

the doane OWL

Seeking the Truth Without Favor



Track and field faced off against Concordia. See Page 8 for more.

Senate likely to keep filibuster

Agreement reached by Senate leaders

JOEY WINTON
Managing Editor

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-KY) is no longer demanding that Democrats maintain the Senate filibuster.

According to NPR, McConnell had demanded that the filibuster remain in exchange for re-allocating power in the Senate, which is now evenly divided for the first time in 20 years.

McConnell's relinquishing of his demands comes after moderate Democrat Senators Joe Manchin (WV) and

Kyrsten Sinema (AZ) assured him they would not vote to end the filibuster.

This suggests that Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) lacked the votes to end the filibuster, something that many Democrats and those on the left have been demanding recently.

With the Senate being split 50-50, Democrats have control of the floor agenda because they are the party with the vice presidency and tie-breaking powers.

Despite McConnell relenting on his demands, he stated he was happy with the compromise.

"No Senate majority should destroy the right of future minorities of both parties to help shape legislation," McConnell said.

McConnell and Schumer can now negotiate a resolution that will lay out the terms of the power-sharing agreement. Without

"No Senate majority should destroy the right of future minorities of both parties to help shape legislation."

Mitch McConnell
Senate Minority Leader

such an agreement, the Senate would have been rendered immobile, as Democrats would have maintained control of the legislative agenda, but the leadership of committees would have been kept by Republicans.

However, the deal between them is likely to be put to the test as Senate Republicans could use the filibuster to prevent Biden's legislative agenda from moving forward.



Cartoon by Joey Winton | The Doane Owl

Ziola hired as HR director

New director optimistically looks to Doane's future

JOSH BUNDY
Multimedia Coordinator

Doane's Human Resources department has recently made Anne Ziola their director.

The job description for the position, as shared by Ziola, states that "the position plans, organizes, develops and implements all aspects of human resources including employment, employee relations, compensation, benefits, university policy administration, HRIS administration and talent and performance management."

As a 2004 Doane graduate, Ziola continued to attend Doane to receive her Masters of Arts in Management in 2010. She is a proud Doane alumna who is excited for this new role at the school.

Ziola said she wants to focus her job on being able to help Doane students even though she may not be working directly with them.

"The goal of any Doane employee should be to ultimately see our



Courtesy photo | Doane University

students reach their potential. Doane needs to hire faculty and staff that match strengths to opportunities. This increases our competitive advantage, and ultimately helps our students develop their own strengths as they set their sites on a career and life beyond Doane," Ziola said.

Ziola also spoke about the faculty at Doane she would be working with, stating that she is looking forward to being involved with the incredible employees on campus.

"We have such a wealth of talent and opportunity at Doane. I'm eager to make sure we are

supporting our talented employees and making sure their needs are being met while also listening for what is valued most," Ziola said.

Ziola also spoke about the importance of having a positive work environment with how much time is spent on campus for these employees.

"We are family. We spend more time with each other than some of our own families each day. If that's the case, then we need to consider our common goals for Doane. We need to consider how to be servant leaders while also helping the school thrive," Ziola

"We have such a wealth of talent and opportunity at Doane. I'm eager to make sure we are supporting our talented employees and making sure their needs are being met while also listening for what is valued most."

Anne Ziola
Director of Human Resources

said.

Ziola had a suggestion for Doane students that emphasizes the importance of the community that exists at Doane.

"I hope that students take note of some of those same experiences they have at Doane and remember those people that have improved their lives in one form or another. Share that gratitude with your professors. Tell the custodians that you appreciate them. Say thank you to the business office and financial aid staff. At the end of the day, we're in this together. Our support for each other is monumental," Ziola said.

With any HR-related concerns, students can email Ziola at anne.ziola@doane.edu.

Snow Protocols

Students may be asked to move their vehicles for removal crews to clear lots.

Students who leave their vehicle on campus for more than 24 hours must move their vehicle to a long-term parking lot.

Make sure your vehicle is registered so that you can be contacted to move it.

Students should reduce traveling both off and on campus and report any areas that are hazardous.

Graphic by Kendall Meyer | The Doane Owl

CA applications now open

Applications open to all Doane students

KYLIE HUGHES
Life & Culture Editor

Applications to be a Community Advisor (CA) for the 2021-2022 academic school year are currently open and will remain open until Feb. 8 at 11:59 p.m.

Interested students can apply through the Google Form application sent out to all students by Doane Housing and their Community Direc-

tor or Area Coordinator, according to Frank Ur, Area Coordinator for Northside of Campus.

Ur is also overseeing the CA application process this year.

The Google Form that potential CA's can fill out will be composed of sections according to Hansen Hall Community Director Grace Mosier. Students will have to provide some information about themselves, a resume, three short essays and three references. They will also have to state if they have ever been documented for not following any Residence Hall policies, as well as select an interview time they would be available.

After the applications

close on Feb. 8, ResLife Professional Staff will view all of the applications, decide who they would like to hear more from and invite them to participate in an interview. From there, Professional Staff members will meet to decide who will be the best fit for the position and for each hall.

Ur said the selection committee is specifically looking for students who have "drive and compassion" and who are looking to "provide support and build community within their Residence Halls."

Selected students will receive an offer letter that they will have to accept. Later in the semester, they will have to participate in

staff bonding and prepare for training for the 2021-2022 school year. Some training will be online, some will be during the summer and some will be during the fall, according to Mosier.

Mosier also said ResLife is looking for students all across campus, as they are hoping to build "a diverse, unique staff" who can better connect with all residential students. She encourages all students who are wanting to get involved on campus or better their professional development to apply.

"If you are looking for a way to get involved, looking for a way to connect with others or wanting to gain professional

or personal development, you should apply. Being a CA will help you develop strong leadership skills that are transferable to nearly any field of interest," Mosier said.

Ur seconds the idea that being a CA provides students with skills they can use in future careers. He also believes that it can build "connections and form communities within the campus residence halls."

Interested students can apply on the Google Form sent out to students or reach out to their own CA's or Community Directors with any questions.

