

WQRF-TV Quarterly Issues Report Overview-1st Quarter 2016 (January 1, 2016 – March 31, 2016)

WQRF-TV's programming, news reports and public service announcements provided significant treatment of the following issues that were important to the community throughout the 1st Quarter of 2016:

- *Crime
- *Business/Consumer/Economy
- *Education
- *Government/Human Services
- *Health
- *Community Interest
- *Severe Weather

WQRF airs the following local news programs to address the many concerns and issues in the Stateline region:

Local News Programming:

- *Eyewitness News in the Morning -weekdays, 7:00-9:00 AM
- *Eyewitness News at Nine-weekdays, 9:00-10:00 PM
- *Eyewitness News at Nine-Saturdays, 9:00-9:30 PM
- *Eyewitness News at Nine-Sundays, 9:00-9:30 PM

FOX Network News and Public Affairs Programming:

- *FOX News Sunday – Sundays 8:00-9:00 AM

These newscasts contain Live reports, live interviews, & tape reports. The duration of most stories is :30-4:00. These newscasts keep viewers informed of news & weather in the region and state. News information continues to be provided on the website, www.mystateline.com

While this list describes much of WQRF-TV's most significant issue-responsive programming, it is not exhaustive. Programming described in the Quarterly List of Issue-Responsive Programming may relate simultaneously to more than one issue.

Crime: Topics covered under this issue include:

Title: Janesville Meth Lab

Air: 1/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: A meth lab is busted in Janesville right across the street from the County Courthouse and just blocks away from Speaker of the House Paul Ryan's residence.

Title: Asher Tool Fire

Air: 1/6/2016

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:32

Description: It's been one year to the day since one of Rockford's biggest fires in history - in that time a marijuana growing operation was found to be the cause, and seven arrests have been made; an update into the fire.

Title: Supplement Seizure

Air: 1/7/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:38

Description: A building in South Beloit is raided and 90,000 bottles of an herbal supplement seized because it is on the FDA's banned substance list.

Title: Freeport Murder Arrests

Air: 1/12/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:21

Description: Two years after a murder outside of a Freeport gas station, two men are arrested and charged.

Title: Grocery Store Robbery

Air: 1/17/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: :28

Description: A robbery ends in an accident after a store clerk chases after suspects who robbed the grocery store the clerk was working at.

Title: Connected Robberies

Air: 1/19/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:40

Description: A string of robberies throughout Rockford overnight police believe are connected - the suspects they believe responsible is a group of male teens.

Title: Rash of Robberies

Air: 1/20/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:32

Description: A follow up into the investigation of a rash of robberies now over the past 48 hours that police believe have been conducted at the hands of teenagers.

Title: Chamber Crime Concerns

Air: 1/21/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:37

Description: City business leaders discuss the recent increase in crime, particularly violent armed robberies, and have it could impact business in Rockford moving forward.

Title: Crime Press Conference

Air: 1/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:40 Special Report

Description: City leaders, including the mayor and chief of police, hold a press conference addressing the recent increase in violent crime in Rockford.

Title: Crime Lawmakers Reaction

Air: 1/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length:

Description: Local lawmakers react to the Rockford Police Dept. and the Mayor putting blame on the state's budget stalemate for causing the uptick in crime in the City.

Title: Beloit Shooting

Air: 1/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:00

Description: A 5-year-old boy has been shot and killed in Beloit - a live report from the scene.

Title: Beloit Shooting Follow-up

Air: 1/23/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:59

Description: A follow up into the shooting death of a 5-year-old Beloit who police believe was caught in possibly gang crossfire.

Title: Vigil for Ramos Jr.

Air: 1/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:07

Description: A vigil is held tonight for the 5-year-old boy shot and killed in Beloit.

Title: N. Rockton Shooting

Air: 1/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:20

Description: A man is shot and wounded in broad daylight on a busy Rockford street.

Title: Armed Robbery Follow-up

Air: 1/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:41

Description: Four teens are arrested after another armed robbery in Rockford over the weekend - just another in a long spree of armed robberies.

Title: Blackstone Shooting

Air: 1/26/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :49

Description: Violence on Rockford city streets continues after a teen is shot and hospitalized.

Title: Safety Spoke Survey

Air: 1/26/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:52

Description: Members of Transform Rockford discuss a recent survey put out that addressed crime in the City, amid a major uptick in violence on City streets.

Title: Beloit Murder Update

Air: 1/27/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:35

Description: Beloit Police announce live at an afternoon press conference the names of some of the suspects wanted in the shooting death of 5-year-old Austin Ramos, Jr.

Title: N. Main Arrests

Air: 1/27/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:09

Description: Four men are in custody after leading police on a brief chase; Winnebago County Sheriff says he believes in catching them they prevented at least one planned armed robbery tonight.

Title: BMO Security

Air: 1/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:19

Description: The BMO Harris Bank Center is joining many venues across the country in beefing up their security measure following terrorist attacks in Paris and San Bernadino.

Title: Saturation Detail

Air: 1/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:27

Description: Winnebago County Sheriff's Office conducts a saturation detail making more than 100 traffic stops as they attempt to arrest suspects responsible for a rash of robberies throughout Rockford recently.

Title: Ramos Murder Developments

Air: 1/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:39

Description: Four men now in custody in the death of a 5-year-old Beloit boy are officially charged with first degree murder.

Title: Hugo Martinez Arrest

Air: 1/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:3

Description: Another man is arrested and charged with first degree murder just hours after being named as a suspect in the shooting death of 5-year-old Austin Ramos, Jr.

Title: Rally for Peace

Air: 1/30/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:42

Description: A local group is attempting to reduce the amount of violent crime by making an effort to stop young area residents from getting involved in crime in the first place.

Title: Elm Street Standoff

Air: 2/1/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: A call for shots fired leads to an eight hour standoff in Rockford as police surround a home with a potentially suicidal and armed man inside.

Title: Beloit 5-year old Latest

Air: 2/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :28

Description: New developments in the shooting death of a 5-year-old Beloit boy - the Beloit Daily News reporting the apparent target in the shooting was the boy's father.

Title: Car in River

Air: 2/3/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:24

Description: Police investigate a car that drove into the Rock River early this morning in Rockford.

Title: Police Reforms Town Hall

Air: 2/3/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:09

Description: Locals gather with police to discuss possible reforms to Rockford police force in order to reduce the amount of crime spreading throughout the city.

Title: Beloit Gangs

Air: 2/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:41

Description: Beloit Police investigating a gang related shooting that left one victim injures, this just 2 weeks after gang violence cost a 5-year-old his life.

Title: Rockstat End of Year

Air: 2/5/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:39

Description: Rockford Police hold the year-in-review press conference revealing that violent crime spiked in 2015.

Title: Springfield Crash

Air: 2/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:41

Description: An innocent woman is killed after her car is crashed into by another vehicle fleeing from police.

