

Carter compares faculty to Anne Frank

Faculty meeting audio reveals comment

BAILEY ROBERTS News Editor

Doane President Jaque Carter equated faculty dissatisfaction to Anne Frank and hiding from the Nazis during World War II.

In an audio recording from the faculty meeting last week about the Employee Engagement Survey, Carter said, "if Anne Frank can find a way in World War II, you know, to be in a room and be able to fight in the way she did about her experience and her hope that she had; we can certainly find ways to improve current leaders decisions culture here.'



Photo by Califyn Nelson | The Doane Owl

Doane University President Jacque Carte

staff should put on a happy face and comply with the of faculty in the near future. centration camp. about Doane and its future. to see the end of World War Elder has taught at Doane

Anne Frank did not live

This analogy implied that The analogy paints a bleak II as she died of Typhus picture of the employment fever in Bergen-Belsen con-

Biology professor Brad

for 15 years and attended most of the Employee Engagement Meeting. Elder shared his thoughts on the current faculty dissatisfaction with the administra-

"The disconnect is the campus environment and the feeling the administration is not being straightforward," Elder said. When asked about what brought students to Doane, their answer often includes the personal connections they have to the faculty on-campus.

Despite the general satisfaction with the student to faculty ratio and interactions, Elder said there was a push for Doane to provide more online classes.

The administration originally gave faculty a choice about teaching online, Elder said. Most faculty denied the request because being an on-campus protakes away from what little free time professors have to spend with their families, Elder said.

When faculty on campus

said no to creating online classes, the administration went ahead and created online classes and hired people who do not have the proper experience and/or are not the most qualified to teach a quality course, such as adjuncts and students who are still pursuing their Masters

and PhD. "My students' credibility gets chiseled away [when faculty is not able to vet who is teaching online courses]," Elder said.

The recurring lack of communication between the administration and faculty has led to distrust and a negative attitude among faculty for the administration. However, Carter offers a simple solution to this distrust and negativity.

"Each and every one of you has the opportunity to build positive energy," Carter said to the faculty in fessor is already a full-time attendance, as if Doane's job. Creating online courses problems can be fixed with

Price of Doane to go up 4.8 percent

CAITLYN NELSON Editor-in-Chief

The price of Doane will increase by 4.8 percent for the 2020-21 year.

Total direct charges (tuition, fees and room and board) will be \$47,100 for students on the Crete cam-

While students may be upset because of the increase, the uneasiness is fueled by not knowing where their money goes.

No students at Doane have to pay the full amount. 100% of students receive some type of aid and \$21 million in scholarships being awarded in the 2019-20 year, an email from the Office of Finance and Administration said.

Julie Schmidt, vice president of finance and administration, said that Doane is going through a financial problem looking at the long term, but the university is in the process of change.

"I'm frustrated [because of the increase], but I want to be hopeful that it will go towards positive changes that we need on campus,' junior Christine Rost said. "I think it's important to be very efficient with college students' money."

Schmidt compared Doane to a small city with its

post office, recreational buildings as well as other

facilities. "It costs a lot to run a small city and students' tuition and fees and room and board are not enough to cover those costs," Schmidt said. "Instead, we have to rely on the endowment and other programs to help fund an education on the Crete campus."

The biggest factors that students' money goes to includes technology, student services, infrastructure, innovation, financial aid and instruction, Schmidt said.

Because of the budgetary concerns, the Board of Trustees requires Doane to have a balanced operating budget which requires annually monitoring revenues against expenses and make adjustments through the years, the President's Office Winter 2020 Board of Trustees Campus Update

Each year, the university dips into 4.5 percent of the endowment fund which is \$5 million.

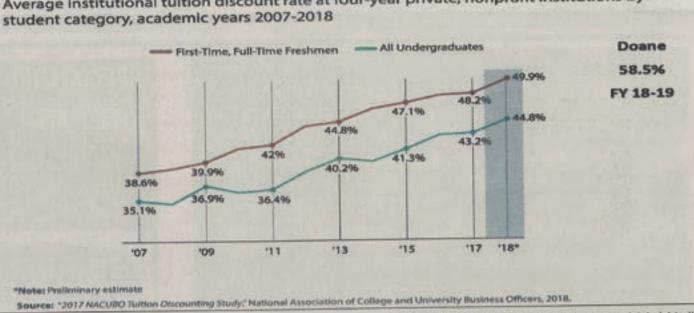
Doane spends more than it brings in, which leads to larger dips into the endow-

"The Crete campus loses

money," Schmidt said. To offset the loss, other campuses and online pro-

Average Institutional Discount Rates Continue to Climb, Especially for Freshmen

Average institutional tuition discount rate at four-year private, nonprofit institutions by



Courtesy graphic | Doane Office of Finance and Administration grams help to bring in revethe discount rate for freshnue to Doane. Tuition is not

lost. The student body on the Crete campus is lower than it has been in years, which, in conjunction with the high discount rate creates a

enough to cover the amount

financial burden for the uni-The discount rate is the amount taken off of the

'sticker price" which is what students actually have to pay. After a troubling year in

recruitment a few years ago,

men skyrocketed to around 70% to try and entice future students. That increase caused an increase in the discount rate for students already attending Doane as

That caused Doane to resort to dipping farther in the endowment for funds.

