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Crete and Doane host an event to honor and support Brad Elder. See below.

## Benefit for Elder a success

**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

On Feb. 4, Doane University and Crete Volunteer Fire and Rescue (CVFR) held a benefit event for Professor of Biology Brad Elder in the George and Sally Haddix and Recreational Center from 1 to 6 p.m.

This event featured dozens of silent raffle options with prizes ranging from blankets and grill supplies, to neon signs and hand tools. The silent raffle itself raised 9,070 dollars, and the total amount raised thus far to help cover Elder's medical expenses adds up to around 53,000 dollars.

CVFR member and Doane junior Tiffany Carnahan was in charge of the silent raffle.

"I opened up the auction on Feb. 1 [and] within one day we had already raised over 1,000 dollars," Carnahan said. "I had no words for how much was raised through just the auction site."

At the benefit, Doane President Roger Hughes spoke about the heroism and selflessness that Elder displays. On behalf of CVFR, Fire Chief Tod Allen shared a few words about the contributions of Elder to the greater

Crete community. Presenting Elder with a \$5,000 check was CVFR member AJ Page. The donation came from Fire Department Coffee's company Foundation after Page reached out and shared the story of how Elder was injured in a fire last October.

Fire Department Coffee is a "veteran-owned business... dedicated to providing great-tasting coffee to people everywhere," according to their website. The company's Foundation donates money to first-responders who are injured on the job or who have other health issues.

CVFR also put together a special video to play at the event which documented the time from when Elder was injured through his most recent welcome back.

Many Doane alumni, students, faculty and staff attended the event in support of Elder and in celebration of his recovery. Doane Cheer and Dance performed routines and the musical duo Tom and Wes performed several songs during the event.

Carnahan mentioned the sense of community that came about leading up to and throughout the event.

"We had so many people support Brad through the auction, the gofundme page, donations and being able to attend the

benefit. The sense of community was certainly there," Carnahan said. "It was a very busy day but it was all worth it in the end."

CVFR member and Doane senior Hayden DeBoer gave Elder a book of messages left by those who attended the benefit at the end of the event.

Donations towards Elder's medical expenses are still open and can be accessed at the GoFundMe page at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/5uc2q5-brads-medical-expenses>.



Photos by Abrianna Miller | The Doane Owl

## Memphis police fatally beat man

**JOEY WINTON**  
Managing Editor

On Jan. 7, Tyre Nichols, a 29-year-old Black motorist, was pulled over for what police said was reckless driving and was aggressively beaten by police after attempting to flee on foot to the point where he died in the hospital three days later.

According to NPR, police stated that Nichols was taken into custody after a traffic stop where, after the initial confrontation, Nichols fled the scene on foot. After the arrest, Nichols

complained of shortness of breath and was taken to the hospital in critical condition where he died on Jan. 10.

Nichols' family has said that the police beat him so severely that he was unrecognizable, and after demands from the public to release the body cam footage of the arrest, the city of Memphis released the four-part footage on Vimeo on Jan. 27.

The footage shows the officers dragging Nichols from his car and shouting profanities throughout the confrontation. After an officer tries to deploy a taser at Nichols, he flees the scene with the officer following on foot. Later, officers are seen repeatedly kicking, punching and using a baton to strike Nichols as he lies on the ground.

Following his death, The Hill reports that five officers, all of who are Black, have been charged with multiple offenses including second-degree murder, in addition to two officers being suspended.

In addition to the officers, two emergency medical technicians have had their licenses suspended after they were reviewed by the Tennessee Emergency Medical Services Board. The board found that they failed to give medical attention to Nichols for nearly 20 minutes as he lay on the ground after being beaten by the officers. They then voted unanimously to suspend the licenses of EMTs JaMichael Sandridge and Robert Long.

Matthew Gibbs, a member of the general

counsel's office for the state public health department, said at the meeting that Nichols was "clearly in distress," and was unable to remain in a seated position which should have been a sign to the medical technicians that he was unwell.

"Neither Mr. Sandridge or Mr. Long engaged in a primary or secondary examination. Vital signs were not taken. A full head-to-toe examination did not occur," Gibbs said.

Protests all over the country occurred in the following days and weeks after the release of the body cam footage, with Vice President Kamala Harris attending Nichols' funeral.

There are no further updates as of this publication.



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# OPD stops Target shooting

**JOHN DAWES**  
Design Assistant

On Feb. 1, Omaha police officers shot and killed an active shooter at a Target. There were no civilian deaths or injuries. The shooter, identified as 32-year-old Joseph Jones, entered the store with an AR-15-style rifle and 13 loaded rifle magazines in his possession. He fired at least eight rounds after entering the store. Jones had no apparent motive for the shooting and had no connection with the store. Jones had bought the gun only four days earlier at a Cabela's.

Jones arrived at the Target at 11:49 a.m. and later entered the store again with his gun, firing three rounds until 12:05 p.m. when state troopers entered the Target.

Brian Vanderheiden, a 20-year veteran state trooper, shot and killed Jones at 12:07 p.m. after a 20-second interaction where Jones refused to yield and continued to threaten officers with his gun. No officers were injured or killed.

"The first arriving officers went into the building, confronted the suspect and shot him dead," Omaha Police Chief Todd Schmaderer said to reporters during a press briefing Tues.

Omaha Police Department thanks Target staff



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and employees for their swift action in addressing the threat Jones posed. There were over 200 employees and shoppers in the store when Jones entered the store. Target has openly said they will work with authorities and will cooperate with the

investigation on Jones. "Thank you to the Target employees for your bravery. We are thankful there were no additional lives lost. We offer our condolences to Mr. Jones' family," OPD said in a statement on Feb. 3. Project Harmony is

holding an event for those impacted by the Target shooting on Feb. 7, providing free mental health counseling and childcare for those with trauma or stress from the event. The investigation is currently still ongoing.

# Texas sues Biden Admin.

AG Paxton leads multi-state lawsuit

**JOSE VILLALPANDO**  
Multimedia Coordinator

ment of Homeland Security's (DHS) program that would allow 30,000 asylum-seekers per month with a legal pathway into the United States.

The Texas AG's office states that this program "unlawfully creates a de facto pathway to citizenship for hundreds of thousands of aliens."

