in the process of being filed against a man arrested for setting a fire that killed a six-year-old girl. The family of Katelyn Lane hopes to see murder charges filed against Ryan Moynagh.

11-12-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:30)

A Frankfort man facing attempted murder charges makes his first court appearance. 62-year-old Reginald Robinson is accused of stabbing a woman and her great-granddaughter outside the Frankfort public library on Friday.

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

Students at Purdue are getting lessons on how to stop cyber-terrorism. The Cyber Forensics Lab is training technology students to investigate online crime.

11-14-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:20)

Formal charges have been filed against a Lafayette man accused of setting a fire that killed a six-year-old girl. And it means her family gets their wish granted. News 18's Brittany Tyner has the story.

11-15-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

Jasper County authorities seize almost half- a- million dollars worth of marijuana. Five, 28 pound bales were discovered after a Mexican citizen was pulled over for a traffic violation. And with 32 miles of interstate, Sheriff Terry Risner tells News 18's Brittany Tyner, drug crimes like this are why the county needs a second drug interdiction officer.

11-16-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

Frankfort police arrest a man they say is responsible for two armed robberies.

11-22-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

A Bunker Hill man pleaded guilty to fatally stabbing a scout master hiking with a group of boys on a nature hike.

11-22-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:40)

Lafayette police continue to investigate a shooting that took place last night. They now believe it was not a random act of violence.

11-26-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:25)

A troubled school district sees two more administrators under investigation. One, a high school assistant principal for alleged criminal conduct with a student. The other, a middle school principal who has been on the job less than five months, replacing a person who chose to resign as he was under investigation.

11-27-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

Lafayette police are still looking for the person responsible for a shooting last week.

11-28-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

A family is looking for answers after their little girl's grave site is vandalized. News 18's Holly Campbell has more on what happened at a little girl's grave who has been named a 'Hero Among Us'.

11-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

A Lafayette man faces several preliminary charges after police say he shoplifted a case of beer from a liquor store, then told the clerk he had a weapon.

12-1-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :20)

A man is taken to a Lafayette hospital tonight following a stabbing. Lafayette Police say it happened around 9:30 this evening at the Claystone at the Crossing Apartment complex.

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

A teenager is dead after a stabbing incident in Miami County. Peru Police say 19-year-old Brayton Kelsor died from stab wounds Sunday at a Peru hospital.

12-2-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

Police in Dayton have a man in custody after a stabbing. It happened just after 10 o'clock on Quabache Court. Investigators say it started as an altercation between two men. One of them was stabbed in the upper right arm.

12-4-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

Formal charges are filed after a fatal stabbing in Miami County. As News 18 reported earlier this week, 19-year-old Brayton Kelsor died from stab wounds Sunday at a Peru hospital. Police later arrested Rannin Shuler. Prosecutors say Shuler has been charged with murder, battery with a deadly weapon and obstruction of justice, all felonies.

12-6-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

West Lafayette police are still looking for two men who used machetes to hold up a Domino's Pizza restaurant.

12-6-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

West Lafayette police have arrested one of the men they say robbed a restaurant while armed with a machete.

12-6-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

25-year-old Kandus Neal faces a pair of felony charges after prosecutors say she stabbed her husband with a knife.

12-9-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :40)

A second arrest is made in connection to last week's armed robbery at a West Lafayette restaurant.

12-9-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:20)

An area school corporation says despite a scare early this morning. No one shot at a school bus, nor was a student bringing a gun to school. It all happened when students found a small hole and broken glass on a Tri-County school bus in the middle of the route.

12-11-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

The two men accused of robbing a West Lafayette pizza shop with a machete and brass knuckles, now face formal charges. 18-year-old Brandon Terry and 20-year-old Chase Freeman face charges including robbery and theft.

12-11-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:35)

Four area school districts were on lockdown this afternoon after a threatening phone call to the Lafayette Crisis Center. No gunman was found. But as News 18's Brittany Tyner reports, it led to anxious moments for many parents, school employees and others in the community.

