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XAVIER NEWSWIRE

XUPD, SGA respond to crime spike

Increased patrols, portable light, new committee aim to address students’ concerns

BY ELLEN SIEFKE
Managing Editor

The Xavier community is no stranger to crime. However, throughout the past few months, which coincided with the return of students alike have witnessed a noticeable uptick. That spike became even more personal when a Xavier student was assaulted and robbed last week. Though the student is safe and recovering from the attack, according to Student Government Association (SGA) President Zeina Farhat, the increased fear amongst students is palpable. Chief Joseph Milek, Xavier Police’s Administrator of Field Operations, said that the incident increased fear throughout the campus.

The first incident in question was a reported assault of a student. Milek personally has followed up with the student several times and expressed concern at his or her concern for the rest of the student body.

The second incident was a shooting that took place early on Saturday morning. It was not believed to be connected to the assault, and a Public Safety Notice was issued. The third incident was a homicide that took place early Monday morning on the 1500 block of Butler Avenue.

Before the meeting took place, XUPD officers went door-knocking to spread word of the crime spike. Officers noted that this effort drew a positive response from students in particular. "Quite frankly, the community members, I think, were pretty much blown away that we cared about them and went and did that," Milek said.

The door-knocking also showed officers that they were largely unaware of where exactly students live off-campus, or any specific individuals, explained the differences among XU Alert Me, Public Safety Notices and Timely Warnings and list available resources.

The last incident was another one of a series of increased patrols at UDF stores. The robbers were not specific to Norwood but plagued the entire city as well as northern Kentucky.

Milek notes that the robbers did not target any Xavier students or employees but rather specific businesses. The suspects waited until the stores were vacant and then made their move. Nevertheless, within the last week, several arrests were made, and according to Milek, the incidents seem to have halted.

No sooner did the robberies cease, however, than crime spiked in Evanston, a neighborhood that encloses much of the Xavier campus and had experienced a relatively low crime rate up until last week.

"We had the safety committee meeting with Captain (James) Granite from District 2 last week, and he was talking about, you know, Evanston is awesome, crime’s down, we haven’t had any problems at all, and I thanked him for a meeting where I said, you know as soon as you said that, everything happened," Milek said. "But it was Real...for the past two years, Evanston’s been very quiet...and then overnight, literally overnight, we had a number of incidents that took place."

The suspects waited until the crimes as well as the department’s response to them. "When a Xavier student was involved, there was a feeling that perhaps students were not being targeted," Chief (Milek) dispelled, Patrón said. "It affected our community and there was an uptick, and that brought it to our attention, but then when an actual Xavier student was affected it made us anxious to get together.

With the spike in activity, XU Alert Me has enacted its own measures and cooperated with other organizations in the surrounding community to help restore confidence and a sense of security, both on and off campus.

Farhat explains that the spike began with a series of robberies at UDF stores. The robbers were not specific to Norwood but plagued the entire city as well as northern Kentucky.

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No sooner did the robbers
E/R S Interview asks is God dead? 
Xavier professors discuss existence of and belief in God in a modern society

By Ryan Kambrich
Copy Editor

The Ethics/Religion and Society Program hosted its first event, “Is God Dead?” on Sept. 15 in Kennedy Auditorium. The event featured philosophy department chair Dr. Timothy Quinn, theology professor and Lutheran Pastor Dr. Kristine Suna-Koro and Islamic Studies chair Dr. Waheed El-Ansary.

The three faculty members were interviewed by E/RS Director Dr. Doug Ruschman to get their perspective on the question, “Is God dead?” a reference to Friedrich Nietzsche’s controversial 1882 aphorism from The Gay Science “Gods too decompose. God is dead. God remains dead. And we have killed him.”

Quinn, a lifelong reader of Nietzsche, was quick to explain that “God” in this context refers to all forms of higher authority, and that modern science has rendered the ancient authority of “God” dead. However, newfound reverence for science and the nation-state constituted the rise of new Gods for Nietzsche, who saw them exerting control over our lives. This rise of scientism and nationalism defined a new conception of God, likewise grounded in a form of faith.

Nietzsche’s controversial 1882 statement refers to all forms of God and added that God “is a route to something. And what are these various intersecting forces? What are the thoughts and the cognitions that come up when you think of God? I was really thankful for perspectives that came from the theologians and the philosophers.”

Meanwhile, El-Ansary pointed out that among Muslim youths, the faith has never been stronger, and in fact seems to be growing.

He explained that while Nietzsche has heavily influenced the dissatisfaction of Christians in the West, Islamic thought never separated science, philosophy and theology, but instead blended the three. Therefore, the rise of science in the West never had the same impact on Islamic thought and never dissatisfied its intellectual elite or practitioners. Rather, the authority of God is indistinguishable from the findings of science or the questions of philosophy and is therefore very much living.

“I think it is a very pertinent topic, especially during this political time, even though the E/RS event was not political in a sense,” Dr. Suparna Chatterjee of the history department said. “For some, God is a kind of support system. For some God is a route to something. And some don’t believe in God. So what are these various intersecting forces? What are the thoughts and the cognitions that come up when you think of God? I was really thankful for perspectives that came from the theologians and the philosophers.”

“We didn’t tell them what it was like when it was political,” Ruschman explained, “It’s more wonder, then, why video producer Debra Del Valle would want to capitalize on the market for the university with XUPOV and Xavier’s ‘storytellers.’ Del Valle was assigned the project after Doug Ruschman, the assistant vice president for marketing and communications (MarCom), suggested the idea.