Title: Springfield Crash Follow-up

Air: 2/9/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:53

Description: Winnebago County Sheriff Gary Caruana defends his department's decision to pursue a vehicle that eventually crashed killing an innocent woman.

Title: Lambert Killed

Air: 2/9/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: We talk to friends, family and other loved ones of the woman killed in an accident on Springfield on Monday.

Title: Juveniles as Adults

Air: 2/9/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:41

Description: A 16-year-old Rockford Police believe to be behind a string of violent robberies in the City will not be tried as an adult, partially due to a change in Illinois law that went into effect in January.

Title: Compstat

Air: 2/10/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:43

Description: Rockford Police further break down crime statistics in the City in 2015.

Title: Lambert Vigil

Air: 2/11/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:34

Description: A vigil is held for the woman who was hit and killed by a driver that was fleeing from Rockford Police.

Title: Heroin Homicide

Air: 2/12/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:16

Description: A Janesville man faces up to 60 years in prison for providing heroin to someone who subsequently overdosed on it.

Title: Teen Charged in Fatal Crash

Air: 2/16/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:22

Description: An 18-year-old Stillman Valley girl is charged with reckless homicide for causing the crash that killed her teenager passenger and high school classmate.

Title: Barmore Hearing

Air: 2/19/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:16

Description: A case regarding a man who was shot and killed by police inside a Rockford daycare is set to go on trial next week.

Title: Stolen Car Spree

Air: 2/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:16

Description: Rockford Police investigate a string of cars being burglarized in southwest Rockford.

Title: Metro Policing

Air: 2/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 5:09

Description: A look at an idea proposed by Winnebago County Sheriff's Office to metro police, or combine forces with Rockford Police for what they say would end in a safer city.

Title: Knox Murder Update

Air: 2/23/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:10

Description: After a Rockford toddler's body was found in a Chicago lagoon, the investigation into who killed the child has stalled - a look into why.

Title: Police Trading Cards

Air: 2/26/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: Beloit Police Department launches a unique effort to build relations with the community: Police Trading Cards.

Title: Gun Sales Up

Air: 2/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :46

Description: Gun sales in the state of Illinois are at an all-time high.

Title: Metro Policing Press Conference

Air: 2/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:44

Description: Rockford Police and Winnebago County officials address the argument for metro policing in Rockford - who supports it, who doesn't.

Title: Safe Passage Initiative

Air: 3/1/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :40

Description: The initiative set up by Dixon and Lee County authorities to allow heroin addicts to seek treatment rather than be charged is now being implemented in several other local counties.

Title: Rockford Shooting

Air: 3/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:21

Description: A Rockford juvenile is hospitalized after being shot in the leg earlier tonight on Rockford's west side.

Title: Warrant Wednesdays

Air: 3/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:21

Description: Winnebago County launches a new attempt to catch area wanted criminals by posting their pictures weekly on their Facebook page.

Title: Clergy Helping to Fight

Air: 3/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:17

Description: Local residents calling on area clergy and religious leaders to assist in cracking down on Rockford's crime problem.

Title: Drug Ring Bust

Air: 3/3/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 2:05

Description: In what's being called one of the biggest drug busts in Rockford history, 29 people are arrested for drugs ranging from cocaine to pain killers.

Title: Avon Fire Follow-up

Air: 3/3/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:40

Description: A fire on Avon Ave. is being investigated - fire officials say they believe it was set intentionally.

Title: Drug Bust Mistaken Identity

Air: 3/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:26

Description: Some people with the same names as some of those arrested in a recent, massive drug bust in Rockford are having cases of mistaken identity.

Title: Rockford Using Body Cameras

Air: 3/7/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:44

Description: Rockford Police launch a pilot program on body cameras for their officers.

Title: Kingdom Authority Opening Statements

Air: 3/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:44

Description: Opening statements in the trial of Kingdom Authority Church against the City of Rockford for the fatal shooting of Mark Barmore.

Title: Less Lethal Shotgun

Air: 3/9/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:41

Description: Rockford shows off their "less lethal shotgun" used in situations to subdue a suspect without killing them.

Title: Barmore Civil Case Day 3

Air: 3/10/16

Show: 9:00 pm.

Length: 1:05

Description: Day 3 in the civil case of Kingdom Authority Church against the City of Rockford in the 2008 fatal shooting of Mark Barmore.

Title: West Side Domestic

Air: 3/10/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :42

Description: A domestic situation in west Rockford prompts a heavy police presence.

Title: Heroin Highway

Air: 3/11/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:09

Description: A look at what's being called "heroin highway" - with the increase of heroin dealers traveling from Rockford to Dixon.

Title: Lori Dr. Fatal Shooting

Air: 3/13/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:22

Description: Police investigate a shooting that killed one man and injured a woman on Rockford's upper east side.

Title: Epperson Takes the Stand

Air: 3/14/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:24

Description: Former Rockford Police Chief Chet Epperson takes the stand in the civil trial of Kingdom Authority Church vs. the City of Rockford in the fatal shooting of Mark Barmore by a Rockford officer.

Title: S. Beloit fatal Accident/Police Chase

Air: 3/15/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:18

Description: A man is killed after crashing his motorcycle in South Beloit while fleeing police and reaching speeds of more than 100 miles per hour.

Title: Warrant Wednesday

Air: 3/16/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :39

Description: An update on Warrant Wednesdays in Winnebago County - how successful it has been since they've began running the program that posts pictures of criminals on their Facebook page.

Title: Domestic Violence Partnership

Air: 3/16/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:31

Description: A partnership between Rockford, the County and Justice Department to crack down on domestic violence.

Title: Girl Scout Thieves

Air: 3/21/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:46

Description: Beloit Police thanking the public after tips led them to finding two people responsible with stealing from Girl Scout tip jars.

Title: Beloit Shooting Follow-up

Air: 3/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:13

Description: Police are looking for answers after a man is shot in killed in a home in Beloit late last night.

Title: Ice Hogs Revenge Porn Charges

Air: 3/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:33

Description: A Rockford IceHog player is being charged with revenge porn after distributing sexual images of an ex-girlfriend.

Title: Barmore Closing Arguments

Air: 3/23/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:47

Description: Closing arguments begin in the civil case against the City of Rockford over the fatal shooting of Mark Barmore.

Title: Underwood Shooting

Air: 3/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:15

Description: A man is shot outside of Fairgrounds housing complex in Rockford.

Title: Kingdom Authority Verdict

Air: 3/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:34

Description: A jury finds the City of Rockford liable in the fatal shooting of Mark Barmore by officers at a Rockford church.

Title: Barmore's Father's Reaction

Air: 3/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:19

Description: The father of the man shot and killed by Rockford officers reacts to the ruling that the City of Rockford is liable in his death.

Title: Proving McCullough's Innocence

Air: 3/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:32

Description: A look into the case of a Sycamore man convicted of murder who now appears will be set free after new evidence all put proves he could not have committed the crime.

Title: Parkside Shooting

Air: 3/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:01

Description: Three teenagers are hurt, one critically, after a shooting on Rockford's west side.

