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NDSU president search winnowed to 3 finalists

David Cook, Mary Holz-Clause and Hesham El-Rewini move to final round

By April Baumgarten
The Forum

FARGO — A committee has chosen three finalists in the North Dakota State University presidential search.

The candidates who will have interviews with the State Board of Higher



Cook



El-Rewini

Education later this month are:

► David Cook, vice chancellor for public affairs and economic development at the University of Kansas in Lawrence.

► Hesham El-Rewini, provost and

senior vice president of academic affairs for Marymount University in Arlington, Virginia.

► Mary Holz-Clause, chancellor for the University of Minnesota Crookston and acting executive

chancellor for the University of Minnesota's and Morris campuses.

A search committee met behind closed doors for 4 1/2 hours Friday, Feb. 4, at the NDSU Memorial Union before announcing the finalists. North Dakota law allows governing bodies to meet in executive session to discuss candidates before finalists are named.

The interviews with the higher education board, slated for Wednesday, Feb. 23, will be open to the public. The board will choose NDSU Pres-

ident Dean Bresciani's replacement.

The candidates haven't been ranked. The one chosen to replace Bresciani is expected to take office around July 1.

The announcement came after the search committee narrowed down a pool of 47 applicants to five that were invited to campus for in-person interviews. Over a two-week period, the five prospects visited NDSU and spoke with faculty, staff, students,

alumni, news reporters and local business leaders.

California State University Chico Provost and Vice President of Public Affairs Debra Larson and former University of Texas Tyler President Michael Tidwell also were invited to NDSU.

While visiting campus, Cook spoke about strategies to expand NDSU's student body, but he also said reversing the

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Stenehjem's death due to cardiac arrest

By Adam Willis
The Forum

BISMARCK — A heart problem caused the unexpected death of Wayne Stenehjem, the longest-serving attorney general in North Dakota history, his wife said

Friday, Feb. 4. Stenehjem died seven days ago from "cardiac arrest and associated effects," his wife Beth Bakke Stenehjem said in a statement released through the Attorney General's Office.

"I am deeply grateful for all those who worked tirelessly in Wayne's time of need, supporting me and the rest of his family throughout the day," she said. "Wayne devoted his life in service to the State of North Dakota, and I am touched by the number of people who have let me know how much he meant to them."

Stenehjem's death on Friday, Jan. 28, at 68 years old came just over a month after he had announced his intentions to retire at the end of this year.

The attorney general was found unresponsive at his Bismarck home that morning and taken to Sanford Health, where he later died.

Hundreds of people

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David Samson / The Forum

Cass County Sheriff Jesse Jahner and Clay County Sheriff Mark Empting warm by a fire barrel during the Freezing for a Good Reason event at the Moorhead American Legion on Friday. The FM Legion Riders along with local celebrities will spend the night in tents to raise funds for local charities and awareness for homelessness and veterans needs.

ONE COLD NIGHT

Sheriffs brave the cold to raise awareness about veteran homelessness

Editor's note: If you or a loved one is in crisis, you can call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at 1-800-273-8255 (1-800-273-TALK).

By Barry Amundson
The Forum

Moorhead
At least the wind wasn't howling. It was hovering

around zero on Friday night, Feb. 4, but Cass County Sheriff Jesse Jahner and Clay County Sheriff Mark Empting hoped to spend the night — from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. — in the cold to help raise awareness about veteran suicide prevention and homelessness. While the sheriffs

were outside, money was raised inside the Moorhead American Legion.

The sheriffs didn't know if they'd make it through the night. In the first year of the event last year, Jahner said he couldn't feel his feet at about 3 a.m. and had to go inside. It was colder last

year, he noted, about 20 below.

"This is a heat wave," Empting joked about the higher temperatures.

With that, they hoped to make the entire 12 hours.

"We'll try to get some sleep," Empting said. "We don't want to get hurt, though." For Jahner, a family

connection gives the event more meaning. His father served 36 years in the military and experiences PTSD from his time in the Vietnam War. He later went into the National Guard and now lives in Mesa, Arizona.

Jahner also noted the effects a parent's

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Roers settlement allows both to use family name

By April Baumgarten
The Forum

FARGO — A family dispute over who has the rights to the Roers name has been settled.

Roers Management of Fargo and Roers Cos. in Minnetonka, Minnesota, have agreed to continue doing business under their respective names, their attorneys told The Forum Thursday, Feb. 3. North Dakota U.S. District Judge Peter Welte dismissed the lawsuit Jan. 28 per the businesses' request after they settled out of court.

Roers Management,

which was founded in 1976 by North Dakota Sen. Jim Roers, R-Fargo, filed the lawsuit in late 2020 against his nephews' business, Roers Cos., claiming Roers Management had exclusive rights to the Roers trademark. That would include the title Roers Cos., the Fargo construction, development and property management firm argued.

Nephews Kent and Brian Roers founded their real estate company in 2012, though they previously used

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WHIPPING WINDS



Gusts to 38 miles per hour cause near total whiteout conditions on Saturday along Interstate-94 southeast of Dilworth. The wind is expected to subside some Sunday with a high near zero.

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Biden administration upholds ND tribe's mineral rights beneath Missouri River

By Patrick Springer
The Forum

FARGO — The Biden administration reversed a Trump administration position and upheld the Mandan, Hidatsa Arikara Nation's claim to mineral rights beneath the Missouri River within the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation.

The memorandum opinion by Robert T. Anderson, the solicitor for the U.S. Department of Interior, filed on Friday, Feb. 4, restores a line of federal decisions dating back almost 86 years.

A federal judge in Washington froze the Trump administration's break from precedent after the tribe filed lawsuits challenging the move, which came at the urging of the state of North Dakota.

At stake in the legal dispute are millions of dollars in oil and gas revenues from deposits beneath Lake Sakakawea, a reservoir on the Missouri River created by Garrison Dam.

The Trump administration

agreed with an argument by the state of North Dakota that a legal doctrine gave states the rights to minerals beneath rivers flowing through the states' boundaries.

But Robert T. Anderson, the solicitor for the U.S. Department of Interior, rejected that legal argument, which was embraced by his predecessor under President Donald Trump, Daniel Jordani, in a 2020 opinion.

In reversing Jorjani's opinion, Anderson reaffirmed opinions by Department of Interior solicitors in 1936 and 2017 as well as a 1979 decision by the Indian Board of Land Appeals.

"The Jorjani opinion's disruption of this longstanding precedent was insufficiently supported by the law and by the historical facts regarding the tribal use of the Missouri River and the purpose of the Reservation," Anderson wrote in his 68-page opinion.

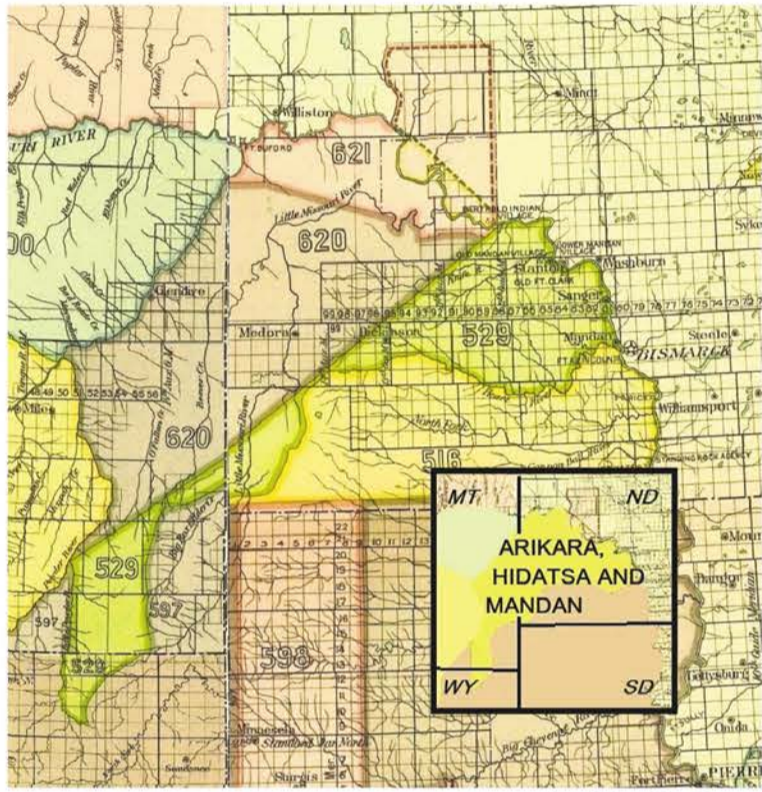
Mark Fox, chairman of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arika-

ra Nation, praised Anderson's opinion upholding the tribe's mineral rights.

"The Department of Interior has now corrected the grave injustice caused by the Jorjani Opinion and restored the federal government's long-standing recognition that the Missouri riverbed within the Fort Berthold Reservation belongs to the MHA Nation," Fox said. "We look forward to working with the Department of Interior to implement Solicitor Anderson's Opinion and to protect the MHA Nation's historic rights to the Missouri riverbed."

Timothy Purdon, a Bismarck lawyer for the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara Nation, praised the tribe's determination to press its case.

"This has been a long haul for my clients at MHA Nation. But, since I was brought in to help represent the Tribe over two and a half years ago, the MHA Nation and its leadership have never wavered in their



Special to The Forum

This map shows the land of the Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara as recognized by an 1851 treaty. The borders of the Fort Berthold Reservation later were substantially reduced. The tribes are headquartered in New Town, North Dakota.

commitment to righting this wrong and protecting their people's historical connection to the Missouri River."

Readers can reach reporter Patrick Springer at 701-241-5522.

BRIEFS

Sanford offering COVID-19 vaccination events on Saturdays through March

FARGO — Sanford Health is hosting COVID-19 vaccination events here every Saturday through the month of March.

The vaccination events are taking place Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Sanford Southpointe Clinic, 2400 32nd Ave. S. Patients must make an appointment by going to My Sanford Chart or by calling 1-877-701-0779.

The Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is available for

ages 5 and older. The second dose of the vaccine should be received 21 days after the first dose. Patients will be asked to wear face masks and follow social distancing guidelines. If you don't have a face mask, Sanford will provide one for you.

COVID-19 vaccinations are also available at all Fargo area Sanford primary care clinics by appointment only. Patients will be offered the COVID-19 vaccine during any regular Sanford visit. Patients must make an appointment by going to My Sanford Chart or by calling 1-877-

701-0779. For more information on how to make an appointment for a COVID-19 vaccine, visit SanfordHealth.org/COVID-19 vaccine.

Clay County Public Health to offer vaccine clinics Wednesday, Feb. 9

MOORHEAD — Clay County Public Health plans to offer vaccination clinics from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 9.

All shots are by appointment. During the clinics,

first, second and booster doses of Moderna will be available for those 18 and older, with booster doses available five months after a second dose of Moderna or Pfizer or two months after a Janssen/Johnson & Johnson dose.

Also, first, second and booster doses of Pfizer will be available for those 12 and older, with boosters available five months after a second dose of Moderna or Pfizer or two months after a Janssen/Johnson & Johnson dose.

Also, first and second doses of Pfizer vaccine for youths 5-11 are available by appointment only.

To schedule an appointment, visit www.claycountymn.gov/1597/Vaccination-Information or call the Clay County Public Health COVID-19 Hotline at 218-299-7204.

All of the clinics will be held at the Family Service Center, 715 11th St. N., Moorhead. Enter on the east side of the building, door No. 1.

North Dakota Gov. Doug Burgum tests positive for COVID-19

BISMARCK — North Dakota Gov. Doug Burgum has announced Sat-

urday, Feb. 5, that he tested positive for COVID-19. Burgum is fully vaccinated against the coronavirus and received a booster shot, according to a release from his spokesman Mike Nowatzki. The governor plans to isolate through Thursday.

"After testing negative on Friday following an exposure notification, I experienced cold and flu-like symptoms this morning and tested positive for COVID-19 this afternoon," Burgum said in the release. "I am isolating and consulting with my physician."

