

**Quarterly Report**

Type	Time	Date	Description
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/2/2018	Brush fire in Danville last night burned 5 acres, luckily no one was injured. The cause is under investigation
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/2/2018	The first lady and the president hosted over 30,000 people at the white house yesterday for Easter activities.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/2/2018	70 first responders were in Blacksburg over the weekend participating in a drill of a simulated accident
News	7:00/8:00	4/2/2018	VA State Police have a new hiring process, the new trooper training program is now only 8 weeks instead of 6 months.
News	7:00/8:00	4/2/2018	April is Autism Awareness month. Tonight at Elmwood park in Roanoke they are having a light it up blue event for world autism day!
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/9/2018	A man in roanoke was arrested for threatening Virginia congressman Bob Goodlatte via social media in December and again last week.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/9/2018	Today is the deadline to register to vote in local elections on May 1st.
News	7:00/8:00	4/9/2018	Norfolk launched it's new bike share program, putting 150 new bikes on the streets. You can rent the bikes for \$1 per half hour
News	7:00/8:00	4/9/2018	It's work safety week in VA and VDOT has several activities to raise awareness about slowing down in work zones.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/10/2018	Portsmouth courthouse was evacuated for a threat yesterday, the all clear was given just after noon
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/10/2018	VA Governor Ralph Northam vetoed a bill yesterday that was disigned to prohibit sanctuary cities in VA
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/10/2018	The Roanoke Goodwill store on Orange Ave is set to close at the end of June, there are no layoffs expected with this closing
News	7:00/8:00	4/10/2018	6,500 sailors are deploying on the Harry S Truman tomorrow from Naval Station Norfolk.
News	7:00/8:00	4/10/2018	World Help in Forest is asking for you help with careing for the vicitims of the syrian chemical explosion.
News	7:00/8:00	4/10/2018	Norfolk is voting today on whether to request more than 3 million dollars in additional funds for the granby street bridge. The bridgeis now budgeted at more that 6.8 million dollars. No word when the repairs will start
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/11/2018	A panel is being convened in Virginia Beach to take a look at the current security practices in Virginia Beach City Public Schools. The new Blue Ribbon Panel will include members from Naval Air Station Oceana, the Virginia Beach Police Department and the school district.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/11/2018	Virginia Governor Ralph Northam has signed a bill allowing new machines at a once-popular horse racetrack. The bill's supporters hope to make it easier for Colonial Downs, which is 30 miles outside of Richmond, to reopen.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/11/2018	The Goodyear plant in Danville closed for a time yesterday due to power outages. The plant has been experiencing issues with their substation as a number of lines are burned out and they are looking for replacement parts. The plant reopened at 7pm last night

News	7:00/8:00	4/11/2018	Ferrum College was put on lockdown yesterday while police investigated a threat that was emailed from an off-campus account. College police searched all buildings on campus with canine units before issuing the all clear.
News	7:00/8:00	4/11/2018	A man lost his life yesterday on the Blue Ridge parkway. According to the National Park Service the confrontation is being investigated as a possible road-rage incident. As the investigation continues, the Blue Ridge Parkway remains closed between mile markers 112 and 121.
News	7:00/8:00	4/11/2018	Norfolk is getting more than \$300,000 in federal funding to help residents of the Diggs Park Community. U.S. senators Mark R. Warner and Tim Kaine announced that these critical federal dollars will help strengthen the quality of life for families while revitalizing the community.
News	7:00/8:00	4/11/2018	Lynchburg city officials hope you'll do a little spring cleaning this month. They are having a Love Where You Live community cleanup event on Saturday, April 21st from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. You can participate by coming to the Public Works building on Memorial Avenue.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/12/2018	In Giles County 5,600 people were without power yesterday. Appalachian power says that equipment failure at a substation, is to blame. Residents should have power restored by today.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/12/2018	A Roanoke Museum is missing 50,000 in the form of a hat. The Roanoke City Police Department is asking for help in locating the suspect who took the beaded baseball cap from the Taubman Art Museum. Officials ask that you call the Roanoke Police Department if you have any information.
Interview	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/12/2018	The Virginia Zoo, located in Norfolk, is expecting a new baby animal! Yesterday the zoo announced that their orangutan, Dara, is expected give birth this summer. The birth will take place in the exhibit.
News	7:00/8:00	4/12/2018	A Virginia school board voted not to change names of some schools and mascots that reference the Confederacy. Hanover County's school board voted 5-2 to preserve Lee-Davis High School and its Confederate mascot, as well as Stonewall Jackson Middle School.
News	7:00/8:00	4/12/2018	The Department of Forestry is warning of increased fire danger today due to the weather conditions. The combination of strong winds, increased temperatures, and low humidity will create extremely dangerous fire conditions. Forestry officials are asking you to delay outdoor burning.
News	7:00/8:00	4/12/2018	Kroger says its looking to fill more than 400 jobs across its Mid-Atlantic Division. The company announced that a total of 420 hourly and management positions would be open across 122 stores. Those interested in applying are encouraged to do so online. Kroger says its expecting to hire an estimated 11,000 people nationwide.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/13/2018	Roanoke County fire crews stopped a brush fire yesterday afternoon. The fire was on a hill off Terry Walters Drive, about a mile away from the Tanglewood Mall. The fire is believed to have been caused by a train passing through the area. About an acre of land was charred, along with some abandoned vehicles.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/13/2018	Governor Ralph Northam announced 600,000 in competitive grants to 16 high schools and technical centers to upgrade their equipment. Campbell County schools received over \$37,000 dollars and plan to use the grant money to buy multiple Virtual Welders.

News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/13/2018	Norfolk Naval Shipyard is looking to hire skilled mechanics. Congress has granted the shipyard Direct Hire Authority for certain jobs which means a large number of employees can be hired quickly.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/13/2018	A new LOVE sign was unveiled in Appomattox yesterday. The design for the sign was inspired by submissions from area schools and community members. It will be on permanent display in the newly renovated Courtland Festival Park. Dedication ceremonies will take place next Saturday.
News	7:00/8:00	4/13/2018	Virginia Governor Ralph Northam signed into law yesterday that starting in July of next year, children under the age of two, or under the minimum weight limit, by law must be in a rear-facing child restraint seat. Virginia joins 9 other states with this law.
News	7:00/8:00	4/13/2018	After an investigation the Virginia Department Of Transportation recommends that the roadway traffic above Natural Bridge be removed. They've begun the process of finding alternative routes for Route 11. VDOT found several concerns with the bridge that include fractures and internal voids in the rock.
News	7:00/8:00	4/13/2018	A Blacksburg high student designed Virginia's newest license plate. Kaya Windpainter's design will be Virginia's first anti-distracted driving plate. The "Eyes on the Road" design will be available this summer. She also received \$1,000 from AAA.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/16/2018	Natural gas pipeline coming thru southwest Va may expand further into pittsylvania county.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/16/2018	The wright memorial bridge should be done by may
News	7:00/8:00	4/16/2018	A state of emergency was declared for Danville and Lynchburg due to the tornados yesterday.
News	7:00/8:00	4/16/2018	Several businesses were damaged in the Elon area of Amherst County due to a tornado yesterday.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/17/2018	Recovery continues from storms, all across central Virginia and down to Danville. Over 40 homes have been damaged in the Danville/Gretna area. A portion of Timberlake Road in Lynchburg remained closed yesterday due to extensive storm damage to nearby businesses. Governor Northam declared a state of emergency to help local and state agencies devote even more resources to the damaged areas.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/17/2018	Blue Bell Ice Cream announced yesterday that they are planning to construct a distribution facility in Northgate Commerce Park in Suffolk this year. The Suffolk Economic Development Authority's meeting where voted to provide Blue Bell with an Economic Development Investment Program (EDIP) grant. The distribution center is expected to be complete in 2019 and should bring about 20 jobs to the area.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/17/2018	People in Central Virginia are continuing to clean up debris as they recover from Sunday's tornados. VDOT says that several roadways are now open across the area, but to use caution because not all stoplights are working. Appalachian Power is continuing to assess damage at this time but has set a preliminary restoration time of midnight tomorrow to customers in Lynchburg, Amherst, and Campbell County.
News	7:00/8:00	4/17/2018	The Virginia State Police will guard damaged properties over the upcoming days. Neighborhoods will be closed at 8 p.m. daily to ensure properties and residents' belonging are kept safe. Several schools remain closed today. One of the hardest hit communities was Amherst County, they are having a community meeting tonight at 5pm at Elon Baptist Church for those impacted by the storm.
News	7:00/8:00	4/17/2018	Inventory is flying off the shelves at Farm Fresh locations, with some items at 70 percent discounts, as the retailer prepares to close their doors for good. The closures will affect roughly 2,600 jobs. By the end of the week, nine Farm Fresh stores will shut down. All stores will close by May 14.

