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Police work the scene of a shooting that took place at a north Fargo business on Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2021.

School board member could face censure

Benson under scrutiny for lobbying lawmakers

By C.S. Hagen
The Forum

FARGO — Fargo School Board member Jennifer Benson is at risk of being censured once again as other members allege that her efforts to lobby state legislators on pandemic issues violated the board's policies.

On Nov. 11, Benson began lobbying North Dakota lawmakers by sending them emails in an attempt to sway votes on issues she personally believed in, according to emails provided to The Forum.

Although the Fargo School Board has not taken stances on the issues that Benson addressed in her emails, board protocol states that to publicly voice differing and personal opinions as a board member

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Benson

2 dead in Fargo shooting

Suspect turns himself in after opening fire at business

By David Olson and April Baumgarten
The Forum

Fargo

Two people died and one man was arrested Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 17, after a shooting at a north Fargo business, according to Fargo Police Chief David Zibolski.

One of the victims, a man,

was taken from the scene to a Fargo hospital where he was pronounced dead, Zibolski said. Attempts to save a female victim were not successful, and she died at the scene.

Police said Wednesday afternoon that officers were working to identify the victims, and they asked anyone with information about the matter to call 701-241-1405.

The shooting suspect,



Reese Jr.

blocks from the shooting scene. Police said Reese was arrested and being held on suspicion of two counts of

murder. identified by Fargo police as Anthony Reese Jr., 35, of Moorhead, turned himself in at the Fargo Police Department, 105 25th St. N., which is about two

murder.

The incident at 401 27th St. N. was reported to police at 2:10 p.m.

When officers arrived, they found the man and woman with gunshot wounds. Officers immediately began to search the building, looking for the suspect and any other potential shooters.

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Lisa Budeau off of Valley News

Budeau gone from Valley News Live as hits keep on coming

Fargo

Longtime morning anchor Lisa Budeau is no longer employed by Valley News Live, but neither she nor television station management will give details about



MIKE McFEELY

the departure.

Budeau co-hosted news-based "Valley Today" with Jordan Schroerer from 4:30-7 a.m. weekdays and



Forum file photo

Lisa Budeau.

co-hosted the lifestyle show "North Dakota Today" with Heidi

Vetter from 9-10 a.m. weekdays.

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Sanford does bone marrow transplant

By Patrick Springer
The Forum

FARGO — Sanford Health announced its first bone marrow transplant in what it calls a milestone toward its efforts to make the Roger Maris Cancer Center a national destination for cancer treatment.

The transplant, which involved harvesting the cancer patient's own bone marrow, was completed in late October and announced on

Wednesday, Nov. 17.

The procedure was performed to collect the patient's stem cells, which will be stored and infused after the patient receives chemotherapy.

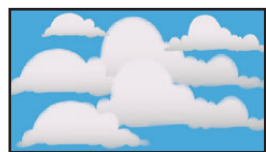
"This is a major milestone," said Dr. Ammar Alzoubi, a hematologist and director of the Sanford blood and bone marrow transplant program. Completion of the first autologous

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Italian Steakhouse opens in downtown Fargo's Radisson Blu. **PAGE A7**

No plans to declare emergency during spike

By Dana Ferguson and Alex Derosier
The Forum

ST. PAUL — New cases, positive test rates, deaths and hospitalizations for COVID-19 remained high in Minnesota Wednesday, Nov. 17, amid a steadily worsening wave of infections in the state.

Hospitalizations remain at their highest since December of last year, reaching 1,382, while test positivity rates and seven-day rolling average cases remained among the highest in the U.S. at 70.9 per 100,000 people.

Gov. Tim Walz on Wednesday said he had no plan to reinstate a



Joe Ahlquist / Post Bulletin

U.S. Sen. Amy Klobuchar is reflected in a pillar while Gov. Tim Walz speaks during a Wednesday news conference at Mayo Clinic in downtown Rochester, highlighting the availability of the COVID-19 vaccine for children.

state of emergency in Minnesota to combat COVID-19 as the

country continued to rank among the top in the country for new cases,

hospitalizations and deaths.

The governor made the comments from Helsinki, Finland, on a call with reporters. Walz is on a trade mission to Finland and the United Kingdom this week.

He said the emergency declaration that offers him additional powers to act without the approval of the Legislature would be less helpful to the state now that systems were in place to vaccinate people against the illness and test for COVID-19.

"It's just not that effective a tool right now to use that," Walz said,

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Explorer Academy opens, 'challenging norms' of education

By C.S. Hagen
The Forum

Fargo lauded as the "example for the state," the new Explorer Academy held its grand opening Tuesday, Nov. 16.

More than 100 people attended the event, which has been in the works for nearly five years, said Fargo Public Schools Superintendent Rupak Gandhi.

The academy, a school within a school, is an extension to Lewis and Clark Elementary School, offering specialized help for Fargo students who face behavioral challenges. The \$11.8 million project took years to finish because parents and school board members argued for and against such a facility.

Some parents said training for special education was needed more for teachers; however, the district had no separate setting for students with extreme behaviors.

Inside the academy, sharp corners are difficult to find. The walls are rounded. Soft lighting and wall projectors present a calming atmosphere. Much of the furniture is soft, and the sensory gym, which was created to help children build confidence in themselves, resembles an entertainment center, said instructor Nate



C.S. Hagen / The Forum

Fargo Public School board members and partners, along with Fargo Mayor Tim Mahoney, cut the ribbon at the grand opening of the Explorer Academy on Tuesday.

Hendrickson.

"We had to challenge the norms on how we deliver education," Gandhi said, adding that the building's uniqueness will help remove triggers that lead some students into misbehavior or agitation.

"This is the first investment into students recognizing that some students have special needs," Gandhi said. The stories the students in the academy will create

in the future won't be the ones on the front page, he said, but will be "stories of normalcy."

Explorer Academy Principal Justin Lien said that "every nook and cranny has a story," which will help support the whole child, socially and emotionally to enhance academic success.

"It took an entire village — sometimes neighboring villages — to make this dream

possible," Lien said.

Kim Pladson, executive director of TNT Kid's Fitness & Gymnastics, a partner with the academy, said she believes student potential will be unlocked through movement.

"A child is a gift waiting to be opened. This is what this school means to the community and what this school means to the state," Pladson said. "We are shaping the future. A

third of our population, our children, are 100% of our future. We're setting the example for the state."

Dr. Tonya Greywind, assistant director of the North Dakota Center for Distance Education, said the SmartLab is based on hands-on projects and experiences and is equipped with drones, 3D printers and "an explosion of opportunities."

The sensory gym has

ziplines and trampolines and, in the center, a pit with soft, foamy pillows. It's a place where children can "crash and crash safely," Hendrickson said.

The gym presents fun and challenges, and is designed to increase body awareness, problem solving and expressing difficulties.

Many rooms inside the academy have no doors because isolation is not a part of the school's program. Students also have access to calming rooms, and a mental health gallery is available as well.

Teachers and staff also have their own Zen Room where they can decompress and recharge, Lien said.

The Explorer Academy's mascot is the Wolves, which was inspired by North American Indigenous 7 Grandfather Teachings that represent the animal with humility, according to a press release from Explorer Academy.

"The wolf is strong and powerful alone, but finds its greatest strength when it is part of the pack," the press release stated.

"We recognize that no two learners are the same," Gandhi said, adding that the Explorer Academy was a true reflection of the Fargo School District.

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Officer cleared after shooting at unarmed man

By David Olson
The Forum

MOORHEAD — When a Moorhead police officer fired his gun at a fleeing man on July 4, his use of potentially deadly force was reasonable, according to a prosecutor who reviewed the shooting.

At the request of Clay County Attorney Brian Melton, a prosecutor in the Crow Wing County Attorney's Office, Kelsey Hopps, reviewed the shooting for possible criminal charges against the officer.

Hopps' review of the matter, released Wednesday, Nov. 17, says the case involved Moorhead Police Officer Andrew Werk and a 24-year-old man named Isiah Richard Hopkins.

According to Hopps' review:

Werk was familiar with Hopkins because he had fled from Werk and other

officers while possessing a gun on an occasion before the July 4 incident.

On July 4, Werk was on patrol near 404 Sunrise Circle in Moorhead when he saw a gold motorcycle parked in a parking lot.

Werk knew Hopkins was associated with the motorcycle and after running a computer check on Hopkins, Werk discovered Hopkins had an active felony warrant for felon in possession of a firearm.

Werk called for backup and then noticed Hopkins near the motorcycle. When Werk pulled his patrol car into the parking lot, Hopkins fled.

Werk chased Hopkins on foot and at some point lost sight of Hopkins.

Later, Werk encountered Hopkins in a courtyard between two apartment buildings and approached Hopkins to take him into custody, all the while giving loud verbal commands.

Werk reported that Hopkins took what Werk interpreted to be a shooter's stance with his arms extended and pointing at Werk, to which Werk responded by firing his gun at Hopkins four times.

"Officer Werk believed Hopkins was pointing a firearm at him and feared for his life, so he aimed his firearm at Hopkins and shot four times in an attempt to end the threat," Hopps wrote in his review.

Hopkins was not struck by any of the bullets and fled again, taking a position behind a van while officers gave commands to show his



Nick Broadway / WDAY

After a Moorhead police officer shot at a fleeing man, police blocked off the area of 24th Street North and Fourth Avenue in Moorhead on July 4.

hands and surrender.

Hopkins did not immediately surrender, but did so a short while later after officers sent a police dog after him and Hopkins put both of his hands up in the air and went to the ground.

In his review, Hopps noted that while a gun was not found during the investigation, that fact did not change his decision to clear Werk, in part because video obtained from apartment buildings showed that at

various points Hopkins made furtive movements toward his waistband and he could also be seen holding an object.

Hopps wrote that Werk's response was reasonable and justified given "Hopkin's non-compliance, history of weapon possession, the continuous furtive movements near his waistband and pockets and the observed object in his hand." Hopps noted that Hopkins was known to use drugs, possess weapons and to be combative and unpredictable during interactions with officers.

Based on the ongoing case and possible charges against Hopkins in Clay County, no other evidence, including squad car video, will be released at this time, Melton said Wednesday in a statement.

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COMING UP ON WDAY TV

Tonight on WDAY 6 News: After a fire destroyed their business, Bodyworks Physical Therapy is finally home.

Man dies, boy injured in north Fargo I-29 off-ramp car crash

Forum staff report

FARGO — A 41-year-old man injured in a crash at 19th Avenue North and Interstate 29 has died from his injuries, and according to the North Dakota Highway Patrol, a 14-year-old boy is seriously injured.

The incident happened at 10:09 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Officers said the 2014 Nissan Altima was being driven

by the adult man when it went off the road and struck a traffic light on the north side of 19th Avenue.

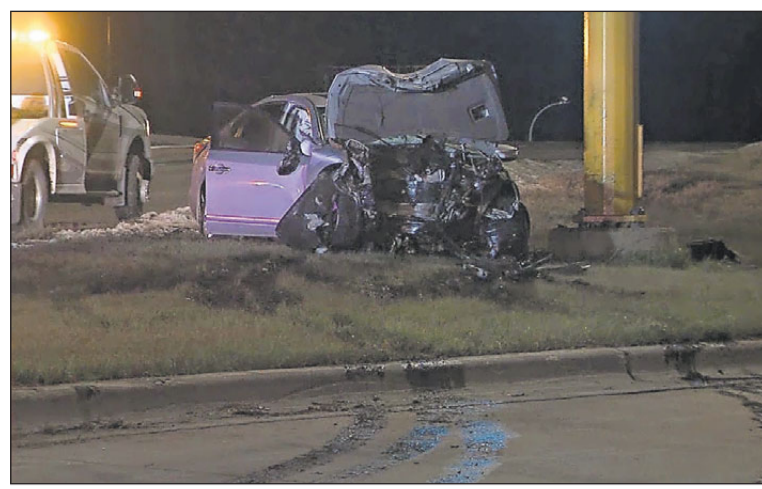
According to NDHP, there was an incident inside the car prior to the crash that caused the passenger to gain control of the steering wheel.

Both occupants of the vehicle were transported to a Sanford hospital, where the 41-year-old man was pronounced dead. He was not wearing a

seat belt. The 14-year-old boy, who was wearing a seat belt, suffered serious but not life-threatening injuries, according to police.

Following the crash, that section of 19th Avenue was shut down until around 3 a.m. while crews repaired the traffic light.

The Fargo Police Department, the Fargo Fire Department and F-M Ambulance assisted at the scene.



WDAY

Two people were hurt in a car crash Tuesday on the off-ramp of Interstate 29 and 19th Avenue North in Fargo.

Abandoned Argusville school to finally come down

By Barry Amundson
The Forum

ARGUSVILLE, N.D. — A long abandoned school building here that has been condemned for more than four years is finally going to come down.

Cass County Commissioners this past week voted unanimously to give the current owners — James and Deborah Baumler — 30 days to demolish the structure about 15 miles north of Fargo. Otherwise, the county will do so and assess them for the work and back taxes, as well as put a lien on the nearly \$7 million in property,

mostly farmland, they own in the county.

The dangerous property, in a report from a few years back, said 50% of the school was decayed with a partially collapsed roof, failing exterior and boarded up windows.

The board canceled a possible sale of the property for Tuesday, Nov. 16, after the county officially took over the property for the Baumlers' failure to pay taxes last month.

Commissioners said they didn't want to go through another delay in having the building torn down if the property was sold.

Commission Chairman Chad Peterson also said he doubted anyone would buy the property, as the estimated cost for demolition is between \$250,000 to \$450,000, including needed asbestos removal.

"I would think they could do it (demolition) for a lot less," said Peterson about the 30-day option for the Baumlers to tear the building down themselves. "It's not a safe building."

The Baumlers, who quit paying property taxes on the building starting in 2018, had a few contacts with the Argusville City

Council and at one point said they wanted more time to sell the structure.

At numerous meetings neither the couple, who purchased the building in 2008, nor their representatives attended.

When contacted by The Forum this week, Jim Baumler declined to comment.

Chief Deputy State's Attorney Tracy Peters said the cleared land could be sold, which tax law says would then be taken off the Baumlers' bill. However, the couple would be responsible for the demolition costs and back taxes.



Michael Vosburg / The Forum

The former Argusville school building is seen Monday in Argusville, North Dakota.

State detective requested T. Denny Sanford's electronic records in probe

By Christopher Vondracek
The Forum

SIoux FALLS, S.D. — Unsealed search warrants reveal that a detective with the state's

Division of Criminal Investigation had "probable cause" to retrieve T. Denny Sanford's data as part of a child pornography investigation.

The Minnehaha County Clerk of Courts unsealed the search warrants from 2019 and 2020 for phone and email records of billionaire philanthropist Sanford.

While the 85-year-old Sanford has never been charged with crimes stemming from the investigation, the records — which came just before 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 17 — disclose for the first time that 2nd Judi-

cial Circuit Judge James A. Powers signed off on five warrants, granting a detective permission to seize internet, phone and email records from Verizon, AOL, Microsoft and Midco.

The records sought by DCI special agent Jeff Kollars hone in on two 2019 dates in particular, May 29 and June 27.

In the first subpoena, Kollars filed a request on Dec. 9, 2019, to seize "all messages," including deleted ones, from Sanford's AOL email account with Dulles, Virginia-based Oath Inc., beginning in Jan. 1, 2019, through the subpoena request.

That same day, Kollars also requested Powers sign off on a subpoena for securing records for an online account with Microsoft in Brookings County.

Powers signed both documents, as well as late subpoena requests from Kollars that came in March, seeking data

hosted by Sioux Falls-based Midco related to Sanford's IP address, as well as "all available call records" held by Verizon Wireless, on May 29 and June 27.

At the time, court documents reveal that Kollars was involved in "an ongoing investigation involving the possession and distribution of child pornography via the internet," a Class 4 felony in South Dakota punishable by up to 10 years in prison and a fine of \$20,000.

