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11 states contest vaccine order

Nebraska among states suing federal government

JOSE VILLALPANDO
News Editor

As of Nov. 5, 11 states joined together in a single lawsuit against President Joe Biden's administration's U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA)

vaccine mandate. According to the Lincoln Journal Star, this mandate states that all companies with over 100 employees must require their employees to either be vaccinated or wear a mask full-time and receive a COVID-19 test every week. A failure to do so could result in a fine of up to \$14,000 per violation. This mandate is set to take effect on Jan. 4. The states that have joined together in this lawsuit include Missouri, in which the lawsuit originated, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming and Iowa. Missouri Attorney General Eric Schmitt helped to initiate the lawsuit within the 8th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals

in St. Louis, Mo. Schmitt said he believes the mandate to be unconstitutional, unlawful and unwise at this time. His reasoning behind the lawsuit is "to protect personal freedoms, preserve Missouri businesses and push back on bureaucratic tyrants who simply want power and control." The lawsuit states that this type of mandate is unconstitutional at the federal level. Nebraska Attorney General Doug Peterson argued his position on the matter. "It is clear that the Biden Administration is trying to create new law through executive order," Peterson said. "This Administration has left us no choice but to go to court to protect constitutional boundaries of pow-

er and the 44 [percent] of Nebraska workers that fall under this unconstitutional mandate." In a statement released on Facebook, Neb. Gov. Pete Ricketts said he supports the lawsuit brought against the Biden Administration. "Nebraska is playing a leading role in suing the federal government to stop President Biden's draconian and illegal Coronavirus vaccine mandate," Ricketts said. "Nebraska will continue to fight back, so we can safeguard our freedoms and protect the Nebraskans who are at risk of losing their jobs because of the President's mandate." There are no further updates as of this publication.



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G20 leaders promise global change

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On Oct. 30 and 31, G20 leaders met for the first time in two years to discuss climate change, the COVID-19 pandemic, tax deals and global economic concerns.

Leaders in attendance included representatives from Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, Japan, India, Indonesia, Italy, Mexico, Russia, South Africa, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Turkey, the United Kingdom, the United States, Spain and the European Union.

According to The Guardian, leaders at this meeting committed to the

Paris Climate Agreement of limiting global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius above pre-industrial levels and pledged action against dirty coal plants, but they did not set a target of zero emissions. Attendees also pledged to reach net zero carbon emissions "by or around mid-century," which was not the clear 2050 date campaigners and Italy, the summit host, were hoping for. However, leaders acknowledged for the first time that "the use of carbon pricing mechanisms and incentives" is a possible tool to fight climate change, just as the International Monetary Fund (IMF) called on the most polluting countries to set

a minimum carbon price. As far as taxation is concerned, leaders agreed to subjecting multinational corporations to a 15 percent minimum tax as part of an effort to build a more sustainable international tax system. The goal of this legislation is to make companies like Amazon, Google, Facebook and Apple, which all base themselves in low-tax countries to minimize their tax costs, pay an equitable rate. In regards to COVID-19, G20 leaders vowed to support the World Health Organization's (WHO) goal of vaccinating at least 40 percent of the world's population against COVID-19 by the end of

2021 and 70 percent by the middle of 2022. By boosting vaccine supplies in developing countries, by removing financial barriers and by recognizing vaccines deemed safe and effective by the WHO, the G20 leaders hope to drastically reduce the rates of infection and death from COVID-19. G20 leaders also pledged to give \$100 billion to the world's lowest income nations after the IMF issued a fresh supply of Special Drawing Rights (SDR). SDRs are not currency but can be used by developing countries as a reserve currency to stabilize the value of their domestic currency, or can be converted into stronger currencies

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G20 SUMMIT

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to finance investments. high interest rates. Additionally, the goal More information on for developing countries the G20 Summit can be is to obtain hard currency found at <https://www.g20.org/>.

Weekly COVID-19 update

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The level of community transmission remains high for Saline County. No new cases of COVID-19 have been reported throughout all Doane campuses within the past seven days.

Saline County has reported 35 total cases over the last seven days as of Nov. 9. Zero new hospital admissions due to COVID-19 have been recorded within the last seven days. 55.6 percent of

vaccine-eligible residents, anyone equal to or over the age of 12, in Saline County have been fully vaccinated, marking 46.1 percent of the total population of Saline County as fully vaccinated. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) advises that all people should still wear masks while indoors or in high foot traffic areas. Although mask requirements are different from place to place, the CDC urges individuals to follow local accordances and guidance in stopping the spread of COVID-19. The Doane COVID-19 Task Force also thanks the

over 100 Doane students and staff who received a COVID-19 booster shot from the Nov. 5 clinic in the George and Sally Haddix Recreation Center. This information was gathered from the Doane COVID-19 Risk Dashboard and the CDC COVID-19 Data Tracker. According to the Lincoln Journal Star, the mask mandate issued by the Lincoln-Lancaster County Health Department has been extended until Nov. 24.

35 total cases in Saline County +0 on Doane Campuses

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Abortions targeted by AG

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On Oct. 25, Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost filed suit against President Joe Biden's administration's decision to support federally-funded abortions in the U.S. District Court of Cincinnati. Yost has gained support from other Republican states, including Nebraska.

Led by Nebraska Attorney General Doug Peterson, Nebraska is now one of eleven states seeking to end abortion referrals by federally financed family planning clinics.

This protest on federal financial support has its roots in the Trump Administration. The affirmative side is pushing to restore federal regulations that reflect the Title X Family Planning Pro-

gram during the Obama Administration.

The Title X Family Planning Program, started in 1970, provides funding for low-income persons to gain access to family planning and reproductive health services. Title X funds testing and treatments for sexually transmitted diseases, breast and cervical cancer screenings and other services. This program offers more than \$250 million per year to clinics that provide these services.

In 2019, guidelines mandated that federally funded clinics needed to be financially independent of abortion clinics. Clinics were also not allowed to refer patients for abortions.

Peterson explained to the Omaha World-Herald that the intent behind the 2019 requirements was to prevent tax payer dollars from going towards abor-

tion and family planning care. It is currently illegal to have tax dollars funding abortion services.

"You can't 'follow the money' when all the money is dumped into one pot and mixed together. Federal law prohibits taxpayer funding of abortion- and that law means nothing if the federal money isn't kept separate," a statement from Yost said.

The Biden Administration's action to overturn the past Trump-era bans occurred as the threat of the Republican push to overturn the landmark Roe v. Wade case in the U.S. Supreme Court arose.

States also joining this lawsuit include Alabama, Arizona, Florida, Kansas, Kentucky, Missouri, Oklahoma, Ohio, South Carolina and West Virginia.



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Meta replacing Facebook

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On Oct. 28, Facebook announced it is rebranding and changing their corporate name to Meta.

The Facebook company has the goal of trying to move away from being a social media platform and into a new digital world of being a "metaverse." A metaverse is defined as being a digital reality that combines aspects of social media, gaming, augmented reality, cryptocurrencies and virtual interactions.

CEO of the company, Mark Zuckerberg gave a presentation urging everyone to adjust their views on the platform into thinking of it as a

metaverse because it has outgrown the definition of a social media network; however, the app will continue to use the name Facebook.