Title: McCullough Hearing

Air: 3/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:08

Description: Jack McCullough gets one step closer to his freedom as a judge appoints him a lawyer in his attempt to get his murder conviction overturned.

Title: Decriminalizing Marijuana

Air: 3/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: A proposal in Springfield looks to decriminalize marijuana in Illinois.

Title: Parkside Fatal Shooting

Air: 3/30/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:23

Description: The shooting on Rockford's west side yesterday is now a fatal one as one of the teenage victims died overnight.

Title: Ross/Dent Comments

Air: 3/30/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:20

Description: IceHogs head coach Ted Dent and players Garret Ross comment about charges dropped against Ross in a case of "revenge porn" because the offense happened out of state.

Title: Vigil for Akeem Smith

Air: 3/30/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:21

Description: A vigil is held for the 17-year-old shot and killed on Parkside Ave.

Title: Janesville Pepper Spray

Air: 3/31/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length:

Description: A new twist in the case of a young girl pepper sprayed at the Trump rally as she is now the one facing charges for throwing a punch during the incident.

Business/Consumer/Economy: Business in the Stateline, Impact to the consumer.

Title: Best Time To Buy A Car

Air: 1/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:28

Description: As people turn the page into the new year, many businesses look to restock on 2016 items, included in that is car dealerships' proving now is the best time to buy a car.

Title: Powerball Jackpot

Air: 1/6/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:27

Description: The jackpot for tonight's Powerball jackpot has reached \$500 million dollars; a look at the rush for people to get their tickets.

Title: Huge Powerball

Air: 1/7/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:33

Description: With no winners of last night's \$500 million Powerball jackpot, the total has now surpassed \$700 million for this weekend's drawing.

Title: Powerball \$900 Million

Air: 1/9/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:31

Description: Tonight's drawing of the Powerball has reached a \$900 jackpot; a look at the crowds out buying tickets.

Title: Grubsteakers Update

Air: 1/11/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:19

Description: An update as the restaurant that was destroyed by an April tornado in Rochelle is slowly rebuilding.

Title: Powerball Risks

Air: 1/11/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:19

Description: Experts say if you win the Powerball Jackpot, be smart with your money. A financial advisor suggests what do to with the winnings.

Title: Northern Illinois Farm Show

Air: 1/13/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:21

Description: A farm conference held at NIU showcasing some of what the Stateline can offer in the farming industry.

Title: Lottery Money Funding

Air: 1/14/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:03

Description: What happens to all the lottery money in Illinois when there isn't a winner? Our Capitol Bureau Chief in Springfield has the answer.

Title: Remedies Expansion

Air: 1/20/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:34

Description: A local facility providing care to those struggling with drug addiction expands its facility to accommodate more people.

Title: Tax Fraud

Air: 1/21/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:43

Description: Better Business Bureau is warning people that a phone scam is conning many stateline residents out of money and attempting to steal identities - we find ways to better protect ourselves.

Title: Chrysler Follow-up

Air: 1/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:07

Description: The Dodge Dart, currently being produced at the Belvidere Chrysler Plant, is being discontinued and what it means for the Belvidere plant moving forward.

Title: Rockford Bowling

Air: 1/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :39

Description: Rockford city officials organize several bowling tournaments to help boost economic activity.

Title: Economy Election

Air: 1/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:22

Description: The first part of an eight part series highlighting the fact that whoever is elected our next president will have to guide the country's economy as it continues to recover from one of the worst recessions in history.

Title: AirFest Canceled

Air: 2/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:31

Description: Arguably Rockford's most popular yearly event, AirFest, is cancelled due to scheduling conflicts with performers. We sit down with airport officials to discuss what led to the decision to up and cancel.

Title: Sports Factory Tour

Air: 2/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: :37

Description: A tour of the new UW Health Sports Factory in downtown Rockford shows the sports complex 80% complete - on pace to open this summer.

Title: Shark Tank Effect

Air: 2/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 3:24

Description: Eyewitness News talks to a couple who was featured on Shark Tank a few months back and received an investment - an update into how sales of their product are going.

Title: Bowling Tourney Impact

Air: 2/6/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: RACVB announces a series of bowling tournaments coming to Rockford and their potential economic impact.

Title: Jail Wind Turbine

Air: 2/14/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:42

Description: The Lee County Jail makes efforts to go green after putting in wind turbines to power the facility.

Title: Sales tax Extension

Air: 2/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: A group of Rockford residents and officials gather to encourage people to vote yes for an extension of the 1% sales tax in Rockford that will be on the primary ballot.

Title: Dixon Theatre Dispute

Air: 2/23/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:27

Description: A historic theater in the town of Dixon has become a contentious item as the town and owner fight for what to do with it.

Title: Rockford Airport

Air: 2/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:14

Description: Chicago Rockford International Airport gives a tour of a new facility at their site set to open soon despite the current state budget impasse.

Title: Answers on Amrock

Air: 2/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 3:30

Description: Two years after the City of Rockford announced it would transform its old, abandoned Amerock building into a hotel and convention center, construction still has not started - a look at why there's been such a delay.

Title: Invention Engine

Air: 3/3/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 3:10

Description: An in-depth look at Rockford's NIU Eiger Lab that assists entrepreneurs developing different inventions - many within the manufacturing industry.

Title: Charity Detox

Air: 3/15/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :43

Description: An expert comes to the Stateline to talk about how local leaders can help the disenfranchised and those needing charity in our community.

Title: Nova Kem Settlement

Air: 3/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :36

Description: Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office reaches a settlement with a company whose chemical plant exploded in 2013 - the company will have to pay \$5,000.

Title: Transform Rockford

Air: 3/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :51

Description: A nationally renowned speaker comes to Rockford to give his advice on how to better our economy.

Title: Nova Kem Lawsuit

Air: 3/19/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:38

Description: Talk to officials involved in the lawsuit against Nova Kem after a settlement was reached due to the company's plant exploding near Rochelle in 2013.

Title: Illinois Debt

Air: 3/19/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :50

Description: A report from our capitol bureau in Springfield shows that Illinois debt could grow exponentially over the next few months if a budget is not put in place.

Title: Aunt Mary's Reopens

Air: 3/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :36

Description: The old Aunt Mary's restaurant reopens as Mary's Restaurant with a whole new menu and remodeled facility.

Title: Fury Babies Lawsuit

Air: 3/30/16

Show: Title: Charity Detox

Air: 3/15/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :43

Description: An expert comes to the Stateline to talk about how local leaders can help the disenfranchised and those needing charity in our community.

Education: Topics covered under this issue include:

Title: Dome Follow-up

Air: 1/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:27

Description: It's been one week since Hononegah High School's athletic dome collapsed, an update on the cleanup progress and school's plans moving forward.

Title: MAP Grants at RVC

Air: 1/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length:

Description: The budget stalemate is starting to have its effect on local schools, prompting some, like RVC, to put a hold on MAP Grants which many students rely on to pay their tuition.

