

# Semester starts with quarantine

includes online classes and limited hours

#### JOSE VILLALPANDO News Editor

As students return to campus for the 2021 Spring semester, some old and new procedures are being put into place for the quarantine period between Jan. 18 and 22.

An email from Doane Residential Life and Education was sent out on Jan. 12 outlining campus operations for this first week of the semester.

"The cafeteria will only offer grab-n-go meals. You must wear a mask to pick up your meals and take them back to your residence halls," the email read.

At a later date in the semester, representatives plan to reopen the cafete- chase their textbooks. ria for seating.

During this first week, remain students may make use through of all essential common only. spaces, including areas excluding the lounges.

collect any mail they may receive from the Service the library directly," the Bureau.

"Winter and Spring season student athletes, with permission to attend al conditioning sessions, can access athletic facilicoach," the email said.

formation, all student books or a laptop, stuathletes are advised to contact their respective appointment to pick up coaches in order to learn these materials. more about their team's

will remain open from opening on Jan. 25.

First week back of both Sodexo and Do- 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. ane, along with members throughout the week for of Student Congress, are any student who still going to meet and make a needs to pick up or pur-

> The library will also open, though appointment

"Students needing to like laundry rooms, but check out physical books from the library can ei-Students may also still ther use our no-contact checkout process or email email said.

Laptop check out is also available for students who need them for onsmall group or individu- line class work. Students need to send a request for one directly to the library ties as designated by their email at library@doane. edu. After making a readditional in- quest for either physical dents must also make an

The 24/7 lab will remain closed until after The Doane Bookstore the quarantine period, re-

#### ALL STUDENTS WILL BE IN **QUARANTINE FROM** JANUARY 18-22

- Grab-n-go meals will be offered from the cafeteria. Masks must be worn when picking up meals.
- Students can take out their trash to dumpsters outside of residence
- Essential common spaces can be used, but lounges will not be accessible.
- The Bookstore will be open from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.
- Mail can be collected from the Service Bureau.
- Winter and Spring season athletes can access athletic facilities with permission from their coach.

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# Biden victory confirmed by Congress



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Joe Biden was confirmed to be the next President of the United States on Jan. 7 despite attempts from some in Congress.

#### JOEY WINTON Managing Editor

Thursday, Jan. 7, Congress affirmed Joe Biden as the next United States President after the assault Ky) and other top GOP the narrowest margin in on the United States Capitol by an angry mob of Trump supporters the day before.

Despite efforts from a small number of GOP 50 Republican representatives to challenge the election results from certain states, Biden will Wednesday, Jan. 20.

Senator Ted Cruz tain states. (R-Texas) and Representative Paul

Arizona GOP officials, Arizona dismissed the claimed Biden's win was attempt to overturn the the result of "massive results, thus cementing election fraud".

Senate Majority leadlege count. Senator John cording to NPR. Boozman (R-Ark) said senators and more than Congress does not have the state since Bill Clinthe legal authority to ton in 1996. change the outcome of be sworn into office on and others from challeng- debate on an individual

Gosar forts of Cruz, Gosar and lenged.

(R-Ariz), along with others, a federal judge in Biden's win in the state.

Biden's win er Mitch McConnell (R- Trump in Arizona was by leaders tried to discour- the country; winning the age members from fight- state and its 11 electoral ing the Electoral Col- votes by 10,457 votes, ac-

Biden is the first Dem-"Under the Constitution, ocratic nominee to win

It takes one senator the presidential election," and one House member but it did not stop Cruz to force any additional ing the results from cer- state's electors, and Arizona was the first state Despite the best ef- to have its results chal-

Attorney General William Barr, Cruz and othto state otherwise.

**QUARANTINE GUIDELINES** 

Though claims of ceeded, the next step which the law was commass voter fraud have would have been to "press plied with," Cruz said. been disproven by multi- for the appointment of an ple federal agencies and electoral commission that cans joined Cruz and Gocan hear the claims of sar's attempt, many more voter fraud, hear the evi- voted with Democrats er Republicans continued dence and make a deter- to affirm the election remination as to what the sults, confirming Biden to If the plan had suc- facts are and the extent to be the next President.

While some Republi-



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Senator Ted Cruz (bottom) and Representative Paul Gosar (Top) led the charge in attempting to overturn Biden's win in certain states on the basis of mass voter fraud, but were ultimately unsuccessful in having their case heard.



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# Mob breaches the Capitol

Group storms Capitol in retaliation of Biden's win

**ABRIANNA MILLER** Editor-in-Chief

On January 6, a mob of Americans stormed ing to The New York the Capitol building in Times. Washington, D.C. to retaliate against President-elect Joe Biden's Congressional confirma-

According to The Washington Post, President Donald Trump gave



evacuate the chambers. Members of the mob

his address by encourag-

ing his supporters to go

to the Capitol and pro-

tors outside the Capitol rapidly grew in number,

and individuals began

attempting to breach the building. Police used tear

gas to control the crowd,

but the mob eventually

The group of protes-



New York Times.

