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Seeking the Truth Without Favor

Donkeys dash down the court during the Crete FFA Alumni Dairyland Donkey Ball on Sunday. See more on page 3.

Trump's acquittal sparks student opinions

JOHN CELESKY
News Editor

With the acquittal of President Donald Trump bringing the impeachment trial to a close, student opinion is finding its way into conversations across campus.

Junior Grace Harkins followed the impeachment trial from the beginning, though not as close as she had wanted to. She was torn on her thoughts of the removal of Trump from office.

"Obviously what Trump did was wrong but the question of whether or not it was an impeachable offense is another question entirely," Harkins said. "I can see the arguments from both sides, and I think in this case it was less of a question of should Trump be removed from office and more of a question of would it be possible, which it was not from the start."

Freshman Samuel Province also did not have a clear yes or no on the matter because he did not have enough information to make an informed decision.

"I don't know if Trump should've been removed from office because witnesses and additional evidence were blocked from coming forward in the Senate," Province said. "I feel as though without that information coming forward for us to see there isn't a way



Graphic by Josh Bundy | The Doane Owl

President Donald Trump celebrated his acquittal by brandishing a copy of USA Today. After a one-and-a-half month long impeachment process, Trump was acquitted.

for me to have an opinion on whether or not he was at fault."

Freshman Salem Kessler had a firmer stance on the issue. They followed the impeachment process in order to make themselves aware of the situations and so they could educate others.

"I do think he should

have been removed," Kessler said. "Not only for conspiracy crimes but because of the words and actions he has been putting out since his election. As a queer person in America, my fundamental rights teeter on the edge of being lost every day Trump and his cabinet are still in office.

Pence is a huge supporter of conversion therapy, something I have personally experienced. Trans rights are constantly being removed and we are steadily being put as second class citizens, not to mention the way immigrants are treated by Trump, both through policies and words."

Junior Grant Hrabik agreed that Trump should be removed from office.

"I think Trump should have been removed from office because he allowed for foreign interference in an American political issue," Hrabik said. "Granted smear campaigns exist regardless of foreign interfer-

ence, it's the principle that people have the right to vote for who they want not by who the government deems a criminal or not."

Another problem students had was the blocking of witnesses from being able to testify in the Senate.

"I think that blocking witnesses from testifying in the Senate was a great hindrance in the investigation and trial and also borders closely on obstruction of justice," Harkins said. "When witnesses are not allowed to testify, you are missing a huge element of what a trial is supposed to be."

Hrabik also touched on the blocking of witnesses.

"We're in February and who actually remembers that Trump was actually impeached?" Hrabik said. "I think blocking the witnesses was a move to ensure that Trump wouldn't have such a large stain on his resume come election time."

While some students have been following the impeachment, many have not. One such student, freshman Drew Pennington, chooses to avoid political issues to avoid tough discussions.

"I followed [the impeachment] very lightly just to see what was going on and to see what the memes were all about," Pennington said.

Tires slashed on campus

BAILEY ROBERTS
News Editor

Four tires were slashed in the conservatory parking lot Sunday night

Four Doane students went to their cars late Sunday night to find their tires slashed.

Chief Steve Hensel said the Crete Police department received multiple reports of the slashed tires on the night of Feb. 9.

According to the Crete Police dam-

aged vehicles report, there were four vehicles involved. All four vehicles involved had their front passenger side tires slashed.

The Feb. 11, Public Crime Log indicates the slashings occurred between 7 p.m. on Feb. 9, and 12:30 a.m. on Feb. 10. The slashings happened in the Conservatory parking lot.

All of the incidents are still under investigation, Hensel said.

This is an ongoing story.

Three vehicles in collision

BAILEY ROBERTS
News Editor

A head-on collision involving three vehicles occurred Tuesday Feb. 11 at 2:30 p.m. near Butler Gym and across from Al Papik Field, according to the Crete Police Department.

The car hit was parallel parked on Doane Drive, facing south, when another vehicle collided with its front end, which backed the parked car into the car behind them.

No injuries were reported.

This is an ongoing story.



Courtesy photo | Doane student

Damage done to one of three cars in the Tuesday collision.

Concerns served to Sodexo

Request for proposal issued to Sodexo amid student complaints

JOSH BUNDY
Sports Editor

Student Congress has issued a request for proposal for Doane University's food provider, aiming to act on the concerns that Doane students have.

StuCo senator and food committee chair Quinn Martin says that this proposal would outline a set of expectations from the university's food provider to make the quality of food better.

"The goal is to work with

Sodexo on improving our current relationship/services while evaluating all the options we could pursue to create a future that is best for the student body," Martin said. "The main takeaway should be that this RFP (request for proposal) is not a guarantee that Doane is dropping Sodexo, this RFP is meant to represent Student Congress's desire to work for our students by taking initiative in their interests."

Martin, Amy Hendrickson and the food committee traveled to Midland University in Fremont to try their food and get their students' feelings on their food.

Students have had complaints about Sodexo's food for years. Martin and the food committee are looking to improve the food situation for the long term.

"Student Congress is looking for the option that survives the test of time, we want to choose the food provider that will suit both the needs of current stu-

dents and students in 10 years. What prompted this RFP was the current and historic dissatisfaction Student Congress has seen in students with the food being served here at Doane," Martin said.

Martin felt that he would be letting the student body down and failing as a leader if his committee didn't at least issue an RFP for the food services on campus.

He emphasized the importance of the voice of the student body and how those voices don't go unheard.

"I want the student body to continue to exercise their voice and share their concerns with StuCo," Martin said. "I want students to know that Student Congress is about action."

If students have any concerns with the food being served, whether it be from quality or due to dietary needs, Martin encourages everyone to speak to their StuCo representatives and those working at the cafeteria.

Survivor winner connects with students

JOSH BUNDY
Sports Editor



Ethan Zohn, a cancer survivor and winner of Survivor: Africa speaks to students.

Photo by Josh Bundy | The Doane Owl

Winning Survivor: Africa might be enough of an accomplishment for just about anybody on the planet, but not for Doane's guest speaker Ethan Zohn.

Not only has he been on Survivor, but he has also been on The Amazing Race, Fear Factor, Family Feud and numerous other reality television shows.

Zohn was never afraid of failing during these game shows because he looked at them as opportunities and experiences.

"I wasn't afraid to fail. The worst thing that could happen in all of these (game shows) is that you get voted out first. It's embarrassing, but you'll get over it and you'll learn from it, but it was the experience," Zohn said.

For Zohn, the money he gained from these experiences wasn't for personal gain, it was about making a difference in the world. He started his organization, Grassroots Soccer, with the money he made from Survivor Africa in 2001.

Grassroots Soccer aims to eliminate the adolescent health gap by promoting healthier lifestyles through soccer. The organization also informs adolescents of developing countries about diseases like HIV/AIDS, allowing information that would have not been available to them otherwise.

The organization has

reached more than 2.7 million adolescents in 45 countries according to its website.

Zohn has not been without his struggles in life either. His motto of never letting a crisis go to waste rings true in his own life.

