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Mary Schmidt, right, was restocking her liquor cabinet with a stop for wine and liquor on Friday, March 13, at Happy Harry's Bottle Shop on 45th Street South in Fargo.

President Trump declares national emergency over coronavirus

By The New York Times

President Donald Trump on Friday after noon officially declared a national emergency that he said would give states and territories access to up to \$50 billion in federal funds to combat the spreading coronavirus epidemic.

He also gave broad new authority to the health secretary, Alex Azar, who he said would now be able to waive regulations, giving doctors and hospitals more flexibility to respond to the virus, including making it easier to treat people remotely.

Cases in the U.S. have climbed to almost 2,000, even with sparse testing, and the death toll has risen to 41. The United States is facing the prospect that those numbers could grow exponentially, as they did in China, Italy, South Korea and other countries.

Trump said hospitals would now be able to "do as they want. They could do what they have to do."

"I am officially declaring a national emergency, two very big words," he said.

"I'm urging every state to set up emergency operations centers effective immediately," he added.

Trump said he was waiving interest on student loans, and that with oil prices low, the government would buy large quantities of crude oil for the nation's strategic reserve.

His comments marked the first time he has addressed the coronavirus as a problem within the country's borders, not just something that needed to be kept out with travel restrictions.

Trump, who has been accused of downplaying the crisis, detailed the administration's efforts to speed testing, which was announced earlier Friday. He said that millions of virus testing kits would become available but added that he did not think so many would be needed.

"We don't want everybody taking this test," he said. "It's totally unnecessary."

"This will pass, this will pass through, and we will be even stronger for it," the president said.

Stocking up on Corona?

Shoppers buying 'a little extra,' even at the liquor store

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West Fargo worries about growing numbers of coronavirus cases in the U.S. may have sparked some hoarding in the Fargo-Moorhead area — toilet paper and hand sanitizer, anyone? But it hasn't sparked as

significant of a run at area liquor stores, nor been a drag on people heading out for a meal or a drink.

At Buffalo Wings & Rings in West Fargo, general manager Alex Cook says it's still business as usual, if not a bit better than average. He credits the raft

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Alex Cook, general manager of Buffalo Wings & Rings in West Fargo, said Friday, March 13, that the bar and restaurant's business hasn't suffered so far from worries about novel coronavirus. He said whether that continues will depend on people's comfort levels in coming weeks.



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St. Mary's Cathedral at 619 7th St. N. in downtown Fargo on Thursday, Jan. 2.

Mosques close, churches to remain open

Fargo-Moorhead faith communities adjust plans under coronavirus threat

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FARGO — In a precautionary move against the coronavirus threat, mosques in Fargo and Moorhead are closing their doors to services and prayers, but several local churches and a synagogue said Friday, March 13, that they plan to stay open.

"I'm 40 years old, and I've seen wars, but nothing like this," said Sefin Zeki, a member of the Islamic Society of Fargo and Moorhead. "Wartime, even after a chemical bomb in northern Iraq, people

were still going to mosque."

While many Fargo-Moorhead faith communities plan to continue holding services this weekend without drastic changes, the members of the Islamic Society said it was their civic duty to help stop the spread of COVID-19, the disease that comes from the coronavirus.

One case of COVID-19 was diagnosed in Ward County, N.D., on Wednesday, March 12. South Dakota had nine confirmed cases as of 1 p.m. Friday, March 13, while Minnesota officials said Friday that 14 Minnesotans are now confirmed to have COVID-19.

Prayers in a mosque are different than in a Christian church, said Sajid Ghauri, a member of the Islamic Society of Fargo-Moorhead.

"We stand shoulder to shoulder, we are touching each other pretty much," Ghauri said. "It's a little bit different than churches where they can sit apart,

but even that can still be very dangerous. Any kind of gathering, you better watch it, and carefully analyze it."

Ghauri also has never heard of a mosque closing, he said. Attending the five prayers per day isn't mandatory, but is highly recommended. In the old days, people walked to the mosque, which was a form of exercise. The prayers are to remind people to be honest, and to be involved in community, he said.

"When we decided to cancel the prayer, today, which is our largest prayer of the week, and in my 55 years of life that has never happened. Five times a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. The Friday prayer just never gets canceled," Ghauri said.

"We don't want to take a chance on it, it's not worth it, and I am hoping they do this at the churches here, too," he added.

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SD shuts down K-12 schools

Minnesota bans gatherings as region reacts to COVID-19

Forum News Service
South Dakota Gov. Kristi Noem on Friday, March 13, confirmed the state has uncovered another case of coro-

navirus, raising the state's total to nine, and instituted sweeping measures meant to limit the spread of the outbreak in the state.

Noem declared a state of emergency, asked public K-12 schools to close statewide next week and said state high school basketball tournaments and other school activities will be postponed.

Noem said she will issue an executive order directing all nonessential

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LOCAL NEWS

'THE DEFENDANT DECIDED TO SILENCE HER'

Prosecutors: Fargo man killed ex-girlfriend because she reported him for rape

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Fargo
Cass County prosecutors plan to present evidence that claim a Fargo man allegedly killed his ex-girlfriend because he feared accusations that he raped her would send him to jail, according to court documents.

A brief filed March 6 asks Judge Tristan Van de Streek to allow reports that Sheldon George Davis sexually assaulted, physically abused and stalked 52-year-old Denise Anderson in the weeks leading up to her death last summer. The 31-page document mentions statements allegedly made by Davis to potential witnesses, including he wanted to buy a gun, he didn't want to go to jail for allegedly raping Anderson and he talked about burning his apartment down a week before Anderson's death.

One potential witness is expected to testify that Davis told Anderson numerous times he would "wreck her life and kill her," according to the brief.

"Anderson's three police reports against the defendant shortly before her death — and more importantly, the defendant's knowledge that he was under investigation as a result of these reports — is strongly probative of the defendant's motive to kill Anderson," the brief said. "With a police investigation looming — and knowing that Anderson was the complainant and key witness — the defendant decided to silence her."

Davis, who is being held on a \$1 million bond at the Cass County Jail, appeared Thursday, March 12, in Cass County District Court on felony charges of murder, endangering by fire or explosion and arson in connection to



Sheldon Davis appears at his felony dispositional hearing on Thursday, March 12, at the Cass County Courthouse in Fargo. He faces murder and arson charges in connection to Denise Anderson's death. **Alyssa Goelzer / The Forum**

Anderson's death. Her body was found Aug. 1 at Davis' apartment, 417 12th St. N., while firefighters were responding to a blaze there.

Police believe she died from traumatic injuries, according to a criminal complaint.

Thursday's hearing, which can be used to determine if a defendant is ready for trial or plans to change his plea, was postponed until April 15 so the defense could have time to respond to the brief. Davis' attorney, David Ogren, had not filed a response in court by Friday, March 13.

Ogren did not return phone messages left by The Forum. Cass County Assistant State's Attorney Renata Olafson Selzer was unavailable for comment.

Van de Streek will hear arguments on April 13 on whether to allow the state's evidence.

'Desire to control her'
The state has endorsed more than 100 witnesses that could testify during the

trial, including law enforcement, crime lab experts, health professionals and witnesses who are expected to speak to statements made by Anderson and Davis before her death.

The brief details how the Fargo Police Department started to investigate allegations that Davis raped Anderson on June 30 at her apartment, resulting in several injuries. Police took the report on June 30.

On July 15, Anderson called police again to report that Davis was stalking her, the brief said. She told a detective Davis said, "I will do whatever it takes to destroy your life," the brief said.

Court documents state Anderson and Davis continued to date after the reports were made, but Anderson told police she applied for a restraining order, the brief said.

Davis denied the rape allegations, the brief said. He previously told The Forum he knew nothing about the fire or Anderson's death.

"The violence and brutality with which

Anderson was killed are indicative of a murderer who had a deeply personal grudge against Anderson and a desire to control her," the brief said.

Family and friends have criticized law enforcement for not getting more involved in preventing Anderson's death. Police have said they couldn't do that under state law since "estranged friends" aren't covered under domestic violence laws.

Anderson's son, Nicholas Berlin, has said he hopes Davis gets the maximum punishment — life in prison without the chance of parole. In a Friday phone interview with The Forum, he also questioned why police didn't arrest Davis after his mother reported the rape.

"They're doing what they can to convict him right now," he said of prosecutors. "They're doing all the best they can, whatever they can do now. It's too late, but it's still better than nothing."

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Fargo, Cass County halt sandbag making after reaching goal

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FARGO — As of Friday afternoon, March 13, the city of Fargo and Cass County surpassed their goal of jointly producing 225,000 sandbags, which is expected to be enough to provide protection from a 38-foot Red River spring flooding crest with 2 feet of freeboard.

Over the course of about four days, volunteers at Sandbag Central operations produced 232,000 sandbags, and operations were to stop production at 4 p.m. Friday, officials said in a statement released Friday afternoon.

Sandbag-filling equipment will remain assembled and ready for use in the coming weeks, the statement said.

"The incredible effort of volunteers from the Fargo metro and statewide community have

helped ensure this is another successful flood fight," Fargo Mayor Tim Mahoney said.

"I cannot overstate my gratitude to all of the volunteers who offered their time and efforts," Mahoney said, adding, "I would also like to thank all of the members of team Fargo, as this response would not have been possible without city of Fargo staff."

Chad Peterson, chairman of the Cass County Commission, echoed Mahoney.

"We are grateful to the citizens of Cass County and the greater community for their efforts," Peterson said.

"This flood fight has put front and center our area's incredible sense of community. When a response is needed, everyone shows up, as they always have. It's incredible," Peterson added.

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Sandbag-filling operations commenced on March 10, 2020, at Sandbag Central in Fargo. **Forum file photo**

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West Fargo teacher resigns after altercation with student; has history of aggressive language

By Wendy Reuer
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WEST FARGO — A West Fargo High School assistant principal has resigned after a physical altercation with a student last week resulted in an investigation that revealed a pattern of misconduct.

Dr. Kelly Peters was placed on administrative leave after grabbing the arm of a student in the library. According to a report by West Fargo High School Principal Jennifer Fremstad, video footage along with about 15 witnesses confirmed Peters attempted to stop a student leaving the library while texting, first by saying something to the student.

Peters then grabbed the student's arm and as they walked through the commons area, the student tried twice to pull away from Peters but he maintained his grip. Peters was then seen lifting the student's arm and forcing him through the door of the main office.

"The force is enough to move three office chairs several feet and nearly knock a picture off the wall," the report said.

In an investigative report, Peters told administrators that an instructor asked him to stop the student in the library, who may not have been a student. Peters said he called the school resource officer for backup and began to think the person was possibly an intruder or someone trespassing on school grounds.

"Both of which are a safety risk to our students, staff faculty and staff," Peters said in the report.

He said the young man was rude, defiant, swear-



Peters

ing and disrespectful and would not comply with Peters' requests.

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officer met Peters and the student in his office, and the student was eventually placed in handcuffs and his mother was called to the office. A witness statement also said the student was acting defiant and attempted several times to pull away from Peters and the officer.

Peters said upon entering the main office, the student lost his footing and tripped. After viewing the video, Peters said, "It looks like I am manhandling a student."

Fremstad's investigation report into the incident said while Peters has demonstrated strengths of task management and organization, his conduct and communications with students violates many district policies and she recommended his contract not be renewed in June.

Peters, who remains on paid administrative leave, submitted his resignation to the school board on March 6 and the board approved it March 9.

Human Resources Director Robin Hill said Peters has only been with the district for two years. Hill said Peters' resignation is effective June 30, the end of his contract terms. He will remain on paid leave throughout the end of the year.

According to an evaluation by Fremstad on March 6, several reports were shared with school administrators alleging

Peters often used profanity and inappropriate language with students and staff. A faculty member reported Peters referring to a student with expletive names. Other reports said Peters frequently used the F-word in interactions.

"Peters has openly shared with staff that he frequently uses profanity when speaking and that they should just 'let him know if it bothers him and he will stop,'" the report said. "This has proven to be challenging for several staff members as they see Dr. Peters as a boss and they fear he may impact their employment or work satisfaction."

Another staff member wrote she does not send any of her students to see Peters in fear he will treat them poorly.

A 2018 report said Peters made vulgar remarks about women, as well as gave the teacher "the finger" every encounter she and Peters had. The following school year the teacher wrote she felt like she needed to cut off communication with Peters and find ways to not see him at school. In a December 2019 evaluation, West Fargo officials noted Peters' use of language and said he must remain aware of what is and is not acceptable.

Peters came to West Fargo in 2018 after working as an associate principal at Red River High School in Grand Forks for 11 years. On March 9, he was named an honorary member of the National Technical Honor Society.

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BRIEFS

Essentia Health waives fee for COVID-19 e-visits

FARGO — Essentia Health is waiving the fee for e-visits related to COVID-19. The health care organization announced Friday, March 13, that it's waiving the e-visit fee for screening and evaluation of respiratory symptoms related to the disease caused by the new coronavirus. E-visits normally cost \$30, according to a news release.

For more information, visit www.essentiahealth.org/services/e-visit.

Moorhead man arrested after alleged assault, pursuit

SABIN, Minn. — A Moorhead man is in custody after authorities say he assaulted a woman and led police on a chase on I-94 in rural Clay County on Friday morning, March 13.

According to a release by the Clay County Sheriff's Office, deputies were sent to the area of the 6000 block of 70th St. S. in rural Sabin at 2:15 a.m., where they said they found a woman who was reportedly the victim of an assault. While deputies were talking with her, a vehicle drove by that matched the description of what the alleged assailant might be driving.

As deputies tailed the vehicle, they worked with Moorhead Police to set up spike strips in case the suspect drove off, the sheriff's office said. Deputies attempted to pull over the driver, but the vehicle sped off onto Main Avenue SE near I-94, at high speeds.

The driver led deputies on a pursuit into an industrial park until his vehicle became stuck in the snow. Dallas Viker, 38, of Moorhead, was then arrested without incident, the release said.

Viker is being held at Clay County County Correctional Facility for fleeing police in a motor vehicle, domestic assault, protection order violation, driving with a revoked license and reckless driving.

Healthy blood donors needed amid coronavirus concerns

FARGO — Amidst coronavirus (COVID-19) prevention measures, Vitalant and other blood centers nationwide are urging healthy individuals to donate blood to ensure patients have the lifesaving blood they need.

Healthy people are strongly encouraged to make a blood donation appointment by calling 877-25-VITAL (877-258-4825) or going online to vitalant.org.

Currently, all blood types and components are needed. Vitalant said in a news release. There is significant need for platelets and type O blood donations.

In addition to barring non-healthy individuals from donating, Vitalant is alerting individuals not to donate if they have visited mainland China, South Korea, Iran and Italy within 28 days, have had a

COVID-19 infection, or were exposed to someone suspected of having a COVID-19 infection.

Vitalant is closely monitoring the situation and will quickly implement any necessary changes as new information emerges from the CDC, FDA and AABB.

3 high-risk sex offenders move to new Fargo addresses

FARGO — The Fargo Police Department reports three high-risk sex offenders have moved to new addresses.

30-year-old Michael Nelson and 33-year-old Daniel Grinder currently reside at 734 College St. N., Fargo.

Nelson was convicted in Barnes County Court in 2009 for having sex with and providing alcohol to a 14-year-old female acquaintance. Grinder was convicted in Cass County Court in 2007 for 3 counts of gross sexual imposition with female victims all under the age of 15, according to Fargo Police.

Police also report 57-year-old Daniel Shern's new address as 1418 1st Ave. S., Fargo. His criminal history includes criminal sexual conduct with a 7-year-old victim in Pennington County District Court in 1994. He was also convicted of possession of child porn in 2005 and 2007.

Anyone with questions or concerns is asked to contact the Fargo Police Department's beat sergeant at 701-241-8175 or 701-241-1437, or Lieutenant Bill Ahlfeldt at 701-241-1414.