A total of five people a speech near the White entered the Senate cham-died during the attack on House on Jan. 6, ending ber, the Rotunda and the Capitol. According to



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over the head with a fire

from his injuries. attack on the Capitol California and several violence, but he refused

also cited the delivery of thizing with them. pipe bombs to govern-

pipe bombs, [were] found the Capitol building. at Republican National

The New York Times

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ple were part of the mob 52 people were arrested trying to keep President during the uprising for Trump in office, and participating in the vione person was a police olence or for violating officer. The 42-year-old Washington D.C.'s manpolice officer, Brian Sick-datory curfew at 8:00 nick, was reportedly hit p.m. Eastern time.

extinguisher and died Pence announced Joe Protests similar to the election on Jan. 7. popped up across the said President Trump

The Washington Post country in Louisiana, was encouraged to take Ohio, Georgia, Florida, responsibility for inciting other states, as reported to do so, instead releasing in The Washington Post. a video asking the mob The Washington Post to go home while sympa-

Twitter banned President Trump's personal "Suspicious packag- account on Jan. 8 for his es, later confirmed to be role in the storming of

Vice-President Mike Biden's victory in the

Officials continue to Committee headquarters try and identify all of and Democratic Nation- the individuals involved al Committee headquar- in the mob so they can ters in Washington," the make arrests for the de-Washington Post article struction and violence at the Capitol.

#### This Week's Weather **Forecast** Wednesday 1/20

Low: 27 Thursday

High: 52 Low: 26 Friday

1/22

High: 38 Low: 22 Saturday 1/73



Low: 28 Sunday 1/24



Monday 1/25



High: 35 Low: 19 Tuesday 1/26



Low: 24

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# US stops stockpiling vaccine

#### Confusion mounts over doses

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**JOEY WINTON** Managing Editor

The average daily death toll of the Coronavirus in the United States has risen to above 3,000, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has announced a new strain of COVID-19 that is fast-spreading and more contagious, potentially fueling more cases and deaths.

Alex Azar, United man Services Secretary, ing to The Washington said the federal gov- Post. ernment is holding the Coronavirus vaccine in a reserve for second doses. However, that reserve does not exist.

Patrick M. Allen, health director of Oregon, wrote to Azar on Thursday Jan. 14 saying

"If [the revelation about having no vaccine reserve is true, this is extremely disturbing, and puts our plans to expand eligibility at grave risk."

Because both Pfiz-

er and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines require two doses, the Trump Administration's initial policy was to withhold second doses in an attempt to protect against manufacturing disruptions. It was revealed by anonymous officials that Operation Warp Speed, which oversees vaccine distribution, stopped stockpiling second doses of the Pfizer vaccine at the States Health and Hu- end of last year, accord-

> Ron Klain, Joe Biden's incoming White House chief of staff, said his team is "inheriting a huge mess" when talking about vaccine production and distribu-

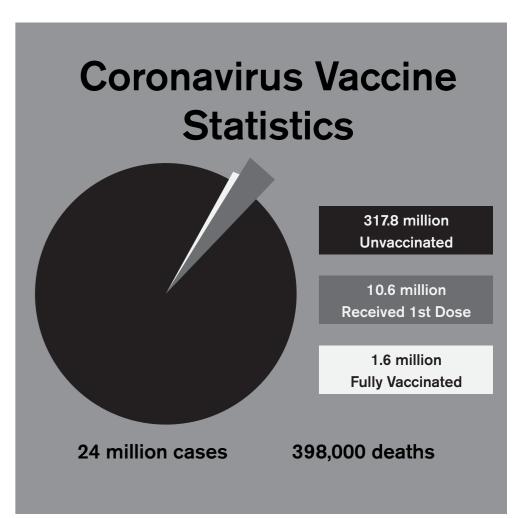
> > Dr. Anthony Fauci,

director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, said he believes the confusion about a vaccine reserve is the result of a misunderstanding said in an interview from "Meet the Press".

"When doses were released, an equal amount was kept back to make sure if there was any glitches in the supply flow that the people who got their first doses would get their second doses," Fauci said. Currently, those in

line for their second dose are still expected to receive them on schedule, as second doses have higher priority over first shots. According to The

Washington Post, at least 10.6 million people have received the first dose of the vaccine in the U.S., with more than 1.6 million people fully vaccinated, and 31.2 million doses have been



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# Doane offers saliva-based testing

Students start the semester safely

**KYLIE HUGHES** Life & Culture Editor

With having a nearly two month winter break, students living on-campus were recently welcomed back on Jan. 16 and Jan. 17.

In addition to moving back in and getting settled, students living on-campus and student athletes were also tasked with taking a COVID-19 test. It was announced

in an email sent out to students from the President's Office that all students living on-campus will be quarantined their first week back. In addition to the quarantine, residential students and student athletes will be required to take part in a saliva-based PCR test.

By quarantining students until test results come back, it gives the COVID-19 Task Force an opportunity to isolate all of the positive cases and their contacts, according to Rachel Czerny, Director of Campus Wellness and temporary Director of COVID-19 Operations.

With the five-day quarantine, students are limiting contact with

other students and staff, so there will be less exposure to possible positive cases and a 14-day quarantine will not be necessary. "While we are mak-

ing some small sacrific-

es by limiting activities during the first week, the benefits will exceed the costs," Czerny said. "Testing will give us an almost complete picture of how COVID-19 is affecting our campus as students arrive."

When residential students arrived on campus, they first had to go through the testing site run by staff and faculty volunteers as well as significant help from the athletic department. This is where students received their saliva-based PCR test.

Saliva-based PCR testing is a form of molecular testing. This means that the test is specifically looking for nucleic acid, or active genetic material, of SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19), according to the Food and Drug Administration.

Other forms of molecular testing include nasal swabs, throat swabs or nasopharyngeal tests. The saliva-based PCR test was chosen because it is just as accurate as the nasal PCR, yet can be self-administered and is less invasive, according to Czerny.