He was diagnosed with a rare form of cancer known as CD20-Positive Hodgkin's Lymphoma in April 2009. He went through chemotherapy and a stem cell transplant, only for the cancer to quickly return. It took experimental treatment and a second stem cell transplant for the cancer to go into remission, where it would remain until 20 months later.

In the fall of 2011, Zohn was told the cancer had returned, and he had to face

it again. He beat it yet again and has been cancer-free ever since.

He spoke openly about the struggles of losing friends to HIV, his cancer battle and even losing his father at a young age.

"During each moment of my life that was a bad moment, each one of those moments, I used that crisis to do something positive, whether it was big or small. Even in the middle of my nightmare, I was trying to help other people because focusing on the plate of other people helps you heal as a human," Zohn said.

Zohn came to Doane University through the Hansen Leadership Advisory Board. Andrew Brown, assistant director of the Han-

sen Leadership Program, said it was students on the Hansen Leadership Board who reached out to Zohn to see if he would come speak.

"We narrowed it down to Ethan (Zohn) just based on who Ethan is, his story of being a cancer survivor, winning a million dollars on a TV show and donating that money to people in Africa," Brown said.

Brown was impressed with how Zohn integrated his message with Doane and his conversations after the speech Zohn gave.

"There were a lot of students who had questions for Ethan afterward, and it was just really cool to hear their stories and what some students are trying to do, to see the interaction between

Ethan and that student and providing that student with connections, that is just phenomenal," Brown said.

Brown also noted how much he enjoys seeing the spark ignited when students interact with the speakers after the presentation.

All speaker presentations brought to Doane are open to all members of Doane and the community for free.

Zohn preached one message throughout his speech, and that was of helping others.

He quoted a card his mother had given him as a child saying, "A bird doesn't sing because it has answers, a bird sings because it has a song."

Jones named new volleyball coach



Courtesy photo | Doane Athletics

Jenna Jones is Doane's new head volleyball coach.

CAITLYN NELSON
Editor-in-Chief

Jenna Jones has been named the head volleyball coach for Doane University, Doane athletics announced Friday.

Jones spent the past three seasons as an assistant coach at Nebraska Wesleyan University. This past season, she helped lead NWU's team to a 20-win season, the most wins of the program since 2014. She also served as a coach and assistant director of Nebraska ONE, which is one of the premier club volleyball programs in Nebraska, since 2014.

"It's always been a dream of mine to be a head coach

somewhere and for it to happen without uprooting my family was perfect," Jones said. "I love the size of Doane's campus and grew up going to camps at Doane so I am very familiar with the area and the conference."

Jones has grown up around the game of volleyball her whole life. Her mother, Diane Rouzee, was one of the most successful players and coaches in state history according to the press release.

"I've always thought coaching was in my genes and was something I could see myself doing for a long time," Jones said. "It all started with my mom and growing up having her as

my coach, and my dad even coached me in club. As a player, I always had an intense competitiveness and I feel like that fuels my passion for coaching. I have had the privilege of working with a lot of really great coaches starting with my time playing at UNK and then with Nebraska ONE club volleyball in Lincoln and lastly with Rayna (Cain) at NWU giving me the opportunity to work with her the last few years. All of these programs have opened so many doors, coaching relationships, and tools that I could not have accessed without them. I owe so much of my coaching knowledge and style to them."

This Week's Weather Forecast

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Friday 2/14



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Saturday 2/15



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Precip: 10%

Sunday 2/16



High: 53
Low: 36
Precip: 0%

Monday 2/17



High: 53
Low: 28
Precip: 20%

Tuesday 2/18



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Doane kicks ass at FFA fundraiser

CAITLYN NELSON
Editor-in-Chief

The packed gymnasium goes wild as the Doane track and field coach makes his way down the basketball court with the ball.

He passes the ball to Doane professor and teammate JL Vertin who starts to head in the wrong direction.

Vertin makes a half-court pass to student Kalen Dochweiler who attempts a shot.

The basket was good and so was Dochweiler after falling off Widow Maker seconds later.

Four teams competed in an unusual game of basketball at the Crete FFA Alumni Dairyland Don-

key Ball on Sunday.

The teams competed while riding donkeys in Crete Middle School's gymnasium.

This event raised money for Crete FFA students to fund scholarships and trips including the national FFA convention.

Ed Fye was asked to make a team for Doane by Crete FFA Alumni President last year, which was the first year for Donkey Ball.

Fye served as team captain for the Doane team.

"I was in FFA when I grew up and know that it is important for them to get funds," Fye said. "Whatever we can do in the community to give back is something that we try and do as a team."

Doane won last year's competition, but fell short in the championship game against Area Fireman/Young Farmers.

Senior Riley Heithoff competed on the Area Fireman/Young Farmers team.

"Once I heard you get to ride a donkey I was sold," Heithoff said.

Crete Teachers and Area Businesses also competed on donkeys on Sunday.

Fye said that Sunday's attendance was even bigger than last year's.

"It was fun knowing that it was all for a good cause," Heithoff said. "I was in FFA in high school and it was always nice having support from the community. I was glad I could participate in the event."

