

Quarterly Report Jan-March 2024 News and Issues

Type	Time	Date	Description
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/3/2024	An explosion in Beirut has taken the life of a top official with the terrorist group Hamas and three others. If Israel is behind the attack, it could mark a major escalation in the Middle East conflict.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3-Jan-24	Southwest Virginia is one of the biggest hotbeds of radon in the state. Radon is a naturally forming gas underground from the mineral radium but in high levels it can be harmful. If you are concerned that your home does have radon, you can test it with a home test kit from your local hardware store.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3-Jan-24	Central Virginia could see a potential winter storm this coming weekend. While all the details aren't known just yet, it's possible precipitation could start Saturday morning as snow, then change to sleet/mix and rain, then back to snow Sunday morning.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3-Jan-24	After months of extra duty at sea providing protection for Israel, the USS Gerald R. Ford aircraft carrier strike group will be heading home. The Ford will be replaced by the USS Bataan, the USS Mesa Verde, and the USS Carter Hall.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3-Jan-24	Several water utilities were struck by what federal authorities say are Iranian-backed hackers targeting a piece of equipment specifically because it is Israeli-made. The hacking is prompting new warnings from U.S. security officials at a time when state and the federal governments are wrestling with how to harden water utilities against cyberattacks.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3-Jan-24	Norfolk naval ships responded to a distress call made by the MAERSK container ship which was struck by a missile in the Red Sea. The Norfolk-based USS Gravely and USS Laboon responded to the ship and took out two ballistic missiles fired from terrorist-controlled areas in Yemen.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3-Jan-24	Tolls have increased for some tunnels and bridges in Hampton Roads. If you need relief and live anywhere in the region and make less than \$65,000 a year and drive through the Downtown or Midtown tunnels, you can apply for the expanded toll relief program.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3-Jan-24	If you're driving through Portsmouth school zones, you'll want to watch your speed limit. The Portsmouth Police Department's School Zone Camera Project officially started on the 1st. If your caught going 10 miles an hour over the speed limit, you can expect a \$100 citation in the mail.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	4-Jan-24	Multiple state capitols received threats yesterday morning that led to brief evacuations or lockdowns as police investigated. Thankfully no evidence of explosives was found. Connecticut, Georgia, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, and Montana were among the states that evacuated their offices.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	4-Jan-24	Ford is recalling over 112,000 F-150s pickup trucks because of a rear axle bolt that can break and can cause the vehicle to roll away when in park. The recall affects F-150 vehicles from 2021 through 2023 that are equipped with the Trailer Tow Max Duty package.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	4-Jan-24	Universal Logistics plans to expand into a new industrial facility on Lee Highway in the broader Roanoke area. With an investment of approximately \$50 million, they aim to create 45 new jobs.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	4-Jan-24	Norfolk's new health director is encouraging everyone to fill out a health survey that will help determine what Norfolk neighborhoods need to get healthier. The Community Health Needs Assessment has 20 questions and takes about five minutes to fill out. You'll see QR codes on busses and billboards that you can snap a picture of on your smartphone and it will take you right to the survey.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	4-Jan-24	January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month and Virginia's Attorney General is working to help businesses and community members recognize the signs to look for. Sometimes someone may just look disheveled, or not have identification. Other times traffickers might actually brand them with a tattoo. If you see something that you might suspect as trafficking let law enforcement know asap.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	4-Jan-24	LewisGale Hospital in Montgomery county will temporarily suspend labor and delivery services effective April 1. The decision was made, in part, due to staffing limitations. The center recently opened a \$2.5 million NICU that provides care for medically fragile, and premature infants. So, while they will no longer deliver babies starting April 1st they will still treat babies post-delivery.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	4-Jan-24	A new treatment could be on the horizon for the more than 38 million Americans that deal with Type 2 diabetes and obesity. A team of Virginia Tech researchers was recently awarded nearly \$2 million to explore new approaches to treating the disease. The grant will help them look at how a natural compound found in plants like olives effects blood sugar.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	4-Jan-24	This weekend marks the 243rd anniversary of Benedict Arnold's raid on Richmond in 1781. To commemorate the anniversary there will be several events and programs that start today and run through January 7. They will feature speakers, reenactments, exhibits and more.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	5-Jan-24	Police in Iowa, say multiple shots were fired at a school yesterday on students' first day back in classes after their annual winter break. A sixth-grade student lost their life, and five others were wounded. The suspect in the incident has passed away.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	5-Jan-24	Weather experts through central Virginia are saying that it would be best to stay off the roads through at least midday Saturday, if at all possible, with the approaching winter storm. Some areas will see snow, and some will see mostly sleet and rain which will hinder driving conditions.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	5-Jan-24	A nonprofit is giving back to the community in an effort to keep everyone warm this winter. Project Support in Roanoke has collected winter items for anyone experiencing homelessness through "Operation Warm & Cozy." You can still drop off items for them to hand out throughout the month of January. Operation Chase the Chill in Lynchburg is also doing that as well.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	5-Jan-24	Flooding is an issue that Norfolk residents know all too well. In an effort to tackle recurring flooding issues, Old Dominion University was granted over \$700,000 for a collaborative project that uses green infrastructure and nature-based designs in five Norfolk neighborhoods. The project is expected to run from now through Dec. of 2025.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	5-Jan-24	Scientists have found a way to help Alzheimer's drugs seep inside the brain faster by temporarily breaching the brains protective shield. In the three patients it was tried on the new technology enhanced the removal of Alzheimer's trademark on the brain by about 32%.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	5-Jan-24	The 2024-25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid is finally out, but students are experiencing technical issues when trying to complete it. The FAFSA Simplification Act was passed to shorten and improve the process, but outages are caused by temporary maintenance for the new application are causing issues. Colleges and universities are aware of the delays and are working one-on-one with students through the process.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	5-Jan-24	If you have a pet you may want to take a close look inside the pantry. Blue Ridge Beef of Statesville, North Carolina, announced an expansion of its multi-state cat and dog food recall. Two-pound bags of Blue Ridge's Kitten Grind, Kitten Mix and Puppy Mix are also being pulled because of salmonella and listeria.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	5-Jan-24	A nearly decades-old idea to create a space dedicated to the accomplishments and experiences of African Americans in the Commonwealth will be moving forward. Virginia Beach City Council voted 8-0 to extend the time the organization has to begin construction on the facility. They will now have until Dec. 1, 2026, to construct the center.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	8-Jan-24	The U.S. Defense Secretary has been hospitalized for a week now due to complications following a minor elective medical procedure. Right now, it's not clear when he will be released from the hospital, but he is recovering well and is expected to resume his full duties today.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	8-Jan-24	Although we didn't see much over the weekend several areas are already under another winter weather warning. A strong storm system might bring a brief wintry mix, heavy rain, and strong wind gusts to central Virginia tonight and tomorrow. Again, closing and delays can be found on our website.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	8-Jan-24	The Lynchburg Department of Public Works has announced a lane closure starting today and continuing through January 29. The lane closure in the area of 2420 Link Road will happen from 8:30 am to 3:30pm daily to accommodate the installation of a new gas main by Columbia Gas.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	8-Jan-24	Get ready for a showdown! Although we don't know which teams will face off in the Super Bowl yet, the rivalry at the Lynchburg Humane Society between Team Dog and Team Cat has already begun. Both teams are on a mission to collect 1,000 pounds of Purina dog or cat food. If you want to show your support, the Lynchburg Humane Society asks you to consider donating food to boost your team's score.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	8-Jan-24	On another urgent diplomatic mission to the Middle East, U.S. Secretary of State met with Arab partners to ask for help in making sure that Israel's three-month war against Hamas in Gaza doesn't spread. The mission will also take him to the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia, Israel, the West Bank and Egypt before he returns to Washington. It's his fourth visit to the region since the war began.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	8-Jan-24	Boeing faces new scrutiny about the safety of its best-selling plane after federal officials announced the temporary grounding of some Boeing 737 planes following a flight in which an Alaska Airlines jetliner was left with a gaping hole in its side. Miraculously none of the 171 passengers and six crew members were injured as pilots

			made a safe emergency landing. The FAA's emergency order will affect about 171 planes worldwide.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	8-Jan-24	Flu levels continue to rise in Virginia and North Carolina. The Virginia Department of Health reports that the most visits occurred in the 0-4 age group. According to data, flu levels in North Carolina were even higher. So far, this flu season the number of pediatric deaths is up to 27.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	8-Jan-24	Campbell County authorities are warning folks about the number of fires they're seeing because of overloaded surge protectors. The cold weather is here, and that typically means folks are bringing out their space heaters, officials say to never plug them into surge protectors.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	9-Jan-24	An air traffic control base in northern Israel, has been hit by another Iran-backed terrorist group. The increase in fighting across the border with Lebanon is causing even more concern of the war spreading as U.S. Secretary of State is set to visit Israel on his latest Middle east tour.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	9-Jan-24	A robotic lander built by a private company suffered a propulsion system issue on its way to the moon yesterday derailing the first U.S. soft lunar landing attempt in over 50 years. Mission managers fixed its position in space, but there appears to be fuel loss now as well. The initial expect landing date was Feb. 23rd.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	9-Jan-24	The Virginia General Assembly session reconvenes tomorrow. Some of their priorities for this session are tax relief, educational opportunities, data protection for children on social media, and foster care prevention.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	9-Jan-24	Another item on the agenda will be getting a professional sports team or two into Virginia, the nations most populous state without one. Advocates of plan to build a new professional sports arena and entertainment district in northern Virginia say the project would be a generational job-creator so lucrative it will pay for itself.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	9-Jan-24	Heavy rains, thunderstorms, and the potential for wintry mix will have us all focused on the weather today. At first a wintry mix is possible, then heavy rainfall during the day causing potential flooding. Check our website, myjourneyfm.com for closings and delays.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	9-Jan-24	Investigators say a missing piece from an Alaska Airlines jet that blew off on Friday at 16,000 feet has been recovered in Oregon. The National Transportation Safety Board said having the door will help determine why it peeled away from the plane shortly after taking off.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	9-Jan-24	The Virginia Department of Transportation is interested in hearing the public's opinion about a proposed interchange in Newport News at I-64 and Denbigh Blvd. The interchange, which would serve as an additional access point along I-64 between Fort Eustis Blvd. and Jefferson Ave., would improve regional mobility and safety, expand local network access, and alleviate congestion.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	9-Jan-24	A new Dollar Tree just opened on Wards Road in Lynchburg. This location was formerly Tuesday Morning, in the Chestnut Hills Shopping Center. It will now be open Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	10-Jan-24	An explosion at a historic Texas hotel in Fort Worth sent downtown large sections of debris from the building onto the streets below injuring 21. More than two dozen rooms were occupied at the time, and authorities believe a gas leak caused the explosion as the hotel had been undergoing construction.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	10-Jan-24	The National Park Service withdrew a proposal to take down a statue of William Penn at a Philadelphia historical site as part of a renovation. William Penn is the founder of the province of Pennsylvania. The renovation plan does involve the expanding of Philadelphia's Native American history and fixing up a deteriorating hardscape at the park.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	10-Jan-24	The potential for a Wawa convenience store to be built in the Daleville Town Center is beginning to seem unlikely after the planning commission voted no to it. The proposed site is less than a mile away from Sheetz, and with the two popular chains within a close distance, many were worried about traffic. Now the Board of Supervisors will have the ultimate decision.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	10-Jan-24	Several Lynchburg residents woke up to flyers containing historical advertisements for the sale of enslaved people. In response, the Lynchburg Chapter of the NAACP is organizing a town hall and is inviting city leaders and the public to attend in solidarity with the affected individuals. The town hall is scheduled for January 25 at 6 p.m. at the Lynchburg Community Action Group building.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	10-Jan-24	The American Red Cross faces an emergency blood shortage as it has experienced its lowest level of donations in the past 20 years. Blood and platelet donations are urgently needed to prevent disruptions in lifesaving medical procedures. Virginia Gov. Glenn Youngkin highlighted the need for blood donations by donating blood himself in Richmond.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	10-Jan-24	North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper declared a state of emergency ahead of the severe weather yesterday. The order waives truck weight, size, and hours of service restrictions so that vehicles carrying essential supplies such as food, medicine or fuel or transporting livestock and crops can get their jobs done quickly.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	10-Jan-24	Halifax County School leaders are eager and ready to open the new doors of their new high school next year. During their school board meeting the Halifax County School Board was given an update on the construction of the building. According to the company the school should open in July of 2025.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	10-Jan-24	The countdown is on for the 2024 New River Polar Plunge. The event raises money to benefit the athletes and programs of Special Olympics Virginia. It's the largest fundraiser for the organization. This year's Polar Plunge will be on Saturday, Feb. 17 at Bissett Park in Radford.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	11-Jan-24	House Republicans have decided to impeach the Homeland Security Secretary, who they say has neglected his duty in handling the surge of migrants at the U.S.-Mexico border. Meanwhile in the Senate a bipartisan group has been working with him on a landmark border security package.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	11-Jan-24	Nearly 21 million children in the U.S. are expected to receive food benefits this summer through a new federal program. Families that are eligible for the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer program will receive \$40 per month per child during the summer, a total of \$120 per child. The money will be loaded on an EBT card, which can be used at stores that also take Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	11-Jan-24	Roanoke County has launched a resident connectivity survey to better understand local internet and cell phone connectivity needs within the county. One resident from each household is asked to take the survey online. The survey is open through Feb. 14 and results will be published later in the year.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	11-Jan-24	Parts of NC 12 are still closed due to ocean over wash, and the ferry terminal is also closed to motorists. Crews are currently working to clear the road. With the threat of severe weather this time of year North Carolina officials are reminding residents to sign up for Code Red Alerts that will alert you via your phone.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	11-Jan-24	A U.S. Navy sailor has been sentenced to just over two years in federal prison for transmitting sensitive U.S. military information to a Chinese intelligence officer. He pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy and one count

