

The musical McKenzies

Family reflects on the teachings of Kathy Larson

By Vicki Gerdes
Detroit Lakes Tribune

Matt and Nancy McKenzie have music in their blood. The two 1994 Detroit Lakes High School alumni have both been singing almost as long as they could talk, and their four children have followed in their musical footsteps.

"I've been singing with my sisters and mom for as long as I can remember," says Nancy McKenzie. "Matt and I started dating while we were in ninth grade choir."

Matt, meanwhile, started taking voice lessons when he was in fifth grade, though he's been singing since he was five years old.

"I was singing with Dee and the Country Boys (a local country band) when I was in kindergarten," he said.

Kathy Larson was their choir director throughout high school, as well as director of the DLHS fall musical and the school's biannual Madrigal Dinners; in their senior year, Matt

and Nancy played the roles of king and court jester in the Madrigal Dinner.

"We were both in several musicals where Kathy was the director," Nancy said, adding that being a part of DLHS choirs, fall musicals and madrigal dinners became a tradition for their children as well — right up until Larson's retirement this spring.

"Isaiah (their oldest son) was forced to be in ninth grade choir by his parents," Nancy said jokingly, but he quickly acquired a passion for both music and musical theater, participating in the Laker Singers choral ensemble as well as the DLHS fall musicals "Urinetown," "Aida," "The Little Mermaid" and "Disney's High School Musical." He participated in two DLHS Madrigal Dinners — being cast as the king during his senior year — and went on to sing with his college choir as well.

"We're a pretty musical family," said Isaiah, adding that he and his siblings have always "fit well" with the musical theater-loving crowd,

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Country music concertgoers smile while taking photographs during the first night of WE Fest in Detroit Lakes on Thursday.

BACK IN BOOTS

WE Fest attendance up, despite weather glitch

By Vicki Gerdes
Detroit Lakes Tribune

WE Fest is turning 40 next year, and organizers are already gearing up for a larger-than-life celebration of the milestone on Aug. 3-5, 2023.

"I think people will be extremely pleased with the lineup," said WE Fest General Manager Mark Bjerke on Monday, Aug. 8, adding that an official announcement of the full lineup will be coming sometime in October. "We've been listening to the talk on social media, and I think we've put together a show people will be really proud to be a part of for our 40th anniversary."

Though they didn't announce any of the 2023 headliners during this year's show, Bjerke said, it wasn't because they didn't know who



Country music headliner Jason Aldean performs during the first night of WE Fest in Detroit Lakes on Thursday.

was coming. "We were ready to make an announcement, but it was part of the agreement with the artist that we don't announce them until we announce the rest of the lineup."

That announcement will be coming sometime in October, Bjerke said, which is when most of the

he said.

Behind the scenes, there was a bit of a ticketing problem, but it was resolved by the time the festival started, he added.

"People got their tickets late, but everybody got in to see the concerts," he said. "It just took a little longer in some cases."

Chris Janson, Jason Aldean kick things off Thursday

WE Fest kicked off three nights of country music's finest Thursday at the Soo Pass Ranch, south of Detroit Lakes.

The annual music festival, which concluded Saturday, Aug. 6, drew thousands to hear Jason Aldean perform his hits as the country music superstar headlined the first night's performances.

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The McKenzie family, including (from left) Matt, Thomas, Malia, Isaiah, Nancy and Caleb (not pictured) are all scheduled to perform as part of Detroit Lakes High School vocal music instructor Kathy Larson's retirement bash this weekend, Aug. 13-14.

Spice Boys kick grilling up a notch

By Barbie Porter
Detroit Lakes Tribune

Grill masters, rejoice: The Spice Boys are kicking flavor up a notch for grilled-food lovers in Detroit Lakes.

The new barbecue supply house, located at 1148 Washington Avenue, offers dry rubs, sauces for steaks, brats and wings, marinades, and seasonings. The store also has a variety of grills and grill-

ing supplies.

Store owners Chris Okeson and Jim Wood first discussed the store concept about a year ago. However, both men had their hands full with their full-time jobs. Okeson is a regional salesman for ISCO Industries, and Wood owns Dow Acoustics.

"There is a similar (barbecue supply) store in the Brainerd area that

I would go to when I visited my sister," Okeson said. "Jim (Wood) happened to be up there working, so I asked him to stop over there and get some seasonings."

Upon Wood's return, the store idea began to sizzle. Wood happened to own an empty building on a main thoroughfare that was formerly a salon. The 1989 Detroit Lakes High School grad-

uates decided there was no time like the present and began renovating the building when they had time on weekends and weekday evenings.

"We gutted it and just went with it," he said, adding the only true plan was to have a porch and two functional see-through garage doors. "Eventually, we plan to grill on the deck where

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Chris Okeson and Jim Wood (not pictured) recently opened Spice Boys, a barbecue supply store on south Washington Avenue in Detroit Lakes.

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Working WE Fest is a family affair

Family and friends came together to assist at WE Fest last weekend

By Barbie Porter
Detroit Lakes Tribune

Angelina Pederson has been waiting a lifetime to work at WE Fest. This year, her dream came true as the 18-year-old celebrated her birthday on Friday, Aug. 5. Now, rumor has it, the fun may lead to an even more memorable birthday weekend.

The 2022 Detroit Lakes High School graduate

said when some of the festival's management learned that it was her birthday, they pulled strings and invited her to go backstage tonight (Friday), before headliner Miranda Lambert performs. The singer has been one of Pederson's favorites since she took the country music scene by storm in the early 2000s.

Whether the backstage invite comes to fruition or not, Pederson was thankful that she and her mom (Sara Pederson) were hired to work WE Fest. She has heard many stories of

past employees having fun working the country festival. Other big draws to work the event included the competitive pay and perk of concert tickets and camping options in the employee campground.

"I love the music," the Detroit Lakes resident said. "I love the atmosphere."

Her mom joined the WE Fest workforce because she wanted to spend time with her daughter, who is heading to college in the fall. While she had heard about WE Fest,

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Miss Northwest Pageant set for Aug. 14 in Detroit Lakes

By Vicki Gerdes
Detroit Lakes Tribune

The Miss Northwest Pageant will take place at 2 p.m. this Sunday, Aug. 14, on the stage of Detroit Lakes Middle School's George Simson Auditorium.

The reigning Miss Northwest, Katrina Bugge of Thief River Falls, and Miss Northwest Outstanding Teen Hanna Beck, of Perham, will be crowning their successors at the conclusion of the pageant.

Vying for the title of Miss Northwest will be Whitney McClain of Hawley; O'Brien Stromsodt of Middle River, Minn.; Ellen Teiken of Bemidji; and Georgia Wachtler of Moorhead.

Miss Northwest Outstanding Teen candidates for 2022 include Katelin Brethorst, Detroit Lakes; Selma Moore, Hutchinson, Minn.; Brynn Olson, Thief River Falls; and Emma Vrieze, Osage.

Tickets will be available at the door; cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and free for children age 5 and under. Title holders from other area pageants are invited to attend, wearing their crown and sash, with free admission.

Detroit Lakes Middle School is located at 500 11th Ave., Detroit Lakes. Doors will open at 1:30 p.m.



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Katrina Bugge, left, of Thief River Falls, and Hanna Beck, of Perham, were crowned as the 2021 Miss Northwest and Miss Northwest's Outstanding Teen, respectively, at a pageant held Dec. 14, 2021, at the Historic Holmes Theatre in Detroit Lakes. They will be crowning their successors this coming Sunday, Aug. 14, at Detroit Lakes Middle School's George Simson Auditorium. The competition gets underway at 2 p.m.



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Also known as onychomycosis, toenail fungus is a nail disorder that affects over 3 million people in the US each year. It can make nails thick, change their color and shape, make them crumble and break, and can even be painful



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Queen Annie has dream come true, crowned Miss Frazee

By Kevin Wallevand
WDAY

FRAZEE, Minn. — ANNIE Christensen, born in 1976, has always been embraced by her family, despite doctors telling her parents she should be institutionalized. Her mother, Nancy wouldn't hear of it

"Mostly she is a happy camper," Nancy said. "She's gone everywhere with us, we've taken her all over the country."

For so many years, Annie lived for Turkey Days in Frazee, and the Miss Frazee Pageant.

"She went to the pageant every year, and she wanted to be in the pageant and we would say, 'no you can't,'" Nancy said.

Recently at a family reunion, Annie's 10 brothers and sisters made it happen.

"I guess you would say, we all just kinda did it," said Annie's sister Kathy.

"I thought, 'oh my

gosh, you aren't going to do this are you," Nancy said. "Oh yeah, we are."

The household crowned Annie Miss Frazee.

"Family being family and having fun, and that's what it was all about. We just had a lot of fun with it, and laughed and cried at the same time," Kathy said.

When the people of Frazee heard that the family had crowned her Miss Frazee, the town thought they should make it official. Frazee called on Annie to represent the town in area parades, and this past weekend at Frazee Turkey Days.

"And then she wasn't going to go on stage, and Sara said, 'you wanted to do this for years, now get out there,'" Nancy said.

The honorary Miss Frazee was brought up on stage at the Queen pageant in a fancy hair and dress. The works. Her older brothers escorted her. She gave the peace sign and the hip bump.



Contributed / Miss Frazee Pageant

Frazee called on Annie Christensen to represent the town in area parades and at Frazee Turkey Days.

"It's fantastic, absolutely fantastic. It made her (day)," Nancy said.

"It feels good. It is something you see in the rural communities, what they do and how they treat people," said Annie's brother, Tim.

"It is amazing, when we were crowned, it was special, once in a lifetime. So to see someone feel the same thing, it was truly amazing, said Annalynn Wallin, Miss Frazee Outstanding Teen for 2021.

"Watching her have her moment, it was like, 'wow, this is what she felt and how I felt on stage,' and so seeing her have that moment was so special," said Miss Frazee 2021 Katelyn Mack.

Annie's dad gave this youngest of 11 kids the middle name Faith. Annie Faith Christensen. He didn't live to see his baby of the family be named Miss Frazee, then again, he knew it the day he brought her home.

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Woman sentenced for high-speed chase in DL

News Staff
DETROIT LAKES — Kalysta Lee Ann Harrell, 22, of Nisswa, has been sentenced in Becker County District Court for felony fleeing a peace officer in a motor vehicle. According to court records, on Oct. 29, 2021, a Becker County deputy saw her driv-

ing on Highway 34 near Laura Avenue in Detroit Lakes, and tried to pull her over in the Cenex parking lot for a broken taillight. Instead of stopping, she sped up through the Cenex parking lot, drove through a grass ditch and out of the parking lot, continuing to acceler-

ate. The deputy followed, and the pursuit reached speeds of 95 miles to 100 miles per hour. After some distance, she violently braked, skidding all four tires to a stop. The vehicle was in a traffic lane, so the deputy conducted a pursuit intervention technique (PIT) maneuver and

forced the vehicle into the ditch, where it came to a stop. Harrell denied driving, but squad car video showed her jumping into the back seat, right after the PIT maneuver. On July 13, Becker County District Judge Gretchen Thilmony sentenced her to a year

and a day in prison at Shakopee, stayed three years. She was ordered to serve 34 days in jail, with credit for 34 days served, and fined \$1,000

plus \$1,150 in court fees. She must get mental health and chemical dependency assessments and follow the recommendations.

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Drug charge dropped; Richwood woman completes probation

News Staff
DETROIT LAKES — Katie Sue Welsh, 37, of Richwood, has had a charge dismissed in Becker County District Court for felony third-degree drugs, because she met the conditions laid down by the court.

placed both the man and Welsh under arrest. During the search, a large amount of cash and 16.31 grams of meth was found on Welsh in the same pocket.

On June 23, 2021, Becker County District Judge Gretchen Thilmony sentenced Welsh to 30 days in jail, with credit for nine days served, and the ability to serve the rest on electronic home monitoring. She was fined \$1,000 plus \$1,075 in court fees, and was ordered to get a chemical dependency evaluation and follow the recommendations.

She successfully completed supervised probation, and on July 17, the charge was dismissed and she was discharged from probation without an adjudication of guilt. In the same case, A felony second-degree drug charge was earlier dismissed in a plea agreement.