12-11-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A Lafayette man charged with multiple bank robberies in Tippecanoe and Clinton Counties pleads guilty to a series of bank robberies in Illinois.

12-18-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration :40)

A man is arrested after an attempted robbery at a West Lafayette apartment.

12-19-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Three people are arrested on various charges for their role in a fatal crash that killed a Peru man in May.

12-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

A northern Indiana man, who pleaded guilty to murdering a Boy Scout leader, will face more than four decades behind bars.

12-25-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:20)

Now that Santa has made the rounds and presents have been delivered, there may be several new items in your home. Police are asking people to lock up and keep an eye out for suspicious activity. News 18's Brittany Tyner joins us with tips on how to protect your home this holiday season.

12-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

Attica Police say they have a suspect in the shooting death of a family dog earlier this month. News 18's Samantha Thieke has more on the investigation and why no arrests have been made.

12-27-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

At least 20 vehicles have been stolen in the Lafayette area since the beginning of November. And police say nearly half of them were because the owners were warming them up.

12-28-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:20)

The year 2013 started out with murder and followed with more crime throughout the year. News 18's Holly Campbell takes a look back at this year's crime.

12-30-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Lafayette police are investigating a robbery and an attempted robbery. Officers say the man described in both cases is similar.

DIVERSITY

A former area baseball standout turned professional pitcher talks to high school students about the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse. The United Way sets a fundraising goal of five million dollars. A local food bank receives a donation from a US Senator. A Salvation Army fundraising campaign struggles to meet its goal in the fourth quarter. News 18's Krista Henery talks with Wesley Corbin as he walks the halls of Tri-County High School for the first time cancer free.

10-1-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

The American Red Cross says they need a strong turnout from blood donors to replenish supplies used in the summer and boost supplies ahead of winter holidays.

10-7-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

October is Domestic Violence Awareness month According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics, one in four women in the United States has experienced domestic violence. The Lafayette YWCA held a luncheon today to discuss how you can detect intimate partner abuse.

10-7-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

The holiday season may still be a couple months a way but the Salvation Army is already looking for volunteers for the 2013 Red Kettle Campaign.

10-8-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

The opening for the White County Boys and Girls Club has been delayed by several months.

10-9-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

A new study shows prescription drug overdoses have quadrupled in Indiana. One Carroll County family knows the pain of losing someone to pills. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the epidemic the family is fighting.

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

Later this month, people will be stretching women's underwear across a bridge to raise awareness for breast cancer screenings. This is the fourth year for the YWCA's Bras Across the Wabash.

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

Purdue students are giving back to children in the community who don't usually have the opportunity to be active. PETES PALS is for children ages three to 18 with physical, mental or emotional disabilities.

10-11-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Students at Cumberland Elementary learn about how valuable they are to their peers from a performer who's traveled throughout the country.

10-14-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Local businesses are teaming up with the Salvation Army to collect winter clothing donations. News 18's Kelly Roberts has the story.

10-15-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

The Indiana anti-bullying law went into effect back in July, but today school corporations had to meet another deadline. Today is the day all school corporations are required to have a plan in place to educate students on how to prevent bullying. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler has that story in our next "Eye on Kids" segment.

10-18-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

The United Way of Greater Lafayette is running out of time to reach their fundraising goal this year. The campaign is called "It's Your Turn. Live United." CEO of the non-profit James Taylor says they are a little more than halfway to their goal of nearly five million dollars.

10-18-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

An award winning volunteer organization teaches some third graders the importance of planting trees. Tree Lafayette educated the students at Earhart Elementary about trees before taking them to the school's playground to plant a tree.

10-19-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Purdue students support Breast Cancer Awareness Month this afternoon with marathon swim. More than 200 students registered for the third Annual Breath stroke for Hope at the Boilermaker Aquatic Center.

10-19-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

The local NAACP branch of West Lafayette hosted the "Freedom Fund Banquet."