			of receiving a bribe in violation of his official duties. He was also fined \$5,500.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	11-Jan-24	The Virginia Department of Education took significant steps to address the teacher shortage. The department launched the 'Grow Your Own' initiative, which is an educator preparation strategy focused on addressing the financial, recruitment and preparation of its teachers. In addition to this initiative, the department modernized its teacher licensure process. Educators can now renew their licenses online.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	11-Jan-24	The Virginia Beach Police Department hosted a dedication ceremony for its new headquarters, which is the municipal building where on May 31, 2019, 12 lost their lives. Building 2 at the Virginia Beach Municipal Center has been renovated and no one who used to work there is required to return. There was a dedication ceremony for the victims before the building was reopened.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	11-Jan-24	The new year might inspire you to jump back into your education or chase new career goals, and ECPI University wants to encourage that success by hosting an open house. The open house is happening at the Roanoke Campus on Airport Rd NW Suite 200 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	12-Jan-24	A special prayer session for the hostages being held by Hamas terrorists in the Gaza Strip and for the safety of Israeli forces was held at the Western Wall in Jerusalem's Old City. The event included the family members of the 136 hostages still being held captive.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	12-Jan-24	Carilion Community hospital in Roanoke has doubled its outpatient operating rooms. There are now four new ORs each larger than the previous and filled with state-of-the-art equipment to bring the best care to patients. Doctors say this will increase efficiency when getting patients in and out of surgeries.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	12-Jan-24	The Virginia Department of Transportation wants to make a major road in Lynchburg safer for you. Yesterday they held a public hearing to show the public the plan for the Route 501 bridge and Candler's Mountain interchange. The cost of the proposed project is estimated at \$64 million.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	12-Jan-24	Liberty University Head Football Coach Jamey Chadwell was honored last night as the top Group of Five coach in the country. He was also one of eight head coaches at the ceremony who was a finalist for the 2023 Paul "Bear" Bryant Coach of the Year award.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	12-Jan-24	Governor Glenn Youngkin is calling on bipartisan progress for this year's legislative session with a Democratic majority in both chambers. Governor Youngkin would like to lower income tax rates while raising the state's sales tax and eliminate the car sales tax imposed in localities to hopefully create a more affordable Virginia.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	12-Jan-24	Again, today there is another weather warning due to the chance for localized flooding and severe evening thunderstorms. Showers will start around 4:00 PM with consistent rain by 5:00 PM, and the potential for storms starting around 7pm.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	12-Jan-24	Virginia Credit Union and Member One Federal Credit Union have announced plans to merge, pending regulatory approval and a positive Member One membership vote. If approved, the combined credit union will serve close to 500,000 members with 37 branch locations, and employ about 1,100 throughout Virginia.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	12-Jan-24	"See something, say something" is exactly what one student did yesterday when they told a staff member that they thought one of their peers had a weapon. Southampton Middle School was immediately put on lockdown and thankfully after multiple K9 units and law enforcement from multiple departments searched the school no weapons were found.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	15-Jan-24	The U.S. military has struck another terrorist-controlled site in Yemen that they have determined was putting commercial vessels in the Red Sea at risk. They hit 28 locations and struck more than 60 targets. However, the U.S. determined that a radar site, is still presenting a threat to maritime traffic.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	15-Jan-24	If you've ever wanted to get your package faster, the Amazon last-mile facility coming to Roanoke could certainly help. Construction on the facility is scheduled to begin in the coming weeks. Roanoke City officials said there are already trucks at the facility's site and that we'll be seeing them out and about in the Star City soon.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	15-Jan-24	Virginia Congressman Bob Good introduced the Blue Ridge Fire Safety Act, a bill that says that the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the National Park Service, has the authority to grant a permit for the construction of an emergency road on the Blue Ridge Parkway. The Blue Ridge Fire Safety Act aims to be a solution to allow Wintergreen to take proactive measures in the face of potentially life-threatening emergencies by building a service road.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	15-Jan-24	The Pulaski Police Department is sharing a text message scam with the public. Residents are getting a message saying a package is at the UPS facility and can't be delivered unless you confirm your address. Police say do not click the link if you receive a message like this.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	15-Jan-24	A volcano erupted in southwest Iceland, sending molten lava into a nearby town and setting houses on fire, in the second eruption the area has seen in weeks. Iceland's National Commissioner of Police ordered residents to evacuate again while many still haven't returned after last month's eruption.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	15-Jan-24	Centra officials are highlighting two major projects coming to the Hill City as part of their Modernization Plan. First, they are building a five-story specialty clinic and office building. Then, less than half a mile away at Lynchburg General Hospital, they are building a new care tower that will house the labor and delivery unit and a brand-new 63,200-square-foot emergency department.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	15-Jan-24	If you are hoping to save some money when it comes to your food, keep your eyes on the side of the highway. The new "Roadkill Bill" would allow you to take any deer, bear, turkey, or elk that appears to have been killed in a car crash off the side of the road. So, if you see an animal that looks like it's been hit, you would call the Department of Wildlife Resources to get it checked and if all is well, they would sign off on it and you can pop it in your car and go.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	15-Jan-24	It's officially Girl Scouts cookie season. The Girl Scouts have launched their 2024 cookie campaign. This year's theme is Unbox the Future, and it aims to remove barriers that keep girls boxed in. The announcement comes with the yearly lineup of 12 cookie flavors. You can check online to find out where they are selling them near you.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	16-Jan-24	U.S. Navy ships and aircraft are looking for two missing U.S. Navy SEALs as details emerged about their mission to take over a vessel carrying components for medium-range Iranian ballistic missiles headed for Somalia. As they were trying to board the ship in rough seas one SEAL got knocked in by high waves and a teammate went in after him. Both are still missing.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	16-Jan-24	It's no joke. Those funny messages on electronic signs will soon disappear from highways across the country. The U.S. Federal Highway Administration has given states till 2026 to implement the changes outlined in their new manual, which includes eliminating electronic signs with obscure meanings, references to pop culture, or those intended to be funny because they can be distracting to drivers.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	16-Jan-24	With the weather and snow in central Virginia several warming shelters have opened up. If you need a warm place to stay out of the cold the Salvation Army in Lynchburg has a shelter on Park Avenue. The Warming Shelter of Franklin County is open nightly in January and February, and the warming shelter in Pulaski is open when temperatures are below 40 degrees at 6 p.m. on N. Jefferson Avenue in Downtown Pulaski.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	16-Jan-24	The new Timberlake location of Dukin Donuts is opening tomorrow, and the first 50 customers will win free coffee for a year! The new location is beside First Watch and the grand opening is taking place at 6:00 a.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	16-Jan-24	The Republican presidential nominating process officially started yesterday with the Iowa caucus. Former President Donald Trump won with over 50% of the vote, Ron DeSantis had 21% and Nikki Haley ended up with just 19%.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	16-Jan-24	U.S. Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin was released from the hospital, after spending two weeks there to treat complications from surgery for prostate cancer, something he kept secret from senior Biden administration leaders and staff for weeks. Now Austin will be working from home as he recovers.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	16-Jan-24	It has truly been a community effort to get books into the hands of students at Fairfield Court Elementary School in Richmond. Nearly \$17,000 was raised and as a result, the school's 227 students get to take home five new books now and another five in the spring, for free.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	16-Jan-24	After nearly 30 years, the Regal Cinemas in Greenbrier has shut its doors for good. The 13-auditorium theater now sits empty, leaving only the word "goodbye" on the marquee.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	17-Jan-24	A top Federal Reserve official said that he is increasingly confident that inflation will continue falling this year back to the Fed's 2% target level. Right now, inflation is slowing and growth and hiring remain solid, a combination the experts say is almost as good as it gets.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	17-Jan-24	Health officials issued a warning over a potential measles exposure after a person traveled through two airports in Washington D.C. Anyone who might have been exposed should watch for symptoms, until January 25, which include, fever, fatigue, cough, spots in the mouth, and a rash. If you notice symptoms of measles, immediately isolate yourself and contact your healthcare provider.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	17-Jan-24	As frigid temperatures move in across Southwest and Central Virginia, you may be worried about your pipes freezing up. To help prevent that know where shut-off valves are in case of emergencies, open cabinets under the sink to warm pipes, and turn off water to the outside. If your pipes do freeze, turn off the water at the main shut-off valve, then open your faucet so water can flow through when the area is melted, and use a hair dryer to apply heat to the pipes. Once thawed, slowly turn your water back on.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	17-Jan-24	Congress appears to be enhancing the child tax credit, with millions of families set to benefit. Currently, households with children ages 16 and under earning \$200,000 or \$400,000 for couples are generally eligible for the full \$2,000 amount.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	17-Jan-24	Although two navy seals are still missing from the attempt, the U.S. was able to seize Iranian-made missile parts and other weaponry from a ship bound for Yemen. The raid marks the latest seizure by the U.S. Navy and its allies of weapon shipments bound for the terrorists, who are threatening global trade in the Red Sea.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	17-Jan-24	Four squadrons have returned home from deployment on the U.S.S Gerald R. Ford. They touched down back in Virginia Beach this week after their deployment had been extended by almost 3 months.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	17-Jan-24	If you're thinking about starting your own business, applications are open for the second year of Launch LYH. The program works to revitalize vacant spaces in downtown Lynchburg. You can apply with an idea for your business, and if chosen, you go through eight weeks of classes, before pitching your idea for the chance to win part of a \$90,000 prize. Applications are open through January 31 and chosen applicants will be notified by February 16.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	17-Jan-24	The company known for its marshmallow candy has announced which Peeps flavors will be returning this Easter, which will be at the end of March. There are also 4 brand-new flavors, Peeps Rice Krispies Treats, Peeps Sour Strawberry, Peeps Icee Blue Raspberry, and Delights S'mores Graham Cracker Flavored Peeps Dipped in Milk Chocolate.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	18-Jan-24	King Charles III and the Princess of Wales Kate Middleton are both dealing with medical issues that will force them to delay previously planned public engagements over the coming weeks. Charles will undergo a "corrective procedure" for an enlarged prostate, and Kate will remain

			at a private hospital in London for up to two weeks after undergoing planned abdominal surgery.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	18-Jan-24	Bedford County Public Schools are looking for full-time, part-time, and substitute bus drivers, specifically in the Staunton River Zone. If you or someone you know is interested you are invited to the Bus Recruitment Event on Saturday, February 10, at Staunton River High School from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	18-Jan-24	The City of Danville hopes to ramp up tourism with a new program. Tourism stakeholders can receive up to \$10,000 to help create festivals, sports events and even rodeos. Any company that proposes an event taking place by June 30, this year can apply.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	18-Jan-24	Aldi finally did it. They are the first major U.S. retailer to eliminate plastic bags from all of their stores. They have been gradually removing the option to purchase plastic bags at their checkouts for months. Aldi says going plastic bag-free in its 2,300 locations will save the equivalent of 20 statues of Liberty. Reusable cloth bags will still be available for purchase in Aldi stores.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	18-Jan-24	The U.S. has put Yemen's rebels back on its list of specially designated global terrorists amid a series of recent attacks. The National Security Advisor said the designation is an important tool to prevent others from funding them as well as restrict their access to financial markets and hold them accountable for their actions.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	18-Jan-24	Early voting for the March 5 presidential primaries begins tomorrow. The last day to vote early is March 2. Virginians will be able to vote in either the Democratic or the Republican primary at their local registrar's office.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	18-Jan-24	After a water main break on Fort Avenue Lynchburg Water Resources says a portion of the street will be closed until further notice. The section of the westbound lane of Fort Avenue between Langhorne Road and Oakley Avenue is closed and there is a detour in place. Drivers are asked to use caution in the area.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	18-Jan-24	It might be freezing, but that's not stopping some from getting on a boat during peak whale watching season. It's that time of year when whales visit Virginia Beach and Rudee Tours is offering you the opportunity to bundle up and see them right off the coast. Tours are 2 hours and leave from Rudee Inlet at the Virginia Beach Fishing Center.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	19-Jan-24	The average long-term U.S. mortgage rate fell this week to its lowest level since May. There is now hope that inflation has cooled enough for the Federal Reserve to shift to cutting interest rates this year.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	19-Jan-24	Patients at Carilion Giles Community Hospital can expect to see two new robotic team members making their rounds this month. Hospital officials said they are using Carilion Giles as a test run for more hospitals in the area. The robots help the nurses with beside tasks like delivering medication.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	19-Jan-24	Three local school districts are hosting a showcase for an apprenticeship program on Jan. 30 at the Green Ridge Recreation Center in Roanoke starting at 5:30 pm. It's specifically for high school juniors and seniors who attend Roanoke County, Roanoke City and Salem City Schools giving them the chance to learn technical skills before being sent out in the field.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	19-Jan-24	Burts Bees and Hidden Valley Ranch have teamed up to combine all the flavors of a basket of wings into a line of lip balms, available only for a limited time. Now through their website you can buy a limited-edition four-pack that feature flavors of Hidden Valley Ranch, Buffalo Sauce, Crunchy Celery and Fresh Carrot. The items are only available while supplies last.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	19-Jan-24	The U.S. military fired another wave of ship and submarine missile strikes against the terrorist-controlled sites in Yemen, marking the fourth time it has directly targeted the group as violence from the Israel-Hamas war continues to spill over in the Middle East. The strikes were launched from the Red Sea and hit more than a dozen sites.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	19-Jan-24	This year's March for Life will take place today and have a slightly different marching route than in years past. This year it will also go past the Capitol and finish between the Capitol and Supreme Court. The pre-rally Concert will start at 11:00am, the rally will start at 12 and the walk itself will be from 1-4pm.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	19-Jan-24	Mission House Coffee's cornerstone location in Lynchburg off of Greenview drive had a scary moment when a man went into the coffee shop and claimed a package, he dropped was a bomb and that he was robbing them. They notified police by pressing an emergency button and the suspect was arrested. The threat was found to be false. If you were in the coffee shop at the time, your next coffee is on them.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	19-Jan-24	A fire at the Isle of Wight Industrial Park that prompted an emergency due to the potential release of hazardous materials is now under control. The Virginia Department of Emergency Management is helping with any potential runoff of hazardous materials at the site, and the cause is under investigation.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	22-Jan-24	A number of U.S. service members were seriously injured in Iraq after Iranian-backed terrorists targeted an Airbase in Western Iran. Most of the missiles were intercepted, but there were some impacts to the base by artillery fire that weren't.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/22/2024	On Tuesday, Jan. 30, at 8:30am Trillium Health Resources is scheduled to host a re-entry simulation at the K.E. White Graduate Center at Elizabeth City State University on Weeksville Rd. In this Re-entry Simulation, individuals will learn about the many barriers they may go through when they are released from jail, like finding a job, keeping a stable home, and going to treatment regularly.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/22/2024	A U.S. company's failed moon trip ended with a fiery plunge over the South Pacific. Astrobotic Technology said contact and tracking were lost 10 days after launching from Florida. It received confirmation from U.S. Space Command that the spacecraft broke apart during its final moments. It was the first U.S. lunar lander in more than a half-century and the next one is set to blast off next month.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/22/2024	Kingdom Harvest Church, Southern Team Subaru of Roanoke, and Total Action for Progress made sure kids are staying warm during the extreme cold with brand new coats. This weekend they delivered over 450 coats to kids in need.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/22/2024	President Joe Biden signed a short-term spending bill that keeps the federal government operating until early March. The bill averts what would've been a partial government shutdown but does not address additional aid for Ukraine.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/22/2024	At major membership stores like Costco and Sam's Club one inconvenience is having to show a receipt to verify the products you're leaving the store with. Now Sam's Club is trying out a new AI tool to make that a thing of the past.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/22/2024	HopeTree Family Services is looking at selling a portion of its land in Salem for a major development project. The proposal calls for up to 340 homes, 60 hotel rooms, 15,000 square feet of office space and 7,500 square feet of restaurant space. It's unknown whether the project will

			be approved, though as some residents are opposed because of the traffic impact.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/22/2024	Many of the 96 animals seized from Natural Bridge zoo in Virginia last month will not be returned. A Rockbridge General District Court Judge found that prosecutors had proved beyond a reasonable doubt that the animals seized from the Natural Bridge Zoo were subject to cruelty.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/23/2024	Florida Governor Ron DeSantis suspended his Republican presidential campaign, ending his 2024 White House bid just before the New Hampshire primary while endorsing Donald Trump. The decision leaves Trump and former U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley as the last major candidates remaining in the race ahead of today's New Hampshire primary.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/23/2024	The Outer Banks Association of Realtors has called for North Carolina residents to write the state's insurance commissioner to reject a rate hike by the insurance companies that will raise homeowner insurance rates by more than 40%, and nearly 100% for coastal residents. You can petition against the decision by going online and filling out a form, as the rates could take effect as early as Aug 1st.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/23/2024	Treat yourself during Roanoke's Restaurant Week. Bring your family, friends, and appetite to any of Roanoke's downtown restaurants participating in the weeklong food event. More than 30 restaurants are participating with discounts and special menus.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/23/2024	Dexter Scott King, the younger son of Martin Luther King Jr. and Coretta Scott King, has passed away after battling prostate cancer. The King Center in Atlanta says the 62-year-old son of the civil rights leader died at his California home.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/23/2024	Virginia Senator Mark Warner has introduced a bill aimed to strengthen border security and stop the flow of drugs into the U.S. The bill would increase staffing and technology, bolster security, and detect drugs being smuggled through ports of entry along the border. Additionally, the bill also provides funding to purchase non-Intrusive Inspection systems, which scan vehicles and cargo at the border.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/23/2024	The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has issued a recall on Whitley's Peanut Factory's 12oz Deluxe Nut Mix due to possible undeclared allergens. There are several locations in Virginia, including outlet stores in Gloucester and Williamsburg, and the nuts can be purchased online. The Deluxe Mix distributed nationwide between the weeks of August 21 to January 10 may contain undeclared milk, soy, wheat, and sesame allergens.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/23/2024	Five Roanoke employees of American Electric Power have been laid off during what the company calls a "workforce reduction" of 270 workers across its 11-state territory. There is a total of nine affected employees across Virginia.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/23/2024	Virginia State Police are investigating a crash that caused both sides of Interstate 95 in Chesterfield County to come to a complete stop yesterday. A work truck ran off the road and struck the wall sending debris all over the southbound lanes of traffic before ending up on its side. The driver, who police say was alone, was ejected from the vehicle and taken to VCU Medical Center for their injuries.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/24/2024	For the first time since the U.S. Defense Secretary established the international group to support Ukraine in April of 2022, the United States is hosting a meeting with those 50 countries to help get aid to the Ukraine. While the U.S. is waiting for Congress to pass a budget and potentially approve more money for Ukraine's fight, the U.S. is hoping some of these allies can bridge the gap.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/24/2024	Dozens of family members of hostages held by Hamas terrorists stormed a committee meeting in Israel's parliament, demanding a deal to get their loved ones released. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has insisted that pursuing the offensive in Gaza is the only way to bring the hostage's home. At the same time, he has also rejected the United States' vision for a postwar resolution, of a Palestinian state.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/24/2024	Apple's major iPhone security update is now available to download and is designed to keep thieves from accessing users' vast personal data stored on the device. The "Stolen Device Protection" update adds an extra layer of protection by creating additional steps to access certain information.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/24/2024	Virginia State Parks are looking for qualified candidates for the Youth Conservation program. During the two-week program, Crew Members live and work in one of 42 Virginia State Parks. They do things like trail maintenance or constructing new picnic pads and tent sites. Applicants must be 14 to 17-years-old. Session 1 is June 16-28, and

			session 2 is July 7-20, members will also get a \$750 dollar stipend upon successful completion of the program. Applications are being accepted until March 15.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/24/2024	Former President Donald Trump took a huge step toward winning a third consecutive Republican presidential nomination, winning the New Hampshire primary in a one-on-one matchup with former South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley. Haley has vowed to remain in the Republican race, saying she'll now focus on the February 24 primary in her home state of South Carolina.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/24/2024	The search for two Navy seals that were lost in the Arabian Sea while trying to board a ship has been called off. Navy SEAL Team 3 was trying to climb aboard a ship that was carrying illegal weapons to Yemen when Navy Special Warfare Operator Nathan Ingram fell into the waves and Special Warfare Operator 1st Class Christopher Chambers jumped in to try to save him. The 11-day search and rescue mission has now turned into a recovery effort.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/24/2024	There's a new historical marker in Roanoke City. Leaders unveiled the marker at Virginia Western Community College that honors them as the first community college in Virginia to open for classes in 1966. The former mayor says there are two more historical markers in the making.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/24/2024	The Sea Turtle Assistance & Rehabilitation Center at the North Carolina Aquarium is seeking supplies from the community as it works to take care of a large number of sea turtles. Right now, they have more than 100 cold-stunned turtles in-house and are closed to the public until further notice. They are asking for monetary donations as well as, hard plastic kiddie pools, and 10-gallon totes.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/25/2024	Vehicles donated by Samaritan's Purse, were delivered in Jerusalem for use as ambulances amid the ongoing war. Each of the 14 ambulances was dedicated in memory of a medic that lost their life in action. One by one, the inscriptions on the ambulances were unveiled, as family and friends got the chance to see and touch their loved one's memorial ambulance for the first time.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/25/2024	The Biden administration has approved \$2.5 billion for the \$12 billion project of a high-speed passenger train between Las Vegas and Southern California. The project aims to take passengers at 186 mph or more in electric trains along the Interstate 15 corridor cutting in half a four-hour freeway trip between Las Vegas and Los