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COMING UP ON WDAY TV

Tonight on WDAY 6 News: we talk to members of the FM Legion about why they spent the whole weekend outside in the frigid cold.

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1 in 4 take a mental health prescription, surveys show

North Dakota is slightly above the national average, with Minnesota and South Dakota close behind

By Patrick Springer
The Forum

Fargo

The stresses, isolation and lack of social connections during the prolonged pandemic have taken a serious toll on mental health.

So it's not surprising that more people are seeking mental health medications during the coronavirus pandemic, according to federal surveys.

Now roughly one of every four nationwide takes a mental health prescription — and the number has spiked during the coronavirus pandemic, according to federal surveys.

In North Dakota, 26% of those surveyed said they take a mental health prescription. The rates were a bit lower in neighboring Minnesota, 23%, and South Dakota, 24%.

The use of prescription mental health medications has risen sharply during the pandemic, increasing 14% since January 2021 in North Dakota and 18% in South Dakota. Minnesota departed with that trend, dipping 1% over the period, according to the household pulse survey by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"We definitely have seen a lot more people during the pandemic, for sure," said Dr. Kathryn Ney, a psychiatrist at Prairie St. John's in Fargo.

Because of the increased demand for hospital treatment during the pandemic, Prairie St. John's added 10 overflow beds, which sometimes are all full, Ney said. Normally, Prairie St. John's has 110 beds, a number that will increase to 128 when the new hospital opens later this year.

The pandemic has been stressful, but it's also disconnected

many from their formal and informal support networks, she said.

Prairie St. John's has seen a surge in increased substance abuse during the pandemic. "A lot of people had their recovery squared away," but disruptions at work and support networks derailed many, Ney said.

The need earlier in the pandemic for online learning was difficult for many. "There was a lot of stress related to that," Ney said, noting that she has treated college students.

Now that the pandemic has gone on for almost two years, a lot of people are now managing better than before, she said.

"I think people are doing better, coping-wise," Ney said. "It just keeps going on and on and on and people are getting burnt out by it."

Because many are out sick, and because of the very low jobless rate, many people have had to work extra shifts to fill in for absences, adding to the pandemic's strains, Ney said. "There's so much overwork stress."

Although the pandemic has undeniably taken a toll, Ney and others point out that mental health prescriptions cover a broad range, and include sleeping pills and medications to calm anxiety for those who have a fear of flying but must make a business trip.

The high levels of uncertainty caused by the pandemic have been difficult for some to manage, while for others it's the lack of connection, said Dr. Emily Welle, a psychiatrist at Essentia Health.

"Some patients have struggled with the fear, the unknown," Welle said. While some find comfort in working from home, others feel



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Use of mental health prescriptions have risen in North Dakota and South Dakota during the pandemic, but dipped in Minnesota, according to federal surveys. Roughly one in four people reported taking mental health prescriptions.

isolated. "I've seen it go both ways," Welle said.

Welle didn't find the survey findings surprising, which she said tracked with other figures she's seen about the use of mental health medications by roughly a quarter of the population.

As a psychiatrist, Welle said all the patients she sees are on some form of mental health medication, so it's difficult to discern any trend.

Dr. Mustafa Abdulhusein, a psychiatrist at Sanford Health, agreed that it's difficult to determine whether a lot more people are turning to mental health prescriptions, since many are written by primary care providers. But he added that the pandemic clearly is taxing people's mental health. He cited surveys in which 36% of respondents self-reported clinical signs of anxiety, depression or post-traumatic stress disorder in early 2020, the start of the pandemic.

"Locally we have noticed an increased amount of patients," Abdulhusein said. "We think it's because of the pandemic," but sometimes it is difficult

to tell. Also, nurses report that patients who call have been "a little bit more irritated" during the pandemic.

At Sanford in Fargo, nurses report on an average day between 100 and 150 mental health prescriptions per day, Abdulhusein said.

"It's hard to escape the news of the pandemic," he said, or its consequences, including isolation and social distancing as well as school or work interruptions.

Lately, Abdulhusein has been working in the emergency department at Sanford Medical Center, where he is seeing more cases involving behavioral health issues. "The amount of referrals are definitely going up," he said.

The North Dakota Board of Pharmacy tracks mental health prescription drugs that are controlled substances. Monitoring data reports provide a mixed picture, with sedatives generally declining since 2018, before the pandemic, and stimulants generally increasing.

Anecdotally, however, the broader range of mental health prescriptions appears to be increasing,

said Mark Hardy, the pharmacy board's executive director.

"Certainly we have seen an increase in some of the ADHD medications," to treat attention deficit, hyperactivity disorder. That increase predates the pandemic, however. "We've just seen a steady increase in that over the years," Hardy said.

As with other health providers, pharmacists have been extremely busy during the pandemic, not only filling prescriptions but also administering vaccinations and dealing with testing — all while coping with staff shortages, Hardy said.

"There's no doubt that they're busier," he said.

It's important to develop good coping skills, all three psychiatrists said. All recommended maintaining and reaching out to support networks, including family and friends as well as support groups and therapists and employee assistance programs.

"If they're coping in unhealthy ways, it's going to get worse," Abdulhusein said.

Now, with so much

experience of dealing with the pandemic, many people have adjusted, Ney said. "I think people are doing better coping-wise," she said.

Mental health tips

Psychiatrists offered these recommendations for people to maintain their mental health during the pandemic:

- ▶ Focus on getting adequate, restful sleep.
- ▶ Try to maintain a healthy, balanced diet.
- ▶ Exercise, including yoga, and try to spend time outdoors — admittedly more difficult on bitter-cold winter days.
- ▶ Avoid alcohol, tobacco and recreational drugs.
- ▶ If possible, reduce screen time. Take breaks if screen viewing is required at work.
- ▶ Get a dog or cat as a companion animal. "I am a big proponent of emotional support animals," Ney said. "Dogs and cats add a lot to your life."
- ▶ Meditation smartphone apps can help.
- ▶ If unable to meet with friends and family in person, use phone or video visits.

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Southwest Minnesota hospital finds relief with travel nurses

By Kari Lucin
The Globe

WORTHINGTON, Minn. — For the past two years of the pandemic and the resulting increase in patient numbers, the team at Sanford Worthington Medical Center has remained committed, said Kaitlin Bullerman, manager, nursing inpatient.

That commitment has allowed Sanford to keep patients close to home, she said.

Now, two additional registered nurses will allow staff who have been working a lot of extra hours to get a reprieve.

The nurses are part of a group deployed by Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz to help hospitals



Sanford Worthington Medical Center

File photo

around the state battle the COVID-19 pandemic, and the stress and exhaustion it has caused medical professionals.

The nurses, contracted for up to 60 hours

of work per week for 60 days, help relieve existing staff, allowing them to take time off or simply filling in for other nurses who are ill or caring for a family member sickened

by COVID-19.

"We thought it was going to be a sprint, and it became a marathon for us," Bullerman said.

Walz announced the \$40 million initiative on

Jan. 12, and while each hospital could advocate for their own needs within the region, the state ultimately determined where the staffing support would be deployed.

In order to avoid competing with Minnesota hospitals for their own staff, all the state-hired nurses are coming from outside of the state.

"I know that they were very eager to come and be flexible, and relieve any staffing burden that they can," Bullerman said.

The nurses require an orientation, but the extent and specifics of that orientation varies based on previous experience, Bullerman said.

Local COVID-19 patients are still being

cared for at Sanford Worthington Medical Center, Bullerman warned, noting that vaccination is the best way to prevent the need for a coronavirus-induced hospital stay.

"It's real," Bullerman said. "We are still in the thick of it every single day."

Sanford Worthington COVID-19 patients have largely been grateful for the care they receive, and relieved to see health care workers, she added.

"People in health care chose to be in health care because they have a calling for service, and they continue to do that even through the roughest of times," said Bullerman, emphasizing how proud she is of her staff.

Fargo City Commission race field grows to 5

By Barry Amundson
The Forum

FARGO — Two more candidates have entered the race for two open Fargo City Commission positions.

Filing in the past few days are Fargo Human Rights Commission Chairman Matuor Alier and North Dakota Highway Patrol Trooper Ves Marinov.

That brings the

number of candidates for a four-year term on the commission to five, with the other candidates being Branden Krieger, Ahmed Shill and Will Thompson.

The seats of commissioners Tony Gehrig and Dave Piepkorn are up for grabs in the June 14 election. Gehrig has announced he won't seek reelection, while Piepkorn hasn't made an announcement.

Filing remains open until 4 p.m. on April 11.

So far, the trend in candidates is showing they are younger in age, and three of them are new Americans.

Alier, who is also the director of equity and

inclusion for the Moorhead school district, said in a statement announcing his candidacy on Friday that "the American Dream is dying in Fargo, and that needs to change. The current administration is allowing our freedom to slip away."

"We need to be free from special assessments, which cripple homeowners, especially new homeowners. We need to be free from unaffordable rents that make it hard to build a life in Fargo, and attract and retain a strong workforce and community. We need to be free from low wages that make life in Fargo unsustainable. Fargo needs a leader who

understands how hard it is to build a life and live the American Dream, and that's exactly what I'll do if elected to the City Commission."

Alier started his life in war-torn South Sudan and was forced into a refugee camp in Ethiopia as a young boy, so he said he understands what life can look like when freedom slips away.

He said he talked to his neighbors, other parents and community members and what he found was "so many people I've spoken to are really struggling in Fargo. They have a landlord that is treating them badly, their rent is too high, their

wages are too low, or, like me, their special assessments make it hard to get ahead."

Marinov said he has been in law enforcement for 11 years, three years as a deputy sheriff in Mountrail County in northwest North Dakota and eight years with the State Patrol.

He said after the recent flap over morale and other issues in the Fargo Police Department, he believes he could bring a "different perspective" to the conversation and better communication is needed between the City Commission and the department.

His views, he said,

won't reflect those of the State Patrol and added he "isn't endorsed in any way by my department."

Marinov, born and raised through high school in Bulgaria, came to North Dakota State University to study in 2003 and said he fell in love with the city and the people.

He said he would like to see the city be the safest possible community.

Five candidates have also announced for the mayor's race, including incumbent Mayor Tim Mahoney. The others are Hukun Dabar, Dustin Elliott, Shannon Roers Jones and Arlette Preston.



Alier



Marinov

Halstad man faces both burglary, assault charges

News staff
HALSTAD, Minn. — A Halstad man faces assault and burglary charges in Norman County District Court stemming from an incident that happened Wednesday, Feb. 2, that led to a woman being airlifted to a Fargo hospital.

According to court documents, the Norman County Sheriff's Office was called to an apartment building in Halstad on Wednesday afternoon on a report of a possible shooting.

Upon arriving on the scene, a deputy found a woman crawling on the floor outside of an apartment bleeding profusely from the head and spitting up blood.

The woman told the deputy she believed Jeremy Koste had shot her.

The woman was taken by air ambulance to a Fargo hospital and at some point fell unconscious.

Neighbors told deputies they witnessed Koste force his way into the victim's apartment and then heard a pop that they thought was a gunshot.

While authorities set up a perimeter, a woman ran from the south entrance



Koste

of the apartment building yelling that Koste was beating up her boyfriend in one of the apartment units.

Officers entered a hallway of the apartment building and met someone who said Koste had tried to get him to open his apartment door in order to hide from police but he refused to open his door.

The man said at that point, Koste broke down the door to his apartment and assaulted him.

Police eventually found Koste hiding in a closet in a unit of the apartment building and took him into custody.

Norman County Sheriff Jeremy Thornton said Koste had a significant relationship with the female victim, who he said was released from the hospital later Wednesday night.

Thornton said an investigation revealed no weapon was used during the incidents Wednesday.

Koste, 32, faces charges of first-degree burglary, domestic assault and

fifth-degree assault.

According to court documents, Koste has two or more domestic assault convictions within 10 years, and two domestic assault convictions within three years.

As of Friday afternoon, Koste did not have an attorney of record and he remained in custody in the Northwest Regional Corrections Center in Crookston, Minn.

The court has set the following conditions for release: cash bail with no conditions, \$50,000; cash bail with conditions, \$25,000.00; non-cash bond with no conditions, \$500,000; non-cash bond with conditions, \$250,000.



