

## 2024 election cycle has concluded

JOHN DAWES Editor-In-Chief

jority of the results have flipping three in the Sen- and the most consequencompiling their votes as still being counted. of Nov. 11, 2024.

swing states.

votes. Harris replaced Ebers. current President Joe

president until Trump as- Democrat Preston Love. sumes office in January.

The 2024 election cycle whole performed well in lot; state ballot initiatives has concluded and a ma- the 2024 election cycle, could also be voted on been compiled for the ate and securing a 52 to tial initiatives had to do Presidency, senate, house 46 majority as of Nov. 11, of representatives and lo- 2024; Democrats previ- ka. Initiative Measures cal or state positions; how- ously held a slim Senate 434 and 439 were comever, some states are still majority. Some seats are peting abortion-related

In the Nebraska Sen-To start, Republican ate race, Republican Deb upheld the current abornominee former Pres- Fischer, the incumbent, tion ban after 12 weeks ident Donald Trump has won, beating indeclinched the presidency pendent Dan Osborn. with 312 electoral college The congressional disvotes and won the popu- tricts also all went to Relar vote with over 74 mil- publicans. Nebraska's 1st bility or when needed to lion votes. He is the first Congressional District protect the life or health candidate to reclaim the was won by the incumpresidency after losing it bent Republican Mike 55.32% of voters voted since Grover Cleveland Flood, beating Democrat for Initiative Measure did so in 1893. Much of Carol Blood. Republican 434 and 44.68% voted Trump's victory is credit- Don Bacon, the incum- against it, according to ed to his performance in bent, won Nebraska's the Nebraska Secretary 2nd Congressional Dis- of State Office. 48.55% opponent, trict, beating Democrat of voters voted for Ini-Democrat nominee and Tony Vargas. Republican tiative Measure 439 and current vice president Ka- Adrian Smith, the incum- 51.54% voted against it. mala Harris, secured 226 bent, won Nebraska's 3rd Anyone interested in electoral college votes Congressional District, talking about the elecand more than 71 million beating Democrat Daniel tion can meet together on

Biden in the presidential special senate election from 12-1 p.m. in Nyrace after he dropped out after former Sen. Ben rop-Perry Campus Cendue to internal pressure Sasse opted to resign be- ter. from the Democratic parfore completing his term.

ty about his chances of Republican Pete Rickwinning the presidency. etts, the incumbent, won Harris will remain vice the election beating out

More than just elected Republicans on the officials were on the balwith abortion in Nebrasinitiatives.

Initiative Measure 434 pregnancy while Initiative Measure 439 would create a right to abortion until fetal viaof a pregnant woman.

Nov. 12 for The Longest Nebraska also held a Table, which takes place



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## Dibbern organizes veterans program

**BRIANNA WRIGHT** Staff Writer

a flyover and an honor guard's presentation of after the end of his mili- man, so you stick out the colors.

Dibbern's efforts also included a motorcycle accident and

ane football player and such, Dr. Bennets went bern aims to expand Marine Corps veteran through a rehab of the opportunities for these ence program at Doane ane's growing military journey. Bennetts, who motivation and reason to pus or in Crete. He esti- ages students to explore On Nov 8, Daniel served in Iraq and Af- keep going. Dibbern celebrated his ghanistan, later pursued a one-year anniversary of PhD in Personal Finance dance with her," Bennets attend Doane, most of being hired as Doane's and now teaches at the said of his daughter. Veteran and Military University of Pennsylva-Services Specialist. He nia. His presentation of- edged the lasting effects service experience. works alongside the Di- fered invaluable insights of trauma experienced in versity Equity Inclusion, on transitioning from service and encouraged term growth, Dibbern general population," Dib- tween Doane and its vet-DEI, offices in the vet- active military duty to ci- students to consider the has also been working to bern said. eran and military affairs vilian life, a journey that resilience and adaptabili- increase enrollment in the office. When he got the has involved its challeng- ty veterans bring to their military science courses transition to campus life, faculty who may have job, Dibbern celebrated es and triumphs. Dr. Ben- careers and communities. and the ROTC program, Dibbern's office ensures family or friends in serby bringing his sons to a nets was a part of ground Doane football game the operations in the battle of particular challenges vet- path to commission into ans are readily available, weekend before Veterans Fallijah and in Novem- erans face in adjusting to the armed forces upon from academic support to know that I'm always Day. As the position had ber of 2004, he was one campus life, especially as graduation. been vacant for over a of the first to take bridges many are nontraditional year and a half nothing there. In this process, Dr. students balancing civil- 'We build leaders'—to will be able to sustain a available and approachwas planned. This year, Bennets suffered from a ian and academic worlds. me, there's no better way veterans affinity group able is key. Through Dibbern organized a closed-head brain injury comprehensive program and was stranded for a out of the Air Force in ing students who com- port and camaraderie, and ongoing initiatives, for Veterans Day, includ- week. In 2020 he received 2012, went to university mission into the military both for those on campus Dibbern continues to fosing a veteran tailgate, the Purple Heart Award. in Omaha, and I was al- after they're done," Dib- and those joining virtual- ter a campus culture that

Bennetts

His trials continued ready a 22-year-old fresh- berns said. outreach was comatose after a not," Dibberns said.

Recognizing

guest speaker: Dr. Chet struggled with an opioid many veterans feel some- endeavor worth doing," ed access to events like Bennetts, a former Do- addiction in 2018. As what disconnected, Dib- Bennets said. who returned to share his body and mind. His chil-students, whether they're meets once a week for community, Dibbern en-"Bunker to Boardroom" dren became his main at Doane's Lincoln cam- two credits and encour- visions bigger plans. "I need to be there to thirty VA beneficiaries level. acknowl- though four have direct military, grow up, gradu-

speech. "Serving others is an rely on online or record-

The 101 military sci-

whom are dependents, course and never join the 9/11," Dibbern said.