Title: Active Shooter Drill

Air: 1/13/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :48

Description: Rock Valley College holds an active shooter drill amid growing concerns and highly publicized mass shooting situations occur.

Title: Engineering Partnership

Air: 1/15/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:21

Description: Rep. Cheri Bustos comes to Rockford to talk with officials from Rock Valley College and NIU about an engineering partnership that will allow students at RVC to receive 4-year degrees staying right on Rock Valley's campus.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 1/20/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:44

Description: Highlighted is a program at Kishwaukee College that is training students in technological engineering - allowing them to be hired many times before even graduation.

Title: College Funding Worries

Air: 1/21/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :40

Description: As no state budget continues to put local universities and community colleges in a bind, some hint at the possibility that they'll have to shut down until they get additional state funding.

Title: Concussion Bill

Air: 1/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :39

Description: New legislation in Illinois would put restricting regulations in high schools when addressing concussion on athletic teams - monthly reports of the number of concussions is the newest addition to the proposal.

Title: School Reform

Air: 1/23/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :44

Description: Lawmakers and school leaders are urging Governor Rauner to overhaul the state's school funding procedures in order to better support underfunded schools.

Title: Beyer School Uniforms

Air: 1/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :45

Description: A local church helps raise money to sell discount school uniforms to low-income students who need assistance.

Title: Rauner on Schools

Air: 2/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :48

Description: Governor Rauner laid out a long-term, ten-part plan on improving Illinois schools during his State of the State address.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 2/3/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:58

Description: A culinary program through RPS 205 is giving students hands-on working the culinary food thanks to a local popular restaurant.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 2/10/16

Show: 6:00 pm

Length: 1:44

Description: Students at Rolling Green Elementary in Rockford have ongoing, pen pal correspondence with soldiers in Afghanistan.

Title: Solar Spotlight

Air: 2/13/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:39

Description: 9 black students from Auburn High School are invited to attend a special program designed at showing them the field of engineering.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 2/16/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:20

Description: Students at Harlem High School learn about other cultures and students across the globe using a new Google Maps application.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 2/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:26

Description: Local students take part in a top chef competition, but they gain more than just taking a title.

Title: Rauner at Guilford

Air: 2/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:42

Description: Gov. Bruce Rauner tours Guilford High School to see their new, upgraded facilities as well as some new program offerings at the school.

Title: DeKalb School Board

Air: 3/1/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:53

Description: DeKalb School Board meets for the first time since racial tensions at the school prompted students to cut class - now the principal may be fired.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 3/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:13

Description: Local students celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday by participating in Read Across America week.

Title: Education Disparities

Air: 3/5/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 2:41

Description: A look at the disparities between poor and wealthy schools in Illinois.

Title: Student Breakfasts

Air: 3/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: :55

Description: Some officials with the state come to Rockford to discuss why it's important for public school's to provide free breakfasts to students.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 3/9/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:58

Description: A look at how the Literacy Council assists those who do not know how to read.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 3/16/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:16

Description: Rock Valley College and Rockford University out on a job fair giving area students a look at jobs available in the area.

Title: Scholastic Bowl

Air: 3/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :50

Description: Auburn's scholastic bowl team finishes second in the state among all high schools.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 3/23/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:31

Description: From researching cures for cancer to writing and producing their own original music, students in Auburn's capstone program finish up their year-long projects.

Title: Promise Scholarships

Air: 3/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :42

Description: Four local high school graduates in low-income households get free tuition to Rockford University and Rock Valley College.

Title: Finish in Four Program

Air: 3/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:05

Description: A private university down state has started a new program called "Finish in Four" where they vow to get incoming freshman to graduate in four years, and if they don't, the school will pay the rest of their tuition.

Title: Education Matters

Air: 3/30/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:58

Description: The Literacy Council is beginning a program and encouraging local parents with no GED to help them finally getting their high school diploma.

Government/Human Services: Impact of local and state government decisions.

Title: S. New Towne Vote Preview

Air: 1/3/2016

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:43

Description: Having being pushed over two weeks in a row, City Council is once again set to vote on a proposal to bring low-income housing to Rockford's east side; people are out speaking out against the proposal ahead of tomorrow's vote.

Title: S. New Towne Vote

Air: 1/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: City Council is set to finally vote tonight on a proposal to bring low-income housing to Rockford's east side. However, the vote is held over for multiple weeks.

Title: Local Reaction to Gun Control

Air: 1/5/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:31

Description: Reaction from local residents over President Obama's executive action to limit mass shootings and gun violence, many saying his proposals wouldn't have prevented some of the most recent mass shootings.

Title: Fantasy Sports vs. Powerball

Air: 1/7/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:36

Description: While stateliners can gamble on the Powerball, state lawmakers want to ban betting on daily fantasy sports; some people are calling that a double standard.

Title: IL License Renewal Break

Air: 1/12/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :41

Description: Illinois motorists will receive a break if they don't change out their license plate sticker expiration in time since the Secretary of State will not be sending out reminders.

Title: Gorman Suing City

Air: 1/12/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:10

Description: Gorman announces they will file a lawsuit against the City of Rockford after they continue to put off voting on a plat of land where S. New Towne low-incoming housing will be built.

Title: Senate Session Preview

Air: 1/12/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:31

Description: The state senate will be back in session tomorrow to try to work towards passing a state budget - local lawmakers don't have much confidence that that will happen.

Title: Voter Registration

Air: 1/13/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :37

Description: A new proposed bill in Illinois would automatically register someone to vote when they renew their driver's license.

Title: Tim Hanson Resigns

Air: 1/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:13

Description: Community members are shocked after long-time, and popular, public works director Tim Hanson announces his retirement from the department.

Title: Animal Shelter Petition

Air: 1/13/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length:

Description: A local petition circulating and gaining popularity seeks to make the Winnebago County Animal Shelter a 'No Kill' shelter.

Title: No Kill Shelter Follow-up

Air: 1/14/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:36

Description: Eyewitness News heads to the Winnebago County Board meeting where the person who started a petition requesting the County animal shelter be made a 'No Kill' shelter is speaking to board members - reaction from both.

Title: Illinois Prison Population Reduction

Air: 1/14/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :47

Description: Governor Rauner is looking for ways to reduce Illinois' prison population.

Title: Winnebago County Hotline

Air: 1/15/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:21

Description: After controversy involving misused funds within Winnebago County, officials are setting up a County hotline to make it easier to report wrongdoing.

Title: S. New Towne Vote

Air: 1/19/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:26

Description: After an almost uncountable amount of delays, the plat at S. New Towne needed to build a low-income housing project appears to finally be coming up for a vote tonight

Title: S. New Towne Approval

Air: 1/20/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:50

Description: Reaction from residents and lawmakers after the plat to jumpstart the build of a low-income housing unit in east Rockford is approved.