COMMUNITY ADVISOR APPLICATIONS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Applications will be open online until Monday, Feb. 8 at 11:59 p.m. Check your email inbox from Doane Residential Life and Education for the link to apply.
- The last CA information session will be held on Feb. 2 at 7 p.m.
- Contact your Community Director/Area Coordinator and/or your CA with any questions you may have!



Graphic by Emma Ryan | The Doane Owl

Weather Forecast

Wednesday

2/3



High: 48

Low: 29

Thursday

2/4



High: 32

Low: 16

Friday

2/5



High: 40

Low: 13

Saturday

2/6



High: 16

Low: -1

Sunday

2/7



High: 16

Low: 6

Monday

2/8



High: 19

Low: 2

Tuesday

2/9



High: 19

Low: 5

Graphic by Kendall Meyer | The Doane Owl

Weather data retrieved from weather.com.

Sanders sells merch for charity

Money from sales donated to charities across Vermont

ABRIANNA MILLER
Editor-in-Chief

At President Joe Biden's inauguration ceremony on Jan. 20, Senator Bernie Sanders gained attention from social media users for wearing chunky mittens.

Sanders' mittens were made by Jen Ellis, a Vermont second-grade teacher, from recycled plastic bottles and old sweaters.

"Bernie Sanders called me earlier today to tell me that the mitten frenzy has already raised an enormous amount of money for Vermont charities. I am not authorized to dis-

close the amount yet- but it's BIG and it's amazing! Thank you!! Generosity brings joy. @People4Bernie," Ellis said in a Jan. 24 tweet.

The viral image gained so much attention that Sanders made sweatshirts and t-shirts to sell on his website. Money made from the sales is being donated by Sanders to charities such as Meals on Wheels in Vermont.

According to the Associated Press, Sanders raised \$1.8 million dollars.

"Chairman Sanders' merchandise has sold out since it's release on Jan. 22. As of this publication, the merchandise has not been restocked, but images of the clothing can be found at <https://store.berniesanders.com/>.



Courtesy photo | Bernie Sanders official website

Carter plans life after presidency

Carter to pursue old interests

ABRIANNA MILLER
Editor-in-Chief

Jacque Carter is finishing his term as Doane President on June 30. Carter has been at Doane for ten years, and he said he is ready to be closer to his family and start a new chapter in his life.

Carter said he has enjoyed watching students from all walks of life earn their degrees at Doane, but said he is ready to move to the East coast closer to his family.

"My son and daughter-in-law live in Washington, D.C., and my granddaughter is there. And my daughter is up in Boston, and she's getting married this summer. So, they're starting their own family," Carter said.

Long-time friends of Carter live in the area that he plans to move to, as well, so he is looking forward to a change of pace.

"It will be a transition

that I think is healthy and long overdue," Carter said.

Carter also said he would like to stay busy by utilizing his degree in marine biology by "spending time on the water." He said he would also like to keep working on a children's book he has been writing about marine conservation.

Conservation is also on Carter's laundry list of activities. He said he would like to be involved in conservation efforts like he did at the beginning of his career as a marine biologist.

In addition, Carter said he is excited to reconnect with his friends and his love of music.

"Probably get the band back together because I am a musician, and I will probably play some music with my friends," Carter said.

As for Doane's future, Carter expressed his desire for Doane to grow and follow the path of diversity and curiosity that he has helped cre-

"It will be a transition that I think is healthy and long overdue"

President Jaque Carter

ate. "Another area that I was very passionate about was sustainability, both in our operations in terms of facilities and our carbon footprint," Carter added. "I would like to see that continue to blossom."

Modality and ease of access to education for students is also important to Carter. He said he understands the struggle of balancing school, work, internships and personal affairs when pursuing a degree.

Carter also emphasized the importance of a liberal arts education, as those qualifications set him apart from other professionals once he entered the workforce.

According to Carter, current and past students have enriched his life, and he expressed his gratitude for each student and student group that has been part of Doane.

"The other thing is to forever remain curious. Never grow old. People's age is not done growing when you're old, it's when your mind stops being interested in things," Carter said.

Carter's final plans are to secure a budget to build a new theatre and to leave Doane the way he arrived, on horseback.



Courtesy photo | Jaque Carter



Courtesy photo | Jaque Carter

Nation mourns death of King & Aaron

Two legends die too soon

JOEY WINTON
Managing Editor

Larry King, star of CNN's interview program "Larry King Live," died on Jan. 23 at the age of 87, a day after Hank Aaron, an MLB right fielder for 23 seasons, died at 86.

King, who started off as a delivery boy became one of America's most famous TV and radio personalities, a columnist, author of many books and a performer in many movies and television shows, often playing himself.

He called his show "infotainment," interviewing a wide range of people from presidential candidates to UFO "experts," covering topics from politics to religion. King used "ain't" and other slang terms to make him seem like an average guy asking impulsive questions.

"There are many broadcasters who'll recite three minutes of facts before they ask a question, As if to say:

Let me show you how much I know. I think the guest should be the expert," King said in his 2009 memoir "My Remarkable Journey."

"Larry King Live" became television's highest-rated talk show, winning a Peabody in 1992.

Hank Aaron, described by boxing champion Muhammad Ali as "the only man I idolize

more than myself," was the right fielder for the Milwaukee Braves for two decades, earning

"[Hank Aaron is] the only man I idolize more than myself"

Muhammad Ali

several accolades.

