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If the American education system did its job, we should all be aware of how our government is supposed to work. There's the legislative branch — Congress — which is supposed to make laws. There's the executive branch — the President, Vice President and many federal agencies — which is meant to

carry out the laws. And finally there's the judicial branch — the Supreme Court and other lower courts — which is meant to evaluate the laws.

This system of checks and balances is meant to protect our democratic freedoms central to the American ideal, but that's simply not how these branches are currently functioning. The Supreme Court holds an extreme amount of

power compared to the other two branches. Meanwhile, it's approval rating from the American public has fallen more than 17% in a year.

The problems within the judicial branch are complex, but among other things they are a result of fears that the branch has too much power, that the court has been unfairly packed by judges who ideologically don't represent the wants of

Americans and that lifetime appointments pose a political danger to the modern landscape.

In terms of its ability to function, the Supreme Court relies on legitimacy, and right now, that legitimacy should be thoroughly questioned.

Too much power

When the U.S. government was being designed, the founding fathers believed the judicial branch would

be the weakest of the three powers. In fact, Congress was meant to be the most powerful. However, political gridlock, lobbyist contributions to politicians and individuals too focused on reelection rather than supporting their constituents has led to relative inaction by Congress.

President Joe Biden can't seem to get anywhere. Look no further to understand

the ineffectiveness of our current system than how two senators, Joe Manchin and Kyrsten Sinema, have completely stalled Biden's infrastructure bill that would provide care to the aging and disabled, help with housing during a crisis and allow for paid leave

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Review: 'The Harder They Fall' is the best Western since 'Django Unchained'

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Variety Editor

Once again, the Western genre is back with another attempt to revive an ages-old class of filmmaking. With a handful of critical and commercial duds over the years, including 2016's "The Magnificent Seven" reboot and this year's Clint Eastwood flick, "Cry Macho", it's safe to say that the Western category needed a jumpstart to hold any modern relevancy.

With the last successful and memorable Western being 2012's "Django

Unchained" from Quentin Tarantino, the field was open for the taking as long as it brought forth a fresh and forward-thinking take that would get people to spend time and money on the

project. Rest assured, "The Harder They Fall" offers that and much more.

Co-produced by Jay-Z, the film centers around Nat Love (Jonathan Majors) who discovers that his longtime enemy Rufus Buck (Idris Elba) is being released from prison. When Love unearths this information, he recruits his former team of gang members to track him down and exact revenge.

The film slowly turns

into a bloody revenge epic that showcases a top-tier cast facing off against one another, with Westerners refusing to accept defeat until the end of the line. It's a storyline that's been done time and time again yet set against a refreshing backdrop with new life breathed into it.

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COVID-19 update: cases, vaccinations and boosters on campus and worldwide

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Although campus is seeing more face-to-face interaction, the COVID-19 pandemic is still a problem. This year, students are experiencing a more normal college experience, but they are still being affected by guidelines that prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to protect students and staff.

According to North Dakota State University, 29 total confirmed positive cases have been reported on campus within the last ten days, as of Nov. 1. These cases are confirmed through public health entities or through self reporting. More cases

could be occurring that NDSU is not aware of, or have not been reported.

As of Oct. 31 the U.S. had 18,883 new cases reported. The U.S. leads the world in the number of confirmed deaths from the virus with more than 745,800 people dead from COVID-19, according to NPR.

The world has also been seeing a surge of cases in regions where international travel has seen more relaxed safety measures. "As of Oct. 26, the European region experienced an 18% surge in new COVID-19 cases," according to NPR. Southeast Asia is also seeing a surge similar to that in Europe.

On Oct. 31, visitors of

Shanghai Disneyland were forced into a lockdown when one guest tested positive for COVID-19. The visitors were locked inside the park with Chinese government officials guarding the exits.

Around 34,000 administered tests were given to guests in a single night, all of which tested negative. According to NPR, "Chinese media say an estimated 100,000 people visited the park Saturday and Sunday, all of whom will now need to be tested."

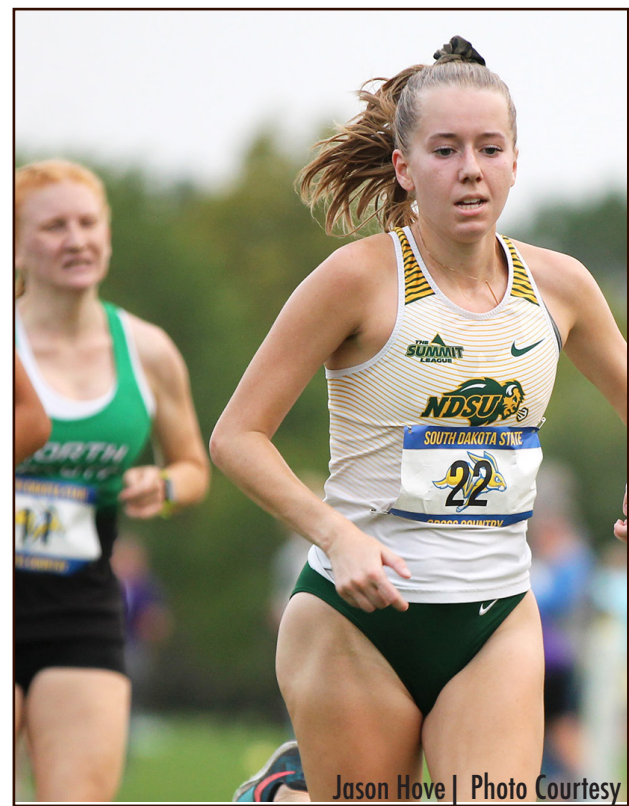
The United States is still moderately strict of international travelers. According to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC),

if you are traveling internationally, "you will need to get a COVID-19 viral test (regardless of vaccination status) before you travel by air into the United States."

Vaccination eligibility is also changing in the U.S. as COVID-19 vaccines are available for children ages five to 11. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration on Friday authorized the Pfizer Inc. and BioNTech SE coronavirus vaccine for children, according to Reuters.

The program for child vaccination will be fully functioning by the next week, Nov. 8.

