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Moorhead man in Ukraine focuses on getting supplies to Donbas region

TAMMY SWIFT

Lviv, Ukraine

Mark J. Lindquist is living in the middle of a war zone.

Lindquist, an entertainer and motivational speaker who lives in Moorhead, felt called to drop everything — including a political campaign — and travel to war-ravaged Ukraine three weeks ago after watching hours of news coverage about Russian attacks on the former Soviet republic.

Nowadays, he describes life in a lodging in Lviv where he and seven other humanitarian workers "are stacked everywhere we could possibly sleep."

He is in a corner of the world where air raid sirens go off every day, panic-stricken citizens are lined 20 to 30 people deep at ATMs and an Easter Monday missile strike killed seven people.

Lindquist said it initially was difficult to enter such unfamiliar and chaotic territory and try to figure out how to help. However, he has made progress. Through his network of contacts, he was able to connect with a Ukrainian translator who made it possible to communicate with officials who can help him expand his network of contacts and find the most effective ways to help.

Lindquist also pivoted from his original plan to buy a vehicle with the $50,000 in donations he raised via GoFundMe and Venmo.

"We decided (to) source it (transportation) locally with Ukrainian drivers who need a day's income (as low as $10 USD/day), borrow it, get it for free (as we are arranging for tomorrow), or use our network of transporters who are already making those runs and are looking for things to deliver," he says. "We're

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Contributed / Mark J. Lindquist

Something as basic as rolling luggage can make the journey easier for refugee mothers, who often had to flee their homes with a couple of things crammed in a grocery sack. Here, Mark J. Lindquist helps drop off donations of rolling luggage at the largest refugee transit station in Ukraine, a place where at its peak 110,000 refugees passed through every day. When the mothers see the new luggage, Lindquist says they "look as though it is Christmas morning."

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Mike Rowe of "Dirty Jobs" fame speaks from the stage with Chamber President Shannon Full and WDAY's Dana Mogck at the Chamber's annual "Voices of Vision" event at the Sanford Health Athletic Complex on Thursday.

'No specific paths' to success

'Dirty Jobs' star Mike Rowe offers up laughs, serious support for skilled trades at 'Voices of Vision'

By Helmut Schmidt
The Forum

Fargo

Mike Rowe grew up wanting to be a tradesman like his father and grandfather.

However, he jokes that he learned early on that, as far as he was concerned, "the handy gene is what you call recessive."

Rowe, this year's guest at the Fargo Moorhead West Fargo Chamber of Commerce's "Voices of Vision" event, told 2,000 attendees at the Sanford Health Athletic Complex that his father passed on some valuable advice about finding your own way in life.

After the young Rowe had some cement work go awry, his father told him: "If you want to be a tradesman, you can be a tradesman. Just get a different toolbox."

That advice, urging Rowe to learn where his skills and passions intersected, led him on "a very, very crooked road," which included attending a junior college, then a state university, where he tried acting, singing, writing and journalism — and learned he liked it, he told the audience on Thursday.

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City commission candidates split on issues in forum

By Barry Amundson
The Forum

FARGO — The highest ever number of candidates for two Fargo city commissioner seats had their first chance to face off against each other on Thursday night, April 21, at City Hall with varying opinions on major issues facing the city.

With a field of 15 candidates running in the June 14 election, they were randomly split into two groups and answered questions submitted to the nonpartisan League of Women Voters of the Red River Valley online and in person.

One of the major disagreements was over what to do with special assessments that homeowners and businesses are charged for infrastructure projects in their neighborhoods.

Four of the 15 candidates appeared to make it at least one of the centerpieces of their campaigns: Matuor Alier, Ahmed Shiil, Jodi Plecity and Ves Marinov.

Other candidates shared concerns, too.

Candidate Victoria Johnson thought steps needed to help elderly and low-income residents on fixed incomes, while candidate Al Carlson called it one of the "least loved taxes" and said it was a detriment to first time home buyers, too.

Matour, who said he had $46,000 in special assessments on his home in south Fargo, said it was like a "second mortgage" and called for eliminating it. He would ask the state, with its billions in the oil-tax funded Legacy Fund, to help with the infrastructure projects.

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Fargo City Hall in downtown Fargo, June 18, 2021.

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Hail, tornadoes possible in severe weekend storm

By Michelle Griffith
The Forum

BISMARCK — A week after western North Dakota was hit with a strong blizzard which saw many cities recording more than 2 feet of snowfall, the state is once again going to be hit with a storm beginning on Friday, April 22, with western North Dakota likely to see snowfall and the Red River Valley hit with possible severe thunderstorms.

The National Weather Service issued a blizzard warning for much of north central and western North Dakota effective 4 a.m. Saturday, April 23, to 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 24. Impacts of the storm will make travel "very difficult to impossible," the National Weather Service said. The western third of the state could accumulate between 8 and 14 inches of snow, and ice is expected to accumulate as high as one-tenth of an inch.

John Wheeler, WDAY Stormtracker chief meteorologist, said the storm is "multifaceted"

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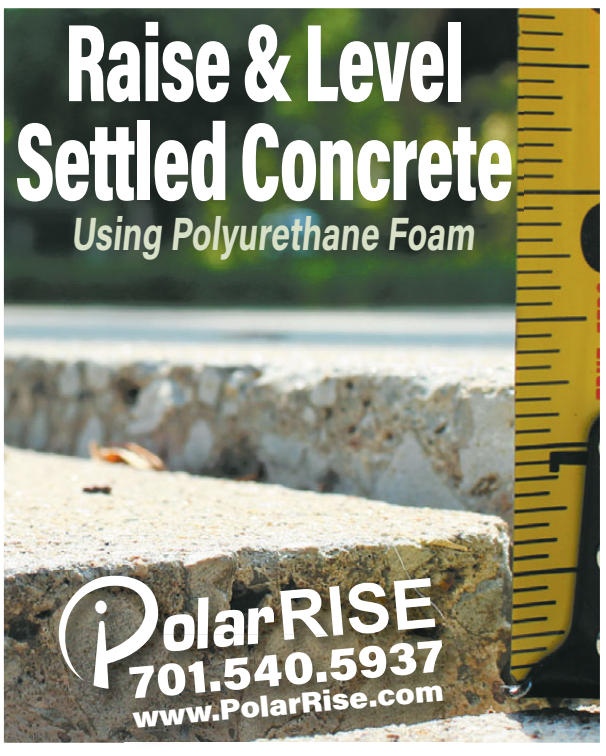

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Arthur Kollie entering the courtroom at Cass County District Courthouse on Thursday.

Trial date set for man charged in death of Fargo teen

By C.S. Hagen
The Forum

Fargo

The 23-year-old man who entered Alford pleas related to the stabbing death of a young girl outside Party City last summer, and then later changed his mind, will go to trial.

In October, Arthur Kollie entered the Alford pleas to charges of murder, robbery and aggravated assault in last June's stabbing death of a 14-year-old Jupiter Paulsen near Party City at 4340 13th Ave. S.

An Alford plea means the defendant does not admit responsibility, but agrees a jury could find them guilty based on the evidence.

In January, however, Judge John Irby allowed Kollie to withdraw his Alford pleas, which meant his case would go back to trial. A month later, Kollie's attorney, Eric Baumann, said Kollie was to undergo a mental evaluation by a psychologist hired by the defense before the felony disposition.

During a short felony disposition on Thursday, April 21, Kollie's trial date was set for Wednesday, Sept. 7.

Kollie was present in the courtroom, and Baumann appeared at the hearing remotely.

It was unclear if Kollie's psychological evaluation was completed, but Baumann has until the middle of May to file a notice of lack of criminal responsibility defense, Irby said.

Additionally, Baumann requested that the court use jury questionnaires before trial, which would speed up the process of jury selection, to which Irby had no objections.

Surveillance footage shows Jupiter walking in the parking lot of Party City at about 6:30 a.m. on June 4, according to Fargo Police testimony. The man seen in the footage assaulted the girl for nearly 30 minutes and stabbed her more than 20 times, according to court documents.

Jupiter was skateboarding from her father's house to her mother's home when she was attacked, according to court documents.

When questioned by police, Kollie said he used methamphetamine the afternoon of June 3, but denied any role in the assault, according to court records.

The assailant ran when a sanitation worker, Patrick Peterson, showed up, according to court records.

"He was beside her, his left hand was at her throat, his right hand was over her mouth. He got up and stared at me. He had a white shirt on, but it was covered in blood on the front," Peterson said.

He immediately dialed 911, and as soon as he said he was calling the police, the assailant ran, he said in July.

For Robert Paulsen, Jupiter's father, the months waiting for justice has been painful. He was present in the courtroom during the disposition.

"When nobody does their job in the judicial system effectively or even take ownership of their negligence, then we have these kinds of situations," Paulsen said in a text message to The Forum.

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BRIEFS

Person found dead, floating in slough outside Hawley

HAWLEY, Minn. — Police are investigating the death of a person found floating in a slough in the 1800 block of 225th Street north in rural Hawley.

According to the Clay County Sheriff's Office, Hawley police received information at around 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 20 regarding something suspicious floating in a slough.

When officers arrived, they found it to be a deceased person. They also noticed vehicle tracks entering into the ditch, along with small trees and branches knocked over. Police found vehicle parts in the area and saw what appeared to be vehicle tire rims under the water, approximately 50 yards into the slough.

Valley Water Rescue responded to the scene, entered the water and confirmed it was a vehicle. A tow truck was called to the scene and recovered the vehicle.

The sheriff's office says it is unknown what time the crash happened or if weather was a factor. There were periods of fairly heavy snow throughout the area Wednesday.

The investigation into the crash continues; the name of the victim will be released once family has been notified.

Sherwin Linton brings Johnny Cash tribute to town

DILWORTH, Minn. — Entertainer Sherwin Linton will bring his tribute to Johnny Cash to town this weekend.

Linton's "The Johnny Cash Story" is scheduled to start at 7 p.m. Friday, April 22, at TAK Music Venue, 1710 Center Ave. W.

Tickets are $20, plus fees, if purchased online at www.takmusicvenue.com, or $25 at the door.

Linton has performed in the Midwest since the 1950s. His tribute to Cash features the musician performing more than 30 hits from the Man in Black.

Red River Market moves spring event indoors

FARGO — Red River Market's spring event is moving indoors this weekend because of a stormy forecast in the coming days.

Organizers with the farmers market announced that the event, which was originally scheduled outdoors at Willow Park Elementary, will now take place 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 23, at West Acres in Fargo.

Red River Market held a winter market event at the mall last month, and also has another spring event planned for May 21 at the POW-MIA Plaza on Sheyenne Street in West Fargo.

The farmers market's regular season will kick off July 9 and continue through late October at Broadway Square in downtown Fargo.

This Saturday's event will feature live music and theater performances, in addition to hot food and pantry goods, household goods, meats, beverages and more available for purchase. For more information, visit www.redriver.market/spring.

Police seek help locating West Fargo runaway

WEST FARGO — The West Fargo Police Department is asking for the public's help finding 14-year-old Ashiya Osman.

Osman

Ashiya left home on April 9 and stopped communicating with her family this week, police said. She is 5-foot-6-inches tall, weighs 115 pounds and has black hair and brown eyes. She has a nose piercing and a scar above her left eyebrow.

Ashiya was last seen at West Acres Mall and was possibly picked up by an unknown vehicle there. Anyone with information about her location should call the West Fargo Police Department at 701-515-5500.

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Housing advocates want $330M to revive COVID rent aid

By Alex Derosier
The Forum

ST. PAUL — Housing advocates are asking Gov. Tim Walz and the Minnesota Legislature to invest $330 million in emergency rental assistance and to continue protecting renters with pending rental assistance applications from eviction.

The Alliance, a coalition of social justice groups, and local officials gathered at the Minnesota Capitol Thursday, April 21, to make their appeal and to deliver a statement to Walz's office asking for an extension of pandemic renter protections.

The RentHelpMN program was created by the state to help renters at risk of losing their homes due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and to reimburse property owners for missed rent payments. The program, which provided tens of millions in assistance, ran out of funding and suddenly ended on Jan. 28 with just three days notice. Since Minnesota's aid program ended, the number of eviction filings in Minnesota has spiked by 67%, according to housing advocates.

Fadumo Mohamed is a housing advocate with the nonprofit ACER, a group that works with African immigrants in the northwest Twin Cities suburbs. She told reporters during a Thursday news conference that the sudden end to the program pulled the rug from beneath the feet of low-income Minnesota renters.

"We worked frantically to help renters rushing through the unexpected deadline, but the process was too confusing for many to complete the necessary steps and paperwork in time," Mohamed said. "The consequences of ending that critical support will have a broad and lasting impact. Those impacts will be primarily felt by low-income communities of color."

When the COVID-19 pandemic began, housing organizers mobilized in response to the threat of mass evictions, and the federal government responded with eviction moratoriums and by spending billions of dollars on rental assistance. Owen Duckworth, a housing organizer with The Alliance, said that, despite imperfections, the programs helped thousands of Minnesotans and should remain in place as pandemic recovery continues.

The federal eviction moratorium ended in August 2021. While Minnesota's rental assistance program ended in January, renters with pending assistance applications are still eligible for protection until June 1, according to HOME Line, a Twin Cities-based group that provides free legal assistance to renters.

House Democrats earlier this session introduced a proposal to provide the Minnesota rent assistance program with $330 million and reinstate eviction protections for renters awaiting a response on applications. There is no companion bill in the Republican-controlled Senate, and the $330 million Democrats approved in committee earlier this session is not currently part of a larger House omnibus housing spending bill.

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Housing advocates deliver a letter Thursday to Gov. Tim Walz's office at the Minnesota Capitol requesting more support for the state rental assistance program.

While the omnibus housing bill in the Minnesota House of Representatives does not call for $330 million in rental aid, it currently has a provision that would protect renters with pending rent help applications from eviction, said Mike Dahl, policy director for HOME Line.

Before the start of the 2022 legislative session, Walz and Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan proposed hundreds of millions in housing assistance in their supplemental budget recommendations, including $10 million each year to provide housing for families with young children, $95 million over three years for emergency shelter service and $19 million to the Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program.

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Minnesota ag leaders ask that 'safety nets' remain in place in 2023 Farm Bill

By Dana Ferguson
The Forum

BURNSVILLE, Minn. — About a dozen agriculture industry leaders on Wednesday, April 20, met with Sen. Tina Smith to discuss top concerns facing Minnesota farmers and ranchers and to start laying the groundwork for a 2023 Farm Bill.

The vast agriculture and nutrition policy and spending plan will take months or more to pull together. And Smith said that the meeting at Minnesota Corn Growers Association offices would be the first of many around the state aimed at gathering feedback about what Congress could do to support the state's agriculture community.

Commodity group leaders said the spread of highly contagious avian influenza in the state, expensive inputs to grow crops or raise animals and limited shipping container spaces to transport goods to potential buyers caused additional stress for producers. A day earlier, state and federal leaders met in Willmar, Minnesota, to discuss the state's approach to mitigating the spread of the avian flu and said they'd work quickly to help producers make up lost revenue if their flocks were sickened with the illness. The flu has sickened roughly 2 million birds in Minnesota and is not believed to pose a health risk to humans.

Dana Ferguson / The Forum

U.S. Sen. Tina Smith, a Minnesota Democrat, meets with agriculture commodity group leaders Wednesday to discuss the 2023 Farm Bill during a round table discussion in Burnsville, Minnesota.

To offset some of those pressing issues, state agriculture leaders on Wednesday asked federal lawmakers to make sure insurance options remained in place for farmers in the upcoming Farm Bill and limit regulations that could have unintended consequences.

"We need a safety net out there," Bob Worth, vice president of the Minnesota Soybean Growers Association, said, pointing to the help that crop insurance from a prior Farm Bill provided to row-crop farmers hit by historic drought conditions in 2021. "I really want you to think about the Farm Bill and tweak it maybe, but don't completely rewrite it because it is a good Farm Bill."

Several of the group leaders said they expected additional conservation efforts would be included in the next bill but urged Smith to oppose efforts to tie crop insurance benefits to conservation program participation. Smith told reporters that she wasn't aware of efforts to connect the insurance to those programs but would oppose such a move.

They also asked that the federal government review rules that might be outdated or that can pose problems to farmers already in a bind. Minnesota Department of Agriculture Commissioner Thom Petersen pointed to a delay from the federal government in allowing herds to graze on Conservation Reserve Program lands last summer when the dry weather made other food sources scarce. The block on CRP acres posed too high a hurdle for some, he said.

"We lost a lot of farms this year and because of that people aren't going to have cattle back on their farms," Petersen said. "We're trying to get more people into farming but we don't have the flexibility that could've saved farmers."

Overall, much of the existing Farm Bill was producing positive effects for farmers and ranchers, the leaders told Smith. And she said she'd aim to keep those pieces in place moving forward.

"I heard pretty clearly that we have a good foundation for a Farm Bill ... there are a lot of things that are working," Smith said. "There's always things that we can do to make it work better, but that we don't need to throw the baby out with the bathwater in terms of moving forward with that."

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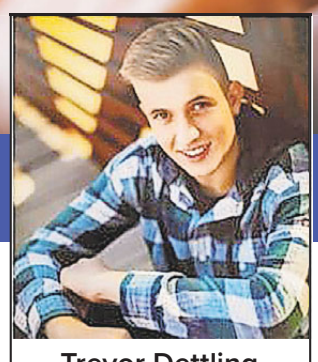

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Climate action is not 'liberal', but rational

By Bruce Anderson
St. Cloud, Minn.

Why is it when people recommend actions to quickly mitigate climate change, some insist on calling them "liberals?" While I realize that most Republican politicians don't embrace actions to quickly wean the world from fossil fuels, that's not the case with non-politicians.

It seems to me that those who recommend prompt action are just folks who understand the science of a changing climate and the need to act quickly to mitigate it.

There is - or should be - no political controversy on climate change. It's happening; it's caused by heat being retained by the increase in atmospheric carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases (something scientists demonstrated in the 1850's) emitted by burning fossil fuels; it's a threat to health and national security; and the technologies exist to mitigate the crisis.

Yes, renewable energy options, plus rapidly improving energy storage...for those who fear we'll have to go cold and dark when "the wind don't blow and the sun don't shine"...can gradually and eventually meet our needs. Every auto manufacturer is building electric vehicles. Ford's F-150 Lightning begins production next week..with the first year - or two - of orders already booked. Innovative companies are already profitably recycling 95% of battery material - to make new batteries.

Rational folks would want to take actions now that will provide clean power, reduce lung-damaging pollutants, and mitigate the fire, drought, and extreme events of climate change. That's the case whether you live in Fargo or the Far West, Moorhead or Mankato.

Politicians, influenced perhaps by political backers or party loyalty, don't always act in the best interests of the voters. And I suppose that's where some folks get the "liberal/conservative" notion.

But those are politicians, not rational citizens. There is nothing "liberal" about scientific knowledge. Or at least there shouldn't be.

Recycling is the best Earth Day gift

By James Bowers

We all know how it feels to see a local beach or park filled with litter. But the eyesore is just the tip of the iceberg.

Consider a littered can. Aluminum is made from bauxite ore. Bauxite is harvested from open-faced strip mines. The process of harvesting the ore kicks up a cloud of red dust that kills nearby vegetation, ruining the livelihood of farmers in countries like Malaysia and Indonesia.

After the bauxite is harvested, it needs to be processed to form the can. The aluminum production process releases PFCs – gasses with a global warming potential up to 9,200 times stronger than carbon dioxide. Aluminum can production also emits twice as much carbon dioxide as a plastic bottle. According to Keep America Beautiful's litter survey, aluminum cans are littered nearly five times as often as plastic water bottles.

If that littered can never sees the inside of a recycling bin, all that pollution will have been generated for one single beverage. But, if the can is properly recycled, it can be reshaped to live another life. With recycling, single-use products are actually multi-use.

Ensuring that every can or bottle is recycled is the best gift you can give the planet this Earth Day.

Bowers is the managing director of the Campaign for Recycling Awareness.

Good Friday passes, no potatoes planted

MIKE JACOBS

Last year at this time, Agweek reporter Ann Bailey and I were trading columns about our family traditions of planting potatoes on Good Friday. That didn't happen this year, of course; there's a foot of snow on my potato patch – and maybe more on hers. She lives near Larimore, which got more snow than we did at our place west of Gilby, N.D.

"We won't be planting potatoes until May," one of my gardener friends said. He's also a devotee of the "plant potatoes on Good Friday" school.

Last year's potato crop was a big one, and I set aside plenty of spuds for seed.

But the truth is, I won't be planting potatoes at all this year. Suezette and I are leaving our place west of Gilby for urban living in Grand Forks.

This is a bittersweet decision, just as the decision to move to the country was bittersweet when we made it 25 years ago. We moved after the Flood of '97, choosing to build a new home rather than rehab the house on Conklin Avenue where we had lived in Grand Forks. We sold it. It's still standing.

We have lived in this place for almost a quarter century, half of our married life and by far the longest we've ever lived in any one place. We will miss it. Especially the sky. The birds, too, of course. The home we'll move into is very near the Greenway, so there will be habitat for birds. But the sky will be very different. Instead of that "great dome of sky," there will be patches of sky between houses and tree branches. There will be no distant horizon, but rather a dike line and floodwall.

And the light will be different, too. In 25 years living here plus 18 years growing up on a farm in Mountrail County, where the horizon appears to be even larger and farther away than it is in the Red River Valley, I learned one thing: The light is never the same.

Our decision to move was an abrupt one. At first we imagined buying a small house, or perhaps a condo, and treating it like a lake home, but with the seasons reversed. We'd spend some time – usually in the winter – in town and most of our time in the country.

Circumstances dictate otherwise.

First, we weren't able to find a suitable place, and so our price point started inching up.

Second, we grew tired of the drive. When we were both working in Grand Forks, our commute was mostly pleasurable, with a sense of anticipation in the morning and as a way to unwind on the way home. In retirement, the drive began to seem like a waste of time, and yet we needed to make the trip because not all of life's essentials are available in Wheatfield Township.

Third, we aged out of Gilby, our closest town. The community "turned over," as older residents – many with very deep roots in the area – began to move away to be close to their children and grandchildren. Others, including close friends, passed away.

At the same time younger people arrived in the community, reviving it. The community center on the town's main street is the best evidence of that. The crowd at the grand opening last year must have been the largest in Gilby in this century. Now there's a coffee shop, "The Gilby Grind."

But we don't quite fit at our age. A new generation has taken charge.

These were nudges.

Then there were the draws.

The big draw is convenience. Like other older people, we've been seeing more of the doctors than we used to. My own doctor told me earlier this year, "I've been looking for something wrong with you for 30 years and I haven't found anything." It's different with Suezette, who's had significant medical problems. As I write she's in transitional care after a hip replacement. There is a great feeling of relief having her in the care of professionals. And gratitude.

But she's in Grand Forks and I'm alone in the country.