10-20-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

A Lafayette business is raising money for Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the YWCA.

10-21-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

Children throughout Tippecanoe County are learning to say no to drugs with this week's Red Ribbon Week events. The Tippecanoe County Drug Free Coalition hosted a breakfast to encourage kids to say no to drugs.

10-21-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

The temperatures are starting to drop and that means it's time to pull out those winter coats. It's also the time to donate gently used coats to the Coats for Kids drive.

10-23-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A former area baseball standout turned professional pitcher talks to high school students about the dangers of drug and alcohol abuse.

10-24-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

With the holidays right around the corner.. the need for food donations is greater than ever. To help make it a little easier for families in need, a group of Jeff High School students came together to donate more than 500 pounds of food to Food Finders Food Bank.

10-24-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:45)

To help feed hungry families, Food Finders food bank is hoping to provide about one million meals this holiday season. News 18's Holly Campbell reports how the need for food may increase after November first.

10-24-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

The Internet is also a way for area families to get involved with the community. News 18's Krista Henery has the scoop on how two moms have taken the national 'Macaroni Kid' website and customized it for Lafayette mothers.

10-24-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A West Lafayette business holds a ladies night to raise money for the YWCA. Fleet Feet kicked off their first Diva Night

10-25-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

It's the last day to donate to the Coats for Kids Campaign. Now is the time for last minute donations. News 18's Amber Hardwick has more information on the distribution day.

10-26-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Today marks the first day of a food drive with the goal of providing 150,000 meals by the end of the year. Food Finders Food Bank kicked off the Drive Away Hunger food drive in Lafayette.

10-28-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

The class project for a Purdue service learning course is causing dozens of kids at the Boys and Girls club to go gaga. And they will also get some help with finishing their homework at the same time. With kids and community members looking on officials cut the ribbon for a new gaga ball pit and technology center at the Lyn Treece Boys and Girls Club.

10-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:10)

More than 17,000 people in Tippecanoe County will see less money when they receive their food stamps on Friday .

10-30-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Some Lafayette children didn't have to worry about Halloween plans getting rained out. The Hanna Community Center hosted a party this evening for kids in its after school programs.

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

A Tippecanoe County fourth grade student is giving back to the doctors who saved his life.

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

After nearly a month of collecting donations, area families were able to bring home much-needed winter coats. Salvation Army's Coats for Kids program ended today with the distribution of more than 1,000 coats. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the new, warmer way of passing out the coats.

11-5-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

The Indiana Youth Institute says adding arts education to STEM initiatives will better prepare children for careers later in life.

11-6-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Students at Sunnyside Intermediate School are using technology to help prepare people for a natural disaster.

11-8-13 (During the morning broadcast, Duration 2:25)

Purdue has many distinguished faculty and polished researchers, but not very many get to work with the United Nations. News 18 This Morning looks at how one professor went from poor and hungry to helping feed millions.

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

Food stamp cuts may be larger than initially estimated. One Lafayette resident has found her stamps cut by 15 percent, almost double the federal estimate. She says she may have to start relying on area food pantries every month to make ends meet. News 18's Kelly Roberts has more on her story of adapting to the changes and how even more cuts may be on the horizon.

11-15-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Purdue University is planning several events to mark HIV/AIDS Awareness Week next week. The week kicks off on Monday with a ceremony for the AIDS Memorial Quilt.

11-15-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Artists and musicians are teaming up in Delphi to help renovate the Delphi Opera House.

11-18-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

East Tipp Middle School is working to help Food Finders Food Bank feed members of their community. Students, faculty and staff raised nearly \$3,000 to buy food.

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

A local non-profit organization is using its resources to help relief efforts after Sunday's storms. Food Finders Food Bank is doing what it can along side first responders to help those in need.

11-20-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

Lafayette's Food Finders Food Banks is among a group of ten food banks in Indiana receiving a donation from US Senator Joe Donnelly. Donnelly is donating his take-home pay for the 16 days of the federal government shutdown to the food banks.