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Bison roundup, Halloween weekend style

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Staff Writer

Cross Country

The NDSU men's and women's cross country teams participated in the Summit League Cross Country Championships on Halloween weekend. The women took second in the competition while the men took third.

Senior Kelby Anderson paved the way for the second-place win, as she dominated the competition taking second overall in the race with a time of 21:11.58. Anderson was only eight seconds behind South Dakota State's Leah Hansen. Fellow Bison Kaleesa Houston took seventh overall in the race with 21:52.61.

Freshman Grace Link took twelfth in the with a time of 22:13.31, while her teammate Jen Dufner finished in 15th with. The Bison as a team narrowly lost by one-point to SDSU. The Jackrabbits finished with 55 averaging 21:58, NDSU finished with 56 and averaged

22:02. South Dakota took third with 67 and averaged 22:14.

On the men's side, freshman Mason Kindel led his team to third place win finishing twelfth in the race with a time of 25:28.36. Kindel's teammate Jake Arason closely trailed finishing in 14th at 25:31.71. Payton Smith finished in 21st with 25:54.88, and Isaac Huber finished in 23rd with 26:01.

The Bison took third finishing with a score of 93 and averaged an average time of 25:47. South Dakota State won the competition with 17 points averaging 24:44, while St. Thomas took second with 46 and averaged 25:11.

Both the men's and women's teams will travel on November 12 to Iowa City, Iowa for the NCAA Midwest Regional championships.

Basketball

The Bison men's basketball team soundly defeated Minot State 85-54 on Monday, Nov. 1 at the Scheels Center.

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Biden makes quick work to diversify courts

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Staff Writer

In March 2021, President Joe Biden announced his intent to diversify the court system while also appointing previous public defenders.

“These nominees consist of attorneys who have excelled in the legal field in a wide range of positions, including as renowned jurists, public defenders, prosecutors, in the private sector, in the military and as public servants at all levels of government,” Biden said.

President Biden very excitedly announced his faith in the nominees and their ability to represent the U.S. on a more diverse front.

“This trailblazing slate of nominees draws from the very best and brightest minds of the American legal profession. Each is deeply qualified and prepared to deliver justice faithfully under our Constitution and impartially to the American people — and together they represent the broad diversity of background, experience, and perspective that makes our nation strong,” Biden said.

The president has not yet nominated a white man which many

support in his efforts to diversify the federal judges and a majority of his nominees have been women.

According to the Washington Post, women from diverse racial or ethnic backgrounds account for 10.9% of the active judges in the district courts, but only 6.4% of active judges in the appellate courts.

According to the Washington Post’s data as of April 2021, N.D. currently has no minority judges serving in the State Judiciaries.

Many believe that Biden is silently making history as he is on track to appoint more circuit judges than any other president, and create the most diverse group as well.

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NHS and UND collaborate to preserve tribal language, culture

Digitally preserved interviews will be used as education tools for grades K-12 to emphasize Indigenous history and culture within the classroom in accordance with Senate Bill 2304, passed earlier this year.

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Head News Editor

The Nueta Hidatsa Sahnish Community College, formerly known as Fort Berthold Community College, and the University of North Dakota are collaborating to digitally preserve Mandan, Hidatsa and Arikara language culture.

According to the Bismarck Tribune, the schools will use a \$500,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to fund the initiative. This also includes a separate effort to boost the study of American Indian History in the Dakotas.

Members of NHS plan to digitally record an interview with Three Affiliated Tribes elders to preserve what officials say is “critically endangered” language resources and other at-risk traditional knowledge, according to US News. UND says they will aid in the digital collection process.

These tapes will be used as educational resources for the state’s new K-12 Native American history curriculum, reported the Bismarck Tribune.

Schools are to include an emphasis on the state’s federally recognized Native tribes: the Three Affiliated Tribes, Standing Rock Sioux, Spirit Lake Nation, Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa and Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate Nation.

Back in April 2021, the North Dakota Legislature passed Senate Bill 2304 that requires all schools in the state to teach Native American history, culture and treaty rights. The bill requires all elementary and secondary public and nonpublic schools in the state to include curriculum on the Native American history.

“We are pleased and gratified that my colleagues in the North Dakota state legislature saw fit to pass SB2304,

a bill that has long been needed in our state,” said N.D. state Rep. Ruth Buffalo to Native News Online. “Native people of North Dakota are a crucial part of the cultural and educational landscape in our state, and this bill will ensure movement towards mutual understanding and cooperation for future generations.”

The bill was split into two divisions: Division A, the elementary version, and Division B, the high school version. The entire bill passed 72-21 and will receive its effective date from 2022 to 2024, according to Native News Online.

“Historically, the American education system was designed to erase Indigenous peoples’ language, culture and history,” said Beheler. “This bill combats the erasure of Indigenous people and gives us an opportunity to take a deeper look at how we’re meeting the education needs of the children in our state.”

For students looking to enroll in an Indigenous language, culture and/or history course at North Dakota

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State University, a minor program in Tribal and Indigenous Studies is offered.

According to the program website, “Tribal and Indigenous Peoples Studies builds strong communities through mutual understandings of our shared and complex history, shaped by settler colonialism and white supremacy, that continue to influence our relationships today.”

“The minor is open to all NDSU students who wish to enhance their understanding of the history, culture and contemporary issues of North American Indigenous populations and Indigenous populations on other continents.”



North Dakota Department of Transportation, Poppy Mills | Photo Courtesy Tribal flags on display in the North Dakota Capital building located in Bismarck.

Stigma around addiction in ND

North Dakota released report stating changed stigma of addiction

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Stigma surrounding addiction has changed in North Dakota, as more people are viewing it as a health condition. On Oct. 25, North Dakota released the results addressing addiction sigma in the state. The results found that 74% of North Dakota residents agree that addiction is a health condition and those suffering should seek treatment.

The research report stated that people struggling with addiction are often delayed in seeking treatment when negative stigma surrounds it. The three major domains of stigma include stereotypes, prejudice and discrimination, accroding to the North Dakota report. Organizations try to break this stigma, by

educating people about those affected with addiction. Shatterproof is a company that works to end the addiction crisis in America and change the stigma surrounding addiction. The organization seeks to revolutionize medical treatment of Substance Use Disorder and educate others. Shatterproof treats addiction like the chronic disease it is and offering evidence-based resources for prevention, treatment and recovery.

