


04/06/21



A GRAHAM MEDIA GROUP – Roanoke, VA

WSLS 10
1st Quarter 2021
Issues Report

Placed in public file:

WSLS

COMMUNITY ISSUES & PROGRAMS REPORT

1st QUARTER 2021

The following issues have been identified to be of concern
in the viewing areas in and around Roanoke/Lynchburg VA:

1. Charitable and Civic Activities
2. Consumer
3. Crime
4. Education
5. Health
6. Minority
7. Politics

WSLS-TV

LOCALLY PRODUCED/BROADCASTED PROGRAMS

WSLS 10 Virginia Today	5:00-7:00AM, M-F	News Format
WSLS 10 AT Noon	12:00-12:30PM, M-F	News Format
WSLS 10 AT 5:00PM	5:00-5:30PM, M-F	News Format
WSLS 10 AT 5:30PM	5:30-6:00PM, M-F	News Format
WSLS 10 AT 6:00PM	6:00-6:30PM, M-F	News Format
WSLS 10 AT 7:00PM	7:00-7:30PM, M-F	News Format
WSLS 10 AT 11:00PM	11:00-11:30PM, M-F	News Format
WSLS 10 Virginia Today	6:00-8:00AM, SA-SU	News Format
WSLS 10 AT 6:00PM Weekend Edition	6:00-6:30PM, SA-SU	News Format
WSLS 10 AT 11:00PM Weekend Edition	11:00-11:30PM, SA-SU	News Format

WLSL-10 1st Quarter 2021 Public Service and Community Involvement

Jenna Zibton:

1/5/21 – Feeding Southwest Virginia

Virtual Site visit for Junior League Roanoke Valley

1/6/21 – Junior League Roanoke Valley Board Meeting

President/Volunteer

1/7/21 – Roanoke Public Library

Virtual Site visit for Junior League Roanoke Valley

1/11/21 – Family Service of Roanoke Valley

Virtual Site visit for Junior League Roanoke Valley

1/11/21 – United Way of Roanoke Valley

Virtual Site visit for Junior League Roanoke Valley

1/17/21 – Junior League Roanoke Valley Grants Committee Meeting

Board President

1/19/21 – Junior League Roanoke Valley Investment Advisory Board Meeting

Board President

1/19/21 – Junior League Roanoke Valley Membership Meeting

President/Volunteer

2/6/21 – 2021 Special Olympics Polar Plunge

Station Rep

3/2/21 – Read Across America reader for Roanoke City Schools

Station Rep for Online Book Reading

3/4/21 – Community Advisory Board Meeting

Junior League Roanoke Valley Board President

3/10/21 – Compassionate Roanoke Meeting

Station Rep

3/22/21 – 30 Days of Hope Meeting

Station Rep

3/27/21 – Junior League Roanoke Valley Red Cross Blood Drive

Board President

Rachel Lucas:

1/15/21 – Advancement Foundation

Volunteer

Patrick McKee:

1/5/21 – American Cancer Society

Volunteer

2/6/21 – 2021 Special Olympics Polar Plunge

Station Rep

2/8/21 – American Cancer Society

Volunteer

3/8/21 – American Cancer Society

Volunteer

John Carlin:

1/7/21 – Associated Press Board Meeting

Board Member

1/8/21 – Saint Francis Service Dogs Executive Meeting

Board Member

1/8/21 – Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research Podcast Interview

Host/Advocate

1/11/21 – Patient Advisory Community Meeting for Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research

Advocate

1/12/21 – Junior Achievement Hall of Fame Vignette

Volunteer/Writer/Voice

1/13/21 – Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge Podcast Interview

Host/Board Member

1/15/21 – Saint Francis Service Dogs Special Events Committee Meeting

Board Member

1/19/21 – Hospitality House Fundraiser Committee Meeting

Advisory Board Member

1/21/21 – Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge Podcast Interview

Host/Board Member

1/22/21 – Saint Francis Service Dogs Special Events Committee Meeting

Board Member

1/25/21 – Patient Advisory Community Meeting for Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research

Advocate

1/26/21 – Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research Podcast Interview

Host/Advocate

1/26/21 – Saint Francis Service Dogs Board Meeting

Board Member

1/28/21 – Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge Board Meeting

Board Member

2/3/21 – Patient Advisory Community Meeting for Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research

Advocate

2/5/21 – Saint Francis Service Dogs Special Events Committee Meeting

Board Member

2/6/21 – 2021 Special Olympics Polar Plunge

Station Rep

2/10/21 – Blue Ridge Marathon Committee Meeting

Board Member

2/16/21 – Hospitality House Fundraiser Committee Meeting

Advisory Board Member

2/17/21 – Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge Podcast Interview

Host/Board Member

2/18/21 – Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge Podcast Interview

Host/Board Member

2/23/21 – Patient Advisory Community Meeting for Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research

Advocate

2/23/21 – Cycling in Virginia’s Blue Ridge Advisory Committee Meeting

Board Meeting

3/1/21 – Patient Advisory Community Meeting for Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research

Advocate

3/3/21 – Patient Advisory Community Meeting for Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research

Advocate

3/4/21 – Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research Podcast Interview

Host/Advocate

3/5/21 – Saint Francis Service Dogs New Initiatives Sub-Committee

Board Member

3/10/21 – Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research Podcast Interview

Host/Advocate

3/12/21 – Junior Achievement Entrepreneur Award Recipient Interview

Volunteer/Writer/Voice

3/16/21 – Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge PR Meeting

Board Member

3/16/21 – Hospitality House Fundraiser Committee Meeting

Advisory Board Member

3/17/21 – Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research Moderator Training
Moderator of Annual Advocate Session on Media

3/19/21 – Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research Moderator Training
Moderator of Annual Advocate Session on Media

3/20/21 – Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research Annual Training
Training for FSR Advocates

3/21/21 – Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research Annual Training
Attend and Present at Training for FSR Advocates

3/23/21 – Annual Junior Achievement Business Hall of Fame Banquet
Emcee for Virtual Banquet

3/23/21 – Saint Francis Service Dogs Board Meeting
Board Meeting

3/24/21 – Blue Ridge Marathon Committee Meeting
Board Member

3/24/21 – Associated Press Board Meeting
Board Member

3/25/21 – Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge Board Meeting
Board Member

3/25/21 – Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge Podcast Interview
Host/Board Member

3/26/21 – Saint Francis Service Dogs Special Events Committee Meeting
Board Member

3/29/21 – Foundation for Sarcoidosis Research Podcast Interview
Host/Advocate

3/31/21 – Visit Virginia’s Blue Ridge Podcast Interview
Host/Board Member

3/31/21 – Blue Ridge Marathon Committee Meeting
Board Member

John Appicello:

1/18/21 – Roanoke Valley Sports Club Meeting

Guest Speaker

2/1/21 – Clemson Radio Talk Show Guest

Guest Interview on ACC Football (Hokies & UVA)

Charitable and Civic Activities

Name of Story: SPCA Dog Fundraiser	Date: 1/5/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:42			
Brief Description: The Roanoke Valley SPCA is hoping you'll make 2021 a brighter year for a dog named Blu. The 8-year-old lab mix showed up at the non-profit with skin issues and several masses. It was a Christmas miracle when staff learned they're not cancerous after Blu underwent surgery. Now, the SPCA is asking for the community's help with his medical bills. Meanwhile, interest in adopting Blu is growing. The community has given over \$700 toward Blu's 15-hundred-dollar vet bill.			
Name of Story: Change for Change Folo	Date: 1/11/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:53			
Brief Description: Spare change is changing lives for those struggling during this pandemic. As we first reported last fall, refurbished parking meters in downtown Lynchburg and Boonsboro are using your spare change to fund agencies helping those in need. Today, organizers of the "Change-for-Change Caring Meters" presented their first check 'four-thousand' dollars to the 'interfaith outreach association.' The director says it's a lifeline for people behind on utility bills due to COVID-19. The meters will continue to collect donations over the next four month through spare change and a QR mobile code to help another agency.			
Name of Story: Polar Plunge Preview	Date: 2/5/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 0:48			
Brief Description: Special Olympics Virginia has met its goal for this year's polar plunge! And our team...the Polar Vortex reached our goal! We're in the final week of fundraising. And "Plunge Week" wraps up tomorrow with a virtual celebration. There's also a costume contest this year! The Western Virginia Regional Jail's plunge team we featured last month is in the running to win as "The Addams Family." Officers and staff say being involved with Special Olympics has a big impact. Be sure to go like and comment on their picture on the "Plunge Virginia" Facebook page and watch highlights of our plunge tomorrow at six.			
Name of Story: GFTW Donation Event	Date: 2/9/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:51			
Brief Description: You can make a difference in the lives of people in your community. Gleaning for the world is collecting items for its "Love Your Neighbor" campaign. Now through Saturday the organization has a tractor trailer outside Sam's club on wards road in Lynchburg. You can drop off items from 10 to six. They're asking for items such as non-perishables like dog and cat food and cleaning supplies. This drive is a first for the organization. Last year, gleaning for the world collected 60 tractor trailers full of items. Half went to local organizations. Half went to natural disaster relief.			
Name of Story: Safari Park Donates 50K	Date: 2/11/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC/BM
Duration: 0:46			
Brief Description: The Virginia Safari Park is celebrating a wildly successful year by giving back. Along with its sister zoos the safari park donated 50-thousand-dollars to conservation programs worldwide in 2020. The drive-thru style zoo in Natural Bridge saw huge numbers of guests during the pandemic allowing them to contribute more to these causes than they ever have. She says decreased tourism because of the pandemic led to more poaching making the work of conservation programs more important than ever.			
Name of Story: Feel Good Friday	Date: 2/19/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 1:01			
Brief Description: In your feel-good Friday. Instead of receiving gifts a local soon to be 10-year-old will be the one giving out presents this year. And it's all for a good cause. This is nine-year-old Gabe from			

Charitable and Civic Activities

<p>Salem. Recently he and his mom rescued an injured cardinal that Gabe named 'Toby'. They safely scooped it up and took it to the Southwest Virginia Wildlife Center where staff were able to help it fly again. For his birthday this year, he's asking for donations to help other animals at the center. Gabe & Stephanie manus/drive by birthday parade charity. His mom is holding a drive-by birthday parade on Sunday. They're asking you to purchase a gift from the center's list of needs. You can find that list and the information for the parade on our website, WSLs.com.</p>			
Name of Story: Meals on Wheels Delivery		Date: 2/19/21	Newscastr: 530P
Reporter: JC/BM			
Duration: 0:42			
<p>Brief Description: This latest round of weather took its toll on everyone differently. That's why one Lynchburg organization is making sure vulnerable people have something to eat. 'Meals on Wheels of Greater Lynchburg' delivered more than 500 meals a day in the area. People received two meals on Wednesday to keep everyone safe. The organization also uses deliveries as a wellness check because communication with volunteer might be the only interaction some people have.</p>			
Name of Story: Salem Officer of Year		Date: 2/19/21	Newscastr: 7P
Reporter: BM			
Duration: 0:53			
<p>Brief Description: A Salem police officer is going above and beyond the call of duty and people have been taking notice. Officer David Goodman was named "Salem's 2020 Officer of the Year" for his leadership and positive attitude. He's a school resource officer at Andrew Lewis Middle School. During the pandemic he visits 40 to 50 students every week to check in, deliver food and see if they need any support. He also helped launched a new initiative called "culture" where police talk with people in the community to resolve any issues they might have. Serving on the force runs in the family. Goodman's dad also was a salem police officer.</p>			
Name of Story: Gabe Birthday Parade		Date: 2/23/21	Newscastr: 5P
Reporter: JC			
Duration: 0:51			
<p>Brief Description: A local 10-year-old chose to give gifts instead of receiving them for his birthday this year. Gabe lives in salem and turned 10 on Sunday. For his birthday he wanted to take up donations for the Southwest Virginia Wildlife Center and the community responded. A number of vehicles drove through his birthday parade and dropped off donations. His mom said it was important to them to help the organization that cares for so much wildlife. Gabe and his mom rescued this cardinal a while back. The center was able to rehabilitate the bird, and this was Gabe's way of saying thank you. He collected a trunk full of supplies and nearly 500 dollars.</p>			
Name of Story: RVSPCA Unicorn Fosters		Date: 2/24/21	Newscastr: 5P
Reporter: JC			
Duration: 0:42			
<p>Brief Description: The Roanoke Valley SPCA is looking for "unicorn fosters" to help shelter animals put their best paw forward. A unicorn Foster is an individual or family without small kids or other pets. That's typically the best environment for shy animals, ones with behavioral issues or really large animals who might knock small children over accidentally. Staff say it really makes a huge difference. If you're interested contact the Roanoke Valley SPCA.</p>			
Name of Story: SPCA Virtual Tail Chaser		Date: 3/1/21	Newscastr: 5P
Reporter: JC/LW			
Duration: 0:58			
<p>Brief Description: It's time to put your paws to the pavement for the Roanoke Valley SPCA. The virtual tail chaser challenge is officially underway. The four-week-long fundraiser has more options for you to participate this year. You can walk or run a 5-k, 10-k, half marathon or full marathon or bike 25, 50 or 100 miles at your own pace in your neighborhood or out on a trail! It's the only challenge in the valley where you and your pup can participate! All money raised supports local pets in need. Right now,</p>			

Charitable and Civic Activities

they're really focused on their pet retention program. The goal is to raise 50-thousand-dollars this month. For more information head to WSLs.com.			
Name of Story:	Pulaski Co PD Clothing Donation	Date: 3/4/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: LW/JC
Duration: 0:45			
Brief Description: Kids in Pulaski County now have a closet full of clean clothes in case of emergencies, thanks to the Pulaski Police Department. Officers dropped off five hundred dollars' worth of clothes at Pulaski Elementary School yesterday. They include jackets for children who don't have one and shoes in case a child loses one somehow. The police department makes this donation every year, and they say they're proud to help children in need. The clothes were paid for with money donated by community members to the police department.			
Name of Story:	Fleet Feets 18 th Bday Run	Date: 3/5/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:56			
Brief Description: "Fleet Feet" is celebrating its 18th anniversary in the star city by giving back. The locally owned and operated store is holding a virtual birthday fun run or walk all weekend long. It's 10-dollars to sign up and all the proceeds go to Feeding Southwest Virginia. Fleet feet also wants to give you a gift! Post a picture to social media and tag fleet feet and use the hash tag fleet feet birthday run. Between now and Sunday and you'll be entered to win a shopping spree worth anywhere from 100 to 250 dollars.			
Name of Story:	Q99 Miracle Network	Date: 3/5/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 0:45			
Brief Description: Q99's annual fundraiser for the Children's Miracle Network looks a little different this year because of COVID-19. "Dick and Dave's Miracle Day" has raised over 2 million dollars in the last 2 decades. This year they weren't able to let families come into the studio to talk with them, so they did socially distanced interviews beforehand. All the money raised benefits "Children's Miracle Network" to help out families at local hospitals. The radio-thon ended at 6 but you can still donate online all weekend long. Just head to our website to find out how.			
Name of Story:	Judahbug Lemonade	Date: 3/5/21	Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:42			
Brief Description: A seven-year-old with a dream is making history as the youngest entrepreneur in the gauntlet program. Seven-year-old "Judah Clements" is taking his lemonade stand online! He plans to bottle his signature drink under his nickname Judahbug. With the plan to expand, he's seeking help from the largest business competition in the state. After talking with bottle manufacturers and a graphic artist over the summer, he's worn out! He wants to use some of his profit to give back to cats and dogs. So far, his business has donated more than a thousand dollars to Angels of Assisi in Roanoke.			
Name of Story:	Project Park Launch	Date: 3/6/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 0:42			
Brief Description: A clothing company with a mission is raising money to renovate a park in Northwest Roanoke. Humble Hustle hosted a drive-thru fundraiser at the Villa Heights Recreation Center this afternoon. The money will be used to repair the playground and basketball court. The organization says Villa Heights is a significant space for Northwest Roanoke, and kids in the neighborhood deserve to see it spruced up. The group is still raising money for the project online.			
Name of Story:	FRCO Veteran New Roof	Date: 3/8/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:49			
Brief Description: A Rocky Mount veteran now has a new roof, thanks to a nationwide effort giving back			

Charitable and Civic Activities

<p>to those who have served our country. Habitat for Humanity of Franklin County identified a navy veteran in need and teamed up with Vinton Roofing Company to make it happen. It's all part of the Owens Corning Roof Deployment Project. The roofing company tells us this home was in desperate need of repair, but the veteran wasn't able to afford it on his own. The roof deployment project has given free roofs to more than 225 military members.</p>			
Name of Story:	Franklin Co Food Pantry	Date: 3/8/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 0:47			
<p>Brief Description: A Rocky Mount non-profit is asking for your help to serving a growing number of people in need. Stepping Stone Mission helps struggling community members with a daily soup kitchen and more recently, a thrift store. On average, they feed about 350 people a week. But that number is growing. They're doing their best to pull it off while also short-staffed. They need volunteers to help cook, serve, and work in the thrift store. We have the information to sign up to help on our website, WSLS.com.</p>			
Name of Story:	Daily Bread Changes Food Needs	Date: 3/8/21	Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:51			
<p>Brief Description: One year into the pandemic organizations are changing the way they serve food to communities. 'Lynchburg Daily Bread' usually serves hot meals to homeless residents but are now seeing more families that have fallen on hard times. The executive director says the organization served a record, 115-thousand meals in 2020. Since the food is now to go, they're eliminating indoor dining permanently by transforming their old catering hall. 'Meals on Wheels of Greater Lynchburg' says they have also seen a spike in residents requesting food. The organization served 30-thousand more meals in 2020 compared to 2019.</p>			
Name of Story:	Roanoke Valley Gives Preview	Date: 3/9/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:49			
<p>Brief Description: The biggest day of giving in the Roanoke valley is back tomorrow with a bigger fundraising goal than ever before! This will mark the sixth annual 'Roanoke Valley Gives Day'. It's 24 hours of online giving hosted by the "Community Foundation," encouraging you to support local non-profits. Many of the more than 140 participating organizations are struggling this year because of the pandemic. The goal is to raise 900-thousand-dollars. You can find a full list of participating organizations and ways to donate on our website WSLS.com.</p>			
Name of Story:	Roanoke Valley Gives	Date: 3/10/21	Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:51			
<p>Brief Description: You still have time to donate on this Roanoke Valley Gives Day. The 24-hour online fundraiser supports more than 140 local non-profits. This is always an important day but with many fundraising opportunities missed because of the pandemic, it's more critical than ever. They've exceeded their goal of 900 thousand dollars by almost a hundred thousand and there is still time to donate. You can find a link to donate on WSLS.com.</p>			
Name of Story:	FGF Vet Bill Paid	Date: 3/12/21	Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:40			
<p>Brief Description: In your feel-good Friday tonight.... A local toddler and his family are back together with their pup thanks to the kindness and generosity of the community. People on Facebook helped raise three-thousand dollars for unexpected vet bills. The family wanted to send a special thank you to the vets as well. They plan to pay this kindness forward.</p>			
Name of Story:	Roanoke Mutual Aid Food Drive	Date: 3/13/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 0:40			

Charitable and Civic Activities

<p>Brief Description: People helping people that's the main theme from a charity food drive in Northwest Roanoke this afternoon. "Roanoke Mutual Aid" collected food and essential items for its hope center pantry. The donations will be available for anyone in need who knocks on their door. The organization receives food from other sources as well but says community support is essential. Even though the food drive event has ended, you can still leave donations at the hope center any time.</p>			
Name of Story: SPCA Helping Hands Rail Yard Dawgs		Date: 3/13/21	Newscast: 6P
Reporter: JJ			
Duration: 0:45			
<p>Brief Description: Local hockey players are rolling up their sleeves to help the community this weekend. Today volunteers from the Roanoke Rail Yard Dawgs labeled, prepared, and loaded bags of pet food at the Roanoke Valley SPCA to prepare for a drive-thru pantry tomorrow. It's all part of "Do Good Days" a partnership with several organizations focused on helping local non-profits. Volunteers say amid the pandemic projects like this help bring a sense of normality. The drive-thru pet food pantry begins at noon tomorrow at the Roanoke Valley SPCA.</p>			
Name of Story: St Baldricks Rowan Price		Date: 3/16/21	Newscast: 6P
Reporter: JJ			
Duration: 2:08			
<p>Brief Description: The Price family is celebrating a birthday Tuesday, but that celebration feels very different without the birthday girl. Rowan fought so bravely for 11 months and in her absence, her family is continuing the fight. Saint Baldrick's the largest non-government funding source for childhood cancer research is making the Price family national ambassadors. Rowan's name kept coming up and kept coming up and everybody talked about how smiley she was. Now, even more people will get to see her story. Kind of channeling her spirit and trying to reach as many people as we possibly can so we can have the research done so we can have answers that we don't have right now. Their work improves lives, taking many different forms...collecting Legos to donate to Carilion Children's and the Ronald McDonald House. Finding new ways to spread Rowan's light using the lessons she taught them to help others. With a lot of love and a lot of kindness and a love of people behind you, you can do anything. Keeping a promise by making a difference and rowing on.</p>			
Name of Story: Humble Hustle		Date: 3/19/21	Newscast: 11P
Reporter: JC			
Duration: 0:55			
<p>Brief Description: A local non-profit is receiving grant money to make much-needed improvements in a Roanoke neighborhood. The Humble Hustle is working to upgrade the park at Villa Heights. Their project park stands for peaceful areas of recreation for kids. Between Roanoke Valley Gives Day and a nine-thousand-dollar grant from the Roanoke Outside Foundation, they'll now be able to do it. Founder Xavier Duckett says they're starting with the basketball court. Roanoke outside foundation awarded more than 100-thousand dollars in grants through its new project outside program. A number of local businesses donated to make it possible.</p>			
Name of Story: Rowan Price Fundraiser		Date: 3/21/21	Newscast: 6P
Reporter: LW			
Duration: 0:54			
<p>Brief Description: The family of a Roanoke girl who died from cancer is continuing their quest for a cure. Rowan Price's loved ones raised money for the cause with a creative fundraiser this morning. They painted keepsakes at "Glazed Bisque-It" to celebrate both easter and what would have been Rowan's sixth birthday. She died at just four years old from a rare form of Leukemia. The owner of the store suggested the fundraiser after Rowan's family came in to paint figurines themselves. Rowan's mother says she's more than grateful for the community's support. "Rowan's Hero Fund" has already raised more than eighty-seven thousand dollars for childhood cancer research through the Saint Baldrick's Foundation.</p>			

Charitable and Civic Activities

Name of Story: Creeper Trail Cleanup	Date: 3/21/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:44			
Brief Description: Volunteers are keeping a popular walking trail beautiful. Over the weekend dozens of people grabbed trash bags to pick up litter along the Virginia Creeper Trail. The former railroad bed runs from Abingdon through Damascus and ends in the mount rogers area. Organizers say there were a record number of visitors on the trail last year due to the pandemic. Cleaning supplies were provided by the Abingdon parks department.			
Name of Story: RMHC New Partnership	Date: 3/23/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:52			
Brief Description: A Roanoke charity is teaming up with a star athlete out of Virginia Tech to help families in need. Christian Darrisaw is now an ambassador for the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Southwest Virginia. He's built a noteworthy football career as an Offensive Lineman and is expected by many to be a first-round pick in the NFL draft next month. Now, he wants to make a difference in the community. As an ambassador, Darrisaw will help raise awareness and money for the Ronald McDonald House. He plans to continue the partnership even after he goes to the NFL.			