The university is a draw, too. For several years I've been involved in a project to create a digital atlas of North Dakota. I've enjoyed exploring the state with students. Getting to class had become difficult. There's that drive again. And, of course, the weather.

The weather was a nudge. My neighbor came down nine times this winter to blow snow out of our driveway, and may have to come again, given Sunday's snow. The previous record was five. Last year he came once.

But I think the biggest nudge was the isolation. The pandemic exacerbated that. We fought it by hosting a couple of wine tastings on our driveway, but throughout the pandemic fewer than a dozen people have come indoors, and two of them delivered a rocking chair.

(That amenity seemed essential at the time, and I directed the delivery men to put the chair in a south window, where I figured I would sit and read. The cat commandeered the chair, however.)

The distance kept us away from family and friends in Grand Forks. There are more opportunities for social interaction in the city. We can go for lunch, for example. Or dinner. Or a movie.

So we bought a house in Grand Forks. It's a big house. Much of what we've collected in our 50 years of married life will fit in the new house. We'll miss our place in the country.

But it's time to move on.

Of course, this means our place will be for sale. If you're interested, I'll throw in the seed potatoes I saved over winter. You're pretty much guaranteed a crop, even though you won't get those spuds in the ground on Good Friday.

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

Elon Musk and free speech

CAL THOMAS

Americans who subscribe to "traditional values" have had to put up with a lot from the left in the name of the First Amendment. From vulgarities on TV, to sexual scenes in movies, to the ready availability of pornography on the internet, to books that offend parental values in public schools, to flag burning during protests, cries of "censorship" have been hurled at defenders of deportment and tradition.

Now comes Elon Musk and suddenly everything has changed. Musk wants to buy Twitter and add to the diversity of opinions that can be expressed on this popular and influential platform. At first the Twitter board welcomed him to the company, but they quickly changed their minds and have now inserted a "poison pill" they hope will keep him from taking over. It's complicated, but they would limit the number of shares that Musk could purchase.

Musk's attempt to purchase Twitter has revealed the double standard practiced by the left when it comes to free speech. Why does it appear the only speech that wins the approval of the left is speech with which they agree?

Twitter (and Facebook) have "standards" which, if violated, can get one suspended or in the case of Donald Trump, banned from their platforms. They define "hate speech" but it is often arbitrary, and the company in too many cases, seems to bow to the wishes of leftist organizations.

That the allegations of censorship have shifted from the right foot to the left was evident in a recent Washington Post column by Max Boot. Boot lamented that a billionaire like Musk could potentially have influence in deciding Twitter's content. The irony is that his paper is owned by billionaire Jeff Bezos. In his column, Boot calls for an entity to impose "content moderation" on certain speech. What might that look like? Would it be a government panel? Everyone has a point of view. It is disingenuous to think a panel or individual would be able to fairly monitor the content of anything, nor should be allowed to.

During the turbulent years leading up to the founding of the nation there were views expressed for and against the Revolution. Even so, George Washington said, "If freedom of speech is taken away, then dumb and silent we may be led, like sheep to the slaughter."

In an Aug. 8, 1950, message to Congress regarding the internal security of the United States, President Harry Truman wrote: "Once a government is committed to the principle of silencing the voice of opposition, it has only one way to go, and that is down the path of increasingly repressive measures, until it becomes a source of terror to all its citizens and creates a country where everyone lives in fear." The same could be said of non-government entities like social platforms.

The response to speech one does not like is more speech, not less. That's what freedom of speech ultimately means. It's what Elon Musk appears to want to promote on Twitter should he get the chance.

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Police confirm murder-suicide in death of 5 in Duluth

29-year-old man shot 4 family members, a dog, and then himself, police say

By Brady Slater and Laura Butterbrodt
Duluth News Tribune

DULUTH — Police confirmed Thursday that 29-year-old Brandon Taylor Cole-Skogstad shot dead four relatives, a dog and then himself on Wednesday in the East Hillside neighborhood of Duluth.

According to a press release from the Duluth Police Department on Thursday, the victims are Sadie Lucille Barry, 9; Shiway Elizabeth Barry, 12; Riana Lou Barry, 44; and Sean Christopher Barry, 47, all of Duluth. The two children attended Duluth Public Schools.

Cole-Skogstad was the nephew of Sean and Riana Barry. Police believe he was previously living with the family.

"In 32 years, we haven't seen anything like this, where we've had four victims of a homicide," Duluth Police Chief Mike Tusken said at a news conference Wednesday afternoon.

Shortly after noon Wednesday, Duluth police responded to the report of an individual, Cole-Skogstad, experiencing a mental health crisis. The call originated just after 11:18 a.m. in Hermantown as a welfare check.

Cole-Skogstad had posted on Facebook that "I have made the absolutely horrid choice," before outlining the unspeakable scene confronted by authorities Wednesday.

Hermantown police were dispatched to the 4100 block of Timber Lane Drive to check on Cole-Skogstad, but they were unable to locate or contact him.

Duluth police, who received information that Cole-Skogstad had access to a weapon, approached the house at 715 E. 12th St. in East Hillside at 12:29 p.m. As they knocked on the door, officers heard what they believed to be a gunshot. Police retreated and requested mutual aid from the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office and Superior Police Department.

Shortly after 3 p.m., the Duluth Police Department Tactical Team searched the house after using robots and drones to assess the home, and located five bodies and the family dog, all dead, the release said.

After a preliminary investigation, police determined that Cole-Skogstad shot the victims while they were sleeping. A 9-millimeter handgun was found close to Cole-Skogstad. Duluth and Hermantown police searched 911 history and did not find any previous calls showing a pattern of behavior regarding Cole-Skogstad.

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Duluth police chief Mike Tusken reads the names of the victims of a murder-suicide during a press conference on Thursday at the Public Safety Building in Duluth. 5 people were found deceased in the East Hillside neighborhood of Duluth on Wednesday afternoon.

"I've got to tell you, it's tough on all of us," Tusken said as he choked up at Thursday's press conference. "It's tough on our cops. Our police officers, a lot of them may have families. Any time you go into a situation like this and you see that tragedy, it is terribly heart-wrenching. And you can't unsee it."

Duluth City Council President Arik Forsman also spoke Thursday, stating the event has been heart-shattering for the entire community and praised the Duluth Police Department's available trauma response resources for responding officers.

"Things like this happen far too often in our country, and as leaders at the local, state and federal levels, we just have to pause and reflect when things like this happen to see what else could be done, either in prevention, or as far as gun violence goes, to make our community safer," Forsman said.

Tusken said there were no calls to report gunshots throughout the night, and all four Barry family members appeared to have been asleep at their time of death.

"These are really difficult investigations, and sometimes it is very hard to peel back those layers to find out (a motive)," Tusken said. "Right now, it would be entirely speculative for me to say what that motive is."

A GoFundMe page was started by family and friends of the Barry family to raise funds for funeral services, burial, memorials and family lodging and travel to Duluth.

"They were a truly special family who impacted the lives of so many of those around them," the organizers wrote on the fundraising website, which has a goal to raise $50,000. "They leave behind their mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, nieces, nephews and many many friends. Family are not prepared for this horrible tragedy."

Duluth Public Schools Superintendent John Magas said the two children were former elementary students in the district, and grief resources will be available beginning Monday.

Duluth Mayor Emily Larson, who is out of town for a conference, released the following statement about the incident:

"On every level, this incident is deeply painful for our community. Especially impacted are the neighbors of East Hillside and first responders. Thank you to neighbors for taking good care of one another and for knowing the beautiful parts of the Barry family. Thank you to DPD for answering the call of public safety. I'm sorry for what you experienced, which is deeply traumatic.

"As a parent and member of a family, it is wrenching to consider what the Barry family might be feeling. There is only loss to every part of this story. To the Barry family: Our community mourns with you and we share in your pain. Because your loss is our community's loss."

The investigation is ongoing.

ND pot legalization campaign can now gather signatures

By Jeremy Turley
The Forum

BISMARCK — A group of North Dakotans making a late push to place a question about legalizing recreational marijuana on the November ballot can now gather signatures.

North Dakota Secretary of State Al Jaeger announced Thursday, April 21, that he approved the format of a petition that proposes the legalization of possessing and purchasing small amounts of marijuana for adults 21 and up.

The statutory measure would also implement policies to regulate retail marijuana stores and growers. Cannabis products would have to be tested for contaminants, labeled and tracked through a "seed-to-sale inventory system." Driving under the influence and using marijuana products in public would still be prohibited. If passed, the measure would direct regulators to establish rules and create the legal pot program by October 2023.

The 25-member sponsoring committee needs to gather 15,582 signatures from North Dakota residents by July 11 to put the question on the ballot in November. (Legally, the group has a year to gather the signatures, but if it turns in the required signatures after July 11, the measure would go on the ballot in 2024.)

The sponsoring group, led by pro-legalization activist Dave Owen, has announced it will hire petition circulators to gather the requisite signatures over the next two and a half months.

The language of the proposed measure closely mirrors a 2021 bill that passed the North Dakota House of Representatives but failed in the state Senate.

File photo

A proposed ballot measure would legalize the possession and purchase of small amounts of marijuana for North Dakota adults 21 and up.

North Dakota voters approved the legalization of medical marijuana in 2016 against the wishes of many Republican state lawmakers, but voters later rejected a recreational legalization measure led by Owen in 2018. Owen's group suspended an effort to get the question on the 2020 ballot amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

Recreational pot is now legal in 18 states, including Montana, where voters elected to legalize the drug in 2020. A voter-approved legalization measure in South Dakota was deemed unconstitutional last year by the state's Supreme Court.

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ROWE

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He became an opera singer in Baltimore, then spent three years hawking products overnight on the QVC cable network.

He was 42 when he broke into TV's big time with the popular show "Dirty Jobs."

Over the show's run, he worked about 350 "dirty jobs," most of them suggested by fans.

"It is truly the simplest show in the history of television," Rowe said.

As part of the event's sit-down conversation, Chamber President and CEO Shannon Full and WDAY news anchor and producer Dana Mogck asked Rowe about his "dirtiest job."

"There's 30 things that are equally horrific," Rowe said, often involving artificially inseminating animals.

"We violated every barnyard animal," Rowe said, which also included inducing bulls to give up semen. It was strange, "but it rated through the roof."

David Samson / The Forum

Mike Rowe of "Dirty Jobs" fame speaks from the stage with Chamber President Shannon Full and WDAY's Dana Mogck at the Chamber's annual "Voices of Vision" event at the Sanford Health Athletic Complex on Thursday.

A segment where he helped repair a lift pump at a wastewater treatment plant in the San Francisco area stands out, he said.

In Tyvek suits, they went into the waste tank, "dog paddled" to the pump, climbed on top, and attached a cable to the pump to lift it up.

The sound of the lift pump being pulled from the sewage "will haunt your dreams," Rowe said.

Rowe is an evangelist for the skilled trades, which he says provide good-paying jobs.

In 2008, he started the mikeroweWORKS Foundation, which provides scholarships to students interested in pursuing careers in the trades.

"There are no specific paths. There are many paths," to success, Rowe said

He doesn't knock university education — after all, it was a liberal arts degree that helped him find his path — but he said there are plenty of jobs for people willing to "show up early and stay late," and they're not getting filled.

Today, there are more than 11 million open jobs, many of them needing people skilled in the trades. Meanwhile, students graduating from four-year institutions have racked up nearly $1.7 trillion in student loan debt, he said.

Rowe said his higher education odyssey cost him about $9,400. Today, the same coursework would cost $98,000.

The trades have gotten short shrift, he said.

"We have a workforce that's really out of balance," Rowe said. "Why is the skills gap a thing? ... It's not a mystery. It's just a reflection of what we value."

Too often, he says, young people are pushed into something that might not give them a good living.

"You're 17 years old. You don't know your ass from a hot rock!" Rowe said to howls of approval. "The choices (between college and the trades) are equal. You just have to find your toolboxes."

To help young people reach their career goals in the trades, Rowe's foundation has given out about $6 million in scholarships to 1,200 young people, he said.

Rowe also regaled the audience with his experiences during his visit to Fargo, including a late night/early morning at downtown Fargo watering hole Rooter's — where he took a turn at karaoke singing the folk song "Sixteen Tons."

He said he has a soft spot for this region's farmers and other hard-working people.

"This is a place of character, with characters," he said.

Rowe currently hosts the Discovery+ history series "Six Degrees With Mike Rowe," and the podcast "The Way I Heard It," telling "short stories you don't know about people you do know" and sharing conversations with interesting people from his own life.

Rowe was the 12th speaker in the "Voices of Vision" series.

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DEBATE

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Plecity said she has a plan to get rid of the specials, as they are called, although the format didn't give her time to explain it. She said she also has about $40,000 in specials on her home.

City Commissioner Dave Piepkorn, the only incumbent in the race, said the commission is working to lower the rate homeowners and businesses pay on their share of projects. It stands at a 70% to 30% split, lower than the 50% to 50% a few years ago.

He asked where funds were going to be found to replace the specials, but agreed the Legacy Fund could help, as well as the state legislature funding a Prairie Dog program they had promised with millions to help cities pay for infrastructure projects.

Child care was also discussed, with some disagreements on answers.

Candidate Denise Kolpack called it a "crisis" and said she knows of a daycare with a waiting list of 350 families. She suggested working with the state for a tax credit and having businesses help by paying a stipend to families to help cover the expense.

Johnson, who works as a family advocate, suggested working on state and city regulations to make it easier to open daycares. Carlson added that he said some of the regulations are needed like the background checks for daycare employees.

Piepkorn said some of the candidates seemed to suggest they wanted "free day care" but asked who was going to pay for it.

Shiil responded he "took offense" and said they weren't asking for anything free, but that availability is the major problem and the city should try to come up with solutions.

Candidate Anna Johnson said if people were paid living wages it could help with that problem and many others.

"People need to be paid what they are worth, "she said.

Plecity suggested the school district, which accounts for about 50% of property tax bills, should explore expanding after-school programs or other efforts.

Candidate Branden Krieger suggested more companies could help by offering onsite child care, which could even give parents a chance to have lunch with their children.

Candidate Tom Magin said neighborhoods, which can work to solve many problems, could help the situation.

As for how to attract and retain more workers in the city, there were also varied suggestions.

Carlson said a predictable and stable regulatory and tax environment was a key.

Kolpack said the Chamber of Commerce has programs in place to work on the issue and praised the career workforce academy under construction as a helpful answer.

Magin said apprenticeship programs could be the answer.

Marinov, who has worked in law enforcement for 11 years, said with crime rising the city needs to put more of an effort into making the city safer to help keep and attract residents.

Plecity said she came back because of the work ethic in the city, while candidate Will Thompson said a "culture shift" was needed to help the working class and not big developers.

Residents can watch the forum on the city and League of Women Voters websites and Facebook pages. Also there are more forums planned. The mayoral candidates will have their chance at 7:15 p.m. Wednesday, May 4, to participate in another League forum. It will be preceded by a 6:15 p.m. debate involving candidates for the Fargo Park Board.

LINDQUIST

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trying to be as careful as we can to not spend donor money on things that we don't need. ... You change plans and tactics based on what you see on the ground."

Instead, Lindquist said, the $50,000 will go toward desperately needed essentials for the Ukrainian people, like diapers, medical supplies and food. "The dollar is so strong over here, I can get three to four times what I could get in Walmart in Fargo over here," he says.

Lindquist's recently formed nonprofit, "Ukrainian Children," is not only sourcing supplies from eastern Poland and western Ukraine but has also become a contact point for American corporations like Target.

"They had said they wanted to donate but weren't sending donations to the Ukraine because there was no one here to receive it," Lindquist said, sounding a bit baffled. "I'm that guy now."

Even then, Lindquist said the next challenge was getting the supplies to the eastern part of Ukraine, especially the Donbas region, where Ukrainians are cut off with little to no clean water or food.

"Fifty days in, their worry isn't so much death by missile but death by starvation," Lindquist said.

The problem, he said, is that travel across the Texas-sized country is extremely difficult, with motorists encountering one military checkpoint after another.

Enter Harrison Jozefowicz, a former police officer from Chicago. Josefowicz set up a volunteer unit called "Task Force Yankee: Ukraine," consisting of civilians and military veterans with the skills and training to deliver humanitarian aid to parts of Ukraine too volatile for most non-governmental organizations.

Lindquist and Jozefowicz met last week and quickly discovered they had a few things in common: They were Midwesterners and veterans of the Afghanistan war who felt compelled to do something for the people of Ukraine.

In fact, both left behind important commitments to do so. Lindquist suspended his congressional campaign; Josefowicz quit his job with the police force.

Lindquist knew Josefowicz, a member of the U.S. Army's 82nd Airborne in Afghanistan from 2017-18, was more than qualified to take on the difficult assignment to get supplies into one of Ukraine's most beleaguered areas.

"His team is the missing link that we needed," Lindquist said.

"We have the experience, training and operational security knowledge to get people and supplies safely from point A to B, as we have run convoys through Afghanistan during wartime," Jozefowicz said.

Lindquist is still looking to activate "packets of volunteers" in the U.S. He is inviting church groups and other organizations to book a Zoom call with him so he can update them on volunteer efforts and how they can help.

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Mark Lindquist says $29 in U.S. dollars goes a long way in the Ukraine. That's what it cost to buy new bags for this family of 3 who were carrying their possessions in plastic bags.

WEATHER

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with three major components: potential flooding in areas with existing snowfall, possible severe thunderstorms in the eastern Dakotas and western Minnesota and heavy snow, sleet and freezing rain in North Dakota's western counties.

"It's another great big April storm with all the components of these hybrid, spring-time winter storms in that it will produce severe winter weather, and it will also be producing strong thunderstorms," Wheeler said.

On Friday night after 9 p.m. and continuing into Saturday, eastern North Dakota, including the Red River Valley and north central portions of the state, could receive ping pong ball-sized hail, winds as high as 60 miles per hour and possible isolated tornadoes. Some areas of north eastern North Dakota could see up to 4 inches of rain, according to the National Weather Service.

The National Weather Service also issued a flood warning, which forecasts minor flooding, for both North Dakota and Minnesota counties along the Red River.

Because of last week's heavy winter snowfall for much of western North Dakota, the predicted rainfall could cause existing snow to melt. Many ditches are already full of snow and ice, so the additional runoff could cause water to back up over fields and roads, Wheeler said.

The National Weather Service predicts that the western third of North Dakota will experience the heaviest winter weather impacts, and travel could be dangerous because of heavy and blowing snow, freezing rain and strong winds.

"Some uncertainty remains where the rain/snow line sets up," the National Weather Service said in a briefing.

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Equipment and material for construction of Fargo's new Asian & American Market was being staged April 12, at the building site at 1425 Main Ave.

'ANSWERING THAT REQUEST'

Fargo's Asian & American Market will have new, expanded home by fall

By Helmut Schmidt
The Forum

Fargo

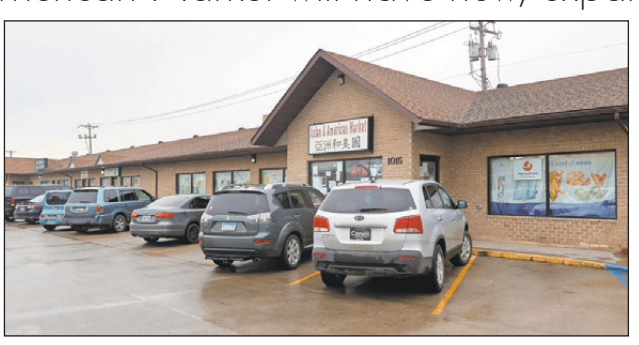
John Huynh is going big.

The co-owner of downtown Fargo's Asian & American Market is promising that the next version of his popular store, now under construction at 1425 Main Ave., will be a crowd pleaser for those who love international flavors.

"This will be the biggest international market in the Dakotas," Hyunh said Monday, April 18. "We're excited about it."

The new grocery store - at 19,500 square feet - will be about three times the size of the current market, which is the centerpiece of a small retail strip center at 1015 Main Ave.

Hyunh estimates that once all of the equipment is installed, he and his sister will have invested about $4 million into the project.



The current Asian & American Market, seen April 12, is at 1015 Main Ave., Fargo.

He promises plenty of parking and a much greater selection of goods at the new location.

"Right now, it's really tiny," Hyunh said. "When we have more space, we will have more products."

Construction began last year with demolition and clearing the new site along Main Avenue and creating the foundation.

Structural steel and some heavy construction equipment arrived on the site last week, though start on the building itself was delayed by the sloppy weather that's been part of the winter that won't leave the Red River Valley.

Supply chain problems and other issues caused by the pandemic have also delayed the project, just as they have with just about every other construction project, big and small, in the Fargo-Moorhead metro area.

"It is so behind. It was supposed to be done around May," Hyunh said.

He expects that if all goes well, the new store will be up and running in September or October.

Fargo-Moorhead's growing population demanded a bigger store, he said.

"I just want to let them (customers) know ... the customers are demanding the space and we listen to the customers. That's while we'll be excited to open the bigger one. We're answering that request," he said.

Hyunh expects he'll need to add staff for the new store, too.

"More jobs. We'll need a lot more employees," he said.

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Goose River Brewing to open in Hillsboro

By Ingrid Harbo
Grand Forks Herald

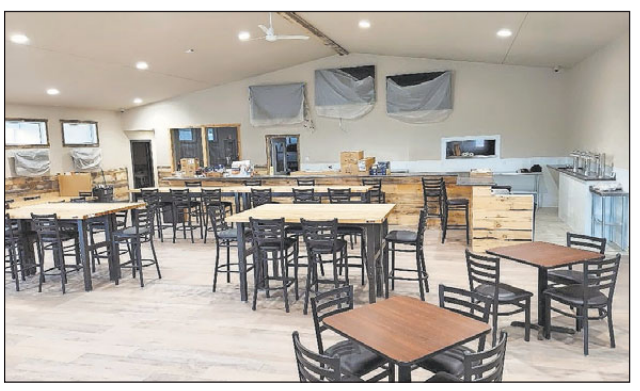
HILLSBORO, N.D. — With the Hillsboro Cafe open under new ownership and a new coffee and ice cream shop on its way, Goose River Brewing will be one of a few new businesses this spring in downtown Hillsboro. Owner Terry Sando hopes his soon-to-open brewery will help make downtown a destination.

"We think a brewpub will help do that," said Sando. "With some of the beer apps and stuff that is available to help locate us, we'll hopefully be able to draw some people off I-29."

He hopes to hold a soft opening with a limited restaurant menu as early as this week.

"We're going to hold off on the grand opening until we have our first batch of beer," he said.

Once fully operational, Goose River Brewing will be a family-friendly brewpub establishment with food and drinks. Beer will be sold on and off sale, and the bar will have 24 taps. Sando says half of those will be Goose River Brewing beer that rotates with each season. Once the kitchen is open, the menu will include food that uses the brewery's own beer — things like beer cheese soup, beer brats and different varieties of chili.



