TN Titans' Will Levis shines in NFL debut

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Levis and Hopkins once again gave the Titans the advantage when they connected for a third time, resulting in a 61-yard touchdown. The point after increased the Titans' lead to 21-9. That extended lead didn't last long, though. Heinicke and the Falcons' offense fought their way downfield, where Bijan Robinson was able to find the end zone and put the Falcons back within 5 points at the start of the final quarter.

The second touchdown of the 4th quarter would come from Levis connecting with Nick Westbrook-Ikhine for a 33-yard

Despite yet another big sack by the Titans defense, who combined for 6 total sacks in the game, the Falcons added an 8yard touchdown, bringing them within 5 points once again. Fortunately for Tennessee, the last offensive drive for Atlanta came up short when they failed to convert on a 4th and 1 attempt.

Levis, with his four-touchdown game, and the Titans walked away with the 28-23 win. The Ti-

(3-4) will travel to Pittsburgh next week to take on the Steelers

Miami Dolphins vs. Kansas City in Frankfurt, Germany from sports page 1

Play-by-play announcer Rich Eisen, game analysts Jason McCourty and ESPN's Dan Orlovsky, and sideline reporters Sara Walsh and Stacey Dales call the game from Frankfurt Sta-

Coverage on Sunday begins at 7 a.m. ET on NFL Network with NFL GameDay Kickoff, hosted by Colleen Wolfe, Michael Irvin, Steve Mariucci and Steve Wyche from Los Angeles. Additionally, Insiders Ian Rapoport, Mike Garafolo and Tom Pelissero provide the latest news and information from around the league, and Walsh, Dales, Kimmi Chex, Steve Smith Sr. and MJ Acosta-Ruiz join from Frankfurt. During NFL GameDay Kickoff, Irvin sits down with Dolphins wide receiver Tyreek Hill.

Wolfe, Irvin, Mariucci, Chex and Smith Sr. provide coverage during halftime of Dolphins-Chiefs and postgame.

NFL Network's coverage on Sunday continues at 1 p.m. ET with NFL GameDay Live, followed by NFL GameDay Highlights at 7:30 p.m. ET and NFL GameDay Final at 11:30 p.m.

The 2023 International Series concludes on Sunday, Nov. 12 at 9:30 a.m. ET with the Indianapolis Colts vs. New England Patri-Frankfurt from EXCLUSIVELY on NFL Network and also available to stream across devices on NFL+.

On Saturday, Nov. 4 – the day before Dolphins-Chiefs - NFL Network celebrates its 20th anniversary. On that date in 2003, host Rich Eisen welcomed football fans and television viewers across the country to NFL Network, in the process making history as the first league-owned cable network. For a look back at the first 20 years of NFL Network, visit NFL.com

Pickleball Kingdom announces Jesse and Emily DeMund as exclusive Tennessee franchisees from sports page 1

They will leverage their expertise in business management as they look to partner with potential owners and investors in the state of Tennessee.

"We couldn't be more excited to join forces with Pickleball Kingdom and embark on this incredible journey," said Jesse DeMund. "Pickleball is a sport that brings people together, fosters a sense of community, and promotes an active, healthy lifestyle. We're dedicated to providing top-notch facilities and experiences that will make pickleball accessible to everyone in Tennessee."

The 20 planned indoor pickleball facilities across Tennessee will be equipped with state-of-the-art courts, comprehensive training programs, pro shops, and vibrant social spaces, ensuring an exceptional experience for players of all ages and skill levels. The facilities will also host tournaments, clinics, and community events to further promote the

sport's growth in the region. Pickleball Kingdom CEO, Ace Rodrigues, expressed his excitement about the partnership, saying, "We are confident that Jesse and Emily DeMund are the perfect ambassadors for the Pickleball Kingdom brand in Tennessee. Their successful track record, combined with their dedication to providing world-class

facilities and experiences, aligns perfectly with our mission to make pickleball accessible to all. This is a game-changing moment for the pickleball community in Tennessee, and we can't wait to

see its impact." Pickleball Kingdom's franchise model has proven successful across the country, providing franchisees with a turnkey solution to establish and operate premier pickleball facilities. The company's commitment to excellence, combined with the DeMunds' local knowledge and enthusiasm, will undoubtedly create a winning formula. The first club is expected to be in Williamson County.

About Jesse & Emily DeMund:

Jesse DeMund has held various C-suite level positions with tech, software, and industry leading companies. Beyond the corporate realm, Jesse and Emily are embarking on a shared venture that merges the worlds of sport and community, creating a space where both thrive under one roof. Their active involvement in their local church and school communities underscores their commitment to establishing an environment that encourages active, healthy, and interconnected lifestyles for the people of Ten-

Colored Girls Productions & Memphis Film Commission present Terrence Howard from sports-Ent. page 5

want to destroy his movie house. His weapons of choice are movie props from his theatre's collection!

Will Dolph Lundgren as a washed-up former action hero come to his rescue? No spoilers

Lots of camp humor and fun! The film is unrated but not recommended for children.

For more information, visit filmmemphis.org

Tigers sweep American Athletic Conference honors; Nine named to All-Conference Teams

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Oct. 30, 2023 - The University of Memphis women's soccer team swept the 2023 American Athletic Conference Awards with five earning individual honors, nine named to All-Conference Teams and Brooks Monaghan and staff being named as the Coaching Staff of the Year, the conference announced Monday.