CONSUMER

Name of Story: DT Roanoke Restaurant Week	Date: 1/25/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:57			
Brief Description: This week you can switch up your takeout routine at downtown Roanoke's annual restaurant week. All 32 participating restaurants are offering their deals to-go, some are even offering them as dine-in specials too. This time of year, is already expected to be slow, combine that with the pandemic and these downtown restaurants could really use your business. The general manager at Scrambled says they look at these specials as a reward to the regulars who have been supporting them during these tough times and to spark the interest of potential new customers. Park Roanoke is offering free lot and garage parking this Saturday except at Market Garage. Restaurant week ends Sunday the 31st.			
Name of Story: Romance Scams Warning	Date: 2/9/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:54			
Brief Description: Love is in the air and so are online scams. The Better Business Bureau says more people are falling for romance scams. There are some red flags to watch out for a stranger professing their love, asking you to send them money to visit you, and sending you packages to mail using you as a middleman. Another way scammers can try to get you. Fake websites for phishing emails for valentine's day gifts. Double check your website or shop local! We've broken down how to spot fake websites. Find that on our website, WSL.com.			
Name of Story: Roci St Paddy's Canceled	Date: 2/15/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:45			
Brief Description: It was the first major event in the area canceled due to COVID-19 last year and we've learned it won't happen this year either. Downtown Roanoke Incorporated told 10 news today the annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade and Shamrock Festival has been canceled citing current restrictions. A major blow to businesses who count on the big crowds. Martin's is still planning a Saint Patrick's Day celebration but on a much smaller scale, inside and socially distant.			
Name of Story: Roanoke Gas Prices	Date: 2/24/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:47			
Brief Description: Your gas bill will be impacted by the recent winter weather that devastated Texas. Roanoke gas says you could see a jump in price for the next two years. That translates to about 15 dollars more on the average bill. The company CEO says they get gas through pipelines from the gulf coast and Midwest. The price skyrocketed more than sixty percent after the storm. Nester believes the proposed mountain valley pipeline could help with supply and lower costs.			
Name of Story: Dollywood 2021 Plans	Date: 2/25/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 1:19			
Brief Description: Another favorite Dollywood will reopen on March 13th. And this year there will be several upgrades. About five miles worth of lumber will replace roofs, siding and flooring and 15-percent of the park's buildings are getting a full repaint including the iconic chapel. Park seating is increasing about 10 percent with new dining table sections near "dogs n taters" and "hickory house." We're told the blacksmith shop will be relocated and the new location will be more interactive. For roller coaster enthusiasts lightning rod is almost fully retracked making for a smoother ride that won't run into as many maintenance issues. Retracking is also happening at thunderhead, mystery mine, and blazing fury. There will be chalk art created daily on the sidewalks along with indoor and outdoor entertainment options. Live music is also returning which includes a spring concert series at the flower and food festival, along with several seasonal treats like mini-funnel cakes with cream and lavender honey.			
Name of Story: Jurassic Drive Thru	Date: 2/26/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW

CONSUMER

Duration: 0:45
Brief Description: Prehistoric creatures are taking over the salem civic center this weekend. The Jurassic wonder dinosaur drive-thru takes place Saturday and Sunday. Kids can travel back in time and watch dozens of life-size animatronic replicas. The show usually takes place indoors but was modified with social distancing in mind. Tickets are sold out for tomorrow, but the promoter is adding extra time slots on Sunday.
Name of Story: Chris Coffee Grand Opening Date: 3/6/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 0:47
Brief Description: A new coffee shop in the star city is creating opportunity one cup at a time. "Chris's Coffee and Custard" held a ribbon cutting ceremony today to celebrate its grand opening. Chris and his mom Beth have worked over the years to turn it into a cafe with a purpose. She created the business to employ and train people with special abilities. Her vision is to have a place where they can feel comfortable and like part of the community. Chris says anyone who wants to start their own business just needs the courage to make it happen.
Name of Story: Strawberry Festival 2021 Date: 3/9/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 0:49
Brief Description: The beloved Strawberry Festival is returning to the Star City. After being cancelled due to COVID-19 last year it will have a new format for 2021. Instead of Elmwood Park the event will be reimaged with a drive thru format at the Berglund Center. It will still feature familiar traditions including the festivals signature homemade strawberry shortcakes. Organizers expect it will still bring in thousands of people while serving as a fundraiser for the community school. Guests will have the option to grab and go or stop at the park and eat picnic area to tailgate and enjoy their desserts. Strawberry Festival will be on April 30th and May 1st in the Berglund Center parking lot. Again, it will only be a drive-thru no walk-up service will be available.
Name of Story: Roci St Patrick's Day Hunt Date: 3/10/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: LW/JC
Duration: 0:52
Brief Description: Traditional events are cancelled but you can still celebrate the Luck of the Irish. Downtown Roanoke is getting creative this Saint Patrick's Day. A new scavenger hunt will take you to 10 locations featuring different holiday-inspired artwork. It all starts at the kiosk at the base of the pedestrian bridge, next to the Wells Fargo tower. There, you'll find a riddle guiding you to all the stops. You're encouraged to post pictures using the hashtag Roanoke-st-pats. That could win you one of five 100-dollar downtown Roanoke gift cards. The hunt runs through March 21st.
Name of Story: Dollywood Back Open Date: 3/12/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:58
Brief Description: Spring is the perfect time to plan a getaway to the Great Smokey Mountains and Dollywood is now open for the 2021 season. This weekend will be packed with several shows like harmonies of the heart featuring dolly's family and more. Some attractions that had to be closed last year are back like dolly's museum and the lightning rod roller coaster. This was one of the construction projects completed during the off-season along with additional outdoor dining options. A number of new safety measures have been added like temperature checks and sanitation stations. Face masks are required but they do have mask free break zones.
Name of Story: Explore Park Daylight Saving Date: 3/14/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 0:43
Brief Description: Daylight saving time is now in effect and that extra hour is a ray of hope for outdoor recreation areas, like explore park. Visitors have already started flocking to the park and the adjoining

CONSUMER

twin creeks brewpub, which opened late last year. It's an encouraging sign for park leaders, especially since their treetop quest attraction is closed for another few weeks. They say this day is the official start of their season. Explore Park's campsites are also open.			
Name of Story: March Madness Beer	Date: 3/15/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:44			
Brief Description: One of our region's best-known breweries is cooking up something special just in time for march madness. Devil's Backbone in Nelson County re-launched its "Pace" lager. The brewery says they launched the beer for the first time after the 2019 season but now, they've amped up the ABV just like UVA did with their offense. They say it honors the style of the reigning champions. It's a small release and it's going fast, but Devil's Backbone will ship the beer to Virginia residents if interested.			
Name of Story: Cburg Rosie's Discussion	Date: 3/16/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:52			
Brief Description: Rosie's Gaming Emporium which has been a staple in Vinton for years is exploring the possibility of opening a location in Christiansburg. Town leaders say five council members were briefed by the company in virtual discussions. While the issue was brought up during last week's meeting the decision ultimately would be in the hands of voters. A referendum must pass during the general election for Rosie's to build in Christiansburg.			
Name of Story: Carilion Children's Renderings	Date: 3/16/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: SD
Duration: 1:02			
Brief Description: Staying on track with the year we've had means construction should be finished by the end of the summer. And as you can see here there's still boards in the windows. But on the inside things are looking totally different. These are new renderings just shared with us today of what the inside will look like. It will bring pediatric services under one-roof in a nearly 80-thousand square foot space. The interim chair of pediatrics says things are taking shape. This project is also a big one for economic development and it's critical to the transformation here at Tanglewood Mall. I spoke with county leaders about this update and they're excited. I'm working on that part of the story for tonight at eleven. Live in Roanoke County Shayne Dwyer ten news working for you.			
Name of Story: Forest Food Truck Hub	Date: 3/19/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40			
Brief Description: If you're looking for more outdoor dining options there's a new food truck venue coming to Bedford County. It's called 'The Backyard' and located off US 221 in Forest which used to be home to 'Carol's Place' restaurant. The 11 acres will feature food trucks, outdoor seating, fire pits and space to hold events including drive-in movies. The developer says it will be open daily and it's set to launch next month. Vendors range from donuts to hot dogs.			
Name of Story: SML Boat Rentals App	Date: 3/22/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 0:45			
Brief Description: As we move into spring you may already be looking at vacation options and for many that includes nearby fun. There's an app for that! "Get My Boat" allows you to rent different size boats at smith mountain lake. It's like the "Airbnb" of boats. If you plan to travel a little farther than Smith Mountain Lake this summer, you're in luck. "Get My Boat" is seeing a threefold increase in demand for boat rentals and charters because of the pandemic and changes in travel.			
Name of Story: Party in Elmwood Return	Date: 3/23/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: BM/LW
Duration: 0:44			
Brief Description: It was cancelled last year due to the pandemic but the best beach music dance party			

CONSUMER

in the valley is returning for 2021. Party in Elmwood will bring 22 weeks of live music to downtown Roanoke with outdoor concerts on Thursday nights. COVID-19 guidelines will be enforced including masks, social distancing, and temperature checks. Organizers say it could drive a boost in the economy by encouraging more local spending. The lineup includes Chairmen of the Board, Band of Oz, and The Kings. The series kicks off May 20th and runs through October 14th.

Name of Story: USPS 10 YR Plan Date: 3/24/21 Newscast: 6A Reporter: PM

Duration: 0:40

Brief Description: The post master general has unveiled the 10-year plan for the postal service. The postal service lost more than 9 billion dollars in 2020 with complaints piling up about delayed packages, payments, and prescriptions. To fix the deficit the postmaster general is calling for longer delivery times for some first-class mail shorter hours at some post offices and more expensive postal rates. New energy-friendly delivery vehicles and ideas for new services are also part of the plan.

CRIME

Name of Story: Roci Gun Violence Mtg	Date: 1/8/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:50			
Brief Description: 2020 was a dangerous year for shootings in the star city. Today Roanoke's gun violence task force analyzed the year's final numbers in their monthly meeting. There were 11 homicides with a gun in Roanoke last year the same as 2019. However, the number of aggravated assault incidents with a gun jumped from 60 in 2019 to 103 in 2020. The year ended with two high-profile incidents: a shooting inside of valley view mall and a house riddled with bullets in Wasena. Task force leaders say they're determined to bring that number down. Tonight on 10 news at six, we'll tell you why teens are at risk of getting caught in the crossfire.			
Name of Story: Tracking Threats in VA	Date: 1/18/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:54			
Brief Description: Law enforcement are still working to round up those involved in the US capitol attack and find others who want to do even more harm. Experts say there's been an undeniable rise in extremist groups in the commonwealth ever since the deadly unite the right rally in Charlottesville back in 2017. Groups like the anti-defamation league are working to track them down. The ADL is one of the oldest civil rights and anti-hate groups in America. We're told they're investigative work is more challenging as some of these hate groups have gone underground after being removed from social media.			
Name of Story: Campbell Co High Speed Arrest	Date: 1/25/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:53			
Brief Description: A Campbell County man is behind bars after hitting two law enforcement vehicles in a multi-county police chase. This is the moment when a driver on the run spun out of control near Calohan Road in Campbell County Sunday afternoon. A chase that originally started in Henry County, several law enforcement cars followed trapping the suspect Shane Wilson. State police tell us Wilson hit two cars, one from a trooper and another from a Pittsylvania County deputy. It was a scary scene for Jason Jennings and his wife as the suspect almost hit their car. Wilson faces multiple felony and misdemeanor charges.			
Name of Story: Local Murder Case Delay	Date: 1/28/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:50			
Brief Description: The jury trial for one of the men charged in a local capitol murder case is being delayed another year. Suspected MS-13 gang member Josue Coreas-Ventura was arrested back in 2017 in connection to the brutal stabbing death of Raymond Wood. The 24-year-old was scheduled to appear in a Bedford courtroom April 29th. But his attorneys are asking for more time to prepare due to the pandemic. The prosecutor tell us he objected because they could lose key witnesses. Coreas-Ventura is now scheduled to go before a jury next February.			
Name of Story: Samantha Robinson Shooting Update	Date: 2/2/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: TH
Duration: 0:56			
Brief description: LPD says they're still looking for multiple people regarding the shooting that happened along 12th street. Take a look at your screen. They're searching for these 19-year-olds...Dia Montae Taylor and Leondre strange. And now, authorities are also trying to find two juveniles who may have been witnesses. 15-year-old Keevon McDaniel and 16-year-old Zyquareeus Sims both of Lynchburg. Police chief Ryan Zuidema led a press conference today, saying authorities know of people who have information regarding the January 21st shooting, but need them to come forward. Samantha Robinson's mother, Jill Rice, is pleading for help. LPD says if you know anything, you can call crime stoppers and remain anonymous. Live in Lynchburg. Tim Harfmann. Ten news working for you.			

CRIME

Name of Story: FBI Shooting Folo	Date: 2/3/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:40			
Brief Description: We're learning new details about a shooting that left two FBI agents dead in Florida. Investigators say 36-year-old Daniel Alfin and 43-year-old Laura Schwarzenberger were killed while executing a warrant in sunrise yesterday. The suspect who was wanted for crimes against children had cameras by his door and opened fire as police approached. Both of the agents we're married with kids and had dedicated their careers to preventing predatory behavior.			
Name of Story: Danville Homicide	Date: 2/3/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:41			
Brief Description: One person is dead tonight after a shooting in Danville earlier this afternoon. The Danville police department says someone called 911 around 3:15 for a shooting. When they arrived, they found the victim lying in the street. EMS crews determined that Jaylan Fitzgerald was dead from gunshot injuries. The police department says they're still searching for a suspect. Anyone with information is asked to contact police.			
Name of Story: Mville Shooting Folo	Date: 2/8/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: AD
Duration: 1:07			
Brief Description: The doors to El Norteno may be closed but the investigation is far from over. Two men from Martinsville were shot and killed inside the restaurant's bar area Friday night after an argument. According to state police they've been identified as 23-year-old Keilo Martin 33-year-old Shavon Reid. We're told the shooting continued outside in the parking lot and that's when a police officer on patrol nearby heard what happened and responded to the scene. Investigators say the officer opened fire hitting one of the suspects before they went back inside. A dozen customers and 20 employees were trapped inside, but police say no more shots were fired. Two other men were hurt and are still being treated in the hospital. Looking at warrant records, Jenkins and Eggleston have no set bail, and both are set for a court hearing in May. Live in Martinsville, Alexis Davila, 10 News working for you.			
Name of Story: Henry Co Abduction	Date: 2/15/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:49			
Brief Description: The 36-hour abduction in southside is over but the investigation into what happened continues. 21-year-old Kaleb Merritt remains in jail while the 12-year-old victim is with her family and medical professionals. The girl was reported missing out of Henry County Friday afternoon. Police eventually found them the next day in Henderson, North Carolina about two hours away by tracking an electronic device. Henderson police tell ten news they were in the green grand marquis tucked away behind a building off the interstate. Investigators describe Merritt as a serial predator who drove from Texas to Henry County and camped in the area. They believe he was talking with other young girls and may be charged with more crimes by other police departments.			
Name of Story: Henry Co Abduction Warrant	Date: 2/19/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: SD
Duration: 1:01			
Brief Description: Yes, John and Lindsey, a lot of graphic detail revealed in newly released warrants. And for that reason, we won't be reporting on them. But we can share that this man, 21-year-old Kaleb Merritt faces three felony charges. That includes raping a child, child solicitation, and abducting a child to make child pornography. Investigators found photos of Merritt and his victim and other evidence to back this up. Investigators say Merritt traveled from Texas to Henry County two weeks ago and then took off with his victim sparking the national amber alert. They were on the run for 36 hours before police found them in Henderson North Carolina about two hours away. The henry county sheriff has said they believe Merritt was talking to at least one other Henry County child but are not sharing any other			

CRIME

details. Merritt remains in North Carolina while the victim has been reunited with her family. He'll be assigned a court date in Virginia when he's extradited. Live in the newsroom Shayne Dwyer ten news working for you.			
Name of Story: ICAC During Pandemic	Date: 2/22/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:44			
Brief Description: a warning for parents tonight after an increase in online crimes against children. Just over a week ago, one of those cases led to an amber alert in our area and it all stemmed from social media. We went to the Southern Virginia internet crimes against children taskforce to see how bad the problem is. Investigators say tips skyrocketed with the pandemic as more children and more predators were online. You can find resources to help you keep your children safe online on WSLs.com.			
Name of Story: Radford Assault	Date: 2/24/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40			
Brief Description: A video of a violent fight at Radford University has gone viral on social media. The university and police have launched an investigation. Radford city police say they got a call about a fight and broken windows at a house on Fairfax street around 9 o'clock Monday night. Radford university says it happened off campus and involved multiple students. Students on campus say it's not a good look for the school. The university says this incident does not reflect the culture of the school and will hold the students accountable.			
Name of Story: Lburg Shooting	Date: 2/26/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:51			
Brief Description: Tonight, Virginia State Police are investigating after a Lynchburg police officer shot and killed a dog while responding to a well-being check last night. It happened on Holcomb path road not far from the Farwell airport. Police responded for a well-being check for a man who they say shut himself inside the house with several guns. When police arrived, they determined he did not appear to be armed, but was still uncooperative. They said they tried to take him in for a mental health evaluation, but he wouldn't go. While police approached him on a bed, they say he didn't follow orders and moved his hand to a concealed spot. That's when the officer shot his gun hitting and killing the dog police say was sitting on top of the man. Police eventually used a taser to get the man into custody.			
Name of Story: Jamal Emun Bond Hearing	Date: 3/1/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:54			
Brief Description: We're getting new information tonight about a deadly shooting in a Martinsville restaurant. One of the alleged shooters will stay in jail until his trial. Today's bond hearing for Jamal Jenkins lasted about two hours. Jenkins has been charged with first-degree murder, use of a firearm in the commission of a felony, and willful discharge of a firearm in a public place resulting in death. During court today Jenkins family members, employers, and Virginia state police took the stand. State police say the restaurant had six cameras which captured almost every angle of the shootings that took inside and outside the restaurant. Although several people spoke to Jenkins character, the judge ultimately denied bond because of the severity of the case. Jenkins next court appearance is set for May 20 here in Martinsville district court.			
Name of Story: Michael Brown in Court	Date: 3/4/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:47			
Brief Description: The trial of an ex-marine from franklin county accused of killing his mother's boyfriend has been pushed back once again. Michael Brown is charged with first-degree murder in connection with the death of Rodney Brown in 2019. Brown was on the run for 18 days, leading authorities on a nationwide manhunt. According to his attorney the delay is because the court is still waiting on a			