			Angeles. Officials have said it might be operational by the Summer Olympics in Los Angeles in 2028.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/25/2024	Virginia received 'F' grades in all but one category in the American Lung Association's State of Tobacco Control report. The report evaluates the states actions to eliminate tobacco use and to save lives. In Virginia health care costs due to smoking exceed \$3 billion, with over 10,000 smoking deaths in 2023.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/25/2024	The Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport is preparing to start a 15-month parking lot project. The project will begin in February and will include repaving, larger spaces and drive lanes, new lighting, infrastructure for electric vehicle charging, and more. The airport will close portions of the parking lot in phases starting on January 29.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/25/2024	Boeing workers at the 737 factory will stop work today to hold a special session to focus on quality after another mechanical error led to a plane losing its nose wheel shortly before taking off in Atlanta. Passengers were able to disembark the plane and no injuries were reported. This is amid an investigation with Alaskan airlines where the whole side panel came off the plane mid-flight.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/25/2024	Two American-flagged ships carrying cargo for the U.S. Defense and State departments came under attack by Yemen's terrorist group. The attacks on the container ships Maersk Detroit and Maersk Chesapeake further raise the stakes of the group's ongoing attacks on shipping in the red sea. The U.S. and the United Kingdom have launched multiple rounds of airstrikes seeking to stop the attacks.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/25/2024	Centra is filing a multi-million-dollar lawsuit against one of its professional partners: Lynchburg Oncology. According to the lawsuit, Centra said LHOC owes them more than \$7 million dollars due to inaccurate documentation.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/25/2024	The 85-year-old bridge in Roanoke's Wasena neighborhood is getting demolished in the coming months. The project will cause detours for drivers for the next two-years. Once complete the new bridge will include bike lanes, wider sidewalks, LED lighting, and a roundabout on the northern side to improve traffic flow.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/26/2024	Six nuns that were kidnapped in Haiti last week along with two others have been released. Thankfully everyone was in good condition. There was no news as to whether a ransom was paid or who was responsible for the kidnapping.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/26/2024	There are more tech related layoffs to start the new year. Microsoft is laying off around 1,900 workers in their Gaming unit and providing support for departing employees, including location-dependent severance. EBay also laid off over 1,000 full-time employees, joining TikTok and Google as well.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/26/2024	A fire at the Lynchburg Frito-Lay manufacturing plant is now under investigation. Crews said they were called to the 200 block of Jefferson Ridge Parkway after machinery was reported to be on fire inside the building. Facility staff was unable to get the fire out, and the plant was evacuated as a result. The rest of the factory was unaffected aside from needing smoke ventilation.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/26/2024	Federal wildlife officials announced that they will consider adding 10 new species to the Endangered Species Act, including a bumble bee that serves as a key pollinator across the United States from the Midwest, to the mid-Atlantic states and the Plains states from Texas to North Dakota. Another species under review includes the Hickory Nut Gorge salamander, an amphibian found in western North Carolina.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/26/2024	Senator Mark Warner is calling for more support for Ukraine saying the future of America's relationship with other countries hangs in the balance. So far, the 60 billion dollars of military and economic aid President Biden requested for Ukraine in September has yet to arrive. Republicans were expected to re-debate the assistance for Ukraine this week with hopes that the bill will make it to the Senate floor for approval.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/26/2024	The maker of Robitussin cough syrup is recalling several lots of products containing honey due to contamination that could pose a serious risk to those with weakened immune systems. The Robitussin Honey CF Max Day Adult and Nighttime Adult have expiration dates ranging from October 2025 to June 2026.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/26/2024	There is a dire need for foster parents in Southwest Virginia. UMFS is holding an open house/meet and greet at its Lynchburg office today to help answer questions about the process of becoming a foster parent, as well as discuss the resources foster families receive through UMFS. The open house is from 2 - 6pm at their office on Leesville Rd, in Lynchburg.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/26/2024	Mr. Spence White, the Theater Director for the Jefferson Forest High School Cavalier Theatre, won the National Federation of State High School Associations Outstanding Theatre Educator Award for the 2023-2024 school year.

			Only 56 educators are picked for these awards and of the 56, only 13 are picked for Outstanding Theatre Awards.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/29/2024	Three American service members lost their lives, and many were wounded in a drone strike in Jordan, President Joe Biden attributed the attack to Iran backed terrorists' groups. There was no immediate reaction from Jordan, the country that borders Iraq, Israel, the Palestinian territory of the West Bank, Saudi Arabia, and Syria. U.S. troops long have used Jordan as a base with almost 3,000 troops typically stationed there.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/29/2024	A jury awarded \$83.3 million to the longtime advice columnist over her claims against Former President Donald Trump. Protesting the verdict, the former president has said he will appeal.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/29/2024	Christiansburg town leaders want to hear from you. They are in the process of updating the town's comprehensive plan. The survey includes questions on housing, recreation, education, and safety. If you would like to participate in the survey, you can fill it out online.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/29/2024	The owners of Natural Bridge Zoo are facing new consequences following allegations of inadequate care and animal cruelty. The Lexington-Rockbridge General District Court decided there was evidence of cruelty which added up to \$45,000. The County has also been granted the right to make unannounced inspections of Natural Bridge Zoo for six months.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/29/2024	The U.S. Navy is starting to enlist individuals who didn't graduate from high school or get a GED, marking the second time in about a year that the service has opened the door to lower-performing recruits as it struggles to meet enlistment goals. Under the new plan, Navy recruits without an education will be able to join as long as they score 50 or above on the qualification test, which is out of 99.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/29/2024	Virginia is now for space! A space initiative, decades in the making, could come down to a company in Lynchburg. BWXT's innovation campus is working on a nuclear technology project that would help astronauts travel faster in space. Right now, it would take over a year to get to mars, BWXT is hoping to get that down to 6 to 8 months. NASA is hoping for the first human exploration trip to Mars in 2040.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/29/2024	Liberty University School of Law will host Volunteer Income Tax Assistance service free for qualifying individuals. These services will be offered from February 2 through March 5. To qualify for the free service, the income of the taxpayer or both spouses if filing jointly may not exceed \$64,000.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/29/2024	The National Weather Service in Wakefield, Virginia is currently accepting applications for its Summer Student Volunteer Program. It's open to students enrolled in college, that are pursuing a degree in meteorology or a related science. This is an unpaid position, but students will get to work at a NWS field office and assist in day-to-day operations. Applications must be in by February 16.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/30/2024	U.S. negotiators are making progress on an agreement where Israel would pause military operations against Hamas in Gaza for two months in exchange for the release of 100 hostages. In the first phase, fighting would stop to allow for women, elderly, and wounded hostages to be released by Hamas. Then in a second phase Israeli soldiers and civilian men would be released. The deal also calls for Israel to allow more humanitarian aid into Gaza.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/30/2024	The iconic Oscar Meyer Weiner Mobile will be around over the next few days. You can tour the vehicle and get an iconic weenie whistle. Thursday they will be at the Kroger at Unvi. City in Blacksburg from 10-1 and then at the Kroger on South Main st. from 2-5pm. Then Friday they will be on west main street in Salem from 10-1 and on Brambleton Ave in Roanoke from 2-5. Saturday they will be at the Kroger on Electric Rd in Roanoke from 10-1, and then from 2-5, they be on Valley Gateway Blvd, and on Sunday, from 10-1, they be at the Kroger on Forest Road, and from 2-5, at the Kroger on Timberlake Road, in Lynchburg.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/30/2024	The bridge over Pigg River on Snow Creek Road in Franklin County is closed until further notice due to an embankment washout. VDOT is working on the issue, and you can expect delays.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/30/2024	Attention all nature lovers! The National Park Service has announced that it's looking for campground hosts to live and work in Shenandoah National Park. The volunteer position would begin March 27 and would end Oct. 31. Applicants should have strong communication skills, as well as backpacking and camping skills. If selected, volunteers will spend 32 hours per week in one of several locations.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/30/2024	President Joe Biden offered assurances that he will close the U.S.-Mexico border if lawmakers send him a bill to sign. The deal being negotiated in Congress would require the U.S. to shutter the border if 5,000 migrants cross illegally on any given day. Some one-day totals last year exceeded 10,000.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/30/2024	Now is the time to start filing your taxes. You have through April 15 to file and a big change this year is the standard deduction which has been increased due to inflation. It's the second-largest hike in three decades and as a result, you could owe less in taxes or see a bigger refund. Congress is also debating changes to the Child Tax Credit which means if you qualify, you could get a bigger deduction per child.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/30/2024	More than two days after a car went off the end of the 14th Street Fishing Pier at the Virginia Beach Oceanfront, it remains under water. Recovery of car had to be postponed due to high waves. Several factors will decide when it is safe to return to the water to continue recovery efforts. There is still no word who, if anyone, was in the vehicle, or why the incident happened.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/30/2024	It's a controversy drawing attention from property owners and the hunting community. Senate Bill 30, if passed, would enable the Department of Wildlife Resources to require anyone hunting with dogs to get a permit. The Virginia Hunting Dog Alliance spokesperson believes enforcing a permit on hunters is not the solution but having more game wardens to monitor those hotspots where dogs are going on private land could solve some of the problems.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/31/2024	According to Elon Musk, the first human received an implant from his computer-brain interface company Neuralink. Neuralink's device is about the size of a large coin and is designed to be implanted in the skull, with ultra-thin wires going directly into the brain so patients with brain disorders would have the ability to control a computer cursor or keyboard using their thoughts alone.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/31/2024	UPS will cut 12,000 jobs over the next several months. After they just reached a new labor agreement in September. The job eliminations are anticipated to be among management roles and contractors.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/31/2024	More flyers containing hateful rhetoric were left on porches and cars across Lynchburg. The flyers claimed to link Jewish people to the slave trade and called for reparations, as well as for people to boycott Israel. The topics focused on racist and anti-Semitic remarks.

			Residents say enough is enough and expect the police to catch those responsible.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/31/2024	If you live in Danville there's a new structure that's nearly impossible to miss, a 40-foot otter. Crews broke ground on Riverfront Park last March on Memorial Drive and the \$14 million project on going well and on track with their timeline. The park will have many features including a playground, an urban splash pad, and a performance area. As for the 40-foot otter, it's actually one of the three parts of the playground.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/31/2024	The Illinois election board kept former President Donald Trump on the state's primary ballot. This is just a week before the U.S. Supreme Court hears arguments on whether his role in the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol disqualifies him from the presidency. The nation's highest court has never ruled on a case involving Section 3 of the 14th Amendment, which was adopted in 1868 to prevent former confederates from returning to office after the Civil War. Some legal scholars say the post-Civil War clause applies to the former president.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/31/2024	Lynchburg City School leaders are implementing a new curriculum that will start in kindergarten and go all the way through high school teaching students about different careers. Bedford Hills, Paul Munro, and Linkhorne Elementary Schools will focus on Health and Environmental Sciences. W.M. Bass, R.S. Payne, and Dearington Elementary Schools will focus on Arts and Global Studies. Heritage, Sheffield, and Perrymont Elementary Schools will focus on Engineering and Technology and students will choose one of the three middle schools to continue that education.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	1/31/2024	Residents in the New River Valley are excited about the proposed passenger train station. Right now, the location of the station is yet to be determined, but once established the station will be able to connect those wanting to travel up to Washington D.C. or other parts of Virginia. The goal is to have it up and running by 2028.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	1/31/2024	Norfolk Public Schools announced a new policy regarding athletic event attendance. All middle school and high school students must have a parent or guardian with them in order to get into basketball games. Adults cannot drop off students at the event and there will be no cash ticket sales on site.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/1/2024	Chinese government hackers have been targeting water treatment plants, the electrical grid, transportation systems and other critical infrastructure inside the United States, according to the FBI Director. The FBI suspects that this could be the technical groundwork for disruption of communications between the U.S. and Asia during future crises.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/1/2024	Teachers in Virginia pulling double duty as bus drivers, may soon see an added benefit through the Virginia Retirement System. The bill specifies that the amount of credit allowable shall be equivalent to what the individual would earn if they were employed only as a full-time school bus driver, on top of their full-time teaching credit.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/1/2024	A Lynchburg organization has announced that they will have to close their doors on a shelter that was created to help homeless residents in the area. Roads to Recovery said the Shelter at Reset on 5th street in downtown Lynchburg will be closing on June 30, due to the lack of financial resources.
News	AM	2/1/2024	The Super Bowl isn't the only game to look forward to next Sunday. The 20th annual Puppy Bowl is also happening that day at 2 p.m. on Animal Planet. This year there will be four rescue puppies from Virginia playing in the game. On team Fluff there's Cronut from Chesapeake, and Levi from Troy VA. On team Rough there is Moosh, and Stryker who are also from Troy.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/1/2024	The United States said that the Islamic Resistance in Iraq, an umbrella group of Iran-backed terrorists was responsible for the drone attack in Jordan that took the lives of three U.S. service members. The U.S. has signaled it is preparing for retaliatory strikes in the Middle east.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/1/2024	Virginia's Attorney General, alongside Tennessee's Attorney General, have filed an antitrust lawsuit against the National Collegiate Athletic Association. The lawsuit claims that the NCAA's restrictions on the ability of current and future student-athletes to negotiate and benefit from their Name, Image, and Likeness rights are harmful to current and future student-athletes.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/1/2024	Early voting was suspended for the day in Richmond yesterday after the heating system failed at the city's Office of Elections, releasing fumes and smoke in the building. Firefighters' prompt action prevented further damage, and early voting should resume today. You can vote early now through March 2nd.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/1/2024	The Portsmouth Animal Control Unit has recently received numerous calls from residents who have spotted coyotes in various parts of the city. Animal control says the increase in coyote sightings is partly due to the animals approaching their breeding season. They recommend making sure you don't leave food out and watch out for your small pets and chickens.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/2/2024	President Joe Biden has issued an executive order that targets Israeli settlers in the West Bank who have been accused of attacking Palestinians and Israeli peace activists in the occupied territory imposing financial sanctions and visa bans in against four individuals. The order claims that those settlers were involved in acts of violence, as well as threats and attempts to destroy or seize Palestinian property.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/2/2024	The construction on the Commonwealth's first Buc-ee's travel center in Rockingham County started this week. The future Buc-ee's, is at the exit 240 interchange along I-81. The travel center will have 120- fueling positions and 24 charging stations on site. It will also bring 200 jobs to Virginia and more than \$60 million in investments.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/2/2024	Today is ground hog day. Punxsutawney Phil will make his annual prediction around 7:28 this morning. The forecast calls for cloudy skies, in Pennsylvania this morning which favors no shadow sighting and an early start to spring, according to legend. But history predicts a shadow sighting and six more weeks of winter.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/2/2024	Many are starting to take advantage of expanded bus service in Roanoke. Metro FLX, allows passengers to schedule late-night bus rides Monday through Saturday and provides day service on Sundays, something Valley Metro hasn't had for years. The price of a ride is \$1.75 per trip.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/2/2024	More than 200 reporters, photographers, and other staffers with the Chicago Tribune and six other newsrooms around the nation went on strike to protest years of slow contract negotiations and to demand fair wages. It is the latest strike in the U.S. news industry. The workers are employees of a New York hedge fund that has been buying up newspapers across the country, slashing budgets, and cutting jobs.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/2/2024	A bill in Virginia's General Assembly could lead to a better response from law enforcement when a life-threatening situation develops at a school. The bill would require Virginia schools to have alert devices with technology that immediately notify EMS, law enforcement and other first responders in the case of an emergency.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/2/2024	Virginia State Police filed charges against protesters near a Mountain Valley Pipeline construction site in Montgomery Co. One individual had attached herself to an unoccupied helicopter and the second person was standing on the helipad. The attached individual was charged with interfering with the property rights of another and the one standing on the pad was cited for obstructing free passage.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/2/2024	The recovery of the car that went off the 14th Street Pier in Virginia Beach last Saturday has been delayed again. VB crews are monitoring the weather and they may be able to attempt to retrieve the vehicle today. It's now been nearly a week since the car went off the end of the pier, and no one knows who the driver of the vehicle was, or why it all happened.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/5/2024	California was hit with a dangerous storm over the weekend with hurricane-force winds and flooding that caused mudslides. Evacuation warnings and orders are still in effect and classes were canceled today for schools across Santa Barbara County. The storm is expected to stick around through tomorrow.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/5/2024	Almost a week after a vehicle went off the edge of the 14th Street Fishing Pier at the Virginia Beach Oceanfront, crews were finally able to remove it from the water. Police said one body was found in the vehicle. The process took just under an hour.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/5/2024	Bedford police are warning individuals of scammers that are calling and impersonating members of the Bedford Police Department. Police said their officers will never call you and ask for money or give ultimatums. Be wary of any calls instructing you to pay with gift cards or wire transfers. Do not share personal or financial information with unknown callers.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/5/2024	The town of Pulaski recently purchased 155 acres of undeveloped land between Memorial Drive and Pepper's Ferry Road, which has been vacant for decades. As one of the largest undeveloped pieces of land within the town limits, the property will most likely be used for residential, commercial, and mixed-use development.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/5/2024	British forces joined American allies in new attacks against terrorists in Yemen. The U.S. military also launched strikes on dozens of sites manned by Iran-backed fighters in western Iraq and eastern Syria in retaliation for the drone strike in Jordan.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/5/2024	President Joe Biden easily won South Carolina's Democratic primary. His reelection campaign invested heavily in driving up turnout in what it saw as a test of its