Dibbern explained the which offer students a that resources for veter-vice. counseling. He is hope- available," Dibbern said. "I think our motto, ful that in time, Doane "For instance, I got to validate that than hav- to provide ongoing sup- events like Veterans Day ly. Hybrid options are a respects and honors the Dr. Bennets shared a priority, given that many sacrifices made by those tary service. Dr. Bennets whether you want to or similar sentiment in his veteran students study at who have served. the Lincoln campus and

Dr. Bennetts' talk.

As he reflects on Do-

"I'm looking at doing mates that approximately military service at any some big things in the future, such as marking "You could take that the 25th anniversary of

He noted that these obate, get a job, and know servances strengthen the With a focus on long- more than 90% of the connection not only beeran community but also To further ease the among students, staff and

"I just hope people

For Dibbern, being

## Election celebration hosted by DEI

**AMANI MUISYO** Staff Writer

pose of the event was es from a raffle drawing. to celebrate the election

Democracy is a sys- in our country." and our country's de-tem of government ruled mocracy. Students were by the people, for the right that many have, bar- these barriers in mind able to get candy, write people and it is a right riers can get in the way. and plan ahead for voting and having conversations Hilkemann.

Although voting is a

to them, receive stickers, the celebration all the cifically, one of the oband talk to DEI mem- more meaningful. When stacles to voting is that bers about any questions asked, "What does the "college students don't they had regarding voting opportunity to vote mean plan ahead; they don't and the elections. That to you?" students anon- register or get mail-in bal-On Nov. 5, Doane's same evening, there was ymously replied with lots," according to Jaden Diversity Equity Inclu- a presidential trivia game responses such as "A Hilkemann, Director of sion, DEI, hosted a Vot- with prizes for the win- chance to make a differ- the CAPE project and ing Day celebration stand ning team, along with a ence" and "It means hav- member of DEI. This is at the lakeside. The pur- chance to win more priz- ing the potential to make especially challenging and see changes happen when students live in different states.

It's important to keep

young students to vote. provide guidance. "All students are the fu-Hilkemann said.

what democracy means we all possess, making For college students spe- because it's essential for with DEI staff can also

As students, we all ture, and a missed vote have different views and is a missed opportunity," backgrounds, but it's important to recognize Students often lack "how powerful the vote confidence in who they is, how amazing it is to vote for and have limited live in a democracy knowledge with little time where we can vote, and to research candidates. that no matter what hap-Many online resources pens, we can come toare available to help stu- gether as a Doane comdents identify candidates munity and find sim-who support their beliefs, ilarities," according to

## STUCO discusses Stop Day and SAD

**BRIANNA WRIGHT** Staff Writer

The Student Congress met for an hour and forciation dinner. Doane's with STUCO about stop this stop day enjoyable. United States Institute day as well. This was a

zation on campus.

For Technical Theatre, preliminary meeting to and programming com- Kindness Project are col- discussion about resourc-USITT, presented to be discuss what stop day mittees are putting the laborating for. recognized as an organi- may look like this school final touches on Student year. Ideas include more Appreciation The new USITT was staff involvement, a widable to obtain both recog- er range of activities, and on Nov 13 and attended nition as a new organiza- volunteer opportunities. by STUCO members. tion on campus and \$180 Due to the nature of stop Food will be provided by funding to host a banquet day, only vague ideas can Fresh Ideas and feature ty-nine minutes on Nov in a unanimous vote. be shared with students steak strips, grilled chick-6, discussing important Emily Hand, Assistant but STUCO plans to en, herb potatoes, mac Hughes has accepted matters such as stop day Director of Residence work more with Hand on and cheese, cheesecake the ice bucket challenge meeting will take place and the student appre- Life, came in to speak finalizing details to make and more. Nov 13 is also and will do it during De- after the Student Appre-

The dinner will be hosted

close.

President National Kindness Day stress Fest to raise mon-ciation Dinner and will The outreach, food, which STUCO and the ey. There was also some be held in the cafeteria.

es for students after the Low visibility in the election. Some students Dinner. communications parking inquired about starting lot was reported in stu-political clubs on camdent concerns. However, pus. At this time, STUdue to construction proj- CO believes this could be ects, the lot may soon possible if either the clubs collaborate or create one Roger unanimous political club.

The next STUCO

## Missing person organization formed

JOHNATHAN SCHMIDT Life & Culture Editor

There are hundreds the United States.

"According to the Na- lation Review said.

tional Crime Information Center (NCIC) Missing agency that has popped Person and Unidentified up in Nebraska to try vate and they use Private Person Files for the 2021 and find some of these Investigators, public outoperational year, 521,705 people in Nebraska. reach, cooperation with people were reported The non-profit agency is law enforcement and any missing in 2021. More-called "Bring Em Home other method that they over, 93,718 of those Nebraska," and as the can to try and bring peoof thousands of missing people remained active- name implies, it looks ple home. All of their ser-2022," The World Popu- who are missing and tries affected family.

There is a new local homes.

Erik Rezabek is a Doane high-profile cases that The organization is pri-safety officer who is a part come through Nebraska of this task force. This or- to attract an overflow of ganization was formed private investigators for recently and so raising missing persons cases. public awareness is a key part of getting their mis- zation to inquire about sion out to the public.

person cases every year in ly missing at the start of for people in Nebraska vices are at no cost to the served community when ka at 402-205-0349. it comes to these casto bring them to their Public Safety Officer es, as there aren't many

To contact the organitheir services, contact Nebraska is an under- Bring 'Em Home Nebras-





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The Doane Cross Country Runner Thomas Oliver (Right). The students who competed at the Dort Invite Cross Country meet (Left).

