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## Press release; One Day. One Doane.

March 17, 2022

Crete, Neb. – From 10 a.m. March 29 to 10 a.m. March 30, the Doane Community and all friends of the university are encouraged to wear their orange and black gear with pride as they help celebrate Doane's past, present, and future by making gifts of all sizes to help Doane reach 365 Doane Fund donors in 24 hours.

“One Day. One Doane.” is not only a day to generate support for the Doane Fund, but it's a day for our employees, alumni, students, and friends to come together and share their Doane pride,” said Julie Rasgorshek, executive director of the Doane Fund. “We have activities planned on campus and in the community, as well as on our social media pages. We encourage everyone to get involved and show their Doane pride.”

We are celebrating Doane in many ways on and off campus. Show your Doane pride and help make Doane's fourth annual 24-hour day of giving a huge success. If you are not able to join us in person, you can follow and support “One Day. One Doane.” on Facebook and Twitter, just search for Doane University Alumni.

Community Kickoff  
Date: Tuesday, March 29  
Where: Lakeside Café, Perry Campus Center on Doane's Crete Campus  
Time: 7:30 – 9 a.m. (drop in)  
Description: Stop by the morning of Giving Day before all the activities begin! Enjoy a complimentary cup of coffee, pick up some Doane swag and say hello to members of the Doane Advancement staff.

Matching Gift: Bring your “One Day. One Doane.” gift to the kick-off. Tom and Vicky Sorensen are matching \$50 for each gift of \$50 or more given by Crete-area residents, up to \$1,000.

Lakeside Café – “Cash Cart”  
Date: Tuesday, March

Cash Cart: Who doesn't love the chance to win “free” money? Especially when that money can be used to support your favorite causes? On “One Day. One Doane.” students on campus could do just that – by riding in a Cash Cart and answering trivia questions to earn donor-sponsored support for any area of campus. Each correct question earns the student \$10 to be donated to one of six areas supported by the Doane Fund: Academics, Athletics, Fine Arts, Campus Life, People, and Financial Aid. Inspired by the hit Discovery Channel show, Cash Cab, this is a great way to involve students in the excitement and impact of “One Day. One Doane.” powered by matching gifts. Sponsored by: Crete Area Medical Center  
Dine Out for Doane at Elle's  
Date: Tuesday, March 29  
Where: Elle's on Main, 1103 Main St., Crete  
Time: 4-9 p.m.  
Elle's will donate 10%

of all sales between 4 p.m. and 9 p.m. to the Doane Fund. Sponsored by: Elle's on Main

Several community sponsors have come forward to help make this day a success including: Crete Area Medical Center, Crete Physical Therapy, Elle's on Main, and Sodexo Campus Services. Follow our social media pages on March 29 for more information on these sponsors and others!

Additional matches for gifts received during the 24-hour campaign are being established and will be announced March 29.

Doane University & The Crete Community  
Doane students are dedicated to serving our Crete Community. Since July 1, 2020 Doane University students have logged more than 1,641 hours of community service. The estimated economic impact of those service hours is \$44,916.

Our students have accomplished this through assisting with the Mobile Food Pantry in partnership Food Bank of Lincoln which is open to all Crete-area residents, volunteering at Crete Public Schools, Crete's Great Pumpkin Festival, MLK Day of Service and many other opportunities. Even during the COVID 19 pandemic, our students have found ways small and large to connect with the Crete.

Interesting facts about Doane  
Doane University has campuses in Crete, Lincoln and Omaha and offers several classes & programs online.  
Founded in 1872  
Enrollment Total: 2,521  
Crete Campus: 899  
Non-Residential Campuses: 678  
Graduate: 944  
654 degrees conferred in 2020-2021  
Total alumni: 32,350;  
total living alumni: 26,144  
998 students received institutional aid through grants or scholarships

during 2020-21  
The Doane Fund (Unrestricted Funds)  
The Doane Fund provides unrestricted dollars to support every aspect of the Doane Experience. These critical funds help support student scholarships, academic programs including leadership and research opportunities, student support services, campus life, athletics and fine arts programs, technology, faculty and staff development and more. Through the support of generous alumni and friends, Doane is able to offer unique educational and experiential opportunities to its students.

For more information on how you can get involved in “One Day. One Doane.” contact the Doane University Advancement Office at 402.826.8528.  
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## March Madness surprises fans

JOHN DAWES  
Staff Writer

March Madness is in full swing.

Starting in 1939, the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) began the tradition of a single-elimination tournament to determine the Division I National Champion for basketball, eventually becoming a 64-team tournament in 1986 and a 68-team tournament in 2011.

March Madness's claim to fame is that any team can make a run, and this year is no different; four of the remaining 16 teams in the tournament are 10 seeds or lower. The lowest-seeded matchup is 11-seed Iowa State playing against 10-seed Miami.

Iowa State is advancing in the tournament after a historic turn-around against 3-seed Wisconsin.

Their next opponent, the University of Miami, also had to complete two upsets to arrive in the



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Sweet Sixteen, beating the 7-seed University of South Carolina (USC) and the 2-seed Auburn.

The most surprising

seed in the Sweet Sixteen is the 15-seeded Saint Peter's Peacocks. The Peacocks beat the 2-seed Kentucky Wildcats in

overtime. They then upset 7-seed Murray State, who entered the tournament with a 21-game win streak.

The Peacock's opponent on March 25 will be the Purdue Boilermakers. If Saint Peter's beats Purdue, they will be the first 15-seed to reach the Elite Eight.

Two March Madness mainstays aim to add a championship to their storied legacies. Duke's Mike Krzyzewski hopes to add his sixth NCAA title to his coaching record

by getting his team to its first Final Four since 2015.

Number 1-seed Gonzaga is working to bring their first-ever championship to Sponka, Wash. The team will play 4-seed Arkansas on March 24.

Sweet Sixteen games start March 24, and the winner of each game will move on to the Elite Eight, then the Final Four. The championship game will be April 4.

## Weekly Nebraska COVID update

JOSE VILLALPANDO  
News Editor

The level of community transmission has changed from high to moderate for Saline County. As of the last update to the Doane COVID-19 Risk Dashboard on March 17, Doane has reported no current cases of COVID-19. The cumulative total of COVID-19 cases remains at 100 cases throughout the semester so far.

Doane has broadly lifted

ed their mask mandate as of Feb. 23, meaning that students are able to walk maskless inside buildings on campus.

Faculty can still request students wear masks, but not cannot require them unless they are meeting in personal spaces, such as an office, or students are working in close proximity to each other, such as labs.

Public health areas such as in the Student Health Office will still require masks to be worn.

