The South Dakota State Human powered Vehicle Team gains momentum.

Co-captains Mathew Walley and Jack Klinkhammer are members of the Human Power Vehicle Team that competes in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) E-Fests, which is an annual competition that brings the best mechanical and aerospace engineering students from across the world to compete in Las Vegas, Nevada.

The team started at SDSU was to help students improve their skills and get them that real-life experience, Walley said. Walley no longer rides, but still attended the competition for team support.

The members take great pride in not only their awards, but their product as well. The bike they created, The Black Jack, helped them earn the craftsmanship award in Las Vegas. Team members regularly visit their shop in the Architecture, Mathematics, and Engineering building to work on The Black Jack. Improving simple things to make it look better or ride smoother.

“Now it’s just to the bottom of that list and the last few things to work on,” Klinkhammer said.

Darrin Zomer, team secretary and a senior mechanical engineering major, estimates he’s working on the bike 20 to 30 hours a week.

“Too much,” Zomer said about the amount of time he dedicated to the project.

Right now the team is using the last week until their next competition to make their team a stronger contender.

The next competition is at the ASME E-Fests East, where they’ll compete April 21 through April 23 at Tennessee Technological University in Cookeville, Tennessee.

All three team members expect harder competition with the more experienced teams in Tennessee. But they “always like a good competitor,” Zomer said.

The team competed at the American Society of Mechanical Engineers Engineering Festivals in April 12. The team competed at the University of South Dakota, Minnesota-Dakota-Thon, which was held on the same day.

Members of the executive board said the friendly competition between the rival schools was a good motivator to raise more money.

“The competition is a huge plus,” Zomer said. “It’s in good fun because we all know that no matter what we have, it has a huge impact,” Klinkhammer said. The team raised about $145,000 this year. Internal vice president of State A Thon Emma McNerney said, even though there was a rivalry, SDSU and USD were able to come together and give almost $300,000 to the Children’s Miracle Network in just one week.

Last year, State A Thon raised more than $103,000. Dance marathon relations chair Laura Alexander said that the individual students’ fundraising had a huge impact on the final totals this year.

“Every dollar that was raised, every dollar that was brought together and given to the charities, that is something that we take pride in,” Alexander said.

The team finished third for the overall best vehicle at their competition, the ASME E-Fests East, where they won a $1,000 check for their efforts.

“The last thing I’ll say is that we’re not here to win; we’re here to have fun,” Walley said.

“We’re not here to win,” Zomer said. “We’re here to promote the teams.”

The team will return to Las Vegas in May to compete in the ASME E-Fests West, which is an annual competition in Las Vegas, Nevada.

SDSU tuition, GAF increase for the first time in two years

The cost for students to attend South Dakota State University will likely increase each year for the next five years.

This is the first time in two years that SDSU tuition and General Activity Fee (GAF) will increase for the next academic year.

Together, these means students will pay an extra $120 next semester to attend SDSU, $60 on a three hour load, as approved by the South Dakota Board of Regents.

Former Students’ Association President, now Vice President Aly Helms said this increase in funding is a huge benefit for students who are already struggling to pay for college.

“If you can make it through and you can afford it for the four years, you’ll end up great on the other side. But it’s making sure our students can afford this,” Helms said. “I’m hoping that there will be a push for more scholarships and investments.”

On the bright side, SDSU students don’t have to pay as much as students at the University of South Dakota, Helms said. USD may pay an increase of $590.

The quality of SDSU’s GAF increase for the next academic year, $5.57 per credit hour or about $45 for a 1.5-credit hour load, will fund the maintenance and repair fund for The Union and Wellness Center. This in turn will fund a space study conducted for The Union.

The cost of SDSU’s $2,850 increase to SDSU will help fund The Union and support student organizations and programs. That increase was planned to result in $300,000 to use for SA Fiscal Year 2018 general budget, but fell short by almost $500.

Major reasons for this loss include:

• Predictions of fewer credit hours taken by students
• A $17,000 increase for The Union to fund staff salaries and building maintenance
• A push for more scholarships and investments

Together, this means students will pay an extra $320 for the next academic year.

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Student Union under a microscope as students, staff and SDSU administrators explore a space study of The Union

Jennifer Schlecht

The Student Union will be undergoing a space study to be complete in a few months to determine the functionality of the space and how it could change.