He helped lead the Braves to their first World Series Champi-

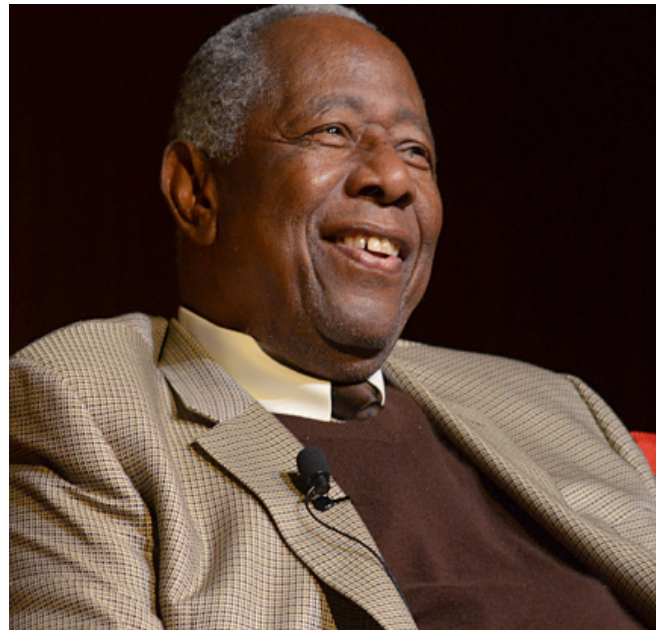
onship since 1914 and is baseball's all-time leader in RBI (runs batted in), with 2,297

according to Baseball Hall. On April 8, 1974, Aaron achieved 715 career home runs, breaking the record of 714 previously held by Babe Ruth. He ended his career with 755 home runs and was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1982.

"Through his long career, Hank Aaron has been a model of humility, dignity and quiet competence. He did not seek the adoration that is accorded to other national athletic heroes, yet now he has earned it," Georgia congressman Andrew Young said.



Courtesy Photo | Flickr.com



Courtesy Photo | Flickr.com

Doane Crime Log

Doane Safety Office reported incidents in their public crime log. Incidents reported between Jan. 24 and Feb. 1 include:

- 01/24 **Emergency Alert** - Crete: campus property
- 01/25 **Emergency Alert**- Crete: campus property
- 01/26 **Vandalism** - Communications building: First floor
- 01/28 **Vandalism** - Frees Hall: Second floor

PAVLISH RETIREMENT AUCTION

Saturday, February 27, 2021 • 11:00 a.m.

LOCATION: 1818 County Road J, Crete, NE
From Crete, NE, take Hwy. 33 west to 1800 Road, then go to south approx. 4 miles to County Road J.
— Watch for auction signs —

SELLING:

- Tractors • Combine & Head • Fertilizer Dry Spreader
- Grain Trucks • Tillage Equipment • Hay Equipment
- Planters & Sprayer • Misc.

Online bidding starts at 12 noon! Equipment facts provided by auctiontime.com

Col. Troy Nowak:
(402) 641-1526
Office: (402) 826-5302

For photos and additions, go to novakauctionservice.com



BULL SALE? Run this size ad in over 150 Newspapers for just \$6.41/newspaper

Place your 2x2 display ad in over 150 Nebraska newspapers & get your message to over 490,000 readers. Statewide coverage for just \$6.41* per publication. *Statewide cost only \$975. Regional ads also available in Central, Northeast, Southeast or Western Nebraska. Other sizes available.



Call this newspaper or 1-800-369-2850 for more information.

Nebraska 2x2/2x4 Display Ad Network

Title IX Coordinator announced



Courtesy photo | Frank Ur

SARAH DALY Communications Manager

The Title IX services provided on Doane's campus are put in place to provide resources for students. The Title IX Coordinator position helps organize claims of any information related to sex discrimination on Doane's campus. Recently, Doane replaced Laura Northup, the previous Title IX Coordinator.

Frank Ur is the new Interim Title IX coordinator while continuing his current position as the Area Coordinator of the northside of campus (Smith, Burrage, Colonial). Ur said he felt that his role in Residence Life had similar aspects.

"Much like my current role as an Area Coordina-

tor, the Title IX coordinator has the responsibility to help create a safe and inclusive environment for campus students. Those two reasons, among many others, inspire and drive my work," Ur said.

Ur is in his second year at Doane. He comes to Doane from the New Hampshire area. Ur attended Arcadia University outside of Philadelphia and obtained an English degree with a concentration in creative writing.

Title IX is a part of the Education Amendments of 1972. According to the United States Department of Health & Human Services website, Title IX prohibits sex discrimination "under any academic, extracurricular, research, occupational training, or other education program

or activity operated by a recipient which receives... Federal financial assistance..." Examples of sex discrimination include not hiring someone on the basis of sex, giving unequal educational resources to one sex, and many more. Sexual harassment and/or violence falls under the Title IX umbrella as well.

Alongside Ur, many staff, faculty, and students are mandatory reporters. These people on campus are to report any findings that violate the Title IX by-laws to Ur. It is an all-campus effort to keep students safe.

If students have any questions or concerns, they can contact Frank by emailing titleix@doane.edu or calling his office number at 402-826-8627.

Testing causes COVID decline

KYLIE HUGHES
Life & Culture Editor

On Jan. 16 and Jan. 17, all residential students received a saliva-based COVID-19 test upon return to campus. Athletes received their test prior to those dates.

In total, 687 saliva-based PCR COVID-19 tests were administered to students, according to an email from University Communications that was sent on Jan. 22.

There were 16 positive results that came back including residential students and athletes. The

email stated the positivity rate was 2.3 percent.

However, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) does warn that "no test is 100 percent accurate all of the time."

Factors that could impact the accuracy of a test include the sample accidentally being contaminated during collection or analysis, the chemicals used to extract the genetic material did not work properly, the virus was not collected in the sample given, etc.

The current risk dial, as of Jan. 29, states that the status of Doane's Crete

campus remains high. However, as of that date, there are no positive cases among the Crete campus community, meaning that 100 percent of the campus isolation space is open.

In the Jan. 29 email sent out to all students by University Communications, Doane said it feels "confident that the return to campus testing strategy implemented this Spring was the right choice for the safety and health of the Doane community."

COVID-19 rates continue to be monitored despite the low numbers

Students generally in favor of vaccine

Majority of students plan to receive COVID vaccine

JOSE VILLALPANDO
News Editor

With COVID-19 vaccines slowly being rolled out both nationally and locally, many people are beginning to become more educated about them. In turn, many students have formed their own opinions about the vaccine.

Of the 24 respondents, 71 percent believe the vaccine to be safe for use, 25 percent think it is not safe

and four percent are unsure.

A majority of respondents spoke on the various testing that goes into the creation of the vaccines, split between crediting and doubting scientists based on the amount of time the vaccines have spent in development.