"I don't like it," Schmidt said about having to raise tuition costs. She said it has to be done to keep Doane successful though.

Schmidt will present to Student Congress about in-

formation about where tuition money goes and more information about the increase later this semester,

Students are still in the dark on where it goes,

"I don't have the slightest clue as to where my tuition money goes," sophomore Andreus Abner said. "I feel like it's not being used

where it should be though." Rost also is frustrated but has hopes that with clarity, students would be more un-

"I am very frustrated be-

cause I do not think Doane does enough, or anything really, to explain where exactly our money is going," Rost said. "If I knew more about where my money is going I feel like students on campus could be a lot more understanding."

The plan in the future is to keep lowering the discount rate at a steady rate and set the tuition early to give students and families time to prepare for the increases.

derstanding.

Potential cuts have students concerned

KATE WEINANDT Staff Writer

A firm that Doane hired for has students concerned about their education and professors.

The announcement was made after the Winter 2020 Board of Trustees meeting on Friday. Academic Strategic Partners approved Doane as a viable candidate and the Board approved engaging with ASP.

According to Doaneline, Morningside College no longer offered theater and physics after hiring ASP while Felician University fired 16 professors. This has junior Breanna Patterson concerned.

"I value humanities and social science. If those are cut and the faculty that I have grown to greatly admire in my time here at Doane are forced to leave this institution; that is detrimental for my own learning be- kept advisers.

cause I lose their expertise next year," Patterson said.

The history department has three professors as of

Patterson worries about the program itself, not her

"I do not anticipate [ASP] changing my major," Patterson said. "I trust in my faculty. I know that the faculty here at Doane will fight tooth and nail for students."

Patterson said she will graduate with her original major regardless of ASP.

Everyone should also be able to graduate with the major they currently have,

Junior Lexis Stuchlik voiced concern about the possibility of advisers being eliminated during this pro-

Doane campuses in Grand Island, Omaha and Lincoln removed advisers while the Crete campus

"Having at least a faculty member that knows what they are talking [about] is extremely beneficial, whether you're 18 or 30," Stuchlik

Stuchlik can't imagine Doane taking away faculty advisers.

"With my experience with my professors there's no doubt in my mind that [incoming students] could thrive here," Stuchlik said. "Our advisers know what kind of student you are."

The lack of communication between the administration and students has added concern.

Patterson educated herself about prioritization by asking faculty questions.

who I knew had tenure so they were more protected," Patterson said. "Once I had basic information, I googled things for an hour."

A professor told Patterson the Board of Trustees introduced prioritization, and our commitment that

The professor was unable to quote the member of the board who introduced the

Stuchlik heard about potential adviser removal from a professor.

"I can't really speak on behalf of any of the administration because [students] haven't been told anything," Stuchlik said. "I'm very biased in that I absolutely adore my advisers and without them, I probably wouldn't know what I'm doing."

With the communication gap between administration and students, Patterson encouraged students to use their voices.

"Instead of complaining "I asked faculty questions about administration, instead of complaining about the cost, find out what you can do to change it," Patterson said. "It is those people [the Board of Trustees] that if we impress upon them our urgency, our passion

then things start to change." Patterson said one person can only do so much.

"[One person] can do an interview. [One person] can write an article for the Owl. But, it's not until we do things like host forums that the Board of Trustees starts to listen to us," Patterson said.

With the potential hire, Patterson said Doane is represented by students, faculty and professors. Not the administration.

"I don't interact with the administration. I'm not taught by the administration," Patterson said.

Patterson said the prioritization would be detrimental for Doane.

Faculty and its programs sell a university and that's what prioritization cuts, she

"I find that to be completely contrary to what would be logical and healthy for Doane as an institution," Patterson said.

This Week's Weather Forecast

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Professor offers help with taxes

JOSH BUNDY Sports Editor

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the Crete community alike pointment and get the free an opportunity to learn and help that Baillie and stuprepare for the tax season, dents are offering.

Doane professor Court- According to irs.gov, the ney Baillie is looking to help deadline to file for 2019 tax their taxes, a skill college With the help of the VITA students don't always pos- program, students can feel confident about filing their Baillie and various ac- tax returns from the past

If students want to par-Wednesdays from 4:00 to ticipate in this event, they 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays are asked to bring a social security card, a photo ID, These lessons are at the all the tax forms they have relocated Crete Library at received and routing and account numbers for their

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and prepare tax returns for "Volunteers complete onmembers of the community. line training and must pass This provides the students a certification exam." Bail.

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CORONAVIRUS What are some of the symptoms? Breathing Cough difficulties

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Princess and tested positive

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KETV also reports there

for the virus.

Coronavirus closer than ever

United States from abroad.

BAILEY ROBERTS News Editor

if but when the coronavirus, now known as COVID-19, will drastically affect the United States.