Substance use disorder and addiction have influenced hundreds of thousands lives in the United States. “In 2018, more than 175,000 deaths in the U.S. were related to alcohol and other drugs — the third largest cause of death in the nation,” according to Shatterproof. The world has also seen an increase in substance

use cases since the pandemic which resulted in isolation for millions. According to the American Psychological Association, “The pandemic brought an 18% increase nationwide in overdoses compared with those same months in 2019.”

Amy Werremeyer works as a psychiatric pharmacist at North Dakota State University, who specializes in mental illness and substance use disorders. “We know that the more the public has a stigma about substance use disorder, the more people who have a substance use disorder will stigmatize themselves,” said Werremeyer. This affects those who have substance use disorder because they feel more shame and judgement on them, which could

prevent them from seeking help. Werremeyer agreed that the stigma has seemed to improve in the last few years. “I think there’s a lot more attention being paid to it and a lot more education being provided,” she said. The changed stigma has resulted in more

conversations about substance use disorder and mental illness. In the recent years, those who may be struggling are feeling more comfortable coming forward and seeking help.

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According to CNBC, “Covid outbreaks have led to more than 2,000 school closures — impacting more than 1 million children and 68,000 teachers — nationwide since August.”

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio, mandated that all municipal city officials must be vaccinated for COVID-19 or put on unpaid leave. Protests and unions have been occurring with police and firefighters across the city.

According to CNN, “Mayor Bill de Blasio said approximately 9,000 city employees are on leave without pay as of Monday, out of a workforce of 378,000, for not complying

with vaccine mandate regulations.”

NDSU also encourages vaccines for students. The university provided a \$100 incentive for students who were fully vaccinated by Oct. 15

Over 60% of NDSU students have been fully vaccinated. This is similar to the national number of about 58% of the U.S. population being vaccinated.

NDSU students are strongly encouraged by administration to wear masks indoors on campus, however, masks are required when in a classroom.

Booster shots have been available to those who are at extreme risk for COVID-19. The majority of fully

vaccinated people are eligible for a booster shot. According to CNN, “At least 89% of vaccinated American adults are eligible once enough time has passed since their original shots.”

The booster shots are meant to further protect people at risk from COVID-19. According to Reuters, the Pfizer vaccine was 95.6% effective against the coronavirus.

“We are committed to minimizing the impact of the pandemic while also being responsible to the health and safety of our students and employees,” stated Laura Mcdaniel, Associate Vice President at NDSU.



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Presented by
Ramona Faith Oswald, Ph.D.
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LGBTQ parents and their children live in every type of community; differences in location are linked to intersections of race, class, gender and place-based attachments and identities. These communities vary in their social climate for LGBTQ issues, and community climate variations have an impact on the health and well-being, as well as the political engagement, of LGBTQ parents and their children.

Oswald will describe what is known about the social climate within local legal, political, religious, educational and employment contexts that LGBTQ parents and their children traverse in daily living. Further, she will summarize the research on how this climate impacts their quality of life. Also, she will discuss the importance of understanding communities as ever-changing, in part due to the efforts of LGBTQ parents and their children.

The Human Development and Family Science Department gratefully acknowledges the support of the Gertrude Weigum Hinsz Lecture Endowment Fund.



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The Stack-Up: Dune

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Staff Writer

How does the film stack-up to the novel? “Dune” by Frank Herbert is the most beloved and engaging work of sci-fi literature. The vast, evolving story of war, power and corruption is difficult to adapt to screen and is without a doubt the spiciest book and film I’ve covered to date (as in psychedelic spice).

The Book
“There should be a science of discontent. People need hard times and oppression to develop psychic muscles.” Written in 1965, the novel covers the rise to power of Paul Atreides following the loss of his father’s empire by the schemes of fiendish and genius Baron Harkonen. Left with only his mother, Paul traverses the desert planet Arrakis, the source of the spice “Millange”

which is the universe’s druglike currency. He encounters massive destructive sandworms and the Fremen, a throng of warriors who embrace Paul as their long-awaited messiah. Despite taking place on a desert planet devoid of water, the story is far less cut and dry than I made it sound. The plot is describable but at the cost of its excellent presentation. To better describe the spice, Millage, I will turn to the definition by Paul upon being exposed and elevated by it. “A poison, so subtle...so irreversible. It won’t...kill you unless you stop taking it. We can’t leave Arrakis...we take Arrakis with us,” representing darkness and mystery in this saga disguised as a novel. Chances are you’ve noticed this novel’s influence in other formats. George Lucas took heavy inspiration

from this book (desert planets, rebels battling evil empire) and a referential line in “A New Hope” (Luke: “My father didn’t fight in the wars, he was a navigator on a spice freighter.”), and the implementation of religious and spiritual themes. “Dune” is everything you can get in a novel and more. It is vast and difficult to express, but endlessly intriguing. The driving action as well as the expository revelations are within the characters’ internalizations and brilliant dialogue. “Dune” is a story written in prose with a deep, methodical exploration of an empire’s fall and a leader’s rise, culminating in the inevitable corruption of a radical following. **Review: 4.5/5**

The Film
Directed by Denis Villeneuve and starring

Timothee Chalamet, Oscar Isaac, Zendaya and featuring Charlotte Rampling who was once attached to play Paul’s mother in the infamous 1970’s aborted Alejandro Jodorowski’s “Dune” but left in disgust over a scripted mass defecation scene of 2,000 extras (I’m not lying), this film covers the first half of the book. I would say this makes my job half the work, but this is ‘Dune’ we’re talking about. “Dune” is a spectacle in every sense of the word. The production design is beautiful. The casting fits the actors’ strengths and does not detract from the story (except for when Jason Momoa inexplicably shaved his beard halfway through. I almost didn’t recognize him). The direction is solid, and the musical score is tremendous, definitely Hans Zimmer’s best work in years.