"It was very important that we eliminated students as possible. We felt offering an easier option at no cost to students without having to jeopardize accuracy was the best option for everyone," Czerny said.

as many barriers for

The test simply required two milliliters of saliva then given to a site volunteer to send the samples off to be tested. Test results are expected in two to four

While students wait for their test results, Czerny encourages them to limit their interactions as much as possible. When they do need to leave their room, they should wear a mask. Czerny said limiting

interactions physical can feel very isolating, but there are other options to interact such as Zoom meetings, group texts, online gaming, phone calls, Netflix party, etc. When results come

back, any students with a positive test should immediately isolate and will be given further instruction from Student Health. As far as the future

of guidelines and precautions, the number of positive cases will have an affect. Czerny and the Student Health team are preparing for various possibilities, but assures they are "passionate about keeping the Doane community safe, healthy and thriving."



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### **Doane Crime Log**

- 11/24 Posession of Drug Paraphernalia Crete: Smith Hall Third Floor
- 11/24 **Dating Violence** Crete: Smith Hall Third Floor
- 11/25 Fire Department Response Crete: Fuhrer Fieldhouse
- 11/25 **Fire False Alarm** Crete: Fuhrer Fieldhouse
- 11/25 **Vandalism** Crete: Smith Hall
- 11/28 **Vandalism** Crete: Simon Field
- 12/11 **Emergency Alert: Test** Crete: Doane Campus
- 01/16 **Vandalism** Crete: Off Campus

# Winter athletes temporarily move

Athletes move off campus until test results come back

**CASSIE KESSLER** Sports Editor

All Doane students received an email from the President's Office with information about protocol for COVID-19 testing when returning to campus. However, students involved in winter sports had to come back and get tested on Jan. 5 for pracnot have a roommate stay off campus. also in winter sports had campus. Athletes have to stay," Fuller said. "Ed move out of their dorms Fye [Doane's Track and until their roommates' test results come back.

Junior David Arcos is one of the athletes that had to leave campus.

to have a couple friends who live off campus who are willing to let me stay but I feel like it with them," Arcos said. However, not all athletes were lucky enough

to stay with. Freshman Macy Fuller received help from her

Because of that, all coaches when it came Field head coach] is go- back negative, but there idea because you know winter athletes who do to finding somewhere to ing to buy hotel rooms is a possibility the results their test results, but you

pus does not bother me since "I'm lucky enough I am able to stay with friends,

would be differ-

ent if that was

to be able to find friends not the situation or other winter athletes I was in." Chris Vincent

for the athletes if you will come back positive don't know where every-"The coaches offered could not find a place to and athletes will have to one else coming back to temporarily move off to find me a place to stay.'

Freshman Chris Vin- pus. cent said he does not have an issue leaving "Moving off cam- campus until all other happens if one of my athletes do what they've test results come back.

I am able to stay with would be different if that was not the situation I was in," Vincent said.

will be able to move back

"Moving off campus positive," Arcos said. es, everything will work does not bother me since shown a lack of commufriends, but I feel like it nication between the ad- completed and people

in if test results come off campus is a good

and faculty.' Coaches and facultheir test results. Athletes smoothly.

"I think sending them

continue living off cam- has been. So, it definitely lessens the chance of "I, personally, have not spreading the virus," been told or heard what Vincent said. "I think if roommates comes back been told to do by coach-"This year has really out. After all testing is

ministration and students receive their results, everyone is still encouraged to stay safe from Right now, the plan ty have been proactive COVID-19, especially is for all winter athletes about figuring out how to those who want to see to stay off campus until keep all athletes safe and their athletic season contheir roommates receive ensure the season runs tinue uninterrupted.

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# Juried exhibition goes virtual

### Student work to be showcased

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The annual Juried Student Exhibition announced in a Jan. 12 email sent out to all Doane students that it will be going virtual this year.

"The exhibition is a chance for art and design majors to showcase their hard work and artistic development," Erin Cross, Assistant Professor of

The decision to go vir- 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. will have their own judgtual this year was made It will be photographed ing criteria. Submissions keeping the safety of students, faculty and staff in mind, according to Eric Stearns, Associate Professor of Art, who will be the lead organizer of the

event this year. Being virtual this year, efforts have been made to more inclusive limit any person-to-person contact. In addition to that, the exhibition and award ceremony will only be viewed virtually. "Typically, family

who live far away or who might be working during the reception would not be able to attend. With this virtual format, it is a more inclusive event where family and the greater community can participate more readily," Meghan Gaul, Executive

Chair for the Department to Gaul. of Art and Design and Associate Professor of Graphic Design, said.

Students looking to Feb. 17. enter must first fill out when it was made, etc.

The art must be com-

and Education build- Design ing from Feb. 1 to Feb. and uploaded to a virtual are typically judged based platform which will re- on uniqueness, profes-

al format, it is a technology used. event where family and the greater community can participate more readily."

Executive Director of Rall Gallery, Chair for the Department of Art and Design and Associate Professor of

Director of Rall Gallery, Rall Gallery, according

Students will have the opportunity to pick up their work on Feb. 16 or

Stearns said that judga Google form emailed ing will be blind-judging out to all students. On so that the juror cannot the form, they will give be influenced by the credetails about their art in- ator of the art. The subcluding title, size, media, missions will then either be accepted by the judge Any student wanting or declined. If accepted, to participate can submit the art will be displayed up to three works of art. in the virtual exhibition.