Ruschman was inspired to launch XUPOV after attending a convention where Georgetown University showcased its “Georgetown Stories” program in which students documented their lives through short videos.

Although paid for their work, students are mostly unrestricted in their content. MarCom wants to see the authentic perspective of a Xavier student.

“We didn’t tell them what to do,” explained Del Valle. “We said ‘we won’t make them do a video on going to your academic advisor.”

First-year Tyler Gilkey was recently brought on the team of seven student storytellers. In addition to being the new kid on the block, Gilkey adds more diversity to the storytellers.

“We try to mix it up with different kinds of people . . . they’re going to be able to tell stories . . . I’m not going to be able to tell that story” Del Valle remarked, “I’m not a college student in 2017.”

Gilkey feels empowered by the opportunity to show prospective and current students Xavier and Cincinnati lift through his eyes of a “psychology major who is bisexual and is involved in the arts.”

Gilkey intends to represent the school’s LGBTQ+ community with his newly-minted voice. Gilkey said that vlogging is unique: “It’s more personal and interactive than anything else, because you get the opportunity to actually come along with me on my experiences and watch what it was like when I was live.”

You will soon find Gilkey’s channel, along with the other six storytellers at xavier.edu/xu POV. as well as on Instagram @XU POV and on YouTube.
McGrath gives advice on relaxing

Campus doctors give tips and tricks, plus a look at upcoming Wellness Week

BY BEVIN FREEMAN
Guest Writer

Stress and anxiety are in- avoidable aspects of life for all people, but these feelings do not have to consume students at Xavier. There are many ways for students to reduce stress on campus.

Dr. Tim Barron, director of counseling at McGrath Health and Wellness Center was able to share his advice for student wellness. To keep the physical body healthy, Barron says to maintain a healthy diet and to get enough sleep at night.

As for emotional wellness, Barron says, “Students should keep in perspective the rhythm of the semester and that not every week will be as stressful. You will feel out of balance, but it is temporary and the stress of your courses will come in waves. There will be ups and downs.”

Barron also mentioned the importance of setting time out of the day to meditate and detach from technology, which relieves stress. Barron leads a group at the McGrath Health and Wellness Center called “Jitters” where students can have group cognitive behavioral therapy to reduce anxiety.

Wellness yoga is also available from 3-4 p.m. on Friday afternoons in O’Connor in the second floor studio, and Zumba classes can be a fun way to relieve stress after a long day of studying.

Wellness Week is coming to Xavier on Sept. 25. Angie Knellin, the care management coordinator and the dean of students, gave an inside look into what students can look forward to for Wellness Week.

On the first day, “Movies for Mental Health” will let students participate in a facilitated conversation about anxiety, depression and suicide. The conversations will revolve around short films made by other college students from around the country that participated in a contest to make a film about mental health. The contest was supported by the organization Art with Impact.

This event will take place in the Gallagher Theater on Monday, Sept. 25 from 7-9 p.m. with a panel of students and professional counselors.

The following Tuesday there will be an event for masculinity and mental health with a panel discussion located in Kennedy Auditorium.

The author Kate Fagan will be on campus next Wednesday to give a talk about her book called What Made Mad- die Run, which is based on the true story of a victim of suicide. Fagan will be speaking about mental health in Gallagher Student Center at 8 p.m. Another event will be led by XSASA, (Xavier Students Against Sexual Assault) to connect sexual assault to wellness and suicide prevention.

If any Xavier student or member of the Xavier community needs to talk to someone about anxiety or depression, there are professional counselors eager to help at the McGrath Health and Wellness Center.

International students speak on campus climate

BY HYEHYUN HWANG
Guest Writer

Two weeks ago, Ese Obri- mah’s article “Is Xavier for and with its students?” high- lighted low funding in the Center for International Edu- cation (CIE), low attention to the international student population’s involvement on campus and even the discour- agement for the growth of diversity within the campus.

Ese included in her article that 24 percent of the incom- ing class of 2021 categorize themselves as racial minori- ties. That number includes people who have lived their entire lives in the U.S. with their family of non-U.S. her-itage. According to the CIE, there are 175 international students currently at Xavier. That makes up about three percent of the entire class of 2021. Xavier’s mission state- ment says, “In an inclusive environment of open and free inquiry, we prepare students for a world that is increasingly diverse, complex and interde- pendent.” However some, like Ese, believe that this is not re- flected in the annual decrease of the international student population.

During interviews with international students, one of the most frequently men- tioned topics was the political climate of the United States. Students, especially from the Middle East, are potentially afraid of what was going to happen to them throughout and after receiving their col- lege education. Sophomore inter- national student Noaf Al- anazi broached the argument that there has been a clear atmosphic change in the nation after the current pres- ident made heightened com- ments on the Middle Eastern population.

“I’ve always had thoughts of not wanting to be here, but I have to finish my de- gree,” Alanazi said. “As a Middle Eastern girl, when Trump said bad things about the Middle East and Muslim people, I got scared. And my friends were scared, too. Peo- ple got scared and went back to their country.

“Maybe (staying in the United States) used to be safe, but not anymore,” Alanazi said.

Other international stu- dents touched on the admis- sions process at Xavier. The recurring comment stressed what they perceive as a lack of attention and resources pro- vided by the school.

One reason for this is that there is only one part-time international admissions counselor to handle all of the international student recruit- ment as well as regional re- cruitment within the US.

Students expressed that Xavier places priority on the income from the international students’ family rather than on bringing diverse racial and socio-economic perspectives in their classrooms.

