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Children's Education

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/05/06
Source: L
Description: Elementary schoolers will be put to the test this year thanks to some statewide standard exam changes.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/09/06
Source: L
Description: Champaign county district officials invite everyone to Champaign Unit 4 school board to discuss the possible building of an elementary school in Savoy's Prairie Field's subdivision.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/12/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois Eastern Community Colleges are opening their doors and being hospitable to Lakeland College students interested in hospitality management.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/17/06
Source: L
Description: Teutopolis Unit 50 Schools are experiencing a decline in enrollment and the state aid is not keeping up with their expenses.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: On the issue of testing, new rules would require middle school, special ed, and some high school teachers to pass as many as ten different state evaluations.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: The School Board announces the new Principal at Charleston High School to the students and parents.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: Edgar County school districts are suffering with increasing energy bills and are trying to find ways to cut back.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: School district 95 in Paris are facing an energy bill that's causing some concern.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: Sutton wants to assure parents that students will not be subjected uncomfortable temperature conditions in classrooms.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: Galesburg High School Administrator, Diane Hutchins, was elected the new Charleston High School Principal.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: Trustees of the University of Illinois have appointed two new people to fill empty positions at the Urbana Champaign branch.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: The state Board of Education is recommending a one hundred and seventy dollar increase in state aid for each student next school year.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: School consolidation tops the agenda at a public meeting in Effingham County.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: A new proposal may give parents a high tax rebate when their students maintain a high grade point average.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: Teutopolis School will have a meeting on February 29th, 2006 at the Bishop Creek Grade School discussing the decline in enrollment.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: Teutopolis Unit 50 school officials are discussing the possibility of closing or consolidating schools in the district.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: Teutopolis school officials are turning to the public to help make decisions about the future of area schools.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Champaign City Council votes on a proposal assigning six police officers to Champaign middle school and high schools.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/27/06
Source: L
Description: In Teutopolis, school consolidation or possible closings will be on the agenda at the community forum.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: School Board members will review the results from a survey on the February 13th meeting.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: With declining enrollments, school officials confirm that cuts must be made and those cuts threaten the outlying schools of Bishop Creek, Lillyville, and Green Creek.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: Hundreds of parents, students and community members came together in Effingham County to discuss possible school consolidation.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/02/06
Source: L
Description: Stewardson-Strasburg School District in Shelby County propose a project to build a new gym and a large up to date multi-media center that will cost roughly 3.5 million dollars.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/02/06
Source: L
Description: Along with the new gym and multi-media center, the Stewardson-Strasburg schools plan to add more classrooms and office space.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/02/06
Source: L
Description: Education officials throughout the state are urging local legislators to step in and help schools in need of more space for students and classrooms.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/09/06
Source: L
Description: After Hurricane Katrina, many teachers do not have the supplies necessary to instruct a class, so at Lincoln Trail College in Robinson, faculty members are gathering materials to send to the teacher in New Orleans.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/09/06
Source: L
Description: Some area school educators from Crawford County College, are hoping to help those devastated by Hurricane Katrina by sending them needed supplies.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/09/06
Source: L
Description: Instructor Ann Wolven proposed the idea to help teachers in New Orleans with supplying them with necessary materials for everyday teaching.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: A student-run newspaper publishes cartoons that have already angered Muslims around the world.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: Six cartoons were published in the Daily Illini have been seen by many and for the members of the Muslim community, the cartoons are deeply hurtful.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: The surveys are in and the Teutopolis Unit 50 board prepares to make the next move on the subject of cuts due to the declining enrollment.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich plans to reduce the number of students in kindergarten through third grade classrooms throughout the state.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Council of American Islamic Relations at the University of Illinois will hold a peaceful educational demonstration against the cartoons published in the Daily Illini.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: The Teutopolis Unit 50 schools are ready to discuss the results of the public survey they had administered due to the declining school district enrollment.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: The Lake Land College Board of Trustees has announced that four finalists will be interviewed for the president's position at the college.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: Increasing the enrollment at Lake Land Community College provides an increase in opportunities for local area residents.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: An editorial in the University of Illinois' Daily Illini comments that the paper is very sorry for reprinting the cartoons that led to international Muslim rioting.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: In making the decision to publish the Muslim cartoons, two editors from the Daily Illini were punished with suspension.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: The Teutopolis Unit 50 school system was hoping that a community wide survey would help make a decision about the districts future. Many people within the community support adding onto the junior high school and closing outlying schools.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/16/06
Source: L
Description: The Apollo Conference will devote a meeting to discussing the addition of the Green Wave to their league.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/16/06
Source: L
Description: Athletic Director of Charleston High School Trevor Doughty comments that Mattoon will make for a great competition, but whether or not it will be great for the rest of the conference is something that Mattoon will have to prove.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/16/06
Source: L
Description: The Apollo Conference welcomes anyone interested in playing in the league, but they will have to prove that that will benefit the league as a whole.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/16/06
Source: L
Description: The Northern Illinois University paper Northern Star presented cartoons with an article explaining the controversy and a column from a student Muslim group.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/16/06
Source: L
Description: The Cumberland Elementary School is offering an Internet Safety Workshop for parents held by the Naperville police.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: An attorney for suspended University of Illinois' Daily Illini editor Acton Gorton is demanding The Daily Illini to stop making critical statements about him.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/21/06
Source: L
Description: North Ward Elementary School in Douglas County has been nominated for the National "No Child Left Behind" Blue Ribbon school program.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/22/06
Source: L
Description: The Jasper County Board of Education voted to close Hidalgo Elementary school at the end of this school year.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: Bill Thallemer was appointed the 5th president on Lake Land Community College.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: The Arcola school board voted and decided not to rehire football coach Nathan Watson and basketball coach Ben Borries.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: The winner of a local basketball game between Teutopolis and Seneca will advance to the semifinals.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: Teutopolis fans are rooting for their basketball team as they are on their way to the State Finals.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois State Board of Education comments on the delay in receiving annual achievement tests from some schools and worries that this delay will cause a decrease in funding.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: Casey Westfield High School will soon be testing ideas for repair or replacement of a the school which has been recently deemed unsafe.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Wooden Shoes from Teutopolis are heading to Peoria to take on top ranked and undefeated Seneca.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: The Teutopolis Unit 50 school system has been struggling with the plans to either close or possibly expand their building.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: Teutopolis Unit 50 schools have not made a decision on whether or not to close the schools.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: State Schools Superintendent Randy Dunn is still deciding on whether or not to recommend canceling a multimillion dollar contract with Harcourt, the state's achievement test provider.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: The future of the Teutopolis Unit 50 schools is still undecided as officials plan to host another public meeting.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: The Casey-Westfield school board is in a special meeting to discuss the plan of action for its deteriorating 19-19 High School building.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: The decision for Casey School has yet to be made on the fate of their building.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: The University of Illinois in Champaign has cancelled plans to construct a new building on campus.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: University officials admit it may be harder to be admitted into the University of Illinois this year.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: Teutopolis Unit 50 school district is open to discussing public feeling on the possible school closings.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: University of Illinois says that they are working to make sure their student's private information isn't made public.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: Effingham County students are hosting their annual Student Film Festival.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: A board meeting at the University of Illinois may decide the fate of the well known drinking holiday of Unofficial Saint Patrick's Day.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: Class disruptions have prompted a vote by faculty and some students at the University of Illinois to get rid of an event called the Unofficial Saint Patrick's Day.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: If vote passes to end the Unofficial Saint Patrick's Day , committees will be formed to crack down on alcohol related holidays.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: Officials say that an audit found nearly 82 thousand dollars in questionable double billing and spending at the University of Illinois.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: Local organizations are coming together to focus on how people in East Central Illinois can get help for their children.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: Coordinator Mary Eddy comments that she doesn't know exactly when and how people will be able to get assistance just yet, but volunteers are combining ideas in hopes of getting some help.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: The University of Illinois is about to spend at least 8 million dollars over the next few years to create the Center for Professional Responsibilities in Business and Society.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: A bill to keep kids in school passed the house and the senate and is on its way to the governor's desk stating that those who drop out of school will lose their driving privileges.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: Two area schools, Newton and Effingham, are telling local merchants that someone may be scamming them by selling advertisements.