The World Health Organization, WHO, Feb. 25, report states there are 80,239 confirmed coronavirus cases vorldwide, with 908 new cases confirmed within 24

Cases of coronavirus in the United States make up a small fraction of the cases

.worldwide According to the CDC, there are 39 positive results for coronavirus for people surrounding the coronaviwho were sent back to the

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CDC also reports 14 additional confirmed cases that are unrelated to the Diamond Princess cruise ship or people brought back on are 14 people from the Digovernment-chartered aircraft. Twelve of these cases involve travel-related contraction of the illness while the remaining two cases spread person-to-person.

This brings the total num-

However, not all news rus outbreak is bad.

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Giving Day is back for round two

Dogne holds second annual Giving Day to raise money for the Dogne fund p.m. on March 3.

CAITLYN NELSON Editor-in-Chief

Doane's second annual 24-hour giving day "One Day. One Doane." will be held from 10 a.m. March 4 to 10 a.m. March 5.

The goal for giving day is to reach 240 Annual Fund donors in 24 hours.

Giving day encourages engagement and philanthropy among all members of the Doane community around the globe. People can celebrate Doane by making gifts of all sizes.

"One Day. One Doane." is not only a day to generate support for our Annual Fund, but it's a day for our

employees, alumni, students and friends to come together and share their Doane pride," Doane Annual Fund Director, Julie Rasgorshek, said.

Elle's on Main will host a dine-out dinner from 5 to 10

Artisan Mark will host an event hours before Giving Day begins from 7:30 to 9 a.m. on March 4. Members of the Doane Advancement team will have Doane swag for participants.

Ten percent of all sales from Elle's on Main and Artisan Mark will be donated back to support the Doane

Participants are encouraged to bring a "One Day. One Doane." gift to the kick-off at Artisan Mark. All gifts received during this time will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$500 by Crete Physical Therapy.

Stickers will be distributed on campus from advancement staff and development officers at the start of Giving Day.

From 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. events will be held at Lakeside for students, faculty and staff.

Students will get a chance to win a free taco prize during "Let's Taco Bout Philanthropy" where they will spin a wheel and answer a philanthropy/giving day related question.

Students are encouraged to create TikTok video on Giving Day with a Doane friend with the hashtag #DoaneBFF. For each video, an anonymous donor will give \$15 to the Doane Fund.

Students will also get the chance to win free money to give to the Doane Fund in a spin-off game of Cash Cab called "Cash Cart." Each correct answer students riding in the Cash Cart give to trivia questions earns them \$25 to be donated to one of the five areas supported by the Doane Fund.

These areas include:

Athletics



Courtesy graphic | Advancement Office

Logo for One Day. One Doane.

- Fine Arts
- Campus Life
- People
- Financial Aid

The "Philanthropy Photo Booth" will also be open for students to take photos and share on social media. Students will be encouraged to

use the hashtags #GiveDoane and/or #One-DayOneDoane to support the event.

The money raised on this day will go to the areas of athletics, fine arts, campus life, financial aid, people and the general needs of the university.

The advancement office would like to thank the sponsors who have helped to make this day a success including Artisan Mark, Crete Area Medical Center, Crete Physical Therapy, Elle's on Main and Pinnacle Bank.



Former Doane student dies, honored with signed shoes

CAITLYN NELSON

Editor-in-Chief

Jaren "JJ" Fountain, a former Doane student and member of the Hansen Leadership Program, died on Feb. 14, at age 20 as a result of an automobile accident.

Fountain came to Doane and transferred schools after his freshman year, but left his mark and memory at Doane.

"He [Fountain] always made whoever was in the room laugh and when we couldn't sleep we could stay up all night just talking about life," Fountain's freshman year roommate Blaine Wood said. "He was the best roommate

anyone could have asked outside of their comfort

During Fountain's time at Doane, he was not only a Directions member, but also a member of the Doane Football team. He also received the Hansen Leadership Certificate.

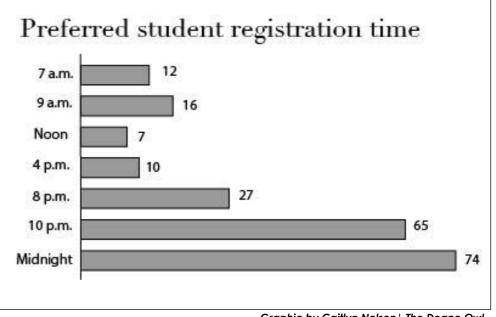
"He was an inspirational leader and it was a pleasure to have taught him during the 2017/18 year," Assistant Director of the Hansen Leadership Program Andrew Brown said. "I will always remember the time when he attended the certificate session on Enable Others and then invited me to play basketball with him and other students. He was the type of person who encouraged everyone to step

zones

This weekend a group of Doane students and members of the 2017 Directions cohort attended Jaren JJ Fountain's Celebration of Life ceremony on Saturday in South Dakota.

To honor Jaren and his passion for wearing funky shoes, members of the 2017 directions cohort signed a white pair of tennis shoes. Students that attended the ceremony delivered the shoes to Fountain's family on behalf of the cohort.

"He made me a better person just by being who he was," Wood said.



Graphic by Caitlyn Nelson | The Doane Owl

Students and faculty filled out a form about their preferred registration time.