The records, which had been under a judge-granted gag order requested by the same DCI agent, were ordered released by the South Dakota Supreme in a high-profile transparency opinion issued at the end of October.

The Division of Criminal Investigation us under the auspices of the state Attorney General's Office.

While spanning hundreds of pages, the docu-

ments reveal for the first time the extent to which Attorney General Jason Ravensborg participated in the case, at least by the middle of the summer of 2020, emailing back and forth with Powers.

On July 20, 2020, still over a month before the case would become public, Ravensborg wrote Powers, "[T]here are multiple states and jurisdictions involved in this matter," including the Department of Justice.

In an email to Forum News Service Wednesday, Sanford's attorney Marty Jackley reiterated that his client has never been charged with a crime. Court records unsealed by the Unified Judicial System earlier in the day confirm what had already been reported, namely that the AG's office had handed off the child pornography case to DOJ.

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USDA to focus on Indigenous food, ag

By Dan Gunderson
MPR News

MOORHEAD, Minn. — The USDA Office of Tribal Relations announced this week that it will partner with several Native-led organizations on projects to raise awareness of Indigenous perspectives about food and agriculture.

"The United States government hasn't always incorporated Indigenous views and values into our work. And that's particularly true within the food and agricultural space," said Heather Dawn Thompson, director of the Office of Tribal Relations and a member of the Cheyenne River Sioux tribe.

"We're taking this moment to rethink how the United States Department of Agriculture interacts with and thinks about Indigenous foods and Indigenous farming and ranching techniques," said Thompson.

Two regional seed processing centers will be created through the Minnesota-based Native American Food Sovereignty Alliance.

USDA will help fund equipment for the facilities, one in Minnesota



Dan Gunderson / MPR News 2011

Bear Island corn comes from an island on the Red Lake Reservation in northern Minnesota.

and one in the southwestern U.S.

"Some of this equipment is quite pricey and difficult for the average producer or seed saver to acquire on their own," said Thompson. "So these will become regional hubs that will be available to Native producers to share and use in a cooperative fashion, in order to process their seeds and save them."

Minneapolis-based North American Traditional Indigenous Food Systems will develop recipes using traditional Indigenous foods and foods provided to tribal

communities through the federal Emergency Food Assistance Program, said co-founder and executive director Dana Thompson.

Sean Sherman, founder of the Sioux Chef, will create a series of healthy recipes and cooking videos, and California chef Crystal Wahpepah will create recipes and videos with ingredients from the west and southwestern United States.

"We are honored to participate in this exciting initiative and see this as a positive step toward increasing food security and food sovereignty

in tribal communities," said Thompson.

There will also be a video series on wild food foraging and sustainable gathering practices produced by Linda Black Elk, food sovereignty coordinator at United Tribes Technical College in Bismarck, North Dakota, and Lisa Iron Cloud, Oglala Lakota from Rapid City, South Dakota.

Other projects will expand a program to help market Indigenous foods and create guidance to help tribes transition to bison production.

The University of Arkansas-based Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative will create a report on regulatory changes needed at the USDA to empower tribal self-governance of federal food programs.

The projects are small, with funding coming from the USDA internal budget, but Thompson said the plan is to build on what's learned over the next couple of years and to expand the tribal initiatives.

"We're really excited about this," said Thompson. "It's possibly, hopefully, reversing 200 years of federal policy."

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Fargo man valued asset to NDSU marching band

By Kevin Wallevand
WDAY

FARGO — A trip home for spring break in March 2015 changed everything for Elias Youngblom.

Despite all the barriers and setbacks, he is back on campus and once again playing a big role with North Dakota State University's Gold Star Marching Band — this time, on the other side of the drum.

On Friday, Nov. 12, Youngblom and his drumline were prepar-

ing for rehearsal. When WDAY first met Youngblom, he was at a special rehab center near the Twin Cities recovering from a horrible crash in 2015. A drunk driver going the wrong way on Interstate 94 collided with his car near Fergus Falls.

When Sanford AirMed brought Youngblom to Fargo, he was barely alive. Severely injured, he lost a significant amount of blood, and the crash took his sight.

"The first 24 hours were pretty tough

because we didn't quite know if he was going to make it," said Youngblom's mother, Tracy Youngblom. "But then, almost immediately after that, he started making these improvements."

When WDAY News caught up with Elias this week, he demonstrated how he uses a laptop and special software to compose music for the NDSU Gold Star Marching Band — specifically for the drumline he works with.

Youngblom admits

that initially following the crash in 2015, he was left wondering what to do after such a dramatic life change.

"Especially after the accident and losing my sight, there was a lot of questions. Like, 'What am I going to do with my life?'" Youngblom said. "The fact I can still do this and do it effectively and there's still a place that I can be a valued asset, it's great. It's huge. It's what keeps me going most days."

Youngblom says he doesn't allow himself to

dwel on the negatives, saying that he doesn't spend time feeling sorry for himself.

"No, no, that is a waste of time," he said. "Wallowing in self-pity is not productive. It doesn't make anything better. My sight is not going to come back if I feel bad or feel good, it's just not going to."

With an upcoming wedding and hours spent doing what he has done for years, it is his love for music, this university and the people who saved his life in 2015

that convinced Elias he can do anything.

"It's all been kind of a part of my getting back to being a real human and figuring out that there is lots in life to do," Youngblom said.

Youngblom will be with the band Saturday, Nov. 20, at the Fargo dome where the Gold Star Marching Band will play as the Bison face off against the University of South Dakota at 2 p.m. The band will play a tribute to the armed forces as part of the half-time show.

Heroes recognized for pulling man from burning truck

By Matt Henson
WDAY

DEVILS LAKE, N.D. — On Tuesday, Nov. 16, at the Devils Lake Ambulance Garage, for the first time, the family of 21-year-old Holden Mack got to meet four men who saved his life.

The cameras were out as Jeremy Swanson, Scott Willoughby, his son Cody and nephew Brady Ouart were all presented with the Colonel's Award for Excellence by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

"To me, it was like a help-less feeling. I didn't know if we would get him out," Scott Willoughby said.

On Sept. 25, the Willoughby family was working on a new home along Highway 2 when they heard a loud bang just a few hundred feet away.

Mack had just rear-ended a farm truck as it was turning off Highway 2. His pickup then caught fire, with the mangled metal funneling all of the flames right onto Holden.

"He was hollering; he could feel the pain from the flames on him," Scott Willoughby said.

Cody Willoughby took off his shirt to try to knock down the flames as the other men worked to get Holden out. But the pickup was so crushed they couldn't get in.



Contributed

A total of six men rescued 21-year-old Holden Mack from his burning pickup on Highway 2 back on Sept. 25.

"(Because of) the heat, we couldn't get too close. We'd reached in there and patted him out, and then the heat would be on us, so we had to trade people out and the next person would go in and try to keep the fire off of him.

That's when someone driving by gave the men a tow rope, and Scott was able to bend the window frame down by pulling it with his pickup. Another man cut the seat

belt. Holden was finally able to get out of the pickup after being trapped for more than 5 minutes. People poured water on him until an ambulance arrived.

"He had a will to live; he really wanted to get out of that vehicle. Because he had that will, he got out," Ouart said.

Less than a minute later, the pickup was consumed by the fire.

"(The) airbag was exploding, the spare tire he had on

the back of his pickup was exploding," said Holden's father, Kelly Mack. "So they had stuff flying at them, too, besides trying to get him out. They were dodging stuff that was exploding around them."

Holden had life-threatening burns on half his body. He was flown to a Twin Cities burn unit.

"I just hit the ground and started crying and screaming. She (his wife) had to take the phone from me," Kelly

Mack said.

Two months later, it was a big day Tuesday in Minneapolis as Holden took his first sip of water on his own since the crash. With the exception of some scarring, he is expected to make a nearly full recovery. However, it won't be easy. He will undergo a rehabilitation routine six hours a day, and he likely won't be able to return home to Edmore, North Dakota, for a few months.

Holden's parents said one of the first things he will do once he returns home is meet the men who saved his life.

"He's a fighter. He's bound and determined to get out of there," Kelly Mack said.

Even as they got to shake each man's hand for the first time, the Mack family said not even a million thanks are enough to convey their gratitude.

"(It's) overwhelming," Kelly Mack said.

"You don't know what to say. You just look at them and you think, 'They saved my child,'" said Holden Mack's step-mother, Karla Mack.

The Highway Patrol has since identified the two other people who helped rescue Holden and plan on getting them colonel plaques, as well.

One of them said he already got his award in saving Holden's life.

Smithfield Foods workers: OSHA settlement a 'slap on the wrist'

By Jeremy Fugleberg
The Forum

SIoux FALLS, S.D. — The union representing workers at the Smithfield Foods pork slaughterhouse in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, says it is unhappy with a recently announced settlement between the company and federal officials over the COVID-19 outbreak at the facility in 2020.

The COVID-19 outbreak at the plant, one of the worst early outbreaks of the pandemic, killed four workers and sickened nearly 1,300, including hundreds of family members and other close contacts, and fueled a rising surge in the surrounding community.

On Monday, Nov. 15, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration said it had reached a settlement with Virginia-based Smithfield over a single citation issued for the outbreak, with the company agreeing to pay a \$13,494 fine and make changes to its health and safety protocols.

"Our leaders have a responsibility to protect America's frontline workers who have been bravely putting their lives at risk to keep our country's food supply chain strong throughout this crisis," said B.J. Motley, president of the UFCW Local 304A, which represents workers at the Sioux Falls plant. "This deal is nothing more than a slap on the wrist for Smithfield and a deeply troubling betrayal of the men and women who have already sacrificed so much in this pandemic."

OSHA officials first announced the single citation and fine in September 2020, pointing out it was the maximum fine for the single violation it found at the plant: failing to provide a workplace free from recognized hazards that can cause death or serious harm.

Calling the outbreak "tragic" in a Monday statement announcing the settlement, OSHA Regional Administrator Jennifer Rous said, "We must ensure that all steps in the agreement are followed to prevent a mass outbreak from happening again."

But the workers' union rejected OSHA's position that the settlement and



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The Smithfield Foods pork processing plant in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, on April 16, 2020.

agreed-to changes by Smithfield were sufficient.

"As the union for Sioux Falls Smithfield work-

ers and their families deserve with meaningful action to strengthen worker safety protections," Motley said.

While Smithfield Foods agreed to the OSHA settlement, it continues to admit no wrongdoing in the matter. In an emailed statement, spokesman Jim Monroe characterized the decision to settle as more of a peacemaking measure with federal workplace safety officials.

"Settling with OSHA and avoiding litigation allows Smithfield to continue the good relations it has with the agency, as we have the shared goal of workplace safety," he said. "We are happy to put this behind

us and have focused our resources on efforts to vaccinate our entire workforce."

Asked for comment on the union leader's remarks, Monroe described his company as "grateful for the hard work and dedication of its employees."

"For its part, in the early days of the pandemic Smithfield identified and implemented health and safety measures before any guidance was forthcoming from any government agency. Those efforts continue to this day," he said.

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Whiteness, racism and privilege

By Holly Hassel
Many North Dakotans by now have seen the legislative approval of House Bill 1508 whose stated goal is the “prohibiting of teaching critical race theory in public schools.” Many recent national news articles have unpacked topics like defining CRT, pointing out that no K-12 school in the country actually teaches something called “critical race theory” to children. So if HB 1508 isn’t about CRT, what is it really about and why has it gained so much traction?

What the bill actually reflects is the unwillingness of our state to reckon with the consequences of past policy and economic decisions. Whiteness, racism and privilege are hard for white people (in many places, but here in particular) to confront. The reasons are nearly always because of an emotional barrier that prevents us from living up to our values—empathy, accountability and equity among others.

I write this because it is painful to see legislation pass that takes away teachers’ freedom and students’ right to learn about the history of our country, whether it is palatable or not. Our increasingly diverse communities here in the state deserve a fair understanding of the past and the present; pretending that the actions of the past do not affect our future are a disservice to our schools.

I grew up in Brainerd, Minnesota, a few hours east of here (insert non-Fargo “Fargo” joke here), a white kid in a nearly all-white town, to white working-class parents, where I went to a nearly all-white school. In such an environment, it is difficult to see whiteness as anything other than normal, natural and universal.

It wasn’t until I gained some distance and knowledge that I was able to understand the topics that HB 1408 wants to prevent schools from talking about: white privilege and structural oppression. These terms have specific definitions—and I admit they are not very user-friendly. But they helped me (and maybe can help you too, if you are a white person in North Dakota reading this) grasp the role of history and policy in shaping today’s national landscape. Tim Wise’s “White Like Me: Racism and Privilege in America,” for example, powerfully narrates how the author grappled with his family history and how benefits accrued to him as a white man in America—whether he wanted them or not. More recently, Robin D’Angelo’s “White Fragility: Why It’s So Hard for White People to Talk about Racism,” and Iljeoma Oluo’s “So You Want to Talk about Race” offer road maps and ways of understanding that can create a space for white people to understand how structural racism influences our nation today.

Gen Z youth (like my own two children) see right through that. Other sources than school and adults shape their worldviews. Trying to legislate conversations students can have as part of their education—here, three hours from where George Floyd was murdered by Derek Chauvin in the street—only puts on display to youth that adults are out-of-touch and disingenuous.

The best path forward is foster conversations that allow students to grapple with injustice: They may not be any one person’s fault, but they are everyone’s responsibility.

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A busy week for ND lawmakers

Chet Pollert was right. The North Dakota Legislature managed to wrap up its special session in just five days. As majority leader in the House of Representatives, Pollert deserves credit, which he must share with his Senate counterpart, Rich Wardner of Dickinson, who shepherds a chamber that has grown as unruly as the House has more commonly been.

The session accomplished two important goals. It created new legislative districts and it blew through a billion dollars in just five days. Much of the heavy lifting of budgeting and redistricting was done ahead of the session. There were other developments, but none as significant as these.

Sen. Ray Holmberg, R-Grand Forks, had an especially large role. He chaired the Redistricting Committee with his House counterpart, Rep. Bill Devlin of Finley. Holmberg also chairs the Senate Appropriations Committee. Rep. Jeff Delzer of Underwood is his counterpart in the House. These committees put in many hours ahead of the session.

The new district lines met some resistance, mostly from legislators whose political futures are imperiled by the changes. The new map shifts legislative power away from rural areas to growing cities and from the eastern part of the state to the fast-growing west. It also swept some of the Republican Party’s mischief makers into districts where they will face competition from more centrist legislators. What the new map does not do is shift power away from Republicans. The GOP grip on the state’s political system is in no danger of weakening as a result of this remapping.

Another important change is the creation of sub-districts in two districts with large native populations. Some legislators objected, but the argument that federal courts would invalidate the plan without the sub-districts was ultimately convincing. At first glance, sub-districts ought to favor Democrats, but a closer look suggests the results will be a draw. Dividing District 4, which contains the Fort Berthold reservation, likely will cost Republicans a seat. The incumbent there is



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Terry Jones, a fervent member of the right-leaning Bastiat Caucus. On the other hand, dividing District 10, which contains the Turtle Mountain reservation, will likely mean a Republican gain, because the native population will be the majority only in one subdistrict.

The really consequential change is in McKenzie County, which had greater population growth in the last decade than any other county in the United States. That means Oil Country will have greater representation than before, and that’s not limited to McKenzie County. Other districts in the northwestern part of the state were tightened up because populations in those districts grew and some parts were moved to other districts.

The biggest losers in the remapping effort are in the northeast, including Grand Forks County, where population increased but not by enough to save the one rural district in the county, which got pasted onto the Traill County district. This happened a bit farther west, as well, where districts grew larger because of population losses. The same thing happened in the southeast corner of the state. It’s too early to tell what the ramifications of this might be. That will depend on the candidates who come forward and those who win seats in the 2022 election.