			efforts to mobilize voters in a likely November rematch against former President Donald Trump.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/5/2024	The Virginia House of Delegates has passed a bill that would bring increases in Virginia's minimum wage, up to \$15 an hour starting in 2026. The bill will first increase the current minimum wage of \$12 per hour up to \$13.50 starting in 2025. Then it will go up to \$15 per hour in 2026.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/5/2024	The Lynchburg Fire Department and the Haz-Mat team, responded to Hendricks Street after receiving a report that a local creek was completely white in color. Westover Dairy on Fort Avenue had a blocked waste line and milk was overflowing into the creek. Once the drain line was unclogged, the overflow stopped and there is no health threat to the public.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/6/2024	The Federal Reserve plans to cut interest rates three times this year, beginning as early as May. With inflation slowing, nearly all the 19 members of the Fed's policy-setting committee have agreed that cuts will help lower the cost of mortgages, auto loans, credit cards, and other consumer and business borrowing.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/6/2024	Crews from six Virginia counties including Amherst, Albemarle, Campbell, Buckingham, and Appomattox, worked to put out a fire at a lumberyard in Nelson County. In total, just under 100,000 gallons of water were used to put out the fire. No injuries have been reported and the cause of the fire is under investigation.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/6/2024	Danville has a new solution to address its housing need, The Housing Navigator, an online tool to help find current housing projects, low-income housing, housing programs for those experiencing homelessness, and an interactive map to find sites ready to build. With all the job opportunities coming to Danville the city will needs over 200 single family homes and 1,500 extra apartments. The city hopes that with this new site in place, the lack of housing options will be a thing of the past.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/6/2024	A new interstate stretching from Raleigh, North Carolina to Norfolk is in the works. It's a project that will eventually make it easier to move people and goods from north to south. Despite the progress in North Carolina, Virginia has not taken similar steps to cover the roughly 30 miles the Commonwealth would be responsible for. At this time there is no timeline on when the project might be complete.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/6/2024	King Charles III has been diagnosed with a form of cancer and has begun treatment. Less than 18 months into his reign he will suspend public duties but will continue with state business and won't be handing over his role as head of state. The palace said the cancer is not related to the king's recent treatment for a prostate condition, but they did not say what form of cancer the 75-year-old monarch has.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/6/2024	The James River Bridge, which was scheduled to be closed for maintenance work, reopened a full day ahead of schedule. Crews worked to replace the wire ropes needed to lift the bridge span for marine traffic. This is the second time this year the JRB had a full closure.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/6/2024	The Wright Brothers Monument in North Carolina is scheduled to receive a condition assessment from now through Thurs. The assessment plans to address water intrusion and general maintenance needs for the 91-year-old monument. During the assessment, access to a portion of Big Kill Devil Hill will be restricted to ensure the safety of contractors, staff, and visitors.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/6/2024	Amazon Ring recently announced new limitations on how police can get Ring video camera footage from homeowners. The company will now require police to get a warrant to access doorbell video. So instead of the video being delivered directly through the Neighbors app, agencies must provide instructions on how the resident should deliver the video to them.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/7/2024	A federal appeals panel has ruled that former president Donald Trump can face a trial on charges that he plotted to overturn the 2020 election. The Supreme Court is also set to hear arguments tomorrow, on whether or not he is eligible to run for reelection at all. The court should have a decision before the primaries on March 5.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/7/2024	Honda is recalling more than 750,000 vehicles in the U.S. because a faulty sensor may cause the front passenger air bags to inflate when they're not supposed to. The recall covers Honda Pilot, Accord, Civic sedan, HR-V and Odyssey models from the 2020 through 2022. Dealers will replace the seat sensors at no cost to owners and they will be notified starting March 18.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/7/2024	Virginia Beach Police have confirmed the body found inside the vehicle that went off the edge of the 14th Street Fishing Pier in Virginia Beach is the same individual who had been reported missing by family members. It was a 57-year-old Virginia Beach man and they do not plan on releasing the man's name. The investigation determined there was no evidence of anything criminal.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/7/2024	A night for those of all abilities to be recognized and appreciated at the prom is happening this Friday. The Tim Tebow Foundations Night to Shine is back in Salem at Fellowship Community Church with over 450 guests so far, all with different special needs, and there is still time to get signed up.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/7/2024	A handful of super powerful tropical storms in the last decade has a couple of experts proposing a new category for hurricanes: Category 6. The traditional five-category scale was developed more than 50 years ago and may not show the true power of the stronger storms. Category 6 would be used for storms with winds that exceed 192 miles per hour, right now Category 5 covers storms from 157mph and up. Others say though that a new category isn't necessary because it's based on wind speed, while water actually the deadliest part of hurricanes.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/7/2024	February is American heart month and the American Heart Association, is reminding you to watch out for the following symptoms of a heart attack. Some signs include chest pain or discomfort, upper back or neck pain, indigestion, heartburn, nausea or vomiting, extreme fatigue, upper body discomfort, dizziness, and shortness of breath.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/7/2024	Virginia Commonwealth University Police Department has 14 vacancies and to fill those VCU PD is offering a free tuition benefit for VCU classes. Current VCU students, faculty, or staff that complete the police academy will receive a \$5,000 sign on bonus. If you are interested, they are starting their upcoming police academy in May after commencement to not interfere with Fall and Spring semesters.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/7/2024	The Virginia Beach SPCA is seeking donations after taking in 18 rescue dogs. The animals are all getting medical checkups, and some are now ready for adoption. If you can't donate financially, they ask you to check out their wishlist online. You can also donate physical items like sheets and towels.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/8/2024	Rescue crews are searching for five US Marines after finding their military helicopter in Southern California's Pine Valley. The aircraft was located about 45-miles from San Diego, but rescue crews said snowy conditions were making access challenging. It's unclear why the helicopter was flying back from Nevada in the storm.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/8/2024	When you use Facebook and Instagram you will start seeing labels on AI-generated images as part of a broader tech industry initiative to sort between what's real and not. This should help users easily identify images and

			eventually video and audio generated by artificial intelligence tools.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/8/2024	Last summer the heavy rainstorms caused a landslide on 12th Street. The road is still shut down for repairs and work is currently underway to make sure it doesn't happen again. The city decided to use heavy-duty mesh with concrete overtop in order to permanently hold that bank back for at least 20 or more years. They expect to open the road again in March or April.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/8/2024	Norfolk Southern had a train derailment yesterday. Nine cars were derailed at the Lambert's Point Terminal, officials said. All the cars involved were thankfully empty at the time, and no hazardous materials were involved.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/8/2024	The Supreme Court is supposed to be voting today on whether or not Former President Trump should be allowed on the ballot for 2024. 3 potential outcomes are possible. The first is the court could uphold Colorado's ruling leaving him off the ballot. Second, the court could rule that Trump cannot be disqualified under Section 3, and finally they could simply not make a final decision now and have to decide on Jan. 6, 2025, if he wins the election, whether or not to certify his victory.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/8/2024	For those with COVID-19, antiviral pills that can be taken at home can lessen the chances of winding up in the hospital. But the pills have to be taken right away, so you must get tested, obtain a prescription, and get the medication within five days of symptoms appearing. The medication is intended for those with moderate COVID-19 who are more likely to become seriously ill like the elderly and those with other health conditions like heart disease, cancer, or diabetes.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/8/2024	An exciting update for the Texas Inn restaurant in Lynchburg, they just reached their investment goal of \$120,000 in just 13 days. The popular restaurant chain is working on expanding to Richmond in the coming months starting with a take-out location before moving to fully dine-in. This will be their fourth location, bringing their famous Cheesy Westerns and chili to the state capitol.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/8/2024	Henrico Federal Credit Union's Financial Empowerment Center inside Regency Mall in Richmond is now offering weekly classes for adults in personal finance. For more information you can call or email them.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/9/2024	Five U.S. Marines aboard a helicopter that went down during stormy weather in the mountains outside of San

			Diego have lost their lives. Efforts to recover the five have begun and an investigation into the crash is underway.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/9/2024	The Federal Communications Commission has outlawed robocalls that contain voices generated by artificial intelligence, a decision that sends a clear message that exploiting the technology to scam people and mislead voters won't be tolerated.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/9/2024	American gymnast Gabby Douglas confirmed she will be competing for a spot on the U.S. Olympic team after a nearly eight-year break from the sport. Now at age 28, she's ready to reenter competitive gymnastics against a deep slate of American women. She will mark her return to competitive gymnastics Feb. 24 at the Winter Cup in Louisville, Kentucky.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/9/2024	A Fairfax County teacher is the recipient of this year's Grammy Music Educator of the Year Award. Annandale High School orchestra director Annie Ray attended the award show and connected with music legends including Taylor Swift.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/9/2024	The Supreme Court seems ready to reject attempts to kick former President Donald Trump off the 2024 ballot. A definitive ruling for Trump, the leading Republican candidate for president, would largely end efforts in Colorado, Maine and elsewhere to prevent his name from appearing on the ballot. If Trump is removed from the ballot in Colorado, then other states could eventually attempt to knock other candidates off the ballot. Then the election could come down to just a handful of states deciding the presidential election.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/9/2024	Ukraine's President has replaced his top army general to shake-up their war with Russia that is headed into a third year as Ukraine grapples with shortages of ammunition, personnel issues, and struggles to maintain support from the West. The conflict with Russia has been at a near stalemate for months.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/9/2024	It's been over a week since a car went off the Virginia Beach fishing pier. The owners of the pier have hired engineers to do an inspection to determine when the pier can reopen. The city is expecting the engineers report today and based on that report the city can set a timeline for reopening.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/9/2024	Did you know that you can contribute to scientific research by simply counting the variety of birds in your backyard? The Department of Conservation and Recreation has encouraged Virginia residents to participate in this effort as part of the annual Great

			Backyard Bird Count. This year, the count will take place between Friday, Feb. 16, and Monday, Feb. 19.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/13/2024	Israeli forces have rescued two hostages in a heavily guarded apartment in the Gaza Strip. Heavy airstrikes provided cover for the operation that took the lives of at least 67 Palestinians. The city on the southern edge of the Gaza Strip is the last remaining Hamas stronghold in the territory and Israel has signaled that its ground offensive may soon target that city.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/13/2024	Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin was hospitalized again to address a bladder issue as he continues to recover from prostate cancer. He has transferred authorities to his deputy. A statement from Walter Reed medical officials said Austin was admitted into the critical care unit for supportive care for close monitoring.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/13/2024	Smoking in cars with children is banned in 11 states, and lawmakers are pushing to join them in West Virginia, where more adults use cigarettes than anywhere else in the nation. The state Senate has passed a bill calling for fines for anyone caught smoking in a vehicle when someone age 16 or under is present.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/13/2024	Dare County has issued a coastal flood watch until 4 p.m. today. Areas along tidal creeks, and areas along the Pamlico Sound could experience up to four feet of flooding in low-lying areas. If travel is required, allow extra time as some roads may be closed and do not drive around barricades.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/13/2024	Police say woman lost her life at a Joel Osteen church in Texas after attacking church goers. Her son, who was with her at the time, remains in critical condition this morning after being wounded in the attack. Worshippers could be seen leaving the building as authorities evacuated the church and continued to search the building as a precaution. About 45,000 people attend weekly services at there.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/13/2024	Virginia State Police are aiming to crack down on speeding and reckless driving on Interstate 81 with Operation Disrupt. From now through next Tuesday, state troopers throughout the Commonwealth will be conducting the traffic enforcement and educational safety initiative on the full stretch of I-81. Ultimately, this operation is looking to reduce the number of crashes by addressing distracted and impaired driving, speed compliance, and seat belt safety.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/13/2024	The Virginia Department of Veterans Services has a new commissioner following the appointment of retired Navy veteran Chuck Zingler by Governor Glenn Youngkin. The DVS said nearly 700,000 veterans live in Virginia one of the highest vet population percentages of any state.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/13/2024	Several fire departments in Virginia donated to Ukraine. Division 4, which includes departments from Carroll, Wythe, Pulaski and Giles counties, donated more than 250 sets of gear. The Division 4 Chief says the gear was delivered to Glen Allen, where it will then be shipped to fire departments in Ukraine.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/14/2024	The Senate has passed a \$95.3 billion aid package for Ukraine, Israel, and Taiwan. The bill's passage through the Senate was a welcome sign for Ukraine amid critical shortages on the battlefield, yet the package faces an uncertain future in the House. It could still be weeks or months before Congress sends the legislation to President Joe Biden's desk.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/14/2024	When Hurricane Dorian swept through North Carolina, it was deemed a major disaster that allowed communities to apply for grants. Dare County went down that route and was awarded more than \$5 million from FEMA. Because of that 31 homeowners were selected to have their homes raised as part of flood mitigation. Dare County expects the project to start sometime in the second half of the year.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/14/2024	Virginia State Police say no one was injured after a two-vehicle crash involving a school bus in Giles County yesterday. All the students on the bus were taken to school.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/14/2024	Today is not only Valentine's day it's also ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is a holy day of prayer and fasting in many denominations and marks the first day of Lent where many give up something for 40 days leading up to Easter Sunday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/14/2024	The House of Representatives, by an extremely narrow margin, voted to impeach the Homeland Security Secretary over boarder security issues. He is the first Cabinet secretary to be impeached in almost 150 years.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/14/2024	Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin was released from Walter Reed National Military Medical Center, ending his second stay since surgery to treat prostate cancer. He has resumed his full duties.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/14/2024	Kings Dominion is looking to fill 2,500 positions ahead of the park's 2024 season. The park will host a week-long hiring event Feb. 17-24 to fill a variety of roles. Hourly pay

			starts at \$13 for those who are 16 and older or based on experience.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/14/2024	For the fifth year in a row, there will not be a Pungo Strawberry Festival. It's typically held over Memorial Day weekend and over 100,000 attended the last one in 2019. The organizers said the festival will be on hiatus until they can find a new team.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/15/2024	The Biden administration is expanding a program to help rural communities with serious sewage problems get help to plan improvements and apply for funding. More than 2 million in the U.S. lack indoor plumbing and more live with failing sewage systems that can result in waste backing up into homes threatening public health.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/15/2024	A drone company has received authorization from the Federal Aviation Administration for Commercial Agricultural Aircraft Operations using drones. This allows the company to operate any drone approved for agricultural operations, which allows farmers the ability to capitalize on the benefits of precision spraying.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/15/2024	The first adult high school in Virginia is coming to Roanoke. The site is under construction right now, but within the next two years, adults who missed the opportunity earlier in their life will have a chance to receive a diploma. The center's mission is to be as accessible as possible, bringing resources like childcare, transportation services, and college and career navigation, all to one location, Melrose Plaza.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/15/2024	We are about to see more skunks out as experts say it's the peak of their breeding season. Skunks make their way in backyards and even under your house, looking to create dens and spreading their strong odors. To avoid getting sprayed make sure you keep an eye out before you let your pets out and seal up outdoor spaces that make good places for them to hide.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/15/2024	One person lost their life and more than 20 people were injured in Kansas City, Missouri, at the parade for the Super Bowl-winning Chiefs. A local radio DJ was identified as the person, that passed away. Police have detained three people as part of the investigation and the FBI has set up a website asking for tips or videos from the Super Bowl parade.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/15/2024	Federal accident investigators are pushing to retrofit current aircraft with better cockpit voice recorders, citing the loss of evidence during last month's blowout of a door panel on the Alaskan airlines flight. The National Transportation Safety Board said that the Federal Aviation

