



Doane's Relay for Life team is hosting a game show. See Page 4 for more.

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Seeking the Truth Without Favor

Durham Brooks studying genes and environment

**KYLIE HUGHES**  
Copy Desk Chief

As a physiologist, Tessa Durham Brooks, Associate Professor of Biology, aims to understand processes through a scale of life starting with molecules all the way to an entire organism.

Particularly what interests Durham Brooks is genes and environment. To learn more about this, she focuses her research on plants.

Durham Brooks uses plants specifically because genetically, they are easy to manipulate. Plants are asexual, meaning they can reproduce

by themselves, creating genetically identical offspring. They also are forced to stay where they are and deal with the environment they have been given.

The first of her three ongoing projects is to look at the "impact of hemp conditioned soil on corn growth." This project, being carried out by a student, is to determine if hemp can be a rotation crop with corn.

Farmers are looking to know what the benefits of growing hemp can be. So, this research is designed to determine if hemp can positively impact corn growth.

The project required soil from hemp fields and a control soil. Then the chemical makeup of the soil and the plants was examined, as well as the growth properties of the plant.

Another project that Durham Brooks is working on is determining

how roots and microbes interact. This statewide project funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) is concluding its fifth year of research.

"Our job was to develop a way to watch the plant make different compounds to talk to the microbes in the soil," Durham Brooks said.

They grow seedlings so that they have access to the roots. They can then measure what chemicals the roots are producing. From there, they can see where in the roots chemicals are released and determine in which situations roots release the compounds.

The third project Durham Brooks currently has going is to take those compounds released by the roots in her second project and see how the microbes react to the compounds.

Both of these projects use imaging to help gather results. There are var-



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ious imaging tools that Durham Brooks uses. She also uses computers to take measurements of the images, known as image processing.

The goal is to decipher the language between roots and microbes," according to Durham Brooks. This research helps to improve soil health which is becoming an increasingly

worrisome problem for future agriculture.

With many of her projects, such as the plants and microbes project, Durham Brooks has had to develop her own methods because there are no instructions on how to measure and do many of these tasks.

"The biggest challenge is [that] my research is very question-oriented, not method-oriented," Durham Brooks said.

Despite the challenges that research poses, Durham Brooks enjoys the collaboration aspect of research. She said she has collaborated with almost every part of the science department because "there is so much to gain from working across disciplines."

"It's hard. I'm not saying it's easy because you are trying to learn each other's language, but it's super rewarding," Durham Brooks said.

# Coronavirus relief package passed

Bill passed with no Republican support

**JOEY WINTON**  
Managing Editor

On March 10, the House of Representatives approved President Biden's \$1.9 trillion Coronavirus relief package

with a close vote of 220-211, and Biden signed the package into law on March 11.

No Republican in the House voted in favor of the bill, and Democrat Rep. Jared Golden of Maine voted against the bill, citing changes in the legislation from the Senate.

"[The Senate] did not go far enough, and other changes-- like removing the minimum wage increase or providing a lower unemployment bene-

fit-- undermined policies that I support," Golden said.

The legislation will send direct payments of \$1,400 to eligible Americans, extend unemployment benefits and expand child tax credit among other things.

Additions to the bill, like an increase of the federal minimum wage, an increase of the amount of money provided in unemployment benefits and expanding who is eligible for direct payments,

were all removed by the nonpartisan Senate parliamentarian Elizabeth MacDonough according to NPR.

The bill will also give billions of dollars to schools and to funding the distribution of COVID-19 vaccines, testing and other supplies.

Despite these proposals, Republicans almost unanimously opposed the plan, while Democrats were able to push the bill forward without bipartisan support.

"The Senate has never spent \$2 trillion in a more haphazard way or through a less rigorous process," Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell said.

Rep. Jason Smith, (R-Mo.) told NPR "it's the wrong plan at the wrong time," stating that if the bill was focused on giving people direct payments and COVID-19 vaccinations, there would have been more bipartisan support.

The White House and

congressional Democrats cited public opinion polls which showed support for the legislation, including support from a majority of Republicans in some of the surveys.

The same day Biden signed the bill into law, March 11, he delivered his first prime-time address to the nation to mark the one-year anniversary of the COVID-19 pandemic entering the US.

# Doane's risk dial stays at moderate level

**KYLIE HUGHES**  
Copy Desk Chief

The most recent Campus Risk Dial update sent out on March 12 stated that there were two new positive COVID-19 cases in the past week, according to an email sent out to all students by University Communications.

As of this publication, the risk dial remains at a moderate level as it has for the past few weeks.

To help facilitate in stopping the spread of COVID-19, Greek Life students participated in saliva-based testing. On March 3 and 4, active and prospective Greek members interested in partic-

ipating in Weeks of the Greeks had to get tested for COVID-19.

According to Rachel Czerny, Director of Campus Wellness, there were 275 students that got tested. Less than 1 percent of students tested positive. Those who tested positive isolated for 10 days, and any close contacts had to be quarantined for 10 days.

"This strategy allowed us to mitigate risk and help all students participating in Weeks of the Greeks do so safely," Czerny said.

Despite getting tested before Weeks of the Greeks, students are still expected to follow mask-

ing and social distancing. Some events are also being held outdoors or virtually to minimize risk.

Czerny attributes the "increased capacity for testing" for the lower number of COVID-19 cases this spring semester compared to those of the fall semester.

"While all of the prevention measures we are asking students to take can seem daunting, they are the very tools that allow for our normal traditions like Weeks of the Greeks to continue to occur safely," Czerny said.

The low number of cases has also allowed the library to open up more space for student use. The

lower level of the library will be open for quiet study. There will also be study rooms open in the upper and lower level of the library.

In addition to the openings in the library, outdoor patio furniture is set up and ready to use outside of Lakeside, residence buildings and academic buildings.

Despite the decrease in cases and increase in vaccinations in the Doane community, students are still urged to wear a mask around others and inside all university buildings, practice social distancing, practice good hand hygiene and stay home when feeling unwell.

## COVID-19 UPDATE



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# Executive Order signed

Order aimed at expanding voting rights

**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

President Joe Biden signed Executive Order 14019 on March 7 to expand Americans' access to voting information, registration and participation.

