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Women's Soccer battled Dordt University over the weekend. See Page 9 for more.

Bestselling author visits Doane

ABRIANNA MILLER
Editor-in-Chief

On Oct. 22, New York Times bestselling author

William "Kent" Krueger took a tour of Doane University before his presentation at the Crete Public Library.

Krueger was on campus to tour Doane's campus, as his brother-in-law attended the university

some years ago and parts of his most recent novel take place in Nebraska.

At the end of his visit, Krueger sat down with a couple students, a faculty member and Crete Public Library coordinators to have a round-table dis-

ussion about his book "This Tender Land."

"This Tender Land" chronicles the escape of four children from an Indian Training School in Minnesota. The children end up in the middle of an adventure that none of

them saw coming.

Those who had the opportunity to speak with the author asked about his writing process, his inspiration and his intentions in writing "This Tender Land."

A comprehensive over-

view of the discussion will be available on Doaneline in the coming days. Check the website periodically throughout the week to access the whole talk with Krueger.

Counselor stepping back

KYLIE HUGHES
Copy Desk Chief

It was announced on Oct. 14 in an email directed to all students from the Student Affairs Office that Counselor Raegan Bartholomew will not be returning to Doane.

Bartholomew, previously on maternity leave, was slated to return to Doane in November after the birth of her daughter. However, in a per-

sonal note enclosed in the email, she stated her plans had to change.

"Our newborn daughter, Rhen, has had a rough first month of life with different viruses causing her to be in and out of the hospital. Ultimately, with the help of her pediatrician, we had decided it is safest for her not to attend daycare," Bartholomew said.

Due to this decision, Bartholomew will be working in a private practice in Lincoln two days a week.

"This will allow me to spend more time with my daughters and ultimate-

ly ensure my family's health and safety," Bartholomew said.

Prior to the email from Student Affairs being sent out, Bartholomew individually emailed students that she was seeing on a regular basis to let them know about her decision.

Bartholomew provided counseling to a wide range of students and was a valued member of the community. In addition to everything she brought to Doane, she also brought her therapy dog, Ase, to help support the community.

Both Bartholomew and Ase will be missed.

"I have loved getting to know all of the amazing faculty, staff and students during my time at Doane. I've met some of the best people along the way, and I will be forever grateful that this was part of my journey," Bartholomew said.

The search to fill her position will open soon. Students in need of counseling support can email Counselors Myron Parsley at myron.parsley@doane.edu or Darcy Dawson at darcy.dawson@doane.edu.



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Fires rage in areas around Lincoln

JOSE VILLALPANDO
News Editor

On Oct. 24, people in the surrounding areas of Lincoln were alerted via the Nebraska Emergen-

cy Alert System (EAS) of an evacuation notice for southwest Lancaster County due to wildfires having sprung up due to conditions resulting in a red flag warning being posted.

Two firefighters were

pronounced injured on scene while trying to contain the wildfire that had begun on the Lancaster-Gage County border. It was later reported that one Crete firefighter received severe injuries while the other, unknown

department, firefighter had received little to no injuries.

According to Lancaster County Sheriff Terry Wagner, the firefighter sustained his injuries after the fire had swept over him while in a ditch,

KETV reported.

Volunteer firefighter and Doane Biology Professor Brad Elder was identified as the Crete firefighter and is now recovering from his injuries in the hospital, according to an email sent out from

the President's Office on Oct. 24 to all Crete students.

Further information will be shared in regards

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Nebraska COVID-19 update

JOSE VILLALPANDO
News Editor

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the level of community transmission has fallen to low for Saline County as of Oct. 20, 2022.

"Stay up to date with COVID-19 vaccines. Get tested if you have symptoms. Wear a mask if you have symptoms, a positive test or exposure to someone with COVID-19," the CDC reports. "You may choose to wear a mask at any time as an additional precaution to protect yourself and others."

As of Oct. 20, the CDC has been updating case data on Thursdays, on a weekly basis.

Doane does not have a mask mandate, meaning that students are able to walk maskless inside buildings on campus at their discretion. Even with that said, it is still recommended to wear a mask when social distancing is not possible.

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

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

Saline County has reported fewer than 10 current COVID-19 cases as of Oct. 19, 2022.

There are 63 percent of the Saline County

population equal to or over the age of 12 in Saline County that have been vaccinated, marking 54.6 percent of the total population as vaccinated.

Although there are no current indoor mask mandates for Lincoln-Lancaster county, county residents can still expect to have to wear masks in some facilities, such as hospitals and airports.

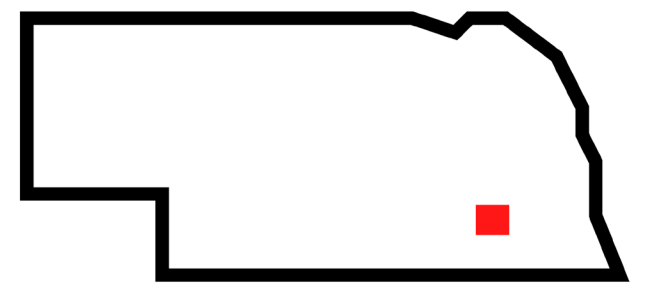
According to an email from University Communications on Aug. 19, Doane is now following new CDC guidelines that state anyone who has been exposed to COVID-19 does not need to be quarantined so long as they are not symptomatic. Individuals with no symptoms will need to self-monitor for symptoms and wear their

mask for ten days. It is also recommended to get tested for COVID-19 on the fifth day of self-monitoring.

"Free tests are available (while supplies last) at the Student Health Office in the lower level of Perry, residence halls (in the community assistant offices), in athletic training offices and the student affairs office," the email also read.

Students who test positive or feel symptomatic must self-isolate and not attend classes, practice or other activities. Students must also contact the Student Health Office either by email at studenthealth@doane.edu or by calling 402.826.8265.

If a symptomatic student has not yet taken a test, they will need to do so with a rapid at-home



**LESS THAN 10
REPORTED COVID
CASES IN SALINE
COUNTY**

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test, writing their name and the date and time of the test on the card or on a paper placed next to the test to document it for Student Health.

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

Hansen sees plumbing issue

ABRIANNA MILLER
Editor-in-Chief

On Oct. 12, Hansen Leadership Hall residents experienced plumbing issues, resulting in some minor damage to the building on the lower floor.

Director of Residential Life and Education (ResLife) Brian Stutz said the issue arose from the building's plumbing being backed up.

"[Plumbers] found paper towels and personal products that were clogging up the system," Stutz said.