## Athlete spotlight: Thomas Oliver

**DANIE PARRIOTT** Journalism Student

it's a spiritual journey and a family tradition. has made his mark on the ver said. field, earning All-Amerka's open skies.

"I was definitely built "horse racing." for endurance," Oliver called his high school his athletic journey. days at Lincoln East.

myself on my bike. Even to faith," Oliver said. before I knew I'd be a

cut out for sprints, but I could go for miles," Oliver said.

His father, a cycling For senior Thomas Ol- enthusiast, instilled in iver, running is far more him a love for endurance than a competitive sport; sports and a deep respect for natural talent.

"He taught me to never A fifth-year cross-countake my God-given talent try and track athlete at for granted, and always Doane University, Oliver to respect the race," Oli-

Alongside his mother, ican status and inspiring sister, and grandparents, his teammates with his his father has remained resilience and dedication. one of his greatest moti-But his journey as an ath-vators, supporting him at gave me the strength to off." Oliver said. lete began on two wheels, meets and cheering espewith an endurance foun- cially hard when he races dation built during long in the 3K steeplechase—a bike rides under Nebras- favorite event for his fam- prevailed," Oliver said. ily that Oliver likens to

"Endurance sports are the track and in life. "I learned a lot about interesting when it comes

runner, I realized I wasn't pecially big ones, I tell make. God, 'Let me show You amazing talent You've 'heck no!,'" Oliver said. given me," Oliver said.

> Great Plains Athlet- to stay a little longer. ic Conference (GPAC) Oliver faced a daunting laps to go, giving the lead unfinished business. I'm to another runner.

took over," Oliver said.

close the fastest two laps

Moments like these have only strengthened

eligibility was a decision

"If you'd asked me five what I can do with this months ago, I'd have said

Last year, during the approached, he felt a pull

"Everyone said the outdoor championships, same thing: 'Stay in college as long as you can.' setback in the 3K steeple- It's been worth it. On chase. He fell with two the men's team, we have grateful to stay and wit-'I hit the ground, and ness the program that I've that was it for me "God helped build with coach-"He steadied me and Brad Jenny really take iver said, "but you have It's a way to connect with

of my life. I didn't de- ent, his coaches, and his rep, or this last lap?" serve to win, but His love teammates to push for moves on.

Taking his fifth year of advice to them is simple: commit.

"Be thankful for our "Before each race, es- Oilver didn't expect to amazing program," Oli- ever made was choos-

He encourages his But as his final season Dustin Llewellyn.

> give your best effort, and ment." you can be great," Llewellyn said. Oliver has lived by, even through the inevitable

doubts, fatigue, and frus-

distance running. "Everyone wants to es Dustin Llewellyn and quit at some point," Ol- more than just a sport. to ask yourself: what's on God, honor his family

one last season before he reer winding down, Oli- collegiate season, he's ver said he looks forward reminded of his dad's ad-As a senior leader on to closing out his final vice: respect the race, but Oliver's faith plays an his bond with his faith, the team, Oliver is keen-races by following the never forget the joy of the said, laughing as he re- equally significant role in motivating him to keep ly aware of his role in principles that have guid- journey. pushing limits both on shaping the experiences ed him since he began: of younger athletes. His show up, work hard, and

"The best decision I

ing Doane," Oliver said. "This program and this

teammates to adopt the sport have taught me mantra of his coach, more than I could have imagined about myself, "Show up every day, my faith, and commit-

He said he believes that Doane's track and It's a philosophy that cross-country team will continue to reach new heights long after he's gone and he hopes his tration that come with legacy of dedication and resilience will endure.

For Oliver, running is He owes it to his tal- the other side of this final and leave a lasting impact on those who fol-With his collegiate ca- low. As he faces his final

## SPB hosts more live artists

Check out the live music and tote bag painting at Lakeside from 7-9pm on Nov. 12.

JOHNATHAN SCHMIDT Life & Culture

On Nov. 12, Doane's Student Programming Board, SPB, will be hosting another installment in their "Coffee Shop Series." The Coffee Shop Series is a series where SPB pulls local acts, typically from Lincoln, into Lakeside and has them perform for a night.

For this installment, SPB pulled The Wild-

woods, a folk group out of Nebraska. Their most popular song on Spotify is called "Home," with 805,440 streams, and was released in 2022.

Along with the live performances, SPB also hosts an arts and crafts event at the same time. This time, they are hosting another in their series, "Painting With a Twist."

The twist this time is that the thing the person is painting is a tote bag. There is also wine that will be provided for students who are over the age of 21.

The Coffee Shop Series is a favorite for SPB, as they host a lot of them throughout the year, and the turnout is pretty good as well. It is also a good way for students to be exposed to local artists, and new types of music.

The event will be taking place in Lakeside from 7-9 p.m.



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# Weekly Horoscopes

Aquarius (January 21 - February 19): Don't settle for ok. Go for what you want with everything that you

**Pisces (February 20 - March 20):** The best way to care for yourself is to listen to yourself on what you

Aries (March 21 - April 20): Be honest with yourself in every action that you take this week.

**Taurus (April 21 - May 21):** The things that are most defining about your character ought to be under your own control.

Gemini (May 22 - June 21): Healthy amounts of competition can be a good thing.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): Take some time this week to try out a new hobby.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): Excess is going to be your enemy this week. Do things in moderation.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): Your best is still good enough.