The issue that the lawsuit mostly focuses on is the fact the program allows interested parties to apply for the program within their own countries, contrary to existing laws indicating the need to come to the United States' southern border first.

"The Biden open borders agenda has created a humanitarian crisis that is increasing crime and violence in our streets, overwhelming local communities and worsening the opioid crisis," Paxton said via the Texas AG's Office. "This unlawful amnesty program, which will invite hundreds of thousands of aliens into the U.S. every year, will only make this immigration crisis drastically worse."

The full complaint can be found on the Texas AG's Office website and includes many other Re-

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KEN PAXTON  
Texas Attorney General



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publican-leaning states on it, such as the states of Nebraska, Iowa, Florida and many others.

ABC News reported that U.S. Homeland Security insists their program is working, with Border Patrol apprehensions of Cubans, Haitians, Nicaraguans and Venezuelans falling some 97 percent since December.

"The average number of migrant apprehensions from those countries— a key indicator of illegal migration— is at 115 per day, down from 3,367 per day at the beginning of December, according to the agency," ABC news

reported. The news agency also noted some of the requirements for acceptance into the program. "In order to apply, asylum-seekers must meet strict requirements like applying from their home countries and must have a sponsor in the U.S. who can be financially responsible for them," ABC News reported. It is noteworthy to

mention that the program also highlights an agreement with Mexico to allow up to 30,000 migrants to be expelled from the U.S. to Mexico each month.

There is no further information at this time.

# Pence found with documents

**JOEY WINTON**  
Managing Editor

Former Vice President Mike Pence has been added to the list of political figures with classified documents in their possession.

According to Axios, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) retrieved a "small number of documents" with classified document markings from Pence's home in Carmel, Indiana in early January of this year.

After documents were discovered in cur-

rent President Joe Biden's personal residence, Pence engaged with lawyers on Jan. 16 to review documents at his private residence. In a letter to the National Archives, Pence's counsel Greg Jacob wrote that this was done "out of an abundance of caution."

Pence was reportedly unaware of the presence of the documents in his home, but immediately secured the documents and arranged to have them returned to the National Archives. In a follow-up letter to the archives written on Jan. 22, Jacob wrote that FBI agents retrieved the documents on Jan. 19.

Despite Pence's cooperation with the FBI and

National Archives, NBC reports that the FBI is expected to search his home for more classified documents in the next few days. In a similar statement that Biden made when documents were found at his residence, Pence "was unaware of the existence of sensitive or classified documents at his personal residence," according to Jacob.

It should be noted that upon discovery of classified documents, Biden and Pence followed protocol and, as of now, have been fully cooperating with the FBI and other investigators.

There are no updates as of this publication.

## This Week's Weather Forecast

Wednesday

2/8



High: 51

Low: 29

Thursday

2/9



High: 40

Low: 21

Friday

2/10



High: 39

Low: 22

Saturday

2/11



High: 50

Low: 32

Sunday

2/12



High: 54

Low: 30

Monday

2/13



High: 50

Low: 34

Tuesday

2/14



High: 48

Low: 36

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# UN calls for Israel and Palestine peace

**JOEY WINTON**  
Managing Editor

Violence in Israel and occupied Palestinian territories has surged since the start of the new year. According to the Guardian, the main spark of the sudden increase in violence resulted from an Israeli operation in the occupied West Bank.

On Jan. 26, Israel sent soldiers into the Jenin refugee camp to kill militants stationed there. Ten Palestinians were killed, with eight being gunmen, but the other two being civilians, one of which was a 61-year-old woman. After the Israeli raid, violence between the two nations increased, with the countries exchanging rocket fire between the Hamas-run Gaza Strip and Israel. On Jan. 27, a Palestinian gunman killed seven Israelis out-

side a synagogue in East Jerusalem, marking it the deadliest Palestinian attack in Jerusalem in years. While tensions between Israel and Palestine have always been high, in January of this year, Israeli politicians formed the most right-wing and anti-Arab government in the country's history. The United Nations (UN) is calling for a halting of violence and a return to "peaceful negotia-

tions" between Israel and Palestine, citing reports that civilians are being directly impacted by the militant operations. A Jan. 30 report from the UN states that since the start of the year, seven Palestinian children and one Israeli child have been killed, with many more being injured. Other members of the UN are contemplating how to help resolve the situation, but there is not any specific plan as of yet. The BBC reports

that international efforts to reach a solution have been stalled for nearly a decade, with the most recent effort being from former-President Donald Trump's Administration. The now-abandoned plan would have given Palestinians municipal control of areas of the West Bank along the Gaza Strip, and Israel would have been given full security control. After the plan was canceled, violence erupted on the ground and Palestine es-

entially severed all ties with the United States. Human rights groups are calling on the international community to acknowledge a "one-state" reality for Palestinians living under Israel's military occupation. Israel has been occupying areas of Palestine for 56 years, and it is unclear if the violence will increase or decrease. There are no updates as of this publication.

# LPD finds explosives in traffic stop

**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

During a routine traffic stop on Jan. 25 in Lincoln, Nebraska, police found evidence of homemade explosives, further evidenced by supplies found in the suspect's

home. Lincoln police pulled over Dominick Fossberg (23) around 1 a.m. on Jan. 25 and conducted a vehicle search after seeing narcotics in plain view. Fossberg was arrested for "two counts of Possession of a Controlled Substance and one count of Possession of Drug Paraphernalia," accord-

ing to the Lincoln Police Department (LPD). During the vehicle search, LPD found what they believed to be materials for making an explosive, which was later confirmed by the Lincoln Fire and Rescue Bomb Squad. 10/11 News reports that the Lincoln Fire and Rescue Bomb Squad

identified and safely detonated two explosive devices that were in the vehicle. Further investigation of the devices revealed that they were, in fact, explosive. LPD reports that no injuries were sustained in the process of removing the materials. It was discovered that the vehicle belonged to