Plumbers were called as soon as ResLife was made aware of the issue. Stutz says that the dry-wall damaged from the water has been replaced, and they are currently waiting for new carpet to be installed.

Stutz also says that one suite was "minimally affected."

Students living in Hansen were surprised and concerned by the water leaking in the building,



Courtesy photo | Austin Filliez

such as senior Austin Filliez.

"The hallways and some of the rooms in the basement floor were covered in water and smelled really bad," Filliez said. "[There was] lots of confusion between students and facilities trying to get the flooding to stop."

Facilities told Filliez

and his roommates that the flooding in their suite was "one of the worst on the floor." Filliez reports that his bathroom was completely flooded, as well as the carpet outside the bathroom.

"Since the plumbing issue has been resolved, they cleaned out the bathroom as well as the hall-

way and have ripped up all of the carpet that got wet, but they haven't replaced it so now the floor is just really gross but at least the smell is gone," Filliez said.

Stutz would like to remind students not to flush paper towels or personal items down the toilet. Doing so puts the

whole building at risk of flooding and future, potentially worse, plumbing backups.

With any questions or concerns about facilities or the recent plumbing issue, please contact Facilities at facilities@doane.edu or Stutz at brian.stutz@doane.edu.

This Week's Weather Forecast

Wednesday
10/26



High: 62

Low: 45

Thursday

10/27



High: 58

Low: 40

Friday

10/28



High: 60

Low: 34

Saturday

10/29



High: 61

Low: 34

Sunday

10/30



High: 64

Low: 34

Monday

10/31



High: 68

Low: 43

Tuesday

11/1



High: 70

Low: 44

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to how the Doane community can help Elder's family and alternative plans for students enrolled in Elder's classes in the near future.

As for the fire, warm temperatures, low humidity and strong winds across Nebraska are being attributed to the red flag warning having been posted prior to the fire starting.

According to Weather Underground, temperatures in Lincoln alone soared to near-90-degree heat on top of an average height of 33-mile-per-hour winds and 53-mile-per-hour wind gusts.

Later in the night, rain began to fall on the burned fields soon after sunset, helping the responding firefighters contain the rest of the fire.

Overall, three homes were destroyed and areas in and around Olive



Courtesy photo | Elayne Woods

Creek State Recreation Area were burned in the fire south of Lincoln, the Lincoln Journal Star reported.

This fire was just one of many sparking off due to the hot, dry conditions in parts of Nebraska over the past few weeks, with

other recent fires occurring in Nuckolls county and near the Nebraska-Iowa state border.

As a final note, the email from the President's Office also noted the importance of supporting impacted individuals and caring for our

community.

"Doane is a community, a place where we care for each other," the email reads. "Please continue to keep all those impacted in your thoughts."

Counseling Services are also always available to students. In order to

schedule an appointment, students can contact Myron Parsley at myron.parsley@doane.edu, Darcy Dawson at darcy.dawson@doane.edu or schedule an appointment through the Student Health Office.

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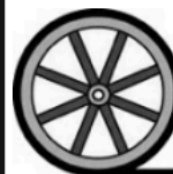
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Climate change activists target art

JOEY WINTON
Managing Editor

On Oct. 14, two climate protesters threw a can of tomato soup on a Van Gogh painting in London's National Gallery, and on Oct. 23, two protestors splattered a Claude Monet painting with mashed potatoes in a German art museum.

According to The Guardian, the protestors in London are a part of "Just Stop Oil," an organization that is advocating for an end to oil and gas extraction in Britain. After they threw the soup, the protestors glued their hands to the wall just beneath the art work.

The painting they threw the soup at was Vincent Van Gogh's "Sunflowers" which, aside from minor damage to the frame, is unharmed thanks to the glass that covered the painting.

The protective glass in front of the painting was a factor "Just Stop Oil" said they had taken into account, with the insinuation that they never meant to destroy the art. In the weeks leading up to the incident, "Just Stop Oil" had been staging sit-down protests on roads around central London, and this incident appears to be an escalation of its tactics.

The individuals responsible for the "attack" in Germany were a part



Cartoon by Joey Winton | The Doane Owl

of Letzte Generation, a German activist group that is also protesting climate inaction.

According to Art News, Letzte Generation also released a statement

saying they were fully aware of the glass protecting the art.

"The painting was not damaged in the action. Quite in contrast to the immeasurable suffering

that floods, storms and droughts are already bringing upon us today as the harbingers of the impending catastrophe," the statement reads.

Seemingly inspired by

"Just Stop Oil's" actions, the individuals at the German museum also glued their hands to the wall just beneath the painting after lobbing the starch at it. In a response to criticisms about the protests, Mirjam Herrmann, a member of Letzte Generation, stated that there are more pressing things to worry about than soup on paintings.

"People are starving. People are freezing. People are dying. We are in the climate catastrophe. And all you're afraid of is tomato soup or mashed potatoes on a painting. Do you know what I'm afraid of?" Herrmann said.

There are no updates as of this publication.

Investigation called for Launch Neb.

JOHN DAWES
Design Assistant

Some Nebraska lawmakers called for an investigation into the Nebraska Department of Education. The lawmakers allege that the Department provided a document that teaches critical race theory (CRT) through the state-sponsored website Launch Nebraska.

Launch Nebraska was initially opened to help schools reopen from pandemic closures. The document in question was titled "Winning Racial Justice In Our Schools" by the Education Justice Research and Organizing Collaborative at New York University. The doc-



Courtesy photo | education.ne.gov

ument was never directly on the website and is only accessible by clicking several links that lead viewers off the website.

Nebraska State Senator Dave Murman of

Glenvil started the investigation and says that this link is proof that the education department has "gone off the rails."

"Bureaucrats at the Nebraska Department of

Education have decided Nebraska children would be better served if their time was spent learning to become activists and talking about woke gender theory," Murman

said at a press conference on Oct. 17 in regards to the investigation.

Murman and others say that the consequences of CRT being taught can be seen in declining ACT scores. The Department of Education says this is due to the pandemic.

"We were reached out to by the governor's office, in fact, that we had a link that went to a cultural responsive education hub," Department of Education spokesman David Jespersen said. "From there, several clicks in, you could find this PDF."

Jespersen said the link to the PDF was only on the website for a couple of months. The link was removed because the Department of Education agreed it wasn't appropriate for the website.

Jespersen said there's no proof it was ever taught in schools.

CRT is typically defined as the assertion that the law and institutions inherently benefit white people over those of other races. The theory is designed to understand and frame the effects of race on society and history, highlighting the inequalities and what institutions can do to improve these issues.