To credit, some respondents brought up the vigorous testing the vaccines had to go through before being passed and their backing by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

From the other side, some respondents were concerned about the quick testing process the vaccines have gone through.

As for respondents' opinions on whether or not they would take the

vaccine if the opportunity arose, 67 percent would take the vaccine, 25 percent would not, 4 percent would eventually take it and another 4 percent would take it depending on the circumstances.

According to multiple respondents, they would choose to take the vaccine in order to protect themselves as well as those around them.

Equally important, some respondents mentioned that they believed it was a moral responsibility for everyone eligible to receive the vaccine in order to protect as many people as possible.

As it stands, the vaccine is mostly looked upon as both safe and necessary in order to see at least a small return of normalcy.

Hemp research earns recognition

CASSIE KESSLER
Sports Editor

In 2020, seniors Christine Rost and Bailey Gasseling applied for a research grant and received the funding to get paid to do research over the summer. They chose to do their research with hemp farmers across Nebraska and now are experiencing recognition nationwide for what they achieved.

Rost and Gasseling originally started with studying the type of people that would grow hemp, and analyzed whether these people had "innovators ability," which can be described as a type of person who jumps at the opportunity to try something new and bring about change.

"We wanted to rate them on an inhibition scale because there are only certain kinds of people that grow hemp seeing as it is such a risky crop since it's associated with marijuana," Rost said. "So, we did a sociology-based testing to see if these people had innovators ability, and then we talked to them to see if that was true or not."

In order to do this research, Rost and Gasseling interviewed 15 participants for their research study. However, this proved to be difficult, as most universities still do not allow for hemp or can-

nabis related research to be done, and up until recently, this type of research was illegal.

"Not a lot of universities can do this research because they're afraid since there used to be this block where you couldn't do anything that was a public entity, so you couldn't do hemp or cannabis or marijuana research," Rost said. "Since it was illegal, there is not a lot of research on hemp, so it was really hard for the farmers to even be successful in growing the hemp after they got the licensing."

Although this work is extremely important and impactful all over the nation, it is not always positively received. Even while conducting professional research, there were still negative connotations associated with the work they were doing.

"It sparks everyone's attention because they think all we're doing is dealing with marijuana," Gasseling said. "I think that's one of our biggest things is to derive the difference between what hemp is and what marijuana is and what you can get out of hemp."

These preconceived notions on what hemp is were more detrimental than expected for Rost and Gasseling. They said hemp could benefit many aspects of the farming industry, but these benefits are not being achieved. One rea-

son is due to the fact of strict rules surrounding hemp farming.

"If you're growing hemp in Nebraska and have your license to grow, the plant has to be .3 percent or lower THC, otherwise farmers have to destroy their crop," Gasseling said.

Now, Gasseling and Rost have been accepted to the National Conference of Science and Environment and are looking to spread their findings further than just Nebraska.

"A person from George Mason University in Virginia wanted to use our research for their climate environmental plan for their university that they're making right now, so we're actually going to be mentioned in their climate action plan," Rost said.

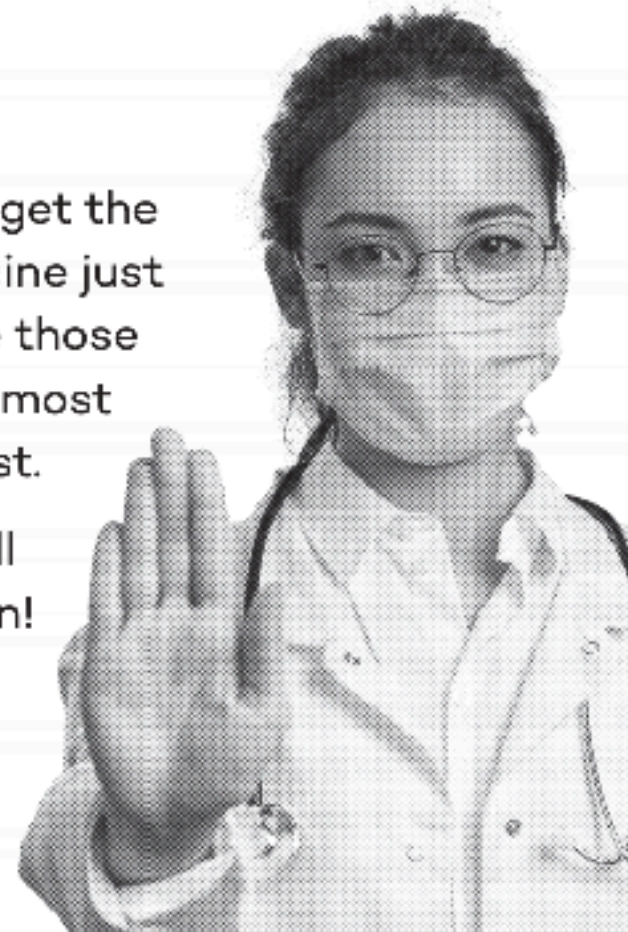
They hope that by getting their research published and by presenting at these conferences, they will be able to inform more people and minimize the stigma surrounding hemp.

"The cannabis industry has a net worth of 11 billion dollars," Rost said. "That's a lot of money, and in Nebraska, we have such good farmland, so there is a good possibility to make so much money and yet we're lagging because of that social sciences piece where people don't know that hemp is not marijuana."

HOLD TIGHT, THEN DO RIGHT

We can't all get the COVID vaccine just yet because those who need it most will get it first.

Everyone will get their turn!



Learn more at
DoRightRightNow.org

Weekly Horoscopes

Aquarius (January 21 - February 19): This is a good time to take a step back and examine yourself. What is going on in your life? What do you need to work on?

Pisces (February 20 - March 20): Work should be your priority this week. You've been spending time recently focused on your social life so now shift your priorities.

Aries (March 21 - April 20): Listen to the people who are close to you. It is not always what they say but what they do not say as well.

Taurus (April 21 - May 21): Keep an eye on your diet this week. Changes in diet may affect you not just physically but also mentally.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21): A decision you are putting off for later may come back to bite you. Be cautious with future decisions.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): Things may have been going easy lately. Do something to challenge yourself intellectually this week.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): The conditions are perfect to strengthen your current relationships or build new ones, whether they are friendships or romantic.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): Watch out for unplanned events. Be cautious in your decisions and remember to make the smart choice.

