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# Ausdemore says bye to Doane

**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

Director of Campus Engagement Jayma Ausdemore sent an email out to all students involved in a Greek group that her last day at Doane will be Dec. 2.

In the past, Ausdemore has worked in Residential Life (ResLife) and most recently worked in Student Affairs, more specifically in Greek Life. Her departure was scheduled for later in the academic year, but Ausdemore decided it is best for her to step down early.

"In May, I will be moving to Arizona with my husband for his first assignment for the Army. We are excited for a new

chapter and some warmer weather," Ausdemore said. "I've been a Midwest girl all my life, and I am excited for a new adventure."

In the time leading up to the move, Ausdemore said she is going to focus on spending time with her loved ones and bolstering her skill sets.

"There's not a lot of opportunities for a job like I had at Doane where we are going... It is very important that I am passionate and believe in the work that I do, so I'll be spending a lot of time making sure I can find a great fit for my next career move," Ausdemore said. "I also hope to use this time to spend lots of time with my friends and family since we are moving so far away."



Courtesy Photo | Jayma Ausdemore

Ausdemore is currently busy preparing to leave her work in an as-orderly-as-possible manner and reflecting on her time at Doane. She said a few of her favorite memories include helping run Homecoming in 2020, 2021 and 2022 and meet-

ing her best friend Grace Mosier through her work in ResLife.

"ResLife gives you a unique opportunity to see students at some of their greatest moments but also at times of darkness. I am thankful for the students that I got to walk alongside for the highs and lows of life," Ausdemore shared.

Another highlight that Ausdemore reflected on was the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP) Walk.

"This was such a powerful event. Students inspire me everyday, but that day might take the cake," Ausdemore said. "Seeing peers have real conversation and being vulnerable about mental health gave me so much hope. I will never forget

those stories."

While a replacement for Ausdemore has not been identified at this time, Ausdemore said she hopes the best for students and the university as a whole. She also said she will miss her colleagues and the students after she leaves.

"One thing I want to convey to students is to never underestimate the impact you will have on all those around you. Act sincerely in accordance to your values," Ausdemore said. "Let what matters to you guide you, and you will move mountains and change lives. I feel like especially in college it's hard to feel like what you are doing on the day to day matters, but I promise you it does."

# LGBTQ club attacked by gunman

**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

On Nov. 19, a gunman fired shots injuring at least 18 and killing five at Club Q, an LGBTQ nightclub in Colorado Spring, Colorado.

Police currently have one suspect, 22-year-old Anderson Lee Aldrich, in custody, according to NPR.

The shooter is currently facing "five murder

charges and five charges of committing a bias-motivated crime causing bodily injury," according to AP News.

NPR reports that the gunman had a semi-automatic weapon and multiple ammunition magazines, as well as a handgun, suggesting this attack was premeditated.

"I know that in the Springs in particular this was seen as the only safe space for LGBT+ individuals and now that space has been attacked. Even if they were to reopen,

there's no way for us to regain that safety again," Colorado resident senior Mandi Laib said.

According to Club Q's Facebook page, two patrons of the club helped stop the attack.

"We thank the quick reactions of heroic customers that subdued the gunman and ended this hate attack," the post reads.

Reports from NPR and AP News state that one of the patrons took the weapon from the gunman and hit him with

it, then the other patron held the man down until police arrived.

Those injured in the attack are expected to recover.

Laib expressed frustration that events like that of Nov. 19 have happened repeatedly, especially against marginalized groups.

"This event is tragic, but it, unfortunately, is something that is repeated throughout history," Laib said. "When we uplift voices that attack marginalized groups, this is

what happens, innocent people lose their lives for simply existing."

President Joe Biden responded to the assault immediately on Twitter, condemning the actions of the gunman, and in a press release, Biden proposed a ban of assault weapons.

"We need to enact an assault weapons ban to get weapons of war off America's streets," Biden said.

Safety is also a major concern of Laib's, citing fear for the safety of her

entire community back home.

"As a resident of Colorado and this event being close to home makes it an even bigger reality that I am not safe, my friends are not safe and my community is not safe. It's so heartbreaking to me that going to a place where I feel accepted for who I am comes with a risk," Laib said.

This is a developing story. No updates were available at the time of this publication.

# Nebraska COVID-19 update

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Multimedia Coordinator

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the level of community transmission is low for Saline County as of November 22, 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."

Doane does not have a mask mandate, mean-

ing 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 is reporting 13 current COVID-19 cases as of Nov. 16, 2022.

There are 63.3 percent of the Saline County population equal to or over the age of 12 in

Saline County that have been vaccinated, marking 54.8 percent of the total population as vaccinated as of Nov. 15.

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.

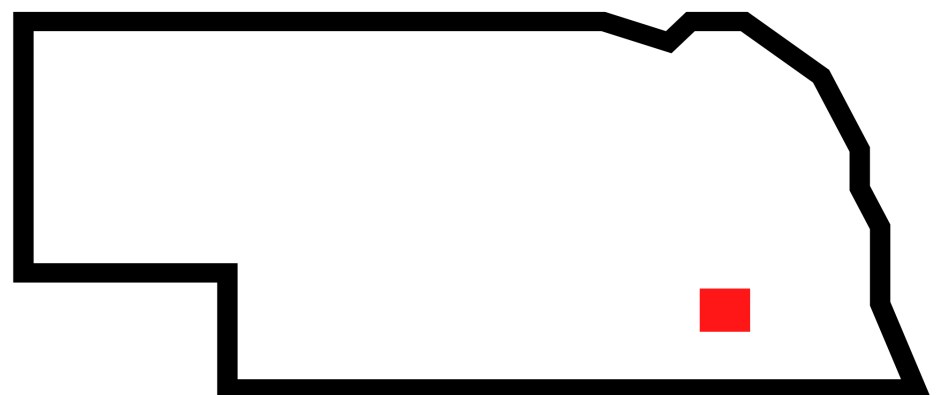
Students who test positive or feel symptomatic must self-isolate and not attend classes, practice or other activities. Students must also contact the Student Health Office either by email at studenthealth@doane.edu or by calling (402)826-8265.

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

and date and time of the test on the card or on a paper placed next to the test to document it for the

Student Health Office. This information was gathered from the Doane COVID-19 protocols

and the CDC COVID-19 Data Tracker.