The session’s other accomplishment was spending \$1 billion in federal COVID relief funds. These became available through the American Rescue Plan passed early in the Biden administration. The deadline to use the money is several years away, but Gov. Doug Burgum urged lawmakers to spend it now on infrastructure and tax relief, arguing that infrastructure will be cheaper because interest rates are low, and the state is rich and can afford to rebate some of its wealth to taxpayers.

Lawmakers bought both arguments, but not without some hesitation.

The governor’s tax relief plan means lower taxes by exempting Social Security benefits from taxation and giving every income taxpayer up to a \$350 credit (\$700 for couples) in each of the next two years. Some lawmakers had wanted to make the reduction in income taxes permanent.

The largest infrastructure items drew some opposition, too. One, an appropriation of \$150 million as seed money for a natural gas pipeline to eastern North Dakota, faced opposition from other fuel suppliers, but it passed anyway – with an add-on to build a short gas line from Minnesota to Grand Forks in order to meet the needs of a corn milling plant that’s chosen to build here.

The Senate saw a last-minute attack on the next biggest infrastructure bill, for buildings on college campuses in Grand Forks, Minot and Bismarck. State Sen. Janne Myrdal of Edinburg tried to strike the funds, arguing that the decision should wait for the 2023 session. Her amendment was voted down.

The session began with a raucous demonstration on the Capitol grounds, a preliminary to a consideration of a batch of so-called “social” issues. These were aimed at mask and vaccine mandates and so-called “critical race theory,” which lawmakers ordered banned from the state’s classrooms. While these got a lot of ink and air time, they are of little real consequence. Educators can’t avoid teaching the truth of American history, which involves both slavery and genocide. These are issues that we Americans have to face – while holding on to another truth in our national history, which is that human rights are won. As for mask mandates and vaccinations: The sooner we each assume responsibility for our neighbors, the sooner we will be rid of this virus.

Here again it’s worthwhile to read and recognize the aspirations of the U.S. Constitution, which aspires to “a more perfect union,” suggesting that the United States didn’t start out perfect. We have to work at it.

Mike Jacobs is a former editor and publisher of the Grand Forks Herald.

A proposal for renaming two post offices

On Friday, along with the entire Minnesota House delegation, I proposed two bipartisan bills that would rename two post offices in the 7th District.



MICHELLE FISCHBACH
 United States Representative

The Oklee Post Office would be renamed the Coya Knutson Post Office, in honor of the first Congresswoman from Minnesota. Ms. Cornelia “Coya” Genevieve Gjesdal was born in Edmore, North

Dakota, in 1912 to Norwegian immigrant farmers. She attended Concordia College in Moorhead before moving to New York City and attending Julliard School of Music with dreams of becoming a professional opera singer. Later, she moved back to Minnesota, where she married Andy Knutson and moved to his farm near Oklee, where they eventually operated a hotel and grain farm and adopted an eight-year-old boy, Terry. In 1955, she became the first female elected to Congress from the state. She served from 1955 until 1959, where she primarily focused on protecting the family farm and opening educational opportunities. Later, President John F. Kennedy appointed Knutson the liaison officer for the Department of Defense. In her retirement, Coya moved in with her son’s family and helped raise her grandchildren. She passed away Oct. 10, 1996, at the age of 82.

The Vergas Post Office would be renamed for Jon Glawe, a veteran who dedicated 36 years to delivering mail in the Vergas area. Glawe was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1970 and served as a sergeant stationed in Frankfurt, Germany, until he was honorably discharged in 1972. In 1973, he married his high school sweetheart, Darla Olson. After the passing of his father in 1975, Glawe moved home to operate the family dairy farm with his brother and deliver mail to the town of Vergas and the surrounding areas for 36 years until his retirement in 2011. This mail route was more than a job for Jon. In a way, it was his birth right, because it was the same route his father worked. And, like his father, Jon was beloved by this community. Despite having two full-time jobs, he was always there to give a helping hand, from mowing lawns to delivering important packages after hours to volunteering at his church. He thrived on being with people, had a terrific sense of humor, and could make a friend out of a stranger. He set an example for all those around him on what it meant to lead a good and decent life. Glawe passed away in 2016 at the age of 66.

I’m honored to be able to commemorate these individuals who made such an impact on their communities.

Fischbach, R, represents Minnesota’s 7th Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives.

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City of West Fargo.....(701) 433-5300

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House.....(800) 657-3550

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City of Moorhead.....(218) 299-5305

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Active COVID-19 cases up in ND, November death toll climbs

By Adam Willis
The Forum

BISMARCK — The following are COVID-19 case rates, deaths and hospitalizations tracked by the North Dakota Department of Health as of Wednesday, Nov. 17. Because all data are preliminary, some numbers and totals may change from one day to the next.

Statewide case rates
▶ **NEW CASES REPORTED WEDNESDAY, NOV. 17:** 630
▶ **ACTIVE CASES:** 3,424

▶ **DAILY POSITIVITY RATE:** 6.9%
▶ **TOTAL KNOWN CASES THROUGHOUT PANDEMIC:** 156,740
▶ **TOTAL RECOVERED THROUGHOUT PANDEMIC:** 151,485

Cass County, which encompasses Fargo, had the most known active cases on Wednesday with 854 cases. Burleigh County, which includes Bismarck, had 426 active cases, and Ward County, which includes Minot, had 299.

The state's 14-day rolling average positivity rate

was 7.4% as of Wednesday, up by nearly half a percentage point from last week.

Hospitalizations, deaths
▶ **ACTIVE HOSPITALIZATIONS:** 148
▶ **DEATHS:** 8
▶ **TOTAL DEATHS:** 1,831

North Dakota reported eight new COVID-19 deaths on Wednesday, pushing November's death toll to 41, with 29 of those deaths reported since the end of last week.

October was by far the state's deadliest month of the pandemic so far this year, with 164 registered virus deaths.

Virus hospitalizations fell on Wednesday and are down from 168 on Sunday, but many health care centers remain crunched for capacity, mainly due to high noncoronavirus admissions.

The state reported 13 available intensive care beds and 164 regular inpatient beds across the state in the latest update to a health department database, though most of

the open beds are in small hospitals with limited capabilities. Fargo's three hospitals reported a combined five ICU beds and six inpatient beds, while Bismarck's two hospitals reported two open ICU beds and two inpatient beds.

Vaccinations
▶ **FIRST DOSE ADMINISTERED:** 426,965 (67% of population ages 12 and up)
▶ **FULL VACCINE COVERAGE:** 367,238 (57.6% of population ages 12 and up)

▶ **BOOSTER DOSES ADMINISTERED:** 76,657 (22% of population ages 18 and up)

These figures come from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which includes vaccinations performed at federal sites and reports slightly higher vaccination rates than the state's vaccine dashboard.

The Department of Health encourages individuals to get information about vaccines at www.health.nd.gov/covidvaccinelocator.

Threat of violence at Moorhead middle school deemed not credible, officials say

MOORHEAD — A Snapchat of a handwritten note that threatened school violence was turned in by a Horizon East Middle School student to school administrators on Wednesday morning, Nov. 17.

School and law enforcement officials investigated the threat and "deemed the threat not credible and appropriate action has been taken," according to a

notification sent to parents at 1 p.m. Wednesday.

The details of the threat or the action taken were not released. Though officials said they followed the Cass Clay Unified Response threat assessment protocol, which includes a search.

"We understand that incidents of this nature raise concern for parents, students and staff. Please be assured that the Horizon campus is calm and students and staff are safely engaged in learning activities," officials

said in the notification.

Minneapolis Federal Reserve president to visit Moorhead

MOORHEAD — President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis Neel Kashkari and former Minnesota Supreme Court Justice and Minnesota Vikings star Alan Page will be visiting community leaders in northwest Minnesota this week to talk about education achievement gaps in the state.

The event, which includes other state and

local officials, will be a discussion on Thursday, Nov. 18, from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Minnesota State University Moorhead, with its Chief Diversity Officer, Jered Pigeon, serving as moderator.

Also participating in the Moorhead event will be Minnesota Humanities Center CEO Kevin Lindsey and West Central Initiative Foundation President Anna Wasescha.

It will be a virtual event to try to limit the number of people in atten-

dance, but Kashkari and Page will be personally in attendance with the other panelists.

The meetings across the area are aimed at addressing inequity and ensure that all Minnesota children can reach "their highest self and lead in our society, democracy and economy."

The discussions will focus on disparities facing children of color as well as low-income students.

The goal is also to build a "child-centered education system of the

future" through what Kashkari and Page propose as an amendment to the Minnesota Constitution that they say will strengthen education in the state.

Kashkari and Page will also visit Viking Elementary School in Pelican Rapids at 1:30 p.m. on Thursday, and will travel to Bemidji on Friday, with stops at JW Smith Elementary School at 1 p.m. and the American Indian Resource Center at 2:30 p.m.

Page is also co-founder of the Page Education Foundation.

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noting that the declaration could also worsen tensions between the DFL governor and the GOP-led Senate. "Just get vaccinated, that's the big thing."

While the state of emergency had been the right move early in the pandemic to scale up testing, personal protective equipment and vaccines, it was no longer needed to prevent COVID-19 deaths, Walz said. And if he declared it, more Minnesotans could choose not to follow state masking requirements or shutdowns.

Walz said it was "demonstrably false" that reinstating his emergency powers would bring down COVID-19 cases in the state and said he needed the help of lawmakers to approve flexibility and funding for hospitals that were

strained from a tide of COVID-19 cases.

To date, Walz and leaders in the divided Legislature have been unable to compromise on the terms that would allow them to return to St. Paul for a special legislative session to take up hero pay for front-line workers, hospital relief measures and support payments for farmers.

In a Wednesday statement, Senate Majority Leader Jeremy Miller, R-Winona, said Senate Republicans are open to a special session.

"We remain ready to come back for a special session to address frontline worker bonus pay, drought relief, and immediate COVID needs," Miller said. "The governor is the only person who can call a special session and we look forward to continuing discussions with the governor when he gets back from his trade mission."

The governor on Wednesday said his administration

had done more to curb the pandemic than the Senate Republicans had done during the course of the pandemic. And, again, he refused to call back lawmakers if the threat of losing Health Commissioner Jan Malcolm remained on the table.

Senate Republicans have said they have a right to confirm or terminate state commissioners.

"I can't afford to lose someone at the department of health who is getting these vaccines out and making a difference," Walz said.

Earlier in the day, Walz and the department of health announced that two federal emergency staffing teams would be deployed to Minnesota to relieve medical staff at Hennepin County Medical Center and St. Cloud Hospital. They are set to begin treating patients next week.

Malcolm said additional hospitals had requested relief staffing but the federal gov-

ernment had a limited number to send out. The state is also set to open a third alternative care site at Cerenity Senior Care-Marian of St. Paul beginning Monday, Nov. 22.

The decompression site will take patients transferred out of hospital settings that aren't yet ready to return home. The center will be able to accept 27 patients at a time, primarily from Twin Cities area hospitals. Alternative care sites have also opened in Brainerd and Shakopee.

Walz said the state was considering additional sites, too, if COVID-19 hospitalizations continue to grow in Minnesota.

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Statewide case rates
▶ **NEW CASES:** 3,457
▶ **SEVEN-DAY, ROLLING AVERAGE OF NEW CASES PER 100,000 PEOPLE:** 70.9 (as of 11/9)
▶ **TOTAL CASES, INCLUDING REINFECTIONS:** 861,235
▶ **TOTAL REINFECTIONS:** 9,433
▶ **SEVEN-DAY, ROLLING AVERAGE TEST POSITIVITY RATE:** 10.5% (as of 11/9)

Hospitalizations, deaths
▶ **ACTIVE HOSPITALIZATIONS:** 1,382
▶ **TOTAL HOSPITALIZATIONS:** 43,827
▶ **DEATHS, NEWLY REPORTED:** 46
▶ **TOTAL DEATHS:** 9,093

Vaccinations
▶ **FIRST DOSE ADMINISTERED:** 3,562,569 or 68.4% of population ages 5 and older
▶ **COMPLETED SERIES (2 doses):** 3,331,979 or 63.9% of population ages 5 and older

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Medical assistance was immediately called, and the man who had been shot was taken to a local hospital, where he was pronounced dead. Emergency workers tried to save the wounded woman, but she died at the scene, police said.

Zibolski said the business where the shooting occurred was Composite America.

It was unknown whether the victims were employees of the business.

A company called Composite America began at 401 27th St. N. in Fargo in the early 2000s creating materials out of hemp, flax and jute that were used to make interior panels for machinery, vehicles and airplanes, according to a story in The Forum's archives.

The founders of Composite America sold the business to Melet Plastics about 11 years

ago, and Melet Plastics continued to operate the north Fargo business, according to a story published by FM Extra in 2020.

The Melet Plastics website lists the Fargo address as one of its two locations, the other being in Winnipeg, Manitoba. Messages left with Melet Plastics seeking comment were not returned.

Zibolski said officers have recovered the gun they believe was used in the shootings. Police have not said whether

they know what may have motivated the shooter.

Yellow police tape could be seen sealing off the Melet Plastics property Wednesday afternoon, as well as around the parking lot of the Fargo Police Department.

According to the Minnesota Department of Corrections website, Reese was free on supervised release in connection with a 2013 conviction in Benton County, Minnesota, for criminal sexual conduct.

Details of that case were not available Wednesday night, but online court records indicate Reese pleaded guilty to a charge of criminal sexual conduct in the third degree in Benton County District Court in 2014.

That same year, Reese was given a sentence of four years in prison, which was stayed for 15 years on the condition that he serve a year in jail and successfully complete 15 years of supervised release.

In September of

2015, Reese was found to be in violation of his probation and was ordered to serve his original 48-month sentence, with credit given for having served 521 days, according to online court records, which said that after his confinement Reese was to be on conditional release.

Online court records also indicate Reese was convicted in 2015 in Benton County for illegal possession of a firearm, for which he received a five-year sentence.

BENSON

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goes against policy, said Board President Rebecca Knutson.

Benson, a board member since 2014, told The Forum that she did not violate any school board policies. Benson said she was not representing the board in her lobbying efforts and that her voice should not be silenced.

"I don't see it as a violation in any way, shape or form. It's more about let's personally attack the person willing to speak the truth even in the face of adversity. They come at me personally and it's unfortunate and this is one more example," Benson said.

Benson included her school board title on emails she sent from her personal and Fargo Public Schools addresses to lawmakers expressing her support for parts of a bill that the North Dakota Legislature considered in a special session this month.

Benson's emails, sent to at least 16 legislators, confused some elected officials and prompted board member Robin Nelson, on the Govern-

mental Affairs Committee, to send a clarifying note to lawmakers on Nov. 12.

"Please be assured that the FPS Governmental Affairs Committee has not taken any positions related to these items. Ms. Benson's opinions neither represent this committee's position, nor do they represent the Fargo School Board's position," Nelson wrote.

Benson works as an area business specialist for Janssen Pharmaceuticals, a company owned by COVID-19 vaccine-maker Johnson & Johnson.

Among other topics, she lobbied state legislators to ban state licensing boards from taking action against doctors who prescribe off-label FDA-approved drugs (Lawmakers ended up passing a bill that prohibits such action against prescribers of ivermectin, an anti-parasite drug that's become a popular un sanctioned treatment for COVID-19).

"Please advocate for direct access to the life-saving medical treatments, including monoclonal antibodies and ivermectin on behalf of all North Dakotans for both vaccinated and unvaccinated

patients needing this treatment," Benson wrote in an email to elected officials, adding that "discrimination based on 'vaccination' status should never be allowed."

Benson also supported imposing penalties of up to a year in jail or a \$500,000 fine for pharmacists who deny a prescription of a medically-necessary drug (Lawmakers ultimately declined to enact such penalties).

"This is where we lose America. If we fail to act on this, we will fail to safeguard the freedom that we are supposed to hand down to our children and grandchildren," Benson wrote.