According to court records, on Nov. 4, 2019, agents of the West Central Task Force met with a confidential reliable informant, who arranged to buy meth from a man. The informant was provided cash and met the man and Katie Sue Welsh in Detroit Lakes: She was the driver and the man was in the passenger seat. The informant handed money to the man in exchange for a large amount of methamphetamine. After the buy, Welsh and the man left in the vehicle Welsh was driving. Shortly after, law enforcement stopped the vehicle and

Perham man meets conditions; drug charge dropped

News Staff
Jose Antonio Salinas, 24, of Perham, has had a felony fifth-degree drug charge dismissed in Becker County District Court because he met the conditions laid down by the court.

According to court records, on July 31, 2019, he was riding in a car pulled over by a state trooper for going 48 mph in a 40 mph zone near County Road 22 and West Lake Drive in Becker County. During the stop he was caught trying to run away with a backpack that contained a half-gram of meth. A drug-sniffing dog also sat on a backpack belonging to

another passenger that contained 60 grams of marijuana.

On Jan. 2, 2020 Salinas was sentenced to 30 days in jail, with credit for five days served. He was fined \$1,000 plus \$1,075 in court fees, and was ordered to get chemical dependency and mental health evaluations and follow the recommendations.

He successfully completed supervised probation, and on July 12, the charge was dismissed and he was discharged from probation without an adjudication of guilt. In the same case, a misdemeanor fleeing-on-foot charge was dropped in a plea agreement.

ND woman is sentenced after fraudulent check cashed in Detroit Lakes

News Staff
Eve Marie Jackson, 30, of Grafton, N.D., has been sentenced in Becker County District Court for gross misdemeanor theft.

A felony check forgery charge was dropped in a plea agreement.

According to court records, on Jan. 14, 2021, a woman reported fraudulent activity in her checking account to the Fargo Police Department. The woman said she received a call from Bell Bank inquiring about a \$600 check. She told the bank that she had not written any checks and, in fact, was waiting for new blank checks to be delivered in the mail.

The victim reviewed four checks that were determined to be fraudulent, and one of them, a \$500 check, was cashed in the name of "Heidi Johnson" on Jan. 13, 2021 at the Bell Bank in Detroit Lakes.

Jackson was identified by photos, and police determined that the

phone number written on the back of the fraudulent check belonged to her, according to court records.

On July 21, District Judge Michelle Lawson sentenced Jackson on the theft charge to 365 days in jail, with 357 days stayed for two years and credit for eight days served. She was ordered to pay \$500 in restitution to the victim, along with a \$500 fine and \$650 in court fees. Restitution is to be paid first. She was placed on supervised probation for two years.

Charges dismissed against Moorhead woman found in a stolen truck; predatory offender violates rules

News Staff
Charges against Jean Marie Jacobson, 37, of Moorhead, of felony receiving stolen property, felony theft, and misdemeanor driving after her license was revoked have been dropped in Becker County District Court, at the discretion of the County Attorney's Office.

17, 2020, when Becker County investigators checked on his address.

Buckman told an investigator that he was going through a divorce and that he was "bouncing around" right now, and admitted that he had not been living at his registered address for approximately the last month. He added in the voicemail to the investigator that he was staying at a "buddy's" house in North Dakota, but did not provide any specific address. Because his whereabouts were unknown, a warrant was issued for his arrest.

On July 13, Becker County District Judge Gretchen Thilmony issued a stay of adjudication and placed him on supervised probation for five years. He was sentenced to 90 days in jail, with credit for 32 days served, and ordered to pay a \$300 fine and \$375 in court fees. He must get a diagnostic/mental health assessment and follow the recommendations.

According to court records, on March 3 Becker County sheriff's deputies were dispatched to assist Otter Tail County deputies on the Vergas Trail on the county line.

Otter Tail County had initially received a call for service about a suspicious woman who had walked up to a residence and asked for help freeing a stuck truck. When deputies arrived, Jacobson was sitting in the driver's seat of a red 2011 Dodge truck, which had been reported stolen in Fargo. Her driver's license was found to be revoked.

The charges were dismissed July 18.

Man sentenced for violating predatory offender rules

Albert Clayton Buckman, 54, of Fargo, has been sentenced in Becker County District Court for felony violating the predatory offender registration law.

According to court records, he is required to register as a predatory offender, but was not at his registered address on Dec.

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LaDuke wrong to blame Enbridge for violence, arrests

Reality is a very stubborn yet important thing. Despite attempts by people like Winona LaDuke to try to confuse, mislead or misrepresent, reality is something that thankfully cannot be ignored. ("Canadian justice comes to Minnesota," LaDuke column.)

Her efforts via her recent column take this to a new level and deserve a response.

For months now, hundreds of Line 3 protesters who broke the law are facing the legal accountability for their actions. Yet Winona LaDuke wants us to place the blame elsewhere.

Instead of accepting responsibility for her actions and the actions of other violent protesters, she wants us to think the only reason so many people were arrested was because law enforcement was "incentivized" to do this.

She ignores that the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission required Enbridge to put money into an escrow fund. This happened because of PUC concerns about threats from Winona to bring violence and protests to Minnesota that she and others repeatedly made during the entire Line 3 process.

The PUC wanted to make sure local taxpayers would



Forum News Service file

Emergency responders talk with a pipeline protester who, despite the dangers, entered a trench dug as part of the Line 3 Replacement Project. The protester succeeded in stalling construction work for a couple of hours before being arrested on Jan. 22, 2021.

not have to be responsible to cover the costs for extra law enforcement because of protesters. After seeing what happened, it's beyond clear that the PUC did the right thing.

Yet LaDuke claiming Enbridge "incentivized" law enforcement to arrest the thousands of violent Line 3 protesters ignores a pretty important fact. None of the arrests would have happened if Winona and the others she invited to Minnesota had not committed crimes.

We saw this firsthand. Winona and her supporters not only destroyed construction equipment, but they also repeatedly threatened employees at places such as Two Inlets — many who are Native American. It made it harder for people to keep working. Having trucks and other

equipment damaged or destroyed created other challenges for Native American-owned companies to resolve.

The only people being incentivized to do anything were the thousands of people Honor the Earth and others invited to come to Minnesota to protest. Not only were they encouraged to come here, people with "duffle bags of cash" were ready to make sure they got bailed out after they were arrested, Hubbard County Sheriff Cory Aukes told the Park Rapids Enterprise.

While Winona and others organized protests that stretched our public safety and first responder resources to the limits, the one thing Enbridge did "incentivize" was our local economy!

The recent University of Minnesota Duluth impact

report shows how much good happened because of Line 3. Billions of dollars were invested, thousands of jobs were created, and businesses and communities were lifted up at the end of the COVID economic challenges.

Every union worker who wanted to work on the project had the chance to be part of Line 3. Native American-owned companies got to work on a project that was closer to their homes, many tribal employees learned new skills, and many now have new careers.

Winona and other Line 3 opponents continue to try to argue about the way law enforcement responded to months of violent protests. What they don't want to discuss is that no one gets arrested if they did not break the law. If people had not damaged equipment, they would not be facing these consequences.

Minnesota is a better place because of the Line 3 Replacement project. We have replaced something important and old with something that is newer, stronger, and better. While other parts of our state struggled economically, Northern Minnesota had an amazing lifeline that supported communities and made it possible for many businesses to survive.

I wish this all could have happened without the violence and arrests, but to try to blame Enbridge or anyone else for this ignores reality.

Brian Holmer is mayor of Thief River Falls, Minnesota.



In open conversation, without agenda, divine truth reveals itself

This past week, at a press convention in Texas, chatting over a beer at the close of the second day, I had one of the most civil, enlightening and encouraging conversations about faith I've had in a long time.

This sounds like the set-up line to a classic "(blank) walks into a bar" joke, but it is all true.

My guests were a Polish man who grew up Catholic but isn't practicing now; a Texas-born man who grew up Church of Christ but is now flirting with Methodism; a "spiritual but not religious" woman who has lived internationally but now calls North Carolina home; and me, an ordained Lutheran pastor. All of us were in our late 30s to late 40s.

And after a couple of hours of conversation about our faiths, the mysteries of the divine and where religion can go terribly



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wrong, we all walked away as friends; a couple of them I've already made plans to connect with in the near future.

It was a fascinating experience that allowed me to peer into the hearts of three folks willing to share their most intimate thoughts about faith without worry of judgment from a clergy person sitting at the table. And I am a better faith leader for it.

It reminded me that when all the parties come to a conversation about faith, without having to win or to convert or to conquer, there is divine truth that reveals itself.

I recently read in a Center for Action and

Contemplation newsletter this line: "... (H)is Divine Presence seeks connection and communion, not separation or division — except for the sake of an even deeper future union."

Much of the trouble with religion is that we've convinced ourselves that we can know an infinite God, a God who created the entire universe that is billions of years old and which still reveals mysteries to us that we cannot solve.

And in our hubris, we believe we can also know all of the answers about faith, especially about who is right and, more importantly, who is wrong.

However, as faithful people, if we set aside our egos, we might be surprised what we can learn about God from those who have varying faith traditions than ours. When we openly and honestly welcome others to share their most intimate

thoughts about God and the cosmos, all of creation wins. Because the idea that anyone has to lose is a human concept.

Jesus understood this. The gospels are full of stories about Jesus interacting with those who were not Jewish. He hung out with everyone from Romans to Syrians to Canaanites to Samaritans, all of whom had varying faith traditions. He didn't walk away; he didn't shun them. He engaged with them.

We live in polarized times. The world over is at odds. But as faithful people we don't have to be. It just starts with listening to each other.

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OBITUARIES

William "Bill" Hanson

William (Bill) Charles Hanson, 75 of Detroit Lakes Minnesota, passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family on July 26, 2022 after a long battle with cancer. He was born on October 29, 1946 in Deer River, MN to Charles and Madeline (Brunelle) Hanson.

Bill grew up in Deer River, MN and graduated from Deer River High school in 1964. He was drafted into the Army in 1968 and went to Vietnam in 1969 where he was a combat medic for the 1st AIR CAV Division. Once Bill was honorably discharged from the Army, he enlisted into the National Guard and proudly served from 1973 to 1995. Bill married the love of his life Carol Gardner in 1970 in Rochester, MN where they made their home for 5 years before moving to Detroit Lakes, MN in 1975. He was the father of 3 children, Charles, Chris and Carrie. Bill worked for the Minnesota Department of Transportation for 42 years as a District Safety Officer. He was also a proud volunteer firefighter for the Detroit Lakes Fire Department from 1976 to 1998.

Bill was an avid hunter and fisherman and enjoyed talking about old cars. Most stories from the past started with the year, make, model and color of the car he was driving at the time. He was very involved with his children and had a huge impact on their daily lives. He would often call just to talk and let them know he loved them. Bill was truly an amazing husband, father and friend. There was always a sparkle in his eye and quick wit to match.

He is reunited with his parents: Charles and Madeline Hanson, brothers: Walt and Daniel and grandson: William Hanson.

Survived by his wife of 52 years: Carol Hanson, sons: Charles (Angie) Hanson and Chris (Matie) Hanson, daughter: Carrie (Nate) Rood, grandkids: Jamie (Trevor) Vivier, Amy Hanson (Brandon Harvey), Michael Hanson, Chace and Cole Metelak, Hannah Rood and great granddaughter: Gabrielle, best friends: Gary Peck, Bob Louiseau and Rich Grotberg.

Visitation will be 5-7 pm, Friday, August 12, 2022 at the David-Donohewer Funeral Home. Funeral is Saturday, August 13, 2022, 11:00 am at Zion Lutheran Church in Detroit Lakes, MN. A 1-hour visitation will be held prior. Pastor Dan Abrahams will officiate. Burial will be at Oak Grove Cemetery.

Warren Nunn

Warren Alfred Nunn, 98, passed away peacefully on July 30, 2022. Warren was born to Herbert and Minnie (Conklin) Nunn on March 7, 1924, in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota. He was the second of four children.

Warren will be greatly missed by his friends and family. He is survived by his daughter Patty (Mike LaCoursiere) Nunn, Frazee, his son Gregory Nunn, Omaha, Neb., four grandchildren, Jason (Ilse) Rolf, Minneapolis, Nate (Nora Sandstad) LaCoursiere, Duluth, Janelle (Lukas) Brandon, Moorhead, and Skyler Nunn, Omaha, Neb. Six great-grandchildren, Ian Rolf, St. Paul, Nissa Rolf, Minneapolis, Dylan Brandon, Moorhead, Ash Brandon, Moorhead, Henry Sandstad LaCoursiere, Duluth, and Charles LaCoursiere Sandstad, Duluth. Warren is also survived by brother-in-law Willie Messenger and many nieces and nephews.