Murman and his colleagues aim to ban CRT in the same vein as other states, as well as eliminate the Department of Education, an idea recently being pushed by some Republicans and Conservative news outlets.

There are no updates as of this publication.

Missing Texas teen caught in Nebraska

ISABEL HENSON
Staff Writer

A Texas teen was found in Nebraska driving with a dead body in the car's trunk on Oct. 14 after disappearing the day before. The woman in the trunk was pronounced dead on scene, and the teen was transported to a nearby hospital after wrecking.

Tyler Roenz (17) and

his mother Michelle Roenz (49) were last seen on Oct. 13 around noon near their home in Humble, Texas.

Michelle Roenz lived with her husband, son Tyler and his older sister.

Authorities have yet to say whether there were any domestic issues within the family, and what might have led to Tyler's disappearance, as well as his mother's death.

According to docu-

ments obtained by ABC-13, Roenz's father found blood and a human tooth in the garage of their home. Roenz's father followed a trail of blood into the master bedroom, where he allegedly found four additional human teeth in a pool of blood along with his wife's purse and cell phone. Shortly after, he reported the two missing.

Roenz's father reported their family's Mazda 3

leaving the house at 11:44 a.m.

Police alerted authorities in Nebraska to be on the lookout for the Mazda. According to court documents obtained by Click2Houston.com, Michelle Roenz's credit card was used in Texas and Kansas, allegedly en route to Nebraska. Based on the evidence, authorities determined the car was likely heading Northbound.

Police identified the black four-door sedan to be Tyler. The car's license plate was also pinged on a radar near Dallas, Texas.

Tyler was found at 2:45 p.m. in Aurora, Nebraska on Oct. 14, over 850 miles away from his home. When the Nebraska Highway Patrol spotted the vehicle and

attempted to stop it, the driver allegedly fled. After ensuing a car chase that reached speeds of 110 mph, the vehicle crashed into a semi truck and then into a ditch.

Tyler was taken to St. Francis hospital in Grand Island in serious condition.

Police found what they believe to be the body of Michelle Roenz in the trunk of the car. They have not yet formally confirmed her identity.

According to court documents, a preliminary investigation determined that she died of blunt force trauma and strangulation. Homicide investigators are currently working with other local authorities.

PEOPLE confirms that authorities have charged Tyler Roenz

with unauthorized use of a vehicle. Cops have yet to say whether they plan to charge Tyler with his mother's murder. According to the Houston Chronicle, authorities say that additional charges may follow.

Roenz has not yet entered a plea to the charge, and court records do not reflect an attorney authorized to speak on his behalf.

The family has not spoken publicly about the disappearance or the unidentified body.

Anyone with information on the case is urged to contact the Harris County Sheriff's Office Homicide Unit at (713)755-6056 or Crime Stoppers at (713)222-8477.

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Doane Crime Log

The Doane Safety Office reported incidents in their public crime log. Incidents reported between October 16 through 24 include:

- 10/22 **Disturbance : Domestic Situation :** Campus Property - Doane Crete : Residence Halls : Smith Hall : First Floor

TNX to unveil delayed publication

ABRIANNA MILLER
Editor-in-Chief

The New Xanadu (TNX) will be unveiling their delayed magazine publication for the 2021-2022 academic year on Nov. 17 in tandem with the English Department and the College of Education.

TNX was unable to publish their student literary magazine last Spring, so they are gearing up to release last year's publication this semester, and the magazine for the current academic year will be published in the Spring.

The event will be held in the Welcome Center in the Chab Weyers Education and Hixson Lied Art Building at 6 p.m.

Snacks and beverages will be provided while those in attendance enjoy a few live readings of poems. Writer Center Director Jeremy Caldwell and guest author Doug Christensen will each be reading a piece, and a few students will also be sharing their work.

The event will also include a showcase of the TNX website.

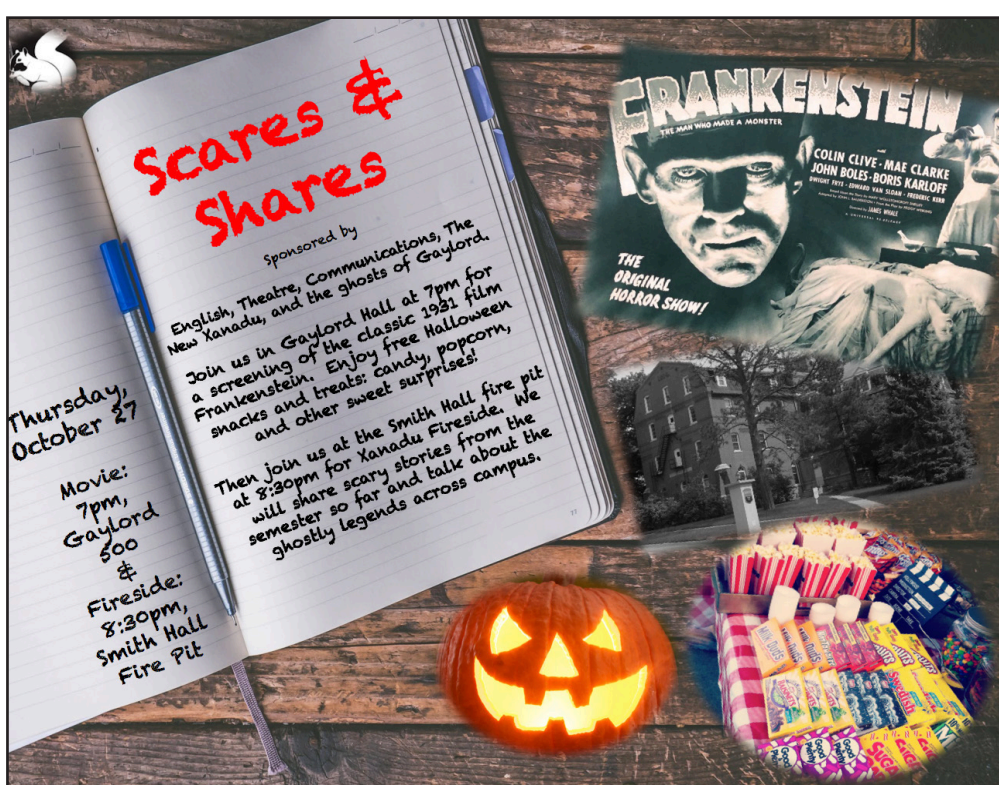
After the magazine is revealed, around 7 p.m., attendees are encouraged to move upstairs to room 242 for a live watch party of the English Department's annual Lucille Cobb Memorial Lecture. Author Paul Formisano will be delivering the lecture virtually from South Dakota State University. Formisano is the Di-

rector of Writing at South Dakota State University. He is also the author of "Tributary Voices: Literary and Rhetorical Exploration of the Colorado River," a nonfiction work examining the natural crisis of the Colorado River.