TAX STATEMENTS

The discount deadline for the 2021 Real Estate taxes for Cass County is **February 15th, 2022**. Tax payments can be made in person at the Finance Office, by check through the mail or dropped off in the secure drop box in front of the Courthouse at 211 9th Street South in Fargo. The drop box is checked several times a day. If residents want a receipt for their payment, please note that on the check; make sure the check and payment stub is in an envelope.

If residents intend to make payments in person at the Finance Office, we encourage them to bring statements and/or parcel numbers with them to ensure efficiency and avoid long wait times. If they do not have their statements or parcel numbers, they may be asked to return with proper documentation.

You may also pay by e-check, debit card, or credit card on our website at www.casscountynd.gov. A convenience fee will apply to payments made on the web.

If you do not receive your tax statement, please call the County Finance Office at 241-5600 or email us at taxes@casscountynd.gov.

BRIEFS

Northwest North Dakota man dies in 3-vehicle crash involving semi

CARPIO, N.D. — A Berthold man has died as a result of a three-vehicle crash Friday, Feb. 5, in northwest North Dakota.

Around 3:20 p.m., a Nissan Pathfinder was traveling northbound on Highway 52 near mile marker 79, about 11 miles southeast of Carpio. The Nissan left its lane, sideswiping a southbound Ford Escape, according to a release from the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

The Nissan corrected, left its lane again, and struck an oncoming Volvo semi hauling cattle, the release said. The Nissan came to rest on the west shoulder and caught fire. The Volvo came to rest in the wets ditch and across the southbound lane.

The 79-year-old driver of the Nissan was pronounced dead on the scene, according to the release. The Ford Escape driver, an 84-year-old Donnybrook man, was uninjured. The Volvo

driver, a 63-year-old man from Burdett, Alberta, Canada, suffered minor injuries.

Carpio is about 27 miles northwest of Minot in Ward County. The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota Highway Patrol.

Feb. 26 lecture in Moorhead to mark Black History Month

MOORHEAD — The Historical & Cultural Society of Clay County has announced an online lecture that will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 26, in honor of Black History Month.

The talk will be given by William Green, a history professor at Augsburg University, who will discuss his recent publication, "Nellie Francis — Fighting for Racial Justice and Gender Equality."

Nellie Francis was an African American woman who helped lead the women's suffrage campaign in 1919 and the Minnesota anti-lynching law in 1921.

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Silence is collusion

By Colleen Whalen
Fargo

We've learned of a lot of criminal and unconstitutional acts committed by the former guy. He wanted the Pentagon or the Department of Homeland Security to seize voting machines. Ironically, the party that doesn't want a voting rights act is silent about former President Trump wanting to seize voting machines.

To highlight his childishness, Trump tore up documents. Documents that by law are to be sent to the National Archives. Documents that could possibly incriminate him.

Trump stated he wanted to "overturn" the election. Note he did not say it was fraudulent, he wanted to "overturn" it. He called for the crowd to demonstrate. On Jan. 6, 2021, he saw how his crowds take his comments as marching orders. There is sworn testimony that he gleefully watched the violence he unleashed. He stated he would pardon those charged in the insurrection. So much for "backing the blue" when he would pardon those who were part of attacking dozens of officers. He would pardon people charged with seditious conspiracy.

A former president and potential future candidate would pardon those committing sedition. If you still support Trump you can't claim to love the country, the U.S. Constitution, or to be a patriot. You are supporting an individual who wants our nation to no longer exist.

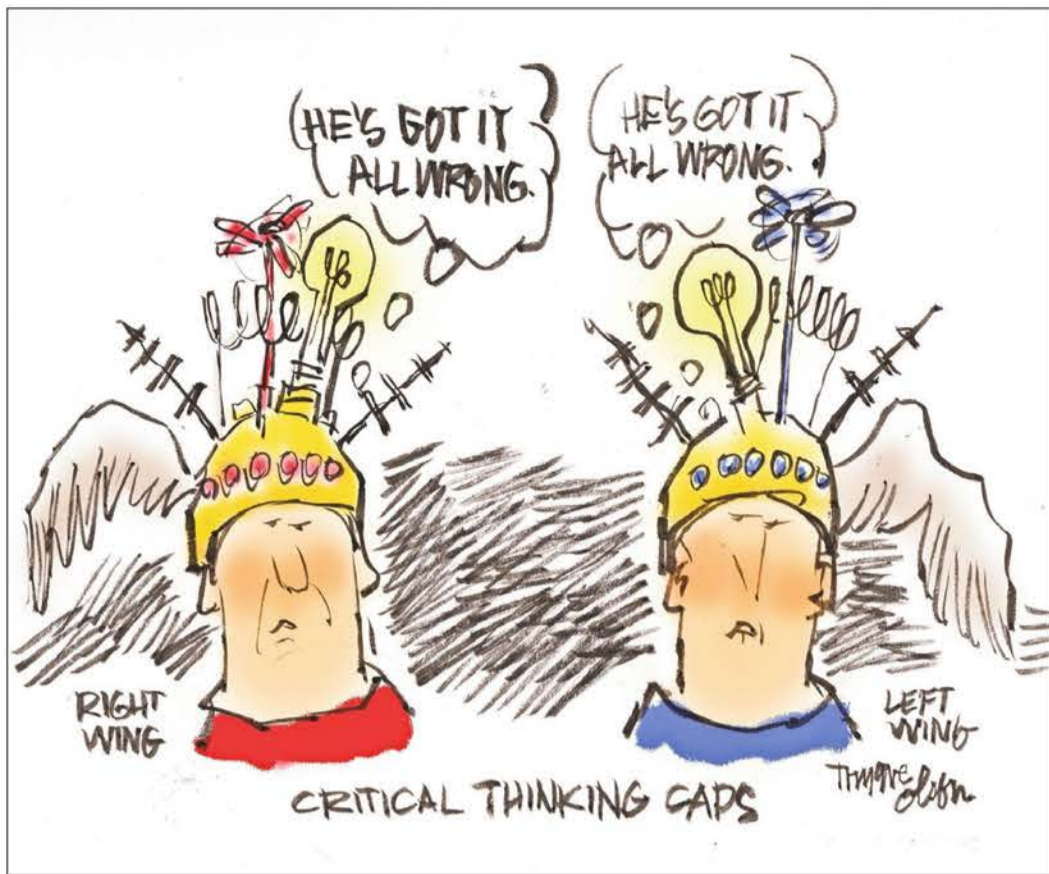
Too many seek media outlets that support what they want to believe. I check multiple news sources daily. Select Committee members, those who have testified before the committee and others, have publicly stated many of Trump's criminal misdeeds. What is Fox talking about? Horror at President Biden's visit to an ice cream parlor. He even got a double scoop. Tucker Carlson said he wouldn't want to have drinks with the new M&Ms because of their new shoes. Candance Owens is outraged Minnie Mouse is wearing a pantsuit. Rants about ice cream, M&Ms, and Minnie Mouse while ignoring sedition now that charges have been filed.

Ignore a coup attempt, get angry about Minnie's outfit or dating M&Ms. Are these really issues that matter? Anyone who is upset about such trivial things should consider anger management counseling.

Someone I know states with delight "the left is eating their own" if they report any wrongdoing or unflattering event about a Democrat. She dismisses any similar reporting on Republicans. That's not the way news works, it's how propaganda works. Sadly, there are too many who think the way she does.

CNN, MSNBC, the New York Times, and the Washington Post are all covering the investigation into Trump. This doesn't mean it can be dismissed as "fake news." There is video or audio of many of Trump's actions. Ignore Trump when he tells you to ignore what you see and what you hear. He has publicly stated he wanted more than four years. He just changed the reason he should serve more than four years and his method to get more than four years. He's a liar and his lies keep getting bigger.

The cowardly silence of the three who represent North Dakota is stunning. Their silence is collusion. Collusion involving sedition.



I thought the world might be better by now

By David Stene
Pelican Lake, Minn.

I'll confess to being a baby boomer. I grew up in the 50s and 60s; saw our president, JFK, shot; the Beatles on Ed Sullivan; and man land on the moon. All things seemed possible as a young lad thinking the world might continue to evolve and get better and better. A little peace, love, prosperity and humanity for all - maybe.

I was in the last year of the draft - lucky to have a high number. We all thought there would be lessons to be learned from Vietnam, not to mention two World Wars, but how did we repeat those mistakes in Iraq and Afghanistan? The world, and our place in it, doesn't seem any safer.

I've been quite fortunate to have traveled to about 70 countries, and have found many things quite fascinating in the sights, history, culture and the good people everywhere. This includes about six times in China and another half dozen in the neighborhood. China's rise and communist/capitalist model has lifted hundreds of millions of their people out of poverty and will result in them soon becoming the largest economy into the world. But somehow China does not tolerate dissent; has shut down any free press; has an appalling human rights record; has a long term dictator in Xi; and has crushed democracy in Hong Kong. How did we lose China as a responsible global citizen?

Also in the neighborhood, is North Korea with a Dear Leader who insists on being worshipped and keeps lobbing missiles, and is a nuclear threat, while his people starve. A citizen in North Korea has no chance to be better, but how did the world let this happen?

Vladimir Putin was a young KGB agent when the Soviet Union fell over and he has been trying to rebuild it ever since, or at least irritate and interfere with democracies that might put his

dictatorship at risk. If he does invade Ukraine, Xi will likely see it as reason enough to take Taiwan. Both situations put our country at risk or war. How does Russia go thru the 1990s struggling through the growing pains of democracy and capitalism to end up a corrupt, dangerous autocracy?

Many African countries suffer with terrible, corrupt governments and coup after coup. Some will be hit hard by climate change. Many Central and South America also continue to struggle. Desperate, starving people will continue to try and seek refuge in Europe and North America. Couldn't these countries have done better by now?

And then on to America, where our democracy has declined (we're now rated as a "flawed democracy"). Half of Americans and almost all of a political party is supporting a lie about our election and downplaying an attack on our Capitol. Our country used to rise to great challenges, build big things, and support each other, but somehow now chooses to be divided over everything, including a global pandemic. How did America become such a divisive country, to the delight of tyrants, dictators and autocrats around the world?

I suppose it all comes down to you and I. We can choose to be angry, scared, confused. Or we can choose to dig deep to our better selves and what moral compasses we may have, rather take the easy path to listen to and accept the drivel of some of the pundits, politicians and columnists (even local) and talking heads from either side that seem to enjoy and profit from the conflict they create. We can, and must find our own place, and our own values and beliefs that might - even in a small way - better serve our world, our country, our communities, our families, neighbors and ourselves for maybe a better world tomorrow. Even Joe Rogan says he's going to try to do better, and he's still a Neil Young fan!

How could we all not want to be better?

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A new low for Sen. Cramer

By Carl Wannemacher
Moorhead

Disclosure: I have never been a fan of Kevin Cramer since his days as a sycophant to Lee Atwater and the slime he spread.

My expectations of Sen. Cramer reached a new low this week with his groveling

excuse for former President Donald Trump's seditious behavior at his Texas rally.

"The obsession with the former president is becoming obnoxious to me," Sen. Kevin Cramer, R-N.D. "If he runs and gets elected... if he feels at that point there were people unjustly or wrongly detained, he has

every right in the world to do that," he said.

It should concern all of us that someone with Cramer's lack of understanding about the form and function of our national government is a member of that government and in a position to vote on critical issues that affect everyone.

Another failed foreign policy

By Tom Kovach
Nevis, Minn.

President Joe Biden and his administration flopped big time in the way they handled American withdrawal from Afghanistan. We should have been out of that country a long time ago. Or better yet, never have went in there in

the first place.

Biden and his family are too financially involved with communist China to have any American influence in that part of the world. And now we have Russia threatening to invade Ukraine. Vladimir Putin smells weakness in the Biden administration. What is Biden's response?

He's going to sent a few thousand American troops into neighboring Eastern European countries. That's like going elephant hunting with a BB gun.