8 Fargo businesses fail alcohol compliance checks

FARGO — Out of 41 Fargo businesses that were checked, 33 passed alcohol compliance checks that were conducted on Feb. 18 and 26.

The following Fargo establishments did not pass the compliance check:

- Crooked Pint, 3340 13th Ave. S.
- Drumcronthr Brewing Company, 630 First Ave. N.
- HuHot Mongolian Grill, 1801 45th St. S.
- Happy Harry's Bottle Shop, 1621 45th St. SW.
- Herd and Horns, 1414 12th Ave. N, Unit F.
- Marlin's Family Restaurant, 3520 12th Ave. N.
- O'Kelly's, 3800 Main Ave.
- Osaka Sushi and Hibachi, 1111 38th St. S.

It was the first fail in one year for each business, resulting in a \$500 penalty. There will be no license sanction. This penalty may be waived if the person serving the alcoholic beverages, as well as management, has current server training certificates. Server training will be required within 30 days for employees or management not current with server training.

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Concordia, Mayville State moving to online instruction

By Dave Olson

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MOORHEAD — Concordia College in Moorhead as well as Mayville State University in North Dakota announced Friday, March 13, that they are temporarily shifting from face-to-face teaching to online instruction in response to concerns raised by the coronavirus. In a Friday letter addressed to students, faculty and staff, Concordia President William Craft said in-person classes will be held Monday and Tuesday, March 16 and 17, in order to help students and faculty transition

to remote/online instruction only, which will start March 23. In the interim, on-campus classes are canceled for March 18-20.

Concordia suspended all events, except for academic instruction, as of 5 p.m. Friday.

Mayville State University said all on-campus classes will move online effective Saturday, March 14, and continue online through April 5.

Mayville State University will resume on-campus classes April 6, pending further assessment.

In his letter to the Concordia community, Craft said recent weeks "have been challenging

for all as institutions of higher education have responded to the reality of COVID-19.

"In commitment to the health and well-being of the Concordia College community, to our ongoing academic mission, and to the general effort to mitigate the spread of coronavirus, Concordia College is moving to a higher level of response to this global health concern," Craft added.

Concordia, which plans to resume in-person instruction on Monday, April 13, is strongly encouraging students living on campus to leave the residence halls by noon Wednesday,

March 18.

Students who have a need to stay on campus may request to do so and efforts will be made to accommodate them, Craft said. Students may return to residence halls April 12.

In the case of Mayville State University, students leaving the MSU campus for spring break (March 16-20) have been asked not to return to campus for an additional period of two weeks (March 21-April 4). Accommodations are being made for those students who are unable to leave, the university said, adding that child development programs will remain open and

operate as usual.

The changes come one day after several local higher education institutions announced their own changes to class schedules.

The list of area colleges that have announced they will suspend in-person classes including North Dakota State University, Minnesota State University Moorhead, University of North Dakota, Minot State University, Williston State College and North Dakota State College of Science.

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Regional retailers start purchase limits

Stores ramp up cleaning to slow COVID-19 spread

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FARGO — Panic buying spurred by fears of the coronavirus pandemic has cleared shelves of items like toilet paper, hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes at retailers across the United States.

In response to high demand, national and regional retailers have imposed purchase limits on certain products — though across the Red River Valley restrictions vary from store to store.

Retailers are also taking measures to limit the spread of infection at stores.

Hornbacher's and Cash Wise

St. Cloud, Minn., based Coborn's, the parent company of Hornbacher's and Cash Wise, on Friday, March 13, announced plans to prevent the spread of COVID-19 following a report of a case in Stearns County Thursday.

In a statement announcing changes to customers, company president Chris Coborn said stores have started to apply purchase limits to ensure all customers can get access to essential supplies.

Coborn's-owned stores in the Fargo-Moorhead area reported different purchase limits Friday night. Cash Wise in Fargo said it had a one-per-customer limit on packages of toilet paper, while the Moorhead

location reported a two-pack limit. The limits are subject to change over the coming days, the Moorhead store reported.

The Moorhead and 32nd Avenue Hornbacher's did not report any purchase limits Friday night, but as with most stores across the region, items like toilet paper and disinfecting wipes were in tight supply.

The chain has also taken measures to prevent the spread of coronavirus at its stores. Self-serve food areas like hot food bars, salad bars and doughnut cases won't be available in areas where coronavirus has been confirmed.

Coborn's also said that home delivery service for grocery and drugs will no longer enter homes and will instead make deliveries at the door.

Target

Target intends to keep its more than 1,800 stores open during the coronavirus outbreak, but the retailer has announced it is taking steps to prevent the spread of infection to customers and employees. Target has also introduced buy limits for items at all of its stores.

Multiple stores across North Dakota and Minnesota reported the following restrictions on items on Friday:

One per guest:

- ▶ Toilet paper
- ▶ Flushable wipes
- ▶ Hand sanitizer
- ▶ Hand and face wipes
- ▶ Disinfectant wipes

Two per guest:

- ▶ 24-packs of bottled water
- Stores reported that the one-per-guest restrictions on items like toilet paper and hand sanitizer apply to any size, whether



Hornbacher's at 2050 Sheyenne Street in West Fargo.

Forum file photo

its six-pack of toilet paper or an 18-pack.

To fight the spread of infection, the retailer is expanding payroll hours for employees to support a ramped-up cleaning routine that includes wiping down check lanes and touchscreens every 30 minutes. Stores have also suspended food sampling.

Walmart

Walmart announced on Tuesday that it would leave buying restrictions up to the discretion of its managers, and as of Friday evening, no stores in Fargo or Grand Forks had placed limits on the purchase of items like toilet paper and disinfectant wipes.

While many stores have not yet placed limits on items, stores report that items like toilet paper are often depleted less than an hour after pallets are placed on store floors.

Walmart also said in a news release that it is ramping up its store cleaning routines. Employees are being asked to focus more on cleaning and stores are designating a store employee to focus on cleaning key areas.

Family Fare

Just one Family Fare store in Fargo reported purchase limits Friday night. The North University Drive location reported a two-package-per customer limit on toilet paper purchases.

The 25th Street South and 13th Avenue East location in West Fargo reported no limits on purchases Friday.

Costco

The West Fargo Costco location reported Friday night that it was sold out of items including toilet paper, hand sanitizer and rice. Before those items were depleted from its shelves,

the store had a two-per-customer limit on those items.

Costco is also imposing a two-per-customer limit on items like flour, sugar and soap, the store reported.

Dollar stores

Dollar Tree, Family Dollar and Dollar General locations in Fargo-Moorhead did not report any formal restrictions on goods, but all reported being cleared of items like toilet paper.

Hugo's

Hugo's stores in Grand Forks and Crookston reported different buy limit policies on toilet paper Friday night.

▶ The Columbia Road and 32nd Avenue locations reported a two-per-person limit per visit on toilet paper.

▶ The 13th Avenue and Crookston stores did not report any limits on purchases.

SHOPPERS

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of people staying out late to stock up on toilet paper and whatever else they think they'll need if they must self-quarantine.

"This week, every day, but yesterday was busier" than usual, Cook said Friday, March 13, just after the lunch crowd cleared out.

He's unsure of how business will go in coming weeks. A lot will depend on people's comfort levels.

"I don't know, man. I just don't know the mindset," Cook said. "I see a lot of people grab supplies, which tells me people want to stay" inside.

The impact of the cancellation of many sporting events is also an unknown.

"It's too early to tell," he said, even though some regulars — used to getting their fill of sporting events on the bar and restaurant's many flat screen televisions — are upset about the cancellation or suspension of many major regional and national sporting events.

"I was expecting an uptick in business" when the events were to be held without crowds, but that has changed with the cancellations, Cook said. "Right now, there's

no adverse effects, but this is the first weekend. We'll have to go through the next two weeks to see what happens. A drop for self-quarantining wouldn't surprise me."

Once the area's colleges and universities bring back their students for face-to-face classes, Cook expects people will return to going out as they normally do, "because then it's safe."

Other popular food and recreation stops are also taking things day by day.

Jonathan Holth, co-owner of The Toasted Frog restaurants in downtown Fargo, Bismarck and Grand Forks, said the last couple weeks have "been about average for us."

But the news on the spread of the virus, and measures being taken to slow it, is evolving rapidly now.

"We're taking things day by day. We don't have any predictions what might happen," Holth said. "We're just taking this information in as it comes and going from there."

The Toasted Frog prides itself on serving fine food and drink, so its business model isn't focused on special events to crowd in customers, he said.

"It's been business as usual for us, and we'll continue to operate that way," Holth said.

At The Bowler in south Fargo, Manager Jolene

Tandeski was standing next to a line of regular customers at the bar, listening to President Trump declare the coronavirus outbreak a national emergency.

Tandeski said the popular night spot and bowling alley hasn't seen a drop-off in business the last couple weeks. Events such as karaoke on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, and bingo and trivia night on Friday, will still go on, but "that could change day by day."

"As of today, a half an hour ago, it's the same," Tandeski said. "Tomorrow is another day."

Some area liquor stores have seen an uptick in business, but it's not the panic buying that's been seen at supermarkets and Big Box stores. In particular, traffic has increased at the Cash Wise Liquor stores.

"Well, we've definitely seen an increase in business... People are buying necessity things first, and adult beverages" after that, said Mike Kosloski, director of liquor operations for Coborn's, the corporate parent of the Cash Wise grocery and Cash Wise Liquor stores in the Fargo-Moorhead area.

"We are seeing an uptake, but not a run. Our supply chain is in pretty good shape," Kosloski said. "We will do our best to stay in stock. It's really



Matt Labernik shops for wine Friday, March 13, at Happy Harry's in Fargo.

going to be driven by the consumer."

There's still plenty of liquor to be had at the Costco Warehouse store in West Fargo, Assistant Manager Jim Allred said. "It hasn't been a big rush on that at all. It's pretty normal," Allred said.

At Happy Harry's Bottle Shop on 45th Street South in Fargo, people may grab an extra bottle or case of beer, but there hasn't been a rush of unusually large purchases, Happy Harry's CEO Dustin Mitzel said.

"It's just like everything else. People are getting a little extra something. People are doing their shopping,

and they decide to get an extra case of beer or something. Nothing that's noticeably different," Mitzel said.

On Friday, Mary Schmidt, of Perham, Minn., had filled her cart with bottles of wine and liquor. Schmidt said she was simply restocking.

"We have a lot of wine around the house," she said. She thought the hoarding that's gone on with toilet paper "is crazy."

Joking with the cashier at the checkout counter, she said, "I think if we had to decide between the toilet paper and the liquor, we'd get the liquor.

Despite the unknowns

over how coronavirus will affect the nation, Mitzel said people's spirits are good.

"Overall, people are shopping as they always have been," Mitzel said. "The supply lines are good. We've been in communication with our distributors. The inventory is good."

The only thing that's changed is that in-store tastings have been suspended.

"We're going to pause those until further notice. Just an abundance of caution," Mitzel said. "All in all, business as usual. They come to get a bottle of wine, and maybe a second bottle."

Readers can reach Forum reporter Helmut Schmidt at 701-241-5583

Circus, symphony join growing list of Fargo cancellations

Forum staff reports
FARGO — Citing health concerns over the coronavirus, the Fargodome announced Friday, March 13, that the El Zagal Shrine Circus planned for March 27, 28 and 29 has been postponed until May 1, 2 and 3.

It is one of several Fargodome events to be altered due to the pandemic in recent days, including Thursday's announcement that the PRCA Rodeo scheduled for March 20 and 21 had been canceled and the Cher concert set for April 1 had been moved to Sept. 26.

For more information, visit www.fargodome.com.

MercyMe concert postponed
 An upcoming Fargodome concert by contemporary Christian group MercyMe, which was scheduled to

take the stage in Fargo April 5, has been postponed over coronavirus concerns.

The Fargodome shared a statement from the group Friday afternoon, March 13, saying MercyMe postponed all remaining dates for its spring tour, including the April concert at the Fargodome.

A news release said tickets will be honored for the rescheduled date, which has not yet been announced. Refunds are available at the point of purchase.

Symphony Orchestra concerts postponed
 The Fargo-Moorhead Symphony Orchestra is postponing part of its Masterworks concert series.

Concerts planned for March 21 and 22 have been postponed to a date to-be-determined, the

orchestra announced Friday.

Library system cancels all events in March
 The Moorhead Public Library and the other facilities in the Lake Agassiz Regional Library system canceled all events for the rest of March over coronavirus concerns, but the libraries will remain open.

Lake Agassiz announced the change Friday, saying all events, programs, homebound deliveries and meetings were canceled through March 31.

In addition to Moorhead Public Library, Lake Agassiz has branch libraries in Ada, Bagley, Barnesville, Breckenridge, Climax, Crookston, Detroit Lakes, Fertile, Fosston, Hawley, Mahanome and McIntosh.



Colleen Pages performs in the tiger cage in 2012 during the Shrine Circus at the Fargodome.

Forum file photo

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Fargo Diocese
 The Fargo Diocese will continue holding Mass, but older adults were excused from attending services, according to a news release on the diocese's website. Catholics were told to suspend using the sign of peace. Church workers are to be "diligent in cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces."

Holy water fonts may be emptied at the discretion of pastors, but holy water in bottles may be provided, or worshippers can bring their own bottles with water to be blessed. The diocese also allowed for Communion rituals to be "on the hands rather than on the tongue," which "may slightly reduce the risk of transferring viruses."

Bishop John Folda and the diocese also recommend Catholics to use the "For Any Need" prayers specifically for the coronavirus threat to public health.

"Members of the faithful should not come to Mass if they are ill. Not only are they legitimately excused from Mass when they are ill, staying home so to avoid the spread of sickness is actually an act of charity," the diocese website advised.

First Lutheran Church
 Administrator Daniel Damico said services are still planned for this weekend at the downtown Fargo church, but they're taking extra precautions.

"It is staying the same," he said. "We have taken into consideration this immediate weekend how we're serving Communion, asking the congregation to refrain from

handshaking and any physical contact as much as possible. We've added hand sanitizer all over the place. We typically go away from the handshaking in the midst of the flu season anyway."

Church leadership is meeting on a daily basis, and he expects additional changes may come early next week.

"As for the immediate, we'll be as careful as we possibly can, and going into next week, there may need to be some changes that are pretty dramatic," Damico said.

First Lutheran uses individual cups instead of a communal cup during Communion rituals, and they will be using individual wafers instead of bread, Damico said.

Streaming options
 Temple Beth El President Bev Jacobson said the Jewish synagogue services started for Shabbat during the evening of

Friday, March 13, and will continue into the weekend.

"We're keeping on top of the rapidly changing information. We will have services tomorrow, but will make decisions for further weeks as we go," Jacobson said Friday.

Temple Beth El does not offer livestreaming for its services. The congregation is small, she said, and everyone will be practicing social distancing.

Although some churches do broadcast their services on radio and television, Brian Loftus, event coordinator HB Sound and Light Inc., has noticed an increase in requests for information related to livestreaming services from area religious organizations.

"There's been an increase in interest, but not many churches have decided to go with this yet. They're just looking at options. We've received requests not only from churches, but from arts events for online stream-

ing," Loftus said.

The process is simple, and typically costs about \$50, he said. In a church setting, a microphone is placed on the pastor, and one or multiple cameras are set up and linked to a computer, which will record to a designated link for anyone to watch.

"It can also be interactive," Loftus said, "if the viewer wants to tweet something, or hashtag, or pick up a hashtag, or a blessing, or whatever to the church's monitor. It's a back-and-forth interaction."

First Lutheran Church will implement livestreaming services soon, Damico said.

"We're going to look at that every day, too, to see what are the best options, because what makes sense one day doesn't make sense the next with how quickly things are adjusting," Damico said.

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SCHOOLS

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staff to work remotely, asked nursing homes to restrict visitors and said talks have begun about contingency plans for the state's upcoming primary election, set for June 2.

The newly uncovered case is a man in his 30s in McCook County with a history of travel, said Kim Malsam-Rysdon, secretary of the state Department of Health.