Services for Warren Alfred Nunn will be held at Zion Lutheran Church in Detroit Lakes. A visitation will be on Tuesday, August 16 from 5-7 PM with a time for sharing stories and remembering Warren. The funeral service will be on Wednesday, August 17, at 11 AM, with Pastor Dan Abrahams officiating. Following a light lunch at the church an interment service will take place at Lake View Cemetery in rural Detroit Lakes.

Please visit www.karvonenfuneralhome.com to leave memorials and condolences on Warren's Tribute Wall.

Arrangements provided by Karvonen Funeral & Cremation Service of New York Mills, Minnesota.

Delores Stephan

Oct. 30, 1939 -
Aug. 3, 2022

ALEXANDRIA, Minn. - Delores Stephan, 82, Vining, Minn., died Wednesday, Aug. 3, in Alomere Health.

Visitation will be from 10-11 a.m., followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 13, at Folden Lutheran church near Vining.

Arrangements by Karvonen Funeral Home.

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Patricia Magnusson

Patricia Clarice (Hultin-Hoglund) Magnusson, 84, passed away on August 7, 2022, under the care of Hospice of the Red River Valley at Diamond Willow Assisted Living.

Patricia was born to Arvid and Clara (Carpenter) Hultin on October 21, 1937 in Drayton, ND. She was raised in the Hoople and Fordville area where she graduated in 1955. She furthered her education at Bethesda School of Practical Nursing in Crookston, MN where she received her LPN degree.

She married Albert Hoglund in 1958, living in Fertile and Crookston. To this union two children were born, Craig and Gwen. Albert passed away in 1988.

Patricia worked at Bethesda Hospital, Bethesda Nursing Home, Polk County Group Home, American Crystal Sugar Co, Villa St. Vincent, and finished her nursing career at Polk County Nursing Service.

In 1995, she married Charles Magnusson. In 1998, they moved to Detroit Lakes, where they joined First Lutheran Church and was an active member with the quilters. She was active with the Eastern Star, Midnight cruiser, 412 Antique Cars, and Eagles Auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her parents Arvid and Clara; brothers Sheldon and Alden; Fiancé Ralph Grondahl; husbands Albert Hoglund and Charles Magnusson.

Patricia is survived by her brother Wilmer (Lynda) Hultin; sisters Mary (John) Roy, Phyllis Fick; sister-in-law Love Eil Hultin; son Craig (Mary) Hoglund of Overland, KS; daughter Gwen (Jim) Ashley of Akron, OH; grandchildren Abigail (Carlos) Rayes, Dustin and Eric Ashley; and great-grandson Callen "CJ" James. A Celebration of Life will be held at First Lutheran Church in Detroit Lakes, MN on Friday, August 12, at 10AM. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service. David-Donohewer Funeral Home is assisting the family.

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Thursday, August 11

Community Blood Drive: Come to the dining hall at American Legion Post 15, 810 West Lake Drive, Detroit Lakes, and help save a life by donating blood between 11:30 a.m.-6 p.m. To schedule an appointment please contact Cara Frank at 218-841-9533, or go online to donors.vitalant.org and use the blood drive code, "DETROITLAKES."

William Kent Krueger Watch Party: The Detroit Lakes Public Library (1000 Washington Ave.) will host an in-person watch party for author William Kent Krueger's virtual presentation as part of the "One Book, One Minnesota" series, 7-8 p.m. Krueger's presentation will feature his book, "Iron Lake."

Live at the Lodge: David Ferreira (piano/vocals) and Russ Peterson (saxophone) will present an evening of live music in the Lodge on Lake Detroit's Fireside Lobby from 5 to 8 p.m.). Free admission; food and beverages available for purchase. More info at thelodgeonlakedetroit.com.

Looney Days Opening Night: Otter Coffee and Ice Cream in Vergas will host an evening of live music from 5 to 7 p.m. to kick off the community's annual Looney Days celebration. Open to the public.

Black Tie Gala: The Boys and Girls Club of Detroit Lakes and Phaser Marketing will co-host a black tie gala fundraiser from 7 to 10 p.m. at Detroit Mountain Recreation Area. Cost is \$50 per ticket, which includes admission to a live auction, live music by Tim Eggebraaten and more. Cost is \$50 per ticket, with proceeds directly benefiting the Boys and Girls Club. Sign up for the Phaser Fundraiser Black Tie Gala at eventbrite.com.

Friday, August 12

Vergas Looney Days: The Friday schedule for Vergas Looney Days includes local rummage sales throughout the day; sidewalk chalk art, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at Natalie's Serendipity; pickleball demonstrations, 10-11 a.m. at the pickleball courts; brats and beans lunch, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. at United Methodist; Voices of the Past Cemetery Tour, 2-3 p.m. at City Cemetery; kids' fishing, 3:30-4:30 p.m.; food trucks, 4-9 p.m.; water ski show, 5 p.m.; Church of Cash live music, 6:30-9 p.m. All events take place at Loon Park unless otherwise specified.

Food Truck Fridays: Hosted by Detroit Lakes Noon Rotary, Food Truck Fridays will take place every Friday through Sept. 2 at Detroit Lakes City Park, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Food trucks on site may change; event will be held rain or shine.

Fireman's Dance: The Detroit Lakes Fire Department will host its annual Fireman's Dance at Hub 41, with Tripwire playing live on West Lake Drive from 8 p.m. to midnight; gates open at 7 p.m. Cost is a free will donation at the gate.

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2 women injured in crash near Wadena

News Staff
Two Wadena women were injured in a two-vehicle crash Monday west of Wadena in Otter Tail County. Angela Renee Paavola, 51, of Wadena was

taken to Tri-County hospital in Wadena with non-life-threatening injuries, according to the State Patrol. She was southbound on Otter Tail County Highway 29 in a

2013 Ford Edge, and rear-ended a 2022 Ram 1500 pickup truck that had stopped to make a left turn. A passenger in the pickup truck, Jodana Ama Heinzen, 25, of Wadena suffered

non-life-threatening injuries. She is not listed as going to a hospital. The driver of the pickup truck, Tyler James Arthur Heinzen, 28, of Wadena was not injured, according to the

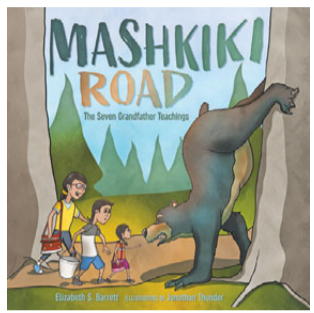
State Patrol. All three were wearing seatbelts, and airbags deployed in the Ford Edge but not the Ram 1500. No alcohol was involved in the crash, which was reported at

9:37 a.m. Monday on dry pavement on County Highway 29 (at mile marker 120) in Compton Township. Tri-County EMS and Otter Tail County deputies assisted at the scene.

On the 'Mashkiki Road'

Children's book brings Seven Grandfather Teachings to life

By Dennis Doeden
The Bemidji Pioneer
RED LAKE, Minn. — The Seven Grandfather Teachings of Love, Respect, Courage, Honesty, Wisdom, Humility and Truth are deeply ingrained in the Anishinaabe culture.



Contributed / Minnesota Historical Society Press
"Mashkiki Road" tells the story of three young cousins who encounter beings that show them the Seven Grandfather Teachings.



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Author Elizabeth Barrett reads part of "Mashkiki Road" at a recent book signing event.

A newly published children's book by Red Lake author Elizabeth Barrett and illustrator Jonathan Thunder brings those teachings to colorful life for young and old. "Mashkiki Road," published by the Minnesota Historical Society Press, was the brainchild of Thomas Barrett, CEO of the Red Lake Boys and Girls Club. He reached out to his niece, Elizabeth, and to artist Jonathan Thunder with the idea. The result is a delightful 30-page book, the royalties of which will benefit the Boys and Girls Club for years to come.

cousins — Lily, Ogimaa and Ellie — are ready to help. Together they will travel Mashkiki Road, the road where the medicines grow, in search of sage and cedar for Grandma. On their journey, they receive teachings from the Eagle (love), the Buffalo (respect), the Bear (courage), the Sabe or Sasquatch (honesty), the Beaver (wisdom), the Wolf (humility) and the Turtle (truth).

It is the first book for Elizabeth Barrett, a 2021 Dartmouth College graduate who majored in English and minored in women, gender and sexuality studies with a concentration in creative writing. While she hopes to write more books, she recently was hired as a curriculum writer for the prevention program at Red Lake Chemical Health. Elizabeth, 22, has enjoyed recent book signing events and is proud to be a part of the "Mashkiki Road" project. "It's really great," she said. "It's been super exciting to see the book get into the hands of young people, just knowing that they're liking it and getting a little bit from it."

Institutes International Minnesota. "When I started creating the work (on 'Mashkiki Road'), I wanted to incorporate some scenery that you would see around Red Lake, such as the Red Lake water tower, and draw inspiration from areas within the town of Red Lake," Thunder said. "So that when people look at it, if they're familiar with the area, it will be interesting for them to find those little Easter eggs." "Mashkiki Road" is available on Amazon or through the Minnesota Historical Society Press website at shop.mnhs.org.

"I'm really proud of the book," Thomas said. "It's a really cool way to show the world a piece of our Ojibwe culture. Being from Red Lake, I take extra pride in knowing that I brought together two Red Lake band members to create the book. I'm real big on the seven teachings, incorporating that into any type of teaching or programming or presentations."

All of the scenes are beautifully illustrated by Thunder, who was born in Red Lake, grew up in the Twin Cities and now lives in Duluth. "I had done some research because I worked on a couple of murals in recent years where the subject was the Seven Teachings," Thunder said. "I was able to work with the concepts and create visual content from that. I try to live according to those general teachings, even prior to this project. It's common sense for most people. The world could use more of that."

Readers will get a glimpse of Red Lake scenes when they flip through the book. That was intentional from Thunder, 45, who attended the Institute of American Indian Art in New Mexico and the Art

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GOLF

ROAD TRIP!

Parker and Sophie Christianson compete in US Kids Golf World Championship in North Carolina

By Jared Rubado
Detroit Lakes Tribune

Detroit Lakes
Parker and Sophie Christianson are no strangers to a lengthy golf trip. However, the latest one took them all the way to North Carolina.

Parker (9) and Sophie (12) qualified for the U.S. Kids Golf World Championship at one of the most popular golf hubs in the country in Pinehurst, NC.

"It's the U.S. Kids World Championships, and they have a ton of local tours across the world," said Eric Christianson, Parker and Sophie's dad. "They have set scoring and yardage systems for each different age group. They give out priority status based on how well a kid does in those yardages. Parker got the highest status you can get on a local tour. He was able to hit par-golf twice in nine holes. That's how he qualified."

Parker tied for 95th place with a three-day score of 242 in his division. Sophie recorded a score of 275 to tie for 107th.

"I asked Parker what his favorite part was, and he said the competition," Christianson said. "He admired how good the other kids were. Both of our kids were a ways down on the leaderboards, but it was a great experience for them because they're good players locally. Sophie's coolest thing was being able to meet people from all over the world. She played with somebody from Columbia. There are language barriers, so it was fun for her to play with kids from all over the place."

The Christianson kids are used to being at or near the top of the leaderboard in area events. But on a worldwide scale, each time they expose themselves to tougher competition, they use it as a learning experience.

"You always have to play against competition that's as good or is going to beat you," Christianson said. "That's what will make you better. I think we've done that a lot. They have lost to other players, so from a mental standpoint, they accept that. In golf, you just don't win every event. Mentally, they handle that OK and were able to handle that at Pinehurst."

One of the biggest challenges for Parker and Sophie was the heat.

"It was definitely a humbling experience and a big adjustment with the weather," Christianson said. "It was difficult at 95 degrees and humid. I think Sophie had a 10 a.m. tee time the first day for a four-and-a-half-hour round. By the time you get done, it's almost 100 degrees. Parker played 18 holes at nine years old with the unfortunate tee time of 1 p.m. I caddied for Parker.



Contributed photos / Eric Christianson
Sophie, left, and Parker Christianson pose next to the Payne Stewart statue in Pinehurst, NC, at the U.S. Kids Golf World Championship Aug. 4-6, 2022.

We were right in the heart of the heat. It was tough to keep them cool and keep them in it. Not to mention, you have to keep them hydrated."