			Administration should require current planes to have recorders that can capture 25 hours of audio, up from the current standard of two hours.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/15/2024	Weeks after the Lynchburg Police Department found racist and anti-Semitic flyers in different neighborhoods in the city, Lynchburg City Council has a united message when it comes to hate in the hill city. Mayor Stephanie Reed, along with the rest of the council, announced that hate has no place in Lynchburg, but said that unfortunately there is nothing they can do because even hate speech is protected under the First Amendment.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/15/2024	A new survey from US News and World Report places Hampton Roads and North Carolina at number three in the country when it comes to buying homes. Active listings are up 8 percent, and new construction is up 9 percent. The Federal Reserve is also promising interest rate cuts, but the cost of houses is going up, so if you wait you will have a lower interest rate, but will pay more for your new home.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/16/2024	A personal dispute between several people has been blamed for the incident at the Kansas City Chiefs' Super Bowl parade. Over 20 were injured and a mother of two lost her life. Three have been detained but no charges have been filed yet. The incident outside Union Station occurred despite the presence of more than 800 police officers, they also don't expect to cancel their upcoming St. Patrick's Day parade.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/16/2024	The Biden administration is providing \$970 million for improvements at 114 airports around the country. Several Virginia airports will receive money including, Richmond International, Charlottesville-Albemarle, Roanoke /Blacksburg Regional airport, Newport News/Williamsburg International, Lynchburg Regional and Shenandoah Valley Regional airport.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/16/2024	Roanoke County Public Schools is seeking input to name a new career and technical education facility that will replace the existing Burton Center for Arts & Technology. Construction should begin this summer and parents, students, staff, and the community are asked to complete a survey by the end of the day on Feb. 23 that will help develop a name.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/16/2024	A third bus driver has crashed into a building this week in Newport News. Earlier in the week a driver crashed into a Newport News daycare, then another crashed into the Jefferson Avenue shopping center and yesterday one crashed into someone's house with 11 children on board. Thankfully no students were injured. The cause is under investigation and the driver was given a ticket for running a red light.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/16/2024	Early voting has started in North Carolina and goes through March 2 for this year's primary. This year's election is stacked in North Carolina with voters choosing a new Governor, Lieutenant Governor and several Congresspeople. Those planning to vote need to carry a valid form of ID and if you've just moved to North Carolina and want to vote an out-of-state driver's license can be OK as long as you've been in North Carolina for less than 90 days.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/16/2024	Real estate data firm CoStar Group is moving its headquarters from Washington, D.C., to northern Virginia, a move that will bring roughly 650 jobs to the state. CoStar already has a large presence in Virginia with their research and data analytics headquarters in Richmond with more than 1,000 workers there, with plans to expand.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/16/2024	Lego has picked a local general contractor to help oversee construction of its massive manufacturing facility in Chesterfield. The work should kick off later this year at Meadowville Technology Park. The Chesterfield campus will manufacture Lego bricks and package boxed sets, as well as be home to offices and warehouse facilities. The company plans to hire more than 1,700 employees for its Chesterfield plant over a 10-year period.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/16/2024	I thought it was funny that we had our Christmas party in Feb., but we aren't the only ones celebrating. The Be Blessed Be a Blessing Outreach Ministry is hosting a "Christmas in February" event tomorrow from 11 a.m.- 2 p.m. on Shell Road in Hampton. They are partnering with the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank to give away free groceries, 135 bikes, 3,000 toys and several bags of clothes.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/19/2024	Two teenagers have been charged in connection to the devastating incident that happened during the Kansas City Chiefs Super Bowl victory parade. The two teenagers are being held on charges of possessing a weapon and resisting arrest.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/19/2024	Drivers should expect delays due to a pipe replacement on Route 686 in Amherst County. VDOT said the road will be closed at the eastern intersection of Route 60 on the Lexington Turnpike. The closure will begin today and is expected to be complete by Friday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/19/2024	Dole Fresh Vegetables is recalling several items of Dole-branded and private labeled salad kits due to possible Listeria contamination. Recalled salad items were distributed throughout several states including Virginia and cover the Avocado Ranch, the southwest kit, the Cajun ranch, the endless summer, and the bacon ranch.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/19/2024	The New River Polar Plunge took place over the weekend raising money to support Special Olympics Virginia. This year the event raised over \$95,000 for the special Olympics, which is significantly more than last year.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/19/2024	President Biden is once again trying to cancel student loan debt in a rulemaking session later this week. This newest plan suggests canceling debt for those under hardships like, a borrower's relative loan balance compared to their total income, those who have seen their loans grow larger because of interest, and if a borrower is considered highly likely to be in default in two years.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/19/2024	Emergency crews were on the scene of a house explosion in Sterling, Virginia that took the life of a firefighter and left 11 others injured. They found a 500-gallon underground propane tank with a leak on the side of the home that was responsible for the explosion.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/19/2024	A third travel lane on Interstate 64 is expected to be open now after years of work in the area. The new lane in each direction is between Bowers Hill and the I-464 interchange. The work is part of the High-Rise Bridge expansion project. Now there's three lanes in each direction, which you will be able to drive toll-free for the next several weeks.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/19/2024	The Virginia Department of Forestry is gearing up for spring fire season after a busy fall. With spring fire season starting, the 4 p.m. burn ban will be in effect until April 30. Under Virginia guidelines, residents will not be permitted to burn near any woodlands before 4 p.m. and are advised to proceed with caution after 4 p.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/20/2024	The Virginia Senate passed a bill that would provide health care coverage for children under the age of 19 regardless of their immigration status. Right now, when kids get sick, they end up going to emergency rooms and tax dollars pay for those emergency room visits. The bill is now in the hands of the House Appropriations Committee.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/20/2024	The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office is seeking public help in locating a missing 20-year-old Virginia Tech student. He was last seen at his apartment complex on Canyon Ridge Road on Friday and was heading to his parent's home in Abingdon, but he never arrived. The sheriff's office describes him as 6 feet, 3 inches tall and about 240 pounds.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/20/2024	The Franklin County Department of Public Safety is now offering the first and only Paramedic Apprenticeship Program. The program will include 4,000 hours of paid on-the-job training and more than 280 hours of related technical instruction.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/20/2024	The 22nd annual Dog Jog and 5K Run, benefiting the Richmond SPCA, is going to be Saturday, March 26 at the Robins-Starr Humane Center on Hermitage Road. The first 1,000 registered participants will receive a T-shirt and goodie bag. Proceeds from the event benefit the pets in the care of the Richmond SPCA.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/20/2024	Thousands of drinking water samples near more than 60 military bases showed unsafe levels of forever chemicals including Naval Air Station Oceana in Virginia Beach. 13 private wells near Naval Air Station Oceana had levels the EPA now deem unsafe, but still not high enough to trigger Department of Defense support. Those chemicals are hard to break down and if consumed regularly can build up causing several serious health problems.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/20/2024	The Virginia House and Senate have released their budget proposals. Both the House and Senate proposed an increase in spending for K-12 schools over the next two years. The Senate budget report also includes \$92 million for toll relief for eligible residents in the cities of Portsmouth and Norfolk.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/20/2024	Today in Winchester Virginia's Attorney General will host a Fentanyl awareness and Narcan training session. The free training is open to the public and provides resources on understanding how opioid overdoses happen and how to administer Narcan during an emergency. The event takes place at Fellowship Bible Church in Winchester from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/20/2024	Liberty University's William Byron snapped Hendrick Motorsports' nine-race Daytona 500 losing streak with a win in the rain-delayed race. This is the biggest win in his career and he wasn't sure he won as he completed the final lap under caution after a crash broke out behind him.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/21/2024	The University of Cincinnati Cancer Center has announced they have begun enrolling patients in a new clinical trial testing a vaccine to treat pancreatic cancer. The National Cancer Institute says more than 66,000 Americans will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer this year. It ranks as the third leading cause of cancer death in women and fourth in men.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/21/2024	American Airlines is pushing customers to buy tickets directly from the airline if they want to earn frequent-flyer points, and they are raising the cost of checking bags. The airline said checking a bag will rise from \$30 to \$35 online and \$40 if purchased at the airport. The fee for a second checked bag will rise from \$40 to \$45.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/21/2024	Continuing through the rest of the week pipes alongside Wards Road will be under repair. Weather permitting Lynchburg Water Resources will be fixing a section of stormwater piping along the right shoulder of Wards Road, between U.S. 460 and the West exit ramp. Motorists should travel with caution through the work zone.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/21/2024	You'll have a good chance to see some planets this week. Venus and Mars will rise together in the early morning sky, appearing very close to one another. Venus is very bright, so it may actually dim out Mars to the naked eye. You'll need to look to the eastern sky before sunrise which is around 7:00 a.m. to 7:05 a.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/21/2024	Today is the march for life in Virginia. The event will take place in Richmond starting with a pro-life rally at 11am at the Belltower at the Virginia State Capitol on N 9th St, followed by the march at noon. Some notable speakers include Dondi Costin, President, of Liberty University and Governor Glen Youngkin.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/21/2024	Many families in Virginia are struggling to find and afford childcare services, especially those with younger children. In Danville and Pittsylvania County, families can take a survey to help leaders develop childcare options in the area. You have until March 10 to take the survey.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/21/2024	Food banks in Virginia are getting a boost in donations from Dollar General who donated more than 585,000 pounds of food. Three food banks in Virginia received donations Feeding Southwest Virginia, Feed More Central Virginia Food Bank and the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/21/2024	A nonprofit in Eastern North Carolina hopes to support parents who have experienced the loss of a child before birth. One in every 160 pregnancies will result in a stillbirth and one in four will result in a miscarriage. Boots and Blooms Foundation hopes to create bereavement

			rooms at each hospital in Eastern North Carolina by raising money through their annual 5k race in October.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/22/2024	Two men have been charged in last week's incident that took the life of one and left several others injured after the Kansas City Chiefs' Super Bowl parade. Both men were injured during the attack and have been hospitalized since. The argument began when two groups thought that the other group was staring at them.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/22/2024	Centra announced that it is launching a new clinic for cancer care, called "Centra Medical Group Hematology and Oncology Clinic," beginning April 1. The new clinic will consist of 12 providers that will replace the roles of the current clinic and work in both Lynchburg and Farmville. Medical records, treatment plans and ongoing care will be transferred to a new provider, and they will be contacting patients about upcoming appointments.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/22/2024	After years of delays, construction on the \$50 million Wasena Bridge project in Roanoke will start in a few months. The build process for the bridge will take about two years. Construction will start in April, and demolition will take place in May. The new bridge will feature designated bike lanes, wider sidewalks, a roundabout, and LED lighting on top and under the bridge.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/22/2024	The Chief of the Amherst Police Department has announced his retirement. Police Chief Bobby Shiflett became chief in 2017 and has worked in law enforcement for almost 30 years. He is most proud of getting the police department accredited. He said they are the smallest department in the state of Virginia to do so.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/22/2024	Another Boeing 737 had to make an emergency landing after a chunk of the plane's wing appeared to come off mid-flight. The FAA said it will continue to investigate the incident. Boeing has also replaced the head of its 737-jetliner program immediately, paving the way for the aircraft maker to appoint new leadership at the troubled division.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/22/2024	With just four months left to go until curbside recycling is set to expire in Virginia Beach the city is considering other options. Eighty-seven percent of the nearly 10,000 residents who responded to a recycling survey from the city said it's important to keep curbside recycling, but only 24% said they'd be willing to pay between \$5 to \$10 monthly. The city's still in the bidding process, but

			recycling costs are expected to double from \$3 to at least \$6 per month.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/22/2024	Pittsylvania County and Gretna community leaders gathered to celebrate the groundbreaking of Amthor International's new facility at Gretna's Industrial Park. They are nation's largest manufacturer of truck-mounted tanks. The new facility will bring 75 new jobs to the community and construction should be completed by this fall.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/22/2024	Nearly 200,000 Jeep vehicles are being recalled over an issue with the defrosting system. The recall includes 2021 to 2024 Jeep Wranglers and 2022 to 2024 Jeep Grand Cherokees. Dealers will update the software free of charge and letters will be mailed to owners April 5.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/23/2024	AT&T's network went down for many of its customers across the United States yesterday, leaving customers unable to place calls, text or access the internet. By late morning, the company said most of its network had been restored. Although Verizon and T-Mobile customers reported some network outages, too, they appeared far less widespread. There is no indication that the outage was the result of a cyberattack or other malicious activity.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/23/2024	Roanoke public schools were closed yesterday as police investigated several social media threats. A 35-year-old man is charged with making threats against Roanoke City Public Schools, and Roanoke schools are also closed today, to investigate the additional threats made.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/23/2024	You can make your voice heard concerning camping fees on the Blue Ridge Parkway. Camping season will be here before you know it and camping at one of the eight locations on the Blue Ridge Parkway may cost you a little more this year. The survey is open online until March 15th.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/23/2024	Sheetz is opening soon in Blacksburg! A grand opening celebration for the popular gas station chain located on South Main Street is set for Thursday, Feb. 29.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/23/2024	The Biden administration is exploring options to restrict immigration at the southern border while also examining ways to improve lawful pathways for entrance. Under consideration the enforcement arm would be further restricting migrants' ability to claim asylum. While the administration would try to expand lawful entry via parole and visa programs.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/23/2024	U.S. authorities have accused a sanitation company of illegally hiring at least two dozen children to clean dangerous meat processing facilities. U.S. law prohibits companies from employing those under 18 to work in meat processing plants because of the hazards involved. The Labor Department alleges that the company used 15 underage employees at the Perdue Farms plant in Accomac, Virginia, as well.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/23/2024	The first new park for Henrico County in more than 40 years is nearing completion. Taylor Farm Park will be located off Williamsburg Road and will have several features including a skatepark, a nature-based playground and splash park.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/23/2024	An artifact right in Lynchburg made the top ten Virginia endangered artifacts list. The Seth Woodruff account book is at the Jones Memorial Library in Lynchburg and is a handwritten journal that documents the first and last names of more than 200 people enslaved in Lynchburg from 1834 to 1840. It's one of a few that lists both first and last names, making it a very important resource for genealogy.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/26/2024	Former president Donald Trump won South Carolina's Republican primary, easily beating former U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley in her home state. Haley is facing growing pressure to leave the race but says she's not going anywhere until the batch of primaries on March 5.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/26/2024	Several students at Liberty University have been experiencing gastrointestinal issues. Testing revealed that norovirus is the potential cause of the recent health outbreak. They recommend not having contact with those experiencing symptoms.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/26/2024	Virginia Career Works will host a hiring event in Roanoke Thursday. This will be for open positions at the United States Postal Service, with recruiters representing Boones Mill, Buchanan, Fincastle, and Roanoke. The event will take place at the Virginia Career Works Roanoke Center on Thirlane Road from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/26/2024	The Cornerstone Fitness gym is reopening in Lynchburg. The gym suddenly closed last year and is reopening under new ownership and with new equipment. Opening day is today and the gym will be 24 hours plus they're waiving all signup fees until March. You can also access the gym via Bluetooth on your phone.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/26/2024	Mediators are making progress on an agreement for a weekslong cease-fire between Israel and Hamas and the release of dozens of hostages held in Gaza as well as Palestinians imprisoned by Israel. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said he'll convene the Cabinet this week to approve the operational plans for action including the evacuation of civilians.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/26/2024	AT&T will issue credits to customers impacted last week by the outage. The service interruption lasted for more than 10 hours and appeared to be caused by a technical glitch, not a cyberattack. AT&T said it will automatically credit customers for the average cost of a full day of service, but did not give a timeline for when the credits would be issued.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/26/2024	The investigation into a Virginia Tech student reported missing last week has been closed. Authorities in Missouri made personal contact with Johnny who was by himself at the time and fully answered the questions that were presented to him. As a result, he is no longer considered a missing person.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/26/2024	Staff at Hampton City Schools are having a job fair on March 9 at the Ruppert Sargent Building from 9 a.m. to noon. Virtual fairs are scheduled for March 19-21. You are asked to register in advance. The district is short about 30 teachers this year with the biggest need in elementary education, math, and special education.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/27/2024	With a rematch for the presidency likely both current President Joe Biden and former president Donald Trump will be visiting the US-Mexico border on Thursday. Former President Trump is expected to give remarks at Eagle Pass and President Biden is expected to meet with US Border Patrol agents in Brownsville, which is only about 300 miles away.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/27/2024	The Federal Trade Commission is trying to block a merger between Kroger and Albertsons, saying the deal would lead to higher prices for millions of Americans. Kroger and Albertsons, agreed to merge in October 2022 saying it would help them better compete with Walmart, Amazon, and Costco. They had hoped to close the deal early this year.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/27/2024	The Bedford County School Board is giving you a chance to discuss changes to Bedford County Schools. Four options are being considered, rezoning, changing the grade levels, relocating students, or closing some preschool programs. Town hall meetings are all from 4:30-8pm starting this Thursday at Liberty High School, Tuesday, March 5 at