Title: Bustos at Daycare

Air: 1/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:36

Description: A former local firefighter steps up to assist the community after the budget stalemate forced a local daycare in Rockford to close, sending many parents struggling to find a new location. The man used his own funds to reopen the daycare. Today Congresswoman Cheri Bustos paid him a visit to show his appreciation.

Title: Distillery Bill

Air: 1/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :39

Description: A new bill downstate would allow distilleries in Illinois to double to amount of alcohol they're allowed to produce.

Title: County Board Statement

Air: 1/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:45

Description: The Winnebago County Board puts out a statement months after the announcement of an FBI investigation into irregular spending within the County.

Title: State of the State

Air: 1/26/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:48

Description: Local legislators and lawmakers statewide speak out today, a day before Illinois' State of the State address, pleading to get a budget passed.

Title: State of the State Live

Air: 1/27/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:40

Description: Live from Springfield for Governor Rauner's second State of the State address of his tenure as governor.

Title: Iowa Caucuses

Air: 2/1/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 3:00

Description: We're live in Iowa ahead of the first presidential primary race of the 2016 season.

Title: Christiansen Withdraws

Air: 2/1/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:25

Description: Longtime Winnebago County Board Chairman Scott Christiansen has announced he will withdraw his name from the race and not seek re-elections, after 18 years at the post.

Title: Illinois Primaries Relevant

Air: 2/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:33

Description: Because of the close race at the Iowa Caucuses, it appears Illinois might be a tough battleground state when it comes to the March 15th primary.

Title: Confusing Ballot

Air: 2/5/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:29

Description: A look at Winnebago County and Illinois' March 15th primary ballot.

Title: Prison Reform Survey

Air: 2/6/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :44

Description: Illinois voters say they can wait no longer for reforms to come to Illinois' prison system in a survey put out by the state.

Title: GOP Debate & Local Reaction

Air: 2/7/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 2:00

Description: We get reaction from local voters on tonight's GOP debate in New Hampshire.

Title: Gov. Rauner in Rockford Preview

Air: 2/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:24

Description: A preview of Gov. Rauner's visit to Rockford tomorrow where he will meet with business leaders to discuss the state economy.

Title: HUD Loan Request

Air: 2/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:04

Description: City Council considers a request by Rockford Housing Authority to attain a loan from HUD to improve some of their facilities throughout Rockford.

Title: Rauner Conference

Air: 2/9/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:59

Description: Gov. Bruce Rauner comes to Rockford for a meeting with area business leaders about making Illinois, and the minimum, "average" when it comes to business climate.

Title: Obama in Springfield

Air: 2/10/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:01

Description: President Obama returns to Springfield and talks just blocks away from the location where he originally announced his candidacy for president back in 2007.

Title: Statue at the Roundabout

Air: 2/10/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:29

Description: A statue that was taken from the Auburn roundabout set to be restored and placed at Veteran's Memorial Hall is still awaiting work due to the budget impasse in Springfield.

Title: Filming Fights

Air: 2/11/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :37

Description: An Illinois lawmaker wants to make it illegal for people to film physical fights.

Title: Water Main Breaks

Air: 2/14/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:10

Description: The warming temperature is causing water mains across the city to burst - mainly because of the age and makeup of the water mains.

Title: Local Voter Registration

Air: 2/14/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:27

Description: It's crunch time to register to vote in time for Illinois' March 15th primary - we go to some registration sites locally.

Title: Rep. Ryan in Janesville

Air: 2/15/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:13

Description: Representative and Speaker of the House Paul Ryan returns to Janesville to where he went to high school to speak to students about politics and his career path that made him the 3rd most powerful man in the country.

Title: Tow Truck Proposal

Air: 2/16/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: A proposal in Springfield would allow tow trucks to use red, white and blue lights like police vehicles use.

Title: No-Kill Animal Shelter Meeting

Air: 2/17/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:23

Description: People pressuring Winnebago County Animal Services to become a no kill facility meet to discuss plans to accomplish their goal.

Title: Sanders Office Opens

Air: 2/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: Bernie Sanders opens up a campaign office in Rockford.

Title: Expensive Project

Air: 2/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 4:35

Description: An in-depth look at the proposed low-income housing project that has been approved to be built on S. New Towne Drive on Rockford's east side.

Title: County Tornado Drill

Air: 2/19/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:42

Description: Winnebago County holds a county-wide tornado drill to prepare first responders and residents for the worst.

Title: Mayor Durke Death Follow-up

Air: 2/20/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:23

Description: Longtime mayor of Dixon Jim Burke died overnight - the community he served remembers him.

Title: Sheriff Editorial on County Board

Air: 2/21/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:29

Description: Winnebago County Sheriff Gary Caruana pens an editorial in the Rockford Register Star defending county board members amid an investigation into improper spending.

Title: Syverson for Mayor

Air: 2/23/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:33

Description: Rockford residents are urging local representative Sen. Dave Syverson to run for mayor of Rockford.

Title: Trump Leading in Illinois

Air: 2/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:23

Description: Reaction from area residents as Illinois polls show Donald Trump leading all republican candidates in Illinois.

Title: Gorman Lawsuit Response

Air: 2/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:16

Description: Gary Gorman talks to Eyewitness News about the low income housing project his company will build in east Rockford, and the residents filing a lawsuit against it.

Title: Freeport Demolition

Air: 2/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:58

Description: Freeport cleaning up some blight in its city by tearing down an old abandoned building.

Title: MercyRockford Threat

Air: 2/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:29

Description: MercyRockford threatens to move its new hospital campus proposal to Wisconsin if the City of Rockford doesn't reduce permit fees for the hospital being built on the east side

Title: Mercy Fees Follow-up

Air: 3/1/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:44

Description: Eyewitness News talks to local legislators about MercyRockford's demands for the city to reduce permit fees for their new proposed hospital campus.

Title: Super Tuesday

Air: 3/2/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: The biggest primary election day of the year is now over, as candidates for president look forward to another big day in two weeks that includes Illinois' primary.

Title: Teen Domestic Abuse

Air: 3/3/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:28

Description: Illinois Comptroller Leslie Munger visits Oregon High School to award two teens who submitted a video advocating against teen violence.

Title: House Recess

Air: 3/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :49

Description: House Republicans argue that they should not be on recess from Springfield while there is still no budget passed.

Title: MercyRockford Update

Air: 3/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:41

Description: Rockford Mayor Larry Morrissey changes his tune and is now advocating for the City to reduce permit fees for MercyRockford's new hospital proposal on the east side.

Title: No Kill Animal Shelter Follow-up

Air: 3/6/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 2:40

Description: A woman trying to make Winnebago County Animal Services a no kill shelter is using new methods to try to convince the county to do so.

Title: Dixon Parks Question

Air: 3/7/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:53

Description: As part of our election coverage we look at a ballot issue in Dixon that would merge their parks department with the city.

Title: Bustos on Fair Pay

Air: 3/7/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :42

Description: Rep. Cheri Bustos discusses the need for equal pay for equal work for women in Illinois and across the country.