This is a work driven by filmmakers who love Frank Herbert’s novel. Therein lies its strength and weakness. Its strength is that it captures the worldbuilding and atmosphere brilliantly. Its weakness is that it does not fully stand alone as a film. The film’s pacing is a slow, slow burn which ends quite abruptly; I asked at the end “That’s it?” Imagine “Batman Begins” ending at the 30-minute mark after Bruce blew up the League of Shadows’ lair and returned with Alfred to Gotham. But even that example has a more satisfying rising action, climax and resolution than this film. This film is the first part of a planned franchise, which is a commendable risk on the filmmakers’ part since the box office determines a second, finishing part. This adaption is

what happens when the filmmakers are themselves fans of the source material, and I’m sorry to say that is a rare occurrence. In being so much an homage to the book, it sacrifices standing out as its own film. I left the theater not disappointed, just expecting more. Frank Herbert’s “Dune” is what I consider an unadaptable book, but this film succeeded in being the best possible adaption we’ll have.

Review: 3.5/5
My favorite line in the film was from Rampling’s character, the Bene Gesserit witch regarding her assessment of Paul: “So much potential wasted in a male.” I can’t be the only one who laughed out loud at this.

Review: ‘The Harder They Fall’ is the best Western since ‘Django Unchained’

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top-tier cast facing off against one another, with Westerners refusing to accept defeat until the end of the line. It’s a storyline that’s been done time and time again yet set against a refreshing backdrop with new life breathed into it. “The Harder They Fall” offers an all-star cast that sees veterans in the modern film industry put forth some of their most unique performances yet. The film stars Majors (The Last Black Man in San Francisco, Loki), with supporting performances from Elba, along with Regina King, LaKeith Stanfield and Zazie Beetz. Aside from the

refreshing plot and stellar acting, the film’s soundtrack, also curated by Jay-Z, is a delight for fans of all ages. The soundtrack spans genres offering everything from the old sounds of the Wild West to new sounds of modern hip-hop. The film’s lead single was released days before the film to promote its upcoming release. “King Kong Riddim”, the first collaboration from Jay-Z, Jadakiss and Conway the Machine offers a glimpse into the film’s world and its intentions to create a new-school film set in an old-school universe and genre. Clocking in at just over two hours in length, the film does



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The film also boasts an all-star cast and soundtrack curated by producer, Jay-Z. leave audiences feeling as if there would have been more to offer from this high class of acting. Many of the larger names in the film, such as Stanfield and Beetz, picked up traction over the past few years and have launched into a new level of stardom. While they did sign on for a supportive role from the beginning, the film felt as if it had more to offer their characters that was left on the cutting room floor. Had the film been slightly more ambitious in building a world around these characters and reviving the Western classic

genre, their characters could have been led to developing spin-offs, as the charismatic roles given to them make audiences desperate and clamoring for more. For anyone who’s been missing out on a classic Western flick in a near-forgotten genre, “The Harder They Fall” is more than worth the price of admission. While it may take time to reach the level of “Tombstone”, “Unforgiven” and “Django”, the new-school take may be exactly what the dying genre needs to thrive once again. “The Harder They Fall” is available on Netflix now. **Review: 3.5/5**

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The newest addition to the chain opened in Fargo earlier this month

Grant Ayers
Variety Editor

When I was first told that “lumberjack Hooters” finally came to town, it’s safe to say that I was somewhat confused and taken aback by that statement. After digging for answers, the result that I found was nothing short of extraordinary. Twin Peaks, founded in 2005 in Lewisville, Texas, drew many comparisons from Hooters immediately upon opening. So many so, in fact, that Hooters sued the ex-executive and founder in 2011 when they slowly began expanding. With only thirteen locations at the time, Twin Peaks has grown immensely since then and now has over 80 locations. With a restaurant chain of this size making its way north, it was surprising to only hear about it just now as it entered the Fargo-Moorhead area. Located in central Fargo, where Shotgun Sally’s used to reside, Twin Peaks offers the atmosphere that their brand promised from

the beginning. As the slogan states that Twin Peaks is filled with “Eats, Drinks and Scenic Views”, the restaurant makes fun of itself right away. While most attend with groups for the “high-quality service”, we attended for the stellar food that was recommended by a waitress’s significant other. While we did enter with some expectations and menu recommendations, the food surpassed what we could have imagined. Popular menu items include the Spicy Meatball Parmesan and Smoked Pork Cubano sandwiches, as well as the Billionaire’s

Bacon Burger. Each of us got a different item on the menu, along with a handful of side dishes, with none of us regretting visiting. While most simply attend for the food and drinks, there is an extra attraction for the avid golf lover. With courses being closed for the winter in the frighteningly cold Fargo weather, Twin Peaks offers multiple high-end golf simulators. For \$50/hour per group, attendees can enjoy the closest thing to golfing that Fargo has to offer this time of year, while also enjoying some delicious food and

beverages. It may not live up to the vast greens that other golf courses in the area have during the spring and summer months, but it’s still a great way to get out and have some fun being semi-active. Some may come strictly for the service at Twin Peaks on their first time visiting, but they would be quick to learn to return again and again for the food. With an environment that combines Hooters, Buffalo Wild Wings and Top Golf, Twin Peaks is sure to make its mark on Fargo and stick around for years to come.



Twin Peaks Website | Photo Courtesy

The menu offers a wide variety of burgers, sandwiches and more.

James Bond’s new movie ‘No Time to Die’ is a hit

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“The proper function of man is to live, not to exist. I shall not waste my days in trying to prolong them. I shall use my time,” a quote from author Jack London that is featured in the new James Bond movie, “No Time to Die,” stars Daniel Craig, Ana de Armas, Rami Malek and many other talented actors. In most recent films, Daniel Craig has starred as James Bond, a fictional character that is also known as Agent 007. But if you didn’t know this already, shame on you — James Bond movies are so good. According to film website IMDB, “James Bond has left active service, his peace is short-lived when Felix Leiter, an old friend from the CIA turns up asking for help, leading Bond onto the trail of a mysterious villain armed with dangerous new technology.” This is the final farewell for James Bond and let me tell you, I cried. You need to go watch, “No Time to Die.” Seriously, if you haven’t watched it yet, you are missing

out. And the movie is still in theaters. In the UK, “A Time to Die,” has become the highest-grossing film in 2021 and since the pandemic began, just after four days in cinemas, says 007.com. The film has received ratings from The Times, The Daily Telegraph, The Guardian, Time Out, Daily Mirror and BBC. While The Times says, “It’s better than good, it’s magnificent.” And Time Out describes the film as, “A feast of heart and spectacle.” I couldn’t agree more. “No Time to Die,” has been out in the U.S. since Oct. 8. Since then, the film has received 84% rotten tomatoes and an 88% audience score. While the box offices have already made 55.2 million dollars on the film.

