

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/1/2021	Congress took a step toward avoiding a partial federal shutdown when the Senate passed a bill to keep the government funded through Dec. 3. The House was expected to follow suit which will help avert one crisis, but only delay another as both parties discuss how to raise the government's borrowing cap.
News	7:00/8:00am	1-Oct-21	General Motors is rolling out Ulti-fi, a new software platform starting in 2023 that will usher in capabilities, like giving drivers access to in-car subscription that would allow a driver to automatically set child locks if the car cameras detect children in the backseat.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	1-Oct-21	The Harvest Foundation announced a 13-year, \$10 million grant to Patrick & Henry Community College to support the SEED Fund, which will ensure that a college education is available at no cost to every high school graduate in Martinsville-Henry County. Since the inception of the program, SEED students have completed college at a rate that is double the national average.
News	7:00/8:00am	1-Oct-21	A Lynchburg staple is celebrating 86 years this month and they are helping a good cause. On Monday, October 11, they are having a celebration with 86-cent hot dogs and an 86-day food drive to support the local Blue Ridge Area Food Bank! As Lynchburg's oldest dining establishment, The T Room wants to give back to their patrons from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. they're 86ing Hunger in the Greater Lynchburg community.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	1-Oct-21	If you had babies in 2021, you may be eligible for a \$1,400 check for each child when you file this year's tax returns for '22. Of course, you need to meet income requirements to be eligible to claim the \$1,400 check. That means that parents with incomes up to \$75,000 as single tax filers or \$150,000 as married joint filers are entitled to the full \$1,400 per child.
News	7:00/8:00am	1-Oct-21	Newport News Shipbuilding, one of the largest employers in Hampton Roads, says roughly 25,000 workers still need to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 by Dec. 8 as a condition of continued employment. Right now, 59% of the shipyard's employees are vaccinated. The letter did not say that employees would be fired, but said the company was still evaluating the details.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	1-Oct-21	In just a few weeks, Botetourt County Public Schools will start dismissing students early on Wednesdays amid concerns about staff members' workload and the coronavirus spread in the community. Schools will dismiss students two hours early each Wednesday from Oct. 20 through the end of the semester. The school district plans to resume the regular schedule when students return for the spring semester on Jan. 5, 2022.
News	7:00/8:00am	1-Oct-21	Starting today the average benefits for food stamps will increase for recipients across the Commonwealth. The permanent increase in benefits is the largest single increase in the program's history.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	4-Oct-21	After a six-month pause, North Korea has resumed missile tests that place South Korea and Japan, within striking distance. North Korea has also warned the U.N. Security Council against criticizing their missile program. Because of that the UN is calling on a council resolution that bans ballistic missile launches.
News	7:00/8:00am	4-Oct-21	Roanoke hosted its first COVID-19 booster vaccination clinic over the weekend. Fourteen hundred slots filled up quickly and there are more than 800 slots available for this week's mass clinic. If you are over 65 or over 50 with underlying medical conditions, then you are eligible for the Pfizer booster dose. The next clinic is set for Friday at the Berglund Center.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	4-Oct-21	Pulaski County Public Schools have scheduled four Friday virtual days in October due continuing issues with staffing. As of now there are six vacant bus driver positions and seventeen vacant teaching positions. Because of that Fridays in October will be virtual learning days.
News	7:00/8:00am	4-Oct-21	The Nags Head Police Department is set to host the 38th annual National Night Out tomorrow. Event organizers say the event will feature a bounce house, a dunking booth, a seatbelt simulator, as well as other activities for the kids. The police department will also provide food for the event at Dowdy Park. The purpose is to create a sense of community, as well as provide an opportunity to bring law enforcement and neighbors together under positive circumstances.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	4-Oct-21	The Chinese military flew 16 warplanes over waters south of Taiwan causing the United States to express concern about what it called China's provocative military action. The U.S. State Department warned that China's military activity near Taiwan undermines regional peace and stability.

News	7:00/8:00am	4-Oct-21	The 1,300-mile network of trails that connects Arlington to the two other sites of the Sept. 11 terror attacks has been granted federal designation. The expansive September 11th National Memorial Trail, which runs through six states and Washington D.C., has yet to be fully completed, but this federal designation gives the network of trails name-recognition and helps the nonprofit administer funds to complete the trail in the coming decade.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	4-Oct-21	Another effort to mine uranium in Pittsylvania County has failed. Virginia Uranium Incorporated has been trying to mine a deposit in the county for years, but the state has had a freeze in place since the 1980s.
News	7:00/8:00am	4-Oct-21	Fire officials are investigating a small fire that broke out over the weekend at Busch Gardens. According to officials the roof of a building caught fire in the Ireland section of the park. Thankfully no one was injured.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	5-Oct-21	The Supreme Court is beginning a new term with a return to in person gatherings, after more than 18 months of virtual meetings because of the coronavirus. Justice Brett Kavanaugh however will still participate remotely after he tested positive for COVID late last week. Currently the court does remain closed to the public.
News	7:00/8:00am	5-Oct-21	I don't know what you did yesterday, but if you are like everyone else, you were forced to take a break from Facebook and Instagram. Facebook, Instagram, and WhatsApp platforms were down all over the world and the company did not say what might have caused the outage, but all should be back to normal now.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	5-Oct-21	Hampton Roads Transit wants to hear from you about two public transportation projects before it moves forward. The first project plans to extend the Tide light rail to Military Circle Mall and the second project plans to offer a new bus line to Naval Station Norfolk. There are two more opportunities to give your opinion on the stations, today from 1:30 – 4:30 p.m. at Military Circle transfer area and Thursday 8:00 a.m. to noon at the Newtown Road Station.
News	7:00/8:00am	5-Oct-21	A floating drone sent into the heart of Hurricane Sam, an enormous Category 4 storm churning in the Atlantic Ocean, is offering scientists the first views of conditions at the water's surface from inside a major hurricane. Experts say that these types of drones will help researchers improve storm forecasts by allowing them to study how hurricanes evolve and why some storms strengthen so quickly.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	5-Oct-21	Johnson & Johnson plans to ask federal regulators for authorization of their booster shot. Last month, regulators authorized a booster shot for the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine and are considering authorization this month for recipients of the Moderna vaccine. The CDC says those 65 and older, long-term care residents and those 50 to 64 with health problems should get boosters.
News	7:00/8:00am	5-Oct-21	Governor Ralph Northam was in Wytheville to commit \$8.5 million to upgrade infrastructure at Progress Park. This project will employ 2,500 and produce up to 60 billion medical gloves a year, within three to five years. The companies will also collaborate with Virginia Tech and other institutions to recruit engineering school graduates to keep employment within Virginia.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	5-Oct-21	Kids have all taken a sick day from school, but what about a mental health day? A new law recently passed allows students in several states – including Virginia – to miss school for mental health reasons. This has prompted conversation around how schools can better support their students.
News	7:00/8:00am	5-Oct-21	Fire Prevention Week is going on now and this year's theme is "Learn the Sounds of Fire Safety." From beeps to chirps, this year fire departments are working to better educate the public about the sounds smoke alarms make, and how to respond to them. Firefighters from Botetourt Fire and EMS recommend testing smoke alarms once a month to make sure you and your family are safe.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	6-Oct-21	The CDC is now recommending booster shots for those who previously received the Pfizer vaccine. This includes adults who are 65 years and older. Even though the vaccine is effective, immunity can wane over time which is why the booster shot is recommended. Moderna and Johnson and Johnson are not offering booster shots currently. However, that is expected to change in the future.
News	7:00/8:00am	6-Oct-21	Virginia Governor Ralph Northam joined Maryland Governor and the Pennsylvania Governor at the Appalachian Regional Commission Conference. The conference was to discuss new plans and priorities for the region over the next five years.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	6-Oct-21	Virginia's School Nutrition Program said food manufacturers and distributors have been disrupted during the coronavirus pandemic. Now students are feeling the effects and the federal government is stepping in. Last week, the agency announced that \$1.5

			<p>billion in new funding would be distributed to help, but when Virginia will get relief, they don't know for sure.</p>
News	7:00/8:00am	6-Oct-21	<p>According to the City of Lynchburg, the scheduled conversion of Church Street to two-way traffic has been delayed due to inclement weather. The conversion was originally planned for Friday but is now scheduled to take place next Friday, the 15th. Beginning Monday, work will resume including, new center-line striping and new striping for parking spaces.</p>
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	6-Oct-21	<p>The Virginia DMV is now allowing walk-in service after more than a year of being appointment only. Walk-in service will be available on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, while appointment-only service will be offered on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at all 75 service customer service centers.</p>
News	7:00/8:00am	6-Oct-21	<p>Kellogg's workers picketed outside cereal plants across the U.S. to mark the first day of a union strike, bringing production to a halt. The dispute involves an array of pay and benefit issues in addition to moving jobs out of the country. There is no word yet on if cereal production will be impacted.</p>
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	6-Oct-21	<p>U.S. Capitol Police arrested a man who was inside a suspicious vehicle near the Supreme Court. According to police, he was illegally parked in front of the Supreme Court and refused to speak to responding police officers.</p>
News	7:00/8:00am	6-Oct-21	<p>The Suffolk Peanut Fest is back this year after being canceled in 2020. The festival will be at the Suffolk Executive Airport from Oct. 8-10. Gates open Friday at 2 p.m. The festival features three days of live music, and an all-you-can-eat shrimp feast on Friday, and a demolition derby at 11:30 a.m. Saturday.</p>
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	7-Oct-21	<p>With record numbers of military flights near Taiwan over the last week, China has tried to assert its territorial ambitions in the region. All the flights were in international airspace, but they prompted Taiwanese defense forces to scramble in response and raised fears that any misstep could provoke an unintended escalation.</p>
News	7:00/8:00am	7-Oct-21	<p>The national blood supply is the lowest it's been at the end of a summer since 2015. That shortage also applies to the state of Virginia. According to the American Red Cross, 10,000 additional units of blood need to be collected daily to meet the demand in the state. If you</p>

			would like to donate blood, head to the Red Cross website.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	7-Oct-21	Gleaning For the World is hosting an American Red Cross blood drive on Thursday, November 4th from 2-6pm. Please visit <a href="http://redcrossblood.org">redcrossblood.org</a> to sign up to give blood!
News	7:00/8:00am	7-Oct-21	Everyone's favorite blockhead is coming back to broadcast television this Halloween season! After a year on Apple TV+, the Great Pumpkin will air on PBS and PBS Kids at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 24. "A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving" will also play on PBS and PBS Kids at 6:30 p.m. on Nov. 21, and "A Charlie Brown Christmas" will air at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 19.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	7-Oct-21	A new way to be protected from COVID-19 without the poke of a needle is being researched right here in Virginia. If you've ever gotten a flu shot sometimes, they'll ask you if you want the shot or the spray. Now, researchers at UVA Health are developing their own version of a spray but this time for COVID-19.
News	7:00/8:00am	7-Oct-21	The global outage that knocked Facebook and its other platforms for hours was caused by an error during routine maintenance. The problem occurred as engineers were carrying out day to day work on Facebook's global backbone network; the computers, routers, and software in its data centers around the world along with the fiber-optic cables connecting them.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	7-Oct-21	There are currently 8 teachers in Virginia vying for the 2022 Virginia Teacher of the Year. The Virginia Department of Education, will choose the 2022 Teacher of the Year on Oct. 14 and the decision will be announced by Governor Ralph Northam later that day.
News	7:00/8:00am	7-Oct-21	Your help is needed to reach one organization's highest food drive goal ever. The United Way of Central Virginia is doing its annual food drive this month and their looking to collect 10,000 pounds of food. Protein items are in demand, packaged for individuals or families, but other donations are welcome. United Way says to check with businesses before arriving to ensure they can receive your donation.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	8-Oct-21	Pfizer has asked for use of its COVID-19 vaccine in children ages 5 to 11 and if regulators agree, shots could begin within a matter of weeks. Now the FDA will have to decide if there's enough evidence that the shots are

			safe and an independent expert panel will publicly debate the evidence on Oct. 26.
News	7:00/8:00am	8-Oct-21	U.S. Coast Guard investigators have boarded a massive cargo ship to find out what caused the rupture of a California oil pipeline. The Rotterdam Express made unusual movements while anchored near where the break in the pipeline occurred. The Coast Guard is investigating whether the ship anchor might have snagged and bent the pipeline.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	8-Oct-21	The final group of Marines and Sailors with the 24th Marine Expeditionary Unit are back on American soil after seven months deployed overseas. Helicopters and massive ships carrying nearly 600 Marines and Sailors reached home, as the final group out of 2,400, that were deployed to the peace operations in Afghanistan.
News	7:00/8:00am	8-Oct-21	October is domestic violence awareness month and today Roanoke will hold its 14th annual 'A Walk In Their Shoes' event at Straight Street Roanoke Valley on Luck Ave. from 12-2 p.m. Many will hold signs with the names of victims who lost their life to domestic violence and each name will be read aloud in a way to celebrate that person and make sure that they are never forgotten.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	8-Oct-21	President Joe Biden is considering releasing oil from emergency reserves, to help bring down costs as gas prices. Gas prices reached a national average of \$3.24 which is a level that hasn't been seen since October 2014. Presidents don't control gas prices, but the Biden administration has recently said it is looking at every tool it has to address the costs of oil.
News	7:00/8:00am	8-Oct-21	The CIA said it's creating a top-level working group on China as part of a broad U.S. government effort focused on countering Beijing's influence. The group will have weekly meetings to discuss strategy towards China. President Joe Biden's administration has called out what it sees as Chinese aggression on a range of security and economic issues while also seeking common ground on issues like climate change and a nuclear-armed North Korea.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	8-Oct-21	Amid frequent hospital diversions and staffing shortages, Pittsylvania County Public Safety is encouraging the community to seek the appropriate level of care when dealing with injuries and illnesses. They are also asking patients to think before calling 9-1-1 to be sure that they are calling only for an emergency.