U.S. Kids Golf rolled out the red carpet for the families who traveled thousands of miles to North Carolina. For Parker and Sophie, the trip to Pinehurst was once in a lifetime.

"It was really neat to see 1,500 kids come and play in that," Christianson said. "There was a parade of nations. Everywhere you look, there's a different golf course down there. I don't even know how many different Pinehursts there are, and there's a whole bunch of other courses the kids are at."

"The practice area is really unique. It's basically a putting green the size of a couple of football fields. There are humps and bumps, and the kids just had a blast. They also have a small par-3 course of about 700-800 yards. It's just awesome for the kids to play around too. It was an awesome experience for them."

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Parker, left, and Sophie Christianson walked in the parade of nations at the U.S. kids Golf World Championship Aug. 4-6 at Pinehurst, NC. The Christianson kids qualified for the World Championship out of the local tour in Fargo, ND.

THE BEST THING I SAW LAST WEEK

Rabbits, gangs and a love letter to baseball

Perham

Josh and Justin Dykhoff hit back-to-back home runs in the second inning of the Bluffton's 15-2 win over Park Rapids on Saturday afternoon in the Region 14C first round. Not many people were paying attention.



JARED RUBADO

As the Dykhoff boys rounded the bases, the crowd's collective attention was pointed to a young kid near the concession stand. He and his friends chased and caught a wild rabbit near the bushes down the third-base line at Kruger Field in Perham.

The gaggle of children paraded the hare around the park like a trophy. The rabbit, who looked stunned to be in that predicament, hardly moved as the young Bear Grylls prodded it around to the amused patrons in lawn chairs. Before releasing the rabbit, one man offered to fire up the grill at the concession stand. Alas, the rabbit returned to its home in the bush, ending the hilarious hysteria.

The game on the field was out of reach, so I sent some live tweets about the off-field fiasco. A few hours later, I made my way to the grandstand for the third game of the afternoon. That's when I was approached by "The Geiser Gang."

I don't take a photo of the kid with the rabbit because I don't shoot pictures of children unless they are on a field playing a game or there's a clear right to consent. However, when I checked my phone between games, I saw a photo of the kids and the rabbit was tweeted at me.

While I was sitting in the grandstand, the kids came up to me and asked, "Are we internet famous?" Being that I have a mere 500 followers, with almost none of them extending past the Highway 10 towns, I, unfortunately, told them no. However, when I asked them, "Do you guys want to be in the paper?" They unambiguously agreed. Before I could pull out my notepad to get all of their names, the kid who caught the rabbit said, "You can call us the Geiser Gang."

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Vikings' game pushes back Minnesota's Prep Bowl

By Jace Frederick
St. Paul Pioneer Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The Prep Bowl will be played Dec. 2-3 this season, as the high school football state championship games at U.S. Bank Stadium were pushed back a week from the traditional post-Thanksgiving weekend slot.

That's because the Minnesota Vikings play host to the New England Patriots in Minneapolis on Thanksgiving night. The timing of the game, and NBC's massive broadcast setup and takedown process, made it unfeasible for the Minnesota State High School League and its broadcast partner to set up in time for games the next day.

"We are excited for our partner, the Minnesota Vikings, and for the State of Minnesota, to have an opportunity to host a rare Thanksgiving eve-

ning game," MSHSL associate director Bob Madison said in a statement. "Along with our partner, U.S. Bank Stadium, we look forward to hosting this year's Prep Bowl and making it the best possible experience for our student-athletes and their school communities."

The Prep Bowl was held the weekend before Thanksgiving at the ends of the 2014 and 2015 seasons, when the title games were held outdoors on the University of Minnesota campus.

While the final weekend of the Minnesota high school football season shifts back a week this year, everything else remains on the same schedule. Practices will begin Aug. 15, with the first games for most teams taking place on Labor Day weekend. The state tournament semifinals will be played at U.S. Bank Stadium

from Nov. 17-19, leaving two weeks between the semifinals and the championship games.

The non-Thanksgiving weekend Prep Bowl could allow for more fan attendance, as fewer people should have holiday obligations. It also opens up more holiday time for participating players and coaches.

Teams will have more preparation time for the most important game of the season, though practices at that time of year typically must take place indoors due to cold temperatures and lack of daylight. So domes and bubbles will need to be rented out for an additional week of prep.

The additional week to the football season also means athletes participating in the title games will be late one more week for their winter sport seasons.



Jared Rubado / Detroit Lakes Tribune

New York Mills' Jonah Johnson catches a 53-yard pass in the first quarter off the hands of two Mayer Lutheran defenders in the Eagles 41-6 loss in the Class A state semifinal at U.S. Bank Stadium on Nov. 22, 2021.

Convo with the coach



Matt Krohn / USA Today Sports

Minnesota Vikings head coach Kevin O'Connell talks to wide receivers Adam Thielen (left) and Justin Jefferson (right) during mandatory mini camp at TCO Performance Center.



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The Geiser Gang chased and caught a wild rabbit at Krueger Field on Aug. 8 during a Bluffton Braves game.

RUBADO

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The plan was to put the picture in the newspaper as a fun bit. As the night went on, I figured I could write a column about the beauty of amateur baseball and use the photo as proof. Then, in my chat with Bluffton's Terry Geiser after the game, who's been with the team for 50 years, it all came together. This column is a love letter to baseball. I asked Geiser what makes this game and his team so special enough to be a part of for half of a century. He paused, took a long look at the Bluffton faithful, and said, "It's these people." In Bluffton, along with hundreds of other towns in Minnesota, the Braves are so much more than baseball. With over half of the players in the dugout related to each other, every game is a family gathering. From the outside looking in, it's hard to see the perspective that makes playing for a town like Bluffton so important. But once you see it, it's not easy to look away. Geiser looked at all the kids running around the dugout following

Bluffton's 5-4 walk-off win over Perham. He talked about how the guys in the dugout used to be those kids and how those kids will be in the dugout at some point down the road. The kid who caught the rabbit is the son of pitcher Dustin Geiser, and the Geiser Gang was much larger than a group of kids. It's hard not to get emotional when thinking about how much family means to you. When you tie in something as romantic as baseball, games like the one on Saturday night make you fall in love with the sport all over again. I used to be cynical about the importance of town ball because I never grew up with the perspective of what it means to so many people. When I think of nights like Saturday, I think of my dad. Growing up, he played ball for a little bit, and I was one of those kids running around the field trying to catch rabbits. Where I'm from, it doesn't mean anything to follow in the footsteps of someone who played town ball. I envy those who see it as a true privilege to dawn one of those jerseys.

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GOLF

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Last summer, the Christianson family took trips to the metro area to compete in a local tour. This time, they got to stay more local to qualify. "We went to the cities (for the local tour) last year, but they just opened up a U.S. local tour out of Fargo," Christianson said. "A lot of the events are in and out of the Detroit Lakes area. It was a grind last year for sure, so it was better for us to have one based out of Fargo this year." For Eric and his wife Melissa, a long, hot trip out east was about



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Parker and Sophie Christianson golfed in the U.S. Kids Golf World Championship Aug. 4-6 in Pinehurst, NC.

one thing: family. "It's everything," he said. "To see them go through the good holes and the bad

holes, it just allows them to grow and mature so much. It's so meaningful for us to do it as a family. It's

something we'll never forget. Contact Jared Rubado: jrubado@dlnewspapers.com; Twitter: @DLtribSports

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MUSICAL

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this spring. Though she admits that she's been singing since she was just three years old, Malia waited a few more years before joining her brothers in the summer musical, "All Shook Up," when she was just about to enter sixth grade.

Since then, she has gone on to perform in "Aida," "The Little Mermaid," "Disney's High School Musical," "Mary Poppins," "Mamma Mia," and "Songs for a New World."

In the latter, which was held in the spring of 2021 instead of the fall, due to pandemic restrictions, she was a featured dancer as well as played several roles. Then, in her senior year, she was cast in the featured role of Katherine Plumber for the fall musical, "Newsies," and also served as choreographer for the production.

Malia recalled that back when she was cast in her first musical, she had asked Larson if she could continue to be her director up until she graduated — which she just did this spring.

She added that she first began taking voice lessons from Larson when she was in third grade, and continued to be involved in choir and Laker Singers up until she graduated.

"She's really good at what she does — she's amazing," Malia said.

"She really has the ability to pull the best out of people, and make them do better than they think they can," said Matt.



Contributed / Nancy McKenzie

Detroit Lakes High School vocal music instructor Kathy Larson, center, with the McKenzie family (minus Thomas, who was unable to attend) at the last DLHS choir concert of 2022.

"She knows how to push her students in a way that gets them to perform very, very well, but without breaking them," Isaiah said. "She really shows that she cares about her students deeply."

To show their appreciation, all six of the McKenzies plan to take part in this coming weekend's two-day celebration of Larson's retirement.

"All four of the kids are singing in the cabaret show, 'A Career in Revue,' on Saturday, and the six of us plan to be in the choir on Sunday too," said Nancy.

Tickets for Saturday's cabaret show, which starts at 7 p.m. on the main stage of the Historic Holmes Theatre, are for sale via the theater's website, dlccc.org/holmes-theatre.html. The cost is \$25 each,

with the proceeds going to help create a new endowed scholarship in Larson's name, via the Detroit Lakes Dollars for Scholars program.

The cabaret show on Saturday evening will be followed by a choir concert, "If Music Be the Food of Love, Sing On," which is set to take place Sunday, Aug. 14 at 3 p.m. in the sanctuary of Detroit Lakes' Holy Rosary Catholic Church. Admission to this show is a free will offering, with the proceeds going toward the scholarship fund. Those who would like to contribute directly to the Larson scholarship fund can do so via the website, detroitlakes.dollarsforscholars.org (use the "Click to Donate" link, and follow the prompts to make a donation in Larson's name).

ASSIST

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ham reiterated Berdt's sentiments about the working crew being a family. He also enjoys the opportunity to make sure concert goers have a fun and safe time.

Valerie and Norm Nelson added that concert-goers' safety is a high priority for everyone. They often direct campers to the right path to get to their campground, as the Soo Pass Ranch has 400 acres.

"I've actually been working here for 16 years," Valerie Nelson said, adding her husband started six years ago when they came to the concert as a second-honeymoon attempt. "During our actual planned honeymoon our dog had puppies, so we had to cancel that trip."

The two worked and then enjoyed time holding hands and swaying to the music of country legends taking the stage. Since, they have returned each year because the experience was "just fun."



Barbie Porter / Detroit Lakes Tribune

Angelina Pederson and her mother, Sara, joined the WE Fest workforce for the first time this year. It was Angelina's longtime dream to work the event. To celebrate her 18th birthday on Friday, the Detroit Lakes residents worked together near the bowl entrance by the walk of fame.

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BOOTS

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the summer," she said. "But my highlight (so far) was definitely Chris Janson's son ... I don't know what's going to beat that."

Chris Janson opened for Aldean and, at one point, brought his young son on stage to help him sing with the crowd. Janson also electrified the crowd when he showed off his harmonica playing skills over the course of his performance.

"Honestly, it is about country music, but also, you don't even feel like you're even in Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, or near Fargo," said Weinkauff. "Because, you are at this whole different vibe ... it has its own atmosphere."

Miranda Lambert's performance nixed by weather

As is always the case with outdoor venues, weather is a factor — and on Friday night, the concert bowl shut down around 7:30 p.m. due to an incoming thunderstorm, and never opened back up, causing the evening's performance by headliner Miranda Lambert to eventually be canceled —

an unprecedented event.

"To the best of my knowledge, I don't think we've ever had a headliner not perform," said Bjerke, "though sometimes they've gone on later, or maybe earlier, depending on the weather."

It wasn't for lack of trying that Lambert was not able to perform, however. Bjerke said that the artist had actually flown in early, on a private jet, to avoid the forecasted storms, and was waiting patiently in the wings to be able to go out on stage.

"She was all ready to go," he said, and as her original start time of 10:30 p.m. came around, it looked like she might be able to take the stage, albeit a bit late.

"It looked like we had a window where we could get Miranda on, close to 11:30 or midnight," he said.

But just as they were ready to call the spectators back into the concert bowl and begin the process of prepping the stage for Lambert's performance, the two meteorologists who were on site at the Soo Pass Ranch came back with an updated report that said the lightning

wasn't going to clear until close to 2 a.m. — which was simply too late for a concert.