Sections one and two of the executive order detail the purpose of such expansion. Biden references past legislation that allowed more Americans to vote. He also mentioned the shortcomings of the present-day voting process, including discrimination, unequal access to registration documents and the spread of misinformation.

The third section of the document outlines methods in which local and state governments should address this issue. Biden said efforts should be made to circulate relevant and informative materials, make the process of registering to vote online more accessible and give Americans a comprehensive understanding of how to register to vote.

Biden also said local and state governments should assist individuals in registering to vote if

needed and improve multilingual support.

The executive order also addressed an update to Vote.gov, better opportunities for employees to vote, accommodations for Americans with disabilities, ensuring that stationed military members can vote, more information circulating individuals in federal custody and protecting Native Americans' right to vote.

Tim Hill, Professor of Political Science, said Biden's executive order is positive for all Americans, even if it will not do as much as he hopes.

"In this case, Biden has taken what steps he can, which is good, in a small-'d' democratic way, as far as it goes, but can't compare to the reforms of HR1 [House Resolution 1] and HR4 [House Resolution 4]," Hill said. "If those were to become law, they would fundamentally transform voting access in America."

HR1, the "For the People Act of 2021," refers to an act that would enforce restrictions on corruption in elections and voting. The act was passed in the House of Representatives on March 8 and is currently being deliberated in the Senate.

HR4 would require two appointed members of the House to meet with a Senate committee in order to inform the President that the two bodies are ready to receive any of the President's input on a given issue. This bill was



## KEY POINTS OF EXECUTIVE ORDER

14019



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- Circulate relevant and informative materials
- Make the process of registering to vote online more accessible
- Give Americans a comprehensive understanding of how to register to vote
- Local and state governments should assist individuals in registering to vote if needed
- Improve multilingual support



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motioned, and agreed, to be reconsidered on Jan. 3.

Voting on HR1 and HR4 has mainly been split between Democrats and Republicans, an event that has caused both resolutions to remain largely stagnant to date.

"It's a shame this has become a partisan issue; we all stand to gain when people feel empowered to participate in the democratic process," Hill said.

Biden's executive order was made after HR1 and HR4 were filibustered by

members of Congress. By signing an executive order, Biden did not need Congress' approval, but his motion has limitations imposed upon it.

# Weeks of the Greeks begins

Greeks welcome new members

**ANDREUS ABNER**  
Staff Writer

The Weeks of the Greeks kicked off as bids came in on March 13. Groups have been preparing for this all year, as the COVID-19 pandemic has drastically changed the way that new pledges and current members are participating in activities over the course of this school year.

Social distancing and room capacity have gotten in the way of many activities on campus, with Greek activities being heavily impacted due to the amount of socializing that is involved.

Rush Chair for Omega Psi Theta Madison Hickok has had her hands full with the changes that Greek Life has made over the past couple of months.

"It was harder to get people interested in Greek Life because we couldn't host as many events in the beginning of the year," Hickok said.

Rush Chair for Sigma Phi Theta Nathaniel Nelson said he also thinks that this year has been noticeably different from the last.

"Usually, all the groups are out walking around with each other, and there are more connections between groups. However, now it kind of feels like everyone is more secluded which definitely isn't a bad thing, but it's just a little different," Nelson said.

While trying to stay safe this school year, some groups have had



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Members of Chi Delta sorority pose on bid day before handing out bids to their potential new members.

trouble getting people interested.

"It was harder to get people interested and excited about things that were only being held online. Some groups definitely had better turnouts than others," Hickok said.

Moving past bid day, Nelson said he believes that his group has not stopped their progress in growing themselves even amid the Coronavirus

pandemic.

"We have very similar numbers to past years, but I think, like most other groups, we had a slight decrease in the numbers of people who rushed," Nelson said.

Nelson and his group are all trying their best to make their new members' experiences the same as what they had in previous years.

"We definitely want our new pledge class to

have as close to a normal Greek Week as possible while following all the COVID-19 guidelines," Nelson said.

Hickok agreed with Nelson about making sure that everyone is staying safe this year.

"The top priority is making sure everyone is staying safe and following the guidelines, alongside making sure this is an experience that is still worthwhile and memora-

### This Week's Weather Forecast

Wednesday  
3/17



Low: 31  
Thursday  
3/18



High: 46  
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High: 50  
Low: 32  
Saturday  
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High: 58  
Low: 42  
Sunday  
3/21



Low: 47  
Monday  
3/22



High: 56  
Low: 43  
Tuesday  
3/23



High: 58  
Low: 40

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ble," Hickok said. All Greek groups are excited for the new members to experience the Weeks of the Greeks while still keeping everyone safe and healthy.

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# Mayor's husband dies in home

**JOEY WINTON**  
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Dr. Joseph Stothert, husband of Omaha Mayor Jean Stothert, was found dead on March 5 inside the family's home in Southwest Omaha, Neb.

Stothert was a critical care surgery specialist who worked with the Nebraska Medical Center and was a practicing physician for more than 47 years.

According to KETV, police were called after a gunshot was heard from the house. Upon arrival, police found Stothert dead with what they believe to be a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

The Stothert family released the following statement: "It is with great sadness today that we share the tragic loss of Joe Stothert with family, friends and our loving community. Joe's dedication and affection for everyone he cared for serve as a bright light of human kindness for all of us to follow. Our family asks for your prayers

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Myron Parsley  
Mental Health Counselor

at this very difficult time. We will need them. We also ask for privacy so our family may grieve and remember an extraordinary and caring husband, father and grandfather."

Myron Parsley, one of Doane's mental health counselors, commented on the situation saying we, as a society, need to do more to address mental health concerns.

"I think the stigma of talking about mental health has lessened, but it still exists," Parsley said.

Parsley said he also believes the stigma that surrounds men and their mental health can be a significant roadblock for



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them to seek assistance.

"Men are often socialized to not show emotion or [taught] that showing emotion is a weakness. This can be an obstacle for men to seek help for mental health issues," Parsley said.

According to the American Foundation for

Suicide Prevention, middle-aged, white men are the most likely to commit suicide, and in 2019, men died by suicide 3.63 times more often than women.

As it can be difficult to identify if someone is in need of help, Parsley offers this piece of advice: "... we need to take

care of one another and be aware of when those we care about may need help. Be willing to ask if they are alright. It can make a difference in helping them to seek resources. Know that help is available if you or someone you know is struggling with mental health

issues."