That means there the state's confirmed cases now include residents of seven of the state's 66 counties. There's no indication yet the virus is being passed between people in the state, Malsam-Rysdon said.

Minn. sees spike in cases
 Minnesotans are officially asked not to gather in groups of 250 or larger and utilize social distancing as the virus continues to spread in the state.

Minnesota health officials on Friday announced five more individuals tested positive for the coronavirus in Minnesota, bringing the number of cases confirmed in the state to 14.

Department of Health officials at a news conference at the Capitol announced the new cases along with new community mitigation efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19, the illness that stems from the coronavirus.

Cases have been detected in Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Olmsted, Ramsey, Stearns and Wright counties, according to the Department of Health's website. And two of those have been hospitalized. In total, 555 people had been tested for the illness as of Friday.

Gov. Tim Walz declared a peacetime emergency in

Minnesota, saying it would open up options like calling on the National Guard in the event of continued spread of COVID-19. He likened the move to sign the executive order to opening a toolbox.

By Friday afternoon, the state said it wouldn't close down schools at this time.

ND to keep K-12 open
 Gov. Doug Burgum declared a state of emergency for North Dakota on Friday, March 13, in response to COVID-19, the illness caused by coronavirus.

Burgum's declaration comes just hours after President Donald Trump declared a national emergency that he said would give states and territories access to as much as \$50 billion in federal funds to fight the spreading epidemic.

North Dakota's declara-

tion means the state is in a position to access federal funds more easily and can waive certain regulations to better respond to the spread of the virus, Burgum said. The declaration also allows for the activation of the North Dakota National Guard to respond if a more extreme outbreak occurs.

Burgum and State Superintendent of Public Instruction Kirsten Baesler also announced Friday that public K-12 schools in the state will remain open because the state is "making decisions based on facts, not fear."

Around the region
 ► Wisconsin schools will be closed beginning Wednesday until an anticipated reopening on April 6.

► Minnesota business leaders are headed into uncertainty this weekend

as the number of confirmed coronavirus infections continues to climb.

► Minnesota Attorney General Keith Ellison is warning residents to be wary of scammers looking to take advantage as the coronavirus pandemic spreads into the state.

Among his recommenda-

tions avoiding fake coronavirus test kits or "miracle" drugs.

► All federal criminal and civil trials, as well as grand juries and attorney admission ceremonies, in Minnesota are suspended until April 27, effective immediately.

► Nursing homes and

other long-term care facilities should restrict outside visitors to protect residents from the spread of coronavirus, according to the North Dakota Department of Health.

► Free testing for coronavirus is available for all South Dakotans, health system leaders and state officials said.

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CASS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA FOR MARCH 16, 2020

3:30 PM Meeting called to order
 Roll call of the members
 Pledge of Allegiance
 Approve minutes of previous meeting
 Approve order of agenda

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Receive monthly financial statement from Finance Office
2. Authorize purchases - heated kitchen cabinet for Cass County Jail, Arnes water pump replacement, Highway Department mowers, Highway Department snow truck bus
3. Approve interlocal agreement for City of Fargo properties
4. Approve special event permits for Silver Dollar Bar, Knechtel's Liquor Lounge, Rockwell Sports Bar
5. Authorize county to act as fiscal agent for Red River Valley Fair Association grant application
6. First reading of a sign letter of support for extension of Cassburn retirement zone
7. County mutual aid agreement; Normans and Downs Townships public assistance memorandum of agreement; Industrial Builders, Inc.; Audmire, Lee & Jackson, Inc.; Gladden Construction, Inc.; Northern Improvement Company, Consolidated Communications; Scandalar of State; North Dakota Department of Transportation

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Provisions for Coronavirus in Cass County Jail (Johnnie Frisling)
2. Primary Election ballot questions
 a. Amendment to Article 7 of Home Rule Charter, Department Directors (Montpelier, Wisconsin)
 b. Career Workforce Academy funding (Wilson)
 c. Committee report
3. Welner's Service Office staffing (Wilson, Deery)
4. First reading of amended ordinance for alcoholic beverage retail licensing (Burck, Jabber)
5. Cyber security insurance policy (Schultz, Montpelier)
6. Highway Department
 a. Budget adjustments (Bergel and Gavel) subdivide road repairs (Bergel)
7. Flood Diversion
 a. Transfer of sales tax dollars (Montpelier)
8. State Water Commission reimbursement request (Montpelier)
9. Approve vouchers (Paulak)
10. Correspondence
11. Adjournment

RECALL MEETING TO BE HELD APRIL 6, 2020
 AGENDA DEADLINE IS 5:00 PM ON MONDAY, MARCH 30TH

People with disabilities who plan to attend the meeting and need special arrangements should contact the Commission Office, 241-9559 or TDD 233-0834.

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This 10 week program will be at Liberty Lutheran Brethren Church, 1702 32nd Ave S, Fargo, ND Program cost: \$40. Questions, please call (701) 277-8784 and leave a message.

Norma Tangen



Norma (Lund) Tangen passed away peacefully March 11th at Eventide in Moorhead. She had been relocated there after the Elm fire. She was a lifelong resident of North Dakota.

Norma was born on the family farm near Brocket ND on March 15th, 1924, the 5th child born to Norwegian Immigrant parents Nels Lund and Mina (Mickelson) Lund. Norma graduated from Lakota High School and Mayville teachers College and taught grade school in Cavalier, ND until she married the love of her life, Erland Ole Tangen on July 17, 1946. They lived in Wahpeton and Fargo, ND while Erland finished his degree before moving to Upham and then Valley City in 1951. In 1956 the family moved to Fargo where Norma was a homemaker before starting work as a Library aide with the Fargo Public Schools at Hawthorne Elementary, retiring in 1986. Being a homemaker, her family was the center of her life. Her loving care and faith filled life was a wonderful example for her family and others to follow. Her love of the Lord brought her to many acts of service at Olivet Lutheran Church including the Quilters group, bible studies, Circle, visiting shut-ins and more.

Norma was preceded in death by her parents, her 4 siblings, Husband, infant daughter Mary Beth, Son David and his wife, Sharon.

She is survived by her children Carol Lindemann Moorhead, Paul (Diane) Fargo, Mary (Mark) Harden Surprise AZ and Jane (Kelly) Gunderson Fargo, 12 grandchildren and 17 Great Grandchildren. She would light up whenever they came to visit her.

Celebration of her life to be held Monday, March 16th 2020 at Olivet Lutheran Church with visitation at 10:00 A.M. followed by the service at 11:00 A.M. A luncheon will follow the service. Internment following the luncheon at Riverside Cemetery. Memorials preferred to Olivet Lutheran Church.

Memories and condolences may be shared at www.hansonrunsvold.com. Arrangements by Hanson-Runsvold Funeral Home Fargo, ND.

Lonnie L. Huseby



Lonnie Huseby, 73, West Fargo, died in his home on March 12, 2020, under the care of his family and Hospice of the Red River Valley.

Lonnie, son of Bennie and Ardella (Regstad) Huseby, was born in Fargo, ND on August 5, 1946 and grew up in Balfour, ND, where he attended school, graduating from Balfour High School in 1964. He then attended North Dakota State College of Science in Wahpeton and earned an associate's degree in electrical technology.

On July 2, 1966, he married Ardis Braaten in Balfour, and together they raised a family in Velva, ND while he farmed the family farm near Balfour, and worked for 40 years at Central Power. Lonnie enjoyed spending time camping and fishing with family and friends, in addition to attending vintage car and threshermen's shows.

Lonnie and Ardis moved to West Fargo in 2007 and he retired in January, 2008. They enjoyed a few winters together in Arizona.

Throughout his life, Lonnie was resourceful, persistent, and a handy-man, who enjoyed woodworking and crating things for his grandkids. He also enjoyed bluegrass and polka music.

Lonnie is survived by his wife of 53 years, Ardis; 3 sons, Brec Huseby, Minneapolis, Brad (Donna) Huseby, West Fargo, and Lane (Jessica) Huseby, Fargo; 9 grandchildren, Alexis, Brandon, Isabel, Bryan, Derek, Jacob, MaKena, Bennett, and Bergan; and 2 great-grandchildren, Brynlee and Brielle.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Mona Flaten; and a brother, Jody Huseby. Memorials are preferred to Hospice of the Red River Valley.

Visitation: Sunday, March 15, 2020 from 5-6 p.m. with a prayer service at 6 at West Funeral Home, West Fargo.

Memorial Service: Monday, March 16, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in West Funeral Home Chapel, West Fargo.

Interment: Horace Lutheran Cemetery at a later date. West Funeral Home & Life Tribute Center westfuneralhome.com

Ronald Whaley

July 10, 1930 - March 12, 2020

PARK RIVER, N.D. - Ronald Whaley, 89, Fordville, N.D., died Thursday, March 12, in First Care Health Center.

Visitation will be from 2-4 p.m., with a prayer service at 4 p.m., Sunday, March 15, at Fordville Lutheran Church. Visitation will continue from 10-11 a.m., followed by a funeral at 11 a.m., Monday, March 16, at the church. Interment will be in Oak Grove Cemetery in Fordville. Military honors will be provided by Rotnem-Abel Post 274 of the Fordville American Legion and North Dakota Army National Guard Honor Team.

Arrangements by Bakke-Casement Funeral Home in Fordville.

Eric Hewitt

Oct. 26, 1969 - March 13, 2020

CARRINGTON, N.D. - Eric Hewitt, 50, Carrington, N.D., died Friday, March 13, in Golden Acres Manor.

Visitation will be from noon to 5 p.m., Monday, March 16, at Evans Funeral Home in Carrington. Visitation will continue from 6-7 p.m., with a prayer service at 7 p.m., Monday, at Federated Church UCC/UMC in Carrington. A funeral will be 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 17, at the church. Burial will be in Carrington Cemetery.

Arrangements by Evans Funeral Home.

Mary Elizabeth (Klontz) Hebert



Mary Elizabeth (Klontz) Hebert lived life sharing her love through smiles, service and community.

Born October 1, 1932 to Helen Rose Fritz and John Valentine Klontz in Cummings ND. Mary loved riding bike with her friends and ice skating, and she was a hard-working contributor among her five siblings. (She is survived by Timothy Klontz of Fargo and predeceased by Lloyd Klontz, Virginia Smith, Mayo Klontz and Madonna Sweeney.) She told stories of making mud pies, decorating them with dandelions and tasting them.

Mary E. Klontz married Willard J. Hebert on November 29, 1952 at Church of the Holy Family in Seattle, Washington. They created a life together and raised their children while also contributing much to the community of Fargo. Together they have shared great faith. They were generous in showing their love to each other and as an example to their sons and daughters.

In her adult life, Mary was a chef and artist in the kitchen, perfecting lemon meringue pie (among many others) for her husband Willard Hebert of 67 years, creating birthday cakes of all shapes and colors, and oh... the cookies. Without exaggeration, Mary baked literally thousands of cookies every year. "If I had a nickel for every cookie," she would say. At Christmas she filled baking boxes with all varieties of her sweet treats to share with neighbors, friends, and family. She knew all the grandkids' favorite cookies, and baked dozens at a time.

Mary entertained guests, welcoming anyone who arrived for an unexpected visit and planning scrumptious meals for 20 or 30 people and even hundreds like at the Holy Spirit Church Bazaar dinners.

Mary lit up with babies and children as if she was literally made for her family role. She was mother to 8 children (Joel Hebert, Gail Danielski (Allan), Alan Hebert (Jeanine), Kay Selvig (Chris), Mark Hebert (Annette), John Hebert (Kathy), Jane Stumbo (Dan) and Sara Hebert) and two babies (Joseph and Steven) who passed at birth, Grandmother to 12 (Dustin Hebert, Michael Hebert, Tracy Laurence (Michael), Mark Danielski (Sarah), Rachel Fleming (Brian), Lindsey Duff (Daniel), Nancy Selvig, Dillon Hebert, Brandon Weiblehaus, Talon Hebert, Tony Stumbo, Andrew Stumbo (Ginger), and Enso Hebert-Santos). Great grandmother to 9 (Jacob Laurence, Ben Laurence, Stella Danielski, Nora Fleming, Hudson Fleming, Charlotte Duff, Anya Stumbo, William Stumbo, and Freya Stumbo.)

You didn't need to be a relation for Mary to leave her loving mark. After her oldest children had grown out of the home, she served in the Holy Spirit Church Rectory, worked at The Carousel Snack Bar at West Acres, and was the "best lunchroom mom-Sarge" to hundreds of students at Holy Spirit School. One student recalls, "She told us to be quiet and later would come to our lunch table to joke around with us."

She was strict and playful. People loved her stories and enjoyed visiting from afar or down the street.

Mary's faith and fortitude saw her through everything. Surviving cancer, seeing her children face challenges, keeping an organized home, stocked pantry and ironing every t-shirt and hanky. She showed people she thought of them often, sending greeting cards for every occasion, delivering baked goods, and remembering sweet details.

She had a memory for details and a mind for numbers and bridge. Mary enjoyed party and duplicate bridge for decades, earning her Life Masters. Praying is perhaps the thing Mary did most, for her children and loved ones. She said the rosary even in her last days.

Mary passed on March 11, 2020 at Rosewood on Broadway where she had resided. She filled her 87 years and up to her final days continued to offer smiles and bring kindness. A caregiver captured Mary's essence perfectly: "She was an extraordinary woman. She could turn anyone's day around!"

Visitation will be 3:30 p.m., with a prayer service at 5 p.m., Sunday, March 15, at Boulger Funeral Home in Fargo. Funeral Mass will be 1 p.m. Monday, March 16, at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Fargo.

Arrangements entrusted to the care of Boulger Funeral Home & Celebration of Life Center, Fargo. Online guestbook at www.boulgerfuneralhome.com.

Joan Boeder

Sept. 28, 1934 - March 12, 2020

FARGO, N.D. - Joan Boeder, 85, Fargo, N.D., died Thursday, March 12, in One Oak Place.

Arrangements by Boulger Funeral Home and Celebration of Life Center in Fargo.

Percy Persons

Aug. 11, 1947 - March 13, 2020

BROCKENRIDGE, Minn. - Percy Persons, 72, Fargo, N.D., died Friday, March 13, in St. Francis Medical Center.

A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

Arrangements by Lerud Mathias Funeral Home in Valley City, N.D.

Lyle Dennis Brandt



Lyle passed away Thursday, March 12, 2020 at 77 years old.

Lyle wrote his obituary that he would like to share with you:

"Lyle was born in Glasgow, Montana on January 6, 1943 to Leonard and Violet Brandt. Lyle grew up in Upham, ND on his father's farm. Lyle worked many odd jobs, he went to Oklahoma with his dad custom combining for a few years. He also had three special friends that he worked for, Vernon Brandt, Clarence Mogard and Gordon Becker. Lyle went in the Army when he was 17 and spent most of his time in Germany. When he got out, he met his great gal, Sharon Olson, and they got married in 1965. They moved to Fargo and Lyle went to work for UPS. He was there for 8 1/2 years but always wanted his own business so he started All New Gutter Service and had it for 15 years. He had a chance to sell it to Western Products. He and Sharon had two great boys, Steve and Tom. Steve and three grand boys, Chase, Hunter and Trey. Tom and Erika and one great girl, Ella."

Lyle and Sharon moved to Surprise, AZ in June 2019. Lyle was happy to live out his last months in the sunshine. Lyle will be greatly missed by his family, friends and those who had the chance to know him.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Melba Olson. He is survived by his wife, Sharon, Steve and wife, Sandra, and six boys; Tom and wife, Erika and daughter Ella; three brothers, two sisters; along with many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements will be made in Fargo, ND in the late spring.

Mary Lou Murphy

May 16, 1951 - March 12, 2020

FARGO, N.D. - Mary Lou Murphy, 68, Moorhead, Minn., died Thursday, March 12, in Bethany on 42nd Senior Living.