Libra (September 23 - October 22): Now might be the time to stop reckless spending. Something may come up in your life that will require a little extra.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): Let your natural glow shine through and radiate others this week.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): You have been indecisive lately and letting others make decisions for you. It is time this week to take the reins.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20): Keep an eye out for the broader side of situations instead of just the minute aspects.

Biden's first weeks cause controversy

KYLIE HUGHES
Life & Culture Editor

After being sworn in on Jan. 20, Joe Biden is coming upon his second week as President of the United States. In just his first week, Biden has passed around 40 executive orders, many looking to change policies made by Donald Trump in the past four years, according to NBC news.

With such a wide array and relatively large number of executive orders, many people are left with mixed reactions including the student population at Doane.

In a poll sent out to students on Jan. 27, one week after the inauguration, 47 students shared their opinions on Biden as the new president and what they think of the executive orders.

Around 34 percent of the students who responded said they support Biden and many decisions he has made. 53 percent of students said they did not support Biden and his executive orders. The rest felt either mixed emotions or that it was too early to support or oppose.

For some students like sophomore Jacob Patrick, the actions made by President Biden in his first week has made him support the president more, as Patrick supports several of his passed executive orders.

"I have actually gained more respect for Biden based on what he has done for this country," Patrick said.

However, for other students such as freshman James Kaslon, their opinions have not changed



Cartoon by Joey Winton | The Doane Owl

from the election to the first week of Biden's presidency. Kaslon said he feels "in no way, shape or form [is Biden] fit for the presidency."

In fact, among students who did not support Biden's presidency, several felt similarly that Biden is unfit for the role, even some suggesting that he will not last his four-year term, and Vice-president Kamala Harris will have to take over.

As far as the executive orders made during Biden's first seven days, students supported and opposed a wide range of his decisions.

One of the most opposed executive orders cited by students was the cancellation of the Keystone XL pipeline permit, as 60 percent of those who did not support

Biden stated.

However, in addition to that specific executive order, there were also a large number of students who stated that they either support all of Biden's executive orders or oppose all of them so far. Some students even stated they felt allowing a president to pass that many executive orders so quickly is unconstitutional.

There were a wider array of executive orders that had the support of Doane students.

While Biden's presidency and his recent executive orders have led to mixed views, it is apparent that many students are staying informed with current political issues, as over 80 percent of respondents stated they were familiar with the recent executive orders.

Tiger Time-out



**UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA
WHEREVER
YOU ARE**

**TO GET WHERE
YOU WANT TO GO**

online.nebraska.edu

UNIVERSITY OF
Nebraska
Online

RESEARCH | INNOVATION | EXCELLENCE

What MYTHICAL CREATURE are you?



Graphic by Kylie Hughes | The Doane Owl

the Doane Owl

Doane University
1014 Boswell Ave.
Crete, Neb. 68333

EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Abrianna Miller
abrianna.miller@doane.edu

MANAGING EDITOR

Joey Winton
joey.winton@doane.edu

COPY DESK CHIEF

Kylie Hughes
kylie.hughes@doane.edu

NEWS EDITOR

Jose Villalpando
jose.villalpando@doane.edu

LIFE & CULTURE EDITOR

Kylie Hughes
kylie.hughes@doane.edu

SPORTS EDITOR

Cassie Kessler
cassie.kessler@doane.edu

ART EDITOR

Kendall Meyer
kendall.meyer7466@doane.edu

AD MANAGER

Abrianna Miller
abrianna.miller@doane.edu

FACULTY ADVISER

Eric Tucker
eric.tucker@doane.edu

MULTIMEDIA COORDINATOR OF DOANELINE.COM

Josh Bundy
josh.bundy@doane.edu

The Doane Owl strives to inform, enlighten and entertain students, staff and faculty while maintaining high journalistic standards of accuracy and truthfulness.

The Doane Owl is published weekly under the authority of the Doane College Student Media Advisory Board. It is available every Tuesday of the academic year on www.doaneline.com or by requesting an attachment to an email from owl@doane.edu.

The Doane Owl Editorial board consists of: Abrianna Miller, Joey Winton, Kylie Hughes, Jose Villalpando, Kendall Meyer and Cassie Kessler.

The Doane Owl welcomes signed Letters to the Editor of 400 words or fewer. All submissions are due by 4 p.m. on the Sunday prior to publication. Submissions should be addressed to the editor and sent to the Doane Owl through campus mail, placed in the box outside of Gaylord 130 or emailed to owl@doane.edu. A hard copy of the letter must be signed in the presence of the Editor-in-Chief by 7 p.m. the Monday before publication. The editor reserves the right to edit all submissions for length and content.

Flag photo by Andreus Abner

- LETTER TO THE EDITOR -

“The Office” moves to the library

In last week's issue of The Owl, Sarah Daly expressed sadness that Netflix had removed “The Office” from its streaming platform. We have to admit, we agree! But, did you know Perkins Library right here at Doane has all nine seasons of “The Office” on DVD available for checkout? It's true!

We have a large selection of movies, including many Marvel movies, and even some TV shows, like Game of Thrones, The Crown, Sherlock and more, available

for checkout on DVD.

Movies not your thing? We also have a collection of what we call “popular” reading books, which are meant to be read just for fun. Like romance? Sci-fi? Young adult fiction? We have it!

Because of the pandemic, our DVDs and books are not currently available for in-person browsing, but we are very excited to launch a new virtual guide to help you find just the right movie or book.

Check out a selection of our popular books and DVDs

at libguides.doane.edu/for-fun.

There you'll also find instructions for our no-contact checkout system. This guide won't include everything we have-- that's just too much! So, if you don't see what you're looking for, contact library@doane.edu. We'd be thrilled to help you find what you need!

And don't forget-- the librarians, Cali and Jayne, are here to help with your academic research too! We have virtual office hours on Sun-

days and Thursdays and offer consultation appointments during the week.