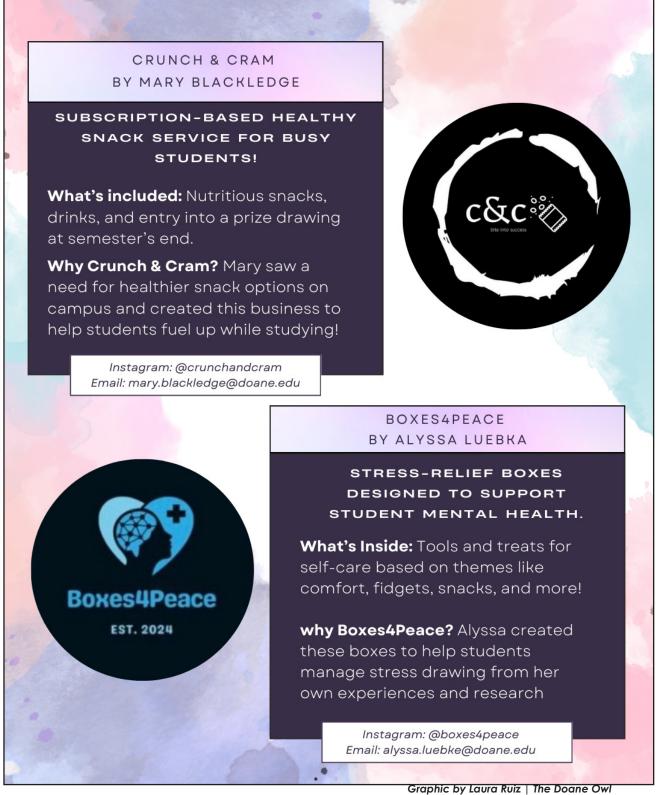
Libra (September 23 - October 22): The brightest star in the sky is the one that is closest.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): Don't let the shadows keep you from shining brightly.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): Your studies are going to be the most important thing this week.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 20): The things you have forgotten are usually best left that way.

In the event students do not turn in their Thanksgiving Break expection form on Nov. 19, they will be fined with a late fee. Students who stay on-campus without filling out a form will also be fined and may risk being kicked off campus for the rest of the break



## Two students make businesses

**JOHN DAWES** Editor-in-Chief

students start businesses fidgets/trinkets, while they are in college drinks and more. and it's even rarer to see omore Mary Blackledge Lakeside their ENT 401 New Venby Assistant Professor of Practice in Entrepreneurship Lisa Tschauner.

Blackledge created Crunch & Cram, a subscription "healthy snack" service that provides a and an entry into a draw-

mental health (de-stress) that students with It isn't very often that as comfort, self-care, MANY aspects. I have Doane students are lack-relief, so I decided to to

"I came up with the two student businesses idea for the business at the same time. Soph- while I was sitting in doing and senior Alyssa Luebke homework and I wanted both started businesses for to grab a snack from the Coffee Shop/Den areas ture Experience taught and noticed that they had mostly candy and other sweet snacks. So to solve that problem, Crunch & born,' Cram was Blackledge said.

For Blackledge, this is an opportunity to both provide a service she snack or drink, or both thinks Doane students are in need of and to apply ing for a prize at the end what she is learning in of the semester. Luebke class into something created Boxes4Peace, a tangible for her career.

"This business came stress itself has taught me that I completely jumped out of my comfort zone and been able to talk to people I normally would never talk to, along with getting myself out there via social media and word of mouth," Blackledge said. "My overall Doane experience and education has also helped in many different ways; through different ENT classes and Business classes that I have taken, I have learned different business strategies and also important communication strategies, which have helped me pave my way through building this business."

ing. For Luebke though, her business aims to help ease some of the student classmates." stressors that are common for many students.

majority of us college Doane. students are experiencing high levels of stress,"

Boxes4Peace as a vehi- said. "I came up with the cle to make the most dents. Through my re- appreciate the work @crunchandcram search, I found that a she's put in while at email

that this was a problem I would start a business gram that I wanted to help on campus successfully alyssa.luebke@doane.edu. solve and luckily I had and even be entered as some background know- a Big Idea Finalist with ledge and experience on the Boxes4Peace busi-

Blackledge's classmate this matter. I have been ness idea. Being able to provides from a class; the class Luebke has also used her through years of therapy experience a customized student business as an and I learned about education towards my relieving tools and tricks am way more capable opportunity to provide a different coping skills end goal has given me a according to themes such than I think I am, in service that she feels for stress and anxiety head start when it comes launching create boxes with some business ventures be-cause of these tools for my I have been able to gain experience before entering Luebke wants to use the workforce," Luebke

> Both Blackledge and idea for Boxes4Peace by out of her education. Luebke are actively seltalking to the Doane She sees her business as ling their products and community and trying to something that prepares services. For more inforfigure out a common her for life after college mation on Crunch & problem between us stu- and it also makes her Cram, visit on Instagram: Blackledge mary.blackledge@doane.e "When I started my du. For more information college journey, I never on Boxes4Peace, visit Luebke said, "I knew would have thought that @boxes4peace on Insta-

# Guest speaker talks youth crime

JOHN DAWES Editor-in-Chief

On Friday, Nov. 8, the Doane University Department Sociology Associate welcomed Professor in the Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice Dr. Wade Jacobsen for the Doane University Gregory Speaker Series. Jacobsen specializes in youth incarceration and how peer networks influence young people's involvement in the criminal justice system.

Jacodsen's lecture, ti- peat offenders. tled "Stuck in the Same Old Crowd? Adolescent Arrest, School Friendship Stability and Adult Persistence in Crime,"

who get arrested and the something like a crime or rejection and subsequent breaking the law. Rather withdrawal they experience from their peers that are a result of their arrest.