News	7:00/8:00am	8-Oct-21	Liberty University will retire the jersey of one of the Flames all-time greats during Homecoming weekend tomorrow. The No. 23 jersey of former All-American and NFL running back Rashad Jennings will be retired during the Flames' 50th Anniversary Celebration. Jennings will be the 5th person to have their jersey retired by Liberty Athletics.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11-Oct-21	The Community Vaccination Center in Norfolk's Military Circle Mall is offering more options for residents to stop by and roll up their sleeves. The clinic will now be open from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays thru Saturdays. That includes initial vaccinations from Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson and Johnson, plus boosters.
News	7:00/8:00am	11-Oct-21	Leaders in Williamsburg hope to give the region's tourism industry a boost by building a regional sports complex at the Colonial Williamsburg Visitor Center. The hope is the indoor facility will allow Williamsburg as well as James City and York counties to take advantage of the growing sports tourism industry.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11-Oct-21	Volvo Trucks is looking to fill several hundred positions to help roll out more VNR Electric Trucks. Right now, they are looking for many technical and plant assembly positions at the New River Valley facility. Those who apply and are hired could receive many benefits, including health insurance and job mobility.
News	7:00/8:00am	11-Oct-21	The brick foundation of one of the nation's oldest Black churches has been unearthed at Colonial Williamsburg. The First Baptist Church was formed in 1776 and by 1818, the church had its first building in the former colonial capital.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11-Oct-21	Passengers on Southwest Airlines experienced frustration as the airline canceled more than 1,000 flights nationwide, including nearly 150 flights into or out of Denver. Southwest blamed the mass cancellations on air traffic control issues and disruptive weather.
News	7:00/8:00am	11-Oct-21	More than \$33 million in U.S. Department of Justice grants has been awarded to 26 Virginia-based public and non-profit organizations to fund programs that address violence. The grants will provide funding and essential services to vulnerable communities, especially women, those with disabilities, and immigrants who are victims of assault and domestic violence.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11-Oct-21	Afghan refugees continue to be resettled across the country, including in North Carolina, and organizations like Welcome House Raleigh are helping them find their footing once they arrive. Welcome House is currently taking donations through October 17 to start more Welcome Houses across the state to be able to provide supplies to those being relocated.
News	7:00/8:00am	11-Oct-21	Danville law enforcement and local churches worked together to build community relationships through their Faith and Blue event. The Danville Sheriff hopes that building relationships with residents and breaking negative stigmas will help to continue to lower the city's crime rate.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12-Oct-21	Southwest Airlines has canceled several hundred more flights following a weekend of major disruptions. The widespread disruptions began shortly after the Southwest Airlines Pilots Association asked a federal court to block the airline's order that all employees must get vaccinated. Both the company and the pilots' union denied reports of a protest due to the mandatory COVID-19 vaccinations.
News	7:00/8:00am	12-Oct-21	Yesterday the Boston Marathon, happened for the first time since the pandemic began. It's been 30 months since athletes raced in the world's oldest and most prestigious marathon. Runners had to show proof that they were vaccinated, or they had to test negative for COVID-19. For social distancing, the field was about one-third smaller as only 18,000 runners participated instead of 30,000.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12-Oct-21	Liberty Christian Academy is teaming up with the Isaiah 117 House in Lynchburg to host a "Stuff the Bus" event to collect items for children in foster care. Today you can donate socks, underwear, shoes, toiletries, diapers, cups, and bottles to "Stuff the Bus." The Isiah 117 House is a Christian ministry that provides physical and emotional support for children waiting for their foster care placement.
News	7:00/8:00am	12-Oct-21	McDonald's is making school day mornings a little brighter for educators with a free breakfast Thank You Meal. All teachers, administrators and school staff can simply head to their local participating McDonald's during breakfast hours now through Friday and show a valid work ID for a free breakfast.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12-Oct-21	Iraq has detained a top leader of the Islamic State group and a longtime al-Qaida operative in a cross-border operation. This person oversees the Islamic State

			group's financial operations and served as the deputy leader of IS.
News	7:00/8:00am	12-Oct-21	Drugmaker Merck asked U.S. regulators to authorize its pill for treating COVID-19 in what would add an entirely new and easy-to-use method to fight the pandemic. If cleared by the Food and Drug Administration, it would be the first pill shown to treat the illness.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12-Oct-21	The Lynchburg Police Dept. is now facing staffing challenges with over 28 vacant officer positions. Due to the staffing shortages, the department has temporarily transferred 11 officers from specialized functions back to Field Operations as patrol officers.
News	7:00/8:00am	12-Oct-21	The Virginia State Conference of the NAACP is set to host a law enforcement round table today at the Caroline County Community Services Center in Richmond from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.. Organizers hope the event will allow law enforcement agencies to share how they have approached the challenges of policing, as well as discuss the development of strategies that promote positive interactions between law enforcement and citizens.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	13-Oct-21	Many Americans who got the Pfizer vaccine have already got a booster shot. Now Moderna and Johnson & Johnson are working on a booster. Tomorrow and Friday, the Food and Drug Administration is gathering their advisers to decide whether extra doses of the two vaccines should be dispensed and, if so, who should get them and when.
News	7:00/8:00am	13-Oct-21	Gas prices in the United States have reached a seven-year high as demand for fuel continues to surpass supply, placing a financial strain on consumers. Average gas prices nationwide hit \$3.25 per gallon last week, over a dollar higher than at this time last year. Relief is unlikely to arrive before the holiday season, with some analysts predicting prices will soon hit \$3.50 a gallon.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	13-Oct-21	Buena Vista City Public Schools will be closing schools this Friday because of COVID. School officials say that due to the challenges, Oct. 15 will be a teacher workday to let staff clean, plan, and prepare for instruction.
News	7:00/8:00am	13-Oct-21	Elizabeth City State University was awarded a grant to help middle and high school students achieve higher education. The \$1.3 million grant from the U.S. Department of Education is aimed to provide students with financial literacy training. The program also focuses on students in disadvantaged counties within Northeastern North Carolina, many of whom come from

			low-income households and would be first-generation college students.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	13-Oct-21	Former President Barack Obama will join fellow Democrat Terry McAuliffe in the final stretch of the Virginia governor's race in Richmond on Oct. 23. Those interested in attending need to sign up. Election Day is Nov. 2.
News	7:00/8:00am	13-Oct-21	Staffing shortages due to the COVID-19 pandemic have left many teachers stressed and overworked. Now two other districts have added relief days for teachers. Buena Vista City Public Schools will be closed Friday, and Montgomery County Public Schools will be closed on three dates Oct. 29, Nov. 15 and Dec. 9.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	13-Oct-21	A business with a global reach that calls Campbell County home is expanding here in Central Virginia, bringing more jobs for the community. Foster Fuels the propane company, has established a new headquarters on Calohan Road. The 100-year-old family-run business provides a variety of heating fuels to distributors, businesses, and homes alike, as well as supporting emergency response fuel delivery.
News	7:00/8:00am	13-Oct-21	The mass vaccination center at Richmond Raceway is reopening as more are eligible for booster shots and children ages 5-to-11 could soon be approved to get it. Health leaders said they will be able to vaccinate up to 1,000, per day if need be. The clinic opens at 10 a.m. and runs until 8 p.m., Monday through Saturday. You can make an appointment or show up without one.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	14-Oct-21	Millions of retirees on Social Security will get a boost in benefits for 2022. The biggest cost-of-living adjustment in 39 years follows an economy that is struggling to shake off the drag of the coronavirus pandemic. A typical couple's benefits would rise from around \$150 to over \$2,000 per month.
News	7:00/8:00am	14-Oct-21	Food companies are coming under renewed pressure to use less salt after U.S. regulators spelled out guidelines aimed at reducing sodium levels in dozens of foods. The goal is to help lower the amount of salt we eat since most of the sodium in U.S. diets comes from packaged or restaurant foods not the salt added to meals at home.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	14-Oct-21	A Pasquotank County teacher is one of 13 educators selected for an exclusive, behind-the-scenes access to NASA Langley. It's all a part of the North Carolina Space Education Ambassadors program. One highlight of the program is a trip to NASA Langley that all the teachers will take as a group to tour the facilities and learn from NASA scientists, engineers, and education specialists in person.
News	7:00/8:00am	14-Oct-21	Athletes will travel from all over the country to compete in Strongman National Championship. The competition will be held at the Salem Civic Center on Friday and Saturday. There are different weight class competitions for men and women, and everyone is invited to come out and watch the athletes.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	14-Oct-21	The U.S. will reopen its land borders to nonessential travel next month, ending a 19-month freeze. All international visitors will be required to be vaccinated to enter the U.S. regardless of the reason for travel starting in early November, when the easing of restrictions is also set to kick in for air travel into the country.
News	7:00/8:00am	14-Oct-21	Due to recent attacks the U.S. is sitting down to talk cybersecurity strategy this week with 30 countries while leaving out Russia. The virtual discussions will focus in part on efforts to disrupt and prosecute ransomware networks like the one that attacked a major U.S. pipeline company in May.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	14-Oct-21	The 8th annual Norfolk Visual Arts Month is on a roll with poetry popping up along the city sidewalks. Poetry on the Pavement Project will stencil 25 select poems by 20 authors who live, work, or attend school in Norfolk. The month-long celebration includes over 100 ways to experience visual arts in Norfolk every day.
News	7:00/8:00am	14-Oct-21	A World War II soldier's remains are now home after being identified 77 years later. Lt. James Wright, of North Carolina, was stationed in France during WWII when he was last seen. In 2012, a researcher said one of the remains recovered there matched Wright and through dental records and DNA analysis, Wright's body was accounted for and final respects were paid this week as the family was able to bury him.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	15-Oct-21	Nurses around the U.S. are getting burned out by the COVID-19 however, applications to nursing schools are rising, driven by those who see the global emergency as an opportunity and a challenge. Nationally, enrollment in nursing programs increased over 5% in 2020.

News	7:00/8:00am	15-Oct-21	You may be surprised to see bare shelves and product shortages recently as the coronavirus pandemic has once again triggered a supply shortage. Right now, 500,000 shipping containers are sitting on cargo ships off the Southern California coast. So, Florida is putting out the word that they are the most efficient way to move goods to the East Coast or even to the Midwest.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	15-Oct-21	Dominion Energy is sending a notice to its customers that disconnections will resume next month. Those that fall behind more than 60 days could lose service as early as Nov. 18. However, a Virginia law could extend your late payment deadline to March of next year. To qualify you must have received utility payment assistance at any time between Jan. of 2019, and July of 21 or have a medical account designation or have received benefits from programs such as SNAP.
News	7:00/8:00am	15-Oct-21	Things will look a little different at Virginia Tech's football game tomorrow after a petition claimed that students were being pinned against the fences at the last game. This week attendance will be restricted to season ticket holders and a more limited number of student lottery winners. They will also deploy law enforcement officers in Lane Stadium to support a positive and safe fan experience.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	15-Oct-21	A candlelight vigil was held at the National Mall in Washington DC honoring over 700 names that were added to the National Law Enforcement Officers' Memorial this year. It's the first event for police weekend and federal government and law enforcement read each of the 701 names of the officers out loud. Officers that lost their lives in the line of duty in 2020 increase 96% compared to the previous year.
News	7:00/8:00am	15-Oct-21	Butterball is recalling approximately 14,000 pounds of ground turkey products that may be contaminated with blue plastic. Anyone concerned about an injury or illness should contact a healthcare provider.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	15-Oct-21	If you haven't weeded your garden lately, it might be time to do so. The Town of Hurt has begun the process of enforcing town ordinances that address things like inoperable vehicles, junk, debris, and overgrown weeds. Members of the town staff will go through and check on complaints and inspect properties that exhibit violations. If a violation is found, a written notice will be issued outlining the action needed and failure to comply will result in enforcement.

News	7:00/8:00am	15-Oct-21	It's been over 600 days since the Rail Yard Dawgs last home game, back in February. The pandemic put a pause on the season and players weren't sure when they would be able to play again. Now their first home game is tonight against Fayetteville at 7:00 p.m. at the Berglund Center in Roanoke.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	18-Oct-21	The most recent statistics from the Virginia Department of Health show a downward trend in coronavirus cases in both vaccinated and unvaccinated in the commonwealth. So far over 200,000 have already received a booster shot of the vaccine in Virginia.
News	7:00/8:00am	18-Oct-21	Employees rallied outside Newport News Shipbuilding to protest the federal COVID-19 vaccine mandate. To keep their jobs Newport News Shipbuilding employees will have to be fully vaccinated by December 8. Those protesting said their issue isn't with the vaccine but with the federal mandate forcing it on employees.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	18-Oct-21	Expect Best Buy's Black Friday sales to start early again this year. The retailer will kick off the holiday season with a four-day sale starting tomorrow and then will start its Black Friday sale on Nov. 19 – a week earlier than Black Friday. The deals in tomorrow's sale will also be covered by a "Black Friday Price Guarantee" if the prices go lower.
News	7:00/8:00am	18-Oct-21	The Danville Fire Department responded to a structure fire yesterday in a building that housed a boiler, electric switches, pumps, and panels. Most of the fire was coming from oil leaking from the boiler due to mechanical failure. Although the damage is significant, there were no injuries and plant operation can continue as repairs are completed.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	18-Oct-21	As many as 17 American Christian missionaries and their families, including children, were kidnapped in Haiti. The kidnapping happened after the missionaries left an orphanage. The U.S. State Department is aware of the reports and the Haitian police are seeking information on the issue.
News	7:00/8:00am	18-Oct-21	The White House's Christmas tree will once again come from a North Carolina farm. Peak Farms in Ashe County was named the winners of the annual tree contest by the National Christmas Tree Association. Each year since 1966, the winner of that contest will have the official White House tree that will be displayed in the Blue Room. The selected tree will be harvested on Nov. 17.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	18-Oct-21	When in Williamsburg, a sweet and savory bite of pit-smoked barbecue can be found at a local, family-owned eatery that's been serving the community for half a century. Pierce's Pitt Bar-B-Que, located off Interstate 64, was presented with a resolution by the Virginia House of Delegates, commending the family-owned restaurant for 50 years of business.
News	7:00/8:00am	18-Oct-21	After burning for nearly seventeen hours a fire at a Lynchburg Candle shop was finally put out. The fire department still doesn't know what caused the fire at the Cottage Stillroom Candle Factory on Cabell Street. The structure suffered heavy damages and there is currently a go fund me set up for the business to make repairs.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	19-Oct-21	Colin Powell, who served Democratic and Republican presidents during war and peace, has passed away at the age of 84. He was the first Black secretary of state, the youngest chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and was the first Black national security adviser during the end of the presidency of Ronald Reagan. Powell passed away from complications from COVID-19.
News	7:00/8:00am	19-Oct-21	Amazon is trying to fill over 2,000 seasonal positions in the Hampton Roads area this holiday season, with sign-on bonuses up to \$3,000. Amazon has about 3,700 seasonal jobs total in Virginia and 150,000 across the U.S. Other retailers such as Target and Walmart are also offering bonuses and other perks to attract workers.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	19-Oct-21	To allow for more planning time for teachers, Roanoke City Public Schools has altered the school year to provide at least one full day a month for teachers to prepare. These days will be virtual learning days in which students will do assignments as instructed by their teachers at their own pace. Grab and Go Meal Distribution will still be provided on those days.
News	7:00/8:00am	19-Oct-21	On Oct. 23, the Colonial Parkway in Williamsburg will open a 7-mile section from 7 a.m. to noon for walkers, runners, and bikers, closing to vehicle access during that time. Park managers will be offering two to three opportunities per year for recreation on the parkway and ask visitors to follow CDC guidance to prevent the spread of COVID-19.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	19-Oct-21	U.S. officials are working with Haitian authorities to try to secure the release of 12 adults and five children with a U.S.-based missionary group who were abducted over the weekend. The U.S. State Department said that it was in regular contact with senior Haitian authorities

			and would continue to work with them and interagency partners.
News	7:00/8:00am	19-Oct-21	U.S. safety regulators are investigating fuel pump failures in more than 600,000 diesel Ram trucks that could cause the engines to stall or lose power. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says it received 22 complaints of engines stalling due to high-pressure fuel pumps failing. The probe could lead to a recall.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	19-Oct-21	45 dogs surrendered following a hoarding situation at a home on the Eastern Shore were sent to the Virginia Beach SPCA and need help. Most dogs will remain at the VB SPCA, while the rest will go to other rescue organizations in the region. Officials say the dogs are currently getting settled at the shelter with a bath and a check-up from the vet.
News	7:00/8:00am	19-Oct-21	Heavenly Hands opened a new childcare facility in downtown Moneta. They are located on Town Circle Way and offer childcare for children 6 weeks to 12 years old before and after-school. They teach a STEM curriculum, sign language classes and have a physical fitness program. The downtown Moneta location will be open weekdays from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. and they are currently accepting applications.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	20-Oct-21	The group responsible for kidnapping 17 members of a U.S. based missionary group has demanded a \$17 million ransom for them, \$1 million per person. FBI agents and other U.S. officials are helping Haitian authorities hunt for the 12 adults and five children linked to Christian Aid Ministries.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/20/2021	Health regulators have unveiled their proposal to allow Americans to buy hearing aids without a prescription, a long-awaited move intended to make the devices more accessible to millions with hearing problems. Under the plan, the devices could be ordered online or bought over the counter at pharmacies and other retail stores.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/20/2021	River Ridge is now welcoming five new food options for customers as it continues redevelopment. Auntie Anne's, Cinnabon, along with Grounded which offers burgers, ZaZa pizza and Mein Bowl that serves Chinese food are the new food options for visitors. The food hall renovations are expected to be completed by the end of this month and the overall construction in the new wing is expected to be done by spring of 2022.