News	7:00/8:00	4/17/2018	The Salem VA Medical Center and the Employment Commission will hold a regional job fair today for Veterans. More than 20 employers will be there and the staff will help with submitting applications, resume preparation and providing tips for getting hired. The job fair runs from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/18/2018	As of yesterday, Campbell County had approximately 191 customers still without power. At this time, 16 businesses, and 2 duplexes have been reported as having received severe structural damage; some are total losses. In Elon, 102 homes or structures have been reported as damaged; 21 are severely damaged or counted as a total loss. The total structural loss is estimated at over \$3 million dollars.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/18/2018	A staging area to receive and register volunteers will be established today between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. at the vacant field across from Food Lion in Madison Heights. Anyone wishing to volunteer may sign-up there. Please do not self-deploy to damage-stricken areas.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/18/2018	Crenshaw Lighting is expanding in Floyd, creating 56 jobs, and the wages will be "significantly above" the average local wage.
News	7:00/8:00	4/18/2018	More than 50 employers will be at a job fair on the Peninsula today. HIRE Peninsula 2018 is hosted by ECPI University's Newport News campus, and will held from noon to 3 p.m. The fair is open to the public, but the first hour is reserved exclusively for veterans.
News	7:00/8:00	4/18/2018	The Danville Police Department will hold a community engagement walk today in the Old West End neighborhood. The walks serve as a way to build trust and develop positive relationships between the department and the community
News	7:00/8:00	4/18/2018	In Lynchburg, the tornado damaged a mobile home park, and snapped dozens of trees as it crossed Boonsboro Road. Several structures in Campbell County on Timberlake Road were damaged, along with over 100 homes in the Elon area. This Saturday there will be a "Love where you live!" community cleanup event, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. The event starts at the Public Works Complex located on Memorial Avenue.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/19/2018	Lynchburg's City Manager has lifted the State of Emergency that was declared Sunday after the tornados. The City of Lynchburg Assessment Teams have assessed approximately \$7.5 million dollars in damage throughout the City, 52 structures received major damage with two having been destroyed. Amherst County is now reporting 166 structures and homes damaged with the structural loss being estimated at over \$4 million dollars.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/19/2018	Will Sessoms is stepping down as mayor of Virginia Beach. Sessoms said he is resigning to pursue private sector employment opportunities and spend more time with family. Vice Mayor Louis Jones is set to take over as mayor, before an election is held for the position in November.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/19/2018	There is now one less Applebee's restaurant in the Roanoke Valley. The Applebee's inside Tanglewood Mall in Roanoke is no longer open. The letter on the door simply stated that effective yesterday that Applebee's location is closed.
News	7:00/8:00	4/19/2018	Marcho Farms, Inc. is recalling over 5 thousand pounds of veal, beef, and pork products due to possible E. coli contamination. The items were distributed to retail stores and food service locations in several states including North Carolina, and Virginia at places like Food Lion and Walmart.

News	7:00/8:00	4/19/2018	Dozens showed up for the second College Beach Weekend community forum last night in Virginia Beach. Virginia Beach Police covered concerns, like traffic, crowd control and violence. College Beach Weekend is scheduled to begin April 27.
News	7:00/8:00	4/19/2018	The Roanoke County Sheriff's Office will install a new drug take back box at the Vinton Police Department. It was built by students at the Burton Center for Arts and Technology. The box is for people to drop off the prescription drugs they don't need anymore.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/20/2018	The tornado that hit the Elon community of Amherst County Sunday was upgraded to an EF3, from the previous rating of EF2. An EF2 tornado has a maximum wind speed between 111 and 135 mph, while an EF3 has a maximum wind speed between 136 and 165 mph. Officials said the maximum wind speed for Sunday's tornado was 150 mph, much like the tornado that hit Appomattox in 2016.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/20/2018	The City of Danville is looking for vendor and tradesmen for their home maintenance and landscaping expo. The expo will be from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, May 5 at the Community Market. Space for vendors will be provided free of charge.
News	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/20/2018	Yesterday Gleaning for the World, helped out in the Elon community by setting up table of supplies people could take for free. They even hand delivered supplies to people who didn't have time to stop by if they were too busy with clean up. The organization says it plans on holding another day like this one soon for people who need more help, so thank you so much to all of you who donated to make that possible.
News	7:00/8:00	4/20/2018	Students in Hampton Roads and across the country are planning to walk out of class at 10am today, the anniversary of Columbine. Although Columbine happened before current high schoolers were even born, many say they are affected because of the recent violence in Parkland, Florida.
news	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/23/2018	Gleaning for the World is partnering with local churches to help distribute supplies to tornado victims. In Elon, they are partnering with Elon Presbyterian Church, you can pick up supplies today from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.. In the Timberlake area, they are partnering with Timberlake United Methodist Church and you can pick up supplies today and Wednesday, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
news	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/23/2018	Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwest Virginia will be holding its Over the Edge fundraiser on Saturday, May 19. In the four years of the fundraiser, \$325,000 have been raised to help the organization. Everyone from 11-year-old kids to people in their late 70s have gone Over the Edge. All you have to do to participate is register and be one of the first people to raise 1,000 dollars for the cause.
news	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/23/2018	The Roanoke Library on Williamson Road did something awesome for Mothers over the weekend. With Mother's Day right around the corner the library offered people a chance to capture some memories by offering free Mother's Day photographs. The library also does this for Christmas and back to school.
News	7:00/8:00	4/23/2018	A fire that started in the Williamsburg Brass & Gift Shop destroyed multiple businesses in the Colonial Town Plaza Center over the weekend. No injuries reported, but the roof collapsed after several minutes, causing significant damage to several stores. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.
news	7:00/8:00	4/24/2018	Today is the deadline to request an absentee ballot ahead of next month's election. Your Registrar's Office must receive your request by 5 p.m..

news	7:00/8:00	4/24/2018	Point of Honor in Lynchburg will offer free admission today for Garden Day. The plantation home is decorated with arrangements by the Garden Club of Virginia. The club has worked on restoring the grounds since 1980
news	7:00/8:00	4/24/2018	A group working with the Pamunkey Indian Tribe has bought land in New Kent County that could be used for a resort and casino. The tribe has said recently it's looking at several potential sites in Virginia to build. Virginia currently has no casinos.
news	7:00/8:00	4/24/2018	Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport is happy to report that more people continue to fly in and out of the Star City, which will hopefully mean more flights and cheaper prices. Yesterday they reported that there was another increase in traffic in March, which keeps the airport on a two-year growth trend.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/24/2018	The Social Services Departments in central Virginia will hold a Senior Awareness Day today. This year's focus will be on avoiding scams and identity theft. The fair runs from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Timberlake United Methodist Church in Lynchburg.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/24/2018	Former city councilman Linwood Branch says that he will run for mayor of Virginia Beach. Branch is currently a member of the city's development authority. Will Sessoms announced last week that he will step down as mayor on April 30. A special election for the office will be held in November.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/24/2018	Starting yesterday you will find detours up if you try to go down Fifth Street in downtown Lynchburg. The City of Lynchburg has begun construction on the Fifth Street Utilities & Streetscape Project. The project is planned for 14 months and is slated to end in June 2019.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/25/2018	Former Lynchburg deputy fire chief Jason Campbell has been sentenced on embezzlement charges after a State Police investigation showed inappropriate use of the company credit card. A judge sentenced him to 20 years in prison, but he will only have to serve 18 months of that sentence and pay \$72,000 in restitution.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/25/2018	Governor Ralph Northam announced that a sheet metal fabricator is investing \$300,000 to expand in Bedford County, creating nine new jobs. Central Virginia Manufacturing provides high-quality sheet metal and light structural fabrication services to an array of businesses.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/25/2018	A Poquoson police officer is facing a bribery charge stemming from his time working at the Surry County Sheriff's Office. This is still an active ongoing criminal investigation and no details of the crime have yet been released. Anderson has been placed on administrative leave pending the outcome the investigation.
	7:00/8:00	4/25/2018	People who were affected by tornadoes earlier this month can pick up supplies today. Gleaning for the World will set up at Timberlake United Methodist Church in Lynchburg from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m..
	7:00/8:00	4/25/2018	State police say a school bus driver failed to yield the right of way while making a left turn yesterday morning. John Paterson, 83, of Danville, was driving the bus, and has been charged him with failing to yield. 18 students were on the bus at the time, 8 of which were transported to a Hospital in Danville for non-life threatening injuries. The crash remains under investigation