The COVID-19 Task Force continues to meet every other week due to

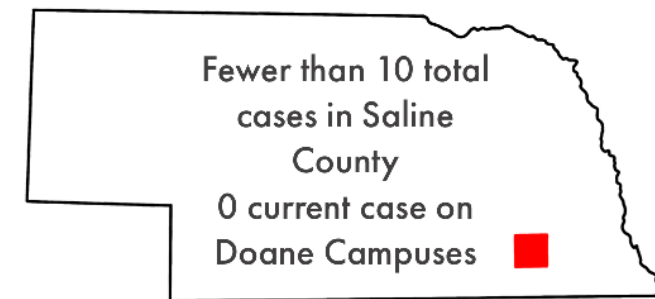
the decrease in COVID-19 cases seen throughout Doane communities. Updates will now be sent out every other week, but the Doane COVID-19 Risk Dashboard will continue to be updated weekly.

Saline County has reported fewer than 10 total cases of COVID-19 and the case rate per 100,000 residents has been suppressed, as of March 21. There are 60.6 percent of the population equal to or over the age of 12 in Saline County that have been fully vaccinated, marking 52.2 percent of the total population of

Saline County as fully vaccinated.

The Centers for Disease and Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that there has been one new admission of a confirmed COVID-19 among Saline county residents.

Although there are no current indoor mask mandates for Lincoln-Lancaster county, county residents can still expect to have to wear masks in some facilities, such as hospitals and airports. All forms of public transportation and school buses are still being required to adhere to mask-



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ing requirements due to federal guidelines.

The CDC has relaxed its masking guidance as of Feb. 25 and mentioned that people can now go maskless in most public spaces

if community hospitals are no longer under high strain.

This information was gathered from the Doane COVID-19 Risk Dashboard and the CDC COVID-19 Data Tracker.

# Russia & Ukraine update

**JOEY WINTON**  
Managing Editor

Ukraine continues to hold back Russia and its troops from reaching the capitol as Russia demands they surrender.

According to Bloomberg News, on March 20, Ukraine rejected Russia's demand that its forces surrender their arms and leave Mariupol, a city in the southern part of the country. The city has faced heavy bombardment from Russia in addition to a lack of humanitarian aid, but if the Ukrainian forces leave, Russia states it will send food and medicine into the city.

Several sites in the city and across Ukraine have been shelled multiple times in the last few days, with neither side able to

fully take control of the country.

According to The Hill, the war between Russia and Ukraine is quickly approaching a stalemate, as neither side has a clear edge over the other.

However, a North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) official believes that Belarus may soon join the fight on the side of Russia.

"The Belarusian government is preparing the environment to justify a Belarusian offensive against Ukraine and the imminent deployment of Russian nuclear weapons in Belarus," the official said.

Belarus has long been a close ally of Moscow, and it is possible they may launch an attack on Ukraine or allow Russia to position nuclear weapons on its soil. The country allowed Russian soldiers to amass along its border with Ukraine prior to the invasion on Feb. 24.

The NATO official also states that despite Ukraine being able to hold off Russian troops

from capturing major cities, Russian President Vladimir Putin is unwilling to admit defeat.

"Neither side here can win. Neither side will capitulate," the official said.

The invasion of Ukraine has entered its fourth week, with nearly 1,000 civilians reported killed, millions having fled the country and more than 10 million people forced to leave their homes.

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky delivered a speech remotely to the United States Congress last week in which he said his country would fight until the end.

According to the New York Times, in his speech, he declared Russia's actions to be a direct attack "against our freedom, against our right to live freely in our own country, choosing our own future, against our desire for happiness, against our national dreams - just like the same dreams you have, you Americans."

Zelensky requested anti-missile defense systems, aircraft and a "no-



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fly" zone above Ukraine, something that NATO members have warned against for fears of escalating the war with Russia.

"I can say I have a need. I need to protect our sky. I need your decision, your help," Zelensky said.

Zelensky's speech was met with a standing ovation from Congress, but it is unclear whether or not his requests will be granted.

There are no further updates as of this publication.

# Smollett released from jail

**ERIN BURKE**  
Staff Writer

On March 18, ABC7 Chicago reported former "Empire" actor Jussie Smollett had been released from jail after serving 6 days of a 5 month sentence. Smollett was recently found guilty on five counts of felony conduct and lying to a police officer.

The charges originate from March 2019 when

Smollett reported a homophobic and racist attack against him. According to AP News, Smollett was attacked by two men around 2 a.m. by his Chicago residence. During the attack, the two men repeatedly shouted "MAGA country" in reference to former President Donald Trump's campaign slogan, "Make America Great Again."

After a two week investigation and national attention, Chicago Police determined the attack was a hoax staged by the actor to gain publicity.

Originally, Smollett was charged with six felony charges, but those were dropped before trial

could begin. According to AP News, the charges were refiled in Feb. 2020 after the appointment of a special prosecutor.

After the trial, Smollett was found guilty on five of the six charges. ABC7 Chicago reported he was sentenced to five months of jail time, 25 months of probation, restitution and a fine of \$130,000 to the city of Chicago for the overtime spent on the investigation. The actor has maintained his innocence throughout the trial and investigation.

In a decision by Cook County Judge James Linn, Smollett would be released from jail and expected to serve his 30

month probation period while his attorneys handled the appeal process. The probation period comes with few travel restrictions and allows the actor to leave the state for business.

Publicist Eric Rose speculated that this could lead to Smollett attempting to revive his acting career.

Throughout the trial and investigation, Smollett has been working on writing, directing and producing the film "B-Boy Blues" which has won "fan favorite narrative feature" at the American Black Film Festival. Despite this praise, Rose argued it may be hard for

the actor to regain favor with the public as he has yet to apologize or admit wrongdoing while remaining in the public eye.

After the announcement of Smollett's release, Daily Mail and BET reported backlash towards the actor for the special treatment given because of his celebrity status and connections to Hollywood.

The appeal is expected to begin next month, but AP News expects the process to be drawn out for months or even years. In appeal cases such as this, it is normal for deadlines to be extended three or four times before completion.

# LGBT+ concerns raised

Texas and Florida propose new laws

**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

More than 20 states have proposed and/or passed legislation restricting the rights of transgender and other LGBT+ individuals. Two statements in particular are sparking controversy, one restricting the education of LGBT+ youth in Florida and another in Texas restricting access to medical resources to transgender youth.

The Parental Rights in Education bill in Florida, dubbed "Don't Say Gay," would limit "discussions of sexual orientation and gender identity in

schools" at certain grade levels, according to NPR.

The bill would also allow parents to sue a school if their child has been found to have learned about topics surrounding the LGBT+ community and would require any information to be taught in certain state-approved manners.

ABC News reports that President Joe Biden has met with Florida officials, including Governor Ron DeSantis, to discuss the ethicality and logistics of the bill, which Biden has publicly rejected. The bill currently awaits the signature of DeSantis.

Florida parents and educators have expressed their concerns in terms of mental health, bullying, misinformation and general social acceptance of LGBT+ youth since the "Don't Say Gay" bill was introduced on Jan. 1. People across the nation have also expressed concerns, including individuals on Doane's campus.

