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### DJ Khaled, Cardi B, **Gaga to Perform Super Bowl Week**

DJ Khaled will be celebrating his first-ever Grammy win in the city where the former radio host built his career: Miami. The hitmaker will perform at multiple pre-Super Bowl events this week, which will be jampacked with other A-list celebrities, including Diddy, Shaquille O'Neal, Lady Gaga, Lizzo, Post Malone, Kevin Hart, Vin Diesel, Cardi B, Chris Brown, Guns N' Roses and Maroon 5.

- The Associated Press

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### Don't You **Cry No More** — Kansas Is **Coming**

Kansas will perform at The Sharon as part of a tour celebrating the band's 40th anniversary.

By KRISTEN FIORE Daily Sun Senior Writer

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Kansas lead vocalist Ronnie Platt has some advice for those coming to the concert Monday at The Sharon L. Morse Performing Arts Center: Strap yourself in and be prepared to squeegee yourself off.
"You're going to see some

of the best musicians in the world and a show full of songs you've heard your entire life and some that you haven't," Platt said.

Kansas, known for hits like "Carry on Wayward Son," "Dust in the Wind" and "Play the Game Tonight," will bring its Point of Know Return Anniversary Tour to The Sharon for a show at 7 p.m. Monday.

The tour is in celebration of the 40th anniversary of the "Point of Know Return" album, and the band will perform the album in its entirety, as well as a number of Kansas classic hits and fan favorites.

The band recently finished a successful run of its Leftoverture Anniversary Tour, and Platt said this tour has been even better.

"It's really amazing and a testament to the show," he said. "It's been great, and the response has been fantastic."

Platt joined Kansas in 2014



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and said he still has to pinch himself a bit.

When asked what it's been like to be in the band, Platt said, "What's it like to win the lottery three times perpetually? I need to write a book. It's been beyond my wildest dreams to not only get this job but to be able to fill the shoes of one of my lifelong idols, Steve Walsh.'

In 2016, the band released a new album, "The Prelude Implicit," and Platt said it has been great to not only keep the band's classic hits alive but to make new music with the group, as well.

"We have another studio album coming out this year that we are crazy about," he said. "Our fans and non-fans alike are going to love it.'

Tickets to the show, which are available but extremely limited, range from \$75 to \$135 and can be purchased online at thevillagesentertainment.com or at any Villages Box Office

Platt said he hopes the show makes audience members feel good.

"Nothing satisfies me more than captivating the audience and bringing them such a great show that they forget about their problems," he said. "That's our job as entertainers. It's an escape for people, and we want to entertain them and help them forget about any stresses in everyday life. It's like when you hear a song on the radio that you really like."

To learn more about Kansas and the band's current tour, visit kansasband.com.

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