The virtual show goes pleted during a student's live on Feb. 25. Awards time at Doane. The art and judges' thoughts on pieces must also be orig- the winning submissions inal and cannot be pieces will be announced during previously submitted, ac- a live virtual award cerecording to the submission mony. Cash awards will guidelines sent out to stu- be given out to Overall Best in Show, Best 2D Art can then be Studio Art, Best 3D Studropped off in the Art dio Art and Best Graphic

Stearns said every juror place the installation in sional and aesthetic quality, concept, selection and "With this virtu- use of materials and complexity or level of digital

Cross said giving students a chance to show off their work in something like the Juried Student Exhibition is benefi-

"The opportunity to showcase their ideas, research, conceptual cultivation and technical skills provides not only an exercise in professional growth but brings together a sense of community," Cross said.

### Doane Virtual Juried Art **Exhibition** Any current Doane student may submit up to 3 pieces of art that they have made as a part of a Doane art or graphic design class or as an art or graphic design major/minor Submisions may be dropped off in Art/Ed room 252 from Monday, Feb 1st through Wednesday, Feb 3rd, from 9 am to 3 pm. Students will be contacted on Feb 15th by email with juror's decision. All work must be picked up in room 252 between 9 am and 3 pm on Tuesday, Feb 16th or Wednesday Feb 17th. Cash awards will be presented for: Overall Best in Show, Best 2D Studio Art, Best 3D Studio Art, and

Best Graphic Design Graphic by Kendall Meyer | The Doane Owl

# Doane looks to company for president search

Storbeck Search helps Doane

**ABRIANNA MILLER** Editor-in-Chief

the "values and needs" of "Forbes" magazine.

resignation as Doane's each search. President in mid-Novem- "To ensure an equitable

out the preferences of stu- website said. dents in terms of qualities

On Jan. 11, Doane stu- dential Search Survey for beck Search to understand dents received an email Doane. According to Stor- what kind of president Dofrom the President's Office beck Search's website, the ane is looking for in the asking recipients to com- company is part of the Di- future. plete a survey. The purpose versified Search Group and

of the survey was to gauge has been recognized by date of this article, no up-Doane while the universi- Doane sought out Stor- tial search have been rety looks for an individual beck Search's help because leased or announced.

ber of 2020. Since then, and inclusive process for a committee from the all, we offer counsel to our Board of Trustees has been clients on everything from searching for someone to composing the search committee and drafting The Presidential Search written materials to man-Survey consisted of several aging post-interview delibquestions aiming to figure erations," Storbeck Search's

Responses to the Presidential Search Survey were The company Storbeck due on Friday, Jan. 15, and Search created the Presi- they will be used by Stor-

As of the publication dates about the presiden-

## Students in favor of COVID testing

Positivity stays strong on campus

**JOSE VILLALPANDO** News Editor

Upon returning to campus, Doane students were quarantined and tested start of the 2021 spring semester. Students' opinions were generally positive about this testing process and week of quarantine.

In a poll sent out on Jan. 14, around 82 percent of respondents believed period to be beneficial in helping students remain

"I think that the quaran-

preventative measure for Chevalier said. anyone showing symptoms or coming back positive," senior Jean Chevalier said.

prevent the spread of the test itself. Coronavirus, yet recognizes that this is a hard feat about the reliability and "because of college kids false positives considerand people going on and ing this testing method. off campus.

best that they can be with bly the best method they the testing and quarantine what they have to work could have chosen, and with," Hrabik said.

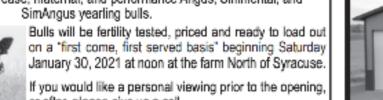
Many respondents be- choice," Hrabik said.

said by avoiding an ini- Doane is taking bigger tial spread of the virus, it steps in the right direction will better protect Doane's in comparison to those of last semester.

"Doane was having to tine week was a great idea. do what they could in a Since we have people com- pretty unfamiliar territoing back from all over the ry. I think that they could place, and we don't know have been better, but that what they've been doing, they were doing pretty well it's a good idea, if just as a for what they were given,"

As for the actual testing process, all respondents said they believed it is a Senior Grant Hrabik useful procedure that Dosaid he believes Doane ane has required even if for COVID-19 before the is doing all that it can to some had doubts about the

> For how many people are "[The guidelines are] the on campus, this is proba-



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### Weekly Horoscopes

Aquarius (January 21 - February 19): Patience is a virtue, remember that when challenges present them-

Pisces (February 20 - March 20): Watch out for potential physical and emotional harm and keep your

Aries (March 21 - April 20): A good meal and a healthy mindset can be the difference between success and failure for you this week.

Taurus (April 21 - May 21): Consider all your options when making decisions, expect a familiar face to make an appearance.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21): Check in with loved ones. You never know who can benefit from you checking in on them, in any way possible.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): Do not let minor hurdles get in the way of you achieving your goals. Know what you want and go get them.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): Be on the lookout for major positive changes coming your way. Yet, be careful not to get wrapped up in the excitement.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): Take time to connect with those around you. It may be surprising what you will find out by connecting with those nearby.

**Libra (September 23 - October 22):** You are likely to feel anxious this week. Try not to worry about the things that are out of your control.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): Be prepared for upcoming financial stresses. Watch careless spending and manage money wisely.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): You may be faced with excessive freetime this week. Use this extra time to get ahead of work and find a new hobby.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20): Be on the lookout for changes in your social life, such as new invitations or cancellations.

# Mixed views raised after Twitter ban



Cartoon by Joey Winton | The Doane Owl

**ABRIANNA MILLER** Editor-in-Chief

President Donald Trump's personal Twitter account was permanently banned from the platform on Jan. 8.