In fall 2016, Students’ Association (SA) members participated in a General Activity Fee (GAF) survey by USD students to determine if they believed the Union was a good use of the GAF. The survey was held by the SDSU Union, as well as the Volstorff Multicultural Center.

Held said the survey is “stagnant enrollment” numbers at South Dakota State University for rejecting the plan. The main level of The Union for unions will result in an enrollment of more than 44,200 students and the enrollment of students attending SDSU to just the cost of running The Union.

The study is being conducted by Cannon Moss (BBA 02) and Arch, Inc., from Des Moines, Iowa. Principal Architect Joseph Edgerton and Matthew Kristin, principal from CMBA, spoke two days ago in sessions with students, faculty and staff at student organizations.

One of the concerns students and organizations want to engage with on the students on the main campus.

Heldsma said a main focus for SA in this process is the Multicultural Union, which some students believe has been underutilized.

“I think that the main point of space and visibility for programs,” Heldsma said. “At The Union, as well as the Volstorff Multicultural Center. The main level of The Union is currently located in the lower level of The Union. For several years, students have regular meetings with the concern of the lack of space and visibility across campus. Heldsma said that the Multicultural Union has several committees and that visibility was difficult in the space given for The Union.

The center serves as a space for students and staff, and Heldsma said that visibility is important for The Union as well as National Student Exchange, Black Student Association and Latin American Student Association.

“Because the space serves so many students and groups, Heldsma said that visibility is significant for The Union,” Heldsma said about The Union.

In addition to the multicultural center, Heldsma said that visibility is important for student organizations in The Union as well, and Volstorff Ballroom is also priorities in the center. Student organizations now have a student-funded union, which Heldsma said allows students to “retain autonomy over The Union.”

This is our building. This entire building is funded solely through GAF. We want to make sure we can do what we want — not just Students’ Association, but all students — for this building. Heldsma, student opinion was important in preparing for the space study and Smith said he left with sessions with a positive outlook.

The students who were blessed with all the students who shared their ideas and concerns for The Union the best it can be.” Smith said.

Student Union loan debt rising among SDSU graduates

LACY LACKOWICZ

The average South Dakota State graduate’s student loan debt has increased from previous years, according to the U.S. Department of Education. Students who graduated are now faced with loan debt, an increase from previous years, according to the U.S. Department of Education.

The GAF allocation to the student organizations is cut each year to cover administrative costs. This year, the administration is cut by $200 from what students pay in student fees. This year, the administration is cut by $200 each credit hour or $30 a semester to cover the student organizations. Students who purchase the plan so that all students will pay a portion of this cost through their GAF. Students who purchase meal plans will pay a portion of the cost through those purchases next year. This will gradually shift away from the original meal plan covered by The Bond and Utility Fee to covering completely the cost paid by The GAF. This means all students, whether they eat on campus or not, will pay for the Bond and Utility Fee to keep up dining services during the summer semester.

According to SDSU and Helms, students are more interested in finding out where their GAF is going to be spent every year.

SDSU students are paying $14/hour. Call (605) 690-3478.

The average South Dakota State U.S. student loans now to $35,000, said Ghebrekidan. “A lot of us have to prioritize student loan payments,” Ghebrekidan said. “It’s really about the little things that you have to cut back on daytime expenses, try cooking at home, things like that. It’s also really important to keep track of your payments and just try to make more than that minimum payment per month. That can really make a difference.”

Monthly student loan payments typically begin nine to 12 months after graduation. Heldsma said that some students typically begin paying within six months and only after six months after they will pay. Monthly student loan payments typically begin nine months after a failure to make a payment. For graduates who default on student loans, loans are then able to take them to court and add collection fees to the loan. The default on student loans also negatively impacts a person’s credit score, hurting future opportunities to make large purchases and obtain new loans.

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The 2016-17 Students' Association Senate body concluded their term at Monday night's meeting, after unanimously approving Tier 2 budgets and discussing the Union space study. The Tier 2 budgets are covered in "SBFU tuition, GAF increase for the first time in two years," and the Union space study is covered in "Student Union under microscope."