	7:00/8:00	4/25/2018	With several Farm Fresh locations closing many people are in search of a new job. Today, Kroger is having a hiring event at the company's training center in Virginia Beach. The company said the jobs available are in all areas of stores. Anyone interested is asked to apply online and bring a resume for interviews.
	7:00/8:00	4/25/2018	Graduating at the top of the class could be a thing of the past in Virginia Beach if the school board votes in favor of a proposal to get rid of class rankings. The Virginia Beach City Public Schools have drafted a policy change to replace class rank with the Latin honors system, the policy, if approved, will take effect for the Class of 2022.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/26/2018	Columbia Gas of Virginia said it's teaming up with Gleaning for the World to help with relief efforts to families impacted by the EF-3 tornado that ripped through Lynchburg, Campbell County, and Amherst County last week. Columbia will be presenting Gleaning with a \$10,000 check for families tomorrow.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/26/2018	The new Virginia Career Works Roanoke Center opened this week. The career center will offer a number of different workforce development programs to provide services for both job seekers and employers. In addition to a computer lab, the center houses staff with expertise in resume writing, career planning, job placement assistance, and other related services.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/26/2018	It's now official, graduating at the top of your class is no longer a thing in Virginia Beach Public Schools. With a 7-3 vote, the Virginia Beach School Board has opted to end the class rank system and the naming of valedictorian and salutatorian. Instead they decided to replace class rank with the Latin honors system: Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude and Summa Cum Laude.
	7:00/8:00	4/26/2018	Mariners Landing at Smith Mountain Lake is undergoing about \$500,000 worth of renovations. The major renovations include, changes to landscaping, pools, the game room, condos and more. About \$200,000 is being put into the golf course as well. They hope to have all the renovations done by Memorial Day.
	7:00/8:00	4/26/2018	A new grocery store is coming to Newport News. Piggly Wiggly will move into a building off Jefferson Avenue that formally housed Jim's Local Market. Jim's closed down at the end of January, leaving the area without a grocery store for several miles. The new Piggly Wiggly is expected to open June 19.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/27/2018	Lynchburg has found a way to balance its budget without cutting back on public safety. With people eating out more in the Hill City, meal tax is one of the recipes for fixing the financial future. City officials saw a \$600,000 increase in revenues because of meal taxes and other sources. Lynchburg police will benefit from an increase.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/27/2018	Residents on the North End of Virginia Beach are experiencing an increase in car break ins. Virginia Beach Police say thieves hit three cars in the last week and have actually stolen a few cars as well. No arrest have been made.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	4/27/2018	A portion of Boonsboro Road will be temporarily closed tomorrow from 6am to noon, for brush removal. This is part of the clean-up from the tornado earlier this month. Detour routes will be in place, and motorists should simply use caution while traveling through the area.
	7:00/8:00	4/27/2018	The Wounded Warrior Softball Team will make several stops today in Bedford County ahead of its games tomorrow. The team will tour the National D-Day Memorial. Then they will face off against local law enforcement in a double header softball game tomorrow at noon.

6:30/7:30/8:30	4/30/2018	An American Airlines flight from Philadelphia made an emergency landing at Norfolk International Airport. Pilots reported a steering problem with the plane. 65 passengers were on board and everyone is fine....the flight landed safely.
6:30/7:30/8:30	4/30/2018	Amherst needs to cover a budget deficit. The town is proposing a 2% meals tax to cover it. On a lunch bill of \$20, the tax would increase from \$.80 cents to \$1.20. The move would bring in an additional \$165,000 for the town.
6:30/7:30/8:30	4/30/2018	The town of Vinton is looking for your suggestions. The town will hold an open house meeting tonight at the War Memorial....to hear your suggestions for improvements to the town. The meeting starts at 7.
7:00/8:00	4/30/2018	Fire crews spent most of the afternoon and last night fighting a brush fire in Roanoke County. The fire burned more than 300 acres. The fire is on federal land and there have been no reports of homes or businesses in danger.
7:00/8:00	4/30/2018	Virginia Governor Ralph Northam is urging Virginian's to get flood insurance as hurricane season approaches. Flooding is the most common natural disaster and most homeowners policies and renters policies do not cover floods damage.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/1/2018	Today is the deadline to buy flood insurance to have it go into effect before hurricane season. Standard homeowners and renters insurance policies do not cover damage from floods. Hurricane season starts on June 1st, and most policies take 30 days to kick in.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/1/2018	Yesterday Will Sessoms officially stepped down as mayor of Virginia Beach, after spending nearly a decade on the job. Beginning today, Vice Mayor Louis Jones is taking over as interim mayor. Former Councilman Linwood Branch says he plans to run for Virginia Beach's top office, when the election is held in November.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/1/2018	For the 29th year, the annual U.S. Capitol Bible Reading Marathon is underway at the U.S. Capitol. It began at Sunday at 6:00 p.m. with Genesis 1:1 and for the next 90 continuous hours, every word of the Bible is read aloud without commentary. It culminates at 11 a.m. on Thursday, with the reading of the final chapter of the book of Revelation.
7:00/8:00	5/1/2018	Big congratulations in order for one Bedford Hills Elementary School teacher in Lynchburg. 4th grade teacher, Tracie Tkacik, was presented the Teacher of the Year award for Lynchburg City Schools.
7:00/8:00	5/1/2018	The Wytheville Chamber of Commerce is holding a business and community expo today. More than 90 organizations will be there, talking about job opportunities and showing off their products and services. The expo runs from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Wytheville Meeting Center.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/2/2018	Danville Utilities will hold a public meeting today to talk about upgrading overhead transmission lines. The upgrade is expected to provide more capacity and better reliability to the area. The project should start later this month and take six months to complete. Tonight's meeting starts at 6 p.m. at the Pepsi Building on Craghead Street.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/2/2018	The Amherst County Sheriff's Office has posted items on Facebook that have been turned over to them after being found in the Elon area during the tornado clean up. If you recognize any of the items, you can pick them up at the sheriff's office Monday-Friday between 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m., they will be keeping the items for 90 days.



6:30/7:30/8:30	5/2/2018	The nation's next aircraft carrier is now 75 percent structurally complete. The USS John F Kennedy has been under construction at Newport News Shipbuilding since 2015. The Kennedy is scheduled to be christened in 2019 and delivered to the Navy in 2022.
7:00/8:00	5/2/2018	A direct mail materials manufacturer for the nonprofit community is investing \$4.85 million to add new equipment and expand its operation in Bedford County. Innovairre Communications, LLC will be bringing another 30 high-tech jobs to Bedford County, in addition to the 12 they created earlier this year. This makes Innovairre one of the largest employers in the county.
7:00/8:00	5/2/2018	Busch Gardens Williamsburg is honoring Virginia's first responders with free admission for the month of May. Starting May 4, law enforcement officers, firefighters, paramedics and 911 dispatchers can get into the park for free. Family and friends can also get half-off admission. The park is open Friday, Saturday and Sunday through May 13 and daily operations start May 18.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/3/2018	Approximately 35,000 pounds of raw ground beef products that may be contaminated with hard plastic are being recalled by Kroger. The raw ground beef items were produced on March 22 and have a sell by date of April 9th. These items were shipped to distribution centers in Virginia and Indiana.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/3/2018	A Danville business will soon be under new ownership. Regional One EMS is being sold to LifeCare. The company provides a variety of medical transportation services for both people in the City of Danville and Pittsylvania County. The Regional One director says the current owner is retiring but wanted his employees to keep their jobs, so he decided to sell.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/3/2018	Acclaimed Hollywood costume designer Ruth Carter will address the class of 2018 at Hampton University's commencement. Carter, a Hampton alumna, became the first African American costume designer to be nominated for an Academy Award. Hampton's commencement ceremony is scheduled for May 13.
7:00/8:00	5/3/2018	The FBI released a predator alert that is impacting children in several states, including, Virginia. Investigators said a man is sending packages to elementary-aged girls. Agents said they are searching for the predator and urge parents to call police if you get a similar package.
7:00/8:00	5/3/2018	A new state law goes into effect July 1st increasing recess time for elementary school kids, but not every school will choose to implement it. In Hampton Roads most school districts are leaving it up to the individual schools, so far just Suffolk and Norfolk public schools have committed to the increase.
7:00/8:00	5/3/2018	Good news for Liberty University Flames fans. Renovations to the football stadium will be complete by the first game of the season which is now less than 4 months away. The stadium will now seat 25,000 fans, feature a much larger scoreboard, and better internet connection to improve the fan experience.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/4/2018	Two Virginia battlefields will be preserved after getting a \$2.1 million dollar grant. Senators Mark Warner and Tim Kaine secured funding for the Yorktown and Appomattox Courthouse Battlefields through the National Park Service's American Battlefield Protection Program. Both Senators have constructed bills that preserve battlefields across the country.

6:30/7:30/8:30	5/4/2018	Roanoke county is offering a unique opportunity for kids. Green Park will host the first-ever Spartan Kids Race on July 21-22. The two-day event will target close to 4,000 kids ages 4-14 and will be filled with specially designed obstacle courses, healthy food and experiential brand activations. There also will be races for kids with developmental disabilities.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/4/2018	Good news for loved ones as Sailors aboard the USS Monterey are scheduled to return to Norfolk this weekend. The guided-missile cruiser will arrive at Naval Station Norfolk Sunday, following a deployment to the Navy's 5th and 6th Fleets. The Monterey was a part of missile strikes the U.S. launched at Syria last month, in retaliation for a suspected chemical weapons attack.
7:00/8:00	5/4/2018	Fire crews are working to put out a fire in Rockbridge County. The fire, which began yesterday afternoon has expanded and is now a few hundred acres large. Virginia Department of Forestry is working to extinguish the blaze. So far there are no mandatory evacuations or injuries. Route 56 in Nelson County is however expected to be closed this morning.
7:00/8:00	5/4/2018	Citizens in Danville have broken a world record! The Roman Eagle Rehabilitation & Health Care Center decided to read the Bible from beginning to end non-stop. Staff, volunteers from the community, and students from Westover Christian Academy signed up for 30 minute reading slots to beat the current record of 113 hours. They did it in just 77 hours.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/7/2018	Norfolk fire officials responded to an oil spill in the Colonial Place section of the city yesterday. The spill was near Colley Avenue and 45th Street. Police have not released details on how this incident happened
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/7/2018	It's teacher appreciation week in Virginia. Governor Northam is encouraging Virginians to send thank-you notes, recognizing teachers for their hard work and dedication. National teacher appreciation day is Tuesday, May 9th.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/7/2018	The major road to the Outer Banks was shut down for about two hours this weekend after a fire broke out and shut down Highway 158 in both directions. Crews had to stretch fire hoses across the roadway, because propane and ammunition were reportedly in one of the sheds that caught fire. No one was injured, and officials have yet to determine the cause of the fire.
7:00/8:00	5/7/2018	Crews are still battling a brush fire that has now consumed over 1,600 acres in Rockbridge County Virginia. Crews say the fire is now 45% contained, and over 130 firefighters are still on scene. Highway 56 is now open to the public, however, many trails are still closed at this time.
7:00/8:00	5/7/2018	James City County officials are warning Jamestown Beach Park visitors about an aggressive river otter. According to the James City County Facebook page, an the otter attacked several people at the Jamestown Beach Event Park. Visitors should exercise caution and call 911 if they see the animal. Anyone who may have been in contact with the animal is also encouraged to contact their physician.

