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ND valve turner sentenced



A pipeline installation between farms, as seen from 50th Avenue in New Salem, North Dakota on August 25, 2016.

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Pipeline activist faces jail time for “mischief”

Dakota Student

He said he doesn't plan on going on a hunger strike or starving while serving, but said he's considering initiating a movement in the prison to improve dietary conditions for his prison mates with more locally-sourced and healthier foods.

The valve turners are a group of environmental activists who stopped the flow of the Keystone 1 Pipeline in North Dakota, Washington, Montana and Minnesota.

Foster's sentence was brought on after being found guilty on charges of trespassing, mischief and conspiracy to commit criminal mischief. The warrant for his arrest was filed in October 2016 after his activist group filmed him breaking into the fenced-off area guarding the TransCanada pipeline. Foster said he and his group called the local police and waited to be arrested.

Foster said his activism began in 2012 after the Deepwater Horizon disaster, when an offshore BP drilling rig exploded in the Gulf of Mexico causing hundreds of millions of dollars in damages to the surrounding environment and local economies.

"It became less of a political question," Foster said, "and became more of a societal question. As long as we're the customers and we're demanding this product, we're going to get more product."

Rather than being referred to as a radical activist or a sacrificial hero, Foster prefers to be called a conservative in regards to conserving the environment.

Higgins, responsible for closing the pipeline in Montana, also said the group isn't branding themselves as radicals and are trying to be perceived as ordinary citizens. Higgins sees it as "our duty as citizens" to protect the environment. "The real crime was to turn

There had been some controversy surrounding Foster's pending sentence, as some were worried that North Dakota would try to set Foster as an example for this style of activism and push for a heavy punishment. Foster had been facing up to 23 years in prison.

As the day drew near to be sentenced, Foster said he was less concerned for his own personal justice and more concerned for those "on the outside."

"My life is going to get very simple if I'm in prison," Foster said. "I'm going to wonder what's for lunch. People on the outside are going to be trying to figure out how to live and how to take care of their kids."

As of Sunday, documentation for an appeal of Foster's sentence hasn't been filed.

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“The real crime was to turn to these pipelines back on and allow the continued flow of the tar sands oil.”

Leonard Higgins, valve turner



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The magic number 12

Trevor Alveshere / Dakota Student

Merrifield Hall hosts numerous programs, including language courses of all sizes and regions.

Class size cut-offs jeopardize language courses

André M. Washington
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Contrary to popular belief, the most spoken language in the world is Chinese, followed by Spanish and bringing home the bronze is English. Considering the facts, in addition to modern trends of globalization and internationalization, some may wonder why there isn't more academic attention prescribed to foreign language acquisition at UND. "Many students at UND feel that learning another language is superfluous because so many people around the world speak English," said Ayla Rubenstein, a classical studies major. Out of the world's population of nearly eight billion, roughly 1.5 billion speak English. That leaves more than 80 percent of the world's population that does not speak English. "Several programs at UND (English, History, Aviation) have either reduced or eliminated their foreign language require-

ment," Eric Ross, classical studies professor, said. In fact, many UND programs believe foreign languages are irrelevant to their discipline and or believe language studies actually decrease enrollment in their own programs. "The general culture in America does not encourage language acquisition," Virgil Benoit, French professor, said. Believe it or not, the official language of the United States is not English. There is no official language of the United States. "A large proportion of our student body comes from regions/communities that are somewhat insulated from international exposure/concerns," Department of Modern and Classical Languages and Literature Chair Jeffrey Weatherly said. The many perspectives and reasons why more and more UND students are choosing to opt out of studying a foreign language are not the main concerns. The main concern is with the ever-de-