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Final touches are being made to Goose River Brewing in Hillsboro, North Dakota, which could open with a limited menu as soon as next week.

Over the last few weeks, the building has undergone health and safety inspections while Sando puts in the finishing touches and finalizes licensing. While work remains before the brewpub is fully operational, the project is inching closer to completion.

The business plan for Goose River Brewing was established before the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, but the pandemic and related supply chain issues have slowed the process.

"Some of the pieces of kitchen equipment went six months before they got delivered, so it's just been kind of a cascading effect of the pandemic, transportation and the lack of materials," he said. "Unfortunately, the price of the project is probably about 28% higher than what we expected because of the cost of materials and equipment."

It was important to Sando to work with local businesses for contractor services and materials, like flooring and lumber, but even local businesses were affected by supply chain delays and worker shortages.

"Staying with our local community, which I thought was important, probably extended another six months or so just simply because even though they're working, they don't have that big labor force they can fall back on," he said.

Sando, the mayor of Hillsboro and a member of the Hillsboro Economic Development Corporation, has the community at the forefront of his mind while thinking about the future of Goose River Brewing.

"Supporting the community is a big part of what we want to do," he said.

The Hillsboro EDC holds a charitable gaming license, and Goose River Brewing will rent space to the EDC for a few electronic games and a paper machine.

"We'll start out initially with a small footprint to support the Hillsboro EDC so that those charitable gaming funds go to help other businesses expand or to help start new businesses in Hillsboro," he said.

As the weather warms and Goose River Brewing becomes fully operational, Sando plans to hold regular events for the community.

"I want to try to establish one permanent day per month, where we have what we call a 'tapping of the keg' event, and we're looking at the first Friday (of every month)," he said. "It's kind of a tradition down in the Southeast that gets to be a big deal in the summertime, and everything from small bands to classic cars line up along the main streets of cities and towns there and they celebrate, so I'm going to use the first Friday up here in North Dakota."

Sando, who says he is new to social media, gives regular progress updates on the brewery on the Goose River Brewing Facebook page. With anticipation growing among followers in the comments, he always tells them one thing: "Stay thirsty, Hillsboro!"

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2-year T-note	2.6739	+3.68	8.87	23.44	1667.28
5-year T-note	2.9637	+3.77	6.40	23.51	273.45
10-year T-note	2.908	+2.52	2.85	22.15	88.64
30-year T-Bond	2.927	+1.77	0.27	12.43	31.70

METALS	LAST	1 DAY	VOLUME
Gold (oz)	1,945.4	–7.50	408
Silver (oz)	24.62	–0.65	41
Platinum (oz)	965.30	–17.50	50
Copper (lb)	4.70	+0.05	353
Palladium (oz)	2,420.2	–41.90	994

FUELS	LAST	1 DAY	VOLUME
Crude Oil	103.79	+1.60	272,956
Ethanol	2.16	unch.	0
Heating	3.90	–0.07	20,334
Natural Gas	6.96	+0.02	142,544
Unleaded Gas	3.34	+0.05	22,541

Commodity Futures

CORN (5,000bu minimum - cent/bushel)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
May	814	814¼	797½	799¼	-16.50
Jul	808½	809½	793¼	795¼	-14.75
Sep	765	765	752	755½	-10.50
Dec	748½	748½	735¾	738¾	-9.75
Mar	750¾	750¾	738¼	741½	-9.25
May	749¼	750¼	738	741½	-9.25

Yest. sales: 85,170; Open interest: 208,947

SOYBEANS (5,000bu min - cent/bushel)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
May	1747½	1752¾	1728¼	1748¼	1.50
Jul	1717	1726¼	1704¾	1719½	2.50
Aug	1662	1670½	1651¾	1664½	2.75
Sep	1575¼	1585	1568¼	1580	2.25
Nov	1528¾	1537¼	1519¾	1531¾	2.25
Jan	1528	1537¼	1520½	1532	3.00

Yest. sales: 62,114; Open interest: 125,777

WHEAT (5,000bu min - cent/bushel)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
May	1094¼	1094¼	1052½	1068	-20.00
Jul	1103	1103	1061¾	1076½	-21.00
Sep	1100	1100	1060¼	1075¼	-20.00
Dec	1096	1096	1056¾	1072¾	-19.25
Mar	1085¼	1088	1056¾	1072	-18.25
May	1082½	1082½	1053	1068	-17.75

Yest. sales: 10,498; Open interest: 29,756

OATS (5,000 bu min.. - cent/bushel.)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
May	728½	731	705	711½	-12.00
Jul	724½	729	705	709	-11.50
Sep	610¾	610¾	595	597	-7.25
Dec	602½	602½	591	590½	-7.00
May	—	—	—	588¼	-6.75
Jul	—	—	—	588¼	-6.75

Yest. sales: 182; Open interest: 540

MINNEAPOLIS GRAIN (5,000 bu. - ¢/bushel.)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
May	1170	1174¼	1144	1151½	-17.75
Jul	1173¼	1177	1147¼	1154½	-17.75
Sep	1157½	1159½	1133¼	1141	-15.50
Dec	1155¾	1159½	1132¾	1141¼	-14.50
Mar	1145	1154½	1130½	1137½	-14.50
Jul	—	1079¼	—	1079¼	0.50

Yest. sales: 1,590; Open interest: 0
Minneapolis Hard Red Spring Wheat

LUMBER ($/1000 BF)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
May	1005.10	1041.40	989.80	1025	29.40
Jul	949.40	986.60	941.70	970	28.40
Sep	905	931	905	916.10	20.10
Nov	880	880	880	880	30.00
Mar	—	—	—	898.20	30.00
May	—	850	—	874	30.00

Yest. sales: 202; Open interest: 1,085

SOYBEAN MEAL (40,000 lbs. - cent/lb)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
May	473	473	465.20	468.90	-2.50
Jul	466½	467.80	460½	463.90	-2.40
Aug	456.10	457½	451.10	453.70	-2.20
Sep	442½	444½	439.10	441.70	-0.80
Oct	428.20	431.20	425½	428.10	0.00
Dec	426½	429.60	423.90	426.40	0.00

Yest. sales: 32,038; Open interest: 63,411

FEEDER CATTLE (50,000 lbs. - cent/lb.)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
Apr	157.65	158½	157.48	158.45	0.95
May	163½	164.93	162.82	164.85	2.38
Aug	174½	176.65	173.88	176.45	2.98
Sep	177.85	179.45	176.85	179.28	2.78
Oct	180	181.63	179.35	181.48	2.50
Nov	181½	183.28	181.30	183.23	2.63

Yest. sales: 788; Open interest: 1,703

LIVE CATTLE (40,000 lbs. - cent/lb.)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
Apr	143.18	144.23	143.18	144.10	1.02
Jun	138.80	139.95	138.68	139.90	1.27
Aug	140¼	141.63	140.15	141.57	1.43
Oct	146.13	147.35	146.07	147.30	1.20
Dec	151.05	152.18	151.05	152.15	1.02
Feb	154.82	155.80	154.73	155.78	0.95

Yest. sales: 1,498; Open interest: 5,401

HOGS (40,000 lbs. - cent/lb.)	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
May	112.28	112.68	110.03	110.85	-1.63
Jun	118.45	119.10	116.55	117.18	-1.58
Jul	119.78	120.33	117.85	118.63	-1.43
Aug	118	118½	116.33	117.03	-1.38
Oct	98.18	98.53	97¼	97.73	-0.68
Dec	89.18	89.65	88.70	89.18	-0.40

Yest. sales: 268; Open interest: 2,645

US STOCKS

MOST ACTIVE	CLOSE	CHG%	VOL(M)
Apple Inc. (AAPL)	166.42	-0.48	87.0
American Air (AAL)	20.22	+3.80	83.7
AT&T Inc. (T)	20.21	+4.01	80.3
Advanced Mic (AMD)	89.85	-4.44	76.4
Twitter, Inc (TWTR)	47.08	+0.77	66.9
SoFi Technol (SOFI)	6.60	-5.04	66.2
NVIDIA Corpo (NVDA)	201.83	-6.05	64.4
NIO Inc. (NIO)	17.15	-5.51	61.2
DiDi Global (DIDI)	1.7100	-9.04	60.7
Netflix, Inc (NFLX)	218.22	-3.52	53.3
Ford Motor C (F)	15.70	-2.18	49.7
Warner Bros. (WBD)	21.45	-6.78	50.6
Meta Platfor (FB)	188.07	-6.16	49.5
Snap Inc. (SNAP)	29.42	-4.36	51.1
United Airli (UAL)	50.85	+9.31	42.1
Bank of Amer (BAC)	38.91	-1.89	40.5
Carnival Cor (CCL)	19.51	-0.56	35.9
iQIYI, Inc. (IQ)	3.2000	-14.89	37.5
Southwestern (SWN)	7.79	-5.35	35.0
Tesla, Inc. (TSLA)	1,008.78	+3.23	34.8

GAINERS	CLOSE	CHG%	VOL(M)
Grupo Aeromé (GRPAF)	18.34	+2,907.33	50,000
Metso Outote (OUKPY)	4.7400	+13.06	16,630
United Airli (UAL)	50.85	+9.31	42.1
Valmont Indu (VMI)	264.61	+6.57	322,195
Maravai Life (MRVI)	35.59	+6.37	2.3
Akzo Nobel N (AKZOY)	30.06	+5.99	159,724
Brambles Lim (BXBLY)	15.72	+5.36	38,611
Allegiant Tr (ALGT)	173.95	+5.30	387,352
PT Bank Mand (PPERY)	11.30	+4.92	29,433

LOSERS	CLOSE	CHG%	VOL(M)
Alcoa Corpor (AA)	72.20	-16.94	21.9
Xerox Holdin (XRX)	16.74	-15.67	12.2
Kumba Iron O (KIROY)	12.25	-15.28	27,071
iQIYI, Inc. (IQ)	3.2000	-14.89	37.5
Plug Power I (PLUG)	22.85	-14.19	31.1
LSB Industri (LXU)	22.96	-13.68	1.1
Lithium Amer (LAC)	27.63	-12.81	10.0
Peabody Ener (BTU)	27.25	-12.66	10.0
Enphase Ener (ENPH)	156.56	-12.31	5.2

LOCAL STOCKS

STOCK (TICKER)	CLOSE	CHG%	VOL
3M Company (MMM)	151.77	+0.78	2.337M
Adobe Inc. (ADBE)	417.48	-2.48	2.389M
Agilent Tech (A)	125.29	-3.15	2.178M
Alerus Finan (ALRS)	26.36	-1.01	11,979
Alphabet Inc (GOOG)	2,498.75	-2.58	1.453M
Amazon.com, (AMZN)	2,965.92	-3.70	3.095M
American Exp (AXP)	185.74	-1.44	3.748M
Ameriprise F (AMP)	291.71	-3.03	571,403
Apple Inc. (AAPL)	166.42	-0.48	87.077M
Autodesk, In (ADSK)	195.13	-3.36	1.516M
AutoZone, In (AZO)	2,233.31	-0.92	122,611
Beyond Meat, (BYND)	38.51	-4.18	2.138M
Canadian Pac (CP)	77.58	-0.89	2.447M
Casey's Gene (CASY)	213.28	-1.18	219,843
Caterpillar (CAT)	232.57	-1.07	3.568M
Cedar Fair, (FUN)	54.89	-1.79	121,717
Chevron Corp (CVX)	164.58	-4.61	14.582M
Chipotle Mex (CMG)	1,521.11	-5.67	278,003
Cisco System (CSCO)	52.78	-0.45	17.142M
Citigroup In (C)	52.63	-0.89	15.939M
CNH Industri (CNHI)	15.66	-1.01	6.837M
Conagra Bran (CAG)	36.56	+0.05	4.478M
CVS Health C (CVS)	105.18	-0.86	3.386M
Daktronics, (DAKT)	3.6500	+0.83	240,828
Deere & Comp (DE)	424.36	-2.98	1.64M
Diebold Nixd (DBD)	5.51	-4.84	1.201M
Dine Brands (DIN)	77.40	+1.31	115,261
Donaldson Co (DCI)	52.73	+0.25	416,202
Dow Inc. (DOW)	69.51	+2.92	10.004M
Ecolab Inc. (ECL)	180.02	-1.23	1.523M
Evergy, Inc. (EVRG)	72.12	-0.69	1.062M
Exxon Mobil (XOM)	87.03	-1.06	28.988M
FedEx Corpor (FDX)	206.86	-1.11	2.098M
Ford Motor C (F)	15.70	-2.18	49.768M
Gartner, Inc (IT)	304.76	-1.69	399,763
General Elec (GE)	91.72	+0.35	4.5M
General Mill (GIS)	73.19	+0.49	2.727M
GlassBridge (GLAE)	47.32	0.00	1
H.B. Fuller (FUL)	71.29	-1.04	227,310
Honeywell In (HON)	195.94	-0.20	2.332M
Hormel Foods (HRL)	54.81	+0.24	2.255M
HubSpot, Inc (HUBS)	404.28	-5.13	647,302
Internationa (IBM)	139.85	+1.11	9.851M
Internationa (IGT)	22.30	-8.83	1.904M
Intuit Inc. (INTU)	465.65	-3.38	1.419M
Kellogg Comp (K)	69.72	+1.12	1.934M
Kennametal I (KMT)	28.16	-1.09	730,543
Kimco Realty (KIM)	25.96	-0.99	3.443M
Kohl's Corpo (KSS)	58.61	-3.25	2.299M
Lowe's Compa (LOW)	205.03	-1.78	3.797M
ManpowerGrou (MAN)	94.52	-1.50	493,568
Marsh & McLe (MMC)	178.70	+2.46	4.74M
MasTec, Inc. (MTZ)	78.94	-3.25	392,792
Mastercard I (MA)	364.44	-0.23	3.426M
McDonald's C (MCD)	255.25	-0.23	2.474M
MDU Resource (MDU)	27.69	-1.28	1.022M
Medtronic pl (MDT)	113.09	+0.08	5.859M

STOCK (TICKER)	CLOSE	CHG%	VOL
Merck & Co., (MRK)	86.23	-0.27	8.562M
Mercury Gene (MCY)	54.37	+0.11	126,130
Microsoft Co (MSFT)	280.81	-1.94	29.404M
Netflix, Inc (NFLX)	218.22	-3.52	53.31M
NI Holdings, (NODK)	15.82	-3.24	5,175
Nokia Oyj (NOK)	5.27	-1.13	30.033M
Otter Tail C (OTTR)	62.92	-1.53	104,431
Owens & Mino (OMI)	41.71	+0.85	572,524
PepsiCo, Inc (PEP)	174.84	-0.36	3.513M
Pfizer Inc. (PFE)	49.11	-1.29	19.08M
Plains All A (PAA)	11.35	-0.79	4.095M
Polaris Inc. (PII)	106.80	-1.67	469,160
Quanta Servi (PWR)	125.27	-9.12	3.511M
Roku, Inc. (ROKU)	99.55	-9.14	7.122M
Shopify Inc. (SHOP)	481.00	-8.38	5.92M
Silvergate C (SI)	130.55	-4.06	1.102M
Sirius XM Ho (SIRI)	6.35	-0.94	14.321M
Snap-on Inco (SNA)	226.19	-0.06	1.076M
Starbucks Co (SBUX)	78.96	-1.51	8.131M
Sun Life Fin (SLF)	54.01	-1.12	616,047
Sysco Corpor (SYY)	89.74	+0.72	3.29M
Target Corpo (TGT)	248.17	-0.46	3.51M
Tesla, Inc. (TSLA)	1,008.78	+3.23	34.822M
The Procter (PG)	162.61	-0.08	9.362M
The Sherwin- (SHW)	251.61	-0.58	1.408M
The Toro Com (TTC)	84.98	-1.32	477,393
The Williams (WMB)	35.68	-0.67	6.568M
Titan Machin (TITN)	26.52	-0.04	122,020
Tri-Continen (TY)	30.58	-1.13	56,457
U.S. Bancorp (USB)	52.64	-0.77	6.744M
Unisys Corpo (UIS)	18.86	-1.05	223,772
United Parce (UPS)	188.80	-0.86	2.616M
United State (X)	34.67	-6.07	18.472M
Verizon Comm (VZ)	55.01	+1.10	32.794M
Vodafone Gro (VOD)	16.82	-0.71	4.44M
Walgreens Bo (WBA)	46.81	+0.58	7.09M
Walmart Inc. (WMT)	159.87	+0.15	5.851M
Waste Manage (WM)	161.16	+0.35	1.352M
Wayfair Inc. (W)	92.72	-4.50	2.972M
WEC Energy G (WEC)	105.76	+0.34	1.141M
Wells Fargo (WFC)	47.78	-1.79	19.008M
WEX Inc. (WEX)	169.94	-2.35	237,927
Xcel Energy (XEL)	75.30	-0.07	3.12M
Xerox Holdin (XRX)	16.74	-15.67	12.269M
Zoom Video C (ZM)	100.95	-2.65	4.364M
(KSU)	-	-	-
Johnson & Jo (JNJ)	183.36	-0.29	6.969M
Johnson Cont (JCI)	65.14	+0.06	3.711M
JPMorgan Cha (JPM)	130.56	-0.78	12.17M
Meta Platfor (FB)	188.07	-6.16	49.594M
The Coca-Col (KO)	66.21	+0.38	15.113M
The Home Dep (HD)	310.36	-1.52	3.004M
(COG)	-	-	-
Archer-Danie (ADM)	96.05	-2.21	3.598M
AT&T Inc. (T)	20.21	+4.01	80.334M
Best Buy Co. (BBY)	93.64	-0.81	1.642M
Black Hills (BKH)	79.65	-0.43	289,437

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Viejo Feo Merlot 750ml	$12.99	$6.50
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ARGENTINA

	Regular Price	Sale Price
Bousquet Black Rock Malbec 750ml	$18.99	$9.50
Cabeceo Malbec 750ml	$15.99	$8.00
Don Nicanor Malbec 750ml	$19.99	$10.00
Estimulo Cabernet Sauvignon 750ml	$9.99	$5.00
Estimulo Malbec 750ml	$9.99	$5.00
Estimulo Sauvignon Blanc 750ml	$9.99	$5.00
Meschini Cabernet Reserva 750ml	$15.99	$8.00
Meschini Grand Reserva Pacifico 750ml	$29.99	$15.00
Meschini Malbec Reserva 750ml	$15.99	$8.00
Punta de Flechas Malbec 750ml	$18.99	$9.50
Silvertop Oak Cask Malbec 750ml	$14.99	$7.50

NEW ZEALAND

	Regular Price	Sale Price
Misty Cove Sauvignon Blanc 750ml	$15.99	$8.00
Silver Beach Sauvignon Blanc 750ml	$19.99	$10.00

AUSTRALIA

	Regular Price	Sale Price
Fisheye Cabernet Sauvignon 750ml	$5.99	$3.00
Fisheye Chardonnay 750ml	$5.99	$3.00
Fisheye Merlot 750ml	$5.99	$3.00
Fisheye Moscato 750ml	$5.99	$3.00
Fisheye Pinot Grigio 750ml	$5.99	$3.00

PORTUGAL

	Regular Price	Sale Price
Porto Cruz Ruby Port 750ml	$17.99	$9.00

ITALY

	Regular Price	Sale Price
Antale Rosso Veneto 750ml	$14.99	$7.50
Avissi Prosecco 750ml	$16.99	$8.50
Babarosa Moscato d'Asti 750ml	$16.99	$8.50
Bella Sera Moscato 750ml	$8.99	$4.50
Bella Sera Pinot Grigio 750ml	$8.99	$4.50
Ecco Domani Merlot 750ml	$12.99	$6.50
I Collirossi Barolo 750ml	$47.99	$24.00
Luccio Blueberry Moscato 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Luccio Luscious Red 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Luccio Moscato d'Asti 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Luccio Peach Moscato 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Luccio Pinot Grigio 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Natale Verga Chianti 750ml	$12.99	$6.50
Natale Verga Chianti Classico Riserva 750ml	$22.99	$11.50
Natale Verga Montepulciano 750ml	$10.99	$5.50
Natale Verga Moscato d'Asti 750ml	$15.99	$8.00
Natale Verga Nero d'Avola 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Natale Verga Pinot Grigio 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Ruffino Il Ducale Toscana Red 750ml	$16.99	$8.50
Settesoli Red Blend 750ml	$12.99	$6.50
Verga 1895 Toscana Rosso 750ml	$24.99	$12.50

SPAIN

	Regular Price	Sale Price
4th November Garnacha Tinto 750ml	$19.99	$10.00
Casa Dora Cava Brut 750ml	$13.99	$7.00

GERMANY

	Regular Price	Sale Price
Carl Sittmann Riesling 750ml	$12.99	$6.50
Kreuznacher Dornfelder Sweet Red 750ml	$12.99	$6.50
Kreuznacher Piesporter Auslese Riesling 750ml	$20.99	$10.50
Kreuznacher Piesporter Spatlese Riesling 750ml	$18.99	$9.50
Kreuznacher Riesling 750ml	$12.99	$6.50
Kreuznacher Spatlese Riesling 750ml	$14.99	$7.50

FRANCE

	Regular Price	Sale Price
Beaumatin Terres De Midi Rose 750ml	$16.99	$8.50
Belle de Provence Rose 750ml	$19.99	$10.00
Chateau Boursean Lalande de Pomerol 750ml	$39.99	$20.00
Chateau Guillon Graves Bordeaux 750ml	$29.99	$15.00
Chateau Hostin Le Roc Bordeaux 750ml	$15.99	$8.00
Cru La Maqueline Bordeaux 750ml	$24.99	$12.50
Domaine Besson Chablis 1er Cru 750ml	$49.99	$25.00
Domaine Saint Cyr Bellevue Beaujolais 750ml	$29.99	$15.00
La Vielle Ferme Blanc 750ml	$9.99	$5.00
La Vielle Ferme Rose 750ml	$9.99	$5.00
La Vielle Ferme Rouge 750ml	$9.99	$5.00
Laville Pavillon Bordeaux Blanc 750ml	$16.99	$8.50
Laville Pavillon Bordeaux Rouge 750ml	$16.99	$8.50
Le Grand Noir Cabernet Sauvignon 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Le Grand Noir Chardonnay 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Le Grand Noir GSM 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Manerie Rose 750ml	$13.99	$7.00
Matayac Cahors Malbec 750ml	$15.99	$8.00
Songe En Mer Rose 750ml	$14.99	$7.50

JAPAN

	Regular Price	Sale Price
Gekkeikan Black & Gold 750ml	$18.99	$9.50
Gekkeikan Blueberry Sake 750ml	$10.99	$5.50
Gekkeikan Plum Wine 750ml	$13.99	$7.00
Gekkeikan Sake 750ml	$7.99	$4.00
Gekkeikan Suzaku 720ml	$28.99	$14.50

OREGON

	Regular Price	Sale Price
Elouan Missoulan Reserve Pinot Noir 750ml	$39.99	$20.00
Go Figure Willamette Pinot Noir 750ml	$39.99	$20.00

WASHINGTON

	Regular Price	Sale Price
14 Hands Cabernet Sauvignon 750ml	$13.99	$7.00
14 Hands Chardonnay 750ml	$13.99	$7.00
14 Hands Hot to Trot Red 750ml	$10.99	$5.50
14 Hands Merlot 750ml	$13.99	$7.00
Second Growth Cabernet Sauvignon 750ml	$22.99	$11.50
Ste Michelle Chardonnay 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Ste Michelle Pinot Gris 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Ste Michelle Rose 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
Ste Michelle Sauvignon Blanc 750ml	$11.99	$6.00
The Huntsman Cabernet Sauvignon 750ml	$16.99	$8.50
Three Rivers Cabernet Sauvignon 750ml	$21.99	$11.00

CALIFORNIA

	Regular Price	Sale Price
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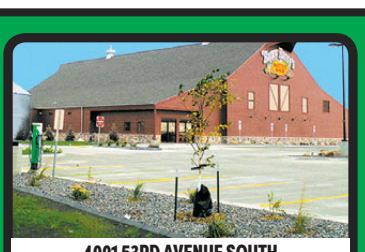

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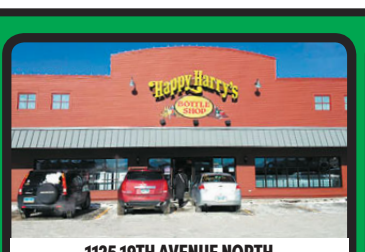

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MOSTAERT MUSCLE

Bison football poised to unleash twin brothers next fall

By Jeff Kolpack
The Forum

Fargo

It was in 2018 when Lakeville North High School in the Twin Cities went undefeated and won the Minnesota big-school state football championship. Two big reasons were on the defensive line in twins Eli and Will Mostaert.