I'm sure Putin and his military will get a good chuckle out of this wacky Biden move. But it sure as heck will not frighten Russia.

A deal with the devil

Former President Donald Trump has further - if that's possible - undistinguished himself by again attacking his vice president, Mike Pence. In

another of his ongoing email messages to supporters, Trump says he wanted Pence to overturn the results of the last election. He referenced a bipartisan effort to strengthen the Electoral College

Act of 1887, ensuring that no vice president can be allowed to overturn presidential election results, assuming that vote counts in the individual states are accurate and governors have properly submitted them to Congress for ratification.

While the wisdom of updating that law is debated, there is another issue that is long overdue for consideration. And that is Trump's condemnation - not criticism, but condemnation - of anyone who disagrees with his claim to have had the election "stolen" from him.

Trump effectively lumped his most loyal vice president into the tub of "RINOs" and others he regards as enemies. During their four years in office, Pence never spoke ill of his boss. When I once asked him about Trump's personality he responded, "look at the results."

In some ways this has been a bargain with the devil. Republicans and especially evangelical Christians who once honored character and the practice of personal morality as at least equal to a president's stand on political issues now refuse to hold Trump to that standard.

What does it mean to make a deal with the devil? Anne W. Zahra, M.Ed, is a language teacher. She responded to the question on the website Answers.com: "When you 'make a deal with the devil', you ally yourself with a person of ill repute to accomplish what you want. The idea here is that you compromise your principles in a way that may turn out to be extremely harmful to you."

Is that not what especially evangelicals and others who highly regard personal integrity in our leaders have done with Trump? Can they ever credibly question the behavior and language of future presidents when they have sold their souls on this big question?

There are many quotations about revenge and grudges. Two make my point: "Grudges are for those who insist that they are owed something; forgiveness, however, is for those who are substantial enough to move on" (Criss Jami, Salome: "In Every Inch in Every Mile"). The second: "Anger, resentment and jealousy doesn't change the heart of others - it only changes yours" (Shannon Alder, "300 Questions to Ask Your Parents Before It's Too Late").

Writing in The Washington Post, columnist Henry Olson notes that Pence has avoided criticizing Trump since both men left office. Olson says Pence should "reconsider." From my observance of Pence since he was in Congress, it is not in his nature to engage in personal attacks, even when he has been falsely accused. As a practicing Christian, Pence abides by the teachings of his true Leader who spoke of "turning the other cheek." Some Bible commentators interpret this as saying let God handle it. That's a far better "bargain" than hitting back and descending to the level of his critic.

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Minnesota governor signs bills extending workers comp presumption for those sickened with COVID-19

By Dana Ferguson
The Forum

ST. PAUL — Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz on Friday, Feb. 4, signed into law a proposal that would extend a presumption that health care and public safety workers contracted COVID-19 on the job, making it easier to draw down workers' compensation benefits.

The policy is set to take effect Saturday, Feb. 5, and will impact police officers, firefighters, first responders and nurses that contract the illness. Soon after the pandemic took hold in 2020, lawmakers approved a change to

the state's policy to presume the workers became sick while working their front-line positions.

But that policy expired on Dec. 31 and workers who tested positive for COVID-19 in the meantime could be asked to prove where they got the illness as a condition of pulling down wage replacements and medical assistance.

The Legislature swiftly voted the extension through both chambers on Thursday and lawmakers said they would work to ensure that those caught in the gap of time not covered by the legislation had an easier time accessing

compensation. It was the first bill to pass through the Capitol during the 2022 legislative session, which started Monday, Jan. 31.

"This bipartisan bill — passed within days of the Legislature gaveling in for the 2022 session — makes it clear that in Minnesota, we are grateful for our first responders, take care of our workers, and give them both the benefits they deserve," Walz said in a news release.

More than 22,000 employees drew down workers' compensation since the change took effect, to the tune of under \$20 million. Initial estimates



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Minnesota Gov. Tim Walz presents his administration's supplemental budget recommendations on Jan. 26 to reporters at a news conference at the Department of Revenue in St. Paul.

for the change were more than 2,000 front-line workers who contracted COVID-19.

House Democrats said that the temporary gap in the presumption impacted about 10 times that.

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Locke family: Amir law-abiding, 'loved by all'

Attorneys blast no-knock entry, BCA will take the lead on investigation

By Jon Collins
MPR News

Amir Locke's parents and their attorneys on Friday slammed the actions of Minneapolis police seen on body camera video as reckless and unwarranted.



Locke

A major Minnesota gun rights group said it's also supporting the family, calling Locke a lawful gun owner who should still be alive.

The initial footage of Wednesday's fatal shooting inside a downtown apartment shows a SWAT team entering the apartment with a key, without knocking, shouting "police search warrant" several times as officers enter and then quickly approach a couch with a figure wrapped in a blanket, later identified as Locke, 22.

The video shows Locke apparently waking up as officers yell. He can be seen stirring from the

blanket and then holding a gun as he starts to move just before he is shot, roughly nine seconds after the police enter.

"Amir was loved by all, hated by none," his mother Karen Wells said during a video press conference Friday with reporters and family attorney Ben Crump, who represented George Floyd's family in their successful wrongful death case against the city after Floyd was killed in police custody in 2020.

"My son Amir was a good kid ... an entrepreneur. My son Amir was a law-abiding citizen who did not have a criminal history," added his father, Andre Locke, noting that Amir has family in law enforcement in Chicago. His mother said Amir "respected law enforcement."

The video showed Amir Locke was startled as police entered, and "he did what any reasonable, law-abiding citizen would do — white or black," Andre Locke said. Amir was a deep sleeper

who didn't deserve what happened to him, Wells said. "My son was executed," she said. "My son is going to be that face and that voice of those that cannot speak."

'Deadly consequences'

Crump and the attorneys working with him focused their ire on the Minneapolis Police Department and their decision to use a no-knock warrant to enter the apartment where Locke was apparently sleeping, saying the city had vowed to end the practice.

"If we learned anything from Breonna Taylor it is that no-knock warrants have deadly consequences for innocent, law-abiding Black citizens," Crump told reporters, referring to an innocent woman who was shot and killed by police during a no-knock raid in Louisville, Ky., in 2020.

Minneapolis police officials had announced in November 2020 that the department was limiting use of "no-knock" warrants, in which offi-

cers don't ask for entry into a target location or announce their intentions before going in, either for searches or arrests.

Amelia Huffman, the city's interim police chief, said Thursday that knock and no-knock warrants had been obtained for Wednesday's action. The department will review its policies and procedures to see if any were violated, she added.

"We all know these events happen very rapidly, and as there's a gun emerging in your direction you're forced to make a split-second decision about when it's a threat," she said.

The search warrant that led to Locke's killing was tied to a St. Paul homicide investigation. Locke was not named in the search warrant and it's not clear if he figures into the St. Paul case, Huffman said.

Demands for transparent investigation

The Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension is taking the lead on the investigation. That's been typical procedure in recent years when police

wound or kill people in the line of duty.

The voices of local activists demanding transparency are being amplified by the American Civil Liberties Union of Minnesota. On Friday, the Minnesota Gun Owners Caucus added its voice. Locke's family attorneys said he had no past criminal history and legally possessed a gun.

"Mr. Locke did what many of us might do in the same confusing circumstances, he reached for a legal means of self-defense while he sought to understand what was happening," Rob Doar, the group's senior vice president for governmental affairs, said in a statement.

He called the circumstances "completely avoidable" and "yet another example where a no-knock warrant has resulted in the death of an innocent person."

"Amir Locke, a lawful gun owner, should still be alive," added Bryan Strawser, chair of the Minnesota Gun Owners Caucus. "Black men, like all citizens, have a right to keep and bear arms.

Black men, like all citizens, have the right to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable search and seizure."

Hennepin County Attorney Mike Freeman said Friday he and Minnesota Attorney General Keith Ellison will jointly review the BCA investigation once it's completed to decide whether any charges should be filed against Mark Hanneman, the officer who shot and killed Locke.

In a statement, Gov. Tim Walz offered his condolences and added, "an investigation is underway so we don't have all the facts yet, but a 22-year-old life ending in gunfire is a tragedy."

Minnesota, he said, "made strides last year, passing statewide restrictions on the use of no-knock warrants. But the events leading to the death of Amir Locke illustrate the need for further reform."

He called for "additional changes to police policies and practices regarding the execution of search warrants."

PRESIDENT

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school's declining enrollment trend isn't just about numbers.

"It's not just about enrollment," Cook said. "It's about educating more students and

changing more people's lives."

El-Rewini, who previously was a University of North Dakota engineering dean and vice provost, said NDSU faces a number of challenges amplified by the coronavirus pandemic. However, he sees the tough times that have impacted schools across the

nation as a call to action.

"Surviving is not the goal," he said. "Thriving is the goal."

NDSU needs to change how it helps people succeed, and it has to look at the needs of its clients, Holz-Clause said. It should celebrate its success loudly, she added.

"Let it be known with

these aggressive strategies that NDSU is the force in the region, the growing force in the region," she said.

The finalists have a broad range of experiences and have held high-level leadership positions, Greg Lardy, NDSU's vice president for agricultural affairs who co-chaired the

search committee with Higher Education Board Vice Chair Jill Louters, said in a statement.

"I am confident that the future of NDSU will be in good hands with these finalists," he said.

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absence can have on families. He said when his father was in Iraq he was away from their family for about a year.

Both men also know what it's like to have to deliver bad news about the death of a military person or veteran who has died.

When it's a suicide, it can be even more devastating, although Jahner noted that delivering any death notice is the hardest part of their job.

Tom Krabbenhoft, the director of the three-year-old FM Legion Riders and its 20 members who sponsored the event, said activities and fundraising will last until Sunday at noon for a total period of 44 hours, which represents the 22 veterans per day that die by suicide

across the nation.

He also noted that the sheriffs were "living the numbing truth of homelessness within the veterans' community."

Already on Friday night, Krabbenhoft said, residents had dropped off about \$1,000 at the Legion. The club was packed with people for a silent auction and a performance by the Front Fenders, where more funds were raised. Krabbenhoft said people can also learn about making a donation on the FM Legion Riders Facebook page and through Giving Hearts Day that runs through Feb. 10.

He said he came up with the "crazy idea" for the night in the cold, and Empting "got on board." He said the call to Jahner was a bit awkward as the sheriff didn't know who he was.

Looking over the packed Legion club,

though, he said, "We're onto something."

Half of the funds raised will go to build a much-needed shelter and bathroom facility at the Fargo National Veterans Cemetery.

Krabbenhoft said a company whose name has not yet been released has agreed to provide financial assistance for the cemetery shelter project, giving them a major boost.

The sheriffs had their pick of how to use the other half of the funds raised, and they agreed to give it to jail chaplain programs in their counties.

Last year, the event raised \$30,000 and collected 1,200 pounds of food.

It wasn't the only event this month to raise awareness about homelessness.

At Monday's Fargo City Commission meeting, a presentation



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Clay County Sheriff Mark Empting looks over the interior of the tent he will spend the night in during the Freezing for a Good Reason event at the Moorhead American Legion on Friday.

on homelessness in the city will be given.

Then, on Tuesday, Feb. 8, the New Life Center, a Christian rescue mission serving the homeless, will

host "A Night in the Cold" when CEO Rob Swiers, board members, volunteers and staff will camp in tents outside of the shelter for one night.

According to a news release from the New Life Center, on any given night in Fargo-Moorhead, hundreds of people are without food, shelter and clothing.



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Small-town Ford and Chevy dealerships do something revolutionary

By Tony Bender
Forum News Service

Wishek, N.D.

When it comes to the two most iconic car brands in America, typically, you're either a Ford person or a Chevy person. Sometimes you're both, and that's the situation in Wishek, where longtime competitors, Jim Weber Ford and Pfeifle Chevrolet-Buick, came to terms at the beginning of the year for Weber to sell his dealership to Pfeifle Chevrolet-Buick, a family business for 104 years in Wishek. Ford has been represented in Wishek for a century, too, but not under the same family ownership. Weber, 66, bought Beaver Valley Motors in 1979.