CRIME

competency evaluation for brown. The trial is expected to draw dozens of witnesses and last at least five days in Franklin County Circuit Court.			
Name of Story:	VCU Frat Memorial	Date: 3/4/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:44			
Brief Description: We continue to follow developments in the death of a Virginia Commonwealth University student who died at an off-campus party last weekend. His family and friends are demanding answers. Students gathered with Adam Oakes' family last night to light candles and reflect on his life. His family says the 19-year-old passed out at the delta chi fraternity house where he was found dead the next morning. Oakes' funeral will happen on Monday. Delta chi is now suspended from campus as VCU investigates.			
Name of Story:	Daniel Flint Hearing	Date: 3/8/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: AS
Duration: 0:44			
Brief Description: Daniel Flint waived his rights to a preliminary hearing this afternoon but is now facing a different burglary charge related to his alleged role in the fire. Flint is still facing a felony arson charge but is now facing a slightly different felony burglary charge. The fire broke out on January 23 of last year causing major damage to the old Bedford Middle School. Bedford's commonwealth's attorney Wes Nance says the new burglary charge is consistent with the evidence. The commonwealth had a handful of witnesses prepared to testify today if the hearing did happen and expects more if the case goes to trial. The court expects these charges to be certified by a grand jury in April. In Bedford Annie Schroeder 10 news working for you.			
Name of Story:	Chauvin Trial Latest	Date: 3/9/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:49			
Brief Description: After a brief delay, jury selection began today in the murder trial of Derek Chauvin. He's the former Minneapolis police officer seen in cell phone video with his knee across George Floyd's neck which led to widespread protests. Two jurors have already been assigned to what will be a 12-member panel with four alternates. The process is expected to take up to three weeks. Chauvin has pleaded not guilty to second degree murder and manslaughter. The prosecution hopes to get a third-degree murder charge reinstated.			
Name of Story:	Breonna Taylor Death One Year	Date: 3/13/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 0:40			
Brief Description: Thousands of people gathered in Louisville today to mark the one-year anniversary of Breonna Taylor's death. She was shot and killed in her apartment by police officers, executing a no-knock search warrant. No officers have been charged in connection with her death. An observance was held this afternoon to honor Taylor's legacy and continue calls for justice. Lawmakers say they want Taylor's story to be a reminder of the country's need to fight all forms of injustice.			
Name of Story:	Hellman Backup	Date: 3/15/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC/BM
Duration: 1:12			
Brief Description: A Christiansburg man charged in connection to the murder of a toddler is found guilty of child pornography and sex crimes against the young boy. After just one day of disturbing testimony, it took the jury just over a half hour to deliberate. McKenzie Hellman and his girlfriend Kayla Thomas are accused of murdering and sexually abusing her 2-year-old son Steven Meek in January of 2019. 10 news was in court today where we heard from three investigators who discovered child pornography on Hellman's and Thomas' phones. The only time we heard from Hellman today was from a police interview where he admitted to wanting to explore the extent of his sexual desires but claimed when he received it from Thomas, he found it disgusting. The defense did not call any witnesses Hellman chose not to			

CRIME

testify. He's also charged with second degree murder and child abuse and neglect. A date for that trial has not been set. We'll have a full breakdown of what happened in court at 6 and on WSLs.com.
Name of Story: US Capitol Arrests Date: 3/15/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:43
Brief Description: Tonight, two people have been arrested after the death of capitol police officer Brian Sicknick. Federal prosecutors say 39-year-old George Tanios from Pennsylvania and 32-year-old Julian Khater from West Virginia sprayed Sicknick in the face with a type of bear spray during the riot. As we've reported, Sicknick collapsed and later died. The men are not charged with his death. This week, members of congress will begin to get emergency procedure training. Capitol police plan to review ways the chamber can protect themselves and use an escape route. Police also plan to remove some of the fencing around the capitol and lessen the national guard's presence.
Name of Story: McKenzie Hellman Jury Date: 3/15/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 1:19
Brief Description: McKenzie Hellman finally had his day in court Monday pleading not guilty to five felonies. Ultimately, found guilty for each. In court, three investigators explained child pornography was found on Hellman's phone and Thomas' phone. The evidence was disturbing stemming from a secret message where Hellman asked Thomas to send him explicit videos involving her toddler. Those videos were discovered on her phone and a screenshot, on Hellman's phone. The only time we really heard from Hellman was in a police interview about a week after those incidents. He admitted to wanting to explore the extent of his sexual desires but claimed when he received it from Thomas, he found it disgusting. He repeatedly said he did not participate in making any child porn he didn't like it that he had a problem and didn't want Thomas to go down for something he asked her to do. The defense did not call any witnesses and Hellman chose not to testify.
Name of Story: Atlanta Shootings Date: 3/16/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: JC/BM
Duration: 1:36
Brief Description: Police were called to a robbery in progress. The scene was a massage parlor in Northeast Atlanta. All of the victims police say are women. Nearby workers were startled by gunfire and north of Atlanta in Cherokee County another massage parlor is another shooting scene. Authorities say they have a man in custody 21-year-old Robert Aaron Long. Police have not commented on a possible motive.
Name of Story: Asian Community Attacks Folo Date: 3/17/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:45
Brief Description: People across the US are on alert tonight after a potentially racially motivated shooting in Atlanta. As we've reported, eight people were killed at three metro-Atlanta spas. Police have arrested 21-year-old Robert Long for the deadly attack. Six of the eight killed were Asian Americans. And this is just the latest in a string of attacks.
Name of Story: ATL Shooting Spree Folo Date: 3/18/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:52
Brief Description: Investigators in Georgia still trying to determine the motive in the killing of eight people, including six Asian women. The attacks at spas in the Atlanta area come as Asian Americans are facing increased incidents of hate amid the COVID-19 pandemic. A new report shows over the past 12 months there have been nearly 4000 incidents in all 50 states. Lawmakers in Washington even holding a previously scheduled committee hearing today to address these fears. Atlanta police say they're still very much at the beginning of their investigation and they are digging very deeply into what exactly it was that led to the shooting in the first place. But they've made it clear that they're not ruling anything

CRIME

out, including race, as a factor.			
Name of Story: Rocky Mt Deadly Stabbing	Date: 3/21/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: TS
Duration: 0:51			
Brief Description: The sheriff's office isn't sure what led up to the deadly incident, but they say it ended with a man stabbing his elderly mother to death, then taking his own life. This happened just outside of Rocky Mount on Southside Road, which runs alongside route 220. The sheriff's office says 40-year-old Silas Green Junior stabbed his 70-year-old mother, Jacqueline Green, in their home at about eleven o'clock last night. Jacqueline Green was dead by the time first responders got there, but Silas was not at the scene. Deputies eventually found him dead in his home a block down the road from what investigators described as "self-inflicted wounds." as i mentioned, deputies don't know all of the circumstances behind this deadly incident yet, but they are still investigating it at this hour.			
Name of Story: 2019 Explosion Indictment	Date: 3/22/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: SD
Duration: 0:53			
Brief Description: We just learned within the last 30 minutes that the man charged is the fuel delivery truck driver. This is what the gas station looks like today, it's completely gone covered over with this memorial stone and community gazebo. Phillip Westmoreland is charged with four counts of involuntary manslaughter. He was indicted by a grand jury here in Rockbridge County and arrested Friday. Police believe his actions contributed to the explosion that happened here two years ago. To what extent that is we don't know yet as we've been unable to get our hands on court documents. Four people died in that explosion, the market's owner, two employees as well as a customer. We're working to track down those details. I've also reached out to the trucking company that the driver worked for and have not yet heard back. Live in Rockbridge County Shayne Dwyer ten news working for you.			
Name of Story: Lburg Horseback Incident	Date: 3/22/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: TH
Duration: 1:21			
Brief Description: we're at the intersection of 15th and Polk streets. Lynchburg police say this is where that chase ended Saturday night after officers were sent on a chase. We have some video from Saturday night keep your eyes on the top right of your screen. You'll see the horse traveling in the wrong direction up main street towards ninth street followed by two LPD vehicles. Police says they responded to fifth and commerce streets for a report of a wanted individual who was riding a horse. Officers informed him there was a warrant for violating a protective order, but he would not comply and fled into on-coming traffic. About 15 minutes later, the man fell off the animal and an officer accidentally struck him with a vehicle. One neighbor says all their family saw from their front porch was a heavy police presence. State police is investigating. An LPD spokesperson says that officer has been placed on 'restricted duty.' Police identified the man on horseback as 57-year-old 'Steve Rucker Junior' of Amherst. He is reportedly serious but stable condition.			
Name of Story: CO Shooting Latest	Date: 3/24/21	Newscast: 6A	Reporter: JZ
Duration: 0:44			
Brief Description: We are learning disturbing new details about the gunman who police say killed ten people at a Colorado supermarket. The 21-year-old is now in jail facing ten counts of first-degree murder. Investigators are still trying to learn the motive. Posts from the alleged gunman's now-scrubbed Facebook profile shows he made paranoid posts believing his former high school had been hacking his phone along with other posts with homophobic remarks. In the nation's capital and here in Virginia flags are at half-staff in honor of the victims.			

EDUCATION

Name of Story: VT Student Return to School	Date: 1/4/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: AD
Duration: 1:08			
<p>Brief Description: That's right. The school is still adopting similar practices they used in the fall for the spring semester. But they have also increased testing capacity in places like Fralin Biomedical Research Institute in Roanoke which has played a big role in keeping the Virginia Tech community safe. Students will have to self-quarantine for 10 days before they step on campus – something requested by the university, but not monitored. To reassure good hygiene practice, the school will send out training videos for students to review. Five days before students return, they will have to submit a negative COVID-19 test and students who live on campus will be tested as they return. Though vaccine distribution for students and faculty is months away, school leaders are working with the Virginia Health Department to develop a plan. Residence halls will open on January 16, but in-person and hybrid classes will begin the 25th. Live at Virginia Tech, Alexis Davila, 10 news, working for you.</p>			
Name of Story: VDH NRV Push for Schools	Date: 1/6/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:46			
<p>Brief Description: Despite concerns about bringing students back in the classroom. One local expert is pushing for the return of in-person learning. Dr. Noelle Bissell says the spread in the NRV isn't coming from kids inside school but rather outside since families are still participating in activities like car pools and birthday parties. Bissell also says it's riskier if students continue to be left behind in their curriculum. Why Bissel says she doesn't think there will be another surge on college campuses coming up tonight on 10 news at 5:30.</p>			
Name of Story: Henry Co Schools Delay	Date: 1/12/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: LK
Duration: 2:10			
<p>Brief Description: A week before Henry County Public School students were set to return to the classroom. Monday, the district announced it will remain virtual indefinitely delaying its plan to return to hybrid learning due to a rise in COVID-19 cases. School officials track cases and exposures at least once a week. With teachers quarantining and a limited number of available substitutes, they just don't have the staff. A difficult decision with new data showing more than a third of students are failing at least one class, according to assistant superintendent of teaching and learning Lisa Millner. Nearly 36% are failing at least one course. Compared to 14% this time last year and almost 26% are failing two or more. It's hard for working parents to help kids with school work and keep them on track a lack of daily structure and limited internet access are all factors. The district wants to add small group sessions, virtual tutoring & homework help after school and on Saturdays and plans to offer summer school to all age groups. In Henry County Lindsey Kennett 10 news working for you.</p>			
Name of Story: UVA Nursing Increase	Date: 1/13/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:47			
<p>Brief Description: Another big move at UVA the schools' nursing program says it saw a major increase in applicants this year and the class starting this fall will be the most diverse nursing class ever. Nearly half of early decision offers were made to minority students. This was a goal one student-led group on campus helped make happen. The nursing schools' director says being inspired by frontline medical workers during the pandemic is one of the reasons for the spike in applicants along with the hands-on experience the school continues to offer.</p>			
Name of Story: Pitt Co Teachers Virtual	Date: 1/13/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:56			
<p>Brief Description: Pittsylvania County teachers are urging school board members to consider switching to remote learning as case numbers continue to shatter records. Teachers described their working</p>			

EDUCATION

<p>environments as toxic and unacceptable Tuesday night at the county school board meeting. The county is facing record case numbers with a two-week positivity rate of about 21-percent. Teachers say between what they see as a lack of transparency and not abiding by the school district's mitigation plan their lives and students' lives may be in jeopardy. However, superintendent mark jones is concerned about students' quality of education if they move to virtual learning. Jones says he would consider remote learning if the health department deemed the mitigation plans as inadequate.</p>
<p>Name of Story: Colonial Elm New School Date: 1/25/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: BM</p>
<p>Duration: 1:05</p>
<p>Brief Description: Bigger and brighter that's what students saw as they walked into the new Colonial Elementary School. It was day one in the new building something nearly a decade in the making. Because of COVID-19, the children didn't get an open house. So, today was the first time seeing the building for the more than 400 students who go there. It has more space in the classroom, a bigger gym, cafeteria, and library but they aren't done yet, a playground will be installed next month. There's also a special place dedicated to the old building. It includes a replica of the old school, the original slate shingles, and lots of photos.</p>
<p>Name of Story: VT Admissions Record Date: 2/1/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM</p>
<p>Duration: 0:47</p>
<p>Brief Description: There's a record number of students hoping to become a Hokie. A record 42-thousand students applied to Virginia Tech. That's up 36 percent from last fall! VT's undergrad admissions director says the school has made it easier to apply by joining shared online application sites, not requiring standardized tests and waiving application fees for low-income families. Admissions will still be capped so there are no more than 30 thousand undergraduate students on campus.</p>
<p>Name of Story: Reopening Schools Bill Date: 2/3/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: BM</p>
<p>Duration: 0:41</p>
<p>Brief Description: Over in the general assembly, a bill requiring a virtual option for schools is moving forward. But it doesn't sit well with some school superintendents. The bill would make all Virginia public schools reopen with in-person and virtual classes. That's a costly change according to Grayson county's school superintendent. He says it could rack up a bill each year of 12 hundred dollars per student. That's why he says lawmakers need to find the funds for the mandate. He says the requirement makes school boards feel micromanaged.</p>
<p>Name of Story: Northam School Push Date: 2/5/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC</p>
<p>Duration: 2:04</p>
<p>Brief Description: A homework assignment from the governor. Get students back in the classroom. Today he gave districts until March 15th to make it happen. 10 news reporter McKinley Strother sits down with teachers, parents and superintendents as planning begins.</p>
<p>Name of Story: VA Summer School Date: 2/5/21 Newscast: 7P Reporter: MS</p>
<p>Duration: 0:53</p>
<p>Brief Description: Change is constant, and families have dealt with a lot of it over the last year. But Here's the thing: for most of you, at least here in Southwest Virginia, you won't see a lot of change. Majority of our school systems already offer some form of in-person learning. There are a few that don't like in Martinsville where they remain mostly virtual. Governor Northam said the mental health, behavioral and learning challenges exceed the risk of not returning to the classroom. Governor Northam also emphasized a more dynamic summer school option for those students falling behind. I was told summer school plans for many systems are not finalized. When they are, we will share that information on WSLs.com.</p>

EDUCATION

Name of Story: VDH Students in School	Date: 2/9/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JJ
Duration: 1:18			
<p>Brief Description: That's right. There's this looming deadline. As we've reported, the governor is calling on all schools to make in-person learning available by March 15th. In her weekly update today, Doctor Cynthia Morrow with the Roanoke City Alleghany Health District said most schools in our area are actually exceeding the governor's expectations. She continues working closely with superintendents every week to develop a safe plan to reopen schools. The point they're really focused on right now is how to maintain that six-foot distance whenever possible. That's going to be a challenge, especially when it comes to buses. Morrow says they're working through that and emphasizing the importance of strict masking policies. Her hope is that our case count will have decreased significantly by March 15th. She says she's confident schools are doing everything they can to keep students safe. Live in Roanoke, Jessica Jewell. 10 news, working for you.</p>			
Name of Story: VDH Update	Date: 2/9/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40			
<p>Brief Description: The coronavirus appears to be trending downward in the Roanoke valley but issues with vaccine distribution remain the same. The health district says they're really focusing on how to get the vaccine out as equitably as possible. Last week, they started a more targeted outreach process emailing people based on age and zip code. They're trying to identify zip codes with higher case counts, and lower vaccine registration rates. Doctor Morrow says we're actually doing a pretty good job of ensuring access to more rural communities, but there's a lot of work to be done on disparities when it comes to ethnicity and disability.</p>			
Name of Story: Schools Return Plan	Date: 2/10/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: AD
Duration: 1:26			
<p>Brief Description: More than 90 thousand people are eligible for the vaccine in the New River Valley, but the health district is only receiving about 2 thousand vaccines a week. A problem Dr. Noelle Bissell says they are still trying to tackle before moving to the next phase. While new coronavirus variants have not made their way to the NRV yet, Bissell says people still need to watch out. But now with Pulaski County Public Schools releasing a plan to start in person learning five days a week in mid-March, Dr. Bissell actually says it's not too late in the school year to start the transition. The county superintendent says middle and high school students failure rates in the first semester were worrisome. Therefore, starting mid-March, the school board wants to start in-person learning five days a week. Bissell says most of the teachers in NRV area will receive their second dose of the vaccine by next week. In Pulaski, Alexis Davila, 10 News, Working for you.</p>			
Name of Story: Halifax Co In Person	Date: 2/22/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:44			
<p>Brief Description: Students in Halifax County are back in the classroom for the first time in nearly a year. The county was originally supposed to welcome students back last week, but weather and power outages caused schools to remain closed until Friday. Today was the first-time pre-k through third grade students had been in-person since the pandemic first started closing schools last March. The county hopes to start bringing back older students over the next several weeks.</p>			
Name of Story: In Person Learning	Date: 2/25/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:50			
<p>Brief Description: New tonight at six. Virginia lawmakers have passed a bill requiring schools to have full time in person learning. The bill would require districts to offer a full-time, in-person option for students, with limited exceptions. If a school has high levels of coronavirus transmission it could</p>			

EDUCATION

temporarily revert to virtual learning. The bill also says school districts may provide fully remote virtual instruction to any student whose parent requests it as long as the governor's declaration of a state of emergency due to the pandemic remains in effect. If the bill is signed by Governor Northam it will go into effect on the first of July. If you want to take a closer look at your student's reopening school plan, we have them up for you now on our website WSLS.com.

Name of Story: Colonial Elem Internet Date: 3/1/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LK

Duration: 1:43

Brief Description: The brand new Colonial Elementary School is filled with top-notch technology but just over a week ago stepping into the school was like stepping back in time. During construction of the new building the internet provider couldn't provide in time. Principal Tammy Riggs worked with Botetourt County supervisors, Blue Ridge Towers and Briscnet to come up with a fix. They found a temporary solution in this portable tower. The county bought it for 125k, shipped it from Oklahoma and installed in the school's parking lot. It uses microwave technology to connect to another tower nearby and get internet to the school. Without any internet, teachers and staff would either have to work from home or drive 3.5 miles away right here at the old elementary school. Teachers like KhyMBERLI spikes say the difference is night and day. Since the tower's portable once permanent broadband is installed at the school in late May this tower can be moved to help reach other underserved parts of the county. Riggs says it was lesson for teachers and staff in flexibility and creativity. In Botetourt County Lindsey Kennett 10 news working for you.

Name of Story: Lburg Schools Date: 3/2/21 Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM

Duration: 0:54

Brief Description: As schools prepare for more students to head back to class, we're getting updates from Roanoke County and Lynchburg tonight. Lynchburg school leaders say they are working out issues when it comes to making sure they meet requirements for social distancing. They say remote learning will remain an option to those who want it. The plan for the fall will be in-person five days a week with a virtual academy option. And as for Roanoke County pre-k thru fourth grade students will stay in-person five days a week. Fifth thru 12th grade students will be in-person four days a week. Currently they are only in class two days a week. Students who are fully online right now have until the 15th to decide to return in person if there's space. This will happen over the next month. We have a full breakdown of the plan on WSLS.com.