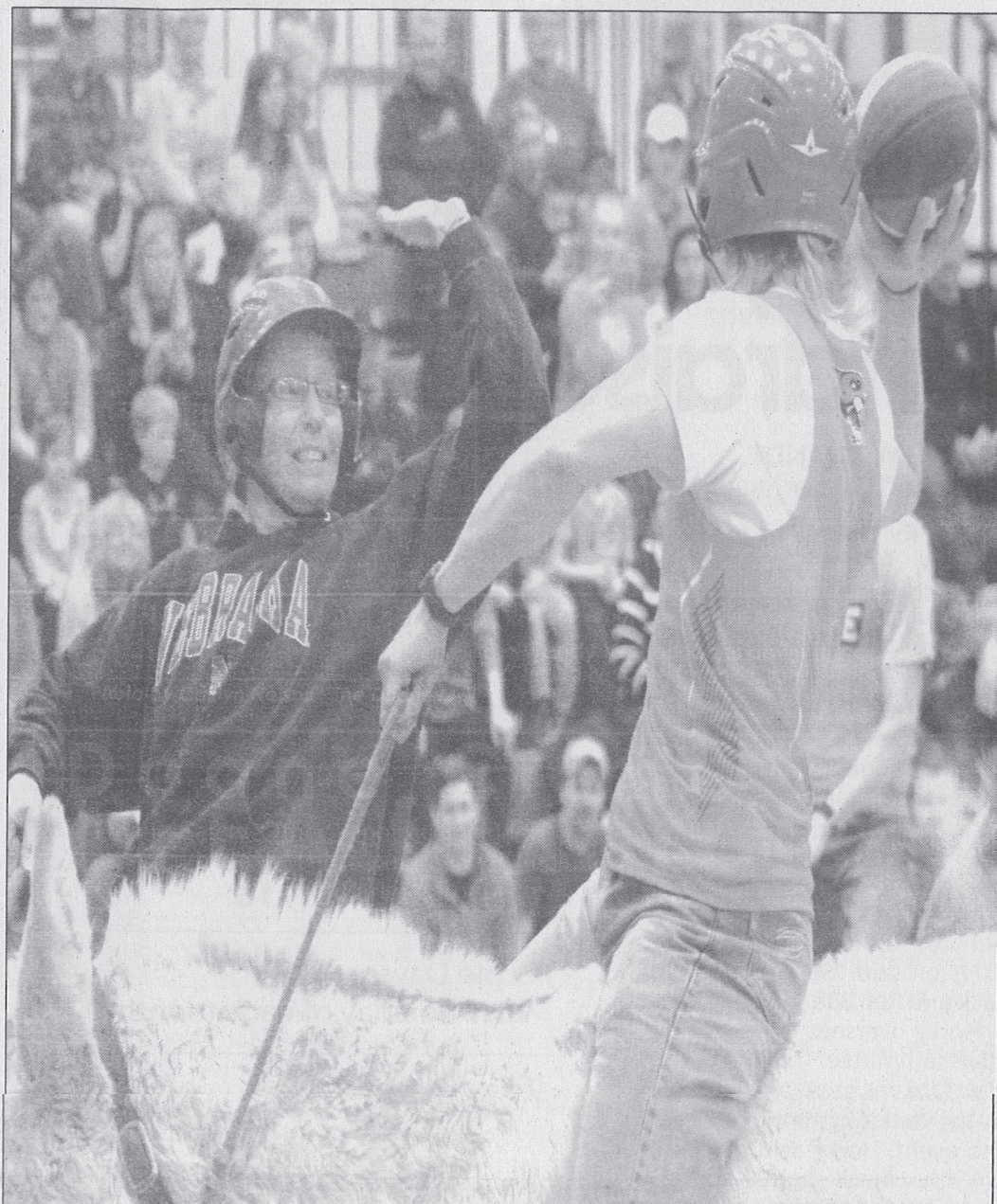


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Wendy Vernon tries to block Kalen Dochweiler from scoring for the Doane team.

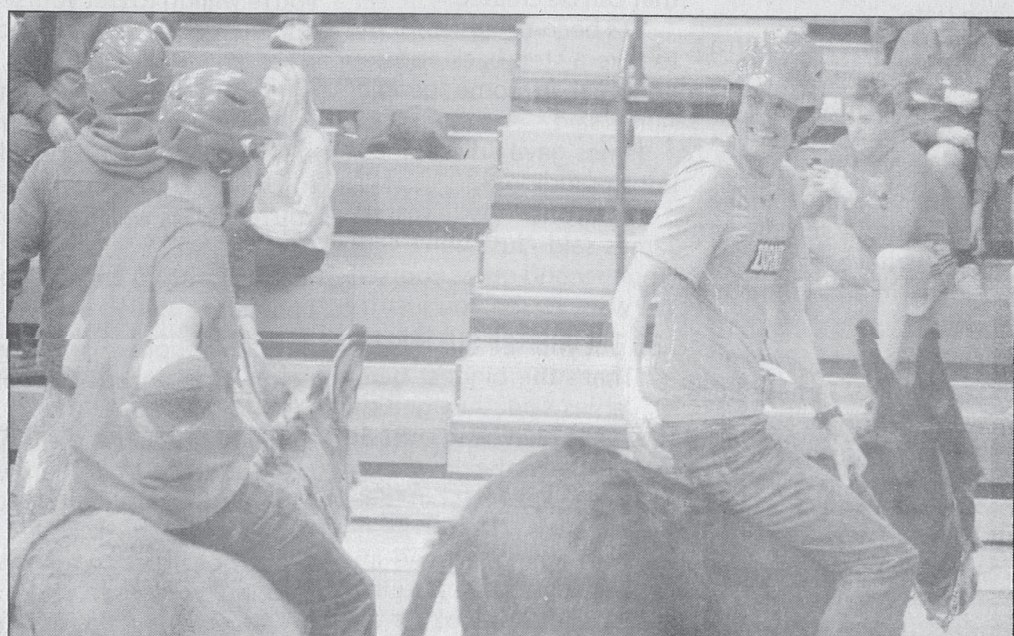


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Opponents keep the ball away from one another while riding donkeys at Sunday's event.

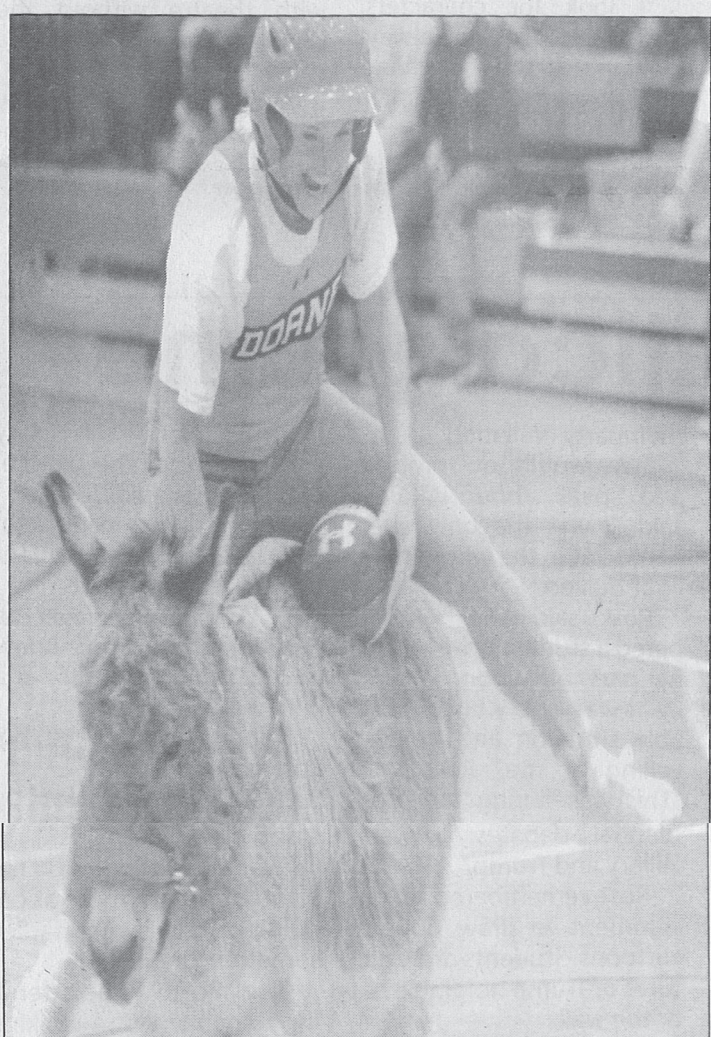


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Annika Pingel attempts to stay on a donkey as she moves the ball down the court for Doane's team.



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The clean-up crew of Crete FFA students scoops poop and cleans the gymnasium floor for players.