If you or anyone you know is in need of help, go to <https://suicide-preventionlifeline.org/> or call the suicide prevention lifeline at 1-800-273-8255. Both services are free, confidential and provide 24/7 support for people in distress.

# Alleged hazing results in death

Fraternity chapter closed due to alleged hazing

**JOSE VILLALPANDO**  
News Editor

A college student at an Ohio university has died after an alleged hazing incident involving a fraternity event.

Stone Foltz, a 20-year-old sophomore at Bowling Green State University, was rushed to the hospital on March 8 following an off-campus event hosted by the university's Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity the night before. Foltz was allegedly hazed to drink "copious amounts of alcohol," according to the Foltz family attorney Sean Alto.

Foltz was rushed to the hospital after members of the fraternity dropped him off at his apartment and his roommates dis-

## HAZING

**What is hazing?**  
Any intentional action that endangers a person's physical or mental health or safety, especially for any initiation to student groups

**Who do I contact if I am a victim or witness of hazing?**  
Students can contact Jake Elswick, Doane Vice President for Enrollment and Student Experience, the CAPE Project office or the Dean of Students.

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covered him.

Upon his arrival at the hospital, Foltz was listed in dire condition, where he would stay until his death.

"The international Pi Kappa Alpha fraternal organization identified Foltz as an 'unreported

new member'-- a pledge-- and said it was 'horrified and outraged' by his death," the New York Post reported.

The fraternity chapter at Bowling Green State University has since been suspended and had their Greek letters removed

from the off-campus fraternity house. According to a university spokesperson, the reason for this was because the fraternity is no longer recognized as a student organization at the university.

As of the date of this article, the case remains ongoing with further evidence needed for a decisive conclusion.

Jake Elswick, Doane Vice President for Enrollment and Student Experience, said it is always distressing to see another incident such as Foltz's death.

"Hazing is explicitly banned for all student groups at Doane, and allegations of hazing are taken extremely seriously," Elswick said.

To Doane, hazing is seen as any intentional action that endangers a person's physical or mental health or safety, especially for any initiation to student groups. Other, more subtle forms of hazing are recognized as deception or isolation with verbal abuse or threats as

a short list.

"Just this past weekend, we hosted a training session with new Greek group members to identify what hazing looks like and how students can report hazing," Elswick said.

Along with the training sessions, in partnership with the Campus Advocacy, Prevention and Education (CAPE) Project, Doane hosted bystander intervention training

and will also continue to monitor and follow up with new members of Greek Life throughout Week of the Greeks.

Elswick also added that any student who feels they are a victim or witness of hazing can reach out to him, the CAPE Project office or the Dean of Students. It is of utmost importance for students to be both safe and enjoy their college experience.

## Doane Crime Log

Doane Safety Office reported incidents in their public crime log. Incidents reported between March 1 through 14 include:

- 03/3 **Larceny/Theft:** Theft from motor vehicle - Campus Property: Parking Lot B
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# New event coming to campus

**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

Doane's Relay for Life leadership team is hosting a live game show to fundraise for the organization on March 19 at 7 p.m. The event will be live-streamed on Doane's YouTube channel.

The top three fundraising teams, Delta Kappa Pi, Gamma Phi Iota and Sigma Phi Theta, have been invited to send two representatives from their group to participate and possibly win prizes.

Nick Knopik, Assistant Director of Leadership and Service and advisor of the Relay for Life leadership team, said all students, faculty, alumni and Crete community members are encouraged to watch.

"We have invited the top three fundraising teams to send two members to participate in three games: 60 Seconds to Win It, Family Dispute and Do You Want to be a Millionaire?" Knopik said.

The game show will be hosted by senior Nik Schnebly and junior Riley Spicer, who will be "giving a sneak-peek at what to expect for Relay for Life 2021," according to Knopik.

"Tuning in to the game show on Friday is a great way to learn more about Relay 2021 and hear about what the students on Doane's Relay for Life leadership team have planned for Relay week in April," Knopik said.

Representatives from the top three teams have not been announced, and

Knopik said it will be a surprise for the people who tune in.

The week for Relay for Life is April 12 through April 16, and Doane has already raised \$3,500 of the \$20,000 goal.

"Doane has an incredible record of success with Relay for Life, ranking as one of the top three universities in the nation in funds raised per capita each year for over a decade," Knopik said. "The students, faculty, and staff at Doane have shown tremendous support for Relay, and we would love to see that support continue this year."

Students can register for Relay for Life at [bit.ly/doanerelay](http://bit.ly/doanerelay). With any questions or concerns, please contact Knopik at [nick.knopik@doane.edu](mailto:nick.knopik@doane.edu).

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## New Xanadu seeking entries

**SARAH DALY**  
Communications Manager

The Xanadu magazine has been a part of Doane's history since 1956. Xanadu was created by students in the Doane English Department and has been published every spring since then. At its core, Xanadu is a literary journal seeking student and faculty submissions.

Traditionally, the magazine is printed, but this year, it will be posted online. This allows more opportunities for student submissions.

"This year, especially, we are able to take in more submissions due to the fact that we have gone online, where in the past, we have been only a printed magazine," sophomore PJ Ramsey, Co-Art Chair, said.

Students of all majors and all faculty members can submit fine arts pieces. Examples include, but are not limited to: paintings, photography, digital art and printmaking. New this year is the opportunity for videography submissions.

Xanadu staff is now hosting campus-wide Write Out Louds, alongside Xanadu Scholars events and Death Cafes.

If students are looking to submit written pieces to the magazine, Xanadu staff encourages them to share those pieces at a Write Out Loud. Write Out Louds will start during Worldview Week in March.

The first Xanadu Scholars event will be a presentation by Professor Dan Clanton, editor of the new "Oxford Hand-

book of the Bible and American Popular Culture."

Xanadu will be offering instructional workshops for writers across Doane's campus. The first workshop will be held later in March as part of the annual Pre Health Boot Camp designed for students looking into careers in medicine or health care. Contact Phil Weilt to set up a workshop for students in your specific program.

Students and faculty can submit works until April 7 to [xanadu.magazine.submissions@gmail.com](mailto:xanadu.magazine.submissions@gmail.com).