TNX's final Fireside Chat of the semester will be held after the lecture at around 8:30 p.m. at the Smith Hall fire pit.

Those interested in attending should watch their emails for more information as the date approaches, and keep an eye out for TNX events in the time leading up to the unveiling.

With any questions, please contact Professor of English and Director of TNX Phil Weitl at philip.weitl@doane.edu.



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DULSA celebrates Day of the Dead

KYLIE HUGHES
Life & Culture Editor

This year on Nov. 2 to celebrate Day of the Dead, Doane University Latinx Student Association (DULSA) will be partnering up with the Spanish Club to host festivities.

Dia de los Muertos, also known as Day of the

Dead, is celebrated from Nov. 1 to Nov. 2. This is a day used to honor and remember friends and family who have died.

At Doane, DULSA will be hosting an event featuring the Disney film "Coco" in Nyrop Hall.

There will be cookies to decorate and eat, as well as beverages such as hot chocolate or horchata being served at the event,

according to junior and DULSA President Dani Avalos. The treats are courtesy of the Spanish Club.

There will also be face painting as a fundraiser for DULSA.

Any questions can be directed to Avalos at dani.avalos@doane.edu.



Courtesy photo | Maddy Meredith

Active Minds smashes stigma

JOSE VILLALPANDO
News Editor

Oct. 24 saw the Doane Active Minds chapter hold "Smash the Stigma."

The event was held on the Smith Hall Patio at 7:30 p.m. and was meant to spread more positive awareness surrounding mental health and dissolving some of the more popular stigmas surrounding it.

Active Minds President and senior Maddy

Meredith commented on the importance of doing so.

"We discussed different mental health stigmas we have all faced and other misconceptions around mental health," Meredith said. "We've all come from places where our mental health may not have been given the value it deserves but came together to show its importance and our support for one another."

Students were able to bring their own pumpkins to smash or smash pumpkins provided by Active Minds in order

to symbolically "smash the stigma" surrounding mental health while sharing about each other's experiences.

"It was very powerful for us all to share those experiences and realize how many others have experienced the same thing," Meredith said.

Although the future is still uncertain and other events may be thought of, Meredith hopes that Smash the Stigma becomes an annual event to help combat still-prevalent stigmas surrounding mental health.

Powderpuff Football raises money

KYLIE HUGHES
Life & Culture Editor

To kick off some of the Relay for Life events this year, Doane is putting on a Powderpuff Football game.

The game will take place on Nov. 4 on Al Papik Field.

To take part in this

game, students must be on a team with a minimum of 8 people. Each team must have at least 4 members of the opposite sex, depending on how large the team is.

When signing up, each team must pay \$20 to play, but all proceeds go to the Doane Relay for Life goal.

Relay for Life is hosted

by the American Cancer Society and is the largest peer-to-peer fundraising event dedicated to raising awareness and saving lives from cancer, according to the Relay for Life website.

Doane holds the main Relay for Life event in the Spring where various groups around campus host booths to raise mon-

ey, survivors and caregivers give speeches and those affected by cancer are invited to participate in a walk.

The walk will be held April 14 starting at 6 p.m.

However, that is not the only time that students can donate or join a Relay for Life team on campus.

Students can sign up

for a team at any point and start their own donations or encourage others to donate.

To sign up for a team, visit the Doane Relay for Life sign up webpage at https://secure.acevents.org/site/TR/RelayForLife/RFLCY23NOR?pg=entry&fr_id=104253.

Students interested in signing their team up for

the Powderpuff Football game can email huong.ngo@doane.edu or can sign up via a Google Form sent out to all students in an email from Relay for Life Doane.

Any questions can be directed to junior Payton Detavernier at payton.detavernier@doane.edu.

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Weekly Horoscopes

Aquarius (January 21 - February 19): During this week you may uncover some truths about life. Remember that truth is always relative but notice the impact it has on you.

Pisces (February 20 - March 20): Be kind to yourself this week. You've been having a stressful few weeks. Don't make things harder than they need to be on yourself. That will get you nowhere in life.

Aries (March 21 - April 20): This is a good period in your life to release any old grudges. Carrying the weight of anger does you no good. This week start the process of forgiving and forgetting. It may not be easy but it'll be better in the long run.

Taurus (April 21 - May 21): Let your creativity flow this week, Taurus. See where it will get you if you relax your mind and do something creative. Whether it is for school, work or just for fun, creativity would do you good.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21): This week is a good time to right any wrongs. Things will begin to catch up with you if these wrong are left out in the open.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): Take time to notice how the people around you are feeling. Empathy can go a long way in relationships.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): Be cautious of your finances this upcoming week. Be saving up for the future as you never know when you may be in need of a little extra cash. It is better to be safe rather than sorry, especially when it comes to money.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): There are going to be a lot of new beginnings in this upcoming week. As one chapter comes to a close a new one will open and keep in mind that this is for the best.

Libra (September 23 - October 22): Remember where your home is this week. Home does not necessarily need to be a place but wherever you feel most comfortable. Maybe spent time wherever that may be and see how it changes your perspective.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): Go out of your social comfort zone this week. Get to know new people and experience different interactions that spice up your everyday life.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): Now is a primary time to evaluate your goals. Are you near completing any of them? If so, work on new ones. If now see how you can best achieve your current goals. This will help you find direction in life.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20): This is going to be your lucky week. Take that luck and do something good with it.

Fireside Chat hosts good conversations

ISABEL HENSON
Staff Writer

The New Xanadu (TNX) is hosting their second Fireside Chat of the semester on Oct. 27 at 8:30 p.m. as part of the 'Scares & Shares' event. Fireside Chat will be held on the Smith Patio.

The last Fireside Chat was hosted Sept. 29 and had a great turnout with around 20 people in attendance, including Doane President Roger Hughes and his wife Laura. There was pizza, a bonfire and lots of good conversation.

Individuals were invited to share poetry and quotes aloud with others. Sharing these pieces of writing prompted deeper, more thoughtful conversation.

Senior Keirra Del Valle, one of the creators of the Fireside Chats, said this was "the best Fireside we have had so far."