Weather Issues

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/9/06
Source: L
Description: John Huddleston of Mattoon drove eight hundred miles to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, with the support Blue Cross Blue Shield, to help Hurricane Katrina victims.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/10/06
Source: L
Description: Representative Bill Mitchell proposes to cut sales tax for anyone who purchases a corn-burning stove to heat their home, which would lower the prices of gas significantly.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/10/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich provides a workshop for Illinois residents that will feature more efficient appliances to heat a home.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: Marshall establishments are sponsoring warming centers as a part of Governor Rod Blagojevich's Keep Warm Illinois campaign.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Gauges providing data for flood warnings and drought impact scheduling to shut down February 1st due to shortfalls in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's budget. However, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Natural Resources are likely to keep the gauges running through the end of September.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: Severe weather made its way through local areas and some were hit harder than others.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: Campers will be able to experience new camp sites at Lake Shelbyville in the Spring.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: As Severe Weather Preparedness Week continues, please remember that Illinois is one of the leading states with severe weather.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: The Coles County Emergency Management Agency is open to answer any questions about severe weather.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: Joe Bierman of Newton lost most of his property from a tornado that swept through the area four months ago.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: Springfield was hit by two terrible tornado, leaving people like Phoedesia Thomas and Robin Daniels wondering what is to happen next.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: The Springfield tornados tore roofs off of buildings, demolished houses, and sent traffic lights and utility poles crashing to the ground.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: Mayor Davlin comments that 80 percent of the power has been restored to residents throughout the city and crews are continuing their efforts to get the remainder of Springfield in working order.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: The Wabash is forecasted to climb to twenty one point one feet, which is five feet above flood stage.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: Hutsonville Water and Sewer Superintendent Jay Coleman says that the rising water in the Wabash River is normal this time of year.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: As the water in the Wabash Rover starts to rise, so does the concern of many people in Hutsonville.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: The National Weather Service announces that Springfield was slammed by two tornadoes.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: National Weather Service officials rely on Storm Stoppers to help notify the public when severe weather hits.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: Eastern Illinois University in Charleston is the spot for Storm Stoppers training.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois State Bar Association and Central Illinois Women's Bar Association are offering free legal advice.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: Coles County Clerk Betty Coffrin is already preparing for the worst, while making sure that all the polls in the county will be open at 6 am for the primary elections.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: On the first day of Spring, the thought of snow may be the last thing on local residents' minds.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: Coles County Clerk Betty Coffrin says that no matter what, the elections will go on.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: After a week of totaling up the damage, Springfield's mayor and the governor are asking for help from the president.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: If the weather causes any delays, Coffrin comments that some polls might be forced to remain open longer.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: Not only had the snow closed several schools, but also postponed the murder trial of Maurice LaGrone Junior.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: It is supposed to feel like Spring at the end of March, but you wouldn't know it by the inches of snow on the ground.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: Much of the plains and the Midwest are under a blanket of snow which shut down schools and highways.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: After suffering losses earlier this month, Sangamon County is gaining some financial help.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: The National Incident Management System has started training its emergency respondent agencies for large scale natural disasters.

Farm Issues

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/2/06
Source: L
Description: A soybean rust expert at the University of Illinois say that just because there is no rust in the Midwest now doesn't mean it couldn't eventually get here.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/2/06
Source: L
Description: Government and industry spent millions of dollars last winter to prepare farmers for the possibilities of soybean rust, which cost them thousands of dollars to control.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/09/06
Source: L
Description: The Cols County Farm agency will be moving to 6021 Development Drive in Charleston.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois farmers may be hitting a dry spot this upcoming farming season.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/12/06
Source: L
Description: Farmers with falling crop yields are seeing increasing aid from the state of Illinois.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: An East Central Illinois research team, led by two University of Illinois scientists, won a ten million dollar grant to help provide the first sequence of the swine genome.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: Manager at the Mattoon Wendy's, Michael Lawhorn, comments on the recent shortage of tomatoes in the fast food industry due to crop damage in Florida.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: Although the shortage of tomatoes in Florida is affecting the fast food chain, Lawhorn says that there will be no additional cost if a customer requests tomato.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: The University of Illinois Extension Service is hosting its annual Agriculture Day Program at Shelby County Fairgrounds.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: President Bush's plan for the upcoming year on federal spending means that farmers' incomes would be cut by five percent.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: According to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, foods made from the new soybeans will have lower trans fat contents, which will ultimately lower bad cholesterol levels.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: Forecasts from the Agriculture Department show income levels for farmers decreasing after two record breaking years.

Minority Issues

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/5/06
Source: L
Description: The cities of Champaign and Urbana invite public to join in on the fifth annual Dr. Martin Luther King Junior celebration called "Beyond the Dream."

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/12/06
Source: L
Description: A series of events to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be taking place throughout the month of January.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: Youths at the Charleston Teen Reach spent the day creating their own dreams and remembering the message Dr. King began.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: Teen Reach organizers plan to continue celebrating the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday each year.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: Celebrating the birth of a man, Martin Luther King Jr., who services to our country, still affects us today.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: In honor of the late Martin Luther King Jr., university officials, choirs, and religious leaders shared their feelings and admiration for Martin Luther King Jr. and other members of the Civil Rights Movement.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: Cols County teens spend afternoon earning the real message of Martin Luther King Jr. and his birthday holiday.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: The Edgar County Homeless Organization shelter is now open and aiming to provide shelter for those needing short-term assistance.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: One Coles County family is making a trip to California to thank a special organization called Make A Wish Foundation.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Raeanna Scott, a 7 year old who was diagnosed with cancer, will be going to California to make her wish come true by Make A Wish Foundation.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: To help the Scott family with their expenses, anyone can donate to an account in Raeanna's name at the Bank of America in Charleston.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: The University of Illinois newspaper "The Daily Illini," apologizing for reprinting cartoons that lead to international Muslim rioting.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: The World War One and World War Two veteran's memorial at Kiwanis Park in Paris plans to expand.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: Local citizens and agencies will be gathering in Charleston to show their efforts on fighting crime and supporting victims or child abuse and neglect.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: The NCAA isn't commenting on the University of Illinois' second appeal in the battle over Chief Illiniwek.

Economic Climate

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois High School Association has voted to keep the boys football finals at the University of Illinois Memorial Stadium.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois Commerce Commission approves a plan with two of the state's largest utilities to buy electricity through an auction process.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: Construction on the new Jimmy Johns Sandwich Company started in March of 2005, and the Charleston city leaders still aren't sure when the new eatery will open.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: The once housed Long John Silvers, in which the property was bought by Stephen Witner, will hopefully in the future house a business to benefit the Charleston community.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: Kraft Foods plans to eliminate eight-thousand jobs and close twenty production plants due to the restructure plans in 2004.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/02/06
Source: L
Description: A developing Effingham County business, The President Riverboat, will move to its permanent location in Vandalia, St. Elmo, or Newton.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: Renovation ideas are flying through the minds of Effingham County officials may soon land on a way to improve the county's airport.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: The Shelby County Board is planning to give eight hundred thousand dollars worth of financial aid to the Eagle Creek Resort.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: The old K-Mart store on Route 16 in Mattoon appears to be a site in which a developing is considering to buy.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: The K-Mart store in Mattoon has been vacant since 2002, when the corporation declared bankruptcy.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: Schilling, the man who would like to purchased the old K-Mart site, expects some kind of major announcement from the selling company within two weeks.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: Wal-Mart has decided to build a super center in Shelbyville providing nearly 150 jobs.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: The National Trail Bio Diesel Cooperative announced that Newton has been selected as a site for a soy biodiesel plant.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: When completed, the plant will refine soybean oil in to a fuel product offering lower emissions and utilizing farm products to replace imported petroleum.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: The town of Newton, in Jasper County, has been selected to be the home of a new biodiesel plant.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/08/06
Source: L
Description: The old Quebecor World Building in Effingham is now housing Agri-Sale and will also be the home of a new business called Boom Town Institute.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: Monticello city leaders are hoping to replace the center's existing outdoor pool with an indoor pool as well as several other facilities including a fitness area, classrooms, and a teen room to benefit residents.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: Grimes Dodge car dealership in Charleston is closing after more than 40 years of service.

