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City behind in rainfall

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This year, Lynchburg may not be able to live up to its infamous nickname "Drenchburg." Virginia’s rainfall has been almost five inches below average this year. While the lack of rain may currently have students sweating as they trade umbrellas and bulky rain boots for flip flops and sunglasses, it may soon have them sweating as the state heads into a drier, hotter summer. Extreme drought is not a concern. "We’re heading into the summer months (in) more average weather patterns that originate in the Pacific Ocean," said Matt Ferguson, Virginia’s Chief of Operations Meteorologist. According to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), there is a weather pattern that will cause different effects in different parts of the country. Here in the southeast, it will cause drier weather conditions. Ferguson predicts that even though the dry weather will stick around through the summer, extreme drought is not a concern.

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DeMoss Hall to receive updates

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Refocusing Easter: Why the Lamb?

Lynchburg couple use their business as a ministry opportunity

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New site seeks to help students

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With the rapid approach of the end of the semester, students are beginning to question their full schedule and what classes they need to take. Along with this comes the constant craving for something different. The task of determining which books are necessary for the semester is also finding these books at a decent price.

Joel and Brittany Simkin co-founded Swoop That, an online bookstore that helps students by offering customizable options and saving money on textbooks.

"Swoop That is a leading provider of reasonably priced textbooks in a short amount of time," Joel said. "The website is very user friendly and offers a wide variety of textbooks at an affordable price."

SwoopThat's name is rapidly spreading throughout the economy. In two months it grew from five sellers to more than 50. The growth has included Joel's father, Paul Moylan, in Australia. The business originally began in Australia when Joel and Paul Moylan decided to sell a few chocolate lambs and where since then it has grown to now be a fully-qualified chocolatier.

"I stay at home and watch Makayla and do this in the morning," Sally Moylan said, sporting a smile that flashed through her eyelashes in the corner of her eye.

The Moylans have been operating in their home for a year. The business grew due to a need for textbooks and with the Moylans being located in Australia.

"I wondered how legit it would be, but it was course and is now a fully qualified chocolatier. I checked a couple of chocolate bars and made them and that is why we celebrate Easter," Sally Moylan said.

The lamb is represented in the Bible in the Old Testament as a lamb was presented to the Lord as a sacrifice. In the New Testament, John the Baptist said, "I am the voice of One Cry the lamb." The couple began operating in their home last year.

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not to say we’re expecting a lot of drought because we could have a few hurricanes that could come up through here in the summer or early fall which would really drop us to six or inches of rain or so, Staver said.

"That may not cause an extreme drought, the Nina does create some conditions for Lynchburg residents including where we get our water supply," the Tolllar Research and Farming in the Commonwealth’s current by the city’s primary water supplier, but if rains can’t replenish the natural streams, the city will have to start getting its water from the James River.

The dry weather will also affect farmers. According to Staver, with dry weather comes more sunlight causing higher temperatures. All these factors prove problematic for farmers as they attempt to not burn their livestock. While Virginia may not see as much rain as in previous years, Ferguson assures that the state is not at risk for extreme drought. While the weather pattern can bring us dry weather and drought right now extreme drought is not expected," Ferguson said. "But at the same time, as drought continues we will need to remain that way for the rest of the summer."
The 111th Congress took office in January without a budget. The 111th Congress was comprised of a House of Representatives dominated by the GOP and a Senate still controlled by the Democrats. It is the responsibility to develop and present a fiscal budget for the year to the House and Senate. Developing a fiscal budget for America involves significant budget cuts to entitlement programs. The Democrats did not want to use the budget to debate the social services. The event was not historical. It was a disaster.

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Fox News, Glenn Beck part ways

After a good run in broadcast, Beck shifts focus to the radio market

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While there was heated opposition on Capitol Hill this week, Fox News and Glenn Beck parted ways amicably. According to a New York Times article, Beck's leaving seems to be a mutual agreement between Beck and Fox News. Some of the reasoning behind Beck's leaving could be the advertisers who have boycotted the show as well as Beck's steady stream of controversial remarks. According to the Wall Street Journal, 400 advertisers had boycotted the show. Given the fact that Beck wasn't advocating violence, racism or other blatant morally objectionable things, this seems like a petty high school popularity contest move on the part of the advertisers.

Beck's announcement that he will be discontinuing his television show has sparked an interesting national dialogue across the country. Some are thrilled that he no longer will be able to use Fox News as a soapbox to broadcast his opinions. Some in the conservative movement think that he was a major liability that made the right look crazy. Jennifer Rubin of the Washington Post said that it was a good thing for conservatives that Beck was leaving. "It is entirely fitting that he should leave this week. This week belonged to the grownups in the conservative movement," Rubin said.