Title: Rauner on House Break

Air: 3/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :42

Description: Gov. Rauner calls out House Speaker Michael Madigan for calling a one month recess for the House despite no budget being passed.

Title: Boone County State's Attorney

Air: 3/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 2:14

Description: We take a look at the race for Boone County State's Attorney - primary voting coming up.

Title: Lee County Jail Problems

Air: 3/9/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:42

Description: A tax increase will be on Lee County's ballot as their jail falls into disrepair - the tax would go towards jail funding.

Title: Concealed Carry Law

Air: 3/9/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:23

Description: A new concealed carry law in Illinois would allow those with FOID cards and permits to carry guns on public transportation.

Title: MercyRockford

Air: 3/10/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:29

Description: City leaders gather to voice their support to the idea of reducing permit fees in order to keep MercyRockford's plans to build a new hospital on Rockford's east side.

Title: Same Day Voting

Air: 3/10/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :43

Description: We keep you connected to the capitol as Illinois allows same day registration for the first time ever for the primary election.

Title: Winnebago Co. Coroner Race

Air: 3/11/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:50

Description: A look at the Winnebago County Coroner's race ahead of Illinois' March 15 primary election.

Title: Bernie-Palooza

Air: 3/12/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:54

Description: A rally and support event is held in downtown Rockford for presidential candidate Bernie Sanders.

Title: Stephenson Co. State's Attorney

Air: 3/12/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:29

Description: A look at the Stephenson County State's Attorney race ahead of Illinois' March 15 primary.

Title: Stateline Mass Transit

Air: 3/13/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 2:13

Description: A proposal that will appear on Roscoe's primary ballot is highlighted which would bring public transportation to the Roscoe and Rockton area.

Title: Cruz Rally
Air: 3/14/16
Show: 9:00 PM
Length: 1:32
Description: Republican presidential candidate Ted Cruz holds a campaign event in Rockford at the Coronado.

Title: Sanders Closing the Gap
Air: 3/14/16
Show: 9:00 PM
Length: 1:40
Description: A look at Bernie Sanders poll numbers making a jump in Illinois ahead of Tuesday's primary.

Title: Primary Voters
Air: 3/15/16
Show: 9:00 PM
Length: 1:26
Description: We talk with primary voters ahead of tonight's primary election in Illinois.

Title: Democrat Election Headquarters
Air: 3/15/16
Show: 9:00 PM
Length: 2:00
Description: We talk live to some local democrats about the election results in Illinois primary.

Title: Republican Election Headquarters
Air: 3/15/16
Show: 9:00 PM
Length: 2:00
Description: We talk live to some local republicans about the election results in Illinois primary.

Title: Property Tax Rebate
Air: 3/17/16
Show: 9:00 PM
Length: :50
Description: A new program in Rockford offers buyers willing to purchase distressed properties a tax break.

Title: Chief Finalists' Reaction
Air: 3/17/16
Show: 9:00 PM
Length: 1:37
Description: A Rockford Alderman speaking out against one of the three finalists for the Rockford Police Chief job - she says she doesn't want current Assistant Deputy Chief Doug Pann to get the position.

Title: K-9 Retirement
Air: 3/18/16
Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:31

Description: Legislators in Illinois are attempting to pass a law that would allow all retiring K9 police officer in the states to be adopted by their officer partners.

Title: Primary Campaign Spending

Air: 3/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:13

Description: Our capitol bureau reports on the record amount of money spent by candidates in Illinois' primary.

Title: K-9 Fundraiser

Air: 3/20/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:40

Description: Janesville Police Department has set up a GoFundMe page to raise funds for them to purchase a new K9 officer to replace a retiring one.

Title: Vote Retabulating

Air: 3/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :57

Description: County officials are recounting votes on randomly chosen voting machines across Winnebago County.

Title: Police Chief Forum

Air: 3/22/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:39

Description: The Board of Fire and Police Commissioners meets with the two remaining Rockford Chief of Police candidates in a public forum.

Title: New Chief of Police

Air: 3/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:53

Description: Rockford gets their new Chief of Police as the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners decide on Daniel O'Shea, a commander with the Elgin Police Department.

Title: Chief Reaction

Air: 3/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:53

Description: Local aldermen, the mayor and county sheriff react to the commission's choice for Chief of Police.

Title: Beloit Chief Confusion

Air: 3/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:35

Description: Beloit Police dealing with some controversy after a letter is sent to one of the Chief of Police finalists telling him he got the job, only to have to retract the statement.

Title: Homeless Scratch Offs

Air: 3/25/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:04

Description: The State of Illinois is considering implementing a new lottery scratch off game where the proceeds would go to state homeless shelters.

Title: Rauner Cuts Protest

Air: 3/26/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :46

Description: Keeping you connected to the capitol - a protest was held in Springfield today against cuts being made by the governor against seniors and homecare providers.

Title: Mild Winter, Money Saved

Air: 3/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:27

Description: The mild winter in Rockford has saved public works money that can now be used in other departments

Title: Trump Rally Prep

Air: 3/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: Janesville Police prepare for tomorrow's Trump rally where protests have already been planned.

Title: Trump Protests

Air: 3/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:20

Description: Protests have already started up in Janesville ahead of tomorrow's Trump rally.

Title: Donald Trump in Janesville, Pt. II

Air: 3/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:02

Description: Donald Trump holds a campaign event in Janesville.

Title: Overdue Taxes

Air: 3/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :40

Description: Illinois cities and towns may now turn to private help in collecting taxes.

Title: Bike Legislation

Air: 3/30/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :33

Description: New legislation in Illinois looks to cut back on the amount of bicyclist deaths in the state by giving the right of way to bicyclists on the highway.

Title: Presidential Tax Plans

Air: 3/31/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:18

Description: Capitol Bureau Chief Matt Porter breaks down each presidential candidate's tax plans and how they each impact Illinois residents.

Health: News of personal health, safety and well-being.

Title: "Do Life Right" Blood Drive

Air: 1/6/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:37

Description: Stillman Valley High School hosts a blood drive in honor of Emily Flemming, a Stillman Valley cheerleader who died in a car accident in the late summer of 2015.

Title: Fire Safety in Cold

Air: 1/10/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: As subzero temperatures engulf the Stateline, a look at the difficult work it is for firefighters to battle fires while in the extreme cold.

Title: Radon

Air: 1/14/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:37

Description: State officials are warning home owners to be aware of a harmful but odorless gas that could have deadly consequences.

Title: Freeport Boil Order

Air: 1/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:19

Description: A boil order is put into effect for Freeport following a water main break contaminating local water.

Title: Importance of Physicals

Air: 1/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:39

Description: A local man speaks out about the importance of physicals after one saved his life discovering he was on the verge of a deadly heart attack.

Title: New Remedies Open

Air: 1/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:52

Description: A Rockford domestic violence shelter finishes moving to its new location - a grand opening is set for Monday.

Title: Zika Preparation

Air: 2/3/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: Boone County Health Officials are taking preparations to prevent the Zika virus from spreading to local counties.

