



Senior Jose Purizaca plays in the doubles match on April 1st against Hastings College. See Page 7.

# Is a third term an option for Trump?

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On March 30, during a conversation on Air Force One, President Trump stated that he is “not joking” about the possibility of a third term. “I have had more people ask me to have a third term, which in a way is a fourth term because the other election, the 2020 election, was totally rigged,” he said. However, he later expressed a desire to avoid discussing a third term, remarking, “We’ve got a long way to go.”

The two-term limit was a precedent estab-

lished by George Washington, but it was not until after Franklin Delano Roosevelt died during his fourth term that the 22nd Amendment was ratified. Since 1951, the Constitution has stated, “No person shall be elected to the office of the President more than twice.”

“We’re beholden to constitutional law because government has power,” Professor of Political Science Tim Hill said. “Government, by definition, has the power of life and death over citizens, and therefore one thing we can do to limit what that power looks like in the individual lives of Americans is to write down what it is and isn’t.”

Hill likened constitu-

tional law to the rules of a sport. “The rules are written down and agreed upon ahead of time. A touchdown is worth six points, right? If a team tries to say it should be worth eight points, we don’t let them do that,” Hill said.

Changing term limits through a new constitutional amendment would require the support of three-fourths of the states. Nevertheless, Trump asserts that “there are methods” which could allow him to serve again. Scholars point out that the word “elected” in the 22nd Amendment is significant.

A former two-term president could serve as Speaker of the House or

hold another federal position and potentially become president through the Presidential Succession Act of 1947. Dwight Eisenhower referenced this succession loophole in 1960, saying, “I can’t run. But someone has raised the question: if invited, could I constitutionally run for vice president? You might find out about that one.”

However, some legal experts have directed their attention to the last sentence of the 12th Amendment: “No person constitutionally ineligible to the office of President shall be eligible to that of Vice-President of the United States.” This issue could be contested in a legal case that would likely

reach the Supreme Court, though experts are uncertain how the Court would rule given the current political landscape.

Professor Hill outlined what he considers the “worst-case scenario.” In this hypothetical situation, President Trump could readdress the issue in late 2027, using his influence within the party to “sort of clear the field so there are no other serious challengers.” This action could provoke backlash from the courts, leading to a Supreme Court case over which states would permit Trump on the ballot, further complicating the situation, especially in swing states.

“Everybody’s going to be suing everybody,

and it’s going to be crazy,” Hill said. “We’ve seen several times now moments where people assumed the Constitution mandated a certain approach that Trump was defying, and he has often gotten his way and changed our understanding of what the Constitution mandates.”

At present, the constitutional laws and the president’s comments are all the public has to consider. Trump has declined to confirm whether he plans to leave the White House after his second term ends on Jan. 20, 2029.

# Changes to the Department of Education; What does this mean for Doane?

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President Donald Trump’s White House has promised sweeping changes to multiple agencies and departments, ranging from the National Park Service, USAID and the Department of Transportation. One of President Trump’s largest proposed changes, however, is to the Department of Education (DOE), appointing Linda McMahon to head the department. President Trump has promised to shut

down the Department of Education. President Trump said the DOE has been mismanaged and says its responsible for student’s low test scores and has indoctrinated students with “woke ideology” and anti-American teachings.

The DOE plays a large role in higher education, it helps students via Federal Student Aid, deals with discrimination complaints and helps sponsor research for students and facilities, any changes to the DOE will ripple across higher education.

“One of the responsibilities of Doane’s Division of Community and Government Relations (CGR), in collaboration

with university partners, including legal counsel, is to represent our university and students’ interests with elected officials and government agency leaders,” Vice President for Community & Government Relations Luis Sotelo said. “We also monitor government laws, regulations, and guidance to ensure we are in legal compliance. As a result, any change at the DOE that concerns higher education policy and funding is likely to impact our division’s work and Doane at varying levels.”

Sotelo mentioned how important the DOE is for implementing and enforcing federal civil rights laws at educational insti-

tutions receiving federal funds. The department helps account for shortcomings in other sectors to help disadvantaged students. Furthermore, it also helps award upwards of \$120 billion in scholarships and grants, which are critical for any university and its student bodies.

Sotelo also emphasized that the DOE is unlikely to be fully dissolved as it is not only illegal for President Trump to dissolve the department it also get pushback from the public.

“I want to be clear that a sitting U.S. President cannot eliminate the U.S. Department of Education because it was

established by an act of Congress. Eliminating it, therefore, would require authorizing language from Congress. In February, I attended a town hall in Washington, D.C. with Senate Majority Leader John Thune and he recognized that it would be very unlikely that Congress, under its current composition and rules, would be able to pass a law eliminating the Department of Education,” Sotelo said. “It’s also largely an unpopular idea among American voters--regardless of political party affiliation--nationwide, based on current polling. While the U.S. presidential administration can and is downsiz-

ing the federal agency, making it harder to conduct the work authorized by Congress, it still has a statutory duty to administer and enforce laws, including civil rights laws.”