11-21-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:20)

An update now to a story News 18 first brought you last November. A White County teen was diagnosed with leukemia just a week before starting freshman year of high school. News 18's Krista Henery talks with Wesley Corbin as he walks the halls of Tri-County High School for the first time cancer free.

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

The United Way of Greater Lafayette has met its goal for its annual fundraising campaign. This year's campaign was titled, "It's Your Move, Live United."

11-21-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:30)

School officials in Henryville, Indiana know all too well the devastation a tornado can cause. That's why they're passing along what they learned in 2012 to help the Tippecanoe School Corporation regroup. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports, Henryville administrators are confident TSC will recuperate from the damage caused by Sunday's storms.

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

Bells are ringing and you have the opportunity to give to the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign once again. The campaign kicked off today and runs through Christmas Eve.

11-22-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 5:20)

Half a century ago today, the country was gripped by grief and shock after the assassination of President John F. Kennedy. While Kennedy never visited Lafayette as President, he visited three times in 13 months as U.S. Senator. News 18's Dan Klein explains how the young politician impacted the people he met.

11-22-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

The Lyn Treece Boys and Girls Club in Lafayette kicked off National Family Week by having a carnival for kids and their families. Purdue's Mechanical Engineering Honor Society volunteered and organized the carnival.

11-23-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Donations are being sent into the communities affected by last weekend's storms. But, how do people know where the donations are? The American Red Cross is trying to keep everyone updated on donation locations through social media. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on disaster relief in the 21st century.

11-27-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

Volunteers are standing in the cold throughout the Lafayette area in the hopes of helping the hungry. It's part of the annual Feed the Need campaign with Food Finders Food Bank.

11-28-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

Hundreds gather at Lafayette's Central Presbyterian Church to give thanks. For others, it's a chance to give back. News 18's Samantha Thieke has more on the 26th annual community Thanksgiving celebration.

12-4-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Food Finders Food Bank in Lafayette is looking at the possibility of getting an extra \$40,000 this holiday season. The food bank says the Hussman Foundation has agreed to donate \$20,000 if Food Finders can match the grant.

12-9-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

The Lafayette Urban Ministry has met their goal for this year's Hunger Hike. The 5K charity walk took place in September. LUM Executive Director Joe Micon says though the event was heavily attended, they initially had a \$30,000 fundraising short-fall. They decided to extend the donation period to December 1st and were able to reach their goal of \$90,000.

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

Food Finders Food Bank is still looking for donations to meet a grant that will match funds up to \$20,000.

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

A program aimed at helping nearly 300 older people in need this holiday season is still accepting donations.

12-16-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :20)

The Salvation Army is \$71,000 behind in Red Kettle donations compared to last year.

12-19-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:15)

A discussion tonight brought out many ideas about helping the Greater Lafayette area's hungry and homeless population. The forum was titled "How Can We Help the Hungry in Greater Lafayette Without Hurting Local Businesses?"

12-21-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Salvation Army officials are blaming a lackluster response to this year's holiday red kettle fundraising campaign on fewer Hoosiers carrying cash in their pockets.

12-23-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Volunteers are wrapping up preparations for Lafayette's annual Community Christmas dinner. Dozens spent the evening at Outpost Catering getting ready to feed thousands on Wednesday.

12-24-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

Area food banks and food pantries worked hard to make sure people who needed food this holiday were able to get it. But officials say the need does not end after Christmas.. at times it gets worse. News 18 sits down with Food Finders Food Bank Executive Director Katy Bunder to hear how the organization is trying to build momentum going into 2014.

12-24-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

The Salvation Army has officially fallen short of its Red Kettle campaign goal. But thanks to an extension, there's still time for you to help.

12-30-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration

The Salvation Army's Red Kettle goal raises \$11,000 during an extension for the campaign, but it's still shy of the target.