Title: Zika Precautions

Air: 2/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:28

Description: A stateline blood bank is taking precautions due to the spread of the Zika virus throughout the country, and into Illinois.

Title: Wear Red Day

Air: 2/5/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:21

Description: Today is National Wear Red Day, an effort to raise awareness for heart health, particularly among women, as it's the number one killer of women in the U.S.

Title: Teen Suicide

Air: 2/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 5:19

Description: We dive into the sensitive subject of teen suicide and the measures being made surrounding it.

Title: RMH Groundbreaking

Air: 2/12/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :41

Description: MercyRockford continues expansion as it breaks ground of a new medical facility coming to Cherry Valley.

Title: Cardio Lady

Air: 2/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:40

Description: A local woman who laced up her shoes and started running marathons to support heart health causes after her husband's heart attack learns that all the exercise has significantly improved her own heart health.

Title: Out Patient Knee Surgery

Air: 3/1/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:23

Description: SwedishAmerican allowing some patients to seek out patient knee surgery in order to recover at home rather than trek to the hospital regularly for treatment.

Title: Suicide Prevention

Air: 3/4/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:31

Description: A local social worker making it her cause to shatter the silence about the problem of suicide, specifically among young people.

Title: Hope for Holly

Air: 3/5/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 2:00

Description: A woman who was paralyzed from the waist down in a skiing accident, only to recover is now paralyzed again after a recent hit and run accident near Rockford.

Title: Illinois Health Rankings

Air: 3/16/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :31

Description: Winnebago County falls towards the bottom of the list of healthiest counties in Illinois.

Title: Health Dept. Plea

Air: 3/10/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:20

Description: Local health departments send out a letter saying that public health could be in danger due to a lack of funding because of the lack of a state budget.

Title: Triage Center Crisis

Air: 3/16/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:42

Description: A portion of Rosecrance offering support to addicts almost was forced to close until a local legislator helped secure funding amid the budget stalemate in Springfield.

Title: RSV Illness

Air: 3/17/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:25

Description: A respiratory virus is spreading rapidly through Winnebago County that is found most commonly in infants.

Title: Newborn Safety Program

Air: 3/17/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:36

Description: A local hospital is replacing ink footprints of newborns with new technology that could assist in identifying them in the case of them being kidnapped, lost or found alone.

Title: WI Prescription Abuse

Air: 3/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 40:

Description: Governor Scott Walker passes a series of bills aimed at cracking down on Wisconsin's prescription drug abuse problem.

Title: CPR Press Conference

Air: 3/21/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :55

Description: Officials with Rockford and St. Anthony hospital hold a press conference in Rockford stressing the importance of knowing how to perform CPR.

Title: Shigellosis Task Force

Air: 3/23/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:26/16

Description: A task force is formed to help fight a spreading respiratory virus impacting kids in the county.

Title: Easter Seals Budget

Air: 3/30/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :43

Description: A local organization that helps teens with mental disabilities pleads with the state to get a budget pass as they struggle to get funding.

Community Interest: News of communities' concerns, quality of life issues.

Title: New Year's Baby

Air: 1/1/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:43

Description: We meet Rockford's first born baby of 2016.

Title: Finally Winter

Air: 1/1/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:21

Description: After one of the warmest Decembers on record, it's a bone-chilling start to the new year, and some Stateliners couldn't be happier about it.

Title: Police Ceremony

Air: 1/5/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:44

Description: Rockford Police have a swearing-in and awards ceremony to bring in new recruits to the department and recognize the service of officers from 2015.

Title: Ice Damaging Cars

Air: 1/5/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:28

Description: Sheetings of melting ice are falling off of vehicles and onto other vehicles causing damage and potentially dangerous driving conditions; a look at the legality of not cleaning off your car before driving.

Title: Cold Weather Roads

Air: 1/11/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:33

Description: Meteorologist Kristin Cywnar explains that the subzero temperatures mean salting roads isn't as effective, making tonight driving conditions extra dangerous.

Title: MLK Scholarship Break

Air: 1/16/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:32

Description: Rockford University hosting a scholarship breakfast in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Title: Rockford Rescue Mission Full

Air: 1/17/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:27

Description: As the coldest temperatures of the winter are expected, a local warming center has to turn people away due to full capacity.

Title: Animals in the Cold

Air: 1/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:24

Description: Eyewitness News talks to a local shelter about the precautions to take with pets when there are subzero conditions.

Title: Ice Jams

Air: 1/14/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:29

Description: Flooding and rising waters all throughout the Rock River as ice jams move through - causing both issues.

Title: Houses Flooding

Air: 1/15/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:13

Description: Ice jams along the Rock River are now causing some houses located on the river to flood.

Title: Stateline Cold

Air: 1/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:33

Description: Bone-chilling temperatures have local warming centers packed, including one that had to jump through hoops to be allowed to take those where nowhere to go in.

Title: Eclipse Lagoon Open

Air: 1/24/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :45

Description: Stateliners get a chance to enjoy a Rockford winter tradition as the Eclipse Lagoon at Nicholas Conservatory opens.

Title: Ice Sculptures

Air: 1/27/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:29

Description: Illinois' largest ice sculpting competition kicks off in Rockford at Sinnissippi Park despite a lack of snow - the show was able to go on after the donation of equipment to make artificial snow.

Title: 9-1-1 Hero Awards

Air: 1/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:15

Description: Two local teens are awarded for their heroic efforts in putting out local fires with fire extinguishers potentially saving lives.

Title: Warm Super Bowl Weather

Air: 2/7/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:20

Description: A comparison of the warm temperatures this Super Bowl Sunday compared to last year's when we had a foot of snow.

Title: Flint Water Crisis

Air: 2/10/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:40

Description: A local group from Beloit holding a drive to raise money and clean water for people in Flint, Michigan, where they water is dangerously contaminated.

Title: President's Day Activities

Air: 2/15/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:36

Description: A look at some of the offerings around the stateline on this Presidents Day when many students are off of school.

Title: Trouble with Tinder

Air: 2/15/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 3:08

Description: An in-depth piece about the growing popularity of dating apps, specifically Tinder, and their use among the younger generation.

Title: Industrial Accident Follow-up

Air: 2/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:14

Description: A community helps pick up the pieces after a man, who lost his home in the Fairdale tornado, loses his life following an industrial accident.

Title: Warm Weather

Air: 2/18/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:30

Description: Sunny and warm temperatures expected for the weekend mark a nice break in the winter - although it's been a relatively mild one.

Title: Stateline Wind

Air: 2/19/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:15

Description: Extreme wind is causing major concerns as four semis after already overturned in the conditions today.

Title: Girl Scout Cookies

Air: 2/20/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :42

Description: Thousands of boxes of Girl Scout Cookies arrive at Rockford's service center today.

Title: Pitney Place

Air: 2/21/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:22

Description: A shelter being built in Rockford for women and children, set to open last week, is still under construction - a look at the cause of the delay.