If people view Beck as a journalist he appears ridiculous. Some of his speculations can be very far-fetched, and a lot of what he talks about would hardly be considered solid fact. Beck hosts a talk show, not the nightly news. The reason people watch his show is to hear how he thinks, his speculation and predictions on current events. So it conservatives want to tout him as serious news, then he makes all of them look foolish. But he is viewed for what he is–a commentator–then his enthusiastic rants can be entertaining.

Beck has accomplished some good for the conservative movement. His Restoring Honor rally generated a great deal of enthusiasm for the right. Even though there is controversy as to the actual number of people in attendance, the rally was still impressive. He has also generated quite a following. The New York Times described his show as "top rated" and dominating the 5 p.m. hour on cable news. According to their article, Beck's average nightly audience was 1 million. Although these ratings are significant, this improves to be a decrease in ratings. Beck set records for Fox News for his timeslot with having some broadcasts over 3 million viewers, according to the New York Times. Some of his views lack sufficient evidence. However the enthusiasm that he and others were able to stir up could possibly account for the huge turnover in the House and Senate last November. People were motivated to generate change of their own. Instead of the typical grumbling about how bad things were in Washington, people got involved and voted, campaigned and did things that they may not have done otherwise. Beck must be evaluated for what he is—a motivator and entertainer.

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Master Sgt. Jamal H. Bowers: Life lived for God and country

Master Sgt. Jamal H. Bowers, a decorated soldier and Marine who served more than 20 years on deployments that spanned the globe, died.

He was finishing up a bachelor of science in multidisciplinary studies from Liberty University Online while deployed to Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti, along the Socotra border.

Jamal Bowers' wife, Kawana Bowers, said he wanted to become a teacher when he retired.

"After he finished his degree, he was going to get his masters degree and then-doctor's-degree in psychology," she said. "He wanted to actually teach history at the preparatory academy, which is our church, in Fayetteville, N.C."

Jamal Bowers chose Liberty for its foundation towards Christian beliefs.

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As a special operations soldier, Jamal Bowers was an instructor at the Psychological Operations Qualification Course at the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School.

Jamal Bowers' deployments included two tours in Iraq and one in Afghanistan. Among his numerous decorations, he was awarded the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal and Navy Achievement Medal for Valor. The latter was cited for "tactical skills and courage under fire" while countering a known enemy ambush in Fallujah, Iraq and loading three wounded Marines to safety.

The Department of Defense held a special dinner in honor of Jamal Bowers and 10 other African American veterans in February 2010.

As a special operations soldier, Jamal Bowers' actions were classified, and the stress strained his family relationships.

"Only a small group of women are chosen by God to be married to the soldiers that were married to — it's a sacrifice, and you can't do it without God," Kawana Bowers said. "They have the highest divorce rate in the military because of what they do, and the stress of it is tremendous. You can't do it without God."

Kawana Bowers intends to go out and speak to other military spouses and has been approached by women who want to know how she is able to be so strong in this situation.

"Because of my faith and because we're in a good ministry, I've been taught well," she said. "Most people don't see how I'm dealing with what I'm dealing with, but I know that if I'm not necessarily the end, it's the beginning."

With all of her recent experiences, Kawana Bowers has learned the hard way many things she wished she had been told beforehand.

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Fire claims lives of Liberty alumni

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Aaron and Rachael Horton, 2007 graduates of Liberty University, died together Friday, April 8. The two grew up in Lynchburg and while attending Liberty, they remained in the area.

"They were some of the nicest people you could ever meet," Heather Quintero, Rachael's sister, said. "They both loved dressing up and doing something, anything. And they both loved spending time with their nephews and nieces.

Both Rachael and Aaron graduated from Liberty in 2007. Rachael worked for Gentle Care Animal Hospital and was studying to receive her veterinary technician licensure. Aaron was employed by Genworth Financial and had almost completed a master's degree from the University of Wales.

More than anything else (they) both loved literature — C.S. Lewis, Tolkien and J.R. R. Tolkien — they both read voraciously," Quintero said. "Both of them loved C.S. Lewis' "Chronicles of Narnia," and they would talk about what heaven would be like and it was like what Lewis had imagined."

The couple also enjoyed traveling, devoting most of their time to Great Britain, according to Quintero. "They traveled to Great Britain as much as they could and went somewhere different. It's amazing," she said. "As often as they get a chance, they would want to travel to understand how much of someone else's home, they would go.