Registration time stays midnight

CAITLYN NELSON

Editor-in-Chief

By a 4.3 percent lead, students want the class registration time to stay midnight.

A survey sent out a campus wide to students and faculty for information on what they wanted

registration time to be determined this.

This survey was sent out by Doane registrar Denise Ellis on Feb. 11, and was open for a week.

The purpose of this survey was to make changes if students and faculty wanted them.

Ellis said that she had 18, at midnight.

heard complaints about the time so the survey was a way to get information on what others thought.

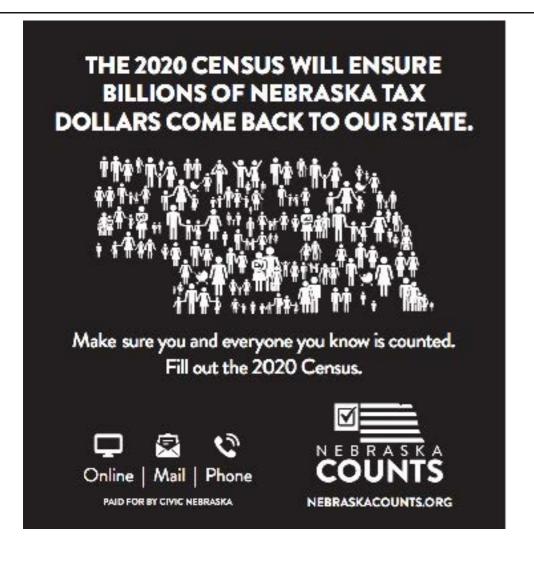
Freshmen and juniors made up over half, 51.4 percent, of the 211 respondents.

Registration for fall 2020 will start on March

Doane Crime

Doane Safety Office reported incidents in their public crime log. Incidents reported between Feb. 15, and Feb. 23, include:

- 2/16 Motor Vehicle Hit and Run Parking Lots
- 2/17 Disturbance Perry Campus Center Lower Level





Cardinals get bloody for a good cause

Crete High School Blood Drive open to public this week for

> CAITLYN NELSON Editor-in-Chief

This year, Crete High School's Cardinal Union will be teaming up with the Science Club to support its annual Blood Drive.

The Nebraska Community Blood Bank will be in town Thursday and Friday.

Cardinal Union will be hosting donation times that are open to the community, on Thursday from 4-7 p.m. in the parking lot of Crete High School with the mobile unit of Nebraska Community Blood Bank.

The Science Club will be hosting times for Crete Public Schools Staff and High School students (who are 16 and older with parent permission) to donate during the school day on Friday.

The goal is to collect a minimum of 50 units, because blood supplies in Nebraska are dangerously low. Those who can donate are encouraged to.

This is the first year that Crete High School is working with the Nebraska Community Blood Bank.

The Nebraska Community Blood Bank is the sole blood supplier of Crete Area Medical Center.

Nearly all of the blood collected stays in Nebraska for local patients.

The NECBB was founded by the community for the community.

They need about 1,000 blood donors each week to support the needs of our local hospitals.

The NECBB has a scholarship program that will benefit Crete High School Seniors.

All blood donors will also receive a free t-shirt from the Nebraska Community Blood Bank.

If you would like to donate, appointments are highly encouraged, however, walk-ins will be accepted Thursday as well.

To schedule your appointment please contact Crete High School Cardinal Union Site Coordinator Tina Rockenbach at (402) 826-9856 or tina. rockenbach@creteschools. org. Scheduling can also be done online at http://bit. ly/cretehighblooddrive.



Courtesy graphic | Crete Cardinal Union

Those that wish to donate blood to the drive can schedule an appointment using the information in the above graphic or walk-ins will be accepted on

GUILD "geeks" take back the week



The Gamers United In Leading Doane, or the G.V.I.L.D. celebrated their "Geek Week" with three different events, including a tabletop game day and a video game day in Lakeside, and a 24 hour gaming marathon called "LANBASH" held in the fieldhouse. The events pro-vided students with oppor-tunities to play various types of games with their friends if they were not participating in the Weeks of the Greeks festivities. Photos show students playing Super Smash Bros in Lakeside on Thursday



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Crete holds job fair

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QPS Employment

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Crete will be holding a job fair from 2 to 4 p.m. on March 5 for all members of the Crete community, including Crete and Doane students, 24 different employers will be at the Crete Job Fair. The event will take place at the First Congregational Church at 440 East 12th Street in Crete. The event is brought to Crete through the Crete Public Schools Special

Volunteer opportunities this week

Community Dinner

Feb. 26

Volunteers will not up the event and distribute food to participants. It will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. at the United Church of Christ.

Epona Horse Rescue

Feb. 28

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

Feeding America

Volunteers will assist with collecting food and distribut-ing to families in need in the te area at First Congrega tional United Church of

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

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Volunteers will help sell donated dresses at the Prom Closet's Lincoln location. The Prom Closeb is a volunteer run fundraiser bhab supposed the Foster Care

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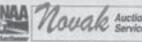
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Weekly Horoscopes

Aquarius (January 21 - February 19): Be forgiving this week, Aquarius. Now is not a good time to start silly quarrels, let go of your anger when you can.