6:30/7:30/8:30	5/8/2018	There were more discussions between school board members, City Council members and the city's new chief of security, Chris Perkins about how to make sure Roanoke City Schools are prepared for a worst-case scenario. Perkins said he's still evaluating each school before proposing specific actions, but he would like to add more resource officers and make sure the school's offices are close to the entrances.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/8/2018	Today is teacher appreciation day, so be sure to thank your kid's teachers! Virginia First Lady, Pamela Northam, will visit Monterey Elementary School in Roanoke today as part of Teacher Appreciation Week. She will teach a lesson to students as part of her visit.
7:00/8:00	5/8/2018	No one was injured after several train cars derailed in the middle of the Suffolk Meadows neighborhood. Eight cars and one engine came off the tracks, with some cars extending into nearby backyards. It's not clear what exactly the train was carrying, no hazardous materials were on the train and no evacuations are required. The cause of the derailment has not been determined at this time.
7:00/8:00	5/8/2018	Well if you live in Virginia Beach and don't like your Personal property tax bill then you can appeal it! The Commissioner Revenue has set up a drive-thru appeals process that is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, at the Princess Anne Athletic Complex on Dam Neck Road. You can appeal your bill until June 8th and even if you have already paid you will receive a refund if the assessment is lowered.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/9/2018	Heading to Florida later this year, or maybe Denver? Frontier Airlines just announced it is adding new nonstop flights from Norfolk International Airport to Denver or Orlando. The new flights at Norfolk are slated to start Aug. 12, and will only be offered on Thursdays and Sundays. Fares for the flights will start as low as \$29.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/9/2018	There will be a job fair in Roanoke on Friday at 10 a.m. at the Peacemakers Headquarters in Roanoke. The event is being held to give people in the community an opportunity to become employed. Some of the positions people can apply for include: school bus drivers, teacher's assistants, landscapers, forklift operators, custodians and more.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/9/2018	Today is National Bike to School Day. Many schools across the commonwealth are signed up to take part in this event, including James River Day School in Lynchburg. Each year, supervised bike trains, groups rides and other activities are scheduled to highlight safe riding practices and the benefits of cycling.
7:00/8:00	5/9/2018	There is a major structural flaw at the Union Bank and Trust Pavilion in Portsmouth. Engineers were doing a routine annual check when they found a deformity in the main support mast that holds the canopy. Removal of the canopy could take two weeks and will impact the first four shows scheduled this season at the pavilion, starting this Saturday and going through shows on May 20th.
7:00/8:00	5/9/2018	Food Lion will help kick off the postal services' Stamp Out Hunger food drive today by donating nearly 14,000 meals to Feeding America Southwest Virginia. You can contribute as well. In your mailbox, you may have received a blue grocery bag. Fill it with non-perishable food and place it at your mailbox on Saturday.

7:00/8:00	5/9/2018	The Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel has plans to expand to a total of 8 lanes by 2024. \$3.6 billion project is the largest road project in Virginia history, the contract for building it will be awarded next spring to one of 3 possible builders. Right now, the traveling public fights the 1, 3, or even a 6 mile backup at the HRBT every day. For the 100,000 drivers that go across the span daily, this project is a solution to alleviate that backup.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/10/2018	Roanoke's fire station number 7 might have new life after it earned a spot on the 2018 Virginia's Most Endangered Historic Places list. The cities intention had been to tear it down in favor of a new fire station, but an online petition to save it has stalled the city from doing so. Supporters of preserving the station see this as another step in that direction.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/10/2018	The Oscar Meyer mobile will make a stop today in the Roanoke Valley. It will be at the Bonsack Walmart from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will also make other stops in the region through the middle of next week.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/10/2018	Good news for Virginia Beach residents, there will be no tax increase in the 2019 budget. The initial 2019 budget plan for Virginia Beach would have increased taxes and fees for the average family by almost \$100 dollars, but city officials say they've found a way to make the budget work without the increases. The city is scheduled to vote on the budget next Tuesday.
7:00/8:00	5/10/2018	Pepsi's Rolling Remembrance campaign will make a stop in Wytheville today. This is done each year to help bring awareness to the Children of Fallen Patriots Foundation, which gives scholarships to children of veterans who have passed away. The Rolling Remembrance started its 8,000 mile journey in Seattle and will finish later this month in New York. Last year, more than \$200,000 was raised.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/11/2018	With summer right around the corner River Ridge Dermatology is holding a free skin cancer screening today. Skin cancer is the most commonly diagnosed type of cancer among both men and women. The screenings are first-come, first-served from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Christiansburg Recreation Center.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/11/2018	The Appomattox County School Board named Dr. Annette Bennett to the position of Superintendent. She was currently serving as the district's director of curriculum and instruction. The school board received 37 applications for the position, according to the district's website.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/11/2018	Fifty-two new troopers will join Virginia State Police today after a graduation ceremony in Chesterfield County. Upon graduation, the new troopers will report to their individual assignments across Virginia beginning May 14. Each trooper will then spend an additional six weeks paired up with a Field Training Officer learning his or her new patrol area.
7:00/8:00	5/11/2018	Snow days might forever be a thing of the past in Virginia Beach with the introduction of virtual learning days. Two virtual learning days have been added to the 2018-19 school year already in case of a weather event. Oct. 8 and Nov. 6, students will be provided assignments that are designed to be completed on that day or over a 10-day flexibility period.
7:00/8:00	5/11/2018	The Pittsylvania Pet Center is asking for help after more than 100 animals have been taken in since the beginning of the month. 102 pets have been taken in and only 46 have been adopted since the beginning of the month. The shelter is open from noon to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/14/2018	A CSX train hauling coal derailed in the southern part of Newport News. Police say it happened in the 400 block of South Avenue. Amtrak officials say the derailment caused a track closure between Richmond and Newport News. There are no injuries reported, and the cause of the derailment is under investigation.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/14/2018	Roanoke City Council is set to vote on changes to fees for emergency medical services. The proposal calls for an increase of \$55 to 98\$ dollars, depending on the level of service. Roanoke Fire and EMS chief said the new fee structure is comparable with surrounding communities.
	7:00/8:00	5/14/2018	The State Senate will reconvene today to debate the budget. Medicaid expansion has been one of the main sticking points. If a budget is not passed by June 30th, the Virginia government would shut down for the first time ever.
	7:00/8:00	5/14/2018	Did you know it's against the law to smoke in your car if you are traveling with a minor? The Virginia Beach Police are cracking down on drivers breaking a law that went into effect two years ago that bans smoking whenever a child under 18 is in the vehicle. The punishment is a \$100 fine, however the violation is a secondary offense, which means you have to be pulled over for another reason first.
	7:00/8:00	5/14/2018	The City of Lynchburg's Fleet Services Department is holding their Spring 2018 sale on city vehicles and equipment. The city is accepting bids from today until Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.. People will then be notified starting Friday if they get to purchase the car. The auction includes vehicles and equipment that are no longer of use to the City of Lynchburg.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/15/2018	Earth Fare, a specialty organic and natural foods grocery store, is bringing 130 new jobs to Williamsburg. A job fair with on-site interviews will be held at the Fairfield Inn & Suites located on Richmond Road, starting Saturday and running through next Tuesday, from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. each day. Appointments are not necessary to attend, but you should apply online before coming.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/15/2018	Goodwill of the Valleys in Roanoke is hoping to give local teens more opportunities. Organizers are opening a Youth and Teen Center early this summer which will include a computer lab, virtual reality stations and recreational spaces. The new center will be located in the Simply Goodwill store space, which will close May 26, and renovations will begin June 1.
	7:00/8:00	5/15/2018	Williamsburg's city manager, Marvin E. Collins, resigned during an emergency city council meeting. The city said it was a personnel issue. Assistant City Manager Andrew O. Trivette has been named city manager in the meantime.
	7:00/8:00	5/15/2018	As part of National Salvation Army Week, the Lynchburg Salvation Army will hold a reentry job fair today. Several employers will be there from several career fields, focused on providing entry level opportunities for ex-offenders. The job fair runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Salvation Army Community Center Gym.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/16/2017	Thousands of teachers are set to hit the streets of North Carolina's capital today. As many as 15,000 teachers are expected to strike in order to force increased wages and funding priorities for public school classrooms. More than three dozen school districts have decided to close today.