News	7:00/8:00am	10/20/2021	Registration is open for children to take a free flight later this month at an event at the Danville Regional Airport. Children ages 8 to 17 can be preregistered for the free plane rides during the Airport Open House on Saturday, October 30th from 9 to 2. Pilots from Virginia and North Carolina will complete the free rides.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/20/2021	Federal regulators are expected to authorize the mixing of COVID-19 booster shots this week to provide flexibility for those seeking to maintain protection against the coronavirus. Allowing mixing could alleviate supply issues, make getting a booster simpler for Americans and allow those who may have had adverse reactions to the initial dose to try a different shot.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/20/2021	We've all been alarmed by the way Facebook and other smart home devices seem to be always listening. Well, you can stop that. On Facebook you can change your permissions to disable the microphone or get a microphone blocker that tricks your computer into thinking a microphone is plugged in. You can also make one by cutting the the cord near the jack on an inexpensive pair of headphones and plugging it into your computer or phone without worrying about sound input.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/20/2021	The highly debated Brandon Ave apartment project has been shut down after a 4-3 vote at the Roanoke City Council meeting. City council turned down the request for rezoning of the land which is currently zoned as a single-family district. The hope was to build 54 apartments and 15 townhomes, but dozens of residents voiced their concerns about the project.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/20/2021	The annual Orion-id Meteor Shower is coming back and will fill the night sky with shooting stars once more! It will peak today and tomorrow from 10 p.m. to dawn but will be best viewed at approximately 2 a.m. tomorrow. However, there is a full Hunter's Moon taking place and that means bright moonlight will make the meteors difficult to see.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/21/2021	Negotiations continue for the return of 17 members of a U.S.-based missionary group kidnapped over the weekend by a group that is demanding \$1 million ransom per person. In a peaceful demonstration dozens walked through the streets demanding the release of the missionaries and explained that the missionaries helped pay bills and build roads and schools.

News	7:00/8:00am	10/21/2021	The Commonwealth of Virginia is on track to be one of the first states to have universal broadband access. Thanks to total funding of around \$2 billion from the state and local and private funding matches, Virginia is on pace to achieve universal broadband access by 2024, which is even more crucial now with many working and doing school from home.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/21/2021	A Navy report has concluded there were sweeping failures by commanders, crew members and others that fueled the July 2020 arson fire that destroyed the USS Bonhomme (bon hom) Richard, in San Diego. While one sailor has been charged with setting the fire, the more than 400-page report, lists three dozen officers and sailors whose failings either directly led to the ship's loss or contributed to it.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/21/2021	A Rockbridge County landmark has reached its fundraising goal to stay open for many years to come. Last summer, Hull's Drive-In started a campaign to raise \$350,000 to buy the land the theatre is built on. Through more than 900 donations the business says they can now make it happen.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/21/2021	Children ages 5 to 11 will soon be able to get a COVID-19 shot at their pediatrician's office, local pharmacy and potentially even their school with the authorization of the Pfizer shot in a matter of weeks. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention should approve the use at their meeting on Nov. 2-3.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/21/2021	Newport News school administrators have announced a plan to return students to in-person learning at Huntington Middle and Heritage High school following an incident that injured two 17-year-olds last month. Students at Huntington Middle School will return to in-person learning Oct. 25 and Heritage High School will return on Oct. 27. Both schools have been learning remotely since the incident.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/21/2021	Dominion Energy customers could soon see hundreds of millions of dollars in refunds and a lower electricity bill over the next couple of months. If approved by the SCC, Dominion Energy would send out \$330 million in refunds which would total around \$67 for customers, spread out on electric bills over the next three years. So, each bill would be about \$0.90 lower.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/21/2021	Biker safety has become a topic of discussion in the Lynchburg community after a bicyclist was struck by a vehicle. Residents said that drivers often speed down Fort Ave making it dangerous for those walking and biking. Bikers can also take precautions by wearing

			reflective gear and staying aware of traffic. The Lynchburg Police Department is still investigating this accident.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/22/2021	Walgreens will begin flying packages next week by drone to residents in a pair of Texas cities in partnership with Google's drone-making affiliate, Wing. It will be Wing's first commercial expansion in the U.S. after years testing the concept in a Virginia town and parts of Australia and Finland.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/22/2021	A salmonella outbreak tied to onions has sickened more than 650 in 37 states. At least 129 have been hospitalized. The outbreak has been traced to whole red, white and yellow onions imported from Mexico.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/22/2021	Lynchburg City Schools released their 90-day academic report, showing significant needs for growth in both math and reading across all grade levels. The review broke down four different assessments for student learning and the data showed a significant need for student growth in areas of math and reading.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/22/2021	Millions across the world including almost 300,000 North Carolinians took part in the world's largest earthquake drill yesterday. The event is known as the Great Southeast Shakeout where participants practice the Drop, Cover, and Hold On method. Drop down take cover and hold on.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/22/2021	The Turkey is the staple of Thanksgiving, but there could be a slight slump in size and availability this year. The U.S. Department of Agriculture has predicted a minor drop in production and a major shortage of truck drivers. So being able to get the birds to the supermarkets is going to be a problem. Experts are encouraging consumers to shop local and turn to turkey farms nearby.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/22/2021	State and local leaders gathered to celebrate the ground-breaking of a Tyson Foods facility in Pittsylvania County. Virginia Governor Ralph Northam was among the attendees at the Cane Creek Center in Ringgold. The \$300 million investment will bring more than 375 jobs to Pittsylvania County.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/22/2021	Franklin County High School has been hit by staffing issues so today will be a virtual learning day. All staff members will report to campus and provide virtual instruction while all students will log in for each class. Families who wish to get meal pickups can do so at any elementary or middle school in Franklin County between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. They will return to in person learning on Monday.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/22/2021	The Pulaski Police Department just got a little ruffer. Juneau, a 16-month-old German Shepherd, joined the patrol division this week and she is, by far, the youngest member of the department. Juneau will be working with her new partner, Sgt. Dickerson, on narcotics detection and tracking.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/25/2021	A U.S. religious organization whose 17 members were kidnapped in Haiti asked supporters to pray as efforts to recover them are still ongoing. Haitian officials have said the gang is seeking \$1 million ransom per person, although they said it wasn't clear if that includes the five children in the group, the youngest being 8 months old.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/25/2021	President Joe Biden is set to return to Virginia for his second campaign stop with fellow Democrat Terry McAuliffe as the state's closely watched race for governor enters its final stretch. McAuliffe's campaign announced that the two would appear together tomorrow, a week before Election Day, at a park in Arlington. Election Day is Nov. 2, and early voting runs through Oct. 30.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/25/2021	A flight heading from Norfolk to Florida made an emergency landing at Raleigh-Durham International Airport after an odor in the jet. All passengers and crew were evacuated from the aircraft safely.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/25/2021	The Roanoke Heart Walk was back in person this year. The American Heart Association said two of the top 5 killers of Americans are heart disease and stroke. Heart disease survivors wore red caps, and stroke survivors wore white caps.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/25/2021	A state lawmaker is proposing legislation to recognize 911 dispatchers as first responders. The Lifeliner's Act, will help spread awareness of work-induced stress, recognize the symptoms of PTSD, and provide resources for telecommunicators for treatment. Dispatchers go from one traumatic situation to another, minute after minute, day after day. So, this bill would allow them the tools and resources they need to deal with PTSD.

News	7:00/8:00am	10/25/2021	The Charlottesville Unite the Right Trial is set to start today, four years after the protest. Jury selection is set to begin today in Charlottesville and the trial is expected to take four weeks.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/25/2021	Law enforcement and health department agencies across Virginia are warning the public about a scam alert that is targeting the Virginia Department of Health. There is an email circulating about COVID vaccine status that requires immediate validation. Health officials and law enforcement say this is a scam and are advising you to not click on the link. Instead, if you receive this email you are asked to report it to your email provider as spam and delete it.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/25/2021	The long-awaited reunion of old Colonial Athletic Association foes Old Dominion and James Madison University appears to be happening. The Sun Belt Conference is looking to expand by four teams, and it seems that ODU and JMU, are closing the deal, an announcement is expected early this week.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/26/2021	Beginning on Nov. 8, foreign adults traveling to the United States will need to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. There are limited exceptions, and all travelers will need to be tested for the virus before boarding an aircraft to the U.S..
News	7:00/8:00am	10/26/2021	Governor Ralph Northam says a \$200 million factory will create over 300 jobs making turbine blades for offshore wind projects in Portsmouth. Virginia-based Dominion Energy is already partnering with Spain on the \$7.8 billion project, which will generate energy 27 miles off the coast.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/26/2021	Civil War history casts a long shadow in Virginia, the birthplace of Confederate generals, scene of their surrender, and now a crossroad of controversy over renaming military bases. In all, the names of at least nine Army bases in six states will be changed.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/26/2021	Offering Afghan refugees, a warm welcome, Virginia Tech students organized a fundraiser to help families get back on their feet. Fork in the Alley art gallery is donating 10% of its sales to help Afghan refugees start a new life in Roanoke. The money will help 50 of them acquire housing, food, and healthcare. The art auction will continue online through today.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/26/2021	The pharmaceutical company Merck says it has asked the European Medicines Agency to authorize its COVID-19 antiviral treatment, the first pill that has been shown to treat the disease. If given the green light, it would be the first treatment for COVID-19 that does not need to

			be administered through needles. A decision is expected within weeks.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/26/2021	Free drive-thru COVID-19 testing will be offered in Danville for the next four Fridays. The testing will take place at the Ballou Park Recreation Center from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 29, Nov. 5th, 12th, and 19th. Those attending must wear a face mask and remain in your car. Tests are available on a first-come, first-served basis at no cost to the individual and no appointment is needed.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/26/2021	A farm in Northern Virginia is looking to grow a new crop of farmers through its Live, Eat, Grow Internship program. Under the program through Arcadia Farm, high school interns will commit 80 hours to gardening, communication, and leadership skills through hands-on experience at the Farm as well as at partner gardens in the Route 1 area.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/26/2021	A Lynchburg legend closed its doors after 50 years of business. The Crown Sterling on Fort Avenue hosted customers for the very last time over the weekend. Thankfully many of the workers were able to land jobs elsewhere.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/27/2021	A key FDA advisory committee recommended a lower dose of Pfizer's Covid-19 vaccine for children ages 5 to 11. The endorsement was a critical step in getting some 28 million more kids in the U.S. protected against the virus. Officials estimate that the vaccines, could be available to children as early as the first or second week in November.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/27/2021	Democratic nominee for Virginia governor, Terry McAuliffe, will make stops in Lynchburg and Danville today. The stops are part of McAuliffe's "Get Out The Vote - Bus Tour" campaign. He will be at a Danville church at 12:30 p.m., and then make his way to Lynchburg University at 3:15 p.m. Then tomorrow he will head to Richmond, Charlottesville, Harrisonburg and Prince William County.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/27/2021	Six landowners in Franklin County have settled a federal lawsuit against the Mountain Valley Pipeline, which was originally filed three years ago after they claimed a mudslide at one of their construction sites damaged their property. An MVP spokeswoman said after the incident the company investigated and no property was impacted.

News	7:00/8:00am	10/27/2021	Perdue Farms has donated nearly 40,000 pounds of chicken to the Food Banks of the Albemarle in Elizabeth City. Part of Perdue's "Delivering Hope To Our Neighbors" initiative focuses on hunger relief, and the donation equates to approximately 33,000 meals. The food bank covers more than 48,000 of which 25% are children, that do not have regular access to enough food.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/27/2021	Virginia's health secretary is leaving his job as Governor Ralph Northam's term soon closes to go work for a nonprofit health system. Dan Carey's last day as secretary of health and human resources will be Friday. He will become chief medical officer for a collective of physicians and medical groups based in Washington, D.C. Carey used to be the president and chief executive at Centra.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/27/2021	Teachers spend a lot of their own money on their classrooms and students. Now local teachers of kindergarten through 12th grade can apply for \$500 from the Blue Eagle Credit Union Teacher Grant. It's designed to help teachers fund programs that positively impact students in the communities they serve. It's fully funded by the employees of Blue Eagle Credit Union. The deadline to apply for this round of grants is October 31.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/27/2021	Bus services from Valley Metro will be fare-free on Election Day (Nov. 2). The effort is meant to make it easier for citizens to access polling spots within the transit service area. Further details can be found by visiting the Valley Metro website.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/27/2021	We talked about this yesterday, but now search and rescue teams are responding to the social-media post about changing your voicemail, saying that it could complicate their missions. Instead, they are saying that if you find yourself in trouble somewhere don't waste time calling your voicemail instead only use your battery to make a call to 911 or to use text messages when possible.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/28/2021	If you would like a booster shot the Virginia Department of Health has made it easy for those that are eligible to get one. All you need to do is visit the Virginia Department of Health Appointment Scheduling site and enter information that will then show you the clinics that meet your criteria and as well as the date, time, available appointments, and the vaccine type for each clinic.