			Jefferson Forest High School, and Tuesday, March 19 at Staunton River High School
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/27/2024	A 4 day trial began yesterday in Rockbridge County in the case against Natural Bridge Zoo. The Attorney General's office seized nearly 100 animals and a judge ruled that the state should maintain custody of 61 of them. The trial will decide their fate. No criminal charges have been filed, but the criminal investigation is still underway.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/27/2024	President Joe Biden will convene the top four congressional leaders today as the White House is working on passing additional funding to Ukraine ahead of a partial government shutdown deadline this week. President Biden has claimed that the need to support the country against Russia is a matter of national security.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/27/2024	A Navy sailor has been charged with espionage for allegedly giving classified information to a foreign government in the past two years, including while he was in Hampton Roads. Chief Petty Officer Bryce Ped-i-cini, has been hit with eight espionage-related charges for allegedly providing documents to a foreign government between November 2022 and May 2023.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/27/2024	The Odysseus spacecraft has dispatched new images it captured of the lunar surface after touching down on the moon last week, becoming the first US-made lander to do so since the Apollo era. This is the furthest south a craft has ever been on the moon. The company now expects to lose contact with Odysseus today days earlier than initially hoped.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/27/2024	It is a win for wild horses along the Outer Banks as they celebrate a new pony. The newborn is a Banker Horse, a critically endangered species with only about 300 left in the world. They ask neighbors and visitors to keep their distance from the Banker Horses and to not feed or interfere with them.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/28/2024	According to the president of France putting Western troops in Ukraine has not been ruled out in the future. It was recently discussed with European leaders in Paris, as Russia's invasion is headed into a third year. The French leader said that they will do everything needed so Russia cannot win the war.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/28/2024	Wendy's, the fast-food chain, will start testing dynamic pricing, also known as surge pricing, as early as next year. This means that the prices of its menu items fluctuate throughout the day based on demand. They plan to invest

			\$20 million in digital menu boards at all of their restaurants to reflect the changing prices by the end of 2025.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/28/2024	Macy's will close 150 stores over the next three years including 50 by year-end. As part of the strategy, Macy's aims to upgrade its remaining 350 stores, and add more employees to fitting areas and shoe departments.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/28/2024	There are new details on a Northern Virginia couple whose catamaran was hijacked in the Caribbean. Authorities now believe that the 3 escaped prisoners that took the vessel also took the lives of the couple before stealing the boat.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/28/2024	The U.S. Army is cutting the size of its force by about 24,000, or almost 5%, and restructuring. The service has struggled with recruiting that's made it impossible to bring in enough soldiers to fill all the jobs. The cuts will mainly be in already-empty posts, not actual soldiers, including jobs that increased during the Iraq and Afghanistan wars but are not needed as much today.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/28/2024	Former President Donald Trump will be holding a rally in Greensboro on March 2. The "Get Out the Vote Rally" will take place at the Greensboro Coliseum. Doors will open at 11 a.m. and former president Trump is currently scheduled to speak at 2 p.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/28/2024	A ribbon-cutting was held at the Western Tidewater Free Clinic to celebrate the expansion of their dental clinic, giving those in need access to free and affordable care. The clinic now has a full-time dental team along with medical, pharmacy, and mental health services all for little to no cost.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/28/2024	An annual tradition is back to benefit the students and teachers of Roanoke County Public Schools. The Backpack Run is back on March 16 at Green Hill Park in Salem. The money raised from the event supports the county's Education Foundation which gives back to students and teachers through scholarships and classroom grants. If you would like to participate you can register online.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/29/2024	At one point, more than 50,000 customers in Ohio and Michigan lacked power yesterday as severe thunderstorms spawned a rare February tornado outbreak, toppled trees, and damaged homes. The storms followed unusual warmth across Illinois in recent days, as residents in Chicago saw damages from wind as well.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/29/2024	President Joe Biden signed an executive order aimed at better protecting Americans' personal data from foreign adversaries like China and Russia. Activities like buying sensitive data through brokers is legal which can be a key gap in the nation's national security protections one that the administration is hoping to close with this executive action.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/29/2024	The Washington Commanders' Landover, Maryland, stadium recently underwent a massive million-dollar renovation plan, but unfortunately lost a million-dollar agreement with FedEx. FedEx will remain a partner of the team, however, the team will lose out on the roughly \$15 million left in their naming rights agreement, which was set to expire in 2026.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/29/2024	Danville Otterbots, mooove over! There's a new baseball team joining the Old North State League. The Danville Dairy Daddies will be the second of the summer baseball teams on the Southside. The team's logo features a buff cow, wearing blue jeans in true fatherly fashion.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/29/2024	A fast-moving wildfire burning through the Texas Panhandle grew into the second-largest blaze in state history, forcing evacuations and triggering power outages. Authorities have not said what ignited the fires, but they caused the main facility that disassembles America's nuclear arsenal to pause operations.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/29/2024	Mitch McConnell, the longest-serving Senate leader in history who maintained his power for almost two decades, will step down from that position in November. McConnell, who turned 82 last week, announced his decision yesterday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	2/29/2024	Yesterday we talked about former president Trump making a stop in Greensboro, but he is also bringing his "get out the vote" rally to Richmond. Trump will be holding the rally at the Greater Richmond Convention Center, on Saturday, March 2 at 6 p.m., but the doors will open at 3 p.m. for attendees. Those interested in attending may register on his website for up to two tickets per mobile number.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	2/29/2024	Virginia Beach-based DroneUp, is testing a program using drones to drop off medicine. The first patient to be part of the test lives on the Eastern Shore, and a drone was able to deliver medication to her. While it will take two to three years before the service is completely ready, medical providers say it will be worth waiting for, especially for the 450 residents of Tangier Island which is only accessible by boat.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/1/2024	At least 100 lost their lives in the Gaza strip while waiting for food adding additional urgency to ceasefire talks. While Israel faces mounting global pressure to halt the conflict, it has largely retained the support of the United States as President Joe Biden has resisted calls to request a permanent ceasefire.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/1/2024	A threat made to a Christian school in Campbell County prompted a lockdown yesterday. The threat was made against Onward Christian Academy over the phone from a phone number from Kentucky. The school immediately locked down the entire facility and the Campbell County Investigations Division will be following up with the case.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/1/2024	The Franklin County School Board is moving forward with the closure of two elementary schools in an effort to address a financial shortfall within the district. The board has opted to close down Burnt Chimney and Henry Elementary Schools. Both will be closed starting this fall.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/1/2024	Doors are open from 11 a.m. – 6pm today at the Berglund Center for the bi-annual LFA Kids Consignment Sale. You can find everything from shoes, clothes, toys and even strollers. You can also shop tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 4 pm and on Sunday, there's a 50% off sale from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/1/2024	The House of Representatives and the Senate have passed another short-term spending measure that would keep the government operating through March 8 and another set through March 22, avoiding a shutdown.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/1/2024	Toyota is recalling over 300,000 vehicles because bolts in the rear axle could loosen or fall off, increasing the risk of a crash. The safety recall applies to 2022 to 2023 Toyota Tacoma trucks. Toyota dealers will inspect the rear axle assembly and retighten the axle nuts free of charge. You will receive recall notices in the mail by the end of April.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/1/2024	Work continues on the college lake dam removal project. Beginning yesterday and continuing through today, English Construction will install a large pipe through College Lake Dam in Lynchburg. Over the next couple of weeks work will continue to finalize the installation of the pipe. There will be minimal impacts to the University of Lynchburg campus and residents living in the area.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/1/2024	Spring is about to hit the nation's capital in full bloom! The National Park Service announced the peak bloom prediction dates for D.C.'s cherry blossoms. The expected date is between March 23 and 26. The festival is set to be held March 20 through April 14, with a parade on Saturday, April 13.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/4/2024	The biggest fire in Texas' history is being fueled by winds and high temperatures as it continues to burn, threatening more buildings, cattle, and livelihoods. Critical fire weather conditions continue as the blaze can move at a speed of up to 3 mph, burning as much as 1,500 acres in an hour. What caused the fire remains under investigation.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/4/2024	Pulaski County has a new solar ordinance that says that companies must have a Virginia licensed engineer or surveyors to prepare a site plan, and they must provide data about decommission or discontinuation plan. County staff is currently working with a company out of Georgia to set up a 300-megawatt solar farm.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/4/2024	The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has changed its longstanding five-day isolation guidelines for COVID. The CDC now says you can return to work or regular activities if your symptoms are mild, getting better, and it's been 24 hours since you've had a fever. When you return, however you are encouraged to mask up for an additional five days.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/4/2024	A young humpback whale washed ashore at the Virginia Beach Oceanfront yesterday. Police taped off the stretch of beach between 24th Street and 25th as The Virginia Aquarium's Stranding Response team moved the whale from the shorebreak to the beach. Members of the stranding team will return today determine the cause of death.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/4/2024	A powerful blizzard has hit the Sierra Nevada mountains, closing a long stretch of Interstate 80 in Northern California, forcing ski resorts to shut down, and leaving thousands without power. More than 10 feet of snow was expected at higher elevations, creating life-threatening concern for residents near Lake Tahoe and blocking travel on the freeway.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/4/2024	Tomorrow is the day most will vote in the presidential primaries, but over the weekend Former President Donald Trump won caucuses in Idaho, Missouri, and Michigan. Bringing his count to 244 compared to 24 for former U.N. Ambassador Nikki Haley. A candidate needs to secure 1,215 delegates to clinch the Republican nomination.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/4/2024	The Port of Virginia in Norfolk has now opened two-way passing lanes allowing ultra-large container vessels to travel through. This will reduce time spent on large vessels by up to 15%. The port is also dredging the Norfolk Harbor to 55 feet deep which will make The Port of Virginia the deepest, and widest channel on the East Coast.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/4/2024	Elizabeth City is putting on a festival for one of its largest crops, potatoes. The North Carolina Potato Festival is May 17-19 and will include 2,000 lbs. of free french-fries on Saturday from 10 a.m. until supplies are gone. The festival is free and open to the public in downtown Elizabeth City. A Little Miss Tater Tot Pageant will also be put on for girls ages 3-8 as well as a National Potato Peeling Contest for those competitive potato lovers.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/5/2024	The Supreme Court has restored former president Donald Trump to the 2024 presidential primary ballots in all states just in time for today's voters. Some election observers have warned though that a Democratic-controlled Congress could try to reject certifying Trump's election on Jan. 6, 2025, if he does happen to win.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/5/2024	Health care providers across the country are reeling from a cyberattack on a massive U.S. health care technology company that has threatened the security of patients' information and is delaying some prescriptions and paychecks for medical workers. The hack could also disrupt discharging patients. A ransomware group has claimed responsibility for the attack.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/5/2024	Residents in the Croatan neighborhood of Virginia Beach are annoyed as Dominion Energy recently started the on-land portion of their Offshore Wind Turbine Project which includes loud noises and excessive vibrations from drilling at all hours. In order to build over 170 turbines the company needs to drill underground lines on land first, which is expected to be complete later in the year.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/5/2024	It's another piece of the puzzle troubling those living in Central Virginia who've reported late or even stolen mail. Four different U.S. Postal Service employees that worked in the Richmond area have now been charged with either obstruction of mail or stealing mail. One of which can face up to 5 years in prison.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/5/2024	After weeks of negotiations Israel has withdrawn from cease-fire talks after Hamas refused to hand over a complete list of hostages that are still alive. The proposed six-week cease-fire in Gaza would have included the release of hostages held by Hamas deemed most vulnerable.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/5/2024	Four astronauts are headed to the International Space Station and will reach the orbiting lab today replacing the crew from the U.S., Denmark, Japan, and Russia, who have been there since August. The new crew's six-month stay includes the arrival of two rocket ships, Boeing's new Starliner capsule with test pilots due in late April, and

			Sierra Space's Dream Chaser, that is just for delivering cargo.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/5/2024	Work to make improvements to Riverfront Park in downtown Lynchburg starts this week. The improvements include an amphitheater, a playground, public restrooms, fencing, lighting and more. They say crews will begin trenching operations which will impact trail access within the limits of the park. This will take two to three weeks to complete and the park will be fully closed for the initial phase with a partial reopening at the beginning of July. According to the Department of Public Works, construction is expected to be complete in early spring 2026.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/5/2024	The Virginia Aquarium Stranding Response team confirmed that a second dead whale is floating off the coast of the Virginia Beach Oceanfront. The team is monitoring its location. If the whale comes ashore, biologists will do an autopsy on it too, but if it stays out to sea, the team will let it be.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/6/2024	President Joe Biden and former President Donald Trump took big steps toward making their seemingly inevitable rematch official in the primaries yesterday. Former president Trump did lose one state, Vermont, to Nikki Haley. That puts Trump at 893 delegates and closing in on the 1,215 he'll need to clinch the GOP nomination.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/6/2024	A technical issue caused widespread login issues for a few hours across Meta's Facebook, Instagram, Threads and Messenger platforms yesterday. The outage comes ahead of tomorrow's deadline for them to comply with a new Digital Markets Act. It's not clear whether the outage is connected to those preparations.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/6/2024	Exciting news for Lynchburg residents! Wawa is officially on its way making it the first to open in the city. It is set to open at the corner of Graves Mill Road and Rosedale Boulevard. While a specific opening date has not been announced plans are fully approved and construction will begin soon.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/6/2024	Giles County students will be attending school virtually today due to a recently issued boil water notice. Residents are advised to use boiled tap water or bottled water for drinking or cooking.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/6/2024	The Federal Aviation Administration said its audit of Boeing's 737 Max aircraft failed to make sure manufacturing met quality standards. The FAA has given

			Boeing 90 days to come up with a plan for addressing safety concerns.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/6/2024	Liberty University has agreed to pay \$14 million in fines after they failed to disclose information about crimes that occurred on campus. The fine is by far the largest ever levied under the Clery Act, a law that requires colleges to collect data on campus crime and notify students of threats.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/6/2024	More than 200 new jobs are headed to Rockbridge County thanks to a thermal management company that's expanding. Modine has been designing, engineering, testing, and manufacturing heat transfer products since 1916 and is set to invest \$18 million to expand its Rockbridge County operation.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/6/2024	The Virginia Aquarium Stranding Response team has confirmed that a second dead whale washed ashore at False Cape State Park in Sandbridge. The first autopsy was done Monday afternoon but there were no obvious signs of what caused the death. Biologists are still working on determining the second whale's causes of death at this time.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/7/2024	The national guard is being deployed in New York City. New York's Governor is deploying 750 national guard members to the New York City subway system to help more than 200 police officers search passengers' bags for weapons, following a series of high-profile crimes on city trains.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/7/2024	The Hampton Roads Veterans and employment center and the Veteran's career compass have decided to host hiring events that help military veterans and military spouses find jobs. You can access these helpful resources for employment, entrepreneurship, and support online, or check their schedule for another in person event in the future.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	7-Mar	Roanoke leaders and the Roanoke Police Department have teamed up to create the new initiative "Lock in Safety. Unlock Hope," which aims to create a safer community. On March 15, you can pick up free gun locks, no questions asked at the police department, Department of Social Services, Fishburn Recreation Center and six libraries throughout the city. Nonprofits can also request up to 100 locks to distribute at community meetings and events.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/7/2024	A brand-new ambulance made its way to the Roanoke Fire-EMS Station 14 aiming to enhance emergency medical services in the 460 and Orange Avenue East area of Roanoke. This will ensure that emergency services can keep up with the pace of the community's growth.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/7/2024	Nikki Haley has formally announced that she is suspending her presidential campaign following a series of losses on Super Tuesday, leaving Donald Trump as the apparent GOP nominee. Haley, Donald Trump's final remaining rival in the race, congratulated but did not endorse the former president.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/7/2024	Due to the weather yesterday several schools throughout Dare county North Carolina closed early for potential flooding. There was a flood watch in effect throughout the night, but this morning all things are back to normal for the school day.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/7/2024	Well, it's happened again. A third dead whale has washed up onshore this week within the Hampton Roads and Outer Banks regions. This whale was on shore on the four-wheel drive area of the beach in Corolla, but washed back out into the ocean before they could perform an autopsy.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/7/2024	Mister Goodies on Timberlake Rd in Lynchburg is open again for the season. They originally were going to wait until Saturday but with the weather being nice at the beginning of this week, they decided to open a few days early.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/8/2024	Federal airport security officials unveiled self-screening lanes at the Harry Reid International Airport in Las Vegas, with plans to test it for use in other cities. It has do-it-yourself instructions telling you how to pass yourself and your carry-on through screening with no help from TSA. It even sanitizes trays between users. Travelers then step into a separate clear glass body scanning booth with a video display inside showing how to stand when being sensed.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/8/2024	Ground cinnamon sold by U.S. discount retailers is contaminated with high levels of lead and should be thrown away. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration said cinnamon sold by the Dollar Tree and Family Dollar contains lead at levels that could be unsafe, particularly for children.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/8/2024	A new forever postage stamp bearing the portrait of former U.S. First Lady Betty Ford was unveiled at the White House. The wife of 38th U.S. President Gerald Ford passed in 2011. She was an advocate for breast cancer awareness, and established treatment centers around the

