

WBBM-TV QUARTERLY ISSUES REPORT

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CBS 2 MORNING NEWS, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, 4:30 - 7AM;

CBS 2 NEWS, MONDAY-FRIDAY [30 minutes], 11AM, 5PM, 6PM & 10PM

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CBS 2 MORNING NEWS, SATURDAY 5-6:00AM & 8-9AM; and SUNDAY 5-8:00AM

CBS 2 EVENING NEWS, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, 5PM and 10-11PM

SYNDICATED:

Gospel Superfest Black History 2016, Sunday, 02/07/2016 2:00am-3:00am,

This diverse, music-driven entertainment special offers a wide variety of inspirational talk and music geared toward today's youth. Performers include Pop, R & B and Hip Hop artists and features current hits from top industry leaders.

THE DURATION OF STORIES IN THIS REPORT RANGE FROM ONE TO THREE MINUTES

Government:

January 8, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) –The Secretary of State’s office says it doesn’t have enough money to send out reminder notices to motorists who forgot to renew their license plates. As a result, thousands of motorists are getting slapped with 60-dollar tickets for failing to renew their plates. The Secretary of State says he’s calling on both sides for an end to the budget crisis.

January 12, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 10p) – It’s the end of an era for President Obama who delivers his final State of the Union address. He received a friendly greeting as he made his way down the aisle of the House of Representatives chamber. During his remarks, the President made a call for bi-partisan cooperation in the Congress.

January 13, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – Mayor Emanuel is introducing a proposal to raise the minimum age to buy tobacco from 18 to 21. The Mayor says it’s part of his effort to prevent young people from becoming addicted to tobacco.

January 26, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 4:30a) – The president of Eastern Illinois University issues a dire warning. President David Glasman warns that the school might have to freeze hiring, delay maintenance and make other cuts because of the ongoing budget impasse. He says the school has received none of the 49-million-dollars it was expecting from the state.

January 27, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – Governor Rauner appeared to soften his rhetoric with lawmakers in an attempt to end the year long budget stalemate. During his annual “State of the State” message, Rauner called for mutual respect on both sides to get the negotiations going.

February 5, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – There’s another disturbing twist in the water crisis in Flint, Michigan. A watchdog group says officials were aware of a surge in Legionnaires’ disease linked to water from the Flint River. It turned out water from the Flint River was also contaminated with lead.

February 9, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – City officials says O’Hare Airport will see its first major gate expansion since 1993. The city and American Airlines plan to build five new gates in Terminal 3. The new gates will expand O’Hare’s capacity and improve on-time performance.

February 11, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – Nine years to the date he announced his presidential bid in Springfield, President Obama returned to the state capital. The President recalled his time as an Illinois State Senator and urged the current Legislature to work together more.

February 18, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – Governor Rauner delivered his budget address even though the state is still without a spending plan. The Governor and Democratic leaders have

failed to come to terms on tax hikes and spending cuts leaving the state without a budget for more than seven months.

February 29, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – Employees at Chicago State University got a chilling notice. They've been put on notice they could all be laid off because the state isn't paying its bills. The university hasn't received any money from the state in more than eight months.

March 15, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – An Illinois Legislative race has set a record for campaign spending. Incumbent Democrat State Representative Ken Dunkin is facing off against challenger Juliana Stratton. Dunkin is getting Republican funding while Stratton is getting big union support. Between the two, they've spent more than five million dollars on the race.

March 16, 2017- (CBS 2 News at 6p) – President Obama has selected an Illinois native as his pick for the U.S. Supreme Court. Judge Merrick Garland grew up in north suburban Lincolnwood and graduated from Niles West High School. Former classmates say Garland was destined for greatness and they couldn't be more pleased with the nomination.

March 23, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – A major development is coming to light in the federal case against former U.S. House Speaker Dennis Hastert. An alleged sex abuse victim could testify at the sentencing next month. The 74 year old has admitted paying millions to an individual for un-disclosed misconduct.

March 28, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – Senator Mark Kirk plans to defy Republican leadership and meet with President Obama's Supreme Court nominee Merrick Garland. Kirk is one of at least 15 Republicans who've agreed to meet with Garland despite G-O-P opposition.

March 29, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 430a) – Chicago has a new Interim Police Superintendent. Mayor Emanuel named Eddie Johnson to the post. Johnson has been on the force 27 years and is the former Commander of the Gresham District. His name was not on the list of candidates given to the Mayor for the top post.

March 30, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – Mayor Emanuel named a top official in the Illinois National Guard to run the city's Office of Emergency Management and Communications. Alicia Tate Nadeau will serve as the new Executive Director. She made history last year becoming the first female General in the National Guard.