A prayer service will be 6 p.m. Thursday, March 19, at Faith Hope Love Church in Moorhead. Visitation will be from 3-4 p.m., followed by a funeral at 4 p.m., Friday, March 20, at the church.

Arrangements by Wright Funeral Home.

Robert Varholdt

June 28, 1951 - March 12, 2020

HAWLEY, Minn. - Robert Varholdt, 68, Hawley, Minn., died Thursday, March 12, in his home.

Visitation will be from 5-7 p.m., with a prayer service at 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 17, at Larson Funeral Home in Pelican Rapids, Minn. Visitation will continue from 10-11 a.m., followed by a funeral at 11 a.m., Wednesday, March 18, at Grove Lake Lutheran Church near Pelican Rapids. Pastor Philip Johnson will officiate. Burial will be in Grove Lake Cemetery near Pelican Rapids.

Arrangements by Larson Funeral Home.

Duane Dunrud

April 11, 1956 - March 12, 2020

DETROIT LAKES, Minn. - Duane Dunrud, 63, Detroit Lakes, Minn., died Thursday, March 12, in his home.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m., with a prayer service at 7 p.m., Wednesday, March 18, at West-Kjos Funeral Home in Detroit Lakes. A funeral will be 2 p.m. Thursday, March 19, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Detroit Lakes. Interment will be in the spring in Bethlehem Lutheran Church Cemetery near Gonvick, Minn.

Arrangements by West-Kjos Funeral Home.

Harold Unruh

Jan. 5, 1927 - March 12, 2020

FARGO, N.D. - Harold Unruh, 93, Fargo, N.D., died Thursday, March 12, in Rosewood on Broadway.

Visitation will be from 5:30-7 p.m., with a prayer service at 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 17, at Hanson-Runsvold Funeral Home in Fargo. The funeral will be 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 18, at Pontoppidan Lutheran Church in Fargo. Burial will be in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Fargo.

Arrangements by Hanson-Runsvold Funeral Home.

BRIEF

Wahpeton man pleads guilty to fatal stabbing

WAHPETON, N.D. — A Wahpeton man has admitted to fatally stabbing another man almost a year ago in an apartment.

Adam Christopher Awender, 38, pleaded guilty on Thursday, March 12, in Richland County District Court to a Class AA felony of murder, which carries a maximum punishment of life in prison without parole.

Awender was arrested after the Wahpeton Police Department started investigating the March 25, 2019, stabbing

death of Billy Joe Phillips at 815 Center St. S. Phillips was pronounced dead at the scene with stab wounds to his leg and chest, according to court documents.

Police believe Phillips and Awender, who fled the scene, were in romantic relationships with the same woman, according to court documents. Awender admitted to stabbing Phillips but said it was an accident, the criminal complaint said.

Awender was scheduled to appear Friday, March 13, for a pretrial conference, and his trial would have started March 23.

A sentencing date has not been scheduled, and Awender will have to participate in a presentence investigation to determine his punishment.



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OPINION

Abuse victims deserve justice

It is time for the North Dakota Legislature to open a new window, so victims of sexual abuse can seek civil action against their abusers. Many of the perpetrators were or are Catholic priests. Many of the victims were children. They were frightened, ashamed and traumatized. By the time they realized the seriousness of the offenses against them or had the courage to come



JIM SHAW
Fargo

forward, the statute of limitations had expired for them to take legal action.

So, the legislature should open a new window of at least two years to allow all survivors to file suit against their alleged offenders. Experts say a lot of survivors in the state would like to take action now.

In just the last two years, 15 states revised their laws to open new windows or suspend their statutes of limitations. Minnesota opened a three year window that ended in 2016. According to the Minneapolis Star Tribune, that led to an astounding 850 new child abuse sex claims, including roughly 500 against Catholic clergy.

One of those who filed a claim was Frank Meurers of Plymouth, Minn. Meurers says he was abused by a priest when he was 16. "I was devastated and confused when it happened," Meurers said. "The shame is smothering. You blame yourself."

It wasn't until Meurers turned 50 that he heard of people filing suit against the church and winning, but it was too late for him, until Minnesota opened its new window. "I wanted to hold them accountable. I wasn't going to turn my back anymore," he said. "I wept inside after the settlement. The hurt and guilt are still there."

State Rep. Austen Schauer, R-West Fargo and Sen. Kathy Hogan, D-Fargo, who impressively led the effort for tougher child abuse laws in North Dakota, said they will introduce legislation for a new two year window in the state. "We're here to support the victims. Otherwise, why are we here?" Schauer said. "What a perpetrator does to a child causes lifelong damage. The victim should have any legal right to go after that perpetrator."

Paul Hessinger, 68, formerly of Bismarck, is anxiously waiting for that window to open. Hessinger says when he was 12, he was sexually abused by a priest in a house in New Leipzig, N.D., while Hessinger's friend was abused by a different priest in another room, at that house. "I was freaked out," Hessinger said. "These people are the right hand of God and they're trying to grab my private parts. I was ashamed and afraid to tell anybody."

When Hessinger was older and independent, he wanted to take legal action against the church, but was told it was too late. The statute of limitations had expired. Now, he has new hope. "I'm still hurting and going to therapy," Hessinger said. "A lawsuit would force the church to admit it was wrong. It would bring some justice. I owe it to other victims to come forward."

There are many Paul Hessingers out there from North Dakota. They deserve justice.

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The dangers of legalizing recreational marijuana

"Who in the world did they call?" is a common reaction when a public opinion poll comes out. I find myself asking that question today after the Star Tribune's latest poll showing 51% of Minnesotans favor the legalization of marijuana for recreational purposes. I'm not questioning the methodology of the poll — I just wish the pollster had called some of the people I've been talking to about the consequences of marijuana legalization in our state.

I know they didn't call law enforcement or county sheriffs concerned about the higher concentrations of THC in today's marijuana than the pot smoked by previous generations. Law enforcement is also concerned about the increase in traffic accidents and deaths that will certainly happen with legalization. The Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association, the Minnesota Sheriff's Association and the Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association all testified against legalization at Senate hearing in 2019.

I know they didn't call anyone at Hazelden, the world's leading authority on addiction and recovery based right here in Minnesota. They recently completed a study warning that expanding legal access to marijuana will not solve America's opioid crisis. Hazelden further warned "marijuana use increases the risk for starting to misuse prescription opioids, rather than lowering the risk."

I know they didn't call pediatricians worried about the effects of marijuana use on brain development in children. And they're really concerned by statistics from recreational marijuana states that show youth interaction with a drug increases

with availability. I know they didn't call business owners struggling to figure out how to keep their employees and customers safe without a reliable test for marijuana use. Imagine trying to hire and manage employees in the trucking or construction industries where the safe operation of heavy equipment affects your bottom line. I know they didn't call homeless advocates who fear rising homeless rates in states that have already legalized recreational marijuana.

I know they didn't call social workers, county attorneys and judges worried about the increase in child protection orders in other states as parents fall into addiction to legal marijuana.

The push for recreational marijuana is almost entirely a Democratic, metropolitan effort. I've heard from the rest of the state and share their concerns. Senate Republicans are open to expanding the medicinal marijuana program in Minnesota or addressing sentencing inequities in our criminal justice system. Those ideas have bipartisan support in the Minnesota Legislature, legalizing recreational marijuana does not.

One final inconsistency regarding legalization. The same people promoting recreational marijuana also support laws restricting tobacco use and vaping. They led the charge for stricter laws regulating the distribution of opioids and hands-free driving. So distracted driving, tobacco, vaping and opioids are dangerous and bad for our youth, but marijuana is not. That makes no sense to me or the peace officers, doctors, addiction counselors, pediatricians, business owners and parents I've talked to about keeping Minnesota safe from the overwhelmingly negative effects of recreational marijuana legalization.

Gazella, R-East Gull Lake, is majority leader of the Minnesota Senate.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Welcome to Mr. Trump's neighborhood

By Joseph Ohnstad
Hilton Head Island,
S.C., formerly Fargo

It hurts me to have to say this, but this is not a beautiful day in the neighborhood. The recent film about the life of the beloved gentleman of Mr. Rogers' Neighborhood is somewhat fictionalized, but it does bring back memories of the educational children's television series, created and hosted by Fred Rogers back in 1968. This genial, soft-spoken man made every day special for each kid watching with his kindness and the teaching of family values, and that truth, civility and kindness do matter.

Inexplicably, many Americans in today's age of dissatisfaction have moved out of Mr. Rogers' neighborhood and have instead chosen to embrace Mr. Trump's Neighborhood. This neighborhood is totally fictionalized, fabricated

solely in the head of this narcissistic president. Let's turn on this program.

Early on in his presidency, Trump developed the nasty knack of inventing deprecating nicknames for people. While for some people a name-calling is a cooties-level inability to overcome the logic of opposing views, for Trump it is a lifestyle. These unworthy monikers have been trotted out by Trump: dumbo, crooked, horseface, puppet, slimeball, low IQ, dumb as a rock, fat, ugly, stupid. How pitiful coming from the most powerful man in the world.

Supporters don't just put up with this, accepting perhaps these putdowns as the cost of supporting Trump's agenda. No, these things are a feature, not a bug. And mocking the disabled is an added special attraction at Trump rallies. How pitiful.

As a religious man, Fred Rogers knew that truth

is the biblical norm, that without truth we cannot sustain society. But there is clearly documented over 10,000 fact-checked untruths Trump has told since assuming office. Sadly, it is without question that his supporters really don't care that he is a pathological liar.

Now we have a new and dire situation in Mr. Trump's Neighborhood: coronavirus. Trump sees this not as a health hazard but as a threat to his re-election, by hitting the stock market and the economy. So, he lies, he spreads falsehoods, he espouses a "hunch" that this virus is not as serious as indicated by health experts. Many Trump supporters appear immune, not to the coronavirus, but rather to the lies. Will they really look into a loved one's eyes and say, "Trump is our man and the economy must come first"? If so, how pitiful.

The Heartland Trail dream

Homebuilders and realtors know that access to a public trail is an important motivator for homebuyers. Families want a safe place close to home to walk, jog, skate and ride bikes. Trails within the FM metro area are always busy.



MIKE HULETT

Members of the Heartland Trail Committees in Clay, Becker and Hubbard Counties appreciate the recent Forum editorial calling for completion of the Heartland Trail

between Moorhead and Park Rapids. These dedicated folks have been working on that dream for decades. Unfortunately, the distance between the dream and reality is nearly unbridgeable. The Heartland Trail "corridor" is designated as a resource of the Department of Natural Resources. Primary funding for the trail must come from DNR budgets. Any extension proposal competes with existing state parks and trails for limited dollars. Regrettably, the DNR is barely able to maintain what is already in place. For example, sections of campground roads in Itasca State Park are in terrible shape, but budget funds must first be spent on more critical needs like waste treatment systems. It is unlikely the DNR will ever be able to contribute much more than advice and encouragement for extending the Heartland Trail.

What about Legacy Amendment funds for greater Minnesota parks and trails? Johnson Park and river trails in Moorhead received significant Legacy support. Administered by the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission, these monies cannot by regulation be applied to DNR resources.

The remaining option is legislative bonding money. Requests have been submitted to complete a small trail segment already under construction between Detroit Lakes and Frazee, to support another small segment proposed between Hawley and Buffalo River State Park, and for preliminary engineering studies of the segment between Moorhead and Hawley. These relatively modest requests are actually a tall order in the competition for Minnesota bonding money.

There are no abandoned east-west railroad tracks on our side of the state. With minimal amounts of public right-of-way available along Clay County roads, property may be to be purchased. There are some rural neighbors that might resist with "not in my front yard." We hope not.

Estimates for constructing trails currently run between approximately \$450,000 - \$650,000 per mile. That includes some typical culvert work and minor boardwalks or other wetland mitigation. Assuming the trail length between Park Rapids and Moorhead at about 100 miles, and assuming land could be acquired, construction costs alone would run between approximately \$45 million and \$65 million, plus inflation. That is a substantial ask over time for scarce bonding money. It competes with Moorhead railroad underpasses, Minnesota State University Moorhead remodeling, and a multitude of other infrastructure needs around greater Minnesota.

Sadly, the bridge between the Heartland Trail dream and reality is almost impossible to construct. It will be many more decades in the making. The only viable approach is to continue to lobby the Minnesota Legislature to fund 6-10 mile sections connected with neighborhoods along the corridor.

Fresh faces will gradually replace we dedicated old-timers on the Heartland Trail Committees. The noble dream of connecting Minnesotans with the outdoors is worth whatever time it takes!

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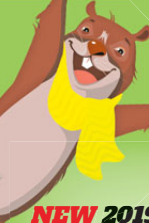
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SPORTS



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Devils Lake's Jailyn Martinson and Jes Mertens leave the floor of the Scheels Center on Friday, March 13, 2020, after their win over Fargo Davies and hearing the news that the North Dakota Class A state girls basketball tournament has been suspended due to the coronavirus crisis.

SUDDEN STOP

ND high school sports suspended amid Class A basketball tournaments

By **Carissa Wigginton and Adam Watts**
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Instead of preparing a pregame speech ahead of Friday's semifinal, West Fargo Sheyenne head boys basketball coach Tom Kirchoffner had to figure out how to tell his team their season was suspended, and whether the Mustangs would play another

game this year.

Sheyenne was slated to face Jamestown in the North Dakota Class A boys basketball semis Friday night, until about five hours beforehand, when the North Dakota High School Activities Association released a statement stating all winter and spring sports and activities would be suspended until further notice due to the coronavirus outbreak.

The Mustangs never made it to Scheels Center at the Sanford Health Athletic Complex. Instead, they met in the Sheyenne High School gym so Kirchoffner could inform them their season may be over.

"I told them that a lot of their grandparents come to the games, they're super fans," Kirchoffner said. "We wanted to tell them that maybe by canceling this, maybe

that saves their grandparents. My dad is 73 years old, he sits on the bench. I thought about him this morning as well."

The Mustangs woke up this morning with every intention of trying for a trip to Saturday's state title game.

"It's hard to process right now," Kirchoffner said.

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Class B basketball schools are stunned that there will be no state tournament

By **Kevin Schnepf**
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FARGO — Elliot Rotvold was just about to step out of his house Thursday afternoon to head up to Grand Forks with his Hillsboro-Central Valley boys basketball team when the phone rang.

It was his daughter Annika, who was crying to her mother that her college track and field career at North Dakota State was over. Annika had just learned all spring

sports at NDSU were canceled due to the coronavirus pandemic.

It wasn't the last bit of bad news Rotvold would receive.

After his team won the Region 2 title in Grand Forks to advance to next week's North Dakota Class B state tournament, Rotvold found out Friday afternoon, while teaching his U.S. History class, that the ever-popular state tournament had been suspended.

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For Henning, Minnesota basketball cancellations end hopes for 2 state titles

By **Kevin Schnepf**
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MINNEAPOLIS — The Henning High School girls basketball team, fresh off the program's first state tournament win, just completed a shoot-around practice at St. Thomas University Friday morning — thinking they were poised to win its 2 p.m. Minnesota Class 1A semifinal game.

But after piling onto the bus to go back to the hotel, Henning

head coach Michael Hepola got a call on his cell phone from a number he did not recognize.

"I thought, this can't be good," Hepola said.

It wasn't. Hepola was informed by an official from the Minnesota State High School League that all tournaments — including the one Henning was playing in — were going to be canceled immediately due to the coronavirus pandemic.

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Members of the Hillsboro-CV boys basketball team are swarmed by fans Thursday following their N.D. Class B, Region 2 championship win.



Eric Morken / Forum News Service

Henning junior guard Ellie Dague (left) and her teammates hold up their Minnesota Class 1A, Section 6 championship trophy on March 6.

BRIEFS

NJCAA tournament postponed until April 20, NDSCS women's team in 'wait-and-see' mode

FARGO — The NJCAA Division I women's basketball tournament has been postponed until April 20 due to concerns from the coronavirus pandemic.