A State Board of Education meeting sees the State Schools Superintendent walk out. A troubled school district sees two more administrators under investigation. Governor Mike Pence outlines his education proposals for 2014. A former local superintendent is a part of a lawsuit against 10 members of the State Board of Education.

10-9-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :30)

Drivers in line at Lafayette Christian School were fit to be pied this morning. The annual Dutch apple pie sale kicked off today. Cars lined the streets while volunteers took orders. The school made a record 7,200 pies. Pies are 12 dollars and proceeds help keep tuition low at Lafayette Christian Schools.

10-9-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:05)

12,000 and counting for the Tippecanoe School Corporation. Increasing enrollment means at least one school could reopen. TSC enrollment this fall was at 12,038 this fall, the highest in the district's history. It's an increase of 86 students over last year.

10-14-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :40)

Interest in the state's three-year-old school voucher program is at an all-time high. More than 20-thousand students have signed up for vouchers for the 2013 through 2014 school year. That's more than double last year's number.

10-22-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :15)

An area school board chooses a new member. The West Lafayette Community School Corporation chose Rachel Witt as its newest member tonight in a special meeting. Superintendent Rocky Killion tells News 18 she replaces Dottie Rausch who resigned last month.

10-24-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:05)

\$50,000 from the Mitch Daniels Leadership Foundation will go towards helping at-risk students during the summer.

10-28-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

For the moment, an area school corporation remains without a superintendent in charge. Today was the first official day on the job for North Newton Superintendent Destin Haas after a controversial end to his tenure as the Benton Community Schools Superintendent earlier this month. School board member Gabe Widmer says the board is working to put together a plan while a search is made for a new superintendent.

10-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Benton Community Schools has a new interim chief administrator. School Board President Mike Soulligne named Gregg Hoover as the district's interim superintendent.

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

Lafayette School Corporation elementary schools will all be wireless by next fall.

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

A State Board of Education meeting ended abruptly today after State Schools Superintendent Glenda Ritz called for adjournment and walked out. News 18's Brittany Tyner caught up with local legislators tonight about the issue

11-17-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Tippecanoe School Corporation will be closed tomorrow due to significant damage to two schools in the district. News 18's Brittany Tyner has more on the people who were inside the schools as the high winds ripped through Southwestern Middle School and Mintonye Elementary School.

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

TSC administrators are planning for students who attend Southwestern Middle School and Mintonye Elementary School. 7th and 8th graders will be moved to Wea Ridge Middle School.

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

The Tippecanoe School Corporation is moving along with plans to get its students back in the classroom. TSC called an emergency meeting to inform board members of plans to relocate more than 900 students.

11-19-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:45)

The Tippecanoe School Corporation steps up security at a pair of empty schools damaged by Sunday's storms. Sheriff's deputies will be at Mintonye Elementary and Southwestern Middle Schools to keep a close eye on the properties. News 18's Brittany Tyner reports, the corporation says it was the right move to assure that the public stays safe and school property is not damaged or stolen.

11-20-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

Wea Ridge Middle School is getting ready to welcome hundreds of students who lost their classrooms to storm damage. 275 Southwestern Middle School students in seventh and eighth grade will start next week at Wea Ridge.

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

West Lafayette elementary schools could be getting a school resource officer.

11-20-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Miami Elementary School in Lafayette is being awarded \$25,000 for its Title One Program. The Title One Program is a federally funded program to help schools with reading support.

11-21-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

Indiana State schools superintendent Glenda Ritz made several stops in Tippecanoe County. News 18's Samantha Thieke has more on where she went and her plans for the new A to F school grading scale.

11-24-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

Mintonye and Southwestern students had the chance to check out their new classrooms for the first time today after their schools were damaged by last weekend's tornado. News 18's Holly Campbell explains how teachers worked all week to re-create their classrooms in their new buildings.

11-26-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

A Purdue professor says to consider buying toys that could help your child's education while you shop for the holidays. Director of the Women in Engineering Program Beth Holloway says toys can help kids figure out how to turn their ideas into reality.