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If you really care about ‘personal choice’ you’ll wear a mask

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following pregnancy (among many other things).

While the Supreme Court does not have the man-power or financing of the other branches, their ability to make and unmake laws with only the resistance of other court members, has in many ways, made it the most powerful branch of the U.S. government.

“In terms of its ability to function, the Supreme Court relies on legitimacy, and right now, that legitimacy should be thoroughly questioned.”

Politically skewed

Despite the fact that only 29% of U.S. registered voters identify themselves as Republican (as compared to 34% who identify as Independents and 33% who identify as Democrats), the Supreme Court has a 6-3 skew of Republican to Democratic judges.

The makeup is not representative of the American people, which is problematic as Supreme Court judges typically vote according to their political affiliation; conservative judges make conservative rulings and liberal judges make liberal rulings. As it stands, the current Supreme Court is likely incapable of making rulings that would represent the wishes of the American people as a whole.

Not to mention the ways in which the court came to be so skewed. In 2016, with roughly 10 months left in his term, Barack Obama chose Merrick Garland as his Supreme Court nominee. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell insisted on blocking any vote on Garland during an election year, saying, the American people should “have a voice.”

In 2019, McConnell went back on his

opinion saying he would confirm former President Donald Trump’s Supreme Court nominee if it came up during an election year. And so it did, Trump nominated Amy Coney Barret just 28 days before the election, and she was confirmed to the Supreme Court.

All of this is to say that a president who lost the popular vote and only served one term was able to appoint three new justices to the Supreme Court — one of whom was sworn in when 58 million Americans had already voted — while a president who had won the popular vote twice was unable to appoint a new justice with 10 months left in his presidency. There is a disturbing hypocrisy here that sets a precedent for future appointments that should scare Americans on both sides of the political aisle.

Problematic lifetime appointments

The nature of appointing judges has not changed since America was first established; despite our country, and more importantly, our lifespan, changing quite a bit.

As Chief Justice John Roberts has said, “The Framers adopted life tenure at a time when people simply did not live as long as they do now. A judge insulated from the normal currants of life for 25 or 30 years was a rarity then, but is becoming commonplace today.”

During the formation of our government, the average life expectancy for a white male was 38 years. Today, the average American lives to roughly 78 years of age.

Because we’re living so much longer and the nature of a Supreme Court appointment has

become less strenuous over time, judges remain in positions far longer than our founding fathers could have anticipated. As a result, the nomination process that once nearly assured each president the opportunity to nominate several candidates, has now turned into a randomness of life and death.

Two of the last three Supreme Court appointments have followed the death of a justice. With lower and less regular turnover, appointments have become increasingly political and more importantly, have handed increasingly more power to the justices to control American life than ever before.

These long appointments are behind maneuvers like McConnell’s to upend the confirmation process to secure appointments by members of certain political parties. The one branch that was

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meant to — at least partially — remain politically ambivalent is now a political circus about securing judges who will prioritize party over policy.

What does it all mean?

While the Supreme Court can often feel far away and distant from the goings-on

of our everyday lives, it has the potential to seriously change the way America functions. In the coming months, they will reviewing cases on abortion access, gun control, separation of church and state, state secrets and the death penalty.

The rulings the court decides to take will either challenge or uphold long-held and vital precedents in this country. It should be worrisome that a group of individuals that is clearly politically unrepresentative of the American public, and generally unpopular holds so much power over how our nation functions.

Even if you’re a Republican and your political party is thoroughly represented now, there is no saying that someday the court will not someday skew so wholly against you while still dictating how you live your life.

There are changes that can be made to heal this broken system, such as regular appointments. In this case, judges would serve a limited term, with every president getting to appoint a certain number of justices. This would make the confirmation process less political, as the pressure of lifetime appointments would be gone, and the American public would get somewhat of a say in their justices via their presidential pick.

We no longer live in the 1700s and our government should reflect that. In fact, I doubt very many of those Framers would be pleased with how powerful the judicial branch has become. We supposedly live in a democratic society and unelected officials should not be those with the most power to enact change.

It’s Christmas time

Although it’s not yet Thanksgiving, I think it’s time to put up the Christmas tree

Kilee Blume
Staff Writer

Some might wonder whether Christmas starts before or after Thanksgiving. For me, I think Christmas should start before Thanksgiving.

Now that Halloween is over, it’s time to break out the Christmas decorations, light the holiday candles and do anything you can that will get you in the holiday spirit. It’s starting to get cold outside and one way to make it through the harsh winter is the holidays. The holidays should start on Nov. 1, stop one day for Thanksgiving and then it’s back to Christmas mode.

Thanksgiving is great. But now I think it is time to get in the Christmas season spirit. With it being cold outside, we all need a little joy when we walk into our houses or dorms. This could be from the smell of Christmas candles or cookies, the Christmas tree in front of the window or even going out and buying gifts for family and friends. There are so many ways we can start feeling jolly, even though it isn’t even Thanksgiving time.

I like the food on Thanksgiving and the nice food coma nap, I also like being with family. But Christmas is better. Thanksgiving is a day to give thanks, however when 6 p.m. hits, everyone is ready to go shopping, shopping for Christmas. With this being said, celebrating, preparing and decorating for Christmas early is completely fine.

I remember being a little kid and being so excited for the holidays. Back when my mom wouldn’t let us put the tree up before Thanksgiving because we had people coming over on Thanksgiving Day. But now that I’m older and am not living at home — I find it perfectly acceptable to put the tree up Nov. 1.