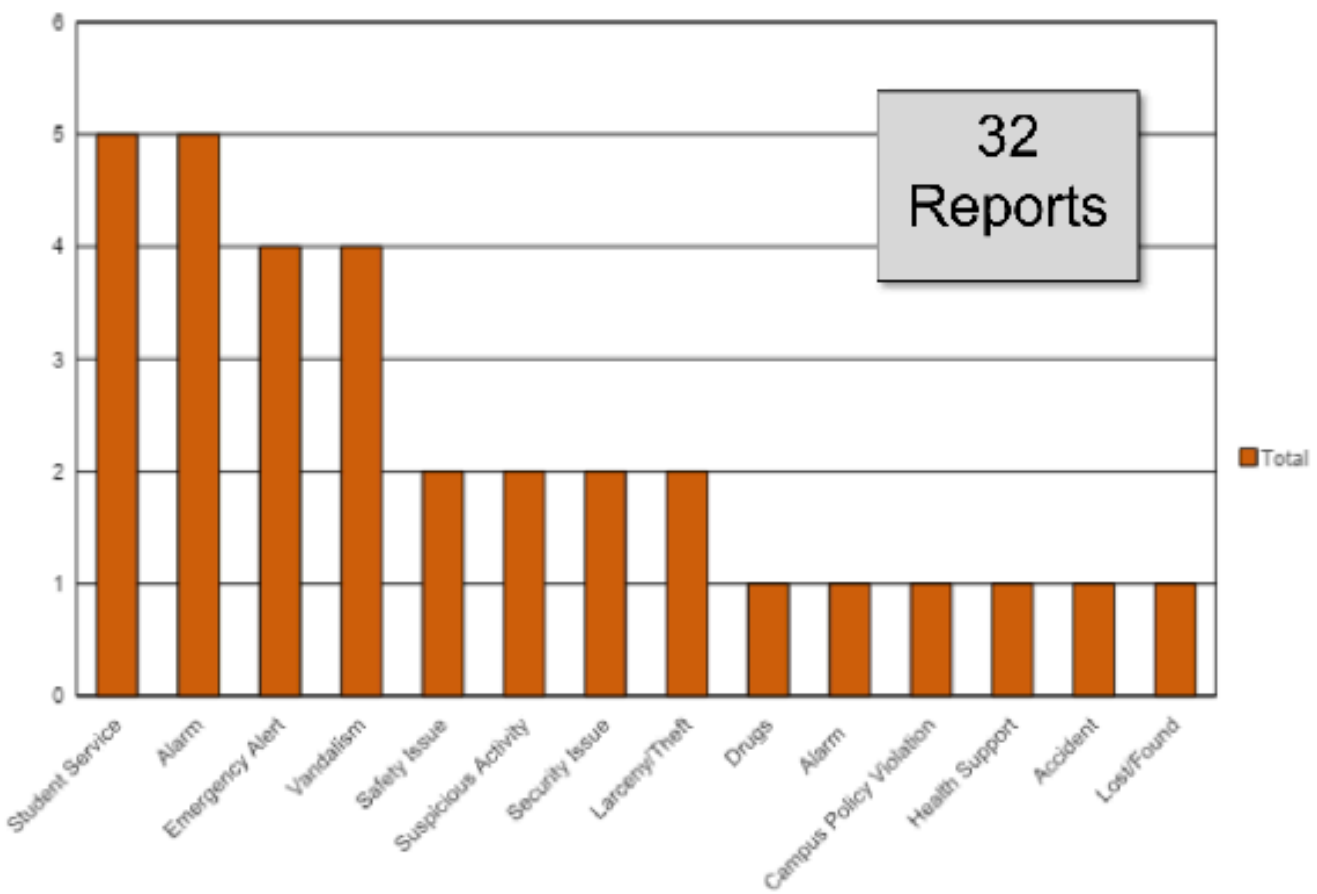
Spenser Speidell (24), and LPD continued their investigation at Speidell's residence after obtaining a search warrant, LPD reports. More materials were found and taken for testing. During the search, the apartment building that Speidell lives in was evacuated and the streets surrounding the building

were blocked off, according to 10/11 News. Speidell was arrested for "two counts of Unlawful Possession of Explosive Materials," according to LPD. LPD's investigation into this case is ongoing. There are no further updates as of this publication.

# January public crime log statistics

On a monthly basis, the Doane Public Safety Office (PSO) reports their findings and crime trends in the Owl. The Owl reports only what is available on the Public Crime Log, but this is a space for PSO to include other reports, concerns or crime trends within the past month. It is important to note that December through January usually sees a lower amount of reports due to winter break. The following is a direct courtesy of Public Safety Director Russ Hewitt and accounts for reports from the month of December.

be our most common. We welcome student calls for on-campus assistance for vehicles issues or other support requirements. Emergency Alert: These reports are times that we have utilized the campus emergency alert system, or conducted tests on our systems. Vandalism: We have seen an uptick in damage to campus property. We have a campus full of adults and we appreciate those that prevent and report incidents of vandalism. If you have information related to vandalism or other crimes on campus, please contact us at (402)826-8669 or doane-safetyoffice@doane.edu.



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## Doane Crime Log

The Doane Safety Office reported incidents in their public crime log. Incidents reported between Jan. 23 and 30 include:

- 1/31 **Vandalism** : Campus Property - Doane Crete : Academic Buildings : Perry Campus Center : Lower Level : Common Grounds
- 1/31 **Emergency Alert** : Campus Property - Doane Crete
- 2/1 **Hazing** : Off Campus - Crete

# Doane Band prepares for tour

**KYLIE HUGHES**  
Life & Culture Editor

Doane Band students are getting ready for tour, which starts this week. The Band tour will start on Feb. 8 and will continue until their home concert back at Doane on Feb. 12.

This tour will take the Band to Kearney, Lincoln, Waverly and then Kansas City.

On Feb. 8, the Band will perform at Kearney High School. The following day they will perform at Lincoln Northeast and Lincoln Southeast High Schools. The Waverly High School performance will take place Feb. 10. From there, the Band will head to Kansas City.

Director of Instrumental Music Andrew Feyes looks forward to this trip to strengthen the sense of community within the ensemble. Tours give students a new learning experience that they do not always get on campus.

"Having the opportu-

nity to learn and grow together off stage almost always results in better performances on stage," Feyes said.