Crime:

January 7, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – Illinois State Police are investigating a shooting on the Dan Ryan Expressway. Police say a man was hit while driving Southbound near 75th Street. Police shut down the expressway for more than an hour to search for evidence. The driver was not seriously wounded.

January 8, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – A former daycare worker in prison for the death of a toddler will have to find out if she'll get a new trial. Melissa Calusinski is serving 31 years for the death of a 16-month-old under her care. Her lawyers say there's new evidence and want a new trial. A judge has scheduled a hearing in 60 days.

January 15, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – A Chicago woman has been found murdered in Belize. 39 year old Anne Swaney worked for WLS-TV and was vacationing in Belize for a horse-riding trip. Her body was found in a river near the resort where she was staying.

January 21, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 4:30a) – A warning for Chicago's South Loop neighborhood. Police say robbers armed with semi- automatic pistols are targeting residents getting in and out of their cars. Police say four armed robberies have taken place just this month.

January 28, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – The widow of disgraced Fox Lake Police Lieutenant Joe Gliniewicz is now facing charges. Melodie Gliniewicz was indicted today for stealing from charity and laundering money. Those same charges allegedly led to her husband's staged suicide.

February 10, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – The mother of Quintonio Le Grier is speaking out about the Chicago Police officer accused in the fatal shooting of her son and a neighbor. Le Grier's mother is outraged that the officer is now filing a counter-claim against the son's estate. The officer claims Quintonio Le Grier tried to kill him and that's what led to the shooting.

February 11, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – The Chicago Archdiocese may face more consequences for the sex abuse case of now-defrocked priest Daniel McCormack. A judge ruled victims abused after 2000 can also seek damages against the archdiocese. He's been sentenced to prison for molesting five boys at a West Side parish.

February 12, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – Chicago's top cop was the first on the scene of a robbery in the Little Village neighborhood. Police says Interim Superintendent John Escalante was in the area when he heard a call about a store robbery and rushed to the scene.

February 15, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – Police are warning about an ugly danger at beauty salons. Burglars hit nail and hair salons in the city and more than 30 suburbs. Police say the thief often uses a baseball bat to gain entry after the salons are closed for the day.

February 26, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – Police are still looking for clues and suspects in the gruesome Gage Park murders. Six people were found dead in their South Side home earlier this month. Police confirm they're looking at a possible domestic motive in the case.

March 7, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – A man with a disability is in jail on a one-million-dollar bond after prosecutors say he fatally shot his neighbor. The shooting happened in the fitness room of the high rise building where the two men lived. The suspect is a paraplegic who was shot decades ago. Witnesses said the two argued before the shooting.

March 10, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – Autopsies are scheduled after a shocking discovery in a Joliet auto repair shop. The bodies of a man and woman were found inside and police believe they were victims of a homicide. Police say there are no signs of a robbery or forced entry.

March 23, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – A scare for parents after someone fires shots outside a daycare center in the Back of the Yards neighborhood. Detectives say four people were shot. At least one bullet from the shooting pierced the door of the daycare center while the children napped. No one inside was hurt.

March 25, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – An Ohio woman will spend 15 years in prison for stabbing and killing a longtime high school teacher. 61 year old Alan Filan – a teacher at Brother Rice High School-was stabbed to death. Prosecutors say Filan reached out to the woman through a prostitution website. The two apparently argued about money.

March 30, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – The Federal Trade Commission and the Illinois Attorney General have cracked down on a debt collecting scheme that targeted more than one-thousand people. Authorities say the Chicago area suspects tricked victims in paying money they didn't owe. It's believed the ring scammed victims out of nearly 4-million-dollars since 2011.

Consumer:

January 4, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) - There's good news in the New Year when it comes to gas prices. Triple A says the national average is now \$1.99 the lowest for this time of year since 2008. Prices are higher in Chicago but still much lower than a year ago when drivers were paying \$2.60 a gallon.

January 8, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – Some Illinois universities are cracking down on hover boards. University of Illinois is telling students not to bring the gadgets back to campus after holiday break because of safety concerns. Several other schools including DePaul, Northern Illinois and Illinois Wesleyan issued similar mandates.

January 26, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – The city is offering help to low and middle income home buyers. The city unveiled a new program to provide financial support for some families trying to buy a new home. The program will provide grants of up to five percent of the total loan based on the borrower's income.

January 28, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 5p) – Weight Watchers shares shot up 20-percent after Oprah Winfrey tweeted she lost 26 pounds on the plan while still eating bread every day. Winfrey now owns about 10 percent of the company. She's featured in a new commercial for Weight Watchers.

