By SAM FEDOR

Gonzaga University held a prayer vigil in Remick Hall, Jan. 11, in memory of Tyre Nichols, a Black man beaten to death by five police officers earlier in January.

Nichols, 29, was beaten by members of the Memphis Police Department during a traffic stop for what police initially reported as reckless driving.

The vigil began with opening remarks and a local chant against police violence and police brutality, followed by a time of reflection. A member of the Black Student Union then read Nichols’ name, which is not depicted as elegant, so this event is going to have to be done with grace and dignity.

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Perez said that she has been inspired to become an advocate for educational equity by her experiences at a low-income household as a first-generation college student. “The three things we tend to focus on are food, faith and family,” Bowden said. “The Haven provides a supportive housing community allowing us to really fund a lot of the activities that help the children grow. It’s not just being hungry and staying your new lives,” Bowden said. The Rev. Sharpton and Nichols’ mother RowVaughn Wells, who gave an impassioned cry for police reform.

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In an effort to reduce fuel costs and decrease its carbon footprint, Gonzaga University’s Campus Safety Police Services (CSPS) purchased two hybrid vehicles near the end of November.

CSPS acquired two new Toyota Highlander hybrid models, replacing a pair of older vehicles the department had in its seven-car patrol fleet. The cost of the two new vehicles, approximately $80,000, is expected to pay for itself via the fuel savings, said supervisor Mark Wittel, director of CSPS.

“This decision was driven both organically and with the intent of reducing our footprint,” Wittel said for the department.

For Wittel, the addition of hybrid vehicles helps to fulfill Gonzaga University’s mission as an institution founded by the Society of Jesus.

“This is one way of many, we encourage our students and community to support the Mission to conserve and protect the earth,” Wittel said.

New patrol vehicles are equipped with up-to-date safety features to prevent collisions.

The department allows for a range of multiple driving modes: normal for everyday driving, eco for more fuel efficiency, and sport mode, which gives all-wheel drive at high speeds. The Highlander comes with a pre-collision system that can detect a pedestrian or bicyclist and provide an audio/visual forward collision warning. If the driver doesn’t react, the system will automatically brake. If the driver then reacts, the system will assist with braking.

The system is designed to provide automatic emergency braking (AEB), which is designed to detect brake pressure from the front and rear wheels. CSPS utilizes an upgraded collision-detection system that feeds information to its computer and determines if the police officer will be required to avoid a collision. CSPS has been modernizing its vehicles to match the new features.

GWOW said, “It is our mission to provide transportation that is safe and reliable. We have made a commitment to reducing our carbon footprint and we believe these vehicles will help us achieve that goal.”

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GWOW said that it is important to remember those victims of police violence, within our community and beyond.

“I think it’s important for us to have [vigils] so it’s not just something that gets swept under the news cycle finishes with it,” GWOW said. “We need to talk about it in our discussion. We need to talk about it in the classroom. We need to talk about it in the community.”

In the spring, the department will be participating in a national day of action to honor those who have been killed by police. CSPS and the Gonzaga Police Department will also be participating in an event planned by the NAACP to discuss police violence and how to prevent it.

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The campus safety police are working with the Transportation Office and the Office of Parking and Transportation to reduce the number of vehicles on campus to increase safety and reduce the amount of carbon emissions.

The decision to buy the hybrid vehicles was made with the assistance of an experienced professional in the field of transportation and environmental sustainability. The department has set goals to incentivize the switch to electric vehicles by 2030, according to Anna Washington, a university administrator.

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GWOW is a student-athlete and a BRIDGE mentor and STEM major who strives to make a difference through her numerous leadership roles. She is actively involved in student organizations and in the classroom.

The deadline to register for Olympiad Day is Wednesday, May 11. To learn more about Olympiad Days, refer to www.gonzaga.edu/olympiadday.

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AAU showcases Asian culture
Night Market highlights the diversity of GU community

By CACEE CALLITRO

The Asian American Union hosted its fourth annual Night Market on Saturday, showcasing many Asian foods, performance, and student businesses. The event was hosted in the John J. Hemmingson Ballroom and themed "A Multicultural Adventure." Attendees included AAU members Akim Lee and Yvonne Choi.

Throughout the night, audience members viewed and bought from several student businesses, including Filipino foods from the Filipino American Student Union (FASU). You bags by AA Threadz, bracelets and keychains by Li La La, crocheted items by Quat Quat, and books by Chai Alegría were also available for purchase.