North Dakota State College of Science earned a spot in the 24-team field and was slated to play South Georgia Technical College on Tuesday, March 17, in the first round of the national tournament.

"It's a wait-and-see mode for us," said NDSCS head coach Thomas Dryburgh. "We're going to give them some time off and bring them back at the beginning of April and see if we can't get back into the mode again of what we were doing."

"It's changed so much in the last four days that you're kind of in a holding pattern and waiting for the next thing to break."

Dryburgh said NDSCS is on spring break the upcoming week and after that, classes are due to be held through distance teaching and learning until early April, according to the school website.

The Wildcats have a 27-6 overall record heading into the national tournament.

MIAC cancels spring sports season due to coronavirus pandemic

BLOOMINGTON, Minn. — The Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) Presidents' Council has voted to cancel the 2020 conference regular season and post-season championships for spring sports through the remainder of the academic year, effective immediately.

The decision was based on the ongoing impact of the coronavirus, following the lead of the NCAA canceling spring sports championships and many other conferences canceling their spring seasons. The Concordia Cobbers are a MIAC member.

"The MIAC stated in its release: 'The MIAC shares in the disappointment that this difficult decision will bring to student-athletes, families, coaches, and fans; however, the championship of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has made it clear that for the safety and well-being of our student-athletes, athletic staff, and campus communities, it is no longer feasible for conference athletic activities to continue at this time.'

"Each MIAC institution will make independent decisions regarding spring nonconference competition. The MIAC is working with the NCAA regarding eligibility for all student-athletes affected by the nationwide health pandemic."

Dragons softball drops 2 games to close out Florida trip

AUBURNDALE, Fla. — The Minnesota State Moorhead softball team lost 5-2 to Stonehill College and 1-0 to Concordia-Michigan on Friday to finish play at the Rebel Spring Games.

Against Stonehill, Jordy Smith went 3-for-3 with an RBI double to lead the Dragons. Katya Sundeen also had a run-scoring double. Jordie McNeill added two hits.

In the second game, Concordia starter Lauren

Reichel stifled MSUM's offense. She tossed a complete-game two-hitter with no walks and one strikeout.

Smith and Ally Helgoc each had one hit for the Dragons. MSUM starter Becky Berth (1-6) gave up one run on six hits with no walks and three strikeouts in a strong, complete-game effort.

While MSUM (4-10) was able to finish play in Florida, the remainder of the Dragons schedule is undetermined. The Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference, of which MSUM is a member, announced Thursday that it is suspending all athletic activities.

Forum staff reports

Boston Marathon postponed until September

BOSTON — The 2020 Boston Marathon was officially postponed until Monday, Sept. 14.

Boston Mayor Marty Walsh announced the expected delay on Friday, March 13.

"The marathon is Boston," Walsh said. "We've shown before no matter the challenges to the city or the marathon, we are Boston Strong."

The New York City Half Marathon, the St. Louis Marathon and numerous other events have been canceled in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

The Boston Marathon began in 1897 and is a goal of distance runners internationally with stringent qualifying demands on entry.

The race is held annually on the third Monday in April with observers lining city streets and neighborhoods to cheer the effort. The race winds through eight Massachusetts towns.

Field Level Media

NASCAR postpones Atlanta, Miami races

A day after NASCAR announced it would hold races this weekend at Atlanta Motor Speedway without fans in attendance due to concerns about the coronavirus, teams were told to pack up Friday morning as races officially were postponed.

In addition, NASCAR announced Friday it also would postpone races set for next week at Homestead-Miami Speedway.

Affected races in Atlanta are the Trucks Series' Camping World 200 and Xfinity Series' EchoPark 250 on Saturday, and the Folds of Honor QuikTrip 500 on Sunday. Miami's races were the Trucks on March 20, Xfinity's USCEMUS.GOV 300 on March 21 and the Cup Series' Dixie Vodka 400 on March 22.

Field Level Media

NCAA bans in-person recruiting until at least April 15

The NCAA on Friday banned in-person recruiting for all Division I coaches through at least April 15, following the lead of many member schools that already had decided staff members can't travel and recruits can't visit campus.

The Division I Council Coordination Committee will re-evaluate the issue next month. The recruiting dead period was put into place in response to the coronavirus pandemic.

Telephone calls and written correspondence will be allowed between coaches and recruits.

Field Level Media

UND football follows school lead, suspending activities while university goes online only

By Tom Miller Forum News Service

GRAND FORKS — All along, the University of North Dakota football team had planned to take a two-week break from spring football during the university's spring break.

That football break, however, will be extended due to the coronavirus outbreak, Fighting Hawks coach Bubba Schweigert confirmed Friday, March 13.

Schweigert said the football program has suspended activities while the university conducts academics through an online only format.

"We're listening to our administration as they make decisions," Schweigert said. "Public health is a top concern, as is our team's health."

UND announced Thursday it will cease in-person education and move courses online for two weeks after spring break. Spring break begins at the conclusion of the school day Friday, March 13, and ends March 23.

Students will have online-only instruction from March 23 through April 3. In-person classes are set to resume April 6.

The UND football team

has conducted seven of the allotted 15 practices of spring ball, with the latest practice coming Wednesday, which featured the team's first scrimmage-like setting of the spring.

The program had originally planned for a two-week break between practices No. 7 and 8, returning on March 25. The program's return date to spring ball is now in flux.

"We're collecting more information as we go," Schweigert said.

Schweigert also said his staff was just recently informed of a new NCAA decision to place recruiting in a dead period, meaning no on-campus or off-campus visits for prospective athletes.

Some former UND football players, such as standout wide receiver Noah Wanzek, have been training for a Pro Day and chance to showcase their skills in front of scouts. Those opportunities are also undetermined at this time, with many schools canceling Pro Days and many NFL teams advising scouts not to travel.

"At some point, we hope we through it and those individuals get to test in front of people and



James Snook / Special to Forum News Service University of North Dakota head coach Bubba Schweigert during a game against Eastern Washington on Saturday, Sept. 28, 2019, at Roos Field in Cheney, Wash.

an opportunity to continue a career," Schweigert said. "It's disappointing. But it's disappointing on all levels. This is such a fun time of the year, tournament time, and I think a lot of people enjoy this time of year. Right now, it's really put on hold because of the health concerns in this country and this world."

Schweigert said the staff will stay in contact with players while on break to discuss workout regimens.

"That's something

that's always a concern when guys go on break," Schweigert said. "Right now they're on active rest, which means some activity but also a time for rest and recovery. This is new territory, we'll have to look and see how we communicate with our guys when they're not here with us. It's kind of like turning back the clock to years ago when guys didn't stay around for long stretches. You had to educate and trust. There'll be lots of discussion with that."

Minn. Hockey cancels youth state tournaments

By Mick Hatten The Rink Live

ST. PAUL — On Friday, March 13, Minnesota Hockey announced it is canceling its state youth hockey tournaments to be played this weekend throughout the state due to the continued spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19).

The cancellations include the following levels: 12-and-under 'B' girls, 12U 'A' girls, 15U 'B' girls, 15U 'A' girls, 19U girls, pee-wee 'B' boys, pee-wee 'A' boys, bantam 'B', bantam 'A', bantam 'AA',

and junior gold.

"While this is an extremely difficult decision for all involved, we feel that the safety of our players and their families has to be the priority," Minnesota Hockey president Steve Oleheiser said in a news release. "We realize this decision comes very late in the process and provides a major inconvenience. But after receiving a report that parents of two state tournament players are at risk for COVID-19, we just could not risk any of our players coming together and putting themselves in

further jeopardy."

Several city governments have shut down (or are in the process of shutting down community facilities) and that includes arenas.

"We are fully understanding of all the hard work and effort our teams and coaches put into the ultimate goal of reaching a Minnesota Hockey state tournament," Oleheiser said. "We also understand that this decision was made late, after many teams have traveled long distances to reach their state tournament destination. This is disappointing

for all involved.

"We desperately were holding out hope that we would be able to pull off the events. This was absolutely a last resort and not a decision we took lightly. When dealing with events featuring children and teenagers, we could not in good conscience put on events that would put them, as well as parents, coaches, officials and volunteers, at risk."

On Wednesday, USA Hockey canceled all national tournaments.

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SCOREBOARD

MASTERS TOURNAMENT POSTPONED

AUGUSTA, Ga. — The Masters, which brings together the world's best golfers in April for the year's first major, has been postponed because of concerns about the coronavirus, Augusta National Golf Club said on Friday.

People from all over the world attend the Masters at Augusta National, which this year is scheduled for April 9-12. "We hope this postponement puts us in the best position to safely host the Masters Tournament and our amateur events at some later date," Augusta National Chairman Fred Ridley said in a statement.

—Reuters

BASKETBALL

High school girls

Tournament pairings/results

North Dakota Class A State tournament Thursday, March 12 At Fargo Dome 40 No. 4E Fargo Shanley 50, No. 1W Bismarck 43 No. 3W Mandan 40, No. 2E Grand Forks Red Center 45 No. 1E Fargo Davies 42, No. 4W Bismarck St. Mary's 30 No. 3E Devils Lake 62, No. 2W Bismarck 54

Friday, March 13 At Fargo Dome Divisional semifinals 1) 1W Bismarck Legacy vs. No. 2E Grand Forks Red River, 4 canceled 2) No. 4W Bismarck St. Mary's vs. No. 2W Bismarck Century, 6 canceled Championship semifinals No. 4E Fargo Shanley 73, No. 3W Mandan 55 No. 3E Devils Lake 64, No. 1E Fargo Davies 55

Minnesota Class AA State tournament Wednesday, March 11 At Williams Arena, Minneapolis No. 1 Hopkins 55, Cambridge-Saint 55 No. 5 Stillwater 62, No. 4 Park Center 52 No. 2 Farmington 58, Eden Prairie 54 No. 3 St. Michael-Albertville 67, Lakeville North 58

Friday, March 13 At Concordia-St. Paul No. 4 Park Center vs. Lakeville North, canceled

CLASS A

Duluth Marshall 60, No. 3 New London-Spicer 56 No. 4 Pelican Rapids 60, Concordia Academy-Rosville 45 No. 1 Pelican Rapids 59, No. 2 Sauk Centres 54 Friday, March 13 5th-place game At Concordia-St. Paul No. 4 Pelican Rapids vs. No. 3 New London-Spicer, canceled Championship semifinals At Williams Arena, Minneapolis 7) No. 1 Rochester Lourdes vs. No. 5 Waseca, canceled 8) Division Academy vs. Duluth Marshall, canceled

Class AA State tournament Thursday, March 12 At Maturi Pavilion, University of Minnesota No. 1 Minnesota 57, Red Lake 20 No. 4 Waterville-Elyton 63, Montross, canceled 8) No. 2 Cromwell-Wright vs. No. 3 Hennings, canceled

Class A State tournament Thursday, March 12 At Bismarck SHAC No. 1W Bismarck 65, No. 4E Fargo Shanley 69 No. 1E West Fargo Sheyenne 51, No. 4W Moorhead 57 No. 2W Jamestown 71, No. 3E Devils Lake 62

CLASS B

8) No. 1E West Fargo Sheyenne vs. No. 2W Jamestown, canceled Thursday, March 12 At Dickinson Trinity 1) 4 Central Cass 2, No. 1 Kindred 57 No. 3 Richland 82, No. 7 Tri-State 59 Thursday, March 12 2nd place, 4 canceled 78, No. 7 Tri-State 62 3rd place, 3 canceled 67, No. 4 Central Cass 53

Thursday, March 12 At Betty Engestad Arena, Grand Forks Tuesday, March 10 No. 1 Hatton-Northwood 56, No. 5 Cavalier 46 No. 2 Hillsboro-Central Valley 55, No. 6 Grafton-St. Thomas 33

Friday, March 13 At Meirose High School Championship, No. 1 St. Cloud Apollo 72, No. 3 Alexandria 70

Class AA, Section 2 tournament Thursday, March 12 At Concordia Championship, No. 1 East Grand Glyn 30 No. 1 Ferguson Falls 75, No. 2 Dilworth-Olinwood-Fulton 55

Friday, March 13 At Concordia Championship, No. 2 Pertham vs. No. 1 Ferguson Falls, canceled

Class IA, Section 1 tournament Thursday, March 12 At Concordia Championship, No. 1 Henryning 57, No. 1 West Central 45

Class IA, Section 8 Friday, March 13 At The River Falls Championship, No. 1 Ada-Burup vs. No. 1 Cass Lake-Bena, canceled

TRANSACTONS

Friday

Basketball NCAA Basketball Grand Canyon Fired head coach Dan Majeke. Minnesota-Announced the organization has parted ways with head coach Steve McClain. Iowa-Announced head coach Tim Cless has retired due to health reasons. Iowa-Announced the organization has parted ways with head coach Rob Ehsan. Hockey New York Rangers -NHJ, suspended LW Brandon Lemare for an undetermined number of games for an illegal hit.

Email scores and results to sports@forumcomm.com

TODAY'S LOCAL CALENDAR

No local events

TODAY'S RADIO

Talk Heavy Heart with Swamy, 8 a.m., 740-AM, 107.3-FM The Hockey Guys, 8 a.m., 1100-AM Halfmile with Chase Miller, 9 a.m., 740-AM, 107.3-FM Flag Sports Saturday, 9 a.m., 1100-AM Around the Rink with Travis Dunn, 9:30 a.m., 740-AM, 107.3-FM The Big Wild Outdoors Show, 11 a.m., 1100-AM



UND's national championship banners hang at the north end of the arena.

How should UND recognize this successful men's hockey season?

Grand Forks ne of the best men's hockey seasons in North Dakota's decorated, 74-year history ended Thursday afternoon when the NCAA announced it was canceling all of its national tournaments because of the coronavirus outbreak.



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season. It is hard to find precedent for what to do in a season like this. It has never happened in college hockey.

The closest thing may be major college football. To this day, the NCAA does not award a national champion in major college football. That's why the trophy does not look like it does in every other NCAA sport. It has always been awarded by different entities.

That has never prevented programs from proclaiming themselves, and being recognized, as national champions.

Look at college football's history. From the 1930s to the 1990s, teams were recognized as the national champions based on where they were in the polls when the season ended.

For example, in 1994, both Nebraska and Penn State had perfect seasons. However, because Nebraska was on top of the major polls at the end of the season, it claims that it was the national champion that year. Penn State does not.

In 1997, Michigan and Nebraska both had perfect seasons. Michigan was ranked No. 1 in the AP poll. Nebraska was atop the USA Today/ESPN poll. Both are recognized as 1997 national champions today.

In that sense, UND and Cornell (which is USCHO's No. 1) are every bit as deserving of the national champion label as Nebraska's 1994 football team, Michigan's 1997 team, all those lauded

Notre Dame football teams and so many others.

UND was No. 1 in the most important ranking system when the season ended, just like those football teams. UND won't be recognized as 'NCAA' champs, but neither were those football programs. There is precedence to claiming a national championship without the NCAA recognizing it.

Does that mean UND should hang a ninth green banner on the north end of Ralph Engelstad Arena? Not quite.

I think we can all recognize that this season was different.

The eight green banners — signifying national championship teams in 1959, 1963, 1980, 1982, 1987, 1997, 2000 and 2016 — were all titles officially recognized by the NCAA. Those teams all won postseason tournaments to claim their championships. This team did not.

There must be a differentiation between those teams and this one.

What's the answer? Hang a banner. But make this one black.

For starters, it rightly distinguishes itself from the other eight green banners. It also rightly recognizes this team as the nation's No. 1 when the season ended and avoids unfairly characterizing this team as one that didn't win a national title when, in fact, it was the top-ranked team but never had the chance.

The color of the banner also provides more significance.

It was the signature look for a team whose season ended with a dark cloud hanging over it as the world battled a global pandemic.

The season started with

UND making a special request to wear its black jerseys at home in Game 1. It did so because it wanted to set a tone for the season. In UND hockey world, the black jerseys are known as the team's business suits, and the team has been dominant in them for more than a decade.