She hopes this tradition will continue, as it brings Doane together in a very unique way.

Fireside Chats are about more than just reading poetry and quotes. Individuals can bring good experiences, bad experiences, future plans, campus involvement, etc. It's a safe space to share any thoughts and feelings that those who attend may have. Anyone is more than welcome to



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share or just show up and enjoy the time spent with others.

As part of the 'Scares & Shares' event, scary stories are also welcome.

Professor of English and Director of TNX Phil Weilt has been very pleased with the turn-

out of the events in the past.

"It's not formal. You don't have to talk, you can just listen," Weilt said. "It'll be a nice way to go into Halloween weekend."

Be on the lookout for information regarding the next Fireside Chat on Nov. 17.

Writing Center honors Day of Writing

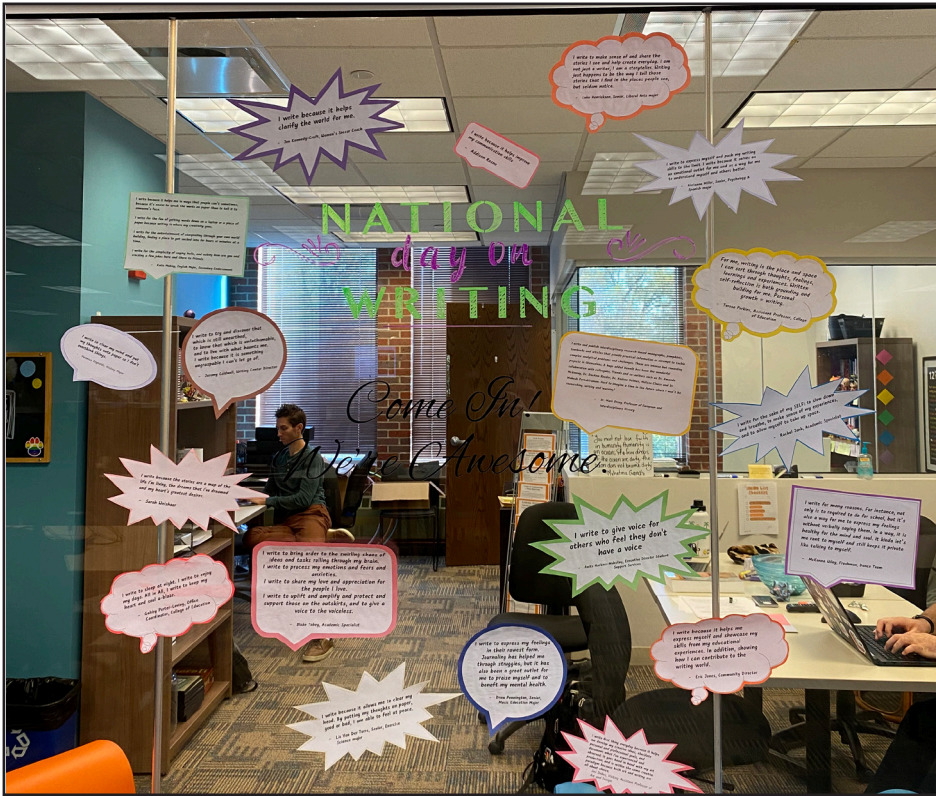


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ISABEL HENSON
Staff Writer

This week the Writing Center offered a fun challenge to honor National Day of Writing. Individuals were able to email the Writing Center with #whyiwrote and explain in a few sentences what their purpose was for writing.

There were over 25 responses given by students, faculty and staff.

Some responses highlighted the importance of writing down your thoughts, no matter what they might be. Others offered a deeper meaning of writing and how it

has helped them through things other outlets might not have. Everyone was encouraged to share why they write, whatever the reason may be.

Respondents also had the option to be anonymous if they chose.

Senior Writing Center consultant Luke Henrikson thought the event went well.

"[The event was] really nice on my end as a consultant, I got to see what drives others to write and be able to understand how to encourage writing in others," Henrikson said.

Director of the Writing Center Jeremy Caldwell was very pleased with the

outcome from this campaign.

"I'm happy that a wide variety of campus community members participated, from undergraduate to graduate students, from faculty to staff," Caldwell said. "Everybody had a slightly different 'why' which was exciting to view the variety of responses."

The responses were posted on the window of the Writing Center in the library so anyone is able to stop by and read what was shared. The responses are also posted on the Writing Center Instagram (@doane_writingcenter).

Students volunteer over Fall break

JOHN DAWES
Staff Writer

Over Fall Break, a group of eight students took an Alternative Fall Break sponsored by Doane Serves to Rochester, Minnesota to help volunteer for multiple non-profit organizations.

Doane Serves is a student organization that focuses on bringing volunteer opportunities to students, both at Doane and beyond. Assistant Director of Leadership & Service Nick Knopik is the faculty sponsor for the group.

The trip involved volunteering for an organization that helped care for adults with disabilities, assisting an adult group home and helping a church run a drag



queen bingo event.

"It was a really impactful experience to see other people's realities and be able to help them with some tasks," senior and Alternative Breaks Site Leader Abrianna Miller said.

As Site Leader, Miller headed the planning of

the trip, along with attending.

Junior Kylie Hughes was another student who attended the Alternative Break and felt that it was an impactful experience.

"I feel really grateful to have had the opportunity to attend this trip. I learned a lot through the



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various volunteer opportunities, and I love the feeling of doing something productive with my break," Hughes said.

On top of the volunteering, the group of seven students and Knopik found time to enjoy events like visiting the Mall of America, an escape room

and ax throwing. All of these activities only cost participants \$30, and all the food, lodging and transportation were covered.

"The volunteer part was really amazing, but I also enjoyed the various other activities we did on the trip to bond with each

other. The group of people on the trip was a great group of people, and I had a great time getting to know each of them," Hughes said.

Students get an opportunity to do another Alternative Break in the Spring next semester. The trip should be similarly priced to the previous trip and will again involve volunteering.

"Students should at least apply to go on these trips because they are a fun and rewarding way to spend your downtime. I also think it's important to give back when you can, and this trip makes it really easy," Miller said.

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- STAFF EDITORIAL -

Use resources to power through

Now that Fall Break is over, we would like to encourage our readers to utilize the resources Doane provides for our success, in and out of the classroom.

The Academic Success Center can connect students with a tutor, study tips and any other assistance students may be seeking out. Georgie the dog is in Academic Success Center periodically throughout the week; make sure you check the sign on the

door if you would like to see him.

Doane Counseling Services are free and available to all students. You can schedule an appointment with one of the counselors by emailing the Counseling Center or through Health Services.

