

Quarterly Issues Jul-Sep 2023

The following entries aired on WUIS 91.9 and WIPA 89.3 during the quarter. The issues of concern we have identified include:

- Government and Policy
- Economy
- Criminal Justice and Reform
- Education
- Equity
- Quality of Life
- Public Health
- Politics

The entries below reflect significant treatment of those issues on air.

Date/Time Aired	Issue	Description	Length
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7/3 – 6:45a	Quality of Life	Mayor extends Springfield Emergency order following storm	3:30
7/4 – 7:45a, 4:45p	Criminal Justice and Reform	Highland Park Mayor Nancy Rotering a year after deadly parade shooting	4:14
7/5 – 7:45a	Quality of Life	Sean Crawford talks with Chatham Mayor Dave Kimsey about storm cleanup	5:15
7/5 – 6:45a, 8:45a, 4:45p	Quality of Life	Springfield Mayor Misty Buscher on continued storm response.	4:13
7/5 – 7:45a	Quality of Life	CWLP’s Doug Brown interviewed	4:45
7/6 – 6:30a, 7:30a, 8:30a	Quality of Life	Sean Crawford on the death of former WUIS News Director Rich Bradley	1:00
7/7 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 7/8	Government and Politics/Equity and Justice	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler, Mawa Iqbal and Michael Puente. Topics include anniversary of Highland Park shooting	29:00
7/7 – 7:45a, 5:45p	Government and Politics	Springfield mayor says storm costs mounting	3:40

7/10 – 6:45a, 4:45p	Education	UIS student information caught in cyberattack/UIS Spokesman Blake Wood.	4:13
7/10 – 6:45a, 8:45a	Quality of Life	CWLP's Doug Brown on power being fully restored.	4:49
7/14 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 7/15	Government and Politics	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler, Molly Parker and Beth Hundsdorfer on investigation into abuse and neglect at developmental centers	29:00
7/17 – 7:45a	Quality of Life	Sound from a vigil for murder victim Emma Shafer	3:50
7/19 – 6:45a, 4:45p	Economy	Robert Kerr, new UIS Innovation Center Director	4:29
7/21 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 7/22	Government and Politics/Equity and Justice	State Week with Sean Crawford, Mawa Iqbal and Jeremy Gerner. Topics include date set for end of cash bail.	29:00
7/24 – 6:45a, 8:45a	Education	UIS offers in state tuition for Missouri and Iowa students. Chancellor Janet Goch.	4:11
7/25 – 12:06p	Education	Dr. Betsy Goulet of UIS on experiential learning.	17:00
7/26 – 12:06p	Economy	Actor Victor Holstein on Hollywood strikes.	16:30
7/26 – 6:45a, 8:45a, 4:45p	Government and Politics	AFSCME workers ratify contract. Anders Lindall, AFSCME spokesman	4:13
7/26 – 12:00p	Government and Politics	Springfield Mayor Misty Buscher at Springfield Citizens Club meeting replay	54:00
7/27 – 7:45a, 4:45p	Government and Politics	Sec. of State Alexi Giannoulias on new plan to require appts. At driver's facilities	4:35
7/28 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 7/29	Government and Politics	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler, Brenden Moore of Lee Enterprises. Topics include AFSCME deal and state overpayments for unemployment benefits.	29:00
8/1 – 7:45a	Government and Politics	Lori Williams of Sang. Co Board on food giveaways following storm	4:00
8/2 – 12:06p	Quality of Life	Interview with the band Scarlet's Darling	17:00
8/8 – 6:51a, 8:51a, 4:51p	Public Health	Former addict Daniel Stewart talks about opioids.	8:00
8/8 – 9:22a	Public Health	Prof. Wiley Jenkins of SIU Med School talks rural health	7:00

8/8 – 6:45a, 8:45a	Economy	Memorial Health lays off hundreds. Spokesperson Angie Muhs	4:13
8/9-12:22p	Quality of Life	Andrew Lenhardt of the Springfield Area Soccer Assoc. is interviewed	17:00
8/9 – 12:41p	Quality of Life	Stand up comedian Lance Cain is interviewed	16:30
8/10 – 12:22p	Economy	Jacob DiNardo of Arrow Root Coffee talks about small businesses	16:30
8/11 – 12:06p	Education	President of the Springfield Education Association Aaron Graves and Vice President Leslie Termine	23:00
8/11 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a om 8/12	Government and Politics	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler and Jeremy Gorner of the Chicago Tribune. Topics include the state's assault weapons ban upheld by a court.	29:00
8/14 – 6:45a, 8:45p	Public Health	Public Health Dir. Of Sangamon Co. on the latest COVID surge.	4:15
8/16 – 7:45a, 4:45p	Criminal Justice and Reform	Sean Crawford talks with Spfld. Police Chief Ken Scarlette about the Explorers program for youth.	4:47
8/16 – 12:06p	Quality of Life	Pastor Greg Busboom of Central/Southern Illinois Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	17:00
8/18 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 8/19	Government and Politics	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler and WBEZ's Dave McKinney. Topics include politics at the State fair.	29:00
8/21 – 12:06p	Quality of Life	Robbie Takac of the Goo Goo Dolls interviewed before Decatur show.	17:30
8/23 – 6:45a, 8:45a	Government and Politics	Sec. of State Alexi Giannoulias condemns rash of library bomb threats.	4:51
8/25 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 8/26	Government and Politics	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler and Dave McKinney of WBEZ. Topics include a guilty verdict in Tim Mapes trial.	29:00
8/25 – 12:06p	Quality of life	Springfield native and designer Dwight Bolden is interviewed	17:30
8/26 – 9:06a	Education	Author Kate Moore discusses the life of reformer Elizabeth Packard	12:30
8/28 – 12:06p	Quality of Life	Randi Kuhn of Springfield Road Runners Club interviewed	16:30
8/30 – 12:06p	Education	Historian Dale Week lecture> He's author of "Cherokee Civil Warrior: Chief John Ross and the Struggle for Tribal Sovereignty."	50:30
8/31 – 12:06p	Education	Lecture titled "Lincoln, Race, and the Future of American Freedom" was given by author Dr. Lucas Morel.	50:30
8/31 – 7:45a	Public Health	Sang. Co. Public Health Dir. Gail O'Neill on rising COVID activity.	4:45
8:31 – 6:51a, 5:51p	Criminal justice and Reform	Exonerree Herman Williams interviewed.	7:10