In a statement issued by Twitter, it was said that the account was suspended for encouraging violence related to the Jan. 6 attack on the Capitol building in Washington, D.C.

"After close review of recent Tweets from the @realDonaldTrump account and the context around them — specifically how they are being received

and interpreted on and off Twitter — we have permanently suspended the account due to the risk of further incitement of violence," the statement from

Twitter said. Twenty eight Doane stu-

"I think it's setting a precedent that even the highest seat in political power in the **United States does not** get to get away with breaking these rules."

Erin Benal

dents responded to a poll asking for their opinions about Twitter's decision, all of who indicated that they were aware of the ban on President Trump's personal

Roughly 29 percent of respondents said they do not support Twitter's decision, while the remaining 71 percent said they do.

Sophomore Noah Reestman said he does support the ban because President Trump has been using the platform to spread false information.

"I feel like he's saying a lot more falsified information about the election results. I mean, most of his tweets have gotten flagged," Reestman said.

Junior Erin Benal said she also agrees with Twitter's decision.

"I think it's setting a precedent that even the highest seat in political power in the United States does not get to get away with breaking these rules," Benal said.

Both Reestman and Benal shared the belief that President Trump's tweets were doing more harm than good for the country as a whole.

Those who disagreed with the company's ban said they believe it was done in an attempt to silence conservative voices. Some students also said they think President Trump's and Twitter's opinions do not align, and that is why his account was permanently sus-

All respondents who said they do not support the Twitter ban were not interested in being inter-

### **Tiger Timeout**

### **Word Scramble**

Unscramble the letters into week's issue of the Owl

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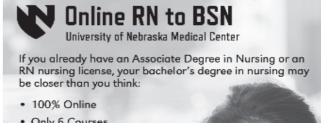
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### - STAFF EDITORIAL -

# Doane Hope to end the pandemic

have seen great strides toward tions by getting all students prevent transmission. a vaccine for COVID-19. and student athletes tested for Wash your hands every has gone. Yes, many individuals have COVID-19.

those in the first few months. demic and it seems many guarantee. We cannot put all

list of recipients is expanding lines. They are in place for people you don't live with. our safety, the staff's safety Someday in the foreseeable and the community's.

But for now, we are still in distance. But that is our real- when the pandemic will end. popping up everywhere. the midst of it, and the same ity. And we need to accept it. A vaccine will help pre-

Over the past few weeks, we Doane has taken precau-people have forgotten how to of our chips on the table now, not after the way the past year

chance you get. Wear a clean Safety guidelines aren't already received at least one 
Even after results get back, mask over your mouth and meant to be devisive or condose of the vaccine, but the please remember the guide- nose. Stay six feet away from troversial. They are intended to keep everyone safe even if These basic precautions it doesn't feel like it.

can get us back to the life we Don't contribute to the future we will be able to say No one wants to continue used to know. If people decide growing attitude of ignorance we lived through a pandemic. wearing a mask and socially to be unsafe, there is no telling and selfishness that we see

precautions are in place as About a year into this pan-vent COVID-19, but it isn't a towards a COVID-free future.

# Hot takes; gamers unite

**JOEY WINTON** Managing Editor

The 1980s were full of is. bombastic action movies, the While arcades are more Cold War and Ronald Rea- or less an obsolete relic of gan, but most importantly, a bygone era, video games Donkey Kong, Space Invadit had some bangin' arcade are such a big part of today's ers

cabinets provided entertain- because of the bulky, sticky ment for children all across and smelly arcade cabinets. the world, but as is the case

better than others. using set criteria to statisti- should sound. cally grade them.

Each game will be ranked good as the ones above, these by: quality of game-play, games still have a lot to offer music/sound and design.

relatively straightforward one. factor, as if the game is not perfectly average. Not amazfun to play or has janky coning but not horrible; they can trols, it loses points.

ple but is the least impactful C Tier - Whoever made on the game's ranking. If the games in this tier needs you only play a game to lis- to reevaluate what they conten to its music or to hear the sider to be fun because it is cool sound effects, then the NOT this.

game itself is not good.

nerd culture, and they only Those big bulky arcade got to where they are today

with all things, there were S Tier - These games are some that were objectively the cream of the crop, the best of the best. They set the For this ranking, I will be standard for what an arcade assessing some of the most cabinet game should be, how popular arcade games and it should play and how it

and provide hours of enter-Quality of game-play is tainment to just about anyand is the most important B Tier - These games are

be quite fun for some and Music/sound is also sim- dreadfully boring to others.

F Tier - These things Design requires some ex- dare call themselves games? planation and can be best When given the option to

summed up by how iconic play one of these games or Dug, Centipede, Q\*bert the character(s) are and how watch paint dry, any sane visually appealing the game person would choose the lat-

S Tier: (The best)- Galaga,

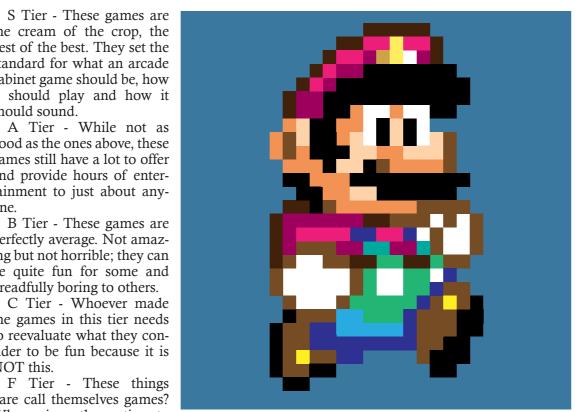
A Tier: (Second Best)-Frogger, Pac-Man, Missile Command

B Tier: (Average)- Dig

C Tier: (Below Average)-Asteroids, Tapper, Burger

F Tier: (Garbage)- Pong, Tetris, Tron

\*Note: All rankings are final and no amount of hate/ convincing will change my



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# Embrace your background



**JOSE VILLALPANDO News Editor** 

Back when COVID-19 first took over everyone's schedules and caused Doane to resort to online learning in March of 2020, I had been going through a time of self-re-

At the start of 2020, I had noticed that I had begun to neglect my background a bit. Growing up, I felt as though I had to fit a certain image, which caused my background to fade away.

