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DARCY: THE 2023 MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT TURNED THE STUDENTS OF TRINE UNIVERSITY'S BRACKETS UPSIDE DOWN. WITHOUT A SINGLE ONE-SEEDED TEAM IN THIS YEAR'S FINAL FOUR, BRACKETS ALL OVER THE WORLD HAVE BEEN LEFT IN RUINS.

TO CELEBRATE THE END OF YET ANOTHER WILD TOURNAMENT, A WATCH PARTY WAS HOSTED AT TRINE UNIVERSITY FOR THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME. STUDENTS GOT TOGETHER TO DISCUSS THEIR BUSTED BRACKETS AND ENJOY FOOD.

WE SPOKE WITH A HANDFUL OF TRINE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS TO HEAR ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCE DURING MARCH MADNESS.

TAKE SOT NICK JEN, STUDENT

[JEN:18] "I filled out 25 brackets before the tournament this year, and not one had even the slightest chance of being successful. But after talking with other students at Munchie Madness, it was comforting to know just how bad all of the crazy upsets disrupted their bracket plans."

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DARCY: ULTIMATELY, THE FIVE-SEEDED, SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS WERE DEFEATED BY THE FOUR-SEEDED UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT, 76-59.

THIS MARKED UCONN'S FIFTH NCAA TOURNAMENT TITLE AND THEY BECAME ONLY THE SECOND FOUR-SEEDED TEAM TO WIN IN TOURNAMENT HISTORY.

THE HUSKIES WILL REMAIN THE 2023 NATIONAL CHAMPIONS UNTIL MARCH MADNESS ROLLS AROUND NEXT YEAR TO DISMANTLE OUR BRACKETS ONCE AGAIN.

PKG- NAVAEH

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DARCY: THE 2023 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT CONCLUDED WITH AN UNDENIABLE PUNCH OF EXCITEMENT THAT MANY TRINE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS DID NOT PREDICT. A FEW SPECIFIC PLAYERS IN THE TOURNAMENT, LIKE IOWA'S CAITLIN CLARK AND LSU'S, ANGEL REESE HAD SHOW-STOPPING PERFORMANCES THAT STUDENTS COULD NOT TURN AWAY FROM.

THE MONTH OF MARCH WAS MUCH DIFFERENT THAN PAST YEARS DUE TO A DRAMATIC INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF VIEWERS WHO TUNED IN TO WATCH EACH OF THE TOURNAMENT CONTESTS.

JADA RHONEHOUSE, A FRESHMAN ON TRINE'S WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM SHARED HER THOUGHTS ON THE WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT.

TAKE SOT JADA RHONEHOUSE, PLAYER [RHONEHOUSE:17] "Women's basketball has never been a very popular sport with people, but to see this year's tournament get so much attention is really impressive. Many of my classmates discussed the National

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Championship game and they seemed pretty surprised at how exciting the game was."

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DARCY: THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME BETWEEN LSU AND IOWA RECORDED THE MOST VIEWERS IN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL HISTORY AS MANY TRINE UNIVERSITY STUDENTS HAD AN INTEREST IN THE MATCHUP.

THE LSU TIGERS WERE CROWNED CHAMPIONS AFTER DEFEATING IOWA, 102-85. IT SEEMS THAT WOMEN'S BASKETBALL WILL FINALLY BE GETTING THE ATTENTION IT DESERVES IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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DARCY: TRINE UNIVERSITY'S GRADUATION CEREMONY IS APPROACHING QUICKLY, WITH A VERY SPECIAL GUEST ATTENDING TO HONOR THE GRADUATING CLASS. FOUR-TIME SUPERBOWL CHAMPION QUARTERBACK AND PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE, TERRY BRADSHAW WILL DELIVER THE COMMENCEMENT SPEECH ON MAY 6, 2023.

THE CEREMONY WILL BEGIN AT 10 A.M. INSIDE THE KEITH E. BUSSE/STEEL DYNAMICS INC. ATHLETIC AND RECREATION CENTER. TRINE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT, EARL BROOKS, IS EXCITED FOR MR. BRADSHAW'S VISIT TO TRINE'S CAMPUS.

TAKE SOT EARL BROOKS, PRESIDENT

[BROOKS:15] "We look forward to welcoming him to campus and to hearing the insights he

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has to share with our graduates and their families as he describes his commitment to the goal he has achieved and his dedication to excellence."

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DARCY: MR. BRADSHAW GRADUATED FROM LOUISIANA TECH UNIVERSITY IN 1970 AND WAS THE FIRST OVERALL DRAFT PICK BY THE PITTSBURGH STEELERS.

AFTER 14 SEASONS OF PLAYING IN THE NFL, TERRY BRADSHAW RETIRED TO SPEND MORE TIME WITH HIS FAMILY. HE THEN EXPLORED OTHER CAREERS AS AN ACTOR, BUSINESSMAN, VOCAL ARTIST, AND A VERY WELL-LIKED SPORTS BROADCASTER.

HIS LIFE EXPERIENCES AND JOYFUL PERSONALITY WILL MAKE FOR A GREAT COMMENCEMENT SPEECH TO HONOR THE TRINE UNIVERSITY GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023.