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Austin musician has his sights set on the big stage

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Christian Buttshaw is ready for his big moment. He just needs the stage. Buttshaw, who graduated from Austin High School in 2012, is taking his music career to a new

level this year and he's hoping to make a big splash by competing in a contest The Opening Act. If he wins, Buttshaw would open for a major recording artist in the Hollywood Bowl in front of thousands of fans. Last year,

Coldplay was the main artist for the contest, which is based on votes. "I've got some good fans and some great people around here supporting me," Buttshaw said. "I love music more than anything. There's no better feeling

than getting on stage and motivating people. Everybody here matters and I'm proud of every single person. Be you."

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Christian Buttshaw is riding the goodwill of Austin in attempt to win a spot in The Opening Act contest. Eric Johnson/photodesk@austindailyherald.com



Tyson Anderson, from left, Trey Anderson, Monica Anderson and Winter Miller brought home hardware in June from a national horse showing competition in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Eric Johnson/photodesk@austindailyherald.com

Horses & Hardware

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A Lyle family and an Austin teen have hit the big time and there's no doubts they belong there. Monica Anderson, her sons Tyson and Trey, and Winter Miller all finished highly in a variety of competitions in June at the Pinto World Championship Horse Show in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"Leading up to it we were wondering what we were doing, but realized we were doing the right thing and we belong here."

Monica Anderson

Among the top-tier finishes, Trey took home first place as well as Miller. Trey also had two fourth place finishes and a 10th

place finish. On top of her championship, Miller collected three top five places and another three top 10 places. Tyson took home a pair of second place finishes, two fourth place finishes and one sixth place, while Monica came home with a third place and ninth place finish. The awards came from showing the horses What Were U Thinkin, Lil Red Code, Silky White Stocking and True Story.

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Curtis Steinbrink shares his love of mullets with his son

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It's a sight you don't see every day. But when Curtis Steinbrink and his five-year old son Callen Steinbrink get together and shake their mullets, they're sure to draw attention. They've also found a way to bond with their unique hairstyle, which has made a big comeback in recent years. Curtis took 11th place in the USA Mullet Champ Men's Open Division in 2021 and Callen has followed in his footsteps by growing out his hair over the last year. Callen and Curtis are both in the Mullet Champ competition this summer.

"This was all his idea. This had nothing to do with me," Curtis said. "It's something that I never thought we'd bond together on. I thought it would be racing or hockey, but the mullet has brought us together." Callen wants his hair to look like his dad's, but he isn't going to go as far as saying that he wants to look exactly like his father. He shook his head "no" when asked if he wanted to look like Curtis.

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Curtis Steinbrink and his son Callen are both competing in a national mullet competition, the same one Curtis competed in last year. Eric Johnson/photodesk@austindailyherald.com



County aiming to spread broadband to most of Mower

Federal and state funds will be used to expand access to high speed internet in underserved areas of Mower

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While it's getting better, there is still work to do in getting high speed internet to all corners of Mower County. During the Mower County Board of Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, County Administrator Trish Harren laid out where the county currently stands in getting better broadband internet coverage for the county. As of last year, nearly 85% of the county's residents had access to broadband, but that access is mostly condensed to high population densities, which includes Austin and small town areas. Where internet providers choose to build out has a direct correlation to population centers and the access to business. "Areas are left out because there is no business base," Harren said. While 85% of the population is served, however, nearly 90% of the geographical makeup of Mower remains underserved. That leaves large swaths of the county with either spotty coverage or no coverage at all. However, a pair of funding opportunities are allowing the county some flexibility in terms of filling out that coverage. Through the Federal Communications Commission's based Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) and Minnesota Border to Border (BTB) grants, Mower County is hoping to spread that access even further. The RDOF uses an auction format where the winner of a reverse bidding process agrees to build out for a certain amount of money. In Mower County, LTD Communications was a top 10 bidder at \$1.3 billion. They are also the largest provider in this area. Charter Communications had a bid of \$1.2 billion. BTB runs through a grant process with a well of \$95 billion to draw from in grant money. Grant applications for that program are due by Aug. 4.

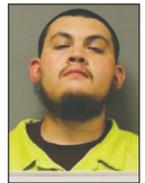
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Austin man charged in Freeborn County for assault with a bat

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An Austin man was charged in Freeborn County District Court on Wednesday with second-degree assault with a dangerous weapon after he reportedly got out of a vehicle and struck another man with a baseball bat in the parking lot of an Albert Lea hotel on Monday. Police state Terrance Gustaf Book, 28, did not previously know the victim in the case. Court documents stated police were called to the hotel, at 2306 E. Main St., on Monday

on a report of stalking involving Book. When an officer arrived, his attention was drawn to a vehicle in the parking lot that had several windows shattered. A group of people were gathered around a man lying on the ground on his back near the side entrance to the hotel. The man was taken to the emergency room. When an officer spoke with the man at the hospital, the man said he was at the hotel when a male got out of his vehicle and



Book

hit him with a bat. He stated the assailant also had a knife when he started to beat him. The victim said he started to run, and the suspect, who was screaming at him, hit his car and then left. He described the suspect as having a knife approximately 12 inches in length in his left hand and the wooden bat in his right hand. He was later identified in a photo lineup.

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