Name of Story: Bridge the Pond Date: 3/4/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC

Duration: 0:51

Brief Description: Blacksburg High School students are teaming up with kids from Ireland to present their ideas on world issues to diplomats in both countries. It's part of the "Bridge the Pond" program we first told you about in January. Since then, 30 students from Blacksburg High School and the King's Hospital School in Dublin have met four times. Before their presentation they discussed topics like climate change, recycling, digital citizenship, and study abroad. Their teachers tell 10 news they are beyond proud of their students.

Name of Story: Pandemic Impact on Schools Date: 3/4/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW

Duration: 0:50

Brief Description: Virginia is getting nearly a million dollars to look at how the pandemic has impacted public school students and teachers. Researchers with the Virginia department of education and university of Virginia will use the federal grant to look at pre- and post- pandemic trends like grades, absenteeism, and teacher retention. The study will start this fall and follow students for three years. The goal is to create evidence-based policy reports, so schools know how to help students in the years to

EDUCATION

come. Researchers will also examine the effectiveness of school reopening and recovery plans.
Name of Story: Schools Can't Find Subs Date: 3/5/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM/JC
Duration: 0:57
Brief Description: Good evening, and thanks for joining us for 10 news at 5:30. I'm Brittny McGraw and I'm John Carlin. Some schools here in Virginia are grappling with a teacher shortage during the pandemic but now there are concerns about not having enough substitute teacher as well. It was an issue that started before the pandemic. A nationwide survey last year found that school districts were only able to fill 54 percent of teacher absences each day. In Portsmouth one school says if teachers call out for more than 5 days in a row, they will not be able to find a replacement. Now that teachers can get the COVID-19 vaccine school officials hope that can help with staffing issues.
Name of Story: Student Receives 1M in Scholarships Date: 3/8/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: AS
Duration: 0:53
Brief Description: A 17-year-old girl from Philadelphia has racked up more than a million dollars in college scholarship offers. The high school senior at George Washington Carver High School applied to more than twenty colleges. But she was surprised that 18 accepted her and most of them offered scholarships. Shanya wants to go on college visits to make her final decision and says she won't just base the decision on financial aid alone. Among her finalists are Temple, Lasalle, Lincoln University in Jefferson City Missouri and Cabrini University in Radnor, Pennsylvania. She hopes to study psychology and remembers the day all the scholarship offers started rolling in. Robinson-Owens has to make a decision on her college choice by May 1st. She will be graduating from high school in June and will start her college studies in the fall.
Name of Story: Mville Back to School Date: 3/8/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:41
Brief Description: Today was also the first day back for Martinsville students. They've been virtual throughout this pandemic. Now, desks are six feet apart, hallways are marked with arrows and water fountains are covered. The district says two thirds of its educators are vaccinated. The superintendent says they will go back to all remote learning if cases spike again. They plan to continue to bring students back in stages.
Name of Story: LCS Student Engagement Date: 3/8/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:50
Brief Description: 'Operation Student Engagement' that's the latest mission for Lynchburg City School leaders. The new campaign has teachers and staff traveling to neighborhoods to interact with the community, answer questions and have fun with students. This afternoon, LCS made a stop to Dearington apartments to hand out food, instructional materials, school supplies and prizes. The superintendent says they want to keep students motivated. LCS plans to hold more community events throughout the summer in preparation for the fall. That's when they anticipate offering in-person instruction five days a week.
Name of Story: Northam Giles HS Tour Date: 3/10/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:46
Brief Description: As we near closer to Governor Northam's deadline for schools to offer in person learning he toured Giles High School today to see how they're able to make it happen. The district has long welcomed students back which is why the governor wanted to see how they've been able to safely achieve it. That safety record has local leaders looking ahead to graduation. Northam has said he will look at loosening large gathering restrictions next month. Right now, the max is 250 people.
Name of Story: Henry Co Schools Reopening Date: 3/10/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW

EDUCATION

Duration: 0:42
Brief Description: Henry County students are back in class for the first time since late last year. A third of students decided to return to a hybrid learning schedule. Teachers welcomed back laurel park middle school students with handmade signs. The school division says about half its staff is vaccinated playing a big part in their return. The county expects an increase in summer school since it will offer in-person instruction.
Name of Story: Northam Tours Salem HS Date: 3/11/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: MS
Duration: 1:08
Brief Description: Today the governor celebrated and thanked everyone for a job well done instead of acknowledging that it was one year ago when schools were forced to clear out would have been irresponsible. So, those themes were highlighted throughout his visit today. Governor Northam's tour underscored the progress systems like Salem have made in ensuring every student is served. In fact, he noted this system was one of the pioneers in leading the in-person instructional effort across the state. He got a look at the different programs the school has to offer many of which that find in-person instruction invaluable. Tonight at 6 we'll take a deeper look at our COVID response and whether the governor thinks things should have been handled differently.
Name of Story: Deadline for Students Return Date: 3/15/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:49
Brief Description: Today marks the deadline Governor Northam gave for schools to offer an in-person option for return to class. During his press conference last week, the governor said every district has submitted a plan for that to happen. Today, more Roanoke City students returned to school. Most were in person two days a week, but they will now be in school four days a week. The division has put in several precautions to reduce the spread. About a quarter of students in the school division chose to finish the school year virtually.
Name of Story: VT Virtual Homework Help Date: 3/17/21 Newscast: 6A Reporter: MW
Duration: 0:59
Brief Description: It's been in the works since the fall and now students can sign up for the help they need. This virtual tutoring program is free and open to new river valley youth ages 5 to 18. Before the pandemic, YMCA at Virginia Tech had a program where volunteers would go into schools to tutor students. Now after months of planning this new online program has nearly 40 volunteers who can help students in various subjects even in ap classes for high school students. All volunteers undergo an extensive background check. If you want to sign your child up visit WSLs.com later today. Sessions aren't one on one coming up we break down how it all works.
Name of Story: Lexington Teachers Date: 3/18/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:59
Brief Description: While there is hope coronavirus, cases continue to rise. And everybody is tired from teachers to students. So, Rockbridge County Schools is getting creative with how its offering summer school this year. Teachers typically get around 23-dollars an hour for summer school. This year, it will be 35-dollars. They're hoping to encourage more to participate as the need is higher than ever for the summer offering. The system plans to use cares act funding to make it happen. There will be two sessions for 6th through 12th grade students and one for elementary students.
Name of Story: LCS Superintendent Event Date: 3/18/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:41
Brief Description: School leaders in Lynchburg are looking back on the pandemic. Today the district held a virtual 'Breakfast with the Superintendent'. The panel discussed how they're providing electronic

EDUCATION

<p>devices and broadband access delivering meals and educational material and teaching remotely. As some students return to the classroom four days a week school leaders are also working on summer programs and having in-person learning five days a week this fall.</p>			
Name of Story:	VT Graduation Plans	Date: 3/18/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 1:05			
<p>Brief Description: The Virginia Tech Hokies will have several in-person commencement ceremonies this semester. President Tim Sands says 5-thousand people will be allowed into lane stadium at a time. The plans are still being finalized following more guidance from the governor's office yesterday. But sands says as long as numbers keep trending in the right direction, the big events should go on as planned. One tech senior says it means the world that her family can be there to see her walk across the stage. Virginia Tech will also likely stream several commencement ceremonies for anyone who cannot attend in person.</p>			
Name of Story:	RoCo Graduation	Date: 3/18/21	Newscast: 11P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:52			
<p>Brief Description: Area school divisions are working to plan in-person graduations this year after Governor Northam announced he wants them to happen. Roanoke County says they're committing to in-person graduation ceremonies for their seniors. They don't have all the details just yet, but they will be outside to allow the greatest number of people. School leaders say the class of 2021 hasn't had much go their way this year, so they're thrilled to make this happen. Roanoke County will stream its graduations live online as well. This way anyone who can't make it can still be part of the festivities.</p>			
Name of Story:	CDC School Changes	Date: 3/19/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:57			
<p>Brief Description: New guidance from the Centers for Disease Control hopes to do just that. Under the new rules students in classrooms now only need to be three feet apart instead of six feet. But the six feet rule still applies when students cannot wear masks. The same groups of teachers and students should be kept together throughout the day. And on buses, students should be spaced apart and wear masks. However not all teachers are convinced the new guidelines are better. Despite the changes the CDC says wearing masks and proper ventilation are still vital.</p>			
Name of Story:	RoCo School 5K	Date: 3/20/21	Newscast: 11P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:49			
<p>Brief Description: For the first time in more than a year, Roanoke valley runners competed against each other in-person today. About a hundred competitors showed up for Roanoke County Public Schools' "Backpack Run." The 5-k and 10-k races dashed through Green Hill Park Saturday morning. Some runners came from as far away as Allegheny County to compete. The money from registrations goes to Roanoke County Public Schools' education fund. People with the district say they're happy to bring this tradition back. This is the eighth annual backpack run. Last year's run, like many others, was cancelled due to the pandemic.</p>			
Name of Story:	School Reopening Update	Date: 3/22/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40			
<p>Brief Description: Several local school districts expanded in-person learning to 4-days today. This comes as the CDC reduces social distancing in classrooms from six to 3 feet with masks, Allegheny school leaders say this change gives them more flexibility with limited space. It could also help fix an ongoing problem of low student attendance. Though the CDC says barriers can now be removed, some Callaghan Elementary kindergarten classes with more than 20 students still have plexi glass dividers.</p>			
Name of Story:	Lab Jr Science Museum	Date: 3/22/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM/JC

EDUCATION

Duration: 0:50

Brief Description: The Science Museum of Western Virginia isn't wasting any time on prepping future scientists. They've launched "The Lab Jr" for 3-to-5-year old's. The Science Museum told us they saw a gap in early steam education which includes science, technology, engineering, arts and math. The eight-week program begins the first week of April. Introducing these skills at an early age aims to answer the long-standing question: how do kids get interested in the science and innovation job fields? There are only a small amount of slots available. We have a link online to get your child signed-up.

HEALTH

Name of Story: Leo Push for Vaccines	Date: 1/4/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 1:01			
Brief Description: COVID-19 vaccine distribution continues as local infections rise. And tonight, some law enforcement agencies in our area are voicing concerns on when they'll receive the first dose. Campbell county sheriff "Whit Clark" says he'd like to see it offered to his deputies as soon as possible. According to VDH, law enforcement is considered part of group 1-b. Right now, only group 1-a which includes healthcare workers, and the elderly has access. No announcement yet on when the vaccine will be distributed to the next group. Sheriff Clark says as first responders law enforcement also doesn't know who they'll come in contact with at any given moment. Sheriff departments in Bedford and Appomattox counties are voicing similar concerns. We'll share those -- tonight on 10 news at 6.			
Name of Story: VDH Vaccine Next Steps	Date: 1/5/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:45			
Brief Description: The Virginia Department of Health is working on a plan for moving into the next phase of vaccinations. But right now, uptake is less than 60-percent for the Roanoke City and Alleghany Health District. For now, healthcare leaders are sending out surveys to businesses and using targeted outreach. There is still no date for when we'll move forward. But the governor will be holding a COVID-19 update at 2 tomorrow afternoon. You can watch it live on-air and online at WSLs.com.			
Name of Story: Healthier Diet 2021	Date: 1/5/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:57			
Brief Description: Since March we've all been a little more aware of how important a healthy immune system really is. But committing to a healthier diet in 2021 takes more than just eating right. Registered dietician and owner of "Yours Chewly Nutrition" Clair Chewing says the biggest misconception is thinking you have to do everything all at once. She recommends starting with goals that you can achieve in a short amount of time then add more goals from there. Chewing says it's important to have the "What Can I Add" mentality instead of "What I Can Take Away. " The point is to be realistic when it comes to your goal setting because you want them to be possible to accomplish.			
Name of Story: Latinos COVID Vaccinations	Date: 1/7/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:41			
Brief Description: Essential workers are waiting for the coronavirus vaccine but with a language barrier in between, more lives could be at stake. The amount of latino's in the state with COVID dropped from 40 to 15 percent in a matter of months. Spanish signs and pamphlets played a key role in that. But as vaccine distribution is underway, the Virginia Hispanic Chamber is concerned if latino's know when it's their turn. That's why organizations are printing ads and creating web pages in Spanish to keep families informed. The city of Roanoke also hired a specialist to talk to families one on one.			
Name of Story: Phase 1B Vaccines Start	Date: 1/11/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:51			
Brief Description: Southwest Virginia is now distributing the coronavirus vaccine to a brand-new group of people. Phase 1B started today, and there are clear priorities for who will get the shot first. The local health district tells us frontline workers will be the top priority. That includes first responders, educators, grocery store workers, and public transit employees. People older than seventy-five are also eligible, but it could be a while before they get their turn. For information on how Virginians can sign up to get the vaccine head to our website at WSLs.com.			
Name of Story: Coronavirus US Numbers	Date: 1/11/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC/BM
Duration: 1:00			
Brief Description: COVID-19 cases continue to skyrocket around the world and here at home. Today,			

HEALTH

<p>Virginia reached more than 400-thousand total cases with nearly 64 thousand of those from our area. Here's the total breakdown. Roanoke City and Montgomery and Roanoke counties all have more than five-thousand cases. Lynchburg is getting close to that five-thousand mark. Bedford, Pittsylvania, and Henry counties all have more than three thousand with the city of Danville, Franklin and Campbell counties getting close to that number. Nationwide vaccine efforts are underway but there have been delays. That's why the incoming administration is considering distributing the stockpiled doses so more people can get their first dose. Today president-elect Joe Biden received his second dose of the vaccine.</p>
Name of Story: Vaccine Volunteers Needed Date: 1/12/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: Bm
Duration: 0:48
Brief Description: Pfizer and Moderna are the only vaccines available right now, but that could soon change. Johnson and Johnson as well as AstraZeneca are working to get emergency approval next month. Virginians are part of the clinical trials for AstraZeneca. Researchers say they need people of color to volunteer. One participant says she was skeptical at first, but she changed her mind in the new year. The CDC reports African Americans are nearly three times more likely to die from COVID-19 complications than white people.
Name of Story: RV Teacher Vaccine Clinic Date: 1/25/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: MS
Duration: 1:05
Brief Description: By the thousands, educators and staff from area school systems have lined up to receive their first shot of the COVID-19 vaccine. Around 2-thousand people got the Pfizer shot in the arm today. Ask any of them and they'll tell you this felt like the first step toward whatever our new normal will look like. Governor Ralph Northam was in the Star City today to speak with health leaders and educators. Everyone here is part of Group 1B. Here's our Governor on if that quick move from Group 1a eligibility to Group 1b was too aggressive and led to slow dissemination. He says vaccines are slow to come into the Commonwealth. While he couldn't speak for other states that seem to be giving them out faster, he did say he's hopeful our weekly supply will increase soon.
Name of Story: VDH Briefing on Vaccine Date: 1/22/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:47
Brief Description: New at six...we're getting a better idea of the overall vaccination effort. So far, we're averaging just under 20-thousand vaccinations a day in the commonwealth. There are still some people in long-term care facilities who need it. As we transition into more frontline workers, the state vaccine coordinator says there needs to be realistic expectations that it won't happen overnight. The state is aiming for 50-thousand doses a day. They say at this point, the only thing holding them up is availability.
Name of Story: US Coronavirus Date: 1/25/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 1:41
Brief Description: The images inside this Florida ICU are stark. The fight at times overwhelming and the patients continue to come in. Now more than 25 million have tested positive one in every 13 Americans. More than 420 thousand have died. Mass vaccination sites are opening across the country but for many the opportunity for an injection is well a long shot. The biggest issue continues to be a lack of doses. A third coronavirus vaccine from Johnson & Johnson could be authorized for emergency use in just weeks and there are other positive signs. The rate of infection dropping in some states including Illinois and California where communities are easing restrictions. Chicago allowing limited indoor dining. But the overall picture remains difficult and, in most places, dire with the virus still spreading out of control. Jay Gray - NBC news.
Name of Story: COVID 19 Strain Concerns Date: 1/28/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:43

HEALTH

Brief Description: As new strains of the virus make their way to the US and Virginia doctors with Centra and Carilion say they're keeping a close eye out. There still needs to be more research to see if these new strains are more contagious or make people sicker. Right now, these doctors say the current Pfizer and Moderna vaccines are effective against the variant strains. And this is even more of a reason to wear a mask and social distance. While all viruses mutate doctors say three strains from South Africa, Brazil and the UK are causing the most concern.
Name of Story: Vaccine Equity Date: 1/28/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:51
Brief Description: Tonight, we don't know whether 58-percent of Virginians who have at least received their first dose of the COVID-19 vaccine are young, old, black, or white. As of this report, 553-thousand Virginians have at least gotten their first shot. Governor Ralph Northam takes issue, however, with 324 thousand of those shots not being reported by race and gender. Now, his team is working fast to – first, find this data – then, get it online for you to see. No date has been given on when this information will be available.
Name of Story: Vaccine Nurse Issues Date: 1/29/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:48
Brief Description: As we continue to hear about vaccination issues some people are doing what they can to help. Nurses are coming out of retirement to give back to their community. But it hasn't been an easy process. An IT issue online forced people to mail in their application. That's led to even more problems for one Virginia woman who's application -- including her social security number -- ended up in Kentucky. On top of all that, it cost her nearly 100 dollars to get her license. She says the board of nursing needs to make it easier for people to help.
Name of Story: Jail Outbreak Vaccines Date: 1/29/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:56
Brief Description: Our region is nearing 80-thousand total coronavirus cases. And we've seen quite a few outbreaks contributing to that number, especially in jails. The Roanoke City Jail is dealing with that after nearly 70 staff members and inmates tested positive. Facility officials say they don't know the source. And inmates' family members are frustrated. The department of health is working to vaccinate people in these facilities. But that has not happened in Roanoke's jail yet. In a statement, the local health district said in part "we have plans to vaccinate all of our correctional jails....in the district. We believe this is a critical social justice issue."
Name of Story: Southside Vaccines Date: 1/29/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:51
Brief Description: Teachers and people over 65 finally reached the front of the line today as coronavirus vaccines were distributed in Danville. Though 864 doses of the Moderna vaccine were distributed today, Danville and Pittsylvania county are seeing a high demand. More than 5,000 people registered through the city of Danville's portal in just a few days. Sovah health registered 500 people, in a day and a half, after going door to door in rural communities. The district's health director says after talking to the governor's office they may receive an extra 15 percent of vaccines next week. The next vaccine distribution is expected to happen sometime next week. Details on how to sign up will be released soon.
Name of Story: Morrow VDH Update Date: 2/2/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: AD
Duration: 1:01
Brief Description: It's only a small handful of people according to Dr. Cynthia Morrow. But none the less it's a flaw in a registration system that gave some people the upper hand. More than 25 thousand people are on the waiting list for a vaccine as of Tuesday morning. About 16 thousand of them are

HEALTH

<p>people over the age of 75. But a flaw in the PrepMod vaccine management system allowed some people to get a hold of a registration link...even though it was not meant to be shared. Morrow says it's an example of injustice and as of this morning a team is working to fix it. But to address the underserved populations like people of color and the elderly, starting today a newly formed group led by the City of Roanoke gathered to discuss how are they going to assure these groups of people do not miss their chance at getting vaccinated. Live in Roanoke, Alexis Davila, 10 News, Working for you.</p>
Name of Story: Pharmacy Vaccines Folo Date: 2/3/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: LK
Duration: 1:14
Brief Description: Those vaccines are coming to this area-- Blacksburg, Bedford, Lynchburg, Martinsville, and Roanoke are all on the list but CVS doesn't have a list of the exact stores just yet and they're still in the process of letting them know. CVS is expecting to get 26-thousand doses the week of February 9th and those will be split up among cities chosen for the program. Starting that day -- you can go to cvs.com to find a location and book an appointment. doses won't be administered until February 11th. remember- it's only for people in phase 1a and 1b. I talked with the new river valley health district director today-- who says these partnerships with pharmacies will be crucial to getting more shots in arms something many have been frustrated by in recent weeks. Coming up tonight at 6-- I'll tell you more about the vaccine rollout in southwest Virginia and why some people signing up to get a vaccine are slowing down the process for everyone else. Live in Roanoke Lindsey Kennett 10 news working for you.
Name of Story: Lburg Vaccine Center Date: 2/5/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:43
Brief Description: A team effort in central Virginia will get a regional vaccine site up and running. Lynchburg, local health leaders and Liberty University have reached a leasing agreement to convert the old TJ Maxx store at Candler's Station Shopping Center. Officials say it's a key location because of its parking lot and access to public transportation and route 460. The interim city manager says there's no timetable on when the site will open because a vaccines shortage. The site will be used for Lynchburg as well as Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford, and Campbell counties.
Name of Story: COVID Vaccine Call Center Date: 2/8/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:42
Brief Description: We know many of you have questions about getting vaccinated. That's why Governor Ralph Northam announced a new call center to help people get answers and a vaccine appointment. More than 750 people are already training to be ready by the end of the week. They will help you get answers and pre-register for vaccinations. The goal is to free up our local health department's phone lines. If you're eligible for a vaccine and have already pre-registered, there is no need to call. You won't lose your place in line once this starts up.
Name of Story: Vaccine Pain Killers Date: 2/8/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 1:05
Brief Description: Many people concerned about the side effects of the vaccine are popping pain killers before getting their shot. But you may want to avoid that. Doctor John Torres explains the other side effects it could bring. Vaccines work by tricking our body into thinking we have the virus so we can build up an immune defense. If you experience soreness, headache, or fever after getting the vaccine, well that means the immune system is doing its job and that the vaccine is working. Now the problem is, if you have to take painkillers that fight inflammation, that might also curb the immune response of the vaccine. But if you are already taking these medicines for other health conditions, make sure to ask your doctor if you should continue or stop before and after getting the shot. But otherwise here are some