Xavier preaches its goal of “preparing students for a world that is increasingly di- verse, complex and interde- pendent.” But some interna- tional students feel as though they have been left behind in funding and attention as the emphasis fades on bringing in more students of all racial and socio-economic backgrounds.
Cincy streets revert back to 1910s
Some street names in the city are changing to their original German roots

By ERICA LAMPERT
Staff Writer

Over 100 years ago, the streets of Cincinnati were renamed because of the anti-German hysteria during World War I. However, last ti-German hysteria during World War I. Some original names are being featured beneath the more commonly known names, as pictured above.

A number of streets in the Cincinnati area are being changed back to their original German names. The streets had their names changed because of anti-German hysteria during World War I. Some original names are being featured beneath the more commonly known names, as pictured above.

Some streets in Over-the-Bridge (OTR) are going back to their original German names: Woodrow is changing to Berlin, Stonewall to Hamburg and Yakom to Hamove. Seven other major streets will keep their current names. However, the original German names will hang below the street signs.

Residents will be happy to know that because the signs are hanging below the origi-

nal street names, they will not have to change their address labels to match them.

“It’s a great idea,” historian and Cincinnati native David Groh said. “Cincinnati obvi-

ously has a rich German her-
tage that should be honored. The Germans, unlike previous im-
migrants, settled in the in-
terior of the country in plac-
es such as Ohio. It’s great the city has decided to honor these early settlers to the area.”

“I’ll be really happy that finally the wrongs of World War I will be addressed and made right,” President of the German-American Cit-
izens League Don Heinrich Tolzmann said.

The names of the signs that will hang below the cur-
rent street names are: Rep-
blic (Bremen) Street in OTR, Edgecliff (Brunswick) Point and Merrinac (Haps-

burg) Street, both in Wal-
nut Hills; Panama (Vienna) Street in California; Orion (Wilhelm) Street and Bere-
dith (Schumann) Place, both in Pleasant Ridge and Con-
necticut (Frankfort) Avenue in College Hill.

“Cincinnati has a lot of German heritage and it’s in-
teresting to pay homage to that in a small way,” senior Ryia Buhl said.

However, there are some people who are unhappy with the street signs merely hang-
ing below the current street name signs. They would rather find places where residents would agree to change the names entirely.

“Based on their names and heritage, people were being discriminated against, and city council approved this,” Doug Newberry of Kennedy Heights said. “It was a wrong thing to do 100 years ago. 100 years is long enough.”

The council hopes that changing the street names will remind people of the damage caused by fearing entire groups of people.

“It shows history does repeat itself,” Seelbach said. “Too often we see ethnicities or races blamed for the actions of a small few. Whether it was German descendants in 1918 or Syrian refugees in 2016, we can’t keep fearing and blam-
ing entire cultures within our society.”

Some street names in the city are changing to their original German heritage and the families that helped build the city,” senior Mackenzie Stenroos said.

Many streets in Middletown and Hamil-
ton a series of questions on their personal experiences regarding a variety of sub-
jects, including diversity, sexual harassment and ass-
mault.

Ohio University – A traveling replica of the Vietnam War Memorial in Washing-
ton, D.C., came to campus last week. More than 2,000 people, includ-
ing at least 500 students, visited the so-named “Wall That Heals.” The wall was designed by an Ohio Univer-
sity student and will visit 38 campuses this year.

Ohio State University – The campus was rocked this week when a fourth-year psychology student and her boyfriend were found dead in an off-campus apartment. Police have ruled the deaths a murder-suicide.

University of Cincin-

nati – The university’s sus-
tainability office has opened a bicycle repair shop, called The Bike Kitchen, where students can receive free service and also learn about how to reduce their personal carbon footprint.

Northern Kentucky University – About a dozen students protested President Trump’s DACA policy at the Board of Regents meeting, carrying signs expressing solidarity with LatinX students on camp-

us. The students were wel-
comed and regents stayed after the meeting to talk with them.

We know you want to write the news for us, so have a Mad Lib article to complete

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After spending a ma-

jority of last six months in the spotlight, has become and will from any or...

According to a state-

ment from a spokesperson for __________, just needs some time out of sight to relax.

“_______ has been very busy with _______ since ________.” Aubrey Walker, __________, said in a statement to __________ over the weekend.

If _________ feels that has been receiving a ridiculous amount of media coverage in comparison to the millions of more important things happening around the world,” __________ was covered in as many as 112 online ar-
ticles, 19 different TV news segments and a whopping 453 listicles and Buzzfeed articles, most of which are titled “20 Reasons Why I love _______.” The new-

found reclusiveness of __________ is following a trend that has been going on for three weeks ago. After this cleverly executed and masterminded, __________ has spent the last few weeks going to court and being dogged by media.

As a result of dealing with the stress from the __________ as well as the oversaturation of media coverage, has also begun having performance issues. Students have noticed, as well as “I understand exactly what and is going through,” first-year Jimmy Mack said. “I’ve been in some pretty stressful sit-

uations. I _______ for when I was in high school, and it was pretty difficult for me.”

Walker disagreed with Mack, who felt the need to share the above anecdotes during the statement.

“There has been quite a bit of _______ of _______, Walker said. “_______, Walker said. “_______, There are _______ being in _______ and people are focusing on _______. High school issues are nothing like the overreaching worldwide media coverage that has af-
fected _______. _______ was unable to be reached for a com-
ment.