Learn more at doane.edu/library/research-help/personalized-assistance.

The library staff is happy to have you back on campus, Tigers! Let us know how we can help you!

Signed,
Cali, Holly, Jayne and Tammy

Hot takes; picks of Pixar

A weekly rating of random things by Joey Winton

JOEY WINTON
Managing Editor

Pixar, everyone's favorite animated movie studio and Disney subsidiary.

They've come a long way, starting with 1995's “Toy Story” where they tested the limits of what animation could do at the time (if you'll notice at the beginning of the movie when Andy and his friends are celebrating his birthday, Andy's friends are just clones of him wearing different clothes and with different hair).

With their latest release “Soul” being a phenomenal movie, I figured it was time to rank all these movies, something that was quite difficult given how much nostalgia I have for some of them and likely overrated them because of it.

Each movie is graded on plot, visuals, soundtrack and level of rewatchability.

Plot is graded based on how good the story is and how the characters are written. Most Pixar movies have pretty strong plots, but there are some that just don't hold up to scrutiny.

Visuals are ranked according to how good the movie looks and how vibrant the animation is. This might seem unfair to some of the older movies that were made back when animation was just being programmed and

tested, but it doesn't account for too much of the overall score.

Soundtrack is based on how many songs there are in the movie that are bangers. Some of these movies have consistently amazing music throughout, while others only have a couple of iconic songs.

The final category, rewatchability, is simply how many times you could watch the movie in a row before you got tired of it.

Using these parameters and after spending several hours pouring over numerical data, the list below is mathematically the most accurate ranking of Pixar's movies thus far.

S Tier- These movies are the quintessential Pixar movies. If you were to show someone who had never heard of Pixar one of their movies, it would be from this list.

A Tier- Still a really good time to watch. These movies are pretty iconic, though

there are one or two small details that prevent the movie from being worthy of S Tier.

B Tier- These Pixar movies are average, plain and simple. They are still fun, and they have that Pixar magic to them, but overall, they're just good instead of great or phenomenal.

C Tier- While not bad, these movies certainly are not good. It's really only possible to enjoy the movies in this tier once in a blue moon because otherwise, you'll start to forget what makes Pixar movies so good.

F Tier- Whatever the executives at Pixar were taking to think that these movies were worth pouring thousands of dollars and countless hours into, I want some.

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

S Tier: (The best)- Soul, Coco, Monsters Inc., Toy Story 3, The Incredibles, Ra-

tatouille, WALL-E

A Tier: (Second Best)- Toy Story, Toy Story 2, Toy Story 4, Up, Inside Out

B Tier: (Average)- Onward, A Bug's Life, Finding Nemo, The Incredibles 2, Monsters University

C Tier: (Below Average)- Cars, Cars 3, Finding Dory, Brave

F Tier: (Garbage)- Cars 2, The Good Dinosaur

Again, let me say: no amount of debating with me will change my mind so please save yourself the time and energy, you have better things to do than argue with a college kid about tier lists.

Do you have a topic you want me to make a ranking of? Email me at joey.winton@doane.edu with the subject line Hot Takes and I might write about it!



Courtesy photo | Flickr.com

Learning to set my pride aside



ABRIANNA MILLER
Editor-in-Chief

In light of recent events, the existence of my excessive prideful attitude has become increasingly apparent.

I have never noticed how indignant and forceful I can be at times, but since coming to Doane, it has almost become an issue. Eventually, it came to my attention, with the help of friends and acquaintances, but I have continued to struggle with the implications of such a thought process.

Certain situations do require a leader with an attitude to match, but in other circumstances, I need to be



Cartoon by Joey Winton | The Doane Owl

able to humbly step back.

There is nothing wrong with not taking the lead in every situation. I have to consciously tell myself to stop controlling everything, and let things happen as they will.

I have no power to tell people what to do and how to feel. The only thing I can do is control myself, even if I wish I could do more.

Everything has its purpose, even my pride. My pride has, incidentally, got-

ten me to where I am today in more ways than one.

Any work I do, I put in one-hundred-and-ten percent into it. I support my friends through everything they go through and accomplish. I'm even proud of my dog for listening to commands.

On the flip side, though, I don't stop working on something until it is the best that I can make it, even when I'm falling asleep on my desk at 4 a.m. I also don't like to accept help; I've created this illusion

that I can do everything myself better than if I had help.

The work of other people on my behalf is invaluable, and I can't thank them enough. Even if I seem hesitant or overbearing when I ask them for something, I hope they understand how much I appreciate them.

Clearly, it's still a work in progress, but if I can keep making purposeful steps toward recognizing the different faces of my pride, I think I'll be okay.

Computer systems hold their own



ANDREUS ABNER
Staff Writer

As a student studying information systems, I have always been interested in computers and, more importantly, how good they are.

Macintosh and Windows, two titans of the PC realm, are both used daily for an abundance of things ranging from gaming to graphic design. As an owner of both, I can't seem to separate which of the two are better.

My main desktop is operated by Windows. I use it for gaming and the brunt of my homework. Though it is a gaming computer, the specs can carry me through pretty much anything that I send its way.

On the other hand, I also have a MacBook Pro. Though it doesn't cover gaming and some of the video rendering that I do, it does its job. As a laptop, it's portable, yet the display and webcam are amazing.

What everything boils down to is the operating system itself. Specs of each can vary depending on how much money you're willing to spend and the use of the computer, but they both have very different styles to their software.

Windows has a very mathematical feel to their software. Everything is very easy to navigate as



Photo by Andreus Abner | The Doane Owl

long as you know where you have saved your files to. They have also been known to be very compatible with different programs and applications, as they are the universal format for most applications.

Mac has that futuristic feel to their software.

It has very clean and vibrant apps, along with being able to connect the rest of your Apple devices to each other. Though it is easy to navigate around, the short cuts are quite different, and certain programs are often modified and changed to suit the operating system.

Where Mac seems to be lower on the gaming totem pole, Windows continues to deliver with the variety of games it has to offer. However, for the graphic design aspect, Mac is king with their high resolution displays and the design software tailored to its operating

system. Both are great operating systems, the choice of which one is better will always be up to the consumers and their needs.