## 13 REPORTED COVID CASES IN SALINE COUNTY

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# Alleged child labor in NE, MN

At least 31 children found across 3 plants

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Multimedia Coordinator

Within the past few months, the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) has observed minor-children employed by Wisconsin-based Packers Sanitation Services Inc. (PSSI) at one Nebraska- and two Minnesota-based meat processing plants.

PSSI is employed by meat processing plants across the country to perform janitorial services on the kill and processing floor and machinery around the building.

According to the New York Times, the DOL

has found that PSSI has employed at least 31 children, ranging in age from 13 to 17. The plants included a Turkey Valley Farms plant in Marshall, Minnesota and JBS USA plants in Grand Island, Nebraska and Worthington, Minnesota.

Then, according to Nebraska Public Media and as of the week of Nov. 7, the DOL filed a complaint through the federal court of Nebraska to stop PSSI from committing what the agency called “oppressive child labor” violations and accused PSSI in court documents of interfering with the department’s investigation.

According to the DOL in their court document, PSSI had interfered with the investigation by denying investigators access to documents and obstructing interviews with workers.

PSSI refutes these allegations, citing strict hiring policies prohibiting anyone younger than 18 years old from working for the service and “industry-leading” procedures to confirm the iden-

tities of its workers.

“While rogue individuals could of course seek to engage in fraud or identity theft, we are confident in our company’s strict compliance policies and will defend ourselves vigorously against these claims,” a PSSI spokesperson said via email.

PSSI added that they have cooperated with the DOL’s investigation and have not interfered.

The DOL’s Wage and Hour Division is the main leader of the investigation, and the Wage and Hour Regional Administrator in Chicago Michael Lazzeri commented on the situation through a written statement.

“Taking advantage of children, exposing them to workplace dangers—and interfering with a federal investigation—demonstrate [PSSI’s] flagrant disregard for the law and for the well-being of young workers,” Lazzeri said.

The Wage and Hour Division launched its initial investigation into the service in mid-August

after receiving reports of possible child labor violations at the JBS USA plant in Grand Island, Nebraska, Nebraska Public Media reported.

The report mentioned a staff member within Grand Island Public Schools having reported one child receiving chemical burns after working at the plant during the night shift.

On Oct. 13, the Department of Labor arrived at the JBS plant with a search warrant and observed workers who looked like children cleaning the kill floor. The department conducted interviews with the children working at the plant in Spanish, as most of them could not speak fluent English. None of the questions focused on the immigration status of the children.

Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer for JBS USA Michael Koenig said the company was taking the allegations seriously and was launching an immediate investigation.

“We are immediately

launching an independent, third-party audit at all of our facilities to thoroughly evaluate this situation,” Koenig said. “JBS has zero tolerance for child labor, discrimination or unsafe working conditions for anyone working in our facilities. We expect and contractually require our partners to adhere to the highest ethical principles as outlined in our Business Associate Code of Conduct.”

Nebraska Public Media reports that a Nebraska judge has scheduled a hearing for Nov. 23 to consider preliminary injunctions against PSSI.

The New York Times reported that court documents imply that the DOL believes PSSI to employ children at other plants as well, but this has yet to be concluded.

This is a developing story. No further information was available at the time of this publication.

## This Week’s Weather Forecast

Wednesday

11/23



High: 55

Low: 31

Thursday

11/24



High: 45

Low: 23

Friday

11/25



High: 49

Low: 25

Saturday

11/26



High: 53

Low: 28

Sunday

11/27



High: 46

Low: 27

Monday

11/28



High: 50

Low: 32

Tuesday

11/29



High: 51

Low: 29



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Weather data retrieved from weather.com.



# Guidelines on opioid prescriptions loosen

CDC releases new opioid prescription guidelines

**JOEY WINTON**  
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The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued a new set of guidelines for clinicians regarding the prescription of opioids for pain.

According to NPR, this new set of guidelines revamps the 2016 recommendations which were criticized by some doctors and patients for

“promoting a culture of austerity around opioids.”

When the first set of rules were written in 2016, the United States was experiencing a drug crisis caused by opioids which still continues to

this day. According to CDC data, opioids were involved in 68,630 overdose-related deaths in 2020, making opioids responsible for 74.8 percent of all drug overdose deaths that year.

While opioids have

killed nearly 1,000,000 people since 1999, doctors and health officials are optimistic about the rewritten policies.

President of the American Society of Regional Anesthesia and Pain Medicine Dr. Samer

Narouze believes that this is a welcome change to many patients experiencing pain.

“You can tell the culture around the 2016 guidelines was just to cut down opioids, that opioids are bad. It’s the opposite here, you can sense they are more caring, more about patients living in pain. It’s directed more towards relieving their pain and their suffering,” Narouze said.

CDC officials state that doctors, insurers, pharmacies and regulators occasionally misapplied the older guidelines, which resulted in “untreated and undertreated pain, serious withdrawal symptoms, worsening pain outcomes, psychological distress, overdose and [suicide],” according to the updated guidelines. Harvard Health out-

lines a number of the changes in the new guidelines, but the main takeaways are as follows:

The new guidelines explain the complex nature of pain, recommend starting with the lowest effective dose of opioids for the shortest possible time, allow clinicians and patients to judge what treatment is best instead of setting strict limits on dosage and encourage clinicians to offer effective treatment for people with opioid use disorder.

The revised opioid guidelines can be found at [https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/71/rr/rr7103a1.htm?s\\_cid=rr7103a1\\_w](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/71/rr/rr7103a1.htm?s_cid=rr7103a1_w).

# Twitter changes under Elon Musk

**JOEY WINTON**  
Managing Editor

Since Elon Musk’s purchase of Twitter, the social media platform has been experiencing bouts of chaos on almost a daily basis.

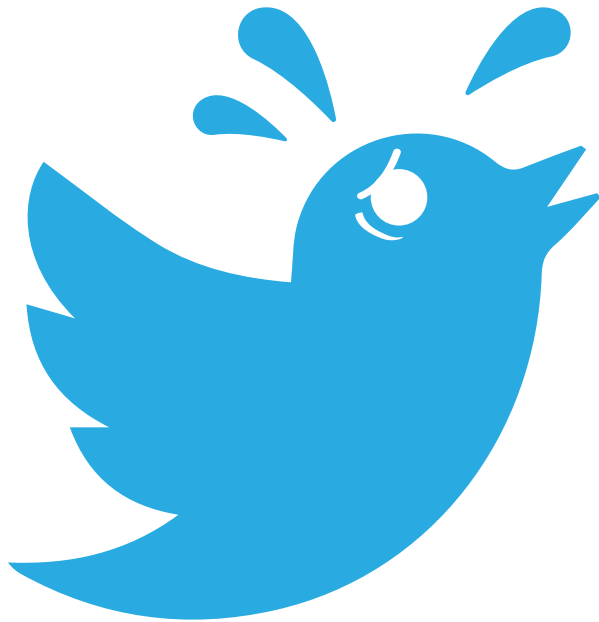
From cutting staff, to having to deal with the consequences of giving any person with \$7.99 a “verified” checkmark, there is never a short supply of hiccups for the Twitter executives.