			country to help Americans overcome addiction. The stamp will be available starting April 5.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/8/2024	Virginia State Parks are seeking to hire more than 1,000 rangers. Those who enjoy working outdoors, sharing their educational/historical expertise or planning events and programs should apply. Parks across the state have openings for summer seasonal and hourly wage positions.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/8/2024	Sweden has formally joined NATO as the 32nd member of the transatlantic military alliance, ending decades of post-World War II neutrality as security concerns in Europe have spiked following Russia's 2022 invasion of Ukraine. President Joe Biden congratulated Sweden on its admission and said it was a sign that Russian President Vladimir Putin's intervention in Ukraine had united, rather than divided, the alliance.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/8/2024	Power lines are to blame for the largest wildfire in Texas history. The Texas A&M Forest Service said its investigators concluded that power lines ignited both the Smokehouse Creek fire, which has burned nearly 1,700 square miles and spilled into neighboring Oklahoma, and the Windy Deuce fire, which has burned about 225 square miles.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/8/2024	Students in Danville are going to Saturday school as part of Danville Public Schools' initiative to make up for learning loss during the pandemic. In all, there are 4 options if you kid needs extra help. One offers students tutoring options before, during or after school. The second is Saturday school. The third program is expected to start this month and will prepare kids for SOL exams. And the fourth will allows kids to make up any absences.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/8/2024	A Bedford County sheriff's deputy rescued a dog from a frigid pool. The dog, a 115 lb rottweiler had fallen into the pool and couldn't get out, so Bedford County officer Andrew Webster arrived within a few minutes and jumped in the pool to help the dog to safety. Both are doing well.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/11/2024	Turkey's President has sought to balance its close relations with both Ukraine and Russia by hosting a peace summit between the two countries. Ukraine however remains firm on not engaging directly with Russia and that any peace negotiations must align with a 10-point plan that includes food security, restoration of Ukraine's territorial integrity, the withdrawal of Russian troops,

			release of all prisoners, and security guarantees for Ukraine.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/11/2024	Virginia's General Assembly passed a two-year budget and sent over 1,000 bills to Governor Glenn Youngkin's desk to be reviewed and signed. The General Assembly will reconvene on April 17.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/11/2024	The U.S. Department of Commerce recently invested \$2.7 million to provide infrastructure for Floyd County's Regional Commerce Center. The project will bring a state-level road, into the site along with public water and sewers and fiber internet.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/11/2024	A branch of the Elizabeth River in Norfolk turned reddish orange due to an iron oxide spill into a storm drain in the Ingleside neighborhood. Norfolk Fire-Rescue and the city's Public Works Stormwater Division were notified and said that iron oxide is used to dye mulch and is nonhazardous.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/11/2024	The first equipment needed to establish a temporary pier in Gaza is on its way as part of efforts to alleviate the humanitarian crisis. A ship carrying aid to the region is also expected to arrive early this week.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/11/2024	A helicopter flying over the U.S.-Mexico border in Texas crashed taking the lives of two National Guard soldiers and a Border Patrol agent. The helicopter was assigned to the federal government's border security mission when it went down. The cause is under investigation.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/11/2024	Calm Source is a new 23-hour-a-day crisis intervention center in Danville that aims to keep residents out of the hospital and out of jail. No matter what time of day or night someone comes in, they're greeted by a receptionist, and taken to a nurse to make sure there isn't an underlying medical problem, and then they meet with a mental health professional.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/11/2024	An unusual number of whales have been turning up in Hampton Roads and the Outer Banks recently. Over the weekend a fourth whale washed ashore on Nags Head next to Jeanette's Pier. This time, it was a baby. The cause of all the whale deaths has yet to be determined.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/12/2024	This tax season marked the first users of the government's new free electronic tax return filing system. The project, known as Direct File, was launched by the IRS on a limited basis in 12 states, and is available for eligible users to start their returns.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/12/2024	Five lost their lives in a plane crash at Ingalls Field Airport in the Hot Springs area of Bath County. The pilot, copilot, two adults, and one child have been identified as the victims. The flight came from Florida and tried to make an emergency landing at the airport when it ran short of the runway, hit several trees, and crashed into a nearby hillside, causing a brush fire.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/12/2024	A tractor-trailer crash closed all westbound lanes at the Downtown Tunnel yesterday. There were no injuries reported, only property damage. An investigation revealed the driver of the tractor-trailer ignored the height warning signs, causing the vehicle to get stuck.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/12/2024	Virginia will become the second state to ban legacy admissions at public colleges and universities. The bill says public universities cannot give special admissions to college applicants based on their family's relationship to the school. Virginia joins Colorado as the only states to ban the practice.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/12/2024	Traffic along Interstate 95 South in Richmond was brought to a standstill yesterday as protesters blocked the roadway near the I-64 interchange. The group said that they were protesting the siege of Gaza. The event lasted for four hours causing many to be late for work.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/12/2024	More than 300,000 drivers were caught going 10 miles or more over the speed limit in school zones and work zones . If you get caught, it is \$100 fine. Chesapeake Police had the most citations in school zones last year at over 70,000, bringing in about \$5.5 million. VDOT and state police have talked about adding cameras on Interstate 81 too, where they're doing construction.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/12/2024	Practice makes perfect, so the Roanoke County Police and Roanoke County Fire & Rescue performed active threat training to assess their ability to bring the best response to the public in an active attack. One of the biggest issues the training session hoped to resolve was communication between law enforcement. The simulation included actors who played victims in a threat situation and law enforcement worked together to save those actors quickly.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/12/2024	Krispy Kreme is ready to celebrate St. Patrick's Day this weekend with a new limited-time doughnut collection. You can even score a free donut if you wear green to your local Krispy Kreme this Friday, Saturday, or Sunday. The offer is available in-shop or via drive-thru and no additional purchase is necessary.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/13/2024	Israel Defense Forces rescued more than 70 orphans from Gaza and transferred them to safety in Bethlehem. The children were removed from their orphanage in Gaza after it ceased to function due to the war. Then they passed through Israeli territory to reach Bethlehem, which is under the control of the Palestinian Authority.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/13/2024	Four astronauts from four countries caught a lift back to Earth with SpaceX to end a 6 month mission at the International Space Station. Their capsule splashed into the Gulf of Mexico near the Florida Panhandle.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/13/2024	Alleghany Highlands Public Schools announced that some schools will be closed today due to a plumbing issue. Alleghany High School, Covington Middle School, Jackson River Technical Center, and Clifton Academy will be closed as maintenance workers address the issue. All elementary schools will be open, and decisions about athletics and other activities will be made around mid-day today.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/13/2024	The generosity of Southwest Virginia will be on full display this week during this year's SML GIVES event. The day of giving shines a spotlight on many nonprofits around Smith Mountain Lake. The day of giving is happening today and there will also be a nonprofit fair from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the SML YMCA to help the community learn more about the organizations and connect families to resources.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/13/2024	The Pentagon will rush about \$300 million in weapons to Ukraine to help them in their fight against Russia. The replenishment funds have allowed the Pentagon to pull existing weapons, air defense systems, and ammunition from its reserve inventories to send to Ukraine.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/13/2024	Authorities released the names of seven Virginia residents and a Wisconsin man who lost their lives when their van collided with a semi-truck in western Wisconsin. A 2-year-old child was the only survivor. Family members said the passengers of the van were members of an Amish community in Burke's Garden, Virginia, and were in Wisconsin visiting family.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/13/2024	Campbell County's Superintendent has released a proposed budget, with a 3% salary increase for teachers included. They will also be adding 11 new positions. The draft will be finalized on March 25. Then the board will vote on it by April 2.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/13/2024	The Ocracoke sandbag replacement project is underway. Over the next month, crews will replace about 800 large sandbags that were damaged over the winter. Once the project is complete, the sandbags will provide a protective barrier between the ocean and the highway. Single lane

			closures will be in effect, and motorists are advised to slow down to give crews room to work.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/14/2024	The House of Representatives has passed a bill that would lead to a nationwide ban of the popular app TikTok. TikTok, which has more than 150 million American users, is wholly owned by a Chinese technology firm and many see that as a matter of national security. The bill now goes to the Senate and President Joe Biden has said if Congress passes the measure, he will sign it.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/14/2024	A Confederate monument at Fourth and Liberty Street in Winston-Salem that was taken down in 2019 is set to be taken out of storage and moved to a permanent location. United Daughters of the Confederacy appealed the North Carolina Court to return the statue to Liberty and Fourth Street, but now they have proposed and accepted a new location that will be announced soon.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/14/2024	Dollar Tree will close nearly 1,000 stores over the country. About 600 Family Dollars in the first half of this year and 30 Dollar Tree stores over the next several years.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/14/2024	Jeremy Camp's surgery to correct a serious heart condition was a success, though it will take a few months to fully heal. The singer's wife, Adrienne, thanked supporters for their prayers in a post via social media.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/14/2024	Well, the rematch is set. Donald Trump will lead the GOP in a third consecutive presidential election after clinching the nomination. He'll formally accept the nomination at the Republican National Convention in July. Current president Joe Biden has also clinched the democratic nomination.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/14/2024	Speaking of voting, Virginia Senator Tim Kaine has introduced the "Time Off to Vote Act". The bill requires employers, when requested by an employee, to provide at least two hours of paid leave to vote in federal elections.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/14/2024	Four U.S. Army boats, loaded with steel pier segments, left Virginia, for Gaza as part of the U.S. effort to expand the delivery of food and other supplies to civilians as Israel's war against Hamas continues. The Army will build a large floating platform where ships can unload large containers that will then be transferred by the Army to a motorized string of steel sections that have been pushed onshore.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/14/2024	Despite opposition from the community, the Patrick County Board of Supervisors voted to approve the Fairy Stone Solar power development in the town of Stuart. The 12-megawatt project would generate enough electricity to power over 2,000 homes and brings an economic boost to the area.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/15/2024	Senator Bernie Sanders introduced a bill to establish a standard four-day workweek in the United States without any reduction in pay. The Thirty-Two Hour Workweek Act would also protect workers' benefits even if they work less hours.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/15/2024	Through Fiscal Year 2025 Lynchburg City Council wants to invest millions in public safety. Some major components include infrastructure, lifelong learning, economic development, and quality of life. To do that the Lynchburg Police Department would receive a 2% increase from last year, and the Lynchburg Fire Department would receive a 13% increase.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/15/2024	Several schools in the Alleghany Highlands Public Schools division remained closed yesterday as maintenance crews worked to address sewage issues. They were able to resolve the issue yesterday so Jackson River Technical Center, Clifton Academy and Covington Middle School are all reopened today.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/15/2024	Calling all thrifting lovers! A new Goodwill location is now open in Lynchburg near the East Coast Wings on Forest Road. This store consolidates two former Goodwill locations under one roof with expanded space for shopping and donations. They are also holding a social media giveaway through Monday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/15/2024	Yesterday Senior White House officials were supposed to meet with Arab-, Muslim- and Palestinian-American community leaders in Chicago. However those leaders refused to meet and instead sent a letter to the white house saying that America's continued funding of Israel, and refusal to call for a ceasefire, was their cause for protest.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/15/2024	A tribute to the past is being brought to life in a mural near West Main and South Granby streets in Richmond that will feature Richmonders who've earned the Medal of Honor. The mural will be completed by Friday, March 22, which will be in time for Medal of Honor Day which is Monday, March 25.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/15/2024	There is a new statewide program in North Carolina to eliminate the stinky trees. Bradford pear trees bloom this time a year and smell like raw fish, and they are also an invasive species. Several forestry departments in North

			Carolina have created a program to remove the trees, and have a replacement tree planted.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/15/2024	Heads-up, Bedford! The first location of Dunkin' is set to open soon, with chances to win prizes like free coffee for a year. On Tuesday the new location will open at the Lynchburg Salem Turnpike. Dunkin' will also present a \$1,000 check to the Special Olympics of Virginia.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/18/2024	The polls are now closed across Russia, but the outcome was never really in doubt: Russian President Vladimir Putin has secured a fifth term in office. The election sends a clear message that Putin's war on Ukraine has the full backing of his people.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/18/2024	Allow some extra time for your drive through Lynchburg starting today and continuing through Friday. Temporary lane closure will occur between 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., weekdays on Carroll Ave & Odd Fellows Road and on Lakeside drive. Crews will be installing new fiber cables.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/18/2024	The Danville community is mourning the death of Averett University Professor Dr. David Hanbury who lost his life after being reported missing from a conference in Orlando. At this time, a cause of death has not been determined, but it does not appear to be suspicious. Today at 6 p.m., the campus community will join together for a time of prayer and support on the Averett Student Center lawn at 351 Townes St.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/18/2024	If you drive past Monument Terrace in downtown Lynchburg, you'll see an American flag set up, but if you look even closer you'll see over 7,000 dog tags remembering lives lost in combat since the Global War on Terrorism began after September 11. The memorial will be up through March 22 and on the 22nd veterans at the troop rally will add seven more dog tags to remember lives lost.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/18/2024	The Virginia Department of Environmental Quality is expanding its investigation of contaminated water in Franklin County. The investigation comes after water in 18 homes in the Coopers Cove neighborhood tested positive for a chemical often found in gasoline. An investigation revealed leaking underground storage tanks caused the contaminated drinking water. Those tanks have since been removed and residents have a filtration system to make the water safe to drink.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/18/2024	A new curfew in a North Carolina town is being implemented for those under 18. The Ahoskie Police Department has begun to enforce the Juvenile Curfew Law within the town limits. The law states that nobody under 18 can be out in public in the town from midnight to 6 a.m. without being accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Juveniles who are caught violating the law will be taken to the police department for their parents to pick them up. The first instance is a warning, and subsequent offenses require parents to pay a \$50 ticket.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/18/2024	People facing homelessness in Roanoke may be able to move into new homes by 2026 thanks to the "Home Safe" program started by the city. The city plans to use about five million dollars to construct new affordable rental units for those who are homeless. They will include duplexes and single-family homes. Eight people have already transitioned into new homes in January through the program.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/18/2024	A year after juvenile striped bass stocking was cut at Smith Mountain Lake an increase is slated this year. Last year, stockings were reduced to roughly 230,000 fish. This year, that number will rise to 300,000. The fishery is an economic driver in the region as thousands visit Smith Mountain Lake every year to fish for striped bass.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/19/2024	Across the United States, many are eagerly anticipating the Federal Reserve's first cut to the interest rate this year. However, Federal officials are saying that they will keep the rate unchanged for a fifth straight time until they have further evidence that inflation is returning to their 2% target.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/19/2024	A car fire has spread in Roanoke County to over 50 acres and is 0% contained. Two houses are being protected with no immediate threat. Salem Fire is assisting Roanoke County Fire and Rescue and police are asking drivers to stay away from the area to make room for firefighting gear. Crews have been working through the night to contain the blaze.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/19/2024	A new program at Elizabeth City State University aims to help small businesses and other organizations reach new heights. ECSU's Unmanned Aircraft Systems program is hosting its inaugural Drone Expo. The event takes place Friday at 8:30 a.m. at the White Graduate Center, on Edgewood Drive in Elizabeth City.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/19/2024	Keurig has unveiled plans for brand-new coffee pods that are compostable. The new pods will be made of coffee beans that are wrapped in a plant-based coating that eliminates the need for any plastic or aluminum casing.