Pisces (February 20 - March 20): Happy birthday season, Pisces! Treat yourself this week and don't play it safe, take a chancel

Aries (March 21 - April 20): Aries, now is not the time to let your anger get the best of you. Take a deep breath when you need to or even a break!

Taurus (April 21 - May 21): Be humble this week, Taurus. It's fine to be proud of yourself, but don't get stuck on a glass pedestal.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21): It may still be winter, but it is never too early to begin planning your summer, Gemini. If not now, time will fly by and it will be too late!

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): Don't let other people's opinions get the best of you this week, or ever, Cancer. Be true to yourself and don't let other people dictate your

Leo (July 23 - August 22): Stop letting other people walk all over you this week, Leo! Pick your battles wisely, but stand up for yourself when you need to.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): Virgo, it is time to get real with yourself. Take time to really contemplate this week and talk to someone if you need to.

Libra (September 23 - October 22): It's going to be a stressful week, Libra, but don't worry! This week will bring clarity when you least expect it.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): Tsk, tsk, tsk Scorpio. Having fun is fine, but make sure to think your actions through before doing anything you'll regret this week!

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): Take care of your Leo friends this week, Sagittarius! You will be stronger together than you are alone.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20): Keep things to yourself this week, Capricorn. Don't ruin friendships by spilling secrets.



Shield Talk, Kennerly Benraty

HILLARY CHAISSON Staff Writer

2018 Doane graduate, Kennerly Benraty, gets creative by starting Shield Talk: Doane's Alumni Podcast Show. With two years working as a Development Officer under his belt; Benraty aimed to showcase alumni stories and professor research

by meeting listeners in their chair through a podcast.

Q: Where did the name of the show come from?

I thought of the title for this show in the shower with the concept of what would it mean to "earn your shield." The name "Shield Talk" was more of a play off of DJ Khaled's "Cloth Talk."

The idea of the podcast came into purition during my first year of employment. I already had a personal podcast, "the Morning Grind with Kenny B," that has taken a backseat since I started working with this one. I believe that I started recording sometime early last year. [The first recording was released on April 24, 2019, interviewing '07 Doane graduate, Laura Thomas.]

Q. What is the main purpose for this show?

This is a way we can bridge the gap and meet alumni in the middle in terms of engagement because my job as a development officer is to engage alumni and keep them up to date with what is going on with the school, and help them find the greatest impact a donor can have at the institution.

[A secondary purpose] is to show the value of a liberal arts, private education, today. What better way to show that than to take someone who has had a liberal arts education and learn how they used it and how it helped them in graduate school [and the future.] In this day in age where people are constantly asking the question is college worth it, the point of the podcast is to say totally, it is.

Q: Where do you see this podcast going in the future?

Well, my job description is not to host podcasts. I had to get creative to make the podcast fit the alumni engagement piece of my job description. However, the podcast combines some of my talents, plays to my strenght, and gives me a chance to do something a little extra. I am not shy on the mic or on tv, so the dream would be that the podcast could be turned into a TV show. Video is always awesome, but that would take an actual team of folks. But [looking forward], I think the podcast is great because no one else is doing it, which makes it unique.

Tiger Timeout

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Thumbs Up, Thumbs Down included cartoonist.

- STAFF EDITORIAL -

Information needed for transparency

Although a recent email percent increase." from the Office of Finance & Administration about a raise in tuition and fees has students in an uproar, the Owl staff is looking on the positive side of it.

The email stated, "After much thought and deliberation, the Board of Trustees approved the recommendation to set tuition and fees at \$37,000 for the 2020-21 academic year, representing a 4.8 percent increase from our current rate. The cost of room & board will be \$10,100, a 3.1

Now with Doane trying to be more transparent with its students about when they're raising the tuition and fees and where their money is going, students need to take each bit of information with a grain of salt before they go throwing the whole shaker.

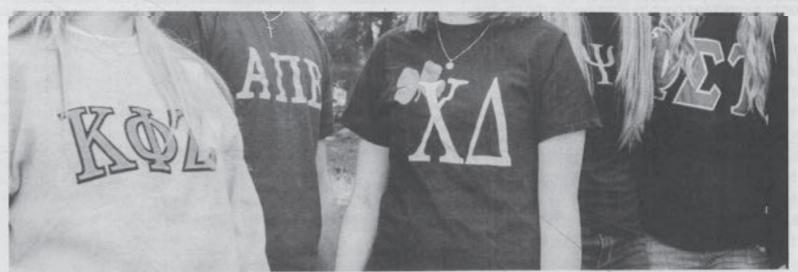
Doane is in need of financial help and with donors only being able to do so much the next option is to raise tuition and student fees to help out financially. Don't let the new tuition and fees numis still going to find ways to make it affordable for its current students and incoming.

Just in this last year 2019-20 academic year, Doane has invested heavily in its students, providing over \$21 million in scholarships to students on the Crete campus, according to the email.