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Muslims slaughtered in Myanmar
Students react to what the U.N. calls an ‘ethnic cleansing’ of Rohingya

By SAVIN MATTOZZI
Staff Writer
Zeid Ra’ad al-Hussein, the United Nation’s (U.N.) top human rights official, has called the crisis in Myanmar a “textbook example of ethnocleansing.” His statement came as nearly 471,000 Rohingya Muslims fled Rakhine state in southwestern Myanmar. An estimated 400

have been killed since violence that erupted in late August, according to Reuters.

The Arakan Rohingya Salvation Army (ARSA) attacked several police posts in the northwestern portion of the Rakhine state on August 25. It was this action that provoked the military response that has led to the displacement of hundreds of thousands.

“If it looks like the actions of a few impacted the masses,” senior biology major Akhil Kavuri said. “I just feel like I’m reading articles about whatever the economic or social problem is.”

“The Rohingya are currently an ethnic minority in Myanmar, which is a predominately Buddhist country, who are subjected to regular persecution. They are currently not a recognized ethnic group in Myanmar and therefore have not been granted citizenship.”

Akhil Kavuri said. “I just feel desensitized to it, which is terrible, you know?” Kavuri said. “If I read this two, three years ago, I would have been surprised, but I feel like I hear a lot more of these issues on almost a monthly basis.”

POLICE NOTES

Sept. 15, 1:11 p.m. — Xavier Police assisted Cincinnati Police when a pedestrian was struck by a car at the intersection of Dana Avenue and Saint Francis Xavier Way. The student was unharmed and the driver was cited and sent on his or her way.

Sept. 13, 1:19 p.m. — A student reported that his or her bike was stolen. Xavier Police later arrested a subject who was caught stealing a second bike. It referred to the student code of conduct.

Sept. 16, 12:40 a.m. — Xavier Police responded to a fire alarm in Husman Hall. The alarm was set off by a student using an e-cigarette.

Sept. 16, 4:47 a.m. — Xavier Police assisted Cincinnati Police with detaining a subject who was wanted in connection to a report of shots fired at Clarion Avenue and Montgomery Road.

Week in review
What you may have missed

- After making a Facebook post offering $5,000 for a strand of Hillary Clinton’s hair, Martin Shkreli was jailed. He currently awaits trial for fraud (Sept. 13).
- Nutmeg, believed to have been the world’s oldest cat, died of heart failure at age 32 (Sept. 14).
- A California judge reinstated a 2004 statewide ban on foie gras (Sept. 15).
- More than 1,000 Juggalos, a nickname for fans of the band Insane Clown Posse, gathered in Washington, D.C., to protest the FBI’s classification of their group as a gang (Sept. 16).
- A 32-year-old woman faked a seizure to escape from two attackers who handed her a threatening note while on a train. The woman was OK (Sept. 18).
- Toys ‘R’ Us has filed for bankruptcy after years of decline due to Amazon’s rise in the toy-supplying sphere (Sept. 19).
Listening extends both ways

We are more than our politics

Cura Personæ, or care for the person, is one of Xavier’s greatest values inherited from the Jesuits. In terms of education, this value is often expressed as a desire to help individual students grow and learn in all aspects of their lives. Well-rounded individuals advance themselves intellectually, physically, spiritually, emotionally and socially.

When I first read this concept compelling because it emphasizes that we as people are not limited to a single defining trait. Each of us has traits or features that are more refined, abilities and skills in which we excel. However, we can continue to further ourselves in all areas so that we are set up to be competent and successful individuals in places where we are weak.

It may seem like an odd conclusion, but a lot of the recent news has actually reaffirmed my belief in the need for a “Cura Personæ” approach specifically. I think that the growing strife may be connected to a lack of well-roundedness. I think everyone would agree that people, as a whole, are incredibly complex and intricate. If we meet has his or her own beliefs, thoughts, ideas, hopes and dreams. Yet, when it comes to politics, we are radically separated into categories based on how we, or one of our stances, are perceived. As an example, say I have a (fictitious) friend named Percival who is pro-life. Most of his or her values tend to be the exact opposite of what we would associate with the rest of society. There’s that one guy who can’t let anyone forget he’s a politician. Maybe it’s the girl who constantly reminds everyone of her study abroad trip. It could be the guy who constantly approaches everyone with “a Reagan conservative.”

Letting singular pieces of your personality or identity dominate your rest isn’t nor is it beneficial for society. As we have clearly seen throughout the past few months, our nation has become increasingly divided. In part, this is due to people allowing political issues, narratives or identifications drive them away from one another. During the 2016 election, I encountered many who propose that many Liberals and Conservatives, whether in their lives.

Frankly, if one political disagreement is enough to ruin the friendship or relationship two people have built, they really need to take a step back and reassess the priorities in their lives.

O f t e n times in contemporary politics, people are hyper-focused on particular issues or narratives to the point where those issues and narratives begin to bleed across their entire lives. This is just what “Cura Personæ” is addressing. We do not know the truth about him, or what he believes. For all we know, he can be pro-life, pro-gun control, pro-big government and pro-family. Most of those values tend to be the exact opposite of what we would associate with the rest of society.

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As a feminist, I will say that my faith plays a big role in my activism. It is through my faith that I believe that every person should be treated with equal respect and have their human dignity valued without being discriminated against because of their identities.

I was raised as a Pentecostal Christian. Going to church as a child, it was really interesting learning the biblical stories and I would be lying if I didn’t say those stories motivated me to go church. Among these are the story of creation, Abraham, Lot and Samson. These stories are about men of God and evil women, women who tempted the men into sinning against God.