By putting up the Christmas tree and decorations up early, your house, apartment or dorm will be looking so cute. The Christmas tree will give you comfort, while the decorations and ornaments will be

bringing back all the childhood memories. The cookies will keep you in good spirits and the Christmas candles will have you feeling cozy in cold North Dakota.

Being jolly before Thanksgiving is completely fine. I believe that you’ve got to go with the flow and if decorating the tree, baking cookies or getting out the Christmas candles and wrapping paper is going to make you happy — then you better get to it.

When you put the Christmas tree and decorations up in your house, you will be all ready for the holidays when you get back from break. The tree will be up, decorations will be looking cute and all you’ve got to

“No one will judge you besides the Grinch. Happy Holidays, y’all. It’s finally November.”

do is wrap the presents you got on Black Friday and you’re all ready for the holidays.

The holidays are a difficult time. People are struggling to get through these cold, chilly days. We all need to be in good spirits. What a better way to get in the Christmas spirit than getting ready for Christmas in November. The holidays can be tough for a variety of reasons, but if you walk through your house door and see and smell all of the holiday cheer, you will be feeling so much better.

Yes, Thanksgiving is a fun time. Black Friday shopping is fun. And unfortunately, Halloween is over. But I believe it is perfectly fine to put the Christmas decorations up. If you are struggling in any way, put the Christmas tree up, light some Christmas candles or decorate cookies with some friends.

Life is short, Christmas season is short. Just put up your Christmas tree and decorations even though it isn’t even Thanksgiving yet. No one will judge you besides the Grinch. Happy Holidays, y’all. It’s finally November.



Alex Light | The Spectrum

Stop forcing the Covid-19 vaccine

Firefighters are taking sick leave, others are quitting. Forcing the vaccine is causing more harm than good.

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Staff Writer

According to NBC, approximately 2,000 firefighters have taken a medical leave for this past week due to vaccine sanctions. Some firefighters are completely against the vaccine and would rather lose their job than get the vaccine. Is this okay? I think everyone has the right to choose whether or not they want to get vaccinated for Covid-19. I do not think it is okay for businesses to push and threaten the vaccine on employees if they do not feel comfortable getting it. Whether it is a firefighter, a nurse, or a teacher, employees should be encouraged and informed about the vaccine - but not forced. The deputy

commissioner of the New York City fire department said that the number of firefighters on “sick leave” is very unusual. The NYC fire department usually has 11,000 employees but obviously that number is a lot lower when nearly 2,000 take ‘sick leave.’ This is America. Why are we ‘forcing’ people to get vaccines? I understand that the Covid-19 vaccine is very beneficial, even though we don’t know the long-term effects. Some people just might not feel comfortable getting a vaccine where they don’t know the long-term effects. These firefighters and first responders that are fighting the vaccine mandate should not be fired. According to the NYC Fire

Commissioner, Daniel A. Nigro suggested that those who took part in the “sick leave” are neglecting their oath. Starting Monday, those who do not meet the vaccination requirement will be threatened with unpaid leave. How crazy. I understand that these are firefighters and first responders are around sick and hurt people all the time. But I believe they should be able to make their own decision on whether or not to get the Covid-19 vaccine. I think there is a better way to inform these first responders and firefighters about the Covid-19 vaccine, rather than threatening them with unpaid leave. Maybe those who have gotten vaccinated should get a bonus, while those who are not vaccinated will need to

sit down at a class and learn about the benefits of Covid-19 vaccines. This is just one idea, I’m sure there are better ideas out there to inform those who are unvaccinated about the Covid-19 vaccine. I think statistics about paramedics, first responders and firefighters likelihood of surviving Covid-19 while being vaccinated may be beneficial. I would like to think that these paramedics, first responders and firefighters would find stories about those who survived Covid-19 while on their job, whether they

got Covid-19 from their job or not, would be beneficial to them. It is not okay to threaten people to get the vaccine. There are so many jobs that are already open, by forcing employees to get the vaccine - there will be even more open jobs. If the government, city officials or bosses are thinking about forcing the Covid-19 vaccine, they need to stop. These government, city officials and bosses need to give their employees some respect. If they don’t want to get the vaccine, great. If they do want to get the vaccine, great. Forcing someone to do something is not American and it needs to stop. For those firefighters, first responders and paramedics who are unvaccinated and are

helping someone who has a serious health issue - there may be an issue. To solve this issue, I would have them take Covid-19 tests at least once a week, make sure they are always wearing a mask and are tracking their health on a day-to-day basis. By doing this, those who are immune-compromised will still feel safe. While there are many, many Americans who are already vaccinated for Covid-19, there are still those who are unsure or are completely against it. Employers should be educating their employees, and providing respect and support while our world is frantic about the Covid-19 vaccine.



Covid-19 vaccines might be beneficial, but the workforce is struggling with a vaccine mandate. Agência Brasília, Wikimedia Commons | Photo Courtesy

Where are all the workers?

Are we too lazy, too picky or too scared to work?

Abigail Faulkner
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The great resignation is a term I have heard thrown around a lot this last month or so. Every business owner I have talked to at my job are talking about staffing and how desperately every business needs workers. I believe that anyone with any type of qualification could get virtually any job they want right now. The world is your oyster. And yet, here we are, no applications insight. So why is that? What has so many employees retiring, and young people unwilling to work? More than anything, I think we are seeing a shift in the dynamic between the employer and the employee. Some businesses are so understaffed that

negotiating for a better salary, better hours or better benefits has never been easier. People are tired of working full-time without benefits and they want a livable wage. I think the pandemic is just the straw that broke the camel’s back. For years people have been talking about how minimum wage jobs that are essential to society as we have designed it, are our most underpaid people. Think grocery store clerks, janitors, teachers: all of these people either barely, if at all, make a livable wage. And as a result, these people are done with it. They are quitting. Seeking out better jobs. Furthermore, America is not a country that pushes people to work. Currently,

the government is dishing out money for unemployment. Yesterday the IRS sent out an additional \$500 million to unemployed families. Add that to the money that has been given to people via stimulus checks and other government benefits, some can get by without working. Another factor that contributes to this is very obviously the pandemic. Parents had to stay home to look after their children when daycares shut down. And sometimes, parents pay the majority of their checks on childcare so they can go to work. It looms over many people’s heads that variants of the Sars Cov2 virus could cause another lockdown, especially in heavily populated areas of the country. Institutions