If you are struggling academically, schedule a meeting with your advisor. It can seem scary to meet with a professor at times, but they are there to support you in your journey.

Your advisor can give you advice about studying, how to prepare for the future and many other things.

On that note, your Community Director and Community Advisors are also available to help students out. Even if you just need to talk to someone, they are there to help. They may refer you to the Counseling Center, the Academic Success Center or any number of the other resources available on campus.

Another resource available to students that may be overlooked is one's peers. Don't be afraid to create a study group, ask for study tips or ask to hang out with people. It can make a big difference in your success.

There are many more resources available on campus, and the easiest way to access them is to simply ask someone. You will be pointed in the right direction.

Hot takes; spooky stories

A weekly rating of random things by Joey Winton

JOEY WINTON
Managing Editor

This Hot Takes is continuing with the ranking of the stories in "Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark" in preparation for Halloween. This week I'll be taking a look at some of the stories found in "More Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark," which is the "sequel" to the first book. This volume has a lot of stories so this Hot Takes will be covering the first half, with next week's following up the second half of this volume.

Because I'm grading a part in a series, I'll be using the same criteria and ranking system as last week. To remind everyone, I rank each story based on scare factor, how memorable it is and the illustration that accompanies the story (Stephen Gammell is the GOAT).

Scare factor is rating how scary the story would have been to 12-year-old me because that's the target audience for these books. If the story would have kept me up at night or afraid to go to the bathroom because it was dark, it gains points.

How memorable the story is can be defined by how well-known it is. Whether it's because of the story itself or the drawing that accom-



Cartoon by Joey Winton | The Doane Owl

panies it, if one or both of them result in it being a fairly well-known story, then it earns points.

The final element to be graded (and the least important comparatively) is the art that accompanies each story. The reason this one is so "unimportant" is because Stephen Gammell's work is incredible, and there isn't an objectively bad one of his drawings in the book. However, there are some that are better than others.

S Tier - These stories are the ones that I would read and then be afraid of any dark space for the next two weeks. Everything about the story is flawless, and the accompanying image is equal-

ly frightening.

A Tier - Maybe not as good overall, these ones are still plenty spooky, and you can't be faulted for liking them.

B Tier - These stories are just average. If you read all the good stories and still need more, these are the ones you'll tell. They're pretty unremarkable compared to the ones above so they reside here.

C Tier - I never really found these stories to be scary, nor did I super enjoy them. For whatever reason, they just never struck a chord with me, and they're kind of mediocre.

F Tier - If you like the stories here then I don't

know what to tell you.

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

S Tier: (The best)- The Drum, The Window

A Tier: (Second Best)- One Sunday Morning, Sounds, The Bride, The Drum, The Man in the Middle

B Tier: (Average)- The Wreck, The Little Black Dog, Clickity-Click, Wonderful Sausage, Oh Susannah

C Tier: (Below Average)- Something Was Wrong, A Weird Blue Light, Somebody Fell From Aloft, Ring On Her Fingers

F Tier: (Garbage)- The Cat's Paw, The Voice

Again, let me say: no amount of debating with me will change my mind so please save yourself the time and energy, you have better things to do than argue with a college kid about tier lists.

Do you have a topic you want me to make a ranking of? Email me at joey.winton@doane.edu with the subject line Hot Takes and I might write about it!

Best time of the year is here



KYLIE HUGHES
Life & Culture Editor

To me, Halloween is by far my favorite holiday. With this day being less than a week away, I only get more excited. I love everything that comes with this spooky season.

Everything from haunted houses to scary movies to painting pumpkins makes this season by far more superior than the rest of the year.

It's the midst of fall when you start out the day in a jacket and get to take it off by the afternoon to a beautiful fall day. The leaves are turning colors, making it by

far the most beautiful time of year.

However, my favorite part of Halloween is getting to dress up. I am a firm believer that dressing up for Halloween is not just for children. I am also a firm believer that if you are no longer a child and you are dressing up, that effort needs to go into the costume.

I always love the weeks leading up to Halloween, trying to figure out a costume. Buying the parts online or going shopping at Halloween stores.

The idea that you get to be someone different for one day a year (or a couple days if you have several Halloween events to go to) is always a comforting idea.

There is also the fact that when dressing up for Halloween there's no such thing as "too much." Every other day of the year if you overdress for an occasion, it is not always socially acceptable. However, for Halloween you can go as crazy as you want with your outfit and no one can stop you.

If you know me, you know that I love any excuse



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to dress up, and Halloween is a perfect reason to dress up.

So throw the Halloween

party, get dressed up and experience the full extent of Halloween because it only happens once a year.

“Midnights” spent in anticipation



ABRIANNA MILLER
Editor-in-Chief

like a diary, documenting sleepless nights filled with heartbreak, longing, loathing and everything in between. This is absolutely up my alley, and I don't think I have stopped playing the album since its release.

Unlike her other albums, “Midnights” has a synth-pop vibe, with visuals mimicking that of the 70's. I would be lying if I said I wasn't channeling that energy into my own life; I even went as far as to take a picture with my cat that looks straight out of someone's high school photo album.

In short, I'm obsessed.

I relate so deeply to “Anti-Hero” and “The Great War,” but every single song touches a different heartstring for me. I spent the entire first listen-through on the floor contemplating my existence.

Taylor Swift's new album “Midnights” is finally out. I've got to say, it is everything I could have ever wanted and more.

The entire album reads



Photo by Abrianna Miller | The Doane Owl

Then, Taylor Swift turns around and releases

two music videos that have so many layers to them, I don't even have

time to get into that. If you see me around and notice that my per-

sonality is molded after “Midnights,” don't worry about it. I'm loving this album, I'm loving the vibes.

I just know Taylor Swift is going to release tour tickets soon, and I'm terrified. This is her first tour in five years. I will risk everything to go to this tour, it is simply just necessary.

Go stream “Midnights,” I promise it is worth it. It's on Spotify, Apple Music, Amazon Music, YouTube, literally everywhere. Come join me in these immaculate vibes and breathtaking visuals to mark a new age of music.

Manga continues to be a favorite



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JOHN DAWES
Staff Writer

One of the first manga I started collecting was historical fiction, “Vinland Saga.” The story is written by and illustrated by Makoto Yukimura. It follows the story of a young man named Thorfinn (named and modeled after the historical Thorfinn) and his journey through war in a Europe dominated by Vikings.