AAU members also shared stories from the audience to pick several of their board members on a tradition in between performances.

The first performance was called "Be Free to Be," a Northeast Thai dance, and choreographed by AAU Night Market Chair Hinkaew Marlow. FASU member and Michlae Cheung said she appreciated the emphasis that Hinkaew Marlow put on the cultural clubs and how the Night Market should not be the peak of cultural celebration, but instead a platform for members to remember their values as Asian Americans and people should recognize Asian cultures holistically rather than just for entertainment.

Next Amanda Ma presented her senior dance to "Vevo" by Novemari, "Dance Me" by BLACKPINK, and "ALRIGHT" by 2NE1.

Next was a Vietnamese dance by GĐPT La Hầu Lăng, a Vietnamese dance that showed how the 12 zodiac animals were chosen and the audience members to take a quiz on Asian history and facts that were shared throughout the event, a skirt was performed by AAU members telling the story about the 12 zodiac animals were chosen based on a race held by the Jade Emperor.

Night Market Co-Chair Hinkaew Marlow said that she wasn’t the biggest fan of the event, but not only am I proud of my team, I have never been so surprised by myself, even as well. This was such an amazing experience, and I am just so happy that we sold out. I am happy that people showed up, I’m so happy that people enjoyed it. This was just an unforgettable experience of my lifetime. "This was such a wonderful evening," Hinkaew Marlow said. "I’m so happy to have been a part of the Night Market. Not only am I proud of my team, I have never been so surprised by myself, even as well. This was such an amazing experience, and I am just so happy that we sold out. I am happy that people showed up, I’m so happy that people enjoyed it. This was just an unforgettable experience of my lifetime. "

The last performance was a lion dance by GDPT La Tihi La, a Vietnamese Buddhist youth group located in Spokane. Hinkaew Marlow said that she shouldn’t be happier about the event. "The fear to dream," and Bates wrote and performed "A Letter to my White Friends." Bates. Pe Benito wrote and performed "ANTIFRAGILE" by LE SSERAFIM.

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"It means so much to us when we see your faces," Hinkaew Marlow said. "When there’s a lack of engagement and presence, we notice it. We want people to show up and we want people to show us what it means to be us. "We share for you, but most importantly for us, it means so much to us when we see your faces," Hinkaew Marlow said. "We share for you, but most importantly for us, it means so much to us when we see your faces," Hankaew Marlow said. "We share for you, but most importantly for us, it means so much to us when we see your faces," Hinkaew Marlow said. "I want to make sure this message rings clear: ‘We are proud of ourselves, we are proud of our club and it makes us want to be seen, for us, this is what it means to us.’"

For more information on AAU, follow us on Instagram @gonzaga.aau.

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GU actors soon to plunge into character-less play ‘pool (no water)’

By CLARINDE KIERK

Gonzaga University students in the THETA 216 Acting II class will take the stage on Feb. 9 and 10 to present an unconventional staging of the play ‘pool (no water)’ by David Mamet.

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Motschenbacher said that he hopes the audience can begin to see some of empathy and vulnerability towards the characters, even if they do not agree with or even like them. He said the audience should question how they see themselves in the characters.

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Mia Torres, actor in “pool (no water)” and student in Acting II, explained how the unstructured nature of the play gives him more flexibility as a director.

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Another actor in the play, Luke Motschenbacher, similarly described his process of formulating his character, relying on the lateral plot and dialogue for guidance.

“With no characters, you are forced to ask: How far can the story (and take your)?” Motschenbacher said.

Edwards said that the lack of structure in the script of “pool (no water)” means the actors themselves have to fill that void in the production.

The actors have been working on putting together a puzzle that is both a representation of the script and a visual representation of the way the characters view themselves.

“It’s a play about the bonds of friendship and how strongly they hold when jealousy and resentment creep of friendships.”

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“pool (no water)” follows a group of actors as assembled at the home of their successful and rich friend. Their gathering is disrupted when their wealthy friend suffers an accident, prompting the remainder of the group to wondering if their sometimes state could be their utmost greatest accomplishment.