"Facebook is one of the most-used products in the world. But increasingly, it doesn't encompass everything that we do. Right now, our brand is so tightly linked to one product that it can't possibly represent everything we are doing," Zuckerberg stated.

This swift switch in branding comes after the Facebook Papers were released by Frances Haugen, a former Facebook product manager. These reports include various allegations against the company in terms of user security.

"[With] a mix of presentations, research studies, discussion threads and strategy memos, the Facebook Papers provide an unprecedented view into how executives at the social media giant weigh trade-offs between public safety and their own bottom line," an article from the Washington Post reported.

This rebranding release has caused many users to rethink the ways in which they use social media. According to the Verge, teenage usage of Facebook is down 13 percent and is expected to drop over 45 percent within the next two years.

With the younger generations being social media platforms' biggest customers, this is concerning



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news for Facebook. Instagram, which was bought by Facebook in 2012 for \$1 billion, is also reporting lower levels of engagement as well, according to The Verge.

This rebranding of Facebook into a metaverse has the intention to increase user engagement and expand the platform beyond that of a social media site.

Concert ends in chaos

8 dead
and more
hospitalized
at Astroworld

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At least eight people were killed and many more were hospitalized in Houston, Texas during a concert put on by rappers Travis Scott and Drake on Nov. 5.

The concert, named

"Astroworld," was founded in 2018 by Scott, a Houston native, and has taken place at NRG Park each year except for 2020.

According to The Guardian, Scott stopped multiple times during his 75-minute set after noticing fans in distress and asked security to help them.

Despite this and the presence of hundreds of police and security personnel on hand according to NPR, the rush towards the stage quickly overwhelmed Houston police and fire officials.

The surge towards the stage, which resulted in

the injuries and deaths, occurred around 9 p.m. during Scott's performance, and while no official cause has been identified, the Houston police chief Troy Finner stated he believes one or more individuals were injecting people with drugs.

"We do have a report of a security officer, that he was reaching over to restrain a citizen and he felt a prick in his neck. [After he was revived,] medical staff did notice a prick that was similar to a prick that you would get if somebody is trying to inject," Finner said.

However, it has not

been officially confirmed that someone was injecting others with drugs, and there is no official cause of death for the people who died.

According to The New York Times, the ages of those who died range from 14 to 27 years old, and the youngest person hospitalized was 10 years old.

Scott, a verified juggernaut in the rap world, has earned a reputation for concerts that feature high-end stage production as well as a wild and chaotic audience.

In 2015, Scott pleaded guilty to charges of reck-

less conduct after encouraging fans at Lollapalooza in Chicago, Ill. to climb over security barricades and onto the stage.

In 2017, Scott was sued by a fan who said he had become paralyzed after being pushed from a third-story balcony and dragged on-stage during a performance in Manhattan, N.Y.

In an Instagram story post Scott laments the events at "Astroworld."

"I'm honestly just devastated, and I could never imagine anything like this just happening; I'm going to do everything I can to keep you guys up-

This Week's

Weather

Forecast

Wednesday

11/10



High: 54

Low: 35

Thursday

11/11



High: 53

Low: 31

Friday

11/12



High: 41

Low: 24

Saturday

11/13



High: 43

Low: 30

Sunday

11/14



High: 47

Low: 28

Monday

11/15



High: 47

Low: 34

Tuesday

11/16



High: 57

Low: 39

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Weather data retrieved from weather.com.

dated and just keep you guys informed of what's going on. Love you all," Scott said.

No further updates have surfaced since the publication of this article.

Iran sanctions to continue

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On Oct. 30, President Joe Biden, German Chancellor Angela Merkel, French President Emmanuel Macron and British Prime Minister Boris Johnson declared in a joint statement they would not ease sanctions until Iran begins limiting its nuclear program.

According to NPR, the initial Iran nuclear deal,

brokered between China, Russia, the U.S. and Iran in 2015, eased sanctions against Iran in exchange for the country easing back on its nuclear program and submitting to international inspections.

However, former-President Donald Trump pulled the U.S. out of the deal three years later and reinstated harsh sanctions against Iran, as he believed the deal was not strict enough against the country.

Iran responded by es-

calating their nuclear program, going beyond the limits it had agreed to.

According to The New York Times, Iran has made significant advancements in enriching uranium, a nuclear fuel that can be used both for powering nuclear power plants and for weapons.

Iran now has more enriched uranium than it did in 2018 and has levels high enough to make a bomb despite the country repeatedly pledging to never become a nucle-

ar-weapons state.

Biden has stated his desire to restore U.S. participation in the agreement, but since the election of Iran's hard-line president, Ebrahim Raisi, talks with Iran have essentially stalled.

Raisi insists the U.S. should promise to never abandon the accord again and to stop attempting to renegotiate its terms.

However, when Iran's deputy foreign minister tweeted that Iran was willing to start negotia-

tions again "before the end of November," Biden and the three European leaders were quick to state their readiness.

The day after the Tweet, National Security Adviser, Jake Sullivan announced that Biden and the three European leaders would sidebar at the G20 meeting to discuss how they should respond to Iran's statement and to determine whether or not returning to negotiations would be worth it.

Biden, Merkel, Ma-

cron and Johnson are all optimistic about where talks with Iran could lead and, in a joint statement, they expressed their hope for compliance.

"We are convinced that it is possible to quickly reach and implement an understanding in return to full compliance and to ensure for the long term that Iran's nuclear program is exclusively for peaceful purposes," the statement reads.

House passes Build Back Better Bill

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In the ongoing process of enacting President Joe Biden's Build Back Better (BBB) agenda, the House of Representatives voted to pass a \$1.2 trillion, Senate approved, bipartisan infrastructure bill last Friday, Nov. 5.

Titled the "Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act," this bill includes funding for transportation, broadband internet and utilities across the country.

The revamp of the bill approved by the Senate in August has been in debate within the House of Representatives for the past few months before finally being approved in a 228-206 vote. It will likely be signed by Biden in the next few days.

The bill had the support of thirteen Republicans while six Democrats voted against it, including Democratic Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (AOC).

According to CNBC, "the legislation's passage

is perhaps the unified Democratic government's most concrete achievement since it approved a \$1.9 trillion Coronavirus relief package in the spring."

The "Build Back Better Act", however, is a separate bill within Biden's overall BBB Plan and has primarily only been supported by Democrats so far. This bill covers a variety of social services and climate change programs.

Coverages include universal and free preschool for all three- and four-year-olds, care for older Americans and people with disabilities, providing tax cuts for 39 million households, rebates and tax credits for shifting to clean energy, funding clean energy technology, expansions on affordable health care and efforts to bring down costs and strengthen the middle class.

This bill was also meant to be passed through the House last Friday night alongside the infrastructure bill, but was held up by more debate and a demand for a Congressional Budget Office (CBO) score by moderate Dem-

ocrats, in order to show the bill will not add to the budget deficit. The House instead passed a procedural vote to set up the eventual passage of the bill.

"Interesting. Conservative [Democrats] want to make sure that Build Back Better is fully paid for at exactly the same time that they voted for an infrastructure bill that, according to the CBO, increases the federal deficit by \$256 billion. Not very consistent!" Democratic Senator Bernie Sanders said in a Nov. 6 Tweet.