As a member of People for Rights of Individ-

uals of Sexual Minorities (PRISM), sophomore Jules Damme has been preoccupied with these legislation changes, as PRISM aims to educate and inform individuals of the same issues the Florida bill is trying to limit.

"I think that the 'Don't Say Gay' bill is incredibly damaging to LGBTQ+ youth. We educate about heterosexual ideals and sexual health in our everyday routine, so it is nonsensical to say that we cannot do the same thing for LGBTQ+ students," Damme said. "These students will still seek out education on these topics and may accidentally get misinformation from questionable sources."

The "Don't Say Gay" bill is scheduled to go into effect on July 1, 2022.

On Feb. 18, 2022, Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton issued an official opinion, KP-0401, saying that sex reassignment surgery and related procedures constitute child abuse under Texas law.

While this statement is

not legally binding, it has been met with backlash from parents, trans-rights advocates and organizations and the American Medical Association, according to NPR.

In contrast, Texas Governor Greg Abbott sent a letter to the state's Department of Family and Protective Services on Feb. 22 expressing his support of Paxton's opinion. Abbott directed the agency to investigate the medical professionals and parents of reported cases of sex reassignment surgery and related procedures.

Abbott's letter is also not legally binding, but it was received negatively by some as well.

"I have [heard of these statements], some of [them] even bring about legal charges to parents for allowing their child to medically transition. I believe this is absolutely not okay. These are violations of basic human rights and should not be imposed by any governing body," Damme said.

Concerns regarding transgender youth's mental health statuses have been raised after the release of the two statements. Damme expressed their concerns as well.

"Students should have access to an equitable and equal education, and it is saddening to see that this is being challenged by people who should not have a say in the topic," Damme shared.

This Week's  
Weather  
Forecast

Wednesday

3/23



High: 46

Low: 28

Thursday

3/24



High: 55

Low: 34

Friday

3/25



High: 59

Low: 30

Saturday

3/26



High: 59

Low: 32

Sunday

3/27



High: 67

Low: 46

Monday

3/28



High: 75

Low: 46

Tuesday

3/29



High: 60

Low: 34

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There are no further  
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# NE Senatorial candidate under fire

Neb. GOP  
against  
Morfeld

**ERIN BURKE**  
Staff Writer

While Nebraska primaries have not yet taken place, tensions between the Democratic Party and Republican Party (GOP) are already on the rise.

According to the Lincoln Journal Star on Jan. 19, the Nebraska and Lancaster County GOP

filed an appeal with the Lancaster County Election Commission to remove Senator Adam Morfeld from the primary ballot for Lancaster County Attorney.

The County Attorney serves as a legal adviser to the County Board of Commissioners and other county personnel. They head the prosecutor's office by directing attorneys in the office on how to proceed in criminal cases and work with the police to decide whether to bring charges and prosecution to court.

GOP representatives argued that Morfeld did not fulfill the qualifica-

tions as he had not been "actively practicing law for the last two years."

The Journal Star reported on Feb. 9 that Election Commissioner Dave Shively rejected the appeal stating there "appears to be no applicable statutory definition for 'actively practicing law'" and would allow Morfeld to be on the ballot on May 10. The fight did not end there, as an appeal was made to the Lancaster County Court.

Oral arguments began on Feb. 24 in front of District Judge Kevin McManaman. These arguments focused on the definition of "actively practicing

law."

According to the Journal Star on Feb. 24, Morfeld's attorney Andre Barry argued the term should be used liberally and should include the Senator's work with Civic Nebraska, in the state legislature and as a co-sponsor for Nebraskans for Medical Marijuana.

Meanwhile, GOP Attorney David Lopez argued the judge should look at attorney practice and the Nebraska Bar admission rules enacted by the Nebraska Supreme Court which lists ways for attorneys to be "substantially engaged in the practice of law." The rules

include "private practice, attorney for government departments, judge or related positions or as a law school teacher."

A decision was made by McManaman on March 2, according to the Journal Star, maintaining Morfeld would remain on the ballot. In his decision, McManaman explained, "Here the candidate has some experience... Whether he should be the next county attorney is therefore for the voters to decide."

However, the GOP was not satisfied and appealed to the Nebraska Supreme Court. The case was expedited as state

law required a decision by March 16.

Nebraska Public Media reported the Supreme Court Ruling on March 14. In the final decision, five judges affirmed that Morfeld's work with Civic Nebraska does meet the definition of having "practiced law actively."

Due to the lack of another candidate in the Democratic primary or the Republican primary, Morfeld will face Republican incumbent Patrick Condon who has been serving as Lancaster County Attorney since 2019.

# Chernobyl exclusion zone loses function

**JOEY WINTON**  
Managing Editor

Ukraine's state nuclear operator announced on March 21 that the automated radiation monitoring system in the Chernobyl Exclusion Zone is non-functional.

According to The Hill, the message, delivered by telegram, read that there was no data on "the current state of radiation pollution in the Exclusion Zone, which makes it impossible to adequately respond to threats of deterioration of radiation situations in the Exclusion Zone." In addition, fire services used to extinguish potential forest fires were also not operational.

The fire services are put in place to ensure that forest fires do not occur in the Exclusion Zone. If

left unattended, the fires will burn the contaminated forests and spread radiation throughout Ukraine and potentially through Europe.

"There is a high probability that in the spring and summer the intensity of forest fires in the Exclusion Zone may reach the maximum possible limits, which will lead (in the absence of any fire measures) to almost complete burning of radioactively contaminated forests in the Exclusion Zone and, consequently, to significant deterioration of radiation in Ukraine and throughout Europe," according to the telegram.

This comes after some workers were allowed to leave the Chernobyl plant after spending nearly 600 hours inside the facility



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due to Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Roughly 300 people had been held inside the plant since Moscow's attack on Feb. 24.

Additionally, Ukrainian officials say power has been restored to the plant after Russian forces reportedly knocked the plant off the energy grid in early March.

Russian forces have tar-

geted several Ukrainian power plants over the course of their invasion despite warnings from Ukrainian officials. The plant at Chernobyl needs to be powered in order to run the cooling systems that keep the radioactive material in the plant from leaking into the surrounding area.

Despite the plant being

brought back online and a maintenance crew remaining on site, Mykhailo Podoliak, an adviser to Ukraine's President, is alarmed by Russia's actions.

"It is impossible to say the Chernobyl nuclear power plant is safe after a totally pointless attack by the Russians. This is one of the most serious

threats in Europe today," Podoliak said.

United States Ambassador to the United Nations (U.N.) Linda Thomas-Greenfield told the U.N. Security Council earlier this month that Russia's focus on nuclear plants could pose a serious threat to Ukraine and the rest of the world.

"Nuclear facilities cannot become a part of this conflict, Russia must halt any further use of force that might put at further risk all 15 operable reactors across Ukraine- or interfere with Ukraine's ability to maintain the safety and security of its 37 nuclear facilities and their surrounding populations," Greenfield said.