News	7:00/8:00am	10/28/2021	A local business is hoping to rezone a rural area in Campbell County into businesses and homes. The Campbell County Planning Commission unanimously approved these plans to rezone 75 acres of land for over 450 townhouses, 46 single-family homes, and commercial space which will be along Colonial Highway adjacent to Yellow Branch Elementary School.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/28/2021	Now it's official, Old Dominion is heading to the Sun Belt Conference which they will join no later than July 1, 2023. A press conference is scheduled for today in Norfolk at 8 a.m. with ODU officials. ODU will have to pay around \$3 million to Conference USA, as an exit fee.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/28/2021	Visit River Ridge Mall Sunday from 4 p.m. through 6 p.m. for activities and gathering candy at participating retailers. Sonic the Hedgehog and other characters will appear throughout the mall. Balloon Dude Travis will also be on-site creating fun balloon creations!
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/28/2021	Experts have confirmed that U.S. intelligence believes ISIS could acquire the capability to attack international targets including the U.S. in as little as six months. A hearing was held for U.S. leaders to glean better insight into security in Afghanistan and in the regions of South and Central Asia.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/28/2021	President Biden approved a disaster declaration in Virginia following weeks of rainfall. This will offer federal assistance to help recovery efforts in areas in Virginia most affected by flooding, landslides, and mudslides. Federal funding is also available on a cost-sharing basis for improvement measures for the entire commonwealth.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/28/2021	If you are planning a hike in central Virginia soon many are warning of bear activity. The Roanoke Appalachian Trail Club said increased bear activity is due to the large amount of food that's being left behind. Litter can cause bears to become more comfortable around humans and lead to dangerous situations.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/28/2021	Anyone who's ever tried to drink a glass of orange juice after brushing their teeth knows that the lingering effects of toothpaste will make the juice taste worse. While most have simply decided to just not eat or drink after brushing their teeth, Tropicana has a new solution. They will be releasing a limited-edition Tropicana Toothpaste on November 1. The toothpaste will not be for sale, instead, fans can enter for a chance to win a tube.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/29/2021	Relations between Beijing and Taiwan have become increasingly tense this year as the Chinese military continues flying record numbers of military jets into Taiwanese airspace. Taiwan's president has confirmed that for the first time in 40 years American troops are presently on the island training Taiwanese troops.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/29/2021	Well Facebook might soon be a thing of the past as the company is rebranding. Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg said his company is now called Meta to encompass its virtual-reality vision for the future. Thankfully Facebook the app, along with Instagram, WhatsApp and Messenger, are here to stay; none will be changing their names.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/29/2021	A groundbreaking ceremony was held for the new Hardy Elementary School in Isle of Wight County yesterday. The current Hardy Elementary was built back in 1961. The new school will be built next to the current one, and it's expected to open in the spring of 2023.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/29/2021	A rising Eagle Scout's new project will help support animals in need. A Cave Spring senior is building an animal enclosure for the Southwest Virginia Wildlife Center of Roanoke. The project required for his Eagle Scout certification requires him to raise \$2,000, with the help of the organization's online auction which will run today - November 13.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/29/2021	A major upgrade to Virginia's unemployment system is scheduled to take place at 5 p.m. on Monday. This means customers will not be able to file new or reopened claims, ask questions through the telephone system, or use the VEC tax system. There is no word on exactly how long it will take to change over to the new system.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/29/2021	Leaders sat down to learn how they can make two areas into a megaregion between Hampton Roads and Richmond. Right now, there are 12 megaregions in the United States where 70% of the jobs and the population live and work. Some projects include widening I-64 from Hampton Roads to Richmond increasing passenger rail service, and becoming an internet global hub to attract businesses.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	10/29/2021	Childcare facilities in North Carolina are running out of time to apply for a federal stabilization grant. The money is all to help childcare centers stay afloat. North Carolina will receive \$805 million in stimulus money to pay for the grants which will improve teacher salaries, offer mental health services, provide better health care

