

## WRAM ISSUES AND PROGRAMS

January 1, 2023 - March 31, 2023

A list of some of the significant issues responded to by WRAM, Monmouth, Illinois along with the most significant programming treatment of those issues

<u>Description Of Issue</u>	<u>Program/Segment</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Narration of Type of Segment</u>
Health	Live Interview	1/3/2023	7:20am	20 min	In the latest COVID update for Warren County from Health Department Administrator Jenna Link, the local community is at a medium level. Administrator Link recommends staying up to date on booster vaccinations, staying home if you are ill, cover your cough, and keep
City	Live Interview	1/4/2023	8:30am	20 min	problem with lead in the water, the city will need to replace service lines due to a mandate from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. Mayor Rod Davies explains what this means for residents...
Agriculture	Live Interview	1/6/2023	8:10am	20 min	Banquet on February 18th, at the Western Illinois University Grand Ballroom. This year the banquet will feature a social hour, ribeye dinner, an auction to raise funds for scholarships, and a keynote speaker. Gayle Baker, the secretary of the Tri County Cattlemen says the organization's mission is to promote the beef industry while also supporting high schools in Warren, Henderson, and McDonough counties who are pursuing a career in

Fair Queen	Live Interview	1/9/2023	8:10am	20 min	The Miss Illinois County Fair Queen Pageant is coming up on January 20th-22nd and includes over 70 young ladies competing for the title. Locally the Henderson County Fair Queen, Reagan Spence and the Warren County Fair Queen, Madeline Blaesing will be representing our local area. Blaesing is a Senior at
Political	Live Interview	1/11/2023	8:10am	15 min	The Illinois House Tuesday afternoon passed the Senate's version of the assault weapons ban. According to the bill's sponsor, HB5471, will prevent the sale, manufacture, possession and purchase of assault-style weapons, assault weapon attachments, and .50 caliber cartridges in the state of Illinois. The bill would in addition expedite the implementation of universal background checks, but would not change the age range for Firearm Owners Identification cards. Western Illinois
Non-Profit	Live Interview	1/13/2023	8:10am	15 min	Warren Achievement Center provides opportunities for persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities locally to learn and be active members in the community. Recently, as a way to extend services to those living with cognitive disabilities that are not currently being served by Warren Achievement Center, monthly Group Respite Activities have launched, explains Marketing Coordinator

Agriculture	Live Interview	1/16/2023	8:10am	10 min	during the winter months in the Midwest, local Stone Seed Sales Representative Josh Oaks explains just what that means for the area farmers and the need for moisture ahead of the spring planting season:
YMCA	Live Interview	1/18/2023	8:20am	15 min	Planning is underway for the upcoming Summer Day Camp at the Warren County YMCA. Back this year, those entering 7 <sup>th</sup> or 8 <sup>th</sup> grade this next fall can register to participate in the Counselor In Training program, explains Membership and Youth Development Director
Education	Live interview	1/20/2023	8:10am	15 min	A light January Board of Education meeting for the United School District with the board approving a life safety amendment to upgrade the septic system at the West Campus, followed by an in-depth discussion of a proposed weekly one day early out schedule by one hour,
Education	Live Interview	1/24/2023	8:20am	15 min	Career Pathways grant through the Regional Office of Education #33 is intended to work with high school students considering becoming educators, explains Superintendent Jodi Scott:

City	Live Interview	1/25/2023	8:10am	15 min	Back in 2017, the state of Illinois passed an update to the Smoke Detector Act that requires residents to replace their smoke alarms that have ten year long-life lithium batteries, which took effect at the beginning of this year. Communications Director Ken Helms informs the Monmouth Fire Department has a smoke detector program sponsored by the American Red Cross to install
Arts	Live Interview	1/27/2023	8:10am	20 min	On Saturday, February 25, the Buchanan Center for the Arts will host free for all area teachers, administrators, paraprofessionals, staff, and any other education-related personnel to Teachers Caring for Teachers, an art and sustainable self-care brunch event in the BCA Gallery. Monmouth College Art Professor and BCA Board Member Stephanie Baugh explains the expected sessions
Health	Live Interview	1/30/2023	8:30am	25 min	In the midst of cold and flu season, determining what ailment you of a family member may be experiencing can be challenging as COVID, the flu, RSV, allergies, and the common cold have similar symptoms. OSF HealthCare Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Jennifer Jensen shares one of the main differences in determining an