11-26-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:25)

A troubled school district sees two more administrators under investigation. One, a high school assistant principal for alleged criminal conduct with a student. The other, a middle school principal who has been on the job less than five months, replacing a person who chose to resign as he was under investigation.

11-27-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:40)

You can see the damage at Southwestern Middle School from the outside, but newly released video shows the damage from the inside as the destruction happened. Ten days after the storm, the Tippecanoe School Corporation released video from Southwestern Middle School. News 18's Kelly Roberts shows us the dramatic footage and how administrators hope it can help other districts be more safe in the future.

12-5-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

A former local superintendent is a part of a lawsuit against 10 members of the State Board of Education.

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

Indiana is one of only a few states not using state funds to pay for pre-K education. But, that may not be the case by 2014.

12-9-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Lafayette high school students will get a few new hands on classes starting next fall. The Lafayette School Board approved adding three new courses to the curriculum at Jeff this evening.

12-10-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :55)

Governor Mike Pence outlined his education proposals for 2014. His agenda includes expanding the state's private school voucher program to preschool aged children and creating a fund to support teachers who implement new programs that can be replicated throughout the state.

12-10-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

A surprise 141 million dollar budget shortfall by the state of Indiana will force a two percent cut in state university funding. News 18's Samantha Thieke has more on how universities in the Lafayette area are preparing to deal with the budget cuts.

12-10-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

A documentary centered around education reform is set to premiere this week. West Lafayette Community Schools Superintendent Rocky Killion and West Lafayette schools spearheaded the project. Killion says he hopes "Rise Above the Mark" will start a conversation about public education.

12-11-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:30)

Governor Mike Pence outlined his plans to boost charter schools in the state in his 2014 education agenda. News 18's Holly Campbell explains how some educators are not on board with the governor's choice.

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

Mintonye Elementary School may be ready to open in August, but Southwestern Middle School won't be ready. That's the preliminary assessment Superintendent Scott Hanback told the Tippecanoe School Corporation school board

12-12-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

It was a packed house for the pay off a project two years in the making. Open seats were scarce at the Long Center tonight as almost a thousand people came out to the premiere of Rise Above the Mark.

The documentary takes a look at issues within Indiana's education system including school vouchers and standardized testing and compares it to other countries to see how it can be improved.

12-15-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Ivy Tech Community College is unveiling a new academic model that uses an automated system. The system will advise students about what classes they need each semester..eliminating their ability to enroll as "undecided."

12-18-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:40)

Purdue President Mitch Daniels says the university is doing a good job on student affordability, but could continue to work on efficiency. But he says the university will continue to stay away from the debate about the proposed Constitutional amendment that would ban same- sex marriage in Indiana. In a one-on-one sit down with News 18, Daniels takes a look back at his first year as president and looks ahead to the future.

12-20-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 3:20)

The state has approved the A to F grades for the 2012 to 2013 school year, and although the results for Tippecanoe County look positive, two superintendents are weighing in. News 18' Samantha Thieke has the story on what administrators are saying about the grades.

12-23-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:45)

Purdue University has partnered with Gallup to create the largest representative study of college graduates. News 18's Brittany Tyner sits down with Purdue President Mitch Daniels to learn more on the Gallup- Purdue Index.

12-25-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:40)

This year's "Eye on Kids" segments focused on a variety of topics with one goal in mind: caring for kids in our community. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler has more on the year long initiative..that put kids first.

12-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Purdue University has been making a lot of cuts to student costs in the past year. News 18's Holly Campbell breaks down where the cuts are being made.

12-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 4:00)

We're counting down to 2014 with a look back at 2013. From lawsuits to tornadoes, many of the biggest education stories of the past year were far from a classroom. News 18's Dan Klein reviews the top education stories of 2013.

12-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

A new year comes with new discussions at the state house. The general assembly will reconvene next month. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports on the topics that will get the group talking.