Before swearing in the new Senate body, SA unanimously approved Ordinance 16-07-O and Resolution 16-20-R. Ordinance 16-07-O showed SA's support of establishing a public transportation system on campus. Resolution 16-18-R asks the university to consider a new scholarship fund for the royalties earned off textbooks written by faculty that students use. SA also amended their agenda toward putting on the event. This matter was pushed from the fall semester to the final meeting of the body's term after SDSU SA briefly left the Student Federation. After business was taken care of, former Sen. Robert McLean was honored as Senator of the Year before concluding his term. His new Senate body and executive team were sworn into office at 7 p.m. April 17 in the Lewis and Clark room of The Union.

The next SA meeting will be at 7 p.m. April 27 at the Lewis and Clark room of The Union.
Downtown Brookings encourages support for local businesses

Collegian graphic by BAILEY HILL

The Star "The Office" star B.J. Novak attracts students for comedy show

KATIE GERBAER
Managing Editor

Typically the hub for sports like bowling and basketball, students and community members filled West Arena Friday for a night of stand-up comedy with B.J. Novak.

Novak, widely known for his role on the television show "The Office," was brought to campus by the University Program Council (UPC). Not only was Novak a star on the show, he is also an author, producer and has had roles in "The Office," "UPC was super great to work with and everyone in Jumpin' Jacks was extremely excited to participate in this event," Woodring said.

After hugging each of the UPC coordinators and community members who announced questions for Novak, he exited the stage to applause echoing through the arena. Novak entered the stage with one-liners about the "Whole-some Midwest," which included Karm & Co, the Seed House and Monni Weekend. Laughter rippled through the crowd as the audience caught his solid references.

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I Am That Girl, a national non-profit organization aimed toward shifting women’s culture and how they treat themselves, established its first South Dakota chapter in February at South Dakota State University.

Sophomore public relations major Maria Hassel started the organization to turn self-doubt into self-love. Club members want to shift how women treat themselves, each other and the community around them.

“I Am That Girl meets at 7 p.m. every Tuesday in The Union in room Dakota C.”

Hassel said the meetings typically last an hour and be a empowering song with a ‘girl power’ theme, such as a Beyoncé song. Members then go around the room saying something they did the last week that made them feel empowered. Next, they go on to their topic of the week. Hassel said the club is important because there isn’t a campus organization meant to cheer women on, lift them up and help them be supportive of each other.

“We’re basically a group of girls on campus who come together once a week to talk about subjects that are prominent in today’s society that are affecting us as a whole,” said Isabelle Masloski, biology pre-physician assistant major and club president. “We’re open about the subjects and make people feel comfortable about what they have to say on the subject.”

“I give rides if needed,” Hassel said. “I call myself an Uber.”

The last meeting of the academic year, which is when elections are held. A student must attend eight prior meetings to be eligible for a position. “We’re in the transition period since it’s new,” Masloski said. “So, we’re working to get our story and name out there. We just want girls to feel welcome and know that everyone is accepted. It’s ladies from a variety of groups involved in a bunch of different activities.”

Hassel said the meetings are free to attend and girls can just show up. “It was fun. There was a lot of girls and talking,” Gillette said. “I liked that it was a big group of girls, just being able to talk about whatever we want, be comfortable with each other and just have fun.”

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The space and location needs of the Office of Multicultural Affairs have not been addressed in previous years.

Finally, finally the Office of Multicultural Affairs voices are being heard.

Finally their needs are being acknowledged.

Finally the organizations (BSA, LASA, National Student Exchange and disability services) within the Office of Multicultural Affairs will be funded properly.

Finally, Students’ Association (SA) decided earlier this year to make the Office of Multicultural Affairs a top priority. SA backed this up by unanimously approving a resolution this semester to provide an additional $30,000 to the Office of Multicultural Affairs in the 2017 budget.

At the latest SA meeting, Tier 2 budget allocations were announced and approved for the 2017 school year.

Unfortunately, the amount SA was left with to allocate to student organizations, $50,000, was less than the $100,000 they initially thought they would have.

Fortunately for the Office of Multicultural Affairs, being made a priority was a long time coming and well deserved.

The Office of Multicultural Affairs received $54,533, a $30,000 increase from the 2016 school year.

We think that is tremendous, said Hao normals. Sem Lear, an old woman, has tirelessly emphasized in her previous appearances that the resolution for increased funding, and making the Office of Multicultural Affairs a priority in The Union space study shows this topic is important to SA.

We, at The Collegian, think this connection between SA and the Office of Multicultural Affairs is a positive step forward and is representative of student voices.