Progressive Democrats, including Sen. Sanders and Rep. AOC, have criticized more moderate Democrats, including Sens. Joe Manchin and Kyrsten Sinema who have held up the passing of both these bills in both the House and Senate over the past few months.

Biden, who has struggled to reach a deal that satisfies both progressives and moderates during this time, praised the passage of the infrastructure bill and the procedural vote for the BBB bill.

In a statement on Nov. 6, Biden called the two bills "a once-in-a-genera-



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tion investment that's going to create millions of jobs, modernize our infrastructure, our roads, our bridges, our broadband, a whole range of things, to turn the climate crisis into an opportunity."

From Fox News, Former-President Donald Trump has criticized Biden's spending agenda as the "Green New Deal bill," warning that the American people will face tax increases, and the Democratic Party will lose dozens of seats in the House of Representatives

during the 2022 midterm elections.

In the White House Framework of the BBB agenda, however, they state that by "repealing the Trump Administration's rebate rule, the plan is fully paid for by asking more from the very largest corporations and the wealthiest Americans. No one making under \$400,000 will pay a penny more in taxes."

The House will return on Nov. 13 to cast a final vote on the BBB bill. If the final bill clears the

House, it will go to the Senate where it will likely be debated, particularly among Sens. Manchin, Sinema and Sanders, who have already voiced their stances on several issues within the bill.

Following any revisions, the bill will likely pass through the Senate as well. Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer said he hopes to have the Senate pass its version of the BBB bill after the House does and that it will be passed before Thanksgiving.

Gas and heat prices to increase

HEAT PRICES INCREASING

A colder-than-usual winter could lead to:

- a 15 percent increase for households heated by electricity
- a 50 percent increase for those heated by natural gas
- a 59 percent increase for those using heating oil
- a 94 percent increase for those dependent on propane.

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As the winter months are right around the corner, the days of warm fall weather will soon be in the past.

Many homes and businesses have switched off their air conditioning in favor of their heat due to the recent drop in temperatures. While this itself is not anything out of the ordinary, Americans may be paying much more for their heat this winter.

The National Energy Assistance Directors Association predicts that gas bills could rise up to 30 percent this winter, according to ABC News.

This comes after prices dropped due to the slowing of the economy during the pandemic. However, as the economy is moving forward again, prices are dramatically increasing.

Half of U.S. households use natural gas to heat their homes, according to The New York Times. Since last year,

the price of natural gas has almost doubled.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration predicts that a colder-than-usual winter could lead to a 15 percent increase for households heated by electricity, a 50 percent increase for those heated by natural gas, a 59 percent increase for those using heating oil and a 94 percent increase for those dependent on propane.

In a preventative effort to combat this issue, a bipartisan group of New England senators wrote to the White House urging for action.

The Biden Administration decided to release 90 percent of the funds for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, which has \$3.75 billion in funds, according to the New York Times. This program provided an average of \$439 to over five million low-income households during the year prior to the COVID-19 pandemic.

During a typical year, funding for this program

is not released until the entire budget for the fiscal year has been reviewed and approved, yet Congress was willing to make an exception due to the cold months on the horizon, the New York Times stated.

On top of this, the group of New England senators are still recommending \$5 billion more be added to the program's budget.

The New York Times noted that many power companies are preparing for grace periods during the early months of 2022 in preparation.

To help combat these costs on an individual basis, the U.S. Energy Department recommends turning the thermostat down 7 to 10 degrees to save around 10 percent of energy costs. Other recommended ways to save is by investing in a smart thermostat or by installing heating insulation.

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Doane Crime Log

Doane Safety Office reported incidents in their public crime log. Incidents reported between Nov. 2 to 9 include:

- 11/02 **Fire: Fire False Alarm** - Campus Property- Doane Crete: Residence Halls: Smith Hall: Third Floor
- 11/06 **Vandalism** - Campus Property- Doane Crete: Parking Lots: Lot M

Students stay silent for victims

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Chi Delta sorority hosted their annual "Support the Silenced" event on Nov. 5 for their No Means November campaign. This event invites all of Greek Life and the Doane community to sit in silence for an entire 24 hours in Lakeside to recognize sexual assault victims who have been silenced.

Students from every Greek organization and many students across camps signed up for one-hour shifts from 9 a.m. on Nov. 5, to 9 a.m. on Nov. 6. Students participating could do just about anything during their time except speak or work on school work. Many students played games and worked on puzzles.

Several students participated all throughout the night. Among one of the students to support the silenced for the longest time was active member of Omega Psi Theta sorority and senior Brenna Mulvey, who participated in the event for over 13 hours.

Active member of Phi Sigma Tau sorority and senior Halie Rohe participated in the event for four hours. Rohe discussed how much fun it was to hang out with different members of the Greek Life community and support such an important cause.

"I think this event was important for everyone because there [are] so many sexual assault survivors who don't report it, and this was a great and easy way to show our support for them," Rohe said. "It's even more im-

portant for Greek Life because sexual assault is an easy stereotype for the Greek Life community at bigger schools. It happens everywhere, and it was awesome to support the cause."

On Nov. 9, Chi Delta sorority is hosting an open mic night at Lakeside at 7:30 p.m. They are also selling t-shirts for \$10, with all proceeds going to Voices of Hope.

If you or someone you know is needing help, please email the director of the Campus Advocacy, Prevention and Education (CAPE) Project Shyla Kallhoff at syhla.kallhoff@doane.edu.

Doane also has free counseling for all students. If interested, please contact Myron Parsley at myron.parsley@doane.edu or Reagan Bartholomew at reagan.bartholomew@doane.edu.



Courtesy photo | Julia Ramirez

Members of various Greek groups sit in Lakeside during their time shift for Support the Silenced. This event recognized victims of sexual assault that have been silenced.

Passports offer gender neutral option

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In June of 2021, the United States made the decision to join other countries such as Canada, Australia, India, Malta, Nepal and New Zealand in creating a third gender option on U.S. passports, according to NPR.

In addition to this change, applicants are able to select the binary gender option that they would like printed on their passport, even if the gender differs from other

documentation such as a birth certificate, previous passport or state ID.

The U.S. issued its first passport with "X" marked as the gender for those who are non-binary, intersex or gender nonconforming on Oct. 27, according to NBC News.

The U.S. State Department intends on offering this option to the wider population at the beginning of next year.

The announcement of the first gender neutral passport option in the

U.S. is considered a win for the LGBTQ+ community.

Sophomore and president of People for the Rights of Individuals of Sexual Minorities (PRISM) Zekiel Krejci-Hyde similarly considers it a win.

This change has the potential to benefit a large portion of Americans, as it is estimated that 1.2 million Americans are nonbinary and four million are intersex, according to NBC News.

It was announced that

the first individual who was able to mark "X" for their gender on their passport was Colorado resident, Dana Zzyym.

Zzyym, an intersex individual, has been in an ongoing legal battle regarding the binary gender options on passport applications. They were denied a passport after failing to check an "F" or "M," instead writing intersex above the boxes.

NBC News reported that Zzyym called it "liberating" to have a passport that accurately

represented their gender identity.

"It's just a matter of respect, respecting that someone doesn't want an 'M' or 'F' on their passport because that doesn't line up with their identity," Krejci-Hyde said.