Next fall, North Dakota State is hoping to create a Lakeville West of sorts. The Mostaerts are all in on the interior of the Bison defensive line.

Eli Mostaert was a regular at defensive tackle last fall when NDSU went 14-1 and won its ninth Division I FCS title in 11 years. Will was more of an inside-outside versatile player who mainly was considered a defensive end.

No longer.

NDSU lost inside starters Lane Tucker and Costner Ching plus valuable role player Michael Buetow to graduation.

"We lost a whole lot on the D-line in general," Will Mostaert said. "I know that Lane and Costner were big parts of this defense and we didn't have a lot of depth at that position right now so someone needed to step up."

Will is stepping up in the food line, too. He added 10-12 pounds over the winter conditioning period and is around 260. The plan is to get to around 270 this summer and carry that through the season.

Eli started spring ball at 283 and has been the bigger of the twins since coming to NDSU.

"He put that on like nobody's business," Will said.

With Will catching up, it promises to be a whole lot of Mostaert muscle on the inside. Technically, they both play the same defensive tackle position but in NDSU's defense, where rotation up front with the nose guard is common depending on the opponent, don't be surprised to see both Mostaerts in the game at the same time.

"It will be fun, sometimes we'll argue I'm sure and get (upset) at each other if we do something wrong," Will said. "But it's good for us to push each other and be right next to each other and know we can lean on each other when we need to."

Not only did NDSU lose its inside starters but defensive ends Brayden Thomas, who led the team in quarterback sacks, and Logan McCormick also graduated. The Bison return veterans at that spot with Spencer Waege, who missed most of last season with a knee injury, and key contributors Tony Pierce and Jake Kava.

Sophomore Loshiaka Roques is back and NDSU head coach Matt Entz said this spring is big for junior Reed Ryan. Moreover, junior Dylan Hendricks, a highly touted recruit in 2019 who has yet to play because of injuries, is making a bid to see the field at defensive end.

"We have a lot of good D-ends and I think I can make an impact at the defensive tackle spot," Will Mostaert said. "It's crazy how many good defensive linemen we've seen leave in the last three years. But someone has to make those plays they made. Hopefully it will be me, Eli and Javier (Derritt) and us young guys coming up."

NDSU wraps up spring practice with a Saturday event free to the public at Gate City Bank Field at the Fargodome. Parking lots and the east lobby of the dome will open at 10 a.m. for the annual locker room sale of NDSU apparel and equipment from various sports.

Stadium doors open at 1:30 with a national championship ring presentation at 2, followed by a Bison practice at 2:30. WDAY-TV will stream it live on InForum.com beginning at 2 p.m.

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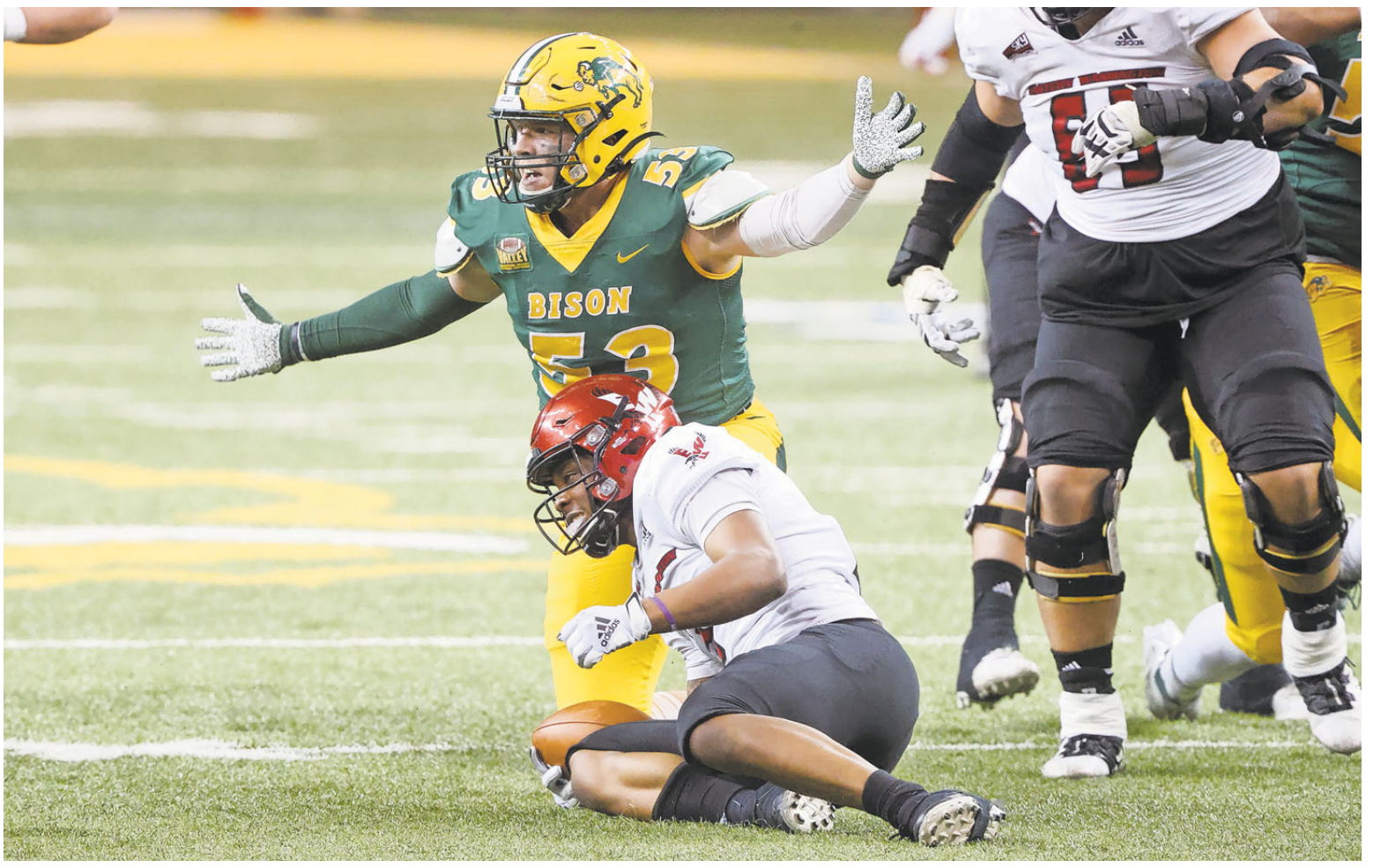

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North Dakota State's Eli Mostaert celebrates his sack of Eastern Washington's Eric Barriere during their first-round FCS football playoff game April 24, 2021, in Fargo.

David Samson / The Forum

North Dakota State defensive end Will Mostaert readies for drills during spring football practice in the Dacotah Field Bubble.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Wolves cough up 26-point lead, lose to Memphis

Minnesota stunned at home by resilient Grizzlies in Game 3

By Jace Frederick
St. Paul Pioneer Press

MINNEAPOLIS — The Minnesota Timberwolves spent 2½ quarters Thursday showing the type of team they can be.

Unfortunately for Minnesota, the rest of the game revealed the truth of who it appears to be — one not capable of putting it all together for a long enough period of time.

Despite building two separate leads of 25-plus points — one in each half — Minnesota disappeared in the final frame, falling 104-95 to Memphis. The Grizzlies now lead the best-of-7 series 2-1, with Game 4 set for Saturday night at Target Center.

Look at Memphis' roster. Then look at Minnesota's. The two look fairly even in talent. If you squint, you might even be able to convince yourself the Timberwolves have more.

So why did Memphis win 10 more games than Minnesota? Because of everything it displayed in the fourth frame. On a night when everything was going against them, the Grizzlies fought to the finish and found a way.

On a night when everything was coming up Timberwolves, they wilted the moment things started to go awry. After leading 79-54 with three minutes to play, the Timberwolves were out-scored 50-13 over the next 15 minutes.

"You have to give them credit, man. They came out here. They were down big. They stayed in the fight. They kept swinging. They didn't let go of the rope," Patrick Beverley said. "I felt like once we got the big lead we were kind of on our heels. .. This is a learning lesson."

Minnesota built major advantages in each half by dominating defensively, flying around and making life difficult for Ja Morant and Co.

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Brad Rempel / USA Today Sports

Memphis Grizzlies guard Desmond Bane (22) talks to fans in front of Minnesota Timberwolves forward Anthony Edwards in the fourth quarter of Game 3 of their 2022 first-round NBA playoff series Thursday at Target Center in Minneapolis.

MSUM athletic director candidate touts 'well-rounded' background

By Mike McFeely
The Forum

MOORHEAD — Tom Wagganer's athletic background is mostly limited to minor-league sports and the private university at which he now works. He's not experienced in the ways of a public school like Minnesota State University Moorhead. But Wagganer said his broad experience would be a plus as the Dragons athletic director.

"I think I provide a good, well-rounded experience. Whether that's from ticket sales, whether that's sponsorship, whether that's working with coaches. I think I have a path for success," Wagganer said Thursday at a public meet-and-greet on the MSUM campus. "The coaches that we have at Lindenwood have been successful and I think a part of it is providing them the framework of what's needed for success."

Wagganer is one of three finalists for the MSUM athletic director job, which opened a year ago when Doug Peters left. Longtime Dragons staffer Chad Markuson, also a finalist, has served as the interim AD since March 2021. The school hopes to make a hire by the end of the month.

Wagganer, 47, spent time in Moorhead having dinner with MSUM President Anne Blackhurst, touring campus, meeting with the AD search committee and talking with student representatives.

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Minnesota State Moorhead Athletic director candidate Thomas Wagganer speaks during a meet and greet event at Comstock Memorial Union on Thursday.

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Left: Concordia's Ashwin Stratton pitches during home baseball play against St. Scholastica on Thursday. **Right:** Concordia's Megan Gavin fires off a pitch during Cobbers softball play against Gustavus on Thursday.

BRIEFS

Gustavus pitching too much as Concordia softball drops a pair

MOORHEAD — Gustavus' pitching staff was on point Thursday, limiting Concordia to just one run in a Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference doubleheader at Jake Christiansen Stadium.

The Gusties prevailed 3-0 in an 11-inning Game 1 pitchers' duel between Piper Otto and the Cobbers' Megan Gavin. The Gusties need five innings to win 9-1 in Game 2.

In Game 1, Otto went all 11 innings, allowing six hits, no walks and she struck out 10. Gavin also went the distance and gave up one earned run on five hits and struck out 19.

In Game 2, Gustavus pitchers Chloe Smallfield and Payton Belt held the Cobbers to two hits. Concordia's Caitlin Culleton hit a solo homer in the first inning.

The Cobbers are 0-8 in the MIAC and 6-16 overall. They play a doubleheader at Macalester at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. on Saturday, April 23, in St. Paul.

Cobbers baseball splits MIAC doubleheader against St. Scholastica

MOORHEAD — A seven-run inning and Ashwin Stratton's gem on the mound were more than enough for Concordia to take the first game of a doubleheader against St. Scholastica, but the Saints rallied to take Game 2 on Thursday at Bucky Burgau Field.

In Game 1, the Cobbers' seven-run second inning provided more than enough support for Stratton, who allowed just one walk and struck out one.

In Game 2, CSS starter Grant Taival allowed the Cobbers only two unearned runs on four hits and struck out seven in six innings. Reliever Grant Mergen allowed one hit in three scoreless innings and struck out two.

The Cobbers are 4-4 in the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference and 9-8 overall. They play two at St. Olaf on Saturday, April 23. Game times are 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

— Forum staff reports

TODAY'S LOCAL CALENDAR

Professional

Major League Baseball
Chicago at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.
National Hockey League
Seattle at Minnesota, 7 p.m.

College

Baseball
North Dakota State at Oral Roberts, 6 p.m.
Women's golf
NSIC Championships, with MSU Moorhead, 9 a.m., in Smithville, Mo.
Track and field
North Dakota State at South Dakota Challenge, in Vermillion, S.D.
Minnesota State Moorhead at Holst Invitational, at Concordia-St. Paul

Juniors

USHL hockey
Sioux Falls at Fargo, 7:05 p.m.

High School

Baseball
West Fargo Sheyenne at Bismarck (2), canceled
West Fargo at Bismarck Legacy (2), canceled
Wahpeton at Fargo South (2), canceled
Devils Lake at Valley City (2), canceled
Dickinson at Fargo Davies (2), canceled
Hankinson at Fargo Oak Grove, postponed
Bismarck Century at Moorhead (2), 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., at Concordia
Softball
Devils Lake at Fargo Shanley, 4:30 p.m.
Bismarck Century at West Fargo Sheyenne, canceled
Fargo North at West Fargo, 4:30 p.m.
Girls soccer
Grand Forks Red River at West Fargo, 7 p.m.
Fargo Shanley at Fargo South, 7 p.m.
West Fargo Sheyenne at Grand Forks Central, 7 p.m.
Grand Forks Central at West Fargo, 7 p.m.
Girls tennis
Fargo Davies at Grand Forks Central, postponed to April 29
Grand Forks Red River at West Fargo, 4 p.m.
West Fargo Sheyenne at Fargo Shanley, postponed
Boys lacrosse
Grand Rapids at Moorhead, 6:30 p.m.

TODAY'S TV

Auto racing
Formula One: Emilia Romagna Grand Prix qualifying, 9:55 a.m., ESPN2
NASCAR Xfinity Series: Talladega qualifying, 4:30 p.m., FS1
NHRA Drag racing: Houston qualifying, 6 p.m., FS1
NBA
Conference playoffs: Miami at Atlanta, 6 p.m., ESPN
Conference playoffs: Milwaukee at Chicago, 7:30 p.m., ABC
Conference playoffs: Phoenix at New Orleans, 9:30 p.m., ESPN
MLB
Chicago at Minnesota, 7 p.m., BSN
College baseball
Ohio State at Michigan, 3 p.m., BTN
Maryland at Illinois, 8 p.m., BTN
Football
USFL: Michigan at New Jersey, 7 p.m., USA
Golf
DP World Tour Golf: ISPS Handa Championship in Spain, 7 a.m., GOLF
PGA Tour Champions: ClubCorp Classic, 11 a.m., GOLF
PGA Tour: Zurich Classic of New Orleans, 2:30 p.m., GOLF
LPGA Tour: DIO Implant LA Open, 5:30 p.m., GOLF

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

Professional

MLB

American League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	8	5	.615	—
NY Yankees	7	6	.538	1.0
Tampa Bay	7	6	.538	1.0
Boston	6	7	.462	2.0
Baltimore	4	9	.308	4.0
Central	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Cleveland	7	5	.583	—
Chi. White Sox	6	6	.500	1.0
Kansas City	5	6	.455	1.5
Detroit	5	7	.417	2.0
Minnesota	5	8	.385	2.5
West	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
LA Angels	8	5	.615	—
Seattle	7	5	.583	.5
Oakland	8	6	.571	.5
Houston	6	6	.500	1.5
Texas	2	9	.182	5.0

National League

East	W	L	Pct	GB
NY Mets	10	4	.714	—
Atlanta	6	8	.429	4.0
Miami	5	7	.417	4.0
Washington	6	9	.400	4.5
Philadelphia	5	8	.385	4.5
Central	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
St. Louis	7	4	.636	—
Milwaukee	8	5	.615	—
Pittsburgh	6	7	.462	2.0
Chi. Cubs	6	7	.462	2.0
Cincinnati	2	11	.154	6.0
West	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
LA Dodgers	9	3	.750	—
Colorado	8	4	.667	1.0
San Diego	9	5	.643	1.0
San Francisco	8	5	.615	1.5
Arizona	5	8	.385	4.5

American League
Thursday's Results
Cleveland 6, Chi. White Sox 3
Detroit 3, NY Yankees 0
Toronto 3, Boston 2
Minnesota 1, Kansas City 0
Oakland 6, Baltimore 4
Texas at Seattle, late
Friday's Games
Cleveland at NY Yankees, 6:05 p.m.
Boston at Tampa Bay, 6:10 p.m.
Chi. White Sox at Minnesota, 7:10 p.m.
Toronto at Houston, 7:10 p.m.
Baltimore at LA Angels, 8:38 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 8:40 p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 8:40 p.m.

Thursday's result

Minnesota 1, Kansas City 0

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Buxton dh	4	0	1	0	Lopez 2b	4	0	0	0
Correa ss	4	0	1	0	Mrrfld rf	4	0	0	0
Arraez 2b	4	0	1	0	Bnntnd lf	4	0	1	0
Urshela 3b	2	1	1	0	Perez c	3	0	0	0
Kepler rf	4	0	1	0	Santana 1b	3	0	0	0
Sano 1b	3	0	0	1	Dozier dh	3	0	0	0
Garlick lf	2	0	0	0	Witt Jr 3b	2	0	1	0
Larnach ph	2	0	1	0	Mondesi ss	3	0	0	0
Jeffers c	3	0	0	0	Taylor cf	2	0	1	0
Gordon cf	3	0	2	0					
Totals	31	1	8	1	Totals	28	0	3	0

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Kansas City 000 000 000 — 0

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Minnesota						
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J.Smith H, 2	1	1	0	0	0	1
Pagan S, 1	1	0	0	0	1	0
Kansas City						
Greinke L, 0-1	5	6	1	1	1	1
Speier	1	1	0	0	0	0
Clarke	2	1	0	0	0	2
Coleman	1	0	0	0	1	2

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College

Results/schedule

Wednesday, April 20
Summit League
Nebraska 4, North Dakota State 3
South Dakota State 13, Briar Cliff 2 (F/7 inn.)
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Concordia at Minnesota Morris, canceled
Wis.-Superior at Hamline (2), postponed
North Central at Macalester, canceled
Thursday, April 21
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Concordia 9, St. Scholastica 0
St. Scholastica 6, Concordia 2
St. Olaf 12, Macalester 4
St. Olaf 16, Macalester 6
Bethel 15, Hamline 1
Bethel 8, Hamline 4
Augsburg 6. St. Mary's 3
St. Mary's 5, Augsburg 3
Gustavus 9, Northwestern 2
Gustavus 5, Northwestern 0
Wis.-La Crosse at St. Olaf, postponed
Friday, April 22
Summit League
North Dakota State at Oral Roberts, 6 p.m.
Omaha at Western Illinois, 3 p.m.
Northern Colorado at St. Thomas, noon
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Crown at Hamline, 5 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Summit League
North Dakota State at Oral Roberts (2), 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.
Northern Colorado at St. Thomas, 1 p.m.
Omaha at Western Illinois, 2 p.m.
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Concordia at St. Olaf (2), 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.
Macalester at St. John's (2), 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.
Augsburg at Hamline (2), 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.
St. Mary's at Gustavus (2), 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.
St. Scholastica at Carleton (2), 1 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.
Central Iowa at Bethel (2), 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

High school

Results/schedule

North Dakota
Thursday, April 21
Grand Forks Central at Fargo Davies (2), canceled
West Fargo at Grand Forks Red River (2), postponed to May 17
Fargo Shanley at West Fargo Sheyenne (2), postponed
Fargo Oak Grove at Central Cass, postponed
Hankinson-FRCTL 13, Enderlin 9
Northern Cass 6, Oakes 1
Hatton/Northwood at Maple River, 4 p.m.
May-Port CG at Hillsboro/Central Valley, postponed to May 10
Midway/Minto at Park River, postponed
Friday, April 22
West Fargo Sheyenne at Bismarck (2), canceled
West Fargo at Bismarck Legacy (2), canceled
Wahpeton at Fargo South (2), canceled
Devils Lake at Valley City (2), canceled
Dickinson at Fargo Davies (2), canceled
Hankinson at Fargo Oak Grove, postponed
Maple River at Enderlin, 5 p.m.
Ada-Borup at Thompson, canceled
LaMoure-Litchville/Marion vs. Rugby, 10 a.m.
LaMoure-Litchville/Marion vs. Harvey/Wells County, 2 p.m.
Harvey/Wells County vs. Carrington, canceled
Saturday, April 23
Fargo South at Mandan (2), canceled
Bismarck Century at Fargo Davies (2), canceled
Dickinson at West Fargo (2), canceled
Bismarck St. Mary's at Fargo Shanley (2), canceled
West Fargo Sheyenne at Bismarck Legacy (2), canceled
Valley City at Grand Forks Central, canceled
May-Port CG at Carrington, canceled
May-Port CG at Griggs-Midkota, canceled
Larimore at Northern Cass, 1:30 p.m.
Beulah at Thompson (2), canceled
Larimore vs. Grafton, 3:15 p.m.
LaMoure-Litchville/Marion at Park River, 10 a.m.
South Border at New Rockford-Sheyenne, noon
May-Port GC at Carrington, noon
South Border at Carrington (2), 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.
Larimore at Grafton, 4:30 p.m.