Title: Fire House Fire

Air: 2/26/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:42

Description: Stockton's fire station burns down, causing thousands in damages.

Title: Alpine Academy New Gym

Air: 2/27/15

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:35

Description: Alpine Academy, whose gym partially burned back in December, reopens their new, restored gym.

Title: Golf Courses Open

Air: 2/28/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:37

Description: Rockford Park District courses begin to open as the weather turns more Spring-like.

Title: Extreme Midget Wrestling

Air: 2/29/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 2:36

Description: Extreme Midget Wrestling comes to the stateline, causing some controversy among local residents.

Title: Sock Monkey Madness

Air: 3/6/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :35

Description: Fans of a Rockford invention, the sock monkey, take part in a festival creating sock monkeys of their own.

Title: Golf Begins

Air: 3/8/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:23

Description: 70 degree temperatures have golfers out on stateline courses today.

Title: Model Train Show

Air: 3/20/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :49

Description: The annual Model Train Show is back in Rockford this weekend - model train enthusiasts all showing off their toys.

Title: Brussels Vigil

Air: 3/23/16

Show: 9:00 PM.

Length: 1:35

Description: A vigil is held locally for the lives of those lost in the terrorist attacks this week.

Title: Rockford Meltfest

Air: 3/26/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:28

Description: Hundreds gather at the Prairie Street Brewhouse for Rockford's annual 'Meltfest' which celebrates the melting away of the winter for spring.

Title: Appalachian Trail Hike

Air: 3/27/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: 1:37

Description: A father-daughter duo from Rockford heads to the Appalachian Trail for a daunting hike.

Title: Spring Art Scene

Air: 3/31/16

Show: 9:00 PM

Length: :36

Description: The 14th annual Spring Art Scene showcases some of the best art from local artists in Rockford and Belvidere.

Morning Show: Live interviews during the 7:00 AM Eyewitness News Show

Title: Rep. Kinzinger

Air: 1/13/16

Show: 7:00 AM Morning News

Length: 3:00

Description: Rep. Adam Kinzinger speaks on the State of the Union.

Title: Cervical Cancer Awareness

Air: 1/19/16

Show: 7:00 AM Morning News

Length: 3:00

Description: Christine Savage speaks on Cervical Cancer Awareness.

Title: Heart Health

Air: 2/3/16

Show: 7:00 AM Morning News

Length: 3:00

Description: Doctor John Myers talks about general heart health and care.

Title: Election Commentary

Air: 2/5/16

Show: 7:00 AM Morning News

Length: 3:00

Description: Rep. Adam Kinzinger discusses the pending elections

Title: Beloit International Film Festival

Air: 3/15/16

Show: 7:00 AM Morning News

Length: 3:00

Description: Adam Fogarty stopped by the studios to talk about the area's Beloit International Film Festival.

Additional Programming to address Community Issues:

Crime Special report 1/22 following 27 armed robberies over the weekend.

Improving education in Rockford is critical. Although unemployment is a significant problem in the Stateline area, many of the jobs cannot be filled due to an undereducated population. "Bergstrom Stateline Quiz Bowl" is a station produced program. 32 regional high school scholastic teams are competing for \$40,000 in scholarship awards to Northern Illinois University. The program launched on Jan. 18, 2015 and airs weekly on WQRF at 9:30 PM on Sundays. "Bergstrom Stateline Quiz Bowl" is part of a station wide initiative for Excellence in Education.

Education Matters is a news feature that provides an in depth report on an issue in the Stateline Schools. The report airs weekly on Eyewitness News on Wednesday nights at 9:00 PM.

WQRF's sports team, Scott Leber and Josh Filomeno produced the weekly local high school basketball wrap-up show, Sports Connection. The ½ hour program aired weekly on WQRF Saturdays at 5:30 PM and Sundays at 10:00 AM January 9, 2016-March 6, 2016.

As part of MLK's birthday remembrance, WQRF aired the special, "Journey: 450 Years of the African American Experience" The documentary program detailed the true story of the role of free African Americans in the founding of America's first city, St. Augustine, Florida. The one-hour program aired on WQRF on January 18th at 6:00 PM.

Community Outreach

WQRF's campaign, Stateline Volunteers to showcases area non-profit organizations and volunteering efforts in the region. To date the campaign has focused on the following local branches of these organizations:

- *Boys & Girls Club
- *ASPCA
- *American Red Cross
- *Hospice
- *American Cancer Society
- *Disabled American Veterans
- *YMCA
- *Goodwill Industries
- *Rock River Valley Pantry
- *March of Dimes
- *Community Outreach
- *Little League
- *Discovery Center Museum
- *Burpee Museum
- *Alzheimer's Association
- *Easter Seals

WQRF's campaign, Excellence in Education vignettes feature station anchors with senior class presidents from high schools in the Stateline sharing stories of great lives. These stories focus on the importance of education to a successful life. Vignettes to date include:

- *Cesar Chavez with student from Guilford High School
- *John Philip Sousa with a student from South Beloit High School
- *Jonas Salk with student from Freeport High School
- *John Wesley Powell with student from Keith Country Day School
- *George C. Marshall with student from Harlem High School
- *John James Audubon with student from Fulton High School
- *Thomas Nast with student from Paw Paw High School
- *Samuel Clemens with student from Stillman Valley High School
- *Ansel Adams with student from Polo High School

Produced and aired PSAs for the following:

Rockford Area Economic Development Council –“Rockforward”

- *Schools and quality education in Rockford
- *Aerospace Engineering
- *Technical jobs in the Stateline

The Literacy Council-year-long campaign

- *Tutor recruitment
- *Read to Feed-PSA to stress the importance of reading to your children and to instill the love of reading at an early age.

CASA’s year-long campaign

- *Child Advocate Recruitment

Transform Rockford’s year- long campaign

- *Spoke Survey

Rockford Chamber of Commerce

- *Annual Dinner
- *Business Luncheon-Feb.
- *Business Luncheon-March

Brovember Foundation

- *Royal Blue Ball

Jeremiah Development

- *Loaded brush Luminaries

The ARC

- *Chocoholic Frolic

The Literacy Council

- *Day of Giving

YMCA Dinner

- *YMCA Dinner

Discovery Center

- *Clifford the Dog

A variety of Ad Council PSAs aired throughout the day on WQRF including:

- Autism Awareness-Jamie
- Autism Awareness-Tommy
- Fatherhood-Anticipation
- Fatherhood –Guy’s Night Out
- Fatherhood-Kid Again
- Texting & Driving-Afterlife
- Texting & Driving-Be a Friend
- Texting & Driving-Not a Joke
- Women’s Heart Disease-Ceiling Crasher

Discovering Nature-Unplug

Recycling Journey

Book People Unite

Love Has No Labels (:30)

Love Has No Labels (:60)

Shelter Pet Adoption (:10)

Shelter Pet Adoption (:15)

Drunk Driving (:15)

Drunk Driving (:30)