With any questions, contact Xanadu Editor-in-Chief Jean Chevalier at [jean.chevalier@doane.edu](mailto:jean.chevalier@doane.edu) or Xanadu Director Phil Weilt at [phil.weilt@doane.edu](mailto:phil.weilt@doane.edu).

## Stop Day makes adjustments

**JOSE VILLALPANDO**  
News Editor

With the semester closing in on the usual time for Stop Day, new regulations are being put in place in order to keep students safe. Because of this, Stop Day will look a little different this year.

An email sent out on March 5 from Student Congress relayed this year's new Stop Day guidelines and regulations.

These rules are contingent on how the current environment on campus changes in relation to COVID-19 cases.

All food will be pre-packaged, which students will need to take back to their rooms to eat.

The six-foot social distancing guideline is highly encouraged right now in order to avoid a spike in COVID-19 cases on campus so that Stop Day does not get canceled.

"Stop Day will be canceled if an outbreak occurs on campus. We ask students to be safe and follow protocols to ensure we get a Stop Day since we did not get one



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last year," Haley Miller, Student Congress President, said.

Stop Day Eve is canceled this year. Instead, an email announcing Stop Day will be sent out on the morning of the designated day.

COVID-19 guidelines will be followed at all times. Everyone must wear a mask and social distance throughout Stop Day.

"Students should expect social distancing and masking to be enforced at all events [and] be asked to use hand sanitizer prior to participating," Mill-

er said. Students should also avoid participating in Stop Day activities if they feel sick in any way, especially if they are experiencing symptoms similar to COVID-19 symptoms.

Most activities will be held outdoors to help facilitate social distancing guidelines. However, there may be a need for limits on capacity due to safety guidelines.

A sign up form for Stop Day activities will be sent out to students in order to help plan for the space needed for each activity.

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## Weekly Horoscopes

**Aquarius (January 21 - February 19):** Be mindful of what you say this week, Aquarius, many people are awaiting what you have to say.

**Pisces (February 20 - March 20):** Confusion and misunderstandings are possible this week. Keep along the path you've chosen. Great things come from perseverance.

**Aries (March 21 - April 20):** Although there seems to be many detours, riding the tide along these detours is much easier than trying to swim against the current.

**Taurus (April 21 - May 21):** This week may be full of many roadblocks for you, Taurus. Make sure to take these opportunities to further look into the path ahead of you.

**Gemini (May 22 - June 21):** You may be feeling a little burnt out on the project you've been working on, now is the time to begin another and back and forth as you please.

**Cancer (June 22 - July 22):** Even with many things getting thrown your way, Cancer, you'll retain the strength to flow around these obstacles and continue toward your goal.

**Leo (July 23 - August 22):** Be mindful of your temper this week, Leo. Small things may begin to start piling up, and once that happens an eruption of emotions may follow.

**Virgo (August 23 - September 22):** "Irritations are the mother of innovation," or so they say. This week will prove that saying to you. Be open to the irritations it may provide.

**Libra (September 23 - October 22):** You're coming up on a fairly sensitive time, Libra, be sure to allow yourself to feel yet not take some things too seriously.

**Scorpio (October 23 - November 21):** Sometimes things in life tend to not have any real significance. Be sure to keep that in mind as you're going about your daily business.

**Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21):** Now's a good time for some organization in your life. This could be the difference between a week of bliss and a week of stress. An unexpected guest may make an appearance.

**Capricorn (December 22 - January 20):** Before you continue building up your tower of success, check the foundation for any cracks.

# Passport offers prizes

EMMA RYAN  
Staff Writer

Student Experiences helped organizations on campus host another Tiger Wellness Day on March 9.

"Approximately 750 individual students participated throughout the day, and about \$300 was raised for Relay for Life," according to Jenna Jelinek, Director of ESE Engagement and Outreach.

Throughout all three of the Wellness Days, students have been able to earn stickers for their Wellness Day Passports by attending events for each of the nine dimensions of wellness: physical, emotional, occupation-

al, financial, environmental, cultural, intellectual, spiritual and social.

After all of the Wellness Days are completed in April, students can turn in their passports for a chance to win prizes.

"Students will have a chance to turn their passport in for raffle tickets for large items. Everyone who participated will also be able to win some different Doane swag," Jelinek stated.

Some of the big prizes include a 43-inch TV, an iPad Mini, an iPad, Galaxy Watch, Galaxy Buds Live, Echo Dot, Nintendo Switch Lite, AirPods, Amazon gift cards and much more.

Each student will be able to choose which prize they put their

raffle tickets toward.

The next Wellness Day is April 19. Students can look forward to hearing more details about April's Wellness Day at the beginning of next month.

"We had even more students participate in our second Wellness Day, and we are excited to make the third and final day even more exciting. We are so thankful for our campus and student partners. We wouldn't have been able to have such a great day without everyone's help," Jelinek said.

With any questions regarding Tiger Wellness Days, email Jelinek at [jenna.jelinek@doane.edu](mailto:jenna.jelinek@doane.edu).

## Short films showcase skills

KYLIE HUGHES  
Life & Culture Editor

After spending weeks learning the ins and outs of filmmaking, students taking one of four film production classes are beginning to demonstrate their knowledge in short film projects.

Each of these four film production classes, taught by Bethany Burr, Visiting Assistant Professor of Video Production and Digital Media, have a slightly different short film assignment at various points in the semester.

There are two sections of Burr's Basic Video Production class that are currently working on one of their short films. The film project for this class is a short narrative, which, according to Burr, is a dramatized fictional story. In doing so, students have the opportunity to work on projects that are not dependent on dialogue but focus on visual storytelling instead.

The students in her Screenwriting and Film Production class are working on a semester-long film project. These projects involve dialogue, multiple characters and are dramatized stories.

In Burr's fourth class, Digital Media and Storytelling, students

are working on a non-narrative filmmaking project.

Each class is assigned different variations of short films throughout the semester. In addition to that, each short film is different as students are allowed to choose their own topic and make their own film.

"Students get to choose their own content. I teach them the technical tools, storytelling structure and the skill sets that they need to make these projects, but they do get to choose the content. So, it's really important to me that students make projects they're passionate about," Burr said.

Burr described herself as the producer of the short films, but the students act as the directors.

"I give them all the necessary sort of education and information they need in order to be successful in their projects," Burr said.