UND routed Canisius 5-0 in that first game wearing the black jerseys, kicking off a historic season.

In what turned out to be the final game of the season, UND also happened to wear its black jerseys. It also won that game 5-0 at Omaha.

The season started in the black jerseys and it ended in the black jerseys. In the middle, UND completed its first series win at Denver in 16 years and it finished its second road sweep of rival Minnesota in 40 years while wearing black jerseys.

UND would have to decide the exact label that goes on the banner. It cannot say NCAA national champions, but it could be Pairwise national champions, Pairwise champions, No. 1-ranked, 26-5-4 or something along those lines.

It also would have to decide where to place it. It could be permanently at the end of the green or white banners — never going between them even when UND raises more. It could be on a different side of the rink, too, completely on its own.

This was a historic UND hockey season that ended in an unprecedented way. It should be recognized as such.

So, hang a banner and make it black. It would forever tell the story of not only this season but the way it ended.

GOPHERS MEN'S BASKETBALL

Pitino to return as coach next season

By Andy Greder
St. Paul Pioneer Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Minnesota Gophers men's basketball coach Richard Pitino didn't express public concern over his future nor the direction of the program as losses stacked toward the end of this season. Pitino's confidence backed up Friday when a source confirmed to the Pioneer Press that he will return to the University of Minnesota next season.

Athletics Director Mark Coyle had met with Pitino on Friday and issued this statement: "Richard understands my high expectation for our program, which is to compete at a championship level."

But Pitino has had an inconsistent seven seasons at Minnesota, including a regression to 15-16 this season. He has a 127-108 overall record at Minnesota, including 48-82 in Big Ten games.

Last year, Pitino's team reached the second round of the NCAA tournament last season, and in April, Coyle rewarded Pitino with a two-year contract extension through the 2023-24 campaign.

"I am excited for Coach Pitino to continue to lead our men's basketball program," Coyle's statement read last spring. "Coach Pitino has developed All-Big Ten players, led deep runs into the Big Ten tournament and earned the school's ninth (official) NCAA tournament win. I look forward to him advancing the program further in the upcoming years."

But his team fell off the NCAA tournament bubble, starting in February with only three wins in their final 11 regular season Big Ten games. Five of those losses were by six or fewer points and a lack of late-game execution from one of the youngest teams in a

deep conference was a big reason why.

Pitino's up-and-down tenure began positively in his first season in 2013-14 as the U won the National Invitation Tournament. But then he missed the postseason the next two years.

In 2016-17, he won Big Ten Coach of the Year and took the U to the NCAA tournament before an opening round loss to Middle Tennessee State. But in 2017-18, injuries and suspensions resulted in a 15-17 record and no postseason play.

After the program's second official March Madness win in 20 years last spring, the U again fell off that mark with another losing season. Minnesota beat Northwestern in the first-round of the Big Ten tournament on Wednesday before the rest of the tournament was canceled Thursday morning.

It would have taken a mammoth four more wins in four days in Indianapolis to earn the Big Ten's automatic berth for the NCAA tournament. If that, too, wasn't canceled due to coronavirus concerns on Thursday.

Next season's challenge to bounce back is expected to be tougher with Gophers' All-American sophomore center Daniel Oturu expected to declare for the NBA draft in the coming weeks. The U will lose three other seniors, including starting forward Alihan Demir.

Pitino brings in a national top-50 recruiting class to go with three returning starters in guards Marcus Carr, Bayton Willis and Cobe Kalschauer. Two freshmen contributed this season in Isaiah Ihnen and Tre' Williams.

Carr, a third-team All-Big Ten selection, will be the best returning player after setting the program's single-season assist record this year.



Brian Spurlock / USA TODAY Sports
Minnesota Golden Gophers coach Richard Pitino gives a player in a game against the Northwestern Wildcats during the second half of the opening round of the Big Ten Men's Basketball Tournament Wednesday, March 11, at Bankers Life Fieldhouse in Indianapolis.

Vikings cut Joseph, Rhodes, clear more than \$18 million of cap room

By Chris Tomasson
St. Paul Pioneer Press

EAGAN, Minn. — The Vikings' big changes for next season have begun.

With little salary-cap room entering free agency next week, the Vikings terminated the contracts of longtime defensive stalwarts Xavier Rhodes and Linval Joseph on Friday. The moves will clear more than \$18.5 million of cap room.

A source said the Vikings on Friday also released tight end David Morgan.

Rhodes, a cornerback, has made three Pro Bowls but has struggled the past two seasons and will turn 30 in June. Joseph, a nose



John Autey / St. Paul Pioneer Press
Minnesota Vikings defensive tackle Linval Joseph requests more noise from the fans as the Vikings play Oakland on Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019, at U.S. Bank Stadium in Minneapolis.

tackle, has made two Pro Bowls but is starting to

Rhodes, who signed a five-year, \$75 million contract extension in 2017, was under contract for three more years but had no guaranteed money left on it. The move on him saves the Vikings \$8.1 million under the cap for 2020 but they will incur \$4.8 million of dead money.

Joseph, who signed a five-year, \$50 million extension in 2017, was under contract for three more years but also is owed no more guaranteed money. The move saves \$10.487 million under the cap for 2020 but the Vikings will incur \$2.4 million in dead money.

Report: NBA won't fine, suspend Jazz C Gobert

Field Level Media

Utah Jazz center Rudy Gobert, who apologized for acting carelessly before being diagnosed with coronavirus on Wednesday, will not be fined or suspended by the NBA, according to a report Friday by Yahoo Sports.

Gobert on Monday joked about the NBA's policy to keep media members at a safe distance from players in the wake of the coronavirus outbreak. He touched all the microphones and other recording equipment at the press table before after concluding interviews with the media in a room at the Jazz's press facility.

He also continued to high-five teammates before it was announced that coronavirus had become a pandemic. Gobert's diagnosis led the NBA to suspend its season indefinitely.

After Jazz teammate Donovan Mitchell confirmed Thursday that he tested positive for coronavirus over social media, Gobert issued an apology on Instagram.

"I want to thank everyone for the outpouring of concern and support over the last 24 hours. I have gone through so many emotions since learning of my diagnosis...mostly fear, anxiety, and embarrassment," Gobert wrote.

Shanley defeats Mandan prior to tournament being suspended

By Adam Watts
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FARGO — The Fargo Shanley girls basketball team's motto all season has been "Whatever it takes." And before the North Dakota Class A girls state basketball tournament, the Deacons made an addendum to their motto: "finish."

"Before the tournament, the girls came in and said, 'finish,'" Shanley coach Steve Jacobson said. "I put that on the board. I wrote 'Whatever it takes' and then in big letters underneath it, I wrote 'finish.' We play four minutes at a time. If we can win those four minutes, 90% of the time we'll win any game."

Shanley hoped for the shot to live up to its new motto and finish the season with a state championship. The North Dakota High School Activities Association announced Friday afternoon that all remaining winter postseason state tournaments are suspended due to the coronavirus outbreak.

The Deacons defeated Mandan 73-55 in the state semifinals on Friday at the Scheels Center at Sanford Health Athletic Complex.

"This season our whole team — every practice, every game — had the excitement, had the energy," Shanley senior Reile Payne said. "We came together as a family and we're able to prove ourselves because everyone thought we were young and inexperienced. But we proved we belong and we're good enough."

Shanley jumped out to an 11-2 lead early and every time the Braves tried to cut into that lead, the Deacons had the answer. The closest Mandan got after that game-opening run was a seven-point deficit on three occasions. Each time, Payne responded — including with a buzzer-beater to send the Deacons into halftime with a 10-point lead at 34-24.

"I shot it and didn't think it was going to go in," Payne said. "I didn't think my feet were set, so I kind of just chucked it because I knew the time was running out. And to have it go in was kind of like, 'Alright, we've got this. The momentum is in our favor. Let's use that.'"

Mandan made it 38-31 early in the second half after



Fargo Shanley's Reile Payne battles for a loose ball against Mandan's Lakyn Darras and Amaya Ramsey on Friday, March 13, during the North Dakota Class A state girls basketball tournament in the Scheels Center at the Sanford Health Athletic Complex.

David Samson / The Forum

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Fargo Shanley 73, Mandan 55

a Lakyn Darras inside bucket. Payne came back and drained a 3-pointer to make it a 10-point game.

Mandan's Maria Moore made a 3-pointer with seven minutes to go to make it 56-49, but

Payne was there with the answer again. Emily Srejma swatted two straight shot attempts on the next Braves possession and the Deacons sprinted across the finish line from there.

"We said at halftime that they're going to go on their runs," Payne said. "But we all took it on our shoulders just to stop them and keep them as low as we possibly could. That showed how we had each

other's backs. We slowed the game down and controlled the tempo."

Payne led the Deacons with 27 points, 14 rebounds, five assists and three steals. She scored 17 points in the first half. Huber scored 20 points and got to the line repeatedly, shooting 13-for-15 from the foul stripe.

Darras gave Shanley trouble down low, leading the Braves with 27 points and 15 rebounds.

"We had to stop (Darras) because she was killing us," Jacobson said. "Lakyn is an outstanding basketball player. But we found a way to shut her down when we needed to in the last seven minutes."

Mandan: Darras 27, Moore 8, Gustavsson 7, Clarke 5, Harris 5, Toman 2, Ramsey 1. Shanley: Payne 27, Huber 20, Hakim 10, Manuel 5, Srejma 5, Flood 3, Dabbert 3. Half: Shanley 34, Mandan 24

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Devils Lake scores a come-from-behind win over Davies

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FARGO — The Devils Lake girls basketball team interlocked arms and screamed in celebration after the buzzer sounded in the North Dakota Class A state semifinals. The Firebirds came back in the second half to defeat Fargo Davies 64-57, and didn't yet know they wouldn't be playing for a state championship the next day.

The North Dakota High School Activities Association released a statement during the second half of the game that all winter and spring sports and activities would be suspended until further notice due to the coronavirus pandemic, including the tournament.

For a brief moment, the Firebirds, the state runners-up a year ago, thought they would get another guaranteed shot at a state title.

"You play a game like that, you're in the semis, you're on TV and a big stage; you want a shot at a title tomorrow after the season we had, and then you get that message," Devils Lake head coach Justin Klein said.

Going into Friday's semifinal at Scheels Center at the Sanford Health Athletic Complex, Klein was told to tell his seniors to play like it could be their last game, noting the high school tournament cancellations in surrounding states.

They listened. Senior guard Jes Mertens, who scored 14 points and scooped up seven rebounds, tied the game at 49-49 with 10 minutes to play after Devils Lake was down by six entering the second half. Fellow senior Abby Johnson, who led the



Fargo Davies' Ellen Donat and Devils Lake's Jes Mertens battle for control of the ball on Friday, March 13, during the North Dakota Class A state girls basketball tournament in the Scheels Center at the Sanford Health Athletic Complex.

Photos by David Samson / The Forum

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Devils Lake 64, Fargo Davies 57

Firebirds with 18 points, drove for a layup to bring Devils Lake ahead at 54-53 after Davies had held the lead for about 27 minutes.

"It came down to who was going to make a shot for us," Klein said. "Johnson and Mertens stepped up really big. (Davies) hit a

shot down the stretch, too, with 1 minute, 20 seconds left to get it within four, and (Johnson) stepped up and hit some free throws."

Mertens found out the tournament had been suspended in a postgame interview.

"It feels good knowing that — obviously we can't play tomorrow — but it's good knowing that we ended it on a win," Mertens said. "It would have been nice to take home a first-place trophy, but

there's nothing you can do about it."

Klein learned about the potential end of his team's season like most other players did, via an announcement over the public address system.

"I get it because all of the fans were there. The bad part is that it takes away from that game," Klein said. "It takes away from what just happened and what the kids did."

Though Devils Lake (25-1) and Davies (18-8) didn't



Devils Lake's Maya Barendt and Fargo Davies' Taylor Fey collide on Friday during the North Dakota Class A state girls basketball tournament.

know Friday's game was the foreseeable-future finale of the Class A basketball tournament, both teams played like it.

Down by eight, Ava Wild, who had a 10-point first half, dribbled around a Firebird and drove for a layup to put the Eagles out front for the first time at 9-8 during a 25-9 run that gave Davies an eventual 10-point lead (25-15).

Davies got help from 6-foot junior Taylor Fey in the first half, who tallied her 1,000th career point in the first eight minutes of the contest. Fey shot 8 of 13 (62%) from the Scheels Center floor and went 4-for-5 (80%) at the free-throw line for a game-high 20 points.

Klein wasn't too happy with his team's first-half play.

"Way too many transition baskets, they beat us at our own game, which is transition basketball," he said. "We didn't get back, we didn't stop the ball, they penetrated on us too much."

Devils Lake transitioned from zone defense to man-to-man in the second half, which paid off. That fed the other end of the court,

as a 10-2 run in the final three minutes earned the Firebirds a semifinal win.

The Firebirds also seemed to be fueled by their fans in red, who filled almost three full sections at the SHAC.

Though Devils Lake won't be vying for its first state title in over three decades Saturday against Fargo Shanley, there's still a possibility the teams could continue. It'll come down to logistics, NDHSA Executive Director Matt Fetsch said, and depend on what happens with the outbreak.

If the Firebirds would've known about the tournament suspension before the final buzzer, Mertens said they might've come out a little stronger.

"But we found our groove halfway through and we pushed through knowing," Mertens said. "Our coach said this could be our last game, so we talked about that in the locker room. And that's what gave us our push."

DL: Johnson 18, Mertens 14, Mattinson 12, Brown 8, Kroggoss 7, Barendt 6, Gould 1. FD: Fey 20, Wild 12, Koenig 11, Wach 10, Salfranski 2, Smith-Akew 1. Half: FD 37, DL 31. Carissa Wigington is a reporter for The Forum and can be reached at (701) 241-5536.

Summit League cancels all spring sports competitions

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FARGO — Athletic competitions won't happen at North Dakota State for the rest of this school year after the Summit League announced Friday, March 13, that all spring sports have been canceled due to concerns about the coronavirus pandemic.

The cancellation includes all nonconference, conference and championship competitions through the end of the school year, announced Summit League commissioner Tom Douple.

"From a competition standpoint, we are done," said NDSU athletic director Matt Larsen. "We are not going to play any more conference or nonconference games or any post-season tournaments. Those are all canceled for the rest of this academic year."

The Summit League had suspended the spring sports season Thursday.

"The decision (Thursday) to suspend spring sports for the month of March gave the League roughly 24 hours to collect as much information as possible," Douple said in a Friday news release. "After we imposed the suspension, the NCAA announced the cancellation of all its spring championship events."

"Based upon that announcement and discussions with members of our Summit League Presidents' Council (Thursday) night and into (Friday) morning,



Summit League commissioner Tom Douple has helped oversee a membership transformation in the league, most recently inviting St. Thomas into the conference.

we determined it is in the best interest of our student-athletes, our staffs, and our fans to proceed with canceling all spring competitions."

Larsen said NDSU has canceled all spring practices and strength and conditioning workouts through March 30.

"Then we will re-evaluate at that point," Larsen said.

Larsen said NDSU's Pro Day remains scheduled for March 26, for now. Players expected to work out for NFL scouts are offensive lineman Zack Johnson, tight end Ben Ellefson, cornerback Marquise Bridges, safety James Hendricks, run-

ning backs Ty Brooks and Dimitri Williams, receiver Jimmy Kepouros, defensive tackle Cole Karcz and defensive end Derrek Tuszka. Tuszka participated in the NFL Scouting Combine near the end of February.

"There are a lot of moving parts there depending on what the NFL does," Larsen said. "I know the NFL has called back some of their scouts. That will be a big driver of it. ... As of right now it's scheduled as is, but there could be some adjustments. It's still a little fluid."