According to The Verge, Musk is planning on a second round of staff layoffs, with this wave directed to cutting members of Twitter’s sales team. Musk’s hope is to cut more workers to balance out each team, but it is unclear how many people will be laid off.

This comes after Musk fired Robin Wheeler and Maggie McLean Suniewick who were Twitter’s head of ad sales and vice president of partnerships, respectively, for refusing to fire more workers.

The changes to Twitter do not stop here, though, as Musk has begun reinstating Twitter accounts that belonged to people who were previously banned from the site.

According to Business



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Insider, the Twitter accounts of Donald Trump, Marjorie Taylor Greene, Andrew Tate, Jordan Peterson and Kanye West, among others, were all reactivated. The reactivation of these accounts should come as no surprise, as Musk publicly criticized Twitter for “failing to adhere to free speech principles” multiple times. Below are the reasons each account was suspended.

Donald Trump’s account was permanently suspended by Twitter in Jan. 2021 “due to the risk of further incitement of violence” following the insurrection at the United States Capitol.

Marjorie Taylor Greene’s account was suspended in Jan. 2022

for repeatedly spreading misinformation about the COVID-19 pandemic and vaccines.

Andrew Tate’s account was suspended in 2017 after Tate tweeted women should “bare some responsibility” for being sexually assaulted.

Jordan Peterson’s account was temporarily suspended on June 28 of this year after referring to transgender actor Elliot Page by his deadname.

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# Bitcoin stocks plummet in price

**ISABEL HENSON**  
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The price of Bitcoin has fallen under \$16,000 for the first time since cryptocurrency entered the spotlight during the COVID-19 pandemic. Just a year ago, Bitcoin had reached a record high of \$69,000 in November 2021.

The volatile nature of cryptocurrency rising and falling sharply on a daily basis has raised many questions about whether or not to invest money, especially in large quantities.

Global stocks have been facing a downturn due to the war in Ukraine, inflationary fears and higher interest rates making it more expensive for businesses to borrow money. This has greatly impacted the cryptocurrency market.

Futures Exchange (FTX), one of the largest and fast-growing crypto

exchanges, filed for bankruptcy after facing a “severe liquidity crisis.” The collapse of FTX, who handles around \$1 billion in transactions each day, has major implications on other crypto exchanges. Within hours of FTX unraveling, Bitcoin prices dipped more than 20 percent.

Unlike traditional investments, like company shares, Bitcoin has no underlying asset. This means the movements in its price are based purely on speculation about whether it will rise or fall in the future. High inflation and a cost of living crisis are causing people to reduce their investment risk by selling their cryptocurrency.

When assets rise very quickly in price and surge to a record high before falling back to a “normal” level, this makes a crash much more likely. This appears to be the current situation with Bitcoin. Where it is heading now is unpredictable.

Financial advisors and

investing experts have advised against sinking much of your portfolio into the asset class for this very reason. It is recommended you keep your cryptocurrency investments to under 5 percent of your portfolio.

Certified financial planner with Modern Money Management in San Diego, California Nate Nieri weighed in on the recommendations.

“You have a high chance of losing it all, but a small chance of winning it big,” Nieri said.

That being said, volatility is to be expected in this market, and major dips are nothing to worry about.

Chief Technical Analyst at Token Metrics Bill Noble offers his advice.

“Don’t stress about the swings, because they’re going to keep happening,” Noble said.

For more information visit [thetimes.co.uk/](https://thetimes.co.uk/).

# Doane Crime Log

The Doane Safety Office reported incidents in their public crime log. Incidents reported between Nov. 11 through 21 include:

- 11/14 Security Issue : Campus Property - Doane Crete : Parking Lots : Lot M
- 11/16 Security Issue : Campus Property - Doane Crete : Parking Lots : Lot L
- 11/17 Student Service : Security Escort : Campus Property - Doane Crete



# TNX unveils 2022 magazine edition

Fireside chat postponed to later date

**JOHN DAWES**  
Design Assistant

The New Xanadu welcomes the 2022 edition of the long-running art and literature magazine. The magazine dates back to 1956 and features written stories and essays, poems, photographs, 3D art, digital drawings, paintings and more.

The New Xanadu issue was unveiled at the Chab

Weyers Education and Hixson Lied Art Building Welcome Center on Nov. 17. Those who attended the event saw the magazine unveiling physically and online. This was followed by a poetry reading by Writing Center Director Jeremy Caldwell and guest author Doug Christensen.

Christensen is one of many that contributed to the magazine. Twenty-seven students, staff and guest authors contributed to the magazine with either literary or visual art or stories.

The magazine can be seen digitally by visiting the New Xanadu website or by finding the master copy sent out to all students via an email from

the Faculty Office on Nov. 17.

There is one more New Xanadu event that has been postponed until after Thanksgiving Break, date to be determined. The postponed Xanadu Fireside event will take place at the Smith Hall fire pit. It will feature dinner and snacks for all who attend and will be an open conversation about the magazine and all things surrounding it.

Again the magazine can be seen digitally at [thenewxanadu21.wixsite.com/thenewxanadu/about-us](http://thenewxanadu21.wixsite.com/thenewxanadu/about-us) or via student email.



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TNX Director Phil Weill, Head Editor senior Abrianna Miller and Assistant Editor sophomore Jess Himmelberg celebrate the release of the 2022 edition of The New Xanadu.

# Theatre welcomes all students

DOANE THEATRE presents:

## the CHERRY ORCHARD

OPEN CALL AUDITIONS  
DECEMBER 8, 2022  
7PM-10PM  
WHITCOMB LEE CONSERVATORY

Courtesy graphic | Doane Theatre Department

Auditions to be held after Thanksgiving Break

**KYLIE HUGHES**  
Life & Culture Editor

After the recent completion of their last production of "The Thanksgiving Play," the Doane Theatre Department has another production in the works.