"You can't be on a stage that size, with all that metal, when there's lightning within eight miles (of the venue)," Bjerke explained. "In the past, when a headliner has gone on late, it's just been raining, so we didn't have to evacuate the bowl."

Unfortunately, that wasn't the case this year, so the call was eventually made to cancel Lambert's performance. Rescheduling for the following day wasn't really an option, he added, due to the "tight scheduling" that was already in place.

Because artists like Lambert are typically booked 12-18 months in advance, bringing her back for 2023 was not really feasible either, Bjerke said, though he didn't rule out the possibility that she could return at a later date.

Saturday crowds enjoyed mix of veterans, newcomers

Saturday's schedule went off without any further glitches, though there were times when it

appeared as though there would be a few light showers. It certainly didn't dampen spirits, if the crowds that showed up to enjoy the day's performers were anything to go by.

Ella Langley got things going early on the Main Stage, then headed over to the Country Club in the general admission area of the concert bowl to provide a more intimate performance for the club's patrons.

Ian Munsick started things off with a lively cover of the Jackson 5's "I Want You Back," before showcasing his just-released new single, "More than Me," which he said took him three years to write.

His hour-long set also included some crowd favorites like "Long Live Cowgirls," "Cowboy Killer," "Solo" and "Horses are Faster," as well as a country-tinged cover of Fleetwood Mac's "Dreams."

Country legend Tanya Tucker was next to take the stage, with a crowd-pleasing set that celebrated her long career.

"This is my 50th

anniversary in the music business," she said. "I just won't go away."

With her long hair dyed in mermaid hues including blue, pink and purple, Tucker wore a black t-shirt bedazzled with the words "Cosa Salveje," which she explained was the name of her new tequila.

She proceeded to hold up a bottle of the liquor and toast the crowd, adding, "I'd like to pass the bottle around to you all if I could."

Her set was equally engaging, with songs from her teenage years like "San Antonio Stroll" — where she and her bandmates did an impromptu kick line at the end — interspersed with more recent hits like "Some Kind of Trouble" and "Ridin' Out the Heartache."

On her final song, 1972's "Delta Dawn," she invited the crowd to sing along, and they did.

Riley Green and headliner Luke Bryan rounded out the final day of the festival.

Detroit Lakes Tribune reporter Michael Achterling contributed information and photos for this story.

SPICE

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customers have already snatched up several bottles of the sweet treat.

The Detroit Lakes residents were pleasantly surprised with the number of people stopping by the store out of curiosity. "I did not expect this response so soon,"

Okeson said, adding he is thankful to see the lakes area is eager to kick their taste buds up a notch and get recommendations for new spices to carry.

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people can come and try different seasonings on different meats."

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The variety of spices are also easily transported, and more are soon to be added to the shelves. Several items already offered are made in the region, and one belongs to Okeson. The pure maple syrup is different than the rest of the items on the shelves, but



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Trump solicits donations after FBI search of his Mar-a-Lago home

By Sarah N. Lynch and Karen Freifeld
Reuters

WASHINGTON — Former President Donald Trump on Tuesday tried to turn the news that the FBI had searched his Florida estate to his benefit, citing the investigation in text messages and emails soliciting political donations from his supporters.

The unprecedented search marked a significant escalation of the federal investigation into whether Trump illegally removed records from the White House as he was leaving office in January 2021. Trump continues to publicly flirt with running again for president in 2024, but has not said clearly whether he will do so.

Trump tried to paint the search of his Mar-a-Lago club in Palm Beach as a politically motivated move by President Joe Biden's administration even as the former president plays a key role in Republican primaries ahead of the November midterm elections that will determine control of the U.S. Congress.

"They are trying to stop the Republican Party and me once more," Trump said in a fundraising email on Tuesday. "The lawlessness, political persecution, and Witch Hunt, must be exposed and stopped."

Trump launched his Save America political action committee days after losing the 2020 election to Biden. It has more than \$100 million in the bank, a formidable war chest.

His Republican allies in Congress vowed to launch an investigation of the search itself if they recapture control of the House or Senate in November. House Republicans including Representative Jim



David Dee Delgado / Reuters

A protester calling for Donald Trump's arrest holds a sign in front of Trump Tower Tuesday, the morning after former President Donald Trump said that FBI agents raided his Mar-a-Lago Palm Beach home, in New York City.

Banks were set to meet with Trump at his Bedminster, New Jersey, golf club on Tuesday.

The Justice Department and FBI have declined to comment on or even confirm the search, which Trump disclosed in a statement on Monday.

'Withering scrutiny'

The FBI could not have conducted the search without the approval of a judge who confirmed there was probable cause. The request almost certainly also would be approved by FBI Director Christopher Wray, a Trump appointee, and his boss, Attorney General Merrick Garland, who was appointed by Biden.

A White House official said Biden was not given advance

notice of the search.

"This search warrant in my estimation probably underwent more withering scrutiny than any search warrant in the history of the Department of Justice," said David Laufman, a former Justice Department official who oversaw prosecutions of national security offenses.

The FBI earlier this year visited Trump's property to investigate boxes in a locked storage room, according to a person familiar with the visit. FBI agents and a Trump lawyer, Evan Corcoran, spent a day reviewing materials, the source said.

Corcoran did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

The search is only an investigative step and does not mean that Trump will face automatically criminal charges, or that he would be found guilty of any wrongdoing.

It is a criminal offense to conceal or destroy government records. Any person convicted of violating a U.S. law called the Government Records Act would be barred from holding federal office and would face a prison term of up to three years.

Legal experts said it is unclear if the disqualification provision is constitutional. The U.S. Constitution sets forth the qualifications for being a president, senator or U.S. representative. Previous Supreme Court rulings

have held that Congress cannot limit the list of eligible officeholders.

That means if Trump were to be convicted, he likely would challenge any attempt to disqualify him from serving in office again, perhaps to a U.S. Supreme Court whose 6-3 conservative majority includes three justices he appointed.

"It is not certain that the bar set forth in the Government Records Act is constitutional," said Mitchell Epner, a lawyer at the firm Rottenberg Lipman Rich and former federal prosecutor. "It is absolutely there and it would be in all likelihood something that would end up being litigated."

The documents probe is one of several investigations that have focused on Trump since he left office, weeks after his supporters stormed the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, in an unsuccessful bid to overturn his election loss. Trump continues to falsely claim that the election was stolen through widespread voting fraud.

Trump remains the Republican Party's most influential voice, though recent polling shows Florida Governor Ron DeSantis rising in stature as a potential 2024 candidate.

But Trump has weathered many political scandals and observers said this FBI search could bolster his standing with Republican voters.

"The Biden administration is only adding rocket fuel to Trump's campaign prospects and energizing his supporters who want him to run again," said Ron Bonjean, a Republican strategist in Washington. "There should be more transparency around the decision to have this FBI raid because it looks overly political and allows Trump to say he's being unfairly attacked."

Kyiv urges travel ban on Russians

By Pavel Polityuk
Reuters

KYIV — Ukraine's president called on the West to impose a blanket travel ban on Russians, an idea that has found support among some European states but angered Moscow, which pressed on with a fierce military offensive in eastern Ukraine.

President Volodymyr Zelenskyy's idea looked likely to divide the European Union, where differences on how to deal with Moscow have long persisted between some eastern and western members.

Zelenskyy made his proposal in an interview with the Washington Post as Ukraine halted flows of Russian oil to some eastern European countries due to a sanctions-related payment issue.

Zelenskyy wants a one-year travel ban and the apparent expulsion of Russians living in the West so that they could live "in their own world until they change their philosophy." He complained that sanctions imposed so far on Russia to punish it for invading his country on Feb. 24 were too weak. "Whichever kind of Russian ... make them

go to Russia," Zelenskyy was quoted as saying. "They'll understand then. 'They'll say, 'This (war) has nothing to do with us. The whole population can't be held responsible, can it?' It can."

Zelenskyy was quoted as saying the ban should also extend to Russians who had fled since the start of the war in late February because they disagreed with President Vladimir Putin.

The Kremlin dismissed Zelenskyy's words. "Any attempt to isolate Russia or Russians is a process that has no prospects," said Kremlin spokesperson Dmitry Peskov.

Other Russian officials have questioned the legality of such restrictions, suggesting they would infringe Russians' rights.

There was support from Estonian Prime Minister Kaja Kallas, who said she thought it was time for the EU to stop issuing visas to Russians. "Visiting #Europe is a privilege, not a human right," Kallas tweeted.

Other countries which have traditionally enjoyed closer ties to Russia such as Hungary are, however, likely



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Smoke rises after explosions were heard from the direction of a Russian military airbase near Novofedorivka, Crimea, in this still image obtained by Reuters on Tuesday.

to oppose an EU ban. Moreover, the European Commission has questioned its feasibility, saying certain categories such as family members, journalists and dissidents should always be granted visas.

Meanwhile, President Joe Biden on Tuesday signed documents of Washington's support for Finland and Sweden joining NATO, the most significant expansion of the military alliance since the 1990s and prompted by Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

Power plant risk 'very high'

There were lingering concerns on Tuesday about the situation at the Russian-occupied Zaporizhzhia nuclear power plant, which Ukraine and Russia accused each other of shelling in recent days.

It was vital for the Kyiv government to regain control of the plant in time for winter, Petro Kotin, head of Ukraine's state nuclear power firm Energoatom said in an interview with Reuters.

Last week's Russian

shelling had damaged three lines that connect the plant in southern Ukraine to the Ukrainian grid, he said. Russia wanted to connect the facility to its grid, Kotin said.

He said "the risk is very high" of shelling hitting containers storing radioactive material.

Both Ukraine and Russia have said they want technicians from the U.N.'s nuclear watchdog, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), to visit Zaporizhzhia, the biggest nuclear power plant in Europe.

House has right to see Trump tax records

Judge rules in House of Representatives' favor in federal appeal

By Doina Chiacu
Reuters

WASHINGTON — A U.S. House of Representatives committee has the right to see former President Donald Trump's tax returns, a federal appeals court ruled on Tuesday, rejecting his claims that the request was invalid because it was politically motivated.

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ruled against the Republican former president, saying the committee's request was justified as part of its legislative work. The Democratic-led House Ways and Means Committee said it expects to receive the tax records immediately.

The court found that the committee's request did not violate separation of powers principles under the U.S. Constitution and that the decision by President Joe Biden's administration to provide Trump's tax returns to Congress did not infringe upon Trump's free speech rights.

"While it is possible that Congress may attempt to threaten the sitting president with an invasive request after leaving office, every president takes office knowing that he will be subject to the same laws as all other citizens upon leaving office," the ruling stated. "This is a feature of our democratic republic, not a bug."

The decision could lead to Trump's financial dealings being revealed before the next presidential election. Trump has not announced whether he will run again for president in 2024.

The tax ruling came a day after Trump said FBI agents raided his Florida estate and

accessed his safe in what his son said was part of an investigation into the former president's removal of official records from the White House.

A lawyer for Trump did not return a request for comment on the ruling or any possible appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

The Ways and Means Committee sued in 2019, during Trump's presidency, to force disclosure of the tax returns. The dispute has lingered since Trump left office in January 2021.

The D.C. Circuit rejected arguments by Trump's lawyers that the records should be withheld because the panel's motives for seeking them were political. Steven Mnuchin, the Trump-appointed treasury secretary at the time, refused to honor the committee's document request.

"When the committee makes a request that is within its authority to make, i.e., within Congress's investigative power, the (treasury) secretary does not have a choice as to whether to provide the information," the court said.

A district judge in December 2021 dismissed Trump's bid to keep his tax returns from the House panel, ruling that the legislative interest of Congress outweighed any deference he should receive as a former president.

Trump was the first president in four decades not to release his tax returns, records that would reveal details of his wealth and the activities of his family company, the Trump Organization.

Democratic House Speaker Nancy Pelosi said, "Access to the former president's tax returns is crucial to upholding the public interest, our national security and our democracy."

Suspect in killing of Muslim men arrested

New Mexico police apprehend prime suspect

By Andrew Hay
Reuters

TAOS, N.M. — Police in New Mexico on Tuesday arrested a 51-year-old man they called their prime suspect in the fatal shootings of four Muslim men in Albuquerque since November, a series of killings that have shaken the Islamic community in the state's largest city.

Police tracked down the vehicle believed to have been used in the murders, and Albuquerque Police Chief Harold Medina said at a news conference they had arrested the suspect. The latest victim was gunned down on Friday night.