In addition to growing together, the tour also provides students with the opportunity to perform at different venues. By stopping and performing for various high schools, it shows high school students that music beyond high school is possible.

When the Band is in Kansas City, they will be doing a wide range of activities including visiting the Jazz museum, attending a Kansas City Symphony performance, etc. While in Kansas City, sophomore Abby Ulrich will be performing at a masterclass with the Kansas City Symphony.

Ulrich was selected to perform a piece of music in front of a professional saxophone player, as well as all attendees of the symphony.

"This is such a unique opportunity that I never thought was possible. Dr. Feyes believed I had

the ability to achieve this, and I'm so grateful for him and that the whole Doane Concert Band will be there supporting me," Ulrich said.

Feyes believes Ulrich will represent Doane well.

"It is truly exceptional and a testament to [Ulrich's] growth as a musician," Feyes said.

For Ulrich, as well as the entire Concert Band, there has been a lot of preparation that has gone into this tour.

Feyes has been working with the Band in class to make sure that all members are comfortable and confident in the music they will be performing. There is also a lot of musical growth that occurs on the road, according to Feyes.

To conclude the tour, the Band will be performing in Heckman Auditorium at Doane on Feb. 12 at 4 p.m. All students and staff are welcome to attend.



**DOANE**  
CONCERT & JAZZ BANDS  
2023 TOUR

Wednesday, February 8  
Kearney High School

Thursday, February 9  
Lincoln Northeast High School

Thursday, February 9  
Lincoln Southeast High School

Friday, February 10  
Waverly High School

Sunday, February 12, 4:00 p.m.  
Heckman Auditorium, Crete NE

Courtesy graphic | Doane Music Department

## Students win big at Glow Casino

**JOHN DAWES**  
Design Assistant

Students enjoyed Glow Casino, hosted by the Student Programming Board (SPB), at the Chab Wyers Education and Hixson Lied Art Building on Feb. 3. Many students won various prizes, snacks, t-shirts and more. The event featured several casino-style games such as blackjack, craps, roulette, poker, trivia etc.

Glow Casino featured over \$1,500 in prizes

which were all won by students by the end of the night. The prizes Glow Casino featured included a 50-inch TV, Apple AirPods, Bluetooth speakers, GoPros, a Galaxy Watch and several smaller prizes ranging from water bottles to beanies.

"I think it went well. I was there the whole time and had lots of fun," junior Anabelle Daugherty said.

Daugherty was one of many students who ended up winning one of the prizes. She walked away with the 50-inch TV during the event.

SPB members said they thought the event was a success, and they are looking forward to putting together another event in the future.

"We worked really hard on it, and I feel it was very much worth it. We have heard a lot of positive feedback and look forward to doing it all again," SPB member junior McKenna Revis said.

SPB hosts Glow Casino every year at the start of the second semester, so students should expect to win more prizes next school year.



**DOANE IS LOVE SHOW**

FRIDAY 2/17:

-8-9 PM IN NYROP DOANE'S  
2ND ANNUAL DRAG PARTY

-9-11 PM STOP LIGHT DANCE

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## Doane is Love coming up soon

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Journalism Student

As Doane is Love quickly approaches, Campus Advocacy, Prevention and Education (CAPE); Student Programming Board (SPB); People for the Rights of Individuals of Sexual Minorities (PRISM) and the Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) all join forces to bring love and inclusivity to the forefront of the Doane community.

"All the groups are finally coming together..." Student Engagement Assistant Director Spencer Munson said.

Doane is Love, in the past, has been the week of Valentine's Day. However, in the past few years, due to various COVID re-

strictions, the event has been anytime throughout the year that the groups could manage. However, now Doane's annual celebration of love, in all its forms, is back where it belongs.

All of the Doane is Love events will be happening Feb. 13 through Feb. 17. Throughout the week, there will be many tabling events occurring at different times during the day, so there are lots of events for everyone to enjoy. CAPE, PRISM and SPB are collaborating on these table events to help bring inclusivity and safety to Doane.

One particularly exciting event that will be happening is the Drag Party on Feb. 17. Last year's Doane is Love week had a drag event that was incredibly popular. This year, SPB decided to step

it up and host a Drag Party with a Stop Light Party afterward.

Hosted in Nyrop Hall in Perry Campus Center, the Stop Light Party will have different colored wristbands and cups to help nonverbally communicate whether you're "there with your boo or looking for a boo or neither," according to Munson. SPB is bringing in a third-party bar and lots of food to bring everyone together.

"I think that everyone will be excited to have a party that everyone on campus is invited to. It should be really fun," Munson said.

After years of chaos and discombobulation, Doane is Love is back. All of the groups are coming together to bring safe, inclusive love to the Doane community.

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April 11

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April 1

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## Weekly Horoscopes

**Aquarius (January 21 - February 19):** This is going to be the week of self-growth. You should spend some time working on yourself and see where it takes you.

**Pisces (February 20 - March 20):** It's going to feel like a challenge this week. It is going to be a draining week for you. Do not let that get your mood down as things will be looking better next week.

**Aries (March 21 - April 20):** Take some time this week to get in touch with your passions. You've been neglecting the things that you love for a while now. You can always make time for things that bring you joy.

**Taurus (April 21 - May 21):** This is going to be a beneficial week for you career. Take some time this week to set your goals and find ways to achieve those goals. Writing them down will make them more achievable.

**Gemini (May 22 - June 21):** Expand your horizons this week. Get out of your comfort zone and see how different you feel getting out there. Experience the world and see how your perspective changes.

**Cancer (June 22 - July 22):** Take some time this week to spend with your close friends and family. There is often time in your life when you don't appreciate the people in your life as much as you should. Spend some time with these people to show them how much you care about them.

**Leo (July 23 - August 22):** Many people in your life are going to be gone doing various things. While you may be happy that these people are experiencing life, you will have lots of down time. Use this extra time to focus on yourself. You finally have your own time, so use it.

**Virgo (August 23 - September 22):** Expect a wide range of visitors and friends this week. Although unexpected surprises are not your favorite, learn to embrace them. You never know what fun could come from spontaneous adventures.

**Libra (September 23 - October 22):** This week is going to have a lot of hard work. Try your best to continue working and do your best. Even when you want to give up, push through. The reward will be worth it.