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Boragi: A Middle Eastern staple for your dining room table

By LAUREN O'GRADY

Recipes are a way to bring families together. At least, that's what the sign on our kitchen door reads. We learned to cook by watching – and failing – the steps our family members taught us. People need nourishment and so do families. When I was a child, my mom and grandma often cooked together. I remember the smell of balsamic vinegar, sesame oil and fresh garlic. We celebrated our family and our history through food. This meal was passed down from my grandma, Mimi, who learned it from her mother.

Boragi is a traditional Assyrian recipe passed down through generations. Boragi translates to “stuffed bread,” and it is a deep-fried pastry filled with a variety of ingredients, such as ground meat, vegetables, spices and seasonings. It is a popular street food found in the Middle East and has been in the Middle Eastern culinary tradition for centuries.

Recipe:

8 cups bread flour
2 1/2 teaspoons salt
1/2 teaspoon active dry yeast
1/3 cup olive oil
1 1/4 cups warm water

Filling:

1 package egg roll wrappers
1/2 cup dry toast
1/4 cup parsley, chopped
1/4 cup diced onion
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
1/4 teaspoon curry powder

Sauce:

1 teaspoon pineapple juice
1/2 teaspoon soy sauce
1/4 teaspoon garlic salt
1/4 teaspoon sugar

Instructions:

To prepare the dough: Mix flour, salt and yeast in a large bowl. Add oil, water and sugar and mix until a smooth dough forms. Let rise in a warm place for 1-2 hours or until doubled in size.

To fry: Heat oil in a deep-fryer or deep skillet to 375°F. Fry dough pieces for 3-4 minutes or until golden brown. Drain on paper towels and serve hot.

To make the filling: Mix all filling ingredients in a bowl.

To make the sauce: Mix all sauce ingredients in a small bowl.

To assemble: Take one wrapper and fill with a generous amount of filling. Fold into a square. Top with sauce. Serve immediately.

Boragi is a delicious and nutritious meal that can be enjoyed by all ages. It is a great way to bring families together and share a meal.

Vieux Carré NOLA Kitchen brings Cajun eats to the Lilac City

By CATE WILSON

Korri McElfresh, owner of Vieux Carré, a Cajun restaurant in downtown Spokane, was inspired to start her business after falling in love with the Louisiana cuisine while working for her family restaurant in her hometown. She wanted to bring a taste of New Orleans to the Inland Northwest.

Vieux Carré NOLA Kitchen is located at 1403 W. Broadway Ave. on the edge of Kendall Yards and the walkway that connects the two neighborhoods. McElfresh, a W. Spokane native, has been in the food business for 19 years and opened her restaurant in June of 2021, it is the lone Creole, Cajun restaurant in the Inland Northwest.

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Super Bowl LVII: Eagles, Chiefs vie for the title

By BRAD SAUVE

The Eagles are the first franchise to ever break the 40-year barrier in Super Bowl victories. The Chiefs, however, have a good reason to believe they can win without Mahomes as its signal-caller. Though less experienced than Hurts, he is more than capable passer and a legitimate threat to run the ball — just ask the 49ers.

Regardless of who wins, history has already been made. This will be the first time that the Super Bowl will feature two Black coaching staffs.

Powering the Eagles offense is quarterback Jalen Hurts, the third-year man out of Oklahoma who has developed into one of the best dual-threat quarterbacks in the league. He is more than capable passer and a legitimate threat to run the ball — just ask the 49ers. Hurts may not have had a statistically impressive passing game, but he made key throws and ran for 70 yards and a touchdown on the ground.

Meanwhile, Kansas City continues to experience offensive issues with Patrick Mahomes as its signal caller. Though he was effective in the first half, he is still a problem for opponents in that department in addition to being able to generate high-level red zone scores.

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The Niners defense, in turn, is a dominant force in the backfield. The Eagles offensive line has been one of the best in the league this season, allowing just 15.5 sacks and 44 total tackles. A one-man wrecking crew in his own right, Hurts has the ability to extend plays and make plays with his legs.

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***Be sure to check your email, Courtney will contact you through email once your application is reviewed.***

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Recurring, 25hrs/ week
Tues/Wed/Thurs: 8:00AM- 4:30PM
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If interested, please email:  Rachel Flanagan; rflanagan2016@gmail.com

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Students race to secure tenting positions ahead of BYU game
Gonzaga students dash to the Crosby Student Center to receive their tenting numbers at the Kennel Campout ahead of Saturday’s matchup with BYU.