Currently, the DOE is still operational; however, thousands of its workers have been cut, effectively crippling the agency. The current administration is expected to make more moves, cuts and consolidations to the DOE that Sotelo and the rest of Doane’s leadership are expected to follow any changes to the department.



(Left) Junior Diego Infante plays defense in the doubles match against Hastings. (Right) Sophomore Elliot Dassel and redshirt junior Andre Harman congratulate each other on winning a point. See page 7 for more.

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# Carol Mack: A Beacon of Hope, Courage, and Community at Doane

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For over four decades, Carol Mack has been a pillar of the Doane University community. An alumna of the Class of 1982 and a beloved faculty member, Mack’s legacy has been defined by her dedication to education, her infectious positivity, and her unwavering commitment to her students. But in late 2023, her life took an unexpected turn when she was diagnosed with breast cancer. Despite the diagnosis, Mack’s journey has become yet another chapter in her inspiring story, one filled with resilience, faith, and an extraordinary reminder of the power of community.

“I was diagnosed with breast cancer in late September, early October of 2023... those dates are seared into my memory,” Mack shared in a recent conversation. Known for her boundless energy in the classroom, Mack had been preparing for one final full year of teaching to round out over 42 years in education. But cancer had other plans, abruptly changing her course.

Rather than give in to fear, Mack faced her

diagnosis with the same spirit she brought to her students daily. She leaned heavily into her faith, crediting God and her community for helping her navigate some of the darkest days. “On the outside, it often looks like things are falling apart,” Mack said during her speech at Relay for Life, paraphrasing 2 Corinthians. “However, on the inside, a Higher Power is making new life; transformation is taking place.”

Early detection, she emphasized, was crucial to her survival. Her cancer was undetectable by self-exam and only found through a routine mammogram, a stark reminder of the importance of regular screenings and advancements in medical technology. “I could be a poster person for getting a yearly mammogram,” she told the crowd, encouraging others to prioritize their health.

Throughout her battle, Mack found strength in her loved ones and the Doane community. She spoke about her “Carol Cape of Courage,” a symbol of the boldness she embraced, even as she lost her hair and some of her independence. “I realized it was okay to not be alright, all the time,” she admitted, reflecting

on the vulnerability that came with her journey.

Her metaphor of mountain climbing, a theme she wove beautifully into her Relay for Life speech, resonated deeply. She described herself as a climber, bolstered by carabiners and belayers: her family, friends, colleagues, and students who supported her with steadfast love. “With each step I was taking, I needed to be delayed and find carabiners of hope,” Mack said. “People from my earlier days and present times became my lifeline.”

For Mack, Relay for Life was not just an event, but a profound moment of reflection and gratitude. Surrounded by survivors, caregivers, students, and faculty, she saw firsthand the impact of community. “Here at Dear Old Doane, you Relayers are Belayers,” she declared. “You’ve become part of cancer survivors’, thrivers’, and caregivers’ unwrapped gifts as carabiners of hope.”

Beyond her battle with cancer, Mack remains deeply committed to her mission as an educator and mentor. She cherishes the relationships built over years of teaching and advising, celebrat-

ing the successes of her students and colleagues alike. Even in moments of personal struggle, she continues to find purpose in lifting others up. “I hope to inspire others to find strength in their struggles, to embrace their vulnerabilities, and to never lose sight of the light that shines within them, even in the darkest of times.”

As she looks to the future, Mack’s hope burns brighter than ever. She is optimistic about her recovery and remains a fierce advocate for cancer research and community support. Her journey is a testament to resilience, the healing power of con-

nection, and the enduring spirit of Doane University.

For all who know her, Carol Mack is far more than a survivor; she is a beacon of hope, lighting the way for others as they climb their own mountains.



## Relay for Life

**WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DOANE?**

The Relay for Life Executive team has planned several fun games and events such as minute-to-win-it games, seated volleyball, and dodgeball.

**WHEN AND WHERE?**

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# New MBA Program targets recent Nebraska graduates

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Editor-In-Chief

Graduation is often a time of excitement about one’s future and career goals, but for some graduates, they might need some direction and guidance in their lives after graduation. Doane University’s new, full-time, day-time Master of Business Administration (MBA) program is perfect for recent or upcoming graduates and can help prepare graduates

for the evolving world of business.

The 11-month course is taught at Doane’s Lincoln Campus and helps graduates fast-track entry into the workforce, all while being affordable, providing graduates with 30 credit hours for less than \$18,000.

“This is a program that targets recent graduates, it’s an accelerated program so students can start it in August and finish it in July. It’s a cohort model, meaning you start with a group and you finish your MBA with

the same folks and this program is designed for recent graduates of all majors,” College of Business Dean Daniel Bothe said. “It’s a program that anyone can benefit from, it’s encouraged for there to be multiple majors and it’s designed for all recent graduates, regardless of where they graduated from.”