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Coming in as the unanimous choice, Mya Jones was named as the Offensive Player of the Year following her nine goals and 11 assists this season. Jones, who notched 17 of her 29 points during AAC play, recorded two



Mya Jones

game-winning goals and three multi-goal games while leading the conference in assists per game, points per game, total assists and total points.

Haylee Spray was named as the Co-Defensive Player of the Year after anchoring the Tiger backline to 12 shutouts this season while holding conference opponents to single-digit shots in seven of the nine matches. Spray led the Memphis defense to only one goal allowed during its conference slate and just five over the entire season.

The Midfielder of the Year honor went to Momo Nakao following her five goal and four assist 2023 season. The junior recorded the game-winning goals against Kansas State, UT Martin and Charlotte while assisting on the game-winning strike over

Junior Kaylie Bierman was



Momo Nakao

named as the Goalkeeper of the Year after a spectacular season between the pipes. Bierman, who racked up a 13-1 record with seven solo shutouts, allowed just four goals in over 1,150 minutes of work while boasting an NCAA-best 0.313 goals-against average to close out the regular season. In conference play, Bierman went a perfect 8-0 while making 16 saves and allowing just one goal during that time.

Anna Hauer, the AAC's 2023 Co-Rookie of the Year, had a breakout start to her collegiate career; Hauer finished the regular season with seven goals and three assists with three of her strikes serving as the game-winning goal. A standout during conference play, Hauer would record five of her goals in the nine-game span while ranking at the top of the AAC in shot accuracy.

Six Memphis Tigers were

named to the All-AAC First Team; Bierman, Jones, Nakao and Spray were joined by Saorla Miller and Grace Stordy while Hauer was named to the All-AAC Second Team.

The Tiger freshmen continue to make a name for themselves with Hauer, Honoka Hamano and Finley Lavin being named to the All-Rookie Team. Hauer was a unanimous decision.

Monaghan and staff were honored as the Coaching Staff of the Year following the best season for the Tigers since 2011. Memphis finished the regular season 15-1 with a perfect 9-0 mark in AAC play – the first time in program and conference history while claiming the AAC West Division. The 12-game winning streak the team is currently on marks the longest unblemished streak since the 2011 season while also boasting a 19-match undefeated home streak dating back to Oct. 2021.

The Tigers finished the regular season outscoring its opponents 42-5, the second-best goal differential in Division I, while leading the country with its 0.312 goalsagainst average.

See the full list of award winners at TheAmerican.org.

For complete information on Memphis Tigers Soccer, visit www.GoTigersGo.com and follow the team's social media channels on Twitter, Instagram and Facebook.

National Civil Rights Museum hosts 'Live at the Lorraine' music series ... from sports-Ent. 5







KAREN BROWN



The November series opener is Karen Brown, a local favorite who blends the soulful artistry of her church choir experience with the moving emotions of the great R&B legends and delivers a performance that is uniquely her own. The February concert will feature J. Buck who distinguishes himself as a solo artist and songwriter with a unique stage presence, slick style, and electrifying performances. With a nod to Black Music Month, the June vocalist is Stephanie Bolton, a Memphis native who is a world-traveled performer and recording artist. The August series finale singer is Tonya Dyson, a cross-genre performer who wears many hats as an advocate for musical arts through nonprofit organizations, a neo-soul digital platform host, educator,

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and radio personality.

About the National Civil Rights

Museum The NATIONAL CIVIL RIGHTS MUSEUM, located at the historic Lorraine Motel where civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated, gives a comprehensive overview of the American Civil Rights Movement from slavery to the present. Since the Museum opened in 1991, millions of visitors from around the world have come, including more than 90,000 students annually. Serving as the new public square, the Museum is steadfast in its mission to

honor and preserve the site of Dr. can Treasures by USA Today; For more information about the Martin Luther King, Jr.'s assassination. It chronicles the American civil rights movement and tells the story of the ongoing struggle for human rights, serving as a catalyst to inspire action to create positive social change. A Smithsonian Affiliate and an internationally acclaimed cultural institution, the Museum is recognized as a 2019 National Medal Award recipient by the Institute of Museums and Library Services (IMLS), the top national honor for museums and libraries. It is a TripAdvisor Travelers' Choice Top 5% U.S. Museum, USA Today's Top 10 Best American Iconic Attractions; Top 10 Best Historical Spots in the U.S. by TLC's Family Travel; Must See by the Age of 15 by Budget Travel and Kids; Top 10, Ameri-

and Best Memphis Attraction by The Commercial Appeal and the Memphis Business Journal.

About Smithsonian Affiliations Established in 1996, Smithsonian Affiliations is a national outreach program that develops long-term collaborative partnerships with museums and educational and cultural organizations to enrich communities with Smithsonian resources. The long-term goal of Smithsonian Affiliations is to facilitate a two-way relationship among the Affiliate organizations and the Smithsonian Institution to increase discovery and inspire lifelong learning in communities across America. More information about the Smithsonian Affiliations program and Affiliate activity is available at www.affiliations.si.edu.

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