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I CAN ATTEST THAT NEWSCAST AND PSAS RUN DAILY AND ISSUES ARE COVERED MONTHLY.

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JAMIE LEE BAKKEN, GENERAL MANAGER

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WPXN Issues of East Central Illinois for 2024

January 5 Positive Economic Development continues in the village of Rantoul as we start a new year. Rantoul Mayor Chuck Smith says several projects with unnamed new businesses are in the works. Interview 6 min. 630am, 730am, Noon

January 8 There are several meetings around the area tonight. The Rantoul Township High School board is expected to approve bid specs for phase 2 of the east wing gym expansion. The Ford County Board is expected to approve adding flashing lights onto certain stop signs in the county. Gibson City leaders are expected to continue discussions on a solar farm on the south side of Gibson City. Gilman leaders are expected to approve a payment for the 5th Street Interceptor Replacement project. 4 min 7am, 8am, noon

January 19 Interview with State Senator Tom Bennett Live on Radio 15 Minutes

January 24 Two committee meetings for the Paxton city council will be held tonight. The first committee meeting is the economic development committee where they will hear a presentation from the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission at 6. Following that meeting, at 6:45, the finance and budget committee will meet to discuss future bond payments and funding for future improvement projects. 3min. 630am, 730am, noon

January 26 A downstate Illinois county is taking steps to prevent migrants from being dropped off. Ford County Zoning Committee members are moving forward to dub themselves a non-sanctuary county. If migrants were dropped off in the county of about 13,000, a county official said it would overwhelm their ability to house, feed and provide medical attention. In 2019, Gov. J.B. Pritzker enacted legislation enhancing the state's status as a migrant sanctuary. 3min 7am, 8am, noon

February 2 Two nights of fundraising to help the homeless in Champaign-Urbana is right around the corner. Tonight the sidewalks and area outside the Venue CU will be lined with people participating in CU at Home's One Winter Night. One

Winter Night is an annual fundraiser to support CU at Home, and their 7 homes and programs to help homeless individuals in Champaign-Urbana get back on their feet. This year, for the first time the event will have a second auction night on Saturday to raise more for the organization. Tonight the check in for those participating outside begins at 5:30 PM with a program at 7PM for others who wish to see what the organization is doing for the community. On Saturday the auction begins at 5 PM. 4 min. 630am, 730am, noon

February 8 Impact Life is hosting another blood drive in the city of Paxton later this month. Blood Drive Coordinator Kevin Hanson says winter weather causes shortages of needed blood...Interview 5 min. 7sm, 8sm, noon

February 16 Interview with State Senator Tom Bennett Live on Radio 15 Minutes

February 22 The Paxton Main street group continues to look at ways to draw the motoring public, residents of towns and cities and counties to the city of Paxton. The downtown area of Paxton continues to grow and more businesses are coming to Paxton. Paxton Main Street Group Director Donna Pepper says more people with day trips to those coming for the Rantoul Sports complex are stopping in Paxton...Interview 5 min. 630am, 730am, noon

February 28 What to do with an aging ballistic missile site in Rantoul? That is the question for the Village appointed committee. They are set to meet this evening and discuss options of repair, upkeep and potential demolition of the site on the former air base. Rantoul Mayor Chuck Smith says all options are set to be discussed...Interview 6 min. 7am, 8am noon

March 1 When voters in Ford County go to the poles on March 19th there will be a referendum about adding a 1% school facilities tax. Travis Duly, Paxton Buckley Loda Superintendent explains...Interview 6 min 7am, 8am, noon

March 7 Voters in Gibson City have a "home rule" question on the March 19th Primary election ballot. Voters there will be asked to allow corporate authorities of the City of Gibson to be authorized to levy a Non-Home Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax at a rate of one percent. Money raised would go to expenditures on municipal operations and infrastructure says Ford County Clerk Amy Frederick...Interview 4 min. 630am, 730am, noon

March 15 Interview with State Senator Tom Bennett Live on Radio 15 Minutes

March 25 Paxton city leaders continue to look at a storm drainage project for areas of the city. The price tag is expected to be around 7 million dollars. Once the final figures are set, the next question is how to finance the project. Paxton Mayor Bill Ingold says they are gathering more information, and the project will be discussed at the council's April meeting...Interview 7 min. 7am, 8am, noon

March 29 Ford County is developing a plan to reduce the damages caused by severe weather such as floods ,snow and ice storms, thunderstorms and tornadoes among other events. Terry Whitebird, Coordinator Ford County Emergency Agency, explains what they hope to accomplish at their first meeting...Interview 6 min. 630am, 730am, noon