And as I grew up, I came to learn many biblical verses that portrayed women as evil and inferior. This understanding came through going to church sermons. Women were not made from a man’s rib, which is why we have more ribs than men. I felt so stupid when I realized that we all have the same number of ribs. This is just one example of many misinterpretations of the Bible that promote misogyny and patriarchy.

Having all these teachings undermine my existence and value as a woman, I questioned what kind of God would create human beings and say they look equal before His eyes and then make me feel less valued? What kind of God would say I (as a human being) am created in His image and then would also justify me being treated as inferior because of my gender? What kind of God would call me to share the Good News to the world and also say I should not speak in the church?

These questions, along with many others, made me question what I was taught in church. I questioned the church’s doctrines, and I became more aware of sexism in the church, how the Bible is used as a tool to perpetuate women’s oppression, encourage rape culture, foster toxic masculinity and preserve gender-based violence.

This contradicted the other teachings I learned about Jesus (my favorite activist), who happened to be the role model to “all” Christians. Jesus taught against injustices.

My understanding of Jesus’ teachings was so different from what most preachers taught. So I started to concentrate on his teachings and the stories of women in the Bible like Deborah, who was a judge and is my inspiration when it comes to my interest in leadership, Esther and so many more.

When I started to become vocal in my feminism, some friends asked me if I was still Christian. What fascinates me is that my advocacy to treat people with respect and dignity can be used to question my Christian faith. I do what I do because of my spiritual beliefs. It is because of my Christian faith that I am a feminist – not the other way around. My feminism is not independent of my spirituality. I am not an expert in theology, nor am I a preacher, but one thing that I believe is that God created me for a purpose that is not going to be limited by my gender. I also believe that God gave me wisdom to discern what is wrong and the courage to speak out against inequality of any kind, including gender inequality. For me, this is a shallow explanation of Christianity and feminism because there are so many sexist beliefs deeply rooted into the Christian faith that require us to demolish and redefine what it means by saying we were created in God’s image.

An attack on indifference and the noun “love”

To paraphrase St. Paul: love is not self-seeking. Love is not whining. Love is not childish. Love is not selfish. Love is not always. Love is not indifferent. Love requires the courage and will to take concrete action and to stake out a position. Love requires the humility and wisdom to revise or abandon a previous position when confronted with new evidence. Love exists not on the level of logos or pathos but on the level of praxis. Love is a verb, not a noun.

Recently there was an op-ed defending indiscrimiveness and a lack of political opinions as if it were acceptable because even if you don’t believe in a cause, you still believe in friends and family. This suggests two things to me: a fear of being wrong and an unwillingness to look outside one’s immediate circle. In short, a childish concept of love that is still based primarily on kinship and friendship.

You will be wrong at many times in your life. Being afraid of being wrong is like being afraid of exhaling. If you hold your breath too long, you will end up suffocating. Breathe and take a preliminary stance on an issue, even if you are unsure. Follow your instinct and be humble enough to change your mind, even if your instinct turns out to be wrong or if you receive new information. Do not change your opinion at the drop of a hat, but do not be overly stubborn, either. The other problem is hard to solve. There exists at Xavier and in the United States more generally a kind of bubble that isolates many people from the greater community. If you travel to a place outside of your comfort zone you, like most people, will probably take a stance on political issues that affect them or people they love. However, if you are only surrounded by friends and family – people who are most likely similar to you in some way – and you happen to belong to a group that benefits from the way things are, you will likely oppose any change, even if that change will benefit people outside of your circle.

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**Indians set historic league record**

Jose Ramirez & pitching shine during miraculous 22-game winning streak

**By Jack Dunn**

The Indians win streak was finally ended by the Kansas City Royals in Cleveland on Sept. 15. The longest streak in major league history halted at 22 wins.

This incredible feat of baseball has some crazy statistics with it. It is the second longest streak in MLB history, but only by a technicality. The 1916 Giants “won” 26 games in a row. However, there was a tie in the middle, resulting in two streaks of 14 and 12 games.

Cleveland’s run differential during the streak was off the charts. Opponents lost by an average of 4.77 runs and were outscored by an astounding 142-37. Thirty-three games were won by four or more runs.

Only one win was determined by a walk-off, and the team was only behind in eight in 1-0 or 2-1 games.

Indian owner Paul Dolan commented, “It’s great to have this streak, but I’d rather win two out of three all year long than have the longest winning streak by two games. If you win two out of three every day, you bide your time at the end. Streaks are nice…but two out of three through October would be nice.”

While Indians pitcher Trevor Bauer was at UCLA, he started a game that resulted in snapping a 22-game win streak. History repeated itself when he took the mound on Friday and the Indians lost 4-3 to the Royals. The loss came in front of a sellout crowd of 34,025, who gave the team a standing ovation to celebrate its monumental accomplishment.

“The Indians had huge support from their fans during the streak. ‘(The fans) have been so supportive,’ said Indians manager Terry Francona. ‘The atmosphere around here is incredible and I think our players wanted to show their appreciation. It’s by no means the last game of the year or anything like that, it’s just been pretty incredible how they’ve reacted and we just wanted to show our appreciation because we don’t take it for granted.’

The reigning American League Champions took a step closer to returning to the World Series with this record-breaking streak. It was able to claim the AL Central title, securing a playoff spot and closing in on a top seed in the American League playoffs. The club is now on pace for its third 100-win season. The Indians look to return to the World Series for a second straight year.