Auditions for the first production in the spring semester, "The Cherry Orchard" by Anton Chekhov, will be held Dec. 8 starting at 7 p.m. at the Whitcomb Lee Conservatory.

To prepare for the audition, students need to prepare a Chekhov monologue attached in an email sent out to all students from the Performing Arts. There will also be monologues for students to read cold during auditions.

"You sign up for a slot. You get five minutes and then you're done. It's really easy and it's non-threatening. I think that's an important thing

for students to know- it's really chill," Co-Director of Theatre Robin McKercher said.

This audition will be different than normal auditions because it is being held separately than the musical auditions.

Auditions for the musical, "Amelie," will be held Feb. 2 at 7 p.m.

This audition will also be unique because for "The Cherry Orchard," the Theatre Department is bringing in a guest director. Associate Professor at the University of Nebraska- Lincoln (UNL) Jamie Bullins will be the guest director for this show, meaning that he will also be running the audition.

The Theatre Department tries to bring in a guest director every other year because it is a new face for students to work with.

"It just keeps things fresh because I direct, Joel [Egger] directs. It's nice to just have a different voice than us," McKercher said.

McKercher also emphasized his excitement in having Bullins on campus, saying that there are high hopes that Bullins is going to do a great job.

Since Bullins is from a different university, McK-

ercher explained that everyone will be on "an even playing field," as he will cast the show knowing none of the students.

McKercher also said that when casting for productions there is no hierarchy. Year in college and major are not factors into whether a student will get cast. The directors go with whoever best fits that specific character, according to McKercher.

Given this, the Theatre Department is ready to welcome anyone from campus to audition. Auditions are open to all students interested in giving theatre a try.

McKercher and the rest of the Theatre Department have worked hard to create a welcoming environment with "real inclusion and equity."

"To me, I don't want theatre to be a little clique, where only certain people get roles. I want theatre to be open to everybody," McKercher said. "It's just having real inclusion and equity on campus where everybody is welcome. Everybody."

Students interested in auditioning can sign up for a time slot in the link sent out to all students on Nov. 10 from the Performing Arts email.

# SPB plans events for rest of semester

**KYLIE HUGHES**  
Life & Culture Editor

With only a few weeks left in the semester, the Student Programming Board (SPB) is working to end the semester strong with various events for students across campus.

This semester SPB has hosted a range of events including the Coffee Shop Series on Tuesdays, bringing in The Dapper Donut, partnering with various organizations on campus, as well as several Halloween events.

To conclude the Coffee Shop Series, SPB is hoping to finish their Foodie Series held on Tuesdays with a charcuterie board night, according to member of SPB junior Elsy

Sierra. For these events, SPB partners with Sodexo to teach students easy, cheap recipes for ResLife cooking.

During this event, held on Nov. 29 at 7 p.m. in Lakeside, students will be able to make their own charcuterie boards and enter in a raffle to win boards of their own.

This semester SPB will also be hosting their DeStress Fest, partnering with various organizations on campus, in hopes of alleviating some of the stress of finals.

DeStress Fest will be held Dec. 7 at 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. According to Sierra, this year's DeStress Fest will have therapy goats and pinatas.

SPB will also be collaborating with National Association for Music Educators (NAfME) board at Doane to do caroling

around Crete as well as Coco and Carols with music groups, according to junior Mia Guerrero.

In addition to these end of semester events, the SPB team has started preparing for some of the larger spring semester events.

In particular, SPB is in the planning stages of Glow Casino, an event where students get fake money to participate in casino games and potentially win prizes.

"Every year it seems to grow more and more, so I'm very excited to see what we can come up with in order to expand Glow Casino into an even bigger event," Sierra said.

Questions can be directed to SPB at [spb@doane.edu](mailto:spb@doane.edu).

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SPB

NOV  
29

CHARCUTERIE NIGHT  
7PM

DEC  
7

DESTRESS FEST  
10AM TO 1PM

SPRING

GLOW CASINO

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## Weekly Horoscopes

**Aquarius (January 21 - February 19):** During your time off, take some of your time to work on personal development. Dedicating free time towards growing as a person will get you places in life.

**Pisces (February 20 - March 20):** Things are feeling rough right now. However, remember everything else you have been through. Live in moment and do not dwell on what you cannot change.

**Aries (March 21 - April 20):** You are going to be experiencing some major changes this week. Take them in stride. This is a good opportunity to work on your flexibility and remember that you cannot plan for everything.

**Taurus (April 21 - May 21):** People from your past are going to be welcoming you with open arms. Do you want to return the affection? This is something that you must decide on your own.

**Gemini (May 22 - June 21):** Take some time this week to decide what you want from yourself. Work to make positive changes in your school life, work life, relationships, etc. You'll find yourself much happier if you do.

**Cancer (June 22 - July 22):** This week is going to offer you some important lessons. They may not be so obvious so make sure you are paying attention to what the world is telling you.

**Leo (July 23 - August 22):** This is a great time to return home. Remember that home is not always a place. Sometimes it is a person or people and other times it is merely an idea. Go to whatever is home to you and see how you feel after that experience.

**Virgo (August 23 - September 22):** This week is going to be bursting with new ideas. Use these to create something grand. Use your free time playing into your new ideas and see where it takes you.

**Libra (September 23 - October 22):** Money is going to be on your mind this week. With the season of giving coming up remember that a little goes a long way when helping others.

**Scorpio (October 23 - November 21):** This is going to be your week to shine, Scorpio. Use that to your advantage. Feel the energy and confidence that comes from feeling good about yourself.

**Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21):** Though you are going to want to feel very reflective this week, do not spend too much time in the past. Move forward and do not get too hung up on the past.

**Capricorn (December 22 - January 20):** Take some time this week and see where your ambitions lie. Think about the people who are going to help you reach these goals and make sure that they are a part of your life.

# Training provided for student groups

## Student Organization Training

- Nov. 28, 12 p.m. - Perry Campus Center Boardroom - Building a Sense of Community
- Jan 30, 12 p.m. - Perry Campus Center Boardroom - How to Budget Effectively
- Feb 27 - Marketing Your Organization
- March - Dealing with Conflict
- April - Transferable Skills
- Sept 2023 - Motivating Members

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# LAN Bash brings range of people

**ISABEL HENSON**  
Staff Writer

On Nov. 18 the Gamers United in Leading Doane (GUILD) hosted their bi-annual 24-hour gaming event, LAN Bash, start-

ing at 6 p.m.