	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/16/2018	It's been a month since the tornados struck the Lynchburg and Elon areas in central Virginia. Officials and residents say things are starting to look better now that the debris is cleared, but that it will still take time to rebuild. The county administrator says a long-term recovery group is meeting again this week to see what's next.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/16/2018	The National D Day memorial is celebrating Armed Forces Day with a 5k. This run/walk Run/Walk begins and ends at the Memorial, and a total change in elevation of 220 feet provides a unique challenge for runners of all levels. Participants will also have the opportunity to honor and interact with members of the Armed Forces past and present.
	7:00/8:00	5/16/2018	Dozens of businesses are looking to hire people at an upcoming job fair in Bedford. The job fair will be held today from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Bedford Campus of Central Virginia Community College. There will be free workshops for resume help, and interview tips. The event is free and open to the public.
	7:00/8:00	5/16/2018	The city of Lynchburg may be getting rid of one of its most loved sights. Department of Public Works says they received complaints about people cutting into the fencing at the lock wall on Pervicals Isle in downtown Lynchburg. Officials say they're not sure what will go in the walls place, but they are working on ways to preserve the locks.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/17/2018	Montgomery County Virginia might join Virginia Beach city schools in getting rid of class rankings. Instead class rank, they would place students in a top three grouping, composed of distinguished scholar, scholar, and honor graduate. The school board will vote in June and if it goes into effect, next year's graduating class will be the first to go without class rank.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/17/2018	This weekend several students in Central Virginia are taking their final steps toward their next chapter in life. Among the colleges graduating are Virginia Tech, with Governor Ralph Northam as their speaker, Sweet Briar, with the first class of graduates since the school threatened to close, and Liberty University, with former President Jimmy Carter delivering their commencement address.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/17/2018	The possibility of truck tolls on Interstate 81 is getting closer to becoming a reality. The General Assembly passed a bill earlier this year directing Virginia to start looking at how tolls for 18 wheelers would impact the interstate and if revenue from tolls could be used to pay for interstate improvement projects. The study should be completed by the end of the year.
	7:00/8:00	5/17/2018	The Gladys Volunteer Fire Department has a new fire truck to help them fight brush fires. Their new truck is built to go off of the road and can hold 1,500 gallons of water, compared to a normal truck that can only hold 250 gallons. This truck is the first in Virginia and only the second one on the east coast.
	7:00/8:00	5/17/2018	The Botetourt County Sheriff's Office is warning of recent fraudulent activity. Suspects are using sheriff's office phone numbers to tell victims that they must report to jail for missing jury duty. Then they ask the victims to stop and get bail money along the way. The sheriff's office said it would like to remind everyone that they will not call and demand payment over the phone or computer.

	7:00/8:00	5/17/2018	The Salvation Army of Lynchburg will recognize its volunteers today. People who have worked with the organization over the past year will be invited to a luncheon. It's part of National Salvation Army week, which was first declared by President Eisenhower in 1954.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/18/2018	The peak of summer travel is almost here for the Outer Banks, and that means slower speeds. The North Carolina Department of Transportation dropped speeds from 45 to 35 mph in the villages of Rodanthe, Waves and Salvo, Duck, Corolla and Frisco. Speed limits are being lowered to account for higher vehicle and pedestrian traffic during the summer. The slower speeds will be in effect through Sept. 15
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/18/2018	Guests to Saturday's main Commencement ceremony at Liberty University will be among the first to experience an event inside the newly expanded Williams Stadium. Commencement is not only the biggest event of the year at Liberty, it is also the largest event to be held in the Central Virginia region, with almost every lodging business in the area fully booked several months in advance. Liberty expects a crowd of close to 40,000 on Saturday.
	7:00/8:00	5/18/2018	Dozens of new high-paying jobs are coming to Rocky Mount Virginia. Franklin County announced that Stik-Pak Solutions, is going to invest \$14.3 million to relocate and expand its Franklin County operation into a new 100,000 square ft. facility in the Summit View Business Park. Fifty to 60 new jobs will be created within six years, paying an average annual salary of over \$45,000 plus benefits.
	7:00/8:00	5/18/2018	The Monacan Indian Tribe is preparing for their 26th Pow Wow in Elon this weekend. This is the first year for the tribe being federally recognized, so they're expecting thousands of people to attend. The hope is to educate people about Native American culture. The Pow Wow runs both Saturday and Sunday.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/21/2018	Henry County's Department of Public Safety is working on preliminary damage assessments after recent flooding, and they need the public's help. Individual reports may be helpful in determining whether a State or Federal declaration of disaster is needed. Although reports don't guarantee any form of financial assistance, they do help with data assessment if that assistance is needed.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/21/2018	Two more shows have been rescheduled due to the structural flaw found at the Union Bank & Trust Pavilion. A total of six shows have now been affected by the problem. Officials say tickets for the rescheduled shows will be honored at the new date and time with no exchange necessary and if you can't attend the new date, refunds are available. Updates will be posted on the pavilion's Facebook.
	7:00/8:00	5/21/2018	The first community conversation regarding what to do with the Confederate Monument located on Falls Road in Rocky Mount is set for today at 6pm at the Booker T. Theater. Those who plan on attending should RSVP. This is just one of four total meetings, three other meetings are planned for June.
	7:00/8:00	5/21/2018	The first class of students in the EMT class at Roanoke City schools will soon graduate. A partnership was formed between the schools and Roanoke Fire EMS to train students become EMTs, in hopes they would explore a career as a first responder. The city is hoping that some of the students will stick around, now that the city's hiring age is now 18.

6:30/7:30/8:30	5/22/2018	Lynchburg City Manager has appointed Reid Wodicka as new Deputy City Manager following the departure of Charles Hargrove. Wodicka currently serves Bedford County as its Deputy County Administrator. Prior to working in Bedford County, he served as town manager in Elkton and Woodstock, Virginia. He will start his duties on June 13th.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/22/2018	Buying things online, not just from stores, but from other people is now pretty normal. Which has led to some law enforcement agencies across the country creating safe exchange zones for you to meet and exchange products bought and sold online. Multiple agencies have established these zones including Bedford County, Danville, Franklin County, Henry County, Martinsville, Montgomery County, Salem, South Boston and Vinton.
7:00/8:00	5/22/2018	A road in Henry County is closed after a sinkhole opened up. Joseph Martin Highway is closed just past where it intersects with Memory Lane. There is no word on when the hole might be fixed.
7:00/8:00	5/22/2018	If you are getting in the water in North Carolina this summer you might want to be on the lookout for an increase in Bull Sharks. The increased temperature in the Pamlico Sounds is creating what appears to be a breeding ground for the sharks. Experts say there is no need to panic, but you should, swim in groups, avoid swimming at dusk or dawn, and don't wear shiny jewelry.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/23/2018	Appomattox County Public Schools have announced Jason Clark as Teacher of the Year. Clark works at Appomattox County High School in the Career Technology Education Department teaching Computer Systems Technology. Clark will be moving on to compete in the regional 2019 Teacher of the Year competition.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/23/2018	Virginia senators are still debating on the state budget plan and whether to expand Medicaid. A new budget proposal includes Medicaid expansion, raises for state workers, and a boost to the state's rainy-day fund, but leaders that oppose Medicaid expansion and could try to block passage of a budget that includes it. State government will shut down July 1 if no budget is passed
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/23/2018	Summer is time to fight hunger in Hampton Roads. The Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore is kicking off the inaugural Hunger Heroes Corporate Food Frenzy & Summer of Service initiative. If you'd like to participate, you can start collecting your food now, the drop off date is June 9. Points will be added up for participating businesses and winners will be celebrated at an awards event in September.
7:00/8:00	5/23/2018	One person has lost their life after a small plane crash near the Chesapeake Regional Airport. The plane crashed in a field less than half a mile from the end of a runway and caught fire after impact. The circumstances surrounding the crash are not clear. A two-mile section of West Road was closed following the crash.
7:00/8:00	5/23/2018	Roanoke County will test its emergency notification system today. The test will be done only in south county, including Cave Spring. The Alert system works like a reverse 911call, where phones that are registered with information will receive a call. The test is expected to take place at 9 a.m..



	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/24/2018	The city of Virginia Beach has big plans for the Beach Entertainment District, positioned between 14th and 20th streets from Atlantic Avenue to Birdneck Road. The plans include a new pier, surf park, sports fieldhouse and a new hotel next to the Convention Center. In a recent survey to residents, public parks, parking and live music top the list of things people would like to see added to the area.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/24/2018	Duck Donuts, that helps us with our coffee connection, announced it is celebrating National Donut Day with a free donut offer for customers on Friday, June 1. According to the company, customers will receive one bare, cinnamon sugar or powdered sugar donut, no purchase necessary. In addition, donut lovers will also receive an exclusive National Donut Day coupon for "Buy One Donut, Get One Free", redeemable until June 17.
	7:00/8:00	5/24/2018	The Chick-fil-A on Wards Road is closing June 22nd, for some remodeling. The building is going to be gutted and they will be expanding their kitchen along with hiring 40 more employees. The location is expected to open back up on August 1, but in the meantime there will be a Chick-fil-A food truck open in the Aldi's parking lot on Route 221 in Forest.
	7:00/8:00	5/24/2018	Memorial Day is Monday and that means lots of patriotic events at the National D-Day Memorial in Bedford. Friday the Jefferson Choral Society will perform a concert celebrating the freedoms so many have fought and died to protect. Then on Monday a special Memorial Day ceremony will officially recognize the men and women who have sacrificed their lives for our freedoms. The program begins at 11a.m. Admission is free until noon.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/25/2018	Newport News has hired Steve Drew as its new police chief. Formally he was the deputy police chief in Richmond. Drew has been in local law enforcement for 24 years and will start his new role as chief of Newport News on July 2.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/25/2018	If you want to hit the Dan River this weekend, Danville Parks and Recreation is starting their canoe, kayak, and paddle board rentals this Saturday and opening up their boat house. \
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/25/2018	Well there is no one to pick up your trash in space, so guess what, it comes back here. The International Space Station has accepted delivery of more than 7,000 pounds of supplies from Virginia, including food, equipment and science experiments. Then they fill the capsule with trash for a re-entry that's expected in several weeks.
	7:00/8:00	5/25/2018	Attorney General Jeff Sessions has appointed Zach Terwilliger to serve on an interim basis as U.S. attorney for the eastern district of Virginia. Virginia's senators have recommended Terwilliger for the post, but he has not yet been nominated by President Donald Trump. If nominated, he would need U.S. Senate confirmation. This appointment remains in effect for 120 days.
	7:00/8:00	5/25/2018	You can pay it forward today in Lynchburg. Starting at 9am this morning Timberlake Family Pharmacy is collecting non-perishable food donations. Then, at 11am they will plan to pack bags with the food that's been collected. They hope to pack 500 bags for Lynchburg Daily Bread to distribute to the children in the community.
	7:00/8:00	5/25/2018	Those looking for a place to escape the heat will now have one. The Miller Park Pool will officially open Sunday in Lynchburg. The pool will be open just weekends until June 9, then they will be open weekdays as well. A single membership is \$50 per person and a family membership is \$120 for a family of four.