			benefits, and even make physical improvements to the centers.
News	7:00/8:00am	10/29/2021	It's a Virginia tradition to head out west to the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains and take in the breathtaking fall foliage and this weekend is the best for it. In Richmond, you may have a few more weeks before the best viewing opportunity.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/1/2021	President Joe Biden unveiled several new steps the U.S. is taking to strengthen and streamline supply chains as he convened with world leaders at the Group of 20 summit to discuss the bottlenecks that are hurting the global economy as it recovers from the coronavirus pandemic.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/1/2021	Dole is recalling garden salads in 10 states, including Virginia, because of a positive listeria test. The FDA says the packages have a best-by date of Oct. 25. and were sold under the names dole, Kroger or salad classics.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/1/2021	Yesterday residents in Troutville were without water due to a pump failure. Water service should be restored today.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/1/2021	With the temperature dropping Firefighters are offering tips on how to keep you warm and safe this winter. One of the most important things is to get smoke detectors on every level of your home and change the batteries twice a year. Also, make sure you have an exit plan, which includes getting a fire ladder and fire extinguisher.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/1/2021	The race for Virginia Governor is closer than ever with election day tomorrow. Democrat Terry McAuliffe and Republican Glenn Youngkin are trying to encourage voters across Virginia to get out and vote.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/1/2021	The Pittsylvania/Danville Health District is now offering booster shots for all three COVID-19 vaccines. The shots will be available at three mobile vaccination clinics, today from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at 640 Rescue Station tomorrow, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Danville-Pittsylvania Community Services and Nov. 5 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Three Arc Family Life.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/1/2021	The Virginia Department of Social services is offering subsidies to low-income Virginians to help pay for heating as Winter approaches. Applications are due by Nov. 12, and can be completed online.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/1/2021	VMI is nearly done constructing a bridge for the Chessie Nature Trail that has been out since 2003 during Hurricane Isabel. The 7-mile trail is open to the public year-round, and it runs from Lexington to Buena Vista and it should be completed by the end of next month.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/2/2021	Anticipating a green light from vaccine advisers, President Biden is assembling and shipping millions of COVID-19 shots for children ages 5-11. The first could go into kids' arms by midweek. By vaccinating children, the U.S. hopes to stop another coronavirus wave during the cold-weather months.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/2/2021	Fort Eustis is scheduled to conduct an exercise tomorrow morning, but the exact time will not be announced. It is expected to impact entry points and customer service areas. Residents may hear loud noises or messages broadcasted over the "Giant Voice" notification system.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/2/2021	Virginia Beach is hosting a free COVID-19 vaccine clinic today from 4:30 until 6:30 p.m. at New Light Baptist Church which is located on Indian River Road. Adults will have the option of either the Pfizer, Moderna or Johnson & Johnson and 12-18 years old will be offered the Pfizer vaccine as long as they are accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Boosters are also available.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/2/2021	Need a ride to the polls? Roanoke's Valley Metro's will be fare-free today along with Hampton Roads Transit.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/2/2021	Virginians will be heading to the polls today although more than 1 million across the Commonwealth have already voted, either by mail or in person. All three statewide offices - governor, attorney general and lieutenant governor - are on this year's ballot, along with all 100 seats in the Virginia House of Delegates.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/2/2021	Pittsylvania County officials released redistricting plans. Residents can provide feedback on these plans starting today, online or through email, in-person during a public hearing at the November 16 Board of Supervisors meeting, or at 1 Center Street, in Chatham between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday-Friday during the month of November.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/2/2021	The Virginia Commission for the Arts has announced the opening of the American Rescue Plan Recovery Grant program beginning this month. The Recovery grants are open to nonprofit art organizations based in Virginia. New arts organizations who have not received the grant in recent years are able to apply for up to \$2,500.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/2/2021	The Oxford English Dictionary has chosen the word “vax” as its 2021 word of the year. Oxford said the word was rarely used until this year and is now used in many different ways every day.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/3/2021	The Associated Press has declared Republican Glenn Youngkin the winner over Democrat Terry McAuliffe. The AP called the race because Youngkin led McAuliffe by about 85,000 votes, and the former governor wasn’t winning in the counties with votes still left to count by enough of a margin to close that gap.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/3/2021	Facebook said it will shut down its face-recognition system and delete the faceprints of more than 1 billion. The company is also facing perhaps its biggest crisis to date after leaked documents showed that it has known about the harms its products cause and did little or nothing to stop them.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/3/2021	Students from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill paired with the Coastal Federation to help build a living shoreline at Whitaker Point in Pamlico County, where 15 acres of the peninsula are eroded. The next component is recycled oyster shells, where baby oysters will grow, creating a way to filter flood waters.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/3/2021	The U.S. Navy Memorial will unveil a sculpture on Veterans Day in honor of war dogs, the first of its kind in the nation’s capital. The statue will join other exhibits permanently at the memorial’s visitors center in recognition of all men and women of the Navy and the canines who fought and died for our country.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/3/2021	American Airlines was the latest carrier to be hit with weather problems and staff shortages that resulted in more than 2,500 flight cancellations in the last five days. With Thanksgiving just three weeks away and many Americans already booking flights, some are questioning if they can rely on carriers to get them to their destinations.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/3/2021	Tesla has issued a recall that automatically sent a software update fixing a safety problem in its electric vehicles. This was to help end a confrontation with U.S. safety regulators. The recall covers nearly 12,000 Teslas with a glitch in the “Full Self-Driving” software that can make the cars stop for no reason.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/3/2021	Health officials in Virginia say three adults have passed away from complications of a hepatitis A outbreak being linked to a restaurant chain. Roanoke Valley’s health district says an employee who worked at three Famous Anthony’s locations in Roanoke was diagnosed with the virus.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/3/2021	Join Colonial Williamsburg Mon – Weds in November for a thought-provoking series exploring past and present American Indian cultures. Each day, an American Indian Interpreter will dive into a different topic. No matter the topic, this exploration of the diversity of American Indian nations and their role in our collective story is sure to captivate.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/4/2021	Christian Aid Ministries is asking for continued prayers for the 17 missionaries being held captive in Haiti. Right now, the international Christian charity is praying for wisdom as negotiations continue between American and Haitian authorities to secure their release.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/4/2021	The U.S. Food and Drug Administration issued a warning that getting alcohol-based hand sanitizer in your eyes can cause serious injury. They say if the chemical accidentally gets into your eyes, rise them for 15 to 20 minutes.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/4/2021	Voters in Danville have approved a 1% sales tax increase. This sales tax increase was put on the November ballot to give citizens a voice in how to pay for school upgrades and repairs. This increase will provide \$144 Million in revenue for Danville Public Schools and will remain in place for 20 years.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/4/2021	The Virginia Beach Police Chief inviting residents for a walk. The Walk with the Chief event is tonight from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the 1st Precinct at Plaza Apartments which is located on Palm Beach Place in Virginia Beach.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/4/2021	Another spot that was up for grabs in Virginia this election was Lieutenant Governor, and that spot went to Republican Winsome Sears. She is the first woman to serve as the Commonwealth's lieutenant governor and is a Marine Corps veteran.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/4/2021	Nearly 8,500 active-duty members of the Air Force have missed the deadline for getting vaccinated, including 800 who flatly refused and nearly 5,000 with pending requests for a religious exemption. The Air Force deadline was the first of all the military services, providing an initial glimpse into how America's military will handle the mandate.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/4/2021	Starting Friday, the Central Virginia Health District will provide free, weekly COVID-19 testing through the month of November. The first testing site will be at the Lynchburg Health Dept. from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Tests will be performed rapidly with results in 20 minutes. No appointments are necessary.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/4/2021	The remains of a 19-year-old North Carolina Navy seaman that lost his life during the attack on Pearl Harbor in World War II have been identified 79 years after his death. Navy Seaman 1st Class Edward Talbert, will be buried in Albemarle on March 26, 2022.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/5/2021	Some 500 U.S. Marines staged a beach-storming exercise in Israel during some of the first military drills since a major Pentagon realignment for the longtime allies. This exercise is part of the next chapter in the U.S. Navy's and Marine Corps' long-standing relationship with Israel that is so vital to stability and security in the region.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/5/2021	To aid both job seekers and employers, the Office of Economic Development and Tourism in Lynchburg has launched a new job portal, a streamlined website that pulls any job listed from Lynchburg and surrounding localities from more than 900 sites.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/5/2021	Backyard playsets sold by Lowe's and Costco have been recalled due to an entrapment hazard. The recall includes the following brand names: Yardline Play Systems and Gorilla Playsets. The playsets were sold online at Costco.com from March 2019 through May 2021 for around \$1,000.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/5/2021	Williamsburg officials are inviting residents to help place flags on the graves of veterans in honor of Veterans Day. The event is set for Tuesday, at 9 a.m. at Cedar Grove Cemetery which is located on Henry Street.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/5/2021	Millions of U.S. workers have a Jan 4. deadline to get a COVID vaccine. The federal government announced the vaccine requirements for workers at companies with more than 100 employees as well as for workers at health care facilities. The Biden administration says 70% of all adult Americans are now fully vaccinated.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/5/2021	A version of the Pfizer vaccine was approved for children ages 5 to 11. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention unanimously approved it and now The Virginia Department of Health says the state is receiving around 400,000 doses and prioritizing their distribution to doctors' offices, and some community vaccination sites or local pharmacies.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/5/2021	Virginia Governor-elect Glenn Youngkin met with Governor Ralph Northam to begin the transition of power. The governor and future governor of Virginia talked about their love for basketball and most importantly what's next for Virginia.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/5/2021	Mazda has new cars in the works for next year that will know when drivers have a stroke or heart attack and by 2025, the cars will even know when drivers are about to have a sudden health problem and warn them. The car will then pull over, honk, with blinker and hazard lights flashing and an emergency call to the ambulance and police will also get relayed.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/8/2021	Iraq's Prime Minister survived an assassination attempt with an armed drone that targeted his residence. Seven of his security guards were injured in the attack which occurred in Baghdad's heavily fortified Green Zone. It is not clear who is behind the attack, nor did anyone claim responsibility.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/8/2021	November 11th, Veterans Day, Gleaning for the World is recognizing the many men and women who sacrificed their time and gave all they could to serve our great country. They are partnering with a nearby Veterans Affairs Clinic to provide hygiene items and snacks for veterans and collecting specific items that every veteran needs.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/8/2021	North Carolina officials have closed a portion of NC 12 due to high tide and unsafe road conditions. There is no estimated time for reopening and motorists are advised to avoid traveling on NC 12 in this area until further notice.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/8/2021	NASA has a new mission, to slam into a tiny asteroid and slightly speed up its orbit. This is NASA's first planetary defense mission that will detect large asteroids that could potentially collide with Earth, evaluate the risk these rocks pose and, if need be, attempt to avert catastrophe. The launch window opens on Wednesday, Nov. 24.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/8/2021	The 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals granted an emergency stop of the requirement by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration that workers be vaccinated by Jan. 4 or face mask requirements and weekly tests. They said they were delaying the federal vaccine requirement because of potential constitutional issues raised.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/8/2021	Pfizer plans to submit data to the FDA on a pill that aims to save lives after contracting the coronavirus. Pfizer said their antiviral pill will cut the risk of severe COVID-19 by nearly 90% with an 89% efficacy rate.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/8/2021	Several coastal ferry operations in North Carolina have been suspended including ferries to and from Ocracoke, due to impacts from a coastal storm. Ferries between Ocracoke and Hatteras have been suspended until further notice. The storm lingering over coastal North Carolina is forecast to bring sustained winds up to 35 mph and heavy rainfall through this morning.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/8/2021	The Coats For Kids Ballpark Warming Party at Diamond Flying Squirrels Baseball in Richmond was a success! You can also drop off a coat at any Puritan Cleaners location this November. Those who attended the Ballpark Warming Party enjoyed live music from The Hit List, hot dogs, bounce houses, monster trucks, first responder vehicles, and more.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/9/2021	The U.S. government has seen proof that at least some members of the group of American missionaries kidnapped in Haiti last month are alive. U.S. officials have been leading the efforts to safely retrieve the missionaries. The incident has focused global attention on Haiti's kidnapping problem.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/9/2021	High winds off the Florida coast prompted SpaceX to delay the return of four space station astronauts in orbit since spring. They are aiming for a Wednesday night launch, at the earliest. Their SpaceX capsule is certified for a maximum 210 days in orbit, and they are currently approaching 200 days.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/9/2021	The Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport has brought back flights to New York. As of now, both flights will be staying on the schedule until the new year. Then in January, full service to Charlotte will be restored and they are working to get more flights to Chicago and Washington D.C.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/9/2021	The longest partial lunar eclipse is set to happen shortly before Thanksgiving on November 19th. It's expected to last over three hours, which is longer than any other eclipse between 2001 and 2100. The partial eclipse should begin around 2:19 a.m., and reach its peak around 4 a.m..
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/9/2021	Satellite images show China has built mock-ups of a U.S. Navy aircraft carrier and destroyer in its northwestern desert, possibly for practice for a future naval clash. China has massively upgraded its military in recent years, and its intentions are increasingly concerning to the United States as tensions rise over the South China Sea, Taiwan, and military supremacy in the Pacific.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/9/2021	First Lady Dr. Jill Biden kicked off a nationwide effort yesterday urging parents and guardians to vaccinate children ages 5-11. She and the Surgeon General visited a pediatric vaccination clinic in McLean, VA.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/9/2021	NCDOT said that NC12 between the Marc Basnight Bridge and Rodanthe is still closed. Officials said roadways were first covered in water after the morning high tide breached the sand dunes on Sunday, and it could be until tomorrow until the dunes are safely fixed.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/9/2021	Horseback riding, kayaking, downhill skiing, and mountaineering are activities that visually impaired military men are taking part in the D.C. area thanks to the Blind Veterans Association. They are in Alexandria, Virginia, and were founded in 1945 to help disabled service members navigate the benefits available to them.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/10/2021	The Biden administration outlined several initiatives aimed at addressing immediate supply-chain challenges and other disruptions affecting global commerce, a move that follows the passage of the bipartisan infrastructure bill. The \$1 trillion infrastructure bill includes \$17 billion for improvements at coastal and inland ports of entry along the U.S. border.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/10/2021	General Electric will divide itself into three public companies focused on aviation, healthcare, and energy. It will spin off its healthcare business in early 2023 and its energy segment including renewable energy, power, and digital operations in early 2024. Aviation is the most profitable part of GE's business.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/10/2021	A popular casual dining restaurant in Lynchburg will close next week and relocate. Panera Bread on Wards Road will close Tuesday, the 16 and will relocate, to an undisclosed location. Mission BBQ has filed for a building permit and will make renovations to the former Panera property.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/10/2021	Fall is here, so here are some tips on how to avoid deer on the roadways. Slow down and be attentive while driving, particularly at night and if you see one deer, slow down and watch out for others as deer tend to travel in family groups. Also apply brakes and stop if necessary to avoid hitting a deer, but do not swerve out of your lane to avoid hitting one.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/10/2021	The American Rescue Plan signed into law by President Joe Biden back in March sent a lot of money directly to Americans. The next payment is right around the corner. It will hit bank accounts through direct deposit Nov. 15. The amount you get will depend on the age of your children, how many children you have, and how much money you make.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/10/2021	North Carolina Highway 12 is expected to be reopened today after high tide over wash breached dunes between the Marc Basnight Bridge and Rodanthe. They are still warning drivers to be cautious, as some standing water and sand remains on the road.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/10/2021	Captain Candace Brown of the Lynchburg Fire Dept. is this year's recipient of the Governor's Award for Outstanding Emergency Medical Service Prehospital Provider in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The award recognizes an outstanding person that supports emergency medical care in Virginia.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/10/2021	A 7-year-old Bedford County boy donated his birthday money to help animals in need. Fisher took his birthday money and donations from both Pet Aquatic Warehouse and Tractor's Supply, and raised around \$500 of food, treats, toys, bedding and harnesses for the Lynchburg Humane Society.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/11/2021	This morning there is an invite-only wreath laying ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery to honor the nation's observance of Veterans Day. President Joe Biden plans to attend. Over the last 2 days the public was allowed to lay flowers at the base of the tomb, a truly special experience.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/11/2021	A group of about 35 U.S. Navy personnel, including 26 Navy SEALs, have filed a lawsuit against the Biden administration and the U.S. Department of Defense over the military's COVID-19 vaccine mandate. The complaint argues that the Navy fails to provide an adequate exemption to the COVID-19 vaccine mandate for those with sincerely held religious objections.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/11/2021	Beginning in 2022, if you shop in the City of Roanoke you will have to pay a plastic bag tax. The tax will cost you five cents for every plastic bag used which will affect grocery stores, drug stores and some convenience stores. The money from the tax will be used for environmental clean-up in the city.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/11/2021	NASA has delayed putting astronauts back on the moon until 2025. The space agency was aiming for 2024, but congress did not provide enough money to develop a landing system for the Artemis moon program and more money is needed for its Orion capsule.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/11/2021	By today about 900,000 kids aged 5-11 will have received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. Nearly 20,000 pharmacies, clinics and physicians' offices are administering the doses.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/11/2021	Amazon is establishing a new fulfillment center in Stafford County. The facility will be the starting point where products from third-party vendors will be sorted, repacked, and sent to other Amazon distribution centers. The center will open in the second half of 2022 and create 500 new jobs.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/11/2021	A youth vaccination clinic will be held in the Rockbridge area this month, open for all children in the community ages 5 to 11. The first dose of the Pfizer vaccine will be administered November 13 and the second dose on December 11. The clinics will be held at Rockbridge Area Health Center from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/11/2021	The 23rd Annual Veterans Appreciation Luncheon will be hosted this year outside in beautiful and historic Miller Park in Lynchburg on Saturday from 11am-1pm. Enjoy a BBQ picnic and patriotic program free to all Veterans with military ID, and non-veteran meal tickets are \$5.00.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/12/2021	Help could soon be on the way for thousands of Virginians dealing with unemployment issues. The Virginia Employment Commission shut down its claims system to launch a new and improved one. As for when it will be up again, the VEC hopes next week.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/12/2021	On December 1, 2021, thousands of pro-life individuals from around the country will gather in front of the Supreme Court to pray while the Court hears arguments for Dobbs v. Jackson. Concerned Women for America is inviting you to travel to the Supreme Court on one of their Life Rider buses. There are several locations in Virginia to get on one of their buses.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/12/2021	If you are interested in getting your child vaccinated or getting a booster shot, you can do it this weekend in Lynchburg. This Saturday, kids ages 5 and up can receive the Pfizer vaccine and for adult's booster shots will be available for all 3 types. This will be held at the Jubilee Family Center from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/12/2021	The Virginia War Memorial unveiled a new exhibit honoring Virginia soldiers that lost their lives in action. It's called "Who They Were: Lives Worth Remembering," and it highlights the lives of 32 Virginia men and women whose names are among the nearly 12,000 names of Virginia heroes inscribed on the War Memorial's Shrine of Memory.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/12/2021	In honor of Veterans Day, a group of lawmakers is reviving an effort to pay the families of Black service members who fought on behalf of the nation during World War II. The new legislative effort would benefit surviving spouses and all living descendants of Black WWII veterans whose families were denied the opportunity to build wealth with housing and educational benefits through the GI Bill.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/12/2021	Governor-Elect Glenn Youngkin headed to Hampton Roads yesterday to deliver remarks to local veterans and supporters at his own "Hampton Roads, Thank You" rally. He will officially take office on January 15th.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/12/2021	A SpaceX rocket carried four astronauts into orbit, including the 600th person to reach space in 60 years. The flight occurred just two days after SpaceX brought four other astronauts' home from the International Space Station. NASA and SpaceX decided to switch the order of their launches based on which day had the better recovery weather.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/12/2021	Yesterday the National D-Day Memorial held an in-person commemoration ceremony honoring all who have served. The ceremony included patriotic music and recognition of all Veterans in attendance. There was also a dedication of veterans' bricks on the Veterans Memorial Walk and a groundbreaking on a new interpretive walking trail.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/15/2021	Almost 200 nations accepted a climate compromise on Saturday. It was a battle with lots of arguing and back and forth. But a final agreement was struck with the understanding that the biggest carbon polluting nations will return and submit stronger emissions curbing pledges by the end of 2022.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/15/2021	Cars were bumper to bumper in Norfolk on Saturday. Over 300 meals were handed out for Thanksgiving. A drive-thru giveaway was organized by the Hampton Roads Uplift Foundation and the Omegas of Norfolk.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/15/2021	Roanoke was the place to kickoff your holiday shopping. The Stocked Market was open this weekend at the Berglund Center with over 100 merchants involved. The proceeds raised go back into the community.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/15/2021	It was the return of Christmas Town this weekend at Busch Gardens in Williamsburg. There are classic and new performances and tons of activities for the family. Christmas Town will run on select dates through January 2.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/15/2021	The White House will host leaders from 570 native American tribes during a summit....and will make announcements today to try and improve public safety and justice for native Americans. The event will be held the next two days.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/15/2021	Police are warning of a scam, making the rounds in Bedford County. The caller tells potential victims that they've missed a court date, and that the judge has issued a warrant for their arrest. In order to clear the warrant, they'll need to pay a fine of \$5050 dollars. Contact Bedford County Sheriffs office if you've lost money to the scam.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/15/2021	The final phase of construction has begun in downtown Lynchburg. After a 7 week delay, construction will begin on the 11th Street intersection this morning. Paving should be completed in about 8 days.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/15/2021	The Rockefeller Center Christmas Tree arrived in NYC over the weekend. This years tree weights 12 tons and is from Elkton, Maryland. It will be decorated with 50,000 lights and topped with a 900 pound star.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/16/2021	President Joe Biden has ordered Cabinet departments to work to combat crime on Native lands, where violent crimes are more than double the national average. The administration also announced plans for a 20-year ban on oil and gas drilling on a Native American site in northwestern New Mexico.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/16/2021	With food supplies falling as low as 11 percent below last year, church-based feeding programs are finding it more difficult to provide traditional Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners this holiday season. Also, turkeys cost nearly 25 percent more than a year ago. The key this year is to shop early.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/16/2021	A somber day for law enforcement in Central Virginia, as they escorted a fallen officer back home to his final resting place. Yesterday Officer Michael Chandler was driven in a caravan by first responders from all over back to his home in Big Stone Gap, with his widow leading the procession.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/16/2021	This week Operation Christmas Child is collecting their shoeboxes filled with toys, school supplies, hygiene products, and more. There is still time to participate and bring the box to a drop-off location by Nov. 22.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/16/2021	Those who have taken two Pfizer doses and their booster shot by Moderna are more protected against the risk of COVID-19 infection, compared with those who have taken three Pfizer doses. However, experts say that any booster is better than none.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/16/2021	American Airlines is launching a new class of cabin service. Main Select fares will bring free same-day flight changes and allow passengers to choose from any available seat in the main cabin. Passengers will also be able to get priority boarding and check-in, making it easier to speed through crowded airports.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/16/2021	Asian lady beetles have started to invade homes across the country as they make their way to warm areas for the winter. While they are not poisonous, they do occasionally bite humans and can irritate the skin. They can also produce odors and yellow smears on your paint.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/16/2021	The Franklin County Sheriff's Office is working to help give back to those in need through Operation Christmas Joy. They're collecting non-perishable food items to provide local families with three hot meals over the holidays along with clothing and toys.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/17/2021	No breakthroughs were delivered during talks between China and U.S. President Joe Biden, but the cordial tone of the virtual meeting is an indication that relations between the sides may be turning a corner.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/17/2021	Drugmaker Pfizer Inc. has signed a deal to allow other manufacturers to make its COVID-19 pill, a move that could make the treatment available to more than half of the world's population. Pfizer said it would grant a license for generic drug companies produce the pill for use in 95 countries.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/17/2021	Virginia Beach Parks & Recreation officials say they are closing at least a dozen of their Out-of-School Programs effective January 3. The move is expected to impact over 300 participants across the area.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/17/2021	Those red kettles you see this time of year are one of The Salvation Army's ways of raising money for families in our area. This year the Salvation Army is seeing just as many families needing help as it did a year ago and they are strongly encouraging you to volunteer.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/17/2021	Russian officials have rejected accusations that they endangered astronauts aboard the International Space Station by conducting a weapons test that created more than 1,500 pieces of space junk. U.S. officials accused Russia of destroying an old satellite with a missile in what they called a reckless and irresponsible strike.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/17/2021	The money Virginia and some parts of the DC area are receiving from the infrastructure bill will not help as much as officials thought. A lot of it involves the federal government renewing money it was already providing and most of the \$7 billion for transportation projects in Virginia is also just renewals.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/17/2021	The Virginia Department of Transportation is seeking your comments to help determine the alignment of the Valley-to-Valley Trail. VDOT will receive comments through Dec. 1, on the multi-use path that would connect the Roanoke River Greenway, the Huckleberry Trail in Blacksburg and Christiansburg, the Radford Riverway Trail and the New River Trail State Park.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/17/2021	The 99th National Christmas Tree Lighting in D.C. will take place on Thursday, Dec. 2. The National Christmas Tree site is free to visit and will be open to the public from Dec. 4 through Jan. 1 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/18/2021	An influential U.S. advisory panel will discuss expanding eligibility for COVID-19 vaccine booster shots to all adults tomorrow, a move that could make the shots available nationwide as early as this weekend.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/18/2021	If you plan on sending packages this holiday season, don't wait until the last minute. The United States Postal Service is urging customers to send mail as soon as possible to avoid delays and guarantee they arrive by Christmas.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/18/2021	There could soon be an influx of homeless looking for shelter because of a new ordinance in Roanoke that would ban sleeping on sidewalks. Organizations like Roanoke's Homeless Assistance Team are continuing to help connect them with shelter. The ordinance will be voted on in December, but organizations say they're ready if it passes.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/18/2021	Wreaths Across America's annual escort to Arlington National Cemetery kicks off on Saturday, Dec. 11. The official escort will travel down the East Coast stopping at schools, memorials, and other locations along the way to spread the mission to Remember, Honor and Teach. The wreaths will arrive at Arlington National Cemetery on the morning of Saturday, Dec. 18.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/18/2021	According to the Virginia Dept. of Health, 13% of Virginia children ages 5 to 11 have received at least one dose of the vaccine, that's more than 100,000 children vaccinated. Governor Ralph Northam also announced that 83% of adults have received at least one dose.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/18/2021	Drivers in Hampton Roads will soon be paying more money to travel through the tunnels between Norfolk and Portsmouth. Elizabeth River Tunnels announced that the tolls at the Downtown and Midtown tunnels will increase starting January 1.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/18/2021	Governor Ralph Northam has ordered that flags be lowered today in honor of a fallen Big Stone Gap officer. The flags will remain at half-staff until sunset.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/18/2021	Early tomorrow morning, the partial lunar eclipse will occur. This leaves the moon with a reddish glow. This eclipse will last for over 3 hours and the best views will be close to 4 a.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/19/2021	President Joe Biden said that the United States was weighing a diplomatic boycott of next year's Winter Olympics in Beijing over China's human rights abuses, a move that would keep American dignitaries, but not athletes, from the games.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/19/2021	CVS will close hundreds of stores over the next three years, as they adjust to changing customer needs. The company said that it has been evaluating population changes, customer buying patterns and future health needs to ensure it has the right kinds of stores in the right locations.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/19/2021	The International Space Station remains at increased risk from orbiting debris following this week's Russian weapons test. The U.S. Space Command is still tracking more than 1,500 satellite fragments.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/19/2021	Every year ice cream stores across America are judged by the North American Ice Cream Association. Located in Wirtz, Homestead Creamery won awards for three different ice cream flavors. Their strawberry ice cream was awarded a white ribbon, and their vanilla and chocolate ice creams were awarded red ribbons.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/19/2021	Following the decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals the Occupational Safety and Health Administration says they have suspended all activities related to requiring employers with 100 or more employees to get the vaccine or COVID-19 tested. The ruling by the court ordered that OSHA cannot take steps to implement or enforce the mandate.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/19/2021	North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper declared a state of emergency to help the state repair Highway 12 on the Outer Banks following a recent coastal storm. This state of emergency will help repair the dunes that protect the highway.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/19/2021	Battery-powered vehicles will get the spot light at the Los Angeles Auto Show, which is opening this week. Among the dealers showing off their wares is Subaru which will unveil its first all-electric vehicle. The show is open to the public today through Nov. 28.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/19/2021	James Madison University announced the launch of their first high altitude balloon tests. The balloon rose to an altitude of over 60,000 feet and had a total flight time of three hours. This flight is the first step in the process to launch, track, document and recover cargo.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/22/2021	Governor-elect Glenn Youngkin wants to eliminate Virginia's 2.5% grocery tax as part of his day-one plan. Some foods would still not be tax free, but many would. Only 1% of the grocery tax revenue goes back to local governments, so Youngkin says eliminating the tax would be more beneficial to families than losing the 1% in profits.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/22/2021	The Chesapeake Health Department is partnering with Chesapeake Public Schools to offer COVID-19 vaccines. On Tuesday, Nov. 30, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Greenbrier Middle School you can walk-in and get vaccinated. The clinic is free for residents ages 5 and up.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/22/2021	UVA Children's and the Children's Hospital of Richmond at VCU are teaming up to combine their knowledge and expertise to ensure that no family needs to leave Virginia to have the best outcome for their child with cardiac issues. Both are ranked among the top children's hospitals in the nation.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/22/2021	Veterans Moving Forward has a perfect record for the vets they help by placing them with a long-term companion, a service dog. If you are a veteran who needs help or know a veteran who is in crisis you can call the veterans crisis line.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/22/2021	The U.S. has opened COVID-19 booster shots to all adults aiming to ward off a winter surge as coronavirus cases rise. Under the new rules, anyone 18 or older can choose either a Pfizer or Moderna booster six months after their last dose.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/22/2021	The U.S. Federal Highway Administration has estimated both Virginia and North Carolina could receive more than \$9.2 billion each in funds from the federal infrastructure bill. The money will flow in over the course of the next five years and will help fund improvements in roads, bridges, railroads, and airports.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/22/2021	Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation is offering pay increases for childcare staff to try to attract new and qualified employees. While the cuts to services are still happening those that are relocating will start on Nov. 29, and canceled services will be discontinued on Jan. 3.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/22/2021	Dozens of volunteers with the Salvation Army worked to unbox, bag, and dish out 2,500 free turkeys ahead of Thanksgiving outside Military Circle Mall in Norfolk over the weekend. This year they had 500 more turkeys than in years past.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/23/2021	Vice President Kamala Harris announced that \$1.5 billion from the coronavirus aid package will address the health care worker shortage in underserved communities. The funding will go to the National Health Service Corps, Nurse Corps and Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery programs.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/23/2021	Christian Aid Ministries confirmed that two of the 17 missionaries kidnapped in Haiti last month have been freed. The organization is calling on the president and Congress to take hasty action to bring the rest of those missionaries home safely.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/23/2021	City of Danville residents, are you looking for money that may be owed to you? On Wednesday, December 1, and Thursday, December 2, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., the City of Danville Treasurer's Office will be hosting a virtual event to help you find the money that may be owed to you.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/23/2021	President Joe Biden and first lady Dr. Jill Biden visited North Carolina yesterday to have an early Thanksgiving with service members. North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper and first lady Kristin Cooper joined them at Fort Bragg to serve a Thanksgiving meal to service members and their families.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/23/2021	More than 100 Afghans believed to have been at risk from the Taliban were granted temporary shelter in Greece after being evacuated on a special flight. The passengers will stay in Greece until they are able to travel on to other countries, including the United States and Canada.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/23/2021	Holiday air travel has climbed to pre-pandemic levels. More than two million have already passed through airports in preparation for Thanksgiving. TSA expects this coming Sunday to be the busiest air travel day of the season, so be sure to plan accordingly.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/23/2021	Good news for commuters on the Peninsula: All three newly completed travel lanes on I-64 east between exits 234 and 242 are now open. This will create safer, improved travels just in time for the Thanksgiving holiday. The opening of the remaining eight miles of travel lanes westbound could also be open as early as tomorrow.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/23/2021	The William & Mary Board of Visitors unanimously voted to extend the contract of President Katherine Rowe through June 2028. Rowe has served as the university's 28th president since July 2018.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/29/2021	The new omicron variant of the coronavirus has been popping up in more countries, after being identified in South Africa. Because of fears that the new variant has the potential to be more resistant to the vaccines, the United States has already imposed travel restrictions on flights from southern Africa.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/29/2021	Meanwhile Hundreds of Virginia National Guard soldiers were sent off to the Horn of Africa. About 200 soldiers from Kentucky will join the Virginia National Guard in a team called Task Force Red Dragon and will be there for around a year.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/29/2021	If you're heading to Downtown Lynchburg, you can now drive all the way down Main Street, no detours or road closures in sight. The final phase of the Main Street Renewal project finished up with the opening of the 11th and Main Street intersection.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/29/2021	With concerns over Christmas tree shortages, many started shopping early, but getting it this early means it might not last until Christmas. The best thing to do is to keep it hydrated, give it a fresh cut on the bottom, and place it in water within 45 minutes. When picking your tree get a heavier one because the weight can be a sign that the tree absorbed more water.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/29/2021	While ports in California have been having supply chain backups. The Port of Virginia has been running smoothly and outperforming major ports on East Coast. Virginia Port Authority credits their success to being run by one company which allows them to divert cargo to another terminal if they get backed up, and they have sole control over the trucking fleet, along with automatic stacking cranes.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/29/2021	Airports in Virginia will receive nearly \$400 million over the next five years from President Biden's infrastructure bill. The Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport will get nearly \$15 million, and the Danville Regional Airport and