9/1 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 9/2	Government and Politics	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler and Mike Miletich of WAND TV. Topics include nuclear power bill veto.	29:00
9/1 – 12:06p	Quality of Life	Musicians Yona Stamatis and Katrin Stamatis, and Nancy Sage on Violins of Hope	23:00
9/4 – 12:06p	Education	Director Julie Staley talks the documentary Fields of Gold	17:00
9/4 – 12:23p	Quality of Life	Vinod Gupta, founding president of the India Association of Greater Springfield discusses the upcoming celebration.	17:00
9/5 – 12:06p	Quality of Life	Aaliyah Kissick is Miss Illinois United States, is interviewed	17:30
9/7 – 12:06p	Quality of Life	Cassie Metz and Anne Logue of Sustainable Springfield about local environmental policy	17:00
9/7 – 6:51a, 4:51p	Quality of Life	Yves Doumen interviewed about his east side Springfield garden project	8:30
9/7 – 6:45a	Public Health	Sean Crawford on HSHS making progress after cyberattack	4:01
9/8 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 9/9	Government and Politics/Economy	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler and Jeremy Gerner of the Chicago Tribune. Topics include ribbon cutting on new EV battery plant.	29:00
9/9 – 9:06a	Economy	Sean Crawford talks with IL Rail Assoc. President Tim Butler on the future of high speed rail.	15:00
9/11 – 12:06p	Quality of Life	Springfield native and artist Barbara Mason is interviewed.	17:00
9/11 – 12:23p	Education	John Hallwas is a historian and author of the book "Forgotten Voices from Illinois History." interview	16:30
9/12 – 6:45a, 8:45a	Education	UIS reports 11% enrollment jump. Chancellor Janet Gooch is interviewed.	4:18
9/13 – 6:45a, 8:45a, 4:45p	Public Health	Ameila Bonow of Shout Your Abortion on billboard campaign. Interview.	4:13
9/14 – 6:45a, 8:45a	Government and Politics	IL State Fair sets attendance record. Fair Mgr. Rebecca Clark is interviewed.	4:09
9/15 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 9/16	Government and Politics/Economy	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler and Greg Hinz of Crains. Topics include IL business climate.	29:00
9/18 – 7:45a, 5:45p	Education	Chancellor Janet Gooch talks about UIS making Best Colleges list	4:03

9/18 – 6:51a, 4:51p	Public Health	Maureen McKinney speaks with an unidentified couple about their abortion	9:11
9/19 – 6:45a, 8:45a	Government	Mayor Misty Buscher on Springfield getting federal storm aid	4:51
9/20 – 6:45a, 8:45a	Economy	Ground broken for Scheels Sports Park. Interview with Ryan McCrady of Springfield Sangamon Growth Alliance	5:09
9/20 – 12:06p	Economy	Colleen Flynn and Bryn Wilson of Pretty City Jacksonville are interviewed	17:00
9/21 – 12:22p	Economy	Farmer Phil Bradshaw is interviewed about agriculture	17:30
9/22 – 12:06p	Quality of Life	Rodd Whelpley talks about his journey with poetry	23:00
9/22 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 9/23	Criminal Justice and Reform	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler and IPR's Mawa Iqbal. Topics include end of cash bail in IL.	29:00
9/25 – 12:41p	Quality of Life	Actresses Regina Ivy and Meredith Vogel-Thomas, as well as Carly Shank join us to preview The Niceties at the UIS PAC	17:00
9/26 – 6:45a	Government and Politics	Sean Crawford interviews Prof. Brian Gaines on political polarization ahead of a summit in Springfield.	6:00
9/29 – 4:50p	Education	Maureen McKinney speaks with counselor Tiffany Stevens about mental health challenges for students	8:15
9/29 – 12:30p, 7:30p and 6:30a on 9/30	Government and Politics/Election	State Week with Sean Crawford, Charlie Wheeler and Peter Hancock of Capitol News IL. Topics include election misinformation and IL House speaker open to allowing staff to unionize.	29:00

- NPR Illinois aired a two hour special event Prisoncast from WBEZ on Sunday 9/17 from 2-4 p.m.