**Men’s and women’s tennis teams off to hot start**

Ghidotti & Abelson earn tourney MVP honors

**By Tim Kramer**

The Xavier women’s tennis team finished up this weekend’s play, competing at the Cincinnati Invitational. The Musketeers were led by outstanding upperclassmen leadership but also promising transfer talent in the back end.

During Friday’s singles matches, Senior Lauren Ghidotti scored a 6-4, 6-2 win on Friday, facing counterparts from Illinois-Chicago, Ball State and Cincinnati. Another standout performer from Friday’s content was the senior transfer from Central Florida, Elizabeth Bagerbaseh. She had a tremendous start to her Xavier career, posting a 2-0 record in singles play on the weekend.

Ghidotti was said to be the MVP of the weekend in both singles and doubles play, with her partner, junior Sophia Abelson. Ghidotti and Abelson competed together on the doubles court against quality opponents from Ball State and school rival foe, the Cincinnati Bearcats. The combination of Ghidotti and Abelson won both of these matches with scores of 6-0 and 6-1. The Musketeers finished the weekend with a record of 15-5 in singles play. This is an impressive stat, considering the high-level of competition that participated in the invitational. The doubles teams showed promise with a final card of 6-0 over the weekend. This is a solid record to begin the season, but clearly there is room for improvement.

“Our team competed well against some quality opponents,” Head coach Doug Matthews told Xavier Athletics. “We have some areas we need to improve, especially in doubles play, but this was a great start.”

All in all, the Cincinnati Invitational was a productive start for the Musketeers. The team looks to carry its strong momentum into the next match when it competes at the Miami Invitational Sept. 29. The Musketeers are motivated to improve from last year after falling to St. John’s in the Big East semifinals last year.

The team entered the tournament being led by seniors Gabriel Araujo and Connor LaFavre. Alongside the seniors, sophomores Michael Lee and Nate Dell played in the weekend’s events. Also on the squad, the Musketeers were joined by three new players. Freshmen Jan Vrba, Brett Winters and Alejandro Rodrigues-Vidal all made their Xavier tennis debuts in the ATP Invitational.

On the first day of play on Friday, the team notable seven singles wins and three doubles wins. All three freshmen were able to obtain singles victories in their respective flights, getting them their first career college victories. Senior Araujo was also able to get his first victories of the season by winning two singles matches.

Araujo also competed in doubles play on Friday. Sophomores Michael Lee and Nate Dell won their doubles match in their flight, along with Winters and Vidal, who were also able to come away with a win in their match. Araujo and Dykema won their doubles match on Friday as well.

The action continued Saturday with members of the squad competing in both singles and doubles events. Araujo was able to come away with a win in the doubles second flight bracket. Although the team was only able to gain wins in doubles action on Saturday, the team gained strong experience and momentum heading into their next event.

The team will travel to Kalamazoo, Mich., this Saturday for the next competition, the Western Michigan Invitational.
Schmaltz voices XU sports
Broadcasters career covering Xavier athletics spans decades

BY PAUL FRITSCHNER
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Over the years, Xavier fans have become accustomed to hearing the voice of Joe Schmaltz on the airwaves when they tune into the radio broadcast of a men's basketball game. Now, there is a new voice those in the Xavier community have come to know and love: Mike Schmaltz. The 40-year-old is a Swiss Army Knife when it comes to broadcasting, as he broadcasts nearly every Xavier sport besides men's basketball.

A native of Cincinnati, the Moeller High School graduate never intended to go into broadcasting.

"I tried out for baseball, and the guy I was throwing with was kind of my size, but his arm was like Major League. He started ripping. Schmaltz still remains the main voice for a basketball game. He was on the call when the Musketeers lost a heartbreaker in the Elite Eight in 2010. He has broadcasted the careers of two of Xavier’s best basketball players in history, Amber Harris and Ta'Shia Phillips. Both women were drafted in the first round of the WNBA draft.

His work has led him all over the country. He has commentated games at Madison Square Garden, Cameron Indoor Stadium and Phog Allen Fieldhouse, among other notable venues.

"Mike is the ultimate team player and has been invaluable to Xavier over the years. He’s been willing to work any event big or small," said Brendan Bergen, who works in communications for Xavier Athletics. "He’s always in a good mood, has a lot of fun with our broadcasts, and clearly loves Xavier more than anybody."

It’s not hard to find someone who will speak highly of Schmaltz, both because of the excellence of his work on the air and the quality of his persona off the air.

"Schmaltz is a great asset to us as a broadcaster and media personality," said Patrick Dillon, the director for marketing in athletics. "To top it off, he is a great guy and someone I am glad is a representative for Xavier Athletics."

While he started off broadcasting women’s basketball, he has taken on other sports like men’s and women’s soccer, volleyball and baseball in recent years.

When Xavier joined the Big East in 2013, the Big East Digital Network was formed. Schmaltz pioneered the way for Xavier to enter on the platform.

"It’s been neat to watch (Xavier) grow," he said. "I never expected to be doing any of this, or doing it this long either."

Quarterbacks command early Heisman watch

Baker Mayfield, Mason Rudolph and Sam Darnold slated as top candidates

BY DONNIE MENKE
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This college football season has been full of surprises, and the Heisman race has been no different.

The reigning winner Louisville QB Lamar Jackson, many of the preseason favorites have disappeared from the conversation.

Ohio State QB JT Barrett, Washington QB Jake Browning, and Penn State RB Saquon Barkley have all failed to live up to expectations for some reason or another, and are now down the list of favorites.