Vice President of Finance Administration Julie Schmidt, is meeting with Student Congress, StuCo, about where tuition money goes and how either StuCo

ber scare you though, Doane should report better to students about that topic or that their presentations on tuition and other finances should be made public.

By the Doane letting current students know ahead of time (six months to be exact) about the raise in their tuition and fees, those students now have time to make financial plans for next semester and talk to Schmidt about how they can pay for Doane with this raise in fees.



Courtesy photo | Greek Life

Greek members stand together during Greek photos for promotional photos.

Greek life not so bad

MEAGHAN STOUT Life & Culture Editor

I grew up in a household that equated Greek life with "drinking the Kool-Aid."

My mother always told me she would disown me if I ever even considered joining a sorority. In other words, if you know her, please don't tell her about this.

During my freshman year, I considered rushing for one of the groups on campus but chickened out right before all of the rush parties. Honestly, though, I don't exactly fit the bill for a sorority girl, which was partially why I never went.

Throughout my time at

Doane, my view of Greek life has changed tremendously. I'm not even sure if I know what a stereotypical "sorority girl" is supposed to be anymore. Unfortunately, though, I still know what a frat boy is.

My decision to stay independent throughout my time at Doane was mainly due to my own prejudices about the Greek system and a general lack of confidence in my socializing abilities.

Now that I have spent more time with people in Greek groups, I know that they are not what I used to expect. A lot of my friends are in Greek groups and enjoy it a lot.

For my senior year, I decided to rush one of the groups despite my previous refusals.

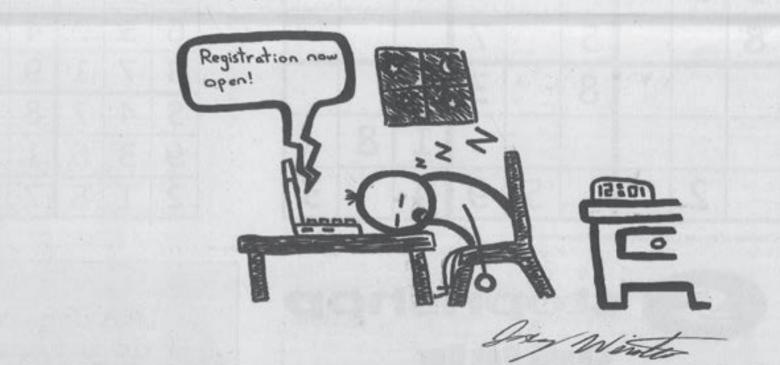
That being said, my previously stated lack of confidence in my socializing abilities was completely justified. When I was invited to the third rush party, I missed the first hour and a half due to an anxiety attack.

Despite my poor small talk skills, I received a bid for the group. I was out of town for the weekend, so I was notified by a call. Initially, I was excited to be a part of the group but ended up saying no anyway.

While I slightly regret turning down the bid, I do not regret being independent for my time at Doane. I have limited time outside of classes, work and the extracurriculars I have already committed my time to. Not only that, but I have friends from all of the groups. While there is nothing wrong with being friends with other groups, it feels strange to choose a group over another.

After almost three years of being at Doane, I have met a lot of different types of people and been in a lot of different groups on campus. The groups I am already in, or have already been in, have exposed me to all types of students. While joining a Greek group would not hinder my ability to befriend new kinds of people, I feel content with the groups I am in and content with the people I know within groups without having to be a part of it as well.

- EDITORIAL CARTOON -



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Rideshare opportunies like Uber, Lyft and Zimride give people chances to get rides and prevent drunk driving or walking home in potentially dangerous situations.

Rideshares need to come to Crete

> JOSH BUNDY Sports Editor

Students make the 'walk of shame' almost every weekend.

Not the normal walk of shame, but the walk home from parties.

Being in a small town for college has its benefits, but the major downfall is not being able to call an Uber for a ride home after a night out.

Crete is a great candidate for Uber, Lyft or any other system like them. It would be a great source of income and more importantly, it would keep students safe.

Many fraternities and sororities have a designated driver for college nights or weekends, but not everyone is part of a Greek group.

Many students go out with their friends any given night, but more often than not, they don't plan on how they are getting home.

Uber has made a name for itself by offering rides to those who are too inebriated to drive home safely and Doane students deserve to have this option as well.

I know that there are many students who don't go out often that would be more than happy to give rides to friends and strangers alike, but the difficulty with helping strangers is the line of communication that simply is not

Rideshare apps are able to provide this line of communication and it is just what Doane needs.

There are a plethora of willing candidates in Crete who would gladly spend a Friday night picking people up and taking them home for a small fee as Uber and Lyft do, but those companies are not in business in small towns.

One student shared a story with me that involved him ordering an Uber from Lincoln to take him a mile down the road in Crete.

The Uber driver had to drive all the way from Lincoln just to take him from a party to DeLeon's and

This is not at all efficient, but that student was wise enough to know that they shouldn't be driving home and made the best call they could.

By having rideshare opportunities in Crete, not only would this be a way for students to make money on the weekends, but it would also be a step in ensuring students get home safely.



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Disconnect to reconnect

STEPHANIE HOSHOR Copy Desk Chief

It's 2020 and the world we're living in is getting more and more digital by the

Parents are watching their kids' games or recitals through their phone screen, trying to record every minute.