“Vinland Saga” is a series that is crafted with meticulous attention and care. Yukimura went to Iceland to learn the history of Vikings in the area and showed a deep understanding of medieval Europe, the culture of each kingdom and country and the politics and issues they faced.

“Vinland Saga” follows the journey of Thorfinn, who lives in Iceland in the 1000's and lives with his family. Thorfinn grows up idealizing his father, the former Jomsviking Thors the Troll, a man who was once renowned for his strength on the battlefield but retreated to Iceland to raise his family in a country absent of war and slavery. Despite Thors' insistence on non-violence and the trauma and pain it brings, Thorfinn romanticizes the violent nature of Vikings and their strength.

Despite Thors' warnings, Thorfinn is eventually thrust into the war between the Vikings of Denmark and their quest to invade England. Only then does “Vinland Saga” begin to shine, showing the nature of war and what happens to a boy who grows up in a culture that idolizes it.

Yukimura delivers fully realized characters that all have their own wrinkles and warts to them. Each character is affected by the greater conflicts and world in an interconnected way, all while preserving historical integrity and not wildly twisting characters for his own narrative. Whether it is the boisterous Thorkell the Tall, the cunning and quick-witted Leif Erickson or the kind but stern Prince Canute, each character preserves their history without compromising the story.

Thorfinn is also a fully

realized character as well. A boy turned weapon who must find his humanity again in order to see through on his father's dream of finding Vinland or the Americas- a land without war or slavery for anyone to enforce it.

This really is a series best experienced blind; even now, I feel like I've given away too much information about the plot and motivations of characters. If you want to read or watch “Vinland Saga,” you can find the manga at any major bookstore either online or in physical editions. There is also a televised adaptation of “Vinland Saga” that can be watched on either Netflix, Amazon Prime or Crunchyroll. A second season for the second story arc of the series is set to release in January 2023, so now is the perfect time to get caught up.

Enjoying “Rings of Power” despite flaws



JOEY WINTON
Managing Editor

that Tolkien had created. The result is a story that uses the books as inspiration and as a rough skeleton for their own original story.

Before I actually give my thoughts, I just want to clarify that when media from intellectual properties that I enjoy and hold close to my heart is created, I always go into it looking for things that I like and enjoy. Does this make me a shill for poorly made shows and movies? Maybe, but I've found that it makes the watching experience more enjoyable when I only look at the elements that I like.

That being said, I think the main problem with “Rings of Power” is the writing. The actors are all amazing and the visuals are spectacular, but I found myself watching parts of the episodes at x1.25 or x1.5 speed because it was just boring. Keep in mind, I only watch the extended versions of the “Lord of the Rings” movies, so it's not like I didn't have the capability to sit through a 60-minute episode. I think the story, for

being an entirely original tale, is good enough, but it's nothing that really feels special and unique. Each episode for sure has highlights, and there are a few moments in each that I feel really understand what makes Tolkien's fiction so unique and compelling (the stuff between young Elrond and Prince Durin IV is easily my favorite), but it's not enough to make me want to rewatch it anytime soon.

While I enjoyed the series, I can see why some people do not (plot and writing and things like that, not the racists who are upset that there are people of color in the cast).

If you like “Lord of the Rings” (books and movies) or fantasy in general, then I would say the show is not a waste of time, but don't feel obligated to watch the show if it doesn't hold your interest.

3/5 stars.

“Rings of Power” is available to stream on Amazon Prime.

...THUMBS UP

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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.

THUMBS DOWN...

Soccer celebrates senior night

CASSIE KESSLER
Sports Editor

Last Saturday, the Men's and Women's Soccer teams played their final home games in honor of senior night. Although the Tigers would split the games, both teams were able to

appreciate the importance of such a special night.

The Women's team was the first to take the field against Dordt University. Despite being behind for part of the game, senior Beatriz Rivas and her teammates were able to shut down the Defenders for their

final home win.

"For a moment of our game we were down 2-0 and then tied 4-4, but our team didn't let down and we kept up the high intensity and ended up with a 6-4 win," Rivas said. "It was also nice because not only did we play for each other, but everyone wanted to give the seniors a last at-home win."

With the season coming to an end, it is clear to see the improvements that have been made both in the level of play and the team's commitment to one another. Playing cohesively has allowed the Women's team to find great success, especially on a night that meant that much more.

"I've been happy about the team chemistry and work ethic," Rivas said. "We all have

pushed each other to give it our 100 percent best, whether it be during a game or even our daily practices."

The Men's team was up next against Dordt but would be unable to clinch the victory. Senior Roberto Filpo knows that his team has the potential to secure these victories when they are all playing the way they know they can.

"We've been the better team in the majority of our games and just haven't been clinical enough to see them out and actually win, so getting that result in these last two games would be ideal to see," Filpo said.

With only two games left to play and both being on the road, both teams are going to be giving it their all. Grabbing two final victories would

be the ideal scenario to end their seasons.

"I would love to beat Concordia because they're Concordia, but I'm just going to enjoy it for the last time I get to experience it," Filpo said. "I think I'll appreciate everything just a little more now that it's the end."

The Men's and Women's Soccer teams will play their last two games this week. The first will be on Oct. 26 in Seward, Nebraska against Concordia University. Their final games will be played Oct. 29 in Orange City, Iowa against Northwestern College.



Photo by Jared Taylor | The Doane Owl

Senior Jesus Maganda takes the ball up field and away from his defender.



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Senior Abbie Hedgecock bring the ball back into scoring position to send up field.

Shotgun team finishes fall season

CASSIE KESSLER
Sports Editor

The Shooting Sports- Shotgun Team closed out their fall season over the weekend in Lincoln, Nebraska at the Wildcat Open. Out of the five teams competing, Doane came in second, only behind Hastings College.

The shoot went very well for the team as

a whole, with several members finishing in top positions. Sophomore Sam Arnett was proud of the effort and determination that his teammates brought to the match.

"The shoot we competed in this weekend went very well," Arnett said. "We earned two team awards and three individual trophies."

After their last compe-

dition, the team had been working hard to make individual improvements in each event. Although the team may not have the same strengths as each other, working independently allows for growth as a group.

"We have been focusing on improving our skeet scores since the last shoot," Arnett said. "Our coach has been

helping us with our individual difficulties in this discipline recently."

However, that does not mean that things could not continue to be improved upon. While their physical adjustments can be seen reflected in their scores, there is an entirely different side to their sport that needs continuous work.

"The team still needs

to work on its attitude and willingness to put in extra effort at practice, since good scores come as a result of good mentality and good practice," Arnett said.