That image finally began to go away after I finished my first semester here at Doane in the fall of 2019.

The image in question always had me doubting myself and caused me to distance myself from my background. I never felt as though I had a Mexican background since I never truly let myself experience much of it.

I would go to Mexico almost every year so that I could see my family, but doing so always put me back into the perspective of me being dif-

even communicate effectively, again. let alone relate to some of my cousins with what they would talk about.

It wasn't until the start of gan to finally push that image

When COVID-19 first hit,

ferent. It was hard for me to embracing my background being themselves. I doubt

I made friends here at Do- they've helped me, but eiane that were encouraging in ther way, I thank them immany ways, even if they may mensely for it. not have known about it. I 2020 came around that I bepretty much owe it all to joining the Doane University Lat- speaking a lot more Spaninx Student Association.

it knocked me back quite a tipping point for me slowly bit, but with that self-reflec- embracing my background. tion I had throughout the be- My friends in the group Most importantly, howevginning months, I was able to helped re-expose me to my er, I have been talking a lot turn it around and work on Hispanic background by just



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they know how much

Although these may be small things, I've begun ish in my casual conversa-Joining DULSA was the tions, listening to a lot more Spanish and regional music and reading in Spanish. more with my family from Mexico and am embracing more of my Hispanic background as a whole than I ever have in the past.

It has taken me a long time to embrace my background, so to anyone else that may be going through the same thing: Keep at it.

This is not really a change that can happen overnight. I felt as though I didn't really have a piece of myself for a long time, and I'm still working on it. The longer you keep at it, the more progress you'll make in coming back to your background.

Also, never underestimate the influence the people around you can have. Friends and family can be a great help, even if all you're doing is just being around

Being proud of your background can take work if you've had it suppressed, but coming from someone who has been there before, I believe in you, and it is

# Work for yourself Safety is not found first, not others in the vaccine



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**ABRIANNA MILLER** Editor-in-Chief

Lately, I have been bombarded with harsh criticism for pretty much anything I have done. I'm usually not affected by negative comments, but these past few weeks have been stressful (to say the

About a week ago I decided to sit down and get to the root of all the comments that were dragging me down, and I found

melted away.

I have been working own, and the second I own health. stopped doing that, the hate rolled in.

with someone else's?

The most negativity

realized I have no obli- ery request. gation to help people, a

The pandemic

travel plans

doesn't stop for

The answer, unfortu- person that continues to nately, is that they clearly travel. Families are still

do not. In the last month, going on vacations, and

the internet went a little now that the travel ban

crazy over the fact that a is lifted, people are once

bunch of YouTube and again leaving the country.

Tik Tok stars traveled to For what, a quick get-

the Atlantis resort in the away? Yes, being cooped

cording to the Centers for So, why are there still

Disease Control and Pre- commercials for travel

vention (CDC), "Post- agencies or airlines? This

poing travel and staying is not something that

home is the best way to should be encouraged or

There are clearly a we should try to live our

Keep in mind that, ac- everyone.

protect yourself and oth- normalized.

ers from COVID-19."

It has almost been number of issues with lives normally, but a trip

an entire year since this to be discussed. to Disney can wait. A trip

COVID-19 has become What baffles me, honest- to the Bahamas can wait.

a part of people's dai- ly, is that we are still hav- This pandemic is going to

fashion statements, there This is not just some tinue to act like traveling

are a million different common cold or a case is not an issue.

up sucks, but it sucks for

I am well aware that

last forever if people con-

Masks only do so

it the exposure. Get tested

one common denomina- large portion of my stress

That's not to say you for my own success and shouldn't care about my own well being in- other people. The point stead of others'. Usually is that you help people I prioritize other people's when you can but not in a problems instead of my way that jeopardizes your Some of the criticism I

received was valid, in that It's not my responsi- I could improve myself bility to coddle everyone. to fix the problem. The I can barely take care of majority of it, though, my own problems; how was people upset that I can I be expected to deal wouldn't prioritize them over myself.

Basically, I have realcame from situations in ized that you can't exwhich I did what was best pect all criticism to be for me. For instance, if I constructive. At some had a long, stressful day, point, you have to put I wouldn't help someone your needs ahead of evwith a problem. Is that eryone else's. People selfish? Yes. But I deserve might get upset, but guess what? You've established People have learned to boundaries and healthy depend on me in tough life skills that will get you

Pfizer and Moderna received FDA approval for their COVID-19 vaccines situations, but I can't al- farther in life than if you with plans to begin disways be there. Once I would just roll over at ev-The Trump adminis-

20 million doses; however, as 2020 ended, not even three million shots had been injected, according to CBS News. That glimmer of hope that the American public would be vaccinated by

**KYLIE HUGHES** 

Life & Culture Editor

pected. Though local governments had over nine months since the begin-

nization and planning.

getting vaccinated.

celebration, as Ameri- to concerts or bars. cans should take the opportunity to gain some plans to party with Though 2020 was considered a rather bleak year in many ways, it did is in the clear yet. end with a glimmer of

hope for all those hoping to return to pre-pandemic In December, both far as how the vaccine af- ally. fects transmission. This is While the vaccines are tration pledged to roll out

tagious, spreads. April has since faded, as

the vaccine rollout plan is much slower than extion (whether it is by city, ning of the pandemic to

plan for vaccine distribu- state or nation) has been tion, vaccines are being vaccinated, according to wasted due to poor orga- Dr. Anthony Fauci.