Many states have already made the change to allow the option "X" as a gender marker on state IDs. There are 20 states that have made this change with the potential of more to come after the first "X" gender marker passport was released.

Krejci-Hyde said he would be interested in the effects that this would have on a larger scale in regards to traveling to other countries that are "less accepting than the U.S."

Until early next year, when this option will be more widely available, people interested can apply for a new passport that better reflects their gender identity without needing to show official documentation of that gender.

DULSA hosts Day of the Dead event

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On Nov. 2, the Doane University Latinx Student Association (DULSA), Spanish Club and the Department of Modern Languages put on a Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebration in Nyrop Hall.

Dia de los Muertos is a Latinx holiday originating in Mexico that happens over the course of two days on Nov. 1 and 2, with Nov. 1 being All Saint's Day and Nov. 2 as the actual Day of the Dead.

It is often confused with Halloween as it occurs so close together and

features skulls, skeletons and the idea of the dead coming back to the Earth. However, it is meant to honor loved ones who have passed away and celebrate the returning of their souls.

Oftentimes, families will make an altar, or "ofrenda," in their homes which is essentially an offering place to remember loved ones. These altars are decorated with bright yellow marigold flowers, photos of the departed and the favorite foods, drinks or items of those being honored.

Sophomore and member of DULSA Dani Avalos talked about some of the traditions of the holiday.

"There are so many traditions that follow this event, one of them including altars for loved ones and church bells playing at midnight to indicate the souls of our loved ones [coming] back to earth to celebrate on the first and the second of November," Avalos said.

Some of the activities at the event last Tuesday included decorating cookies and sugar skulls, making paper flower decorations (called papel picado), watching the movie "Coco" and honoring loved ones who have passed away by writing letters to them.

"My favorite part of it was watching other students participating in the

activities," sophomore and President of DULSA Sabrina Renderos-Bonilla said. "We had hot chocolate and pan dulce. We also had a station where students had the opportunity to write a letter to someone they have lost. It was touching to see and read the letters that were made."

Avalos also mentioned her favorite events from the DULSA event.

"One of my favorite activities was the letters to our deceased loved ones," Avalos said. "Often society goes too quickly to remember those that have left us and getting to commemorate them, even just to ourselves, is always nice."

Sophomore and member of DULSA Corina Grimaldo talked about her experiences and favorite parts of the holiday.

"I remember when my mom would make pan de muerto, and we never made an ofrenda, but my other family members back in Mexico would do that," Grimaldo said. "My favorite part about the event was the cookie decorating we did, and I also liked the conchas and the pan dulce."

DULSA would like to

spread awareness for the holiday and teach people that it is not so much a scary or sad day, but it is instead a joyful and festive way to remember those that have died.

"I know that due to Halloween's closeness to this celebration it can often be misunderstood," Avalos said. "But I hope this event allowed people to see a fraction of the cultural importance of this event to the Latinx community."

Podcast shares sports news

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Staff Writer

With a large portion of Doane students also being athletes, Doane athletics plays an important role in campus life. Students in every sport are trying their best to win championships, games and meets. Sophomores Zach Schuchardt and Jared Ertzner Kitto aim to highlight this with their podcast titled "Interception to Aces" focused on Doane athletics.

"We feel that our sports and athletes and coaches don't get the recognition that we feel that they deserve, and that is what we are all about," Kitto said.

Kitto and Schuchardt were inspired by the Volleyball team and the culture their program has built. Wanting to bring that culture to all of Doane athletics, the two sophomores decided to make a podcast to relay that culture to as many sports as possible.

"We want to help build a culture of community and togetherness between all of the activities here on campus. We want everyone to feel supported and heard," Schuchardt said.

The two podcast hosts are pitchers on the Doane Baseball team and plan to interview athletes, coaches and staff to highlight the athletes succeeding in their respective fields. On

top of interviews, they will also do recaps of sporting events throughout the year. Additionally, mental health will be one of the primary focuses of the podcast.

"We wish we could have every student-athlete on our podcast to share their story and [to] talk about their respective sport. When we decide on the guest for the week, we usually look at student-athletes who are performing to a high standard and are doing incredible things," Schuchardt said.

Both Schuchardt and Kitto want to help foster a positive community of athletes with this podcast. Both believe every sport should support

one another. Schuchardt emphasized that Doane athletics needs a sense of cohesion, community and togetherness so that everyone is supported and heard.

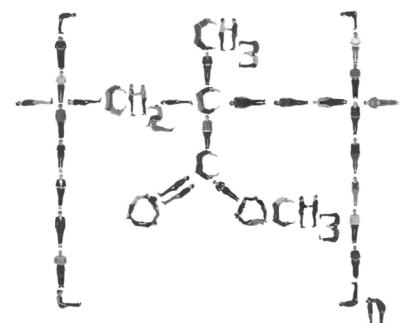
"We want students to feel that they are appreciated and that their hard work is valued here at Doane and that the podcast can help get their name out there to the community and even possibly farther than that," Kitto said.

Kitto and Schuchardt's podcast, "Interception to Aces" is currently available on Spotify, with their latest release being "Shooters Shoot" on Nov. 8.

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Aquarius (January 21 - February 19): Challenges may push you past your comfort zone this week, but know that everything happens for a reason. When one door closes, another one opens.

Pisces (February 20 - March 20): Know when you need time to yourself. Balance in your social life is key.

Aries (March 21 - April 20): Recent troubles have blocked you from reaching your fullest potential. Use those past experiences this week to push yourself.

Taurus (April 21 - May 21): You continue to compare yourself to other people. Take time to notice when you are being unkind to yourself.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21): Push past the many tasks you may have this week, so that you can have a weekend filled with fun and time to yourself.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): Do not compromise yourself for someone else's satisfaction. Stand up for yourself and what you want.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): Relationship problems may be at their peak this week. Know that it is alright to be vulnerable and share how you feel to others. Communication is key.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): You might be waiting on a response from someone. Whatever you are waiting for, things are looking up for you this week so continue to stay positive as you await.

Libra (September 23 - October 22): The creative juices are at an all time high this week, so use it to your advantage.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): You might not have noticed it until now, but growth and self-reflection has been very apparent within you. Be proud of where you are currently and take time to reflect on where you have come from.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): As much as you strive to have the last word in every conflict, you must let things go. Sometimes the issue or person just isn't worth your time.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20): Take a risk this week and put yourself out there. Say yes to as much as possible, much reward will come in return.

Greek Life raises money in phonathon

JOSE VILLALPANDO
News Editor

Greek Phonathon has kicked off again this year for the month of November.

Phonathon sees student members of Greek Life participating in calling alumni from their respective groups to "just have a conversation with them," member of Alpha Pi Epsilon fraternity and junior Ben Theiler said.