Minnesota
Thursday, April 21
Perham at Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton, postponed to May 16
Barnesville at Frazee (2), postponed to May 26
Mahnomen-Waubun at Norman County East/Ulen-Hitterdal, postponed
West Marshall at Ada-Borup, postponed
Lake Park-Audubon at Hillcrest, postponed
Bagley at Kelliher/Northome, postponed
Fosston at Crookston, postponed
Pillager 5, Pequot Lakes 1
Wadena-Deer Creek 12, Ottertail Central 2
New York Mills 4, Brandon-Evansville 1
Detroit Lakes 19, Crosby-Ironton 2
Friday, April 22
Bismarck Century at Moorhead (2), 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., at Concordia
Pelican Rapids at Morris/Chokio-Alberta tournament, time TBA
East Grand Forks at Breckenridge (2), postponed
Park Rapids at Hawley, canceled
Lake Park-Audubon at Win-E-Mac, postponed
Ada-Borup at Thompson (N.D.), postponed
Mahnomen-Waubun at Kelliher/Northome, postponed
Fosston at West Marshall, postponed
Parkers Prairie at New York Mills (2), 4:30 p.m.
Sebeka at Pillager, 4:30 p.m.
Esko at Pequot Lakes, 4:30 p.m.
Menahga at Wadena-Deer Creek, 4:30 p.m.
Detroit Lakes at Rocori, 4:30 p.m.
Crosby-Ironton at Aitkin, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Moorhead at Eden Prairie, 2 p.m.
Hawley at Fergus Falls, canceled
Pelican Rapids at Morris/Chokio-Alberta tournament, time TBA
Sebeka at Nevis tournament, 9 a.m.

SOFTBALL

College

Results/schedule

Wednesday, April 20
Summit League
St. Thomas at Iowa State, postponed
Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
Minnesota Duluth 4, Minnesota State Moorhead 2
Minnesota Duluth 17, Minnesota State Moorhead 3
St. Cloud State 4, Northern State 0
Northern State 1, St. Cloud State 0
Thursday, April 21
Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
Minot State 6, Minnesota Crookston 5
Minnesota Crookston 3, Minot State 0
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Gustavus 3, Concordia 0
Gustavus 9, Concordia 1
St. Catherine 6, Carleton 3
St. Catherine 11, Carleton 5
St. Scholastica 14, St. Mary's 10
St. Mary's 10, St. Scholastica 7
St. Olaf 11, St. Benedict 9
St. Benedict 11, St. Olaf 1
Macalester 10, Augsburg 2
Macalester 7, Augsburg 6
Bethel 6, Hamline 4
Saturday, April 23
Summit League
South Dakota State at North Dakota State (2), noon and 2 p.m.
North Dakota at St. Thomas (2), noon and 2 p.m.
Western Illinois at Kansas City (2), noon and 2 p.m.
Omaha at South Dakota (2), noon and 3 p.m.
Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference
Northern State at Minnesota State Mankato (2), noon and 2 p.m.
UMary at Winona State (2), noon and 2 p.m.
Minnesota State Moorhead at Concordia-St. Paul (2), noon and 2 p.m.
Augustana at Minnesota Crookston (2), noon and 2 p.m.
Sioux Falls at St. Cloud State (2), noon and 2 p.m.
Minot State at Upper Iowa (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Southwest Minnesota State at Minnesota Duluth (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Wayne State at Bemidji State (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
Concordia at Macalester (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Hamline at Gustavus (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Augsburg at St. Mary's (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
St. Benedict at St. Catherine (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
St. Scholastica at Bethel (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.
Carleton at St. Olaf (2), 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

High school

Poll

North Dakota
Class A Coaches Preseason Poll

1. **Dickinson**
2. **West Fargo**
3. **Bismarck Century**
4. **Bismarck**
5. **WF Sheyenne**
6. **Valley City**
7. **Jamestown**
8. **Minot**
9. **GF Central**
10. **Fargo Davies**

Class B Coaches Preseason Poll

1. **Central Cass**
2. **Thompson**
3. **Kindred-Richland**
4. **Beulah**
5. **Renville County**
6. **Velva-DA**
7. **May-Port-CG**
8. **DLB-Lewis & Clark**
9. **Northern Cass**
10. **Hillsboro-CV**

Results/schedule

North Dakota
Thursday, April 21
Fargo Davies at Fargo North, postponed
Hawley at West Fargo Sheyenne, postponed
Fargo Shanley at Grand Forks Central, postponed to April 28
West Fargo at Valley City, postponed
Pembina County North at Larimore, postponed
Hillsboro/Central Valley at Hankinson FRCTL 4 p.m.
Central Cass 14, Enderlin 1
Kindred-Richland 13, Northern Cass 3
May-Port CG at Grafton, postponed to May 14
Friday, April 22
Devils Lake at Fargo Shanley, 4:30 p.m.
Bismarck Century at West Fargo Sheyenne, canceled
Fargo North at West Fargo, 6:30 p.m.
Grand Forks Red River at Thompson, 4 p.m.
Washburn/Center-Stanton vs. Hillsboro/Central Valley, 4 p.m.
Central Cass at Northern Cass, 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Moorhead at West Fargo, 3 p.m.
Fargo South at Fargo Davies, postponed to May 14
Valley City at Morris/Chokio-Alberta, 10 a.m.
St. Michael-Albertville at West Fargo, 11 a.m.
Hillsboro/Central Valley vs. Heart River, 9 a.m.
Velva-Drake/Anamoose at Kindred-Richland, 11 a.m.
Northern Cass vs. TBA, 11:30 p.m.

Minnesota
Thursday, April 21
Moorhead 10, Alexandria 0
Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton at Perham (2), postponed to May 16
Mahnomen-Waubun 6, Norman County East/Ulen-Hitterdal 5
Lake Park-Audubon 9, Mahnomen-Waubun 1
Sacred Heart at Ada-Borup-West (2), postponed
Frazee at Barnesville (2), postponed to May 19
Pelican Rapids at Rothsay, canceled
Breckenridge at Wheaton/Herman-Norcross, postponed to May 9
Kelliher/Northome at Bagley, canceled
New York Mills at Parkers Prairie, postponed
Wadena-Deer Creek at Menahga, postponed to May 19
Thief River Falls at Detroit Lakes, postponed to April 27
Sebeka at Pillager, 4:30 p.m.
Bertha-Hewitt-Verndale at Ottertail Central, 4:30 p.m.
Friday, April 22
Pelican Rapids at Lake Park-Audubon (2), 4 p.m.
West Central at Barnesville, 5 p.m.
Crookston at Ada-Borup-West, postponed
Fertile-Beltrami at Red Lake Falls, 4:30 p.m.
Bagley at Red Lake County, postponed
Swanville at Bertha-Hewitt-Verndale, 4:30 p.m.
Pillager at Pequot Lakes, postponed to April 28
Detroit Lakes vs. TBA, 2 p.m.
Aitkin at Crosby-Ironton (2), 4 p.m.
Pillager at Pequot Lakes, 4:30 p.m.
New York Mills at Ottertail Central (2), 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Moorhead vs. St. Michael-Albertville, 11 a.m.
Moorhead vs. West Fargo, 3 p.m.
Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton at Frazee tournament, postponed
Ada-Borup-West at Park Rapids tournament. canceled
Fertile-Beltrami at Park Rapids tournament, canceled
Sebeka at Frazee tournament, canceled
Pequot Lakes at Frazee tournament, canceled
Breckenridge at Minnewaska tournament, 9 a.m.
Ottertail Central at Minnewaska tournament, 9 a.m.
Lake Park-Audubon at Bagley, postponed

HOCKEY

Juniors

Standings

United States Hockey League

Eastern Conference		
x-Chicago	38-13-9	85
x-Dubuque	39-16-5	83
x-Muskegon	32-22-6	70
Youngstown	28-22-10	66
Madison	29-28-3	61
Cedar Rapids	28-29-3	59
Team USA	26-28-6	58
Green Bay	22-33-4	48
Western Conference		
xy-Tri-City	45-11-4	94
x-Sioux City	39-16-5	83
x-Lincoln	35-19-6	76
x-Omaha	30-24-6	66
x-Fargo Force	26-28-6	58
x-Waterloo	26-30-4	56
Sioux Falls	19-35-6	44
Des Moines	18-37-5	41

x - clinched playoff spot
y - clinched division

Wednesday, April 20
Sioux Falls 7, Des Moines 2
Friday, April 22
Youngstown at Team USA, 6:05 p.m.
Waterloo at Des Moines, 7:05 p.m.
Muskegon at Chicago, 7:05 p.m.
Cedar Rapids at Dubuque, 7:05 p.m.
Green Bay at Madison, 7:05 p.m.
Sioux Falls at Fargo, 7:05 p.m.
Sioux City at Omaha, 7:05 p.m.
Lincoln at Tri-City, 7:05 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Team USA at Youngstown, 6:05 p.m.
Omaha at Sioux City, 7:05 p.m.
Tri-City at Lincoln, 7:05 p.m.
Fargo at Sioux Falls, 7:05 p.m.
Des Moines at Waterloo, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago at Muskegon, 7:05 p.m.
Dubuque at Cedar Rapids, 7:05 p.m.
Madison at Green Bay, 7:05 p.m.

SOCCER

High school girls

Results/schedule

Wednesday, April 20
Fargo North 3, Fargo Shanley 1
Fargo Davies 11, Fargo South 0
Thursday, April 21
West Fargo 2, Grand Forks Central 1
West Fargo Sheyenne 3, Grand Forks Red River 0
Fargo Davies 4, Fargo North 1
Friday, April 22
Grand Forks Red River at West Fargo, 7 p.m.
Fargo Shanley at Fargo South, 7 p.m.
Grand Forks Central at West Fargo Sheyenne, 7 p.m.
Bismarck Legacy at Bismarck St. Mary's, 7:30 p.m.
Bismarck at Bismarck Century, 8 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Minot at West Fargo, canceled

TENNIS

High school girls

Results/schedule

North Dakota
Thursday, April 21
Fargo Shanley 9, Fargo South 0
Valley City 9, West Fargo 0
Grand Forks Central 6, Fargo North 3
West Fargo Sheyenne 9, Wahpeton 0
Fargo Davies at Grand Forks Red River, postponed to May 9

West Fargo Sheyenne 9, Wahpeton 0
Singles: 1. M. Gu def. Comings 6-0, 6-2; 2. Sommerfeld def. Dodge 6-3, 6-0; 3. Beeter def. German 6-3, 6-2; 4. S. Gu def. K. Lacina 6-1, 6-0; 5. Thompson def. Burvee 6-0, 6-0; 6. Timmerman def. B. Lacina 6-2, 6-1
Doubles: 1. M. Gu/Sommerfeld def. Comings/Dodge 6-2, 6-1; 2. Beeter/Thompson def. German/K. Lacina 6-4, 6-3; 3. S. Gu/Timmerman def. Burvee/B. Lacina 6-0, 6-0

Fargo Shanley 9, Fargo South 0
Singles: 1. Abbott def. Aarestad 6-1, 6-1; 2. J. Wolf def. Raum 6-0, 6-1; 3. Tharaldson def. Johnson 6-1, 6-0; 4. Careaga def. Hopp 6-0, 6-0; 5. Friederichs def. Heggen 6-1, 6-4; 6. M. Wolf def. Geris-Schroeder 6-1, 6-1
Doubles: 1. J. Wolf/Careaga def. Aarestad/Hopp 6-2, 6-2; 2. Abbott/Tharaldson def. Raum/Johnson 6-0, 6-1; 3. Friederichs/M. Wolf def. Heggen/Geris-Schroeder 6-3, 6-1

Grand Forks Central 6, Fargo North 3
Singles: 1. Stauss, GFC, def. Spanjer 6-2, 6-3; 2. Lemieux, GFC, def. Latunski 6-4, 6-4; 3. Pladson def. Spicer 4-6, 6-1, 6-0; 4. Erickson, FN, def. Blue 4-6, 6-3, 6-4; 5. Wang, GFC, def. Hardie 6-4, 6-3; 6. Tran, GFC, def. Kassaveri 7-5, 6-1
Doubles: 1. Stauss/GFC, GFC, def. Spanjer/Latunski 4-6, 6-2, 6-1; 2. Lemieux/Wang, GFC, def. Hardie/Pladson 6-4, 6-2; 3. Puhl/Erickson, FN, def. Blue/Wilhelm 6-1, 6-3

Friday, April 22
Fargo Davies at Grand Forks Central, postponed to April 29
Grand Forks Red River at West Fargo, 4 p.m.
West Fargo Sheyenne at Fargo Shanley, postponed

High school boys

Results/schedule

Minnesota
Thursday, April 21
East Grand Forks at Moorhead, 4 p.m.
Perham at Minnewaska, 4:30 p.m.
Aitkin at Cloquet, 4:15 p.m.
Fergus Falls meet, 2 p.m.
Friday, April 22
Princeton at Aitkin, 4:15 p.m.
Fergus Falls triangular, 2 p.m.
East Grand Forks at Grand Rapids, 4 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Crookston at Hibbing, 9 a.m.

GOLF

College women

Results/schedule

Friday, April 22

NSIC Championships, with MSU Moorhead, 9 a.m., in Smithville, Mo.
Saturday, April 23
NSIC Championships, with MSU Moorhead, 9 a.m., in Smithville, Mo.
Sunday, April 24
NSIC Championships, with MSU Moorhead, 9 a.m., in Smithville, Mo.

High school boys

Results/schedule

North Dakota
Thursday, April 21
West Fargo Sheyenne at Becker (Minn.) Invite, 11 a.m.

Minnesota
Thursday, April 21
Pequot Lakes Invitational, with Perham, Wadena-Deer Creek, 11 a.m.
Underwood quad, with Pillager, Ottertail Central, noon
Friday, April 22
Fertile-Beltrami meet, postponed to May 6
Red Lake Falls meet, postponed to May 6

High school girls

Results/schedule

Minnesota
Thursday, April 21
Detroit Lakes meet, canceled
Pelican Rapids meet, with Hawley, Breckenridge, Barnesville, Perham, 1 p.m.
Walker-Hackensack-Akeley meet, with United North Central, Park Rapids, 10 a.m.
Underwood quad, with Pillager, Ottertail Central noon
Friday, April 22
Bagley at Fertile-Beltrami meet, postponed to May 6
Fergus Falls invite, with Detroit Lakes, Staples-Motley, Pequot Lakes, 1 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Fergus Falls invite, with Staples-Motley, Detroit Lakes, 9:30 a.m.

TRACK AND FIELD

College

Results/schedule

Friday, April 22
North Dakota State at South Dakota Challenge, in Vermillion, S.D.
Minnesota State Moorhead at Holst Invitational, at Concordia-St. Paul
Saturday, April 23
North Dakota State at South Dakota Challenge, in Vermillion, S.D.
Concordia at Carleton Relays, time TBA

High school

Results/schedule

North Dakota
Thursday, April 21
Eagle Relays
Team scores (boys)
1. Fargo Davies 188.5; 2. West Fargo Sheyenne 148.5; 3. Moorhead 135; 4. Grand Forks Red River 119; 5. West Fargo 89; 6. Grand Forks Central 61
Top three finishers (boys)
100: 1. Salman, MHD, 10.87; 2. White, WFS, 10.97; 3. Hegerle, WF, 11.13
200: 1. Hegerle, WF, 22.56; 2. Haugo, MHD, 22.63; 3. Dixon, MHD, 22.74
400: 1. Nelson, WF, 51.14; 2. Breidenbach, WFS, 52.38; 3. Mutzenberger, GFC, 52.42
800: 1. McHenry, GFRR, 2:01.44; 2. Schiller, GFRR, 2:05.45; 3. Retzlaff, WF, 2:06.64
1,600: 1. Bosch, FD, 4:34.59; 2. Coulter, FD, 4:37.13; 3. Dullum, WF, 4:38.08
3,200: 1. A. Johnson, WFS, 9:29.27; 2. C. Johnson, WFS, 9:35.19; 3. Martel, MHD, 9:46.59
110 hurdles: 1. Elde, GFC, 15.29; 2. Jenkins, MHD, 15.89; 3. Byron, GFRR, 15.95
300 hurdles: 1. Beil, FD, 40.61; 2. Jenkins, MHD, 41.35; 3. Heydt, GFRR, 41.56
400 relay: 1. Moorhead (Wendt, Dixon, Salman, Haugo) 43.27; 2. Sheyenne (Miller, White, Raan, Schlichting) 43.95; 3. West Fargo (Skari, Hegerle, Bangura, McGregor) 43.98
800 relay: 1. Moorhead (Wendt, Carlson, Dixon, Salman) 1:31.31; 2. Sheyenne (Schlichting, Duttenhefer, Raan, White) 1:32.81; 3. Davies (Schumacher, Schreiner, Tschosik, Asche) 1:35.34
1,600 relay: 1. Central (Mutzengerger, Williamson, Roehl, Elde) 3:33.19; 2. Red River 3:34.16; 3. Davies (Beil, Berney, Rempher, Thielges) 3:35.50
3,200 relay: 1. Red River (Dafoe, Zenawick, Dafoe, McHenry) 8:14.28; 2. Moorhead (Colborn, Rogers, Copeland, Berg-Englund) 8:58.51; 3. West Fargo (Svenby, Norton, Yahnke, Rossman) 9:13.56
Shot put: 1. Davies, MHD, 52-3 1/2; 2. Vliem, FD, 48-3; 3. Kirkeby, WFS, 46-10
Discus: 1. Arason, GFRR, 167-6; 2. Davis, MHD, 138-5; 3. Hayes, FD, 132-8
Javelin: 1. Arason, GFRR, 189-9; 2. Palmer, FD, 160-1; 3. Odden, WF, 157-0
High jump: 1. Nhial, WFS, 6-8; 2. Dixon, MHD, 6-2; 3. Taylor, WF, 6-2
Pole vault: 1. Flom, GFRR, 11-6; 2. Schreiner, FD, 11-0; 3. Peterson, FD, 10-0
Long jump: 1. Haugo, MHD, 22-0; 2. Schreiner, FD, 20-2 1/4; 3. Paye, GFC, 19-5 1/2
Triple jump: 1. Beyl, WFS, 40-9 1/2; 2. Baer, WFS, 40-7 3/4; 3. Deebom, FD, 40-6

Team scores (girls)
1. Fargo Davies 281.5; 2. West Fargo 116; 3. Moorhead 104; 4. West Fargo Sheyenne 78; 5. Minot 72.5; 6. Grand Forks Red River 67; 7. Grand Forks Central 21
Top three finishers (girls)
100: 1. Deebom, FD, 12.52; 2. Gee, WF, 12.67; 3. Burke, MIN, 12.89
200: 1. Deebom, FD, 25.34; 2. Laqua, FD, 25.81; 3. Nesius, FD, 26.42
400: 1. Warren, MHD, 1:00.15; 2. Williams, WF, 1:01.65; 3. White, WF, 1:04.10
800: 1. Schiller, GFRR, 2:21.67; 2. Dosch, GFRR, 2:23.79; 3. Beschorner, WFS, 2:26.05
1,600: 1. Knudsvig, 5:27.00: 2. Sheldon, MHD, 5:41.92; 3. Mannausau, GFRR, 5:44.08
3,200: 1. Berg, WF, 11:49.19; 2. Steckler, 11:50.47; 3. Cole, MHD, 11:55.56
100 hurdles: 1. Deebom, FD, 14.63; 2. Axtman, FD, 16.22; 3. McLean, MIN, 17.29
300 hurdles: 1. Laqua, FD, 45.32; 2. Safranski, FD, 47.89; 3. Donat, FD, 50.02
400 relay: 1. Davies (Gayflor, Hage, Safranski, Salou) 50.98; 2. West Fargo (Samek, Gee, Scarbrough, Williams) 51.10; 3. Minot 51.24
800 relay: 1. Davies (Salou, Safranski, Nesius, Gayflor) 1:47.49; 2. West Fargo (Gee, Scarbrough, Samek, Williams) 1:48.12; 3. Minot 1:50.52
1,600 relay: 1. Davies (Laqua, Nesius, Safranski, Burian) 4:15.25; 2. Red River 4:28.22; 3. West Fargo (White, Knudsvig, Amundson, Heilman) 4:29.70
3,200 relay: 1. Davies (Bjerke, Steckler, C. Bornemann, Barnick) 10:02.69; 2. Moorhead (Grafstrom, Maddux, Nelson, Sheldon) 10:16.90; 3. Davies (Nesius, J. Bornemann, Scott, Miller) 10:39.52
Shot put: 1. Schenck, WFS, 39-11 1/2; 2. Schnell, WF, 38-3; 3. Moton, WF, 36-2
Discus: 1. Hardy, MIN, 107-0; 2. Anderson, MHD, 106-9; 3. Schenck, WFS, 106-1 1/2
Javelin: Weippert, GFRR, 113-2; 2. Schnell, WF, 110-9; 3. Deringer, FD, 104-2
High jump: 1. Cleem, MHD, 4-11; 2. Axtman, FD, 4-11; 3. Nwankwo, MIN, 4-11
Pole vault: 1. Kretchman, FD, 9-3; 2. Jorgenson, FD, 8-9; 3. Dahl, WF, 8-9

Fargo South Throwback, 2 p.m.
Eagles Relays, at Fargo Davies
May-Port CG Relays, 2:30 p.m.
Breckenridge KT Smith Invite, canceled
SCC Meet, 3 p.m., Ellendale

Minnesota
Thursday, April 21
Hawley Invitational, with Barnesville, Frazee, Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton, Moorhead Park Christian, Ada-Borup-West, Norman County East/Ulen-Hitterdal, Wadena-Deer-Creek, 4:30 p.m.
Breckenridge Invitational, with Perham, canceled
Ottertail Central Invitational, with United North Central, Bertha-Hewitt-Verndale, 4 p.m.
Rocori Invitational, 4 p.m.
Friday, April 22
Hinckley-Finlayson Invitational, 3:45 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Hillsboro/Central Valley Invitational, with Climax-Fisher, Ada-Borup-West, 11 a.m.

LACROSSE

High school boys

Results/schedule

Minnesota
Friday, April 22
Grand Rapids at Moorhead, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
Proctor/Hermantown/Marshall at Moorhead, 2:30 p.m.

High school girls

Results/schedule

Minnesota
Saturday, April 23
Moorhead at Hopkins, 2 p.m.

Email scores and results to sports@forumcomm.com

METRO HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER ROUNDUP

Fargo Davies 4, Fargo North 1

FARGO — Davies scored the first three goals and never looked back en route to an Eastern Dakota Conference girls soccer win over Fargo North on Thursday.

Madison Barnick struck first with a goal in the 39th minute. The Eagles put together two quick strikes in the second half to put it out of reach. Jensen Seidel found the back of the net in the 62nd minute and Adelynn Lura scored in the 65th minute to push it to 3-0.

Ahna Haugo scored for North on a free kick in the 67th minute, but Seidel responded for Davies in the 70th minute to set up the 4-1 final.

The Eagles rose to 3-0 both overall and in the EDC. North fell to 1-1-1 both overall and in the conference.