Jacobsen points out that adolescent arrest primarily happens to poor, racial minorities and repeat offenders and that these adolescents often is arrested and subseare labeled as criminals by their peers and authority figures; they are stigmatized and then subsequently withdraw from society and have a higher potential to become re-

Throughout his lecture, Jacobsen stresses that the stronger the social bond between peers the tentially isolating themless likely people are to selves or falling with oth-

focuses on adolescents break that bond by doing er young criminals. than punitive measures to reduce crimes and adolescent arrests, Jacobsen believes that strong social connections among peers can help decrease youth arrest rates.

After the adolescent quently released, Jacobsen stresses that one of the largest indicators of whether or not someone will become a repeat offender is whether or not they have close friends who remain with them following their arrest. Otherwise, if their social ties weaken, they risk po-

The Doane Speaker Series featured an entirely packed crowd and featured students and faculty at Doane as well as student and staff participants from the Nebraska Undergraduate Sociological Symposium.

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### - Editorial -

# change in routine

break approaches, many stu-says you should advocate for dents feel pressured. Wheth- yourself and that you should er it is assignments piling up, make yourself a priority and encounters with family, ath- while we encourage that we letics, preparing for gradua- at the Owl are offering a diftion, or figuring out how next ferent approach, take a risk on semester is going to turn out, yourself this time of year. this can often be a stressful time for many.

the most common response stuck and can't try anything is to withdraw, whether from new lest they risk blowing others, the things they enjoy, up the barely balancing life the things they need to do, or their future. There's plenty of

into this time of year they con-When they are stressed, vince themselves that they are they are currently holding on of year when making a new

As finals and Thanksgiving advice floating around that change in your life can grant you freedom at a time when you normally feel confined to routine and bad habits.

Go pick up that book you swear you've wanted to read for months, go make that friend you always wanted to As many students settle have, sign yourself up for a class you might not normally take next semester, try and build a new habit or routine that makes you a better version of yourself.

These are often the times to. However, this is the time that define us as students. Those long nights grinding away on papers and projects that you should have long had done by now, but thats why especially now changing things up and taking a risk might give you the boost you need.

Sometimes, a change in perspective or routine can radically change you for the better. There will never be a "perfect time" to take these risks, but taking them now will eventually pay dividends as these risks will break up the normally tortuous finals sea-

## Do we remember the best?



JOHNATHAN SCHMIDT Life & Culture Editor

What is the first person that you think of when I mention the Roman Empire? For me and I would wager most of you reading this, that person would be Julius Caesar.

Julius Caesar was arguably the first emperor of the Roman Empire because of his commitment to ruling the newly-forming empire solely. Contrarians to this argument would say that Augustus is the first emperor, which in my opinion is true, because Augustus is the first person to hold the title of Princep, or first citizen.

But fun fact, the height of the Roman Empire was under neither of these people that I have mentioned, it was under Trajan, who came nearly a hundred years after the end of Augustus' reign. The empire under Trajan was at its largest and at its height of power.

The only thing that Trajan didn't see the height of was the height of Roman peace and prosperity, that happened under Antoninus Pius. But what does this long-winded explanation have to do with any opinion I may have?

It speaks volumes about the remembrance of the first vs. who did it the best. Most people who have absorbed The history of the Roman Empire through cultural osmosis know about Caesar, some may know about Augustus, but almost nobody who does not study Roman History

know who Trajan is.

And Trajan was the emperor that oversaw the height of Roman power, arguably the best emperor in Roman history. For an American context, it's like knowing who George Washington is, but not knowing who Franklin Delano Roosevelt was.

It's interesting to see that we can know who started something, but not who did it the best, arguably.

### - Corrections -

Last issue a story was given the incorrect headline. The story for the Student Council minutes was incorrectly given a headline from a former issue of the Owl. The mistake has been rectified on the Online article on the Doane Owl's website, doaneline.com

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## Celebrating Panama's freedo

LIZ CALDERON CHEN Staff Writer

As we get closer to the

land's festivities.

Across the end of the year, Novem- month, there are several ber is a month many of days that are among the Panama's independence us anticipate. The big- most important through- from Spain began on gest holiday celebrated out Panama's history. Nov. 10 and ended on in America is Thanksgiv- Starting the month, we Nov. 28, when Panama's ing, which honors family have three straight days independence from Spain time, harvest season, and where we honor our best was declared. 203 years feasts with all the food traditions. On Nov. 3, ago, Panama was part available to eat. How- Panama separated from of Spain and depended ever, for my hometown Colombia în 1903. On solely on its government.

country, November is an Nov. 4, we celebrate Flag Panamanians had low piece of traditional histo- to the highest degree. But important month because Day and on Nov. 5, the it represents my native consolidation of the separation from Colombia is whole celebrated.

The emancipation of

pendent from the Spain year. Crown.

