

WSPY-FM and WSPY-AM Issues and Program Report Quarter Three, 2019

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

Updated Registry Records Indicate Yorkville Murderer Carl Reimann Moving to Chicago

The Sandwich man, convicted of killing five people at a restaurant in Yorkville in 1972, who is now again out of prison on parole, will move to Chicago. That's according to Illinois State Police Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Registry records. In an updated profile on Tuesday afternoon, the 78 year-old Carl Reimann is listed as living at a residence on S. Indiana Ave., which is in the West Pullman neighborhood near the Roseland neighborhood on the south side of Chicago. Reimann was released from the Dixon Correctional Center following a new host site that was approved on Monday by the Illinois Department of Corrections. He had been back in prison following a frenzy of pushback on two previous living locations. It was announced last May that Reimann was sent back to prison over a technical parole violation because those two living locations were found to be, "not suitable." Reimann is not allowed to return to Kendall County.

Air dates: 7/15, 7/16,

Yorkville Council Unanimously Approves Sale of Old Jail– Citizen advocates celebrated by cutting cake that exclaimed "Saved The Jail" on Tuesday night, as the Yorkville City Council voted unanimously to sell the Old Kendall County Jail on W. Madison St. to a private developer. The property will be sold for \$1,000 to developer KCJ Restoration LLC. The city will pay the developer \$80,000 in Tax Increment Financing incentive by the end of 2019 with additional TIF incentive in following years. A total capped value of \$150,000 in the property's tax rebate would occur over the 20 plus year life of the agreement. Tuesday's approval ends, at least at the city level, nearly two years of talks about the jail, including previous discussions about a possible tear down of the building.

Air dates: 7/19, 7/23, 7/24, 8/1, 8/10, 8/15, 8/23, 8/24, 8/28

Sandwich Fire Chief Jake Pruski Laid to Rest at 47– Sandwich Fire Chief Jason "Jake" Pruski was laid to rest on Saturday. A line of emergency vehicles from departments near and far departed the Sandwich Fire station in downtown Sandwich on Saturday morning, flanking a classic Sandwich Fire vehicle that carried the body of late Fire Chief Jake Pruski to Oak Ridge Cemetery in Sandwich. Hundreds came to the Sandwich Fire Department on Friday for a visitation. On Saturday, the department's truck bays were packed again with fire officials, cloaked in dress uniform to join family, friends and all of those who came to pay respects to Chief Pruski. Flags remained at half-staff as they have been since Pruski's passing on Monday. The 47 year-old chief's locker donned his uniform and helmet, intermixed with the row of gear his firefighters who served under his guidance use. Officials have not disclosed Pruski's cause of death, however, it was not fire related. Pruski was sworn-in as Sandwich's fire chief in July of 2016, starting with the fire district in 1989. Throughout his career, Pruski additionally served as a fire science teacher at Indian Valley Vocational Center in Sandwich and Waubensee Community College in Sugar Grove. **Air dates:** 7/31, 8/2, 8/3

Ex-Sandwich Mayor Pleads Guilty to Charge of Solicitation of a Sexual Act, Fined \$750–

Former Sandwich Mayor Rick Olson pleaded guilty to a charge of Solicitation of a Sexual Act in LaSalle County Court in Ottawa on Wednesday. Olson's guilty plea resulted in \$750 in fines and court costs and one-year court supervised probation. Olson's arrest was part of a prostitution sting that was coordinated by the LaSalle County Sheriff's Office and the TRIDENT Drug Task Force. The sting in March and April of this year targeted "Johns" at locations in Ottawa and Peru. Eight other men were arrested in the sting, including a man from Earlville, 57 year-old Joseph Hanley and a teen from Waterman, 18 year-old Wiley Sawyer. Olson was charged on May 10th and resigned as Sandwich Mayor on May 13. Olson must pay his \$750 fine by January 7, 2020.

Air dates: 7/10, 7/11

Plano, Oswego, Yorkville, Kendall County, Montgomery Sugar Grove Council and Boards Discuss Whether to Allow Adult-Use Cannabis Sales–

Numerous communities in the WSPY listening area have been discussing whether or not to allow recreational cannabis dispensaries and if so, what restrictions to impose on zoning. Conversations have been preliminary as the state deadline on January 1st approaches when Illinois adults over 21 years of age can possess up to 30 grams of cannabis. Plano was the first local community to approve a three percent sales tax on top of their current one percent sales tax rate. Yorkville also approved three percent on top of their two percent rate. Sugar Grove officials have said their village board is leaning toward opposing recreational cannabis sales. Most other communities are moving toward allowing sales in some form.

Air dates: 7/4, 8/15, 8/16, 8/21, 8/22, 8/25, 8/26, 8/30, 8/31, 9/10, 9/11, 9/14, 9/24, 9/25

Development Group Will Demolish Dairy Hut in Oswego; Create New Business–

After 57 years, the Dairy Hut in downtown Oswego has served its last ice cream cone. In an announcement, Tuesday, Imperial Investments of Yorkville say they will demolish the iconic Dairy Hut on South Main Street. That's according to Mike Mann with Imperial who told WSPY Imperial plans to develop a business called the "Dairy Barn." Mann says the business will be a farmed-theme restaurant with ice cream, food options, a party room and games. The facility is expected to have construction begin after the opening of Imperial's project at 113 Main St. Imperial broke ground last week for the three-story brick building with a restaurant on the first floor and office spaces on the second and third floors at the former Oswego Village Hall, now a vacant lot. Imperial also owns land at the corner of Jackson and Main Street adjacent to the old Oswego Fire Department station. Imperial said it hopes to have that three-story building completed by June 2020. Dairy Barn should open in Spring of 2021.

Air dates: 9/10, 9/12, 9/17, 9/18

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