There were a variety of games to play and chances to participate in tournaments. Anyone was encouraged to bring a game or just show up and enjoy the festivities.

This event also encourages alumni to come

back and interact with the GUILD again.

LAN Bash is the GUILD's only fundraising event of the semester, and the donated money allows the group to run more events throughout the year and give the whole Doane community

a chance to play games and enjoy themselves.

GUILD President senior Luke Henriksen was pleased with the event.

"LAN Bash this semester went super well," Henriksen said. "We had a great turnout from GUILD members, alum-

ni and non-members."

The GUILD aimed for a less structured event and instead implemented "secret achievements" which they would like to continue in the following semesters.

"I hope that anyone who missed it this semes-

ter can come and make next semester's even more fun," Henriksen said.

Be on the lookout for next semester's LAN Bash as well as some other events from the GUILD.

# Campus construction benefits class



Courtesy photos | Scott Sieck

**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

At the beginning of November, Assistant Professor of Engineering Guadalupe Leon took his Introduction to Geotechnical Engineering (EGR-324) to the building site of President Roger Hughes' house to conduct a sand cone test.

A sand cone test "measures the on-site soil compaction," according to Leon. The students in his class had already prepared measurements

of the soil's dry density, doing so allowed them to compare the dry density with the density found through the sand cone test.

"Basically each group dug a 6-inch hole about 4-inch deep and collected the soil, then the hole was filled with sand," Leon said. "The mass of sand needed to fill the hole can be used to calculate the hole's volume."

This type of test allowed the students to get an accurate measurement of the soil's volume and will help them advance in their geotechnical engi-

neering education.

"Geotechnical engineering is the science that explains mechanics of soil and rock and its applications to the development of human kind," according to the Norwegian Geotechnical Institute (NGI).

This field includes the creation of tunnels, landfills, slopes, etc, so a hands-on experience at a building site is an invaluable resource to the students in Leon's class.

With any questions, contact Leon at [guadalupe.leon@doane.edu](mailto:guadalupe.leon@doane.edu).

# Students plan for Thanksgiving Break

**JOHN DAWES**  
Design Assistant

Thanksgiving Break is around the corner. Whether it's being with family and friends or enjoying football, the break gives students a chance to enjoy time away from school and prepare for finals week along with the end of next semester.

"I'm excited to go

home and be with my family. I'm just going to have fun and enjoy the break," freshman Dakota Miser said.

Miser is one of the 30 students who responded to a survey. Of the 30 students asked, 85 percent are going home for the break. Most students live around Nebraska or in neighboring states, while the students that are staying on campus are either

from states farther away, or staying for academic or athletic reasons. Some students, on the other hand, are going home to work.

"For Thanksgiving Break, I'll be working at Hyvee, helping prepare Thanksgiving meals, hanging out with family and friends and doing some light running and lifting for track," freshman Caleb Mulder said.

However, there are a couple of housekeeping items students need to do before leaving for break. Students need to be sure to close and lock their windows before leaving due to possible freezing temperatures that could damage residence hall pipes. Students should also turn off their lights, throw out their trash and lock their doors before leaving.

Students come back from break on Nov. 28 and then will begin finals preparation. The semester will end, and Winter Break will begin on Dec. 12. However, Thanksgiving Break offers students an opportunity to take a break before finals.

"I'm having family over, enjoying some good food and relaxing," freshman Jacob Parsley said.

Students who are stay-

ing on campus must fill out the break exemption form on eResLife and contact their community advisor (CA) in order to get clearance to stay. Classes will start once again for the last two weeks of classes on Nov. 28.



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- STAFF EDITORIAL -

## Time to spark a major change

The recent shooting at an LGBTQ+ nightclub in Colorado is yet another reminder that violence towards minorities is still happening.

We are past the point as a society of tolerance. We need to actively move toward acceptance.

Tolerance can create attitudes of one group being better than the other. It can elicit feelings of compensation or 'just dealing with it.'

Acceptance allows us to

celebrate each other without bias or prejudice. At this point, the world is more diverse than ever, and if we want to avoid situations like that in Colorado Springs, we need to push each other towards acceptance.

It is no longer 'enough' to tolerate people different from you. Hostility breeds on uncertainty, and, as we have seen, it creates violent situations.

Instead of sitting back and

hoping problems go away, we need to collectively understand and acknowledge our own biases. Yes, we all have biases, no matter how progressive we like to think we are.

Acknowledging the biases we bring to the table will help foster a conversation and ultimately a change.

No one is immune to hatred, but we cannot continue on the path we are on now. People are dying every single

day because of ignorance and prejudice.

Now is the time for our culture to do a 180 and be the leaders of change. We can all work on becoming better people, so let's do it.

We can prevent violent situations by being conscious and thoughtful, not by being ignorant and dismissive.

## Hot takes; shark water

A weekly rating of random things by Joey Winton

**JOEY WINTON**  
Managing Editor

It's the final Hot Takes before our Thanksgiving break, so I figured there's nothing that says "Thanksgiving" more than sharks.

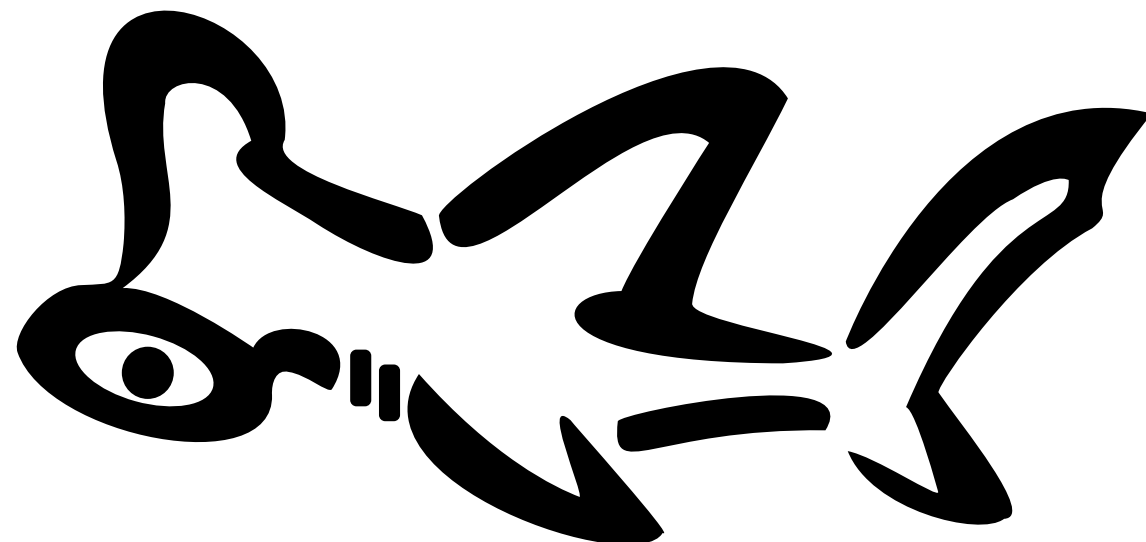
There are a bunch of different shark species out there so this is a very condensed list of the ones that I believe most people would recognize or are at least familiar with. Each shark is ranked based on appearance, hunting effectiveness and how cool they are.