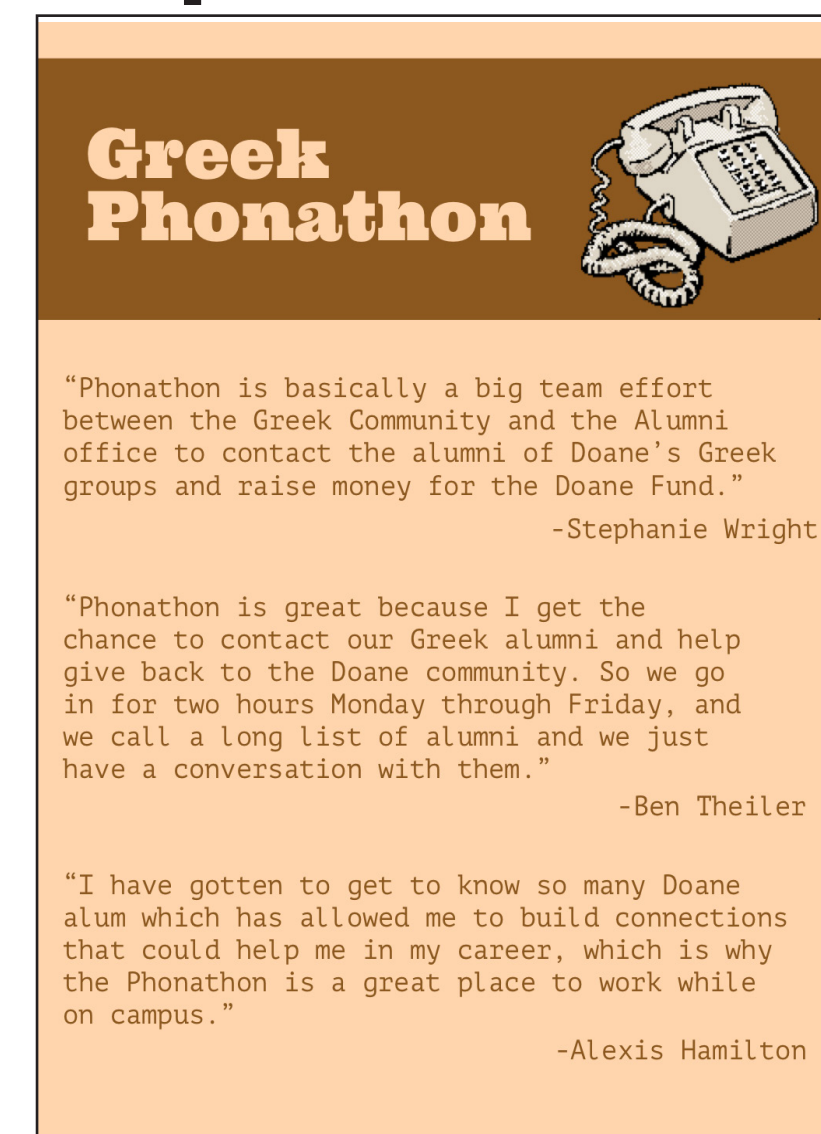
Aside from that, students also ask alumni if they would be willing to give back to the university in order to grow the Doane Fund, where a lot of scholarship money comes from.

"Phonathon is basically a big team effort between the Greek Community and the Alumni Office to contact the alumni of Doane's Greek groups and raise money for the Doane Fund," member of Chi Delta sorority and junior Stephanie Wright said.

Students get a chance to talk to alumni in order to learn more or listen to old stories from the alumni of their respective groups.

"I have been working for the Phonathon since I was a freshman here and was even a manager last year," member of Gamma Phi Iota sorority and junior Alexis Hamilton said. "It is a great opportunity for us to learn more about our alumni community and for alumni to see what Doane is currently all about."

"The experience is great. I get



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to hear some old stories, and I have fun while participating," Theiler said.

Phonathon runs through the end of November, with partici-

pating members of Greek Life taking turns calling on weeknights.

Greek groups look to recruit students

JOSE VILLALPANDO
News Editor

With this semester getting closer to its end, Greek groups are still bustling with life.

With groups having to make changes due to COVID-19 last year, many were excited to work on getting their names out there again through action while also adhering to COVID-19 protocols. For some, this has led to different ideas to make traditional activities safer.

For Phi Sigma Tau sorority, this meant bringing back Phi Sig Rolls, a tradition of selling cinnamon rolls around campus.

"Our group is trying to be as safe as possible but also carry on traditions we have. We are trying everything we can to follow guidelines but also make the most of our time here in the group together," Phi Sigma Tau President and senior Ciera Wilkinson said.

Omega Psi Theta sorority has also been working at getting their name out there, especial-

ly amongst new Doane students.

"We have tried wearing our letters as much as possible around campus. Omega Monday is one day where everyone in our group wears our letters of some sort, [so] we know people will see us that day," Omega Psi Theta President and junior Makenna Klug said.

Not everything has been easy, with COVID-19 having a lasting impact on campus involvement. Multiple groups have had their fair share of challenges in terms of recruitment.

"The Greek community has changed a little due to the pandemic [with] the lack of events that were allowed to happen last year. It has made it much more difficult to get to know people," Gamma Phi Iota sorority President and senior Haley Miller said.

Many Greek Life members have expressed concerns about this year's recruitment, as the potential members do not seem very interested at this point.

"I think the biggest



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Members of Delta Kappa Pi fraternity pose at the Greek recruitment event that gave potential members an opportunity to meet active members.

challenge is not always having those classes or other activities with possible new members. This year, I feel that we have not heard much of an interest when it comes to Greek Life when asking the freshman class. One thing I'm hoping for is that Greek Life takes a big jump in recruitment, not just for us but for everyone in general," Klug said.

One big challenge that most groups agree on is the split that COVID-19 seemed to have on Greek

Life as a whole before coming back this semester.

"I think the Greek community has been less unified as to how it was before. Because of safety purposes, some groups decided to do fewer activities with other groups before, but on the other side, I think COVID has made us come up with different ideas and different events to continue doing what we used to do but in a safer way," Sigma Phi Theta fraternity President and senior Sean Murray said.

With this added challenge, it had been harder for some Greek groups to hold large recruitment events. Now, groups look forward to fewer COVID-19 restrictions.

"Overall, the Greek community has witnessed some shortages in numbers due to the pandemic, our group included. However, we are super excited to see how this year goes with less restrictions," Miller said.

Many Greek groups echo each other in what they would like people

outside of the Greek community to know about them.

"I want people to know how great this community is. I want to share the many experiences that I have had and how I have learned from all of them. This community has made a positive impact on me, and I am proud of being part of it," Murray said.

Similarly, Delta Kappa Pi fraternity President and senior Riley Spicer said he hopes people will give Greek Life a chance now that most events have been restored to their states before COVID-19.

"Give it a shot. I am not saying Greek Life is for everyone, but Doane's local Greek Life offers a sense of connection that individuals would be surprised to find. I did not see myself joining a Greek group my freshman year, but a few men on campus that I considered leaders were part of Delta Kappa Pi and I figured it would probably be worth my time to find out what it was all about," Spicer said.

43rd Army Band honors veterans

KYLIE HUGHES
Life & Culture

On Nov. 7, the Doane and Crete communities had the opportunity to listen to the 43rd Army Band perform.

This performance, to honor and celebrate veterans, was hosted at Doane in Heckman Auditorium. Doane band students were required to attend this event. Crete community members had the opportunity to attend

this free performance.

Junior Olivia Kreikemeier said she learned in her Jazz Band class that listening to music outside of rehearsal makes someone a better musician. Therefore, she was glad to have this opportunity to watch the band perform and gain a new perspective.

Similarly, junior Sophia Coniglio said she recognized how beneficial getting to watch the performance was, as all

of the band students were exposed to "very talented players and more difficult repertoire."