Preston Pfeifle, 27, a fourth-generation car dealer who started at the bottom rung of the Pfeifle dealership, has taken the reins at the newly-christened Pfeifle Ford while his father, Rob Pfeifle, 63, has the steering wheel at Pfeifle Chevrolet-Buick, a mile east on ND 13. Pfeifle Chevrolet-Buick co-owner Don Saylor operates the Linton, N.D., location. Weber has stayed on through the transition at the Ford dealership but he's easing out to "do what I want to do." But, "I want to make sure that when I walk out of here that Preston is comfortable with it."

While most towns of Wishek's population—about 950—can't boast even one dealership to call their own, the centrally-located community—about 100 miles from any McDonald's—has two implement dealers and will retain two car dealerships.

"This (sale) is pretty revolutionary," Weber says. However, things could be different, and not in a good way, Rob remembers. In 2008, when the Great Recession hit, General Motors began to close small dealerships, and Pfeifle Chevrolet-Buick was in the crosshairs. However, former Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., intervened, and Pfeifle Chevrolet-Buick survived to celebrate its centennial in 2018. A hundred years of family ownership.

That intervention, that turn of fate, probably saved both dealerships. In talks with Ford, Rob learned just how important it is for the Ford brand to be represented in the same communities with Chevrolet. Just like McDonald's and Burger King.



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On Jan. 1, Jim Weber passed the keys to his Ford dealership to Preston Pfeifle, a fourth-generation car dealer in Wishek. Preston's father, Rob Pfeifle, will continue to operate the family's Pfeifle Chevrolet-Buick dealership in Wishek.

It was Weber who lobbied Ford on the Pfeifles' behalf because when you've worked so hard to build something, you want to see it standing when you bicycle past—one of Weber's passions—or putt by on the way to the golf course. "I put my heart and soul into this place," he said. When he was asked by Ford about the Pfeifle operation, Weber told them, "You're not going to be in the business 100 years if you're not doing something right."

Getting three car dealers in the same room, one of whom has been a competitor, might lead one to expect some friction born of brand loyalty, but under intense interrogation falling just short of waterboarding, Weber confesses that his first car was a 1964 Chevelle, but to be fair, when you're young and just scraping by, anything that starts and runs is a viable candidate. But Rob admits that he bought a Shelby Mustang at an auction a while back. And heck, Preston was almost disowned (wink) when he came home in a Jeep. When it comes right down to it, there are three Wishek guys in the room with a loyalty to their hometown and a shared love—no, passion—for cars. "It's a great business if you love cars," Weber says.

If anything about this transition will be hard for Weber, it will be the toy-store atmosphere that comes with the new models. He and Rob reminisce about the "big reveals" in the showrooms each year. "It's fun driving the new cars," Weber says. He



Jim Weber is animated as he discusses the auto industry with Preston (right) and Rob Pfeifle. The Pfeifles have purchased Jim Weber Ford.

and Preston are excited about the first and much-ballyhooed Bronco to arrive.

Rob and Jim have seen remarkable advancements—rear-view cameras, GPS, parking assist, airbags, electric and hybrid models, but they both agree on the game-changer for dealerships in North Dakota. Fuel injection. Rob laughs, "Before that, when you went out on the lot (at -25F) not a car would start!"

The biggest thing about the business Weber will miss is the people—the generations of Ford loyalists who kept coming back. "I got to know their families..." he says before trailing off. None of it could have happened without those loyal customers and employees, he says, and he's beyond grateful for their support. "You've got to have both," he says.

All of his employees will remain with the dealership—but both dealerships are seeking

more employees in just about every department. Jim, himself, started in the parts department before buying the dealership. He's not outwardly sentimental, but there's no hiding his love for his life's work. And family, and that's why he made the decision to retire, to spend more time with his wife Mary Ann, and sons, Aaron, 26, and Joel, 25.

Joel and Preston's friendship extends back to grade school. Funny thing, the Pfeifle-Ford connection goes back even further, Rob notes. "My Grandma's brother started the Ford dealership here a hundred years ago." It's a legacy not lost on Preston, who's always viewed the competition between Weber Ford and Pfeifle Chevrolet-Buick as healthy. The sale is a big deal for Wishek and the surrounding area. "Otherwise, they'd be going out of town," Jim says.

Both dealerships thrived on reputation and a top-to-bottom

understanding of the product. From that comes customer loyalty. Preston says his training as a technician helps him and customers have confidence in any used unit. If something's not up to snuff, he'll know it. There's more than 100 years of reputation on the line, he'll tell any particularly wary customer.

What's ahead? Expansion, Preston says. While the Ford and Chevy dealerships will remain separate entities, having both dealerships at the same site makes sense logistically, especially as electric vehicles, charging stations and other infrastructure becomes necessary in the automobile evolution. In essence, Wishek's first auto-mall is in the works. "They're the two best brands in the country you can have," Rob says.

Preston hasn't given up trying to retain Weber, but Jim's one tough customer in that regard. He shakes his head slightly. Sighs. Rolls his eyes a bit. Sure, Preston might be teasing, but if Jim showed any weakness, he'd get dragged back in. It's obvious he's going to miss the place. But he'll travel, do some gardening, some fishing, and whatever he wants to do when he wants to do it. Including popping in to see the new models, one confidently wagers.

"Jim's provided a firm foundation," Preston says. "I'm excited and committed to earning the continued business of Jim's loyal customers." Jim's last task remains the transition. Passing the baton. Someone else might just hand over the keys, cash the check, and head to the couch while the buyers sort it out, but that's not the way it is here. Jim Weber wants the Ford brand he was instrumental in building to continue to thrive in Wishek, and he wants all of his customers taken care of. Loyalty goes both ways. It's important to him that all those Ford loyalists know that he's leaving on his terms, that he picked his successors, and they have his blessing.

It's the kind of thing you don't see much, anymore, but if it's going to happen, and maybe we're romanticizing a bit here (but maybe not), it's more likely to happen in a small town like Wishek, where it's happened in a big way.

Bender writes an exclusive weekly column for Forum News Service.

Arvig launches WiFi 6 networkwide

Forum staff reports PERHAM, Minn. — Arvig has successfully completed an equipment upgrade that makes its network fully compatible with WiFi 6, the latest generation of mobile connectivity.

WiFi 6 — which uses the updated 802.11ax standard — targets an

increase in throughput of as much as 40% for supported wireless devices and is backwards compatible with previous generations.

Additionally, the standard allows for as much as a four-fold increase in wireless performance in dense environments — settings such as

apartment buildings, airports and stadiums. WiFi 6 is expected to offer improvements in not only signal range and reliability, but also increase network efficiency and extended battery life for supported IoT devices.

WiFi 6 comes at a time of rapid technologi-

cal expansion, both in the adoption of mobile devices, and the development of the Internet of Things (IoT). According to a whitepaper from cloud service and software developer Calix, it is anticipated that, by 2023, there will be 5 billion connected devices in North Amer-

ica — that's 13 devices per person, up from eight in 2018.

"This is a very important upgrade to the Arvig network for many reasons," says Shaun Carlson, Director of Research & Development and Continuous Innovation at Arvig. "Our network now carries new and

improved wireless technology that will offer a much better user experience from end to end. As the demand on WiFi increases, this upgrade ensures that our wireless network can offer better speeds, greater range and improved reliability."

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DFL bill seeks to limit the wait times for families to view body cam footage

By Alex Derosier
The Forum

ST. PAUL — Families in Minnesota can wait months before law enforcement agencies allow them to view body camera footage when they lose loved ones in deadly police encounters.

But a proposal within the \$100 million dollar Democratic-Farmer-Labor public safety bill seeks to limit that wait to seven days.

It's part of a broader \$2.5 million program in the legislation aimed at equipping more officers with body cameras. The bill would also mandate the release of the recordings to the family no later than 90 days after the incident, and place limits on redaction "no more than what is required by law."

While police reform activists testifying Friday, Feb. 4, at the House Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee expressed overall support for the DFL's public safety bill, they told representatives that a week is too long of a wait for grieving families.

"While that's certainly a vast improvement over what we have right now, it isn't enough," said Michelle Gross, president of Communities United Against Police Brutality. "People should not agonize for days on days, and as it exists now sometimes even months before they get to see any type of information on

what happened to their loved one."

"We recognize that there is some time needed to prepare the footage and so forth, but at the same time we think 48 hours is quite adequate in the days of modern technology to make this information available — at least to the family," Gross continued.

Current state records law generally considers body camera data non-public, though it makes exceptions in certain cases. Video is public once an investigation is complete if it documents an officer discharging a weapon in the line of duty. It also allows for departments to release data "to the public to aid law enforcement, promote public safety, or dispel rumor or unrest."

After calls from activists, lawmakers and the community, the Minneapolis Police Department on Thursday released body camera footage of the Wednesday morning search warrant raid where officers shot and killed 22-year-old Amir Locke.

Amity Dimock, the mother of Kobe Dimock-Heisler, a 21-year-old on the autism spectrum shot and killed by Brooklyn Center police on a 2019 domestic call, told committee members that shows departments are more than capable of releasing footage quickly.

"In the George Floyd case, in the Daunte Wright

case and now in the Amir Locke case, officials were able to present the body-worn cameras within 24 to 48 hours due to public pressure," she said. "I don't think any individual family should have to rely on public pressure to get videos early."

Dimock said her family was finally able to see videos in her son's case four days after police killed Floyd in late May 2020. Initially, families are only able to view videos a few times and can't keep the files.

Dimock said she ultimately supports the public safety bill and money for bodycams but felt conflicted as she disagrees with the week-long wait and disagrees with initially allowing family to only view video. Further, she disagreed with language allowing a department chief to deny a request if the agency can articulate a compelling reason that a review of the recordings could interfere with an investigation.

In a written statement to the House Public Safety Committee, the Minnesota Sheriffs Association and Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association said they support body camera grants but took issue with a few provisions of the proposal.

"While we don't object to changing the law to allow the next of kin or family members to see the body camera footage of an officer-involved



Minneapolis Police Department / via REUTERS

Amir Locke, 22, holds a gun as he unfolds a blanket before being shot and killed by Minneapolis police's SWAT team, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on Feb. 2 in this screengrab taken from a police bodycam video.

incident, we do object to the current language," the statement said. The bill does not consider how long the interview process takes in these cases. Traditionally these interviews take closer to 14 days to complete. We support simply making the data public to all in these incidents after the interview process has concluded."

The DFL's \$100 million public safety package emphasizes a "community approach" to law enforcement. It calls for

\$40 million for community safety grants for organizations that aim to prevent crime. It also calls for \$22 million each for grants to support local community policing and expanding crime investigation resources. Rep. Cedrick Frazier, DFL-New Hope, is the bill's main author.

Minnesota Republicans, who control the Senate, are proposing increases for mandatory minimum penalties for offenses such as carjacking and want to use part

of the state's projected \$7.7 billion budget surplus to support signing bonuses for new police officers.

Lawmakers and DFL Gov. Tim Walz have said addressing a recent surge in violent crime is a priority for this legislative session. But with control of the legislature split between two parties, any public safety package signed into law by Walz will reflect a compromise between the two visions.

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DEATH

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came together on Thursday in Bismarck to mourn Stenehjem's death at a public funeral, in which the late attorney general's sister and two close friends eulogized him as a leader of integrity and principles who loomed large in North Dakota politics for years.

The day before Stenehjem's casket was processed up the steps of the Capitol by a law enforcement honor guard and held in state into the evening, with many people stopping in to pay their respects.

Cremation and a private burial were planned for a later date.

Last Friday, cousin Steve Stenehjem told The Forum he'd been informed that the attorney general was found unconscious that morning at his home in Bismarck when a contractor arrived to do some work. Lt. Luke Gardiner also said that Bismarck police responded to a medical call from Stenehjem's home at 8:27 that morning.

Beth Bakke Stenehjem paid special thanks in the statement to first responders from the Bismarck Fire Department, Bismarck Police Department and Metro Ambulance, as well as numerous doctors and nurses in the ICU and the Emergency Room of Sanford Health in Bismarck.