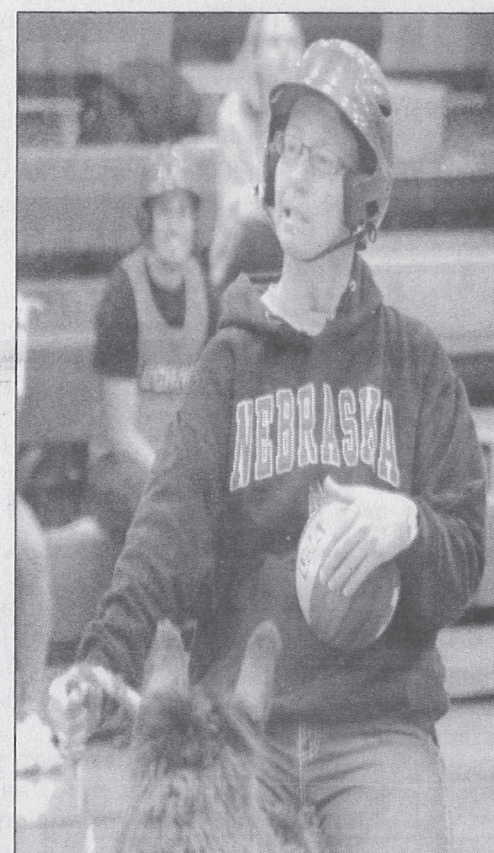


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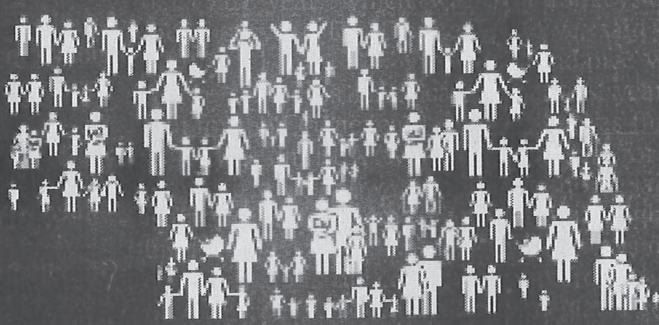
Wendy Vernon looks down the court to potentially score for the Crete business team.

Doane Crime Log

Doane Safety Office reported incidents in their public crime log. Incidents reported between Feb. 5, and Feb. 11, include:

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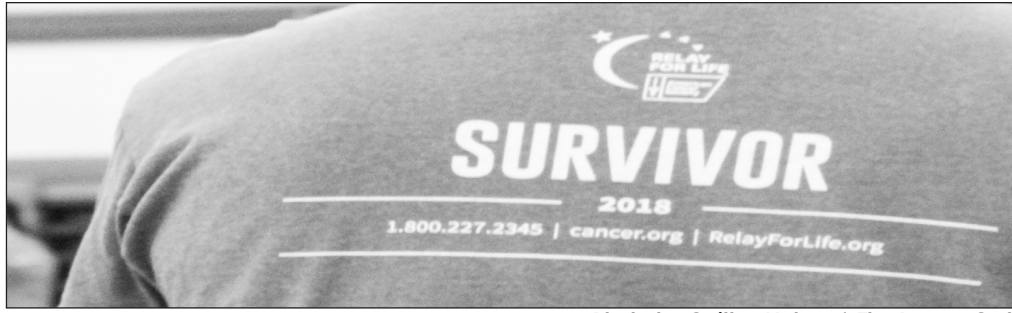


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Relay for Life fundraiser kicks off

KATE WEINANDT
Staff Writer

Relay for Life will be held on April 3 from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m. in the Fuhrer Fieldhouse.

The week of Relay, there will be a signup to register for events, Senior Kalie Horkey said.

Senior Logan Thurston is the entertainment and logistics co-chair.

Thurston is excited about this year's theme.

"This year's theme is Rock Out to Knockout Cancer," Thurston said. "So kind of a Rock and Roll 80's theme."

Horkey oversees the executive committee. The executive team has prepared neon in the dark for the night of the event. Horkey said there will be black lights surrounding the track.

Thurston said fundraising and educating people about Relay is important.

"We also are trying to inform people where Doane's Relay money goes," Thurston said. The money goes to Hope Lodge in Omaha. Hope Lodge takes in and cares for patients with cancer."

This year's fundraising goal is \$45,000.

"It's a little lower than last year's goal and that's because we wanted to actually hit that goal and make it realistic," Horkey said. "We

Relay for Life
Schedule of
Events

~ Relay for Life KICK-OFF:
February 11 -13

~ Date Auction:
February 12

~ Spaghetti Feed:
February 16

~ Purple Days:
last Thursday of each month

~ Relay for Life walk:
April 3 6 p.m. - 2 a.m.

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didn't hit our goal last year [\$55,000] so we looked at that number and reduced it to make it more feasible."

Horkey has been involved with Relay for Life since freshman year.

Members of the executive team shared personal connections with Relay for Life.

Horkey's love for Relay for Life has grown since freshman year.

"I've been apart of it since freshman year and seeing the impact it has on people's lives and the community around it," Horkey said. "How Doane and Saline County

come together for one night just impacted my heart so much that I grew this love for it."

Horkey lost her grandma to cancer senior year of high school.

"Coming to Doane and being part of Relay it actually made me feel like she was a part of me and she was with me. I'm very hopeful. I felt loved especially during the luminary ceremony. Everything about that made me grow my love for Relay."

To register or donate to Relay for Life visit the website.

Improv team wants YOU

Absolutely
Unprepared is
holding auditions
Wednesday

KATE WEINANDT
Staff Writer

Absolutely Unprepared is under new leadership with seniors Lydia James and Wyatt Jorgensen at the helm.

Absolutely Unprepared is Doane's Improv team.

Last semester Absolutely Unprepared transitioned from monthly performances to none.

"It does really suck for the people that made the team and never got to perform," James said. "This semester is a clean slate."

Jorgensen said he's seen a lot of changes.

"I've seen [the improv team] change quite a lot in the past years. We have always been striving to make better changes," Jorgensen said. "We have tried to strengthen it and bring in new people."

"For Wyatt and I, we want it to keep going," James said. "We want it to thrive and become something again."

Jorgensen said his improv journey started in high school.

"My senior year I would be in shows and I had gotten some decent roles," Jorgensen said. "I really liked improv."

Jorgensen got a few people together and brought back the improv team at Lincoln Southwest High.

"Me and a group brought it back," Jorgensen said. "I know it was there a few years after."

The one consistent part of Jorgensen's theatre history is improv.

"I accidentally slept through first semester's auditions freshman year," Jorgensen said. "Next semester I got on the team and have been on it ever since."

James said the transformation from her junior year to now is crazy.

"I remember auditions the first time I auditioned for Doane Improv," James said. "It was very hard for me to just let go and just do what came to my head."

James said no one knows everything about improv.

"It's like saying you know everything about science or you know everything about physics," James said. "There's constantly new things that can happen and new things that can be created."

"It's become easier for me to take a step back and see potential in some people," James said.

James gave advice about improv auditions.

"Everyone is scared," James said. "Just don't care. Don't second guess yourself. We want to see you just try and put yourself out there."

"That's the biggest barrier," James said. "Just getting past your own head. Just be fluid. Go with the flow."

James said what her ideal improviser is.

"In my mind, a good improviser is not always funny," James said. "We look for the ability to adapt quickly and being able to be dynamic as a performer."

"I look for characters," James said. "I'm not always looking for the punchline, but knowing when a punchline should land."

Jorgensen knows what to look for as auditions approach.

"I want people to come and have a fun time. If you're willing to work with people to create scenes and stories you're always welcome,"

Wyatt Jorgensen
Senior

"One of the hardest things is putting yourself out there," Jorgensen said. "If you're willing to put yourself out there, that is the major step."