In addition to the work behind the screen in these short films, there is also the work in front of the screen. This has provided a perfect opportunity to collaborate with the Theatre Department, as it would give theatre students an opportunity to act for a camera instead of an audience. There were also roles in some projects that were open to the student body, as

advertised in an email sent out by the Performing Arts.

"To me, it just seemed like a great opportunity, a win-win situation, for students to learn how to be directors and for theater students to have the opportunity to be directed in a film setting," Burr said.

However, putting the short films together has led to some challenges. Burr said it is already difficult to get everyone in the right location and capture the right shots, but adding masking and social distancing has posed even greater obstacles.

Yet, Burr remains optimistic. She acknowledged that these films will not be like films in the past, but production is about "creative problem-solving."

"We aren't making films in a vacuum; we're making films right now. So, it's a sign of our times," Burr said.

Despite all the challenges, Burr said she looks forward to seeing the results. Though only being at Doane for under a year, she recognizes that Doane students are "uniquely creative and uniquely passionate."

# Students' worldviews to be represented

ABRIANNA MILLER  
Editor-in-Chief

The Office of Religious and Spiritual Life is adding a new event to their calendar: Worldview Week, which will take place from March 22 to March 26.

Leah Rediger is the Director of the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life and the Programming Coordinator for the Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI). She said the term "worldview" was adopted to better reflect the array of beliefs and perspectives of students, staff and faculty on Doane's campus.

Rediger said "interfaith" is commonly used to reflect the beliefs and values of individuals of all Religions, Secular and Spiritual Identities (RSSIs). The term "worldview" has recently surfaced, though, to include even more individuals.

"Interfaith' is still the word, but in some spaces, we try to use 'worldview' because it is more inclusive of everyone, including those who don't identify with a faith," Rediger said.

The first event scheduled for Worldview Week on March 22 is a giveaway at the Beige Desk. Students can stop by from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and pick up some Doane and interfaith gear. The giveaway will also occur on March 25.

Reverend Eduardo Bousson, chaplain at Nebraska Wesleyan University, will speak on March 23 via Zoom from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. Bousson will be discussing his faith while also highlighting the importance of interfaith connections.

"It's an opportunity to have that conversation about what it

means to be deeply committed to your faith, especially if you are a deeply committed Christian, and also be involved in engaging with people who have different beliefs and values than you," Rediger said.

March 24 will feature "Ask an Atheist," a national movement to have an open conversation about different spiritual beliefs. The event will run from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. on Zoom.

"Sarah Zulkoski, [Director of Grants and Foundations Relations], [is] the new advisor of the new Secular Student Alliance. So, she's doing an open hour [to] ask anything you want about anything having to do with atheism, agnosticism and secularism," Rediger said.

Worldview Week will continue on March 25 with Write Out Loud from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Lakeside. The event will be co-presented by the New Xanadu. Write Out Loud will give students the opportunity to share their writing about their own worldview with attendees. Students should come prepared with a piece already written so they can share it with the rest of the group.

Write Out Loud will be led by Jean Chevalier, Editor of the New Xanadu. The first six students who email Chevalier at [jean.chevalier@doane.edu](mailto:jean.chevalier@doane.edu) and sign up for the event will receive care packages.

The last event on March 26 from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. is titled "World Religions: A Crash Course" and will be on Zoom. Rediger will provide an overview of the world's five major religions and answer any questions towards the end of the event.

"I'm going to sit down and [give] a really quick whirlwind overview of the major beliefs and practices of the five major world religions: Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism and Hinduism. So, [an] overview of the five in five minutes or less each," Rediger said.

The goal of Worldview Week is to help individuals become more comfortable with talking about different faith sectors. Rediger highlighted that many people think they have to be scholars of their own spiritual identity in order to have a conversation about it. She said that is a misconception, and the point of interfaith conversations is to promote a connection with someone who perceives the world differently.

"You don't have to be an expert in your own religious, secular or spiritual identity in order to have an interfaith conversation," Rediger said.

Create students received an email from the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life on March 15 containing the Worldview Week

graphic and the Zoom links to attend events.

If students have questions about Worldview Week or would like to learn more, please contact the Office of Religious and Spiritual Life at [religious.spiritual@doane.edu](mailto:religious.spiritual@doane.edu) or Rediger at [leah.rediger@doane.edu](mailto:leah.rediger@doane.edu).



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VIRTUAL/ZOOM  
Come chat with Sarah Zulkoski, Advisor of our Secular Student Alliance. Bring your questions about all things atheist, agnostic, and secular!

**WRITE OUT LOUD | THURSDAY 7-8 PM**  
LAKESIDE  
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**WORLD RELIGIONS: A CRASH COURSE | FRIDAY 12-1 PM**  
VIRTUAL/ZOOM  
Always wanted to take Religions 101 and haven't yet? Join Leah Rediger, Director of Religious and Spiritual Life, for a whirlwind overview of the beliefs and practices of the 5 major world religions in 5 minutes each! Bring your questions for a robust conversation!

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## Tiger Timeout

### How should you spend St. Patrick's Day?



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  - No** → Dress in all green.
  - Yes** → **Are you in the mood to try new food?**
    - No** → Make St. Patrick's Day crafts.
    - Yes** → **Would you consider yourself a good cook?**
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- STAFF EDITORIAL -

## Zero tolerance for hazing here

One of the most unique aspects of Doane is its entirely-local Greek groups.

The lack of any national chapters allows the fraternities and sororities to feel smaller and more personal as opposed to a group that has several thousand members around the U.S.

One of the major advantages of having local groups is the mutual agreement and understanding of hazing.

Doane has a very strict anti-hazing policy, and any group found guilty of hazing

faces serious consequences.

Joining a Greek group should be like joining a club; only the club has secrets and procedures that are to be observed and respected at all times.

Those who are in the process of going through the Weeks of the Greeks can take solace in the fact that the chances of them experiencing hazing are little-to-none.

Every Greek group takes extra care to ensure all new members are treated with care and respect, something

which is quite rare among the national Greek chapters.

All the Greek groups here pride themselves on being welcoming to anyone and everyone, and if you are to join one, you will likely meet friends you will know for the rest of your life.

Each group offers a unique experience, and heavy emphasis is placed on each individual finding the group that best suits them and their values. Doane's Greek Life motto "Check out all the groups!" reflects that.