HEALTH

<p>helpful tips from the CDC on handling pain and discomfort from a vaccine. To reduce pain, you can apply a clean cool washcloth over the area and continue to exercise the arm. For a fever, make sure to drink plenty of fluids and dress lightly. Now if you do have to take a painkiller, opt for something with acetaminophen, like Tylenol, because it won't disturb the immune response quite as much.</p>			
Name of Story:	Morrow VDH Call Update	Date: 2/9/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 1:23			
<p>Brief Description: That's right. Hearing from our local health director week after week, it seems there are two really big issues here -- supply and equity. They don't have much control over supply, but they are really focusing on how to get the vaccine out as equitably as possible. Doctor Cynthia Morrow with the Roanoke City Alleghany Health District says last week, they started a more targeted outreach process emailing people based on age and zip code. They're trying to identify zip codes with higher case counts and lower vaccine registration rates. She says how they're able to address equity issues is not ideal but it's improving every day. Doctor Morrow says we're actually doing a pretty good job of ensuring access to more rural communities but there's a lot of work to be done on disparities when it comes to ethnicity and disability. VDH is also working closely with superintendents right now to make sure kids can go back to school safely. We'll tell you what they're focusing on coming up tonight on 10 news at 6. Live in Roanoke, Jessica Jewell. 10 news, working for you.</p>			
Name of Story:	Bissel NRV COVID Update	Date: 2/10/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:42			
<p>Brief Description: Vaccine registration numbers continue to rise in the New River Valley and now the state is creating a new pre-registration system. Current links to pre-register will not work, starting on Friday. This weekend the state will be merging the information into one main system with the hopes to launch the new one early next week. With 760 thousand people already registered, ingesting that information will be tedious. Bissell says if you have already registered, you do not need to register again.</p>			
Name of Story:	Carilion Vaccine Q&A	Date: 2/11/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:49			
<p>Brief Description: As concerns about the new variant continues a Carilion health expert says more vaccinations will help stop its spread. And it could stop new mutant strains from developing. Research shows the UK variant could be about 30 to 40 percent more contagious. But current vaccines are effective in preventing serious illness and hospitalizations. Researchers say even when you are vaccinated, you need to wear a mask, avoid crowds and social distance.</p>			
Name of Story:	UK Variant Found at UVA	Date: 2/15/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC/BM
Duration: 0:43			
<p>Brief Description: The University of Virginia has recorded its first case of the UK COVID-19 variant. University officials say the seven-day average of new student cases has risen from just under six at the beginning of the month to nearly 25 a day now. UVA already planned for this scenario but if cases keep rising the school may take more restrictive measures. UVA says they're confident in their student body to properly protect the community.</p>			
Name of Story:	NRV Pharmacy Vaccines	Date: 2/15/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:45			
<p>Brief Description: Pharmacies in the new river valley have had an overwhelming amount of requests for the covid-19 vaccine. Blacksburg pharmacy has been able to vaccinate at least 100 people a week since it got its first shipment last month. The locally owned spot has been working with the local district to take any doses they may not be able to use. Staff say most costumers have an easier time with their registration process. The pharmacy will also be hosting vaccination clinics soon to help with a high</p>			

HEALTH

demand for vaccine.
Name of Story: Lburg Vaccination Pod Date: 2/15/21 Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:45
Brief Description: The City of Lynchburg opened its regional vaccination site for the first time today. They transformed the former TJ Maxx store in the Candler's Station Shopping Center into a vaccination pod. The fire department partnered with Lynchburg city school nurses to vaccinate nearly 450 essential workers who fall in phase one b. That means if you fall into one b because you're over the age of 65, it could be awhile before you get called to the site. It's unclear when the site will be available to the general public, since the central Virginia health district does not have enough doses at this time.
Name of Story: Vaccine and Variant Folo Date: 2/19/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: MS
Duration: 1:14
Brief Description: Oh yes! Over 100-thousand doses of the Moderna vaccine did not arrive because of weather delays. On the other hand, we learned we will see an increase in the number of doses in the coming weeks. Virginia started at around 105-thousand doses each week. Last week health officials administered 130-thousand doses. This week, that increased to 161-thousand doses in arms. Here at home, the Roanoke City and Alleghany Health District saw 98-percent participation at their second dose clinic despite the weather. So, while there have been some disruptions and even the discovery of a COVID variant in our area, state leaders are not concerned. Other good news on the vaccine front is that retail pharmacies and federally qualified health clinics your neighborhood clinics that serve those underinsured or uninsured will start to receive more doses next week as well.
Name of Story: COVID Variants Date: 2/19/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:58
Brief Description: The Virginia Department of Health and local leaders are speaking out tonight about that confirmed case of the South African variant of coronavirus found here in Southwest Virginia. They haven't pinpointed an exact location where it was found but say all of us should be on alert. VDH says the person travelled internationally before testing positive. Even as daily new cases slowly decline and more people are vaccinated, Dr. Cynthia Morrow with the Roanoke city and Alleghany health district says this should remind everyone that we are not out of the woods yet. Of course, those are things like handwashing and social distancing, which for all of us have become habit over the last year.
Name of Story: Central VA Vaccines Date: 2/22/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40
Brief Description: Meanwhile, the Central Virginia Health District will continue to receive its share of vaccine doses based on population percentage. Last month, we reported the district would receive 3,050 doses per week through February to distribute amongst Lynchburg and surrounding counties. We're now told that will continue after this month. Virginia is expected to receive an increase up to 161-thousand doses per week, but the district has no information on when that will happen.
Name of Story: US Coronavirus 500,000 Deaths Date: 2/22/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM/JC
Duration: 0:42
Brief Description: A somber milestone in the fight against COVID-19. The US death toll has topped more than half a million. That means more than a fifth of the world's COVID deaths have happened here in the united states. This number comes among some good news though. The rate of infections and deaths are dropping nationwide. But that still doesn't ease the pain for families across the country. As vaccinations move forward, Johnson and Johnson's vaccine is awaiting emergency use approval.
Name of Story: Morrow Vaccine Equity Date: 2/23/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 1:22

HEALTH

<p>Brief Description: We know some populations are impacted more severely when it comes to COVID, so health leaders are trying to prioritize them but facing some big barriers. So now they're working really intentionally to address those. Today, we heard from Roanoke city leaders and our local health experts about those specific efforts. A lot of the focus is on getting vaccine to African American and Hispanic communities. Those groups are being targeted through clinics and strike teams going out to share information and build trust. That includes translating information to Spanish. Access to technology has also been a huge barrier for the elderly so the city is running call centers, staffed by library workers... and using trusted community members to help get people signed up. Equity in terms of disability is another big area of focus. The city and health department are working on making vaccine sites more accessible even using grant money to purchase things like wheelchairs. There's also good news on the vaccine front. We'll tell you how many more doses are now coming to our area coming up on 10 news at 5:30. Live in Roanoke, Jessica Jewell. 10 news, working for you.</p>
Name of Story: Pfizer and Moderna Date: 2/23/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:42
<p>Brief Description: Moderna and Pfizer are promising a major increase in deliveries of the vaccine in the next five weeks. This morning house committee members heard virtual testimonies from the drug manufactures on plans to step up production efforts. Meanwhile Johnson and Johnson says it could receive emergency use approval for its single-dose vaccine by this weekend. The Biden administration promises that 600 million doses will be available to anyone who wants to take it by the end of July.</p>
Name of Story: Northam COVID Briefing Date: 2/24/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: TS
Duration: 1:12
<p>Brief Description: Governor Northam is encouraging Virginians to get outside to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission, and that includes live entertainment. Starting March 1 all entertainment venues are still limited to a thirty percent capacity, but outdoor shows can now host up to a thousand people starting march first. The Berglund center is planning two concerts in the parking lot this spring, with more likely on the way if restrictions continue to ease up. Venue operators believe Northam's decision to increase capacity is a good sign for regular shows returning by the end of the year. While outdoor venues now have a one-thousand-person cap, indoor venue remain at the previous limit of two hundred and fifty people. Governor Northam also increased the limit on regular outdoor gatherings from ten people to twenty-five people. Reporting live in Roanoke, Taj Simmons, 10 news working for you.</p>
Name of Story: Vaccine Impact on Mammograms Date: 2/25/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:45
<p>Brief Description: UVA health wants to get the word out about a common side effect of the COVID vaccine that could affect mammogram results. doctors say those who have gotten the shot often experience enlarged lymph nodes in their armpit. But this can also be a sign of breast cancer on a mammogram. That is why UVA health is asking women to schedule their scans carefully. Doctors say this guidance only applies to women coming in for a routine checkup. Those with more serious concerns should still see their doctor whether they have gotten a vaccine or not.</p>
Name of Story: Mville Vaccine Probs Date: 2/25/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:43
<p>Brief Description: The city of Martinsville is working to get its COVID-19 vaccination data corrected with the Virginia Department of Health. Right now, the state's dashboard says only 140 people have gotten a dose of the COVID-19 vaccine in the city of nearly 13 thousand people. The west piedmont health district says it estimates three to four times that amount of people have been vaccinated and it's doing everything it can to make sure the numbers get updated as soon as possible. The department is</p>

HEALTH

<p>expecting to get an increase in the numbers of vaccines its getting each week. It has several vaccination clinics in the Martinsville area set for the upcoming weekend.</p>			
Name of Story:	Polio VS COVID	Date: 2/25/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40			
<p>Brief Description: Waiting in line for the coronavirus vaccine, Roanoke County residents remember a time when a different life-threatening virus was wreaking havoc in the 1950's. Boarding buses and shuffling their feet to the nurse's office, some local residents remember getting the polio vaccine at eight years old. Judy Cunningham says she even remembers getting a lollipop afterwards. Two of Judy's classmates wore leg braces back then after getting polio. A similar image Jim Cunningham remembers about his neighbor. The Cunningham's are now urging others to stop the coronavirus spread by doing their part and get vaccinated.</p>			
Name of Story:	Mville Vaccine Frustrations	Date: 2/25/21	Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 1:00			
<p>Brief Description: Average daily COVID cases, hospitalizations, and deaths from the virus are all down over the past week. In the commonwealth more than half a million Virginians are fully vaccinated. And more than one-point-one million people have gotten at least one shot. The issue demand still outweighs supply. Over in Martinsville, leaders are working to get vaccination data corrected. The state's dashboard currently shows 140 people are vaccinated in the city of nearly 13-thousand people. The west piedmont health district estimates the real number is actually three to four times that amount. The department expect to get more vaccines on a weekly basis.</p>			
Name of Story:	Health Van Vaccine	Date: 2/26/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 1:00			
<p>Brief Description: New tonight at 5:30 a mobile COVID relief clinic built in Roanoke may be the first of many to help reach underserved communities. The mobile clinic commissioned by Hampton University may serve as a model for future clinics that can make it easier to take COVID-19 shots and other care to inner city and rural communities. STC labs of Ashland, Virginia built the vehicle and sees opportunities for more buses to help more people. Looney says he is talking with major hospital groups, the state, and others about ways to create more mobile clinics to help with the pandemic and beyond. He says he plans to continue to have the clinics built in Roanoke.</p>			
Name of Story:	COVID Latest	Date: 3/1/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW/JC
Duration: 1:05			
<p>Brief Description: Shipments are happening right now for the Johnson and Johnson vaccine after emergency use approval over the weekend. The company is shipping four million vaccines out this week and 20 million by the end of the month. They say that's just the beginning. Today also marks one year since America reported its first COVID-19 death. But we've come a long way since then. the nation has reported more than 500 thousand COVID-19 related deaths. Nearly nine thousands of those have been in Virginia and around 17 hundred reported locally. Today, a group of people are honoring those lives with through a memorial. 10 news reporter Tim Harfmann joins us live from downtown Lynchburg.</p>			
Name of Story:	Local Vaccine Concerns	Date: 3/2/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 1:24			
<p>Brief Description: Health leaders are preparing for that Johnson & Johnson vaccine to arrive here this week and we know Carilion, and V-D-H are in the process of organizing a mass clinic, that we expect to hear more about soon. 8-thousand doses of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine are heading to the Roanoke City-Alleghany Health District. As we've reported that's the only single dose shot out there right now. With this new option, Doctor Cynthia Morrow says some people who weren't interested in getting</p>			

HEALTH

<p>vaccinated have now changed their mind. Others, however, are concerned over its efficacy slightly lower than the other options on the market. So, when they start setting up appointments, they'll make sure people know which shot they're getting. Doctor Morrow says it's critically important right now for everyone to pre-register online so they can fill clinics as soon as the supply becomes available. Health leaders in Lynchburg are also prepping their rollout strategy. We'll tell you about Centra's latest plans coming up tonight on 10 news at 6. Live in Roanoke, Jessica Jewell. 10 news, working for you.</p>
Name of Story: Bedford Teacher Vaccinations Date: 3/2/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:42
Brief Description: Over in Bedford County nearly 450 school employees received their second dose of the vaccine. The district has offered in-person instruction for pre-k through sixth grade five days a week since September. They've offered seventh through 12th grade students the option at least two days a week. But school leaders hope this will help people return fulltime. The county canceled all in-person classes for tomorrow in case people experience side effects.
Name of Story: VA J and J Vaccine Response Date: 3/3/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:50
Brief Description: Virginia's top vaccine expert says everyone in the commonwealth who wants a covid-19 vaccine should be able to get their first shot by the end of May. Doctor Danny Avula with the Virginia department of health says the commonwealth will get 500-thousand doses a week by the end of march and 650-thousand doses a week by the end of April. Now, VDH is working on ways to distribute the increased supply. VDH will also start hosting more large-scale vaccination events later this week to distribute the Johnson and Johnson vaccine.
Name of Story: Second Case Struggles Date: 3/3/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:57
Brief Description: It's a story we brought you a week ago. A man had a difficult time getting his second vaccine dose. Tonight, there's a resolution and his story could help you. Jack Guilliams was on the waiting list for a vaccine when CVS called him about a leftover dose. Then, they told him they could and would not guarantee his second dose. At the time, they told him to sign up online. But he said there were no appointments. Guilliams says the corporate advisor apologized profusely. VDH says your vaccine site should always schedule a second dose if your shot requires it. If you find yourself in a similar situation, call your local health department.
Name of Story: Mental Health Impact Frontline Wrkers Date: 3/3/21 Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:57
Brief Description: It's been nearly one year since Virginia reported its first COVID-19 case and those who focus on mental health are looking at the long-term impacts on frontline workers. According to mental health America, 93 percent of healthcare workers have felt stressed or overwhelmed in the past year. Others have worried about exposing loved ones to COVID-19 or not getting enough emotional support. One ICU nurse in Roanoke says just talking about mental health issues is essential. Family service of Roanoke valley is offering four free short-term counseling sessions to anyone who may be experiencing stress or anxiety from the pandemic. Head to WSLs.com for more information.
Name of Story: VDH Update Date: 3/3/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:41
Brief Description: The New River Health District director says the Johnson and Johnson vaccine could be a better fit for some people especially vulnerable populations. The district got five-thousand doses yesterday and plans to split them between the 65 and older population and others in phase 1a and 1b. The Johnson and Johnson vaccine is just one dose so the director says it would be a great option for

HEALTH

homeless individuals people living in shelters or anyone incarcerated. But they're not only focusing on those groups. She says people can still choose to wait for the Moderna or Pfizer vaccine and they won't lose their spot on the prioritization list.			
Name of Story: Lingerin COVID Symptoms	Date: 3/4/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: BM/JC
Duration: 0:53			
Brief Description: For many people who have had COVID-19 the symptoms went away once they recovered but that's not the case for everyone. Health experts say the solution could lie in a drug doctors have been using for decades. According to a leading medical journal, roughly 10 percent of people experience prolonged symptoms after recovering from COVID-19. Several studies show low doses of the drug naltrexone which is used to fight drug addiction could be a potential treatment. He says those who may have long-term COVID symptoms need to be diagnosed by their doctor before using the drug.			
Name of Story: Health Districts J&J Shot	Date: 3/4/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40			
Brief Description: Another step in fighting this pandemic is the newest Johnson and Johnson shot that's already in Virginia. We're working for you reaching out to every local health district to see how many they have received so far. As we've reported, Roanoke City and Alleghany district received eight-thousand doses. New River Valley health leaders received five-thousand doses, a thousand went to the Piedmont health district which includes Charlotte. Mount Rogers, Pittsylvania-Danville and Southside health districts have all not received that vaccine yet. We've not heard back from the other local districts.			
Name of Story: Avoiding Elder Neglect	Date: 3/4/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: JZ
Duration: 2:46			
Brief Description: Julie Parsons misses her grandmother every day. She died in November after having two toes amputated. She was there when her grandmother was brought to the hospital. Julie Parsons said when they took the bandage off, the bone was exposed on her second toe, you could see the bone sticking out. It was awful. As we've reported a 10 News investigation found this report from the Virginia Department of Health saying in part "her foot was not assessed by a physician for more than two months". Julie Parsons says if I had it to do all over again at the pandemic and I knew what was going to happen I would have brought my nannie home with me in March. Ron Boyd, Local Office on Aging president, and CEO says it's very important for families to try and find some way to connect. He says if you have a loved one in a nursing facility you need to find a way to get your eyes on them. He suggests using video calls or window visits don't just rely on phone calls. You can also use openings like a scheduled doctor's appointment or hospital visit to see them in person. Boyd says it's important to look for things like changes in hygiene, mental health, and bruising. Many seniors don't ask for help. they're still at that generation where you just adapt, you hunker down, you tough your way through it. You can see the first part of this 10-news investigation along with other ways to protect your loved ones and what an ombudsman does for you on WSLs.com. Jenna Zibton, 10 news, working for you.			
Name of Story: COVID Panel One Year Preview	Date: 3/5/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:53			
Brief Description: It's been nearly one year since COVID-19 was first reported in our area. Now, Centra Health leaders are looking back on what's changed. They say, doctors and nurses mobilized new teams, prepared equipment, and even converted the pulmonary floor at Lynchburg General Hospital into another ICU unit. They say there were initial roadblocks in gathering N-95 masks and testing kits. A clinical nurse says she wondered if she would be able to protect herself while caring for patients. Centra			