"I want people to come and have a fun time. If you're willing to work with people to create scenes and stories you're always welcome," Jorgensen said.

Jorgensen encouraged people to audition.

"With improv, you just go up there and create," Jorgensen said.

"Forget about pleasing the audience, Jorgensen said. "Just go up and create stories with some friends."

"It's not all performing, it's creating," Jorgensen said.

"[Improv] is a fun escape from classes and homework," James said. "It's just a good way to get involved with theatre without the time commitment of a show."

Auditions for the improv team will be held Wednesday at 9:30 p.m. in the Conservatory.

Christine Rost shares her political journey

KATE WEINANDT
Staff Writer

Junior Christine Rost is one of the county convention delegates for Hamburg. She will talk about Elizabeth Warren and policies.

Rost attended the local Hamburg caucus in Iowa on Feb. 3. This was her first democratic caucus.

"A lot [of people] don't participate in the caucuses which is unfortunate because that's how you pick who the presidential nominee is going to be," Rost said. "If you don't participate in this, it's really frustrating to hear that you don't want that person as president for your party."

She talked about the process of a local Iowa caucus.

"You sign in and everyone sits with their party," Rost said.

Attendees sit down, go over rules, and talk about rules including the purpose of representing the presidential candidates, Rost said.

21 people came and Iowa has seven delegates.

"There has to be three people for each candidate in order for it to have one delegate," Rost said.

Some people that attended the caucuses knew the candidate they wanted to represent while others showed up undecided.

"Some people show up undecided because they want to learn more [about the presidential candidates]," Rost said.

The county convention is on March 21.

At the convention, attendees discuss what Iowa democrats want.

"People that go to the county convention represent a certain candidate," Rost said. [They] will be speaking on behalf of the issues that the candidate cares about."

Rost talked about Warren's platform, policies, and history.

Warren started in Special Education and became a

lawyer, Rost said.

According to Ballotpedia, Warren was an elementary teacher, lawyer, law professor, and bankruptcy analyst prior to her political career.

Rost said Warren is refreshing. She's a single mother of two children, divorced and running for president of the United States.

Rost took a government class her senior year of high school. Before this class, Rost said she was mute about her politics.

"My dad is a registered republican so, [politics] was uncomfortable to talk about," Rost said.

In government, Rost and her classmates announced

their party affiliation.

"We would do projects and speak about it," Rost said. "I was the only open democrat in the whole class. I got bullied."

Rost said she remembered a student upset about her party affiliation.

"It was a very uncomfortable situation and he was yelling at me," Rost said. "This was during the presidential debates between Hillary and Trump."

Rost remembered an assignment to draw political cartoons. Students drew pictures of Trump holding a hat or the wall.

"I drew a little wall that was money," Rost said. "Then

I drew a picture of Hillary and on top [of the picture] that said qualified."

She went up in front of the class. The same student started yelling at Rost.

"A woman will never be president they don't know how to run this country or a military."

Nobody said anything, Rost said.

"Nobody talked. Nobody stood up for me."

Ever since then, Rost has wanted to learn more about politics. That event sparked something in Rost.

Now, Rost will be attending a convention talking about democratic candidates.

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Weekly Horoscopes

Aquarius (January 21 - February 19): Try something new to celebrate Valentine's Day this year, Aquarius! Don't fall into a trap of cliché.

Pisces (February 20 - March 20): Love yourself this week, Pisces. Valentine's Day is great for a significant other, but sometimes you just need some me-time.

Aries (March 21 - April 20): Take an old friend out for food or drinks this week, Aries. Reconnect and enjoy yourselves!

Taurus (April 21 - May 21): Don't let the pressure of the holiday season get to you this week, Taurus. Stick to what you know and don't get overwhelmed.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21): It is time to get caught up on work, Gemini. You've let things slide for a bit too long, get back on track!

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): Valentine's Day may not live up to your expectations this year, Cancer. But don't lose hope, romance isn't only for Feb. 14.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): Treat yourself and be your own valentine this week, Leo! Take yourself out on a date or do something to relax.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): Avoid being too hard on yourself this week, Virgo. The year is still just beginning, give yourself a break!

Libra (September 23 - October 22): Now is not the time to leave your comfort zone, Libra. Don't worry, your time is coming, don't jump ahead steps!

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): Try celebrating on a budget for Valentine's Day this week, Scorpio. Your loved ones will understand that you have goals!

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): Do what feels right this week, Sagittarius. Follow your heart, don't get caught up in details or "what-ifs."

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20): Shoot your shot this week, Capricorn! Go the extra mile and tell that special person how you feel.

Not all students love love

Students discuss different ways to celebrate Valentine's Day

MEAGHAN STOUT
Life & Culture Editor

Love is in the air as students prepare for their Valentine's, or "Galentine's", day plans or lack thereof.

Valentine's day, or the feast day of Saint Valentine, celebrates love and affection. Often times, it is associated with romance and expensive dates, though there are many ways to celebrate.

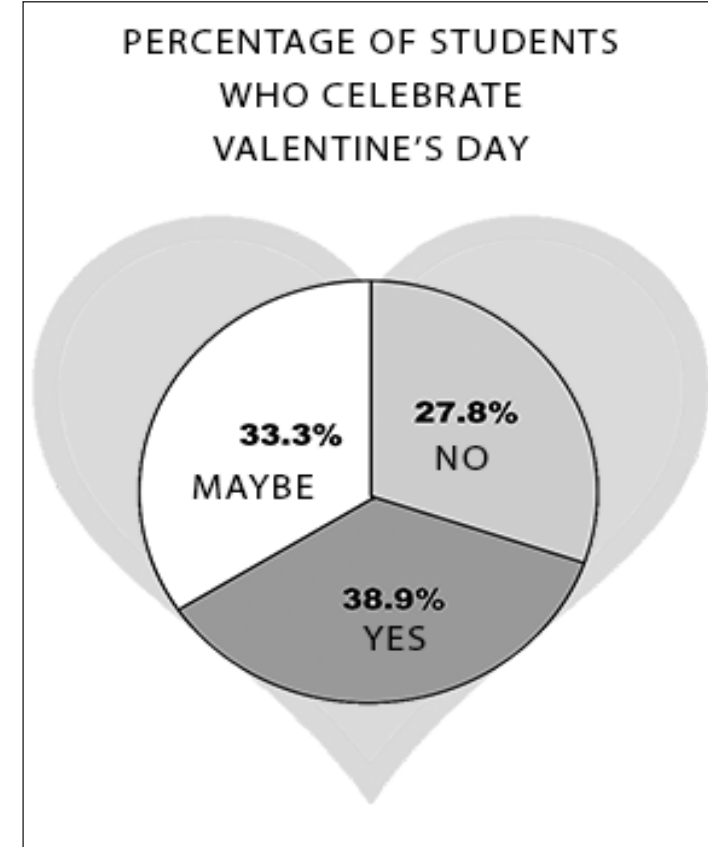
Junior Jean Chevalier celebrates Valentine's Day regardless of her personal relationship status.