Baker has failed to show any signs of improvement in his game mechanics, while Browning has taken a step back with the loss of his top receiver from last year. Barkley, on the other hand, has fallen due to lack of carries.

In addition to Jackson, Oklahoma QB Baker Mayfield, UCLA QB Josh Rosen, Oklahoma St. QB Mason Rudolph and USC QB Sam Darnold have emerged as the top five candidates at this point. Jackson has already compiled nearly 1000 yards of offense in three games to go along with 11 touchdowns. Should Jackson keep up this pace, he could become the first two-time Heisman winner since Archie Griffin in the 1970s and the second ever. Although Mayfield doesn’t have the rushing yards Jackson does, he is right there with him in passing yards, throwing for 1066 yards and 10 touchdowns so far. He also has a much better completion percentage and average yards per attempt than Jackson, connecting on 76.8 percent of his throws.

Rosen has had as much hype as any QB prospect since Andrew Luck, and has struggled to break through the last couple of years. If he is able to stay in the race, the comeback led against Texas A&M will serve as his signature moment.

His numbers stack up well, as he’s already thrown for 1285 yards and 13 touchdowns in six games to go along with a 65 percent completion percentage.

Rudolph has boosted his stock the most thus far this season, as he’s been lighting up opposing defenses with ease. His 1381 passing yards and 11 touchdowns could possibly be higher if his team wasn’t consistently blowing out opponents and putting in easy wins.

Darnold has disappointed somewhat, but coupled with the fact he has thrown for 1002 yards and seven touchdowns through three games show just how high expectations were for him.

It’s still early in the year, and there’s still time for new candidates to emerge and current ones to fall some. But so far, these five have impressed almost everyone, and aren’t showing signs of slowing down.
Looking at LatinX heritage in entertainment

**By RYAN KAMRICH and SYLVIA CHENWENO**

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September is LatinX Heritage Month, so let’s take a look at a number of well-known LatinX figures so that you can get to know and appreciate the contributions that LatinX people have made to the entertainment industry.

Alexis Bledel is an American actress born to Argentine and Mexican parents. Alexis is best known for her role as Rory in the popular television show Gilmore Girls and was nominated for Satellite, Teen Choice and Young Artist Awards. On Sept. 17 she won a Primetime Emmy award for Outstanding Guest Actress in a Drama Series for her work on The Handmaid’s Tale.

Junot Díaz is an American writer of Dominican descent. Díaz won a Pulitzer Prize in 2008 for his first novel The Brief Wondrous Life of OscarWao. He is the recipient of a MacArthur Genius Grant, and in 2017, he was introduced into the American Academy of Arts and Letters.

Jennifer Lopez is an American actress, singer, dancer, fashion designer and television personality born to Puerto Rican parents. Jennifer has had hit songs such as “Jenny from the Block” and was awarded the Telemundo Star Award for writing and starring in the Broadway musical “Hamilton”. Ouat the end of the show, he was nominated for the Primetime Emmy Award for Outstanding Lead Actress in a Drama Series for her work on The Handmaid’s Tale.

Lin-Manuel Miranda was born in the United States and of Puerto Rican descent. Miranda is a composer, playwright and actor. He is best known for writing and starring in the Broadway musical “Hamilton”. Ouat the end of the show, he was nominated for the Primetime Emmy Award for Outstanding Lead Actor in a Musical for his role as Gloria Delgado on the popular television show Modern Family for which he received four Golden Globe nominations, four Primetime Emmy nominations and seven Actors Guild nominations. In 2016 she appeared in a video for the Human Rights Campaign in the wake of the Pulse Nightclub shooting.

Student Art Corner: Shon Weathers

Senior Shon Weathers shares his musical talent with the Xavier community.

How do you get into music? I grew up in a musically family. My dad was really into hip-hop and then like my grandfather played a lot, like a lot of oldies, my mother had a different taste, so she didn’t play this silly rap but she played neo-soul.

What is your sound? Right now? To be honest I still feel like I’m finding myself. So there’s rap and then there’s like a million sub-genres or some number that’s annoying, and the most popular one right now is the one you hear at parties and stuff. The one I really like, that I mainly stay in, is more so the boom-back, lyrical type rap because I grew up on like the 90s hip-hop and stuff and that’s what it was. So like, I would say now, especially, I just started experimenting recently. I found a way to take that new sub-genre that everybody likes, and add that boom-back to it so that it comes out as something completely different.

What inspires you when writing? to some extent has been on a journey of self discovery, like, where you’re figuring out about yourself, what are you doing to better yourself, things like that. So, a lot of songs’ll be like...about a struggle of figuring out that you’re actually not as good of a person as you thought you were. Like, there’s one song I wrote, um...it’s called How it Goes, and it’s basically about me figuring out how I became a person. I figured it out and I’m like okay we gotta fix this, cause I don’t like it. And since that time it has changed, but, in that particular moment, I feel like a lot of dudes will be like “damn, like that...it happened to me.” Or it’ll be...I just feel like tellin’ y’all I’m better than everybody. And you just go off that, if you find the right beat, y’know. So there’s always something. Or it’s the love song, y’know. There’s always those. So, those are probably the easiest ones to do, and they usually come out the best, honestly. Everything I say has something behind it. Everything.