**Scorpio (October 23 - November 21):** You are not going to want to leave your home this week. Even though you want to stay in the warmth of your home, getting out offers you new experiences. You wouldn't want to miss out on a great opportunity.

**Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21):** Speak your mind this week. Do not let others stop you from explaining your perspective and your ideas. However, do not step on others' toes in order to get your point across.

**Capricorn (December 22 - January 20):** Slow down your spending this week. Although it is tempting to spend, spare money should be saved for a rainy day. You never know when you'll need a bit of extra cash.

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# Mentor program takes trip to play

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Multimedia Coordinator

On Feb. 4, the Doane Tiger Mentorship Program hosted a trip to the Lincoln Community Playhouse to watch "The Mountaintop," a two-person dramatization of Martin Luther King Jr.'s final night before his assassination.

Academic Specialist and Director of the Tiger Mentorship Program Blake Tobey mentioned that the idea to attend this play stemmed from a conversation he had with Dwight E. Porter Professor of Education Marilyn

Johnson-Farr, who encouraged Tobey to look into the play to put it on his radar for the Mentorship Program.

"Part of the Tiger Mentorship Program's goals for its students is to not only give them resources to help them be successful students on campus, but also to offer up cultural experiences they may not have had before," Tobey said. "Dr. Marilyn Johnson-Farr helped plant that seed and encouraged me to look into [the play]."

Although initially meant for the Mentorship Program, Tobey mentioned that the option to attend the performance was greatly influenced by

Johnson-Farr and Vice President of

Division of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Luis Sotelo who opened attendance up to students majoring in Education and the wider student audience, respectively.

All in all, there was mostly a split between 20 to 25 students and 20 to 25 faculty who attended the performance.

"What started as an individual thing really grew into a multi-department event," Tobey said. "It was really nice to see not only students, faculty and professors, but we also had more of the administrative team like [Chief Academic Officer] Lorie Cook Benjamin and

[Vice President of Student Affairs] Judy Kawamoto [come along]."

Tobey also mentioned that the play itself was very inspiring for not only himself, but for the broader group as well.

"From a personal perspective, [the play] was a really powerful experience and portrayal of Dr. King as a whole human. It wasn't this polished image of him. It was realistic and showed the good and the bad, which made it more powerful and impactful," Tobey said. "Knowing I had students with me who also got to see it, the message shows the concept that Dr. King was someone who was able to carry the baton so

far, but now it's our turn to continue that legacy, made it all the better."

Now that this event has passed, Tobey hopes to implement more performances that the Tiger Mentorship Program may attend in order to promote diverse cultural experiences that not all students may have had before.

Until more information of this is known, the Academic Success Center (ASC) will be hosting a chili cook-off on Feb. 24 for national TRiO day. Tobey thinks this could be a good chance to expose more out-of-state students to the Midwestern culture of chili and cinnamon rolls.

"We're trying to expose students to new experiences that they may not have had and broaden their horizons to see how much bigger our world is than the community they grew up in," Tobey said.

To learn more about the Tiger Mentorship Program, students can contact Blake Tobey in the ASC or email him at [blake.tobey@doane.edu](mailto:blake.tobey@doane.edu). Then, students can also learn about upcoming events or general information from the ASC on Facebook or Instagram at the handle "doane.asc."

## Destress with Write Out Loud

TNX hosts Write Out Loud event on Feb. 9 in Smith Hall

**JAKOB TADLOCK**  
Journalism Student

On Feb. 9, The New Xanadu will host a Write Out Loud event that will allow students to gather around a fire and socialize with each other. This is taking place in the basement of Smith Hall

around the fireplace and will be at 7 p.m.

"Write Out Loud gives students an opportunity to tell their stories about what matters to them," Director of The New Xanadu Philip Weitzl said.

This event could be a great escape from stress of school, homework, athletics and everyday lives. Being able to talk to people and share stories can often be a great stress reliever.

This event provides an opportunity for self care and time to converse with new people.

"There will be free

**"More importantly, the best self-care is also the most important thing you can do for another human."**

PHILIP WEITL  
Director of The New Xanadu

food. More importantly, the best self-care is also the most important thing you can do for another human," Weitzl said.

## Greek groups can hold meetings

Meetings approved with advisor present

**ISABEL HENSON**  
Staff Writer

Greek groups are officially allowed to meet again.

After careful consideration, it has been deter-

mined that Greek groups are allowed to have meetings with an advisor present.

Groups are also allowed to host and attend philanthropy events as they come. This includes being involved in Relay for Life and having individual booths set up for each group.

Relay for Life is a fundraising opportunity and a great way to come together as a campus and community to make a change.

Senior Liz Van der Torre shares her opinion on the new Greek updates.

"It's exciting [that] we can spend time with our group through philanthropy and service. It allows us to give back and is a great way to gain exposure as a Greek group," Van der Torre said.

There is no current Director of Campus Engagement.

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- STAFF EDITORIAL -

## Never too early to start studying

Now that we are in February, the workload of homework can seem daunting. We would like to remind everyone that it is never too early to start studying.

It has never been easier to stay on top of your work with tutors through the Academic Success Center, the Writing Center and numerous other resources.

If you find yourself wasting time instead of studying, try putting your phone or other distractions in a completely different room.

Without your brain fighting between working and having fun, your focus will increase.

The Academic Success Center is a great resource that all students can take advantage of. Even if you just need a quiet space to work on things, stop in and see if they have a room available. You might get lucky and see Georgie too.

This is also the point in the semester that you need to be asking your professors questions about concepts you

don't understand yet. The rest of the semester is going to be rough if you don't get clarification now. Do yourself a favor and send a quick email or arrange a short meeting.

Sometimes all it takes is some collaboration to understand things. Curate a study group that will keep you focused while also being comfortable.

While it is fun to have a study group with friends, it can be a big distraction. Consider getting a group of people together that will not get

each other off topic.

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Don't hesitate to reach out for academic support. This is a critical part of the semester that can set you up for success.

## Hot takes; dressing down

A weekly rating of random things by Joey Winton

doubt, the best of the best. The cream of the crop, the golden children of dressings.