January 29, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 4:30a) – Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan is suing a suburban professional fundraiser for fraud. The lawsuit says "Safety Publications" of Elk Grove

Village didn't disclose it was a paid fundraiser when asking for donations for a veterans' charity. Authorities say only a fraction of the money donated went to the charity.

February 5, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – The Mars Candy Company is getting rid of artificial colors in its products. The company says while artificial colors aren't harmful, consumers want more natural ingredients. The company says it's working with suppliers to find natural products that are just as bright and colorful but are natural.

February 10, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 11a) – Ikea is recalling hundreds of thousands of lamps because their glass shades are falling and shattering. There have been more than 200 complaints that the plastic clamp holding the glass shade breaks causing the glass to fall. Ikea is offering a full refund on the products.

February 17, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – A popular Wicker Park pizzeria is getting sued for copyright infringement. "Piece" brewery and pizzeria has a live band for karaoke on Saturday nights. But Sony, B-M-I and the Red Hot Chili Peppers are suing accusing the restaurant of performing live music without a license or permission.

February 18, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – A new survey finds certain vehicles are more likely than others to get traffic tickets. A new Insurance-Dot-Com survey finds drivers of the Lexus E-S 300 get the most traffic tickets, followed by the Nissan 350-Z and the Dodge Charger. The Buick Encore gets the fewest tickets.

February 22, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – A new city garbage fee goes into effect beginning in April. The city plans to impose a \$9.50 fee for trash pick-up to help boost city revenue. The new fees will be rolled into water bills and will be retro-active to January.

March 4, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – The new unemployment numbers are good for the economy. The latest report says employers added 242 thousand workers in February keeping the unemployment. Hiring by construction companies, retailers and health care providers helped offset layoffs.

March 10, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – Chicago-based United Airlines plans to put the squeeze on travelers flying in coach. Starting in May, the airline will begin using Boeing's 777 that features rows of ten seats. The change will allow United to add 20 additional seats on flights.

March 11, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – The city is cracking down on 51 businesses for selling illegal cigarettes. Nearly 800 packs of cigarettes were seized because they didn't have the required tax stamps. Many of the businesses were also selling single cigarettes, which is illegal.

March 25, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – Gerber is issuing a widespread recall of two of its most popular baby foods. Pouches of pears, carrots and peas, along with carrots and mangoes are being recalled. The company discovered a packaging defect that could cause the food to spoil.

March 29, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) –Campbell Soup says it will stop using a potentially harmful chemical in its cans. The chemical known as B-P-A is used in the lining of many canned goods. There are concerns the chemical raises cancer risk and might cause hormonal problems.

Health:

January 5, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 11a) – There may be a new way to reduce head injuries among high school football players. Researchers say having players practice “without” helmets for five minutes discourages them from using their heads as weapons. Players who took part had 30 percent fewer head impact injuries.

January 11, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – There a serious warning about some popular heartburn drugs. Researchers say medicines like Prevacid, Nexium and Prilosec may be linked to long term kidney damage. The study found the more you take, the higher the risk in some patients.

January 20, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 6p) – A suburban high school is dealing with a contagious case of whooping cough. It’s the first and only case at the Warrenville school district. The vaccination for whooping cough is now required for students entering the 6th grade.

January 27, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – There are new recommendations for new moms. A government panel for the first time is urging pregnant women to be screened for mental illness. Doctors say the early screenings can help identify those women who need help.

January 28, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – A new study finds a non-invasive screening test might be as effective as a colonoscopy. Many people avoid the procedure because of the time consuming discomfort. But the at home test, if used every year, also had good results detecting blood in the stool that could be a sign of polyps or cancer.

February 1, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – A drug used to treat blood pressure could also help prevent Alzheimer’s disease. Georgetown University researchers say high blood pressure can wreak havoc on small blood vessels in the brain with is linked to Alzheimer’s. They believe controlling blood pressure may lower the risk of the disease by also 50 percent.

February 11, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – Medical experts are watching the rising number of cases of the Zika virus. A woman from in Indiana believes she was likely infected while in Haiti last month. The victim, a medical doctor, says she was in Haiti teaching medical students. She took precautions but developed symptoms after returning home.

February 12, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – Doctors say there may be a link between asthma and fertility issues for some women. Researchers found that women with asthma took longer to get pregnant and were less likely to carry their pregnancy to full term.

February 18, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) - The University of Chicago is releasing more details about its plans for a trauma center on the South Side. The proposal calls for building a level one adult trauma center on its Hyde Park campus. The expansion is estimated to cost 269-million dollars and create about 15-hundred jobs. The hospital was widely criticized after closing its original trauma center and impacting services on the South Side.