Aaron had helped to teach through an association on a college level, and Rachael had planned to continue caring for animals as a vet technician. "They both had a heart for any animal or person that was hurting and would go out of their way — once the last thing she did was one of the girls she worked with found another dog was going to be put down, and Rachael spent time the last two days putting together a gift basket, one for her friend and one for her dog," Quintero said.

"They were a joy to be around, so much fun," she said. "We are glad that we have hope." Rachael Horton is survived by her father Wendell Kenneth Horton and mother Karen Canvile Morgan and her husband, Brian M. Morgan Jr. of Lynchburg.

In addition to her parents, Rachael is survived by her sister and brother-in-law, Heather and Macel Pate. They have two nephews and one great-grandchild. The family asks that anyone who would like to send memorials contributions to consider sending them to the Liberty Godparent Home.

Aaron Horton is survived by his father Kenneth Horton and mother Andrea Horton.

Pate Jr. said. "The way they lived their lives really speaks to the Lord. Their lives were a testimony and is the best testimony."

In addition to his parents and grandmother, he is survived by one sister, Leah C. Horton, of Lynchburg.

A loving husband, father and grandfather, Aaron was a staff member and chairman of the Board of Directors of TCRF and also served on the board of Libya­ ty's newest concert venue, the Liberty Godparent Home.

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Friend of Liberty dies

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A loving husband, father and grandfather, a friend of Liberty, a servant in Thomas Road Baptist Church (TRBC) and a successful busi­ nessman passed away April 8. Samuel R. Pate Jr., 75, of Lynchburg, died Monday after a short illness.

Pate was survived by his wife of 49 years, Carol, and their children Samuel Ken­neth Pate Jr. and his wife Debbie, and daughter Kathy Parrish Horton, both of Lynchburg. He also survived by four grand­children and three great-grandchildren (who will be born later this spring).

Pate, who was known as "Poppy" to his fam­ ily, is also survived by two sons, Sam Jr. and Macel Pate Jr., both of the late Dr. Jerry L. Falwell.

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A forum on academic changes

Chancellor Falwell and team tackle frequently asked questions

The Chancellor’s Press Release and his staff and office can be quoted for academic issues around the Liberal Arts Center.

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Kudos to those who are making this work

I have received about 49 emails from students as Ombudsmen. Most of these students need to set the record straight on certain class, timing conflicts, and the rest are just questions and asking where their classes went.

I have received all three of these and am still working on these. I have had great support from Karen Prior, Ceci Kramer and Scott Hicks delivering answers for students. In many cases, we have added classes back into the schedule and in some cases we are making the faculty understand the changes.

As the planning of major expansion of academic facilities at Liberty over the next few years, the Chancellor charmed us with the task of determining whether existing programs were being taught in the best possible manner and as efficiently as possible. Our audit found assignments omitted in programs. As we set it out.

We kept those priorities in order as we set it out. We set it out in the best possible manner and as efficiently as possible. We determined that the result of all these minor programs was greatly improved education for the first year of each student at Liberty. We will need input and for students to achieve that goal as we go forward, but we will not rest until that goal is attained.

The Relay For Life seeks to honor those who have been touched or affected by cancer through various traditions. The "Luminaria Ceremony" will begin the day and services that the event to celebrate their stories.

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Tennis gearing up for conference

SEVERING UP COMPETITION — The Lady Flames softball team won two of three matches this week in preparation for the Big South Conference Championship, which begins April 20 in Rock Hill, S.C.

JENNA VAN DEN BROOK

Softball takes two of three

KATHERINE LACAZE

After faltering on the defense during game one of Saturday's doubleheader and taking a 2-6 loss, the Liberty Flames softball team stepped it up, taking control of the next two games and winning two of its three home games in the series against the Charleston Southern Buccaneers April 5 and 9.

Pitcher Katrina Johnson struggled during the first game, giving up six runs, and the team couldn't recover according to head coach Paul Weth. However, he said the second game was completely different. "Kat came out and pitched a complete game and she pitched very well," Weth said. "We hit the ball well. We had some long ball, and the intensity was great in the second game because we didn't have to play from behind. That makes a huge difference." Johnson said that after pitching most of the first two innings of the first game she went to the bullpen to practice so she was ready to come back during game two. Not only did her pitching keep the Buccaneers at one run and six hits, but the rest of the defense stepped it up, according to Johnson.

"The first game, we might have struggled a little on the mound and on defense, so we decided to come back the second game and bring it together and refuse to re-do what we did the first game," third baseman Ashley Benninger said. "We were going to be good at all things and that was the focus." Benninger said that the strength of the Lady Flames during the second game was adjusting to what the Buccaneers pitchers were throwing, and the Lady Flames were hitting at bat, but with each pitch.