A Tier - Not as strong overall as the ones above, these dressings are still a worthy choice for any leafy green meal.

B Tier - These dressings are the ones that I am passionately indifferent about. If they aren't an option at a salad bar, I won't be someone who misses them.

C Tier - These are the most situational dressings in that they really can only be used in certain salads, otherwise it completely screws up the flavor profile.

F Tier - N/A

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

S Tier: (The best)- Ranch, Bleu Cheese

A Tier: (Second Best)- Italian, Caesar

B Tier: (Average)- Thousand Island, Raspberry Vinaigrette

C Tier: (Below Average)- Balsamic Vinaigrette, French



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F Tier: (Garbage)- N/A

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!

## A fight worth considering



**ISABEL HENSON**  
Staff Writer

It's time to settle the debate. Who would win in a fight, a grizzly bear or a gorilla?

There are lots of things to take into consideration. I've done some extensive research, so let's lay out the facts first.

Both animals have the intention of fighting and will do so in an environment that consists of both animals' natural habitat. There are no other animals or humans involved. The fight is over when one of them dies or is incapacitated in any way (I know it's sad, but this is hypothetical). Both animals be-



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gin within each other's line of sight.

A grizzly's general strength, speed, height, weight and bite force are all superior to a gorilla's. A grizzly bear has claws, an incredible sense of smell, swimming skills and a faster

sprint.

Gorillas have opposable thumbs, faster and more efficient climbing skills, maneuvering abilities such as jumping and are more likely to use projectiles.

I'm going to assume neither animal lands a deter-

mining blow straight away, and that they are both able to analyze the situation. Let's not forget both of these animals can take a much heavier beating than a human.

Both have an insane bite, but for a gorilla, it would be much riskier. A grizzly has fat, bones, skin, muscle and fur, which can sustain a bite. A grizzly can withstand the physical blows much better than a gorilla receiving stabs and slash wounds. A sustained close encounter is much more likely to end in the grizzly's favor.

Grizzly bears are hunters. Aside from bugs, gorillas are herbivores. A bear has far more experience in deadly combat. Overall, the gorilla's biggest advantage would be opportunistic while the grizzly bear has the claws. Their bite force is relatively the same. A grizzly is bigger, but a gorilla is stronger.

It won't be a clean fight, but considering all the facts, I think a grizzly would take down the gorilla.

Visit A-Z Animals for more information.

# Revisiting a favorite album



**JOSE VILLALPANDO**  
Multimedia  
Coordinator

For the first time in a little while, I've decided that I'm coming back to an album review (or an EP this time, I guess).

Recently, I've been

missing a lot of the more nostalgic Blackbear music that I fell in love with, so for this review and re-visitation, I'm going back to 2014's, "The Afterglow."

Now, just because I say that I've been missing some of the music that introduced me to Blackbear, that doesn't mean I don't like some of his more recent albums. I've just been craving some of his older music that you know comes straight from the heart and soul, my favorite evidence of this within this EP simply being the fact that there is no album art.

This EP only has six songs but remains one of my top listens simply for one song alone, but I'll get into that once it comes up.

The first track, "n.y.e.," speaks about Blackbear's fear of changing both with his music and his personal life. "The Afterglow" was a big change from his previous EP and mixtape, with it being more focused on a recent heartbreak and how he's been dealing with it. The first track does a great job of leading into this idea for the EP.

"Valley girls" is the second track and shows that first part after the relationship, feigning an uncaring attitude. Throughout the song, Blackbear is directly addressing someone new, saying he's not looking for love, eventually leading to the end of the song where everything seems to spiral out of control into the next song. "Valley girls"

is one of the more popular songs off this EP and, while it's not my favorite, it tends to grow on me the more I listen to it.

The third song, "Califomula," shows this downward spiral with Blackbear talking about how he's been dealing with the breakup, completely trying to block out the problem by turning to the drugs that she had told him not to do. I think that this song does a great job at showcasing that spiral from the instrumental alone and begins to pick up towards the end just to immediately drop into the next song.

"Grey l.a." comes next, playing off of what is essentially his depression stage. Blackbear talks about how everything around him seems

so grey and begins to question if the whole relationship was even real. Personally, I find this song to be really beautiful. The instrumental perfectly compliments his vocals and links perfectly to the last two songs off of the EP.

"The lobby" is the fifth track and is only an instrumental that serves to link "grey l.a." with the last song. That being said, it being only a minute long and serving as a perfect transition makes it really nice to me. Having a short break before what I consider to be not just my favorite from the EP, but one of my top favorite songs from all of Blackbear's music, is beautiful.

The last song, "hotel andrea," is beautiful in every aspect. I love the

instrumental (which may throw off some people because of the weird ending). I love the ambience. And I love the vocals that Blackbear does. "Hotel andrea" perfectly ends the EP, referencing his ex-girlfriend and leaving the "hotel" that was her, getting over her. This song is the best encapsulation of a song sung from the heart.

I highly recommend listening to "The Afterglow" wherever you like to listen to music.

# Living in Spain without the "S"



**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

I have noticed that when things get rough or stressful, I lose myself thinking about my time in Spain.

A lot of homework? Wish I was in Bilbao. Too anxious? Wish I was in Bilbao. The list goes on...

I don't let myself get too lost in the fantasy that I can't come back from it.

Sometimes it is just nice to have a reprieve from everyday stressors.

This semester in particular has been a doozy. I have so much homework for some reason, my classes aren't piquing my interests and I am working all the time. Much of that is my own fault, but either way, here I am.

Many people have mentioned that they haven't seen me on campus a lot, and it's true. I have been keeping myself busy with work so that I don't have to be on campus. I attend my classes, do my due diligence and work my way over to the daycare.

I don't see the need of being on campus anymore. There's nothing left for me to do at Doane, so I might as well use my time making money.

I also just don't care to stay on campus longer than I have to. All of my memories of Doane come flooding back to me, and while many of them are great, a fair

few are less than great. I would rather focus my energy elsewhere.

Spain was a sort of getaway for me, in the moment and mentally now. I find myself lying in bed in the afternoon wishing I was walking downtown, passing the shops and cafes.