Albuquerque and state authorities have been working to provide extra police presence at mosques during times of prayer as the investigation proceeded in the city, home to as many as 5,000 Muslims out of a total population of 565,000.

The ambush-style shootings of the men, all of Pakistani or Afghan descent, have terrified Albuquerque's Muslim community. Families went into hiding in their homes, and some Pakistani students at the University of New Mexico left town out of fear.

The first of the killings occurred in November. Three other men, all of whom belonged to the same mosque, were killed over the past two weeks.

The latest three victims shared the name Hussain or Hussein, leading victims' families to believe the killer had racially profiled the men.

One of the victims was Muhammad Afzaal Hussain, who worked as the city's planning director. His brother Imtiaz Hussain said news of



Jordan Yutzy / Handout via Reuters
Muhammed Afzaal Hussain poses in this undated handout image posted on The City of Espanola Facebook page on August 3.

the arrest reassured many in the Muslim community.

"My kids asked me, 'Can we sit on our balcony now?' and I said, 'Yes,' and they said, 'Can we go out and play now?' and I said, 'Yes,'" he said.

Three of the murdered men attended the Islamic Center of New Mexico, Albuquerque's largest mosque, which declined immediate comment on news that a suspect had been detained.

Three of the victims were shot near Central Avenue in southeastern Albuquerque. Naeem Hussain, 25, a truck driver who became a U.S. citizen on July 8, was killed on Friday, hours after attending the burial of two other victims - Muhammad Afzaal Hussain, 27, and Aftab Hussein, 41 - who were killed on

Aug. 1 and July 26, respectively.

Mohammad Ahmadi, a Muslim from Afghanistan, was killed on Nov. 7, 2021, while smoking a cigarette outside a grocery store and cafe that he ran with his brother in the southeastern part of the city.

Albuquerque Mayor Tim Keller thanked local, state and federal law enforcement for their work on the case.

"We hope their swift action brings an increased sense of safety for so many who are experiencing fear from the recent shootings," he said in a statement.

The manner in which the victims were killed suggested to relatives that the murders were hate crimes.

"There is some extreme hatred in the mind of the shooter," said Hussain.

Jones' punitive damages likely to be slashed

Conspiracy theorist could owe as little as 10% of \$45.2M

By Jack Queen
Reuters

U.S. conspiracy theorist Alex Jones could end up owing as little as 10% of the \$45.2 million in punitive damages that a Texas jury awarded to the parents of a Sandy Hook victim last week, legal experts told Reuters on Monday.

A jury handed down the punitive damages' verdict on Friday and awarded the parents \$4.1 million in compensatory damages on Thursday after a two-week trial in Austin, Texas, where Jones' Infowars radio show and webcast is based.

Jones was found last year to have defamed parents Neil Heslin and Scarlett Lewis, whose 6-year-old son Jesse Lewis died in the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in 2012, by spreading lies that they were part of a government plot to stage the massacre.



Briana Sanchez / Pool via Reuters
Alex Jones steps outside of the Travis County Courthouse, to do interviews with media after he was questioned under oath about text messages and emails by lawyer Mark Bankston, on Aug. 3 in Austin, Texas.

While juries have broad discretion on awards, Texas law caps punitive damages at \$750,000 when economic losses are not involved, as in

this case.

Mark Bankston, an attorney for the parents, told Reuters by email that because Jones and his company face three

claims each, he estimates the cap would be \$4.5 million. Bankston said he will argue the damages cap does not apply but declined to elaborate.

Judge Maya Guerra Gamble must approve the final amount, a decision that is expected soon.

Jones' lawyer, Federico Andino Reynal, said in court Friday that he will seek to reduce the \$45.2 million punitive damages award because it does not comply with Texas law. He confirmed to Reuters on Monday that he plans to invoke the cap.

According to the New York Times, Reynal has said he expects the punitive award to be reduced to \$1.5 million.

Several defamation lawyers said they were skeptical that the parents will be able to get around the cap.

"They're not going to collect it all — no way," Texas defamation lawyer Chuck Sanders

said. The initial number will still be a lasting deterrent to spreading misinformation if the verdict is cut significantly, Sanders said.

Even if the parents can convince Judge Gamble that the cap should not apply, Texas Supreme Court precedent holds that the ratio of punitive to compensatory damages should rarely exceed four-to-one. The jury's verdict in this case represents an 11-to-1 ratio.

In reaching their decision, the Texas justices cited a 2003 decision by the U.S. Supreme Court, which said that the ratio of punitive to compensatory damages should only exceed single digits in rare cases.

Jones' company, Free Speech Systems LLC, filed for bankruptcy protection on July 29, pausing two other Sandy Hook cases against Jones.

BRIEFS

With second negative COVID test, Biden exits isolation and gets back on the road

REHOBOTH BEACH, Del. — President Joe Biden tested negative for COVID-19 for a second consecutive day on Sunday and ended his isolation at the White House with a trip to his vacation home in Delaware and a reunion with his wife, first lady Jill Biden.

Biden has been holed up at the White House for more than two weeks with COVID, leading to canceled trips and events even as his symptoms stayed mild.

The president tested negative on Saturday but waited

until a second negative test on Sunday before ending his isolation.

"He will safely return to public engagement and presidential travel," Biden's physician, Dr. Kevin O'Connor, said in a memo.

Biden flew to Delaware on Sunday morning.

"I'm feeling good," Biden, 79, told reporters outside the White House as he was departing for Rehoboth Beach.

Biden first emerged from isolation at the White House on July 27 after testing positive for COVID-19 for the first time on July 21. He tested positive again on July 30 in what O'Connor described as a

rebound case seen in a small percentage of people who take the antiviral drug Paxlovid.

Biden signs documents of US support for Sweden, Finland to join NATO

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden on Tuesday signed documents endorsing Finland and Sweden's accession to NATO, the most significant expansion of the military alliance since the 1990s as it responds to Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

Biden signed the U.S. "instrument of ratification" welcoming the two countries, the final step for their

endorsement by the United States.

"It was and is a watershed moment I believe in the alliance and for the greater security and stability not only of Europe and the United States but of the world," he said of their entry into the post World War Two alliance.

The U.S. Senate backed the expansion by an overwhelming 95-1 last week, a rare display of bipartisan unity in a bitterly divided Washington. Both Democratic and Republican Senators strongly approved membership for the two Nordic countries, describing them as important allies whose modern militaries already worked closely with

NATO.

The vote was a sharp contrast with some rhetoric in Washington during the administration of former Republican President Donald Trump, who pursued an "America First" foreign policy and criticized NATO allies who failed to reach defense spending targets.

Sweden and Finland applied for NATO membership in response to Russia's Feb. 24 invasion of Ukraine. Moscow has repeatedly warned both countries against joining the alliance.

Putin is getting "exactly what he did not want," with the two countries entry into the alliance, Biden said.



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Desmond Rogers, 21, works July 26 on St. Paul Street at East North Avenue.

'IT'S NOT EASY TO GO OUT AND FIND A JOB'

Baltimore-area businesses find ways to hire and help squeegee workers

By Sabrina LeBoeuf, Lea Skene

The Baltimore Sun

When Revival Hotel in Baltimore's Mount Vernon neighborhood began to take on squeegee workers through a city employment program, the staff decided to invite the apprentices to play basketball on Sundays. The games had started recently as "Over the Hill Hoops," an excuse for members of the staff in their 40s and older to play at a court near the home of Jason Bass, director of culture and impact at the hotel.

With the new workers added to the mix, Bass said apprentice Davion Hodges, 22, took over the court about three weeks ago, showing off his skills and personality.

"He said he was going to go easy on us," Bass said, chuckling. "I think that he was one of the top scoring people on his team."

The management initially saw the games as a way to welcome the new staff. But when the young players started talking Mondays with their colleagues about the previous day's game, the senior staff realized that they'd created a way for the new workers to develop the skill of connecting with co-workers.

It's that kind of add-on to employment, those steps beyond simply offering squeegee workers a regular paycheck, that some of those who've been trying to help them say is necessary for any aid to have a lasting effect.

Squeegeeing, a perennial issue in Baltimore in recent years, frequently involves young, Black men and boys cleaning windshields at busy intersections for cash. Much controversy surrounds the practice, with people seeing squeegee workers through a plethora of lenses: some

view them as panhandlers who tarnish the city's image, while others praise their entrepreneurial skills.

Interactions between drivers and squeegee workers have led to violence and confrontations, such as when a woman pulled a gun on a squeegee worker in 2019. With the arrest last month of a 15-year-old boy charged with killing a man who wielded a bat at squeegee workers, suggestions for how to deal with squeegeeing have run the gamut, too, from telling them to get jobs to issuing citations for violating laws regulating pedestrians in traffic. Meanwhile, some workers themselves see squeegeeing as a productive way to stand on their own two feet and earn money quickly and consistently.

Deputy Mayor Faith Leach, who oversees programs aimed at helping squeegee workers, said getting kids from squeegee work to gainful employment often requires providing other services first, including housing, transportation, counseling and life skills classes.

"Everybody's been talking a lot about jobs," she said. "While jobs are important, that's not a silver bullet that's gonna end squeegeeing across the city."

Many squeegee workers face multiple hurdles to employment in the formal economy. Some begin squeegeeing below the legal age for employment or lack critical identification documents, such as Social Security cards, to complete hiring processes. Workers have also expressed a need for immediate cash payment to provide for themselves or loved ones, saying waiting for a paycheck just doesn't cut it.

"You could say it's like the first step into entrepreneurship," said Lance White, 20, who used to squeegee. "It's not easy

to go out and find a job."

Hustling to survive means finding "any way to come up with any type of money," he said. And everything costs money — including getting proper identification, appropriate work clothes, reliable transportation and other basic needs.

During a July 27 hearing before a City Council committee, officials expressed widespread agreement that addressing the root causes of panhandling is a monumental task with no easy solution — one that first requires examining "how we contribute to broken systems and failed policies that have led our children, our young people, to stand on corners and hustle," Leach said.

Some Baltimore businesses that have stepped up to help the workers have grappled with those challenges, and learned that simply offering jobs is not enough to transform workers' lives.

Hodges, who squeegeed as a teen to help support himself after his mother died, works alongside White at the Revival Hotel. Both young men spoke at the hearing. Hodges said his experience as a bell attendant at Revival shows how local businesses can serve the community.

"They felt like family from day one," said White, who started working in housekeeping in mid-July. "We want to be looked at as more than just a number, just one of the squeegee kids."

Donte Johnson, general manager for the 107-room, 14-story hotel in Central Baltimore, said he grew up labeled as an at-risk youth, similar to the squeegee workers. There weren't many programs that served his basic needs. He brings that perspective when he sees squeegee workers at intersections. He doesn't mind holding up traffic

for a few minutes, as long as he can connect with whoever he's talking to.

Bass, who is responsible for work culture, said he wants everyone to feel authentic and welcome. New hires are provided with Revival Hotel apparel, though no uniform is required, and introduced to various departments. That way, apprentices can feel safe asking questions.

Leach said she believes the most successful employment programs for underserved youth will take a similar approach.

"Revival has really taken it upon themselves to treat them like family," she said, noting that the hotel has hired 10 former squeegee workers this year.

She said employers also have to recognize where this population comes from. The key is "having employer partners who understand the challenges that our young people present with — and encourage and reprimand them as needed," she said.

Bass noted that employers cannot take on squeegee workers with a "filter" that another employer might use to focus only on a worker's time on the job. Sometimes, they have to understand there are circumstances in employees' personal lives that may lead to travel issues, later arrival times for shifts or not being able to come in. Bass said the Revival staff doesn't hold obstacles that create those situations against employees.

Mary Schroth, a real estate agent in Frederick County who has clients in Baltimore, decided less than a year ago that she wanted to use her business to help. Her team made a calendar of activities and services to support youth who squeegee. Each time they sell a home, \$400 is set aside to help Baltimore youth in some form, she said.

"Each person's situation is so unique, I think we really need understanding," Schroth said. "We're talking about the effects of poverty and what comes with that."

Schroth, who co-owns the business, would like to create an internship program for squeegee workers, noting that dealing with the frequent rejections they received at intersections is a valuable skill in her line of work.

"You've got to be pretty tough to get out there and deal with it all day long. To me, those kids show grit. They have traits that could be very viable to the business community," Schroth said. "They're bright and have just been failed by so many adults."