clining amount of UND students who are pursuing more advanced levels of foreign languages. "You can't have a legitimate flagship institution without languages," Ross said. Furthermore, "UND offers the most language programs in the state, three of which are completely unique in the state, and also offer some instruction online in four languages," Weatherly said. As a proclaimed flagship institution, UND is expected to go and be above and beyond in providing higher education instruction to those pursuing traditional or nontraditional majors. Yet, many UND students pursuing upper-division courses in foreign languages are being restricted in doing so due to the unavailability of such courses. Welcome the magic number 12. Benoit explains, "At least 12 students must be enrolled in a course for it to be offered." "Meeting this (12 stu-

dent) quota is a major challenge for the Languages Department, especially our upper-level courses," Ross said. "The biggest challenge, I think, is that we offer so many continuation courses. It's not difficult to fill up a 101 course, but how many of those people will stick with it?" For lower-division courses (levels 200 and below), a 12 student quota is easy to fulfill. But as students progress upward into their major studies, upper-division courses (levels 300 and above), class content becomes a bit more demanding and class sizes become a bit smaller. Actually, they shrink drastically. But for foreign language classes, the situation is quite different. UND's twelve-student quota has become a death sentence for many students trying to graduate in four years. Before the switch is pulled, students may want to better understand the method behind the madness of UND's decision to

not offer a particular class. "The (12 student) policy is in accordance with a budget which shows it takes that many students to cover costs to offer the course," Benoit said. "If the classes that you are offering do not appeal to at least that many students, then you need to seriously reconsider the value of offering them - especially in times where resources are scarce," Weatherly said. It all boils down to the magic number 12, which in UND's case isn't as magical as it is rational and economical. Although foreign language studies are on the decline, "the foreign language faculty here at UND are outstanding and are actively working to ensure that we have vibrant and broad language offerings in the future," Weatherly said.

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Merrifield Hall is home to many language courses at the University of North Dakota. The future of some languages offered is uncertain due to their size.

In defense of North Dakota

Bilal Suleiman
Dakota Student

As a son of North Dakota, it irks me to hear my fellow university students trash our great state. Maybe its because it's the only place I have ever lived in, but I don't think it's to bad live here as some make it out to be. Obviously, it's not the most exciting place in the world. Yes, the long winters are a drag. For better or for worse, however, we are all here for some reason. Therefore, North Dakota is better than the alternative state to our east: Minnesota.

It's cold here. Like, record-breaking cold. Grand Forks is consistently rated as one of the coldest cities in the country. I get that. Despite some of the big complaints about North Dakota, I believe that with every negative aspect of this state, there is a positive. You just need to look hard enough.

North Dakota's brutal, windy winters create some of the toughest and most resilient citizens in the union, possibly only topped by Alaska (It's super cold plus they're all alone). North Dakotans will jokingly complain about the winter, then grit their teeth and do whatever they were going to do any ways.

The bitter cold also has the positive effect of keeping the riff-raff out of our calm, peaceful state. The statistics won't back me up on this, as the oil boom led to a lot of unsavory folk com-

ing into North Dakota and committing crimes. This brings me to my next point.

North Dakota's economy is rock solid, or at least as solid as the shale we drill our oil out of. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, North Dakota's unemployment rate ranks second in the nation at 2.6 percent. You must go down to 10th place in the rankings to find our dear neighbor Minnesota, with an unemployment rate of 3.1 percent. Not a huge difference, I know, but in this border battle even just a half percent does matter.

That half percent might have something to do with why North Dakota has such a low state income tax. According to Investopedia, North Dakota has the lowest state income tax amongst states that levy an income tax, at 1.51 percent. That rate is based on a median income of \$26,989 as a single adult. Compare that with Minnesota's rate of 7.05 percent, which earned it the notoriety of having the 5th highest state income tax in the nation.

Have you ever been pulled over for speeding in North Dakota? It's no big deal. Your punishment for going over the speed limit is just a \$20 dollar ticket and a couple points off your license. The same is not true on the other side of the Red River. My friend was pulled over going just 4 mph over the speed limit in a suburb of the Twin Cit-



Nick Nelson / Dakota Student

Despite frigid temperatures, the Grand Forks community offers outdoor events during the fall and winter months such as the Holly Dazzle Festival of Lights.

ies and was subsequently slapped with a \$180 ticket. Ouch. Apparently, Minnesota isn't pulling in enough revenue from their 7.05 percent state income tax.