Appearance is essentially "is the shark well designed?" While a majority of sharks have the same basic appearance, certain species have evolved some pretty remarkable physical features.

Hunting effectiveness boils down to how good of a hunter the shark is. Most sharks are near or at the top of their food chain, so this really comes down to how good the shark is at hunting everything below it.

The final aspect is how cool the shark is. This is the most subjective of the qualities being graded because, to me, some sharks have way more swag than others.

S Tier - These sharks are the rulers of the ocean. Ev-



Cartoon by Joey Winton | The Doane Owl

erything about them is designed to be the optimal hunter while also being gorgeous to look at.

A Tier - Extremely solid, just less so than the ones above.

B Tier - While not bad, they're certainly not great either. They're a fine choice if nothing else is available, but there isn't really much of a reason to pick them beyond that.

C Tier - These sharks are the ones that don't really do much at all beyond exist. They might have some die hard fans, but I am not one of them.

F Tier - It's amazing that given all the evolutionary advantages sharks have, these

ones opted to ignore all of it and do their own thing.

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

S Tier: (The best)- Hammerhead, Great White, Bull

A Tier: (Second Best)- Tiger, Mako, Sand Tiger, Blue

B Tier: (Average)- Cookie Cutter, Reef, Thresher

C Tier: (Below Average)- Greenland, Whale, Basking, Megamouth

F Tier: (Garbage)- Nurse,

Dog

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](mailto:joey.winton@doane.edu) with the subject line Hot Takes and I might write about it!

## Justice for Thanksgiving



**ISABEL HENSON**  
Staff Writer

It's that time of year where the big question of the season is circulating: when is it too early to start decorating for Christmas?

Every year I hear very mixed opinions. You have people who will only listen to Christmas music from the moment Halloween is over, to those who want to wait as long as possible to even think about Christmas.

Personally, I like to give Thanksgiving its own time to shine. Thanksgiving is one

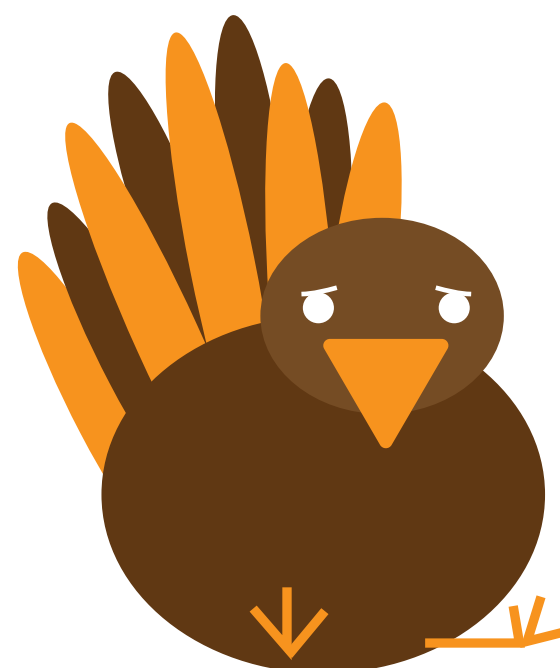
of the best holidays because it revolves around spending time with family as well as good food, some of my favorite things. I think it needs to have its own month altogether before we start thinking about Christmas.

I just think the Christmas music for over two months gets to be pretty annoying. Do I sound like the Grinch? Maybe. It is my favorite Christmas movie.

Decorating for the season also has its fine line. For example, my mom has a large collection of snowmen that she has accumulated over the years. Once it starts getting cold for a consecutive week or two, that would be acceptable to put on display in the house. It doesn't have to do with only Christmas, it's more of a winter type of thing.

In my ideal world, everyone would wait until after Thanksgiving to begin decorating for Christmas. It's also fun to decorate for each holiday. Why don't more people decorate for Thanksgiving? It has its own fun and special traditions, too.

I will say, it is always bene-



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ficial to shop year round for Christmas presents, which I like to do when I remember to plan ahead. That is probably the only time I think about Christmas before December. I also think hanging lights outside your house is acceptable in Nebraska, seeing as it tends to be freezing around the beginning of December.

Don't get me wrong,

Christmas is absolutely my favorite holiday. I love the traditions my family has and all the vibes surrounding it. However, when you start celebrating too early it doesn't feel like Christmas once the time arrives. #JusticeforThanksgiving



# Finding the constant in my life



**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

My family got our first cats when I was 4 years old. They were from a barn cat's litter, and boy did I love them. I chose the blackest one of the litter and named her Angel. My brother picked out a squirrely gray cat and named him Charley.

Angel died when I was 11, and Charley just died this past summer. After Angel died, though, I got another cat. She's a calico cat, and for some reason I named her Reeve. She was a rescue that had virtually no chance at survival, but now she is a happy fat cat.

The other day my roommate was discussing what things have been constant in their life, and it got me thinking. What has been constant for me? As I was sitting there on the floor petting my cat, it hit me. I have always had a cat.

When I moved out of my parent's house, I couldn't just take Reeve with me because she was used to the house and the way things work there. My life was cat-less for one year, and then sophomore year my roommate



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had an ESA cat. Pretty much hit the jackpot on that one.

The summer between sophomore and junior year, I got the cat I have now, Tapa. He was found on my sophomore year roommate's farm out

west, and I had to have him. He was (and still is) the cutest calico, and I couldn't resist.

So, I took him in and now we live in my apartment. He's the best cat I could have asked for, and I am very grateful for

him.

But it made me wonder why I have always had a cat around me. Do they provide comfort? Yes. Do they make me happy? Yes. Do they make me angry sometimes? Hell yes.