There are no further updates as of this publication.

# Actor William Hurt dead at 71

**MATTHEW MITTLIEDER**  
Staff Writer

Actor William Hurt passed away on March 13, 2022. He died at his home in Portland, Ore. at the age of 71. One of his sons, Alexander Hurt, said the cause of death was complications of prostate cancer.

"It is with great sad-

ness that the Hurt family mourns the passing of William Hurt, beloved father and Oscar winning actor, on March 13, 2022, one week before his 72nd birthday. He died peacefully, among family, of natural causes," another son, Will, said in a statement.

Hurt, who had been a leading man in Hollywood in the 1980s, initially became popular after performances such as "Body Heat" in 1981 and "The Big Chill" in 1983. A few years later, he won

the Oscar for best actor in the 1985 film "Kiss of the Spider Woman."

Hurt became more well known to a younger generation of moviegoers with his portrayal of General Thaddeus Ross in 2008's "The Incredible Hulk." He later reprised the role in several more Marvel movies, including "Captain America: Civil War" and the "Avengers" movies.

Following his death, however, a former girlfriend of Hurt, Donna Kaz, recounted the al-

leged physical abuse she endured while dating the actor in a guest column for Variety. She talked about the cycle of abuse in their relationship before mentioning all of the accolades Hurt is currently receiving after his death.

"I agree with all of them. But I must also use a good deal of energy to prevent his memory from sitting down next to me and abusing me all over again. In writing this I had to let him live again for a moment or two. And in that moment there was sorrow, regret, anger and a dream of reconciliation that will never be," Kaz said.

In her memoir published in 2016, Kaz had written about her three-year relationship with the actor, which began in 1977. Hurt did not attempt to block the book's publication.

Actress Marlee Matlin had also accused Hurt of abuse in her 2009



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memoir. In it, she wrote about being violently sexually assaulted by the much-older Hurt.

"My own recollection is that we both apologized and both did a great

deal to heal our lives," Hurt said in a statement at the time.

There have been no further developments as of this publication.

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## Doane Crime Log

Doane Safety Office reported incidents in their public crime log. New incidents reported between March 7 through 21 include:

- 03/08 Sex Offenses: Sexual Harassment - Campus Property: Doane Crete

# Tigers on Tour applications open

**KYLIE HUGHES**  
Life & Culture Editor

Applications for Tigers on Tour summer employment are currently open until March 31.

The Tigers on Tour (TOT) program is an employment opportunity for students to get involved in the promotion of Doane University through a range of events. The program is supervised by Director of Alumni Engagement Michael Stehlik.

Being involved in TOT involves a range of hands-on experiences, according to Stehlik, such as alumni research, interviews and events that allow the students involved to engage with alumni.

In the past, students involved, regarded as TOTs, have been able to schedule interviews with alumni from that year's reunion classes, assist with baseball games and tailgates, travel to Colorado to host events and more.

Since this summer is Doane's 150th anniversary, there are even more

exciting events planned, according to Stehlik. There is also a hope to travel to Chicago this summer as well.

As far as the job itself, it is a paid summer employment position, but it also has the potential to be counted as a maximum of three internship credit hours. Students interested in this position must be willing to put in 30 hours a week with potential to have flexibility on some nights and weekends. Stehlik also said that TOTs must be outgoing, open to learning new things, honest, trustworthy and be able to communicate over various platforms.

Applications close on March 31. In April, applications will be reviewed and interviews will be held. Three students will be informed of their acceptance by late April.

"While there is no one skill, personality, or level of involvement on campus that fits best, students who love everything about Doane and truly enjoy meeting and speaking with new people often rise to the top of our search process. We love having fun, but we also

work hard," Stehlik said.

Being involved with the TOT program, students gain an appreciation for Doane's alumni through firsthand experiences. These experiences help students involved understand how impactful the "Doane experience" can be, according to Stehlik.

There is also the hope that they will foster connections with the Advancement and Alumni Offices, as well as with each other, staff members and campus partners.

"We hope that we provide a support system that will advocate for them not just during their summer with us, but throughout the remainder of their collegiate careers and life after Doane," Stehlik said.

Students can find the application link in their email from Stehlik. Any questions can be directed to Stehlik at michael.stehlik@doane.edu or to Assistant Director of Alumni Engagement Nina Theiler at nina.theiler@doane.edu.

## Tigers on Tour

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## Locations of Menstrual Products in Bathrooms

- Perry- lower level men's and women's bathroom
- Communications- first floor men's and women's bathroom
- Lied- first floor men's and women's bathroom
- Gaylord- third floor both all-gender bathrooms
- Art/Ed- second floor men's and women's bathroom
- Haddix- first floor men's and women's bathroom
- Padour Walker- first floor all-gender bathroom
- Conservatory- basement men's and women's bathroom
- Field House- first floor men's and women's bathroom

Graphic by PJ Ramsey | The Doane Owl

## Menstrual products now in bathrooms

**KYLIE HUGHES**  
Life & Culture Editor

Last semester a group of four students created a petition to get menstrual products in various bathrooms across campus.

This petition came out of Professor of Political Science Tim Hill's LAR-303 class. The goal was to create a service project to protest some injustice on campus or in the world.

The group consisted of juniors PJ Ramsey and Catherine Exstrom and seniors Noa Snyder and Maddy Elwood who tackled the issue of menstrual product availability.

This group put out a petition, ultimately receiving over 300 signatures, to the Doane campus to get more menstrual products in all bathrooms.

At this same time, Assistant Director of Residential Wellness and Engagement Hannah Dull was assisting Tiger Wellness to get Menstrual Monthly up and running. This allowed stu-

dents to receive packages of menstrual products in their mailboxes. However, Dull noticed several potential issues that were occurring with the large packages making it difficult to assemble and distribute.

"I was excited to see the outcome of the petition, and because they had so many people sign it, Tiger Wellness decided to pivot from putting the supplies in mailboxes and instead launched the project of putting menstrual products in the bathrooms," Dull said.

Over spring break, Dull worked with Facilities to have these products placed in dispensers that are accessible, easy to put up and do not take up counter space in the bathrooms. The boxes were placed in various frequently used bathrooms on the main floor of each building.

As stated in the original petition, the menstrual products are located in both men's and women's bathrooms around campus. Dull explains that

there are people who use the men's bathrooms who also use menstrual products.

"I think it's important that all people have access to the health products they need," Dull said.

So far, she has received some very positive feedback from staff and students. She is also interested in hearing feedback as this continues. The goal is to continue providing menstrual products in the bathrooms and will adapt as needed based on feedback.

"I've been so lucky to be involved in providing a resource that students really wanted and asked for. It's great to see students advocate for what they need, and I was happy to work to transition Menstrual Monthly into a different format that met students' needs," Dull said.

If students ever need any menstrual or sexual health supplies, they can stop by Dull's office in Perry Campus Center and pick up what they need.