Special Olympics	Live Interview	2/1/2023	8:10am	20 min	The 2023 Polar Plunge season for Special Olympics Illinois gets underway locally on Sunday, February 26 <sup>th</sup> at Lake Storey in Galesburg, followed by Saturday, March 4 <sup>th</sup> at Chandler Park in Macomb, and Sunday, March 12 <sup>th</sup> at Bally's Casino and Hotel in Rock Island. Local Special Olympics Region F Assistant Director Jennifer Davis
Head Start	Live Interview	2/3/2023	8:10am	15 min	West Central Head Start serves children birth to three in their home-based Early Head Start program and children three to five years old in their center-based Head Start Preschool. Family Services Manager Lisa Medina-Foshay reports there are openings in both half-day and full-day programs in Warren County and Abingdon:
Community	Live interview	2/6/2023	8:10am	15 min	It's Identity Theft Awareness week. Locking down personal information and keeping an eye out for suspicious activity on accounts can assist in not becoming a victim of identity theft and also staying ahead of any potential thieves. If you do spot identity theft, Monmouth Police Department Investigator Josh Kramer shares what
College	Live Interview	2/8/2023	8:40am	15 min	The Monmouth College Fighting Scots Society supports student-athletes and coaches by maintaining and growing premiere athletics programs. Development Officer of Athletics and Corporate Relations Michael Blaesing informs over the past two years, \$250,000 has been

Health	Live Interview	2/9/2023	8:20am	15 min	Eagle View Community Health System has expanded into the Monmouth community and will host an Open House on Friday, February 10 <sup>th</sup> from 4 to 7 pm at their new location, 230 South Main Street. President and CEO Shannon Courson says the long-standing organization provides quality health care services throughout the five
City	Live Interview	2/13/2023	8:10am	15 min	Several underground water main repairs and road resurfacing projects are in the que for the City of Monmouth in the next couple of years. Public Works Director Andy Jackson breaks down the upcoming projects: As for the Downtown Revitalization project, Director Jackson says the underground project is currently in design and is anticipated to go out to bid later this year. The Downtown Monmouth Streetscape
Community	Live Interview	2/15/2023	8:10am	15 min	As calls keep coming in, each day seniors on the waitlist for Jamieson Community Center's Senior Nutrition Program get moved onto a route to receive meals. Meanwhile, congregate meal sites are slowly beginning to open back up, explains Executive Director Nancy

County	Live Interview	2/17/2023	8:10am	15 min	In this day and age you can never be too secure. Warren County Sheriff Martin Edwards reminds residents to lock up their houses, garages, cars, and take personal belongings inside: Sheriff Edwards also says having a hard copy of serial numbers for your personal items is a good thing to have, which can be put into the system for
Community College	Live Interview	2/20/2023	8:10am	15 min	The Office of Diversity at Carl Sandburg College works with the local community to cultivate appreciation and respect for all human differences. Throughout February, students have celebrated Black History Month with weekly programs in the Galesburg school district, shares Women of Character and first-year student Mia
County Board	Live Interview	2/22/2023	8:10am	15 min	At the February 15 <sup>th</sup> Warren County Board Meeting, the board passed a resolution of opposition to House Bill 5471, more commonly known as the “Protect Illinois Communities Act,” in regard to the second Amendment, which the board first passed a resolution back in 2007
City	Live Interview	2/24/2023	8:30am	20 min	A new business in Monmouth has entered a TIF Term Sheet with the City of Monmouth. Developers Daniel and Nicolette Toops have purchased the property at 110 West 6 <sup>th</sup> Avenue with plans to redevelop the property into storage units and a testing lane for larger vehicles, reports