People are snapping/recording full concerts on their phones rather than enjoying them in the moment.

Others are just on their damn phone 24/7 instead of paying attention to those around them.

People this day and age are so addicted to their phones and social media that they feel the need to be posting absolutely everything they're doing or eating.

Now I'm not saying I haven't done this, because I have, but this year I'm challenging not only myself but others to disconnect their phones and reconnect with those around them.

When you go on vacation to that tropical destination, lock your damn phone in the safe. You don't need it. It doesn't work and you're wasting your vacation trying to show others where you're at and what you're doing. When you're on a family vacation, challenge yourself to only be on your phone for maybe an hour a day at most. Not only will your eyes be on the people around you but also the destination of where you're at or going.

Yes, pictures on vacations are always



good to have for memories and to brag to your friends, but have you ever heard of a camera? They work as well as your phone and aren't connected to social media. Plus you can go and print them out afterward and post them straight to your wall (at your house, not Facebook).

We use my mom's waterproof Nikon camera so that way if we go to the beach, pool or anything involving water, we don't have to worry about anything getting damaged. I understand that going out and buying a camera for one vacation isn't ideal, but you could always borrow one from a friend or think about the camera as an investment for the future. Not only will this camera be great for vacations but also for everyday

So this year make a resolution to disconnect from technology more often and be more in the moment. This way not only will you improve your connections with others, but you will also enjoy the little things and events that you go

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The Doane Owl editorial staff cast their opinions on different current topics and their responses are represented in 'Thumbs Up, Thumbs Down' every week.

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8 Men's track reigns supreme

NISHESH YADAV Art Editor

The Doane men's track and field team claimed its seventh consecutive indoor conference championship by four points.

The women placed second.

The teams headed to South Dakota to compete in the Great Plains Athletic Conference Championships on Friday and Saturday, according to the GPAC website.

The Tiger men scored 158 points to narrowly defeat Dordt, who finished with 154 points.

The women placed second with 113.5 points, losing out to Concordia who scored

According to a Doane Athletics tweet during the event, the Tiger men's team held a two-point lead going into the final event.

The lead came after senior Peyton Harsin had to re-run the 200 meter sprint due to a technical issue in the finish line images. Harsin placed seventh to earn two points.

The 4x400 relay capped the championship for the Doane men when sophomore Austin Drake, fresh- team that placed fifth.

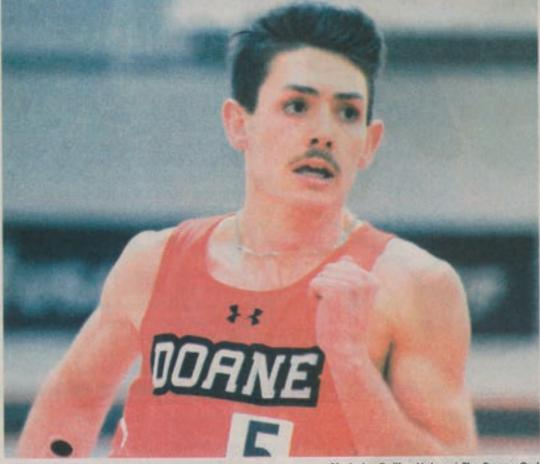


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Junior Logan Hammond helped the Doane men's track team take fourth in the 4x400m relay. In taking fourth, the relay team was able to edge out Dordt and clinch the Great Plains Athletic Conference Championship. The Tigers also had 56 total athletes on both the men's and women's teams who earned all-conference honors.

man Jordan Tasler, senior Tanner Harsin and Junior Logan Hammond collectively ran a 3:23.03 to take fourth and beat the Dordt relay

Doane Athletics reported es. that 32 Tiger men earned all-conference performanc-

The women had 24

Individuals earn all-conference honors if they place in the Top 8 of an event.

On the women's side, this all-conference performanc- is the second straight year

the Tigers have lost at the indoor conference championships after having had an 8-year run of winning.

The Tigers had two events where they placed three or more athletes.

In the high jump, senior Alexis Dale won with a height of 1.71 meters. She was followed by second-place junior Isabelle Watson and third place freshman Isabel Henson.

Junior Rebecca Hervert added a couple points with her 7th place finish in the event.

In the shot put, senior Kate Grint had the championship throw with 14.02 meters, while senior Jordyn Stearns placed second and sophomore Katie VanLaningham took eighth.

Dale and Grint are both currently leading the entire National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics in their respective events according to the U.S. Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association web-

The Tigers will return to the NAIA National Championships on March 5-7 in Brookings, South Dakota.

Doane Athletics Schedule and Results



This Week's Schedule: Friday 2/28

Dance @ the NAIA Regional Championship

Saturday 2/29

Cheer @ the NAIA Regional Championship Ba seball vs Mayvill State University (doubleheader) 1pm

M Tennis @ Southwestern Coll 2pm

Softball @ Baker Univ 2pm

W Tennis @ Southwetern Coll

Softball @ Friends Univ 4pm

Sunday 3/1

Baseball vs Mayville State Univ 12pm

Monday 3/2

Baseball JV @ York Coll (doubleheader)

Tuesday 3/3

Softball vs Tabor Coll (doubleheader) 1pm Baseball JV @ Hastings (doubleheader)

> Last Week's Results:

Men's basketball lost to Hastings 84-74 and Briar Cliff 74-66.