The Office of Multicultural Affairs is a hub for students, international and domestic, to spend time with friends, to study, and to meet with staff housed there. It deserves to have proper funding for their programming needs, which include events and helping fund the various organizations that are under the umbrella of the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

This is a positive step forward for those organizations, The Union, and this campus for future students who may rely on the Office of Multicultural Affairs.

Stance:
We support SA’s decision to prioritize the Office of Multicultural Affairs in the Student Union.

The Collegian editorial staff meets weekly and approves on the issue of the editorial. The editorial represents the opinion of The Collegian.
Scientific cooperation

SDSU provided me a great opportunity to conduct research here in Brooklyn as a visiting scholar. During this time, I engaged in a variety of activities and events taking place at your university. These activities are enabling me to increase my knowledge and understanding of American society and culture.

Before my arrival in Brooklyn, I feared I would be far away, yet close in terms of economic and scientific cooperation. I am now so far from my home country and feel like a real scientist, who does not know the borders and distance, and can go far for knowledge.

Being able to get abroad to obtain additional scientific materials for my work is of enormous benefit to me as an academic. It is a unique opportunity to gain experience in international cooperation and to build relations between our countries. Therefore, I strongly encourage each of you: SDSU students to travel during your studies to discover this world, and in the process learn even more about yourself.

Each new experience makes me stronger, so take advantage of each opportunity while you can. Summer will be upon us soon, and we are invited to travel to Europe, and maybe even Poland. People from the capital of Warsaw, as Americans will say an awesome place! That place is a campus of Warsaw University of Life Sciences - SGGW, one of the most modern universities in Europe, both for its architecture and distance, and can go very far for knowledge.

Ben Quam
Guest Columnist

Parents and caregivers rely on their supports to provide the necessary sources to help their families healthy and strong. There are times when families are in circumstances that put their children at risk for them to provide the safe environment a child needs. Reporting concerns of child abuse or neglect, or concerns for a child’s safety, could provide the assistance a child needs to connect with them to help the child use. It is important that people are able to recognize signs of child abuse or neglect.

Neglect can be failure to provide food, clothing, shelter, or necessary medical care. It could be emotional, as well as physical. Or it can result from unhealthy health needs, isolating a child for a long time or depriving a child of emotional attention. Neglect can be educational, by not getting the child to school on time, by not providing them with the right educational opportunities, not providing enough food, or not providing enough of the essential needs of a child. Neglect is the inability to provide a child with the proper care or a child may have fading bruises or other marks noticeable above and below a child’s clothing, choking or biting and may be done with hands, belts or other objects.

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STATE A THON

Choosing a career might prove difficult for humanities students when their degree prepares them for all of them. Anna Marie Trester, applied sociolinguist and previous faculty member at George-town University, put together the interactive workshop “The Story Approach to a Career” at SDSU April 11, in order to give students with liberal arts degrees a hands-on approach for a more practical career search.

SD south Dakota State linguistics instructor Jerome Rod was instrumental in bringing Trester to campus. Rod neither works while earning a profit and the two collaborated on bringing her to SDSU.

The workshop consisted of an open house, networking with job recruiters, a resume workshop and professional head shot shoots. Trester guided students through the career process, helping them understand where their skills match students with liberal arts degrees equipped them with and how to apply those skills in most industries.

Rod said students have become “more practical” career search work, so he wanted to incorporate some more hands on for students who were liberal arts majors.

Rod described the goal of the event as “saying students confidence in their skills.” He said most universities put humanities a step below STEM fields even though humanities students have critical thinking and problem solving skills necessary for future employment. “Trester wanted to give students the ability to discuss their skills strongly and intelligent-ly to potential employers,” Rod said.

Trester’s “story approach” consisted of three main components; listening, finding, and valuing.

Listening begins with the research process. Rod said, understanding a person’s own interests and finding organiza-tions that reflect those interests and values.

Finding is a matter of managing social media, networking, and how someone presents themselves to get a job. The selling, Rod said, is using job interviews as “powerful moments to help employees understand why they need you, instead of you asking for the job.”

Rod said language and liberal arts degrees are more valuable in today’s job market than people might think. According to research by New American Economic, “there is a growing demand for bilingual talent in major industries in the United States.”

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Interactive linguistic workshop helps students market their degree

EMILY De WAARD

To celebrate the successful year of brainstorming for the Sanford Children’s Hospital in Sioux Falls, ABBY FULLERKAMP

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Anna Marie Trester presents a lecture about how to introduce yourself in 15 seconds by highlighting the most important skills and traits you possess. A resume workshop and professional head shot photo shoot also occurred at Trester’s event April 11.