Speeding tickets aren't the only area where Minnesota likes to charge an exorbitant amount of money. The cost of tuition and fees at the

University of Minnesota for comes up to \$14,448 a year for in-state students. To avoid paying this much for an education, simply travel five hours northwest and come to the University of North Dakota, where tuition for the same student will only cost \$8,448 a year. This, I suspect, is the reason why

33 percent of UND's student body is from Minnesota.

Fellow staff writer and UND basketball player Jill Morton seems to be fond of ripping North Dakota whenever she has the chance, based on her previously published articles titled "Cold Weather Blues" and "North Dakota Doesn't

Know How to Plow." To Jill, and all others who hate on North Dakota, I'd like to offer a rebuttal: At least we're not Minnesota.

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The US prison system needs reform

Quinn Robinson-Duff
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Prisons are supposed to serve four major purposes: rehabilitation, deterrence, retribution and incapacitation. If designed effectively, they can create a stable, law-abiding society that prevents disorder.

Prisons are a way to deter people from making choices that society has deemed to be unacceptable by incarcerating violators of the law. When incarcerated, a prisoner is stripped of all their basic freedoms.

Along with incarcerating, prisons also have the duty of providing rehabilitation services. The most basic idea behind this is to reeducate prisoners on the laws enacted by society and the purposes behind them. This is done through a variety of measures, such as providing counseling and teaching trade skills. The ultimate goal of these programs are to help the prisoners become effective members of society. However, while most prisons implement these four aspects, the degree in which they do so can vary greatly and determines its effectiveness.

Modern day prisons around the world have varying levels of success in regards to rehabilitation. In America, the likelihood of someone returning to prison after serving time is high.

According to the US Bureau of Justice, between 2005 and 2015, about two-thirds (67.8 percent) of released prisoners were arrested for a new crime

within 3 years and three-quarters (76.6 percent) were arrested within 5 years. This reveals that prisons are not doing an effective job at succeeding one or more of their four major purposes.

Another important issue that hinders the success of rehabilitation is how society treats prisoners once they are released from their sentence. They are treated as if they have not had a chance to learn and grow from their actions. Prisoners should be treated as normal citizens and humans, not placed in cages treated like animals in a zoo.

Prison is meant to help criminals re-enter society but it often does the exact opposite. Ex-prisoners often have a hard time finding jobs or even a place to live because of the discrimination that they face from organizations and businesses that do not accept applicants from felons. The Bureau states that the current prison population in the United States is over 2.2 million—roughly 4.4 percent of the world-wide population and more prisoners than any other country. This raises the question: is it necessary to keep offenders of all crimes in prisons Each prison costs the taxpayers' money and some have hefty prices?

In 2012, New York City was paying \$127,000 per year to keep one inmate in prison, according to a study by the New York City planning budget office. Nationwide, the annual average cost to incarcerate a prisoner is \$32,000,

averaging to over 39 billion taxpayer dollars each year.

So, do all criminals need to be incarcerated? No.

39 percent of prisoners in the United States that are behind bars are of little to no threat to public safety, according to a Time Magazine report. This is mainly because of the minimal sentencing requirement set by the U.S Department of Justice. For getting caught selling 280 grams of cocaine, the minimal sentence is 10 years in prison. The rules were set by congress and enforced by judges who have no other choice but to grant them the mini-

mal sentencing or higher.

If we take those prisoners out of prison, the \$13 billion worth of taxes could be used in other departments, such as education or green energy. Keeping all offenders in jail makes no sense. They are put through a system that makes it tough to readjust to society and cost taxpayers unnecessary money just so they can end up returning to prisons.