Larsen said one option could include having the pro day closed to the public with only



North Dakota State athletic director Matt Larsen said NDSU has canceled all spring practices and strength and conditioning workouts through March 30.

scouts and participants allowed.

"We'll continue to be in contact with the NFL and their scouts and kind of take their lead a little bit on format and whether in person or otherwise," Larsen said. "So many of the things that we have planned, there has to be contingencies and flexibilities built in because things could change at a moment's notice."

Spring football won't start on March 25 as planned. Larsen said those workouts could resume after March 30.

"After that, we will play it by ear," Larsen said. "We'll make decisions based on everybody's health and safety."

Larsen said the tough part is watching student-athletes have

their winter seasons cut short or the spring sports not being able to compete altogether.

"I get to see every day how hard they work," Larsen said. "The time, the energy, the sacrifice, you name it. To have that kind of taken away from them, that's hard. ... The one thing I will say that's been great about our student-athletes is I think they understand the bigger picture. Sometimes things happen, but it's for the greater good."

I think they all get it. It doesn't make it sting any less. It doesn't make it any easier, but I think they at least understand that part of it."

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NORTH DAKOTA

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"Especially, we're dealing with 16-, 17- and 18-year-old boys and girls that are pursuing their dreams and their goals, and all of a sudden they're told it's on hold right now."

When President Donald Trump declared a national state of emergency on Friday afternoon, the NDHSAA decided it was time to suspend the tournament.

"We've been working on it throughout the day and been in contact with the governor's office and the department of health, etc.," NDHSAA Executive Director Matt Fetsch said. "With the national state of emergency now declared, we had to do it."

The Mustangs didn't know Thursday's quarterfinal would be the team's last guaranteed game.

"We knew at some point there was going to be the end of the season, just didn't think it would come yesterday," Kirchoffner said.

Faced by a strong group of seniors who helped break five school records this year, Kirchoffner had faith his team would be making a run in the state tournament.

"This was our year. It's a very special group,"

Kirchoffner said. There's still the possibility that the remaining winter tournaments could happen. The Class A boys and girls tournaments could pick up where they left off and the Class B boys tournament originally scheduled for next week could still happen. It depends on what happens with the outbreak.

"There is a chance they could continue, but it will come down to logistics and whether it is possible or not," Fetsch said. "That would be worked out with the administrators of the teams remaining."

"We've been going hour to hour dealing with this and I guarantee it will be day-to-day moving forward to see where we are starting next week."

The Mustangs are holding out hope that their season isn't over.

"Right now, it's bigger than basketball," Kirchoffner said. "Yes, we'd like to play, all the teams would like to play. But it's bigger than basketball."

When the suspension was announced Friday afternoon, friends, family and fans in the stands of the Class A girls basketball semifinal between Devils Lake and Davies knew the tournament wouldn't continue. But the teams



Devils Lake fans share a tearful embrace on Friday, March 13, 2020, after hearing the announcement that the North Dakota Class A state girls basketball tournament has been suspended due to the coronavirus crisis.

in the game did not. The Firebirds are celebrating their victory and their shot to play for a state championship when they heard the bad news from an announcement over the public address system.

The Firebirds came from behind to churn out a win in what was the last high school game in North Dakota for the foreseeable future.

As soon as Devils Lake head coach Justin Klein heard the news, he booked it straight to the locker room to call his

school's athletic director and figure out what they were going to do.

"I've got a locker room full of kids who want to play tomorrow who've just been told they're not going to play," Klein said.

"So I've got to decide how I'm going to tell them. That was the hardest part. It's gut-wrenching."

In a matter of seconds, the Firebirds went from celebrating their victory to mourning the loss of their season. The seniors found out their high school careers were over, for now.

"It's hard knowing that my high school career is coming to an end, but I've had a good run and I wouldn't trade a minute of it," Devils Lake senior Jes Mertens said.

The underclassmen also found out they may not get to play with their senior teammates again.

"It's hard, we're like family," Firebirds junior Jailyin Martinson said. "We do everything together. She (Mertens) is my best friend, so being here without her next year is going to be hard, and knowing that we're

not going to be playing for a state championship, it's hard."

The Firebirds believed it could've been their year.

"I knew we had a good shot, and I kept telling the kids, 'One game at a time,'" Klein said. "Going into (Thursday's) game, I said, 'There's five teams left that have a shot to win this and we're one of them.' You keep approaching it that way and keep telling them that, that's their goal. You've got some kids after last year that were very hungry for a state title."

Devils Lake would've faced Fargo Shanley for the state title Saturday.

"It's disappointing," Shanley coach Steven Jacobson said. "These kids have worked so hard all year and then this happens. What are you going to do? You make it to a championship game that is not going to be played. You tell the girls, 'Great year, you guys got there. Two teams got there and you're one of them.'"

With everything up in the air, Jacobson and Klein are left with an unsatisfying conclusion to their seasons.

"They earned the time to play in the game tomorrow, but this is just a part of life that we're all having to learn to deal with," Jacobson said.

CLASS B

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That too was due to the coronavirus pandemic and President Trump announcing an emergency declaration.

"Our players are mostly in shock and there were tears," Rotvold said. "It's all around the country ... everybody is feeling the same way. It will always be something you remember."

Officials from the North Dakota High School Activities Association used the word "suspension" — not cancellation — when it released its announcement. It is leaving open the possibility the tournament could be played if the coronavirus pandemic would suddenly improve.

"There is a glimmer of hope that you can hold onto, but I'm sure the chances are pretty slim," Rotvold said. "The emotions have been up and down since yesterday."

They were down when he learned his daughter Annika would not get a chance to qualify for a national track meet in the 1,500 meters. She qualified



Richland's Carter Lingen takes off on a fast break past Tri-State's Hayden Lick on Tuesday, March 10, during the North Dakota Class B, Region 1 boys basketball semifinal game at Ed Werre Arena in Wahpeton, N.D.

for the West Region two years ago before redshirting last year after an injury. She had high hopes when she came back for

her final season.

Then there was the elation of winning Thursday night's region title game over Hat-

ton-Northwood 55-38. Less than 24 hours later, there was the dejection of the Class B suspension.

"If it doesn't happen, it will be unprecedented," Rotvold said. "But it is basically out of our control."

At Edgeley-Kulm-Montpelier High School, where students were still celebrating the boys Region 3 basketball championship win, players were gathered today to watch the pairings being announced on television during halftime of one of the Class A girls state semifinal games.

They found out they would have been playing Beulah. Rugby was supposed to play New Town, Fours Winds-Minnekaugan to play Richland and Hillsboro-Central Valley to play Bismarck Shiloh Christian.

"We saw who our matchup was, then just a few minutes later, we learn that the tournament was suspended," said Edgeley-Kulm-Montpelier coach Kevin Strobel. "I really didn't think this was going to happen. I really didn't. I thought 'We will work through this. This

is North Dakota."

This would have marked the first time the co-op of Edgeley-Kulm-Montpelier would have played in the Class B tournament. Edgeley played in the 1990 Class B tournament and Kulm played in the 1958 tournament.

"They had goals of playing in the state tournament," said Strobel, whose team has two seniors. "When we left the gym Thursday night, we sure were expecting to play three more games. It was a joy to come to practice every day with this group. That is what makes it so much harder."

"We were getting all geared up for the state tournament ... and now it's gone."

North Dakota followed what Minnesota and South Dakota did earlier on Friday, canceling all of their state high school tournament games.

"When I heard Minnesota canceled, then South Dakota canceled," Rotvold said. "I thought, 'Oh boy, we're just waiting for the shoe to drop.'"

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26 / 15 Mostly cloudy. A few sun breaks.	31 / 28 Cloudy. Chance of a flurry or light snow late.	33 / 18 AM Flurries. Mostly cloudy.	30 / 13 Sunny.	35 / 22 Mostly cloudy.	35 / 21 Mostly cloudy.	28 / 11 Cloudy, a slight chance of snow.
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A meteorologist looks at pandemic math

In general, you are about 300 times more likely to die in a car crash than in a tornado. However, we cannot issue car crash warnings because they happen at random and without advanced warning, whereas we can usually offer a Tornado Watch and then a Tornado Warning in advance of most tornadoes.

I'm a meteorologist, not a doctor nor a biologist, but I do a lot with numbers and I know that the pandemic skeptics are focusing on the wrong math. The mortality rate of the virus is somewhere around 2% to 3% overall, causing many peo-

ple to reason that if they are currently healthy, they'll likely be fine. Unfortunately, contagious illness does not spread on an average. Like tornadoes, concentrations of the severe strains of this COVID-19 virus tend to happen in random clusters without a lot of advanced notice, where it can overrun regional medical facilities. The cancellation of large events is a good first step in slowing down the virus's ability to spread.

- John Wheeler

WEATHER TALK

FARGO-MOORHEAD ALMANAC

Statistics through 6 p.m. Yesterday

Temperature	High	Low
Yesterday	27	20
Normal	34	18
Record	64 in 1911	-28 in 1896

Snowfall	Trace	Month to date	Trace
Yesterday	Trace	4.7"	Trace
Normal month to date	4.7"	44.7"	Trace
Season to date	44.7"	44.7"	Trace
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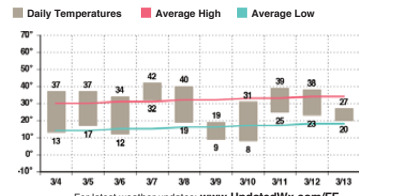
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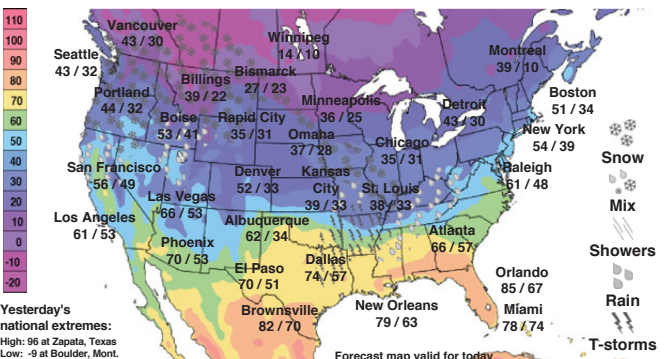
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Monday	7:36 a.m.	7:35 p.m.

Today	Moonrise	Moonsset
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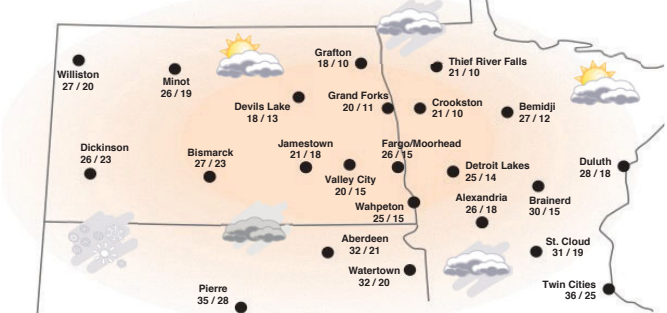
TEMPERATURES THE PAST 10 DAYS



TODAY'S NATIONAL WEATHER



TODAY'S REGIONAL FORECAST MAP



MINNESOTA	Today			Tomorrow			Monday			N. DAKOTA			
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Alexandria	26	18	mc	34	31	mc	33	19	rs	Bismarck	27	23	cl
Duluth	29	18	mc	31	29	mc	37	22	rs	Devils Lake	18	13	cl
International Falls	27	9	mc	32	23	mc	33	13	sn	Dickinson	26	23	sn
Minneapolis	36	25	mc	43	35	pc	45	29	cl	Grand Forks	20	11	mc
Redwood Falls	34	25	mc	43	35	pc	45	27	cl	Jamestown	21	18	cl
Rochester	38	23	mc	43	31	pc	45	29	mc	Minot	26	19	cl
St. Cloud	31	19	mc	38	32	cl	40	24	ra	Williston	27	20	sn

w: cl-cloudy, fg-fog, mc-mostly cloudy, pc-partly cloudy, ra-rain, rs-rain/snow, sh-showers, sn-snow, ss-snow showers, s-sunny, t-thunderstorm

MINNESOTA

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Hepola whispered the news to his assistant coaches. Then he stood up and broke the news to his players.

"Well girls ... I'm about to cry here," Hepola announced. "The tournament has been canceled."

There were lots of tears. Lots of emotion.

Not only was the season over for Henning's girls basketball team, it was also over for Henning's boys team — who had just won the Class 1A, Section 8 championship Thursday night to advance to next week's state tournament. The boys will not get a chance to defend the state championship it won last year.

Ironically, Henning boys head coach Randy Misegades, his wife, son and some players were on their way to Minneapolis to watch the girls play when they heard the news. There were tears shed in the vehicle that included Misegades, his wife, two sons and players Parker Fraki, Blake Wallevand and Tanner Arndt.

They were on the list of 90 fans who were to be allowed to watch the Henning girls semifinal game Friday. It was all part of the MSHL's decision made Thursday to limit fan participation.

"I go back-and-forth to being angry, but there is really no one to be angry at," Misegades said over the phone, as he and his group were grabbing lunch in Albertville before returning



Eric Morken / Forum News Service
Hennepin boys basketball players celebrate their Minnesota Class 1A, Section 6 tournament championship Thursday night at Concordia.

home. "There is not anyone to blame, it's just unfortunate."

Misegades' boys team, with a 29-1 record, was expected to be seeded No. 1 for next week's state tournament. But even before Thursday night's section title game at Concordia, Misegades — sensing the state tournament could be canceled — gathered his team together alerting them that this could be their last game of the season.

"I told them that we have to treat this game like this is our state championship," said Misegades, whose team went on to beat West Central Area 47-45. "It's really a shame because probably in my lifetime, you won't see both our boys and girls teams go to the state tour-

namment again in the same year — both with high hopes of doing well."

Hepola agreed, calling it a special winter.

"Hopefully in a couple days we can look back at it and say we didn't lose at state," he said. "And ended our season with a win. Not many teams can say that."

Misegades said "at least our boys and girls go to play section championship games" — unlike the boys teams from Perham, Fergus Falls and Ada-Borup.

Perham and Fergus Falls were scheduled to play each other Friday night at Concordia for the Class 2A, Section 8 championship.

"It's gut-wrenching and

ripped everything out of my heart, not only for me, but for those seniors who didn't get a chance to play in a possible state tournament and section championship game," said Perham head coach Dave Cresap, whose team had a 28-0 record. "It's just devastating news, but unavoidable with all the health concerns going on. I get that part, but you have to feel for these kids. In my 35 years, this is one of the closest-knit teams I have had and they are completely devastated. We had a little meeting and it was a really sad day."

Perham senior Charlie Rasmussen said it was an unreal feeling when they found out their season was going to be cut short.

"We all worked so hard for this and it is what we have dreamt of for 16, 17 and 18 years. Every day at practice we are grinding," Rasmussen said. "It's hard seeing a lot of us in tears, ending the way it did. We are not alone, this is statewide, nationwide. This is tough."

Rasmussen moved to Perham his eighth-grade year and moved into a leadership role during his career with the Yellowjackets. The 65-62 section semifinal victory over East Grand Forks marked the final time he would share the floor with seniors Carter Aakre, Landon Stevens, Ryan Murphy, Gavin Hillukka, Jordan Muench, Gunnar Anderson and Judd Soule.

"Them just taking me in and as my role increased in the

program, they really accepted me and they brought me in," Rasmussen said. "Our chemistry was unbelievable. Some can say it's one of the best teams Perham has ever had. We were unbeaten and it's crazy."

Ada-Borup was scheduled to play Cass Lake-Bena Friday night in Thief Rivers Falls for the Class 1A, Section 8 championship. Ada-Borup was aiming to reach its second straight trip to state, after losing on a last-second shot in last year's state semifinals.

"We were going to get back, that was our players' mentality," said Ada-Borup head coach Trevor Stewart. "I feel bad for our seniors. But at the same time, a little bit of the unknown with this virus is a bit scary, too. It is what it is."