The conclusion I came to was that I'm not sure why I have always had a cat, but I'm really lucky to have been able to do so. When I'm having a bad day, I'll lay on my bed with Tapa and just commiserate with him. Twenty minutes later and I'm fine.

If I'm having company over, Tapa is always the first one to the door. He comes with me to make my morning coffee, and he stands outside the bathroom when I'm in there (I don't know why he does this). The point is, he is there.

I think that as much as I enjoy Tapa, he enjoys me. We feed into each other's energy, and the same can be said about the cats I have had in the past.

Sometimes having company is nice, and with a cat, the stakes are very low. This isn't a PSA to go out and get a cat because they do take effort and responsibility, and you most definitely should not get a pet if you cannot properly care for it.

All I'm saying is that you should find the constant in your life like my roommate and I did. It provides a certain sense of peace and comfort, a sense that makes me even happier than I was before with Tapa.



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# Burnout is hitting



**JOHN DAWES**  
Design Assistant

a test or an assignment and your motivation is tanked. It's a constant state of rising and falling. Your validation for yourself is tangential with a grade curve. You have to pile on knowledge to pass, even the subjects you truly love, the ones you have chosen, become jobs and tasks to do more so than learning.

The college experience is a collective preparation for life after college. Our work-life is designed to numb us in a capitalist society. You clock in, get the results of your work and repeat it.

At the same time, college is, of course, not presented to us as a job. We are all at college to perform well enough to get the job we want. It's as simple as that.

We grew up being asked, "what are you going to do when you grow up?" "what are you doing after you graduate?"

There's a right answer to these questions- get the job that gets you money and keeps you healthy. Our education and upbringing is designed to make us think about nothing, but the performance aspects of life, and it's draining to think about performance every day and all the time.

The danger of being so hyper-focused on performance is that the ebb and

flow is violent and unhealthy when you crash. There's no joy in learning when you learn for performance; there's joy in failing and being able to figure out how to get the right answer, and there's joy in having time.

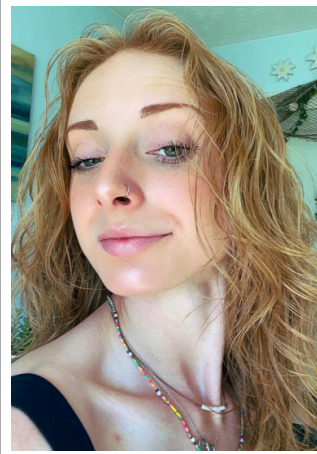
College doesn't afford you the time or ability to get the joy in learning because college reflects greater society: our culture needs productivity all the time, and anything less than that is a failure.

I understand why everything is designed the way it is. College is designed to be efficient. The system is designed to churn out the best workers, and we all want to be the best worker. It is nice to learn without trying to be the best worker, though.

There's joy in learning without standards, without efficiency and without worrying about performance. You won't understand what you're learning when it's all about performance, and you understand what you learn when you learn on your own accord.

I can ramble on about all of this, but burnout is unflinching. Ultimately, I'm a student like the rest of you, and essays don't write themselves.

# Standard issues



**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

Now this one was a real head-scratcher for me because there are so many things that I could try and apply standards to.

Lightbulb moment: why not make that the opinion piece? A million different things went through my head when I thought about what to hold to a standard. When I really started to think about all the different standards, none of them seemed to be quite the same.

That became a wormhole for my brain to fall down, as all I wondered was why none of the "sets" of standards seemed to be related. We put so much weight on these ideas and give them so much power without ever questioning their existence in the first place.

Why do you give yourself a different standard than you give everyone else? Why do we hold certain actions responsible and others we let go

without question? Why is it okay to let some things slide but get worked up over others?

I know that's something that could be debated for endless amounts of time because it all boils down to moral values. I guess the thought resonated with me because something there made my brain do a self check.

Why do I let others get away with things when I know I would never let myself? Why is it okay with me if someone does something, so long as somebody else doesn't? Why do I get worked up about certain things I should let slide but sit quietly when I need to speak up?

Is this piece a continuation of my spiral down the wormhole? Yes. But the message at the end of the day is ironically the same as last time's: mindfulness. Check your standards and make sure they truly reflect your values.

## ...THUMBS UP

Sharks



Mario Kart

Tamales



Bitcoin

Capybaras



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

# THUMBS DOWN...



# Basketball hosts two doubleheaders

Weekend of games brings wins and new records

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

It was a split week of games for the Men's and Women's Basketball teams. Both teams took on the Hastings College Broncos on Nov. 16 before moving on to play Northwestern College on Nov. 19.

The first game of the week was the Women's matchup against the Broncos. An undefeated Doane team was Hastings' first conference matchup. Before the game, the only place Hastings outscored the Tigers was from outside

the arc.

It was a fairly moderate start to the game, with nothing too out of the ordinary occurring. The Broncos relied on their post players, as their best three-point shooter spent most of the game on the bench.

After a slow first quarter, the score was 17-14, with Hastings having a slight lead over Doane. However, things started picking up in the second quarter, and the Tigers began to build what would end up being an enormous lead.

The second quarter started with a 9-0 run from Doane to take the lead. The scoring drought continued for Hastings who would only score 12 points in the entire quarter. To go to half, sophomore Mak Hatcliff put up a last minute layup to give them a 46-29 lead.

Returning from halftime, Hastings continued to struggle making shots, especially three-point baskets. This quarter only resulted in 10 points for the Broncos, who shot 0 percent from three-point

range.

At the start of the fourth quarter, Doane still maintained a strong lead of 61-39. Although Hastings started with a nine-point run, Doane came out of their timeout looking just as strong as the previous quarters.

The Tigers refused to take the pressure off and would go on to continue their win streak with a 94-59 victory. After a strong opening game courtesy of the Women's team, it was the Men's team who was next to face the Broncos.

Doane had to take on a Hastings team that was on a 5-0 run and outscored them by 10 percent or more in every scoring category. Despite the staggering odds, the Tigers came out swinging in the first half and outscored Hastings from the floor and behind the arc.

What hurt Doane during this half was personal fouls, racking up seven in the first compared to Hastings' three. The Broncos' free throw shooting allowed them to maintain a one-point lead

of 32-31 at the end of the half.

After the initial shell shock, Hastings seemed to be back to playing as their regular selves in the second half. A late run put the Broncos up 73-60, and after a technical foul was called on sophomore Brady Timm, Hastings had a 15-point lead and possession with just a minute left in regulation.