At an event announc-

ing his retirement plans in December, Stenehjem said he was looking forward to sharing more time at home and traveling with his recently retired wife.

Stenehjem, who entered politics in 1976, spent nearly all of his adult life in public office. First elected to the state House of Representatives, he moved over to the Senate in 1980, serving two decades in the Legislature's upper chamber.

He ran for the Attorney General's Office in 2000 and went on to win five subsequent elections as the state's top law enforcement official.

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ROERS

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Roers Group as early as 2004, according to court documents. In a counterclaim, Roers Cos. said it started using its name first and that Roers Management wrongfully used the Roers Cos. title.

The nephews also alleged a Roers Management attorney, identified in documents as North Dakota Rep. Shannon Roers Jones, R-Fargo, made false statements in attempting to trademark the family name in 2019 on behalf of the Fargo firm. Roers Jones, who is Jim Roers daughter and is running for Fargo mayor, denied those allegations, Roers Management attorney Ashley Bennett Ewald previously told The Forum.

Surnames typically cannot be trademarked unless it takes on a secondary meaning that is well-known to consumers. For example, Disney is such an example, being widely known for its animated movies.

No damages were paid to either party, said Loren Hansen, an attorney for Roers Management. The parties also

will work "in good faith to avoid and correct" confusions, he said.

"One of Roers' core values is community," Hansen said in an email to The Forum. "Going forward, Roers will continue to grow in North Dakota and throughout the USA and continue its tradition of giving back to the community and building success."

Kent Roers said his company was shocked and disappointed by the lawsuit. The merits of the case were unfounded, and the outcome of the lawsuit reaffirms that, he said in a statement to The Forum.

He said he wanted to

have a private conversation to resolve the problem.

"Instead, we were forced to defend an expensive and fruitless lawsuit that strained our familial relationships and ultimately led to their Fargo-based business forfeiting any perceived claim to our Roers Cos. name," Kent Roers said. "Our Minnetonka-based firm will continue to operate as Roers Cos. and will continue to grow our real estate footprint nationwide."

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College football pioneers to CFL excellence

Lecturer's book details 1930s emigration, traces Bison legends

By Jeff Kolpack
The Forum

FARGO — Careful navigation through Minard Hall on the North Dakota State campus is required to find Ryan Christiansen's office. At least the English department lecturer has a west-facing window.

It's not a big space, but it could double as a time machine. In his book "Border Boys: How Americans from Border Colleges Helped Western Canada to Win a Football Championship," the attention to detail is so fine that it's as if Christiansen traveled back in time and documented how players from this area of the United States ended up in the Canadian Football League.

For anybody with any sort of historical connection, or wants

to read about NDSU, Concordia, Moorhead State and CFL football in the 1930s, it's a gold mine. It started in 2018 when Christiansen was at a Winnipeg Blue Bombers game.

"At halftime, they inducted a new guy into their Ring of Honour, a guy named Fritz Hanson," Christiansen said. "They said he came from North Dakota State University. I'm like, wow, never heard of that guy."

So Christiansen started looking into it.

For the most part, Christiansen's book traces the careers of Bison players Hanson, Herb Peschel and Bud Marquardt and their journey from playing for NDSU to reaching the CFL. Hanson, from Perham, Minn., was the speedy running back with several nicknames — most alluding to his blonde hair

— and eventually was the cover shot for Christiansen's book.

When Hanson wasn't injured, he was zigzagging around opposing defenses.

In the midst of his research, Christiansen may have uncovered the first potential recruiting war between Concordia College and Moorhead State. After a fine 1932 season at Concordia, star halfback Bob Fritz — he of the old sporting goods store in Moorhead — decided to transfer to MSU. He did so by writing a letter in his hometown Minnesota newspaper, the International Falls Daily News, saying his move came down "to financial difficulties" that prevented him from enrolling at Concordia for the spring semester.

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Jeff Kolpack / The Forum

North Dakota State lecturer Ryan Christiansen holds the front and back covers of his book "Border Boys."



Photos by Michael Vosburg / The Forum

The Fargo Davies bench celebrates a bucket against West Fargo Sheyenne during their Eastern Dakota Conference boys basketball game on Saturday at Sheyenne.

BOUNCE BACK

Davies rebounds from loss in big way with win over Sheyenne

By Carissa Wigginton
The Forum

West Fargo

Less than 24 hours after seeing its eight-game win streak snapped, Fargo Davies rebounded in strong fashion. In the face of adversity, the Eagles churned out a 70-64 win over West Fargo Sheyenne on Saturday in a highly anticipated matchup between the Eastern Dakota Conference's top two teams.

The Eagles (13-2, 12-2 EDC) were down a starter and two other players, who all got hurt late in Friday night's game, an 86-83 loss to West Fargo. Davies hadn't tasted defeat since Dec. 17, when Sheyenne handed the Eagles a 74-67 loss.

Despite the circumstances, they went into Saturday's contest with, the Eagles managed to move into a tie for the top spot in the conference standings with Sheyenne (13-2, 12-2 EDC).

"This one is really exciting," Davies senior Ian Motschenbacher said. "It was a tough night last night, so it was really big to come back and get this one."

"Coming back after last night and losing a tough one at home, and coming over here however many hours later and rebounding from that loss last night, we're super happy with our guys,"



Fargo Davies' Mason Klabo goes up for two against West Fargo Sheyenne's Kaleb Larson during their Eastern Dakota Conference boys basketball game on Saturday at Sheyenne.

Davies head coach Bart Manson said. "We did a nice job defensively and we knew that we had to do that — keep them off the glass."

Davies scored 10 points off 13 Sheyenne turnovers and held Sheyenne's leading scorer Michael Nhial, who had previously been averaging 20.5 points, to seven. Davies was outrebounded 43-29 in the game, but held Sheyenne to 37% shooting from the field.

Motschenbacher and freshman guard Mason Klabo poured in 22 points apiece to lift Davies to the 6-point win over the Sheyenne team that defeated them earlier in the season. The pair combined for more than half of Davies' scoring output.

"We were hungry for this one. We really needed this one today," said Motschenbacher, a 6-foot guard.

Motschenbacher shot 53% from the field and pulled down six rebounds to go with three assists.

It was nearly standing-room only inside the Sheyenne gym on Saturday as two of the top-five ranked teams in Class A boys basketball met. Both teams were playing their second game in a 24-hour span, but came out strong.

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'Better vibe' Bison defeat Denver

NDSU men overcame a couple offensive lapses to win down the stretch

By Jeff Kolpack
The Forum

FARGO — Taking care of business has never been so hard for North Dakota State. But Summit League men's basketball is a bottom-line business and the Bison left Scheels Center at Sanford Health Athletic Complex with their second straight win.

One of these games, the Bison are going to take a double-digit lead and kick an opponent out of Fargo. That didn't happen Saturday afternoon against the University of Denver, but the 73-65 win improved NDSU to 8-4 in the league and 16-8 overall.

"It's just a mentality, that's the next step for this group," said Bison center Rocky Kreuzer. "We've shown all season we get up 10, 11 or 12 and take the foot off the gas. We have to have the mentality that 10 isn't good enough, 15 isn't big enough."

The Bison had a 13-point lead on Denver early in the second half before seeing it disappear.

"I'm searching for that, too," said NDSU head coach Dave Richman. "I don't know. That's the understanding. We can joke about it, but that's also the intriguing part. When we can get to that point where we can step on somebody and grow a 10, 12-point lead to 15, it's out there, but if we don't continue to hammer on the little things ... then we're always going to be talking about those things."

The Pioneers at one point in the season lost eight of nine, but have been better of late. They put on an unlikely rally at the University of North Dakota on Thursday night, overcoming a 19-point deficit with 12 minutes to play.

The veteran Bison proved to be a stiffer test when it counted in the last five minutes. It helped that NDSU was much sharper at the free-throw line, making 19 of 23 compared to 20 of 30 in a win Thursday against Omaha.

"Better vibe today, you could feel it," Richman said.

NDSU still wouldn't mind fixing a tendency of disappearing on offense for stretches.

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College men

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BRIEFS

Report: Giants to interview Don Martindale, Sean Desai for DC job. The New York Giants are interviewing long-time NFL assistants Don "Wink" Martindale and Sean Desai among "four or so others" for their defensive coordinator opening on Saturday, the NFL Network reported. The Giants are seeking to replace defensive coordinator Patrick Graham, who reportedly has accepted the same role with the Las Vegas Raiders. Martindale, 58, had been the defensive coordinator for the Baltimore Ravens for the last four seasons. Starting in 2004, he spent five seasons as the Raiders' linebackers coach before serving as the Denver Broncos' linebackers coach in 2009 and their defensive coordinator the following year. Martindale also was

the Ravens' linebackers coach from 2012-17. The Ravens fired Martindale on Jan. 21. Desai, 38, has spent the last nine seasons with the Chicago Bears, including 2021 as their defensive coordinator. He was Chicago's defensive quality control coach from 2013-18 before serving as the Bears safeties coach the next two seasons. The Bears confirmed Desai's departure from the team on Tuesday. He was not retained by new head coach Matt Eberflus. 5-time All-Star Adrian Gonzalez announces retirement. Adrian Gonzalez announced his retirement from Major League Baseball over social media on Saturday. Gonzalez, 39, last played with the New York Mets during the 2018 season. He hit .237 with six home runs and 26

RBI's in 54 games before being cut on June 11. "I am officially announcing my retirement today," Gonzalez wrote on Instagram. "I got to play in (MLB) for 15 years plus the minor leagues, Mexican summer and winter league. The Caribbean Series, the World Baseball Classic, and the Olympic games. What a blessing." Gonzalez thanked his wife, Betsy, and two daughters, parents and brothers before addressing the game of baseball. Gonzalez is a five-time All-Star, most recently in 2015 with the Los Angeles Dodgers. The No. 1 overall pick in the 2000 MLB Draft, he has played 15 major league seasons with teams including the Mets, Dodgers, Boston Red Sox, San Diego Padres and Texas Rangers. Gonzalez is a career .287 hitter, with 317 home runs and 1,202 RBIs. - Field Level Media

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Fargo's Tom Hoge tied atop leaderboard at Pebble Beach

Field Level Media

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — Fargo's Tom Hoge is among three players tied for the lead after Saturday's third round of the Pebble Beach Pro-Am.

Beau Hossler shot a third-round 65 Saturday to vault into a three-way tie for the lead with Hoge and Andrew Putnam. Hossler recorded an eagle on his way to a bogey-free round on the Pebble Beach Golf Links. Putnam and Hoge shot matching 4-under 68s as all three players sit at 15-under 200 after 54 holes.

Hoge posted his bogey-free round on Spyglass Hill Golf Club, getting two birdies in his final five holes.

"I don't know what it is, but I always seem to shoot better scores at Spyglass than I have at some of the others," Hoge said. "I don't know, I mean, it certainly is an advantage just from the way the scoring aver-



Ray Acevedo / USA Today Sports

Fargo's Tom Hoge plays a shot from the rough during Friday's second round of the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am golf tournament at Monterey Peninsula Country Club - Shore Course. Playing Spyglass Hill on Saturday, Hoge shot a 4-under 68 and is tied for the lead at 15-under with Beau Hossler and Andrew Putnam heading into Sunday's final round at Pebble Beach.

ages are and all the golf courses, but I seem to play Spyglass a little bit

better, so it was a good one for me today."

Patrick Cantlay (third-

round 68), Jordan Spieth (63) and Joel Dahmen (66) sit tied for fourth

at 14 under, one stroke back. Irishman Seamus Power, the second-round leader, is alone in seventh at 13 under, two shots back.

Australian Jason Day (70) and Denny McCarthy (66) are four shots back in a tie for eighth.

Hossler has shot back-to-back 65s after an opening 70. Playing "conservatively" Saturday, he finished with a flurry, posting four birdies in his last six holes. Hossler jumped 14 spots up the leaderboard on moving day.

"Pebble can give and take so quickly, right?" Hossler said. "I was glad to be on the receiving end today. I hit it well, played really conservatively, frankly, as even though it might not look like it and was fortunate to not have any misses really get me in significant trouble. It was as fairly stress free as you can be around here."