Parades rating Panama's native history immerses our month have been a great folklore and patriotism

Panamanian's apprecommemo- ciation for our country's

economic incomes, fights ry as a way of celebrating knowing that these historwith the authorities and these holidays. Usually, ic events are maintained disrespect against the specific locations are an-throughout the people's civil population fostered nounced at certain times hearts, celebrating these a rebellion. Finally, on of the day, consisting of national holidays with Nov. 28, 1821, after sev- school and particular pep food, music, dance, and eral soldier desertions an bands playing national clothes, helps the Panopen town hall declared anthems composed pre- amanian spirit stay upthe isthmus free and inde- cisely for this time of the lifted for more years to

# he environmental cost of

AMANI MUISYO Staff Writer

ChatGPT to fix gram- to use up the water." mar, generate ideas, or help with homework. I, plaining, I learned that "sciencey". However, AI myself, have developed a ChatGPT and other AIs uses a large amount of bond with AI and use it use around 16 ounces of natural resources. Large daily for many tasks. AI water per search, that's AI systems consume a lot has become a convenient about one water bottle's of electricity and require

a conundrum when my ters overheat, so they rely vice on how to write an cooling system. ChatGPT and college email. I replied as anyone students go together like else would, "Just have AI of ChatGPT and the enbacon and eggs, it's com- write it for you," but they vironment together. In mon to see students using responded, "I don't want my mind, ChatGPT was

At first, I never thought After some further ex- something futuristic and

ever, I recently fell into good if Large data cen- built. These centers take more, the electricity that conscious of water use up large amounts of pow- powers ChatGPT often when brushing our teeth friend asked for my ad- on water as an on-site er, and AI becomes more comes from burning fosintelligent and widely sil fuels, increasing the same mindset should be used, this number is pro-strain on natural resourcjected to double by 2026 es, not to mention the recompared to 2022.

When clean water is the hardware. just a little microchip or prioritized to cool data centers instead of being consider environmental your own? Asking myavailable to communities impacts in developing fu-self these questions has in need because they are ture technologies, it's also helped me reflect on how facing droughts or have important for the public I use AI. limited access to clean to understand how using water, it becomes an eth- these technologies affects ical dilemma. Further- the environment. We're

or fixing water leaks, The applied when using AI.

By asking ourselves, sources required to build is it really worth a bottle of water? Is it something While companies do you can learn or do on

## partner in my life. How- worth. It wouldn't be areas of land just to be your life much better

LORRAINE CASTAÑEDA Staff Writer

mental health.

companion animals can pets not just as companreduce depression and ions but as integral com-Imagine coming home loneliness, especially in ponents of our well-be- Regular walks and active close bond to their pets of loneliness. Pets help us after a long, stressful day isolated environments. ing, particularly during engagement with pets reported reduced feelings experience these benefits and being greeted by a According to studies by times of isolation and can lower stress, improve of loneliness and stronger profoundly, reminding us wagging tail or a com- the International Journal uncertainty. forting purr. The rela- of Environmental Retionships humans share search and Public Health, even help reduce car- play a role in reducing pact overall well-being. with their pets go beyond households with pets diovascular risk. Studies cardiovascular risks. just companionship. For during the COVID-19 have shown that pet ownmany, pets are sources of pandemic reported no ership, particularly of vey found that both dog a range of benefits. Recomfort, joy, and loyalty, decrease in mental health dogs, is associated with and cat owners gener- search further supports playing a crucial role in compared to households decreased cardiovascu- ally enjoy better health, that pet owners, especialwithout pets. This high- lar risk due to the social needing fewer physician ly those closely bonded

Studies show that lights the importance of support pets provide and visits or medications with their pets, tend to

the physical activity in- than non-owners. Ad- have fewer doctor visits volved in caring for them. ditionally, those with a and report lower levels mood, and promote phys-social support networks, Dogs, especially, can ical activity, all of which which can positively im- includes both body and

The bond between and more joyful. An Australian sur- humans and pets offers

daily that true wellness spirit, making life fuller

LUIS REJANO CANDAU Staff Writer

For those who truly viewers. understand it, horseback quently thought of as a est cues from the horse. as they match their pace straightforward hobby this art from the outside cues of its rider. Calm- of practice and commu-

Think about the col- ship. riding is an art form—a laboration it necessitates The artistry of movedelicate dance between a first. Riding involves ment comes next. It's like human and a horse based more than just sitting on seeing a dance when you on discipline, trust, and a horse and using reins to see an experienced rider an almost supernatu- control it. A good rider on horseback. The rider ral connection. It is fre- can read even the small- and horse move in unison

or competitive activity. ciprocal; a horse may also navigating through ma-At the same time, seeing pick up on the moods and neuvers. Numerous hours

crucial trusting relation- gallop.

This awareness is re- and rhythm, effortlessly

as—possibly more im- time in your life. portantly—resilience and

to master oneself.

However, the com- On the other hand, wordless understanding mitment and discipline horse riding as a simple that goes beyond words. required are frequently hobby can be awesome. hidden. Riders need to A horseback ride along be as mentally and phys- the beach at sunset or ically fit as the horse. through the countryside Riding calls for arm, leg, is a luxury that I really and core strength as well recommend to do some-

In conclusion, horsepatience. Horses can feel back riding is a dance reluctance or insecurity of patience and cooper-

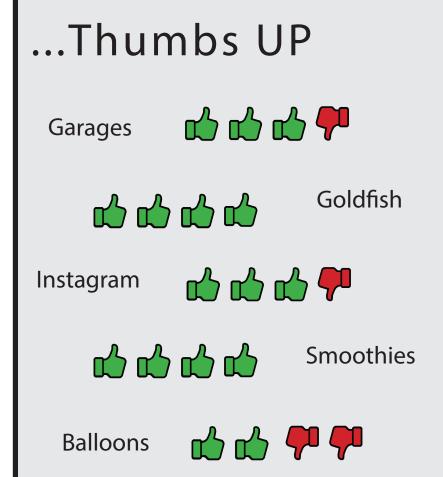
without having much ness, attentiveness and nication have resulted in since they are intuitive ation, a way for people knowledge about it, also focus are traits of a com- this synergy, whether at creatures. Learning to to express themselves. impresses and amazes its petent rider that create a a leisurely trot or a fierce ride is similar to learning Through shared experiences, riders develop a Because of this relationship, riding is more than just a sport; it is an art form that demands harmony, deference, and an unbreakable tie between the rider and the horse.