HEALTH

reports it peaked with 133 positive COVID-19 patients in January. But as cases drop, they're urging people to stay vigilant.
Name of Story: Small Scale Vaccinations Date: 3/5/21 Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:40
Brief Description: A family-owned Pittsylvania County pharmacy is increasing its role in the fight against COVID-19. "Gretna Drug" has vaccinated about three-thousand people so far. The owner has seen a steady supply of both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccine. He's even had to hire more staff to keep up with demand. But he's happy to do it if it means more people are protected. Brown estimates his pharmacy has vaccinated forty to fifty percent of Gretna's population.
Name of Story: Berglund Vax Clinic Date: 3/6/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: TS
Duration: 1:14
Brief Description: The word on my mind is efficient. Thousands of cars have rolled into the Berglund Center parking lot today, but the traffic has never come to a crawl. Roanoke City Alleghany Health director doctor Cynthia Morrow believes their first ever drive thru clinic is the turbo boost needed to slow the spread of the virus. There were four thousand slots available for vaccines today tomorrow says they all filled up within five hours of the Virginia Department of Health's notification earlier this week. Everyone here received the Johnson and Johnson vaccine, which is a one-dose shot. Morrow says an event like this shows people are more comfortable than ever with the vaccine. This is an all-weekend affair. Four thousand more people will get vaccinated here tomorrow. All of those slots also filled up within hours of the VDH announcement. I'll have more of the clinic and my conversation with Doctor Morrow on 10 news at 11 including when she believes vaccine supply will finally catch up with the overwhelming demand. Reporting live in Roanoke, Taj Simmons, 10 news working for you.
Name of Story: Post Vaccine Guidelines Date: 3/8/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: LK
Duration: 1:31
Brief Description: Now the CDC says it's safe for people who have been fully vaccinated to meet in person, indoors, without masks and without social distancing but only in certain scenarios. Fully vaccinated means that it's been two weeks since you've received your final dose of the vaccine. Those who are fully vaccinated can also visit unvaccinated individuals from a single household without masks or social distancing as long as they're low risk for getting seriously sick from the virus. That means grandparents who've been fully vaccinated can visit and hug their kids and grandkids as long as they're healthy. Since more than 90% of the us population is not vaccinated the CDC says everyone's still got to be careful in public because there's still a chance fully vaccinated individuals could transmit the virus to others. The new guidelines also say that fully vaccinated individuals don't have to quarantine or get tested after a known covid-19 exposure as long as they're asymptomatic. Tonight at 6 I'll tell you what these new guidelines mean for travel and what one health district director and locals who've been vaccinated have to say. Live in Roanoke Lindsey Kennett 10 news working for you.
Name of Story: VDH Latest Date: 3/8/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:54
Brief Description: As those vaccination numbers increase the centers for disease control is releasing new guidelines on what people should do to keep the trend of new cases headed downward. They say it's safe for people who have been fully vaccinated to meet in person, indoors, without masks and without social distancing but only in certain scenarios. Fully vaccinated means that it's been two weeks since you've received your final dose of the vaccine. Locals in Roanoke who've been vaccinated say this gives them hope. Since more than 90% of the US population is not vaccinated the CDC says everyone's still got to be careful in public, because there's still a chance fully vaccinated individuals could transmit the virus

HEALTH

to others.			
Name of Story:	Northam COVID Update	Date: 3/9/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: JJ
Duration: 1:12			
Brief Description: That's right. A year into the coronavirus in the commonwealth this is the most hopeful we've heard the governor yet. But now everyone's wondering what that means in terms of getting our lives back to some sense of normalcy. Today the governor said every school district now has plans to resume in-person learning. Just last week we saw looser restrictions take effect for businesses, gathering sizes and spectators at events. Governor Northam says if our current trends continue, we could see even more restrictions rolled back in April. But vaccines are the key to getting there. The governor says vaccine supply is critical. But Virginia health leaders don't expect a big change in those numbers until the end of March. We'll tell you how much our supply has dropped this week here in the Roanoke valley and what's driving that coming up tonight on 10 news at 6. Live in Roanoke, Jessica Jewell. 10 news, working for you.			
Name of Story:	VA Detect COVID-19 Variants	Date: 3/9/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM/JC
Duration: 1:12			
Brief Description: As more Virginians get vaccinated and cases go down there are lingering concerns about COVID-19 variants. During the governor's press conference today, the Virginia Department of Health said the UK variant could become the more dominant strain within a month. That's why the state is taking part in a global effort to better detect variants. Researchers will analyze random samples looking for mutations that can make up the virus. Researchers say the vaccines in the US are mostly effective at stopping the current variants. Meanwhile, Pfizer announced today it continues to look at a third booster shot to better protect people from the emerging variants.			
Name of Story:	CDC Guidelines Impact	Date: 3/9/21	Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 1:09			
Brief Description: These new guidelines are great news for seniors living here at Richfield. They're opening up their doors to visitors on Monday. Even though the timing coincides with the new guidelines it's not because of them. Richfield Living's CEO tell me it's because more and more people are getting vaccinated and there haven't been any COVID-19 cases in over 2 weeks. Families will be able to visit their loved ones for a short amount of time indoors while wearing masks and social distancing. Richfield is still waiting on more guidance from the department of health to see how this could impact wellness programs or transportation. The CEO also tells me every senior living facility is different and visitation all depends on the number of cases and the risk factors for those living there. Live in Salem Lindsey Kennett 10 news working for you.			
Name of Story:	Expert Biden Vaccine	Date: 3/10/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:48			
Brief Description: With the president's announcement of plans to buy 100 million additional doses of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine one political expert we spoke with says if all goes well this will be a major historical stamp on the president's administration. White house experts say 91 million Americans have received at least one dose of a vaccine. While 32 million people and 60 percent of those over 65 are fully vaccinated.			
Name of Story:	Airborne Transmission	Date: 3/11/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:47			
Brief Description: A Virginia Tech professor testified before congress today to break down the transmission of COVID-19. Linsey Marr works in the department of civil and environmental engineering. Marr testified during a hearing discussing science-based strategies to protect workers from spreading			

HEALTH

<p>covid-19. She says the CDC needs more clear standards for the workplace. Marr also conducted numerous studies during the pandemic about the effectiveness of different types of face coverings.</p>			
Name of Story:	Nursing Home Changes	Date: 3/12/21	Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:59			
<p>Brief Description: You've likely talked to them on the phone or seen them through the window, but now health officials are giving the greenlight for indoor visits at nursing homes and long-term care facilities. There are some exceptions to the new guidance like if the resident has not been vaccinated and there is high community spread. According to VDH, there are currently 4 outbreaks at area facilities that have resulted in 5 deaths, but they also report a smooth rollout of the vaccine. The horror stories of 2020 scared many, but staff says things will and have been getting better. For a complete breakdown of the guidelines head to WSLs.com.</p>			
Name of Story:	Avula Vaccines Update	Date: 3/12/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:49			
<p>Brief Description: Today Virginia vaccine coordinator doctor Danny Avula gave an update on state's vaccine efforts. He says Virginia currently ranks 12th in the country for people fully vaccinated and fourth for the total number of vaccines administered. Two point five million doses have been distributed and doctor Avula says Virginia should reach President Biden's may deadline. Doctor Avula says the state's usage of the Johnson and Johnson vaccine has been successful. And they expect to ramp up those doses by the end of the month.</p>			
Name of Story:	COVID and Allergies	Date: 3/12/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:46			
<p>Brief Description: We're not even half way through march and the itchy eyes and congestion are already taking over. While both COVID-19 and allergies may cause congestion Dr. Aneysa Sane said it's unusual for allergies to spark loss of smell. She says over the counter antihistamine pills are good but don't help with congestion and that nose spray is the best option. Sane advices that you don't use it one time but stop and take it again in another three days to help alleviate your symptoms.</p>			
Name of Story:	Who J and J Vaccine	Date: 3/12/21	Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:40			
<p>Brief Description: The World Health Organization has now granted an emergency use approval for the Johnson and Johnson vaccine. The move means the one-dose shot is now an option to be used in international efforts to stop the spread including in developing countries with no supplies. A huge study that spanned three continents found the J&J vaccine was 85-percent effective in protecting against severe illness, hospitalizations, and death. That protection remained strong even in countries like South Africa where variants have emerged.</p>			
Name of Story:	VA Vaccines Latest	Date: 3/15/21	Newscast: 6A Reporter: JZ
Duration: 0:50			
<p>Brief Description: Virginia will meet President Biden's commitment to make all adults eligible for the covid vaccine by May 1st that's according to the health department. Virginia vaccine coordinator doctor Danny Avula said the May 1st goal won't require the state to rethink its distribution strategy. Right now, the commonwealth has given more than 2.6 million vaccines with about 20 percent of the state getting at least the first dose. He says using the Johnson and Johnson vaccine has been successful. Governor Northam and the first lady are set to get their J&J shots today.</p>			
Name of Story:	US Vaccines Latest	Date: 3/15/21	Newscast: 6A Reporter: PM
Duration: 0:45			

HEALTH

Brief Description: More people across the country are getting vaccinated. This weekend the US, hit a 100 million COVID-19 doses administered. Now health officials are saying we could see more relaxed COVID-19 guidelines by this summer. Infection numbers in the US are falling and if that trend continues, Americans may be able to enjoy fireworks with friends on Independence Day. The nationwide pace of vaccinations has increased to an average of over 2 million doses a day. State and federal officials say a coming surge in supply will help.
Name of Story: Sovah COVID Remembrance Date: 3/15/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC/BM
Duration: 0:43
Brief Description: First responders' flashing lights and sirens honor Martinsville Sovah Healthcare workers today, after tackling the coronavirus pandemic for one year. With just four COVID patients in critical care this morning, healthcare workers are rejoicing as cases continue to decline. Back in January, about 25 patients with the virus entered the critical care unit per day. But the future looks brighter as the hospital's COVID unit remains empty for more than a week. With 10 thousand vaccines administered so far, Sovah continues to encourage people to get their doses.
Name of Story: Sovah Eases Visitor Restrictions Date: 3/15/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC/BM
Duration: 0:40
Brief Description: With an empty COVID unit in Martinsville and Coronavirus cases declining, Sovah Health Hospitals are easing up on some visitor restrictions. Patients are now allowed to have one visitor per day during limited hours. However, for high-risk patients, visitors are still not allowed. After using technology for months to connect patients with families, the hospital knows virtual support is not always enough. Visitors above the age of 18 will be allowed to enter after a screening and must provide their own mask.
Name of Story: Danville Community Center Date: 3/15/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:41
Brief Description: People in Danville now have more access to COVID vaccines thanks to a new vaccination center at the city's mall. One local doctor calls the center a 'game changer.' The site is expected to give out at least three thousand doses a day for the next several weeks. The center targets vulnerable communities like senior citizens and people of color. The goal is to get 75 percent of the population vaccinated by May 1st. The center will be open for people with appointments from 8:30 to 5:30 six days a week. The link to pre-register is on our website, WSLs.com.
Name of Story: VDH St Patrick's Day Date: 3/15/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LK
Duration: 1:18
Brief Description: I talked with the local health director today and she said they haven't received any official complaints for violations from the weekend. I want to give you a look at video from Saturday night you can see dozens and dozens of people standing close together with no masks on. The health director Dr. Cynthia Morrow says they will investigate any complaints of violations, but people need to report it first. Once they get a complaint they'll investigate, look for evidence of a violation, and speak with any restaurant or bar that might not be complying to try to educate them. If there are repeat offenses, restaurants could temporarily lose their license to operate. But until the department of health gets a complaint, their hands are tied. Morrow also told me that although it's promising that vaccine supply is increasing, and more people are getting vaccinated we're nowhere near the point of herd immunity where we could gather socially in crowds without masks on. Live in Roanoke Lindsey Kennett 10 news working for you.
Name of Story: AstraZeneca Vax Concerns Date: 3/16/21 Newscast: 6A Reporter: RL
Duration: 0:46

HEALTH

<p>Brief Description: A growing number of countries have suspended AstraZeneca’s COVID-19 vaccine to investigate some possibly dangerous side effects. There have been reports of blood clots, bleeding and even death in a small number of people who received the company's vaccine. More than ten countries are pausing injections although there is no definitive link to the vaccine. The AstraZeneca vaccine is not available in the US, but the FDA may consider emergency use authorization for it soon. AstraZeneca says safety data on 17 million people already vaccinated showed no evidence of increased risk of these effects.</p>			
<p>Name of Story: COVID-19 Variants</p>		<p>Date: 3/16/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM/JC</p>	
<p>Duration: 0:51</p>			
<p>Brief Description: Even though more than one-million Virginians are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 health experts warn that covid variants could lead to another surge in cases. UVA health's infectious disease doctor says one out of every five infections here in Virginia involves the UK variant which is more infectious than the original strain. He's even more concerned about the South African variant spreading. Doctor peri says three-out-of-four people need to be immune to COVID-19 to help stop the spread.</p>			
<p>Name of Story: VA Moves to Phase 1C</p>		<p>Date: 3/16/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC</p>	
<p>Duration: 0:50</p>			
<p>Brief Description: More people will soon be able to get vaccinated across Virginia. The Department of Health says some districts move into phase 1c this week. In the past 45 minutes we've learned Danville/ Pittsylvania and Southside health districts will begin vaccinating that group now. That phase includes other essential workers like those who are in energy, water and wastewater, housing and construction, food service, transportation, higher education, finance, information technology and communication, legal services, public safety and more. Find out if your job makes you eligible by going to our website, WSLs.com. VDH expects the entire state to move into phase 1c by mid-April. It expects anyone over the age of 16 to be able to get vaccinated by May first.</p>			
<p>Name of Story: Roanoke Fire EMS Heart Monitor</p>		<p>Date: 3/16/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: BM/JC</p>	
<p>Duration: 0:41</p>			
<p>Brief Description: New equipment is helping first responders in the Star City save more lives. Roanoke Fire EMS crews are now using Phillips Heart Monitors. The devices are compact making them more accessible for today’s emergency medical service needs. They also allow paramedics to transfer information faster and more seamlessly. Each ambulance and rescue supervisor vehicle now carries one.</p>			
<p>Name of Story: VDH Not Wanting to Go Backwards</p>		<p>Date: 3/16/21 Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM</p>	
<p>Duration: 0:50</p>			
<p>Brief Description: After large social gatherings over the weekend, health officials are asking the community to stay vigilant in the fight against COVID-19. Doctor Cynthis Morrow with the Roanoke City and Alleghany health Districts says she was disappointed to see so many people ignore social distancing guidelines over the weekend. While COVID-19 cases are declining, Morrow says an increase could cause more restrictions to be put in place. 37 people across the region are still hospitalized and being treated for COVID-19. Morrow hopes to see that number shrink as vaccines become more available.</p>			
<p>Name of Story: VA More Pharmacy Vaccines</p>		<p>Date: 3/17/21 Newscast: 6A Reporter: PM</p>	
<p>Duration: 0:44</p>			
<p>Brief Description: Pharmacies across Virginia are helping to propel the rate of COVID-19 shots into arms. The state says a total of 8-hundred pharmacies are involved in the partnership. With 3 hundred added in the last few weeks. About 120-thousand doses are coming in to Virginia through a federal pharmacy partnership. Additional doses are also being sent to pharmacies and other providers through local health</p>			

HEALTH

department vaccine supply. VDH says the pharmacy partnership will keep expanding as more doses come in. They will continue to use a mix of chain and independent pharmacies.
Name of Story: Carilion COVID One Year Date: 3/17/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40
Brief Description: A year after the virus started spreading in Southwest Virginia, Carilion staff are looking back on a year full of challenges. But as of today, hospitalizations are down about 70-percent from the peak in January. Carilion has also administered nearly 80-thousand doses of the vaccine.
Name of Story: Vaccine Access Easier Date: 3/17/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:52
Brief Description: To help get more people vaccinated, local pharmacies along with CVS are teaming up. The drug store chain says it is training and certifying its technicians to vaccination people once the supply increases. Right now, Virginia sends about 120-thousand doses to pharmacies as part of a federal program. But pharmacies are also able to get more through local health departments. Right now, CVS is experiencing a lag in its system which doesn't all for people in group 1b to sign up. It's working with VDH to fix those settings, but in the mean time you're encouraged to sign up for the waiting list.
Name of Story: Vaccine Volunteers Date: 3/18/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:46
Brief Description: Volunteers are desperately needed for mass vaccination clinics, and you don't even need a medical background. United Way of Southwest Virginia is teaming up with the Medical Reserve Corps to recruit volunteers to help out during the pandemic. They held a virtual information session today for prospective volunteers. Volunteers are needed to check temperatures, control traffic, schedule appointments and even take photographs. And there's no minimum time commitment required. To learn more about becoming a volunteer or to apply, head to our website, WSL.com.
Name of Story: 100 Mil Vaccines Date: 3/18/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: JC
Duration: 1:47
Brief Description: President Joe Biden announcing Thursday the nation set to hit the milestone on Friday. Weeks ahead of the 100-day mark Biden promised. Around one in eight Americans are now fully vaccinated according to the CDC. Across the country the average daily number of COVID deaths and hospitalizations remains down but seventeen states are seeing increases in the average daily number of new COVID-19 cases. The increase in cases comes during a spring break travel surge and as many businesses begin reopening their doors. AMC opening 98-percent of its movie theaters nationwide by Friday.
Name of Story: Local Vaccines Update Date: 3/19/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:48
Brief Description: Virginia's vaccine rollout is among a group of states the CDC says may not be equitable. A new report suggests this is based off of poverty, household demographics and minority status and "equity" was only found in Montana and Arizona. State and local health leaders say this is a major factor in the work they do, but there is room for growth. State leaders say they are working with community organizations and religious groups to further vaccine education and availability.
Name of Story: CR Allergies in the time of Covid Date: 3/22/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 1:51
Brief Description: With COVID-19 still around, any sign of illness such as a lingering cough is nothing to sneeze at! There is some overlap in COVID-19 and allergy symptoms. Consumer reports says one big difference is a fever and loss of taste or smell. Those can be signs of COVID-19, so quarantine and get

HEALTH

tested right away. But if your eyes, nose, and throat are itchy and you're sneezing, it's more likely allergies. As much as you may love your pet, he or she shouldn't sleep on your bed, or even in your bedroom. Consumer report says pets not only shed dander, but they can carry pollen on their fur. Your pets aren't the only ones carrying outside irritants into the house. Move your shower to bedtime, to wash off pollen that's collected on your hair and skin, so you don't go to sleep with allergens. Consumer reports says lots of irritants collect on your floors, so vacuum them at least once a week to keep particles under control. A portable air purifier that can handle a large room can clean dust, smoke, and pollen from the air. Consumer Report says mowing your lawn can also help you feel better because short grass is less likely to release pollen than long. Wearing a mask will help protect you from irritants and sunglasses will keep irritants out of your eyes.

Name of Story: Bissell 1c Vaccinations Date: 3/22/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW

Duration: 0:53

Brief Description: More local communities are getting ready to move into the next phase of vaccination. The New River Health director says that region will likely move into phase 1c next week. Doctor "Noelle Bissell" says more than 50-thousand people in the area qualify for that phase. Most notably, it includes students and staff for colleges like Virginia Tech and Radford. If the supply keeps up, she says they could all be vaccinated by the end of April. Anyone over the age of 65 who lives in the NRV can now go to a vaccine clinic without having to pre-register first.

Name of Story: Governor COVID Update Date: 3/23/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JJ

Duration: 1:22

Brief Description: Easing restrictions is what a lot of people have been longing for including folks here at the Berglund Center. Nothing announced today will mean a huge change for them, as an indoor entertainment venue but there are some important rollbacks. Here's what's changing social gatherings can now have up to 50 people indoors and 100 people outdoors. Indoor entertainment venues will be able to operate at 30-percent capacity, with up to 500 people. Outdoor entertainment venues will be limited to 30-percent capacity but no cap on attendance. Recreational or high school sporting events will be allowed to have up to 5-hundred spectators at outdoor events up to 100, indoors. Both will be limited to 30-percent capacity. This comes after a call Governor Northam had with federal officials today, talking about how states are handling COVID-19 rollbacks. These changes take effect April first. The mask mandate remains in effect. This is all possible because of decreasing case count and increasing vaccines. We'll tell you when the governor expects the vaccine to be available to all Virginians coming up tonight on 10 news at 6.

Name of Story: Morrow 1c Progress Date: 3/23/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: BM

Duration: 0:52

Brief Description: More people will soon be eligible to get vaccinated in the Roanoke City and Alleghany Health Districts. The area's director says the region could move into phase 1c soon. So far, the district has administered more than 118-thousand doses. But that still leaves more than 11-thousand people in phases 1a and 1b waiting for their shot. The decision to move is based on supply. There's a hotline for people 65 and older in the area who still need to get vaccinated. Call this number tomorrow through Friday from nine to four to sign up for an appointment. We also have this number on our website, WSLs.com.

Name of Story: Farmer COVID Vax Date: 3/23/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: BM

Duration: 0:45

Brief Description: Local farmers work hard to feed our communities, now tens of thousands of farmers across Virginia need to get their dose of the coronavirus vaccine. Amy Johnson helps run her husband's

HEALTH

farm in Moneta. It's one of the 90 percent of farms in the state that are owned by families or individuals, according to Virginia Farm Bureau. But these family businesses are at risk if a farmer gets sick from the coronavirus. Johnson is also a nurse practitioner. She says it's devastating to treat and lose patients from the virus.

Name of Story: US Vaccine Eligibility Expands Date: 3/24/21 Newscast: 6A Reporter: RL

Duration: 0:46

Brief Description: It's happening slowly but surely more states are expanding the list of people who can get vaccinated against COVID-19. In some states expanded eligibility for people 16 years and older started earlier this month. Joe Biden promised all american adults will be able to get a vaccine by May 1st, but a number of states aren't opening up eligibility until May or later. Medical experts say it's because there are state-by-state differences in supply and demand. However, there are plans to more rapidly get enough vaccines to vaccinate every american quicker than they'd hoped. Biden says his administration will announce a new coronavirus vaccination goal this week.