SUCCESSFUL BATTER — The Lady Flames softball team took two of three games this weekend against Charleston Southern.
Shepherd makes record on his birthday

Liberty pole vaulter Kolby Shepherd matched a national record of 17-6.5 feet Saturday at the Texas Relays. The vault placed him third in the competition among several nationally ranked and decorated athletes. The vault, which would have held since 1993 and was Liberty track and field’s oldest standing record. Not only was Saturday a successful day for Shepherd, but it was also his 22nd birthday.

Golf places second at River Landing

Liberty’s golf team took second place this weekend at the River Landing Intercollegiate competition. After the first 36 holes in the two-day tournament, No. 32 Liberty led the competition with a combined 21-under par, but recorded a one-over par during Saturday’s play.

Liberty finished the competition 20-under par, which is the Flames lowest score of the season and last year’s national champion. After the first 36 holes, No. 3 Liberty placed higher were the No. 3 ranked pole vaulter for Liberty’s Track and Field program’s history junior Robert Karlsson also his 22nd birthday day a successful day for Shepherd, but it was also his 22nd birthday.

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The Flames baseball team fell the James Madison Dukes Wednesday at home in a hard fought 16-12 defeat. The loss dropped Liberty to 15-14 on the season. With high wind gusts, seven combined home runs were recorded. JMU, which leads the country in home runs, hit four out of the park. Despite the loss, the left handers Doug Bean had a career day with four singles and a double. Third baseman Tyler Bean, designated hitter Justin Diamente catcher Casey Kamar and second baseman Austin Taylor each recorded two hits. The Flames traveled to High Point for a three game conference series. Liberty dropped opener 6-2, but came back Saturday night, blanking the Panthers 9-0. Starting pitcher John Nigl pitched eight solid innings for the Flames, keeping High Point off the scoreboard. Sunday’s game looked bleak, but a strong comeback in the ninth inning pushed the Flames to a 2-1 victory over High Point. The Flames scored seven runs on seven hits in the ninth, bettering around the plate and field.

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**KICKING AWAY THE WARY** — Cincinnati Bengals wide receiver Chad Ochocino chose to stay active during the current NFL lockout, by playing with the Kansas City Sporting soccer team.

For example, the NFL still intends to enforce one policy or practice, but the lockout is over. Even though any players with legal issues during the lockout will face a four-game sentence when the season begins.

The personal conduct of players and employees is an integral part of the game, "said NFL spokesman Brian McCarthy. In 2006, a Polk County police officer called the station after what he said was a "disorderly conduct." But the NFL was quite in at home as little as two years ago.

The perfect example of a violation that is not in the same category was a recent case in which the NFL Players Association appealed a decision to a hearing. The NFL Players Association then overturned the suspension.

Other players have spent time in Uganda and Rwanda providing food and medical supplies to women and children who have become victims of war and disease.

Despite examples of misconduct during the NFL's current lockout, other players are working the extra time to enrich the lives of others. Teams definitely take notice.

Chad Ochocino has also been involved in a variety of activities. He has been a dedicated supporter of the Western Pennsylvania Humane Society and the Humane Society of the United States. He has also been a vocal advocate for the rights of animals and has spoken out against the use of animals in entertainment and research.

Chad Ochocino is staying busy and active during the lockout. He is using his influence to support various causes and organizations.

The NFL has been criticized for not enforcing its policies during the lockout, which led to the suspension of players. However, the league has since reinstated players, and the NFL's enforcement of its policies during the lockout has been strengthened.

**SOFTBALL continued from F1**

The Lady Flames lost the second game of the series, but the team was able to avoid a sweep and win the series in five games. The Lady Flames proved to be a tough opponent, but they were ultimately unable to overcome the Lady Flames' impressive performance.

According to Wetmore, the team's goal was to stay at home for the rest of the season and compete against the other teams in the conference.

The Lady Flames' season is in direct opposition to the increased size of the season. The NFL has expanded the season to 21 games, which is an increase of three games from the previous season.

The NFL has expressed concern of safety with the increase in games. The league has implemented new rules and regulations to address player safety, including changes to the helmet and facemask requirements.

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**NFLPA History**

The NFL Players Association (NFLPA) is a union that represents professional American football players. The NFLPA was founded in 1966, and its headquarters is in Washington, D.C.

The NFLPA's main objectives are to negotiate and enforce a collective bargaining agreement (CBA) between the NFL and its players, protect the health and safety of players, and ensure that players are paid fairly and in a timely manner.

The NFLPA has a long history of advocating for the rights of its members, including fighting for better working conditions, better pay, and improved health and safety practices.