6:30/7:30/8:30	5/29/2018	If you are taking the bus this morning in Roanoke County then be aware that a portion of Sugar Loaf Mountain Road between Smokey Ridge and Elbert Drive in Roanoke County is closed due to flood damage. Students who go to Oak Grove Elementary can get the bus at Sugar Loaf Mountain Road and Elbert Drive, and Cave Springs Elementary students can catch the bus at the Sugar Loaf Mountain Road and Sugar Ridge Drive. Absences will be excused for students who live along the road and cannot get out of their home at all to get to the bus.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/29/2018	A group of surfers paid tribute to those who lost their lives defending our country, with a paddle out. A paddle out is a surfing ritual that originated in Hawaii, and is a way for the surfing community to honor someone they lost. For the last 15 years, a group of surfers in Virginia Beach has participated in a paddle out to honor fallen service men and women.
7:00/8:00	5/29/2018	Representative Tom Garrett announced that he will not be running for reelection this fall. The congressman, who represents Virginia's 5th District, announced on Richmond's Capitol Square that he is struggling with alcoholism and will not seek a second term.
7:00/8:00	5/29/2018	The WYFF news team is mourning the loss of two of their own staff members this morning. Mike McCormick and Aaron Smeltzer were covering subtropical storm Alberto in South Carolina when a tree fell on their SUV. McCormick had been at the station since 2007 and Aaron had just started with WYFF in February. Please keep the news team and their families in your prayers.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/30/2018	In light of Congressman Tom Garrett not seeking re-election, Denver Riggleman announced that he is seeking the Republican Nomination. Riggleman is an Air Force Veteran, small business owner and national security expert. He thanked Representative Garrett for his years of public service as a Congressman, State Senator, and Commonwealth's Attorney.
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/30/2018	Five local students have gone from spelling in the classroom to the national stage. The students from Lynchburg, Roanoke, and South Boston are among 519 spellers in the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington D.C.. The spelling bee started yesterday and concludes on Thursday
6:30/7:30/8:30	5/30/2018	The Lynchburg Public Library is hosting a free summer lunch program to help kids in need. The program will begin Monday, June 4 and last through Friday, August 3. During that time period, lunch will be served every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from noon to 1 p.m. on a first come, first served basis. You must be 18 or younger to receive a meal.
7:00/8:00	5/30/2018	Chesapeake officials say a section of Meadow Wood Drive will be blocked off for two weeks after a sewer line cave-in. The problem started with a hole in the side near the manhole cover that allowed dirt to get in and the recent rain caused it to turn into thick mud. Over the years the neighborhood has experienced other sink holes further up the road.
7:00/8:00	5/30/2018	The Virginian Pilot has a new owner. Chicago-based media company tronc (trunk) has bought the paper for \$34 million. Tronc owns multiple newspapers in major markets across the country, including the Chicago Tribune, Los Angeles Times and The Baltimore Sun. The company believes that the Virginian Pilot will benefit from the resources of a large organization.

	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/31/2018	The Virginia state budget was approved yesterday, and Gov. Ralph Northam is expected to sign the budget in coming days that continues the plan of Medicaid expansion for the state. Medicaid has now grown to become the largest government health insurance program, now covering 1 in 5 people.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/31/2018	Navy officials say the 101 days between Memorial Day and Labor Day are the critical days of summer. During this time high numbers of sailors end up passing away due to motorcycle crashes, car accidents, and drownings. Because of this The Critical Days of summer campaign was created to make sure sailors know the risks and take precautions while off duty in the summer. The Naval Safety Center is also offering training programs on safety for things like motorcycles.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	5/31/2018	The grocery chain ALDI is building a new store in Virginia Beach and is looking to hire workers to staff it. If you're interested, bring a resume and come to the Holiday Inn on Greenwich Road between 7:00 am and 6:00 pm, today. Prospective employees can talk with managers and ask questions about the different positions that are available.
	7:00/8:00	5/31/2018	Governor Northam has proclaimed today Dam Safety Awareness Day. It falls on the anniversary of the worst dam-related disaster which occurred in Pennsylvania in 1889, more than 2,000 lives were lost. The day is meant to bring awareness about the risks associated with a failure and how you can protect your family. Since 1995, more than 100 failures have occurred in Virginia.
	7:00/8:00	5/31/2018	Not everywhere is safe for swimming this summer. Separate swimming advisories have been issued for two beaches on Virginia's Eastern Shore. The Virginia Department of Health said that advisories were in place for the Town of Cape Charles in Northampton County and Guard Shore Beach in Accomack County due to high bacteria levels at both beaches.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	6/1/2018	Governor Ralph Northam has announced that Virginia's request for financial assistance to aid those impacted by the tornadoes on April 15 in the City of Lynchburg has been approved. That means low-interest federal loans will be available to help residents and business owners rebuild. There will be a Disaster Loan Outreach Center at Central Virginia Community College tomorrow, from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Monday – Thursday from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. and next Friday, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	6/1/2018	Starting today The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries has designated the next three days for anyone who wants to fish without a fishing license. No fishing license of any kind will be required for rod and reel fishing in freshwater or saltwater today, tomorrow, and Sunday so now is a great time to take the kids out and teach them how to fish.
	7:00/8:00	6/1/2018	Starting Monday Christiansburg Aquatic Center and Feeding America are teaming up to provide free lunches to youth under 18. The lunches will be offered Mondays through Fridays from noon to 1 p.m. at the skate park located below the aquatic center on North Franklin Street.
	7:00/8:00	6/1/2018	Work has started on a new coffee shop in Roanoke called Chris's Coffee and Custard. The coffee shop will be on 9th Street, in Southeast Roanoke. They are hoping for a December or January opening and their goal is to employ about 40 adults with special needs, giving them an opportunity to succeed in society.

6:30/7:30/8:30	6/4/2018	Discipline in schools is changing. Governor Ralph Northam recently visited Richmond's Henderson Middle School to sign legislation that puts restrictions on how long students can be suspended. These bills limit most suspensions that occur in preschool through third grade to three days and reduces the maximum length of long-term suspensions from 364 calendar days to 45 school days.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/4/2018	A Roanoke County task force has received a top Virginia safety award. SOAR, the Sober On All Roads program, got the honor for its contribution to road safety at a ceremony. SOAR is a valley-wide DUI task force that includes Roanoke County, Roanoke city, Salem and Vinton. Officers on the task force made 297 DUI arrests between March and December of 2017.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/4/2018	Several area locations are starting their free meal programs today. Lynchburg Public Library will have meals Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from noon to 1 p.m., until August 3rd, Lynchburg City Schools will also have free meals at area community centers, and The Christiansburg Aquatic Center and Feeding America Southwest Virginia will provide daily lunches to children from noon to one weekdays.
7:00/8:00	6/4/2018	Naval Criminal Investigative Service is offering a reward for information leading to an arrest after a series of threats to Norfolk Naval Shipyard. NCIS says the shipyard has had four threatening messages within the last 10 days.
7:00/8:00	6/4/2018	All this wet weather has caused several power outages in the Lynchburg area. The extra rain has caused trees to fall on lines which can make getting power restored a hassle because the trees have to be cut down first. The rain has also caused problems for farmers in Pittsylvania County by delaying planting and growing for certain crops.
7:00/8:00	6/4/2018	Officers are warning Perquimans County, North Carolina residents of a new scam involving fake money. According to a post on the sheriff's office's Facebook, fake \$20 bills are circulating the area. They appear to be real, but underneath the picture of President Andrew Jackson it says "This is a replica." Officers are asking citizens to contact them if they receive one of these fake bills.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/6/2018	Schaefer Rolls Inc. a producer of roll covers, is set to invest \$12 million dollars to establish a 40,000-square-foot manufacturing operation in Covington. The company says that the investment will bring 31 jobs to the area. Virginia successfully competed against South Carolina for the project. The company has not announced when these jobs will be listed.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/6/2018	If you plan on swimming at Smith Mountain Lake this summer then you might want to exercise caution around older docks. Officials with the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries say a 17-year-old girl was sent to the hospital after touching a chain attached to a dock in the Gills Creek area of the lake. If you own a dock in the area they ask that you make sure it is upgraded to meet the standard code.
7:00/8:00	6/6/2018	Bon Secours is looking to add a hospital to its Harbour View campus in northern Suffolk in response to population growth within the community. The plan right now is to build an addition and transfer 25 hospital beds and up to four operating rooms from Bon Secours Maryview Medical Center. Bons Secours will file a formal certificate of public need to the Virginia Department of Health on July 2.
7:00/8:00	6/6/2018	If you live in Danville you might end up paying more for your meals soon. The Danville City Council could vote tonight to increase the meal tax. The proposal would increase the tax from 6 percent to 6.5 percent and is estimated to bring in an additional \$600,000 each year.