## Senior exhibition in Rall Gallery



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## Weekly Horoscopes

**Aquarius (January 21 - February 19):** Distractions are popping up plenty. Be careful not to fall too deeply into a whirlpool of distractions that you may not know how to recover from.

**Pisces (February 20 - March 20):** Even though you may always tend to focus on the past, use that this week in order to reflect on everything you've done and overcame. You deserve to take a moment and relax.

**Aries (March 21 - April 20):** Sometimes, re-looking at some of your previously determined choices can help guide you forward through challenges that lay ahead.

**Taurus (April 21 - May 21):** This week, do not be afraid to take risks even when you may not know all of the information possible. You'll never know how something will go until you actually go out and do it.

**Gemini (May 22 - June 21):** Although things have seemed hazy as of late, be not afraid, for the beacon through the fog is only a short ways away. Be mindful of which direction you steer yourself in.

**Cancer (June 22 - July 22):** Coming to the aid of others is something you never really pay much attention to in yourself. It comes as second nature to you, and for that, it's okay to accept gratitude for the help you are.

**Leo (July 23 - August 22):** This week, be careful how much you carry on your back. Not everything needs to be tackled alone. It's okay to accept help.

**Virgo (August 23 - September 22):** Inspiration and motivation may seem scarce lately, but if you take a moment to breathe and look around you, it'll be a lot easier to gain that motivation back.

**Libra (September 23 - October 22):** Taking a step back from conflict instead of confronting it head on may seem counterintuitive, but be mindful this week. The problems ahead may just make you rethink your approach.

**Scorpio (October 23 - November 21):** For this week, all that you need to remember is one thing. You do not always need to understand yourself perfectly. The most important thing is to always follow your own desires.

**Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21):** Be careful this week, for the plans that you have made may just turn out completely different than the way you have anticipated.

**Capricorn (December 22 - January 20):** Thoughts of the future persevere from last week through this one. Do not let yourself overthink about the past too much.

# Greek alumni panel shares experiences

JOSE VILLALPANDO  
News Editor

The 2022 Greek Career Panel is set to occur this week on March 24 at 7 p.m. in Chab Weyers Education and Hixson Lied Art Building 236-240. A Zoom option will also be available.

The panel itself is being hosted by Doane's Inter-Greek Alumni Association, Office of Alumni Engagement and the Office of Career, Leadership and Service.

Eight confirmed Doane Greek alumni panelists are slated to appear, discussing different advice and tips that they feel would be beneficial for current students to know in order to be successful after graduation.

Greek alumni panelists include: Morning Show Host and Program Director for New Country KX 96.9 James Kyhn of '97, Life Coach at Bloom with Ellen Kalal Fox of '87, Director of Data Services at BuilderTrend Charley Burtwistle of '18, 2nd Grade Teacher at Crete Elementary School Tara Brown of '12, Deputy Sheriff for Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department at Temple Station Ronnie Patron of '08, Human Resources Director at SDS2 Natalie Kinnaman Campbell of '02, Certified Strengths and Career Coach Anna Flores Young of '19 and



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Casualty Claim Examiner at Stillwater Insurance Group Vernon Brakefield of '85.

All current Greek students are encouraged to attend the

panel discussion for the opportunity to develop connections and ask questions. Greek alumni are also welcome to attend via Zoom.

# Students work for renewable energy

SARAH DALY  
Communications  
Manager

The Doane University Chapter of the Climate Reality Project Campus Corps is sponsoring a campus-wide petition. This petition is asking for the Board of Trustees to commit Doane University to 100 percent renewable energy use by the

year 2030.

Senior Maya Mohr is the Chapter Chair for Doane University. Mohr collaborates with a world-wide network of climate activists. They work together and receive support from the Climate Reality Project in order to further climate policy change at the local, state and national levels. Mohr explained that the group also hosts educational

events on campus while exploring opportunities for the university to be more sustainable.

"All college students and young people today will be impacted by climate change in their lifetime. We are at a critical tipping point to take action against global warming in order to prevent global catastrophic disaster," Mohr said. "Time after time, generations be-

fore us have failed to take action. So, it's up to our generation to prevent the worst effects of climate change and act now."

Mohr encourages students to get involved with climate activism. There are other local Nebraska organizations such as Greenpeace and Sunrise Movement. These organizations have virtual aspects as well as in-person opportunities.

Students looking to get involved in the project can sign up for updates and other opportunities at <https://www.climate-realityproject.org/apply/chapters>. Students can also follow the Doane Climate Reality Project on Instagram at @ducampuscorps. Mohr shared that there are links to the petition and a form to write letters of support to the Board of Trustees

in the bio.

"You don't have to do a lot to make a difference. Organizing locally will make a global impact: you'll never know all the people, plants and animals that will be positively impacted by the work that you do," Mohr added.

# Summer jobs open to students

SARAH DALY  
Communications  
Manager

Doane University recently started to release the summer jobs available for students to apply for. Students can find the summer jobs list at [www.doane.edu/studentjobs](http://www.doane.edu/studentjobs).

Human Resources advises that students make sure to look at the jobs labeled with "summer" because fall jobs are also on the list. There are currently 11 jobs posted and more will be added as the semester ends. Most departments are hiring more than one student, so there are multiple opportunities for summer employment.

There are a variety of departments that are seeking summer employees. Grounds & Maintenance, Human Resources, Events Staff and Alumni Offices are just a few of the options.

"Several jobs offer stu-

dents the opportunity to interact with others in and outside the university as they gain experience in networking, organizing events and learning about specific career fields," Director of Human Resources Anne Golden Ziola said.

The Human Resources Office has positions open that allow students to gain experience in the legal aspects of employment, plan events and work in recruitment. The Alumni Office has student employees serve on the "Tigers on Tour" team.

Summer employment can provide opportunities for students who are unable to go home outside of school months.

Besides resume and skills building, students working at Doane in the summer also have opportunities to build relationships with future mentors.

"But the part I love the most is the development

of the relationship many of our students gain from summer employment at Doane. Many of the supervisors and students create great mentor relationships as they work through best practices," Golden Ziola added.

Executive Assistant for the Chief Financial Officer Joshua Johnson described student employment as an opportunity to be part of the bigger picture at Doane.

"Student employment opportunities are about more than just the compensation. It provides a very real, concrete way for them to contribute to the Doane community and the university's success," Johnson said.

Students with questions can contact Human Resources at [humanresources@doane.edu](mailto:humanresources@doane.edu) or visit the Business Office in Padour Walker.

# Gas prices affect Doane students

Students look to adjust driving habits to save money

JOSE VILLALPANDO  
News Editor

In an email sent out on March 18, students were asked about their opinions on gasoline prices through a Google Form. 40 students responded to the poll, with a vast majority of 39 to 1 having noticed an increase in gas prices.

"I was predetermining it because of the war [in Ukraine] happening and us cutting off our supply from Russia," sophomore Julia Ramirez said. "So I was anticipating it before spring break and filled up my gas tank and my mom's gas tank before

gas prices went up." Some students expressed frustration about the situation.