"I think it's a day for love," Chevalier said. "There are a lot of different kinds of love; family love, friendship, even self love. It can be for any kind of love you want it to be for."

The holiday is often seen as cliché and maybe even a little silly. However, many students said that they enjoy the holiday.

The holiday, while often seen as romance-based, is celebrated among friends and family as well as between significant others. Freshman Salem Kessler said the holiday can be about more than romance.

"Though I know most people only think about love



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"Though I know most people only think about love in a romantic way, there are tons of different ways you can love someone,"

Salem Kessler
Freshman

reminded to show people you love them," Miller said.

Some students said the holiday is pointless if you are not in a serious relationship, while others said they enjoy the holiday no matter their relationship status.

"My least favorite part of Valentine's day is all of the people who are spiteful towards it just because they aren't in a relationship at the time. You don't have to be in a relationship to enjoy the holiday," Chevalier said. "People should let others enjoy themselves, it won't kill them."

Junior Breanna Patterson said she does not have any strong feelings about Valentine's Day.

"It feels a bit like a shallow pointless holiday as it has grown to be more about how many things you buy rather than spending time with the people you love," Patterson said.

Patterson said "If Valentine's Day is truly supposed to be about love, then I think it ought to focus on loving other people, not money."

in a romantic way, there are tons of different ways you can love someone," Kessler said. "I think that expressing your love in a thoughtful way should be an all year long thing, but you could say the same about giving presents during Christmas time. I think it's just a fun little holiday to remind yourself for those in your life who you care about a lot."

Kessler said their family sometimes celebrates by getting each other cards. Kessler said their favorite part of the holiday is the decorations and the aesthetic. They said their least favorite part is "the cynical

way people tend to look at it [Valentine's Day], and how mean people can be about other people enjoying it."

Of course, we all have that friend that hates the holiday or finds it embarrassing. Whether they are in a relationship or single, they seem to hate the entirety of the holiday either way.

Almost 28 percent of students that answered a survey on the topic of Valentine's Day said they did not enjoy the holiday.

Freshman Abrianna Miller, for example, is less in love with the holiday.

"I think it's just a pointless holiday created for capital gain, but it's also nice to be

Tiger Timeout

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Courtesy of Doane Computer Science Department

The answers to this week's Tiger Timeout will be in next week's issue

The answers to last issue's Tiger Timeout

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- STAFF EDITORIAL -

Educate yourself before elections

In our investigation and interview process for the acquittal story on page one, the writing staff had a difficult time finding enough sources to make a story.

The reason for this was that most of the Doane students we talked to had not followed the impeachment or frankly didn't care about it.

President Donald Trump is only the third president in American history to be impeached, following Andrew Johnson and Bill Clinton.

Being one of only three presidents to be impeached makes this political situation a historic event. A historic event that many students on this campus did not know

and/or care about.

The Doane Owl staff encourages all students to become more politically aware. Being educated is the only way to make your own opinion. With the next presidential election coming up in September, being educated is critical.

Pick sources that are not

affiliated with a specific political party and represent all sides of the political spectrum fairly.

Make your own decisions and become an informed citizen as the election for the next president comes up within the next couple of months.



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Johnny Depp and Amber Heard made national headlines after an audio recording was released of Heard admitting to abusing Depp.

#MeToo includes men too

JOAO MITCHELL
Staff Writer

We, as a society need to do a better job of getting the full story before we make assumptions before we destroy another innocent person's reputation and career. The Me Too movement needs to be more accepting of violence and sexual assault that is committed against men because men can be victims too.

Last week, Johnny Depp and his ex-wife, Amber Heard made headlines after an audio recording was released in which Heard admitted to hitting Depp and pelting him with pots, pans and vases.

According to The Daily Mail, Heard, in one exchange with her husband, said, "I can't promise I won't get physical again. God, I get so f***ing mad sometimes I lose it."

More events from the altercation were later described as Heard mocking Depp for not being able to take a punch.

"I'm sorry that I didn't, uh, uh, hit you across the face



Courtesy photo | Flickr
Johnny Depp (left), Amber Heard (right)

"You are such a baby. Grow the f*** up, Johnny,"

Amber Heard
Johnny Depp's ex-wife

in a proper slap, but I was hitting you, it was not punching you," Heard said. "Babe, you're not punched. I don't know what the motion of my actual hand was, but you're fine. I did not hurt you. I did not punch you. I was hitting you."

She then taunted him for walking away from the fight.

"You are such a baby. Grow the f*** up, Johnny,"

Heard said.

Depp was later heard responding to her comments, saying, "I left last night, honestly, I swear to you because I just couldn't take the idea of more physicality. Baby, I told you this once, I'm scared to death we are a f***ing crime

scene right now."

The reason why these comments are so significant is that Heard had previously claimed that Depp was the perpetrator of the abuse, going so far as to hurt herself in an attempt to blame Depp for her injuries.

According to Rolling Stone magazine, these false accusations led Universal Studios, as well as other production companies to terminate their contracts with Depp, despite Depp defending his innocence since the accusations started.

The media, as well as the Me Too movement, found that it was better for their narrative to side with Heard over Depp.

According to Variety, Heard became one of the faces of the #MeToo movement, hiding behind her hypocrisy for financial gain and recognition.

Society was not willing to look at both sides of the story, meanwhile, one person's career skyrocketed while the other's destroyed.

Volunteer opportunities this week

Epona Horse Rescue

Feb.
14

Volunteers will assist with barn chores with very little handling of horses, outside of grooming and leading between barn and pasture.

Feeding America

Feb.
16

Volunteers will assist with collecting food and distributing to families in need in the Crete area at First Congregational United Church of Christ.

Mobile Food Pantry

Feb.
18

Volunteers will assist with setting up the event and distributing food. The event will be held from noon until 1 p.m. in Butler Gym.

Epona Horse Rescue

Feb.
21

Volunteers will assist with barn chores with very little handling of horses, outside of grooming and leading between barn and pasture.

Log into Helper Helper to learn more about opportunities, sign up and log your hours.



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Reconnecting to show love

STEPHANIE HOSHOR
Copy Desk Chief

With 'cuffing season' upon us once again, I challenge you to spend Valentine's day differently this year.

You probably spend most of the year with your significant other so you have ample time for date nights and all the other romantic and sappy things.

This year, I challenge you to reconnect with an old friend or a family member you haven't seen in a while. We all live busy lives, which makes it hard at times to visit everyone in your family or old friend groups. So instead of spending it with the one you see all year, spend it with those you don't normally see.

Make Valentine's Day a time to reconnect, not a time to worry about getting the right gift for your special someone or worrying about going to that fan-

cy restaurant.

According to dictionary.com, the definition of Valentine's Day is a "day that celebrates romantic love, making it a popular day for couples to spend together. Valentine's Day is traditionally associated with red hearts, romance, flowers, candy or other sweet things, and the exchange of cards, called valentines, that express love."

I'm not saying you have to follow my advice, because I get this is your one day of the year to be spoiled, watch sappy movies or stuff your face with chocolates because you're single.

If you do follow my challenge and go visit someone you haven't seen in ages, do me a favor and stay off your phone. Instead, spend quality time with that person. If you are truly going to catch up with someone you must give them your full attention.