Photo by Luis Rejano Candau | Doane Owl

Luis shows his friends and family bonding with their horses as they ride in a pen (top) and on the beaches of Spain.



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...

**ELIYAH LARA-JOHNSON Sports Editor** 

On Nov. 5, the Tigers took on Mount Marty University in a five-set game, where the Tigers were able to walk away with a victory with the final score being 3-2 with

set scores being 16-25, 25-18, 25-19, 21-25, and 15-10.

However before the game started, the volleyball team honored the seniors which included MacKenzie Painter, Grace Zeier, Kayden

Schumacher, Taylor Sluka, Quincey Johnson and Ysabella Arredondo.

Ending the game with 22 kills was Schumacher, adding 12 more kills was freshman Natalie Wood and 10 more came from Sluka. In total, the Tigers had a grand total of Camdyn Carpenter. Four 59 kills with 162 attacks along with a .222 hitting percentage.

Switching over to the assists, the Tigers ended with 55 total assists, however, 46 of them came from sophomore digs, with 20 of them

different Tigers had aces as well which were Carpenter, Painter, junior Lillian Parolek, and junior Mariah Silva.

Along with this, the Tigers also had 74 total coming from sophomore Chloe Rose, 15 from Carpenter, and 10 from

Painter. This game concludes the Tigers' 2024-2025 season where they had

an overall record of 9-20.

# Football hosts senior home game

LUIS REJANO CANDAU Staff Writer

On Saturday, Nov. 9, the Tigers had their final home game of the Fall 24 season. The football team faltered early and lost 24-0 against Midland University. With only one game remaining in the season, the team's overall record is (2-8). It became very uphill from the first quarter in a game where er hand, the offense had

the Tiger's offense did not score a single point. Midland started very strong and put a 14-0 on the scoreboard at the end of the first quarter. In the second quarter, Midland scored 3 more points and the last seven points were in the fourth quarter.

Defensively the best performer was Junior Reece Zutavern, with 16 tackles. On the othSenior Zack Perez get 27 yards on two catches, and Freshman Sam Hartman threw 69 yards on 12 completions with one interception.

The Tigers aim to bounce back and clinch a win to close out their season on Saturday, Nov. 16, at 1 PM; Doane will play Mount Marty in Yankton, South Dakota, to wrap up the



Photos by Elenna Koenig | The Doane Owl Doane players tackle Midlands quarterback in hopes to get the ball.

# Wrestling dominates home opener

**ELIYAH LARA-JOHNSON Sports Editor** 

On Nov. 8, the Men's Wrestling team competed at home against Midland University where they had a final score of 50-3.

Starting off in the 125 weight class where senior Hunter Bennett walked away with a forfeit win. Going into the 133 weight class was junior Matthew Terrance who also had a forfeit win. In the 141 weight class was junior Devin Avedissian who ended with a final score of 19-3.

Also receiving a for- 1-2. feit win in the 149 nior Tristen Brown.

Having a final score of 17-2 in the 157 weight class was senior Nate Lendt, and having a score of 17-1 in the 165 was junior Ramirez. Edward Winning with a pin in the 174 was senior Benjamin Dobler, also winning by a pin in the 184 was junior Tyson Beauperthuy. Having a score of 17-1 in the 197 was senior Bradly Antesberger and finishing up for the Tigers was sophomore Eli Criblez in the 285 with the final score of

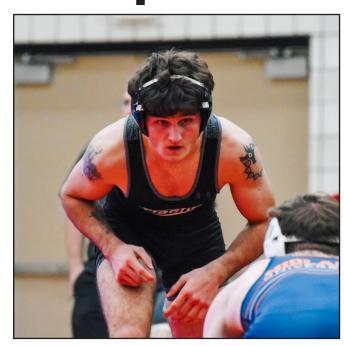
Transitioning into weight class was ju- the Women's side, they traveled to Forest City, Iowa to compete in the Waldorf Open.

Starting off in the 131 weight class was freshman Katie Dolence who had a final score of 2-2, with that in the 138 was sophomore Mckenna Kisela who ended with a final score of 0-2. In the 138 was senior Brianna Membreno had a final score of 1-2 and with a final score of 2-2 in the 145 was freshman Payton Weese.

In the 160 was ju-Lamia Benn

who ended with the final score being 0-2. However, in the 180 weight class sophomore Hailey Romero placed first after winning all four of her matches. Finishing up for the Tigers in the 207 weight class was freshman Lilianna Martinez who had a final score of 0-2.

On Nov. 15-16, both Men's and Women's Wrestling will be traveling to Prescott, Arizona to compete in the Embry-Riddle Mile High Open.



Photos by Elenna Koenig | The Doane Owl

Junior Devin Avedissian is getting ready to take on his

## Basketball continues strong start

LUIS REJANO CANDAU Staff Writer

Basketball played their and Wilson both led game against an important game to maintain the team's early season win-streak their third game 74-62. season overall 3-0.

more Jack Wilson had team with three assists.

the highest number of rebounds during the ane Men's Basketball game with six.

On the other hand, On Nov. 6, the Men's Senior Brady Timm the team in assists with University. In five and helped keep Tiger's offense the moving.

The Tigers win streak the Tigers played a was snapped, howevgreat game and won er, while playing their first road game of the It's a great start to the season on Nov. against season that makes the Peru State College, losing 62-72. Foster For this victory, led the team in points highlight performances again with 14, senior include that of Junior Caleb Hrabik posted Ty Foster who led the nine rebounds and Ju-Tigers with 20 points nior Casen Chaney and in the game. Sopho- Wilson both led the

On Nov. 16, the Doteam will play their next game at home. The team will play Dakota Wesleyan University as the Tigers are looking forward to a bounce-back win.