"I don't like it, but there's nothing I can do about it so I just have to deal with it," freshman Sam Arnett said.

While the increase in gas prices has already been a financial hit for some people, there may be a positive consequence.

"It sucks seeing it go up because I would like the extra money but also it might help showing people how much they unnecessarily drive and hopefully end up helping the environment," sophomore Elsy Sierra said.

Out of all respondents, around 53 percent mentioned that they were either in disbelief or confused about how gas prices are increasing as much as they are. 33 percent of respondents mentioned that gas prices are putting a larger strain on their financial status or the budgets they are on, with some also mention-

ing how they cannot go home as often due to this strain.

"I've stopped driving home to get little things. I still have to drive to practice, which can't really change, but I have definitely stopped driving [as much] because of [the increase in gas prices]" Arnett said.

Ramirez mirrored this attitude, lamenting that she was unable to visit home.

"I was going to go home this last weekend, but my gas was very low, so I had to ask myself if it was worth it to use all this money to drive three hours and only be home for two hours. I ended up not going home this weekend because of that," Ramirez said.

As of this publication, gas prices are expected to continue rising around the United States for the foreseeable future.

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- STAFF EDITORIAL -

## Reminder to respect others

In lieu of "Doane is Love," the Owl staff would like to urge readers to respect others' sexual orientations and gender identities.

Using someone's preferred pronouns is not difficult. We understand that many people at Doane come from smaller communities, places where a diverse group of people isn't common. Many of us come from those places as well.

That is not an excuse,

though. Learning someone's pronouns and respecting that should only take a little over two months, the same amount of time it takes to develop a habit.

It is alright if you mess up sometimes; it happens. But you must own up to your mistake and correct it. At times, you may slip up a lot, and if that does happen, talk to the person you misgendered. A simple conversation can

mend a lot if you put even the smallest amount of effort into it.

As for sexual orientation, please do not assume someone's sexuality. Again, a simple conversation can clear up any confusion.

The most important thing to remember is to be respectful. Be mindful of the language you use, especially when you are just learning someone's pronouns, and rec-

ognize that you may have to be on top of yourself to be as respectful as possible.

Right on the heels of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, we would also like to make note that interpersonal violence can and does affect everyone; it does not discriminate.

Make sure you are not acting inappropriately or insensitively, especially in intimate situations.

## Hot takes; CATastrophe

A weekly rating of random things by Joey Winton

**JOEY WINTON**  
Managing Editor

Lord have mercy on my soul, is this what I've come to? Ranking the cats from the Broadway show "Cats"?! (The answer is yes.)

For those unaware, "Cats" is a musical about cats and can best be described as the fever dream of a toddler. It's absolutely insane but at the same time really boring because nothing happens. Anyway, I'm going to be ranking each cat for this week's Hot Takes.

Each cat is ranked based on how dumb I think they are as a whole, the song they sing and their name.

"Cats" is a nonsense garbage musical and each character is just bad, but there are some that are entertainingly bad, and others that are just bad but aren't courteous enough to be enjoyable in an ironic way.

The song the cat performs is determined mainly by the instrumental accompaniment because for just about every song, the lyrics are not worth listening to.

The final category is their name. I grade each name based on how absurd it is, the more outlandish the bet-



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ter.

S Tier - These are the cat's meow, but when you're the best piece of garbage in a dumpster, that is not saying much.

A Tier - These cats are not a bad choice (in the context of this list, objectively, they all belong in F Tier) but not as "good" as the ones above.

B Tier - Don't even bother learning anything about the cats here, it's really not worth it.

C Tier - See sentence above and apply it here as well.

F Tier - I'd rather be hit by a bus than even think about any of the cats in this tier.

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

Yes, these are actually the names of the characters in a critically and financially successful Broadway show, a show that is one of the longest running in history.

S Tier: (The best)- Macavity, Grizabella

A Tier: (Second Best)- Demeter, Rum Tum Tugger

B Tier: (Average)- Rumpleteazer, Mr. Mistoffelees

C Tier: (Below Average)- Bombalurina, Jennyanydots

F Tier: (Garbage)- Jemima, Victoria, Bustopher Jones

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!

## Batman saves the franchise



**MATTHEW MITTLIEDER**  
Staff Writer

Over spring break (and again this past weekend), I went to see "The Batman" in theaters, and I think it may be one of my new favorite films, at least as far as superhero movies go. It also had some of the best cinematography I've seen in a superhero movie, which I hope will raise the standard for future films in the genre.

Despite doubts of his acting talents after the "Twilight" movies, Robert Pattinson plays a great Batman in this film. Don't get me wrong, with the black eye makeup, Nirvana playlist and greasy hair he is still probably the most emo Batman ever put on screen, but overall this was an improvement upon many of the issues I had with previous portrayals, particularly Christian Bale's.

The movie is a much smaller and focused Batman movie than what's been done

in the past, particularly in comparison to the Nolan trilogy which was at times very grandiose. However, being a little less big and bombastic I think made for a better setting when it came to the detective story this film wanted to tell.

The story is very much a crime thriller, bringing in The Riddler (Paul Dano) as the main villain with The Penguin (Colin Farrell) and Catwoman (Zoë Kravitz) as supporting characters. Officer Jim Gordon (Jeffrey Wright) also tags along for many of the crime solving scenes and is a great partner to Pattinson's Batman.

Overall, I found the mystery of the first half of the film to be very gripping, and I enjoyed trying to solve some of the riddles and clues along the way. There was also a good amount of action and beating up thugs as Batman worked his way through the puzzles the Riddler set up.

However, the second half of the film does drag just a bit in some scenes, which makes sense as it's almost 3 hours long. I also didn't particularly enjoy the setup of the finale, as it tacked on a kind of "big superhero ending" after such a slow, noir type of buildup, but it still ended up being decent.

Another criticism I have is that Batman isn't always the best detective and sometimes misses a few important and obvious details to the riddles put out by the Riddler. For



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the "World's Greatest Detective," he and Jim Gordon are a little slow with some of the clues.

Also, without spoiling anything, there was one scene where Batman catches an important criminal, who has very clearly just committed several crimes including murder, and Batman just lets him go because he has other things to focus on. This bothered me a bit because it honestly doesn't make much sense that both he and Gordon would ignore someone that's very clearly an influence on crime in Gotham.

Overall, though, I think this is a good place for a new iteration of the character to start at, giving Batman a good arc to his character while leaving room for much growth if there were to ever be sequels.

One final thing I'd like to mention is the soundtrack, in which Michael Giacchino pays homage to past Batman scores by Zimmer, Elfman and Walker while also maintaining his own style. A film can really be elevated to something great if its score is done well, and this movie did not disappoint.