6:30/7:30/8:30	6/7/2018	School's out for the summer and that means more children will be venturing online. That also means parents need to be cautious because Virginia ranked third on a list of the most dangerous states for children online. A few things parents can do are talk to your children, stay up-to-date on how apps work, and set boundaries with phone usage.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/7/2018	Sheetz on Wards road in Lynchburg will be busy this morning as The Law Enforcement Torch Run starts there today. Runners are on their way to Richmond to start the annual Special Olympics summer games, which start tomorrow.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/7/2018	Danville Public Library is holding a kickoff party today for its summer reading challenge. Those who take part will complete reading logs and attend family programs for a chance to win prizes. At tonight's kickoff, there will be activities, balloon art, finger painting and more.
7:00/8:00	6/7/2018	A soldier has been arrested for stealing a military vehicle and taking it on a joyride through the streets of Virginia. Officers were involved in an unusual chase following reports that an armored personnel carrier was being driven through Richmond at speeds of up to 40mph. The vehicle was not armed with any weapons, and no one was hurt.
7:00/8:00	6/7/2018	On Monday, at 6:00 p.m., the Lynchburg Fire Department will conduct its 2018 Recruit Academy graduation ceremony in the auditorium at Heritage High School, the public is invited to attend. The 15 graduates will also receive their station assignments that evening and begin work on Wednesday, June 13.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/8/2018	Virginia Governor Ralph Northam has signed a new state budget that expands Medicaid to as many as 400,000 low-income adults. The General Assembly voted last week to approve the budget with Medicaid expansion making Virginia the 33rd state to approve to do so.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/8/2018	There is a boil advisory for several streets near riverside drive in Lynchburg. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, food preparation, and making ice until further notice. They say to bring all tap water to a rolling boil, let it boil for one minute, and let it cool before using, or use bottled water. Officials will be flushing the water system and collecting water samples. They anticipate resolving the problem within 48 hours.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/8/2018	The Town of Bedford and the National D-Day Memorial Foundation will unveil two of six historical markers today. It's part of the Bedford Remembers campaign. Bedford suffered the highest per capita D-Day losses in the nation.
7:00/8:00	6/8/2018	Emergency crews are continuing recovery efforts in the areas devastated by the eruption of Guatemala's Volcano. World Help in Forest, Virginia is looking to make an impact and help those effected by the eruption. A \$35 donation can provide one person with food, hygiene, and medical supplies. World Help also has crews on the ground in Guatemala and the money they need will go toward mobilizing these crews to the disaster sites with the supplies.
7:00/8:00	6/8/2018	North Carolina Governor Roy Cooper vetoed the nearly \$24 billion budget plan that was approved last week saying it doesn't do enough for teachers. In the budget Cooper proposed, teachers would get an average 8 percent pay raise. He also set a goal of raising teacher pay to the national average in four years.

7:00/8:00	6/8/2018	Things are starting to take off at the Roanoke-Blacksburg Regional Airport. Officials just returned from a conference where they met with carriers like United and Southwest in an effort to add more service routes. Tops like Dallas, Denver and Newark are high on the priority list.
7:00/8:00	6/8/2018	A one-of-a-kind camp is opening this weekend in Virginia Beach. Called Camp Grom. It's for children and adults with disabilities, and wounded veterans and families who have lost loved ones in combat. The YMCA will run the camp and all of its programs. There is an open house at Camp Grom this Sunday at 4 p.m. Anyone is welcome to come by and check it all out.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/11/2018	President Trump and north Korean leader kim jung un are set to meet in Singapore tomorrow. This comes as the summit has gone back and forth over the last several .
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/11/2018	Lynchburg has experienced flooding and heavy storms over the last few weeks causing damage. Including a roof collapse at International Paper on Mayflower dr. people were working at the time, fortunately no one was hurt
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/11/2018	If you live in Campbell County people might be taking pictures of your house. The company has been hired for real estate purposes and will not come into your home
7:00/8:00	6/11/2018	An inmate is back in custody after escaping Friday. The inmate went missing from the Pasquotank Correctional Institute but was then captured.
7:00/8:00	6/11/2018	If you have bought any precut melons from Caito Foods you might want to be careful because they could give you salmonella. They have effected people in 5 states already including North Carolina. They were distributed at, walmart walgreens costoco and trader joes.
7:00/8:00	6/11/2018	A new ordinance is in effect in Nags Head. Tents and canopies must now be 10feet apart to keep beach goers from claiming large sections of the beach for the entire day.
7:00/8:00	6/11/2018	Repairs are complete in Amherst County and evacuations have been lifted after a gas leak. Cooper street in Monroe had a propane leak and residents were forced to evacuate. All is clear now.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/12/2018	Visitors to Capitol Square in Richmond will notice that work has begun on the Virginia Women's Monument. The tribute is called "Voices from the Garden" and it will honor more than 400 years of contributions made by women to the Commonwealth. The dedication for "Voices from the Garden" is scheduled for October 2019.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/12/2018	Roanoke Parks and Recreation announced that they will be participating in the USDA Summer Food Service Program. Meals will be provided to all children free of charge Monday through Friday at several area locations.
7:00/8:00	6/12/2018	The Better Business Bureau is warning you about utility scams. Scammers are calling pretending to be a power company, and threatening to shut off the power unless someone makes a payment immediately. The BBB also warns that if a worker comes to your house claiming to be with the power company make sure you ask for identification.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/13/2018	Next time you go to see the animals at the Virginia Zoo you might want to bring your own straw because the zoo is no longer offering plastic straws. Instead they are allowing paper straws or letting customers bring their own. In addition, the Virginia Zoo recently stopped using paper maps, all in an effort to be more environmentally friendly.

6:30/7:30/8:30	6/13/2018	The Downtown Lynchburg Association is launching a new program, Adopt-a-Block. Adopters make a one-year commitment to maintain their block by picking up litter, debris and weeds, identifying and cataloging graffiti, working with businesses and residents on that block, and telling the city when maintenance issues arise. If you are interested in adopting a block, you can go to an information session on June 26 from 5:30pm - 6pm at Grassroots Local Market.
7:00/8:00	6/13/2018	The North Landing Bridge is back open after getting stuck in the open position. The bridge that connects Chesapeake with Virginia Beach via Mt. Pleasant Road typically opens every hour and half-hour 6 a.m. through 7 p.m. It is unclear what may have caused the bridge to become stuck.
7:00/8:00	6/13/2018	A new toll impact study found that four years after the Downtown and Midtown Tunnel Tolls began, Portsmouth is still negatively impacted. The tolls have resulted in a loss of business and lost revenue for the area. Portsmouth is six times more exposed to toll effects than Virginia Beach and about four times more than Norfolk.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/14/2018	Representatives with CVS Health along with Virginia Attorney Mark Herring will launch the expansion of the company's medication disposal program. CVS Health and law enforcement have already collected more than 155 metric tons of unneeded medication.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/14/2018	Two of the three men hospitalized after a fire at the Radford Army Ammunition Plant remain in critical condition. The men were injured during a flash fire in the nitro cellulose drying facility. Production has sense been suspended and will resume when the facility is deemed safe.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/14/2018	DC Comic fans in Virginia are getting a treat! Film crews will be in northern Virginia this summer shooting a portion of the sequel to Wonder Woman. Governor Ralph Northam announced the filming will take place over several weeks in the Alexandria area. The movie is scheduled for release in November 2019.
7:00/8:00	6/14/2018	Virginia First Lady Pamela Northam will join Dorothy McAuliffe and Anne Holton to address issues facing women veterans. The Virginia Women's Veterans Summit will take place in Alexandria today and tomorrow. It will work to address unique issues facing the more than 100,000 Virginia women veterans who have served their country.
7:00/8:00	6/14/2018	Today is World Blood Donor Day. You have two chances to give today in the New River Valley. The first is at the Montgomery County Government Center in Christiansburg from 10 to 3, and the other is at the Lowe's in Radford from noon to 4 p.m. Virginia Blood Services says it expects a higher than usual amount of donations, which is important this time of year, as there are typically shortages during the summer.
7:00/8:00	6/14/2018	A now vacant area of Williamson Road could soon be getting a new storage facility where Happy's Flea Market once stood. It's a project the developer says would be a small traffic generator for the area, bringing in about 120 trips per day and about 11 trips per hour helping other local businesses see a boost in customers once the center is complete.
7:00/8:00	6/14/2018	With the help of a 100-ton crane, a dozen students at Virginia Tech are making progress on what they hope to be the smartest solar home in the world. In November, the Virginia Tech team of 12 students will be among 22 global teams to present their prototypes in Dubai for the world's most positive energy solar home.