The NFLPA's most notable achievement was the 1972 strike, which lasted for six weeks and resulted in a new CBA that included provisions for better player safety and health care.

The NFLPA has continued to negotiate and enforce CBAs with the NFL, including the current CBA, which was negotiated in 2011 and expires in 2021.

The NFLPA has also been involved in other issues, such as player safety, health care, and working conditions, and has worked to ensure that players are treated fairly and with respect.

The NFLPA has a strong tradition of fighting for the rights of its members, and it continues to be a powerful voice for players in the NFL.
Those who have not seen the Liberty Department of Theatre Arts' 2011 performance of The Phantom of the Opera should prepare themselves for an extravagant display of sight, sound, and skill by the cast and technical crew. After preparing and advertising months in advance, the show sold out 17 performances.

The Phantom of the Opera opened Pride, April 14, after touring by a group of students, community members, families, and even tours from out of state to witness the largest production produced in the new Tower Theater, according to director Linda Self'smoved.

The show stars Davis Mercer as the Phantom, Rachel Doreen as Christine, and Caleb Hughes as Christine's friend Raoul. Costume assistant T.C. Williams has worked in the Theatre Arts costume shop since 1988 and also the wardrobe manager for The Phantom of the Opera, which makes her responsible to oversee the actors' costume changes during the performance.

The Phantom of the Opera has been the biggest challenge compared to other productions, mainly because of the number of costumes that were rented, which was roughly 100. Williams said, "I had three other people who work in the costume shop, and we have been working on special pieces for the show, which is wonderful because this allows us to make the show even better." According to Williams, the DHA has worked to offer the production's unique Liberty Theatre style as opposed to following the traditional Broadway format.

This weekend was a great opening weekend," Cooper said. "Our last performance was actually the Sunday matinees. Normally by that time, the students are tired from practicing and performing all week. But this time, the cast had a solid performance.

Cooper said that all performances are sold out, but people still wanting tickets can visit the Tower Theater box office to see if there are any cancellations for reserved tickets. For more information about the plot or the Department of Theatre Arts, visit the website at liberty.edu/theatre.
Jones, who met his wife at Illinois, said. “Jill’s my better half.”

Over the last nine months, Jones and his son, Raymond, have often talked about the crash and the loss of Jill and Niko.

The family sat through the jury recommendation for a guilty verdict and recommended a sentence Friday afternoon.

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The family has been fighting back tears. “In my mind’s eye, that’s how it is,” Jones said. “In my heart, it’s that decision. For us, it’s just about hope. It’s a lot tougher to practice those answers, but it is worth it.”

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The family received an outpouring of offers from the university, school and classmates.

“I still get cards from people I don’t even know,” Jones said. “It’s amazing.”

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“If you’re not looking back, he didn’t want you to know he was that sick,” Ray Jones said. “It was all upside for me. He was just 16 years old. He had nothing but potential ahead of him.”

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EXPLOSION OF LIFE — Education professor Jill Jones and son, Niko, were killed in an August car crash. Top left, Ray and Jill Jones took sons, Niko and Raymond, horseback riding on Easter Sunday. Above right, Raymond and Niko surprise their dad, Ray, for Father’s Day last year.

Jay Jones stumbled across a degree completion plan at Liberty University.

His wife, Jill, who died in a car crash months earlier, had already filled in the courses he completed at their colleges.

“Even beyond her, she is still telling me what to do,” Jones said with a smile.

After losing his wife and son, Niko, in a car crash last August, Jones left his construction job and enrolled in Liberty’s online program with sights set on teaching.

He and his wife often talked about him going back to college and teaching.

“She wants me to be happy whether it was teaching or digging ditches,” Jones said.

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Dudley has been an active performer in Lynchburg for a long time. He said that his experience in the music industry has given him a unique perspective on the art form. "I've been involved in music for as long as I can remember," Dudley said. "It's something that has always been a part of my life, and I think that's why I enjoy it so much." He went on to say that he enjoys performing in a variety of settings, from small clubs to larger venues. "I think the key to being a successful musician is being able to adapt to different situations," Dudley said. "You never know where you're going to find your audience, so you have to be prepared to perform in any setting." He also emphasized the importance of networking in the music industry. "It's all about connections," Dudley said. "You need to be able to connect with people in order to get gigs and make a name for yourself." He went on to say that he enjoys performing with other musicians and considers them to be an important part of the music community. "Playing with other musicians is always a highlight," Dudley said. "You get to see different styles and approaches, and it's a great way to learn and grow as a musician." He concluded by saying that he is grateful for the support he has received from his fans and friends in the music community. "I couldn't do it without all of you," Dudley said. "Thank you for supporting me and my music."
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