Each group has a wide variety of students who are involved in different clubs and activities around campus.

From athletes and theater students, to STEM majors and artists, every group has students from all across the board.

Doane's Greek groups are a place where you can find a new group of friends in addition to meeting people who you will come to know and love like brothers and sisters.

## Hot takes; the breadwinner

A weekly rating of random things by Joey Winton

JOEY WINTON  
Managing Editor

Are y'all ready for this? It's another Hot Takes fresh out of the oven and ready to be sliced and buttered up to your liking-- it's time to get this bread!

Bread has been around for thousands of years and has been a staple food since humans ceased to be hunter-gatherers, and I will be ranking some of the most widely used bread out there.

I will be grading each bread based on criteria that I deem important to determining the quality of a bread.

These are taste, texture, versatility and ease of baking.

Taste is the most important factor and is self-explanatory, as if a bread doesn't taste good on its own with no butter or anything, it is obviously of lower quality than a bread that does taste good.

Texture is also simple but is not quite as important as taste. If a bread feels like you're chewing on wet cardboard, it loses points.

Versatility is the third trait and is decently close in importance to texture. If a bread can be used as sandwich bread, eaten as a dinner roll, enjoyed on its own with some butter, etc., it gets more



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points than a bread which is only good in certain situations.

The final category is ease of baking. This means how easy it is to bake the bread, in addition to how easy it is to find in a grocery store. This is the least important trait out of all the qualities for no reason other than I said so.

S Tier - The breads here are the best of the best. Everything about them is utter perfection, and when someone says "let's get this bread," these are the breads they are referring to.

A Tier - While not as good

as the ones above, these breads are still a mighty bunch and are a worthy alternative to the ones above.

B Tier - The breads that are here reside on the border that distinguishes the good breads from the bad ones. The ones here are not great but not terrible, and if there is no other bread around, it is socially acceptable to eat the ones in this tier.

C Tier - The negative qualities of the breads here outweigh the positive qualities, and, unless absolutely necessary, there should be no reason why anyone

would waste their time eating the bread here.

F Tier - Death is a preferable alternative to eating the bread in this tier.

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

S Tier: (The best)- Sourdough, Multigrain, Brioche

A Tier: (Second Best)- Whole Wheat, Naan, Ciabatta

B Tier: (Average)- White, Focaccia, Baguette

C Tier: (Below Average)- Rye, Grissini, Pita

F Tier: (Garbage)- Wonder, Matzo

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](mailto:joey.winton@doane.edu) with the subject line Hot Takes and I might write about it!

## Face your problems head on



JOSE VILLALPANDO  
News Editor

I don't know if there's something going on right now, but I've noticed that a lot more people have been deciding to start talking behind their "friends'" backs.

Now, I understand that it's fairly normal to just mention people from time to time, casually saying things and whatnot.

Though, as of late, it seems to be a little more than just "time to time." I'm noticing these conversations span from people I don't really talk to much, to friends of mine that I've known for years.

Take this for example, my friend who has been one of

my closest friends since he moved to my hometown in freshman year of high school has taken to talking badly about another one of our friends. According to him, this person has been pushing us off and hasn't really contacted us much besides for help.

I understand how my friend feels, but talking trash to me about one of our mutual friends behind his back is not how I roll. I constantly tell him to just tell our friend how the hell he feels about his behavior, but nope. My friend still talks a bit of trash about him to me, even with my constant pestering.

I just don't really understand it. The only thing I kind of understand is how much easier it is to just talk to another person about who you're angry at and talk trash rather than address the problem directly. But that accomplishes nothing if it only makes you angrier.

Communication is the key to any healthy relationship, and it sucks to see that some people would much rather blow that off in favor of trash talking. I'm not perfect by any means; I notice myself thinking some negative



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things and talking about it to other friends. Though, for me, I'm not constantly talking trash about my friends behind their backs.

Thoughts are fine because it is simply to yourself, and you can use some of that in actually expressing your anger or however you're feeling to the person or people involved. The main thing is actually ex-

pressing how you feel to that person because if you don't, you're not solving any issue and only allowing it to persist.

So, sit down, talk it out and be civilized about what's going on. You'll probably solve a lot more problems within your social group if you do. The only thing you need to do is to be willing to communicate.

# Take the time to specify your goals



**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

Everyone should have an end-goal in mind no matter what they are doing. If you do not have a reason behind your actions, then what are you doing?

I believe that every single action has a direct and appropriate consequence. Sometimes that consequence is to reward you, remind you or even

caution you.

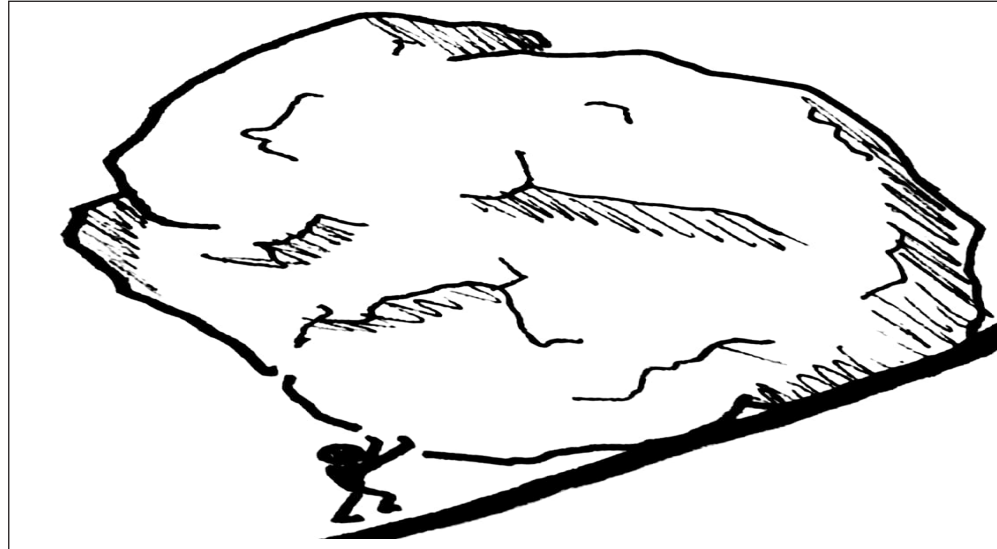
No one on this planet is walking around just doing things for the hell of it. Everyone has a purpose, and everyone's actions should reflect that.