Countries around the world are working to improve their prisons and allow inmates a chance to learn from their mistakes and better their lives. In Norway, roughly .08 per-

cent of the population is incarcerated.

According to Business Insider, as of August 2014, they also have the lowest recidivism rate: only 20 percent of released criminals reoffend.

Norway accomplishes this by applying a Restorative Justice approach to problem solving which focuses on reparation of the harm caused rather than just punishing citizens. A person is not sent to prison simply with the intent to make them suffer.

If we treat people as if they are animals in prison, they are likely to behave like animals. In Nor-

way, Prisoner Governor of Baston prison in Norway Arne Wilson states, "Here, we pay attention to you as human beings."

Reproaching the prison system to model Norway's or at least redesigning the experience of incarcerated prisoners in the United States could result in a completely new perspective on prisons and eventually make them more beneficial to society.

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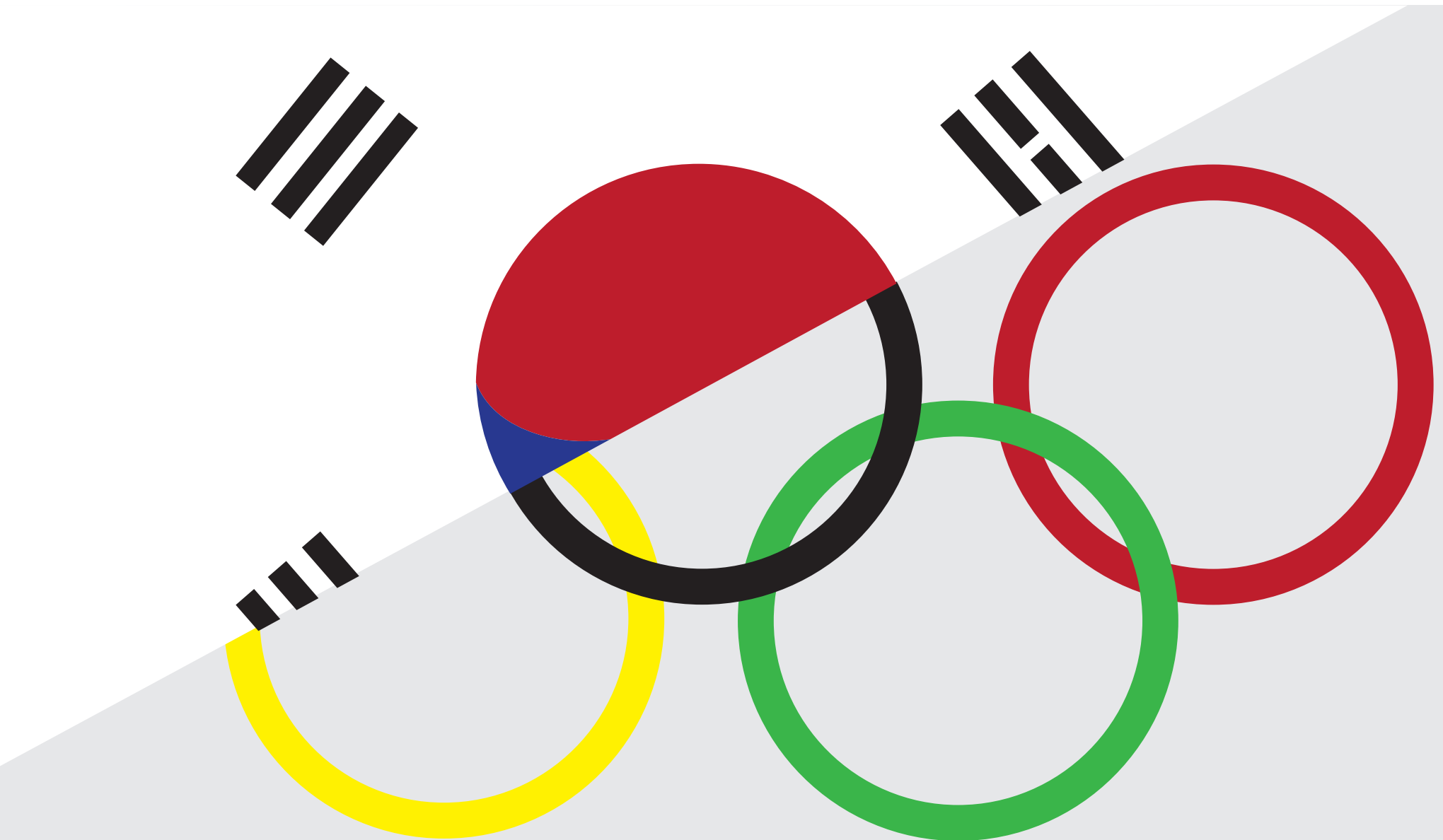
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Peace in motion