It will most likely While the vaccine pro- take many more months cess may be slower than to reach anything close expected, healthcare to herd immunity even workers, nursing home within our own commuresidents and long-term nities. This means that care facility residents are as soon as some of the general public gets their While getting vacci- vaccines, it is not safe to nated may be a cause for go party with friends, go

Many people have

immunity when their friends or go on vacation time comes, it does not in the upcoming months, mean that the United believing the vaccine will States, or even Nebraska, allow things to go back to normal. Unfortunately, The vaccine is meant that is not going to be the to prevent someone from case, nor will it be for a being symptomatic with long time. In fact, experts the disease, according to are predicting it will take Vox. However, research years until herd immuniis still being conducted as ty is reached internation-

especially important in-something to celebrate formation to know as the and feel excited for, it new strain of COVID-19. does not mean that every which is even more con- day life can return to the way it once was. It means The new vaccines are people should proceed also not 100 percent ef- with caution throughout fective, which means this year, just as they have that someone who has in prior months.

been vaccinated still has Going back to pre-pana chance of contracting demic ways may be a symptomatic COVID-19. possibility sometime in When vaccines do the distant future. Howreach the general popula- ever, we can not be safe tion in the United States, until we are all safe. This herd immunity will not means people need to get take effect until 75 to 85 vaccinated when the time percent of the popula- comes.



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### ...THUMBS UP

Donkey Kong

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The Doane Owl editorial staff cast their opinions on different current topics and their responses are represented in 'Thumbs Up, Thumbs Down' every week.

**THUMBS** DOWN

Nature Valley Bars

and every grocery store most likely recover from much. Social distancing has those stickers on the in a couple days. This is only does so much. The floor that remind shop- a virus that is extremely safest and easiest way to pers to keep six feet away contagious and has killed prevent the spread of the over two million people Coronavirus is to just limfrom each other. After all this time, one worldwide. would think that people 
It is not just stars that and stay with friends and know what they can and are travelling either; it family, and, for the love

ly lives. Masks are now ing this conversation.

brands of hand sanitizer of the sniffles that you

**CASSIE KESSLER** 

Sports Editor

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# Sports doaneline.co Track athletes rank in the NAIA

SARAH DALY Communications Manager

The Men's and Women's Indoor Track teams have been busy over the winter break. While most students were home, Doane Indoor Track teams were hitting national standard marks. Both teams were competing in early December and throughout the month of January.

Recently, Doane hosted two invites on Jan. 9 with the Ward Haylett Invite and Jan. 16 with the Scott Nisely Memorial Classic.

During the Ward Havlett Invite, the Men's Indoor Track Team earned five NAIA national qualifying standard marks and won 12 events.

Matthew Senior Campbell earned two standard marks in weight throw (17.57m/57-07.75)

09.50).

Senior Richard Dover also earned a provisional Scott Nisely Memorial mark in the weight throw (16.48m/54-01.00).

Junior Sergio Arcos won the high jump and is a provisional qualifier with a jump of 2.02m/6-07.50.

Freshman Ryan Evans won in the 600m (1:32.38), and sophomore Aidan Wheelock won the mile run (4:34.35).

The Women's Indoor Track Team came to play during the Ward Haylett Invite.

Senior MacKenzie Brandl won the 200m with a time of 27.02. Brandl also contributed to the 4x400m relay team, which won with a time of 4:17.84.

Wins were also added by freshman Sarah Theiler in the high jump (1.61m/5-03.25) and senior Lauren Theiler in the

and shot put (15.48m/50- triple jump (10.33m/33-10.75).

> Doane hosted the Classic and was joined by four other teams.

During this meet the Tigers won eight events.

Senior Alec Wick won the 3,000m run with a time of 8:49.55. It was a personal best for

him and is now ranked sixth in the NAIA.

Senior Jacob Heitkamp won the high jump with a height of 2.11m (6-11.00). Heitkamp is ranked first in the NAIA.

On the Women's side, many athletes hit their personal best.

Sophomore Lucia McKeag won the 1000m run (3:12.69) and is now ranked 12th in the NAIA.

Sophomore Nicole Harms won the 60m hurdles with a time of 9.21, ranking her 13th in the NAIA standings.

Senior Alyssa Downs moved to eighth in the NAIA by clearing 3.43m (11-03.00).

Many other Tiger athletes ran or threw a personal best during this meet.

Doane Indoor Track teams will compete on Jan. 22 at the Polar Dog Invite hosted by Concordia in Seward at 4



Courtesy photo | Doane Athletics Senior Lauren Theiler won her triple jump event at the Ward Haylett Invite on Jan. 9.

# Wrestling team dominates meet

SARAH DALY

Communications Manager

On Wednesday, Jan. 13, Doane hosted a triangular wrestling with Dakota Wesleyan (DWU) and Bethany in attendance.