Putnam had a chaotic round on Pebble Beach Golf Links. Starting on No. 14, he settled down after posting a bogey and double-bogey in consecutive holes. He would finish the round with seven birdies, including five in a row on Nos. 4-8.

"It was pretty ugly, that first nine," Putnam said. "It was a really bad start, a 3-putt, kind of a stupid mistake and then kind of got a bad break, ball got kind of buried up in a lip. So it can happen out here. And kind of kept it in play and started hitting some good shots, and the putter started working pretty good on that front side."

Spieth vaulted 34 spots up the leaderboard playing on Pebble Beach. He opened with two birdies, added an eagle on No. 6, and finished the round with eight birdies against a bogey on No. 13.

Pebble Beach hosts the final round on Sunday.

BOOK

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Fritz made a point to say MSU head coach Sliv Nemzek did not recruit him. He did say he could play the 1933 and 1934 seasons at MSU but had only one year at Concordia.

"After the Moorhead newspaper published the report," Christiansen wrote, "Dick Hackenberg, (Moorhead) Daily News sportswriter, said (Concordia) Coach Frank Cleve scorned Fritz."

Three days later, Fritz ended up enrolling at Concordia after all.

"Concordia's dean assured the Daily News that, 'What is being done for Fritz to allow him to continue his school at

Concordia would be done for anyone regardless of their athletic ability,'" Christiansen wrote.

It was a different era of newspapers, sportswriters and coaches. Coach-speak evidently wasn't yet invented. Before Concordia played Macalester, Cleve told Hackenberg, "We'll whip 'em. If they ever get going, it's going to be too bad for somebody. Fritz has shown a complete rejuvenation in practice this week."

Matters, meanwhile, were getting edgy across the river at NDSU. The homecoming committee, according to The Spectrum newspaper, scolded the student body for a lack of school spirit.

"One columnist in The Spectrum," Christiansen wrote, "noted that

students had celebrated homecoming as an 'alcohol holiday,' despite prohibition prior to 1933."

Apparently, anything was print worthy. The Minneapolis Tribune, in an article before the Bison and Gophers football game, made note of Hanson as a "sensational touchdown runner from Perham, Minn., who weighs only 145 pounds ... but the midget tow-head is often inserted in critical junctures of the game."

The Gophers had full-back Stan Kostka — who later would open his own sporting goods store in Fargo. Kostka was a beast in Minnesota's 347 rushing yards and 56-12 win.

Anyway, in need of improving their team, Winnipeg went south

to find players and the club was very familiar with Fritz and Hanson. A Winnipeg official drove to Fargo to find Hanson, and according to Christiansen, "found Hanson at a bar in Dilworth, Minnesota, where Hanson was sitting on top of a piano and sharing a beer with some of his buddies, all football players from North Dakota State."

Later, Winnipeg recruited Marquardt and Peschel to play. The gold rush to find American players had begun. Rule changes in the Canadian game became more familiar to incoming American players, like adopting the forward pass 25 years after the United States did.

"When I started looking into it, I saw a big-

ger story there because with Canadian football at the time, there was a whole lot of controversy whether Americans were welcome to play up there in the '30s," Christiansen said.

The Americans helped Winnipeg defeat rival Calgary in the semifinals to advance to the 1935 Grey Cup in Toronto. To prepare, Winnipeg spent time in Detroit to train, which included watching a Kostka-led Brooklyn Dodgers team play the Detroit Lions. Fritz, a player and coach, made his teammates take note.

"Bob Fritz was the Patrick Mahomes of his time," Christiansen said. "He was ambidextrous. He could throw passes with either hand and kick with either leg."

The team learned some


new plays and it worked: it beat Hamilton 18-12 to win the Grey Cup. Hanson scored on a 75-yard run. Two of the scoring plays were copied from the Dodgers-Lions game.

"Not only that, it was the first time a team from western Canada had ever beaten an eastern CFL team in any game," Christiansen said.

Very historical in a history-like book, which is available on Amazon.com.

"Bob Fritz and Fritz Hanson," said Christiansen, a 1988 Moorhead High graduate. "How can I grow up in this community and not know about Bob Fritz and Fritz Hanson?"


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Fighting Hawks lose 3rd-period lead to Omaha in series finale

By Brad E. Schlossman
Grand Forks Herald

GRAND FORKS — University of North Dakota coach Brad Berry put together a shutdown line in the first half of the season.

Its purpose was to match against opponents' top lines and help grind out victories in close games.

Gavin Hain, Mark Senden and Louis Jamernik did just that over and over again for the Fighting Hawks.

But by the end of the second period Saturday night, Berry was without all three of them. Hain was injured in January and is out longterm. His two linemates, Senden and Jamernik, sustained injuries in the second period and didn't return.

Nobody filled their role and a three-line UND let a 2-0 third-period lead slip away. The Fighting Hawks eventually lost to Omaha 3-2 in overtime in front of 11,632 fans in Ralph Engelstad Arena.

Davis Pennington scored on a point shot on the power play at 5:43, Kevin Conley deflected a point shot to tie it at 8:39. Then, fifth-year senior Brannon McManus buried a Taylor Ward feed in three-on-three overtime to finish the comeback.

"Frustrating result," UND forward Connor Ford said. "I thought we played a better game than we did last night actually. But obviously they came back with more. . . as is expected in college hockey on the second night after a loss. No matter how you split it, we've got to win that game. You've got a two-goal lead in the third period. You've got to win that hockey game."

"We can split it however we want it. We should have gotten another one. We should have kept it out of our own net. We had every reason to win that hockey game and we found a way to lose it."

UND dropped to 15-11-1 overall and 10-5-1 in National Collegiate



Eric Hylden / Grand Forks Herald

Omaha's Cameron Berg is upended by UND's Cooper Moore in the second period on Saturday at the Ralph Engelstad Arena.

Hockey Conference play, where it sits in second place. The Fighting Hawks are five points back of league-leading Denver and one point ahead of third-place Western Michigan.

Because overtime are not counted as full value — UND received 45 percent of a win and Omaha 55 percent — the Fighting Hawks stayed at No. 12 in the Pairwise Rankings.

That didn't make UND feel any better, though. After going unbeaten in 47-straight games when leading after two periods, the Fighting Hawks have lost twice in that scenario since the new year.

"We have to be able to close out those game," UND alternate captain Ethan Frisch said. "We were telling the guys in the locker room afterwards we're up by two in our home building on a Saturday night in the third period. That's just not acceptable. We've got to be better. That's what every game is going to be like from here on out. So, we've got to figure that out."

UND also has lineup issues heading into next weekend's home series against Colorado College.

The Fighting Hawks ended Saturday without defenseman Jake Sanderson (Olympic Games,

COVID-19 protocol), defenseman Brady Ferner (upper body), forward Brendan Budy (upper body), Hain (lower body), Senden (undisclosed) and Jamernik (undisclosed).

The injury to Jamernik, in particular, irked Berry.

It occurred in the second period on an after-the-whistle check from Omaha forward Joey Abate, who led the NCHC in penalty minutes last season. Jamernik dropped to the ground for a couple minutes, then left on his own accord and went straight to the dressing room. There was no penalty on the play.

"I'm just kind of a little emotional right now because one was a preventable play after the whistle to a guy that's done it time and time again," Berry said. "So, yeah, disappointing in the fact that I didn't think it was within the rules."

Berry didn't know immediately after the game when Senden and Jamernik might be back in the lineup, but said it was "not good."

UND will find out in the next few days whether Sanderson will get out of COVID-19 protocol in time to head to Beijing for the Olympic Games or whether he'll be back

in Grand Forks for the series against the Tigers.

Berry indicated Budy will be available next week after skating this week.

The Omaha comeback spoiled a good effort by UND's top line and goaltender Zach Driscoll. Riese Gaber scored and added an assist for a five-point weekend, while Connor Ford had two assists and Judd Caulfield a power-play goal.

Driscoll, meanwhile, stopped 27 of 30 shots on the night and 53 of 57 on the weekend.

"Zach Driscoll played an outstanding weekend of hockey," Berry said. "He kept us in the game to get a win (Friday) and he played well enough to win a game tonight. It's a situation where you're up two goals in a game. It doesn't matter who is in the lineup. We've got to find a way to close out the game. We've got to reset and regroup with the guys we have here."

BRIEFS

Cobbers and St. Ben's skate to tie in women's hockey

MOORHEAD — Concordia and St. Benedict ended in a 1-1 tie on Saturday in Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference women's hockey at Moorhead Sports Center.

St. Benedict struck first when Corrine Brown scored a power-play goal 3 minutes, 53 seconds into the second period.

Concordia's Jerica Friese buried the equalizer 12:44 into the second frame, which proved to be the final goal of regulation. The game eventually went to a shootout after a scoreless overtime period. St. Ben's won the shootout 2-0, but the game was scored a tie.

Cobbers goalie Becca Macklin had a strong showing as she tallied 29 saves. Shots on goal were even at 30 each.

Concordia (6-12-1, 2-9-1 MIAC) is scheduled to next play at Bethel at 7 p.m. Friday.

Andre Gasseau's overtime goal lifts Force to win over Waterloo

WATERLOO, Iowa — A long weekend came to a satisfying end for the Fargo Force when Andre Gasseau scored 27 seconds into overtime for a 3-2 win over Water-

loo on Saturday before 2,465 at Young Arena.

The Force picked up a victory in a game it appeared they might squander, having lost a two-goal lead in the third period. Waterloo's Garrett Schifsky scored the game-tying goal with just 1:31 left in the game.

But the Force got a break when the Black Hawks' Connor Brown took a cross checking penalty just 10 seconds after Schifsky's goal, giving the Force a man advantage for 39 seconds to start OT.

Gasseau didn't need that much time, with Bret Link and Mason Langenbrunner getting the assists.

The Force opened the scoring on Felix Gavars' goal at 4:48 of the first on an assist from Ryan Alexander.

Link made it 2-0 with a goal at 16:30 of the second on assists from Cole Knuble and Gasseau.

But Waterloo's Tyler Kostecky cut the lead in half with a goal at 7:04 of the third and Schifsky tied it at 18:29.

The Force wrapped up a three games in three days weekend and head home to host Western Division leader Tri-City for games on Friday, Feb. 11 and Saturday, Feb. 12, at Scheels Arena.

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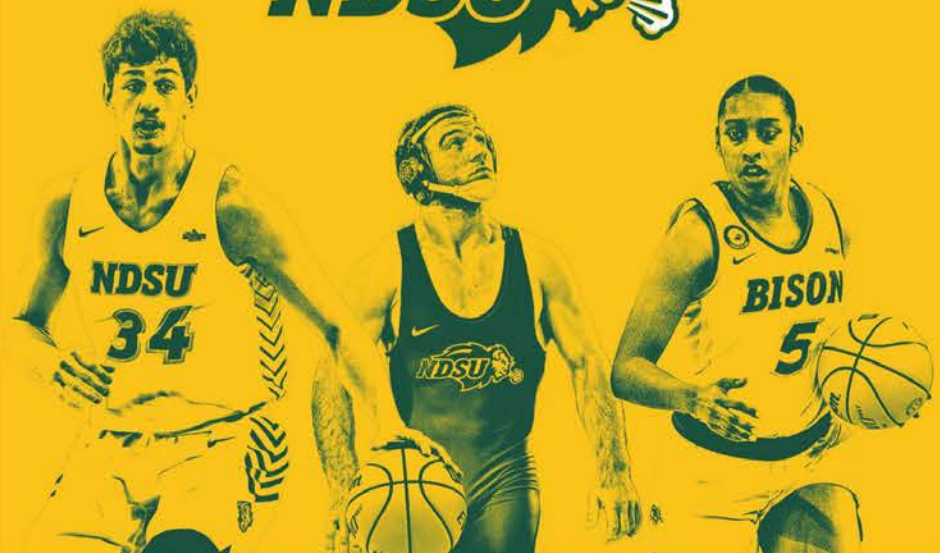
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Carolyn Cole / Los Angeles Times / TNS

Karen Mozian home-schools her sixth-grade son, Elijah, 9, at their home in Redondo Beach, Calif., on Jan. 13. Mozian says her son wasn't getting the kind of help he needed at school. On his study breaks, he enjoys skateboarding and practicing drums.