Name of Story: Colorectal Cancer Date: 3/24/21 Newscast: 6A Reporter: JZ

Duration: 0:42

Brief Description: The pandemic has affected cancer diagnoses and treatments. Colonoscopies decreased 90% in the past year. While screenings are down, experts say the number of young people developing colon cancer before 50 continues to increase. Doctors recommend screening beginning at 50. African Americans have an increased risk and are encouraged to begin screening at 45. Experts say symptoms can include abdominal pain, change in normal bowel pattern, unexplained or unintended weight loss.

MINORITY

Name of Story: Docs for Morgan	Date: 1/28/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:55			
Brief Description: Happening now...the "Docs for Morgan" basketball game is going virtual. Here's a live look at the online event. This is the 9th year of this tradition but it's a very different scene this year. They're all playing through play-station controllers. Since 2013 it's been Carilion Clinic physicians vs. Virginia Tech Carilion medical students. It's all to honor Morgan Harrington. The Virginia tech student who was killed after her disappearance in Charlottesville. Before she died, Morgan was studying to become a teacher.			
Name of Story: VT Female Pioneers	Date: 1/29/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC/BM
Duration: 0:56			
Brief Description: Two women who paved the way for countless others at Virginia Tech talked about their experiences of racism. It's part of the university's "unfinished conversations" series. Roanoke native La Vernee Hairston Higgins and Marguerite Harper Scott were among the first black women to attend. Both enrolled at VT in 1966 -- two of only six black women to attend that first year. Today, Higgins talked about experiences of prejudice in the classroom from an unexpected source. Scott graduated from Virginia tech in 1970, while Higgins transferred out of the school after Martin Luther King's assassination in 1968.			
Name of Story: Dopesick Filming Concerns	Date: 2/3/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:44			
Brief Description: A major Hollywood project is now filming in the highlands, and Allegheny county is experiencing benefits beyond the silver screen. Production of the Hulu mini-series 'Dopesick' moved to Clifton Forge on Friday crews have filmed all over the town and have used some residents as extras. Clifton Forge's town manager says the production has already helped the economy because of crew members shopping there. 'Dopesick' will continue to film in Clifton Forge until next week. The show is expected to come out later this year.			
Name of Story: Mars Rover Virginia Ties	Date: 2/9/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 1:01			
Brief Description: An engineer with ties to Virginia is helping with a mission that's out of this world. Chloe Sackier who graduated from St. Anne's-Belfield school in Charlottesville will be responsible for making sure NASA's perseverance rover completes its journey to Mars. During a virtual interview with her former science teacher, she explained that she always wanted to work in aerospace and even used to drag her mom out of bed to watch rocket launches from wallops island. The perseverance rover completes its journey to mars on February 18th. It will then spend about two years searching for evidence of life. If all goes according to plan the samples, it collects should arrive to earth by 2031.			
Name of Story: Roanoke Trending	Date: 2/9/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:52			
Brief Description: Roanoke is trending on twitter! While the original tweet wasn't exactly positive, thousands of people have tweeted with some big names coming to the star city's defense. It all started when a 'new yorker' writer tweeted about an episode of a 1970's reality show called "The Dating Game". In it, the contestants won a stay at Hotel Roanoke and the author called it "a punishment." Stephen King commented too. Since then, people like Beth Macy and delegate Sam Rasoul have all tweeted, inviting everyone to see what Roanoke's about. Hotel Roanoke decided to offer a trending Tuesday giveaway one lucky couple will win a romantic getaway package - a stay at the hotel and breakfast.			
Name of Story: Super Bowl Female Ref	Date: 2/10/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW

MINORITY

Duration: 1:14
Brief Description: Tom Brady wasn't the only MVP at this year's super bowl. Sarah Thomas became the first female referee to officiate at a super bowl. The Mississippi mother of three first earned her stripes working youth leagues and high school games. She then became the first woman to officiate a major college football game in 2007 and then the NFL's first female full-time official in 2015. The 47-year-old appeared on the today show this morning to talk about her achievement while sharing a message to girls who wish to follow in her footsteps. Thomas is part of a growing number of trailblazing women working in the male-dominated league including two female assistant coaches for the buccaneers.
Name of Story: Special Olympics Capitol Hill Date: 2/10/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:46
Brief Description: Some of Virginia's best athletes took a virtual trip to the state capitol this morning. Representatives from Special Olympics Virginia spoke with lawmakers about their organization. The virtual "capitol hill day" became a chance for athletes to share their stories with their representatives. Several Southwest Virginia athletes and participants talked with representative Ben Cline. They believe the organization has already changed lives for the better. The group will continue talking to lawmakers tomorrow.
Name of Story: Pulaski Housing Discrimination Date: 2/11/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:57
Brief Description: Virginia's attorney general is coming to the defense of a Pulaski county couple. The couple's landlord threatened to evict them because of their emotional support animal. The attorney general calls that an illegal move. He says ... Charlene and Michael Butler's landlord ignored clinical verification for the animal. Their old landlord now must adopt non-discrimination and reasonable accommodation policies, attend three years of fair housing training, and pay the butler's 30 thousand dollars.
Name of Story: Crossing Guard Memorial Date: 2/15/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:42
Brief Description: First responders and family members are honoring the life of a retired school crossing guard. A service was held today for Norma Jean Adams who served the Danville community for 63 years. She worked the cross walk at forest hills elementary helping three generations of students arrive at school safely. Her son tells us she was an example of dedication and knows her name will never be forgotten. To keep her memory alive, a floral memorial marks where she stood every day at the crosswalk. Adams was the second longest-serving member of the police department.
Name of Story: School Sports Ahead of Monday Date: 2/19/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: AS
Duration: 1:12
Brief Description: Athletic directors and superintendents tell me there have been a lot of moving parts to make sure this winter season can happen safely. We got the chance to see some of these new measures in action during Patrick Henry High School's practice this afternoon. In terms of practices students are going through covid-19 screenings and monitoring symptoms regularly. The Virginia department of health has been meeting with superintendents across the region on a weekly basis discussing every detail and change needed to happen so students can play. The athletic director here at Patrick Henry High School says after a year of sacrifice and flexibility from his students, they are excited to finally be taking the field Monday night. Now as for fans the current guidelines set by governor. Ralph Northam allow for two spectators per player as long as the outdoor venue has less than a third of its capacity. Our first and 10 team coverage kicks off on Monday was well. We'll have highlights and scores from your local big games. The show will continue every Friday after that. In Roanoke Annie Schroeder

MINORITY

10 news working for you.			
Name of Story: Lineman Injured	Date: 2/19/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:43			
Brief Description: Those working to restore power face dangerous sometimes life-threatening conditions. Danville utilities lineman Jesse Flack is in a North Carolina hospital after getting severely hurt on the job. We're told flack was trying to restore power for Pittsylvania County residents Tuesday morning after last weekend's ice storm. Doctors have had to perform several amputations. Those who know him say flack is still trying to push through. Flack is expected to stay in the hospital for a month. His friends created a GoFundMe page to help with the bills.			
Name of Story: AT Hikers Rescued	Date: 2/22/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: LK
Duration: 1:12			
Brief Description: The trails are still icy especially the higher up you go. Two of the three hikers even needed to be airlifted to safety because first responders couldn't get them out on foot check out this video of one of the helicopter rescues. On Saturday crews rescued a hiker near the Rockbridge Bedford county line it took about 10 hours. Then on Sunday another hiker was injured in Rockbridge County that rescue took 11 hours. 50 - 60 first responders went on each call carrying heavy gear and working in freezing temps. In Roanoke County rescuers saved a hiker who fell 200- 300 feet. But they had to carry him out because a helicopter couldn't reach them. First responders say hikers need to be aware of the weather conditions before they hit the trails. Use walking poles, wear the right shoes and even special cleats to get traction on ice. Time was another risk in these rescues since it can take hours that not only puts the hikers at risk for hypothermia but also their rescuers. Live in Roanoke County Lindsey Kennett			
10 news working for you.			
Name of Story: Lovingson FFighter Loses Home	Date: 2/22/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:40			
Brief Description: Work hits too close to home for a Nelson County firefighter. 17-year-old Travis Burley was called to his own home over the weekend where fire officials say a wood stove caused a fire at the three-story home. This happened Saturday night on ponton lane. Everyone inside made it out safely. Travis says it was hard putting out the fire in the house he grew up in. Travis and four of his family members are staying at an apartment. The community started a go-fund-me campaign to help the family you can find the link on our website wsls.com.			
Name of Story: Colon Cancer Awareness	Date: 3/1/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:48			
Brief Description: March is colorectal cancer awareness month. Colon cancer is the third most common cause of cancer deaths in men and women. However, it's preventable. Here are the risk factors: smoking, obesity, type 2 diabetes, heavy alcohol use, diets that are very high in animal fats and processed meats and low in fruits and vegetables. The biggest risk factor is family history. That's why doctors stress the importance of screening tests like a colonoscopy or a stool test. If you want to get screened at Lewis Gale, just call to set an appointment.			
Name of Story: Pulaski Kid Art Gallery	Date: 3/3/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:43			
Brief Description: Pulaski's main street is getting a splash of color this month with new art pieces created by kids. Students in the new river valley made the nearly 70 works of art. They're on display in store-front windows on main street. Normally, the pieces would be displayed in a gallery at the students' schools. But with the pandemic changing how students go to school, the fine arts center for the new river valley found a different way to celebrate. People can also scan the QR codes posted to			

MINORITY

participate in a scavenger hunt to win free art supplies.			
Name of Story: Crown Conference	Date: 3/4/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:40			
Brief Description: Community plays a huge role in building confidence, self-growth, and setting goals. This weekend the crown conference will work to do just that. Hosted by "sisters of change" the virtual women's event will help ladies identify and achieve personal goals. The organizer says their hope is to not only grow individuals, but community as well. The virtual event is this Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. it's free and includes a free downloadable eBook. For a link to register log on to WSLs.com.			
Name of Story: Bedford Co Belvac Jobs	Date: 3/4/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:49			
Brief Description: A Lynchburg company is expanding by investing more jobs and millions of dollars into Bedford County. 'Belvac Machinery' plans on devoting about three-million-dollars and fifty jobs to the region over the next five years. The can-making and printing company is expanding into a 40-thousand-square-foot building at the new London business and technology center. The county's economic development authority sees the opportunity as a way of increasing jobs during the pandemic. The company plans to start interior construction later this month and begin their operations this summer.			
Name of Story: Roco Launches Swiftwater Rescue Team	Date: 3/4/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:53			
Brief Description: Roanoke County Fire and Rescue is creating its very own swift water rescue team. The county bought 3 motor boats and a paddle boat, dry suits, life jackets and more for 150 grand to equip and train the crew. The county works closely with swift water rescue teams for Roanoke City and Salem because they're all part of a statewide technical rescue team. But in a major flooding incident crews get tied up. After Hurricane Michael in 2018 and a year of heavy rain and flash flooding the county realized it was time to launch its own team. The team still has to finish up training and is waiting on some equipment.			
Name of Story: Boco Drug Court	Date: 3/5/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:55			
Brief Description: Botetourt County wants to help people suffering from addiction get a second chance. The county's commonwealth's attorney John Alexander is hoping to launch a drug treatment court. It would help non-violent offenders suffering from addiction get back on their feet. Instead of going to jail offenders would get treatment. The program isn't a "get out of trouble" free card. They'd be under strict supervision and have to be committed to change. The county is working with blue ridge behavioral health. They've submitted an application to the state to launch the program and expect to hear back in late April.			
Name of Story: SBA PPP Guidelines	Date: 3/5/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:43			
Brief Description: Small business owners now have the opportunity for one-on-one help applying for PPP loans as part of the cares act. The Roanoke Regional Small Business Development Center is going on a road show and offering in-person assistance for businesses with 20 employees or less. The director says money is still available but not enough businesses are taking advantage of it. Business owners must register for time slots online. The first one will be at the Vinton War Memorial on Wednesday.			
Name of Story: International Women's Day	Date: 3/8/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 0:50			
Brief Description: Today many are celebrating International Women's Day which honors the			

MINORITY

<p>achievements of women every year on March 8th. Here at home, the Roanoke Women's Foundation is recognizing philanthropic success. The group of nearly 2-hundred women provides grants to non-profits, making a difference in the community and has given away more than 4-million dollars. International Women's Day is also a day to remember how much work still has to be done to achieve gender equality something the world economic forum says we won't reach until the year 2133.</p>			
Name of Story:	Wedding Venue Sues Gov	Date: 3/9/21	Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:41			
<p>Brief Description: The owner of a Franklin County wedding venue is suing Governor Ralph Northam after she claims the industry isn't being treated fairly regarding COVID-19 restrictions. Isabelle Russell was set to host her first full wedding season at Belle Garden Estate last year until the pandemic put an abrupt stop to it. Russell says if concert and sporting venues can have higher capacities wedding venues should be included in that. Governor Ralph Northam addressed why the commonwealth hasn't changed restrictions for weddings during a press conference today. He says change could be coming sometime this spring if the numbers trend the right way.</p>			
Name of Story:	Veteran Funeral	Date: 3/9/21	Newscast: 7P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:40			
<p>Brief Description: Family and friends are mourning the loss of a local marine who made history with his passion for music. Master sergeant 'Michael Do-Good' died February 28th at the age of 50. The Lynchburg native was a 24-year veteran and retired member of the marine corps band. He made history by becoming the first African American drum major at the rose bowl parade. 'Do-Goods' remains will be buried at Arlington National Cemetery.</p>			
Name of Story:	Bus Stop Art	Date: 3/11/21	Newscast: 11P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:48			
<p>Brief Description: Putting your art on the street. Valley Metro is installing four new bus stop shelters in Roanoke, but the city is looking for artists to help design them. All of the bus stops are in northwest Roanoke: two are at the intersection of 11th and Moorman, and two are on Melrose avenue by Melrose Hardware. The Roanoke Arts Commission hopes artists show off their pride for the Star City through their creativity. If you want to send in your idea, you can find out how on our website, WSL.com.</p>			
Name of Story:	World Down Syndrome Day	Date: 3/19/21	Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM/JC
Duration: 0:58			
<p>Brief Description: Pull out your sock drawer and grab a pair of colorful mismatched socks for world down syndrome day Sunday. It's the simple way organizations say you can spark conversation about down syndrome. if you want to show your support by raising money there is the "National Down Syndrome Society's" virtual race where you walk, run, swim, hike 3 point 21, 32 point 1 or 321 miles symbolizing the three copies of the 21st chromosome. One local mother is celebrating the day and her son by bringing awareness to his classmates. If you want to register for the virtual race, you have to hurry it ends Sunday. We have the link on our website.</p>			
Name of Story:	Small Business Spotlight	Date: 3/24/21	Newscast: 6A Reporter: RL
Duration: 1:07			
<p>Brief Description: Turning a profit for progress. A local entrepreneur is starting a business to help women in Latin american communities by bringing a piece of Ecuador here to Roanoke. In your small business spotlight, I want to introduce you to woven artisan gallery. it's an online collection of artisan products for your home handcrafted by women in Ecuador. Originally from Ecuador, this is a passion project for Josephine Arbaugh. Her mission is to partner with artisans and designers to help them overcome barriers to success that female entrepreneurs face in developing countries. Arbaugh is</p>			

MINORITY

planning on competing in the gauntlet business competition this year and is planning to fully launch the business in the next few months.

POLITICS

Name of Story: Georgia Runoffs	Date: 1/4/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:53			
Brief Description: All eyes will be on Georgia tomorrow for election day. There are two senate seats open and it's up to voters in the peach state to decide who gets them. More than three million people have already cast their ballots, a record early turnout for a runoff election. If both democrats win, it'll flip the senate. Candidates from both sides hitting the campaign trail to win over voters. President Donald Trump and President-elect Joe Biden have dueling rallies tonight in Georgia to rally last minute votes.			
Name of Story: McAuliffe Campaign Fundraising	Date: 1/5/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:41			
Brief Description: Former governor Terry McAuliffe just announced record breaking fundraising numbers for his bid to reclaim his old job. He raised over six million in 2020. This is the most any candidate has raised at this point in the race. McAuliffe says it demonstrates the enthusiasm for his candidacy. UVA says the money McAuliffe has raised will be most helpful when buying ads, especially in the more expensive northern Virginia media market.			
Name of Story: Good Warner on Election Results	Date: 1/5/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 1:05			
Brief Description: Congress meets tomorrow to certify the electoral college results but what is usually a ceremonial counting this year, it's drawing more attention. Here's a live look at Washington, DC right now where trump supporters are rallying in freedom plaza. There's expected to be a larger crowd tomorrow. A handful of republicans plan on objecting the results. They claim there is enough evidence to overturn them. Freshman congressman Bob Good was just sworn in on Sunday and is among the group. Warner says he expects the majority of republicans to certify the 306 electoral votes for President-elect Joe Biden and Vice President elect Kamala Harris.			
Name of Story: Election Count Unrest	Date: 1/6/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 1:01			
Brief Description: Tonight, Virginia is under a state of emergency, after a typically mundane process to formally count election results was hijacked both inside and outside the capitol. After massive protests, supporters of President Donald Trump stormed the halls of congress clashing with police. This is a live look from Washington DC where at least one person was shot and killed by law enforcement and several others are hurt. National guard troops are arriving on scene to restore order as a curfew went effect an hour ago. That tweet has since been deleted. 10 news reporter McKinley Strother shows us what led to this capitol chaos.			
Name of Story: Griffith Near Brawl	Date: 1/7/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:56			
Brief Description: One southwest Virginia lawmaker was involved in a confrontation on the house floor overnight. GOP representative Morgan Griffith spoke out when a democrat said the siege was caused by lies from republicans. Today we spoke to him about what happened.			
Name of Story: 25 th Amendment Explainer	Date: 1/7/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:42			
Brief Description: New at six, a growing number of lawmakers are demanding trump's removal. Nancy Pelosi and Chuck Schumer are among those calling on the vice president to invoke the 25th amendment. That would give mike pence the power of the president. The director at University of Virginia's Center for Politics says it would be a historic move in the us. Republican lawmakers have also called for trump's removal.			