12-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

The town of Flora will soon have a new education center. News 18's Samantha Thieke has more on the building plans and the club responsible for raising the funds needed for construction.

TRANSPORTATION and INFRASTRUCTURE

The final part of the Hoosier Heartland Corridor opens. Purdue University is annexed by the city of

West Lafayette and News 18 looks into what will change between the two entities. 200 years of Indiana history travel by rail to Delphi. The town of Flora will soon have a new education center. People in the flood plain hoping to elevate their homes after they were damaged by recent flooding have until this summer to do so. The Tippecanoe School Corporation votes to expand and renovate a pair of elementary schools at a cost of 20 million dollars.

10-1-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

Amtrak's Hoosier State Line will keep running, at least for now. Indiana Department of Transportation

Spokesman Will Wingfield says the service running from Indianapolis to Chicago will continue until at least October 16.

10-1-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

The resurfacing project on the southbound lanes of I-65 north of State Road 28 is causing major traffic issues.

10-2-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:50)

A state lawmaker is hearing complaints about noise from the new U-S 2-31 bypass and is making them known. But as News 18's David DeLong reports, while that complaint is being heard, not all neighbors feel the same way.

10-7-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:40)

Some residents still have some concerns about the proposed West Lafayette annexation map. This comes despite city leaders choosing to remove seven neighborhoods from the proposed annexation back in July. Residents voiced their concerns last night at a public hearing. The question that kept coming up was, "Why us?" News 18's Brittany Tyner has the story.

10-8-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

Neighbors complaints have been heard. Now all permanent rental property signs are down in West Lafayette neighborhoods. But as News 18 Kelly Roberts reports one landlord believes this should be the start of changes to a county ordinance.

10-9-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :25)

Howard County has been without sirens for tornado warnings, but a system to send out emergency notifications by phone and e-mail should be in place next spring.

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

A proposed 150 foot cell phone tower could be placed on school property in West Lafayette. A Verizon employee was at tonight's West Lafayette Community Schools Corporation board meeting to see if the board would have any interest in a tower.

10-15-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:50)

An Amtrak passenger rail line running from Indianapolis to Chicago with a stop in Lafayette will live to see another year. But the renewal of the Hoosier State Line will cost the Greater Lafayette area. News 18's Brittany Tyner explains while the specific dollar figure hasn't been finalized, local officials say the price tag is worth it.

10-16-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration2:45)

Profanities, accusations and a demand for answers were part of the discussion about the Battle Ground Cemetery last night. News 18's Brittany Tyner explains how lawn care caused the outrage at the Tippecanoe Township Board Meeting.

10-16-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration :35)

The final part of the Hoosier Heartland Corridor, between Logansport and Delphi, will open soon to drivers.

10-17-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :25)

Drivers in Monticello should be aware of road closures on US 24 in the next two weeks. The Indiana

Department of Transportation says the US 24 bridge over the Tippecanoe River will close periodically as crews work on the new US 24 bridge.

10-17-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

200 years of Indiana history traveled by rail to Delphi. The Indiana Bicentennial Train made a stop at the Wabash and Erie Canal Park. The three car train houses a museum showing the history of Indiana since it became a state in 1816.

10-21-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :45)

Tippecanoe County Child Services is getting another case worker. Tippecanoe County Commissioners approved the de-authorization of a receptionist position and the addition of a case worker position for child services.

10-25-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

It's National Bus Safety Week and schools are reminding students how to follow school bus rules . The Tippecanoe School Corporation passed out a bus safety video for teachers to show students.

10-29-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

Upgrades are also coming to computer software used by the city of Lafayette. The Lafayette Board of Works approved the recommendation to use Tyler Technologies Munis to replace the Enterprise Resource Planning System

11-3-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:55)

Families getting their vehicles ready for holiday travel may get an early Christmas present. Experts believe gas prices will not spike come peak travel time. In fact, they may even come down a bit. But as News 18's Kelly Roberts reports, there is always room to expect the unexpected.