Examining culture through the winter olympic ceremonies.

Maddie Ardelean
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Right now, all eyes are on Pyeongchang, South Korea, as the winter Olympics begin. Even with the whole country fixated on Korea, many people do not know much about the culture and traditions of the country we are watching so closely.

The Olympics were meant to unite and draw the different people in the world together and help them understand each other. Since we can't all travel to Korea, in the spirit of the Olympics, I decided to sit down with a few of my Korean friends and learn more about Korean traditions.

South Korea has a rich, historic, cultural tradition that is completely unique to the country. Some of it was put on display at the Olympic opening ceremonies as the whole world turned to watch.

The ceremony was entitled "Peace in Motion," a reference to the work towards friendship and unification that North and South Korea are currently undergoing. The two countries were one Korea until 1945 when the end of the Korean War left the two countries divided arbitrarily at the 38th parallel. The two countries share a language, history and traditional culture. They are competing at the Olympics together this year under a unified flag.

Technology as a part of Korea's more modern history, was on full display at the ceremony. Korea prioritizes their technology, research, and development at one of the highest levels in the world. They emerged from humble Korean war beginnings

to become a world leading in technology.

This year, to push the boundaries of technology a little further, the iconic Olympic rings were created by a multitude of drones carrying LED lights. They also added an augmented reality sky of constellations for the TV viewers. Learning and study are huge priorities in Korea, so it's not surprising that this opening ceremony was the most technologically advanced one yet.

One of the most stunning moments of the event was the performance by the Korean drummers. The art form is called Samulnori in Korean. It came from Pungmul, which was a combination of music, dance, and acrobatics done by farmers and people in rural Korea.

Samulnori is a version of that adapted for concert halls and stages. Four sizes of drums are used: the janggu, which represents rain; the kkwaeng-gwari, which represents thunder; the jing, representative of the sounds of the wind; and the buk, which stands for clouds.

Samulnori, like many Korean traditions, trace their history back to Korea's origins as an agricultural society. Until recent years, Korea was a largely agrarian society (like most countries were). Asian history is often overlooked in schools, so it's easy to just think of Korea as the ultra modern country it is today. Korea has a longer history than the United States. The roots of their culture go back around 1500 years.

Korean traditional dress was also on display during the event. The traditional outfit is called the hanbok. It

was worn as daily clothing until about 100 years ago but now is reserved for ceremonies and special occasions. A women's hanbok consists of a short jacket and full skirt.

A men's hanbok is a long, loose tunic and a pair of pants. These are always made of formal fabrics and in vibrant colors. Many times they are beautifully decorated. The design of the hanbok originates from the cultures of the nomadic peoples of western and northern Asia and the basic design has been the same for over two thousand years.

Those watching the opening ceremony also saw a unique aspect of modern Korean culture that is gaining international fame. Korean Pop, or KPop, definitely had its moment at the opening ceremony. KPop is a music genre unique to Korea, but it has some similarities to American pop, especially in sound.

In KPop, dances are integral to the song and are complex and difficult to do.