			Virginia Tech's airport are expected to get nearly \$1.5 million each.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/29/2021	Your presents may just make it under the tree this year. There has been a recent improvement in the supply chains, thanks to more coordination and unified efforts from major retailers. You can still expect delays on certain things, but overall most things will be available.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/29/2021	The Bedford Area Welcome Center's annual Festival of Trees will go on until Jan. 2. Thirty organizations are competing in the tree-decorating contest with a story-book theme. For \$1, you can vote for your favorite and the money goes to the charity the tree represents. You can vote as many times as you'd like from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Mon.-Sat. and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/30/2021	President Joe Biden called the new COVID-19 variant a cause for concern but not for panic and he is not considering any widespread U.S. lockdowns. He did urge Americans to get fully vaccinated, including booster shots, and return to face masks indoors in public settings to slow any spread.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/30/2021	When the pandemic started, Virginia ordered utility companies to hold off cutting services. Now 20 months later, those extensions have expired, and thousands could be at risk of having their power cut off. This affects those who have fallen more than 60 days behind. If you need help you can still apply for the Energy Share Program.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/30/2021	The rainfall deficit continues to grow leading to moderate drought conditions. With the environment so dry and with many breezy days ahead, this increases the risk for fires, so be careful with any fire, including embers, which can travel in the wind and cause brush fires.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/30/2021	Gauging ideas on how to make streets safer for bicyclists, the Town of Blacksburg is calling on residents for help. The town is planning to revamp Progress Street and a survey will be available Friday to determine what street features are critical to the community. The responses collected will be used to create a proposal to show town council.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/30/2021	South Africa's rapid increase in COVID-19 cases or the new variant is resulting in mostly mild symptoms. Most of the new cases have been among those in their 20s and 30s, and doctors note that age group generally has milder symptoms anyway.

News	7:00/8:00am	11/30/2021	"Gifts from the Heart" is the theme of President Joe Biden's first White House Christmas. First lady Jill Biden unveiled decorations matching the theme, that were inspired by those the couple met as they traveled the country this year.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	11/30/2021	A North Carolina State Park is expected to be closed all week while emergency crews work to contain a forest fire. Pilot Mountain state park has more firefighters than visitors as more than 30 firefighters are being aided with air support from helicopters in the area. Officials warn, dry conditions, strong wind gusts and dry leaves are making the fight harder.
News	7:00/8:00am	11/30/2021	New improvements to the Appomattox Court House National Historical Park are now open. The National Park Service opened Tibbs Trail, connecting it with Stage Road in a 2.2-mile loop hiking trail. Improvements were also made to the wooden footbridge on the Southside Connector Trail.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/1/2021	Praying for those in a Michigan school today. Authorities say a 15-year-old sophomore took the lives of three other students and wounded six, including a teacher. Right now, they do not know what the motive was for the attack.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/1/2021	Government health advisers weighed the benefits and risks of a drug from Merck that could soon become the first U.S.-authorized pill to take at home to treat COVID-19. They found that it is less effective than first reported and may cause birth defects. If authorized, it would be the first that doctors could prescribe for patients to take on their own, to reduce hospital caseloads and deaths. The drug, is already authorized for emergency use in the U.K.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/1/2021	Due to dry weather conditions, the Danville Fire Dept. has issued an immediate burn ban for the City of Danville. With the environment so dry and with many breezy days ahead, there is an increased risk for brushfires across Virginia and North Carolina.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/1/2021	NASA called off a spacewalk because of space junk that could puncture an astronaut's suit or damage the International Space Station. It's the first time a spacewalk has been canceled because of threat from space junk. The space station and its crew of seven have been at increased risk from space junk since Russia destroyed a satellite in a missile test two weeks ago.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/1/2021	Pfizer is hopeful that booster shots will provide sufficient protection against the Omicron variant, but they are working on a timeline for the development of a new vaccine if that's not the case. Like their rival Moderna, Pfizer says a variant-focused vaccine could be ready in less than 100 days.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/1/2021	North Carolina health officials have announced a way to help residents pay for water bills. The state has been awarded more than \$38 million in federal funding to help residents affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. It will run through September 2023 or until the funds run out.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/1/2021	Central Virginia animal shelters have reached capacity. The Bedford County Animal Shelter has been full of cats all season, and with some going back to work, some pandemic pets are being taken back to the shelter. Right now the application fee for cat adoption has been waved so if you are interested you can stop by the Shelter's Holiday Happiness event on December 11 to check out all of their adoption deals.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/1/2021	The Celebration of Lights is back in Lynchburg starting tomorrow through the whole month of December from 5pm-9pm! This year they've built in historical attributes of Lynchburg into the displays. It's all at riverside park starting tonight!
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/2/2021	A person in California who had been vaccinated against COVID-19 has become the first in the U.S. to have an identified case of the omicron variant. They did travel and return from South Africa and had not received a booster shot. They are experiencing mild symptoms.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/2/2021	Now a total of 4 students have lost their lives because of an attack from a fellow classmate at a school in Michigan. A 15-year-old boy was charged with terrorism and other crimes that were premeditated. His parents could also face charges in this case.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/2/2021	The Harry S Truman Carrier Strike Group left Hampton Roads yesterday on a regularly scheduled deployment. There are nearly 6,000 sailors on board.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/2/2021	While families gather to feast across the country, one University of Virginia student is making sure families in Charlottesville have enough food to celebrate during the holidays. Makayla Peabody posted in an online group with the goal to find families who needed help for the holidays, and as of now, she's helping eight for Christmas. If you are interested in helping her support the families you can contact her on Facebook.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/2/2021	The federal government is set to impose new restrictions on international travel as the world tries to contain the spread of the new COVID-19 mutation. President Joe Biden is expected to announce new travel rules today.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/2/2021	Oral arguments at the Supreme Court right now represent the best opportunity to end the landmark 1973 Roe v. Wade decision, which gave a woman the constitutional right to an abortion. Even if the justices don't explicitly overturn Roe, they could open the door to new restrictions.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/2/2021	Thousands on the Eastern Shore lost power yesterday morning due to an issue with transmission lines. The issue extended the full length of the Shore, and it's unclear what exactly the issue was, but power was restored within a few hours.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/2/2021	One program is making sure military members and their families have a tree this Christmas. Volunteers with Trees for Troops picked fresh trees from growers across the region in Virginia. Overall, 250 trees were collected from six growers and FedEx will then deliver the trees to military bases across the U.S. and overseas.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/3/2021	President Joe Biden is set to kick off a more urgent campaign for Americans to get COVID-19 booster shots as he unveils his winter plans for combating the coronavirus' new variant. The plan is to make boosters more widely available and to not have to impose major restrictions.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/3/2021	The Supreme Court signaled it would uphold Mississippi's 15-week ban on abortion and may go much further to overturn the nationwide right to abortion that has existed for nearly 50 years. The fate of the court's decision probably won't be fully known until next June.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/3/2021	Grammy Award-winning singer Kirk Franklin has produced the first-ever gospel Christmas film. "Kirk Franklin's a Gospel Christmas," will air this Saturday at 7 p.m. on Lifetime.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/3/2021	A sizable asteroid is going to make a close pass to Earth next week, and by close it will still be about 10 times as far away as the Moon. The oval asteroid is just over 1,000 feet wide, or about the height of the U.S. Bank Tower in downtown Los Angeles.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/3/2021	All travelers to the U.S. must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test within one day of boarding their flights, regardless of vaccination status. The tightening of testing for those entering the country will begin next