11-4-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:05)

The city of West Lafayette is one step closer to helping support an Amtrak passenger line to the tune of \$200,000 to keep it running. But not all members were fully in agreement.

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

The final stage of plans to replace old waste water lift stations in West Lafayette is underway. The city's waste water Treatment Utility Department has been replacing old lift stations for the last 20 years.

11-5-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :40)

Some property owners in West Lafayette could start paying less in storm water fees.

11-7-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:25)

West Lafayette is giving itself room for growth. The city council gave its final approval to annex the new U-S 231 corridor and Purdue University. But as News 18's Brittany Tyner explains, not all council members are on board.

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

Purdue University has been annexed by the city of West Lafayette which means the relationship will change between the two entities.

11-12-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :30)

Cameras are now on Chauncey Hill in West Lafayette, but they will not be monitored 24-7. As News

18 reported last month, the police department installed the cameras to help collect data about traffic and pedestrian flow

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

The Tippecanoe School Corporation votes to expand and renovate a pair of elementary schools at a cost of 20 million dollars. The school board voted tonight to add a dozen new classrooms to both Woodland and Burnett Creek Elementary.

11-20-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

The saying 'if you build it, they will come' is proving true along the new U-S 231 corridor. The Area Plan Commission of Tippecanoe County recommended approval of a rezoning request at the intersection of 231 and the new Cumberland Avenue extension.

11-25-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

West Lafayette's Goodwill might be moving to a new facility, right down the street. Plans are underway for Goodwill to relocate to a new building on Sagamore Parkway next to Aldi.

11-26-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:45)

Many travelers have already started on their Thanksgiving travels. This year, officers say they'll be stepping up patrols to make sure you get to and from your destination safely. News 18's Elisabeth Rentschler explains why this year, you'll be making that trip with a cheaper tank of gas.

12-2-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

People in the flood plain hoping to elevate their homes after they were damaged by recent flooding have until this summer to do so.

12-2-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:20)

On the other side of town, in what should soon be the west side of West Lafayette, new zoning is in place along the new US 231 corridor. News 18's Kelly Roberts reports, though the ground looks the same as it did yesterday, today is a big day to attract new business to the area

12-2-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

In West Lafayette, the City Council approved the payment of \$200,000 over a 12 month period to keep Amtrak's Hoosier State Line running.

12-15-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:10)

For two years, Connection Point Church has sat alone at the corner of US 231 and Cumberland Avenue in Tippecanoe County. But as 231 development moves forward, the church will soon get some neighbors. News 18's Kelly Roberts visited the church recently to see where the congregation stands on the development.

12-16-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :50)

A business which made its home in Brookston for more than 50 years plans to move to Tippecanoe County.

12-17-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration 1:00)

The city of Lafayette approves funding for a home that will eventually be bought by a low-income

family.

12-18-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:10)

A divided vote among area planners pushes back a hearing that could bring an IT group and auto detail shop to Lafayette.

12-19-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration 1:00)

Governor Mike Pence is looking for additional funding for road projects. And that could include one that would widen Interstate 65 in Tippecanoe County.

12-24-13 (During the six o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:00)

Purdue president Mitch Daniels talks annexation and future plans for development along the new US 231 corridor. News 18's Holly Campbell has more on a recent land exchange where Purdue gained nearly 40 acres along the new roadway.

12-29-13 (During the 11 o'clock broadcast, Duration 2:15)

The town of Flora will soon have a new education center. News 18's Samantha Thieke has more on the building plans and the club responsible for raising the funds needed for construction.

12-30-13 (During the noon broadcast, Duration :40)

The West Lafayette Board of Works approves the city's contract with Amtrak just days before the first payment is due.

12-30-13 (During the five o'clock broadcast, Duration :45)

Tippecanoe County Commissioners also approved their part of the agreement with Amtrak. However, that does not mean every commissioner was in favor of the plan.