As for me, I will stick with both systems to maximize the benefits of each.

Godzilla v. Kong



JOEY WINTON
Managing Editor

The first trailer for Warner Bros.' "Godzilla V. Kong" dropped on Jan. 24, and I cannot express how excited I am.

Before I give my two cents on who I think would win and why, let me say that these giant monster movies are big, loud and dumb, and I love them.

Each movie that came before this one, "Godzilla" (2014), "Kong: Skull Island" (2017) and "Godzilla: King of the Monsters" (2019), are all unique and feature some awesome monsters and monster fights.

While the plots of these movies vary from okay to pretty bad, that's not why I go to see them.



Courtesy photo | Flickr.com

I couldn't care less about what a handful of tiny humans do to try and stop these unstoppable behemoths, I want to see big action-setpieces, cool visuals and lots and lots of destruction.

There is some child-like wonder and glee I get from watching these

titans on the big screen. Maybe it's because I grew up watching the original monster movies where Godzilla was nothing more than a guy in a rubber suit, and seeing him and other creatures fully realized with CGI to look 'realistic' gives me a wave of catharsis every time I see it.

The last time Godzilla and Kong butted heads

was in the 1962 movie "King Kong vs Godzilla", where two different endings were made.

One ending featured King Kong as the winner of their fight, intended for American audiences, as Kong is an American creation. The other ending featured Godzilla emerging as the victor, intended for Japanese audiences, as Godzilla is a Japanese creation.

As a child, these movies with men in suits fighting each other while smashing scale models of cities was endlessly entertaining. Now as a young adult, seeing these monsters with convincing computer graphics clash has me pretty excited even though I know the plot is likely going to be something I am not going to care about nor remember.

Anyway, if Godzilla were to fight King Kong, Godzilla would win.

Granted, it would be a challenge, as Kong is roughly the same size but is quite a bit faster and more intelligent than Godzilla, but the raw power Godzilla possesses in addition to his various nuclear attacks would be the end of Kong.



Courtesy photo | Flickr.com

Future plans derailed



JOSH BUNDY
Multimedia Coordinator

With graduation approaching, I, like many other seniors I'm sure, am stressing out more and more with each passing day.

I'm not talking about senior projects and final exams. I'm talking about what happens after college. Most years, there's a

typical plan to follow that includes getting a job and moving somewhere new, but with COVID still present, I have had trouble knowing where to go.

I want to work in the travel industry, an environment that has been decimated by COVID. This may be a niche problem, but I don't doubt there are others that are in a similar boat as I am.

We never grew up expecting a global pandemic to hit us when we were planning our careers. There was simply no expecting this, which is why it is so important to react in a positive way.

It's important to see this pandemic out the right way, not by going out and partying, but by staying home to keep yourself, your classmates, friends, professors, etc.

safe. Look at New Zealand-- officially COVID-free and completely open to its people. This is what we all want to happen, and with continued discipline in our social habits, our reality will shift back to what it used to be.

The vaccine is beginning to be distributed, and we all may have access to it sooner than we know. The importance of remaining safe, socially distancing, everything you've heard a thousand times before, still rings true.

With normal life so close to coming back, there's no reason to rush it and cost ourselves months yet again. Because I don't think anyone on the planet wants COVID to stick around any longer.

FLATBED Express

DRIVERS CLASS A
LOCAL or REGIONAL
STARTING AT
\$23.50/HR OR 50 CPM.

...
Guaranteed minimum
pay per week
Full Benefits
Direct Deposit
Bonuses

...
www.flatbedexpress.com
402-291-7607 x 114

...THUMBS UP

Garlic

Zip ties

Chihuahuas

Mint Chocolate

Weasels

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...

Track takes on final home meet

ANDREUS ABNER
Staff Writer

The Men's and Women's Track and Field teams competed in their last home indoor meet for the season on Jan. 29 and Jan. 30.

The Tigers hosted the Fred Beile Classic on Friday and Saturday to honor the late Hall of Fame coach.

On the women's side, junior Annika Pingel got first place in the 800m with a time of 2:19, making her eleventh in the NAIA.

Senior Mackenzie Brandl won the 400m dash, recording a time of 1:02 and remaining seventh in the GPAC.

In the field, freshman Sarah Theiler finished first in the high jump with a mark of 1.61m.

Theiler attributes a lot of her success to the support she receives from her teammates.

"Everyone is support-



Photo by Andreus Abner | The Doane Owl
Junior Madison Blackstone hurdles in the women's heptathlon on Jan. 29 and placed ninth overall.

ing one another, and it always makes me want to jump even higher and compete for them because I know they are doing the same for me. We all have a mindset and motivation to do our best for one another," Theiler said.

With a first place toss

of 13.27m, senior Allison Skala grabbed a win in the shot put and sits second in the NAIA.

For the Men's side, freshman Chris Vincent won in the 60m, clocking in at 7.09.

Sophomore Aiden Whelock recorded a time of 4:41 in the mile,

taking first place in the event.

In the 3000m run, senior Alec Wick got first place with a time of 8:56.

With another long distance win, freshman Thomas Oliver took first place in the 5000m with a time of 16:33.

Freshman Zach Turn-

er won the 60m hurdles with a time of 8.20, adding to his list of wins this season.

Turner said he pays close attention to his coaches at practice as they push him to compete at the highest level.

"I do my best to focus on the small details at every practice," Turner said.

The men's 4x400 relay team, including Turner, junior Austin Drake, freshman Carter Reckling and senior Logan Hammond, got first place with a time of 3:19, placing them third in the nation.

The distance medley relay team with Wick, Hammond, sophomore Jordan Tasler and sophomore Kalen Dockweiler also won with a combined time of 10:18, making them fourth in the NAIA.

Junior Jacob Hruska won in the field as he marked a 2.06m in the

high jump, moving him to fourth in the NAIA.

Freshman Connor Floyd won in the pole vault as he cleared 4.60m.

As freshmen, Theiler and Turner have both had a very hard first year trying to compete amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

"I was extremely motivated to compete this year because my senior year of high school track was taken from me because of COVID. This makes me even more motivated because you never know when it will be taken away again," Theiler said.