			week and is down from the current three days for those who have been vaccinated.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/3/2021	Migrants seeking to enter the United States will again have to stay in Mexico as they await immigration hearings, as the Biden administration announced plans to accept the Trump-era policy and agreed to Mexico's conditions for resuming it.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/3/2021	Major League Baseball is into its first work stoppage in a quarter-century. The sport's collective bargaining agreement expired this week and owners immediately locked out players in a move that threatens spring training and opening day.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/3/2021	Hop on board the Candy Cane Express! The holiday-themed train ride returns to Roanoke this weekend. It will be at the Virginia Museum of Transportation Saturday and Sunday. The train ride is fifteen minutes and will take you through Downtown Roanoke and then back to the museum.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/6/2021	A rush of vaccine-seeking customers and staff shortages have led to exhausted workers and temporary pharmacy closures. Pharmacists also worry that if regulators approve the antiviral pills they may also have to diagnose infections and prescribe pills to customers.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/6/2021	The parents of the suspect of an attack at a high school in Michigan were arrested because they failed to intervene despite being confronted by the school about their son's behavior after a note was found at his desk. This is the first-time parents have been charged in connection to an incident like this.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/6/2021	The Virginia Department of Social Services announced that they will be releasing emergency allotments of benefits to eligible families later this month. The benefits will automatically be loaded to recipients' Electronic Benefits Transfer cards on Thursday, December 16.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/6/2021	Students at a Roanoke City school now have new coats to keep them warm thanks to Humble Hustle. They donated nearly 300 coats to students at Westside Elementary school as part of the organization's annual "Keep Giving" initiative coat drive.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/6/2021	Presidents Joe Biden and Russia's Vladimir Putin will speak in a video call tomorrow as tensions escalate over a Russian troop buildup on the Ukrainian border. The Biden administration is threatening financial sanctions if President Vladimir Putin invades Ukraine. So far, the United States and European allies have made no mention of any plans to respond militarily.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/6/2021	The omicron variant is spreading, but Virginia health experts say the biggest threat is still the delta variant. With Christmas just around the corner, experts are watching the possibility of a surge. However, the Pittsylvania-Danville Health District said based on what they've seen after Thanksgiving, there is hope there won't be one.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/6/2021	Honda is recalling nearly 725,000 Passport and Pilot SUVs and Ridgeline pickups. The vehicles may experience problems with their hoods. The recalled vehicles were made between 2017 and 2020.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/6/2021	Whether they served in the Spanish American War or in Desert Storm, 500 veterans buried in Buchanan are not forgotten this Christmas. Dozens of volunteers laid wreaths at Fairview Cemetery on each veteran's grave. The wreaths will remain on the graves till January 2nd.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/7/2021	The U.S. will stage a diplomatic boycott of the upcoming Winter Olympics in Beijing to protest Chinese human rights abuses. U.S. athletes will continue to compete and will have the full support of officials, but the administration will not be contributing to the fanfare of the games. The U.S. has called on other allies to join with the United States in this diplomatic boycott.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/7/2021	The process for removal of the pedestal that formerly housed a monumental statue of Confederate general Robert E. Lee began yesterday. Governor Ralph Northam said the final stages of the removal will be complete by Dec. 31, and the land will be returned to the City of Richmond.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/7/2021	Check your refrigerator and freezer to make sure you don't own any of these products. A unit of Perdue Premium Meat Company has recalled over 200,000 pounds of fully cooked ham and pepperoni products that may be contaminated with Listeria.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/7/2021	The work is continuing to be put in to get more vaccinated in North Carolina's prison system. Any prisoner who gets vaccinated will have \$25 added to their canteen, and prison staff will receive a \$500 bonus for getting vaccinated.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/7/2021	A religious group based in Ohio has announced that a gang in Haiti has released three more hostages, while another 12 remain taken. The statement from Christian Aid Ministries said those that were released are safe and seem to be in good spirits.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/7/2021	Senator Bob Dole's casket will lie in state in the U.S. Capitol on Thursday as congressional leaders honor the former Republican presidential candidate and World War II veteran who served in Congress for 36 years. Dole passed away Sunday at the age of 98.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/7/2021	NASA selected 10 new astronauts, half of them military pilots, as it looks ahead to the moon and Mars. The space agency introduced the six men and four women during a ceremony in Houston.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/7/2021	Many are starting to hang up Christmas lights, which can lead to an accident. The best way to stay safe is to only hang Christmas lights where you don't need a ladder, but if you do use a ladder be sure to have someone down below holding the bottom. Also avoid hanging Christmas lights on anything that could be flammable and be sure not to overload your electrical sockets.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/8/2021	Governor Ralph Northam has announced a proposed two-year budget that will include the largest investment in public safety in Virginia's history. In the proposal, Virginia state troopers, correctional officers, deputy sheriffs and regional jail officers would be receiving pay increases.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/8/2021	Over 300,000 pairs of DeWalt Jobsite Pro Wireless Earphones sold at Home Depot and Lowe's stores have been recalled due to burn and fire hazards. The earphones were sold from December 2019 through July 2021.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/8/2021	The Roanoke City Council passed an ordinance making it a crime to camp on sidewalks in downtown Roanoke. The measure is punishable as a Class 4 misdemeanor and has a fine of up to \$250. The city claims there is enough housing for those experiencing homelessness, at the Roanoke Rescue Mission.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/8/2021	Halifax County Board of Supervisors approved a plan to borrow \$135 million to the construct a new Halifax County High School and help with renovations to the district's elementary schools. Supervisors also approved funding for a new compensation plan for teachers and support staff.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/8/2021	Amazon Web Services were down yesterday, leaving large parts of the internet reliant on the tech giant's

			services offline. The message did not detail what the cause was.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/8/2021	Governor Ralph Northam stopped in Roanoke to thank teachers and offer them a little hope for more pay as part of his farewell tour. Northam wants legislators to carve out funds to give teachers a 10% raise in the new two-year state budget.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/8/2021	VCU Health has officially unveiled its latest addition. The 17-story Adult Outpatient Pavilion opened to patients on Leigh St. The complex allows the health system to consolidate outpatient services.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/8/2021	Liberty University is donating \$75,000 to support Humankind's Early Head Start Program which provides support for parents and free, full-time childcare for infants and toddlers in Amherst, Bedford, and Lynchburg. The donation from the university will go towards a new building where children in the program can go to learn.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/9/2021	Pfizer said a booster dose of its COVID-19 vaccine may protect against the new omicron variant. The company is already working to create an omicron-specific vaccine in case it's needed.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/9/2021	A Navy SEAL commander has passed away from injuries he got during a training accident in Virginia. He was injured when he fell while fast roping down from a helicopter. The cause of his fall is under investigation and a Navy official said it was not clear if the rope separated from the aircraft.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/9/2021	Buckingham County Public Schools will hold classes virtually today and tomorrow due to an online threat. The Virginia State Police were able to identify a social media threat, but say it was also circulated in many other states, so they believe the threat to be not credible.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/9/2021	Amazon is coming to Kinston North Carolina. The company bought a building on Enterprise Boulevard near several other manufacturing hubs. They said it will not only create around 1,700 jobs, but it could also help attract more large companies to Eastern North Carolina.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/9/2021	Congressional leaders reached an elaborate deal that will likely avert another last-minute rush to avoid a federal default. The bill will fast-track the debt limit process into a Medicare bill that will prevent payment cuts to doctors and other health care providers.

News	7:00/8:00am	12/9/2021	The statue of Confederate General Robert E. Lee that drew violent protests to Charlottesville, Virginia, will be melted down and turned into a new piece of public art by an African American heritage center. The heritage center's news release said that a community engagement process will inform the public of the art project, for which almost \$600,000 has already been raised.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/9/2021	Danville City Council approved a 1% sales tax increase that will aid in constructing and renovating schools in Danville. The increase will bring in \$144 million in revenue to construct and revamp schools in Danville and will stay in place until May 31, 2041.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/9/2021	The Dare County Center received a \$25,000 charitable donation that will be used to buy toys for more than 400 Dare County children in need this holiday season as part of their annual Toy Drive. All Dare County children ages 0-16 are eligible and donations of new, unwrapped toys can be dropped off at the Dare County Center through tomorrow.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/10/2021	Experts are saying that kids might experience an odd symptom with the latest corona virus variant. A physician has reported noticing some children who have contracted the omicron variant develop a rash like looks like small spots.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/10/2021	Those needing to go to the DMV will soon have one less day that requires an appointment. Beginning on Wednesday, December 15, customers can simply walk in for service on Wednesdays. Walk-in service will be available at all 75 customer service centers, and appointments are still available on Mondays and Fridays.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/10/2021	The 2022 Henrico County budget will include tax reductions for homeowners. They also plan to address infrastructure needs including improving firehouses, police training centers, schools, expanding broadband internet, and adding parks across the county.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/10/2021	One local organization working to feed those in need just received a boost to help that happen. Hunters for the Hungry, based in Big Island, has been in existence for 30 years and fed almost 30 million. The Altria Companies Employee Community Fund just gave the organization a \$25,000 grant to help process and deliver hundreds of deer.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/10/2021	U.S. health authorities said that 16- and 17-year-olds should get a booster dose of Pfizer's COVID-19 vaccine once they're six months past their last shot. The Food and Drug Administration has given emergency authorization for them to get a third dose.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/10/2021	Virginia Governor elect Glenn Youngkin announced plans to use his executive powers to withdraw the commonwealth from a multistate carbon cap-and-trade program. He says it has overburdened businesses.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/10/2021	America's largest grocery retailer will build a high-tech fulfillment center in North Carolina. This fulfillment center will create nearly 700 jobs over the next five years and will be established in Concord.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/10/2021	As we make our way closer to Christmas, the Salvation Army Roanoke desperately needs your help! At Valley View Mall in Roanoke, the Salvation Army has multiple Christmas trees with tags, each representing a child's gift wish. Those trees still have tons of tags on them and the deadline to drop off gifts is today.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/13/2021	Praying for Kentucky this morning as one of the most devastating storms in state history took the lives of several and left behind terrible damage. Our friends at Gleaning for the World will be out at Sam's Club on Wards Road in Lynchburg, today at noon collecting supplies.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/13/2021	Hundreds of opponents of a natural gas pipeline rallied in Virginia's capital in advance of an upcoming decision. The Virginia State Water Control Board is expected to vote tomorrow on whether to allow construction of portions of the Mountain Valley Pipeline in wetlands across over 200 Virginia waterways.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/13/2021	Albemarle Regional Health Services is set to host COVID-19 vaccine clinics in several counties in northeast North Carolina. The drive-thru clinics will offer the Pfizer and Moderna booster shots across the region from today through Friday. Those attending are asked to bring their vaccination card.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/13/2021	The Breakfast with Santa fundraiser that helps a student homelessness initiative for Roanoke City Schools was a major success. They raised more than \$11,000 for the Help the Homeless Fund.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/13/2021	Teens ages 16 and 17 in Virginia can now sign up for booster shots after the Centers for Disease Control OK'd boosters for that age group. Boosters are available at locations across the commonwealth, including pharmacies and doctor's offices, as well as community vaccination centers.

News	7:00/8:00am	12/13/2021	The Lynchburg Police Department is increasing pay in hopes that its existing officers will be more enticed to stay, and new officers will want to call the Hill City home. Officers will now start at \$50,000 a year which is a \$10,000 raise, compared to others in the region. Raises will go into effect Jan. 5.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/13/2021	Suffolk Public Library is partnering with the Virginia Department of Health to distribute COVID-19 rapid at-home test kits at no cost. The program, starts today and will allow community members to pick up at-home tests from Chuckatuck, Morgan Memorial and North Suffolk libraries.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/13/2021	This December, package thieves may be looking to take advantage of the increase in deliveries. Some things you can do is choose a drop-off location other than the front porch, like the backyard or side door, or if you are going to be gone have your package delivered to a neighbor's house. You can also put up a sign that says, 'Smile, you're on camera!'"
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/14/2021	Due to the devastation from the tornado in Kentucky Gleaning for the World is out collecting supplies. Today and tomorrow from 10-6 they will be at the Sam's Club on Wards Rd. in Lynchburg.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/14/2021	Coca-Cola, Minute Maid, and Sprite products have been recalled because they might contain metal objects. The products were distributed in several states including North Carolina, and Virginia. The expiration date is 2022.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/14/2021	A shortage of drivers across the country has impacted Foster Fuels in Virginia. Right now, they are short eight to 10 drivers. To find out more information about driver job opportunities at Foster Fuels check their website.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/14/2021	The 16th annual Johnny CASA 5 miler and 5k race is Saturday at 9 a.m. in Rocky Mount Va. The course goes through downtown Rocky Mount and the money raised helps provide care to children who have faced family and community-based violence.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/14/2021	President Joe Biden will travel to Kentucky tomorrow to view damage from last week's devastating tornadoes that took the lives of at least 64 and displaced thousands more. He has already signed emergency declarations for Kentucky and stands ready to do the same for Illinois.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/14/2021	The Biden administration has released an ambitious federal strategy to build 500,000 charging stations for electric vehicles across the country and bring down the cost of electric cars. Biden's \$2 trillion policy includes a \$7,500 tax credit to lower the cost of electric vehicles.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/14/2021	Portsmouth-based Mercy Chefs has deployed to Mayfield, Kentucky to help those impacted by the tornado. The nonprofit provides hot meals after natural disasters and other emergencies. Their team will hand out meals to victims, volunteers, and first responders for as long as they are needed.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/14/2021	The Salvation Army Christmas Center has opened in Richmond. The center houses all the coats collected and cleaned during the Puritan Cleaners' Coats for Kids drive, and angel tree recipients are also picking up their gifts at the Christmas Center.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/15/2021	Pfizer said that its experimental pill to treat COVID-19 appears effective against the omicron variant. The company also said full results of its study confirmed the pill reduces hospitalizations and deaths by about 89% among high-risk adults when taken shortly after initial COVID-19 symptoms.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/15/2021	In a move aimed both at fulfilling a community need and advancing vehicle technologies Ford Motor Co. is launching fresh food delivery using a self-driving vehicle shuttle. The six-month initiative kicks off after the holidays and aims to deliver approximately 10,000 pounds of fresh food to residents.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/15/2021	More than \$300 million in funding is expected to come to Central and Southside Virginia for broadband internet. Across Virginia, about \$2 billion is being deployed to achieve near-universal broadband, in a move that will close the digital divide in 90% of Virginia.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/15/2021	A former Blacksburg Police Chief has left a lasting impact on the town, which is why colleagues are honoring him. Former Blacksburg Police Chief William H. Brown was honored at the town council meeting when the town voted to name the new police station after him. He was the first Black police officer to serve in the New River Valley.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/15/2021	Kentucky victims are still recovering from the devastating tornado that took the lives of many. Our friends at Gleaning for the World are once again at the Sam's Club on Ward's Rd. in Lynchburg today from 10am - 6pm collecting supplies. They also need financial donations to ship the supplies.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/15/2021	Governor Ralph Northam is asking the legislature to do away with the state's 1.5% tax on groceries. His proposal does not eliminate the 1% add-on tax by localities. Virginia is currently only one of only 14 states that tax groceries.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/15/2021	Kroger is ending some benefits for unvaccinated workers as they attempt to compel more of their workforce to become vaccinated. Unvaccinated workers will no longer be eligible to receive up to two-weeks paid emergency leave if they become infected.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/15/2021	More splash pads are coming to the area. Danville officials have decided on the location for the second of two planned for the city. The Parks and Recreation Department took surveys to see what communities would benefit the most and Third Avenue and Green Street stood out the most. The splash pads will be free to use and will be ready by summer.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/16/2021	Surveying storm damage from the Kentucky sky, President Joe Biden offered support, and told local officials that federal aid would continue. Our friends at Gleaning for the World are again at Sam's Club on Ward's Rd. in Lynchburg today from 10am-6pm.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/16/2021	The U.S. Navy has tested a laser weapon and destroyed a floating target, a system that could be used to counter drone boats deployed by rebels in the Red Sea. The Portland, a San Antonio-class amphibious transport dock, has its home port in San Diego and is currently deployed as part of the Essex Amphibious Ready Group in the Middle East.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/16/2021	Wasena Elementary School in Roanoke will have an online learning day today due to a planned power outage. This is addition to the already scheduled virtual learning day tomorrow.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/16/2021	Southwest Virginia officials are looking to join the wind energy supply chain. Invest Southwest Virginia has partnered with a consulting firm to study how manufacturers in the region could begin work in the alternative energy source. The firm formerly worked with the Hampton Roads region to develop their offshore wind energy project.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/16/2021	Congress sent President Joe Biden a multi-billion defense bill that makes plans for a new war memorial on the National Mall. The legislation also includes a 2.7% pay raise for both military servicemembers and the civilian Defense Department and authorizes \$75 million for the Armed Forces Retirement Home.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/16/2021	For just a few days this holiday season, you can spend \$20 on dessert and charge it to Kraft, the owner of Philadelphia Cream Cheese. The premise is that if you can't bake cheesecakes because you can't find cream cheese you can get another baked good on Kraft's dime.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/16/2021	A Virginia board has granted a waterbody crossing permit for the Mountain Valley Pipeline. The State Water Control Board voted to grant a permit for it to cross about 150 streams and wetlands in southwest Virginia.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/16/2021	Chesapeake City Council has voted to eliminate curbside recycling starting July 1. About \$2 million in funding will be made available by eliminating curbside recycling which will help fund pay raises for public safety employees.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/17/2021	As those in Kentucky are still recovering from the tornado and another organization is sending help. The YMCA of Central Virginia is collecting donations to give to our friends at Gleaning For The World. They are looking for three specific items: baby and adult diapers, paper towels and cases of water.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/17/2021	As 2021 ends, tax experts recommend you start preparing for tax season. Tax season changed a lot last year due to the pandemic. This year, the restructuring of taxes continues. When it comes to getting your tax refund as quickly as possible, the best thing to remember is to stay organized and keep up with all your mail coming in January.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/17/2021	Subaru is recalling certain 2019-2020 Ascents and 2020 Legacy and Outback vehicles. A notice posted says the vehicles may experience an issue with the transmission.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/17/2021	Environmental leaders have released an updated plan they hope will help to reduce debris in Virginia's coastal waterways and the Atlantic Ocean. The plan focuses an effort to change how items like fishing gear, plastics, abandoned boats, and plastic bags are disposed.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/17/2021	The remaining members of a U.S. missionary group who were kidnapped two months ago in Haiti have been freed. The Ohio-based group said it hopes to provide more information later.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/17/2021	Governor Ralph Northam is proposing a \$158 billion two-year state budget that would boost the state's reserves, give teachers and other state workers' pay raises, and institute a variety of tax cuts. While Northam will leave office in January, his proposal for fiscal years 2022-2024 could serve as a starting point for negotiations at the General Assembly.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/17/2021	Nearly \$500,000 in total funding has been raised to help Hurley flood victims. Donors across the region brought in \$200,000 in new funds to the long-term relief effort and the United Way of Southwest Virginia said a grant,