Want to try and catch up with someone but don't

know where?

I usually avoid going to a restaurant because they can be loud and then you can't hear. Sometimes after you're done eating your food it can be awkward sitting there or it works out perfect and is a way to leave. If you do choose to go to a restaurant try to choose one that is a quieter setting or choose to sit away from the crowd.

A great choice is a coffee shop so you can get a cup of coffee and a light snack. Plus if you travel to visit that person you get to experience their local coffee shop vibes.

Another option is doing an activity like a painting or glass blowing class. This allows time to catch up while creating something that will remind you of that day.

So this Valentine's day don't be cliché and do something different this year. Adventure out and visit those you don't see often.

Throw kindness like confetti

CAITLYN NELSON
Editor-in-Chief

This week is Random Acts of Kindness week, according to a Student Affairs email on Tuesday.

The email encouraged focusing on "kindness areas" including:

- Kindness to yourself
- Kindness to family
- Kindness to friends
- Kindness to significant others
- Kindness to strangers

While this may be the week to focus on kindness on campus, this should not be the only week to consciously consider kindness in all forms.

Take this week to make it a priority to be kind in some way every day, but continue this past this week.

Kindness is something that I value, almost more than anything. I am a huge advocate in being kind to yourself and to others.

Even something as small as giving someone a smile as you walk by on campus can drastically improve not only their mood, but also your own.

Did you know that kindness is contagious?

"The positive effects of kindness are experienced in the brain of everyone who witnessed the act, improving their mood and making them significantly more likely to 'pay it forward'. This means one good deed in a crowded area can create a domino effect and improve the day of dozens of people," Assistant Professor of Psychology at Stanford University said on the Random Acts of Kindness website.

The Random Acts of Kindness Foundation also provides ideas on how to show kindness.

- Write positive sticky notes
- Thank someone every week
- Text someone good morning/good night
- Have a judgment-free day
- Cheer on teammate (or friend)
- Clean your room
- Be kind to your server

Random acts of kindness do not need to be some grandiose gesture like leaving kind sticky notes all over campus. Something as simple as cleaning your room shows kindness towards yourself.

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Just did it... now what?

JOSH BUNDY
Sports Editor

It's always been a dream of mine to have my own puppy, not a dog that the family shares, but a dog that is truly mine.

That dream turned to a reality a week and a half ago when I picked up my Siberian Husky puppy.

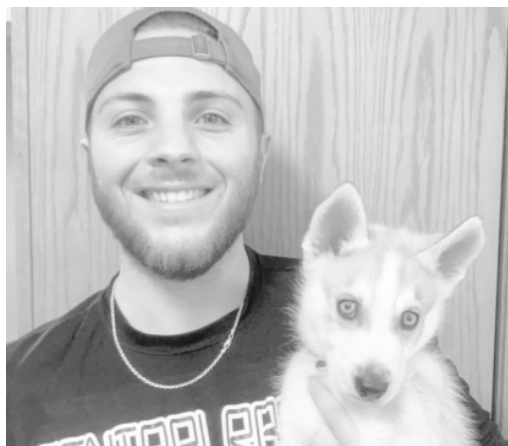
The puppy, named Nike, is everything I wanted in a dog. He's sweet, smart and a great cuddler. I went out of my way to make this happen, throwing caution to the wind surrounding my free time, social life and bank account.

All of these things I knew would change, but as Nike sits in my lap while I write this, I didn't realize how much work he would be.

I knew the potty training would be a handful since I've been through it multiple times. I knew that training him could be difficult.

All of this said, I was never prepared for the crate training. The long nights at the beginning were tough, with him screaming all night for the first few nights. My roommates weren't the happiest with the situation because he was such a loud puppy, but with a few adjustments, he is slowly getting better.

I had to give up the luxury of sleeping in my bed and traded it for the floor in my living room. Yes, I sleep on the ground next to the kennel so Nike will



be quiet.

I gave up full nights of sleep for an hour and a half naps so I can take him out and continue to potty train him throughout the night.

I struggle going to class because I know I'm going to have to lock up Nike and know that he's howling and freaking out the whole time I'm gone.

Despite all the struggles and sacrifices I've made, I refuse to give up or change anything until he is comfortable in his new home.

The responsibility required is a challenge that I welcome but others may not. Know that your life will change significantly to accommodate a new family member. If you are not willing to do that from day one, then any dog you will end up with is going to deserve better.

I know that I have a built-in lifelong friend, and I can't wait for what the future holds for Nike and me.

...THUMBS UP

Serial Killer Documentaries

Hansen Speaker

Donkey Ball

Valentine's Day

Acquittal of Donald Trump

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...

TRAVEL ADVENTURES!

- TEXAS COASTAL WINTER ESCAPE, FEB. 6-16
- GREAT SOUTHWEST ADVENTURES, Feb. 19-Mar. 3
- FLORIDA PANHANDLE TO THE EVERGLADES, FEB. 22-MAR. 9
- LAS VEGAS & CANYON COUNTRY, FEB. 28-MAR. 8
- SAVANNAH & CHARLESTON, MAR. 20-29
- NASHVILLE U.S.A., MAR. 30-APR. 4
- WASHINGTON, D.C. & CHERRY BLOSSOMS, APR. 1-5
- NEW ORLEANS & THE DEEP SOUTH, APR. 17-26



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Doane successful at Biele Classic

CAITLYN NELSON
Editor-in-Chief

At the last home indoor track meet of the season, the Tigers posted seven NAIA automatic qualifying marks and seven provisional marks.

"We really had some great performances at the meet as far as quality," head track coach Ed Fye said. "But the thing I probably saw on the track was that we competed to win."

Senior Kate Grint continues to lead the NAIA for the eighth consecutive week in women's shot put with a top mark of 14.61 meters.

Grint also won the women's weight throw with a mark of 17.79 meters, surpassing the NAIA automatic standard by 1.59 meters.

Senior Jordyn Stearns met the provisional mark in the women's shot put with a throw of 13.27 meters. Senior Teryn Koch met the provisional mark in the women's weight throw at this meet, but met the automatic standard earlier this season.

Two women's high jumpers, senior Alexis Dale and junior Isabelle Watson, met the automatic qualifying mark in the event. Dale and Watson are the only two Great Plains Athletic Conference members to clear

the NAIA standard in this event, according to Doane Athletics.

In the women's pole vault, seniors Courtney Schindler and Alyssa Downs both met the NAIA automatic standards with vaults of 3.72 and 3.52 meters, respectively.

The last provisional marks of the day on the women's side came from Annika Pingel in the 400 meter run and on the 4x400 meter relay team she ran a leg on. The relay team met the automatic qualifying mark earlier this season.

On the men's side, two athletes, junior Richard Dover in the weight throw and senior Julius Dickmader in the pole vault, met the provisional mark in their events.

Senior Levi Sudbeck met the provisional mark in the 60 meter hurdle race and an automatic standard as he won the pole vault event.

Competing unattached, Carter Reckling, a senior from Crete High School, posted high marks in the men's high jump placing fifth in the event.

Reckling will sign his letter of intent for Doane Track and Field on Wednesday along with four other Crete student athletes.