Rotary	Live Interview	2/28/2023	8:10am	15 min	The Monmouth Rotary Club has joined forces with other clubs in their district to raise funds to provide assistance and shelter to families in Ukraine, Syria, and Turkey through the non-profit organization ShelterBox. Local Rotary Member Stan Jenks shares how the community
Agriculture	Live Interview	3/1/2023	8:10am	15 min	The Illinois Farm Bureau will host a series of free two-hour programs focusing on the Rules for the Road in the trucking industry. The free Rules for the Road seminars are open to all Illinois Farm Bureau members. Warren-Henderson Farm Bureau Manager Gina Sanberg has
Health	Live Interview	3/3/2023	8:10am	15 min	to an end in March and those eligible for Medicaid in Illinois will now have to reapply for coverage, explains Warren County Health Department Administrator Jenna Link:
Agriculture	Live Interview	3/6/2023	8:30am	15 min	Over the last year, inventory in the hog industry has been down, which Illinois Pork Producers Association Executive Director Jennifer Tirey says is due to increased production costs. Tirey informs the increased production costs and lower inventory is also impacting labor in the hog industry. As labor costs are increasing, there is no opportunity for those added costs to be passed back to the consumer, therefore falling back on the farmer.



Senior Citizens	Live Interview	3/8/2023	8:30am	20 min	Through the Western Illinois Area Agency on Aging, grant funds are available for persons with Alzheimer's or dementia as well as their primary caregivers at Strom Center in Monmouth for assistance in purchasing supplies or items to enhance their ability to live. Executive Director Carol McCrery informs this program is not
Kiwanis	Live Interview	3/10/2023	8:10am	20 min	The 57 <sup>th</sup> Annual Monmouth Kiwanis Club all you can eat Pancake and Whole Hog Sausage Day will be held Saturday, April 1 <sup>st</sup> at the Monmouth American Legion from 7 am to 1 pm, with carry-out services available behind the Legion. Club President Danielle Cox shares
Community Safety	Live Interview	3/13/2023	8:30am	20 min	Just like many other counties across Illinois, thefts are on the rise in McDonough County, along with a recent string of juvenile vandalism in Bushnell. Sheriff Nick Petitgout says having some sort of security cameras at your home are very handy. Sheriff Petitgout also reminds homeowners to lock up personal belongings, vehicle

City	Live Interview	3/15/2023	8:10am	20 min	<p>No complaints have surfaced regarding junk and debris in yards of City of Monmouth residents, Communications Director Ken Helms reminds homeowners of the bulk item pickup available every third week with the local waste collector. The week long clean up weeks for the City of Monmouth were discontinued after the new contract with Lake Shore Recycling offered bulk pickups every third week of the month.</p>
Agriculture	Live Interview	03/17/23	8:10am	20 min	<p>More than 43,000 Illinois soybean farmers are represented by Illinois Soybean Association checkoff and membership programs. Ron Moore, who held many titles with the Illinois Soybean Association, says that with the expansion of the agronomy department, a deeper dive into climate smart agriculture is taking place:</p>
Public Library	Live Interview	03/21/23	8:10am	20 min	<p>The Summer Reading Program at the Warren County Public Library will be back beginning Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. Youth Library Cammy Davis shares this summer's theme is 'Find Your Voice.' More than 150 children were registered, more than 54,000 minutes were read, and more than 450 prizes were handed out during last summer's Warren County Public Library Summer</p>

Education	Live Interview	03/23/23	8:10am	20 min	During the recent Monmouth County Board of Education meeting, Superintendent Ed Fletcher highlighted good items going on within the district. Students at Harding and Central participated in the American Heart Association Kid's Heart Challenge; \$890 was raised at Harding while \$415 was raised at Central. Furthermore, Superintendent Fletcher shared several High School students are working as mentors at the other
City	Live Interview	03/27/23	8:30am	20 min	The Monmouth City Council is applying for grants to replace lead service lines within the City, which is to occur in the next 20 to 30 years, explains Mayor Rod Davies. Mayor Davies stated without grant funding, a homeowner would be looking at somewhere between two
Agriculture	Live Interview	03/29/23	8:10am	20 min	Despite smaller cattle herds nationwide, Senior Loan Officer at Land O' Lakes Thad Tharp states the beef industry is very active and calves are going for high prices at the sale barns. Tharp says with the cost of gains, prices on cattle at the sale barn are not done going up.
American Cancer Society	Live Interview	03/31/23	8:10am	20 min	On Thursday, June 1 <sup>st</sup> from 5 to 7 pm, the local Warren-Henderson Relay for Life team Workshop Warriors will host a wine tasting event at Market Alley Wines in Monmouth. American Cancer Society Senior Development Manager Stacey Dutton shares there is also