The Tiger wrestlers won against both, securing the conference win against DWU. Doane dominated over Dakota Wesleyan with a final score of 34-12. The Doane Tigers won against Bethany with an ending score of 46-9.

Overall, Doane Wrestling has a record of 9-2 and 2-0 in the Great match with Scarponi at

ence (GPAC).

Sophomore Michael Scarponi started his night off by winning in the DWU match with a

"I think we did pretty good considering we've been on break for a bit, but we still did well, and I have high hopes for this upcoming Saturday," Scarponi said.

Scarponi said his goals for this season include staying consistent in his wrestling, giving it his all and staying healthy.

To end the night, Doane battled Bethany.

The Tigers started the

ponent at 2:01 and started the momentum for the team.

Junior Garrett Cornwell answered with a 10-2 major decision.

"I think I did enough to win my matches, but in my first match, I definitely could have scored more. I think I started kind of slow and needed to push the pace of the match more," Cornwell said.

Cornwell also thought everyone on the team has contributed to staying safe and smart.

"The coaches have done a great job of following protocols and

Plains Athletic Confer- 174. He pinned his op- making sure everyone is tling's next meet is Jan. will be hosting Northhealthy," Cornwell said.

23 at 1 p.m. in Fuhrer Doane Tiger Wres- Field House. The Tigers

western and Waldorf.



Courtesy Photo | Doane Athletics Sophomore Micheal Scarponi won both matches against Dakota Wesleyan and

# eer aears up for competitions

Cheer team practices for upcoming season

> CASSIE KESSLER Sports Editor

This semester, the cheer team is preparing for upcoming competitions and performances instead of football games. The team is hosting an invitation on Jan. 22 at 7 p.m., their first competition of the year.

First semester, the

team did not have any aimed at routines for football games. Freshsaid she found it enjoyable working on football

cheers and dances. "We had a lot of practicing, mostly for football, and towards the end, we started practicing for competitions." Ordaz said. "We did not have any competitions the first semester. We were just practicing for football games and the cheers and dances for

competitions, so most is going to be geared toof their practices were wards competitions and perfecting their competitive routines. Sophomore man Chelsey Ordaz Aprille Johnson said she

> "Practices now are very challenging both physically and mentally because there's a lot that needs to go into all practices."

> > Aprille Johnson Sophomore

However, this semester is ready for the change in at all to come back from practices and knows the routines will progressively get more difficult.

> "Practices now are very challenging both ly because there's a lot that needs to go into all practices. It can be very

cheer team said they found it easy to return to campus and get right back to where they left wearing

break," Johnson said. "It was actually a lot easier for me to get back into the swing of things."

As everyone else has physically and mental- had to do, the cheer team has had to make changes to accommodate COVID-19 guidelines. stressful, but our squad Freshman Sabrina Renworks together to push deros-Bonilla said she people and to help each has seen all the precauother out," Johnson said. tions taken and knows Most members of the the team is doing whatever it takes to ensure they get their season.

"We have all been our masks throughout practice and "It was not difficult wherever we go just to be

safe and to make sure we get our full competition season," Renderos-Bonilla said.

The entire team is looking forward to getting to perform and receive results in the upcoming season despite their strenuous practic-

"I am looking forward to the competitions because I am a freshman. so I have never been to a competition or seen how it goes down. So, I am excited to see all the other teams and how they do and how well we do,'

# Laravie surpasses Doane record

SARAH DALY Communications Manager

record.

half, Laravie broke the re- now 5-12. cord for three-point bas-(2000-04).

cerned with breaking the with seven. record at the time. It felt my game, the rest would against take care of itself," Lara- College on Jan. 16.

vie said.

During the Jan. 9 bas- Wednesday, Jan. 13. The the half. At halftime, Moxness also added 10 ketball game against Bri- Hastings Broncos defeat- the score was 45-38 with points. Junior Max Maar Cliff, senior Anthony ed the Tigers with a score Northwestern in the lead. sin led the team with sev-Laravie broke a school of 89-65. Doane's overall Early in the second and Hastings' record is during the second half. blocked three shots.

kets. Laravie has made thony Laravie led on the changed eight times. 258 three-point baskets offensive side with 17 during his time at Doane. points. Behind him was run during the last 14 sec- strong. We have a good The previous record was junior Alec Oberhauser onds with junior Joe Burt collective group of guys, held by Brian Jakubowski who ended the night with 12 points. Oberhauser "I wasn't too con- led the team in rebounds western Red Raiders beating any team. It's not

just like any other game game, Doane lost in the to me. I knew if I played last minutes of the game 79-77. Northwestern

During the last 14 min-From the Tigers, An- utes of the game, the lead 41 percent for the night.

sinking two free throws.

In a nail biter of a ger inbound and won the of our last five games begame. The final score was ing on the road, but we're

> Laravie led the Tiger Laravie said. offense with 17 points

with Hasting College on battle back throughout points and junior Ben The Tigers took the en rebounds. Masin also record dropped to 5-14, lead at the 13:46 mark added nine points and

Overall, the team shot

"I'm confident we Doane went on a 9-0 can finish the season off and when we come ready In the end, the North- to play, we are capable of stole the ball on the Ti- going to be easy with four up for the challenge,"

The Doane Tigers will

Starting the game off, and four assists. Burt play in Crete on Jan. 23 at Center against Dordt. Doane Men's Basket- Northwestern took a 13-0 added 14 points, senior 4p.m. in the George and It will be the final home ball struggled to keep up lead. Doane was able to Jaxon Harre added 10 Sally Haddix Recreation game of the season.