Rud described the goal of the event as helping students make their confidence in their skills. “The telling, Rud said, is using job interviews as ‘powerful moments to help employees understand why they need you, instead of you asking for the job.’”

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Jacks prepare for 2017 season with spring practices

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After a successful 2016 season, the South Dakota State football team is gearing up for the 2017 season with spring practices.

The Jacks finished the 2016 season with an overall record of 9-4 and won the Missouri Valley Football Conference for the first time. They also beat Wisconsin in the FCS quarterfinals, 36-10.

SDSU head coach John Stiegelmeier said it has been a test for the team. "It's made me stronger — had to work harder," Menage said. "And, like last year, you're a little stronger than we have every year and our team has been part of SDSU football and has won either the Front or Special Teams Player of the Week award.

He believes the sky's the limit for the Jacks. "I love being a Jackrabbit, being part of SDSU football and has won either the Front or Special Teams Player of the Week award.

Sophomore thrower sets sights on breaking javelin throwing record

ABBY FULLENKAMP
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"He's an eff orty guy, he came here as kind of an underdog, and he worked his way to the position where he was the best player in the state," head coach John Stiegelmeier said. "He's the best athlete in the state of South Dakota where he was a three-sport student. "I get to be a part of it is more important, and the fact that I get to be a part of it is more important, and the fact that I get to be a part of it is more important, and the fact that I get to be a part of it is more important."

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In 2015, Menage was selected as the team's inaugural recipient of the Servant/Humility Award. The award is given to a member of the football team, in any role, who puts the team first. They can be playing on the scout team or being the first person to participate in a drill. The second part of the award is being active in the community.

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mstrong cutting into a ground out, but scoring a run that tied the game. The Jacks then needed to hit a double, putting the Hawkeyes up 2-3, and they never looked back.

The South Dakota State was out-hit 8-5. The Hawkeyes struck 10 times, compared to just five strike-outs from the Jackrabbits.

The Jackrabbits headed to Fargo, North Dakota over the weekend to take on the North Dakota State Bison in a Summit League showdown. The Jackrabbits dropped two games to the Bison.

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each. The Saturday the Jackrabbits lost 4-1. It was a better hitting perfor-
mance for the South Dakota State as they came up with six hits, but only put up enough to score enough to come away with the victory.

"When you look at the last few games, we are definitely in a rhythm to give our pitchers a chance to realiz-
each. Stiegelmeier added. The Jacks then took on South Dakota. The Jacks came away with a 5-0 win over the Coyotes as Ethan Kenkel went six innings. Ben Bobbit had a solid outing and Feige worked two innings in relief and got the Jackrabbits out of a bases-loaded jam. Chris Halbur slammed the door on the Bison and was awarded his fifth save of the season. Halbur allowed a run this year. Kenkel was awarded Sum-

On the Creighton Blue Jays, Michael Feige, who has a .352 batting average this year and it's him taking advan-
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Brooke Statius, who has a .323 batting average, and 15 runs batted in. Adam Meeks also hit a batsman a -is a hit .337 with 11 runs batted in.

When it comes to pitching, the Leathernecks' pitching has struggled. The team earned a 6-8 record on the road and hit .260 against the Blue Jays.

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Track and Field

The SDSU men’s and women’s track and field teams were in Vermillion over the weekend to take on the University of South Dakota in the Dakota Duals at the Lillibridge Track Complex. The men fell 99-52 and the women fell as well, 104-47.

Junior thrower Colton Bender and freshman Dakota Leonhard both broke school records. Bender broke it in the hammer throw and Leonhard broke it in the javelin throw.

Sophomore Sam Zemmer

What’s next? The team will travel to Iowa City, Iowa, to compete in the Jim Duncan Invitational April 14 and 15. Some of the other team members will travel to Walnut, California, to compete at the Mt. SAC Relays April 13 through 15.

Softball

The SDSU softball team was in Kansas City, Missouri, Tuesday taking on the University of Missouri-Kansas City in a double header.

The Jacks fell in both games, dropping their overall record to 14-27, despite getting a total of 19 hits. SDSU jumped out to a 2-0 lead after Brittany Mose hit a two-run home run in the first inning. UMKC would then score three runs in both the third and the fourth inning and would win 6-2.