Knutson said Benson's actions were not in line with board policies that say a board member's responsibility is to represent board positions, not their personal opinions, even if they don't agree.

"The board operates as a unit, so it can become a challenge when someone doesn't agree with a decision of the board. But this is: 'I don't agree with a certain position of the board and I'm making a purposeful decision to not abide by the policies,'" Knutson said.

Such actions from board

members at most face censure, Knutson said. Censuring Benson would mean the board publicly expressing their disapproval of her actions, but otherwise the step would not carry a penalty.

"By censuring it means we don't agree with what you're doing or saying, and it doesn't mean you can't participate. A person is elected and they have to fulfill their elected duties under Century Code," Knutson said.

Benson has been censured twice before: once in June 2020 for making accusations against district leadership, and again in June 2021 for repeatedly not wearing a mask during board meetings when district policy required her to do so.

As a result of Benson's pattern of behavior, the board may discuss options for bolstering its disciplinary policies, Knutson said.

"Maybe we need to strengthen policies on how we address board member violations or have an official statement by the entire board saying we don't agree," Knutson said.

In addition to lobbying elected officials, Benson publicly challenged a lawyer who was talking about the legal rights

of school districts to mandate masks on Oct. 29 in Bismarck during a North Dakota School Boards Association convention, Knutson said.

"When I heard about this — and it's deeply disturbing — because this is involving another entity now. You're there representing the Board of Education; you're not there to represent your own viewpoints," Knutson said.

Benson defended her actions, saying that hard conversations were needed and that she questioned the attorney on issues related to federal law versus state law.

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Monte Jones is the guest experience manager of 84 Italian Steakhouse, which opened to the public Tuesday in the Radisson Blu hotel in downtown Fargo.

84 Italian Steakhouse opens in downtown Fargo's Radisson Blu

By Helmut Schmidt The Forum

The Radisson Blu aims to fill two downtown dining needs with the opening of 84 Italian Steakhouse. The fine dining restaurant opened to the public Tuesday evening. "It's very exciting and it's innovative and it's going to be a great addition to downtown," guest experience manager Monte Jones said Sunday, Nov. 14.

The closing of Toscana in April 2020 ended its 14-year run as a well-loved Italian option. And there are currently no steakhouse specialists downtown, the longtime Fargo and New York restaurateur said. Those are the gaps 84 Italian Steakhouse is well-placed to fill, he said.

Executive Chef Ryan Shearer, formerly of the HoDo, "is just brilliant," Jones said. "Chef Ryan - I have never worked with someone as innovative as he is. He has a way of looking at items and seeing and presenting them in an enticing different way than has ever been done before," Jones said.

The wine selection will also be stellar, he promises, thanks to certified sommelier Alex Chubaty. "Our wine list is truly international. He's (Chubaty) curated a list that has wines literally from every wine producing region on every continent."

The restaurant also has a wine preservation system that allows people to buy individual glasses of wine.



Radisson Blu Photo

The 84 Italian Steakhouse opened to the public Tuesday in downtown Fargo's Radisson Blu hotel.

"So you can have one glass of wine from a \$300 bottle of wine. It may cost you \$50, but you don't have to buy the whole bottle," Jones said. The 84 Italian Steakhouse replaces the restaurant side of Level 2 Eats + Drinks. The lounge side will eventually be rebranded as BLU BAR.

Steaks take center stage on the restaurant's menu, complemented by gourmet Italian cuisine and seafood. Appetizers run from \$10 to \$16. Salads are \$12-\$13. Burgers and sandwiches range from \$12 to \$16. The entrees are dominated by meats and seafood, running \$25 to \$40. Pastas range from \$14 to \$17, with an additional charge of \$5 to \$12 for proteins. There is also a selection of desserts.

Breakfast is available daily, served 6:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Monday through Friday, and 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Dinner at 84 Italian Steakhouse is served 5 to 10 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, subject to change depending on staffing. It is closed Sundays and Mondays.

A seating touch familiar to those who had been in the Silver Moon supper club are the stylish art deco-style banquettes. Jones wanted the "clamshell" style booths because "everyone loves them."

Jones has been a familiar face for Fargo diners for nearly two decades, having started fine dining favorites Monte's Downtown and the Silver Moon, before moving on to Basie's Restaurant and Lounge

and Urban 42, in what is now Delta Hotels by Marriott on the city's south side.

Jones says the opening of 84 Italian Steakhouse will bring his culinary journey full circle, adding that soft opening nights held Friday and Saturday, Nov. 12 and 13, were filled with familiar faces.

"The guests who joined us ... the politicians, professors and business owners ... it was just so wonderful to see all these people that I've known so long that are still interested in whatever the hell it is I'm doing. It just couldn't have been any better," Jones said. "I feel like I'm back where I belong."

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US farmland values rise the most in nearly a decade on crop prices

By Michael Hirtzer Bloomberg News



Erin Hooley / Chicago Tribune / TNS

Soybeans are harvested on Oct. 10, 2019, in Manteno, Illinois. Farmland values jumped over the last year thanks to high crop prices.

High crop prices are trickling down to agriculture real estate, which have risen by the most in nearly a decade. Farmland values jumped 18% from a year ago during the third quarter of 2021 in the Seventh Federal Reserve District, a five-state region including all of Iowa and most of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin, according to the Chicago Fed.

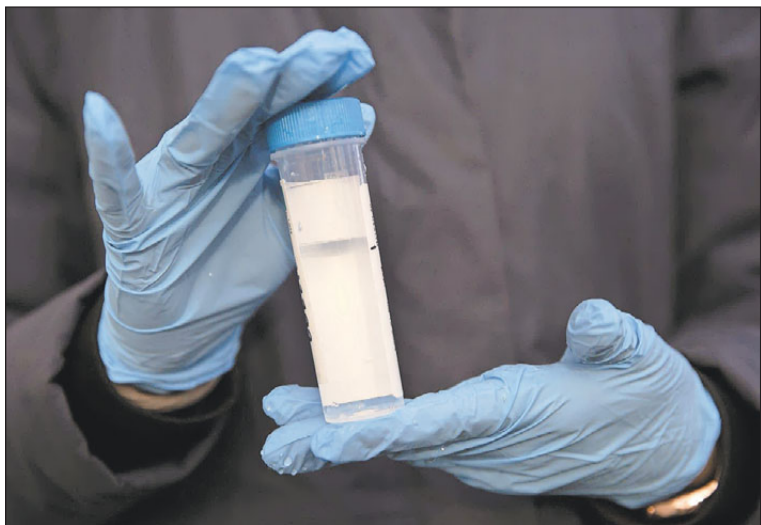
The gains come as farmers were bolstered by high incomes and low interest rates, and after corn and soybean futures climbed to multi-year peaks in Chicago amid adverse weather for crops.

Now, the high farmland prices are adding to concerns about inflation, with rising costs for raw materials and transportation leading to increases in food prices.

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State officials to ask businesses to test for 'forever chemicals'



Christine T. Nguyen / MPR News

Minnesota Department of Health student paraprofessional Carolyn Enright holds a water sample from a private well in West Lakeland Township, Minnesota, in this 2019 photo. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has an ambitious strategy to deal with PFAS — human-made “forever chemicals” that have polluted public drinking water supplies, and accumulated in fish and wildlife.

The Forum

ST. PAUL — Minnesota Pollution Control Agency officials on Tuesday, Nov. 16, said they are hoping to work with hundreds of businesses around the state to test and monitor the spread of PFAS, long-lasting chemicals that can contaminate water and cause health problems in animals and people.

MPCA leaders released a draft proposal on Tuesday that would ask wastewater treatment plants, landfills, airports, chrome plating facilities and automotive shredders to collect samples from their facilities and have them tested for per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, known as PFAS.

The new rules are aimed at limiting the spread of the chemicals before they enter waterways or contaminate the air. And the information

gleaned from testing could help the state better understand what kind of PFAS are being created by or moved through Minnesota facilities, MPCA PFAS Coordinator Sophie Greene said.

“We’re anticipating that we’ll get a broad swath of data, not just about the legacy PFAS, but also about these newer PFAS that we’re expecting to see a little bit more in some of these facilities,” Greene said.

The guidelines aren’t final. And they could be tweaked before they’re expected to take effect early next year. The agency requested public input on the new rules before December 20.

Greene along with MPCA Commissioner Katrina Kessler said they hoped that asking producers to start testing would yield a stronger

response than requiring the assessments. The tests can cost up to \$500 per sample. They said Michigan had positive results after taking a similar approach.

“We recognize that if we can do things with partners in a voluntary or less regulatory atmosphere, we’re going to be successful faster,” Kessler said, “but we do have authority to require treatment and reduction if this approach shows that more reduction is necessary.”

MPCA officials last week reported that for the first time PFAS had been detected in Greater Minnesota waterways. The state now has 26 bodies of water that are polluted by PFAS in levels that don’t meet water-quality standards.

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BRIEF

Hansen Elevator Service banned from North Dakota

BISMARCK — Hansen Elevator Service has been banned from doing business in North

Dakota, the state attorney general’s office announced Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Dave Hansen, operating on behalf of the company, was found to have violated consumer protection law in Cass

County District Court. North Dakota Attorney General Al Wayne Stenehjem’s consumer protection division had received complaints that Hansen failed to provide elevator maintenance services for four

businesses, solicited advance payments and then did not return to perform the work.

Additionally, the court found Hansen misrepresented his business’s insurance and registration status in the

state.

Hansen is banned from doing business in North Dakota for at least five years, and until he refunds more than \$100,000 to the businesses he defrauded.

SANFORD

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bone marrow transplant marks the start of North Dakota’s first bone marrow transplant program, he said.

“This process has been a lot of planning, and to see it finally take hold is really gratifying,” Alzoubi said.

The procedure came after two years of planning and preparation

that included hiring a clinical pathologist to supervise a specialized laboratory and bringing in a consultant to train staff, Alzoubi said.

Initially, Sanford planned to send stem cells to a lab to be treated and returned, but that didn’t prove workable, so Sanford decided to create its own “from scratch,” he said.

Roger Maris Cancer Center becomes the latest in the region and one of only 60 or 70

in the nation that have the capability to perform blood and bone marrow transplants, Alzoubi said.

More than 10 million cells were collected from the patient, who experienced no complications. The patient was admitted to Sanford’s inpatient oncology unit and received high-dose chemotherapy, followed by stem-cell infusion.

The patient, whose identity was not revealed, is now recovering at home. The patient was treated for multiple myeloma, a cancer of the immune system, with the goal of achieving a “deeper remission,” said Dr. Seth Maliske, a hematologist.

Having blood and bone marrow transplant services available at Roger Maris Cancer Center spares patients from having to travel to receive care, typically anywhere from three to 10 hours from home, and spend two to five months away while receiving treatment.

“Having this treatment available right here in Fargo-Moorhead is a game-changer,” said Maliske, who added that it will help reduce the time and financial burdens on cancer patients.

Sanford’s blood and bone marrow transplant is the first in North Dakota, according to Sanford.

Patients from its other hubs, in Sioux Falls, Bismarck and Bemidji, will be referred to the program, and other health systems, including Altru Health System in Grand Forks, are interested in referring patients, Alzoubi said.

Other blood and bone marrow transplant centers in the region include the University of Minnesota, Mayo Clinic, Billings, Madison, Milwaukee, Omaha and Iowa City, Maliske said.

The next phase of Sanford’s bone marrow transplant program involves planning next summer for allogeneic bone marrow transplants, which involve taking cells from a healthy donor’s bone

marrow for transplant.

Plans call for that step to be followed late next year with CAR T-cell bone marrow transplants, where genetically modified T-cells are infused to treat cancer.

CAR T-cell therapy is a form of immunotherapy that uses specially altered T-cells — a part of the immune system — to fight cancer. A sample of a patient’s T-cells is collected from the blood, then manipulated to produce what are called chimeric antigen receptors (CARs) on their surface. When these CAR T-cells are reinfused into the patient, the new receptors enable them to latch onto a specific antigen on the patient’s tumor cells and kill them.

Doctors at Roger Maris Cancer Center are scheduled to perform another autologous bone marrow transplant soon after Thanksgiving, and expect to do three or four others by the end of the year, Maliske said.

“Hopefully after that we’ll be able to pick up the volume in 2022,” he said.

Once all three programs are in place in 2023, Sanford will seek accreditation for its blood and bone marrow transplant program, Alzoubi said. When fully operational, the center expects to treat 50 to 100 patients per year, Maliske said.

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Sanford Health / Special to The Forum

Kayleigh Buescher, a Sanford Health medical laboratory scientist, is shown removing excess plasma from bone marrow cells in the Sanford Cellular Therapies Lab. The cells are divided into doses, frozen, and stored until the donor needs them.

BUDEAU

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Budeau’s Facebook account says she began working at Valley News Live in 2002. Her last day on air at VNL was Monday, Nov. 15.

Reached via text message, Budeau said, “I am no longer at VNL.”

She said her attorney is Daniel Phillips at the Solberg Stewart Miller law firm in Fargo. A message left for Phillips was not immediately returned.

In an email message to The Forum, Valley News Live general manager Ike Walker said, “We do not comment on personnel matters.”

Multiple industry sources indicated VNL was unhappy with a Facebook post by Budeau last week that criticized a Fargo restaurant for not giving her father a free meal on Veterans Day. The post has since been deleted.

Another Facebook user, Amber Schaffer, pushed back at Budeau’s claims. Schaffer

identified herself as someone who works at Texas Roadhouse, the restaurant Budeau criticized.

In a post, Schaffer said Budeau’s accusation “is not factual.” Then she disputed Budeau’s post on several points and said Budeau did get the meal comped, posting a photo of a receipt.

Budeau was one of the most recognizable and popular personalities on VNL. She was voted 2019’s Best TV anchor in The Forum’s Best of the Red River Valley contest and finished second in the same contest in 2020.

“We have super loyal and friendly viewers. I hear a lot of people say, ‘I wake up with you every morning and I feel like I know you.’ I like that,” Budeau said in a 2014 profile in Area Woman magazine. “I try to stay relatable. I’m a mom just like everyone else who is eating breakfast and looking for that missing glove. I want to keep our viewers. I have the same stresses and family life that they have. I’m just doing my job.”

Her departure from the station continues a string of negative news in 2021 for VNL.

In October, political commentator Chris Berg was one of several employees who left the station because they refused to abide by owner Gray Television’s mandate to be vaccinated against COVID-19. News anchor Tom Tucker was another who did not get vaccinated and left the station. Both Berg and Tucker joined conservative radio station The Flag, which does not require COVID-19 vaccinations.

VNL’s longtime creative services director also left the station over the mandate.

In May, Valley News Live lost in its bid to continue broadcasting North Dakota State football games as it had done since 2007. The rights were instead awarded to VNL rival WDAY-TV, which is owned by Forum Communications.

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NDSU can't match Panthers in early-season loss

Hot shooting Northern Iowa sinks Bison women in home opener

By Jeff Kolpack
The Forum

FARGO — North Dakota State wasn't hitting on all five women's basketball cylinders on Wednesday night. It was hard to find even one or two.

The Bison struggled from the field, had a difficult time containing Northern Iowa guard Karli Rucker and the result was a home opener flop. UNI reversed last year's outcome on the same Scheels Center at Sanford Health Athletic Complex floor with a 76-63 nonconference victory.

After an impressive season-opening win at Wisconsin-Milwaukee, the Bison dropped to 1-2 in a couple of performances that probably won't fare well against

the better teams in the Summit League starting late next month. The Bison were picked third in the Summit preseason poll.

"There's an arrogance, maybe, that doesn't need to be there that we haven't earned or deserved at all and that may be part of our problem," said NDSU head coach Jory Collins.

Basic ball handling was a problem. The Bison had 19 turnovers to UNI's six and saw the Panthers come away with 10 steals.