If I didn't believe that I have greater things to do, I would probably be working at a gas station and living in my parent's basement. While the free food would be great, that's not what I want out of life.

I have pushed myself since day one to be the best person I can be. Sometimes my best comes up short, but that shows me how much and in what ways I need to grow.

Without some sort of direction in my life, I would, obviously, be lost. But I'm serious.

Take a minute to think about the implications of your actions. Don't just glance over them and



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move on-- really think.

You would be surprised to realize that you are not the person you thought you were.

The first time I did this, I was in high school and just living to get by. I wanted nothing to do with my school or the people around me. Then I reflected on my attitude and, more importantly,

the way my attitude was affecting others.

This led me to do a one-eighty and completely shift my focus. I wasn't worried about what was popular or who I was going to eat lunch with anymore. I was zoned in on figuring out how to improve and enhance the lives of the people around me.

It probably only took me ten minutes to get to that conclusion, but it was so substantial that I could not ignore it.

I entered Doane with the mindset that I would help every single person I met. That's unrealistic. So, I started the cycle again: act, reflect, adjust, repeat.

You know what I

found? Right now, the best thing for me is to focus on me. I didn't need to focus on my roommate, my friend or the kid sitting next to me in class.

Once I realized that was what I needed to do for the time being, I flourished. Everything suddenly seemed a lot brighter and clear.

I'm not saying you need to completely deconstruct your identity, that would take too long. I just mean that everyone should take a moment to reflect on the implications that their actions have on their own life's trajectory and on the lives of others.

It doesn't have to take long. Think of your strengths, your weaknesses and where you want to be. The rest will fall into place.

# Stop collecting cards for the money



**JOSH BUNDY**  
Multimedia  
Coordinator

One of my favorite past times has always been collecting cards. More specifically, baseball and Pokémon cards. Now, baseball cards are

readily available and affordable, but thanks to the resurgence in the interest of Pokémon cards, tons of people can't enjoy their hobby.

For Christmas, a buddy of mine got me a gift card to Target specifically for Pokémon cards, seeing as how we were part of a few people looking to get back into the hobby. Nearly three months later, after checking at every Target in Lincoln every other week, I still have that gift card sitting in my wallet.

Many card collectors attribute this shortage of cards to Logan Paul's box break of a base series 1 box of Pokémon cards.

Pokémon cards became more mainstream, due in part to this event, but it has really silenced the people who like to collect cards for fun and to find their favorite little creatures.

The most recent series of cards that came out sold out almost instantly. Now, this is great for the card collectors and the avid enthusiasts; it is awful for the casual collector who is just trying to take a trip



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down memory lane. To put into perspective how difficult it is to get your hands on these cards, a box that retails for \$40 is now being resold on eBay for around \$100.

Maybe looking for a box isn't your thing, which is fine. Good luck trying to find individual packs in any retail store.

The problem with this boom in Pokémon cards is that the whole point of collecting cards has

been utterly lost. People are now trying to turn a profit, with some cards in these sets selling for four or five digit prices. There's nothing wrong with having expensive cards, but it takes the fun away from children and casual collectors.

I'm all for making money, believe me, but when something that brings joy to millions of people becomes instant-

ly unavailable due to the greed of others wanting to solely turn a profit, there becomes a massive problem. I will continue to be the person who casually checks to see if a store has Pokémon cards, not to turn a profit, but to rekindle that excitement that so many of us had as children.



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# Shoe deal debate



**JAMESON OFFICER-THURSTON**  
Staff Writer

If you have played a game from the 2K franchise recently, like NBA 2K19 and those that follow, you'll know that you receive a shoe deal from various brands like Nike, Adidas and Jordan at a certain point in the game.

This got me thinking about what brand deal I would take in real life if presented with the opportunity.

For me, this would mean that whatever brand I choose would give me shoes from their company, free of charge.

In my mind, there are a couple of factors to consider before making this decision. The first is that once a brand is chosen, it will most likely be the only type of shoe worn on a daily basis.

If someone chose Jordan, for example, the company would be very upset if someone they gave an exclusive shoe deal to were seen wearing Adidas and might even take the deal away.

The next factor to consider is the overall comfortability and style of the shoe catalog the company in question presents.

This makes me think about what I'll mostly be using the shoes for. I'm a decently active person, so choosing a brand that fits an active lifestyle while being comfortable is a key point. That doesn't go without saying I would also need shoes that fit a time where I'm not doing heavy physical activity.

This would be where the style comes into play, so a brand that could also

supply streetwear shoes would be a plus as well.

With these factors considered, I feel like it's safe to say which brand I would be choosing.

Personally, I think I would choose Nike. They have the largest variety of athletic and streetwear shoes that would fit my purpose of what I need shoes for.

They have a lot of great designs and styles that could go with just about anything. I will say that sometimes their shoes can be a bit uncomfortable in order to compensate for style, but that is mostly in their streetwear catalog.

On the active side, I've never experienced a problem with comfortability, which is why I feel like choosing Nike would be the best decision for my feet.

## ...THUMBS UP

Carrots



Nylon



Pokemon



Zumba



Jimmy John's

Zumba



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## THUMBS DOWN...



# Tennis takes on challenging week

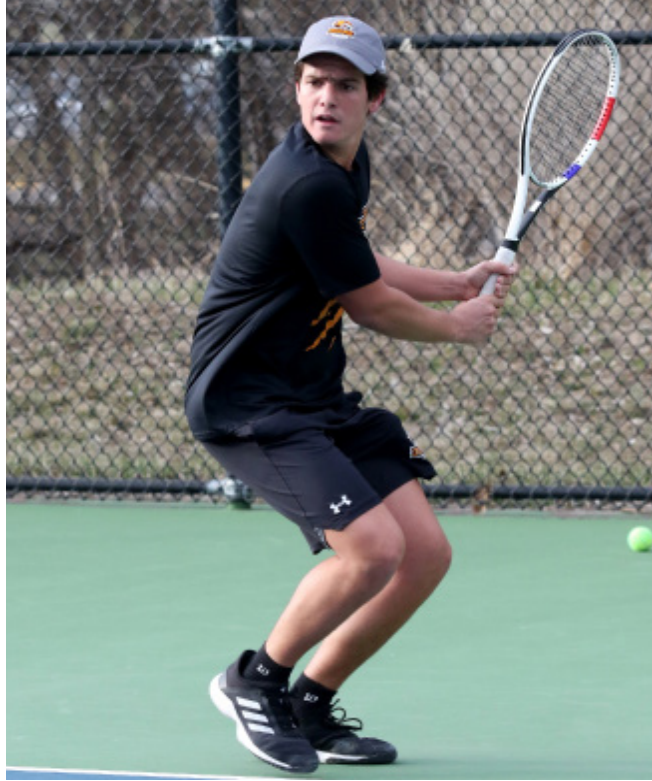
Teams push themselves to exceed expectations

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

On March 12, the Doane Tennis teams played at home against Tabor College. The Men's team secured a team win of 6-1 while the Women's team won 5-2.