On Thursday night, Stewart traveled to Grand Forks to watch his alma-mater Hatton-Northwood play in a North Dakota Class B region championship game.

"You saw this coming a little bit, but when I was watching that game in Grand Forks, I thought 'OK, we can do this even in an empty gym,'" Stewart said, referring to the fan restrictions that were going to be placed on Friday night's section championship game in Thief River Falls. "I hope we can all look back at this some day and say 'man, did we overreact to all of this.' But that's pretty hard to do right now."

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BRIDGE

Simple Saturday
"Simple Saturday" columns are meant to help aspiring players improve technique and develop logical thinking.

I've heard that many pessimists got that way by financing an optimist. Do you approach the play as an optimist or a pessimist? Either way may be correct.

At four spades, South took the ace of diamonds and needed nine more tricks. He had five trumps and four hearts, if he could take them. South drew trumps, then cashed the K-Q of hearts. He next overtook his jack with dummy's ace, hoping for a 3-3 break. When West discarded, South's nine tricks became eight.

LAST TRUMP
Sometimes declarer must be a pessimist and cater to foul breaks. In this deal, South must be an optimist. He cashes only the K-Q of trumps, then the K-Q of hearts. If hearts broke 3-3, South

could draw the last trump with the ace and take the ace of hearts.

East actually has four hearts but also has the missing trump. So South can still take the ace of trumps and ace of hearts to make his game.

DAILY QUESTION
You hold: ♠A 6 2 ♥A 5 4 2 ♦A J ♣J 10 9 6. Your partner opens one diamond, you respond one heart and he bids two clubs. What do you say?

ANSWER: You might bid 3NT; you have balanced pattern with a stopper in the unbid suit. Still, I would be reluctant to commit to notrump with three aces, a useful jack of diamonds and four-card club support. Bid two spades, the "fourth suit," and let partner make another bid. He might hold 7 4 3, K Q 10 8 7, A K Q 5 4.

North dealer
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH
♠ A 6 2
♥ A 5 4 2
♦ A J
♣ J 10 9 6

WEST
♠ 8 4
♥ 7 3
♦ K Q 10 9 6 2
♣ A Q 5

EAST
♠ 9 7 3
♥ 10 9 8 6
♦ 8 5 3
♣ K 8 4

SOUTH
♠ K Q 10 5
♥ K Q J
♦ 7 4
♣ 7 3 2

North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ 2 ♠
2 ♣ Pass 4 ♠ All Pass

Opening lead — ♦ K

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Eff.	Bedrooms	Bathrooms	Lease Term	Min Rent	Max Rent	Gas	Water	Heat	Garbage	Sewer	Garage	Underground Parking	Laundry Room	Fitness Center	Pool	Sauna	Handicap Access	Secured/Controlled Entry	Private Entry	Pets Allowed	Dishwasher	Air Cond.	Central Air	W/D Hookups	W/D in Unit	Walk-in Closet	Patio/Balcony
Apt.	Eff. 1,2,3	1,2	6/12 mo	\$520	\$915	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	6/9/12 mo	\$660	\$1075	X	X	X	X	X	X		X				X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	12 mo	\$500	\$850		X	X	X	X			X	X						X	X		X			X	X
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2					X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X		X	X	X	X				X
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	6/12 mo	\$525	\$775		X		X				X		X				X	X	X						X
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	6/9/12 mo	\$810	\$1150	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				X	X		X	X			X	X	X	X
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	6/9/12 mo	\$625	\$935		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X						X
Apt.	2,3	1,2	6/12 mo	\$600	\$775		X		X				X					X		X	X						X
Apt.	1,2,3	1	6/12 mo	\$550	\$785		X	X	X	X	X	X	X					X		X	X	X	X	X			X

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NORTH FARGO

Britannia Village - Rose Management
701-541-7744; 701-730-3063; 701-200-8531; 218-443-1384
702, 802, 902, 910 33rd Ave N, Fargo, ND - www.rosemanagement.net

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218-233-3173; 701-639-7619 - 701 33rd Ave N, Fargo, ND - www.rosemanagement.net

400 Building - MetroPlains
70232-1887; 701-551-5107 - 400 Broadway, Fargo, ND - www.metroplains.com

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763-645-9077 - 1321 5th Ave N, Fargo, ND - www.metroplains.com

Rose Terrace - Rose Management
701-541-0254 - 901 33rd Ave N, Fargo, ND - www.rosemanagement.net

Apartment Information		Utilities Paid				Building Features					Apartment Features																
Eff.	Bedrooms	Bathrooms	Lease Term	Min Rent	Max Rent	Gas	Water	Heat	Garbage	Sewer	Garage	Underground Parking	Laundry Room	Fitness Center	Pool	Sauna	Handicap Access	Secured/Controlled Entry	Private Entry	Pets Allowed	Dishwasher	Air Cond.	Central Air	W/D Hookups	W/D in Unit	Walk-in Closet	Patio/Balcony
Apt.	2	1	12 mo	\$550	\$575	X	X		X		X	X						X		X	X						X
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	12 mo	\$550	\$900		X		X		X	X						X		X	X		X	X			X
Senior Living Apt.	1,2	1										X					X	X			X						
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	12 mo	\$530	\$975						X	X	X							X	X		X	X			X
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	6/12 mo	\$600	\$950				X		X	X	X					X		X	X		X	X			X

WEST FARGO

Parkwest Gardens Community - Goldmark
701-282-2116 - 1150 2nd St E, West Fargo - www.goldmark.com

Apartment Information		Utilities Paid				Building Features					Apartment Features																
Eff.	Bedrooms	Bathrooms	Lease Term	Min Rent	Max Rent	Gas	Water	Heat	Garbage	Sewer	Garage	Underground Parking	Laundry Room	Fitness Center	Pool	Sauna	Handicap Access	Secured/Controlled Entry	Private Entry	Pets Allowed	Dishwasher	Air Cond.	Central Air	W/D Hookups	W/D in Unit	Walk-in Closet	Patio/Balcony
Apt/Town homes	Studio 1,2,3,4	1,2	6/9/12 mo	\$330	\$760	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X					X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

SOUTH MOORHEAD

Cedar Park - Rose Management
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Century 22 - The Property Shop
701-205-7925 - 1209 20th St S, Moorhead, MN - www.thepropertyshop.weebly.com

Eastwood - Rose Management
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701-403-4050 - 1007 18 1/2 St S, Moorhead, MN - www.rosemanagement.net

Griffin Court - Goldmark
218-233-1934 - 3002 18th St S #102, Moorhead - www.goldmark.com

Midtown Manor - Rose Management
701-261-2430 - 1121 2nd Ave S, Moorhead, MN - www.rosemanagement.net

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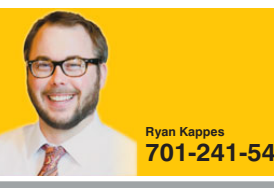
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Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	12 mo	\$525	\$790						X	X						X		X	X		X	X			
Apt.	1,2	1	12 mo	\$450	\$540		X	X				X									X						
Apt.	1,2	1	12 mo	\$350	\$550		X	X										X		X	X						
Town Home-like	3	1.5	12 mo	\$775	\$800							X							X		X		X				X
Apt.	2,3	1	9/12 mo	\$520-\$560	\$710	X	X		X	X	X	X								X	X						X
Apt.	1,2	1	6/12 mo	\$525	\$600			X				X									X	X					X
Apt.	2	1	12 mo	\$660	\$660		X	X				X										X					
Apt.	1,2,3	1,2	12 mo	\$700	\$1,015		X	X			X							X		X	X			X	X		X
Apt.	1,2	1	12 mo	\$450	\$540		X	X				X										X					
Apt.	2	1		\$575	\$675		X	X	X	X		X									X	X					
Apt.	2,3	1,2	12 mo	\$725	\$850			X			X	X						X		X	X		X				X
Apt.	1,2	1	9/12 mo	\$495	\$720		X	X	X		X	X	X								X	X					
Apt.	1,2	1	12 mo	\$450	\$540		X	X				X										X					X
Apt.	1,2	1	12 mo	\$450	\$540		X	X				X										X					X
Apt.	1,2	1	12 mo	\$450	\$540		X	X				X										X					X

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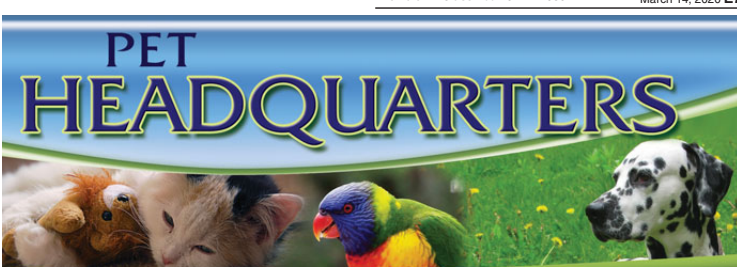
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BIGAR'S STARS DAILY HOROSCOPE

By Jacqueline Bigar
A baby born today has a Sun in Pisces and a Moon in Scorpio until 7:00 a.m., when the Moon enters Sagittarius.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, March 14, 2020:
This year, you break past certain self-imposed restrictions. You will like how you feel in the long run. You tend to push yourself very hard. If single, break patterns and be open to dating a different type of person.

people. A child or loved one delights in your humor, lightness and ideas. Tonight: Oh yes! yes to fun.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
***** Another person seeks you out. You might have a tendency to play restless right now and continue to be unresponsive to the outside world. Recognize that this is your choice and no one else's. Tonight: Kick up your heels at home.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
***** Say what you think and ask for feedback. You will find that information coming forth is interesting if nothing else. A conversation with a neighbor or close relative proves to be enlightening. Be a good listener. Tonight: At a favorite haunt.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
***** Be sensitive to your budget; otherwise you could feel as if your weekend plans are getting out of control despite your best efforts. Your words have more of an impact than you think. Pick and choose your words with care. Tonight: Out and about.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
***** You feel empowered and ready to handle any matter that heads your way. Do not underestimate how much a key person relishes your company and understanding. Tonight: Go with the moment.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
***** You might be more closed off than usual. Sharing what is going on with a dear friend could be important. You need to hear a different perspective. Do not underestimate the impact you have on others. Tonight: Opt for a quiet night with a loved one.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
***** Friendship plays an enormous role in your life, and today is no exception. Others care about how you feel and what you think. You will see this when hanging out with friends. Make time to call and catch up on a friend's news. Tonight: Beaming from ear to ear.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
***** You might not be open to sharing more than you need to. Pressure remains high, and you would be well-advised to test out certain concepts to get strong feedback. Not everything is as you believe. Tonight: Play it low-key.
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Readers are invited to write Bigar at her website, jacquelinebigar.com.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
***** One-on-one relating draws a very different feeling around a relationship and/or finances. You need to evaluate what you are experiencing. You could be surprised by what someone shares. News from a distance has an impact. Tonight: Try a new spot.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
***** At first, you might not be inclined to make a major change. In fact, do not pressure yourself to respond in any way or suggestion immediately, but listen to what is being shared. The facts might be distorted. Tonight: Respond to a loved one.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
***** Your effectiveness is tested. You can only do so much. Be sensible when making plans, but give yourself some time to relax. Refer to another person; this person could be quite serious, yet he or she has a great imagination. Tonight: Pace yourself.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
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16 Pair
17 Infield covers
19 Calendar abbr.
20 Carson's successor
22 Sign before
23 Stereo alternative
24 Kagan of the Supreme Court
26 Music storage unit
28 Texter's "I didn't need to know that!"
30 — Paulo, Brazil
31 Picture for a passport, say
35 Surgical tool
39 Simple
40 Rainbow
42 Writer
43 James
43 "The Greatest"
44 Aquarium growth
46 D.C.
47 Noble
49 Florentine family
51 JFK's vessel
51 Breast-bones
52 By word of mouth
DOWN
1 "Part II" film
2 Chant
3 Fish eggs
4 Formerly, once
5 Birth-related
6 Three-legged stands
7 Operates
8 Blond shade
9 Follow relentlessly
10 Curtis of cosmetics
11 Move laterally
13 Interior design
18 Fun and games
21 — house (free)
23 Do-re-mi
25 "I love," in Latin
27 Tic — toe
29 Dressing choice
31 Mosque VIPs
32 Computer key
33 Lion packs
34 URL ending
36 Ancient
37 Olympic awards
38 Trivial
41 Poultry choice
44 Teen's woe
45 French 101 verb
48 Apr. address-
50 Soap unit

Solution time: 26 mins.

Crossword puzzle grid with letters filled in.

Yesterday's answer 3-14

Large crossword puzzle grid for today's puzzle.

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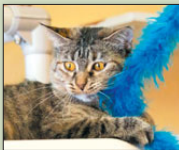
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Pet Announcements

SHELTER PET OF THE WEEK

Chrysalis is an adult, spayed female cat, probably born in early 2018. She was a summer mommy with us. Her kittens are Amino, Benzene, Methyl, and Nitro.

Chrysalis



Chrysalis is super goofy and affectionate. She spends a lot of time flipped on her back begging for attention. She likes to play like a kitten, scampering from one corner of the room to the other and batting toys under the furniture. Chrysalis would be a great friend for kind children who like to toss toys and cuddle with kitties.



Do you have a question for a local pet professional? Send them to us and we'll run the answers right here in PetsHQ!

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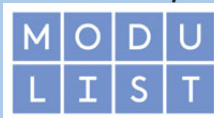
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Has your pet vanished? Don't panic!



Pet I.D. microchips allow the authorities to find a lost animal more easily.

You just got home from work and your pet is nowhere to be found! Your stress level climbs as it becomes increasingly obvious that your best friend has vanished into thin air.

But there's no need to panic. Start by looking in all the nooks and crannies of your home and yard. Maybe your furry little friend is fast asleep underneath your bed or in the shade of your rose bushes. If that isn't the case, widen the search zone and start to comb the neighbourhood with the help of family or friends.

If your search is fruitless, you might decide it's time to call the local animal shelters. Give a precise description of your animal. The colour of its coat, its race, and any distinctive marks are all good details. Leave your contact information so that the employees can get in touch

with you quickly if they find your pet.

If you still haven't found your pet, plaster the neighbourhood with notices featuring a recent photo of your animal. Printing them in colour will make them more likely to attract the attention of passersby. Offer a cash reward if you have the means.

Once all this has been done, the only thing left to do is keep your eyes open, cross your fingers, and hope that your pet will soon find its way home.

Don't forget that identifying your animal with a microchip implant, a tattoo, or a tag is the best way to avoid this situation. Getting an identification microchip implanted by a veterinarian costs around \$75 and is definitely the most efficient way to locate an animal that has strayed.

Good Leash Etiquette

If you were walking down the street and a complete stranger ran over and gave you a hug and kiss, you might feel more than a bit uncomfortable. For a lot of people, that's not far from what it's like to get an unsolicited nuzzling by a dog they don't know. You might be wholly assured of your dog's good nature, but being a responsible dog owner means asking permission before letting him say "hello" to other people or other dogs.

This and other tips for leash etiquette are part of the education campaign led by the Canadian Kennel Association during Responsible Dog Ownership Week, from September 17-24. As Sarah McDowell, CKC's communications officer, explains, "The RDOG initiative promotes responsible dog ownership through education and support, while recognizing the positive contribution that canines make to our society."

"Dog ownership remains a concern throughout the year," she adds. "That's why RDOG events provide an excellent opportunity for dog enthusiasts to spread the word about being a responsible dog owner—from dog obedience training and socialization to canine safety awareness—to ensure that dogs are respected members of our community."

THE CKA RECOMMENDS THAT WHEN WALKING A DOG, OWNERS SHOULD LEARN TO:

Control meetings between your dog and other people: no jumping, bouncing, or grabbing should be permitted, even if done with friendly intentions.

Limit meetings with other dogs to five seconds or so, so they don't have time to negotiate dominance through fighting.

Urge your dog to walk past other dogs and people in a heel position; you don't need to let your dog stop and investigate everything it passes.