"Just move forward, watch the film and learn from our mistakes," said Bison guard Ryan Cobbins. "We know we're a better team than that and we'll take care of it in

practice and on to the next. You have about 15 minutes after each game to dwell on it so we'll just move forward as quickly as possible and keep in the back of our minds what we need to work on."

At least NDSU won't have to face Rucker in conference play. The 5-foot-6 senior guard had 27 points in one of the better offensive performances fans may see at Scheels Center this season. Even when the Bison threatened a rally in the third quarter, she was there for the answer.

"She's a good player, a veteran player," Cobbins said. "We just struggled to guard her and hats off to her."

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David Samson / The Forum
North Dakota State's Kadie Deaton battles for position against Northern Iowa's Cynthia Wolf at the Scheels Center on Wednesday.



NDSU Athletics photos
North Dakota State head football coach Matt Entz, left, gives Veteran's Day recognition to NDSU student trainer Demetri Hospidales, who spent time in Iraq as part of Operation Enduring Freedom.

INSPIRING SERVICEMAN

Bison's 40-year-old training student source of motivation

By Jeff Kolpack
The Forum

Fargo

Practice had just finished and the North Dakota State football players as usual gathered around Matt Entz to hear the head coach's closing remarks. This time, on Veteran's Day, Entz called an audible.

He asked athletic training student Demetri Hospidales to join him. The reason: Hospidales is a veteran who joined the U.S. Navy when he was 18 years old.

"I was not expecting that," he said. "I was a little embarrassed; people did way more and sacrificed way more than I did."

Hospidales is 40 years old and going back to school at the NDSU Master of Athletic Training program.

It was time to change the career path.

The last 20 years have been a consortium of military and law enforcement jobs that took him around the world. He was part of Operation Enduring Freedom, the name given to the global war on terrorism following the 9/11 attacks.

Hospidales served in Iraq. He ended up in law enforcement in the military until 2010 when he decided it was time to get out. He ended up at the VA medical center in Fargo as a federal law enforcement officer and did further training in the fraud investigation field.

That morphed into a position in western North Dakota working for the North West Narcotics Task Force in the oil patch of McKenzie,



North Dakota State student trainer Demetri Hospidales, left, watches the Bison football players go through a drill during practice.

Williams and Divide counties. The oil boom was getting out of control.

"They needed a lot of help," Hospidales said.

He helped for three years. Gradually over time, injuries suffered while on active and law enforcement duty began to catch up to him. Specifically his knees weren't in top shape anymore.

That led him to the athletic training field working with Bison football and women's soccer this semester.

"At least here in football, it's very much like the military," Hospidales said. "There's a wide range of people from all over, but a lot of camaraderie and everybody trying to do better all the time."

He's become popular with

the players.

"I don't know if they know I'm 40, but they know I'm old," Hospidales said with a laugh. "I look pretty tore up."

Working with NDSU football will have its benefits when he finishes the program. The plan is to take his knowledge and give back to the military, which considers soldiers as tactical athletes. In other words, if a college football player needs medical attention during the season, why wouldn't a soldier in the field need the same attention?

"It's kind of a new concept," Hospidales said. "I wouldn't mind helping them get some of the help that I never got."

The Bison are 9-1 overall and 6-1 in the Missouri Valley Football Conference heading

into Saturday's regular season finale against the University of South Dakota. A win would give NDSU the outright conference title and a possible top two seed in the Division I FCS playoffs.

On game days, Hospidales feels the adrenalin.

"I kind of get pumped up," he said. "I feed off the players. You can feel they are up and you can feel when they are down. I'm still new here so there's not a lot of confiding, but I'll talk to guys not just about on the field things, but personal stuff like a college degree. It's hard to decide sometimes what to do with a degree. Sometimes they'll ask me about my degree."

There are 40 years of answers to those questions.

Spuds with most state qualifiers ever in swimming

Moorhead girls swim team is fresh off a record-setting section championship meet

By John Miller
The Forum

MOORHEAD — It's been a historic season for the Moorhead Spuds girls swimming and diving team.

Last weekend, the Spuds claimed third place and shattered multiple school records at the Section 8AA tournament in Sartell. Furthermore, Moorhead sent the most swimmers to the Minnesota Class AA state tournament in school history. The state tourney is set for Thursday-Saturday at the University of Minnesota's Jean K. Freeman Aquatic Center in Minneapolis.

At the section meet, Moorhead's Arianna Hoff set a Sartell pool record and Moorhead school record in the 200-yard freestyle. Hoff swam the event in 1 minute, 53.87 seconds. She continued the trend in the 500 freestyle with a new Spuds school record and state-qualifying time of 5:09.04.

Moorhead capped the meet by sending the 400 freestyle relay team of Hoff, Janke, Rodgers and Ishaug to state with a swim of 3:35.95. That time was good for a Sartell pool record and Spuds school record.

The Spuds started the section championship meet strong. The 200-yard medley relay team of Ava Rodgers, Abbie Ishaug, Alayna Janke and Maggie Howe finished second with a time of 1:48.9 to qualify for the state tournament.

Janke (57.94 seconds) and Rodgers (58.53) finished 1-2 in the 100 butterfly and each qualified for state.

In the 100 breaststroke, Ishaug swam a school record 1:06.92 to earn a spot in state for the event.

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Minnesota state girls swimming and diving tournament

- **When:** Thursday, Nov. 18, through Saturday, Nov. 20
- **Where:** University of Minnesota's Jean K. Freeman Aquatic Center, Minneapolis
- **Tickets:** Prelims \$7 for both adults and students; finals \$10 for both adults and students; available for purchase at mshsl.org/tickets
- **Notes:** Tickets are sold online only; masks/face coverings required at event

BRIEFS

Cobbers fall to Carleton on the road in women's hoops

NORTHFIELD, Minn. — Carleton tallied a 54-45 victory over Concordia on Wednesday in Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference women's basketball at West Gym.

Emily Beseman had 17 points, four rebounds and four steals to pace the Cobbers. Mary Sem recorded 13 points, five boards and two blocks. As a team, Concordia shot 18 of 59 (30.5%) from the field.

Aiana Whitfield scored 23 points and had five steals to lead Carleton (2-1, 1-0 MIAC). The Cobbers (1-2, 1-1 MIAC) are scheduled to play Macalester at 5:15 p.m. Tuesday at home.

First-half surge boosts Carleton to win over Concordia in men's basketball

NORTHFIELD, Minn. — Carleton used a strong first half to fuel a 96-57 victory over Concordia on Wednesday in Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference men's basketball.

Carleton held a 49-18 lead at halftime. Rowan Nelson and Dylan Inniger each scored 10 points to lead the Cobbers. Braeton Motschenbacher tallied eight points and seven rebounds, and Jackson Jangula and Ryan Slette each scored eight points.

Alex Gibbens scored 16 points to pace Carleton (1-1, 1-0 MIAC). Carleton shot 56.9% (37 of 65) from the field, while holding the Cobbers to 33.3% shooting (19 for 57).

Concordia (1-2, 0-1 MIAC) hosts Wisconsin-Superior for a non-conference bout at 3 p.m. Saturday.

Cobbers roll to wrestling dual win over Dragons

MOORHEAD — Concordia took down cross-town rival Minnesota State Moorhead 31-6 in a nonconference wrestling dual on Wednesday at Concordia's Memorial Auditorium.

Concordia's Tyler Bents (157 pounds) and Gabriel Zierden (197 pounds) each earned a victory by pin. The Cobbers' Kellen Schauer had a 15-1 major decision win over Mason Schulz at 149 pounds.

The Dragons got a win at 141 pounds from Gunnar Mogen's 8-2 decision over Jacob Prunty. MSUM's Jake Erckenbrack notched a 7-3 decision over Austin Ratliff at 285 pounds.

Concordia's next contest is scheduled for 9 a.m. Saturday at the Augsburg Invite.

MSUM is off until Dec. 5 when it hosts the Dragon Open.

Concordia 31, MSUM 6125: Kubesh, CC, dec. Mele 7-4; 133: Bisek, CC, dec. Jones 9-4; 141: Mogan, MSUM, dec. Prunty 8-2; 149: Schauer, CC, maj. dec. Schultz 15-1; 157: Bents, CC, pin Rilling 6-39; 165: Hunt, CC, dec. Ortloff 9-6; 174: Spindler, CC, dec. Dravis 7-0; 184: Friese, CC, dec. Graham 2:56; 197: Zierden, CC, pin Abbott 2:56; 285: Erckenbrack, MSUM, dec. Ratliff 7-3

LPGA championship increases prize pool to \$7M in 2022

The LPGA's CME Group Tour Championship, which begins Thursday at Naples, Fla., announced an increased prize pool of \$7 million for the 2022 event, with the winner of the season-ending competition to earn \$2 million.

That prize pool is up from \$5 million for this week's event and \$1.5 million to the winner. It is the largest single-event winner's share on the LPGA Tour.

The event, which is being held at the Tiburon Golf Club Gold Course for the ninth consecutive year, was last won by Jin Young Ko of South Korea in December 2020 in a dominating five-stroke victory.

"We could not be more grateful to CME Group, under the bold and visionary leadership of Group Chairman and CEO Terry Duffy, for helping provide the best female golfers in the world with the opportunity to live their dreams," LPGA Commissioner Mollie Marcoux Samaan said in a statement. "The Race to the CME Globe and the CME Group Tour Championship have transformed the LPGA since their inception in 2014."

Every player in the field next year will earn at least \$40,000. In addition to being the defending champion, Ko enters this week's LPGA's CME Group Tour Championship as the leader in the season-long Race to the CME Globe.

The field includes the top 60 players in the points standings competing in a 72-hole, no-cut event.

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NFL National Football Conference High School Honors North Dakota Class AA All-Eastern Dakota Conference Team West Fargo Shyenne: Tate Gustafson, Sr., WR/DB; Josh Hennicks, Sr., FB/LB; Kanter Menz, Jr., WR/DE; Tharin Parson, Sr., OL/DL; Brennan Selheimer, Sr., OL/DL; Matt Treib, Sr., RB/LB; Grant Warkenhnien, Sr., QB/DB. West Fargo: Josh Balstad, Jr., RB/LB; Carter Hanson, Jr., RB/LB; Carson Hegerle, Sr., WR/DB; Peyton Jantzi, Sr., QB/DB; Parker Nelson, Sr., RB/DB; Caden Zepeda, Sr., WR/DB. Fargo Shanley: Brady Boyle, Sr., OL/DB; Issac Emineh, Sr., WR/LB; Aidan DeVine, Sr., RB/DB; John Gores, Sr., WR/DB. Fargo Davies: Oliver Lucht, Jr., RB/LB; Eli Mach, Sr., RB/LB. EDC AA Senior Athlete of the Year: Aidan DeVine, Fargo Shanley. EDC AA Coach of the Year: Jay Gibson, West Fargo.

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HOCKEY

'One of our best sellers'

Fighting Hawks unveil new alternate home hockey jerseys

By Brad Schlossman
Grand Forks Herald

The UND men's hockey team usually wears its green jerseys on the road.

There are exceptions, though.

When there's a big game or when UND coach Brad Berry feels he needs to get the team's attention, he'll have the team's black jerseys hanging in the stalls.

The black jerseys have built a reputation around college hockey and the Fighting Hawks have been difficult to beat while wearing them. In the last three seasons, they're 11-2-1 in the black jerseys.

UND has never had a secondary home white jersey option — until now.

UND unveiled alternate home jerseys Wednesday morning, and the Fighting Hawks hope to use them at home as they use their black jerseys on the road.

"When you look at our black jerseys, there's an identity there with them," Berry said. "We call them the business suits. There's an identity there. And now to have a home jersey with a second option, I think it's kind of like our white business suits. It could turn into that."

It is unclear exactly when UND will use them for the first time, but it is unlikely to be this weekend when the Fighting Hawks host Minnesota Duluth in a two-game

series.

It's a call that will be made by Berry, potentially on the morning of the game.

The jersey was designed by Eric Bodamer of Adidas with a lot of feedback and input from UND equipment manager Dan Johansson.

It has some similarities to the jersey UND wore in 1959, when it won its first NCAA national championship. That one said 'Sioux' diagonally across the front. This one says, 'Nodak.' Other athletic teams used to wear jerseys that said 'Nodaks.'

The new alternate home jerseys have the Fighting Hawk logo on the shoulders and the National Collegiate Hockey Conference logo on the back above the nameplate.

"It's another look and I think it's part of our

tradition and history of having something new in our group," Berry said. "I like them."

The jersey was a hit among the players.

"I think they're pretty sweet," forward Riese Gaber said. "We were pretty excited when we saw them. It's been hard to kind of keep it a secret here. I think it's clean and looks pretty good. They did an amazing job on it."

Tyler Kleven wore one to UND's press conference Wednesday.

"I love it," he said. "They look sweet. They're really nice."

Jersey fly off the shelves

The Sioux Shop at Ralph Engelstad Arena began selling the jerseys at about 9:30 a.m. Wednesday after the reveal.



Brad Elliott Schlossman / Grand Forks Herald
UND's newest home alternate jerseys are on sale at the Sioux Shop in Ralph Engelstad Arena.

Store manager Jason Carlson said he heard from people who used their work lunch break to come pick up the jersey. "At the rate they're going, I think they'll be gone by the end of the month," Carlson said. "UND is not typically a team that has a new jersey every year, so this kind of stuff is exciting

for our fans. It will be one of our better sellers. I just wish we had more."

Carlson said he initially started with roughly 425 in stock.

"I called Adidas and asked for more, but we can't get more until potentially next September," he said. "It may be a while."



Nick Wosika / USA Today Sports

Sacramento Kings guard Jahmi'us Ramsey (20) has his shot blocked by Minnesota Timberwolves forward Jarred Vanderbilt (8) during the second quarter Wednesday at Target Center in Minneapolis.

Wolves lackluster in win over Kings

By Jace Frederick
St. Paul Pioneer Press

There was one question hanging over the Minnesota Timberwolves following their loss to Phoenix. Despite the end result, Minnesota played hard and competed with one of the NBA's top teams at Target Center.

But could it do it again? Could the Wolves follow up one solid performance with another?

Short answer: No.

They did win, though. Anthony Edwards scored 16 points in the final frame, burying four triples, to lead Minnesota to a 107-97 win over Sacramento at Target Center.

If you're the Timberwolves, it's better to win ugly than lose ugly. And Wednesday certainly was ugly.

Sacramento (6-9) turned the ball over time and time again and struggled to shoot, but stayed in the game because Minnesota's offense struggled again, and the Kings beat the Timberwolves up on the offensive glass for much of the night.

The game had the feel of two struggling teams looking for ways to lose. Sacramento had 14 turnovers in the first half while shooting 33 percent from the field, and somehow led the Wolves by four at the break.

Minnesota (5-9) did emerge

the victor, mustering up just enough offense in the fourth quarter, largely from Edwards. The second-year standout hit one big shot after another to give Minnesota a cushion in what was a tie game in the fourth quarter. Edwards finished with 26 points for the night.

Karl-Anthony Towns finished with 22 points and six rebounds, while Patrick Beverley added 14 points, seven assists, six rebounds and three blocked shots. De'Aaron Fox led Sacramento with 28 points and five assists.

Minnesota hosts San Antonio on the second half of a back to back for the Wolves on Thursday.

BRIEF

Reports: Michigan St. to offer Mel Tucker \$95M extension

Michigan State is preparing to offer Spartans head coach Mel Tucker a 10-year, \$95 million extension that would make him the second-highest paid football coach in the nation, the Detroit Free Press reported Wednesday.

The "Inside the Locker Room" podcast also reported the impending deal Tuesday night, adding that MSU alums Mat Ishbia and Steve St. Andre are donating the private funding for the extension.

Tucker, 49, would be No. 2 nationally behind only Alabama's Nick Saban, per the USA Today salary database. Tucker would pass Penn State

James Franklin for tops in the Big Ten, per the database.