The Tigers will compete at the Concordia Invite on



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Junior Alyssa Downs competes in the women's pole vault event at the Fred Belle Classic. Downs met the NAIA automatic standard in the event. The next event for the Tigers will be Friday at Concordia University in Seward.



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Junior Josie Schnakenberg pitches during Doane's road trip. The Tigers went 2-4 on the trip, with Schnakenberg going 1-1 from the mound.

Softball tallies 2-4 record in Texas

NISHESH YADAV
Art Editor

The Doane softball team hit off its spring season with a trip to Portland, Texas for the SCS Invitational where it went 2-4 on the weekend.

The team won two games on Saturday against Oklahoma Panhandle State University and Langston University.

They lost two close matchups against nationally ranked teams; second-ranked University of Science and Arts of Oklahoma and 16th-ranked Columbia College.

The other losses came to Our Lady of the Lake University and Huston-Tillotson University.

"With this being our first time of the season playing outside, there were definitely some crucial errors made defensively, but I know that they were good indications of what we need to focus on during practices to continue moving positively in a forward direction," junior pitcher Josie Schnakenberg said.

The Tiger's first win of the season was against Oklahoma Panhandle State University Aggies, where they knocked off the Aggies 9-6.

Freshman Megan Elliott hit the Tiger's first home run of the year with her 3-run shot in the 1st inning.

Later that afternoon the Tigers defeated the Langston University Lions 8-4.

Doane used a big third inning with the bats to lead 5-1 after being down since the first inning.

The Tigers added their final three runs in the 5th and 6th innings to lead 8-1.

The Lions would add three runs in the seventh inning but Doane would hold on for the win.

Elliott added another home run to her tally in this game.

Freshman Station Charters picked up her first collegiate win at the mound.

"A couple of wins felt great to earn with the competition we had played," Schnakenberg said. "There's still many things we need to improve on, but winning a few helped reassure our confidence and left us in high spirits."

Along with the pair of victories, the Tigers had two near-upsets on the weekend.

On Friday, the match against second-ranked USAO ended in a 4-3 loss according to Doane Athletics.

The Tigers found themselves up 3-0 after single runs in the 3rd, 5th, and 6th innings.

However, the Drivers would answer back with a run in the bottom of the 6th and three more in the 7th to

get the walk-off win.

Doane also tested 16th-ranked Columbia and took them to 12 innings before losing 11-10. The teams were tied 8-8 after seven innings. Even with the tie-break rule of placing a runner at second base to open the inning, both teams were shutout in the first three extra innings.

The Tigers would score in the top of the 11th but it would be answered by the Cougars in the bottom of the inning. Doane would again find itself in the lead at the top of the 12th, but Columbia scored twice in the bottom of the frame for the walk-off victory.

Schnakenberg said the two near upsets proved that the Tigers can play with the best in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics.

"It's very exciting to have this type of confidence so early in the season which will make the rest of our games worthwhile," Schnakenberg said. "Conference this year will be a dog-fight, and if we can fix those little errors and continue to make the adjustments to play to our potential, there's no doubt we won't be a top-seeded team."

The Tigers will look to see improvement when they return to action on Saturday at McPherson College in Kansas.

Dance, Cheer earn third at GPAC

NISHESH YADAV
Art Editor

The Doane cheer and dance teams each earned third-place at the Great Plains Athletic Conference Championships, hosted in Crete on Saturday.

The cheer competition started the day and the Tigers earned a 66.17 for their routine, their highest ever score in a GPAC Championship.

The team ended up only 3.76 points behind second-place Hastings.

Midland won the cheer competition with a score of 80.87.

The third-place finish matches the Tigers best finish at the conference championships.

According to Doane Athletics, the team scored strongest in its partner/group stunts, its jumps and for its general impression/showmanship.

On the dance side of the competition, the Tigers earned a 78.20 - the team's highest score in a GPAC Championship and its second-highest score of the season.

The team fell behind defending national champions, Midland, who placed second, and Morningside - the GPAC champions.

The GPAC Championships are not the end of the season for the Tigers.

They will head to Sioux City, Iowa to compete in the

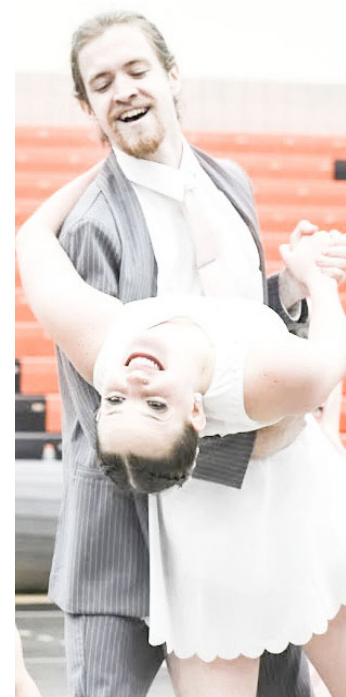


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The Dance and Cheer teams both placed third at the GPAC Championships. The dance team is ranked eighth and the cheer team is ranked 34th nationally.

NAIA Regional Championship on Feb. 29.

Winning the regional earns them a spot at nationals.

If the teams do not win their regional but are in the top-12 for average scores at meets throughout the season, they will earn a bid to the championship event, according to a previous Doaneline article.

According to the NAIA, the dance team is eighth in the nation and the cheer team is 34th.

Athlete of the Week



Annika
Pingel
Track

Hit provisional
marks for the
women's 400m
and 4x400m
relay



Doane Athletics
Schedule
and Results



This Week's
Schedule:

Wednesday 2/12

W basketball vs
Midland 6pm
M basketball vs
Midland 8pm

Thursday 2/13

Wrestling vs
Morningside 7pm

Friday 2/14

M track @ Concordia
Invite TBD
W track @ Concordia
Invite TBD

Saturday 2/15

Baseball vs Central
Baptist Coll
(Wendell Redden
Stadium) 1pm
Softball @ McPherson
Coll (double
header) 1pm
W basketball vs
Dakota Wesleyan
2pm
M tennis @ Bethel Coll
2pm
W tennis @ Bethel Coll
2pm
M basketball vs
Dakota Wesleyan
4pm
Baseball vs Columbia
Coll (Wendell
Redden Stadium)
6pm

Sunday 2/16

Baseball vs William
Penn Univ (Joe
Becker Stadium)
1pm
W tennis @ Grand View
Univ 1pm
Baseball @ William
Woods Univ (Joe
Becker Stadium)
3:30pm

Last Week's
Results:

W basketball lost to
Concordia 102-47 and
lost to Northwestern
82-55.

Dance beat Concordia
75-70 and placed 3rd
of 10 at GPAC Champi-
onships.

Cheer beat Concordia
64-63 and placed 3rd
of 7 at GPAC Champi-
onships.

M basketball beat
Concordia 64-59 and
lost to Northwestern
83-73.

Softball went 2-4 on
the weekend at the
SCS Invite in Portland
Texas.

Wrestling lost to
Northwestern 28-18
and won by forfeit to
Dakota Wesleyan.

W tennis lost to North-
ern Illinois 0-7.

M tennis beat Nebras-
ka Wesleyan 7-7

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