West Fargo 2, GF Central 1

WEST FARGO — The Packers edged Grand Forks Central in an EDC matchup.

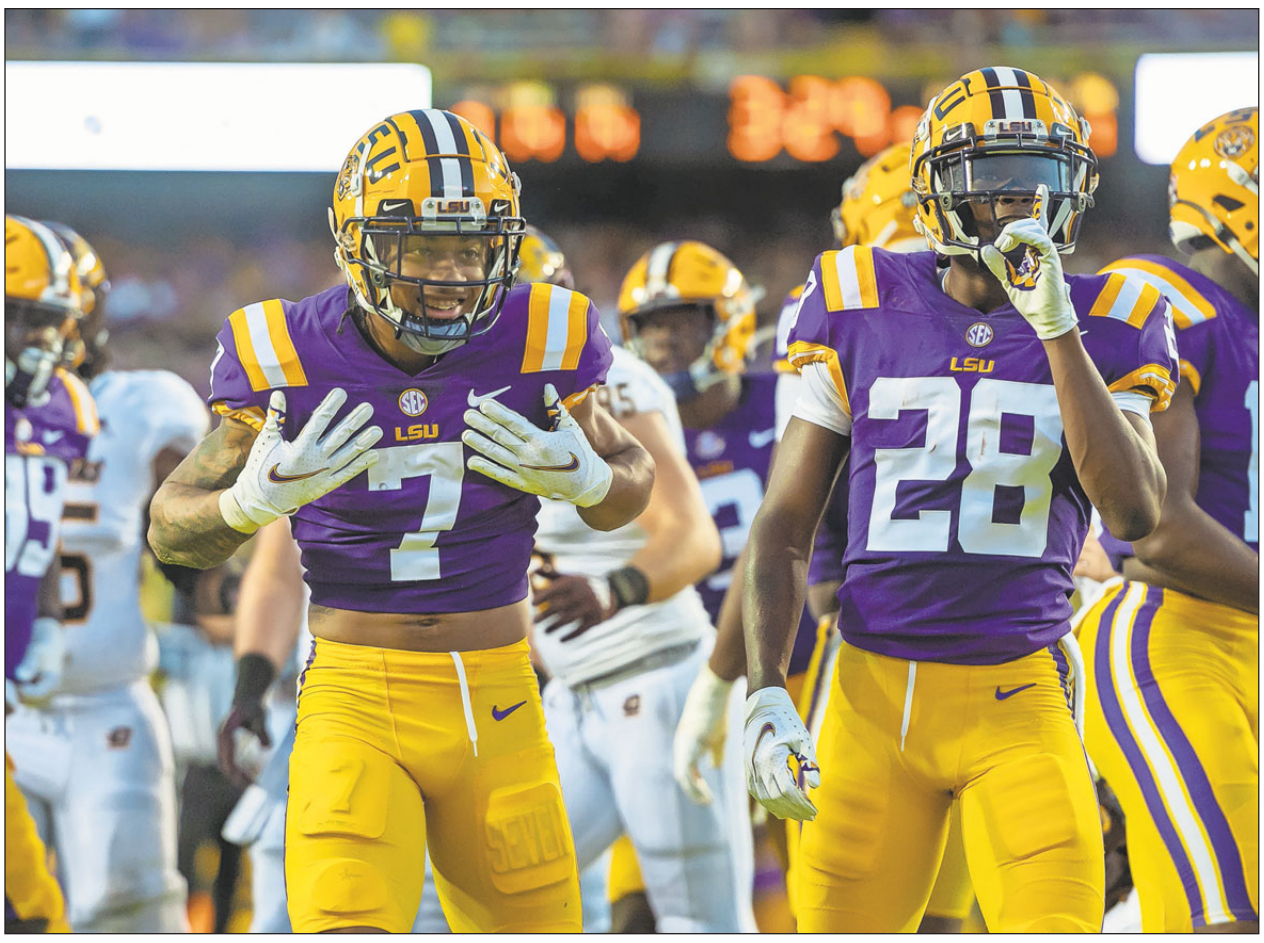
West Fargo rose to 1-1 both overall and in the conference. GFC dropped to 0-1 both overall and in the conference.

WF Sheyenne 3, GF Red River 0

WEST FARGO — West Fargo Sheyenne rolled to a shutout win over Grand Forks Red River in EDC action.

The Mustangs rose to 1-1 both overall and in the EDC. Red River fell to 0-1-1 both overall and in the conference.

— Forum staff reports



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LSU Tigers cornerback Derek Stingley Jr. (7) reacts after making a tackle Sept. 18, 2021, against the Central Michigan Chippewas at Tiger Stadium.

Vikings considering CB for No. 12 pick

By Chris Tomasson
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Vikings veteran cornerback Patrick Peterson has provided plenty of tips to teammates and lately he's also been giving one to the front office.

Peterson has been saying regularly in recent weeks on his "All Things Covered" podcast that the Vikings should try to land LSU cornerback Derek Stingley Jr. in the first round of the April 28-30 NFL draft. It must be said that Peterson also once starred for the Tigers.

"His talent is unmatched," Peterson has said of Stingley.

Peterson said it would be a "steal" if the Vikings could land Stingley with their No. 12 pick. But he has acknowledged after Stingley's strong April 6 pro day that they likely would need to trade up to get the former LSU star.

The Vikings are strongly considering taking a cornerback in the first round. Peterson, an eight-time Pro Bowl selection entering his 12th season, is likely to start at one outside spot but it's up in the air who will hold down the other one. Cameron Dantzler, the leading current candidate, has been up and down in his two NFL seasons.

Most analysts rate Cincinnati's Ahmad "Sauce" Gardner as the top cornerback in the draft, and he might not get past the New York Giants, who pick No. 7. And there has been recent speculation that Stingley might not get past Seattle at No. 9.

Stingley was perhaps the nation's top cornerback as an LSU freshman in 2019, but he wasn't the same player the next two seasons. He missed three games during the COVID-affected season of 2020 and then sat out the final nine games last year due to a Lisfranc fracture in his left foot.

"There had been a lot of speculation that Derek Stingley could be available (at No. 12), but I think that's less likely now," NFL Network draft analyst Charles Davis said. "He's come back from his injury and he's tested well and he was in shape. ... I think he's the best corner in the draft when he's on his game."

So if Gardner and Stingley are both gone when the Vikings pick in the first round, and they want a cornerback, where do they turn? Davis has them taking Washington's Trent McDuffie in his mock draft.

"I like him a lot," Davis said. "He's got a toughness to him. ... He can play the slot. He can play outside. I think he makes a lot of plays on balls in coverage."

Opinions differ on McDuffie, who might be a player the Vikings could trade down and still get in the first round. One drawback on McDuffie is he's 5-foot-10½.

Dane Brugler, draft analyst for The Athletic, has McDuffie rated ahead of the 6-foot Stingley and puts him as the No. 2 cornerback in the draft after the 6-2½ Gardner. But ESPN draft analyst Jordan Reid has McDuffie rated as the No. 4 cornerback, with Clemson's 6-foot Andrew Booth being No. 3.

"I just like the length a little bit more," Reid said of ranking Booth ahead of McDuffie. "McDuffie is a terrific prospect, but I just like the playmaking ability of Booth more than McDuffie."

If both Gardner and Stingley are gone by No. 12, Reid said the Vikings should "trade back and accumulate some more picks" if they want a cornerback in the first round.

Gardner, Stingley, McDuffie and Booth could be the only cornerbacks taken in the first round. If the Vikings decide to take an edge rusher at No. 12, such as Eden Prairie native and Florida State star Jermaine Johnson II, they could look to take a cornerback in the second round.

Cornerbacks who could be available with Minnesota's No. 46 pick include Florida's Kaiir Elam, Washington's Kyler Gordon, Auburn's Roger McCreary, Nebraska's Cam Taylor-Britt and Houston's Marcus Jones.

Whichever well-regarded rookie cornerback the Vikings bring in, Davis figures Peterson would be a top-notch tutor.

"Whether it's Stingley or someone else, Patrick is the ultimate pro," Davis said. "If it's Stingley, they're both speaking the same LSU language. Both of them wore number 7 there. But if it's someone else, he's going to be a great mentor."

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As in recent years, the practice will be controlled, meaning don't look for the Mostaerts to be hunting down and tackling a quarterback.

That will have to be saved for next fall.

"I think I've made huge improvements in my game," Will said. "I feel like I'm taking a big step and I think I'm close to being there mentally. It's just the physical aspect of it."

Said Entz: "When we go back to recruiting, we thought these guys will be disruptive in our league and up to this point we've seen that in Eli. I think Will has room to grow and we're excited to have both."

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Minnesota State Moorhead athletic director candidate Thomas Wagganer speaks during a meet and greet event at Comstock Memorial Union on Thursday.

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He spent an hour fielding questions from about two dozen MSUM employees and fans at Comstock Memorial Union.

He's currently the senior associate athletics director at Lindenwood University in Missouri, a 7,000-student private school that offers 30 varsity sports and 20 club sports. Lindenwood began as an NAIA school, moved to NCAA Division II and is transitioning to Division I. He's been at Lindenwood since 2010.

Prior to that, Wagganer spent a decade in professional sports, mostly minor-league basketball. He was the ticket sales manager and team president of the Huntsville (Ala.) Flight, the vice president of sales for the Tulsa 66ers and the general manager of the Dakota Wizards in Bismarck. All those teams were in the NBA Developmental League.

Wagganer also worked in ticket sales for the Sacramento Kings and with two other sports management firms. He spent 10 months as a graduate assistant in promotions at Kansas State University.

He said his lack of experience at public universities shouldn't be viewed as a hindrance.

"I think every place you go is going to have some learning curves. It's going to be a little bit of an adjustment, but people are people and I think whatever you can do to build relationships is going to be vital to the success," Wagganer said. "Whether that's relationships with coaches, relationships across campus, relationships in the community. That's going to be important and I have a track record to be able to do that and build those relationships."

Several questions from the public asked about Wagganer's fundraising ability, something Blackurst has pointed to as a vital aspect for the new athletic director. MSUM has goals to add to their facilities and wants to continue to grow scholarship and operational dollars.

Wagganer said he didn't have much experience in raising money, but said it was important everyone in the athletic department be involved with fundraising. That includes coaches.

"I think that coaches play a vital role in fundraising, because if a coach can build a relationship with a student-athlete and get them to come in from California, they can sell their product. They can sell who they are and sell their institution and their vision. I can't," Wagganer said. "But what I can do is tee it up for them. ... That coach is going to sell why it's important for him to be able to do these things. Now my job is to ask (that person) for that money."

Asked by an audience member what were some immediate changes he'd make if hired, Wagganer said he couldn't answer that question.

"In every group, somebody will ask, 'What's your vision for athletics?' I don't know. I've been here for eight hours, so I can't make a decision because I don't really know for sure," Wagganer said. "I know there's a lot of passion here and there are a lot of people who want to be successful, so that says a lot."

Final candidate Daniel Garrett, athletic director at Presentation College in South Dakota, will be at MSUM on Friday. His public meet-and-greet is at 3 p.m. in Room 105 of Comstock Memorial Union.

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Ryan, bullpen shine as Twins blank Royals

By Betsy Helfand
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KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Joe Ryan didn't feel as crisp as he wanted. He didn't have the best slider early on, he said, spending the beginning of the game searching for consistency with the pitch. His fastball wasn't where he wanted it to be to start, either.

But watching it, it was hard to see any of that — even for his manager.

"Maybe he didn't feel like himself, but he looked like himself in a lot of ways," manager Rocco Baldelli said. "I still think he threw strikes, and I think he missed some bats. And he did everything you would want to see and I thought it was an outstanding outing."

Ryan's "outstanding" outing, coupled with strong performances out of the bullpen and a game-saving outfield assist from Nick Gordon in center helped lead the Minnesota Twins to a 1-0 win over the Royals on Thursday afternoon at Kauffman Stadium, staving off a series sweep.

Ryan threw six scoreless innings and faced little trouble in his start, giving up just a pair of hits and walking one batter, Bobby Witt Jr., whom he promptly picked off first base.

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Minnesota Twins starting pitcher Joe Ryan pitches against the Kansas City Royals during the first inning Thursday at Kauffman Stadium in Kansas City, Missouri.

"I think it's a good one just for learning experience to just take note of," Ryan said. " ... Nothing was really that crisp. I think the fastball command there was huge, and I just kept trying to find that slider that I had last week and I got it later, so I was excited to see that evolution."

Whether or not he felt his best, the results were there for the second straight start and Ryan, in the process, dropped his earned-run average to 1.69. The only serious threat he faced came in the fourth inning when Ryan gave up a triple to left fielder Andrew Benintendi — the prevailing westerlies, Ryan surmised, helped keep the ball in the park. Benintendi then tried to score on a Salvador Pérez flyout to center.

Nick Gordon had other ideas.

Gordon, in center for Byron Buxton, caught the ball and then threw a strike to catcher Ryan Jeffers, the ball getting to the plate on a hop with more than enough time for Jeffers to lay the tag down on Benintendi. The throw preserved the Twins' slim lead, which they grabbed ahold of in the second inning on a Miguel Sanó sacrifice fly that plated Gio Urshela.

Gordon, when he let go of the ball, knew it had a chance as he watched the play unfold from his spot in center field. He was, understandably, excited.

Just not as excited as Buxton, who was watching from the dugout.

"I was pumped. I said, 'He's going to be the new Superman,'" Buxton said. " ... Definitely that to me was my highlight of the day."

The highlight of a day that included a return to the field for the first time since last Friday when he left in the first inning with right knee soreness. Serving as the team's designated hitter, Buxton went 1-for-4 with a single, and he said his knee felt good after the game.

"Obviously I had to shut it a couple of days down to let the knee get un-inflammed a little bit but (I) still feel good, still feel locked in, so that's the biggest thing for me," Buxton said.

His return is a big boost for a lineup that has been struggling to score runs. While the Twins (5-8) finished with eight hits on the day, they again didn't collect an extra base hit and weren't able to create any separation for their pitchers.

Flame-thrower Jhoan Duran, in just his fifth major league outing, was called upon in the seventh inning to protect the lead. With his electric stuff and general poise, it seems likely that the Twins will be turning to the reliever in similar — and even higher-leverage — situations in the near future.

Duran responded to the new situation on Thursday, striking out a pair of batters in a perfect frame.

"I think he can pitch at any point in the game," Baldelli said. "But when the moments really count, and you have a lead, and you're trying to hold it, I think he has the, not just the stuff, but I think he has the overall ability to do that."

Duran, followed by Joe Smith and Emilio Pagán, who picked up the first save of the season for the Twins, all showed their ability to do that on Thursday, helping make a winner of Ryan and the Twins.

"We're not going to hesitate to let him pitch us to some wins," Baldelli said of Ryan. "And he sure as heck pitched us to this win, to a win today."

Timberwolves aren't ready for success

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With their first-round series hanging in the balance, the Timberwolves landed a devastating haymaker Thursday night at Target Center.

Twice.

On both occasions, the Memphis Grizzlies took it square on the chin, staggered to their feet, and went to work. That's what true contenders do.

It's clear the Timberwolves aren't that. Not yet. Not even close

After leading by as many as 26 points in the first half and as many as 25 points in the second half, the Timberwolves proved they aren't ready for success in a crushing 104-95 loss.

The Grizzlies now hold a 2-1 lead in the series. Not that it matters. This series might be over.

It's hard to imagine the Timberwolves bouncing back from something like this.

They have very little playoff experience on the roster, and even worse, they have a star who can't be trusted to stay on the floor.

Both of those things were on display in Game 3.

Maybe the Timberwolves thought it was going to be easy after jumping out to a 12-0 lead in the first quarter. Maybe they thought the Grizzlies would go away when they trailed by 26 points in the second quarter.

Instead, the Timberwolves got complacent when the scoreboard read 47-21 with 10:28 left in the second quarter. They started taking bad shots, got careless with the ball, and the Grizzlies fought their way back into the game. Thanks to a 15-0 run to close out the first half, the Grizzlies cut the deficit to 51-44.

Shockingly, the Timberwolves were able to respond to that bout of adversity by taking control of the game early in the third quarter. They got some inspired play from D'Angelo Russell, who helped his teammates regain their composure and helped the Timberwolves restore their lead to 25 points.

The scoreboard read 83-62 in favor of the Timberwolves with 1:05 left in the third quarter. That's when the lack of playoff experience reared its ugly head once again as some sloppy play opened the door.

It shouldn't come as a surprise that the Grizzlies walked right in. They are as gritty a bunch as there is in the NBA, and they mounted an incredible 21-0 run to tie the game at 83-83 early in the fourth quarter.

After a couple of free throws from Anthony Edwards helped momentarily stop the bleeding, Minnesota native Tyus Jones nailed a 3-pointer to make it 86-85, and the Grizzlies never trailed again.

The inability to hold on to a massive lead shows the lack of playoff experience. That's going to be a tough pill to swallow moving forward.

The more pressing issue for the Timberwolves, however, is that Karl-Anthony Towns continues to come up small when the lights get bright. He battled foul trouble for the umpteenth time this season and was on the bench when the Timberwolves needed him most.

While nobody on the Timberwolves played well down the stretch — not Russell, not Edwards, not anybody — Towns wasn't even on the floor.

This isn't suddenly going to change. This is who Towns is as a player.

He couldn't stay on the floor in the play-in game against the Los Angeles Clippers, and despite a dominant performance in Game 1 against the Grizzlies, he struggled with foul trouble in Game 2 and clearly didn't learn his lesson in Game 3.

That might be the biggest takeaway from this loss. As much as the Timberwolves are going to lament the blown leads — and they absolutely should — the fact Towns wasn't on the floor was a big part of their downfall.

After watching the Grizzlies get knocked down and get up again, the Timberwolves are going to have to do the same in Game 4.

Do they have that in them? It sure doesn't look like it.

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The Timberwolves executed a brilliant game plan to sag off everyone, forcing Memphis — a non-shooting team — to fire away from deep or attack multiple defenders in the paint.

The Grizzlies did neither with success for three quarters. Minnesota, meanwhile, found success moving the ball and generating good looks.

Sure, there was a hiccup over the final five minutes of the second quarter, when the Wolves allowed a once-26 point lead to shrivel to just seven at the break. But Minnesota responded resiliently in the third, delivering another titanic blow to the Grizzlies.

As was the case in Game 1, Minnesota just looked better. It matches up so well with Memphis. The cards are the Timberwolves' favor. Memphis' flaws play directly into the Timberwolves hands. You see that whenever the Wolves simply bother to play good basketball.

But they only do so in stretches, as has been the case all season. Memphis, meanwhile, is relentless. That's why a team that's similarly as youthful as the Wolves won 56 games this season. Because it never stops coming at you. And if you slip up, the Grizzlies will make you pay.

The fourth quarter was a horror film for Timberwolves fans, who watched the lead dwindle away in front of their very eyes as their team shriveled down to nothing. Memphis went on a 21-0 run between the third and fourth quarters — a span in which Chris Finch used zero timeouts. Though, to be fair, the Timberwolves had plenty of opportunities to save themselves.

Instead, though, Minnesota players essentially stood around and watched one another, hoping someone else would come up with the game-saving answer.

It didn't happen. The Wolves went 3 for 19 in the final frame — the third make was a meaningless Anthony Edwards triple in the closing seconds.

"I'm sure they did tense up. We missed a lot of really good shots. Some of them looked tight," Timberwolves coach Chris Finch said. "But I didn't necessarily feel it. I thought we were still in the game. Everything was there to win. They had all the momentum late, but we didn't make enough plays to tighten the thing back up."

Karl-Anthony Towns made a shot — his only attempt of the quarter as he was again a non-factor due to foul trouble and Memphis' defensive scheme that's rendered him moot. That was a major contrast to Morant, who was bottled up for much of the night, but still found a way to record a triple-double and play a large role in his team's success when it mattered most.

D'Angelo Russell was so good for much of the night, but went 0-for-3 down the stretch. Patrick Beverley — the team leader — went 0 for 5 in the fourth quarter and wasn't nearly the same emotional nor defensive factor.

"They forced us to pass the ball. We were passing it. We were moving it," Russell said. "At some point it kind of switched and I think that's what hurt us the most. Our style of play kind of was affected somewhere."

Minnesota forgot who it was.

Memphis beat Minnesota to a pulp. The Grizzlies grabbed 19 rebounds in the fourth quarter to Minnesota's five. To put those five in perspective, Tyus Jones grabbed four boards of his own in the fourth, and he played just six minutes in the frame. Brandon Clarke dominated the game late, tallying 12 points and four rebounds over the final four minutes.

What can that be chalked up to?

"Mental toughness," Beverley said.

TWINS REPORT

Kirilloff targets next week for his return

Twins' outfielder begins to test out wrist after cortisone shot

By Betsy Helfand
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KANSAS CITY — Thursday marked a week since Twins outfielder Alex Kirilloff received a cortisone injection in his right wrist, one which he hopes will take the edge off the pain and allow him to return to play.

It also marked a week — he hopes — until his return, with a rehab stint expected before then. As he started to ramp up baseball activities, Kirilloff was targeting next week for his return, depending on how the upcoming days go.

The Twins placed him on the injured list last Wednesday with inflammation in his right wrist, which was surgically repaired last July. Imaging revealed no structural damage, which gives Kirilloff hope that the cortisone shot will allow him to return to play and be effective.

"I'm a little bit more optimistic given that the procedure that (Dr. Thomas Graham) did, they thought was successful," Kirilloff said. "Hopefully what was in there before, it's a little bit different this time around, given the fact that he cleaned some stuff up. So I'm optimistic about it."

While Kirilloff said the current pain could be "a number of things," and was unsure exactly of where it stems from, the hope — and belief — is that the cortisone shot will calm it.

Kirilloff has started doing some defensive work, running and throwing. He's able to do everything in the gym as normal, and has been doing rehab and strengthening exercises with team trainers.

He said before the game that he was planning on taking swings in the cage for the first time during Thursday's game as he continues to test out his wrist. The effects of the injection took a few days to set in, he said, and now is the time when he begins to ramp up his activity and test things out.

"All I can do is make the best of what I have right now, the wrist that I have," Kirilloff said. "Personally, I think I can still be effective with my wrist the way it is now. It's just about managing the pain and figuring all that out."

Alcala shut down

Injured relief pitcher Jorge Alcala (elbow inflammation) started throwing in Boston, getting up to 90 feet. But he said then he didn't feel quite where he wanted to be, and the Twins subsequently shut him down. Alcala has been on the injured list since April 12 after first feeling something in his elbow during his outing two days earlier when releasing a fastball.

"We're going to let him reset to zero before we try to build him back up again," manager Rocco Baldelli said. "I think the plan right now is just to let him rest."