POLITICS

Name of Story: Political Analyst Impeachment	Date: 1/11/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:54			
Brief Description: Members of congress are moving towards possibly impeaching President Trump following last week's siege at the capitol. The house will take it up Wednesday morning. Democrats introduced an article of impeachment for "Incitement of Insurrection" this morning. House speaker Nancy Pelosi hinted she would make the move if Vice President Mike Pence did not invoke the 25th amendment. A political science professor believes this action symbolizes the ongoing frustration from lawmakers after the capitol riot. The house previously impeached President Trump, but the senate voted to acquit the president of the charges.			
Name of Story: FBI Inauguration Warning	Date: 1/11/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:51			
Brief Description: Tonight, we've learned of the possibility for more protests in the days leading up to President-elect Joe Biden's inauguration. An FBI bulletin warns there may be more armed protests at state capitols across the country starting Saturday. Investigators believe those protests will include members of extremist groups. That's caused some state houses to start boarding up windows. In a statement, Governor Ralph Northam's office says it is actively monitoring those reports and working closely with nearby agencies to keep everyone and everything safe. Closer to home the investigation into two local officers pictured inside the capitol continues. 10 news reporter Shayne Dwyer explains how frustration is building amongst residents asking for their removal.			
Name of Story: Northam on Trump	Date: 1/12/21	Newscast: 11P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:45			
Brief Description: Troops are still on hand to secure the capitol. Governor Ralph Northam was in Washington DC today to thank members of the Virginia National Guard. Governor Northam and DC mayor Muriel Bowser spoke to the first responders who will be in the US capitol during president-elect Biden's inauguration next week. Governor Northam says they have his and the government's full support.			
Name of Story: Trump Impeachment Latest	Date: 1/13/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:58			
Brief Description: Continuing to follow breaking news after the house votes to impeach President Donald Trump. He now makes history becoming the first president to be impeached twice. Several law makers claim the president incited last week's deadly violence at the capitol. Senate majority leader Mitch McConnell denied a request from democrats to host a special session for the trial. But the senate has not confirmed any of Joe Biden's cabinet picks. A Virginia Tech political analyst says that could cause democrats to hold out on sending the articles of impeachment. The senate is set to hold its next session on the 19th the day before Biden's inauguration.			
Name of Story: Trump Impeachment	Date: 1/13/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 1:12			
Brief Description: With just one week left in office President Donald Trump is the first US president in history to be impeached twice. The house voted in favor of impeachment one week after they say the president fired up supporters who raided the US capitol building. House democrats knew they had enough votes, but a few GOP lawmakers broke ranks from their party to vote against the president. Senate majority leader Mitch McConnell denied a request from democrats to host a special session for an impeachment trial. Virginia Tech political analyst Karen Hult says because none of Joe Biden's cabinet picks have been confirmed by the senate democrats could hold out on sending the articles of impeachment. The senate is set to hold its next session on January 19th, the day before Joe Biden's			

POLITICS

inauguration.
Name of Story: General Assembly Day 2 Date: 1/14/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:55
Brief Description: Day two of the regular session for the general assembly is wrapping up and lawmakers are already hitting some hot-button issues in committees. As we've reported, the house is meeting virtually while the senate is in-person with strict social distancing. This morning, senators debated COVID-19 related education and health issues. The session is set to last 30 days but may be extended to 45 to allow more time to deal with the budget.
Name of Story: President Pardon Himself Date: 1/18/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:44
Brief Description: As President Trump's term comes to an end, we've learned he plans to issue about 100 pardons. Some are wondering if one will be to himself. An expert at UVA says there's no precedent to look at, so it's a bit unclear. What is clear is that the president can pardon a group of people including those who stormed the capitol. But the courts will have to decide if the president can use that power on himself. Pardons can only be issued for events that already happened not something in the future.
Name of Story: Biden First 100 Days Date: 1/20/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 1:01
Brief Description: Joseph R. Biden junior is now the 46th president of the united states. As his administration enters the white house the previous president flies off-- notably absent from the group of former presidents in attendance at today's events. Former Vice President Mike Pence sat in Donald Trump's place. Just moments after Biden's swearing in, he promised to be a president to unite the country. That's just one of the many promises he ran on. And within the last 30 minutes, he began to put those into action -- signing executive orders. 10 news reporter Taj Simmons is working for you to break those down -- and what you can expect in the first 100 days.
Name of Story: Biden Minimum Wage Reax Date: 1/28/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:55
Brief Description: Another top issue for President Biden...minimum wage. Earlier this week, he signed an executive order raising that number for federal workers to 15 dollars an hour. Now, democratic lawmakers including Virginia's two senators are pushing for the same for all Americans by 2025. It's a move that's received mixed reviews from lawmakers. Right now, Virginia's minimum wage is \$7.25 an hour. But it's a price some businesses are willing to pay. Starting may first, Virginia's minimum wage will go up to \$9.50 an hour.
Name of Story: Amanda Chase Censure Date: 1/28/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 1:03
Brief Description: Meanwhile in Virginia politics...the woman who was censured by the Virginia senate is standing by her words. The democratic-controlled state senate voted 24 to nine, rebuking republican senator Amanda Chase for what they call a "pattern of unacceptable conduct." The move is after she voiced support for those who stormed the US capitol. The democratic senator who introduced the movement. But chase believes the senate violated the first amendment. Chase, who is also running for governor says she plans to sue the Virginia senate.
Name of Story: Biden White House Date: 2/1/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:51
Brief Description: Joe Biden is working to keep his promises for his first 100 days. Today, he focused on immigration. He signed several executive actions to roll back some of Donald Trump's polices. But on

POLITICS

capitol hill, trump was the focus. House impeachment managers filed a brief today saying he's responsible for summoning the mob in Washington. But Trump's legal team denies that -- saying his words were protected by free speech. Senator Kaine is proposing to censure trump instead. But he says there's not enough support from it on either side of the aisle.			
Name of Story: Bob Good on Border Visit	Date: 2/3/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:44			
Brief Description: Virginia's fifth district congressman Bob Good says he hopes to see some of former president Donald Trump's immigration plans continue on. Good was one of several congressman who recently took a trip to view conditions at the border wall in southern Arizona. He says immigration is one of his top priorities in Washington. Good also spoke strongly against President Biden's immigration plans. He hopes to see the border wall completed in the near future.			
Name of Story: Griffith Resignation Push	Date: 2/5/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:42			
Brief Description: Some voters in the New River Valley are asking a local congressman to step down. About 50 people protested in front of Morgan Griffith's Christiansburg office this morning. They're upset he didn't vote to certify the presidential election results and have presented a petition for his resignation. In a statement congressman Griffith said quote: "A peaceful protest is, has been, and always should be part of the American political landscape."			
Name of Story: Biden White House	Date: 2/5/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:49			
Brief Description: A promise of coronavirus relief front and center for the president today. After 15 hours, the senate passed a budget that clears the way to finance a COVID relief package. Now, Biden is calling for bipartisanship to pass a nearly two trillion-dollar COVID-19 relief plan. It includes money for vaccinations, unemployment, food and rental assistance and stimulus checks. But as he calls for unison, he says he won't dramatically scale it down to get support. President Biden says his days as vice president showed him that they didn't go big enough with a stimulus package which slowed down recovery.			
Name of Story: Learning Loss Gov Plans	Date: 2/5/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:56			
Brief Description: Two men vying to be Virginia's next governor announced their plans to help students make up for lost time. Former governor Terry McAuliffe and former Virginia house speaker Kirk Cox both agree...students need to get back in school. Cox has a 10-point plan focused on fixing falling grades, increasing teacher funding and tutoring. McAuliffe is focused on increasing broadband access and funding stem and health care education. Studies show the biggest learning losses have been in communities of color widening the already sizeable achievement gap.			
Name of Story: Crossover Day	Date: 2/5/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:58			
Brief Description: State lawmakers voted to legalize marijuana today but there's still a ways to go before it could take effect. Both the senate and house passed bills today that eliminate criminal penalties for possession of small amounts of marijuana for anyone 21 or older, clears those convicted of certain marijuana-related crimes and adds a tax on retail marijuana & products. Though lawmakers in both chambers spoke out for and against the bills. Selling legalized marijuana wouldn't begin until 2024. If both chambers vote to pass the same version of the bill-- it'll head to the governor's desk.			
Name of Story: Biden COVID Response	Date: 2/8/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:52			

POLITICS

Brief Description: The house is working on COVID relief legislation, but democrats are divided over whether to include an increase to the minimum wage. President Joe Biden doesn't think the proposal will make it into the final package. Another major sticking point, stimulus checks. Moderates want to lower the income threshold and give the full amount to people who make 50 thousand dollars a year or less. But congressional democrats do agree on a tax credit to give some families at least 3-thousand dollars per child.
Name of Story: VA Elections Lawsuit Date: 2/9/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:46
Brief Description: New tonight...a key aspect of any candidate getting their name on the ballot is the reason for a lawsuit against Virginia's Department of Elections. A candidate for governor says getting signatures is dangerous during COVID-19. He won the lawsuit, but says the new form is still a hazard. The lawsuit knocked down the number of signatures, but a candidate for governor still needs two thousand signatures. House of delegate candidates need 125. The department of elections did not respond to a request for comment.
Name of Story: Trump Second Impeachment Date: 2/9/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: LW/JC
Duration: 0:42
Brief Description: Good evening, and thanks for joining us for 10 news at six. I'm Lindsey Ward and I'm John Carlin. A historic day on capitol hill as former president Donald Trump's second impeachment trial begins. Just minutes ago, senators voted the trial is constitutional. Six republicans voted with democrats making it a 56 to 44 decision. Tomorrow, arguments begin. Tonight 10 news reporter Tim Harfmann sits down with a local political expert about what he expects in the coming days.
Name of Story: Impeachment Trial Day Date: 2/10/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 1:01
Brief Description: House democrats are laying out the core of their case in the historic second impeachment trial of Donald J. Trump. Today house managers acting as prosecutors alleged the incitement of insurrection began months before the election. They used the former president's remarks to "fight for trump" along with footage from the attack on the capitol as evidence he committed an impeachable offense. Trump's defense team will make their case later this week. But it's likely he will be acquitted. Especially since only six republicans voted to support the constitutionality of this case far short of the 17 senators needed for a conviction.
Name of Story: Watson Center Gov Poll Date: 2/19/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:55
Brief Description: It seems like presidential election just finished, but now there's a new race heating up Virginia's governor. It's a crowded field on both sides right now. Researchers found that makes it harder for people to decide who to support. They found Virginians on both sides of the aisle are undecided in the governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general races. State Senator Amanda Chase has been in the headlines a lot, and name recognition on the republican side as does former state house speaker Kirk Cox. We have the full polling data on our website WSLs.com.
Name of Story: Doctors on VA Senate Pass Sick Leave Date: 2/19/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:43
Brief Description: New at 5:30...doctors across the commonwealth are calling on the senate to expand sick leave for essential workers. A proposed bill would expand sick days and paid leave for those hit especially hard during the pandemic. It passed the house earlier this month. Some physicians say the bill could save lives. Health care providers hope the senate will consider the bill soon since the general assembly session is nearly done.

POLITICS

Name of Story: Biden White House	Date: 2/19/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40			
Brief Description: President Biden and lawmakers are taking on immigration reform. Democrats introduced Biden's new bill with hopes it will create a more humane system. Biden ran on immigration reform as one of his top priorities. The bill comes after several executive actions including starting a task force to reunite families separated under the trump administration. The immigration bill would also expand worker visas and make it easier for spouses and children to join family already in America.			
Name of Story: Death Penalty Approval	Date: 2/22/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:55			
Brief Description: State lawmakers voted today to abolish the death penalty and now it's headed to Governor Ralph Northam's desk. It's a major milestone for Virginia which has executed more people than any other state. Northam says he will sign the bill. This will make Virginia the 23rd state to outlaw executions. Rachel Sutphin is among those pushing for the change. Her father, Montgomery County corporal Eric Sutphin, was killed by William Morva who was executed in 2017. She says this is a turning point for Virginia and serious criminal justice reform. We've reached out to those who support the death penalty for comment on today's move but so far, we have not heard back.			
Name of Story: Biden White House Latest	Date: 2/25/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 1:16			
Brief Description: Good evening, and thanks for joining us for 10 news at 5. I'm John Carlin and I'm Lindsey Ward. Today, President Biden announced the nation is halfway to his goal of 100 million vaccination shots in his first 100 days in office. A ceremony was held just a few hours ago marking the 50 millionth dose administered since the new administration. The white house says overall vaccine distribution has increased 70-percent since inauguration day helping life inch back toward normal for millions of Americans. This comes as Vice President Kamala Harris visits a pharmacy in DC to highlight efforts to send more vaccine doses to local pharmacies especially in underserved communities. But there have also been challenges in vaccinating the entire country. Another concern vaccine hesitancy. It's something some people in our area understand all too well, as polio wreaked havoc in the 1950's. 10 news reporter Alexis Davila shows us how they compare.			
Name of Story: Warner and Kaine Affordable Housing	Date: 2/25/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:45			
Brief Description: Senator Mark Warner says affordable housing is critical especially in parts of our area. He and senator Tim Kaine recently announced 46-million-dollars in federal funding for affordable housing across the commonwealth. it will support 26 municipalities with three-quarters-of-a-million dollars going to Lynchburg and three-point-eight million to Roanoke. Senator Warner says he also wants to see lower mortgage costs for first-time home buyers.			
Name of Story: Rasoul on Xgr Reform	Date: 2/26/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:40			
Brief Description: As the general assembly session comes to an end lawmakers are pleased with some of the criminal justice reform measures that have passed. This includes abolishing the death penalty and pushing for the legalization of marijuana. One local delegate tell us he hopes to continue the push for bipartisan legislation. Several bills still need to be signed by Governor Northam before becoming law.			
Name of Story: Xgr Racism Health Crisis	Date: 2/26/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:53			
Brief Description: The commonwealth has joined dozens of other states declaring racism as a public health crisis. Both chambers passed the resolution that has five main focuses to start. This includes			

POLITICS

addressing healthcare disparities, examining our laws, introducing implicit bias training for state officials, forming vocabulary on the matter, and promoting community engagement. Lawmakers say we do this by reexamining our approaches to things like legislation and budgets through a more equitable lens for all. It also opens the door for more medical focus on the matter.
Name of Story: Frontline Worker Bill Date: 2/26/21 Newscast: 6P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:46
Brief Description: A new bill aiming to protect frontline workers is heading to Governor Ralph Northam's desk. House bill 1985 allows frontline healthcare workers to receive compensation for time taken off from work after they contracted COVID in the workplace and helps cover medical expenses. Delegate Chris Hurst of Montgomery county says those who dedicate their lives to saving others deserve fair compensation. The bill would cover anyone who applied for compensation dating back to Virginia's first state of emergency on March 12, 2020.
Name of Story: Supreme Court Voting Date: 3/2/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:51
Brief Description: The supreme court is considering upholding voting restrictions in a case which could make it harder to challenge other voting measures in Arizona. One restriction would require election workers to discard ballots cast in the wrong precinct and the other making it illegal for campaign workers to pick up and deliver ballots for other voters. Political analyst Karen Hult says the outcome could make it harder to use the voting rights act to sue over legislation that creates obstacles to voting in the name of election security. It's not clear when the supreme court will give their ruling on the case.
Name of Story: US Capitol Security Date: 3/4/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:47
Brief Description: The house of representatives canceled today's session because of the threat of another violent attack. Thousands of armed troops, surrounding the US Capitol are on standby. New intelligence reveals domestic terrorists discussed breaching the capitol today and removing democratic lawmakers. Followers of the q-anon conspiracy theory and other extremists not giving up their fight of the 2020 presidential election. Nearly 5-thousand national guard troops are scheduled to be in DC through the next week unless an extension is approved by the department of defense.
Name of Story: Kaine Health Care Date: 3/4/21 Newscast: 5P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:51
Brief Description: Healthcare workers across the country could be getting a big boost in funding for mental health resources. Senator Tim Kaine introduced the "Lorna Breen Act" in honor of the doctor who took her own life in Charlottesville last year after struggling with the pandemic. The bill would provide millions of dollars for long- and short-term solutions for healthcare providers dealing with stress or burnout. Senator Kaine anticipates the multi-million-dollar COVID relief bill which includes most of the funding for the Lorna Breen Act will pass by the end of the week.
Name of Story: Capitol Security Date: 3/4/21 Newscast: 11P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:47
Brief Description: As you just heard. Almost two months after the January 6th attack on the capitol congress is still facing threats from conspiracy theorists who don't believe President Joe Biden won the election. New intelligence reveals domestic terrorists discussed breaching the capitol today and removing democratic lawmakers. Threats were strong enough that congress put all business on hold today and closed sessions. Senator Mark Warner says the threat isn't going away anytime soon. Investigators believe militia groups could be planning an attack linked to President Biden's yet to be scheduled address of a joint session of congress.

POLITICS

Name of Story: COVID Relief Bill	Date: 3/5/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 0:57			
Brief Description: good evening, and thanks for joining us for 10 news at 5. I'm John Carlin and I'm Lindsey Ward. For anyone waiting for a COVID relief check, President Joe Biden's COVID relief bill is coming closer to a vote in the senate. Senators have spent the day debating and voting on amendments to the bill. They include 14-hundred-dollar direct payments to Americans, funding for vaccines and to reopen schools, and jobless benefits lowered to 300-dollars per week. Today's debate is falling along party lines, with Republicans calling the bill too costly. Democrats say opponents to the bill are short-sighted about the real needs of Americans. Right now, the senate has been stalled on the amendment vote for jobless benefits.			
Name of Story: GOP Rules Out LU Convention	Date: 3/5/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: LW
Duration: 0:58			
Brief Description: Virginia's Republican party says it's backing out of plans with Liberty University to hold a single-site convention this spring. State chairman 'Rich Anderson' says the GOP considered holding an outdoor event on university-owned, off-campus property. GOP leaders surveyed several locations this week including the parking lot of River Ridge Mall but found it isn't feasible to hold a convention in one location. Anderson tells 10 News that's because they're expecting about four-thousand vehicles. They're now considering multiple satellite sites and the university could still be involved. A university spokesperson says they would be open to being a satellite convention site but would need to discuss the plans. You can find the full statement on our website.			
Name of Story: VA Marijuana Growth	Date: 3/5/21	Newscast: 530P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:47			
Brief Description: Now that Virginia lawmakers have approved the use of recreational marijuana, some companies are racing to sell it. The bill allows for legal sales and recreational marijuana use starting in 2024. One medical manufacturer in Portsmouth creates a variety of products for people who have a valid prescription. The owners say in three years, they'll be able to sell products to anyone over 21 without a prescription. The owners say they are happy lawmakers agree this is the right time for these changes.			
Name of Story: House COVID Relief Bill	Date: 3/10/21	Newscast: 5P	Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:51			
Brief Description: The one-point-nine trillion-dollar COVID relief bill is on its way to being signed into law. After months of negotiations Congress gave final approval to the American Rescue Plan this afternoon. Among other things, it provides 14-hundred-dollar stimulus checks for most Americans and extended unemployment. It also includes funding for vaccine distribution and school reopening. According to an official at the Treasury Department direct payments will start going out this month.			
Name of Story: VA GOP Nomination Latest	Date: 3/15/21	Newscast: 7P	Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:49			
Brief Description: GOP leaders have decided how they'll choose their nominees for Virginia's November election. This comes after weeks of back and forth about a possible convention. Republican leaders recently agreed to hold a drive-by event due to COVID-19. Chairman Rich Anderson tells us the convention will be held May 8th and will allow people to drive to the polling center for their area. Right now, organizers are finalizing a list of 37 satellite locations across the commonwealth. You can have your voice heard but you must pre-register online in order to cast a ballot.			
Name of Story: Northam Inmate Rights	Date: 3/17/21	Newscast: 6A	Reporter: RL
Duration: 0:42			

POLITICS

Brief Description: Thousands of former inmates now have their civil rights restored in the commonwealth. Governor Ralph Northam has restored voting rights to nearly 70-thousand felons. Now Virginians who are released from prison or jail can apply to have their rights restored, even while they're on probation. It's a move the governor hopes will help people have a smoother transition back into society. This amendment was passed during this year's general assembly session and will need to be passed again next year.
Name of Story: VA Dem Gov Debate Date: 3/17/21 Newscast: 6A Reporter: PM
Duration: 0:48
Brief Description: Four of the five candidates seeking the democratic nomination for Virginia governor met for an online debate last night for the first time. Delegate Lee Carter, former delegate Jennifer Carroll Foy, state senator Jennifer McClellan and lieutenant governor Justin Fairfax took part in the event. Former governor Terry McAuliffe declined to participate. The debate was largely cordial as all four candidates agreed on a lot of the same topics including ending qualified immunity for police officers, legalizing marijuana and more. Democratic voters will choose their candidate in the June primary race.
Name of Story: Kaine on Jobs Act Date: 3/19/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:46
Brief Description: Trade school students could soon receive a special form of financial aid, thanks to a bill sponsored by Virginia Senator Tim Kaine. The bipartisan "jobs act" would allow trade school students to qualify for Pell grants, a form of aid already available for college and university students. Kaine believes this financial help would immediately address America's a glaring need for labor workers. The "jobs act" already has thirty co-sponsors from both sides of the political aisle.
Name of Story: Biden Twin Challenges Date: 3/22/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:43
Brief Description: President Joe Biden continues to focus on the two biggest issues of his first 100 days in office COVID and immigration. These images from the southern border highlight a growing crisis with more than 15-thousand migrant children in federal custody. The Biden administration says it's opening new shelters and working to move young migrants to better housing. Top U.S. officials travel to Mexico tomorrow to ask leaders how to reduce migrant traffic.
Name of Story: DC Statehood Hearing Date: 3/22/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: BM
Duration: 0:48
Brief Description: A US house committee is hearing arguments this week on a bill that would make Washington DC the 51st state. Rallies like this were spread out across the district where people waved 51-star flags in support of statehood. Officials say the pandemic has added momentum to the movement. The district has received less COVID relief because they aren't a state. Supporters of the measure aim to make a strong case despite the odds. The measure has widespread democratic support in the house, but many republicans say the founding fathers didn't intend for DC to become a state.
Name of Story: Northam Election Bills Date: 3/22/21 Newscast: 530P Reporter: JC
Duration: 0:54
Brief Description: Virginia's General Assembly has passed several bills this session to make voting easier. Governor Ralph Northam recently signed three of them into law. Two of the bills allow localities to provide early voting on Sundays and removes the signature requirement for absentee ballots during a public health emergency. Roanoke county's registrar says more than half of the county's voters turned their ballots in early last election. She expects the trend to continue this year. The third bill signed into law allows registrars to use third-party vendors to print absentee ballots on time.

POLITICS

Name of Story: 38 th District Special Election	Date: 3/22/21	Newscast: 6P	Reporter: JC/LW
Duration: 1:12			
Brief Description: Republican Travis Hackworth and democrat Laurie Buchwald will go head-to-head at the polls on Tuesday to replace late senator Ben Chafin. Buchwald, a long-time healthcare provider and resident of Southwest Virginia, hopes to focus on issues like healthcare and broadband if elected. If elected Hackworth hopes to focus on helping the economy bounce back after the COVID-19 pandemic. Tuesday's special election will bring out voters from Pulaski to Wise county having only about two months to campaign during a pandemic has also brought own set of challenges. But both of candidates hope to see a good turnout at the polls.			