			But the pods won't work on any machine you'll have to have the new Keurig Alta brewer.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/19/2024	This week is Virginia Women's Veterans Week. The Commonwealth is honoring and recognizing women who have served and continue to serve in the military. The Virginia Department of Veterans Services will host a special pinning ceremony and reception Thursday at 9 a.m. at the Virginia War Memorial in Richmond. Any current female service member or veteran is invited.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/19/2024	Target has implemented new self-checkout rules at many of its locations. Customers will now be limited to 10 items for self-checkout and Target will open more traditional checkout lanes to get you in and out faster.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/19/2024	For some families, there are barriers that prevent them from accessing the exhibits and educational material at the Science Museum of Virginia in Virginia Beach so each library branch in Richmond, Powhatan, Petersburg, and Williamsburg has a family pass that you can check out. The pass is good for two adults and four children in the same family and it can be checked out for two weeks at a time.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/19/2024	A group of students are preparing for a spectacular European trip. Marching band students at Heritage High School in Newport News were chosen to perform at "The Rome New Year's Parade." The Marching Storm was the only band in the state of Virginia chosen to perform in front of 20,000 people. The band will be performing from December 28 to January 4.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/20/2024	The City of Liverpool, England, is set to build the world's largest tidal power generator powering more than 1 million homes for more than 120 years. The dam-like structure would be a barrier between the Irish Sea and a tidal basin and would have turbines that would generate power with two-way tidal generation.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/20/2024	The Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris has been gradually rebuilt over the past five years following a tragic blaze in April 2019. Crews have faced many challenges including delays during the pandemic and the loss of the project's leader, but it is slated for completion by the end of this year.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/20/2024	The brush fire in Roanoke County is now at 75 acres and has reached 80% containment, according to the Roanoke County Fire & Rescue Department. The road remained closed yesterday as crews fought high winds to try and

			fully put out the fire. Due to more high winds, there is a ban on all open burning until Friday, at 4 p.m.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/20/2024	It's officially spring! What better way to celebrate the start of springtime by cleaning up your local neighborhoods and beaches. In Norfolk, the three-month city-wide Great American Cleanup is officially underway. From now to May 31, be a part of the effort and clean your street, community, parks, or even a beach. This year's theme is "Love Our City: Litter-Free Norfolk". The Kickoff event is Friday, from 10 a.m. to noon at Lafayette Park, on Granby St.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/20/2024	UnitedHealth is testing the last major system it must restore from last month's cyberattack, but it has no date yet for finishing the recovery. The health care giant is testing software for submitting medical claims, and has already restored systems for handling pharmacy claims and processing payments. The American Hospital Association said the disruption from the attack made it harder for hospitals to provide care, submit insurance claims and get paid.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/20/2024	As part of their Helping Our Neighbors program Gleaning For The World is hosting a collection of nonperishable foods and supplies in front of Sam's Club on Wards Road in Lynchburg tomorrow and Friday from 10am to 6pm. Gleaning partners with area nonprofits to distribute the food, hygiene items, cleaning supplies and more to those in central Virginia.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/20/2024	The Virginia Department of Transportation and Roanoke County are seeking feedback on the Peters Creek Road and Williamson Road areas. Improvements are proposed for those intersections, as well as new pedestrian accommodations. Right now, there is an online survey that will be open through April 1 for you to voice your recommendations.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/20/2024	Planting native species is part of an ongoing effort by the James River Association to push back against invasive plant species. Invasive plants are plants that are not from Virginia that spread rapidly and destroy native plants and their habitats. For those who might not have a green thumb the James River Association in Richmond is hosting more workshops, each of the next two Saturdays. You can find out more on the James River Park website.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/21/2024	Northrop Grumman announced that it will provide the Defense Department with a concept study of a “lunar railroad”. The lunar railroad could transport humans, supplies and resources for commercial ventures across the lunar surface contributing to a space economy for the United States and international partners.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/21/2024	The Bataan Amphibious Ready Group has set a course for home. They will be returning to Hampton Roads this weekend after an eight-and-a-half-month deployment. The USS Bataan will return to Naval Station Norfolk and the USS Carter Hall will return to Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek. The USS Mesa Verde is also expected to return to Naval Station Norfolk in the following days.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/21/2024	A portion of 12th Street in downtown Lynchburg is Scheduled to Reopen. Back in July rainfall caused a large landslide on a portion of 12th Street and Lynchburg City Council had to gather the funds to stabilize, repair, and restore the bank which has caused the road to be closed since then. Now the project is complete, and 12th Street will reopen to traffic on Wednesday, March 27.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/21/2024	The St. Jude Dream Home campaign is back for another year in Central Va. St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and numerous other organizations will build a home and raffle it off to raise money for children fighting cancer. This year, the home is being built on Elmwood Avenue in Lynchburg by Custom Structures and the hope is to raise even more than the 1.2 million that was raised last year.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/21/2024	President Joe Biden announced one of the biggest federal investments in US electronic chip manufacturing, a \$8.5 billion grant to tech giant Intel. The new plant is slated for Arizona, but it will take years to become operational, and there are already some environmental concerns about whether there is enough water in Arizona to support the needs of chip manufacturing into the future.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/21/2024	The Biden administration wants states to help plan new protections for water infrastructure across the U.S., which is at a growing risk from cyberattacks. White House officials and the EPA asked governors to make health and security officials available for a meeting today to discuss cyber threats against water systems and what U.S. and state governments are doing to plug those vulnerabilities.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/21/2024	After hours of public comment and debate, Roanoke City Council has voted to amend its zoning ordinance. The new plan will allow for more multi-family and affordable housing. Those opposed to the amendment presented their concerns over things like parking but were ultimately outnumbered.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/21/2024	Virginia Beach City Council has dedicated millions of dollars to improving four of the city's sports facilities. \$10 million will go to the Hampton Roads Soccer Complex to build six new artificial turf fields with lights, and to resurface two existing fields. Other funding will go towards improvements at the Princess Anne Athletic Complex, the Virginia Beach Sportsplex and Field Hockey Training Center, and Pickleball Virginia Beach.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/22/2024	The Justice Department has filed an antitrust lawsuit against Apple, accusing them of an illegal monopoly on smartphones. This is the latest example of the Justice Department ensuring a fair and competitive market.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/22/2024	Centra Health broke ground on its new medical center on Langhorne Road, as part of its multi-million-dollar modernization plan. This facility will be for outpatient and specialty care, including Centra's comprehensive brain and spine programs and other surgical specialists. The projected opening date is 16 months from now.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/22/2024	Good news for school staff in Amherst County, they could be seeing an increase in pay. Amherst County teachers and all school staff could be seeing a 4% bump, and bus aids and non-administrative cafeteria workers would see an additional 1% on top of the 4%. However, This increase is not set in stone as Governor Glen Youngkin still has to sign the budget on April 8. If approved, the pay increase would start July 1.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/22/2024	The city of Virginia Beach made the decision to cancel this weekend's Cherry Blossom Festival activities, based on the current forecast. With heavy rain and high winds expected the events at Red Wing Park are canceled. The Virginia Beach Parks & Rec Cherry Blossom Festival is an 8-day event though so next week's events from the 25-30 are expected to resume as scheduled.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/22/2024	The number of Americans signing up for unemployment benefits fell slightly last week, another sign that the labor market is strong, and most workers have job security. Jobless claims have dipped by 2,000 and layoffs remain below pre-pandemic levels.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/22/2024	The Consumer Product Safety Commission said that owners of Comfi Baby Infant Walkers need to immediately stop using them. They pose a risk of falls and entrapment to children and violate federal safety regulations. The products were sold on Amazon from October 2022 through March 2023 for about \$100.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/22/2024	The discovery of graves has caused a delay for a trail project in Newport News. The Hampton Roads Sanitation District said the coffins appear to be from the late 1800s. Now the affected section of the trail will be moved about 60 feet westward so that those buried here can rest in peace. Because of the discovery it will now be fall before the trail is finished.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/22/2024	The Moneta community is mourning the death of the president of the volunteer fire department. Chris Tucker has passed away after his battle with cancer. Tucker's death comes only weeks after the department stood beside him to hold a fundraiser to help cover his medical bills.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/25/2024	There was an attack in Russia on a concert venue over the weekend that took the lives of at least 113. So far four men have been arrested and 11 have been detained. U.S. agencies have said that an Islamic terrorist group is responsible for the assault and that they had previously warned Moscow that an attack could be imminent.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/25/2024	The U.S. Navy has confirmed that a sailor passed away after being lost overboard from the guided-missile destroyer USS Mason which has been operating in the Red Sea. They said his death resulted from a non-combat related incident. The USS Mason is part of the Norfolk, Virginia-based Dwight D. Eisenhower Carrier Strike Group.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/25/2024	For years, reverting Martinsville back into a town has been a huge topic in the city. Now there's new legislation that will change the requirements to make that happen. The new bill will require the community to decide if Martinsville reverts. Meaning the choice will be on the ballot, and then everyone will have a vote.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/25/2024	16-year-old Ashley Goff is the first junior female firefighter for the Big Island Volunteer Fire Department. Just last month she passed her firefighter 1 and hazmat ops certification following in her dad's footsteps. He said he remembers her walking her around the station when she was just a little girl.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/25/2024	Support from around the globe is pouring in for Kate Middleton, the Princess of Wales, after she revealed that she has cancer and is undergoing chemotherapy. The princess did not specify what kind of cancer she is battling.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/25/2024	Amoco gas station in Chesapeake was awarded almost \$700,000 as part of a new federal grant that will be used to build, own, and operate electric vehicle charging stations along major travel routes. Virginia is projected to

			receive \$100 million in federal funding over the next several years to install more EV charging stations.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/25/2024	The Suffolk Police Department is looking to fill 37 open positions, including officers. The department says they're offering competitive pay and even letting officers take their cars home as long as they are within 50 miles from Suffolk, including North Carolina. Candidates must have a clean record and a desire to serve the community.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/25/2024	NC12 is closed on the north end of Ocracoke Island due to ocean overwash and unsafe driving conditions. Ferry service has also been suspended between Hatteras and Ocracoke. Crews are hoping to have the road reopened at some point today.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/26/2024	Multiple vehicles fell into the water when the Francis Scott Key Bridge collapsed overnight Baltimore after being struck by a ship. Now they are facing a mass casualty incident, with response teams working to rescue around 20 people who may have fallen into the river. Freezing conditions and limited visibility could hinder recovery efforts.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/26/2024	There are fewer cases of colon cancer in Southwest Virginia, but many are dying from it because those 45 years or older aren't up to date with their screenings. Leaders at the Community Health Center of the New River Valley are hoping to get those patients who are 45 years or older up to date by mailing about 1,000 test kits for residents to complete at home.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/26/2024	Construction continues at the site of the former Pembroke Mall. The property has reached phase two of the demolition process to make room for living spaces. Several stores are still open along the exterior of the building and will remain open throughout construction. The demolition makes way for apartments and a hotel.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/26/2024	David Helms, the mayor of Marion, Virginia in the southwestern part of the state near Mount Rogers National Recreational Area passed away. He was 83-years-old.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/26/2024	The UN Security Council passed a resolution calling for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza after the US abstained from the vote. After the vote, Israel's foreign minister said it "will not cease fire." Israel has however agreed to a US proposal to release around 700 Palestinian prisoners in exchange for 40 hostages.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/26/2024	Boeing's CEO will step down at the end of the year after a series of mishaps at one of America's airplane manufacturers. The president of Boeing's commercial airplanes unit, will also retire immediately and the company's chief operating officer for less than three months, will take over leadership of the division.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/26/2024	The Southeast Community Greenway Reconnector project in Newport News will receive \$1 million in federal funding. Funding for the project will come from the Inflation Reduction Act's Neighborhood Access and Equity Program. The project will reconnect the Southeast Community and Downtown neighborhoods by renovating the 28th Street Bridge.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/26/2024	Cape Hatteras National Seashore expanded the area of a beach closure at Buxton Beach Access due to a petroleum odor and sheen in the ocean. It's coming from an old military site previously used by the Navy and Coast Guard. The Seashore will be meeting with both the Coast Guard and Army Corps of Engineers about the observations this week.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/27/2024	The container ship that lost power and hit the Francis Scott Key bridge in Baltimore yesterday morning causing it to collapse issued a mayday call moments before the crash enabling authorities to limit vehicle traffic on the bridge. Still only two people were rescued, and rescue operations have ended with six presumed to have passed away, all being workers who were on the bridge when it collapsed.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/27/2024	Looking ahead to the repairing of the bridge, President Joe Biden said he wants the federal government to pay the full cost of rebuilding and instead of waiting for the company who owns the ship to pay for it. Funding could come from the Federal Highway Administration as well as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, but it may require additional funding from Congress.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/27/2024	The City of Lynchburg is about to undergo its fourth phase to renew its downtown area in July. Construction will take place on Main Street from the 1200 block to the Lynchburg Expressway. The city plans to finish the project in 2026.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/27/2024	The North Carolina Department of Transportation has announced that NC12 will remain closed for the next several days due to severe ocean over wash. Ferry service will remain suspended between Hatteras and Ocracoke until the highway reopens. Those who need to access or leave Ocracoke Village can use the Ferry's Pamlico Sound routes.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/27/2024	Ocean carriers are being moved away from the Port of Baltimore after the Francis Scott Key Bridge collapsed yesterday morning. The Port of Virginia is coordinating with the port of Baltimore to divert ships to the Port of Virginia to eliminate the traffic and keep cargo moving. The Virginia and Maryland Departments of Transportation are also working to ensure uniform signage along roads all the way up from Virginia into Maryland. Maryland's Governor has declared a state of emergency.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/27/2024	The Department of Public Works in Lynchburg 3said beginning this morning and continuing through Friday, from 7:30 a.m., through 5:00 p.m., daily milling operations will be conducted on a portion of Grace Street in Lynchburg. Then, on Thursday & Friday, April 4 -5 from 7:30 a.m., through 5:00 p.m., paving will be performed at this same location.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/27/2024	Naval Air Station Oceana announced the theme for the upcoming 2024 air show. The Show is scheduled to take place Sept. 21-22, and will feature the Navy's flight demonstration team, the Blue Angels, the F-35C Lightning Team and the F-22 Raptor Team. This year's theme is 'Inspire. Educate. Soar!'
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/27/2024	Three Jersey Mike's Subs shops in Lynchburg will give every dollar in sales today to HumanKind's Early Head Start, as part of their 14th annual Nationwide Day of Giving. The donations will come from 100 percent of each purchase in-store, online, and through the app.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/28/2024	Two construction workers have been recovered from a red pickup at the middle of the collapsed bridge. Search efforts have been paused for the four other workers who are presumed dead, because debris is making it unsafe for divers. Once salvage operations clear the debris, divers will search for more remains.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/28/2024	A team from the National Transportation Safety Board was able to board the ship and gather evidence as to the cause of the crash. Officials obtained the ship's voyage data recorder and are interviewing members of the ship's crew, including the captain. The crew did signal for help from tugboats about three minutes before the ship hit the bridge column.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/28/2024	Attention Lynchburg drivers! Department of Public Works has announced a temporary road closure beginning Monday April 8 and continuing through April 26. New sanitary service lines will be installed along Sandusky Drive, during that time no through traffic will be allowed, detour routes will be in place.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/28/2024	If you are a fan of Krispy Kreme donuts, but don't live near one in two years you'll have another way to get them. Starting in 2026 every McDonalds will serve Krispy Kreme doughnuts. They will be available individually or in boxes of six and will be able to be purchased all day long. The three doughnuts that they plan on serving are the original glazed, chocolate iced with sprinkles, and a chocolate iced Kreme filled.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/28/2024	Dozens of containers with hazardous materials remain on the ship, that caused the Francis Scott Key Bridge to collapse but thankfully they pose no threat to the public, according to the Coast Guard. Teams of officials are working on a plan to re-float the ship move it out of the way. First, they have to remove the parts of the bridge that are sitting on the bow of the ship.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/28/2024	If you have a cruise planned that was set to leave out of Baltimore, make sure you check before you go, because it will now be leaving out of Norfolk for the foreseeable future. Carnival Cruise Line said it will temporarily move its Baltimore operations to Norfolk as cleanup continues at the Francis Scott Key Bridge. Those on the The Carnival Legend right now will actually be returning Sunday, to Norfolk, rather than Baltimore and will be given complementary bus service back to Baltimore.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/28/2024	Hurricane season doesn't start until June, but the experts are letting us know what to expect for those summer trips. The Atlantic Hurricane Season Forecast calls for 20 to 25 named storms. Eight to 12 of those becoming hurricanes and four to six that could directly impact the United States. Texas, Florida Panhandle, South Florida & Carolinas face heightened risk to break an all-time record of 30 named storms in one season.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/28/2024	Because of the timing of the April 8 solar eclipse a couple of schools in Hampton Roads have decided to adjust their calendar and make that Monday a virtual learning day. School officials said they made this decision to ensure safety for students as an eclipse can be dangerous if you don't protect your eyes properly.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/29/2024	The full investigation into what happened in the Francis' Scott Key bridge collision could take up to two years to complete. Officials have released a timeline of events detailing the ship losing steering capabilities and them calling for help. The call at 1:27 am to the transportation authority closed down the roads to the bridge, which saved several lives.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/29/2024	The collapse of the bridge itself will lead to billions of dollars in liability claims. Marine insurance companies will be on the hook for much of the costs. With various owners and companies involved and with some maritime laws predating even the Titanic sinking, figuring out who owes what will be complex. Which is why President Biden said earlier this week that the US Government would just pay for it. Maybe they will work out a reimbursement plan.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/29/2024	You may have noticed a new building on Amherst Highway and Clearview Drive in Madison Heights. That is a new Johnson Health Center. The building will have a dentistry, pharmacy, wellness center, behavioral health, primary care, and more. They expect construction to finish sometime over the next month and plan to open in June.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/29/2024	Some 40,000 are expected to participate in Monday's "EGG-ucation"-themed White House Easter Egg Roll, about 10,000 more than last year. A teacher for more than 30 years, Jill Biden is transforming the tradition first held in 1878 into an "EGG-ucational" experience to help children learn about farming, healthier eating, and exercise. There will be nine waves of guests from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/29/2024	A heavy lift crane vessel arrived at the Port of Baltimore yesterday to help clear debris from the collapsed Francis Scott Key bridge. Salvage work is now underway, as more than 59 ships already under sail had Baltimore as their destination and will have to be diverted. Step 1 is to get the steel truss out of the channel, step 2 is to work with the Coast Guard to stabilize containers on top of the ship so it can be tugged to a safe part of the port. Then finally they will take out the remaining steel and roadway that's at the river bottom.
News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/29/2024	Salvage workers are being incredibly sensitive as the remaining 4 victims have yet to be recovered and are presumed to have passed away. All of the workers were from Mexico Guatemala, El Salvador, and Honduras. There were eight construction workers on the bridge at the time of the incident. Four are still unaccounted for, two were rescued and survived, and 2 more were recovered in a pickup truck.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30 AM	3/29/2024	Chesapeake Public Schools Security Task Force has outlined changes to make kids safer. One of them is a weapon detector pilot program. Another change is the scannable ID program for busses that will capture ridership data so parents will know what bus the student is on, where they got on, where they get off.

News	7:00/8:00 AM	3/29/2024	Virginia Cooperative Extension is hosting its 6th Annual Virginia Women in Agriculture Gathering Friday, April 19, and Saturday, April 20, in Blacksburg. Those interested can attend one or both days of the event. Registration is \$35 for Friday, \$50 for Saturday, and \$75 for both days. You must register by Friday, April 5.
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