The score remained 75-60 as time ran out and Hastings continued their winning streak. However, both Men's and Women's teams had a quick turnaround and needed to be ready for their next game on Nov. 19.

Once again, it would be the Women's team who kicked things off when they were hosting Northwestern College. This was shaping up to be the Tigers' toughest game of the season so far due to their statistics being almost identical to those of Northwestern's.

Despite a fairly even start to the game, the Red Raiders went on a 14-5 scoring run that allowed them to end the first

quarter up 21-12. Large runs like this would be a common theme in the game, with Doane using two runs to take the lead in the second quarter. Northwestern then returned with another run to put them ahead 40-36 at halftime.

The game continued to come down to the wire, as no team really pulled away in the third quarter. At the start of the fourth, Northwestern still led 57-52. However, midway through the fourth, a scoring drought found the Tigers, and the Raiders were able to pull away and continue their undefeated season with a 81-70 win.

It was up to the Men's team to avoid being swept by Northwestern. However, this would be no easy feat. The Raiders entered the game averaging 90.8 points per game compared to the Tigers' 68.2 points per game.

The advantage went to Northwestern in the first half, who scored just about everything that was tossed at the basket. They held a 23-point advan-

tage, which opened the door for Doane to set the largest comeback win in the program's history.

The second half was all Doane. Timm came out and scored eight points to help Doane go on a 10-3 run. Two three-point baskets by freshman Ben Renshaw and junior Cooper Sheldon were left unanswered by the Raiders.

Another run allowed Doane to take the lead, and Timm's two-for-two appearance at the line gave the Tigers a three-point advantage with just 17 seconds left. However, nothing could stop Northwestern from launching one at the net from deep, and the made three-point basket sent the game into overtime.

Despite Northwestern's best effort, Doane continued to pull away. After a three-point basket made by senior Alec Oberhauser, the Tigers proceeded to go on an 8-0 run that secured the upset victory of 101-90.

Both teams will play at home on Nov. 22 against Morningside University.



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Sophomore Macy Holtz pulls up off a baseline drive to let another shot soar to the basket. Holtz played a big role in the win against Hastings, with 21 total points. She was the second leading scorer for the team that night, trailing only to sophomore Mak Hatcliff.



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Junior Nick Saiz drives to the rim despite serious contest from Reggie Thomas. Saiz was one of the top scoring Tigers that night. Despite the team shooting 27.8 percent from outside the arc, Saiz brought two three-point baskets in his total of ten points.

# Wrestling wins big at separate matches

Both teams brought home 41 total wins combined

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

Both the Men's and Women's Wrestling teams were on the move over the weekend as they returned from Arizona just in time to get back on the road. The Women's team competed in a two day tournament in Mar-

shall, Missouri, while the Men were taking the mat in Kearney, Nebraska.

Over Nov. 18 and 19, five of the wrestlers from the Women's team were taking part in the Missouri Valley Open. Of the wrestlers that were there, three were able to pull together a total of five wins in the open.

Freshman Brooke Cox was competing in the 116 division, going 1-2 for the day. Her win came from a pin secured in less than two minutes over her opponent from Colorado Mesa University.

Another win was picked up by freshman Sem'maurah Collins in the 155 weight division. Collins' win was also secured over an opponent from Colorado Mesa University, the pin coming in just over two minutes this time.

It was junior Kenisha Jacsaint who scored the

most points for the Tigers in the 191 division. Jacsaint went 3-2 on the day, first going 11-0 over her opponent from William Penn University. Despite losing the next match to her number-11-ranked opponent, Jacsaint added two more victories before closing out the day.

As the open wound down for the Women's team, things were just getting started for the Men's team. There were 17 wrestlers who traveled to compete in the University of Kearney Open, who picked up 36 wins overall.

In the 125 division, Doane had four competitors. Sophomore Hunter Bennett led the way as he went 5-1 on the day. Sophomore Landon Stocks followed with a 2-2 record and right behind him was teammate sophomore Russell Nickerson who had 1-2. Junior Arian Alai had

to face two NCAA Division 2 athletes, to whom he fell 0-2.

Freshmen Roberto Cordova and Tristen Brown were both competing in the 133 division and went 2-2 each. In the 141 division, freshman Benjamin Miller reached the match limit after scoring 5-1 and sophomore Mario Evans went 0-2.

There was only one competitor in the 149 division. Freshman Quentyn Frank secured a pin to go 1-2. Freshman Cooper Spaulding and junior Arturo Salinas added four wins each in the 165 division.

Junior Austin Filliez was the only competitor at 174, and he finished the day with 1-2. There were three wrestlers in the 184 division. Freshman Chase Stieb started things off with 3-2, followed by junior Terungwa Unongo who was 1-2

before junior Zaire Ridley finished things off with 0-2.

The final division was the heavyweight division, where Doane had two wrestlers competing. Sophomore Guillermo Duenas dominated with his 5-2 record for the day, while his teammate

freshman Joseph Schutt was 0-2.

The Men's Wrestling team competes on Nov. 22 in Sioux City, Iowa for the first of their conference duals. Both teams will be at home on Dec. 3 when they compete in the Conner/Oppenheim Doane Open.

## Athlete of the Week



**Hunter Bennett**

Had a 5-1 record at the Nebraska-Kearney Younes Hospitality Open



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### MEN'S WRESTLING

November 19 @ KEARNEY, NEBRASKA

9:00 UNK OPEN

### WOMEN'S WRESTLING

November 18 & 19 @ MARSHALL, MISSOURI

9:00 MISSOURI VALLEY OPEN

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

November 16 @ HOME

7:45 versus HASTINGS COLLEGE

BRONCOS  
73-60

November 19 @ HOME

3:45 versus NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

TIGERS  
101-90

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

November 16 @ HOME

6:00 versus HASTINGS COLLEGE

TIGERS  
94-59

November 19 @ HOME

2:00 versus NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

RED RAIDERS  
81-70

## Next week for Tiger Athletics

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

November 22 @ HOME

7:45 versus MORNINGSIDE UNIVERSITY

November 28 @ MANHATTAN, KANSAS

7:45 versus MANHATTAN CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

### MEN'S WRESTLING

November 22 @ SIOUX CITY, IOWA

5:30 versus NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

7:00 versus BRIAR CLIFF UNIVERSITY

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

November 22 @ HOME

6:00 versus MORNINGSIDE UNIVERSITY