			from a Knoxville-based Charitable Foundation, has put the relief fund close to the minimum goal of \$500,000.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/17/2021	Happening this weekend, The Lynchburg Community Market is asking you for your help. They are hosting a donation drive to support Lynchburg Daily Bread. All-day Saturday while you're at the market, you can purchase additional produce, bread or other food items.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/20/2021	The Occupational Health and Safety Administration said that it would not issue citations for the coronavirus vaccination mandate before Jan. 10. There will also be no citations regarding testing requirements before Feb. 9. Administration officials estimate that the mandate will save 6,500 lives and prevent 250,000 hospitalizations over six months.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/20/2021	Crews working to remove the pedestal where a statue of Confederate General Robert E. Lee was in Richmond believe they've found the time capsule that was buried there in 1887. Crews found a square box embedded in a granite stone that appears to be it. A newspaper article from 1887 suggests the capsule contains Civil War memorabilia and a picture of Lincoln lying in his coffin.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/20/2021	Shoppers at the Food Lion on Memorial Avenue got a nice surprise over the weekend. A donor gifted LPD with a \$12,500 donation and instead of using it for themselves, the department decided to give back to the community by purchasing 125 / \$100 gift cards that they gave out to those in the community.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/20/2021	After a national contest, Norfolk Botanical Garden's Million Bulb Walk was named as one of the Best Botanical Garden Holiday Lights for 2021. The annual list, recognizes light shows from gardens across the United States. Norfolk was 6th and the Dominion Energy Garden Fest of Lights in Richmond was 2nd.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/20/2021	The Transportation Security Administration believes the busiest travel days of the holiday season are still to come. TSA anticipates this Wednesday, the 22, and Thursday, the 23, to be the busiest pre-holiday dates for travel, while Sunday, Jan. 2, and Monday, Jan. 3, are anticipated to be the busiest days for post-holiday travel so plan accordingly.

News	7:00/8:00am	12/20/2021	A fire ripped through a distribution center in North Carolina for the QVC home-shopping network causing extensive damage. More than 300 employees were working at the facility near Rocky Mount when the fire started thankfully no injuries were reported.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/20/2021	National Wreaths Across America Day took place yesterday with over 3,000 participating locations across the country. The name of each veteran was said aloud and over 525 truckloads of wreaths were delivered with over two million volunteers, laying 2.4 million wreaths on headstones of our fallen across the country.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/20/2021	Liberty university quarter back Malik Willis had a great showing in the LendingTree Bowl Saturday as the Flames beat Eastern Michigan 56-20. The Flames improved to 3-0 in bowls, tying Appalachian State for the best postseason start by an FBS team.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/21/2021	Captive missionaries in Haiti found freedom last week by making a daring overnight escape, eluding their kidnappers, and walking for miles over difficult, moonlit terrain with an infant and other child in tow. The group of 12 navigated by stars to reach safety after a two-month kidnapping ordeal.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/21/2021	Moderna said that a booster dose of its COVID-19 vaccine should offer protection against the rapidly spreading omicron variant. The half-dose booster shot increased by 37 times the level of neutralizing antibodies able to fight omicron and a full-dose was even stronger, triggering an 83-fold jump in antibody levels.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/21/2021	Virginia Beach students and teachers will continue to wear masks at school after a resolution to lift the mask mandate failed. All K-12 students are still required to mask up, per the Virginia Health Commissioner.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/21/2021	Lynchburg organizations teamed up to help families impacted by the tornadoes. One Community One Voice, God's Pit Crew and Gleaning For The World collected toys and stuffed animals for a special delivery. The truck will head out to Kentucky today and will be distributed just in time for this Christmas.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/21/2021	Wondering if you have a cold or the highly transmissible omicron variant of the coronavirus? Well, based on the top five symptoms it might be hard to tell. The top five symptoms are runny nose, headache, fatigue, sneezing, and a sore throat. If you are concerned, get tested.

News	7:00/8:00am	12/21/2021	North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper held a briefing to encourage more COVID vaccinations, particularly booster shots, as cases increase in North Carolina and nationwide. The state reported more than 10,500 new cases alone since Friday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/21/2021	After a 12-year-long push, LewisGale Medical Center in Salem is finally getting a NICU. The Virginia Department of Health approved its Certificate of Public Need for a neonatal intensive care unit. This means that mothers who deliver there will no longer have to be separated from their newborns.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/21/2021	A Chesterfield County boy marked 10 years of donating to the Richmond food bank, Feed More. The goal this year was 2,000 pounds and they had 2,100 pounds. Over his 10 years, Feed More said that he has collected over 10,000 pounds of food.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/22/2021	With the omicron variant spreading, President Joe Biden announced 500 million free rapid tests for Americans, increased support for hospitals, and a redoubling of vaccination and booster efforts. President Biden said the government will purchase 500 million coronavirus rapid tests and ship them free to Americans starting in January.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/22/2021	Virginia's governor-elect Glen Youngkin announced his first Cabinet pick, the state's next education secretary. In his campaign, Youngkin pledged to boost education funding and emphasized parental rights to make decisions about their children's education.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/22/2021	In a move to make working for the city of Roanoke more attractive, the Roanoke City Council unanimously voted to raise the city's minimum wage to \$15 an hour. The pay raise is for all city employees and goes into effect on December 27.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/22/2021	Grammy award winner Chris Tomlin wrapped up his annual Christmas Tour over the weekend, playing 12 concerts, 10 of which were sold out. This morning he will wrap up his tour with a performance on Good Morning America.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/22/2021	Relief is on the way for schools that are seeing supply chain issues impact their meal programs. USDA announced the Biden administration has distributed up to \$1.5 billion to states and school districts having trouble getting food due to the pandemic. Virginia is getting over \$34 million from the relief.

News	7:00/8:00am	12/22/2021	With Christmas just a few days away, the North Carolina Department of Transportation is giving drivers the gift of construction-free roads for their holiday travels. The lane openings will remain that way now through the evening of Dec. 28 and will be opened once again from the morning of Dec. 31 through the evening of Jan. 4, 2022.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/22/2021	The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and contractors have started a dredging project at the Cape Henry Federal Navigation Channel. The work is part of the larger Baltimore Harbor and Channels Project, which aims to support the ports of Baltimore and Virginia. The dredging is needed to ensure continued safe navigation for ships going to and from the ports.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/22/2021	SpaceX launched Christmas gifts, goodies and supplies to the International Space Station and got a present in return: the company's 100th successful rocket landing. Among the items due to arrive at the space station today are Christmas presents from the astronauts' families, as well as smoked fish and turkey, green beans, and fruitcake for a holiday feast.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/28/2021	Flight cancellations disrupted holiday travel with major U.S. airlines canceling dozens of flights. Most of the cancellations were due to staffing issues because of COVID-19, particularly since the emergence of the omicron variant.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/28/2021	The Centers for Disease Control is investigating two separate Listeria outbreaks linked to packaged salads sold in several states. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration and CDC say the outbreak is linked to Fresh Express packaged salad.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/28/2021	A new year could mean a necessary upgrade to a new phone. Major mobile carriers will be shutting down their 3G networks in 2022, rendering older phones useless. The retirement of the 3G network is to make room for more advanced networks, like 5G, which is much faster.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/28/2021	The City of Norfolk is hosting a hiring event for residents interested in applying to work for the city. The event is today at Southside Aquatics Center on Campostella Road from 1-5pm.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/28/2021	Newly infected COVID-19 patients have new treatment options that can be taken at home, but that convenience comes with a catch. The pills must be taken as soon as possible once symptoms appear, so the challenge is getting tested, getting a prescription, and starting the pills in a short window.

News	7:00/8:00am	12/28/2021	The latest data from the Virginia Department of Education shows a dramatic drop across the board when it comes to kids passing their Standards of Learning tests. The learning loss is alarming teachers and parents and one thing Governor elect Youngkin plans to do is not return to virtual learning as the pandemic enters its third year.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/28/2021	Crews working at the former Robert E. Lee monument in Richmond located the 1887-time capsule. This discovery follows last week's opening of a previously uncovered time capsule that was not the one referenced in historical documents.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/28/2021	Virginia Health officials announced new dates for vaccines and COVID-19 tests at Military Circle Mall in Norfolk. Officials say the clinic will be opened from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. on December 28 and 29 and from 8am – 4pm on December 30th. Then testing will continue to be on Mondays from 2-6 p.m. Vaccination efforts will also resume January 4, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/29/2021	Firefighters contained a blaze in Syria's port, hours after Israel launched missiles from the Mediterranean Sea, igniting the fire in the container terminal. It was the second such attack on the vital facility this month.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/29/2021	Virginia Tech will now require all students and employees to get a booster shot ahead of the spring semester as Hokies prepare to return to campus. They will also be required to have a negative COVID-19 test result before moving back to campus.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/29/2021	The Bedford County Planning Commission Office relies on scheduled open houses to allow community members a voice on what's going on in the county. They plan on announcing one more open house date this Jan. After that they will review the public's input and have it available sometime in the summer or early fall.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/29/2021	It's the time of year to recycle your Christmas tree. In Lynchburg, you can drop off your trees at any of the city drop-off recycling centers or you can drop them at Miller Park, Riverside Park, or Peaks View Park until January 31. You can also place trees on the curb for collection on the same day as your usual garbage service.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/29/2021	U.S. health officials have cut isolation restrictions for asymptomatic Americans who catch the coronavirus from 10 to five days. They say that you are most infectious in the two days before and three days after symptoms develop.

News	7:00/8:00am	12/29/2021	A new program from the Virginia Department of Health could help keep kids in the classroom amid COVID-19 outbreaks. The "Test to Stay" pilot program will start in January and will allow students who were in close contact with a positive COVID case test out of quarantine. If it's negative, they can keep coming to class.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/29/2021	Conservation experts in Virginia's capital pulled books, money, ammunition, documents, and other artifacts from a time capsule found in the remnants of a pedestal that once held a statue of Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee. The box also contained an envelope of Confederate money and two carved artifacts.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/29/2021	Officials in Chesapeake Virginia have closed a road in one neighborhood after a mother bear and three cubs were spotted napping in a tree there. Chesapeake Animal Services asked residents near the tree on Bruin Drive to stay inside in hopes that giving the bears space, quiet, and time will allow them to leave.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/30/2021	President Joe Biden and Russian leader Vladimir Putin will speak Thursday as the Russian leader has asked for security guarantees in Eastern Europe while maintaining a buildup of troops near Russia's border with Ukraine. The U.S. and Russia are also going to talk on Jan. 10. with Moscow and NATO representatives.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/30/2021	The post-holiday numbers for COVID cases in Roanoke City and the Allegheny Health District are up so the health department is providing access to COVID testing for free at the Salem Civic Center from 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. on Tuesdays through January.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/30/2021	Shoppers in the City of Roanoke will soon be faced with a tax on plastic bags. Starting Saturday, Roanoke will become the first city in the Commonwealth to put a tax on plastic bags in grocery stores, drug stores and convenience stores with the hope being that you use reusable or paper bags.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/30/2021	Baron Boulevard? More like Bear-on Boulevard. Just two days after bears were spotted hanging out in a tree on Bruin Drive in Chesapeake, more were seen on another street in Suffolk. It's not clear if these are the same bears, but if they are then they're heading in the right direction toward their main domain, the Great Dismal Swamp.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/30/2021	Virginia Governor Ralph Northam says the current influx of COVID-19 cases is a reason for concern, but not for panic. He also mentioned that vaccinations are a way for

			individuals to protect themselves and those they care about from the new omicron variant.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/30/2021	The Supreme Court of Virginia has unanimously approved new maps establishing congressional and state legislative districts. They were put together by two court appointees as well as with extensive public comment. The final maps were approved and adopted, effective immediately.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/30/2021	More than 20 deputies, including Sheriff Don Sloan and Chief Deputy Thomas Carter, took the oath of honor at the Lynchburg Circuit Court. Every deputy is sworn in every four years after the election, so the entire department was at the ceremony. Sheriff Sloan's new term begins on Saturday.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/30/2021	If you were hoping to skip the lines at testing locations in North Carolina and self-administer your COVID-19 test at home, you're going to need to wait. According to Labcorp the company will not be taking any COVID-19 home collection kit orders now through Jan. 2.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/31/2021	A booster shot of Johnson & Johnson's single-dose COVID-19 vaccine has proven to greatly reduce the risk of hospitalization during the omicron surge. J&J said the second dose was 85% effective in preventing hospitalizations.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/31/2021	Israel has approved a fourth vaccine dose for those most vulnerable to COVID-19, becoming one of the first countries to do so. The doses will initially be given to those with weakened immune systems.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/31/2021	The Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters implemented a new visitor policy after reporting the highest amount of coronavirus cases recorded on any one day during the pandemic. The hospital is limiting visitation to two designated visitors with only one visitor at a time allowed at the bedside. The visitors must be parents or guardians.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/31/2021	Richmond's Confederate monuments, including the Robert E. Lee statue and its 40-foot granite pedestal, will be given to the Black History Museum and Cultural Center of Virginia. The goal is to manage the public process for reinterpretation.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/31/2021	Omicron is not the same disease we were seeing a year ago according to experts. Omicron appears to be less severe, and many spend a relatively short time in hospital, with the average length of stay down to three days.

News	7:00/8:00am	12/31/2021	Now might not be the best time to book that cruise. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released new guidance recommending individuals, regardless of their vaccination status, refrain from embarking on cruise ships.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30am	12/31/2021	Madison Heights could one day have a whole new look and feel. Amherst County leaders are working on a year-long plan to redevelop the area. The goal is to get more businesses and residents across the river and the Amherst County Board of Supervisors is spending \$200,000 to make it happen.
News	7:00/8:00am	12/31/2021	In addition to three testing events next week, officials with Richmond and Henrico Health Districts are distributing 3,600 at-home COVID-19 tests. Additionally, the health district's outreach staff will hand out the tests within communities more impacted by COVID-19.