like hospitals and other businesses now have vaccination requirements for employees. Unfortunately, people are choosing to resign as a result leading to even more understaffing. So which is it? Are people lazy? Is the government giving out that much money? Are employers starting to treat their employees better? There is no singular thing to attribute the great resignation to. It’s far more likely that it’s a combination of all of those factors and others I didn’t list. I know through my personal experience, businesses are doing everything and anything to get people on the floor. A few weeks ago, I got a small raise from one of my jobs for no other reason stated then “[they] just

wanted to show me I am appreciated.” People are trickling back into the workforce. Multiple sources reported that over 6.7 million people were hired in June. The Barrons reported, “Recent months have seen reports of wage increases for hourly retail workers and perks for new hires including tuition or hiring bonuses; when it’s a seller’s market like it is now for workers, they have more power to demand or expect higher remuneration.” There are negative side effects to a market stuck without workers to keep in mind as well. Many stores are

having trouble getting their shelves stocked because there is a lack of employees to stock shelves. As well as a lack of factory workers who can make a product. Meaning, that even when the stores do order items, they aren’t even able to get half of what they ordered. As a consumer, there are fewer items for you to purchase as a result of poor staffing. It goes without saying, if the labor market doesn’t bounce back, if the unemployed don’t head back to work, the economy overall is going to suffer. Employers need to treat their employees better, the government needs to get a hold of a budget, childcare needs to be more accessible and people need to get vaccinated.

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NFL injury update after brutal week eight

Titans lose Henry for the season, while Prescott eyes week nine return

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In the past few weeks in the NFL, we have seen some star players go down with some serious injuries. Most of which could totally eliminate a chance at a deep playoff run for their team. Some of these players have a chance to return later in this season, and some have already been ruled out for the rest of the year. So, let's look at the players and their injuries and how it's going to affect their team.

Dak Prescott

This one is not as serious as a few of the others on this list, but when a star quarterback sits for a game that has some important playoff seeding implications, then this injury is deemed important. Cooper Rush is the backup for Prescott, where he was able to get the team to 6-1 by beating the Minnesota Vikings. But, given that Prescott was given an extra week to recover, I would expect him to play next week.

Jameis Winston

This is one of the more serious ones on this list. In Sunday's game against the Buccaneers, the Saints quarterback

suffered a torn ACL in the second quarter where he was replaced by backup Trevor Siemian. He was on pace for a productive season after replacing Hall of Famer Drew Brees at the beginning of the year, throwing for 14 touchdowns and only 3 interceptions. This injury could easily bump the Saints out of playoff contention later in the year.

Derrick Henry

Just say goodbye to the Titans this year. Derrick Henry was playing at a level where he was contending for an MVP. But with him going down with a foot injury that requires surgery, you can count

him out for at least 6-10 weeks, and with him being such a big part of their offense, I expect the Titans to struggle. Hopefully recently signed Adrian Peterson can revert to his old self, as he is expected to get some time with Henry out.

Danielle Hunter

This is another season-ending injury that is going to have a negative impact on his team. On Sunday night against the Cowboys, Hunter suffered a torn pec that is going to require surgery to repair. With Hunter having six sacks on the year, this is going to clearly negatively affect this Vikings

defensive line that has played so well on the pass rush this year.

Zach Wilson

Zach Wilson's injury is an injury I wouldn't be too worried about. He went down with a knee injury in week seven but this team's playoff hopes are already trashed and it's not like Wilson was lighting it up on the field. He was arguable doing just the opposite with nine interceptions on the season. Wilson is going to make a full recovery and is planning to return in week 10, but until then, backup quarterback Mike White is going to be in Wilson's spot.



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Hunter suffered his second season ending injury in as many years on Sunday.

Bison football moves to 8-0 after dominating Sycamores

Next up is a massive game in Brookings against SDSU



Tim Sanger | Photo Courtesy
Kobe Johnson now owns the record for longest run in school history.

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Staff Writer

The North Dakota State football team defeated Indiana State in the Trees Bowl with a 44-2 rout. The win keeps the Bison undefeated, with their record improving to 8-0, best in the Missouri Valley conference. After a slow start against Missouri State, head coach Matt Entz challenged the Herd to get off to a fast start. They answered the call as they scored on their first five possessions of the game.

NDSU's defense was exceptional, pitching a shutout and allowing just 275 yards of offense. They also had four sacks on the day, as well as an interception from cornerback Marques Sigle.

The defense was able to have a big goal-line stand in the second quarter, as linebacker Jackson Hankey made the stop on fourth-and-goal. That goal-line stop really caught Entz's attention.

"Big time play. Those guys they refuse to just concede anything, and that's what I really appreciate about what coach Braun, coach Buddha, coach Goeser, coach Morgan, coach Pronschinske, all those guys have created in that room is that those guys have an edge."

With starting quarterback Quincy Patterson unable to play for the Bison, sophomore quarterback

Cam Miller got the start. He was able to step in a play an efficient game for the Herd, completing 10 of his 14 passes for 179 yards with three touchdowns and one interception.

As usual, NDSU leaned on their running game, rushing for 292 yards and three touchdowns. Kobe Johnson led the Herd in rushing with 155 yards and a touchdown on just five carries. His 97-yard touchdown run was the longest run from scrimmage in NDSU history.

TeMerik Cole and backup quarterback Cole Payton were also able to find the endzone on the ground for NDSU.

Coach Entz declined to name a starting quarterback for next week's game against South Dakota State.

"We got to see how people's health are still. Like I said today we got Quincy out there, got him throwing a little bit but just wasn't prepared to go and we need to make sure that we're doing everything we can to help ourselves win football games, and so sometimes you got to make some tough decisions there, we'll see where he's at."

Up next for the Herd is a huge matchup where they will travel to Brookings to take on number nine ranked South Dakota State where the Bison will look to win back the Dakota Marker.