Training as a KPop artist is an intense process and it shows in performances. If you're interested in listening to or watching KPop, BTS, EXO, Blackpink and TWICE are some popular groups.

As the Olympics kick off, it's easy to think about the event as just two and a half weeks of sports. While that's not entirely wrong, there is much more to it. The Winter Olympics open up an opportunity to become more connected to others in our world.

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The Chester Fritz Auditorium buzzed with pure excitement as the audience waited with bated breath for the Price is Right Live to start. The auditorium was packed with people.

The main floor seating was full and half of the balcony seating was taken.

Several large groups of people came sporting matching shirts. Friends and family of all ages were ready to play and to win big.

The announcement rang through the auditorium saying that the show would start in five minutes. "Shout!"

by The Isley Brothers began to play and everyone went nuts. People stood up started screaming their heads off and waving their hands in the air (like they just didn't care.) It was one of the few times I saw the people of Grand Forks so excited.

The show began with Andy Martello, the MC for the show, coming out and getting everyone all riled up to participate in the show. Martello showed training videos to remind audience members how to "come on down!" to the stage to play.

The training videos had clips from the TV show of contestants running to the stage with gusto, doing acrobatics, screaming their heads off and generally having a fantastic time. Martello encouraged all audience members who were called to play to show great enthusiasm while coming on down to the stage.

ready to play. He announced the show's host Todd Newton and the games began.

Contestants were called up in groups of four to guess the “actual retail price” of select items. The contestant who was under and closest to the actual retail price moved on to play the Price is Right Games. In addition, random audience members were announced as instant winners of \$25 gift cards to Amazon, as well as Bed Bath and Beyond.

John Kenton, from Grand Forks, won a Kenmore washer and dryer set and a year supply of Tide detergent playing Cliff Hangers. Kenton inquired with Newton if the Tide was in Pod form, because it is important to keep children safe. Tide Pods are not candy; they're for laundry. Please wash your clothes responsibly.

Punch-a-Bunch, Any Number, Plink-o and the Checkout Game were played. The audience cheered when money and prizes were won and awed when contestants lost. The most exciting win of the night was during the Checkout Game.

Out of the four contestants, Heather guessed closest to the actual retail price of a Jim Beam Outdoor Smoker. Heather went onto the stage and Newton asked her who she came with to the show. Heather pointed out her friends, family and husband. Newton inquired how long they had been married and Heather said they had only been married six months.

Newton then asked Heather's husband Ben to come onto the stage, because newly married

couples have to do everything together. The game they were playing was Checkout. They needed to guess the price of the grocery items displayed and the total of their guessed prices needed to be within \$2 either above or below the actual retail total of the grocery items.

The prize at stake was an all exclusive trip to Hawaii. The couples guessed the prices coming to a total of \$22.24. The total actual retail price of the groceries came to \$21.28. Heather and Ben were within their \$2 limit, winning them their honeymoon trip to Hawaii.

The final game of the show was the Showcase Round. Martello called down contestants Paul and Sonia to play. They needed to guess the entire actual retail price of a Kitchen Aide set, a home Apple computer, a trip to Hollywood, a trip to Rome and a 2018 Kia Seoul.

Unfortunately, both Sonia and Paul guess over the entire actual retail price and they didn't win any of the big prizes. However, Newton and Martello agreed that they did not want to leave Grand Forks on that note. They decided to give away the trip to Hollywood to an audience member.

Newton announced the name of the audience member, who appeared not to be there. It was a bit of a disappointing end to the night. However, watching the games and contestants go up to play was great fun for everyone.

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A close-up, angled view of several US dollar bills fanned out, showing the 'UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY' and 'ONE HUNDRED' text. The bills are layered, with the top one being a \$100 bill. The image is tilted, creating a sense of depth and movement.

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The Price Is Right Live stage show came to the Chester Fritz Auditorium on Thursday, February 8, 2018.

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The JUCO way to go

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Hayden Galvin (left) and Lenny Nelson (right) recently transferred to the UND football program from junior colleges around the country.