	6:30/7:30/8:30	6/15/2018	Officials are developing a plan to study the entire length of the Interstate 81 corridor in Virginia. The study team will identify targeted improvements along I-81 and potential revenue sources that could be dedicated to improvements. Team members will spend the summer studying and then they will prepare a draft report for the fall
	6:30/7:30/8:30	6/15/2018	Buy lunch today and help seniors in the community. The Roanoke Office on Aging is holding its Let's Do Lunch fundraiser. For \$15, you can get lunch, consisting of a sandwich, potato salad, fruit, chips and a cookie. For each meal you buy, it provides two meals for seniors in need. Lunch is served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at North Roanoke Baptist Church.
	7:00/8:00	6/15/2018	Author, winner of dancing with the stars, and NFL running back are all on the resume of this former Liberty University athlete! Rashad Jennings is now in the 2018 Liberty athletics Hall of Fame. After leaving Liberty Jennings spent 7 seasons in the NFL, playing for Jacksonville, Oakland, and the New York Giants. Next on his list of things to do, compete on an episode of celebrity family feud.
	7:00/8:00	6/15/2018	It's free cat Friday at the Lynchburg Humane Society so if you have ever wanted a cat now is the perfect time! Right now there are over 300 cats and kittens available for adoption.
	7:00/8:00	6/15/2018	Real men cook... is the name of the sausage cook off happening tomorrow from 10am-3pm at Sunset park in Rocket Mount to benefit the Passport to Manhood program at the Boys & Girls club. The public will get to decide the winners and they will receive a trophy.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	6/25/2018	White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders was dining at the Red Hen restaurant in Lexington Virginia over the weekend when she was politely asked to leave because of her affiliation with the White House. Sanders left without further conversation but took to twitter explaining what happened which generated over 20 thousand comments on the issue.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	6/25/2018	Beginning August 1, Virginia Tech will have a new application with different essay questions. Besides the changes to the application, the new admissions process will also allow students to self-report their transcripts and test scores, making Virginia Tech the first university in the state to do so.
	6:30/7:30/8:30	6/25/2018	New parking signs have been placed in different locations downtown in an effort to make it easier for visitors and residents to navigate the area. Although paid parking is coming to parts of downtown Lynchburg next year, there are still free parking lots for now. The Downtown Lynchburg Association said they are renaming the lots so that they are easier to identify.
	7:00/8:00	6/25/2018	Multiple fire departments in Accomack responded to an industrial equipment fire at Perdue Farms. An evaporator behind Perdue Farms that is owned by Valley Protein was on fire. The fire was successfully extinguished after extended aerial operation and no injuries were reported.
	7:00/8:00	6/25/2018	Miss Virginia 2018 goes to Emili McPhail. After multiple rounds, Miss Arlington, took the crown at Liberty University. The top 5 finalists featured 3 local women: including Miss Roanoke Valley Taylor Nicole Reynolds and 1st runner up Miss Lynchburg Rachel Distefano.
	7:00/8:00	6/25/2018	The Virginia Conservation police are warning boaters about the current high river levels. The warning comes after several boats capsized Saturday on the Stanton River near Brookneal. When the river is a bit higher than normal, their top tips are to wear a life jacket and to be aware of your skill level.



6:30/7:30/8:30	6/26/2018	Appalachian Power is looking to improve electric service for industrial customers in the Botetourt County area. They hope to have it running in 2020. Appalachian Power said the electric substation will better serve current and future power needs. The substation still needs to be approved by the county.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/26/2018	The era of The Toys R Us Kid is coming to an end. All Toys 'R' Us stores will shut their doors for good on Friday. Stores with tons of inventory left are offering discounts up to 80 percent while those with less stock will likely offer 70 to 90 percent off.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/26/2018	The dates have been set for a free annual health clinic in southwest Virginia. This year's Remote Area Medical clinic will take place July 20 through July 22. Services such as medical exams, eye exams, dental fillings, hearing exams, and mammograms will be provided free of charge. Registration begins at 6 a.m. daily and services are first-come, first-serve.
7:00/8:00	6/26/2018	Forty Danville kids are learning what it takes to be a police officer at the department's first Youth Police Academy. Yesterday was the first day for the two-week long camp where kids do physical fitness activities and learn how to engage with police officers. It's all part of building relationships with the youth. There is already a waiting list for next year.
7:00/8:00	6/26/2018	The Norfolk Admirals announced a new NHL affiliation. The team signed a one-year agreement with the Arizona Coyotes. Norfolk's 2018-19 season will get underway Oct. 13 at Scope Arena against the Wheeling Nailers.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/27/2018	Governor Ralph Northam announced a new partnership supporting thousands of new jobs for Newport News Shipbuilding over the next five years. Newport News Shipbuilding as a whole is looking to hire for 7,000 jobs -- 2,000 of which will be in Newport News. The partnership will be between the Commonwealth of Virginia and Huntington Ingalls Industries.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/27/2018	About 24 percent of the Lynchburg population lives in poverty so city officials have teamed up with local organizations to put on workshops to help people out of poverty. Right now, in an eight-week course, facilitators are helping people become self-sufficient. The classes are free and will go until the end of July.
7:00/8:00	6/27/2018	Governor Ralph Northam signed an executive order to support state employees by providing paid parental leave. This order provides up to eight weeks of paid leave so that employees can bond with a newborn or care for a child under the age of 18 who is newly placed for adoption, foster or custodial care.
7:00/8:00	6/27/2018	Fire station 12 in Norfolk is getting new life. This 1924 building was just purchased by Razzo Properties so they can open up firefighting themed Italian restaurant. Razzo will preserve and enhance the historical integrity of the space and provide a showcase for Norfolk Fire memorabilia.
7:00/8:00	6/27/2018	The Toys R Us in Lynchburg is closed, as of yesterday afternoon. The building off Candler's Mountain Road closed before the Friday deadline after a small fire broke out. About 22 firefighters responded to the blaze. The fire began near the front of the building in the store's electrical room, employees and shoppers evacuated safely, no one was injured.

6:30/7:30/8:30	6/28/2018	In Suffolk, some mosquitoes have tested positive for the West Nile virus. You can greatly decrease your chances of contracting mosquito transmitted diseases by remaining indoors 1 hour before dusk to 1 hour before dawn, wearing loose, long and light-colored clothing when outdoors, and using insect repellent containing DEET.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/28/2018	Authorities say a pilot of a single-engine plane in Manteo has passed away after a banner it was towing became tangled in some trees. The N.C. Highway patrol said the crash took place upon take off at Dare County Regional Airport. Emergency personnel reached the scene in minutes, but the pilot passed away shortly after.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/28/2018	Lynchburg college is undergoing some changes, including new signs. The new signs are set to be unveiled on Monday, as the College changes its name to University of Lynchburg. The rebranding is a result of Lynchburg College's evolution from a small liberal arts college to a small to medium sized regional university that now offers over 20 post graduate programs.
7:00/8:00	6/28/2018	VDOT will make traveling easier by suspending most highway work zones and lifting most lane closures on interstates and other major roads in Virginia from 12 p.m. July 3 until July 5. One of the heaviest traffic times is between 2 and 8 p.m. on July 3 and July 5.
7:00/8:00	6/28/2018	The city of Lynchburg is holding a community gathering tonight to talk about the work being done on its From Poverty to Progress initiative. The meeting begins at 6 p.m. at City Hall and former NFL player Rashad Jennings will be there.
7:00/8:00	6/28/2018	A Piggly Wiggly officially opened yesterday in a food desert in Newport News. The new grocery store opened in the location that used to be Jim's Local Market, which had closed in January.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/29/2018	The House of Representatives approved a \$675 billion-dollar spending bill for the Defense Department that includes a 2.6 percent raise for the military. The House bill provides equipment and upgrades, including 12 Navy ships, two Virginia-class submarines, three combat ships, 93 F-35 aircraft and Black Hawk, Apache and other helicopters.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/29/2018	A Germany-based manufacturer of automotive equipment is investing over \$1 million for upgrades in Virginia Beach. IMS Gear will be making upgrades to its cutting machines in the city and the company will retrain its 115 current employees.
6:30/7:30/8:30	6/29/2018	Roanoke County is in desperate need of foster families. Roanoke County has about 80 to 90 foster kids in the system and right now, there are only two approved foster homes without foster kids already. Roanoke County will host an information session about fostering July 20 at 6:30 p.m. at the Glenvar Branch Library.
7:00/8:00	6/29/2018	18 children were taken to the hospital following a two-vehicle crash in Portsmouth. The van, which had 18 juveniles inside, overturned in the crash. Neighbors rushed to the scene getting children to safety, and there were no severe injuries reported.
7:00/8:00	6/29/2018	In the past few weeks there have now been two cases reported of people posing as Sentara workers, trying to get into patients' homes. Sentara is unaware how these imposters learn where the patients live, but each home care worker has to be wearing a badge, if they aren't wearing a badge, don't let them in.

	7:00/8:00	6/29/2018	A new nonprofit in Lynchburg is helping women get jobs in the trade industry. Non-Traditional Occupations for Women, also known as N.O.W. offers eight-week courses that are held weeknights at the Jubilee Center in Lynchburg, and they are free. The hope is to help participants get apprenticeships or scholarships at a local college.
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