In the second game, Paige Getz and Islamiah Fuad finished with six strikeouts. The women came into the weekend tied for ninth. Senior Megan Mango and freshman Sydney Romberg finished tied for 17th. The men finished in 14th out of 18 teams at the Tiger Invitational.

Junior thrower Colton Bender

What’s next? The team will head to Lincoln, Nebraska for the UNL Rodeo April 15 at the Lancaster Event Center. The Jackrabbit rodeo men won the Jackrabbit Stampede and the women came in second April 8 at the Swiftel Center. They will head to Lincoln, Nebraska for the UNL Rodeo April 15 at the Lancaster Event Center.

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The South Dakota State men and women’s golf teams were back in action Monday and Tuesday after a two week break.

The women took third place in the Kansas City Shootout in Kansas City, Missouri, at the Shoal Creek Golf Club.

Senior Teresa Tornos led the way for SDSU, finishing with a 72 and tying for sixth place overall, out of all 43 golfers. Seniors Hallie Gates and Kristal Foreal finished eighth, with the tournament tied for ninth. Senior Milo King was tied for 22nd.

Junior Kailey Bentsen was third, followed by senior Allie Herdliska in fourth. The women will head to Nebraska City, Nebraska, April 23 and 24 for the Hawkeye Invitational. The woman will head to Nebraska City, Nebraska, April 23 and 24 for the Hawkeye Invitational.

Andrew Holtan

Sports Editor

The South Dakota State rodeo team started the spring of their 2016-17 season April 8 and 9, in the third annual Jackrabbit Stampede at the Lillibridge Track Center in Brookings.

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Gunner hit an RBI double in the second inning to give the Jacks an early 1-0 lead. UMBC would come back and score two runs in the fourth inning to take the lead. The Jacks would then tie it in the sixth when Gerdes would reach on an error that drove in Ali Herdliska.

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The South Dakota State baseball team lost three out of the four games they played this past week. The Jacks fell to Iowa 4-3 April 4 in Iowa City, Iowa. They would then travel to Fargo, North Dakota to take on North Dakota State in a three game series. They dropped the first two games, both by the score of 4-1, before winning the final game of the series 1-0. Starting pitcher Ethan Kenkel picked up the victory for the Jacks. He pitched six shut out innings and struck out six batters. Because of this performance, Kenkel has been named the Collegian Athlete of the Week.

The Jacks will be traveling to Macomb, Illinois April 14 and 15 to take on Western Illinois before heading to Minneapolis to take on Minnesota April 18.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK: ETHAN KENKEL

Year: Senior
Hometown: Storm Lake, Iowa
Major: Consumer Affairs

Ethan Kenkel pitches at the at home during the Fort Wayne series April 2, where they won 10-6. They will next be at home April 21 against Oral Roberts.

Sergio Garcia won the 81st edition of the Masters Golf Tournament Sunday, at the Augusta National Golf Course in Augusta, Georgia. Garcia defeated Justin Rose after he birdied the first hole in a playoff, where Rose got a par. The tournament is four days long and, despite what people say about golf, the final round of the Masters can be one of the most exciting things to watch in sports.

Something weird happened after that, though. Rose actually gave Garcia a high five and was smiling, moments after he missed his eagle putt that would have kept him up one stroke. That made me upset. I like my athletes to be competitive, especially when they are playing to win the biggest golf tournament in the world. Golf is also a sport where it’s all on you and you should feel frustrated, because there is no one else to blame. I know I have certainly slammed my club on the ground at the golf course.

I realize that sportsmanship is a great thing. I’m not saying you can’t congratulate your opponent after the game, but to give your opponent a high five after he ties you with four holes left? That’s preposterous.

There’s nothing better in sports than when two teams — or in this case golfers — hate each other and wait for when it’s done to show sportsmanship. It’s special, because you know that the athletes are giving it their all to put on a show for the fans. Emotion from athletes can bring out the best emotion in fans.

I have a feeling this would not happen in any other sport except golf. I can also tell you that if this happened to Tiger Woods he would not high five his opponent.

The point is, we want athletes to be competitive. It makes sports a lot more fun to watch and I know that some athletes don’t care at all what the fans think, but they are what brings in revenue. If fans are not watching your sport because it’s not exciting, then your sport will not gain revenue. So you should be more competitive.

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