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Looking at the rise in Junior College transfer

John Gregg
Dakota Student

In recent years, it's become a norm for many student athletes to be recruited out of high school and receive offers to attend various schools to play their sport. For some, the non-conventional route can be a good decision for their careers for many reasons whether it be academic or physical.

Junior college (JUCO), allows student athletes an opportunity to expand the possibilities available to them and can be the best decision many recruits can make before going on to Division I programs.

"The JUCO route may be the road less traveled by elite recruits, but that doesn't make it any less valuable or legitimate," Bleacher Report's Andrew Kulha said. "In fact, in some cases it's the smartest choice a recruit can make."

Many of the NFL's top stars got their start by going the JUCO route including Aaron Rodgers, LeGarrette Blount and Cam Newton.

"Some recruits just need a year or two to work things out and prepare for D-I football, whether it be because of the physical or academic demands of the big-time college level and in many

cases, it ends up maturing said recruit and working in their favor," Kulha said.

During the off-season, the Fighting Hawks football team received multiple junior college recruits that are sure to contribute to the team's success. Hayden Galvin, a sophomore Safety from West Lake, California is eager to hit the field for the Hawks.

Recruited from Moorpark College in Moorpark, California, Galvin had plenty of success in his time as a two-year starter. He was second on the team in tackles with 64 for the Raiders and was also named to the Southern California Football Association All-Conference First Team Northern League National Division.

"The coaches expressed interest in my play and I thought that UND football was a program that I could be successful in and help the team win," Galvin said.

Another player joining the Hawks is Leonard (Lenny) Nelson a redshirt Sophomore defensive back from Sacramento, California. After graduating high school in 2015, Nelson attended American River Junior College and started both years he played.

"It was a struggle in

the sense of playing every game like it was my last. I've always had the dream of going D1 so every day I went into a workout, practice or game like it could be my last," Nelson said.

Lenny's dedication showed. He was named to the Northern California Football All-Conference Team and had an impressive 39 tackles and six interceptions. "I declined an offer to a Division II school for football," Nelson said when asked why he went the JUCO route. "I felt that I could grow more as a person and felt that I was slept on. My family and friends agreed, I used it as motivation."

While the season is still months away, Fighting Hawks Football fans have plenty of new talent to look forward to and Galvin and Nelson are sure to be bright spots in the lineup. Both are excited to be a part of the UND community and get to business with the team.

"I love it here so far; the people are great, just a little cold compared to home. Actually a lot colder but other than that I feel great to be here in Grand Forks," Nelson said.

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Nick Nelson / Dakota Student

UND goalie Peter Thome celebrates Shane Gersich's goal in the second period of Saturday's hockey game against Colorado College at the Ralph Engelstad Arena.

Nick Erickson
Dakota Student

The night started out just like any other night at the Ralph Engelstad Arena. Except this time, there was a different number in net. Peter Thome took over the game Saturday night against Colorado College by locking down all but one shot between the pipes for the team trying to fight their way back into the standings. It's a well-known theory that a goaltending change can spark a fire in a team's morale. That change sparked something inside the UND offensive corps, which in turn generated their defensive mentality into offensive success. The last time Thome

started the game in net, UND won 7-0 against the University of Nebraska Omaha at home. Thome became the second freshman goaltender in UND history to record a shutout. A month later, he nearly recorded a second, only having allowed one goal off of an impressive 2-on-1 break. This goaltender change couldn't have come at a more pressing time for the Fighting Hawks. UND hasn't won a game in a little under a month having lost a few games in the third period or in overtime during that month long stretch. "This is the time of year where you're not worried about feelings," Berry said. "It's about team-first mentality. Whether you give a bump to the team, or