So far this season, the team has been working on improving their game in order to become the best team possible. Members like sophomore Logan Bornemeier continue to work their hardest every day in practice, preparing for each upcoming match.

"As a team, we have



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Freshman Federico Infante readies himself to return his opponent's serve.

been pushing hard to reach our goals and do the best we can," Bor-

nemeier said. "We have come together and prepared for this season by

practicing hard and conditioning. If all goes well, we hope to be competing for the GPAC title."

While continuing to work on their technique and performance every day, the team is continuously finding ways to improve.

"We are always working on our fundamentals," Bornemeier said. "There is always some area where you can get better, and we work hard to perfect our skills and stay conditioned so we can out hustle our opponents."

With it still being relatively early in the season, the team is still adapting to having new teammates and protocols to follow during practices. Sophomore Brandon Linhart said he believes these adjustments are helping prepare the team for the rest of their matches.

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Logan Bornemeier  
Sophomore

"We have new teammates who have been striving to keep us on our toes throughout the season, and we have been winning some matches against some tough schools," Linhart said. "With no season last year, we are working even harder to make up

for the time lost. It has been a struggle with time management, but we are adapting well."

While growing as a team, the members also get to experience all the elements that make having a season and being able to compete so enjoyable.

"The best part of competing is the ability to meet new players from multiple schools," Linhart said. "I also believe the best part of competing is getting to do the best that you can in front of your team to show them how much you have grown as a tennis player."

The Tennis teams have four upcoming matches on March 15, 16, 17 and 21 and will be traveling in Missouri, Kansas and Nebraska.



Courtesy photo | Doane Athletic Department  
Freshman Amber Weston looks to hit the ball back over the net.



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Junior Brylee Lauby attempts to swing at her opponent's hit.

## JV Baseball excited to keep competing

Team prepares for upcoming games and travel

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Doane's junior varsity Baseball team has six games in the upcoming week and have been working hard to prepare for them.

At this point in the season, the team is feeling good about where

they stand. Currently being 4-2, players, such as junior Blake Toedtli, are looking to continue their winning season.

"Moving forward into this season, I think we would like to win every game we play," Toedtli said. "That is certainly going to be our goal, but baseball is a crazy sport, and any team can win on any given night."

As of now, the team is starting to rely less on their strengths and discover what certain aspects need to be improved upon.

"After playing our first

six games, our offense has started to show up more, and our pitching has been there aside for one game in particular," Toedtli said. "The biggest problem we have is maintaining a competitive level when we are down by more than a few runs. We need to build on maintaining focus and winning every inning and pitch."

Even though the two teams are usually separate, both junior varsity and varsity practice very hard to compete at the highest level.

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**"From a team standpoint, we want to go out and win every game."**

Blake Toedtli  
Junior

ty to play baseball, and every guy here would tell you that they love to have the chance," Toedtli said. "Our new coach tries to instill confidence in every player, as well as

a high level of competitiveness. Being on [junior varsity] helps me grow as a player and stay ready for when I get an opportunity at the varsity level or for anyone in the [junior varsity] program."

With six games coming up shortly, the junior varsity team is looking forward to going out and competing to win every one while improving their playing as much as they can. The team is ready to compete at the highest level they can.

"Personally, I would like to be the best player that I can be to help my

team win," Toedtli said. "I want to be able to set the table and pace for this team consistently and go out and win as many games as possible. From a team standpoint, we want to go out and win every game. Bare minimum, we want to leave it all out on the field, win or loss."

The team will be in Crete on March 16 before heading to Peru, Neb. on March 17.

## Softball manages travel and academics

Despite the struggles, the team remains positive

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This season, the Softball team has had a jam-packed season that requires a lot of traveling. The constant traveling and amount of games can start to take a toll on the team members.

For many of the players, including freshman Payton Cooley, it can be difficult staying up to date with all assignments when traveling.

"It is honestly a little hard keeping up with classes, but I just get as much done as I can before leaving or on the bus," Cooley said. "I think as long as I continue to stay on top of it, I should be fine."

One way that the players, like senior Haley Kennedy, keep up is just by being responsible and making sure they work ahead on their assignments, even while they are away.

"The hard part while traveling is learning to use the time on the bus and down-time in the hotel to get things done," Kennedy said. "Personally, it just makes it a little harder to focus on school when we're on the road because I'm with all of my friends, which is a big

reason I try to get ahead in my classes before we travel so I don't have that added stress."

Part of the reason that keeping up with assignments in addition to other club commitments is so difficult is because of the constant traveling. Since most of their games are away, the team is constantly driving somewhere else.

"I think [having more home games] would definitely make a difference, but traveling is honestly so fun, and I wouldn't change it," Cooley said.

Despite the challenges that being away from home poses, the Team currently has a winning record of 10-9, as well as having a strong bond between the players.

"The team culture and

**"The team culture and chemistry this year has made this season really enjoyable."**

Haley Kennedy  
Senior

chemistry this year has made this season really enjoyable," Kennedy said "This new coaching staff is amazing and is really transforming this team into something we've always wanted Doane Softball to be. Personally, I am learning a lot this year, which has been helping me become

an all-around better athlete."

This week, the Girls will be in Crete on March 17 for two games against Mayville State Univer-

sity before going on the road again to Lindsborg, Kan. for their next four games.

### Athlete of the Week



**Jordan Wisner**  
**Baseball**

Went 6.0 shutout innings in the second game against Cornerstone University, allowing two hits and a walk while striking out six.



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