BRIEF

Babolian tosses no-hitter to lead Spuds softball past Alexandria

ALEXANDRIA, Minn. — Moorhead rolled to a 10-0 softball win over Alexandria on Thursday behind a dominant performance by starting pitcher Avery Babolian.

Babolian tossed a no-hitter to lead the Spuds to the shutout victory. The Moorhead offense started hot, plating seven runs through the first two innings.

The Spuds are slated to play St. Michael-Albertville at 11 a.m. Saturday and West Fargo at 3 p.m., both in West Fargo.

— Forum staff reports

It's time to revisit the idea of home regionals

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Nine years ago, UND played Yale in the NCAA West Regional final. A trip to the NCAA Frozen Four was at stake. It was one of the biggest games of the college hockey season.

The game, played in Grand Rapids, Mich., drew the smallest crowd to watch any UND men's hockey game in seven years.

Down the road in Toledo, Ohio, St. Cloud State reached its first-ever Frozen Four by winning a game in front of the smallest crowd to watch the Huskies all season outside of a series at Alaska Anchorage.

The NCAA men's hockey regionals were a highly debated topic at the time because of the attendance issues.

But the overwhelming majority of Division-I men's hockey coaches remained steadfast in their belief that regionals should be played at neutral sites — not on campus or in home arenas. It's too big of an advantage to play NCAA tournament games at home, the vast majority of coaches said.

They vowed to explore other avenues to improve regional attendance — ticket prices, fan experience, locations and more.

But here we are, a decade later, and nothing has changed.

When Minnesota State and Harvard took the ice to open this year's NCAA tournament in Albany, N.Y., there were roughly 500 fans in the stands.

The nightcap in Albany featured two of college hockey's heavyweights — North Dakota vs. Notre Dame. It drew 2,345 fans, the smallest crowd to watch a North Dakota hockey game all year and second smallest to see Notre Dame.

This is not a slight at Albany. The people there did a fine job running the regional. But with three participating teams more than 700 miles from home, there was no saving it — not game times, not ticket prices, not fan experience.

The NCAA men's hockey coaching body will meet this week in Naples, Fla. to discuss issues facing the sport. The regionals should be a priority. Coaches and administrators cannot avert their eyes from this recurring problem or pretend that it's not bad and will go away.

Is there another sport, anywhere, that accepts playing its biggest games in front of its smallest crowds?

There are a number of college hockey players and fans who have stories similar to the one Mike Commodore tells.

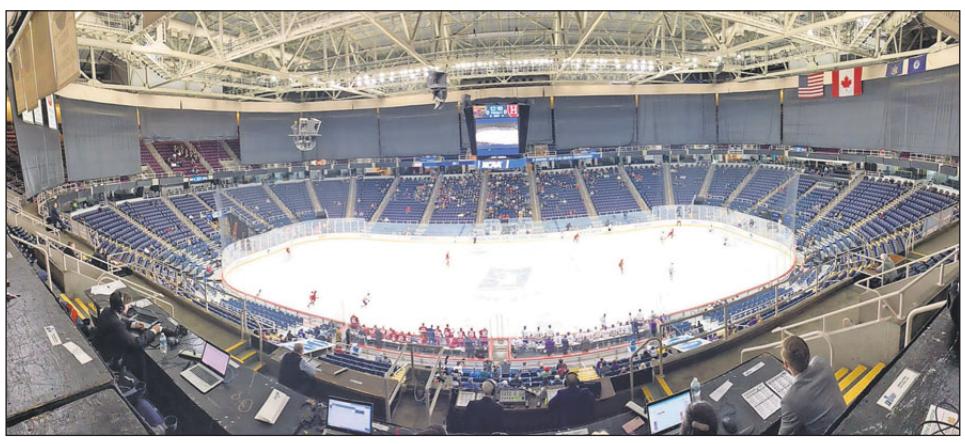
The towering defenseman from Alberta had no plans to play college hockey. He took a visit to North Dakota because it was a free trip. When he got to the arena and experienced the packed crowd, the students, the band, the chants — everything that makes a college hockey atmosphere like nothing else in the sport — Commodore was hooked.

He went to UND, won an NCAA national championship and remained so tied to the school and city that he brought the Stanley Cup back to campus after winning it in 2006.

Every fan probably has their own story of how they got hooked.

But when college hockey gets to the national tournament, it does away with much of what makes it special.

The players, competing in what should be the most memorable games of their lives, too often do it in front of empty stadiums with no atmosphere.



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Crowds were sparse at the Albany Regional in MVP Arena in March 2022.

The fans, who pack arenas all season along, too often don't have a chance to attend. If it requires a plane flight, few are booking tickets on less than a week's notice. They'll wait for the Frozen Four instead.

And there's little chance to win over new fans.

The NCAA tournament games are on national television in both the United States and Canada. When casual fans or NHL prospect followers flip it on, they too often see empty seats.

Some will turn the channel immediately and understandably so. Look at TV sports ratings during the pandemic, when teams were playing in limited-capacity buildings. They plummeted across the board. Great atmospheres are a huge part of what makes sports compelling.

The fans who don't turn the channel watch a version of college hockey that's completely foreign to what we witness all season long.

Men's hockey coaches, administrators and the NCAA don't need to make any big decisions this week or this summer. The tournament format will remain the same for at least the next four years, because regional sites are locked in for 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026.

But the debates, research and discussions need to begin now, so college hockey is prepared to make a well-informed decision on the regionals when bids come up again in two or three years.

Home sites revisited

One idea college hockey needs to seriously explore is going to home sites for the NCAA regionals.

We've seen the potential in the Big Ten and the WCHA/CCHA, which recently moved their postseason conference tournaments entirely to home sites.

The Mayo Clinic Event Center in Mankato, Minn., was packed for the CCHA title game between Minnesota State and Bemidji State. Mariucci Arena in Minneapolis set an attendance record for Minnesota's Big Ten title game against Michigan this season.

The raucous atmospheres at both of those games is how you get new fans hooked on the sport and it's how you create longtime memories for the players and coaches.

Considering that, the idea that makes the most sense to me is opening the 16-team with eight best-of-three series at the home site of the higher seed. That guarantees incredible atmospheres for every game, revenue for the NCAA and a reward for teams that finish in the top eight of the Pairwise Rankings.

The following week, there could be a super regional, much like the NCAA does for its postseason baseball tournament. The higher seeds could once again host either a series or a single game to go to the Frozen Four.

If you want the week off heading into the Frozen Four to remain in place, the calendar would have to be adjusted or else teams would have to get rid of a bye week to fit it in.

If not, the other option is rolling right into the Frozen Four with no week off, just like basketball does for the Final Four.

The Frozen Four itself can remain the same. It continues to be very successful at pre-determined NHL arenas — whether local teams make it or not, as this year proved.

The biggest pushback will be from coaches who think the home regional setup is too big of an advantage for the home teams. It certainly is an advantage. But at least it's an advantage earned through five months of regular-season play — not because their administration submitted a good bid four years ago.

There will be pushback from those who think this stacks the deck in favor of the bigger and more prominent schools. But under the current system, UND could bid for a regional in Fargo every year and play de facto home games annually en route to the NCAA Frozen Four. Right now, UND has been bidding every other year for Scheels Arena — and winning every bid.

There will be pushback from those who thinks this format eliminates upsets and the Cinderella story. But is there even such thing under the current format anymore? No. 4 seeds beat No. 1 seeds so often that it barely creates a ripple anymore.

When it comes down to voting on potential new regional formats, most coaches and administrators will vote based on what they think gives their teams the best shot to get to the Frozen Four. Some programs quietly don't mind the idea of playing in an empty building. It's better than playing a road game from their perspective.

But that's not good for the sport.

In the meantime, the new day off between the regional semifinals and the regional championship was a big hit with the coaches — even those that played Thursday and had a quick turnaround from their conference championship the week prior.

The day off also allowed all 15 NCAA tournament games to have their own timeslot and spotlight — a great development for college hockey fans.

While both of those were big wins for the tournament, attendance was again a problem — and not one NCAA coaches and administrators should overlook.

WILD REPORT

Talbot starts as Evason pauses goalie rotation

By Dane Mizutani
St. Paul Pioneer Press

ST. PAUL — Though he spent the past month rotating his goaltenders, Minnesota Wild coach Dean Evason refused to call it a rotation.

Never mind that Marc-Andre Fleury and Cam Talbot traded starts for 15 straight games.

Whenever someone insinuated that the Wild were rotating their goaltenders, Evason was quick to correct them, claiming the Wild were simply going with what they felt was the best option on any given night.

"It looks like we've been going one and one," Evason said. "We honestly have not."

The pattern finally changed with Talbot getting the nod for Thursday night's home game against the Vancouver Canucks. That came after Talbot looked sharp in Tuesday's 2-0 victory over the Montreal Canadiens.

"You know, Cam played extremely well, and got a shutout," Evason explained. "We just felt that he would roll right into this game."

While this is the first time either goaltender has started consecutive games since Fleury joined the Wild shortly after the March 21 trade deadline, Evason downplayed the decision to go with Talbot between the pipes.

"We've got a back-to-back," Evason said. "They're both going to play."

Thus, it sounds like Fleury will get the nod for Friday's home game against the Seattle Kraken.

Injury updates

The Wild are slowly but surely getting back to full strength.

Matt Dumba (upper body) and Jordan Greenway (upper body) both participated in morning skate on Thursday as they continue to work their way through the recovery process. Neither will be available for the back-to-back against the Canucks and the Kraken.

"The progression is to be with us," Evason said. "We will evaluate as we go."

As for Tyson Jost (lower body), while he wasn't available against the Canucks, he was expected to return to the Wild lineup against the Kraken.

Vancouver Canucks defenseman Tyler Myers (57) battles with Minnesota Wild left wing Kevin Fiala (22) battle for the puck during the second period of their game Thursday at Xcel Energy Center in St. Paul.

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Fiala helps Wild pull away from Canucks

By Drew Cove
Special to the St. Paul Pioneer Press

ST. PAUL — Minnesota and Vancouver fought for the tying goal all night. Minnesota had three leads, the third being the charm as Kevin Fiala continued his torrid pace of late and scored a goal to put Minnesota up 4-3 with 7:43 remaining.

That goal held up as the winner as the Wild beat the Canucks 6-3 in a must-win game as Minnesota fights to gain home-ice advantage in the first round of the playoffs.

Fiala's game winner was his second of the game and 32nd of the season. He also scored the team's opening goal in the second period, which continued his eight-game point streak.

His first goal of the game sparked an onslaught of goals that highlighted the second period after a sloppy and scoreless first. Minnesota's top players had begun the game fanning on shots and missing the net, but Fiala was determined to change that in the second.

Vancouver's Elias Pettersson quickly evened the scoring at 1-1, Minnesota captain Jared Spurgeon followed with another goal for Minnesota and Vancouver's Matthew Highmore had a tying marker again for the Canucks to make it 2-2.

Pettersson gave Vancouver its only lead of the game when he took a Conor Garland rebound and sent it past goaltender Cam Talbot with less than five minutes left in the second to give Vancouver its first lead of the game.

Mats Zuccarello was the beneficiary of a silky play and pass from Kirill Kaprizov to even the score near the end of the middle frame. Kaprizov was hit hard into the boards just a few minutes earlier and skated to the bench in pain. He looked like that pain had been long forgotten when he was dancing through the neutral zone to set up his longtime linemate in Zuccarello for a shot that left him a lot of time and space to beat Canucks goaltender Thatcher Demko.

To seal the victory, Minnesota's top line scored again, with one goal from Kaprizov and another less than a minute later from Ryan Hartman at the empty net as Vancouver coach Bruce Boudreau pulled Demko for an extra attacker.

Talbot, starting his second consecutive game, made 21 saves in the victory. The win was also Talbot's 200th of his career.

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NFL to release full 2022 season schedule May 12

The 2022 NFL schedule will be divulged one piece at a time before the full reveal May 12.

The NFL announced Thursday that it will announce Amazon Prime Video's first "Thursday Night Football" game (Week 2) during the first round of the NFL draft on April 28.

The league will then announce all International Series games May 4 and reveal select games during the week of May 9. Its schedule release show on NFL Network will be May 12 at 8 p.m. ET.

The 32 NFL teams already know which teams they will face next season as a result of the league's scheduling formula, but the order of games and which ones will be played in primetime slots on national TV will be solidified during the schedule release show.

Five teams already know they will serve as the home team for international games. The Green Bay Packers, New Orleans Saints and Jacksonville Jaguars will participate in games in London. The Arizona Cardinals will play a game in Mexico City, and the Tampa Bay Buccaneers will be designated as the home team in the league's first game in Germany, to be played at Allianz Arena in Munich.

Once again, Bauer has leave extended

Once again, Major League Baseball and the players association agreed to extend the administrative leave of Los Angeles Dodgers pitcher Trevor Bauer, this time through April 29, multiple outlets reported Thursday.

His current leave, which was extended on April 13, was set to expire Saturday.

Bauer remains off the Dodgers' 40-man roster as MLB continues to investigate the circumstances surrounding a sexual assault accusation made by a San Diego woman last June.

Bauer, 31, last pitched on June 28, 2021, after which the woman's allegations of an aggressive sexual encounter that resulted in injuries went public. The Pasadena (Calif.) Police Department launched an investigation while MLB placed Bauer on leave, then extended it multiple times throughout the season, including the playoffs.

While the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office declined to prosecute Bauer, MLB could invoke its own discipline.

Bauer made just 17 starts last season and pitched 107 2/3 innings to begin a three-year, $102 million free-agent deal he signed in February 2021. He was 8-5 with a 2.59 ERA and received his full $35.3 million pay in 2021.

The Dodgers have yet to indicate their plans for Bauer if and when he's reinstated by MLB.

Curry launches golf tour for underrepresented boys and girls

NBA superstar Stephen Curry is launching a golf tour for young golfers from underrepresented communities.

The Underrated Golf Tour will use regional events to identify 24 boys and girls and give them a chance to compete in American Junior Golf Association star-certified events. All travel, hotels and meals will be paid for, play will take place on elite courses, and the tour will culminate with the crowning of the Curry Cup champion at TPC Harding Park in San Francisco.

"Everybody knows that I love the game of golf, and I couldn't be more excited to extend that love to the best young players that are across the country," said the Golden State Warriors star in announcing the tour on Thursday.

He continued: "Less than 2 percent of golfers are people of color so our tour provides a platform for equity, access and opportunity for those who can't get their big break but also want to play head-to-head with the current best players on the AGJA."

An avid golfer, Curry, 34, has played since childhood, frequently takes part in celebrity tournaments and played in a few events on the Korn Ferry Tour.

In August 2019, he made a financial commitment to be spread over six years to restart the golf program at Howard University, a historically Black college in Washington, D.C.

Woman drops lawsuit against Dallas Cowboys owner Jones

A woman who alleges that Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones is her biological father has dropped her lawsuit.

Alexandra Davis, 25, said she now wants to verify her claim through genetic testing, according to court papers filed in Dallas on Wednesday and obtained by the Dallas Morning News.

"Alexandra has just decided that she wants to go ahead and proceed with parentage and DNA testing," said Jay Gray, one of her attorneys. "She wants to remove any doubts that Jerry's her father."

In her lawsuit, Davis alleged that Jones paid her mother $375,000 in 1996 to keep silent about the child's paternity.

Court filings by Jones' attorneys had sought to dismiss the lawsuit, but did not address the paternity claim.

NHL playing 4 regular-season games in Europe in 2022-23

The NHL is heading to Europe for the 2022-23 season.

The Nashville Predators, San Jose Sharks, Colorado Avalanche and Columbus Blue Jackets will play in the 2022 NHL Global Series, marking the first time the NHL has played outside North America since 2019.

In all, four regular-season and two exhibition games will be played in four cities next season.

The Predators will play an exhibition game against SC Bern of the Swiss National League in Bern, Switzerland, on Oct. 3. The following day, the Sharks will meet Eisbaren Berlin of the Deutsche Eishockey Liga in Berlin.

The Predators and Sharks then will open the 2022-23 season with two games in Prague on Oct. 7 and 8.

The Blue Jackets and Avalanche will travel to Tampere, Finland, for two games on Nov. 4 and 5.

Previously, NHL teams played 32 preseason games and 28 regular-season games in Europe from 2007-11 (NHL Premiere Series) and 2017-19 (NHL Global Series).

— Field Level Media

MLS will play Mexico's Liga MX in All-Star Game in St. Paul

By Andy Greder
St. Paul Pioneer Press

ST. PAUL — The MLS All-Star Game will continue to be a border battle.

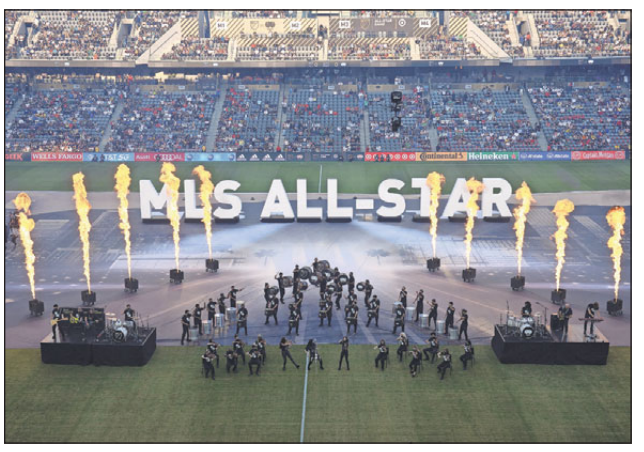
The 2022 showcase at Allianz Field on Aug. 10 will pit MLS' best players against the best from Mexico's Liga MX for a second straight season, the league announced Thursday at Mount Airy Boys and Girls Club in St. Paul.

Last summer in Los Angeles, MLS beat Liga MX in penalty kicks after being tied 1-1 through regulation. Teenager Richardo Pepi, then representing FC Dallas, scored the winner in PKs after New England goalkeeper Matt Turner made two big saves for the MLS side.

"The match itself last year was what we wanted it to be, which was incredibly compelling," deputy commissioner Mark Abbott told the Pioneer Press in an interview. "We are friends and our players know each other, but the reason why we have competition against international competition is because we didn't just want the normal East-West (format)."

MLS versus Liga MX will continue to be a departure from the U.S. and Canadian league playing a singular European club in the All-Star Game. MLS used that format from 2005-19 and an intra-league setup akin to other U.S. sports before that.

This All-Star Game setup with Liga MX also will be a further entwining of the two leagues. Next summer, individual clubs from both leagues, including Minnesota United, will play in an expanded Leagues Cup to determine a full-fledged cross-border champion. They also have each league's champion meet in the Campeones Cup.



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A general view as the Blue Devil Drummers and orchestra perform before the 2021 MLS All-Star Game between the MLS All-Stars and the Liga MX All-Stars on Aug. 25, 2021, at Banc of California Stadium in Los Angeles.

"We're pleased to renew the rivalry between the two leagues this summer," MLS Commissioner Don Garber said in a statement. "Our partnership with Liga MX has brought out the best in both leagues on and off the field, and I have no doubt the intensity will be even higher for the rematch in Minnesota."

Abbott, who grew up in the Twin Cities suburb of Oakdale, said last year's game at Banc of California Stadium in Los Angeles was one of the better ASG atmospheres he can recall. "The viewership did well, so I think in every way we had a lot of positive benefits come out of it," Abbott said.

When the MLS All-Star Game was awarded to Minnesota in October, the opponent was unknown, per Garber.

"We thought about a lot of alternatives," Abbott said about opponents Thursday. "One of the things that we thought about was, given the way it ended last year in terms of we won in a dramatic fashion at the end, we thought it would be a really compelling match again because we are going to try to win again (and) they are going to want to avenge the loss, so the most important thing was to have a compelling match. As we thought about it, (Liga MX) was the best choice to do that."

Loons CEO Shari Ballard put the focus on the series of events MNUFC has hosted, including the U.S. women's national team for Carli Lloyd's final game in October and the men's national team for a World Cup qualifier against Honduras in February.

"Our reason for existing is to promote soccer, and we 100 percent believe its the world's game, but to also inspire the community and unite the community, and these events serve both aspects of that," Ballard said.

Mikel Arriola, executive president of Liga MX, said last year's All-Star Game was unifying for clubs within his own league.

"The players gave their all to represent our league and everyone enjoyed an unprecedented game, where the fans of each of our 18 teams came together to support the Liga MX team," Arriola said in a statement. "For us, the opportunity to relive this experience in 2022 is exciting and fills us with pride, but we are committed to preparing ourselves in the best way, and with our best players, to seek a win, and of course, revenge against MLS."

Ballard forged a connection with Mexico during her previous role in international business as a Best Buy executive and said she is counting on Loons manager Adrian Heath, the head coach in the All-Star Game, to come through with a win in August.

"Personally, I'm thrilled that it's Mexico," Ballard said. "And we are totally relying on Adrian to coach up the team to back-to-back victories."

Loons to face routine opponent in US Open

There were two juicy possible matchups for Minnesota United going into the fourth-round draw of the U.S. Open Cup on Thursday. The Loons, however, ended up with the third, routine opponent.

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Instead of getting one of two upset-hungry USL League One sides in the North Centra draw — Union Omaha and Northern Colorado Hailstorm, which each knocked off MLS teams in the third round this week — Minnesota will face Colorado Rapids at Allianz Field on May 10 or 11. The Loons beat that same Western Conference rival 3-1 in MLS action last Saturday.

Union Omaha, a defending USL champion which knocked off the Chicago Fire in penalty kicks on Tuesday, will face Northern Colorado, a brand-new team which topped Real Salt Lake on Wednesday. That means two USL sides will get a spot in the Round of 16 — good for them! — and two MLS teams so used to each other will get the other berth.

Instead of a 14th game against the Rapids since 2017, a introductory match for Minnesota against Omaha or Northern Colorado would have been much more intriguing. Omaha's win at Soldier Field on Tuesday left Chicago Fire coach Ezra Hendrickson ticked off over how his team played, and the Hailstorm's 1-0 victory had a bit of serendipity with it coming despite managing only one shot on target.

Brace Hemmelgarn / USA Today Sports

Minnesota United defender Bakaye Dibassy (12) celebrates his goal during the first half against Colorado Rapids on Saturday at Allianz Field in Saint Paul.

For a national tournament which leans into the slogan "the magic of the cup," the randomness of how the envelopes were opened during a streamed show Thursday landed toward the "mundane of the cup."

With a 2-0 third-round victory over Forward Madison on Wednesday, the Loons improved to 6-3 all time in Open Cup play, including 3-0 vs. lower-level clubs, since becoming an MLS side in 2017.

The Loons' next Open Cup game will further clog its schedule in May, giving them seven matches in the first 28 days of the month. The Open Cup match lands on the schedule between FC Cincinnati at home on May 7 and a road game at Seattle on May 15. MNUFC applied for the Open Cup game to be held in St. Paul on May 11, with the Loons planning to fly to Washington state on May 13.