Women's basketball lost to Hastings 95-59 and Briar Cliff 69-50.

Men's indoor track won the GPAC Champion-

ships.

Women's indoor track placed second in the

GPAC Championships. Wrestling placed sev-

enth at the GPAC Championships.

Softball beat Kansas Wesleyan University 3-2, lost to Northeastern State 6-0, lost to Kansas Wesleyan University 4-0, and beat Haskell Indian Nations University.

> Graphic by Nishesh Yadav | The Doane Owl

Boldmaa to represent DU at nationals

NISHESH YADAV Art Editor

The Doane wrestling team had one individual champion and two additional top three finishes to place seventh overall at the conference championships in Sioux City, Iowa.

The team scored 48 team points with 13 wins throughout the day.

Sophomore Baagii Boldmaa led the Tigers with his win in the 141 pound weight class and will head to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics National Championships in March.

According to Doane Athletics, he is the first Tiger to win the weight class in the GPAC.

Boldmaa's day started with a pin over Midland's Prestin Vondra.

His dominance continued into the quarterfinals, where he posted a technical fall victory over Lane Eggen from Morningside.

Another pin in the semifinals, this time over Jamestown's Jesus Murillo sent Boldmaa to the title match.

Boldmaa punched his ticket to nationals with a takedown in the final minute for a 7-5 win against Concordia's Chris Kimball.

Freshman Michael Scarponi posted a third-place finish on the day in the 165 division.

He posted a decision win

over Northwestern's Carter Behler to start the day, but then lost out to Marcus Urban from Dakota Wesleyan 8-6.

He battled back to the third-place match after defeating Isaiah Burks from Concordia by decision.

He found a familiar opponent in Behler, and after defeating him twice already in the past 16 days he earned the podium finish with a

Brandon Sophomore Antesberger finished thirdplace in the 285 division.

He started his day with a decision victory against Hastings' Daniel Gonzalez.

He picked up another win in overtime against MJ Montgomery from Brian

In the semifinal match, he faced the NAIA number two ranked wrestler for the weight class - Tanner Farmer from Concordia.

Antesberger lost 5-0 but made it to the third-place match with another decision victory over Gonzalez.

He went on to defeat Matt Wilke from Briar Cliff by decision to finish third.

His third place finish earned him a shot at making the NAIA National Championships as there were two

bids for the weight class. During a wrestle-off to determine the "true second" Antesberger faced Phil Rasmussen from Morningside, who lost the championship

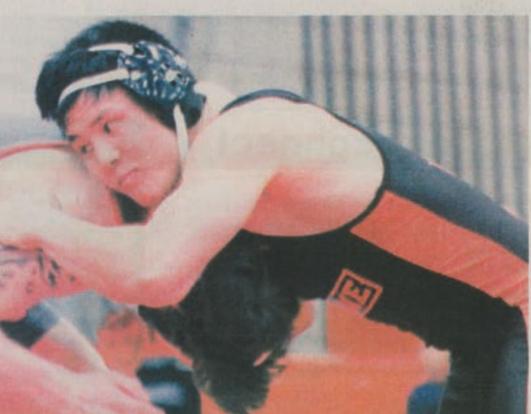


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Sophomore Baagii Boldmaa booked his licket to the NAIA National Championships in March after winning the 141 weight division at the GPAC Championships. The team placed seventh overall at the competition.

match to Farmer earlier.

Rasmussen would win in the last 20 seconds as he took down Antesberger to win 3-1, according to Morningside Athletics.

Boldmaa will represent the Tigers when he heads to the NAIA National Championships in Park City, Kansas on March 6 and 7.

Dance ranked tenth nationally

NISHESH YADAV Art Editor

The Doane dance team is ranked tenth in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics ahead of their regional championship this weekend.

The NAIA ranks competitive dance based on average scores throughout the season.

According to scores-tracker, the Tigers average score for the season sits at 76.98, just one-tenth of a point shy of Mount Mercy University in ninth.

The team will head to Morningside Friday to compete against nine other Great Plains Athletic Conference schools at the NAIA Regional Qualifier.

The NAIA has only five regional qualifiers, but up to twelve teams are allowed to compete.

According to a previous Doane Owl article, the remaining spots get filled in by the next-highest ranked teams that haven't qualified through the regionals.

Junior captain Renee Lukowicz said the team's goal this year is to increase the score from the regional competition last year.

Last year the team finished with a 79.10 to earn a third-place finish.

The team will need a significant increase in their score in order to defeat their GPAC foes Midland and Morningside. Both teams are averaging above 85 points in their competitions this season.

The Tigers head to Sioux City, lowa on Friday for their qualifier.

If the team does not win, it will wait and see if its season scores hold up to give it the at-large bid to the NAIA National Championships in Davenport, Iowa on March 13 and 14.