Crime

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/09/06
Source: L
Description: Lance Baladenski has been identified as the driver of a Marshall vehicle reported stolen.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/10/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich is trying to enforce a mandatory prison sentence for anyone impersonating a police officer while committing a serious crime.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: A Lovington man, Patrick Jackson, accused of stabbing a university student, is continuing his trial in Cols County.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: Todd Ebbert with the Effingham Police received a call by a resident complaining of a possible phone scam in the Effingham area.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/12/06
Source: L
Description: While phony traffic stops continue to occur throughout the state, Governor Rod Blagojevich hopes to approach state legislators this spring with a proposal to increase penalties for posing as police officers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/12/06
Source: L
Description: A witness at George Ryan's corruption trial comments on the former governor dipping into his campaign fund to give money to his five daughters.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: Crime Stoppers met at the Cols County Courthouse to kick off a new local chapter for Cols County.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: Call Crime Stoppers with information that could help lead to an arrest.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: Eighteen year old, Corey Clemons, Travis McDonald, and Karem Washington are in custody after a midnight flee from authorities.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: Chargers still have not been filed in the case of some Central Illinois residents accused of seizing nine hundred pairs of counterfeit Nike shoes from Mahri's fashions.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: Methamphetamine convicts could soon get help with their addiction behind bars.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: Champaign county authorities are releasing that the cause of death to the truck driver found dead in his cab, was a heart attack.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: The trial of former Governor George Ryan is becoming a "family affair" with his daughter's testimonies.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: Michael Metzler is being charged solely I his involvement with counterfeit shoes.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: Maurice Wallance was sentenced to three months behind bars after cursing at a judge during a routine court hearing and was also found guilty for killing an Illinois State University student.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: Clark County officials release three area residents after a rural drug raid.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: The Coles County Sheriff's Department has compiled the top ten most wanted list in Coles County and is asking the public to help find these suspects.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: After four months of testimony, the trial of former Governor George Ryan may soon come to an end.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: A badly decayed body was found inside of a van in the small Edgar County village of Isabel.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: In a van parked on an abandoned piece of property, officials not only found a body, the van was also her home.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: Forensic tests are being conducted on the body that was found in Edgar County and the results will take several weeks.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: County County as well as Chief Deputy Cox confirm that the Top Ten fugitives website in updated ever thirty to sixty days, once half of the criminals are captured.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: Stopping crimes in area neighborhoods is the start to capturing those running from the law.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois Supreme Court has once again refused to grant a new hearing for a Vermilion county man accused of killing an Eastern Illinois University student in 2001.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: Debate over a video consumes a court hearing involving a man accused of drowning three children in Clinton Lake.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: Many people forget to lock their doors on their vehicles leading to recent burglaries.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: When doors to a vehicle are left unlock, those lurking around the car can easily be driving away with your belongings.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: Lead investigator Todd Ebbert of the Effingham Police Department confirms that ATM surveillance camera shots catch people using stolen credit cards.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: An IRS agent reported that former Governor George Ryan failed to report income, totaling over eighty-thousand dollars.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: The trial of a sixteen year old accused of killing a Parkland College police officer, Peter Mclaughlin, will be pushed back because of evidence being processed by the crime lab.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: Ryan's racketeering and fraud trial has been put on hold as the prosecution's last major witness took an emergency personal leave.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: Urbana Police have identified James Fehlberg as the man that was involved in a hit and run accident that took the life of Jeannette Griffin.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: After eighteen weeks of testimony, the prosecution is expected to rest its case in former Governor George Ryan's trial.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/01/06
Source: L
Description: First National Bank in Crawford County was robbed at gunpoint and the police are still looking for a suspect.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/01/06
Source: L
Description: Robinson police along with the FBI and Illinois State police are still going over a surveillance video from the Robinson Community Unit schools in district two.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/01/06
Source: L
Description: After weeks of testimony, the trial against former Governor George Ryan may soon come to an end after jurors hear a testimony from FBI agent Raymond Ruebenson.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/02/06
Source: L
Description: After eighteen weeks of testimony and seventy-seven witnesses, prosecutors in former Governor George Ryan's trial have rested their case.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/02/06
Source: L
Description: The First National Bank of Olney in Robinson was robbed by a man wearing a ski mask and displayed a handgun.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: Before First National Bank was robbed at gunpoint, only a short distance away was a 2000 Ford pick-up was stolen and used during the bank robbery.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: A Champaign man by the name of Brandon Leonard is sentenced to twelve years in prison for a bicycle accident that killed a local man.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: James Fehlberg of Urbana admitted to driving the car that hit Jeannette Griffin on January 30th and is facing a preliminary charge of failure to report and accident resulting in death.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: While First National Bank in Crawford County recovers from an armed robbery, others in the area are getting as refresher in their emergency procedures.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: In the case of the robbery at First National bank, there are no suspects or leads, but police were able to determine that the gunman is a male subject, five feet-eight inched tall with a thin build.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: A defense witness testified that former Governor George Ryan got thousands of dollars in annual Christmas cash from his office workers when he was secretary of state and governor.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: Attorney Jeff Justove claims that Maurice Junior, accused of drowning his ex-girlfriend's three children in Clinton Lake, will testify in his own defense at his upcoming trial.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: Preliminary autopsy results for 47 year old Elizabeth Knupp shows that she dies from natural causes, not related to the stabbing incident that happened last fall.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: Twenty-five year old Charles Vahl of Palestine is in custody for the Crawford County bank robbery.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: The prosecution may have rested, but the corruption trial of former Governor George Ryan is still ongoing.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: Attorney General Lisa Madigan recently announced a new Identity Theft Hotline has been activated.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: A Vermillion Illinois resident is recovering from a gunshot wound after an incident with an Edgar County sheriff's deputy.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: The twenty-five year old Charles Vahl of Palestine appears in court for the first time in the case of the Crawford County bank robbery.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: James Fehlberg claims that he is "not guilty" of leaving the scene of an accident that killed an Urbana woman.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/09/06
Source: L
Description: Residents are urged to take precautionary measures following a string of Champaign burglaries.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/09/06
Source: L
Description: Joseph Decker, a man that was shot by an Edgar County sheriff's deputy, is out of the hospital and in jail.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/09/06
Source: L
Description: Defense attorneys say that former Governor George Ryan may take the witness stand in his own defense.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich wrote a letter to the Pentagon asking the government to consider cutting nearly one thousand Illinois National Guard positions.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Former Governor George Ryan will take the stand in his own defense, but his attorney are weighing out the pros and the cons of Ryan doing so.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: State officials comment that they are wondering whether former governor will take the witness stand in his own defense.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: The Jasper County Sheriff's office searched a house in rural Jasper County and arrested Leroy Lester for possession of marijuana and unlawful use of a firearm.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: A death investigation is taking place for a man that was found dead in his home in Champaign.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: U.S. attorney for southern Illinois, Edward McNally, is expected to support Ryan although he is a chief federal prosecutor.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: U.S. District Judge Michael McCuskey re-sentenced Arlene F. Diamond in a Mattoon based financial scam to nearly sixteen years in prison.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/16/06
Source: L
Description: In Edgar County, authorities are still waiting to find out the identity of the woman found dead in Isabel.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/16/06
Source: L
Description: In Champaign, police discover that the man found dead in his home was the victim of a homicide.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: Police find a man dead inside his home and autopsy shows signs of a homicide.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: Jurors in the trial of former governor George Ryan are getting a bit of a vacation before hearing more testimonies.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: The man found dead in his home has been identified as Emmanuel Boyd.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: Police confirmed that Emmanuel Boyd's death was a homicide, but are not releasing any further information.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Jury selection is set to start on the two and a half year old Clinton Lake mystery.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Crawford County Police will be patrolling rural areas more during their free time to look for people near empty houses or barns.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Damage being done to abandoned houses throughout Crawford County is sparking attention of area police.
Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Crawford County Police are investigating a series of suspicious fires.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/21/06
Source: L
Description: In Champaign, a man with a stab wound was treated after a domestic situation, however no names have been released.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/21/06
Source: L
Description: After a four day holiday, the trial of former governor George Ryan is back in session. Suspense within the trial continues to build in the courtroom over whether Ryan will himself will testify.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/22/06
Source: L
Description: George Ryan's defense attorney, Dan Webb, decided not to call the former governor to testify.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/22/06
Source: L
Description: Robinson police are asking the community to give tips to help lead them in the right direction to finding suspects for the robbery at First National Bank.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/22/06
Source: L
Description: Two Crawford County residents receive one thousand dollar rewards for helping the police find suspects in Robinson's First National Bank robbery.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: A local man who admitted robbing a Charleston gas station at gun point last year is sentenced to eight years in prison.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: Champaign Police Department are still interviewing witnesses in the shooting of Emmanuel Boyd, but no arrests have been made.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: Two men were recovered after police commented that they were shot in a Champaign bar and nightclub.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: Last March, police arrested almost one hundred people for crimes involving alcohol during unofficial St. Patrick Day events.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign Police Department wants to make sure that residents play it safe during any upcoming celebrations and to drink responsibly.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign Police and Crimestoppers have still not arrest any suspects for the Champaign death investigation.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan warns consumers not to give out their social security numbers or bank information if they receive any strange messages.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: A non-explosive item in a local garbage causes police to evacuate several residents on Locust Street.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: An 84 year old woman was hospitalized after being hit by a bicycle and being robbed over the weekend.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: A suspicious fire at Champaign Centennial High School cancels classes for the day.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: Superintendent Culver reports that there was no significant damage or injuries in the fire at Champaign Centennial High School.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/07/06
Source: L
Description: The sectional semifinal AA match between Champaign Central and Pontiac will take place at Champaign Centennial High School as planned.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/08/06
Source: L
Description: Former governor George Ryan's defense attorney Dan Webb wrapped up his closing arguments by focusing on the process of awarding contracts and leases when Ryan was Secretary of State.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: Eric McGee is being charged for the stabbing of an Eastern Illinois University student.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: Former governor George Ryan's fate could be at the hands of the federal jury.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: Federal prosecutors finished their rebuttal to the closing arguments presented by defense attorneys.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: Maurice Wallace is under examination after being accused of murdering an Illinois State University student.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: Jurors in former governor George Ryan's corruption trial is working to reach a verdict.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: A trial is underway for Maurice LaGrone after being accused of drowning three young children.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: Daniel Cox of Mattoon is being charged with home invasion, battery, criminal damage of property after a morning attack in Coles County.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: Authorities are still waiting to find out the identity of a woman found dead in Isabel.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: A former babysitter takes the stand in the trial of a man accused of drowning three children in Clinton Lake.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: The jury of six men and six women in the trial of George Ryan started their deliberation, and they're not expected to reach a verdict for a while.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: Police comment that a clerk shot in a robbery was taken to Sarah Bush Lincoln in Mattoon.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: An assistant high school track coach is accused of having sex with minors.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: Ermakov made his initial appearance in court, but will return on March 28th for his preliminary hearing.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: An investigation is underway after police say an armed robber shot a gas station clerk in Arcola.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: No one was hurt, but police say a man armed with a handgun walked into a Champaign County bank demanding money.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: Tax season is here and police comment of how local residents could also pay the price at the expense of thieves.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: Champaign Police Detective Patrick Kelly comments that thieves will try anything and everything to steal your information, especially during tax refund season.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: Visit the Illinois Attorney General's webpage or call the Identity Theft Hotline if you believe that you have been a victim of identity theft.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: Acts of vandalism have school officials in Effingham County looking for a more efficient way to catch vandals.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: Most vandalism happens outside of the school halls, but officials are looking for what's going on inside too.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: Seven cameras will be set up on the school's property within the next two weeks to catch vandals.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: A Crawford County man is accused of robbing a First National Bank in Robinson last month pleads not guilty.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: State officials are keeping a closer watch on residents trying to steal anhydrous ammonia.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: Crimestoppers can help catch those accused of crimes.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign County Sheriff's Department wanted to remind residents that with any information about a crime, please call Crimestoppers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: John Johnson from Jasper County faces charges after a stabbing.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: The judge at former governor George Ryan's racketeering and fraud trial says that the jurors are having unspecified trouble with deliberation.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: Testimony resumes in the trial of a man charged with drowning three children in Clinton Lake two and a half years ago.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: Stress from caring for a newborn lead Williams to kill her son.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: Following the drowning death of her three children, jurors will not hear the testimony of Amanda Hamm.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: A federal judge has dismissed two jurors taking part in deliberation in former governor George Ryan's racketeering and fraud trial.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: In an apartment complex off of Lake Land Boulevard is where police found three month old Dylan McDonald, who was suffocated to death by his mother.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: Coles County State's Attorney, in the case of the killing a young child comments that Marissa Williams will not face the death penalty.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: A Mattoon mother admits to killing her three month old son by suffocating him to death.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: A man accused of murdering an Urbana man is sentenced to six years in prison.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: Maurice LaGrone, who has been charged with drowning three children, says that he lied to investigators because he was afraid he was a suspect.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: The new jury in the corruption trial of former governor George Ryan has sent out its first question to the judge.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: Identity thieves are using calls from court systems claiming that you have skipped jury duty, however this is just another scare tactic to get your personal information.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: The State Senate unanimously approved legislation to increase penalties for impersonating a police officer or firefighter.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: Jurors at former governor George Ryan's corruption trial have asked for transcripts of testimonies from four witnesses.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: The grandmother of three children who drowned in Clinton Lake says that she saw no signs that they were mistreated by the man accused of killing them.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: Former Mattoon teacher, Carol Switzer, is being charged with the possession of an illegal drug.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: Coles County State's attorney Steve Ferguson has filed first degree murder charges against Marissa Williams for killing her baby.

Government

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/2/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan subpoenaed information from an Internet service that has sold cell phone records.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/2/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich is calling on legislators to make it illegal for brokers to sell telephone account records.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/3/06
Source: L
Description: An aggressive program to keep track of sex offenders across the state slashes the number of ex-convicts failing to register their addresses and has won the notice from advocates.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/3/06
Source: L
Description: Officials report more than seventeen thousand sex offenders living in Illinois.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/3/06
Source: L
Description: The corruption trial of the former governor, George Ryan, enters its fourteenth week.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/3/06
Source: L
Description: Congressman John Shimkus announces that federal funding through the US Department of Homeland Security has been granted to each county in the nineteenth district.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/3/06
Source: L
Description: A new state law, effective in January, allows those needing prescription medications to shop around.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/4/06
Source: L
Description: The State of Illinois is looking to identify the problem of compulsive gambling by using a new policy that requires each gambler to present identification upon entering the casino.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/4/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign City Council approved a pliminary plan to build an eighteen-story complex along with a grocery store on the former Burnham Hospital site.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/4/06
Source: L
Description: The Mattoon City Council approved an ordinance to authorize the signing of a sixty-eight thousand dollar purchase agreement for the land next to the YMCA.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/09/06
Source: L
Description: A new lottery game called "Ticket for the Cure" funds breast cancer research and treatment.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Health and Safety Committee voted to recommend the board's purchasing of an incinerator for the county animal shelter.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Charleston City Council rejected the single bid for the final phase of the ongoing Rotary Pool upgrades.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/10/06
Source: L
Description: Budget cuts are sinking nearly a dozen automated river gauges that provide data for Illinois.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: State Representative Roger Eddy continues to push a new legislation to keep our schools safe from sexual predators.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: Republican Bill Brady and his campaign for Illinois Governor are coming to a stop in Coles County.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois lawmakers meet in Springfield for an abbreviated session to consider a plan to borrow billions of dollars for new roads and school construction.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/12/06
Source: L
Description: A vacancy at the Charleston Fire Department leaves City officials looking for a new Chief.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/12/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich has a plan to upgrade new school construction projects by authorizing a keno lottery game.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois may be seeing a new sales tax break designed to help keep gas tanks and wallets full.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: U.S. Senator Dick Durbin is putting his coal mine safety concerns in writing.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: University of Illinois students wanting to save time to get to class should start saving up to pay for potential parking tickets.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: By celebrating the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., some state employees are getting time off.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: The legislation is targeting those trying to make Methamphetamine and using cold medicine to cook their drugs.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: There should be no need for more medication than you can buy, that is why there are prescriptions.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: State police will be getting new squad cars by July 2006.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: Cold and Sudafed medications are now harder to buy because of the increasing in Methamphetamine usage.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: Former Governor George Ryan could soon take the stand in his own defense.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: Senator Bill Brady is looking to his Central Illinois roots to grow in popularity among downstate voters.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/16/06
Source: L
Description: In Governor Rod Blagojevich's State of the State address, he will recap his three years in office and lay out what he hopes to do in the next few months.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/17/06
Source: L
Description: An informational meeting will be held on the management of Lake Shelbyville and how officials prepare the area for potential flooding.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/17/06
Source: L
Description: The Charleston City Council is considering a proposal that will upgrade streetlights along 4th Street.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/17/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign City Council is considering a proposal to make the possession of tobacco, by those seventeen and younger, will be set with a city ordinance violation.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: Along with school improvements, the Governor also proposed a one thousand dollar annual tax credit for freshman and sophomores attending Illinois colleges who received a B average or higher.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: The Governor promotes a construction plans he says could create two hundred and thirty thousand jobs.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: The Springfield City Council voted to ban smoking in public places including bars and restaurants.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: Tom Bruno said that the underage smoking laws will be enforced by police officers and are to issue the minor with a ticket.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: Legislators are questioning Governor Rod Blagojevich's hopes of raising five hundred million dollars by lottery games.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: Democrat Edwin Eisendrath would love to debate state issues with the Governor, but Blagojevich has yet to decide.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: After Champaign City Council approved the underage smoking ban, many teens are still lighting up.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: The City of Champaign approved an ordinance banning anyone under the age of eighteen from possessing tobacco products.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: Mark Arentsen, Alan Gilmore, and Robert Neibert will all be interviewed to become Mattoon's new City Administrator.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: County Board Chairman Frazier announces that the tax referendum will be on the March twenty-first primary ballot.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: Shelby County board plans to put a referendum on the March primary ballot in which will ask voters to approve a Special County Retailer's Occupation Tax for Public Safety.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: Shelby County officials are hoping residents will approve a referendum that will improve public safety.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign Unit Four Board of Education is calling for a referendum of nearly sixty-six million dollars to go toward construction and improvements in the district.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: Urbana City Council discuss a potential two hour parking limit on streets near Provena Covenant Center and the University of Illinois.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: The Abraham Lincoln Library and Museum is opening a new exhibit called Mister Lincoln's Attic which will include many paintings and books.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Evacuees from Hurricane Katrina are still living in hotels in east central Illinois and are required to register with the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois public health director, Eric Whitaker, confirms that Illinois taxpayers can check a box on their 2004 state income tax returns to donate a dollar or more to various medical research funds.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich is willing to forgo Keno, if the lawmakers will support his road and school construction plan.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois Attorney General proposed new legislation requiring background checks for all incoming and current nursing home residents.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: The Naval Construction unit from Naval Mobile Construction Battalion two five is being mobilized for another tour in Iraq.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: In a major debate of the G.O.P. primary race, more time was spent debating the credibility of the current governor rather than current issues.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/27/06
Source: L
Description: The candidates for Illinois Governor are making a trip to Champaign to participate in a debate.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: The Associated Beer Distributors is backing legislation that would add new restrictions on wine mail order shipments.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: The final plans for the multi-million dollar government complex in Effingham County are falling into place.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: The Effingham County new courthouse is set to start construction in March of 2006.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: On a vacant lot in the heart of Effingham County is where the county will break ground for their new courthouse.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: Early voting dates for the primary elections are February 27th through March 16th.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: For the first time, Illinois residents will be able to cast their votes before the March 21st primary election.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: Public Works Director, Dave Wortman, proposed to replace old and rusted out street signs with new markers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/01/06
Source: L
Description: The U.S. Army plans to continually guard the country, but with less deployment.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/01/06
Source: L
Description: Construction crews will once again begin work on Charleston's Rotary Pool.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: With Valentine's Day drawing near, those who have loved one in overseas need to send out their mail early because military mail is sent on special charter flights.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: Starting with this years primary election, every county in the state is required to offer the use of a touch screen voting machine to accommodate the visually impaired.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: A new Illinois law is seeing that the visually impaired have an equal opportunity when it comes to the voting process.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: Village officials have approved the operation of golf carts on township roads between Palestine and Leaverton Park.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: Urbana city council members voted unanimously to pass a new ordinance placing tougher restrictions on drivers that park in the area north of University Avenue.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: The Urbana city council has scheduled a public forum to discuss residents' opposition to citywide smoking.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: Effingham County is considering a smoking ban for outside entrances of county buildings.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: Contact the local county clerks office to learn more about the new voting machines.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: State Representatives Chapin Rose and Bob Flider will present the 2005 Humanitarian award honoring Lawrence Trower.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: The U.S. Department of Agriculture comments that horses will still be slaughtered for meat in the United States.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: With attendance lacking at the Cumberland county clinic, city officials are considering what the effects may be on the town.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: Charleston City Council board members announced a three hundred thousand dollar grant the will be given to the city for improvements.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: The grant given to Charleston will help in the upkeep of the city as well as with the decorations for the upcoming holidays.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/09/06
Source: L
Description: The Charleston Jaycees is giving voters the opportunity to meet with the candidates for Coles County sheriff before they head to the polls.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois State Fair will be full of new attractions, including several new educational displays.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: The population of the Nation's bird, the bald eagle, has declined from seventy-five hundred to four hundred in the last forty years.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign County village pushes to serve up a new liquor law lowering the serving age.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: Governor candidate, Jim Oberweis, will be at the Red Barn in Champaign to address a wide variety of issues affecting Illinois voters.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: Savoy village officials are tapping into a new plan to change liquor laws.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: By changing the liquor laws in Savoy village, new jobs and businesses will hopefully come to the village. However, the Savoy village board will meet to discuss this proposal and determine whether changing the liquor laws would be good for the village.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich proposed a new program, "Preschool for All," to offer children another chance to get ahead.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois lottery players have more reasons to buy their weekly tickets because a portion of the proceeds go to help veterans.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Illinoisans can now look at the Civil War history online on the secretary of state's website.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Mattoon city officials have announced Alan Gilmore as the new city administrator.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Shelby County is resorting to state aid to help out the Eagle Creek Resort, which is in need of financial assistance.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: Democratic Governor Rod Blagojevich unveils the latest budget and hopes to help families pay for college, offer universal preschool, encourage development, and more.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: Republican Governor candidate Jim Oberweis is hosting a town meeting in Charleston to discuss his platform and to meet area residents.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: While the city of Champaign continues to debate over a smoking ban, some are concerned that the health of the mayor will affect his vote.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: Mayor Schweighart of Champaign went to the hospital for pneumonia in December, but after an examination, doctors discovered a cancerous lump in his right lung.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: Because of the lung surgery, Mayor Schweighart will not be attending Champaign's City Council meeting.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: The state of Illinois will be spending millions of dollars to meet the objectives of the Governor's budget proposal.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: Along with education, the Governor wants to spend around one hundred million dollars on stem cell research and close to twenty million dollars to improve DNA analysis.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/16/06
Source: L
Description: Republican candidate Jim Oberweis is hosting a town hall meeting in Charleston.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: The Paris City Council is hosting a public informational regarding the plans, justification, and anticipated costs of a new groundwater supply source.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: The City of Charleston is narrowing its list of candidates to fill the shoes of fire chief Darrell Nees.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: State Republican leaders are asking Ron Gidwitz, candidate for governor, to prove it when it comes to his negative campaign ad against another candidate.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Grants awarded for emergency medical systems will give Illinois paramedics with new first responder equipment and also paying for their training.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: An Italian consulate representative awarded Steve Varner of Monticello the Italian Military Cross of Valor for the compassion he displayed during World War II.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich has decided to run this year's race for governor.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/21/06
Source: L
Description: Along with the current legislation, State Senator Dale Righter announces that Springfield is considering raising the penalty for anyone producing methamphetamines.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/21/06
Source: L
Description: In Effingham County, the new law requiring pharmacies to call any drugs containing pseudofederine or efederine strictly behind the counter.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/21/06
Source: L
Description: Effingham County Sheriff John Monnet believes that if the producers don't have the ingredients, then they can't make the methamphetamines.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/21/06
Source: L
Description: A bill moving through state legislature could put used car information to good use by consumers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/22/06
Source: L
Description: Gift cards purchased in Illinois will no longer lose value under legislation passing the Illinois House.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/22/06
Source: L
Description: The Charleston Jaycees have organized a debate for the four candidates running for governor of Illinois.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/22/06
Source: L
Description: Mattoon City Council approved making subdivisions Buck Grove Estates and Meadowview Acres in one combined lot.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: After months of court proceedings, the Gift Spot Adult Bookstore may be forced to leave Marshall.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: Gun owners in Illinois may have a shot at receiving some extra money from the state.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: New legislation could require online dating services to telling Illinois subscribers whether or not the users have undergone background checks.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: While traveling along interstate 70, it is hard not to see the Gift Spot adult bookstore, and local resident are ready to see the business removed.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: The Gift Spot has thirty days to decide if they will close their doors, move to a business location, or change their merchandise.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/24/06
Source: L
Description: After seven years in the making, Marshall is finally telling the owners of the adult bookstore that they will have to close their doors or move to a different location.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/07/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich has not addressed how the Effingham project would be paid for only to say that taxes would not be raised.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/07/06
Source: L
Description: With the approaching tax season, state officials are urging consumers to pay closer attention to finances on hand and online.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/07/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich addresses Effingham residents to promote a capital spending bill which would provide money to the community for improvements to roads, businesses, and other city projects.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/07/06
Source: L
Description: The House of Representatives has approved a bill requiring nursing homes to conduct background checks on all current residents within 60 days.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/07/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich is constructing a plan to make driving around the Effingham community more convenient.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/07/06
Source: L
Description: State officials are ordering new legislation that would get the scoop on ice cream truck drivers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/07/06
Source: L
Description: State Representative Bob Flider is making a effort to keep East Central Illinois communities up-to-date with state issues.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/08/06
Source: L
Description: Judy Barr-Topinka will visit Greenup as part of a Republican party function.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/08/06
Source: L
Description: At a recent City Council Meeting in Mattoon, council members and Mayor Charles White approved the appointment of several new city officials.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/08/06
Source: L
Description: The City Council in Mattoon also approved closing part of 9th street along Eastern Illinois University's campus during electrical construction.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/08/06
Source: L
Description: The Charleston City Council approved an ordinance to widen Polk Avenue from Division to 6th street.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: Judy Barr-Topinka will be the keynote speaker at the Republican twelve-hundred Club of Cumberland County's annual dinner.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: Judy Barr-Topinka says that she is through with debating with her opponents in the Republican Party race.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: Soldiers may soon be coming back to the Unites States and back to communities ready to celebrate their return.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: A local physician's assistant, David Padgett, will be recognized by the community that are grateful for his service.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: The House voted in favor for a proposal requiring courts to decide whether or not juveniles have to register as sex offenders when their released.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: With the projecting bad weather, voters have the telephone hot lines to turn to if they have questions or complaints.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: The spring season has brought inches of snow, just in time for the General Primary Election.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: Lisa Madigan joined more than twenty other attorney generals in reaching a settlement with TIME Incorporated to stop them from publishing misleading articles.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: Polls at St. Charles Catholic Church in Charleston saw thinner lines during elections due to the weather.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: For Chief Deputy Darrell Cox, the chance of becoming Sheriff of Coles County has just come closer to reality.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: The votes are in, but many candidates in East Central Illinois say that the campaign still isn't over.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: The potential development area will be built on the East side of Mattoon along interstate 57.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: Shelby County democrats have nominated Michael Miller to run for sheriff in November.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: Mattoon is closer to approving a plan that would bring a convention center ad hotel to the area.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: Lisa Madigan is proposing a new legislation to protect nursing home residents from convicted felons and sex offenders.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: When people are checked in to a nursing home in Illinois, they soon could be undergoing a background check.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: Under legislation, nursing homes would be required to conduct background checks within 60 days on all current residents.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: Neoga plans to honor David Padgett for his work as a healthcare worker in the city.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: The owners of the Gift Spot store filed a lawsuit against Marshall claiming the town's zoning rules were unconstitutional.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois Senate approved a resolution calling for the state Revenue Department to hold tax assessments for timberland at 2005 levels.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: The state of Illinois has decided to help farmers clean up their land.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: The Jasper County Home Front, an area organization, is in their second year of operation in supporting military soldiers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: The Jasper County Home Front has had overwhelming amounts of volunteers willing to help support the troops.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: The Jasper County Home Front is planning their second human flag display this summer at Newton High School.

Availability of Social Services in Rural Illinois

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/09/06
Source: L
Description: Two University of Illinois music students are on their way to Mississippi with a truckload of musical instruments of high school band students who lost their instrument in the hurricane.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/09/06
Source: L
Description: Two local law enforcement veterans were hoping that a new program called SONAR will help them zero in on sex offenders.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: Toys for Tots surpasses their goal of two-thousand toys this year and nearly doubled last year's collection total.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/17/06
Source: L
Description: Pat Garlick of Shelbyville is supporting her troop overseas by sending him as well as his friends who do not receive mail, what she calls, Pride Packages.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/17/06
Source: L
Description: Pat Garlick stared sending these Pride Packages in June of 2005 when her Marine son told her stories of soldiers who never received mail.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/17/06
Source: L
Description: The Lincoln Trail Library is offering an online service at Charleston's Carnegie Public Library allowing members to download digital books and digital audio books.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: Shelby Electric is collecting Girl Scout cookies from residents who'd like their boxes to go to troops serving in Iraq.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: Edgar County Homeless Organization's goal is to provide temporary shelter for those who need short term assistance.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: After three years of renovation, the Edgar County Homeless Organization is finally open to anyone, but before residents enter into the facility, they will have a background check for the protection of the residents in the surrounding areas.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: President Michael Dixon comments that those living in Edgar County Homeless Organization will have a two week limit if they are unemployed and a three month limit for those residents trying to find a job.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program provides heating and cooling assistance to low income families across America, and Senator Dick Durbin wants the government to give more money to LIHEAP to help those people in need of its assistance.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: Edgar County Homeless Organization is opening its doors to lend a hand to those that are without a home, but before checking in, each resident will have to have a background check.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/01/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign Park District is receiving money to build a seven acre park north of the city.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/02/06
Source: L
Description: The Charleston Carnegie Public Library has broke ground on it expansion project and the size of the library as a result will triple.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: Owner Mark Hubbard of the new theater "Rainbow's End," will be featuring country performers when it opens.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: With more than two thousand seat planned for his indoor theater, Mark Hubbard has some stars in mind that he would like to perform, especially country performers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: The Effingham Bible College has recently opened it's doors in a building that is being restored and is also accepting applications for admissions.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: The development of the new live performance theater in Effingham is taking center stage and hoping to bring come big name acts closer to home.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: The grand opening of the Lincoln Springs Resort has been pushed back to summer.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: The Mattoon City Council authorized the extension of a current lease between the city and the YMCA.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: The reception in the honor of Dr. David will be held in the municipal building in Neoga.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: Neoga comes together in support a doctor that they say is a "Life Saver."

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: Physician's Assistant David Padgett was terminated from Sarah Bush Hospital after 11 years.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Edwin Eisendrath, a democratic candidate for Illinois governor, spoke to voters at the University of Illinois Union in Urbana.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Edwin Eisendrath comments that as governor, he wants to make education one of the state's top priorities.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: Lincoln Log Cabin State Historic Site in Lerna needs volunteers for the upcoming season.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: Edgar and Clark Counties are hosting a program called Putting the Pieces Together when it comes to underage drinking.

Safety

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/2/06
Source: L
Description: In Clark County, the Marshall Police Department responds to an armed robbery at the Relax Inn.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/09/06
Source: L
Description: Authorities are still working to determine the cause of an Edgar County fire that destroyed a country club.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: Traffic was backed for more than an hour as rescue crews from the area rushed to the scene of a car crash.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: Paris Fire Chief Herman Taylor says that the fire that destroyed the Edgar County country club has been listed as UNDETERMINED.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: A backlog in firearms identification card application has many gun owners fired up.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/12/06
Source: L
Description: Three people hurt from a serious accident in Cols County continue to recover from their injuries.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: After one local school district's drive to keep students safe goes in reverse, school officials begin taking a different route toward safety.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: Fire damage to an East Central Illinois courthouse has been assessed and the verdict came in around two hundred thousand dollars.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: The City of Charleston hopes to improve Eastern Illinois University campus by installing twenty-two brighter lights along Fourth Street.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/18/06
Source: L
Description: The new lights that will be placed on Fourth Street near Eastern Illinois University will cost an extra fifty-six dollars a month.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has reported three injuries involving the Laugh and Learn Musical Chair and has issued a major toy recall.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: A financial contribution is steering better driver education training into Eastern Illinois University.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Homeland Security continues to be a hot topic in Washington, and now a nation-wide issue is bringing career building opportunities to Illinois.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Burglaries in Cumberland County have some community members asking their neighbors for help.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Chief Mattern comments that a neighborhood watch would help the police department from burglaries, because they have only have three full time officers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Mattoon Firefighters were called to the Morgan-Askew building on DeWitt Avenue when the building caught fire.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/24/06
Source: L
Description: Today's world there is a need for telephones, cell phones, and data base network security.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: Coles County Sheriff's Department is looking for a better way to serve their county.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: Chief Deputy Cox shows concern about the time it takes to reach an outlying village in the county and that it may take an officer a half an hour to respond to a call about a robbery.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: Ashmore village president Clyde Griffith has been approached several times by residents concerned about their safety and town vandalism, and they want to know what he is going to do about the problem.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/26/06
Source: L
Description: Charleston builders loaded up a one-story home and moved the structure to its new location two and a half blocks away.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has recalled the Maxi-Heat Dream Tower heater sold at nationwide Wal-Marts from August 2005 through December 2005.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: The First Years Parent Service Center has issued a recall on six liquid-filled teethers sold between July 2005 and January 2006.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/01/06
Source: L
Description: Caved roofs, broken windows, and even graffiti can be found on many of the abandoned properties in Robinson.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/01/06
Source: L
Description: Abandoned properties in Robinson can be condemned by the city, but in the long run it will only end up costing the city for the work while they fight the owners in court.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/01/06
Source: L
Description: A community in Crawford County is looking to clean up local properties that have been abandoned by the owners.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: By being a member of online sites such as Facebook and MySpace may be enough to prevent an individual from getting a professional job.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: If a student belongs to websites such as Facebook or MySpace, they might want to clean up their personal profile because future employers may be evaluating more than just their face.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: University of Illinois Career Services discussed the legal issues involving websites like MySpace, Friendster, and Facebook.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/09/06
Source: L
Description: Douglas county officials responded to a fire engulfing a rural Villa Grove home.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: Proposed legislation may be driving up the number of hours those learning to drive have to spend behind the wheel.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: Douglas County officials suspect that the cause of the fire at a Villa Grove home was due to a heater left on too long.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois State Police are not only targeting speed on the highways, but also child safety within a vehicle.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: State officials say that only six out of ten children are safely restrained while riding in a vehicle and the rest must pay a two hundred and fifty dollar fine and also make an appearance in court.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois State Police are also targeting high schoolers who are not wearing the proper safety restraints.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: Two people are dead after a morning vehicle accident with a semi-truck in Clark County.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: School bus driver Eugene Rogers pleaded guilty to traffic charges in a fatal accident in a Montgomery County courtroom.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/14/06
Source: L
Description: Ileana Castro is dead after a vehicle accident in Clark County.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: News Watch erroneously reports that there was only one person, Ileana Castro that was killed in the car accident in Clark County not two as previously reported.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: A family's home that was caught on fire is still under investigation.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/15/06
Source: L
Description: A child playing with matches sends a Coles County house in flames.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: The State of Illinois wants to make sure that people with handicaps can have access to a handicapped parking space when needed.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: The Police Department issues two to six speeding tickets per day, where the minimum is a seventy five dollar fine and even jail time.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Paris Police Deputy Chief Jamey Littleton comments that officers are cracking down on those driving over the speed limit.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: Urbana and University of Illinois are expected to raise fines for parking illegally to two hundred and fifty dollars.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/20/06
Source: L
Description: The fine for parking illegally in a handicapped spot could be driving up around the state.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/22/06
Source: L
Description: Neoga City Council is securing their path toward having a safer a community.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: Lovington, Sullivan, Bethany, and Hammond fire departments responded to a mobile home fire on South Washington street in Lovington.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: The unofficial St. Patrick's Day celebration becomes an official nuisance for many Champaign business owners.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: University of Illinois officials agree that this the unofficial St. Patrick's Day was bad, possibly the worst with regards to drunkenness.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: Champaign police issued 103 tickets for city ordinance violations ranging from underaged drinking to walking with open alcohol.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: An accident involving anhydrous tanks closes a portion of Illinois Route 49 in Edgar County for several hours.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/07/06
Source: L
Description: State police will be cruising the highways on a five hundred thousand dollar federal grant to lease motorcycles.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/08/06
Source: L
Description: Principal Frankie of Casey High School comments that the floors are among the most dangerous parts of the old building and it is a problem that need to be fixed.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/08/06
Source: L
Description: Casey High School is 87 years old and is still standing, but is far from stable.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/08/06
Source: L
Description: Casey High School is currently in the process of meeting with architects to see if the old building can be saved or should be torn down.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: The controversy over FEMA's response time to Hurricane Katrina has Illinois officials wondering if Illinois is prepared for a major disaster.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: Russ Thomas wants to encourage other counties to prepare for Avian Flu.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: Effingham police are still working to catch the person involved in an attempted abduction.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: Effingham Emergency response team meets to test their ability to respond to a major disaster.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Wabash Fire Protection District is having their annual Chili Supper.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: A name has yet to be released for the victim of the Moultrie County fatal accident.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: A fire in Jasper County leaves one family homeless.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: The officials do not know the cause of the fire, but it began in the center of the home.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: Firefighters from several counties were called to help battle a blaze at a Manufacturing Plant.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: Authorities were called to Morgan Manufacturing in Paris after an afternoon fire and explosion.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: A teen is facing charges for starting a fire at Champaign High School.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: The Sullivan community takes legal action in the attempt to fix a dangerous downtown building.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: The Sullivan building has stood for nearly 100 years, but is now labeled unsafe as it starts to show its age.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: While St. Patrick's Day may be a lot of green, those across Illinois could be seeing red and blue if they violate the law.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: After an afternoon fire, Morgan Manufacturing Plant is recovering and back in business.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: Questions about the 100 year old building in Sullivan were being asked by the building's owner is currently traveling outside of the country.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/20/06
Source: L
Description: Faulty wiring may be the cause of a fire in Champaign.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: Around one o'clock, firefighters were called to Mrs. B's Teacher Supplies on Marshall Avenue due to a fire that started somewhere in the attic.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: The Carle Center for Rural Heath and Farm Safety and the University of Illinois are now offering the National Safe Tractor and Machinery Operation Program.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: Paris Fire Chief Herman Taylor says the cause of the Morgan Manufacturing Plant is still under investigation.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: School officials and parents do not only protect children from harm, but also educate students on the danger of strangers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: In emergency situations such as a stranger being near or in schools, school officials have procedures on place to protect their students.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: When it comes to the possible attempted child abduction on March 1st, Effingham police say that no arrests have been made.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: Officials have learned that the fire in the teachers supply store in Mattoon was due to faulty wiring.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: Charleston firefighters comment that Cory Fields house caught fire due to a portable heater.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois Senators believe that practice make perfect and are hoping to increase rime requirements behind the wheel for new drivers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: A rural Moultrie County man was killed after an abandoned house collapsed on top of him.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: Kenneth Thomas, a 71 year old man, died when the roof of an abandoned Moultrie County home came crashing down on him.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: One fire officials determined Thomas didn't survive the collapse, they called in a special team from Charleston to help in recovery efforts.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: Legislation requires homes and apartments across the state to have working carbon monoxide detectors now sits on the governor's desk waiting for approval.

Eastern Illinois University

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/10/06
Source: L
Description: Eastern Illinois University will participate in the national unveiling of a mural-sized image of the Great Orion Nebula, as photographed by NASA's Hubble Space Telescope.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: Eastern Illinois University invites the public to see an "Out of This World" picture from space.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: Orion Nebula will be able to be viewed at Eastern Illinois University.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: Eastern Illinois University will be viewing Andrew Carroll's book "War Letters," as he visits Eastern's campus to discuss his project.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: Eastern Illinois University in Charleston sets a high record for enrollment.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: The Interior of Old Main on Eastern Illinois University's campus may not look old anymore thanks to the generosity of Max and Mary Cougill.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: After months and months of work and ten million dollars of renovations, Blair Hall on Eastern Illinois University campus is nearly completed.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: Blair Hall on Eastern Illinois University's campus should be finished with construction in mid April.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: The Eastern Illinois University Board of Trustees voted to increase room and board fees which is an average of two hundred dollars more than previous semesters.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: Eastern Illinois University is preparing to show the Orion Nebula photographed by the Hubble Space Telescope.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: Former Eastern Illinois University graduate Mildred Grush Timmons, who died last March at the age of 96, left over 300 thousand dollars of her life's savings to her alma mater.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: Nearly two years after Blair on Easter Illinois University's campus caught fire, faculty and staff are ready to make their way back into the building.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: Students at Eastern Illinois University are wondering when the university-wide construction will be completed.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: EIU's physics observatory invites everyone to view the skies through a computer controlled telescope.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: The faculty of Eastern Illinois University continues to lead students down the road to success, but it has just been taking a little extra traveling time to get there due to the fire in Blair Hall.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: Graduate school faculty members plan to begin their move back into Blair Hall beginning April 6th, 2006.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: Eastern Illinois University is putting the finishing renovations on one of the oldest building, while the structure of the fine arts center is finally taking shape.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: The Student government at Eastern Illinois University will be sponsoring it's fourth annual EIU Panther Service Day.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: The move back to Blair Hall is postponed for Eastern Illinois University faculty members to April 6th or April 7th.