MLS clubs went 13-4 in the third round of the Open Cup, with Columbus Crew and Austin FC also suffering upsets this week. After the Crew lost to Detroit City, Columbus coach Caleb Porter did not speak to media members.

Eight MLS clubs, the top four finishers in each conference in 2021, now enter the national tournament in the fourth round: New England, Philadelphia, Nashville and New York City from the East; Colorado, Seattle, Kansas City and Portland have joined from the West. That means most of the favorites are now warming up.

So, while the Loons and Rapids have had contentious, red-card-filled games since Minnesota joined the league, the chance of facing a Cinderella story is certainly a more compelling plot, especially this early in the tournament.

MLS teams are overwhelming favorites to win the Open Cup trophy. They most likely will comprise the bulk of the quarterfinalist and so on, so why not let the organizers at U.S. Soccer put their finger on the scales and create early-round matchups that pit the Davids against the Goliaths?

‘It’s very good to have a dream’

Hockey is making inroads in Mexico

By Kevin Baxter and Gary Coronado
Los Angeles Times

MEXICO CITY — Ian Tarazona’s black helmet is so big it looks like an upside-down satellite dish, and his oversized hockey sweater hangs to his knees. But don’t let appearances fool you. Ian is a terror on the ice.

At one point during a recent practice, Ian skated up to another player, pulled his stick back and cracked him over the head. And that player was a teammate.

It didn’t qualify as assault because Ian is only 3 years old and the player he whacked, who was unhurt, is 5.

But it did serve as proof that it can be a challenge introducing little kids to any sport. And when the sport is hockey and the location is a shopping mall in Mexico City, that challenge only grows.

Luis González often has to suppress laughter while coaching four dozen kids, the oldest of whom are 7.

“Obviously the little kids are harder because you just have to keep them focused,” he said.

In between coaching sessions, González, who answers to Oso or “Bear,” a childhood nickname he can’t fully explain, plays for Mexico’s national ice hockey team. If you didn’t know Mexico had a national ice hockey team, don’t feel bad. Aside from the 22 players and their families, few others know either.

But the sport is gaining a foothold, or at least a toehold, in Mexico.

According to the Mexico Ice Hockey Federation — there’s one of those too — 2,690 players participate in the sport in Mexico, 1,600 of whom are junior players like the ones González coaches.

It’s a small number — and certainly an underestimate — but it still has drawn the attention of several NHL teams, which see a chance to grow the game and develop a new fan base with the hope of playing an NHL game in Mexico in the near future.

“I don’t see any reason for us to wait,” Kings President Luc Robitaille said. “It’s more important for us to go out of our way and to make it available. There’s enough kids we know like to play.”

Many of them play at an ice rink tucked into a dark corner of a Mexico City shopping mall, between a Dairy Queen and a Carl’s Jr. and below a Sears.

The Centro Santa Fe, Mexico’s second-largest shopping mall, sprawls along a major boulevard in a tony neighborhood of skyscrapers and gated apartment buildings on the western edge of the capital.

Roberto Arriaga, whose three boys all play hockey, makes the three-hour round trip there from Toluca as many as five nights a week, spending almost as much time in the chilly bleachers overlooking the ice as he does running his business in aftermarket car sales.

“A lot of friends tell me that I’m crazy,” said Arriaga, who discovered hockey almost by accident. After introducing his eldest son, Beto, to more traditional sports such as soccer without success, on a whim he put the boy in skates and hockey gear at age 6. Nine years later, Beto is still playing, as are brothers Mateo, a speedy 12-year-old defenseman, and Paulo, a skinny 10-year-old goalie so small he can fit inside the net without having to duck his helmeted head.

The two younger boys say they want to play in the NHL someday, something no Mexican has done. Arriaga chuckles when he hears that.

“At that age,” he said “it’s very good to have a dream.”

That dream isn’t what motivates the four coaches at the rink, who work with more than 140 players in six divisions, ranging in age from 3 years old through high school. Nor is producing professional players what has led the Kings to partner with the rink, offering in-person and virtual clinics as well as material assistance.

The goal, the Kings insist, is simply to introduce the kids to hockey, teach them how to play (and sometimes to even skate) and to fuel a passion for the sport.

“It’s just a totally different vibe over there,” said Derek Armstrong, who spent six seasons playing for the Kings and is now the team’s community and hockey development specialist. “We want to bring hockey to Mexico, but we also want them to embrace it themselves and put their own little twist on it, their own little culture on it.”

Instructions and encouragement — vámonos! vámonos! dále! dále! — ring out in Spanish, although most of the hockey terms, like stick and puck, go untranslated.

What the Kings want to create, then, is hockey with a Mexican accent and Latin sensibility. They’re not looking to import a sport wholesale but rather to create a hybrid. What they want are players such as 15-year-old Paula Martínez, one of two girls in the bantam age group — and one 270 girls playing hockey nationwide, according to the federation.

She started skating at 3 and has been playing hockey with boys almost as long, tucking as much of her long brown hair inside her helmet as she can, then letting the rest spill down to her shoulders. Her friends, she said, don’t understand the game — or why she plays it.

“Every time you say you play hockey, they’re amazed. So you have to explain what it is. They think it’s only fighting, and it’s really not just that,” Paula said, flipping through cellphone photos of a trip to the University of Wisconsin, where she skated with members of the school’s women’s team.

“If I had to choose a sport again,” she said, “I would still choose hockey.”

Many in Mexico don’t have that choice. Cost and access to an ice rink are major obstacles to hockey’s growth in Mexico.

Players in Guillermo Díaz’s program at the Santa Fe rink pay a $125 annual registration fee and $146 a month for instruction and ice time. That doesn’t include the brightly colored composite sticks, durable skates and other equipment such as pads and helmets, which can easily top $1,000 combined — more for goalies.

That’s well beyond the reach of most families in a country where the typical salary hovers around $17,000 a year. And while Mexico City has four rinks, there are just 14 in the rest of the country, according to the national ice hockey federation.

The level of play at the Santa Fe rink varies widely depending on the age group. On a recent Monday night, the peewees’ game, for kids 11 and 12, was so quick and well-played, dozens of shoppers stopped to peer down from the mall’s upper floors and watch.

For the youngest players, meanwhile, simply staying upright and focused is the goal, which is why Díaz spent most of an hourlong practice simply trying to herd his toddler students into a straight line.

“You have to invent some things,” González, the coach, said when asked how he kept the youngest players focused.

González’s time with the national team makes him an elite player in a country that has had few success stories to emulate in hockey. That could be changing.

Héctor Majul, who was lured away from a soccer field and into a Mexico City ice rink as a 6-year-old because his sister was a skater, followed his first coach to Arizona, where he attended high school. He practiced there alongside a local standout named Auston Matthews, whose mother was born in Mexico.

While Matthews went on to become the first overall pick in the 2016 NHL draft, Majul played at Curry College in Massachusetts before being deported back to Mexico after his student visa was suspended.

That led to a nomadic journey that took him to hockey rinks and professional teams in Serbia, Lithuania, Finland and Italy. He will turn 28 next month, far too old to be considered a top prospect but not too old to give up his dream of becoming the first Mexican-born player to reach the NHL.

“Many times, being from Mexico causes people to assume that I can’t play hockey well and they don’t take me seriously until they see me play,” said Majul, who had a career-high 21 goals and 19 assists in 22 games this season for Como in Italy’s second-tier hockey league. “They wonder how it’s possible, which makes me laugh.

“I do think if I was Canadian or American, I definitely would have had better opportunities. But at the same time, it’s part of being the first Mexican to play at the level I’m playing and breaking the mental barrier that the hockey world has of not accepting players who don’t come from countries where hockey is popular.”

Yet the sport still seems a strange fit in a country that has nearly three times as many international airports as it does ice rinks — and the rinks that do exist are almost always jammed into a lightly trafficked nook of a shopping center.

“I think there’s only one ice rink that isn’t at a mall,” Paula, the 15-year-old center, said with a sigh.

Even so, Paula, her father, Francisco, a researcher at the National Autonomous University of Mexico, and dozens of other kids and parents crowd into the dark corner of the Centro Santa Fe as many as five nights a week. And the NHL has taken note.

The Kings’ outreach to the Latino community began in Southern California but quickly reached south.

Now other teams are following. The Dallas Stars, who play in a market that is more than 40% Latino, have begun broadcasting their games on Spanish-language radio and are developing a relationship with the Mexico Ice Hockey Federation.

“We’re trying to be Mexico’s team,” said Stars President Brad Alberts, who sees that effort as targeting Mexicans and Mexican Americans on both sides of the border in much the same way football’s Dallas Cowboys did. “We look at it as a long-term, authentic community investment,” Alberts said. “We’re going to look at the Hispanic community in a much different way that we have ever before.”

At some point, Alberts said, that will mean playing a regular-season game in Mexico, as the three other major U.S. pro sports leagues have done. The Kings and Arizona Coyotes have also acknowledged similar hopes.

“We look at [Mexico] as an untapped market,” Alberts said. “We’re trying to capitalize now.”

Back at the Santa Fe rink, it’s apparent Alberts’ timing is right. Kids roll in from the covered parking lot wearing hockey uniforms and riding in-line skates, their parents following behind carrying heavy equipment bags and hockey sticks.

“Saturdays, we stay here from 12 o’clock until nighttime,” said Cindy Rojas, the mother of an excitable rosy-cheeked 5-year-old named Sebastian, whose black No. 17 Kings jersey fits him like a tunic. “I can see that he enjoys it. That’s why it doesn’t matter if we have to come four or five times per week or stay here more than 10 hours.

“It doesn’t matter because I love when he’s happy.”

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Players with the Mexico City Jr. Kings youth hockey league skate through training drills at the ice skating rink in Centro Santa Fe shopping mall in the Santa Fe neighborhood on March 23 in Mexico City. Mexico City Jr. Kings is a youth hockey league that has been organized and supported by the Los Angeles Kings in an effort to grow the game in Mexico, an untapped market.

The Mexico City Jr. Kings youth hockey league in a scrimmage at the ice skating rink in Centro Santa Fe shopping mall in the Santa Fe neighborhood on March 21 in Mexico City. Mexico City Jr. Kings is a youth hockey league that has been organized and supported by the Los Angeles Kings in an effort to grow the game in Mexico, an untapped market. The league has around 140 players.

Sebastian Becerril, 13, left, Paula Martínez, center, 15, and Manuel Torres, 16, all members of the Mexico City Jr. Kings youth hockey league, in the locker room before a scrimmage at the ice skating rink in Centro Santa Fe shopping mall in the Santa Fe neighborhood on March 21 in Mexico City. Mexico City Jr. Kings is a youth hockey league that has been organized and supported by the Los Angeles Kings in an effort to grow the game in Mexico, an untapped market.

FARGO MINISTRY HELPS THOSE 'FALLING THROUGH THE CRACKS'

Central Cities Ministries, which has existed in some form since 1930 in the Fargo area, helps people with financial struggles by providing small grants.

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By Roxane B. Salonen
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In its earliest years, Central Cities Ministries focused on wandering souls coming through town, often by train, says its director, Deacon Stu Longtin.

But it's become harder to predict the situations that will present on distribution day, when those who've "fallen through the cracks" in some way show up at St. Anthony's parish, asking for a little hand up.

"One woman cried — she was embarrassed," Longtin says, explaining that, though the mother earned a solid income, after a divorce, and in caring for two children with special needs, bills piled up, leaving little for food. She was helped, as others have been, through a small grant distributed by the ministry, garnered through a community fund for unmet needs.

In the past, recipients were limited to $100 per application, but recently, the board extended the amount by $25. It might not seem like much, Longtin says, but in a bind, it can provide much-needed relief.

"It might be someone on disability who just can't stretch that check far enough," Longtin says. "Maybe their (eye) glasses broke, or they need special shoes, or a doctor visit."

One elderly woman returns every six months — the required waiting time between requests. "She's on a fixed income and doesn't have children who can help her."

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Deacon Stu Longtin (right) talks with a parishioner as they look through books produced about St. Anthony's 100th anniversary.

She might request $10 for one need and $2 for another, he says, but she always leaves grateful.

Recently, the ministry met with a 19-year-old mother whose boyfriend "took off" upon learning of the pregnancy. On a piece of paper left before exiting, the young woman wrote: "You don't know what this means to me and my newborn daughter," Longtin says. "That one hit us between the eyes."

The ministry's history

An ecumenical effort of local Christian churches, Central Cities Ministries launched from Pontoppidan Lutheran Church in 1930. For many years, it was led by the Rev. Don Thorp, who, according to Longtin, stayed committed even after retiring from active ministry, getting around by a cane, then a walker.

"I thought, 'Wow, that's perseverance,'" Longtin says.

A collective outreach by many of the downtown churches, it emerged during the Great Depression. While most of the churches had small staffs, Pontoppidan was a little more equipped, and offered to take on the bulk of the work.

For a time in the 1970s, the Salvation Army distributed the grants, but in the early 1980s, the founding churches resumed the task and, during that same time, the ministry was given its current name.

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New and tasty foods at Target Field

By Nina Raemont
St. Paul Pioneer Press

MINNEAPOLIS — If you're heading to Target Field for a Minnesota Twins game — whether you're planning on religiously keeping track of the score or simply enjoying the atmosphere — there are plenty of new and exciting food options to choose from this year.

Between a bun

Upcycle Foods: When life gives Scott Vanden Broecke local brewers' spent grains (a byproduct of the beer-making process), he makes pretzel buns. Find those pretzel buns holding together a meaty medley of mortadella, capicola, salami, ham and provolone on Upcycle's Italian Grinder. Available at Truly On Deck.

Blue Door Pub: Nothing says Minnesota quite like an oozing cheese bomb inside a beef patty, also known as a Jucy Lucy (or Blucy to Blue Door Pub). BDP is repping Minnesota with its Pat McDonough's Cease and Desist burger, an American cheesy classic — offering up both white and yellow American cheese inside the burger — with onions, pickles, lettuce and 'Merican sauce drizzled on top. Find it near Gate 34.

Turkey To Go: Check out these tender turkey sandwiches making a return to the concession stand near Section 114.

Blue Door Pub's Cease and Desist Burger.

Food Building Grilled Cheese: Creativity blooms from Northeast Minneapolis' Food Building. Taking the Northeast ingredients and bringing them to the North Loop, here we have the official grilled cheese sandwich of Target Field — because all sports venues need an official sandwich, right? This one uses bread from Baker's Field Flour and bread and cheese from Alemar Cheese Company, two artisan vendors out of the Food Building. Available at Target Field's new market inside Gate 6 near Section 126.

Photos by Nina Raemont / St. Paul Pioneer Press

Find this Italian Grinder at Target Field's Truly On Deck.

Other handhelds

La Tapatia: Roseville's taco joint is making its Target Field debut with adobo chicken tacos served street style or Cali style. Find them near Section 109.

Mac's Fish: Dip your French fries and this golden and shatteringly crisp battered walleye into tangy jalapeno-lime tartar sauce, a new take on an English classic. Available at Townball Tavern.

Bub's Gourmet Aussie Pies: Sure, baseball may be an American pastime, but that doesn't mean we can't munch on something from another country/continent while we're at the stadium. These Australian-hailing, hand-held savory pies with fillings like chicken and wild rice and sloppy joe are the ideal stadium stroll-and-eat snacks. Available near Section 126.

We Are Nuts: Find St. Paul's batches of nuts and sweet treats in the new market area near Section 126.

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In celebration of Earth Day

ANNIE LANE
Dear Annie

Dear Readers: Today, Earth Day, is a time for reflection on and gratitude for our beautiful planet. If you are looking for some ways to show your appreciation with time or money, below is a list of organizations devoted to environmental sustainability.

▶ **Community Supported Agriculture:** Buying a CSA box allows you to buy local, seasonal produce directly from a farmer. You will be supporting local agriculture and enjoying the freshest foods you can find at the same time.

▶ **National Audubon Society:** This organization protects species whose habitats are endangered by climate change and promotes conservation efforts nationwide.

▶ **The Sierra Club:** Founded in 1892, the Sierra Club is devoted to protecting and celebrating the most special, exotic places and ecosystems in the world. (The nonprofit's calendars and notecard collections make for wonderful gifts, featuring breathtaking shots of animals and nature from around the world.)

And now for some of my favorite quotes about Mother Earth:

"When the last tree is cut down, the last fish eaten and the last stream poisoned, you will realize that you cannot eat money." — Prophecy of Cree Indians

"If we surrendered to earth's intelligence, we could rise up rooted, like trees." — Rainer Maria Rilke

"Nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine flows into trees. The winds will blow their own freshness into you, and the storms their energy, while cares will drop off like autumn leaves." — John Muir

"Trees are poems that the earth writes upon the sky." — Khalil Gibran

"Those who contemplate the beauty of the earth find reserves of strength that will endure as long as life lasts." — Rachel Carson

"Mother Nature is always one step ahead when it comes to beauty. She's quite the artist." — Giovanna Fletcher, Tom Fletcher

"It suddenly struck me that that tiny pea, pretty and blue, was the Earth. I put up my thumb and shut one eye, and my thumb blotted out the planet Earth. I didn't feel like a giant. I felt very, very small." — Neil Armstrong

"The simplicity of life is universal. Mother Nature is a wonderful teacher." — Steve Leasock

"What you take from the earth, you must give back. That's nature's way." — Chris d'Lacey

"Earth is the holiest place in the Universe, loving the earth, and loving life is the way to generate positive vibrations." — Amit Ray

"We walk all over the earth but it never complains of being a doormat. So we give it the highest title of love, adoration and family: praising it for mothering every species and the whole of all humanity." — Curtis Tyrone Jones

"Whenever you feel down, take a long walk in nature." — Michael Bassey Johnson

"No one weaves the exquisite quite like Mother Nature." — Foster Kinn

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FAITH DIGEST

St. Francis de Sales to host salad bar luncheon

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The Forum

MOORHEAD — St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church will host its annual salad bar luncheon later this month, marking the first luncheon in the church's parish hall since the roof collapsed in March 2019.

The church, 601 15th Ave. N., will hold the salad bar from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, April 27. Attendees can either enjoy an all-you-can-eat salad buffet, bread and a beverage, or choose an express line or takeouts.

The cost is $10 for adults, $4 for children 6-12 and free for younger children.

Email Ryan Johnson at rmjohnson@forumcomm.com to submit an item for the Faith Digest.

FOODS

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Put a fork in it

Soul Bowl: Chef Gerard Klass is bringing smoky BBQ to Target Field, and we couldn't be happier. Consider tucking into his summer bowl, a combo of barbecue-braised, tender beef, Cajun corn and "Return of the Mack and Cheese." Available near Section 112.

Hot Indian: Hot Indian's vegan option brings the flavor, the crunch and a meat- and dairy-free alternative to the Twins games with vegan chana masala (chickpeas simmered in a spice-laden curry and served with brown rice, crispy pappadum, cilantro and their signature slaw). There's also a chicken tikka on the menu if you've got a hankering for something with a little more protein. Available near Section 122.

Roots for the Home Team: Try out these specialty salads, made by kids in a program that teaches about all things food, and that incorporate produce from local farmers, near Section 101.

Mac's battered walleye with fries comes with a spicy jalapeno and lime tartar sauce.

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Hot Indian Channa Masala.

MINISTRY

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Forum file photo
In this file photo from 2015, Jeanne Rodriguez moves an air mattress into place in preparation for the F-M Sheltering Churches project, which Central Cities Ministries helped lead.

"Over the years, it's had its ups and downs," says Longtin, who got involved when the Rev. Sue Koesterman was president, and around 25 churches active.

In 2011, the ministry organized and led the successful F-M Sheltering Churches initiative to help address local homelessness. But when that program ended in 2017, the ministry largely slipped from view, says Ruth Carnal, secretary.

"We were the fiscal agent for Sheltering Churches," she says, which lent itself to photo opportunities that kept the public informed. "We could take pictures of warm rooms filled with air mattresses and blankets... and bowls of hot soup and a pot of coffee."

But current needs are not as amenable to this kind of publicity.

Five years ago, Longtin, now president, pursued and received 501(c)(3) nonprofit status for the ministry to receive more donations. Then the COVID-19 pandemic happened, frustrating hopes for growth.

Now, those who remain committed want to revive interest and support, and welcome new life.

A call to make the invisible visible

Carnal says the ministry, which operates without an office and paid staff, can be somewhat invisible to the community, just like those it serves.

"We are too small to benefit from Giving Hearts Day," she says, but their need is as great as any nonprofit.

FirstLink prescreens the recipients, she says, "so we know there are no other resources in town which can help them." The most common requests are for transportation needs, help with rent or utilities, and cellphone minutes, with grants going directly to the vendor or company.

Those referred then meet briefly with ministry organizers, she says, who "provide dignity" to them by hearing their stories, while identification and bills are verified and checks written.

A member of Peace Lutheran Church and retired special education teacher, Carnal says her heart has always been in social ministry.

"I'm drawn to helping the little guy, the person who doesn't get noticed by anyone," she says. "I guess it's just in my being."

While not always present for the distribution, she says, occasionally, she's on site and privy to the "honest stories" shared. "People come in with a baby, or several kids, or with a physical disability, and it breaks a (heart) cord."

"I just think it's such an important ministry in our community. We're helping people directly who can't get help anyplace else," Carnal says." It's also a unique ministry in our area because it is so personal."

Many needing assistance are not homeless, she adds, but "just that trip to the grocery store is going to do them in," noting how inflation has exacerbated those needs.

While the ministry will accept any donation, monthly contributions from churches or other organizations are especially helpful, she says. Also, board members would gladly do "pulpit talks" to share about the ministry.

"I'm thankful to be able to walk alongside people, instead of just looking down at them," Carnal says about the circular effect of ministry. "We're just trying to do what we can to help our neighbors."

It's something Jesus modeled to us, she points out, when he washed his disciples' feet.

A final plea

Stan Franek, vice president, got involved in the ministry in 2009, when his pastor at St. Mark's Lutheran Church invited him to a board meeting. At the time, the person heading up distribution was moving on, so Franek raised his hand to assist.

Now 85, he calls himself "a lifelong Lutheran" who, influenced by his committed, church-going mother, collected "a lot of perfect attendance pins going to Sunday school" growing up. It seemed a given he'd end up in a career helping others.

A social worker for 40 years, including in Wyoming and Colorado, Franek once worked for an outreach agency in Denver that counseled the homeless and convicted felons. Returning to Fargo, he continued in social work until his last stint ended in 2009.

It seemed the right time to lend his experience to Central Cities Ministries. "We're not bashful," he says. "We need your help," both with distribution and financially.

Carnal says the outreach currently offers up to 24 grants monthly in biweekly distributions, but hopes to double that amount and increase to weekly distribution, noting, "Even a $125 grant can help to change a life!"

For more information on helping the ministry, call Deacon Stu Longtin at 701-799-5817. Donations can be made online at www.centralcitiesministries.com, or sent by mail to:

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