"[Watching performances] is important not only because these performers have an opportunity to perform, it is also a learning opportunity and really opens your eyes to what is out there in the music world," Coniglio said.

The 43rd Army Band of the Nebraska National Guard based out of

Lincoln is the only musical unit of the National Guard. The band represents Nebraska through a wide range of civilian and military functions such as parades, concerts, dances and military receptions, according to their website.

The Nov. 7 performance also featured Doane's very own Professor of Music and Director of Bands Jay Gilbert conducting his arrangement. Kreikemeier said she

remembered not only her love for band music, but she also remembered that being in a band means being part of a group and not just an individual throughout the performance.

"Watching the concert, I re-remembered my love for band music. It was a fantastic performance performed by extremely talented musicians who are there because they love to play music," Kreikemeier

said.

This performance is not the only way that Doane will be celebrating veterans. On Veteran's Day, Nov. 11, the Music Department will be hosting the annual Veteran's Day Observance featuring the concert band as well as several guest speakers.

Following the concert, veterans in attendance will be invited to a free meal in the cafeteria as a special thank you.

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7 First Climate Reality Campus Corps Meeting	8 Myth-Buster Monday Omega Psi Theta Open House Sigma Phi Theta Open House	9	10 Personal Statement Picnics Mental Health Cafe	11 Veteran's Day Concert Thoughtful Thursdays Alpha Omega Open house	12 Midnight Munchies	13
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- STAFF EDITORIAL -

Don't lose yourself in the music

With the breaking news this weekend about people being severely injured and killed at Astroworld, we at the Owl want to remind everyone how important it is to look out for others, strangers or not.

The herd mentality is real and can be a dangerous weapon to everyone. It is easy to get swept up in the moment and follow others, but know your morals and what's right.

There were several brave and outspoken people that tried to help at the concert,

but not enough to stop the tragedy.

One way to be safer when going out or attending large events is to make sure to always travel with others and use a buddy system when going to the bathroom or getting up. This not only prevents stalking and kidnapping, but also helps in preventing mob rushes as you and your group take up much more space and therefore have a greater say in what happens in a crowd.

Several attendees of the

concert have come out on social media addressing the immediate concerns they had about security of the concert.

If you are ever in a situation where you feel unsafe, do not be afraid to address your concerns with the ones you are with and others around you. Additionally, while it might be disappointing, if you feel like your safety is at stake, leave the concert or venue. Better you leave and miss part of a show than wait too long and become en-

dangered.

Crowd crush tragedies like the one this weekend aren't that common; however, if you ever find yourself in the situation it important to keep your eyes open, try to leave while you can, maintain an upright position, save your breath, keep your arms at chest level, don't resist the flow of the crowd and move away from barriers at all costs.

Hot takes; that's good soup

A weekly rating of random things by Joey Winton

JOEY WINTON
Managing Editor

With the weather getting colder, it's easier to get sick (please make sure you're vaccinated against COVID and the flu), and as we all know, the best way to cure any sickness (aside from actual medical methods) is to eat a lot of soup.

This week's Hot Takes will be all about that soupy goodness... soup.

Each soup is graded based on a set list of criteria that I deem important in judging the objective quality of what makes a soup good.

These are taste, texture and how easy it is to make yourself (beyond just buying a can of it and microwaving it).

Taste is the most important aspect of a soup for obvious reasons. If a soup tastes like somebody put a bowl of dirty dish water in front of you, it's going to rank poorly.

Texture is the second most important quality of a soup because if a soup tastes really good but feels



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like a dry snail when you chew or swallow it, it will not rank as high as a soup with a lesser taste but a much better texture.

The final category is how easy the soup is to make. If a soup has an exquisite taste and texture but is difficult to make, it's not going to rank as high compared to a soup that maybe isn't as great overall but can be easily made at home.

S Tier - These soups are s(o)uper tasty and are the definition of comfort food.

A Tier - While not quite as good overall as the ones above, these soups are still very delicious and are a worthy choice.

B Tier - These soups are just average, nothing horrible about them but nothing great about them either.

C Tier - More often than not, these soups are served as punishment for criminals because of their lackluster taste.

F Tier - The fact that these are even considered food boggles my mind because who would ever let anything so vile into their mouth?

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

S Tier: (The best)- Chicken Noodle, Tomato Basil, French Onion, Lobster Bisque

A Tier: (Second Best)- Tomato, Chicken Tortilla, Butternut Squash

B Tier: (Average)- Minestrone, Gumbo, Beef Stew, Chili

C Tier: (Below Average)- Clam Chowder, Cream of Mushroom, Gazpacho

F Tier: (Garbage)- Lentil, Split Pea

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!

Christmas comes for us all



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It is now November, and do you know what that means? It is time for the Christmas spirit to yak all over the world. That's right, I am one of those people that celebrates Christmas from Nov.1 to Dec. 25.

I think the correct way to get into the holiday spirit is by listening to Christmas music from Nov. 1 to Nov. 24, taking a break for two days to celebrate Thanksgiving, and then resuming the Christmas festivities until Dec. 25.

We live in such a busy society that if you wait until December to think about Christmas, you won't have time to fully appreciate every aspect. Think of every part



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of the holiday season. There are presents, music, recipes, events and even more. Taking an extended amount of time to appreciate the fa-la-lidays is the smartest way to accomplish everything and take time to breathe in the peppermint.

To ease into the holiday mood, I suggest starting by listening to a great holiday playlist in the car. There are many on Spotify to choose from. You can even pick holiday music in various genres. My recommendations to start are either the "Christ-

mas time but not christmas songs" playlist or the "Cozy Christmas Jazz" playlist on Spotify.

Start trying peppermint-flavored foods or drinks. In Crete, try out one of the new Scooters holiday flavors that were just released. I am always a fan of the peppermint mochas during the cold months. This is finally the season where I make the switch to hot drinks whenever I can.

My favorite part of the holiday season is buying gifts. I love planning the

perfect gift and imagining the face of the gift receiver when they open the package. I don't acknowledge Black Friday as a major part of the holiday season, but the day of shopping does point me towards Christmas.

I understand not wanting to put up your Christmas tree on Nov. 1 but getting into the holiday season mindset as we get towards the end of the year makes the shorter days sparkle.

Re-recording brings back memories



ABRIANNA MILLER
Editor-in-Chief

My life has been consumed by Taylor Swift's music, and that is not changing anytime soon. In the past year or so, Taylor Swift's old record

label sold her first six studio albums without her permission and without giving her the opportunity to buy her own music. Since then, she has been re-recording her first six albums while also releasing new music.

Taylor Swift is calling her re-recordings "Taylor's Version," and "Fearless: Taylor's Version" has already been released. This week, "Red: Taylor's Version" is being released, and I cannot wait.

"Red" was originally released in 2012 as Taylor Swift's fourth studio album. Memories of the album's release and my excitement stand prominent in my memory. Re-

living those moments is going to be wonderful but also a weird emotional regression.

I have already apologized to those closest to me for how unstable and dramatic I will be for approximately the next three weeks. My life will be filled with "Red: Taylor's Version" on repeat, and that is non-negotiable.

