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Winona Fletcher talks about her life during an interview at the Hiland Mountain Correctional Center near Eagle River on June 30. Fletcher was sentenced to life in prison as a juvenile for the 1985 murders of Tom Faccio, 69, and his wife and Ann Faccio, 70, as well as Faccio's 75-year-old sister Emelia Elliott. Fletcher was 14 at the time of the fatal shootings.

CRIME & COURTS

## 'It's still hard to believe I was the person who did that'

40 years after a notorious Anchorage triple murder, Winona Fletcher shares her story

Michelle Theriault Boots  
Anchorage Daily News

During the spring of what should have been her seventh-grade year, Winona Fletcher became one of the most notorious murderers in Anchorage history for her role in the 1985 killings of three elderly people in a brutal East Anchorage home invasion.

Before she was even old enough for a driver's license, Fletcher was sentenced to spend the rest of her life in prison — the youngest female to ever be convicted of murder in Alaska.

She's been incarcerated for the past 40 years.

Next month, the question of Winona Fletcher's future will again be decided in court.

In August, an Anchorage Superior Court judge will resentence Fletcher based on an Alaska Court of Appeals ruling that found judges must consider brain development in young people and other factors when handing out what amount to life sentences to juvenile defendants. The ruling is part of a broader national reappraisal of harsh prison sentences handed down to young teenagers in the 1980s and 1990s.

Now, Fletcher wants to tell her own story with an interview, the first she's done in more than 30 years. She says she's worked hard for four decades to right her life from the cataclysm it was at age 14, and to take responsibility for her crime.

"People are capable of making horrific mistakes, but also being able to change," she said.



FRAN DURNER / ADN archive December 1986

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NATION

## Trump announces 30% tariffs against EU, Mexico

If implemented, the levies could have ramifications for nearly every aspect of the global economy.

Aamer Madhani  
Associated Press

BRIDGEWATER, N.J. — President Donald Trump on Saturday announced he's levying tariffs of 30% against the European Union and Mexico starting Aug. 1, a move that could cause massive upheaval between the United States and two of its biggest trade partners.

Trump detailed the planned tariffs in letters posted to his social media account. They are part of an announcement blitz by Trump of new tariffs aimed at allies and foes alike, a bedrock of his 2024 campaign that he said would set the foundation for reviving a U.S. economy that he claims has been ripped off by other nations for decades.

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Trump plans to hike tariffs on Canadian goods to 35%. **B6**

In his letter to Mexico's leader, President Claudia Sheinbaum, Trump acknowledged that the country has been helpful in stemming the flow of undocumented migrants and fentanyl into the United States. But he said the country has not done enough to stop North America from turning into a "Narco-Trafficking Playground."

"Mexico has been helping me secure the border, BUT, what Mexico has done, is not enough," Trump added.

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BUSINESS / ECONOMY

## Federal agency hints at a lifeline for Pebble project

After a landmark veto, EPA officials say they're "open to reconsideration."

Max Graham  
Northern Journal

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency took a rare step under former President Joe Biden to block development of the Pebble mine, Alaska's largest known copper and gold deposit, which for years has fueled controversy over its potential impacts on one of the world's largest salmon runs.

Now, under President Donald Trump, the agency is giving its past Pebble decisions another look and negotiating a deal that could end a lawsuit filed by Pebble's developer — an announcement that's boosted the company's stock price this week.

Administration officials "have been

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