Further, only three NFL coaches (Bill Belichick, Pete Carroll, Sean Payton) would be making more than Tucker once the deal is consummated. It would also make Tucker the highest paid Black coach in all of American sports, passing Stanford's David Shaw. Mike Tomlin is the highest paid Black coach in the NFL at \$8 million.

Tucker's current salary of \$5.632 million is fourth in the conference and 13th nationally, per USA Today.

Tucker is 11-6 as Spartans head coach in just shy of two full seasons. He went 5-7 in one year at Colorado before leaving for East Lansing.

The Spartans (9-1) are No. 7 in the latest College Football Playoff rankings.

Taking the Spartans from afterthought to a Top 10 team this season made Tucker the odds-on favorite to become the new head coach at LSU, which is parting ways with Ed Orgeron at season's end.

Tucker being linked to LSU was a catalyst for the new deal, per the Free Press report. Ishbia is chairman, president and CEO of United Wholesale Mortgage. The former Sparty basketball walk-on also donated \$32 million in February toward a new football facility. St. Andre is the founder of marketing firm Shift Digital.

-Field Level Media

Lore rewards random acts of kindness with Wolves courtside tickets



Jace Frederick / St. Paul Pioneer Press

Timberwolves part owner Marc Lore is joined by Timberwolves fans Jillian Kaspar (from left), John Tucker and Tay Washington in his courtside seats at the Timberwolves game against Sacramento on Wednesday at Target Center. The three fans were selected by Lore to join him courtside because of random acts of kindness they committed this week.

By Jace Frederick
St. Paul Pioneer Press

New Minnesota Timberwolves part owner Marc Lore has had a number of special guests sit courtside with him early this season. Part owner Alex Rodriguez, Lynx players and hall of famer receiver-to-be Larry Fitzgerald have all joined Lore to take in games.

But Wednesday's guests were special in that they earned their way to the side of the court via random acts of kindness.

Lore put out a tweet Wednesday asking Minnesotans to do something thoughtful for someone in the community, and then share with him what they did. Lore received roughly 350 responses to sift through and picked three winners to sit courtside with him.

The winners were Jillian Kaspar, John Tucker and Tay Washington.

Kaspar bought gas for someone whose card was declined, and also bought treats for the kids in the car. She is a Timberwolves season ticket holder who'd been saving up for courtside seats for her 30th birthday, and her present happened to come a little early. She loves tattoos and Britney Spears, and has been in the restaurant industry since she was 15 years old.

Tucker bought coffee for a military member. He has been a loyal Wolves fan for about nine years, and has had a podcast that focused on the Timberwolves and the Minnesota sports landscape and previously won a high school state golf championship.

Washington paid for the Wolves's order for the person behind her in line, something she does from time to time when given the opportunity. She is a big basketball fan who loves Anthony Edwards and

dancing.

Lore said he focused on the winners who executed a random act of thoughtfulness.

"Something powerful happens when you give back in a purely random way with no expectation of for anything in return," he tweeted.

New ball

D'Angelo Russell is shooting just 38 percent from the field this season, which would be a career low. One potential contributing factor to the decrease in makes — the ball?

The NBA switched from a Spalding ball to Wilson this season, and other stars across the league, including the Los Angeles Clippers' Paul George, have noted the switch in balls as an "adjustment" this season. Russell joined that chorus Wednesday.

"I think it feels different, it's an adjustment," Russell said. "Especially if the ball is brand new."

And it always feels new. Rarely does the new ball feel "broken in."

"That's a big difference for us, I think," he said. "When the other ball was broken in — or if it wasn't broken in, it still worked a little different. It's an adjustment for everybody."

Russell didn't want to use the ball as an excuse, but it clearly has had some effect.

"If I'm out here working out on my own time, an old ball doesn't feel like an old ball," Russell said. "It's still feels like the texture is so fine that it doesn't wear off. ... I think that was probably a key focus, they probably wanted to keep balls and keep them fresh, allow the material to stay fresh over time and not wear and tear. So it is what it is."

Briefly

Josh Okogie missed Wednesday's game with back spasms

NDSU

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NDSU hit six straight, the longest run of the night, but Rucker closed the third quarter with two straight 3-pointers for a 66-46 lead. Things were going so well for the Panthers that guard Cailyn Morgan bombed in a shot from the other side of half court, although it didn't count because the buzzer had already sounded.

The Panthers put the Bison in an early first-quarter hole with nine straight points. NDSU spent the rest of the first half trying to figure out Rucker and her quick bursts to the hoop.

She had 14 of her points in the first two quarters, a significant turnaround from a year ago when she was 3 of 14 from the field. Rucker finished 11 of 17 from the field and that included missing her last three shots when the

Panthers had a big lead.

Also, a year ago, it was the Bison who sprinted to a big halftime lead. This time, the Panthers led 41-29 hitting 16 of 32 shots from the field. It's not what NDSU had in mind coming off a 71-54 loss at Wisconsin-Green Bay, where the Bison scored only 22 second-half points and shot 32 percent for the game.

"This is the exact same game we played against Green Bay the other day,"

Collins said. "Staying in front of the ball. Ball screen defense is a real issue right now. Turning the ball over is an issue right now. They got 13 more shots than we did. Against good teams, not going to be able to overcome those things."

The starting point to correcting the issues, Collins said, starts with defense. Cobbins said a priority is to keep the team vibe going.

"We need each other

more than ever, especially when things aren't going well," she said. "I feel like we faced some adversity in the offseason and were able to build good chemistry so we'll lift each other up and remain confident even when things aren't going well. It's something that is important to us."

UNI 22 41 66 76 NDSU 14 29 46 63 UNI (2-1): Gunnels 3-7 2-2 8, Wolf 0-4 2-2 2, Rucker 11-17 1-2 27, Kroeger 3-6 0-0 7, Finley 4-10 2-2 11, Green 5-8 2-3 12, Boffelli 1-1 4-6 6, McDermott 0-4 0-0 0, Morgan 0-2 0-0 0, McCullough 1-2 0-2 3, Laube 0-0 0-0 0. Totals: 28-61 13-19 76. NDSU (1-2):

Dietz 3-5 2-4 8, Deaton 4-8 0-2 9, Cobbins 4-6 4-4 14, Hamling 3-11 3-3 10, Schulte 1-3 0-0 2, Hopkins 3-8 3-4 10, Skibiell 0-0 0-0 0, Behnke 2-2 3-6 7, Hildebrandt 1-5 0-0 3, Strop 0-2 0-0 0, Totals: 21-48 15-25 63. Total fouls: UNI 19, NDSU 23. Fouled out: Finley. Rebounds: UNI 30 (Boffelli 8); NDSU 38 (Cobbins 8). 3-point goals: UNI 7-21 (Wolf 0-1, Rucker 4-5, Kroeger 1-4, Finley 1-4, Green 0-2, McDermott 0-1, Morgan 0-4, McCullough 1-2); NDSU 6-20 (Deaton 1-2, Cobbins 2-2, Hamling 1-5, Schulte 0-2, Hopkins 1-5, Strop 0-1, Hildebrandt 1-3). Assists: UNI 10 (Rucker 4); NDSU 8 (Hamling 4). Turnovers: UNI 6 (McDermott 3); NDSU 19 (Schulte 5).

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NDSCS Athletics photo

The North Dakota State College of Science volleyball team earned a spot in the NJCAA national tournament for the fourth time in school history.

NDSCS volleyball team heading to national tournament

WAHPETON, N.D. — The North Dakota State College of Science volleyball team took home a thrilling five-set district championship earlier this month for a spot on the national stage. After winning the Region IX championship the prior week, the

Wildcats clinched the Northwest Plains District championship on Nov. 6 to earn a bid in the NJCAA Division II national tournament for the fourth time in school history. NDSCS overcame a 2-0 deficit to Central Community College-Columbus to win 3-2 in the

district title match. The No. 12 seed Wildcats (23-10) will play No. 5 seed Sauk Valley Community College at 3 p.m. Thursday at Alliant Energy PowerHouse Arena in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in the opening round. Freshman Stella Raser from Perham (Minn.)

High School leads the Wildcats attack with 260 kills this season. Freshman Maddie McKinnon, a West Fargo graduate, is second on the team with 234 kills and sophomore Jalen Ennen, from Moorhead, is third at 219. Bailee Brommenschenkel of Ada-Borup (Minn.)

leads the team with 112 total blocks. Raser has 96 and McKinnon has racked up 84. Megan Klaphake (Sauk Centre, Minn.) has served a team-high 47 aces, while Ennen has tallied 31. Morgan Vosberg (Sartell, Minn.) has 1,092 assists this season heading into

the national tournament. Katie Krieger (Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunburg, Minn.) and Ennen pace NDSCS with 524 and 264 digs, respectively. Wildcats head coach Jane Passa was named the conference and district coach of the year. Forum staff reports

Vikings hope 'shenanigans' behind them as they look to make playoff run

By Chris Tomasson
St. Paul Pioneer Press

Dalvin Cook is hopeful the Minnesota Vikings have overcome the "shenanigans" of the early part of the season. Adam Thielen said recent frustration they experienced has been turned into a "rallying point." Don't look now, but the Vikings, 4-5 after breaking a two-game losing streak, are very much in the NFC playoff race heading into Sunday's key game against NFC North rival Green Bay (8-2) at U.S. Bank Stadium. Winning the division remains a long shot for Minnesota, and a loss to the Packers on Sunday would all but wrap it up for Green Bay, but the race for a wild-card spot is wide open. The Vikings are just a half game behind Carolina (5-5) for the seventh and final spot in the NFC. And they beat the Panthers 34-28 in overtime on the road in Week 6, so they would win a possible tiebreaker. "The confidence for this team (comes from) just knowing we're right there in the mix after all the mistakes and all the last-minute shenanigans we've had all year," Cook,

a running back, said Wednesday on the heels of last Sunday's 27-20 win at the Los Angeles Chargers. "We're right here in the mix of what we're trying to get done." Each of the Vikings' five losses has been by seven or fewer points, and a combined 18 points in all. The four that really stung were a 27-24 loss at Cincinnati in Week 1 after Cook lost a fumble in overtime, a 34-33 loss at Arizona in Week 2 that ended when Greg Joseph missed a 37-yard field goal, a 20-16 home loss to Dallas and backup quarterback Cooper Rush in Week 8, and a 34-31 overtime setback at Baltimore after Minnesota blew a 14-point third-quarter lead in Week 9. After the loss to the Ravens, Thielen talked about how frustrated the Vikings were after so many closs losses. But the wide receiver said the team was able to turn that into a positive before upsetting the Chargers on the road. "As frustrated as we all were, that was kind of a rallying point., to say for how frustrated we all are, for how disappointed in where we are, we're



Jayne Kamin / Oncea-USA Today Sports

Minnesota Vikings wide receiver Justin Jefferson flexes to the crowd after hanging on to a complete pass for a first down in the first half against the Los Angeles Chargers on Sunday at SoFi Stadium in Inglewood, California.

right there," he said. "It is what it is. Let's go to work. Let's find a way. Let's find a way to get it turned around." The Vikings need to win at least one of their next two games to still feel good about their playoff prospects, but that won't be easy. The Packers are a 2½-point favorite and

quarterback Aaron Rodgers might not be as rusty as he was in last Sunday's 17-0 win over Seattle. Rodgers missed one game while on the COVID-19 reserve list and was activated until the day before the game against the Seahawks. Next up for the Vikings will be the 49ers (4-5)

in San Francisco on Nov. 28, a game with major playoff implications. The 49ers are coming off a resounding 31-10 upset of the Los Angeles Rams on Monday night and might be finding their stride. Head coach Mike Zimmer hopes the Vikings also are finding their groove.

"We've played well enough to win some games that we haven't won, and so we're trying to catch up to where we hope to be," he said. "There is still a lot of time left." For the Vikings to make a playoff run, they likely will need to have success on offense while being as aggressive as they were against the Chargers. After facing criticism for conservative play in some of their losses, they opened it up more last Sunday. Quarterback Kirk Cousins threw downfield more, completing 25 of 37 passes for 294 yards. Justin Jefferson caught nine passes for a season-high 143 yards, and Thielen had five grabs for 65 yards, including a key 18-yard catch when the Vikings ran out the final 4:36 of the game to stop a two-game losing streak. "I think it was a good showing of what the formula kind of has to be to win games," Thielen said. "It's a little bit different league nowadays. You have to be able to be aggressive, and you have to be able to convert in aggressive situations to win games."

Moorhead High School's Abbie Ishaug, Arianna Hoff, Ava Rodgers, and Liv Deelstra clinched the 400-yard freestyle relay at the Class 2A, Section 8 swimming and diving meet Oct. 24, 2020. The Spuds won the section title. Special to The Forum



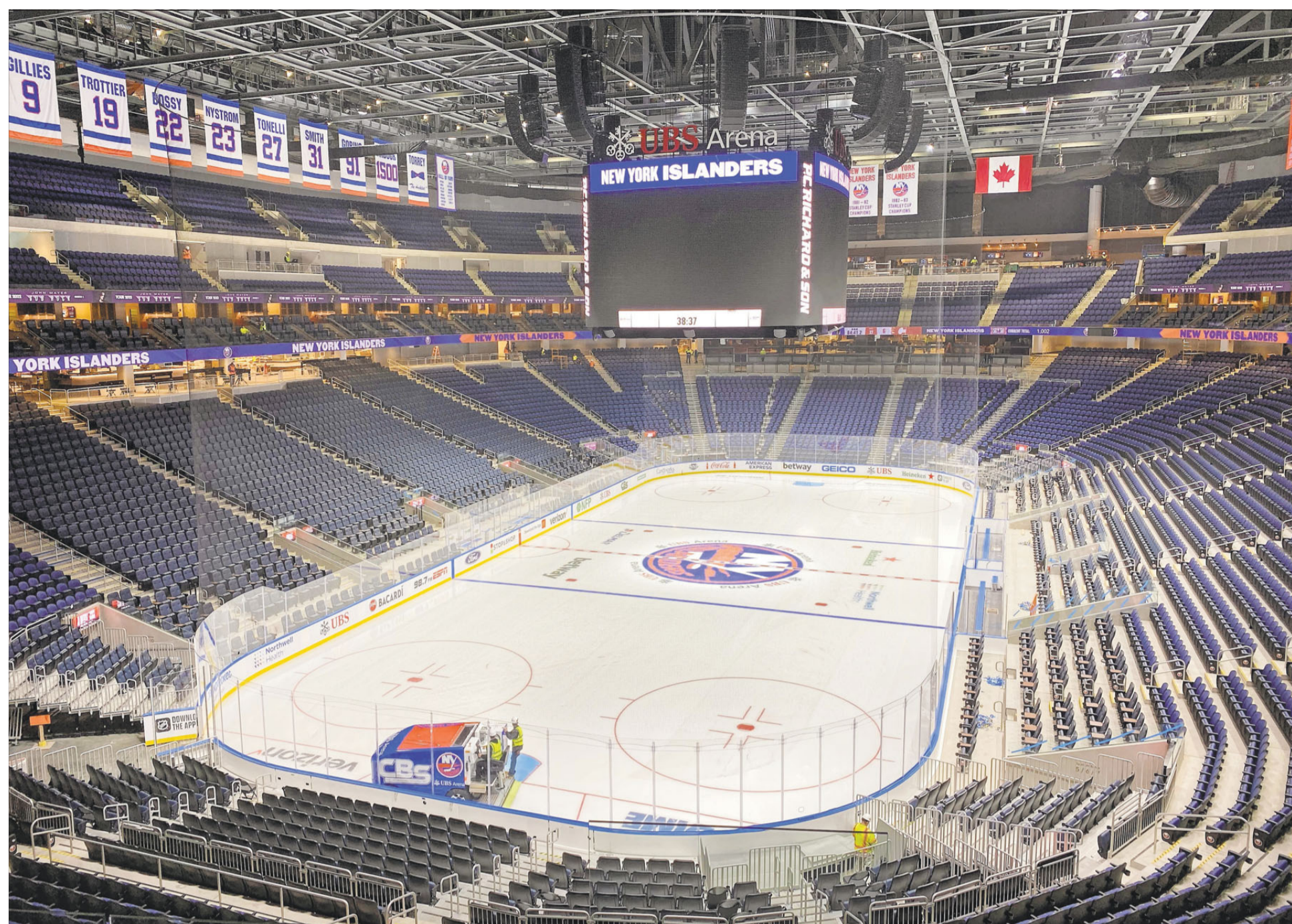
SPUDS

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There was no state meet to cap last year's coronavirus-altered season. In an unorthodox season, the Spuds captured the section tournament in unique fashion. The altered section meet featured two separate four-team events and scores took longer than usual to tally. Due to that, the Spuds didn't know they won the section championship until the following day. The Spuds will look to build on last season's postseason success against a loaded state tournament field. Moorhead holds the 12th-fastest seed time in three

events heading into the preliminaries: the 200 medley relay (1:48.83), the 200 freestyle (Hoff — 1:53.87) and the 400 freestyle relay (3:35.95). Minnetonka has the fastest seed time in the 200 medley relay (1:48.83) and 400 free relay (3:27.32). The top seed time in the 200 free belongs to Katie McCarthy of Edina, 1:49.51. Hoff possesses the 13th-quickest seed time in the 200 freestyle. Edina's McCarthy has the top time of 1:49.51. Janke (57.94, seconds) and Rodgers (58.23) boast the 14th- and 19th-fastest seed times, respectively, entering prelims in the 100 butterfly. Claire Reinke of Wayzata has the top seed time of 53.97.