give Peter (Thome) an opportunity, it's about the team-first mentality in trying to find a way to win a game." Along with Thome being a big change in the lineup, Brad Berry decided to place Shane Gersich back on a line with Rhett Gardner and Austin Poganski, in order to shut down the top line of Colorado College. Only one point was generated by Colorado College's top line on Saturday night. "Seaons have highs and lows," Berry said. "You can't get too high, you can't get too low. You've got to be a team. Everybody can handle the good times. You can be a winner. But when you don't have a lot of success with the result, you have to stay even stay tighter to-

gether. Our group is a tight group and they stayed together. I'm just proud of our guys." That change sparked the offensive juggernaut that had been dormant for quite some time. UND scored the same amount of goals that they scored all weekend against Duluth, who is currently ranked ninth in the pairwise standings. They also scored more goals than they did when they faced-off against the second ranked Denver only two weekends ago. Thome faced 21 shots and made 20 saves. UND is going to need nights like Saturday to come a lot more often if they want to continue their success in hopes of making the NCAA tournament. This coming weekend against the

University of Nebraska Omaha, who has been a force at home in the second half of the season. Thome and Cam Johnson have very similar statistics so far this year. Johnson maintains a 2.187 goals against average to Thome's 2.149. Thome also barely edges Johnson out in save percentage with a .917 to Johnson's .904. Considering the circumstances that UND is in, it wouldn't be a bad idea to continue with Thome. Johnson having lost or tied five of the last six. Thome has won two of his last three with one of those games being his lone shutout on the year. It remains unclear if head coach Brad Berry will continue with Thome, or with his recreated line of Gersich,

Gardner and Poganski. However, with the way that UND played on Saturday, it wouldn't be surprising if not many changes were made to the lineup going into a tough road series with Omaha. UND is coming down to the end of the regular season and nearly every game will be a must win situation. UND dropped from eighth in the pairwise this weekend to No.12. However, they improved in the NCHC standings from being tied for fourth with Duluth, to being tied for third with Western Michigan. Good things are yet to come for UND men's hockey this season.

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Track performances on the rise

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The University of North Dakota track and field team spent the past two days competing at the South Dakota State University Indoor Classic in Brookings, South Dakota. The SDSU Indoor Classic is one of the biggest indoor meets in the nation with over one thousand en-

tries across the board. The throws saw success with senior Molli Detloff taking first by over a foot in weight throw and Katelyn Weber taking first in shot put also by over a foot. Sophomores Makala Keefe and Keely Walker also had very strong showings, finishing 11th in weight throw and fourth in shot put, respectively. The men's throws

had three finish in the top 20 of weight throw, juniors Tyler Kolander and Adam Mehr and sophomore Matt Culhane. Senior Ian Collins placed 12th in the shot put. For the jumps crew, the weekend was full of personal bests and good marks. Sophomore Alex Torp vaulted a personal best of 15'05 feet to place fourth in the men's pole vault.

Junior Nolan Hovland cleared 6'08 feet to place third in the high jump and junior Isabel Waite, also in high jump, cleared 5'02.5 to place sixth. Rounding out the weekend was Kiley Foster in pole vault capturing the title with a vault of 13'01.75. Tianna McKinney led the women's sprints in both the 200m and 400m dash. She cruised through to place

eighth in the 200m and ninth in the 400m. On the guys side of sprinting, freshman Ethan Buckles finished 8th in the finals of the 60m dash after qualifying from the preliminaries and semi-finals. Freshman Cody Roder also placed eighth in the 400m dash with a time of 48.58 in a dense field of 21 different heats and 150 men total. The UND distance

runners were able to compete against stacked fields as well. Junior Emma Player ran over half a minute faster than her last 5k with a time of 18:13. Sophomore Erica Eades ran the 800m run in 2:14.26 to run her personal best indoors and in the process broke onto the UND top ten indoor list with the ninth fastest time in UND history. This weekend was a good test of fitness for everyone going into the conference meet in two weeks. Most of the athletes competing in the conference meet in Flagstaff, Arizona will be taking next weekend off in preparation for the most important meet of the indoor season.

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