To no one's surprise, the 10-minute version of "All Too Well" will undoubtedly be my favorite. The original is impressive and painful enough; I can't imagine what the other half is like.

I also think that "Come Back, Be Here" is going to be amazing, but

that could just be due to my current circumstances being away from home and all.

My favorite hidden gem from this album, though, is "The Last Time." This song destroys my heart every time I hear it. It is a heartbroken ballad that always leaves me in tears.

Gary Lightbody is featured in the song, but I'm not sure if he will be included in Taylor's Version. I think he will remain on the track; however, I wouldn't complain if Taylor Swift took over his verses.

"Red: Taylor's Version" will be released on all streaming platforms on Nov. 12, so if you see



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me or talk to me that day (and the week after), just be prepared for a shipwreck of conflicted emotions and unrestrained joy.

Album review: TWOPOINTFIVE



John Dawes
Staff Writer

Adam Aminé Daniel, better known by his middle name Aminé, is becoming one of the most unique voices in music to-

day, and his new mixtape "TWOPOINTFIVE" shows how colorful and varied his sound can be.

The Portland, Ore. native first gained success with his first commercial single "Carolina" in 2017 and his debut album "Good for You." Although it had a solid commercial debut, the album lacked depth in its sound, as every song had the same bouncy and carefree cadence but showed Aminé had plenty of room to grow.

To fill in the gap between his first and second album, Aminé released "TWOPOINTFIVE" which shows the artist playing with his sound and setting the ground-

work for future projects.

Aminé's second album, "Limbo," showed how high his ceilings could be—mixing seamless rapping, singing and songwriting with varied topics, a diverse feature list and punchy production. The new mixtape serves as a mental reset for the artist and keeps his creative energy alive after a large album rollout.

"[The mixtapes are] where I give myself the freedom to make music without expectations, focusing instead of spontaneity and the best of what comes from a stream of conscious creation, which is why they arrive unexpectedly without a

long rollout," Aminé said in an interview with Apple Music.

"TWOPOINTFIVE" shows Aminé flexing his creative muscles further, with the mixtape veering into an almost hyper pop and playing with the structure of Aminé's usual sound. In the hook of the first song, "YiPiYaY," Aminé focuses more on melody and playing with autotune, song structure and an energetic beat.

"TWOPOINTFIVE" leans on its contemporary pop influences heavily by taking heavy autotune, almost-nonsensical lyrics, bright production with chopped vocal samples in the production and sprinkling it into every song.

Most importantly, every piece is short in runtime and only has one verse focusing on the chorus. Songs like "Sh!t2Luz" seem like something straight out of the pop discography of a label like PC Music.

"Colors" is an excellent example of how "TWOPOINTFIVE" has an almost tang to its sound. The autotuned vocals wiggle into your ear, but the chorus is just Aminé talking about finding himself in colors and where he fits in between them.

The lead single for the mixtape, "Charmander," named after the Pokemon, is maybe the best song on this tape

with an effective use of a sample, a beat that uses every inch of its run time to pack synths, flutes and an effortlessly smooth background for Aminé's excellent hook and verse.

Not every song is perfect, though, as "meant-2be" is a sound too far out of Aminé's wheelhouse. Similarly, "Dididum-duhdud" has maybe the flattest beat, and Aminé doesn't provide enough energy on the track to make up for how slow the track moves.

However, Aminé's artistic risks pay off most of the time. Aminé hits his stride in full on "TWOPOINTFIVE" and shows he has more creative energy in the tank. 7/10

A must-see movie review: Dune



MATTHEW MITTELEIDER
Staff Writer

I may be a little late to the party here, but this past weekend I finally watched Dune, directed by Denis Villeneuve.

While I haven't read the books, I was aware of the fact that the movie was an adaptation, and I definitely got the sense that they were trying to

make it accurate to the author's original story.

It felt like there was a whole world of characters and other planets and social hierarchies, but they weren't always very well explained throughout the film. My advice if you want to watch this movie is to pay attention to the details because it will not always spoon feed you exposition.

Something that didn't quite sit well with me after seeing the film was that the story was not complete, and none of the characters really finished what they were trying to accomplish by the end. I know that there are several books in the series and there will inevitably be sequels and further installments to continue the story, but I wish it had been more concluded in this one.

I might be in the minority here, but I think that if you're going to tell a story, you should be

able to make it feel complete within the space you have to tell it. There should be some sense of beginning, middle and end, and if you want to leave the possibility of a sequel open that's fine. But the story itself should fit within whatever medium you are telling it.

That being said, I think this movie only works if you have a sequel or sequels to finish the story, because it just isn't done with only this film. It's decent on its own but without a sequel, the ending and everything this one set up makes no sense and doesn't have an ending.

Aside from that, I found what was being set up to be pretty interesting, and I enjoyed the world that was created. There was a lot of depth to it, especially on the desert planet Arrakis, and it felt like I was getting really immersed in the universe of the movie and

the story that it starts.

I also really respect the craft of the filmmaking involved in Dune, I could tell they actually went out to some real locations to shoot a lot of it and used many practical effects.

When there were computer generated shots and effects they were also

done pretty well, aside from maybe one scene (which was also included in the trailer) that looked really rushed. But overall there were some very beautiful visuals and cinematography throughout.

Overall I found Dune to be entertaining and satisfying to look at, but

without a sequel to wrap up everything it started, it doesn't really work. The movie currently has a score of 83% on Rotten Tomatoes and can be seen in theaters or on HBO Max.



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THUMBS DOWN...

Cross Country conference success

CASSIE KESSLER
Sports Editor

On Nov. 6, both the Men's and Women's Cross Country teams traveled to Orange City, Iowa to compete in the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) tournament meet. Both teams had excellent results, with the Men finishing second out of 11 teams and the Women finishing fourth out of 12 teams.

Facing the conference

tournament had many runners feeling a mixture of nerves as well as excitement. For freshman Alyssa Plock, this meet provided the opportunity to show what her team could do on a much larger stage than in previous meets.

"We had put in so much hard work into practices, previous meets and the team as well," Plock said. "We were just really pumped to see what we could do at this race."

Although the race provided a great opportuni-

ty for the team to show off their talent, the stakes were also much higher, as many runners were attempting to qualify for the national championship. Runners like sophomore Ryan Evans felt the pressure leading up to the conference race from this extremely high goal.

"We had this goal all year of trying to make it to the national meet, so we had a bit of pressure from needing to be us and run well," Evans said.

Leading up to this race, the team faced

several intense practices that would help them get into the best position they could possibly be in. Both teams really zoned into practices and dedicated themselves to making the improvements they wanted to achieve.

"We had to focus on practices such as running with our teammates and sticking with them, which would give us the best shot to run well," Evans said. "We were looking to be ourselves and run like we always do."

With multiple top 25

finishes on both sides, such as senior Allie Binder, it is clear that the Men and Women on these two teams did an excellent job of pushing themselves constantly throughout the season in order to have their best performances at the end of the season during this important meet.

"The main goal would obviously be to make it to the [National Championship], but the real goal is to find people to hang onto during the race and push each other to do our best," Binder said. "No

matter what happens, we will have achieved our goals for the season because the main goal was to make the most out of this season and give it all we have. No matter what happened/happens, we have achieved our goals already because we are running for a bigger purpose, which is for each other."