Even though their fall season has officially come to an end, that does not mean the team will be letting up any time soon. Everyone is ready to continue building their skills

in the off season before this coming spring.

"Despite losing a few members between this season and last, I expect we will continue to improve our scores," Arnett said.

The Shotgun Team will be back in the spring season. Their first match will not be until March 4 and 5 when they will be hosting the shoot.

XC teams close in on end of season

CASSIE KESSLER
Sports Editor

The Cross Country teams were split up this weekend partaking in two different meets. The Men's team was competing in Grand Rapids, Michigan in the NAIA Great Lakes Challenge, while the Women's team was in Winfield, Kansas taking part in the NAIA Mid-States Classic.

Both meets were very

substantial, in that invites had to be extended to teams in order for them to compete. Freshman Reagan Shoemaker and her team used this kind of high pressure meet as a practice for an even more intense competition coming up.

"The meet this weekend was a pretty big deal because we have our conference coming up in two weeks," Shoemaker said. "This was important to

make sure our times are where they need to be and we're mentally in a good place."

Such high pressure competitions can add a lot of mental stress on those who are running. Despite the challenges that may come with these types of races, staying focused and keeping optimistic attitudes worked wonders for the teams.

"For myself, there were most definitely

some mental challenges that I had to push through, but I felt like I did a good job just trying to keep a positive mindset throughout the race," Shoemaker said.

The next race that both teams will compete in is the Great Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) Tournament. Junior Ryan Evans and his team have been preparing for this meet since well before the season

started.

"Getting ready for conference means we have to get our bodies and minds right," Evans said. "We have been training since June so we have to trust in that."

Physical training is not the only way they have prepared, with just as much emphasis placed on mental training. With their goal in mind, they are ready to do whatever necessary to achieve it.

"Our goal hasn't changed all year and that is to put ourselves in the best position to make it to nationals," Evans said. "We just have to be ourselves because we know what we can do, and we just need to go out there, draw a line in the dirt and compete."

Both Cross Country teams will be in Jamestown, North Dakota on Nov. 5 to compete in the GPAC Tournament.

Football falls at home

CASSIE KESSLER
Sports Editor

Over the weekend, the Football team hosted the 6-ranked Northwestern College. Despite all their efforts, Doane was unable to overcome their opponent and picked up another loss on their home field.

Northwestern started the game off big with a

pair of touchdowns in the first quarter to go up 14-0. In the second quarter, freshmen Kelen Meyer put the Tigers on the board with a 22-yard field goal kick.

However, things began to fall apart for Doane shortly after this. The second quarter continued with the Red Raiders putting three touchdowns on the board to extend their lead to 35-3.

This quarter also con-

tained Doane's only touchdown for the entire game. The score came courtesy of a 16-yard pass thrown by freshman Cruz Kirwan to freshman Colby Frazier in the end zone, making the score at half 35-10.

The third quarter was much like the first, with Northwestern securing another set of touchdowns. Despite being up 49-3, the Red Raiders were not done putting

the beat down on Doane.

Northwestern continued into the fourth quarter with another touchdown and finished the game with a field goal. Doane remained scoreless through the second half and would lose the game in a final score of 10-59.

The Football team's next game will be on Oct. 29 in Yankton, South Dakota against Mount Marty University.



Photo by Abrianna Miller | The Doane Owl

Freshman Colby Frazier runs in Doane's only touchdown of the game.

Volleyball defeated away

CASSIE KESSLER
Sports Editor

Last Wednesday, the Volleyball team was down the road in Seward, Nebraska to take on the Concordia University Bulldogs. Doane would be unable to handle their rivals and fall in three straight sets.

The first set opened

with what seemed like an evenly-matched game. Both teams were back and forth, with nobody having a substantial lead. It was not until midway through when Concordia went multiple runs to clinch the first 25-12.

In the second set, things were more or less the exact same. Two mid-set runs created a deficit that the Tigers would

not be able to overcome. Even after a timeout and what seemed like a rally late in the second, Doane fell 13-25.

Things were looking up in the third set for Doane. Despite the loss, this was the closest set they played against Concordia. This time, the back and forth action held on until the end of the set, when the Bulldogs would

shut down any hopes for redemption and defeat the Tigers 25-17.

The Volleyball team will have two of their last three games this week. They start on Oct. 26 in Hastings, Nebraska to face off against Hastings College. On Oct. 29, they will return home to host Midland University in their final home game of the season.

Athlete of the Week



Jack Olsen
Shotgun Sports

posted a 91 in sporting clays, 44 in double skeet, 97 in skeet, and 47 in super sporting to place 1st at the Wildcat Open with a final score of 279.



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Scoreboard Snapshot

WOMEN'S SOCCER

October 19 @ FREMONT, NEBRASKA

5:00 versus MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

WARRIORS
0-4

October 22 @ HOME

5:00 versus DORDT UNIVERSITY

TIGERS
6-4

MEN'S SOCCER

October 19 @ FREMONT, NEBRASKA

7:15 versus MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

WARRIORS
1-3

October 22 @ HOME

7:30 versus DORDT UNIVERSITY

DEFENDERS
1-3

MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

October 22 @ GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN

NAIA GREAT LAKES CHALLENGE

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VOLLEYBALL

October 19 @ SEWARD, NEBRASKA

7:30 versus CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

SET ONE BULLDOGS	SET TWO BULLDOGS	SET THREE BULLDOGS
[12-25]	[13-25]	[17-25]

FOOTBALL

October 22 @ HOME

1:00 versus NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

RED RAIDERS
10-59

SHOOTING SPORTS

October 22 & 23 @ LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

WILDCAT OPEN

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WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

October 22 @ WINFIELD, KANSAS

NAIA MID-STATES CLASSIC

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Next week for Tiger Athletics

VOLLEYBALL

October 26 @ HASTINGS, NEBRASKA

7:30 versus HASTINGS COLLEGE

October 29 @ HOME

3:00 versus MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

FOOTBALL

October 29 @ YANKTON, SOUTH DAKOTA

1:00 versus MOUNT MARTY UNIVERSITY

MEN'S BASKETBALL

October 27 @ HOME

7:00 versus YORK COLLEGE

October 30 @ HOME

2:00 versus UNION COLLEGE

WOMEN'S SOCCER

October 26 @ SEWARD, NEBRASKA

5:30 versus CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

October 29 @ ORANGE CITY, IOWA

5:00 versus NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

MEN'S SOCCER

October 26 @ SEWARDS, NEBRASKA

8:00 versus CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

October 29 @ ORANGE CITY, IOWA

7:05 versus NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

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