"Being around a driven group of people makes it easy to stay motivated even with the problems the virus brings. Along with this, I've realized that you never know when it might be the last time we're able to go out and compete at a meet," Turner said.

Wrestling beats Briar Cliff, Concordia

JAMESON OFFICER-THURSTON
Staff Writer

The Doane Wrestling squad took home wins this weekend in a tournament held by the Jamestown Jimmies.

A notable early win was by sophomore Brandon Antesberger, claiming a come-from-behind victory and finishing with a pin against Hast-

ings. Before that match concluded, Hastings led the Tigers 16-12 after five matches.

Other wins secured in the duel against Hastings were earned by freshman Landon Stocks, junior Baagii Boldmaa, freshman Benjamin Dobler, sophomore Michael Scarponi and junior Garrett Cornwell. The Tigers scored 36 points to Hastings' 16 resulting in the team's win.

The team continued to battle throughout the day, catching wins against Jamestown (37-12), Briar Cliff (21-16) and Concordia (36-3). The win against Briar Cliff was the first in the program's history.

"It was a great atmosphere on the bench as we were all cheering each other on. It was truly a team effort. I was not aware that it was our first time beating Briar

Cliff," Boldmaa said.

Wrestling coach Dana Vote also spoke on the win against Briar Cliff.

"Honestly had no clue it was the first time that Doane had beat Briar Cliff in a duel. We treated it the same as we dual every dual. We take a lot of pride in enjoying the process, and the results will come," Vote said.

It was also the first time Doane won against Concordia, unofficial-

ly, since 1965. Doane's Wrestling Team is currently 7-0 in the GPAC conference and will have to contend to keep the record going on Feb. 5 when they take on Morningside for the last match of the regular season.

"Our preparation doesn't change, we will prepare the same way we have all year," Vote said.

Boldmaa also commented on the upcoming match.

"We as a team will work with our coaches and prepare the same way we have all year. We as a team focus a lot more on the process than the results so I don't see a lot of change coming in our preparation," Boldmaa said.

The Feb. 5 match will be held by Morningside in Sioux City, Iowa at 7 p.m.

Voigt resigns as Men's Soccer coach

ABRIANNA MILLER
Editor in Chief

Last week, Men's Head Soccer coach Jeff Voigt resigned from his position after seven years.

Voigt said he has been commuting from either Omaha or North Platte during his time at Doane, and he felt it was time to stay closer to home.

"It was a very tough decision. I have been commuting for seven years from Omaha, the past two years from North Platte, with COVID and a growing family, a grandchild, I felt that I needed to be

closer to my family for support," Voigt said.

According to Voigt, the Men's Soccer team is "in a great place", which has allowed him to feel like it was an appropriate time for him to step down.

Voigt said he has been able to establish more resources for the team in the time leading up to his resignation.

"My new boss's [Interim Athletic Director Jeff Johnson's] support, in all aspects of our program, gave me the confidence that we are in great hands," Voigt said. "I look forward to watching not only our program, but all our programs, thrive under new

leadership."

Voigt said he isn't leaving Doane behind just yet, though. He said he will be assisting the new coach while the team transitions to different leadership.

A new head coach has not been found yet, according to Voigt, but Voigt said he looks forward to working with his replacement to advance the team.

As for the Men's Soccer team, Voigt said he hopes the team will continue to improve while also creating relationships.

"[I hope for the] same thing I always have, that they get the best education possible and build

lasting friendships that will last a lifetime. I believe in the near future I will see them competing for conference and national championships," Voigt said.

Voigt expressed his gratitude for the faculty, staff, administrators and past and present players at Doane.

"I look forward to seeing what direction our new leadership takes this university and the heights we can climb, both academically and on the fields of competition," Voigt said. "I have been blessed to work at such a wonderful university; the support from everyone will leave an everlasting impression on me



Courtesy photo | Doane Athletic Department
Jeff Voigt was the head coach for the Men's Soccer team for nine years.

Basketball teams fall to Jamestown

CASSIE KESSLER
Sports Editor

The Men's and Women's Basketball team traveled to Jamestown, North Dakota on Jan. 31 to play the University of Jamestown Jimmies. While neither team was able to come up victorious, they still managed to play close games until the end.

The women played first that morning and started off the game behind Jamestown. While they fought to keep up, the half ended with a score of 42-31 in favor of Jamestown.

Unfortunately, the girls could not keep out

of foul trouble. Combined with allowing 23 points to be scored off of turnovers, it was extremely difficult for them to hang in the game.

All in all, the Women shot 77.8 percent from the free throw line with freshman Olivia Nall making all 11 of her free throws, just one away from beating the school record of most made free throws without a miss during a game.

Senior Haylee Heits had the most points for the Tigers Sunday night by picking up 20 points by the end of the game. Sophomore Ashlee Teten managed to recover six rebounds which was a

new team high.

The Men's Basketball team followed after and managed to keep the game close enough to send it into overtime against the third best team in the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC). This was the first time the Men's team had surpassed the 100 point mark this season, with five players shooting in the double figures.

Senior Anthony Laravie ended up on top Sunday night for the Tigers with a total of 29 points by the end. Senior Zach Witters had a career high as he went on to score 20 points throughout the game.

The Men's team

looked unstoppable from the freethrow line, making every shot they took until the game went into overtime. Doane looked much better in the second half of the game, getting the score close enough to send it into overtime as the regulation clock ran out at 94-94.

Unfortunately, the Men could not keep up with Jamestown once overtime started. Their free throw percentage dropped to 66.7 percent and their three point percentage to 33.3 percent.

Jamestown held strong and managed to pull out a victory, the final score being 109-105.

The Women's Basketball team will have their

final home game of the season on Feb. 3 against College of Saint Mary.

The Men's Basketball

team will be on the road once again on Feb. 6 to Sioux City, Iowa to play Morningside.

Athlete of the Week

Annika Pingel
Track & Field

Won the 800m run with a time of 2:21.37 and her track conversion time of 2:19.76 put her in 11th place in the NAIA

1302 Linden Avenue (402) 626-3784