Unfortunately, I am not in a position where I can return to Spain anytime soon. I considered going to graduate school in Spain, but it financially cannot happen. The schooling itself would be cheaper in Spain, but getting there and finding a place to live would end up costing far too much.

No matter, I know I will be able to return someday, and maybe by then I will have someone to take with me. For now, though, I will keep dreaming of visiting Plaza Moyua and working through all my homework.



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# Re-learning a skill



**GAVIN STRAUSS**  
Photographer

Re-learning an old skill or talent can be fun sometimes. A month ago in the new year, I told myself that I was going to re-learn how to play the piano in 2023. I've been at

it every day for a month, and it's been a joy so far.

For a little background, I played the piano from the first grade all the way up until 8th grade when I quit taking lessons so that I could spend more time with my friends after school. I continued playing instruments in the high school band, including a little keyboard, but I quit that too in my sophomore year. Ever since then, my only real 'music playing' has been on the computer, but I had definitely lost my touch.

Although I'm not much of a resolutioner, my goal this year is to re-learn how to read music and play the piano fluently; and it's going well so far. I've actually picked up a lot faster than I had imagined I would... At first, I was very slow and choppy, but I'm finally starting to gain more control over my fingers while

I play, and reading music is much more natural.

Continuing to work on it every day has been an escape for me, and it's a good activity to get my brain going every morning before class and the gym. I'm looking forward to continuing to learn and hopefully getting even better than I ever was before.

## ...THUMBS UP

Parades



Chainmail

Snails



Hoops

Plaid



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...



# T&F hits three meets on the road

Action packed weekend sees great results

**ABRIANNA MILLER**  
Editor-in-Chief

Track and Field had a busy week, with the Shadow Seeker Groundhog Combined Events Invite on Feb. 2 and 3, the Concordia Invite on Feb. 3 and the Frank Sevigne Husker Invitational on Feb. 3 and 4.

Five athletes posted scores at the Shadow Seeker Groundhog Combined Events Invite.

Sophomore Lindsay Adams won the women's pentathlon with 3,486 points and hit a NAIA mark in the 60m hurdles with 9.09.

Also in the pentathlon, freshman Karlee Henning moved up the chart



Senior Isabel Bothwell breaks ahead of her competition during the 60m dash.

for the NAIA with 2,033 points.

Sophomore Zach Fye won the men's heptathlon with 4,471 points, and senior Jack Krejci came in second with 4,440 points. Fellow sophomore Devin Jepson finished the hep-

tathlon in fourth with 4,038 points.

At the Concordia Classic, the Track and Field teams left with a combined total of 10 NAIA marks.

The Men started the meet off strong with a

NAIA mark from the 4x400m relay team with a time of 3:19.61. The team consists of senior Austin Drake, senior Kingdon Hawes, freshman Joaquin Gutierrez and junior Zach Turner.

Freshman Luke Bon-

ifas won the 5000m run (15:35.79), and senior Kalen Dockweiler finished second in the 3000m run (8:39.28) with a NAIA mark. Hawes went on to win the 600m with 1:23.12.

Gutierrez would come in second place in the 400m, but his time of 49.54 earned him a NAIA mark.

Three Men hit the NAIA mark for the weight throw, with junior Luke Partridge coming in second (17.90m), junior Jaedon Lothrop finishing fourth (17.55m) and sophomore Trey Dickey coming in seventh (16.80m).

Senior Vince Lauenroth secured a NAIA mark when he won the triple jump with 14.08m.

For the Women, sophomore Alivia Baucom brought home the first NAIA mark in the shot put when she placed second with 13.89m.

Junior Macy Fuller would secure the oth-

er NAIA mark for the Women in the weight throw with 16.79m.

Three athletes were sent to the Frank Sevigne Husker Invitational, senior Annika Pingel, sophomore JaDae Moore and Turner.

Although the trio did not win any events, their performances were improved from the last time they competed.

In the 60m dash, Moore clocked in at 6.93 and sits 13th on the NAIA list.

Turner went on to break his best-time mark and the school record in the 60m hurdles with a time of 7.90. He sits third on the NAIA list.

Pingel competed in the 800m with a personal best time of 2:14.31. Her time puts her in fifth on the NAIA list and is the second-fastest in Doane's history.

Track and Field will be back on Feb. 10 at the Concordia Invitational in Seward, Nebraska.

# Men's & Women's Wrestling ramp up

Both teams face action-packed weeks

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

Both the Men's and Women's Wrestling teams were in action on the road this week. The Men's team started things off with a dual in York, Nebraska before the

Women's team went to Des Moines, Iowa to take part in the Grand View Open.

The Men's team went head to head against York University, with sophomore Arian Alai picking up the first win by forfeit at 125. Junior Nathan Rizek was up next at 133 and fell to his opponent after being pinned.

Freshman Benjamin Miller was competing at 141, grabbing the first tech fall victory of the night for the Tigers. Freshman Tristan Brown picked up the first pin victory for Doane at 149.

Freshman Quentyn Frank fell by major decision to his opponent at

157, but freshman Cooper Spaulding picked it up by adding another victory for the Tigers. Junior Terungwa Unongo was up next at 174, falling 12-5.

Two forfeit wins were up next for freshman Chase Stieb and senior Garrett Cornwell. The last wrestler to take the mat was junior Samuel Peterson, ending the night with a pin for the Tigers. Doane won the match with a score of 38-13.

The Women's team was in Iowa that weekend to compete in the Grand View Open. Freshman Karina Vang started the day off at 101, going 1-2 against her opponents.

Freshman Cristelle



Freshman Cristelle Rodriguez improves her record after adding two more wins.

Rodriguez opened the day with two wins before picking up her first loss. This sent Rodriguez to the consolation bracket

where she added two more wins to finish off the day.

Freshman Aevri Ciha opened the day with a

loss but picked up three wins afterwards. Despite another loss sending her to the fifth place bracket, Ciha would win the bracket due to a medical forfeit.

Freshmen Lamia Benn and Makiaya De La Cruz added two more wins for Doane before the day was up.

The Women's team will be back in action this week, wrestling in Fremont, Nebraska in the Midland Open on Feb. 12. The Men's team won't compete again until Feb. 17 and 18 during the Great Plains Athletic Conference Championships.