On Nov. 6th, the Basketball Women's team played her first game of the season against Peru State. What better way to start the season than with a victory at home and in front of the crowd, the Tigers played a great game and won their first game, 90-69. A great start to the season that makes the overall record 1-0.

For this victory, the leading scorer, senior Maddie Portwine, had 21 points in the game. Senior Kaylee Klover had the highest number of rebounds during the game, with 10. On the other hand, Junior Rylie Rice led the team in assists (nine) and helped the Tiger's offense score points.

On Nov. 12, the Doane Women's Basketball team will play its second game of the season in the Haddix Center. The team will face Sterling University and will do its best to achieve its second victory of the season.





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(Top) Sophomore Libby Trausch goes in for a layup. (Bottom) Senior Brady Timm tries to defend player from passing the ball.

# Cross Country has 8 all-conference

ELIYAH LARA-JOHNSON overall. Sports Editor

On Nov. 9 both Men's and Women's Cross Country Teams trav-Plains Athletic Conference (GPAC) Championships. The Women's Team ended with third overall while the Men's Team ended second

Leading the Women's team was junior Calla Wittland who finished in seventh with a eled to Ashland, NE to time of 23:35.9. Shortly compete in the Great after Wittland was junior Danie Parriott, who had a time of 23:37.8 which placed her eighth. Finishing 21st with a time of 24:39.1 was freshman Kenzy Lippold, with sophomore Laura

with a time of 25:04.3. Having a time of 25:24.2 and placing 32nd was sophomore Delaney Catron. Finishing in 48th was sophomore Grace Colbert who had a time of 25:56.2 and finished the race on a broken foot. Finishing out the top seven times for the Tigers was freshman Alison Bradford who had a ing him fifth. Finishing

Hasemann placing 26th time of 26:08.2 placing in 11th with a time of Tadlock who had a time her at 51st. Wittland and Parriott received all-conference honors.

Transitioning over to the Men's side, crossing the finish line in fourth overall was junior Emmanuel Yego with a time of 25:59.9, and following him was senior Thomas Oliver who had a time of 26:04.7 plac-

26:31.2 was junior Mihim was freshman Porter Bickley who placed 12th with a time of 26:37.8 and placing 13th with a time of 26:39.9 was junior Nelson Ruto. Placing 15th was freshman Jayden Wall who had a time of 26:41.5 and fin-Tigers was senior Jakob

of 27:03.3 which placed cheal Grigsby, following him at 18th. Yego, Oliver, Grigsby, Bickley, Ruto and Wall all received all-conference honors.

Both teams will find out if they qualified for the NAIA National Cross Country Championship on Nov. 12, but this race concluded both ishing up the top seven Men's and Women's regular season meets.

## verwatch Black finishes undefeated

**ELIYAH LARA-JOHNSON Sports Editor** 

Going into their final week in their regular season, the Super Smash Bros Ultimate team took on York University on Nov. 5. The Tigers gained their first win of the season against the Panthers with the final score being 2-0.

they both competed on Nov. 7 with the Orange League Black team was team taking on Minot also defeated by North-State's Red team and the western with the final Black taking on North-score being 0-3, however western College JV and in their match against St. However, the Orange back to secure a victory team was defeated by with the final score being

Switching over final score being 1-3, to the Rocket League which ended their fall Orange and Black teams, season with a 2-5 record.

The Rocket Ambrose White. Ambrose, they bounced Minot State, with the 3-1. With this, the Black 8. The Orange team was

team ended the season with a 5-2 record and has secured a spot in the their season with a 6-1 playoffs.

Finishing with the Overwatch Orange and Black teams, the Orange team took on New Mexico State White while the Black team took on Concordia University on Nov.

able to walk away with a win 3-0, which ended record. With that, the Black team ended their season undefeated with their final score being

Going into playoffs the Rocket League Black team will take on Carroll University on Nov. 14 at 7:30

p.m. Along with that Overwatch - Orange and Black teams will be competing on Nov. 15 with Orange taking on Buena Vista at 7:30 p.m. and Black taking on Sacramento State at 8:00 p.m. If you or someone you know would like to watch them compete you can watch on the Doane eSports YouTube page.

# Scoreboard Snapshot

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

November 06 @ HOME 7:00 versus YORK UNIVERSITY

November 09 @ PERU, NE 6:00 versus PERU STATE COLLEGE

### MEN'S WRESTLING

November 08 @ HOME **Versus MIDLAND UNIVERSITY** 

### FOOTBALL

November 09 @ HOME 1:00 versus MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

0-24

### **VOLLEYBALL**

November 05 @ HOME

7:30 versus MOUNT MARTY UNIVERSITY

**SETTWO SETTHREE** SETONE **LANCERS** 

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

November 06 @ HOME 5:00 versus PERU STATE COLLEGE

## CROSS COUNTRY

November 09 @ ASHLAND, NE

GPAC CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Next week for Tiger Athletics

### **MEN'S WRESTLING**

November 16 @ PRESCOTT, AZ

@ EMBRY-RIDDLE MILE HIGH OPEN

### **FOOTBALL**

November 16 @ YANKTON, SD

1:00 versus MOUNT MARTY UNIVERSITY

### MEN'S BASKETBALL

November 16 @ HOME

3:45 versus DAKOTA WESLEYANN UNIVERSITY

### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

November 12 @ HOME

6:00 versus STERLING COLLEGE

November 16 @ HOME

2:00 versus DAKOTA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

### **WOMEN'S WRESTLING**

November 15 @ PRESCOTT, AZ

@ EMBRY-RIDDLE MILE HIGH OPEN