Bison roundup, Halloween weekend style

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Rocky Kreuser led the Bison with 22 points and nine boards. Krueser went 4-5 from beyond the arch. NDSU took it's first lead in the game 14-13 with twelve minutes left in the first half and never looked back. The Herd took an eleven-point lead after Grant Nelson hit a layup with three and a half minutes left in the first half. The Bison ended the half up 39-24.

The Bison took a 20-point lead with 18 minutes left in the half after Maleeck Harden-Hayes jammed one in after a fast break. Minot State tried to mount a comeback after a three-pointer from Jaxon Gunville, but the Bison did not let up. NDSU took

it's biggest lead of the game of 34 points with a minute and a half left in the game after a layup from Joshua Streit.

The Bison play another exhibition game against Concordia Moorhead on Tuesday, Nov. 9.

Volleyball

The Bison volleyball team defeated Western Illinois 3-1 on Saturday, Oct. 30th at the Bentson Bunker Fieldhouse. The Bison moved to 11-14 on the season, and 5-8 in the Summit League.

Western Illinois won the first set 25-10. The set went back and forth, but a three-point run by the Leathernecks gave them a 14-10 lead, which was a big enough cushion to take

match advantage.

The Bison started the second set hot, after going up 10-5 and after an attack error by the Leathernecks' Aubrey Putman. NDSU went on a four-point run late in the set solidifying the win, tying the match with a 25-19 victory

In the third set, the both teams went back and forth, until a mid-set three-point run by the Bison got the ball rolling going up 13-10. Western Illinois brought the game back to 20-19 after a service error, but the Bison kept rolling and scored two straight to seal the deal with a 25-22 win

In the fourth and final set, the Herd took over starting the set leading 8-2. The Leathernecks



Kelby Anderson took second in the Summit League championship on Saturday the early Jason Hove | Photo Courtesy

The NFL’s boring trade deadline

One big splash and a bunch of meh from the NFL trade deadline

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Sports Editor

The NFL deadline has come and gone and per usual, it was pretty quiet. I think the yearly tradition of fans talking themselves into their team having an excited deadline only to ultimately be disappointed stems from the NBA and MLB deadlines usually being fairly wild.

Part of this likely comes from the large section of NFL teams that make up the NFL middle class. There is not a lot separating the 10th best team in the NFL, and say, the 2nd best team. Just last week four backup quarterbacks won their matchups. How is a front office supposed to buy or sell when they’re not certain how good their team actually is?

The biggest storyline of the trade deadline might have been about the one player that did not get dealt, Houston Texans quarterback Deshaun Watson. There was speculation in place that Houston and the Miami Dolphins had a deal in place and were working out the finer details, but the

deadline has passed and Watson is still a Texan. Time will tell when and if Watson, who is still in the middle of a serious legal battle that includes over 20 sexual assault allegations, will see the football field again.

Nonetheless, there were still a few notable deadline deals. Let’s get into it.

Von Miller

Far and away the biggest deal of the deadline, the Denver Broncos traded the former all-pro Miller to the Los Angeles Rams for a pair of day two picks in the 2022 draft. Miller further solidifies an already stout Rams defense, and proves the Rams faith in their Matthew Stafford offseason trade as they hope to win their first Super Bowl title since 1999.

While other rebuilding teams are selling off pieces to horde draft picks as they plunge head first into full rebuilds, the Rams are doing the exact opposite. The Miller trade now leaves the Rams with just four 2022 draft picks. Additionally, the Rams haven’t picked in the

first round since 2016 when they selected Jared Goff.

Les Snead and the Rams front office have taken an approach that values established NFL veterans over unknown draft picks. This strategy has led to short term success and an open Super Bowl window, but how long that window will stay open with the amount of big-contracts the Rams will need to dish out to keep their core. Either way, it’s fun to see an NFL team attempt such a unique and aggressive approach.

The Broncos lose a legend and fan favorite in Miller. The dominant Denver teams of the mid-2010’s were due in large part to Miller (and a guy named Peyton Manning) and leaves Brandon McManus as the lone player from the 2015 Super Bowl winning Broncos team. Maybe Vic Fangio keeps his job in 2022, but my bet is Denver hits the reset button completely and looks for a new head coach and quarterback this offseason.

Melvin Ingram

The Pittsburgh Steelers flipped the

veteran pass rusher Ingram to the Kansas City Chiefs for a six round pick on the final day of the deadline on Tuesday. It’s a low-risk, high-reward deal for the Chiefs who hope Ingram can provide a spark to what’s been an abysmal team defensive effort through the season’s first eight weeks.

Ingram notched just one sack and 10 tackles in his brief stint as a Steeler, so while Pittsburgh is not losing much production on the outside, they are losing a nice depth piece. While the odds are this deal won’t provide many ripple effects, if Ingram can turn back the clock in the second half of the season and Kansas City can get right on offense, this could wind up being a steal for Kansas City.

Mark Ingram

While Ingram seemed destined to live out the rest of his NFL days on a non-competitive Texans team, New Orleans was willing to give up a few late round picks to get Ingram back in a Saints uniform. Sure Ingram can still play and provides some running

back depth behind Alvin Kamara, but this deal feels more like a locker room addition than it does an on the field one.

Aging running backs aren’t exactly a hot commodity, so it’s hard to imagine any other

team besides the Saints trading for Ingram who was a fan an teammate favorite during his time in New Orleans. Still, you can’t put value on steady veteran leadership, which is exactly what Ingram provides.



Miller is heading West to join the LA Rams. Wiki Commons | Photo Courtesy

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19) Astronaut with Armstrong and Collins

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22) Record store purchases

25) Strong cotton thread

26) No one in particular

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70) "Hotel California" rockers

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11) Physiological thresholds

12) Inaccessible place

13) Clears, on a pay stub

14) More than cheerfulness

20) Hawaii's rare goose

22) Cargo cases

23) Split 50-50

24) "The Tommyknockers" author

28) Gallery display

30) "Born Free" lioness

32) Slide presentation?

33) Canadian / United States divide

35) Fine and dandy

36) Commanded right

38) Romanian currency

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45) Subscription length, often

46) Certain criminal activities

48) Type of locomotive

50) Coterie

53) English liquid measure

55) Cast out

56) Take care of

58) "The Handmaid's ____"

59) Domingo rendition

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By Bill Bobb

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