Where do you see yourself in the future? I want to graduate, I mean my major is film. And I live in New York. So...if I end up getting an internship, which I probably will then, that’s a networking opportunity, right? So maybe I work my way up behind the scenes, and then I know how to disperse my music. I believe in the 10,000 hour rule. Not to say that being famous is a goal, it’s mostly I just wanna be the best. There’s a quote, something where it’s like, “The thing about art is, success is for the self. Not the masses.” So when it’s satisfying you, then you might be done with it, but I haven’t gotten to that point yet. As far-reaching as it seems, I think it’s the problem with people, they see—they think something is too far out of their reach. Like “Oh you wanna do this, like come on, let’s be realistic.” It is being realistic. You see how many celebrities there are? There’s too much money in the world for you not to be making some with ‘em. But see none of that was the motive—none of that has anything to do with it. I wanna be named with the Hen- dricks and the Coles and the Drakes. I want my name to be there. Whether I’m as rich as they are or not doesn’t matter, I just want my name to be in that category. That’s it.

Anything else you want people to know? Don’t be realistic.

Inside sources said after the first few episodes aired, producers scrambled to re-edit the remaining installments to boost ratings. The show was only contracted for one season as a sneak peek into the star’s life as she faces peak media attention. There is no word from the show’s host network, E! News, on whether Life of Ky- lie will ever return to the air. The reality television star can be seen on “Keeping Up with the Kardashians,” the reality show that features her entire family and is celebrating its thirteenth season. Kylie Jenner has been working on expanding her name’s brand past her family ties. The twenty-year-old has several fashion lines, merchandise, a beauty line and now her own television show.

Life of Kylie gets poor ratings

**By RILEY HEAD**

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Life of Kylie saw its season wrap up this Sunday. The show followed beauty mogul Kylie Jenner’s life over a two-month period. The star is incredibly active on all social media platforms, and the show was expected to give fans a behind-the-scenes, unedited view of the reality star’s life. Highlights of the season include Jenner’s budding relationship with rapper Travis Scott, Jenner’s MET Gala appearance and her travels to Peru and London.

The show faced criticism and low ratings for lack of drama. Promos for the show showcased intense and action-packed moments, which did not accurately reflect the reality of the show.

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Analysis: Why Spicer’s Emmy’s appearance wasn’t funny

BY RILEY HEAD
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Sunday night former Press Secretary Sean Spicer made an appearance at the Emmys. He surprised a majority of the audience by taking the stage behind the famous maneuverable podium that Melissa McCarthy used in her skits that mocked him. The former press secretary made some jokes about his defense of the lie made about the size of President Trump’s inauguration crowds.

People laughed in shock and confusion when Spicer appeared. Some celebrities in attendance, most notably James Corden, went on to take or post goofy pictures with the former press secretary. The thing is, Sean Spicer isn’t funny or goofy. He was a manipulative mouthpiece for a manipulative President. Sean Spicer lied to the press, refused to answer questions, and bullied reporters. Sean Spicer is responsible for opportunistic liars. All people involved with him tell you that politics doesn’t have a place in the American narrative. Spicer was paid with taxpayer dollars he lied again and again and again. The manipulation of spectacle and fame is exactly what landed Trump the Presidency.

We must be able to differentiate from platform and knowledge. In this age of the internet and misinformation, we must stay vigilant and in-
5 Things to do before the weather turns cold

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If making weekend plans based on the Apple Weather app’s forecast sounds like something you do, then this weekend, make plans outdoors. The app currently says (though we all know how often a Midwestern forecast can change) that this weekend should be sunny and in the high 80s. If last week’s weather showed us anything, though, it’s that fall is rapidly approaching, so this is likely one of the last weekends of true summer weather. We’ve compiled some activities you must do before the weather turns for good.

1. Catch the last rays of summer.
Reinvigorate that fading summer tan before it’s gone for the winter. Spend some time outside reading or working on homework, but make sure you make it outdoors to boost your vitamin D levels before the pale winter months are upon us.

2. Kayak or canoe.
The Little Miami is a great river for kayaking and canoeing, and this weekend is probably one of the last weekends when you won’t mind getting wet. Loveland Canoe and Kayak and 50 West Canoe and Kayak are two businesses nearby where you can rent a boat and be bussed to the put-in location. Both sections of the river covered on trips by these businesses go past some pretty dope rope swings. This activity is relatively cheap — it’s $25 a kayak at Loveland Canoe and Kayak and less for a canoe.

3. Go for a hike.
Seriously, there are so many hiking trails around Cincinnati. Just Google places to hike and you’ll find plenty. Whether you want to stay close to Xavier or make a day of it up at Red River Gorge, there’s no lack of awesome trails to trek this weekend.

4. Go to a park. Literally any park.
Like hiking trails, Cincinnati also has an affinity for public parks. If you’re looking for something more urban, head to Smale Riverfront Park. Spoiler alert: It’s on the riverfront. There are swings and a foot piano and fountains to run through (or if you don’t mind fighting the little kids for them), so Smale is a great destination for anyone looking to really feel park life in the big city. If you’re looking for something with more foliage and waterfowl, Eden Park and Washington Park are both awesome places to check out.

5. Go to a restaurant and ask to be seated outside.
This final suggestion is pretty simple. Everyone loves going out to eat on the weekends, so change things up a little and ask to be seated outside. If you’re looking for a recommendation, Incline Public House on the west side of Downtown has an awesome view of the city without being insanely pricey, and the burger is to die for.

Even if you can’t wait for sweater weather and pumpkin carving, take advantage of this weekend. The leaves are already falling, midterms are quickly approaching and come second semester, we’ll all be wishing for the warm weather of summer.

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