OTHER WAYS TO LEARN

The pandemic pushed more families to home-school. Many are sticking with it

By Laura Newberry
Los Angeles Times

Los Angeles

Before the pandemic, Karen Mozian had a concrete vision of her son's K-12 education: He would go to public school, just as she had.

But then schools shut down in March 2020 and Mozian saw 9-year-old Elijah glued to Zoom at the kitchen table, struggling to get his words out. Elijah stutters, and distance learning made it worse. He was barely engaging, daydreaming through his classes.

Elijah was diagnosed with ADHD in the summer of 2021, just before his sixth-grade year. He was back on campus and his school granted him accommodations, such as additional testing times and help with incomplete assignments, but Mozian noticed that Elijah was expected to advocate for himself — and he didn't want to be singled out. His grades dropped abruptly.

Combined with what she saw as a stressful environment of COVID-19 restrictions, Mozian realized that school wasn't working for her son. It was painful to see him struggle so much.

So she pulled him out and started teaching him herself.

"To say I'm home-schooling my kid are words I never ever thought would cross my lips," said Mozian, a wellness business owner and daughter of a longtime public school teacher. "But I realized that there are other ways to learn, that I put a lot of faith in the public school system."

During the pandemic, a growing number of families in California and across the U.S. have chosen to home school their children. The reasons for doing so are diverse, complex and span the socioeconomic and political spectrums: Schools implementing too many COVID-19 safety protocols, or too few. The polarizing conversation around critical race theory. Neurodivergent kids struggling with virtual instruction. And an overall waning faith in the public school system.

What all of these parents have in common is a desire to take control of their children's education at a time when control feels elusive for so many people. In an effort to understand this trend, The Times interviewed 10 families in Southern California who were pushed by COVID-19 to start home schooling.

While it remains to be seen how many will continue past the pandemic, most of these parents said they won't return to brick-and-mortar schools now that they've experienced the benefits and flexibility of home schooling.

The proportion of American families home-schooling at least one child grew from 5.4% in spring 2020 to 11.1% in fall 2021, according to a U.S. Census Bureau analysis. The number of Black families choosing to home-school increased five-fold during that time, from 3.3% to 16.1%.

In California, nearly 35,000 families filed an affidavit with the state to open a private home school for five or fewer students during the 2020-2021 school year, more than double the affidavits filed in 2018-2019.

The pandemic enabled parents to truly witness for the first time how and what their children were learning, albeit at a time when educators were scrambling to adapt lessons to a virtual space. Many were unhappy with what they saw, said Martin Whitehead, spokesman for the Homeschool Association of California.

"There is dissatisfaction

with how folks were being taught and treated in schools," Whitehead said.

Such frustration often pre-dates — but was exacerbated by — the pandemic, and is one reason more Black families are pivoting to parent-led education, said Khadijah Z. Ali-Coleman, co-editor of the book "Homeschooling Black Children in the U.S."

Black parents already knew that their children are much more likely than white students to be punished and suspended, Ali-Coleman said. They knew, of course, about the school-to-prison pipeline and the fact that their kids will not see themselves in most mainstream curricula, outside of Black History Month. But seeing those realities play out in real-time was sobering and motivating.

"They saw how teachers were talking to the children, the tone of their voice," Ali-Coleman said. "More Black parents started having conversations and camaraderie around this — that this is not right." Though it should be noted, Ali-Coleman said, that Black families are not a monolith and their reasons for home-schooling are diverse and layered.

Crista Maldonado-Dunn was interested in alternative education before COVID-19. But when her son's preschool shut down in March 2020, she began talking with her close friends — all families of color — about "building an environment for our children to explore and love who they are, and where they come from."

They formed a small co-op (affectionately called their "tribe") and began meeting in Maldonado-Dunn's backyard in El Segundo. Parents took turns teaching lessons, many of which were centered on their own identities and cultural histories. Maldonado-Dunn's children were able to learn more about their Apache, Samoan, African, Spanish and Portuguese heritage. Family elders were invited to teach lessons.

"How do you prepare a child for an uncertain future?" asked Maldonado-Dunn, who left her career as an entertainment consultant to focus on her family. "We're just trying to give them as many tools as possible, and a really strong sense of self. Every day is different, kind of like college for little people."

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We are never too far gone for God's love

Recently, as I finished up a lesson on the Apostle Paul during confirmation, I asked the students what their takeaways were.

"No matter how bad you are, you are never too far gone for God to love you," blurted a student.

For this to make sense, it helps to know something of Paul, who was originally named Saul before his conversion to Christianity. As a Jewish Pharisee, Saul was responsible for terrible persecutions of early Christians. Until one



DEVLYN BROOKS
Finding Faith

day he had an encounter with Jesus, which forever changed Paul's life.

In his letters, found in the Bible's New Testament, Paul writes about not being worthy of God's love, which might surprise many. You mean that the most instrumental apostle in the history of the Christian church

doubted his worthiness to receive God's mercy? Yes! But he also realized it was God's grace that mattered, not his own self-assessment.

I've noticed that the single greatest obstacle to a relationship with God for so many is not their worthiness in God's eyes, but rather it is their own self-doubt, self-loathing and belief they are not good enough to receive God's love.

Our world — Western society in particular — loves judgment. We are taught from birth that there is a narrow path to being accepted. That

everything is binary. You are good or bad. You are successful or not. You are of worth or not. And so, from an early age, many fall victim to believing they are not good enough to receive God's love.

And faith leaders have been some of the worst offenders of this transgression. If you sin, you are not worthy; that if you suffer addictions; if you've been divorced; if you dare not conform to gender expectations; if you are a woman, a person of color, someone who is in poverty, or someone

who is not heterosexual, then you are not worthy of God's love. We've done terrific damage from the pulpit too. We are not guilt free.

Our teenagers are keen enough to pick up on these messages that we adults pass on to them. And the lessons need not ever be spoken. Our actions often speak louder than words.

But, on that night, my confirmation student got it right: You are never too far gone for God's love. If Jesus can find room in his heart to be gracious to Saul, who persecuted Jesus' followers, then none of

us should lose hope.

If you've never heard this before, please listen: You are worthy of God's love, just the way you are. All of us are broken, and thanks to a corrupt world, it is easier to believe we are too far gone to be saved than it is to believe that God loves us anyway.

That is not the case ... Just ask my confirmation class.

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Son is stuck with abusive wife

Dear Annie: My son has not spoken to me for eight years. He married a woman he met online in a matter of six months. I was very hesitant about his jumping into a marriage so quickly with a stranger. I'm a mother who wants a happy life for her children.



ANNIE LANE
Dear Annie

and relocated to Florida. But now he's back in the same city where I live.

I heard that he had a mental breakdown, and I called him at the hospital to offer my support. During the last time I spoke with him before he was released, he said his wife told him that she had a dream about my wishing that he would not get well.

That really upset me, and after he was released from the hospital, he cut off all contact with me again. He now lives with my daughter. I'm not speaking to my daughter because she has them living in her house. I just feel like they have betrayed me when all this time

I've been a mother and father to them. Can you please help me move ahead, Annie? Thank you. — Wanting Contact
Dear Wanting: The best way to move ahead is to take a step back — and look at the big picture. Your son is in an abusive relationship, and his wife is using your family as the scapegoat and saying that you are the cause of all problems, when, after being married to her for eight years, he ended up having a mental breakdown. The real question is, why does he allow his wife to say such terrible things about you and force him to cut ties with you?

Continue to reach out to your son in a loving and understanding way. Try to put your hurt feelings aside and see that he is the one really hurting now. It does not feel good to be disconnected from your parents and cut them out completely. He is

hurting. On top of that, you are being too hard on your daughter. Your children are not betraying you; they are surviving as best they can with the life situation they are in at the moment. Congratulate yourself that you were able to raise two siblings who love each other enough to help the other one out when they are having a tough time, which is exactly what your son is having. He needs to stick up to his wife, but he won't be able to do that with low self-esteem. Until then, he will let this abusive woman continue to drive him into mental breakdowns. Support your son — he needs your help now more than ever — and don't demand or ask anything of him. Just tell him you are there for him when he needs you and how much you love him.

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

How COVID-19 has affected cancer care

By Alex Osiadacz
Mayo Clinic News Network

Cancer has not rested during the COVID-19 pandemic, as is evident by the number of people diagnosed with cancer since 2020. Research published by the National Institutes of Health suggests that delayed screening during the pandemic has led to thousands of deaths and make cancers more difficult to treat when they are discovered.

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed access to health care worldwide, and these changes may have long-term consequences for those diagnosed with cancer.

"Screening for cancer had been put off, leading to patients getting diagnosed at later stages and not having the same outcomes as we would expect for those cancers," says Dr. Sikander Ailawadhi, a Mayo Clinic hematologist and oncologist.

Ailawadhi says patients who have cancer and are undergoing treatment need to have a care plan in place related to COVID-19.

"If these patients who have a compromised immune system do get COVID-19 infection, they're more likely to have a more severe disease from COVID-19," says Ailawadhi.

A COVID-19 infection also can disrupt treatment and further impact outcomes. But Ailawadhi says what has improved during the pandemic is telemedicine and the ability to connect with patients remotely.

"That has provided another opportunity to patients to access health care while not getting exposed to a lot of risk — and in some cases access to experts who they may not have access to in person," says Ailawadhi.

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HOMESCHOOL

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Her kids, now 3 and 5, are learning jiu-jitsu, Spanish, and hike with a group of other home-schoolers weekly.

"The pandemic forced us to really look at what we value and prioritize those values," she said.

Other parents are leaving public schools because they don't want their children exposed to critical race theory. The theory, which became a hot-button issue among Republicans last year, examines how racism is historically embedded in legal systems, policies and institutions in the

U.S. and is generally not taught to K-12 pupils.

Karen Golden, director of Creative Learning Place, an enrichment center in Palms, said at least four of the 85 home schooling families she serves pulled their kids from public schools because of critical race theory.

Professionals who provide support to home schoolers also saw a wave of interest in the fall when Gov. Gavin Newsom announced that children in public and private schools would be required to get vaccinated for COVID-19 by next school year.

"I've received many, many phone calls from parents who are afraid of the vaccine mandate

but have no idea how to home-school," Golden said. "They are panicking."

Mozian, the mom in Redondo Beach, said the impending vaccine mandate also factored into her decision to continue home schooling Elijah. She and her kids are not inoculated, she said, because she is concerned about the potential long-term effects of the vaccine.

"I've had many friends tell me, 'I'll be doing what you're doing soon, too, if these mandates happen,'" she said.

A number of families at Creative Learning Place began home schooling because their

kids were so anxious and depressed after a year of isolation. "They are falling apart, and the schools aren't able to support that level of mental health need," Golden said.

While the choice to home school has historically been ideological — and often still is — a growing segment of "the mainstream middle class, well-educated and not on either political extreme, has been very disenchanted with public schools' response to the pandemic," said James Dwyer, a professor at William and Mary Law School and co-author of "Homeschooling: The History and Philosophy

of a Controversial Practice."

"Now it's more about competence," Dwyer said. "But it remains to be seen how enduring that motivation is." He anticipates that many parents will return to public schools for the same reasons they enrolled their kids in the first place — childcare during the workday, the social environment and extracurriculars, and the fact that it's a service they've already paid for.

Mozian said she will be home schooling Elijah through at least middle school. His natural curiosity shapes what he learns; Mozian and Elijah — who loves the beach — have researched the

ocean's currents and tides, and he's taking a class on astronomy through Outschoool. Mother and son visited Griffith Observatory recently to make the subject more tangible and fun. Mozian is now working part-time to accommodate home schooling, which has strained the family's finances.

She knew it was worth it, though, when Elijah said to her after sleeping in past 7 a.m. on a weekday: "It's so great not to be so stressed and hurrying all the time."

"It made my heart melt a little bit," she said.

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