Ishaug claims the 15th-quickest seed time in the 100 freestyle (53.73) and 17th in the 100 breaststroke (1:06.92). She's about three seconds back of the 100 freestyle fastest seed time of 50.67 belonging to Haley Zelen of Shakopee. Eden Prairie's Caroline Larsen has the top seed time of 1:02.36 in the 100 breaststroke. Preliminaries for Class AA Thursday and Class AA swimming prelims begin at 6 p.m. Friday. Both swimming and diving finals are scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday. Forum assistant sports editor John Miller can be reached at jhmiller@forumcomm.com



Photos by Amy Tennery / Reuters

An ice resurfacer is seen Monday inside UBS Arena in Elmont, New York.

NO PLACE LIKE HOME

Islanders end grueling road stretch with new Nassau digs

By Amy Tennery

New York (Reuters) — A brand new home on Long Island awaits the New York Islanders on Saturday, as they end a grueling 13-game road trip and a decade-long journey for a permanent place to hang their skates.

Seeking a new home away from the aging Nassau Coliseum, where the team played since its 1972 inception, former owner Charles Wang tried and failed to get plans for a new Long Island facility off the ground in 2011. He ultimately signed a 25-year lease, beginning in 2015, at Brooklyn's new Barclays Center.

The move was unpopular with the Long Island faithful, dismayed to see their only major pro men's franchise move off the island and into a facility originally designed for basketball.

"Brooklyn really had no chance and it scared a lot of people," said Devin Robinson, 29, a lifelong Islanders fan who in 2017 launched Long Island hockey apparel brand Yes Men Outfitters.

"It was like, 'This place isn't gonna work and if we don't make it work, whoever

buys this team might move it somewhere'."

Instead, new owners Scott Malkin and Jon Ledecky — uncle to Olympic gold medal-winning swimmer Katie Ledecky — assumed majority ownership in 2016 and by the 2018-2019 season, the team was splitting its time between Brooklyn and its old home, the Coliseum.

Their state of limbo will come to an end on Saturday, with the first Islanders game inside UBS Arena, part of a 43-acre complex built adjacent to the existing Belmont Park racetrack, where 17,250 hockey fans will be greeted with a large banner reading "WELCOME HOME!"

"If you're coming from Nassau Coliseum and the 30-plus years that we had there... it is going from the worst building in the league to the best building in the league," said Tim Leiweke, the CEO of Oak View Group, which partnered with the Islanders on the privately funded project.

Dozens of construction workers this week bustled through the complex, readying food stands featuring local eats and a



A sign is pictured inside UBS Arena Monday in Elmont, New York.

sprawling team store steeped in New York nostalgia for

Saturday's debut, which will see the Islanders take on the

Calgary Flames.

"I wouldn't change a thing now but years ago it was terrifying," said Donald Rosner, 40, another lifelong fan who recalled rumors that the team might move to Kansas or Quebec.

His Blue Line Deli will see its famous blue and orange bagels and specialty sandwiches featured among the offerings at UBS Arena. "Walking up that escalator (at UBS) and everything, it seems like a dream to me," said Rosner.

The team's recent play, however, has seemed more like a nightmare than a dream, with four straight losses culminating in a demoralizing 6-1 defeat to the Florida Panthers on Tuesday.

"We've got a group here that believes in each other," said centre Casey Cizikas, who along with his team mates is expected to skate at UBS Arena for the first time on Thursday.

"We know what we're capable of and it's a matter of getting back to that and finding our groove and it's not going to come easy."

Hamilton and Verstappen take a step into the unknown

Formula One title race down to the wire at first-time grand prix in Qatar

By Alan Baldwin
Reuters

Lewis Hamilton and Max Verstappen take their title battle into the unknown this weekend as Qatar hosts a Formula One grand prix for the first time at a track better known for two-wheeled thrills.

The last of three races on successive weekends from Mexico via Brazil, Qatar also starts a final run of three in the Middle East to decide whether Mercedes' Hamilton wins a record eighth championship or Red Bull's Verstappen takes his first.

Hamilton slashed the gap to 14 points after overcoming a series of setbacks with one of his finest career victories at Sao Paulo's Interlagos circuit



Amanda Perobelli / Reuters

Mercedes' Lewis Hamilton celebrates on the podium after winning the Brazilian Grand Prix alongside second placed Red Bull's Max Verstappen on Sunday in Sao Paulo, Brazil.

last Sunday.

Brazil was marked by suspicion and controversy, and

that is set to continue at the 20th race of the season with Mercedes seeking a stewards'

review of a defensive move by Verstappen that forced Hamilton off track.

Meanwhile, fans will be on tenterhooks for the next instalment of the battle between two adversaries driving hard and at their best.

"We're seeing a titanic battle for this year's two championships, and the race in Brazil was just another twist in an engrossing tale," said Formula One's managing director Ross Brawn.

"Mercedes had the edge (in Brazil), but it could swing back into Red Bull's favor next time. It's been fantastic. No one knows what will happen next."

Mercedes team boss Toto Wolff said his team would come out fighting.

"The final race of a triple-header can sometimes test your energy levels but with just three races to decide both championships, our motivation is greater than ever," added the Austrian.

Mercedes are 11 points clear of Red Bull in the constructors' championship.

Qatar's Losail circuit near Doha has regularly hosted MotoGP's season-opening race and is fast and flowing with a mix of medium and high-speed corners and a one km long main straight.

It will be followed by another new venue in Saudi Arabia, a street circuit in Jeddah, before the final in Abu Dhabi where changes have been made to the track since the last time Formula One raced there.

REVIEW



Rosewild is an entirely new kind of restaurant for Fargo



Photos by Eric Daeuber / Forum

Above: Part of the dining room at Rosewild in downtown Fargo. Top: Braised lamb shank (\$48) at Rosewild in downtown Fargo.

By Eric Daeuber
Forum food critic

Fargo

When someone drops \$48 on a braised lamb shank, it raises a question: Other than the lamb shank, what does anyone reasonably expect for that kind of money?

It's a decision that goes beyond, "What do you feel like tonight?" There's a space between the cost of the food and the end price that needs to be filled with something and, most often, that's service, ambiance or an experience that goes well beyond dinner. Rosewild tries to fill that space.

It's something entirely new to Fargo, and some of the ambiance comes from its location right in the heart of downtown in the new RDO Building, the tallest building in Fargo. Rosewild's enormous windows look out onto the public square, currently an ice rink, and bring the city into the dining room

ROSEWILD

Where: 215 Broadway N., Fargo
Cuisine: American
Hours: Dining room is open 5-10 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday; food and drinks are also available in the lounge throughout the week, and cafe hours and weekend brunches are also offered
Phone: 701-532-5170
Alcohol: full bar
Reservations accepted: yes
Online: <https://jasperfargo.com/rosewild/>
RATINGS (OUT OF 4)
Food: 3.5 stars
Service: 4 stars
Ambiance: 3.5 stars

with the business on Broadway, the nighttime ambiance of what has become an au courant city, and all the neon and sparkle that comes with that.

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Overnight oats provide tasty nutrition in a jar

Make these oats in the evening, refrigerate overnight and enjoy them in the morning. According to a 2019 Mayo Clinic article, plant-based foods may prevent cancer by boosting fiber consumption. Young women who ate the most fiber-rich diets were 25% less likely to get breast cancer later in life, a study found. Other research finds that each 10 grams of daily fiber could lower the risk of colorectal cancer by 10%. A serving of regular oats contains about 33% of the recommended daily allowance of fiber.

These recipes are those I make on a regular basis and can be used as a starting point.

You can add vegan yogurt, protein powders, ground flax seeds and endless combinations and quantities of fruits, spices and nut butters. These overnight oats can be made with steel-cut oats, old-fashioned oats or instant oats. I prefer the texture of old-fashioned oats. The steel-cut oats really stick to the ribs and stave off hunger until lunchtime, but they still need a few minutes in the microwave before they become soft enough for my palate. A small Bullet-type blender works well for incorporating nut butters and vegan cream cheese into the non-dairy milk. My favorite non-dairy milk for overnight oats is coconut-almond, but any non-dairy milk will work. I make my overnight oats in a large glass canning jar; however, a large bowl would work well, too. Enjoy these oats cold

or spoon a portion in a microwave and zap until warmed.

Almond Cherry Overnight Oats
This is my favorite overnight oat combination.

- ▶ 1½ cups non-dairy milk
- ▶ About ¼ cup smooth almond butter
- ▶ 1 cup oats
- ▶ 2 tablespoons chia seeds
- ▶ 1 teaspoon Truvia or other sweetener (to taste)
- ▶ ½ teaspoon almond extract
- ▶ ¾ cup frozen dark, sweet, pitted cherries

Blend almond butter with non-dairy milk. Combine everything but the cherries in a jar or bowl, mixing well. To prevent the chia seeds from clumping, stir a couple times during the first 10 minutes after combining the ingredients. Add the cherries and give another stir. Place the jar or bowl in the

refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Stir before serving.

I like my cherries whole, but you can chop them up if you prefer.

Blueberry Cheesecake Overnight Oats

- ▶ 2 tablespoons non-dairy cream cheese
- ▶ 1½ cups non-dairy milk
- ▶ ½-¾ cup fresh or frozen blueberries
- ▶ 1 cup oats
- ▶ 2 tablespoons chia seeds
- ▶ 1 teaspoon Truvia or other sweetener (to taste)
- ▶ ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
- ▶ 1 teaspoon of lemon zest, or to taste
- ▶ Pinch of cinnamon

Blend vegan cream cheese with milk. Combine all ingredients, except the blueberries, in a jar or bowl, mixing well. To prevent the chia seeds from clumping, stir a couple



Contributed / Susan Alexander
Blueberry Cheesecake Overnight Oats.

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Stuck, not sure where to start

Dear Annie: I have been technically single all my life. I did have a casual long-term relationship with a man that lasted for 12 years. We were never exclusive. We would have never worked exclusively, and we both knew that.

That relationship ended badly. An unplanned pregnancy resulted in a painful miscarriage that required surgery. Not only was it physically painful but the emotional toll of losing my unborn baby was immeasurable. My "partner" completely abandoned me during that time and never acknowledged my pain or grief afterward.

It took about three years for me to not walk around with a cloud of

misery hanging over me constantly. I developed a fear of dating any man and giving him the potential to hurt me like this again.

I decided I would throw myself into my career and work hard at rising through the ranks, becoming as successful as possible, and trying to achieve some self-esteem and happiness that way.

Unfortunately, my plan has not played out. Although I do work hard and strive for perfection, this has rubbed some people within my company the wrong way. I've been held back from promotions many times, and after 20 years with the same employer, it seems I am doomed to stay where I am and never move forward.

This has tapped into the feeling of low self-esteem that started after my miscarriage, and I feel like I am forever in a dark place again.

I recognize that I am angry all the time and feel an overwhelming amount of sadness. Even though I recognize this, I am having a hard time breaking free and exploring other career opportunities, and the thought of leaving my company literally breaks my heart.

I don't know how to get over my fear of leaving my comfort zone, even though I know deep down it is what would be best for me. I feel like I am self-sabotaging, and I've hit a wall that I don't know how to break through. I also feel like I am unconsciously sending a message that it is OK to treat me badly.

Any advice on how to build my confidence back and truly leap toward what I believe I deserve? — Self-Stuck

Dear Self-Stuck: Instead of viewing your past as something that has beaten you down,

look at it as proof of your strength. You were able to bounce back from a breakup, a miscarriage and a medical emergency all by yourself.

Now that you're back on your feet, you have some choices to make: Do you want the fear of loss to stop you from ever finding love? Do you want to stay trapped in a stagnant career where your hard work is not appreciated?

Your letter alone tells me the answer is no. Change is scary, but if you are not satisfied with the current state of your life, then it is absolutely necessary.

You don't have to go through it alone, nor should you. Reach out to friends and family members; get involved in a local organization; and seek a good therapist to help you work through the past so you can build a brighter future.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.



Special to The Forum
WWE star Roman Reigns returns to the Fargodome on Jan. 15.

WWE is coming to the Fargodome

By John Lamb
The Forum

FARGO — Wrestling stars from WWE Raw and Smackdown will face off Jan. 15 at the Fargodome.

The bill includes Universal Champion Roman Reigns and tag team champs The USOS against Drew McIntyre & The New Day. Also appearing will be Big E, Kevin Owens, Seth Rollins, Bianca Belair, Becky Lynch, Baron Corbin and more.

Tickets go on sale at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 19, ranging from \$17 to \$107 at www.fargodome.com.

ROSEWILD

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You might expect to bump into Jay Gatsby or one's endocrinologist with a chardonnay in hand.

The atmosphere, inside, is sleek and angular with a lot of hard surfaces. When it fills up, it can be loud and feel a bit crowded. Instead of warm, it's cool in the Gucci sense of the word. If you're looking for tablecloths and intimacy to go with your \$33 coulotte steak, you won't find it there.

And the coulotte steak, by the way, is exceptional. Done according to the textbook to your order, it's a good example of the care taken in selection, preparation and presentation. It's served with a smear of whipped potatoes,



Eric Daeuber / Forum
Coulotte steak (\$33) at Rosewild.

caramelized onions and leek ash, which is one of those peculiar ingredients that sets Rosewild apart.

The unique flavors come from attention to the detailed seasoning and unique ingredients, such as the bone marrow served with the roast sturgeon (\$32). Roasted in coals,

it comes with roasted parsnips and apples. It joins other autumnal flavors to make up a menu that is seasonal, local, oddly familiar and, at the same time, distinctive.

The menu is manageable and leans heavily to seasonings. Sturgeon, for example, is a mild fish, and mild



Eric Daeuber / Forum
Bison tartar at Rosewild.

seasonings mixed with temperature control gives the dish an overall sense of being complete.

The same thing happens in the lamb shank, a much heartier dish with a much more flavor-forward approach to seasoning and sides, with red cabbage and a hard-to-decipher salad

at the center. The dishes don't shy away from salt, which has its place among autumn flavors.

The wine list is short but complete with reasonable prices. The dessert menu is brief and includes what has become common on high-end menus in the Midwest — some take on s'mores. In this case,

it's a s'more pop (\$9) with a frozen ganache center, which loses some of its charm being frozen.