# Basketball teams drop away games

Both teams struggle to find success on the road

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

Last week, the Men's and Women's Basketball teams were on the road competing. Both teams traveled to Hastings, Nebraska and Orange City, Iowa to face off in two

away games.

Their week started in Hastings where they would once again come to play against the Broncos. The Women's team was up first and had a bit of an edge, having beat Hastings the last time the two teams met up.

However, Doane did not use the edge to their advantage and fell behind in the first half. It was a slow first quarter, with the Tigers only scoring 11. Things followed similarly in the second quarter, Doane being outscored 12-18.

Hastings led at halftime 38-23 and did not

show signs of letting up. The Tigers made a great effort to come back in the third quarter, after two 6-0 runs against the Broncos. 22 points in this quarter brought Doane back into the game, trailing 52-45.

Despite their efforts, the fourth quarter played out the same as the first half, and the Tigers were outscored again. Doane would lose the game 65-56 before the Men's team took the floor.

The Men's team had the circumstances flipped, having lost to Hastings 75-60 the last time the two teams met. The beginning of the game looked like

things were going to be the same as last time. At the half, Doane was trailing 33-40.

Coming out of halftime, the Tigers were led by freshman Caleb Hrabik, who had a career high of 32 points. This, in addition to a better performance in the second half, allowed Doane to win the game, 80-70.

Both teams did not have much of a break as they were back on the road to travel to take on Northwestern. Once again, the Women's team was up first against the Red Raiders, having lost 81-70 to them at home

last time.

The Raiders jumped out to an early lead in the first quarter, scoring 29 points right off the bat. However, Doane was not to be outdone and answered in the second quarter with their own 24 points.

At halftime, the Tigers trailed 40-47. The Raiders once again opened the second half with some big numbers. Despite a late rally by Doane, they were unable to come back and fell to Northwestern 86-73.

The Men's team was up next and ready to battle after going to overtime

the last time these teams met. After being defeated 101-90 by the Tigers last time, Northwestern was ready to showcase their improvements.

Doane was held to 22 points in the first half against Northwestern's 47. After halftime, Northwestern decided to add another 47 points, holding the Tigers to 30. The Raiders completed the sweep after defeating the Tigers 94-52.

Both teams will play at home on Feb. 8 against Concordia University before going on the road Feb. 11 to play against Dordt University.

# Cheer & Dance clean up

Both teams have great scores at home

**CASSIE KESSLER**  
Sports Editor

Last weekend, the Cheer and Dance teams

hosted several teams during the Doane Invitational. It was a very successful weekend, with both teams putting up season-best scores.

Cheer was up first with high expectations after making several changes to their routine before this competition. It proved to be the right choice with the team scoring 13 points higher than their season average thus far.

The Tigers scored 76.27 points, coming in second only to Dordt University. After opening things up with an impressive score, it was the Dance team's turn to follow up.

Doane was the last team to perform their routine- clearly saving the best for last. The Tigers set a new school record, scoring 87.03 points. With the record setting score, Doane won

the competition.

Both teams will be in York, Nebraska on Feb. 10 competing in the York Crown Classic before turning around and heading to Seward, Nebraska on Feb. 11 for Concordia's Day of Du-

## Athlete of the Week



**Doane Dance Team**

posted a school record, 87.03, to win the Doane Invitational on Friday.



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# Scoreboard Snapshot

## MEN'S WRESTLING

January 31 @ YORK, NEBRASKA

7:00 versus YORK UNIVERSITY

TIGERS  
**38-13**

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

February 1 @ HASTINGS, NEBRASKA

6:00 versus HASTINGS COLLEGE

BRONCOS  
**56-65**

February 4 @ ORANGE CITY, IOWA

2:00 versus NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

RED RAIDERS  
**73-86**

## TRACK & FIELD

February 2 & 3 @ HOME

GROUNDHOG DAY MULTI-EVENTS

February 3 @ SEWARD, NEBRASKA

CONCORDIA CLASSIC

February 3 & 4 @ LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

FRANK SEVIGNE HUSKER INVITATIONAL

## WOMEN'S WRESTLING

February 4 @ DES MOINES, IOWA

9:00 GRAND VIEW OPEN

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

February 1 @ HASTINGS, NEBRASKA

7:45 versus HASTINGS COLLEGE

TIGERS  
**80-70**

February 4 @ ORANGE CITY, IOWA

3:45 versus NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

RED RAIDERS  
**52-94**

## CHEER & DANCE

February 3 @ HOME

DOANE INVITATIONAL

CHEER

**2nd**

DANCE

**1st**

## WOMEN'S TENNIS

February 4 @ KEARNEY, NEBRASKA

5:00 versus METROPOLITAN STATE OF DENVER

ROADRUNNERS  
**0-7**

# Next week for Tiger Athletics

## MEN'S BASKETBALL

February 8 @ HOME

7:45 versus CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

February 11 @ SIOUX CITY, IOWA

3:45 versus DORDT UNIVERSITY

## CHEER & DANCE

February 10 @ YORK, NEBRASKA

YORK CROWN CLASSIC

February 11 @ SEWARD, NEBRASKA

CONCORDIA DAY OF DUALS

## WOMEN'S TENNIS

February 11 @ FREMONT, NEBRASKA

9:00 versus SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE

## MEN'S TENNIS

February 10 @ KEARNEY, NEBRASKA

1:00 versus COLORADO MESA

February 11 @ FREMONT, NEBRASKA

11:00 versus SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE

## BASEBALL

February 11 & 12 @ SALINA, KANSAS

versus KANSAS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

February 8 @ HOME

6:00 versus CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

February 11 @ SIOUX CITY, IOWA

2:00 versus DORDT UNIVERSITY

## WOMEN'S WRESTLING

February 12 @ FREMONT, NEBRASKA

9:00 MIDLAND OPEN

## TRACK AND FIELD

February 10 @ SEWARD, NEBRASKA

CONCORDIA INVITATIONAL

## SOFTBALL

February 10 @ ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

10:00 versus PRESENTATION COLLEGE

12:30 versus NORTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY

February 11 @ ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

10:00 versus MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY MOORHEAD

3:00 versus VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY