

WNIN-TV Program Topic Report

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Topic: Education
Program: EVSC Community Link
Length: 30 Minutes
Type: Magazine
Aired 10/21 at 5:30pm, 11/18 at 5:30pm, and 12/30 at 5:30pm

This monthly program is produced by local high school students and presented to WNIN for air. Each episode features events, news, and the people of the Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation.

Topic: Education
Program: Learning Science
Length: 30 Minutes
Type: Documentary
Aired 12/30 at 6:30pm

This special was produced by the University of Southern Indiana and highlighted the importance of science education and their new science facilities.

Topic: Local Politics
Program: Shively and Shoulders
Length: 60 Minutes
Type: Interview/Discussion
Aired Thursdays from 7pm to 8pm

Each week, hosts Les Shively and Pat Shoulders discuss the National, State, and local political news. Each program features one or more guests discussing local topics such as education, environmental issues, local government, etc.

Topic: Local Government
Program: County Council and Commissioner's Meetings
Length: Varies
Type: News

Council meetings are aired delayed on Sundays at 6am and the Commissioner meetings are aired delayed Sundays at 11pm each week.

Topic: Local History
Program: Fell The History
Length: 30 minutes
Type: Documentary
Aired 12/30 at 6:00pm

This special was produced by the Evansville/Vanderburgh School Corporation and highlighted some of the historical buildings in Evansville including Bosse Field.

Topic: Local Election
Program: Election 2006: County Races
Length: 60 minutes
Type: Live Debate
Aired 10/3 at 7:00pm

This live debate featured candidates running for the Vanderburgh County Commission and Council Offices and was co-sponsored by the Southern Indiana League of Women Voters.

Topic: Local Election
Program: 8th District Congressional Debate
Length: 60 Minutes
Type: Live Debate
Aired 10/4 at 7:00pm

This live debate between incumbent John Hostettler and Brad Ellsworth originated in Vincennes Indiana and co-sponsored by the Indiana State League of Women Voters.

Topic: Local Election
Program: Election 2006: Vanderburgh Co. School Board
Length: 60 Minutes Each
Type: Live Debates
Aired 10/10 and 10/11 at 7:00pm

This two-part debate featured candidates for the Vanderburgh County School Board and were co-sponsored by the Southern Indiana League of Women Voters.

Topic: Health
Program: Faces of Heart Disease: A WNIN Forum
Length: 60 Minutes
Type: Live Forum
Aired 10/7 at 7:00pm

This live forum featured area Doctors and other health professionals as they discussed the signs, symptoms, and people affected by heart disease. Many local people with heart disease were interviewed and viewers had the opportunity to call in and ask nurses and doctors their specific questions relating to heart disease.

Topic: Careers
Program: Beyond the Clouds: Careers in Aviation
Length: 30 Minutes
Type: Documentary
Aired: 10/15 and 10/18 at 9:30pm

This locally-produced program highlighted the requirements and duties to enter the fields of FBO/Airport Management and Charter/Corporate Piloting. Local managers and pilots gave personnel testimony to the benefits and requirements of the jobs in addition to the day-to-day activities involved.

Topic: Local Politics
Program: 9th District Congressional Debate
Length: 60 Minutes
Type: Live Debate
Aired 11/1 at 7:00pm

This live debate originated from Vincennes University and features the candidates for the 9th District congressional Race in Indiana.

Topic: Local History
Program: Old Stones in New Harmony
Length: 60 Minutes
Type: Documentary
Aired 11/23 at 7:00pm

This locally-produced special focused on the small town of New Harmony Indiana and its rich history. Following the recent reconstruction of the Granery, the program highlighted the past community of the Harmonites, their traditions, and the legacies.

Topic: Children
Program: Tottie Tittlemouse and the Light of Christmas
Length: 30 Minutes
Type: Illustration/Story Telling
Aired 11/25 at 9:30pm

This WNIN production featured the illustrations of local resident Angie Sinclair and her book Tottie Tittlemouse and the Lights of Christmas. This children's story tells the story of a special mouse and how the meaning of Christmas brings her family together.

Topic: Music
Program: Holiday Harmonies
Length: 60 Minutes
Type: Performance
Aired 12/5 at 9:00pm

This WNIN production featured local middle school and high school choirs as they sang both traditional and non-traditional Christmas Carols.

Topic: Employment
Program: AIR: America's Investigative Reports Charity Begins at Home
Length: 30
Type: Magazine
Aired 11/17 at 8:00pm

A tiny government agency has a well-intentioned mission: to channel federal contracts to charities that train and employ workers who are blind or have severe disabilities. Known as JWOD, the program is so obscure that even some members of Congress are unaware of its existence. But when journalists from THE OREGONIAN exposed abuses by JWOD's biggest contractor, the program took on a much higher, if unwanted, profile.

Topic: Urban Development, Urban Decay
Program: The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer
Length: 60
Type: News
Aired 12/12 6:00pm
Segment Length: 00:09:32

New Orleans Crime Wave Taxes Louisiana's Police, National Guard: In the midst of trying to rebuild, New Orleans faces a murder rate that exceeds that of Compton, Calif., in the latest FBI statistics. Officials have relied on the state's National Guard to help police, but at some point the troops will need to leave the city.

Topic: War/Veterans/National Security
Program: Washington Week
Length: 30
Type: News
Aired 10/6 7:00pm

The Foley fallout out: behind the headlines. And the worsening situation in Iraq: what officials are now admitting tonight on Washington Week. Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones said, "We have a job to do and we got to do our job". That job? Getting to the bottom of the sordid congressional page scandal which has resulted in resignation, investigation, and consternation and close congressional races around the country. From a campaign ad: For over a year they knowingly ignored the welfare of children. Rep. Dennis Hastert (R-IL), (as seen from a tape.) "Ultimately, as someone has said in Washington before, the buck stops here." We take a closer look. Meanwhile, the situation in Iraq gets only worse. According to a military spokesman, "Attacks have steadily increased in Baghdad during these past weeks". And an influential U.S. senator sounds the warning bell. Covering these stories this week: Janet Hook of the Los Angeles Times, John Harwood of CNBC and the Wall Street Journal, John Harris of the Washington Post, and Linda Robinson of U.S. News and World Report.

Topic: Business/Industry
Program: Nightly Business Report
Length: 30
Type: News
Aired 11/17 5:30pm

Market Stats; Paul Kangas' Stocks In The News; The Dow Continues Its Record Run Despite A Housing Slump; Holiday Shopping May Bring More Concern Than Happy Returns; Thailand Shows Off Its Capitalistic Side; "Market Monitor"-Stan Weinstein, of "Global Trend Alert."; "Money File"-Mutual Fund Math.