Desmond Rogers, 21, works with Schroth and continues to squeegee when he can. The money he makes helps go toward their shared mission of helping squeegee workers overall. He's also raised money through GoFundMe to get bikes for other squeegee workers.

"I want every child in Baltimore, the squeegee boys, to [have] work," Rogers said.

Hodges said he plans to stick with Revival Hotel and finish up his trade school training in welding.

He said working at Revival is like no job he's had before. Supervisors aren't too strict, check in on how he's doing and all the while he can be himself. In the past, workplaces would assign him to work on machines, away from people. At Revival, he enjoys the opportunity to put a smile on someone's face.

"They help you come out of your comfort zone more than keep you in it," Hodges said.

Baltimore Sun reporter Lillian Reed contributed to this article.

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Olivia Newton-John dies at 73



By Christie D'Zurilla
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Los Angeles

Olivia Newton-John, the beloved singer and actor known for her 1970s and '80s hits and the movie "Grease," died at her ranch in Southern California on Monday at age 73.

A cause of death hasn't been announced, but she was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1992 and underwent years of treatment. The cancer returned in 2017.

"Olivia has been a symbol of triumphs and hope for over 30 years sharing her journey with breast cancer," her husband, John Easterling, wrote Monday on the singer's official Facebook page to announce her death. "Her healing inspiration and pioneering experience with plant medicine continues with the Olivia Newton-John Foundation Fund, dedicated to researching plant medicine and cancer."

Easterling said that she was surrounded by family and friends when she died.

Born in Britain in 1948, the youngest of three children, Newton-John moved to Australia when she was 5 and started singing at 12. She won a singing contest in 1964 that had a ticket to London as a prize. There, she cut her first single and became a fixture on the music scene. She made her first record, "If Not for You," which put a song on the Top 25 in the United States after it came out in 1971.

Then Newton-John found herself in Los Angeles.

She broke onto the U.S. country music scene in the early 1970s, winning the Academy of Country Music honor for new female vocalist in 1973. Once her career took off, it was — for nearly a decade — unstoppable.

The Grammys came quickly. She won female country vocal performance for "Let Me Be There" in 1974 and pop vocal performance and record of the year for "I Honestly Love You" in 1975. The latter hit No. 1 on Billboard's Hot 100 that year, ahead of "Have You Never Been Mellow" that year.

She garnered the Country Music Association's female vocalist of the year award in 1974, beating Dolly Parton, Tanya Tucker, Ann Miller and Loretta Lynn. She was on TV specials and opened for Charlie Rich, the Smothers Brothers and Don Rickles in Las Vegas, then headlined on her own. Two of her albums hit No. 1 on the Billboard 200.

And Newton-John was beautiful. Remarkably so. Still, despite her success and her rabid fan base, many critics took shots at her singing, saying she had no range and was just "another pretty voice."

"Olivia Newton-John is



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Olivia Newton-John attends the 2004 Australian Week Dinner Honoring Australians in Entertainment on Jan. 24, 2004, at the Regent Beverly Hotel in Los Angeles.

often accused of having a very unsubstantial voice and only one asset — beauty," Dennis Hunt wrote in a 1976 Los Angeles Times review of her show at the Greek Theatre. Then he went against the norm. "It is easy to form this opinion from listening to her records but it is not possible to cling to it after seeing her in concert."

Other stories mentioned a need for more security when she played in Las Vegas if "the men in the audience get any more enthusiastic" than they were at one midnight show.

There was also the "nice" thing. The "innocent" thing.

"The only nasty thing people can find to say about N-J is that she's too nice," the Los Angeles Times wrote in 1977 while Newton-John was in production on her first big-budget feature film. "Her Sandra Dee-ish part in 'Grease' ... will do nothing to change her goody image."

But the movie musical did include a notable image overhaul. It opened in 1978, featuring John Travolta's bad boy Danny paired with Newton-John's good girl Sandy, who by the end of the movie found herself reborn as a bad girl wearing full makeup, permed hair and black, skin-tight silk pants. The singer herself emerged emboldened.

It was peak Olivia. The co-stars would remain friends. "When you share that kind of meteoric success — and nothing has been able to exceed it — you share a bond," co-star Travolta told People at the movie's 40th anniversary celebration in June 2018.

The "Grease" soundtrack sold more than 14 million copies in the U.S. alone (years later, Newton-John would settle a lawsuit with Universal Music Group over unpaid royalties), and the couple's singalong duet "You're the One That

I Want" hit No. 1 too. "Hopelessly Devoted to You" was nominated for a 1979 Oscar and spent time in the Top 5 with the Travolta duet "Summer Nights."

On Monday, Travolta shared a photo of Newton-John and paid tribute to his "Grease" co-star via Instagram: "My dearest Olivia, you made all of our lives so much better. Your impact was incredible. I love you so much. We will see you down the road and we will all be together again. Yours from the first moment I saw you and forever! Your Danny, your John!"

Other entertainment luminaries who honored Newton-John on social media include Gabrielle Union, who deemed "Grease" her favorite movie of all time and Newton-John "a real gift of a woman"; Marlee Matlin, who recalled feeling "so star struck" upon meeting her "It's My Party" co-star at a Hollywood event; and George Takei, who declared that "we are forever hopelessly devoted" to the original onscreen Sandy.

Newton-John released album "Totally Hot" in 1979, bringing with it hot-pink stretch pants and black leather outfits. "I'm into a lot of freaky things lately," she told the Times that year.

"I've lived with this innocent, clean-cut image for so long that at first, I was really frightened to do something different. ... I never had the nerve to break out before I did 'Grease.' ... Also, I've never been hit on so much in my life as when I first put on those pants."

Newton-John had lived with manager Lee Kramer at a time when "living with" wasn't the norm, and she still wrangled with being pretty.

"Why is it that if you look a little bit funky, the critics give you better reviews?" she asked the Times reporter. "It's because if you're beautiful, they figure you must be dumb and a no-talent."

The single "Magic" and the sexy tune "Physical" would top the charts in 1980 and '81, respectively, as Newton-John changed her style and her sound, moving toward a pop-rock blend. In 1982, she started the Australian-style sportswear line Koala Blue.

But the 1980 roller disco fantasy musical film "Xanadu" had actually flopped. "Two of a Kind," which paired her again with Travolta a few years later, would do slightly better, but her career as a big-screen leading lady was dead in the water.

Newton-John wound up lowering her profile from its fan-fueled peak, which had seen her smiling from glossy magazine covers regularly. She married "Xanadu" actor-dancer Matt Lattanzi in 1984 and two years later they had

a daughter, Chloe. Living in Malibu's Paradise Cove, she focused on her family and her environmental advocacy.

Then the '90s arrived, bringing with them a 1991 bankruptcy filing for Koala Blue and a 1992 breast cancer diagnosis for Newton-John. She fought back with chemotherapy, a partial mastectomy and breast reconstruction, and she tried not to let her daughter know what was going on. But a friend had let it slip.

Chloe "came running home and said, 'Is it true?' I told her it was, and I promised her from then on I'd always tell her everything," Newton-John told the Times in late 1994, when her cancer was in remission and she was back at work with a TV movie.

"Once you've faced your greatest fears, life somehow doesn't seem as threatening," she said.

Though Newton-John had released a few personal albums over the years — including "Gaia: One Woman's Journey," chronicling her cancer struggle — her official return to the music industry wouldn't come until "Back With a Heart" in 1998.

At that point, she seemed to have a new resolve, Times music critic Robert Hilburn wrote.

"I'm a very private person," she told him. "I never imagined I could talk about my breasts like this, but I do it because I think it helps other women. ... It's the word 'cancer' that freaks everybody out. But it's important to realize it's not necessarily a death sentence."

"I remember in my first year of treatment this lady had read about me in the paper and she came up to me, and said, 'I'm 20 years down the track now.' That was a defining moment for me. I was thinking of five years as my goal, and here was someone who had (lived) 20 years after the surgery."

She continued releasing music and amped up her efforts to fight cancer, eventually opening the Olivia Newton-John Cancer Wellness & Research Centre in the late 2000s in Melbourne, Australia. In the press, Newton-John promoted self-breast exam kits and spoke about the benefits of regular health check-ups.

By October 2004, Newton-John had successfully lobbied to make postage stamps promoting breast-cancer awareness available for purchase at Sav-On and Albertsons stores across California. Some proceeds from the stamps — which became the highest-selling ones ever offered by the post office — went to breast cancer research.

"I'm always surprised when women say to me they don't self-examine their breasts because they're scared they'll find

Above: Olivia Newton-John performs during Fire Fight Australia on Feb. 16, 2020, at ANZ Stadium in Sydney. Newton-John died Monday at age 73.

Cole Bennetts / Getty Images / TNS

something," Newton-John told the Times in 2004.

"It's much better to know, because the earlier you detect something, the earlier you can treat it."

Newton-John's 11-year marriage to Lattanzi ended in divorce in 1995. She moved on to date gaffer-cameraman Patrick McDermott for nearly a decade until he disappeared at sea in 2005. Then, in 2008, the singer married businessman Easterling and moved to Florida with him, selling her Malibu home the next year. In 2015, however, they bought a 12-acre horse ranch in the Santa Ynez Valley near Santa Barbara.

Christmas albums arrived in 2012 and 2016, the first one recorded with Travolta. Newton-John also continued performing shows, which included a "Summer Nights" residency at the Flamingo in Las Vegas that started in 2014 and ran for three years.

In 2017, the cancer returned, metastasizing to her spine and causing her to cancel concerts in the U.S. and Canada. Over the years, she had incorporated herbs and other natural supplements into her health regimen. She also used medical marijuana as a painkiller.

In the weeks before her death, Newton-John celebrated the 40th anniversary of "Physical" with a vinyl collector's edition of the track. When not filming PSAs and fundraising for breast cancer research, Newton-John often used her social media platform in her later years to share images of her loved ones and her blooming home garden.

"I denied to myself for a long time that I had ambition," Newton-John told critic Hilburn after a show in 1982. "I'm more comfortable with that now because I realize my drive isn't improper. ..."

"I've always wanted to do better at whatever I was doing, but I don't think it was ever a desperate drive. Even when I worked dingy little clubs in the beginning, I enjoyed it. It wasn't like I was thinking, 'I can't wait until I get out of here and make it to the top.'"

Newton-John is survived by her husband, daughter Chloe Lattanzi, sister Sarah Newton-John, brother Toby Newton-John and several nieces and nephews.

Her family asked that donations be made to the Olivia Newton-John Foundation Fund in her memory in lieu of flowers.

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Snickers Shakers Seasoning Blend.

Snickers candy bar now available as seasoning

By Karu F. Daniels
New York Daily News

B&G Foods announced Monday that the Snickers flavor profile of chocolate, caramel and peanut is available nationwide to consumers in its new Snickers Shakers Seasoning Blend.

The condiment can be sprinkled on foods and drinks — anytime you feel

like eating a Snickers bar.

At 15 calories per serving, ingredients include sugar, brown sugar, cocoa, peanuts, nonfat dry milk, palm oil, paprika, malt syrup, molasses, honey and corn syrup.

The Parsippany, N.J.-based foods holding company previously partnered with candy

giant Mars, Incorporated for the Twix Shakers Seasoning Blend.

The Snickers Shakers Seasoning Blend is being sold for \$4.98 for a 6.5 oz. canister and \$5.48 for 9.5 oz.

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Little Caesars' latest pizza has 100 pepperonis

By Melody Baetens
The Detroit News

Detroit pizza company Little Caesars has announced its latest creation will come with a whopping 100 pieces of curled-up, crisp pepperoni.

They're calling it the "Old World Fanceroni Pepperoni" pizza, and it is covered edge to edge in pepperoni. With eight slices, that's more than a dozen pepperonis per piece of pizza.

The Fanceroni is now available online for pickup or delivery. It is also available as a Hot-N-Ready item 4-8 p.m. daily. The \$9.99 pizza will be offered for a limited time only and is being marketed as a "fancier" version of their regular pizza.

"Little Caesars is already known

for breakthrough products such as our Pretzel Crust Pizza and Crazy Calzony," said Little Caesars' senior vice president of marketing Greg Hamilton in a press release. "Old World Fanceroni Pepperoni elevates our already high-quality pizza offerings and gives customers the option to make pizza night a little fancier."

Little Caesars, which recently became the official pizza of the NFL, is a Detroit-based brand founded by Mike and Marian Illitch in 1959 in Garden City and has grown to be the third-largest pizza chain in the world.