Now, all that is left for the team this season is the GPAC National Championship. This meet will take place in Vancouver, Wash. on Nov. 19.

Women's Basketball wins CV Classic

CASSIE KESSLER
Sports Editor

Over the weekend, the Women's Basketball team competed in the Cody Vance (CV) Classic, hosted on their home court. The team faced three different competitors and was able to come out victorious against each one, improving their record to 5-0.

Although the team was able to play with their home court advantage, having three games in a row can be exhausting by the end. For players like junior Ashley Teten, there is a lot of confidence in the team's ability as well as a realistic approach to each game.

"I think we are feeling confident heading into this home tournament

coming off of two wins to start off this season, but we know there are some good teams we will be facing, so focusing and executing will be key in being successful," Teten said.

While the team is confident in their progress thus far in the season, there is always room to continue improving and working on specific areas. For the CV Classic, the Women were ready to implement what they had been practicing all week.

"We have been really stressing the idea of showing up ready to compete, and I believe that's what we'll do," Teten said. "We are always working towards getting one percent better every day; small progress will lead us to great re-



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Freshman Mak Hatfield analyzes the best way around her opponent as she looks to

score.

Practicing technique and improving their game is always an important part of the team dynamic, but it is not the only key to success. Part of the reason the team

has been able to find such success during the start of their season is due to how all teammates have come together.

"Our chemistry is awesome. In the short time we've been play-

ing together, we have learned each other's tendencies and strengths," Teten said. "We always push each other and hold each other accountable to compete at the level we want to be at."

While the team is certainly strong so far, they look forward to several away games after being home for quite some time. Although this may take adjustments in how the team plays, they are ready for any environment they may be in.

"We are preparing by always coming to practice ready to go and by concentrating on communicating while on and off the court to help when we are in different gyms and atmospheres," Teten said. "As long as our communication and teamwork is there, playing in other gyms shouldn't make too much of a difference."

The Women's Basketball team will be playing against Mount Marty University at home on Nov. 13.

Men's Basketball improves road record

Team secures third victory on the road before coming home

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To start off last week, the men's basketball team travelled to York, Neb. to face off against York College. The team pulled out a win, backing their record 5-1 and their record on the road 3-0.

Despite having an impressive start to their season, the team took their first loss very seriously.

Team members like senior Alec Oberhauser and others realized what needed to be improved upon after being unsuccessful on the court.

"After losing it made the team realize that we need to be more consistent," Oberhauser said. "We all need to come together and be one."

While their record may not be spotless, the team has still found great success so far by trusting in each other. The team dynamic has made it very easy for everyone to come together and be cohesive.

"We as a team are very unselfish so that helps a lot with team chemistry," Oberhauser said. "If someone is struggling,

everyone is there to back him up. That plays a big role in self-confidence for us guys."

Their early on success has not only improved the atmosphere on the team but has also brought support from the Doane community. Sophomore Will Grixby has appreciated the interest his fellow students have in his team and hopes to keep impressing the crowd.

"You hear all the hype around the school about when the next game is," Grixby said. "People get to see you winning and it's really fun to win; everyone loves winning stuff so it's been a good experience."

However, practicing hard and striving to

compete each game better than before does not mean the team is only trying to win. The team has had an enjoyable start to the season and hopes to continue having a great time while doing what they love.

"We want to continue working on just having fun out there," Grixby said. "At the end of the day, we're playing basketball and sure, it's about winning, but it's more about going out there and having fun."

The men's basketball team will be back in action on Nov. 9 and 13 to play Nebraska Wesleyan University and Mount Marty University both at home.



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Sophomore Will Grixby makes a layup despite the attempted swat by his opponent.

Wrestling kicks off season with duals

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On Nov. 7, the Wrestling team opened their season competing in Greeley, Colo. in the Northern Colorado Duals. The team faced four different teams throughout the weekend and secured their first win of the season over Northwest Kansas Technical College.

Before the season started, the team was ranked third in the NAIA National Coaches' Poll, which was the

program's highest ever preseason ranking. Sophomore Benji Dobler and the rest of the team took this news very well but did not let it go to their heads.

"I think the whole team was pretty excited when we saw the preseason rankings, but we were just focusing on doing our job and improving day by day as the season goes on," Dobler said.

With the season just getting into swing, several new members of the team have had the opportunity to train with returning competitors and see what the season has in store for them as a

part of Doane Wrestling.

"Our team has always been really good with opening up to new guys and making them feel like they are home," Dobler said. "The new guys are pretty cool, so getting along with them was easy from the start."

The entire team, both new members and returning wrestlers, have been training intensely for a while despite the season just starting. While working on technique is very important, the team was also looking to work on building their mental strength.

"We've been training hard and also focusing a lot on the mental part

of wrestling, how to stay cool headed in tough situations and how to prepare yourself for matches," Dobler said.

With their first win of the season already under their belt, the team has a very intense schedule that will provide them with every opportunity to go onto the mat and demonstrate not only their skills, but also their sportsmanship as they support one another.

"Our goal is always to go out there and wrestle the best we can while having fun and supporting each other," Dobler said.

The Wrestling team will be back in action on

Nov. 13 in Des Moines, Iowa where they will

compete in the Grand View Open.

Athlete of the Week



Ashley Teten

Women's Basketball

matched Hatcliff for game-high honors with eight rebounds while posting a game-high six steals in Saturday's game.



Scoreboard Snapshot

VOLLEYBALL

November 2 @ FREMONT, NEB.

7:30 versus MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

SET ONE WARRIORS	SET TWO WARRIORS	SET THREE WARRIORS
[19-25]	[17-25]	[13-25]

November 6 @ JAMESTOWN, N.D.

7:00 versus UNIVERSITY OF JAMESTOWN

SET ONE JIMMIES	SET TWO JIMMIES	SET THREE JIMMIES
[20-25]	[19-25]	[16-25]

WRESTLING

October 7 @ GREELEY, COLO.

9:00 versus NORTH IDAHO COLLEGE

CARDINALS

[21-22]

10:30 versus UTAH VALLEY UNIVERSITY

WOLVERINES

[3-38]

1:30 versus NORTHWEST KANSAS TECHNICAL COLLEGE

WOLVERINES

[51-6]

3:00 versus UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN COLORADO

BEARS

[13-31]

WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

November 6 @ ORANGE CITY, I.A.

10:45 GPAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

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MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

November 6 @ ORANGE CITY, I.A.

11:30 GPAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

November 3 @ YORK, NEB.

7:00 versus YORK COLLEGE

TIGERS

[84-70]

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

November 4 @ HOME

7:00 versus PERU STATE COLLEGE

TIGERS

[74-50]

November 5 @ HOME

7:00 versus WALDORF UNIVERSITY

TIGERS

[81-54]

November 6 @ HOME

2:00 versus BARCLAY COLLEGE

TIGERS

[86-51]

Next week for Tiger Athletics

MEN'S BASKETBALL

November 9 @ HOME

7:00 versus NEBRASKA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

November 13 @ HOME

3:45 versus MOUNT MARTY UNIVERSITY

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

November 13 @ HOME

2:00 versus MOUNT MARTY UNIVERSITY

MEN'S WRESTLING

November 13 @ DES MOINES, I.A.

9:00 GRAND VIEW OPEN