Health

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/2/06
Description: When the clock struck midnight on New Year's Eve, dozens of new traffic and criminal laws went into effect.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 – 1/5/06
Source: L
Description: Two Effingham children continue to fight against the E. coli bacteria while a community is rallying behind the family to pray for the best.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/10/06
Source: L
Description: The American College of chest physicians comment that there is no evidence that over-the-counter remedies relieve cold symptoms.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: Zoos across the nation could be working as detectives in a case against avian bird flu.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/12/06
Source: L
Description: A new hotline will help disabled citizens and seniors get medicare reimbursement from the state.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/13/06
Source: L
Description: The Crawford County Senior Citizens office has volunteers available during the week to help anyone make decisions regarding medicare.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: The House Human Services Committee is requiring all babies born in Illinois to be tested for H-I-V.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois taxpayers now have the chance to give money to diabetes and autism research when they file their 2005 taxes.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/27/06
Source: L
Description: The Detroit News reports that an estimated sixty million people will bet six billion dollars on the Super Bowl this year.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/27/06
Source: L
Description: The Super Bowl mean BIG MONEY for many who bet on sporting events.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/27/06
Source: L
Description: Eastern Illinois University Sociology professor Craig Eckert studied the effects of online gambling and comments that the Super Bowl and gambling go hand and hand.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: Four pharmacists in Illinois are suing Walgreen drug stores for their termination in refusing to pledge a federal document in writing that they would dispense the morning after pill.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: The FDA has approved an inhalable form of insulin called "Exubera" for diabetes patients.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: Due to a breakdown in it's packaging process, Hasty Tasty Food Service and the DBA Valley Vending have announced a recall for all chicken, egg, tuna, and ham salad sandwiched that were distributed in Illinois and Iowa.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: At Eastern Illinois University's student rec center, the Red Cross will be present to all those willing to give blood.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: The American Red Cross' Missouri-Illinois region is looking for participants who would be able to donate their rare blood types to help others in need of transfusions.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois attorney general is proposing legislation to help struggling homeowners pay for mortgages.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/31/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois Department of Public Health comments that Champaign Terrace Nursing Homr in Saint Joseph is being fined ten thousand dollars after a resident fell in the bathroom and broke a leg.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: The Public Health Department has added the Wabash and Little Wabash Rivers in southeastern Illinois to their list of mercury contaminated waterways.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/06/06
Source: L
Description: The Brothers and Sisters United Against HIV and AIDS addresses the growing AIDS problem among African Americans in Illinois.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/07/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich wants to spend three to five million dollars a year on programs aimed at raising the amount of statewide nurses.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: As baby boomers age and need health care, so does the problem with the shortage of nurses in America and in Illinois.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois lawmakers are considering a statewide smoking ban in public places.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich is looking to help aid the nurse shortage problem by spending anywhere from three to five million dollars to give students for financial aid and even a new Nursing Center.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: An unexpected surgery takes the Champaign mayor away from office.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Blagojevich plans to include the need for funding of nurses in the next state budget proposal.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign County mayor is continuing to recover from lung surgery.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: The National Blood Bank is in critical need of O negative and B negative blood types at Eastern Illinois University's blood drive on Valentine's Day.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: The Champaign County Christian Health Center offers free healthcare services to residents living without health care.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/23/06
Source: L
Description: Jeff Trask says that the clinic is running thanks to the help of area healthcare providers such as Carle Foundation hospital and Provena HealthCare who donate their staff, supplies, and even medication.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: Here is a reminder that Methamphetamines: Slingshot to Destruction is airing on WEIU TV.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: WEIU TV is committed to the community and that is why for three nights, WEIU will be airing a special report on Methamphetamines.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/06/06
Source: L
Description: The county Methamphetamines Awareness Coalition will host a meeting at Sarah Bush Lincoln to promote healthy living habits to those affected by methamphetamines.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: Effingham officials decided to pursue the ban of smoking outside county buildings when residents on oxygen could not get into the building because of smoke.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/09/06
Source: L
Description: Champaign County is voting on a stronger smoke free ordinance to become more strict on smoking regulations.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: The expansion project for the Carle Foundation Hospital is expected to cost more than six million dollars.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Carle Foundation Hospital will soon be building a new addition that could bring new work from around the area.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: The Carle Foundation in Mattoon is preparing for an addition that is expected to bring more jobs, patients, and more health care.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: The nation's largest chain of drug stores, CVS Pharmacy, is trying to stomp out the sale of tobacco products to minors.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/16/06
Source: L
Description: The votes are in and the public areas in Cook County will soon be smoke free.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/17/06
Source: L
Description: After one nursing home resident was found wandering, the care facility is finding that it may cost a hefty fine.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: The government predicts that the bird flu will be coming to the United States this year.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: Carle Clinic in Urbana is proud to announce the addition of a new groundbreaking MRI scanner to better serve you.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: The Alzheimer's Association is hosting a program called "Alzheimer's: Beginning to Cope" in the Charleston Public Library.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: Governor Rod Blagojevich recently proposed to ban all junk food in schools throughout the state, and now schools are speaking out.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: The Illinois State Board of Education recently decided to ban junk food in schools, but some educators do not agree with this decision.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: Kansas School officials say they are waiting for official guidelines from the state has to what will be banned as junk food.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/22/06
Source: L
Description: Carle Foundation Hospital has withdrawn its case to bring a surgical center to Coles County.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: The Great Impasta wants to make sure that the only thing being inhaled by the consumers is the smell of the food and not smoke.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/24/06
Source: L
Description: Recent U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission has recalled may toys and jewelry that contains lead, which can be poisonous to children.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: The Reebok heart-shaped charm bracelets and some Dollar Tree jewelry for kids were recalled due to the high levels of lead which poses a risk of lead poisoning in children.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/29/06
Source: L
Description: A Lead Poisoning and Prevention project is available at the Child Care Resources and Referal building on Eastern Illinois University's campus.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: Eastern Illinois University's College Against Cancer is holding its annual Relay For Life starting at six around Eastern's campus pond.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: National Sleep Awareness Week is this week and getting a good nights sleep may be harder that many think.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: Sleep Apnea is a problem seen far too often for many physicians at Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: The house approved a measure that gives county officials the power to prohibit smoking in restaurants, bars, and other public gathering places.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/31/06
Source: L
Description: If you are a person that suffers from sleep apnea or other sleeping problems, consult your doctor.

Consumer

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/09/06
Source: L
Description: Postage stamps have increase by two cents, making the price thirty-nine cents to mail a first-class letter.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/10/06
Source: L
Description: A national survey shows gasoline prices have been on the rise for the last three weeks.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/11/06
Source: L
Description: An automated meter-reading system will be phased in for more than one million electric and gas customers, eliminating human meter readers.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/19/06
Source: L
Description: Southeastern Illinois will soon be the home to a new biodiesel plant after members of the National Trail Biodiesel Cooperative voted to continue the plant's construction.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: Illinois residents need to remember to spring forward, and move their clocks one hour ahead.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: on April 2nd, Vigo County, Indiana, will Spring forward an hour like Illinois, but not to the same time (an hour later).

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/20/06
Source: L
Description: Being a Journalist entails making stories clear and timely, yet some can be rather confusing at times.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/23/06
Source: L
Description: The cost of a gallon of self-serve regular gas jumped more than three cents over the past two weeks to a national average of two dollars and thirty-three cents.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/25/06
Source: L
Description: Paris City Council is adopting new regulations for the use of outdoor wood and corn furnaces. The owners must obtain a permit and must undergo an inspection by a code enforcement officer.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/27/06
Source: L
Description: When heating costs go up, owners of laundromats seemed to be pressed for cash.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/27/06
Source: L
Description: Ron Woods, owner of two Laundromats in Charleston and Mattoon, as well as other business owners comment that they haven't increased prices yet, however, with the heating costs still increasing, the future prices are uncertain.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/27/06
Source: L
Description: High natural gas priced may not only be heating up residents bills, but local businesses are also feeling the effects of the natural gas prices.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –1/30/06
Source: L
Description: WEIU is airing a forum for the five Republican candidates for governor on February 10th.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: A new bug is infecting computers all over the United State, corrupting both word and spread sheet documents.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: The new virus corrupts files ranging from word and excel documents to digital family photos.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/03/06
Source: L
Description: Experts say that any files on a personal computer entitled Kama Sutra or MyWife, do not open, this is more than likely the new virus infecting computers in the United States.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: Former President Ronald Reagan's daughter will be spreading her wisdom at Indiana State University in Terre Haute.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/08/06
Source: L
Description: Ford Motor Company is looking for a plan to increase the number of E-85 fuel stations in Illinois and Missouri.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: A Douglas County community hopes for better cell for reception with a new three hundred foot tower, but not all residents are happy about where the tower could be built.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Mayor Ron Hunt of Villa Grove comments that regardless of where the new three hundred foot tower is place, it is needed for better cell phone reception.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/13/06
Source: L
Description: Villa Grove residents are invited to a public meeting to discuss the new cell phone tower and its placement in the community.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/16/06
Source: L
Description: Seventy new jobs will be coming to Effingham when the new Culver's chain restaurant comes to town.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/17/06
Source: L
Description: The new version of the Ronald Reagan stamp is getting the stamp of approval to be reissued at local post offices.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –2/21/06
Source: L
Description: The members of the Coffee Shop Lottery Cartel of Deiterich purchased the winning seven million dollar ticket at an Illinois Lottery Drawing.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/10/06
Source: L
Description: General Motors dealership across the country will be busy in the upcoming months due to a large recall in pickup trucks.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/13/06
Source: L
Description: As Springfield and Central Illinois homeowners and businesses assess tornado damage, Attorney General Lisa Madigan is warning Illinoisans to protect themselves from con artists.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/15/06
Source: L
Description: Three Illinois Cracker Barrels were named in a lawsuit brought on by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/21/06
Source: L
Description: The average price of gasoline went up almost fourteen cent a gallon in one week, rising above two dollars and fifty cents per gallon.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: The U.S. Product and Safety Commission has announced a recall of the Dollar Tree children's jewelry due to the high content of lead.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/27/06
Source: L
Description: The U.S. Product and Safety Commission would also like to announce that the Reebok heart-shaped charm bracelets contain high amounts of lead and are being recalled.

Program title: NewsWatch
Time/Date: 1734 –3/30/06
Source: L
Description: The Wisconsin-based American Girl company is recalling about 180 thousand pieces of children's jewelry.