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Little Caesars / TNS

Little Caesars's new "Old World Fanceroni Pepperoni" pizza has 100 pepperonis.

Try orange-honey chicken with garlic zucchini, grape tomatoes

By Linda Gassenheimer
Tribune News Service

Orange, almonds and honey flavor chicken cutlets for this quick dinner. Boneless, skinless chicken cutlets, available in most supermarkets, are about 1/2-inch thick. They cook in just 4 to 5 minutes.

A colorful side dish of zucchini strips and grape tomatoes tossed in olive oil and garlic completes the meal.

Helpful Hints:

— You can use two crushed garlic cloves instead of minced garlic.

— You can use boneless, skinless chicken breast. Flatten to 1/2-inch thick.

Countdown:

— Prepare ingredients.

— Make zucchini and tomatoes and set aside.

Shopping List:

To buy: 3/4 pound boneless, skinless chicken breast cutlets, 1 small container orange juice, 1 small bottle honey, 1 package sliced almonds, 1 loaf whole grain country bread, 1 package zucchini (1/2 pound needed) and 1 package grape tomatoes.

Staples: cornstarch, olive oil, salt and freshly ground black pepper.

Almond chicken with orange honey sauce
Recipe by Linda Gassenheimer
2 tablespoons cornstarch plus 1 teaspoon

Salt and freshly ground black pepper
3/4 pound boneless, skinless chicken breast cutlets (1/2-inch thick)

2 teaspoons olive oil
1/2 cup orange juice plus 1 tablespoon
2 tablespoons honey
2 tablespoons sliced almonds
2 slices whole grain country bread

Mix 2 tablespoons cornstarch and salt and pepper to taste on a plate. Add chicken cutlets and coat both sides with the cornstarch. Heat oil in a nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add the cutlets and sauté 2 minutes. Turn and sauté 2 minutes. A meat thermometer should read 165 degrees. Remove from the skillet and add 1/2 cup orange juice scraping up the brown bits in the skillet. Add the honey and mix until honey is dissolved. Mix the remaining 1 teaspoon cornstarch and 1 tablespoon orange juice together and add to the skillet. Stir until the sauce starts to thicken, about 1 minute. Spoon sauce over chicken and sprinkle almonds on top. Serve bread on the side. Makes 2 servings.

Per serving: 510 calories, 17 g fat, 2.5 g saturated fat, 9 g monounsaturated fat, 125 mg cholesterol, 45 g protein, 44 g carbohydrates, 4 g dietary fiber, 25 g sugars, 180 mg sodium, 890 mg potassium, 500 mg phosphorus.

Exchanges: 2 starch, 1 fruit, 5 1/2-lean protein, 1 fat.

Garlic zucchini and grape tomatoes
Recipe by Linda Gassenheimer

1/2 pound zucchini (about 2 cups)
1 teaspoon minced garlic
2 teaspoons olive oil
1 cup grape tomatoes

Salt and freshly ground black pepper
Wash zucchini and slice. Place in a microwave-safe bowl and add the garlic. Cover with a plate or plastic wrap and microwave on high 2 minutes. Remove and add the olive oil, tomatoes and salt and pepper to taste. Cover again and let the tomatoes warm in the bowl while you prepare the chicken. Makes 2 servings.

Stovetop method: Heat oil in a nonstick skillet over medium-high heat. Add the garlic and zucchini. Sauté 3 minutes. Add the tomatoes and sauté another 2 minutes. Add salt and pepper to taste. Makes 2 servings.

Per serving: 80 calories, 5 g fat, 0.5 g saturated fat, 3.5 g monounsaturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 2 g protein, 8 g carbohydrates, 2 g dietary fiber, 5 g sugars, 15 mg sodium, 520 mg potassium, 70 mg phosphorus.

Exchanges: 1 vegetable, 1 fat.

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New product makes medical marijuana users less sleepy

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SPRINGFIELD, Mo. — Missouri users of medical marijuana are familiar with the sleepiness that comes from consuming the soporific weed.

But now a Missouri company has come up with a solution: Put the cannabis in coffee.

Missouri's Own Edibles is partnering with the Coffee Ethic — both are based in Springfield — to sell cannabis-infused coffee pods. Cannabis Coffee Pods are available in 15 dispensaries and dispensary chains across Missouri.

The pods include THC, the compound that makes its users feel high, and CBD and CBG, which do not. All three are at least anecdotally credited with relieving pain, anxiety, nausea and a host of disorders ranging from rare forms of childhood epilepsy to the weight loss that sometimes accompanies HIV and AIDS.

The pods have a suggested price of \$28 for a pack of four. Some dispensaries will also sell individual pods.

Missouri's Own Edibles is the company that also partnered with Old Vienna potato chips to create cannabis-infused Twice Baked Red Hot Riplets.

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Zucchini noodles star in summer 'pasta' salad

By Linda Gassenheimer
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I doctored up rotisserie or bought cooked chicken breast and used zucchini noodles to make this very quick and easy "pasta" salad. Zucchini is at its peak now, and here is a great way to use it. You can buy the zucchini noodles in the market or make your own using a spiralizer. There's almost no cooking needed for this summer dish.

The salad is dressed with a mayonnaise sauce. Adding a little warm water to mayonnaise creates a smooth sauce that can be used in many recipes.

Helpful Hints:

— If using rotisserie chicken, remove the skin and bones.

— If zucchini noodles are not available, use angel hair pasta cooked according to package instructions.

Countdown:

— Mix mayonnaise, water, horseradish and honey together.

— Prepare other ingredients.

— Make salad.

Shopping List:

To buy: 3/4 pound bought rotisserie or cooked boneless, skinless chicken breast, 1 jar reduced-fat mayonnaise, 1 small jar prepared horseradish, 1 bottle honey, 1 bunch fresh basil, 1 container green beans, 1 container zucchini noodles, 1 bunch scallions, 1 red bell pepper, and 1 whole wheat baguette.

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CHICKEN AND ZUCCHINI NOODLES 'PASTA' SALAD

Recipe by Linda Gassenheimer

3 tablespoons reduced-fat mayonnaise

3 tablespoons warm water

2 tablespoons prepared horseradish

1 tablespoon honey

1/2 cup fresh basil leaves, torn into bite-size pieces

1 cup green beans, cut into 1-inch pieces

8 ounces zucchini noodles (about 2 cups)

3/4 pound bought rotisserie or cooked boneless, skinless chicken breast (about 2 cups)

1/2 cup sliced scallions

1 red bell pepper, cut into 1-inch pieces (about 1 cup)

2 slices whole wheat baguette

Mix mayonnaise with warm water until smooth. Mix in the horseradish and honey. Add half the basil pieces and reserve the rest to add to the finished salad. Microwave the green beans for one minute. Add the zucchini noodles, green beans, chicken, scallions and red bell pepper to a large bowl. Add the mayonnaise dressing and mix in with the salad ingredients. Divide the salad between two dinner plates and sprinkle the remaining basil pieces on top. Serve with the baguette. Yield 2 servings.

Per serving: 486 calories (26% from fat), 14.1 g fat (2.4 g saturated, 3.4 g monounsaturated), 147 mg cholesterol, 51.1 g protein, 38.5 g carbohydrates, 5.8 g fiber, 469 mg sodium.



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Serena Williams serves during her first round match at the Australian Open on Jan. 18, 2016.

'WE'LL COME BACK TO SERENA'

Williams' impact to be felt long after pending retirement

By Frank Pingue
Reuters

Serena Williams announced her forthcoming retirement on Tuesday, but even when her illustrious tennis career comes to a close her impact on the game — which she dominated for more than two decades — will be felt for generations to come.

Williams, who made her professional debut in 1995 — a year after her older sister Venus — has been one of the game's most marketable stars. She has a slew of corporate partners and, in 2019, became the first athlete to land on Forbes' list of America's richest self-made women.

The 40-year-old Williams, who is playing a U.S. Open tune-up event this week in Toronto, said in a Vogue article that she is "evolving away from tennis" and added in an Instagram post that "the countdown has begun."

Comparing players from different generations is somewhat of a lost cause given the countless ways to appraise achievements and analyze data. But Williams is considered by many fans and pundits as the "GOAT" — a label that refers to the "Greatest Of All Time."

Williams revolutionized women's tennis with a lethal mix of powerful serves, groundstrokes and superb athleticism. She also became the most successful player in the Open Era by collecting 23 Grand Slam titles, the most recent coming in 2017.

That success also inspired a generation of tennis players, including Naomi Osaka — who beat



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Serena Williams in action during the first round of the Australian Open on Jan. 20, 2020.

Williams in the 2018 U.S. Open final to claim the first of her four majors — who remembers watching her childhood idol.

"When I was younger, the family event would be watching Serena and Venus," Osaka, who has Japanese and Haitian parents, said last week at a tournament in San Jose. "So when I was watching that, that pushed me a lot. I never got to watch them play live, in a match, but I've gotten to watch their practices. Seeing that, seeing people that look like me, it's definitely inspiring."

Women's rights

Throughout her career, Williams has been outspoken about the

culture of racism that she and her family, including Venus, were subjected to within a predominantly white sport.

At the peak of her career, Williams began what amounted to a 14-year boycott of a marquee tennis tournament in Indian Wells, California, after suffering racist jeers there in 2001. It was an incident she said left her crying in the locker room for hours.

In 2018, she accused officials of allowing a culture of sexism to run rampant in the sport, with women players being penalized for things that her male counterparts would never be punished for.

After being handed a series of code violations

during the U.S. Open final defeat by Osaka, Williams was particularly upset when she was docked a game for verbal abuse after telling the umpire he was "a thief" for stealing a point off her for a previous infringement.

"I'm here fighting for women's rights and for women's equality.... he's never taken a game from a man because they said 'thief,'" Williams said at the time.

Tennis pioneer Billie Jean King was among many who praised her for exposing the "double standard" that exists towards female players.

"In this society, women are not taught or expected to be that future leader or future CEO," Williams told

British Vogue in 2020. "The narrative has to change. And maybe it doesn't get better in time for me, but someone in my position can show women and people of color that we have a voice because lord knows I use mine... I love sticking up for people and supporting women. Being the voice that millions of people don't have."

Williams also pushed the boundaries of fashion on the tennis court, perhaps most notably at the 2018 French Open when she took the court wearing a skin-tight black catsuit with a red waistband — which she said helped her to cope with blood clots that threatened her life when she gave birth to her daughter months earlier.

The thought of women players turning up in such unconventional tennis attire, however, ruffled the Roland Garros establishment who then banned such outfits from the Paris major.

Author Howard Bryant, who wrote "The Heritage: Black Athletes, a Divided America, and the Politics of Patriotism," said in a report that Williams' career will be seen as a dividing line when it comes to how women and Black athletes are talked about.

"With her standing, and her empire, she's created a counter-voice and a new perspective," Bryant said in the report. "It's changed how we scrutinize behavior. You can't just gang up on her or make off-handed comments about her body. She has the stature of any great male athlete."

"In 100 years, if we ask, when did that shift happen, we'll come back to Serena."

LIV golfers aiming to play FedEx Cup Playoffs lose court case

Field Level Media

LIV Golf members Talor Gooch, Hudson Swafford and Matt Jones will not be allowed to play in this week's FedEx St. Jude Championship after losing their case for a temporary restraining order (TRO) in court Tuesday in San Jose, Calif.

U.S. District Judge Beth Labson Freeman heard the case and ruled in favor of the PGA Tour, which had filed motion in federal court to keep the three suspended players from competing in the FedEx Cup Playoffs.

Gooch, Swafford and Jones sought a TRO from

the court, with the first leg of the playoffs scheduled for Thursday in Memphis, Tenn. The trio argued the PGA Tour's suspension was causing them "irreparable" harm.

The judge sided with the PGA Tour, which argued that the players were trying "to have

their cake and eat it too," according to the tour's motion.

"LIV contracts are based upon players' calculation of what they were leaving behind," Freeman said as part of her ruling.

Gooch, Swafford and Jones would have qual-

ified for the FedEx Cup Playoffs based on their position in the points standings had they not been suspended for playing LIV events without the PGA Tour's consent.

It is the first significant court decision amid the yearlong dustup between the PGA Tour and the

upstart, Saudi-financed LIV series.

Gooch, Swafford and Jones are among a group of 10 LIV players suing the PGA Tour. The group originally included 11 golfers before Carlos Ortiz of Mexico reportedly withdrew from the suit Tuesday.