Service is very good. Our server was well-versed in the menu, listened and made good suggestions. As the dining room fills up, you find a steady flow of different servers with food and water making their way though cramped quarters. You may lose track of the server you started with.

Rosewild is a hotel dining room with an attached bar and all the hubbub that comes with that. It's part of a growing vibrancy that comes with a newly conceived downtown and, if a \$48 lamb shank fits into your picture of that urban landscape, it's a very good place to experience that.

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of times during the first 10 minutes after combining the ingredients. Add the whole blueberries and give another stir. Place the jar or bowl in the refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Stir before serving.

I like my blueberries whole, but you can give them a spin with the non-dairy cream cheese and the milk, if you prefer.

Strawberry Cheesecake Overnight Oats

- ▶ 2 tablespoons non-dairy cream cheese
- ▶ 1½ cups non-dairy milk
- ▶ ½-¾ cup fresh or frozen strawberries, chopped
- ▶ 1 cup oats
- ▶ 2 tablespoons chia seeds
- ▶ 1 teaspoon Truvia or other sweetener (to taste)
- ▶ ½ teaspoon vanilla extract

Blend vegan cream cheese with milk. Combine all ingredients together in a large jar or bowl, mixing well. To prevent the chia seeds from clumping, stir a couple of times during the first 10 minutes after combining the ingredients. Place the jar or bowl in the refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Stir before serving.

Chai-Spiced Overnight Oats

- ▶ 1 cup oats
 - ▶ 1½ cups non-dairy milk
 - ▶ 2 tablespoons chia seeds
 - ▶ 1 teaspoon Truvia sweetener or other sweetener (to taste)
 - ▶ ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
 - ▶ 1 teaspoon chai spices (a mix of cinnamon, cloves, cardamom, and pepper)
- Combine all ingredients in a jar or bowl, mixing well.



Left: Carrot Cake Overnight Oats.

To prevent the chia seeds from clumping, stir a couple of times during the first 10 minutes after combining the ingredients. Place the jar or bowl in the refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Stir before serving.

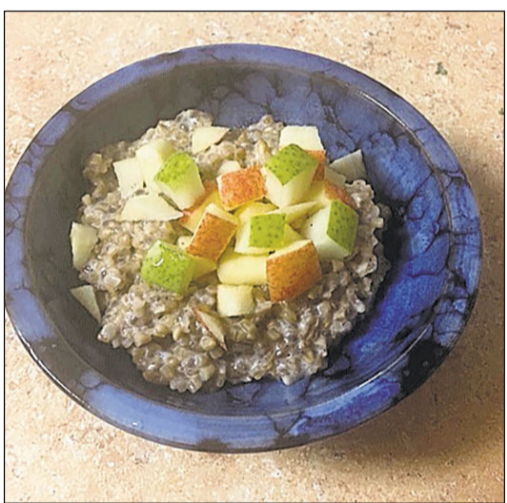
Maple Pecan Overnight Oats

- ▶ About ¼ cup pecan butter
- ▶ 1½ cups non-dairy milk
- ▶ 1 cup oats
- ▶ 2 tablespoons chia seeds
- ▶ ½ teaspoon maple extract
- ▶ 1 teaspoon Truvia or other sweetener (to taste)
- ▶ Chopped pecans for garnish

Blend pecan butter and non-dairy milk. Combine all ingredients in a jar or bowl, mixing well. To prevent the chia seeds from clumping, stir a couple of times during the first 10 minutes after combining the ingredients. Place the jar or bowl in the refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Stir before serving. Top each serving with a few chopped pecans.

Carrot Cake Overnight Oats

- ▶ 2 tablespoons non-dairy



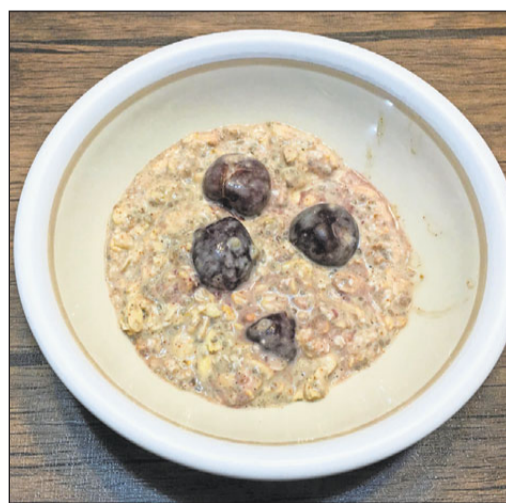
Middle: Chai-Spiced Overnight Oats.

- cream cheese
- ▶ 1½ cups non-dairy milk
- ▶ 1 cup oats
- ▶ 2 tablespoons chia seeds
- ▶ 1 teaspoon of Truvia or other sweetener (to taste)
- ▶ 1 small carrot, finely chopped
- ▶ ¼ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ▶ Dash of ground cloves
- ▶ ¼ cup raisins
- ▶ ½ teaspoon vanilla extract

Blend cream cheese and milk together. Combine milk mixture with remaining ingredients in a jar or bowl, mixing well. To prevent the chia seeds from clumping, stir a couple of times during the first 10 minutes after combining the ingredients. Place the jar or bowl in the refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Stir before serving.

Peanut Butter Chocolate Overnight Oats

- ▶ 2 tablespoons peanut butter
- ▶ 1½ cups non-dairy milk
- ▶ 1 cup oats
- ▶ 2 tablespoons chia seeds
- ▶ 2 tablespoons cocoa powder



Right: Almond Cherry Overnight Oats.

- ▶ 1 teaspoon Truvia or other sweetener (to taste)
 - ▶ ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
- Blend peanut butter and milk together. Combine milk mixture with remaining ingredients in a jar or bowl, mixing well. To prevent the chia seeds from clumping, stir a couple of times during the first 10 minutes after combining the ingredients. Place the jar or bowl in the refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Stir before serving.

Almond Joy Overnight Oats

- ▶ 1 cup oats
 - ▶ 1½ cups almond or almond-coconut milk
 - ▶ 2 tablespoons chia seeds
 - ▶ 2 tablespoons shredded coconut
 - ▶ 1 teaspoon Truvia or other sweetener (to taste)
 - ▶ ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
 - ▶ Toppings: vegan chocolate chips, shredded coconut, slivered almonds
- Combine everything but the topping ingredients in a jar or bowl, mixing well. To prevent the chia seeds from clumping, stir a couple of times during the first 10

minutes after combining the ingredients. Place the jar or bowl in the refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Stir before serving. Top each serving with a few chocolate chips, shredded coconut and almonds before serving. This is good heated for 15 to 30 seconds in the microwave to slightly melt the chocolate chips.

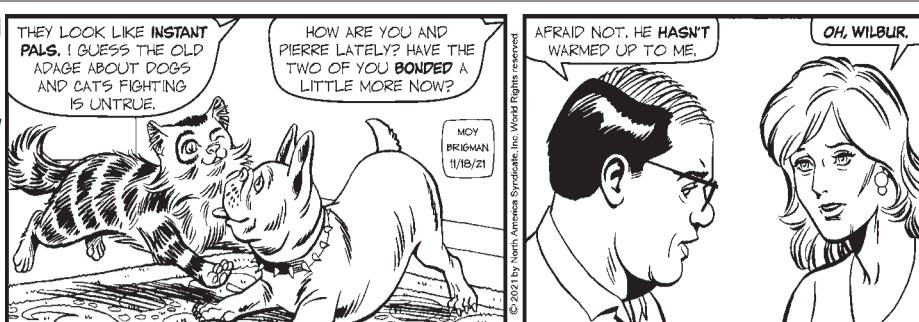
Peanut Butter and Jelly Overnight Oats

- ▶ 1 cup oats
- ▶ 1½ cups non-dairy milk
- ▶ 2 tablespoons chia seeds
- ▶ 2 tablespoons peanut butter, creamy or chunky
- ▶ 1 tablespoon strawberry jam

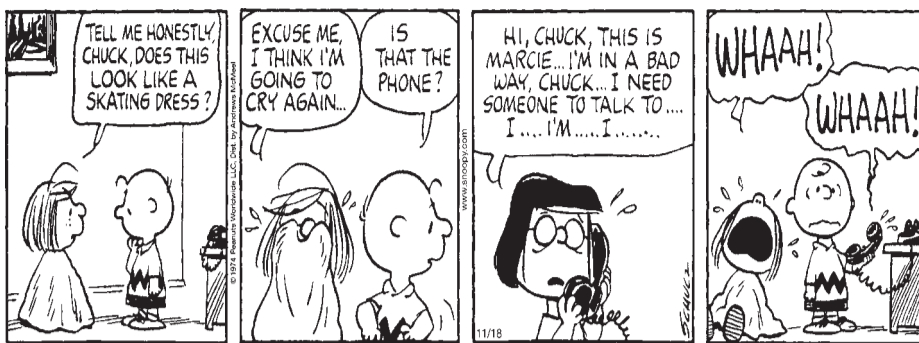
Combine oats, non-dairy milk, chia seeds and peanut butter. To prevent the chia seeds from clumping, stir a couple of times during the first 10 minutes after combining the ingredients. Place the jar or bowl in the refrigerator for a few hours or overnight. Before serving, stir, then top with a spoonful of strawberry jam.

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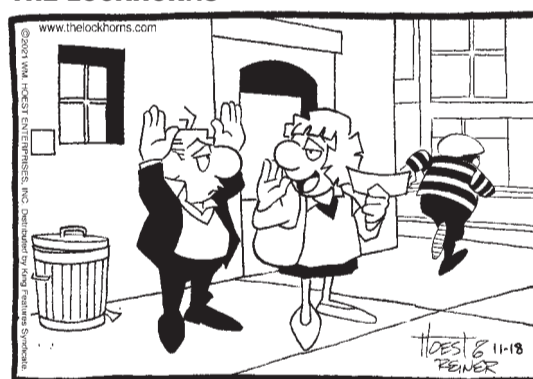
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Cryptoquip

Each letter stands for another. If you think X=O, for example, it would equal O throughout the puzzle.

Yesterday's answer: How do circuses manage to get twenty clowns stuffed into one very small vehicle? Carfully!

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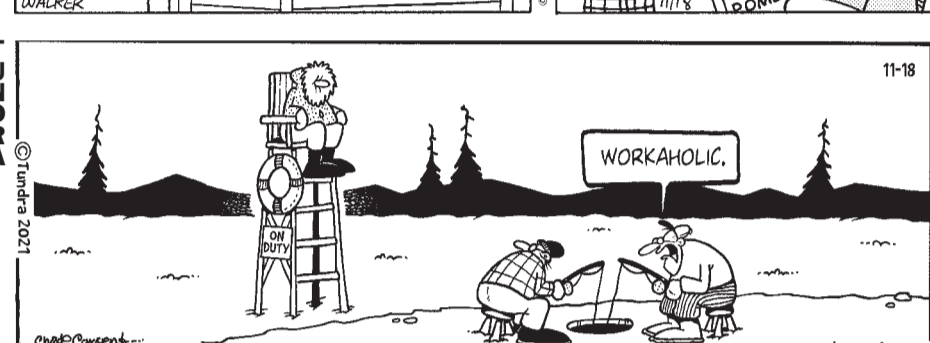
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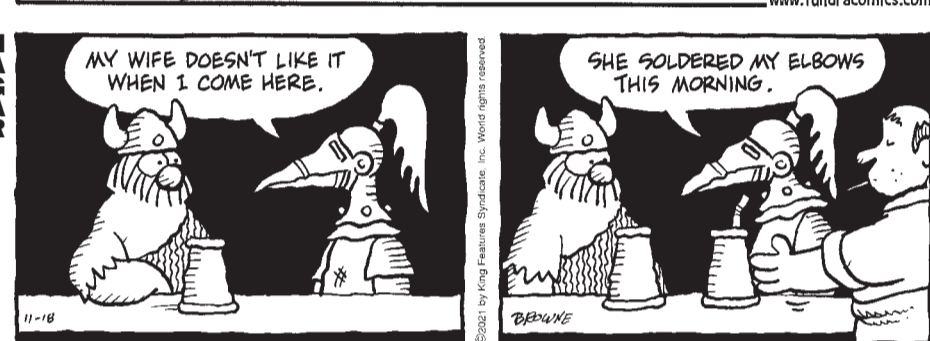
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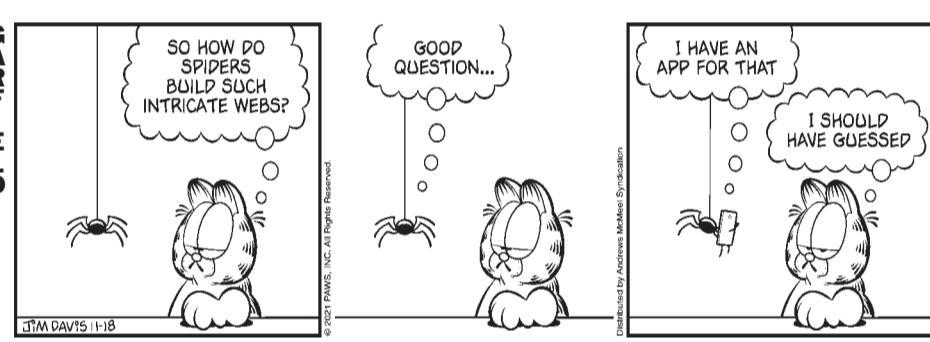
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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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- Apply softly
 - Inspired leader
 - About 40 gallons of it usually makes a gallon of syrup
 - GPS calculation
 - Mollusk with a nacreous shell
 - Gp. for moms and dads
 - Particles from far, far away
 - Burger topping
 - 23andMe subject
 - Lena Dunham TV show
 - Dog topping
 - To wit
 - Wind-driven clouds
 - Hereditary unit
 - Riddle end, maybe
 - 2001 NBA MVP
 - Allen
 - Goal
 - Student, ideally
 - Runner Down Under
 - Zoom alternative
 - Race part
 - Over
 - Brazilian soccer great
 - Responds to a phone solicitation, perhaps
 - Improvs, e.g.
 - Eye-bending genre
 - Fiennes of "The Grand Budapest Hotel"
 - Drops off before midday?
 - Easy throw
 - "Later"
 - Words With Friends, for one
 - Post-teaching title for some
 - Latvia neighbor
 - Fluorescent element?
 - Like many a wedding planner
 - "It's just a flesh wound"
 - Repair crew with tiles
- DOWN
- Interior designer's specialty
 - Make repairs
 - Margherita pizza herb
 - It tops out at ten in a doctor's office
 - "Mixed-ish" ailer
 - Calling or playing follower
 - Stylish vigor
 - Musical symbol resembling a set of crosshairs
 - Young Darth
 - When the Cold War ended
 - Pinnacle of religion?
 - Coral island
 - Violet hybrid
 - Like eyes starting to tear up
 - Dingy kitchen item?
 - "A Treatise of Human Nature" author
 - Campbell of "Scream" films
 - Ease up
 - Spiced brew
 - Paper-nest builder
 - Backpack, e.g.
 - 1926 Pulitzer-winning poet
 - Dramatic shift ... or what's literally found in each set of circles?
 - Neglect to mention
 - Sisters in the 2017 film "The Little Hours"
 - Excite, with "up"
 - Exuberance
 - Gender
 - Underground recess
 - Declines
 - 50 Flared dress style
 - Released
 - Amaz of early TV
 - Painter Nolde
 - Place to drop a line
 - Paw parts
 - 1860s gray
 - Klutz

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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JUMBLE PUZZLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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DMYOEC

EBBLO

Today's Guest JUMBLER is DAN THOMPSON creator of RIP HAYWIRE

THIS DOG PREFERS A GOOD NAP INSTEAD OF ADVENTURE. HE WAS---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answers tomorrow

Yesterday's Jumbles: SUEDE SHAKY THIRST EMERGE
 Answer: When Curtis thought twice about not getting a roast beef sandwich, he knew it was a — MISSED STEAK