# Learning to reach out for help



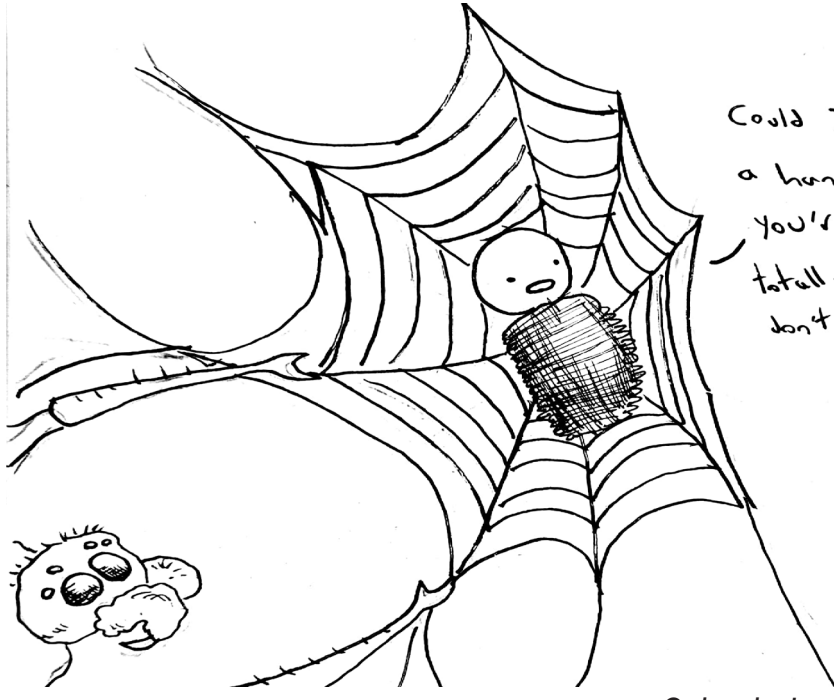
**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

my roommates to help me. I am so glad I did because it was such a fun, weird experience.

I'm not the kind of person that likes to ask for help. I like to handle everything on my own and pick up the pieces as I go. But that is just not possible when I have only one hand that is functional.

Learning to lean on other people does not come easy to me, and I am so grateful that I have people around me that I feel comfortable asking for help. I realize that this is a weakness of mine, and I am trying to work on it, so it is probably for the best that my hand was forced (get it?).

It was not just getting my hair washed, though. It was asking for advice and asking for help with other things like tying my



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shoes.

I felt like a toddler, but I cannot thank people I live with enough for putting up with me asking them to open my water

bottle or helping me put on a shirt.

What I am trying to get at is that sometimes you have to put your pride aside in order to survive.

This example is a bit extreme, but I think it's a useful representation of this concept.

As someone that will avoid asking for help at

all costs, I must say that breaking my hand has been really valuable to my personal growth in a weird way.

Basically, just do not be afraid to ask for help especially when you need it the most. It sucks and it can be uncomfortable, but it is more than worth it in terms of building relationships, growing as a person and learning that it is okay to be vulnerable.

# Heartwarming film for everyone



**SARAH DALY**  
Communications Manager

this movie has elements for all ages.

"Turning Red" starts by introducing the main character, Mei Lee. She is a young teenager who is, like most of us, navigating the challenges of growing up. The main weight on Mei Lee's shoulders is pleasing her parents. As that is a relatable topic for most people, my friends and I were intrigued to see how the plot unfolded.

Starring Rosalie Chiang as Mei Lee, this movie showcased what many teen girls face during their formative years. Does one follow their parents' expectations or find other interests?

In this movie, the "other interest" revolves around a fictional boy band called 4\*Town. This band is something that Mei Lee and her friends bond over. Coincidentally, there just so happens to be a 4\*Town concert in town. Mei Lee has to find a way to balance both of

her lives: one at home and the other with her friends.

A wrench is thrown into the mix when one day Mei Lee wakes up and realizes that everytime she gets excited, she turns into a red panda. As you may presume, this wouldn't go over well with her parents. How well would you be able to hide your excitement about your favorite band coming to town? Mei Lee has to find a way to control her extreme emotions (high or low) to prevent her parents finding out about the red panda.

This movie is heartwarming, and I highly recommend you see it. Its themes of friendship and bravery will touch the hearts of all who watch.

So the next time you are scrolling through Disney+, pop some popcorn and watch "Turning Red."



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# Still working on it



**JOSE VILLALPANDO**  
News Editor

something that has been taking the longest amount of time to improve on for me.

Back in high school, I was almost the complete opposite of how I am now in terms of my procrastination. I would be on top of work, getting it done before due dates and even try to get ahead of where we were at the time.

The only problem from that time was that my priorities were only on school. I never really went to hangout with any of my friends at all, only really talking to them online every now and then.

After high school and realizing how stupid that really was, I noticed I became a lot more lenient with myself in terms of getting my work done, focusing more on the people around me since I didn't necessarily do that back then. Barely coming into college, my priorities completely swapped to

the point where I began focusing more on being social with my roommate and some of the people around us. Still not great.

All in all, this leads to today where I have to continuously judge my priorities on whether or not they are actually beneficial to me on the basis of both schoolwork and being social.

Even with all this said, I feel that I've gotten better at working on my prioritization skills from when I first started college nearly three years ago. However, I still have a ways to go until I get to a point where I'm comfortable with how I prioritize the things or choices in my life.

## ...THUMBS UP

March Madness

Scooters

Grapefruit

Crochet

Burlap

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...



# Men's Golf prepares for home invite

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

Over the weekend, the Men's Golf team faced off in their first dual of the spring season against Concordia University. Just sneaking by with a narrow win of 16-15, the team now prepares for their only home invite this spring.

This win against Concordia comes just after

their sixth place finish in the LTU Spring Break Invite. While the team is always looking to place as high as they can, sophomore Samuel Banzhaf and his team are fairly content with the outcome they achieved and where they can take it from here.

"It was the second match of the year, and we're still getting the rust knocked off, but we're seeing improvements where we needed to see them, and we know what we need to work further on," Banzhaf said.

The team has been tak-

**"We have a lot of the big picture stuff down, it's just fine tuning those little things that could really impact our scores."**

Samuel Banzhaf  
Sophomore

ing these improvements very seriously and have

been tackling several different methods of training. Not only are they looking to build upon their physical game, but progress regarding their mental game has been made as well.

"We just finished a weight training program, and over the last couple weeks, we've been reading a book together about the mental side of the game and how to prepare for that," Banzhaf said.

In preparation for the rest of their season, the team is looking to increase their skill level as

much as they can. However, this means focusing on every detail to the game, which can require a lot of dedication outside of practice.

"We just do our normal stuff like working the short game a lot, with chipping and putting and a lot of other fine tuning," Banzhaf said. "We also try to get out as much as possible outside of our team practices since golf is a sport that lends itself well to practicing whenever you have time."

As the team continues to have match after

match, they aim to make sure that each result is better than their last and their performances continue to improve in skill level.