February 29, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – FedEx made a special delivery for a toddler in need of a lifesaving surgery in Chicago. The 2 year old from Memphis was scheduled to come to Chicago for a liver operation but the blizzard here threatened to disrupt travel plans. FedEx offered up one of their private jets and got the child and her family here in time for the surgery.

March 10, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – A South Side Catholic School is dealing with lead contamination in one of its buildings. Testing showed high levels of lead particles at Holy Angeles School during routine testing. Students were offered lead testing and the part of the affected building will remain closed.

March 18, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – More kids are ending up in the emergency room after accidental poisonings. Experts say more children are finding prescription medicine from their parents or grandparents. They're advised to keep medicine up and away from children.

March 28, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – There's a new link between caffeine and miscarriages. A new study says the increased risk was found if either parent drinks two or more caffeinated drinks leading up to conception. The higher risk was also found for women who drink more than caffeine beverages during early pregnancy.

March 29, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – A new survey finds fewer babies are getting ear infections. Researchers say fewer than half of American babies are getting ear infections compared to 60 percent 20 years ago. They aren't sure why but think it could be due to better vaccines, more breastfeeding and less smoking.

March 29, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – The city unveiled a new four year plan to get Chicagoans healthy. The city plans to offer access to more resources including grocery stores, jobs and transportation. The plan will include some 400 partners such as school and churches.

Diversity:

January 4, 2016-(CBS 2 News at 10p) – The Islamic Foundation in Chicago held a rally for peace to help build bridges in the community. The rally stressed diversity and included a joint prayer services with different faiths in the name of peace.

January 12, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 11a) – Several high profile ministers are calling for a boycott of Mayor Emanuel's annual Martin Luther King breakfast. More than 400 ministers were sent a letter asking them to skip the event. The ministers are upset over the recent police shootings.

January 15, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – A transgendered student was allowed into a girl’s locker room for the first time. The student filed a civil rights complaint against Palatine’s Township High School. The school added privacy stalls to both the girls and boys locker rooms.

January 22, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – President Obama’s nominee to become Secretary of the Army appeared before a Senate Committee. If confirmed, Eric Fanning would be the first openly Gay secretary of a U.S. military branch.

January 26, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – A new study shows a clear connection between violent crimes and unemployment. That’s the finding of a new report from the University of Illinois Chicago. The study finds 47 percent of young black men in Chicago are unemployed and can often get involved in crime.

February 8, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 430a) – A Wheaton College professor who asserted Christians and Muslims worship the same God will leave her post. The professor was put on administrative leave after posting her views on social media wearing a Muslim head wrap. The school and the professor say they’ve reached an agreement to part ways.

February 10, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – The Christian faithful are marking Ash Wednesday the beginning of Lent. Archbishop Cupich marked the foreheads of parishioners with the ash of burnt palms at Holy Name Cathedral. The period marks a solemn time of reflection to prepare for Easter Sunday.

February 15, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 10p) – Pope Francis is spending his first night in Mexico for a five day visit. He’s set to visit a crime ridden suburb of Mexico City and meet with the sick. The Pontiff is just off his visit to Cuba where he met with the head of the Russian Orthodox Church.

February 22, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 11a) – The Holocaust Museum is Skokie is making sure the personal stories of Holocaust survivors will never be forgotten. The museum is pairing up survivors with young people to hear the stories first hand. The museum says it’s crucial the younger generation hear the stories to preserve their history.

March 8, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 10p) – A world class cultural performance is taking place in Chicago. The renowned Alvin Ailey Dance Theater of Harlem is on the stage at Roosevelt University Auditorium Theater. The group performed their newest piece “Awakening” for the Chicago audience for the first time.

March 9, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 6p) – A suburban teenager is sentenced to two years’ probation for a hate crime against a Sikh man. Police say the teenager punched and shouted racial slurs during a road rage incident. In addition, the teen must also perform community service for the Sikh community.

March 25, 2016 – (CBS 2 News at 5p) – Thousands of Catholics marked Good Friday with a “Way of the Cross” commemoration through the Little Village neighborhood. The procession followed the various Stations of the Cross leading up to Jesus’ crucifixion. The annual tradition involves several parishes from the Latino community.

March 30, 2016- (CBS 2 News at 430a) – Mexican American members of a Pilsen church say they were targeted with hateful graffiti just days after Easter. The pastor of the American Lincoln United Methodist Church said she is worried the political climate may have played a role in the incident. Police are investigating.