"I've seen a lot of good stuff so far from my team, but there are always the little things to work on," Banzhaf said. "We have a lot of the big picture stuff down, it's just fine tuning those little things that could really impact our scores."

The Men's Golf team will be competing at home on both March 25 and 26.

# Shooting Sports takes on nationals

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

The Shooting Sports team is facing their final match of the season in the form of eight days worth of competing at the National Championship in San Antonio, Texas. The event, which

started on March 19, will continue until a champion is declared on March 26.

Coming off a fifth place finish at their home meet, the team is looking to place much higher at nationals. Senior Trevin Alberts believes the Doane Invite was not their best result, and they can do much better this week.

"We actually feel like we could have performed much better at the Doane Invitational but are using

it as motivation going into the national competition," Alberts said.

However, one bad meet does not mean the team does not have what it takes to dominate the competition. The team has put up some impressive scores throughout the season and are looking to capitalize on that.

"We have been performing fairly well with in the trap and skeet disciplines; something that we need to continue to

work on is our performance in sporting clays," Alberts said.

A lot of the success the team has found comes from the constant support and encouragement they receive from their teammates. Although shooting may seem like a fairly individual sport, they rely heavily on the rest of their team's performance.

"During events like skeet or sporting clays, you can always witness

our team helping each other and providing valuable feedback," Alberts said. "Giving advice before the next shooter steps up to the line, or giving constructive criticism after they have shot is something each and every one of us engage in."

While the last shoot before this may not have gone the way they wanted, it certainly has not put a damper on the team's spirits. Everyone

is headed to this competition with a fire and drive to win.

"We have a very talented group this year, and I am expecting us to perform at our highest potential," Alberts said. "We will bring the entirety of our effort for the national competition."

As the competition goes on, places and scores will not be finalized until the end of this week.

# Tennis season ramps up for both teams

Team is facing busiest month of their spring season

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

Last week, the Men's and Women's Tennis teams competed twice at home, and the Women's team traveled solo to take on Southwest Minnesota State. While the Men's team fared a little better than the Women's,

both teams were able to pick up a few wins.

Having so many matches in the last week required the teams to be extremely focused and determined on their success. For senior Payton Stalder, the mental game was just as prevalent as the actual tennis being played.

"We played a lot of tennis and were all definitely pushed to our limits," Stalder said. "So it was a big mental game to stick with what we knew and what we could use against our certain opponents."

However, this is not even the most challenging that their seasons will get. In April, both teams have up to three matches

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Payton Stalder  
Senior

every week, which will require a lot of training and perseverance to continue winning.

"I think the most important thing we are doing as a team is coming together and supporting one another," Stalder

said. "It's such an important part of a team to cheer and support each other."

As the team prepares for a busy month, they are all focusing on hitting their peak performances. To close out this month strong would start the teams off on the right foot.

"I would like to see people digging deep into their game," Stalder said. "I want us to get better on and off the court, facing those struggles of playing hard teams and just having fun."

The Women's Tennis team will take on the College of Saint Mary at home on March 26 before both teams start off the next month.



Photo by Emma Ryan | The Doane Owl

Senior Ava Macke serves the ball to her opponent to kick off the match.

# Baseball team adds four wins to record

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

This past weekend, the Baseball team had a clean sweep at home

over the University of Jamestown. After two days of doubleheaders, the team would improve their record to 15-5.

To open up the games, the Tigers were not off

to the cleanest of starts. After walking multiple batters, Doane was able to get out of the first inning without allowing the Jimmies to get a run.

After this, they re-

ally started picking up momentum and hit full swing in the third inning, where they scored six runs. They did not pick up any more in the fourth, but they added two more runs in the fifth, which would allow Doane to finish off with a win of 12-3.

Turning around and playing the second game immediately after, the Tigers would continue this hot streak. At the end of the second inning, the team was up on the Jimmies 7-0.

Doane would have 17 hits during the game and would score off of 14 of those, finishing off with a win of 14-6. The winning would not stop there as Jamestown and Doane would see each other twice more the next day.

Their first game on the second day was the closest of all of them, and Doane was just able

to sneak by with a win of 2-1. With only four hits, both runs for Doane were scored in the sixth inning.

The second game was close as well. The Tigers were off to an early lead, but Jamestown, trying to keep it close, came back to tie it 4-4. It was not

until the ninth inning that Doane would finally get the winning run.

Doane will be on the road for two more days of doubleheaders in Mitchell, S.D. when they take on Dakota Wesleyan University on March 26 and 27.



Photo by Emma Ryan | The Doane Owl

Doane Baseball makes a clean sweep against the University of Jamestown.

## Athlete of the Week



**Liz van der Torre**  
Tennis

won 6-0 at 1-doubles against Martin Luther College



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## Scoreboard Snapshot

## MENS' TENNIS

March 16 @ HOME

3:00 versus BETHEL COLLEGE

TIGERS  
4-3

March 19 @ HOME

2:00 versus MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE

TIGERS  
7-0

## WOMENS' TENNIS

March 16 @ HOME

3:00 versus BETHEL COLLEGE

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3-4

March 18 @ KEARNEY, NEB.

4:00 versus SOUTHWEST MINNESOTA STATE

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1-6

March 19 @ HOME

2:00 versus MARTIN LUTHER COLLEGE

TIGERS  
7-0

## BASEBALL

March 19 @ HOME

1:00 versus UNIVERSITY OF JAMESTOWN

GAME ONE	GAME TWO
TIGERS 12-3	TIGERS 14-6

March 20 @ HOME

12:00 versus UNIVERSITY OF JAMESTOWN

GAME ONE	GAME TWO
TIGERS 2-1	TIGERS 5-4

## MEN'S GOLF

March 19 @ YORK, NEB.

10:00 versus CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

TIGERS  
16-15

## Next week for Tiger Athletics

## MEN'S TRACK &amp; FIELD

March 26 @ HOME

10:00 DOANE ICEBREAKER THROWS MEET

## WOMEN'S TRACK &amp; FIELD

March 26 @ HOME

10:00 DOANE ICEBREAKER THROWS MEET

## WOMEN'S GOLF

March 30 @ HOME

KAITLYN ERICKSON/DOANE INVITE

## MEN'S GOLF

March 25 &amp; 26 @ HOME

12:00 DOANE SPRING INVITE

## WOMEN'S TENNIS

March 26 @ HOME

10:00 versus COLLEGE OF SAINT MARY

## SHOOTING SPORTS

March 22-16 @ SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

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## BASEBALL

March 26 @ MITCHELL, S.D.

1:00 versus DAKOTA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

March 27 @ MITCHELL, S.D.

12:00 versus DAKOTA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

## SOFTBALL

March 24 @ HOME

2:00 versus NEBRASKA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

March 26 @ HOME

1:00 versus MOUNT MARTY UNIVERSITY

March 27 @ HOME

1:00 versus HASTINGS COLLEGE