Bothe ran a similar program while he was the College of Business Dean at a different university and saw a need to fill a gap in Nebraska and its surrounding areas. He

has seen the success of this program and believes that anyone can benefit from taking these courses.

“What it allows you to do is take whatever your major is, something you’re passionate about and it layers on this additional year and it opens up more doors for you. It’s ideal to complement any major, regardless of the industry or type of business,” Bothe said.

A big selling point for this MBA is the built-in mentorship program that has students paired with someone in the industry they wish to be a part of. The mentors will help them prepare their career, make connections with people in the industry they wish to join and help steer them towards their career.

“Professional mentors are good, it’s someone to help guide you and it’s good for everyone,” Bothe said, “We will attach assignments with the mentorship so that the student has an active relationship with the mentor and it’s tied to their learning. But that relationship

extends outside the classroom and into their future careers as well.”

This new MBA program is available to recent graduates of three years and upcoming graduates. Bothe and his staff are hosting free lunches on April 16, April 29 or May 6 from 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Perry Boardroom on the Crete campus with additional information about the program.

## Checklist

- ✓ 1. Gather and organize teams for events and games.
- ✓ 2. Sign up for stop day events such as volleyball, canoe racing, and dodgeball.
- ✓ 3. Be safe, have fun, and make smart decisions.



Don't try to predict when stop day is.



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## Tune in next week for a full story on Brooklyn Mercurio's Art show.



# Doane Concert Band has Guest Conductor

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Staff Writer

On Saturday April 5, the Doane Band had their second annual invitation-al with guest artist Rossa-no Galante and two guest high schools, Nebraska City Band and Bellevue West High Wind Ensemble. All together, they played prepared songs from their own and Galante’s own composed pieces of art, which they shared with the audience during the concert. Galante said he felt flattered to be invited as a guest conductor for this invitational, especially since it was to conduct his own music.

He said that he enjoys working with students and faculty because it’s also a learning experi-ence for a composer. He added that being in front of an audience is what he loves to do. “We love to hear our creation coming back to us, so I’m honored and flattered,” Galante said. During the preparation of the concert, Galante said he felt that the stu-dents are very talented and that the rehearsal went so well without too much to fix. Having all the focus on stage, the students and the directors together made beautiful music. “And that’s just to be the best that we can all be. There’s no such thing as

a perfect performance,” Galante said. Dr. Andrew Feyes, the director of the Doane band, said he and the stu-dents enjoyed working with Galante since work-ing with the person who created the compositions pushes all the pieces to-gether for them to be at their best. “That’s always our challenge as musicians,” Feyes said. “We always strive to do justice to what the composer did, and to have an excellent composer here on cam-pus giving us that feed-back just really empowers us.” Confidence and excite-ment were all part of this concert along with the Doane and high school



Galante conducting Doane Concert Band. Photo by Liz Calderon | Doane Owl

students, alongside grow as musicians and Galante. demonstrated a commit-ment to music education in Nebraska. “I’m very honored to be here, and I’m having a great time, and I feel very lucky,” Galante said.

# BSA Brownie Night

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On May 31, the Black Student Alliance (BSA) hosted a brownie bake sale to raise money for the organization. At the event, club president La Mia Benn and Vice Pres-ident Kya Caddy rep-resented the group and helped with the baking. The event took place in Sheldon Hall at the same time as the second floor’s Tiger Tap-in. This overlap allowed many students the opportunity to en-gage with BSA members and learn more about the organization while still enjoying brownies and cartoons.

BSA hopes the money raised will support ini-tiatives such as creating T-shirts, organizing field trips, and raising aware-ness of the organization and its goals. Some challenges faced while organizing the group were related to its new presence on campus. “It’s a new thing for ev-eryone. BSA wasn’t really big on campus,” La Mia said, noting that not many students were aware of the organization. “BSA is for everyone. We want everyone to feel included on campus.” Junior Ian Riles, who was also at the event and helped organize the mon-

ey and baked goods, com-mented, “We’re holding the fundraiser to support the development of inclu-sive leaders on campus. We have a decent number of leaders, but we don’t have much representation of minorities.” BSA hopes to expand its reach beyond the uni-versity and grow as a thriving student organi-zation. Freshman Brianna Wright, who attended the event, shared her excitement, saying, “I think there’s a great turnout. I can tell everyone is hav-ing a good time.”



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Senior Brianna Membreno, Junior Eric Halliburton, and Junior Jessica Villaneuva.

# SPB hosts “The Price is What?” for Dine 09

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On the evening of April 5, the Student Program-ming Board (SPB), Res-idential Life and Health & Wellness departments organized a new Dine:09 game show event for Do-ane students. This event took place in Lakeside

and featured the comedi-an Derrick Knopsnyder as a host. This show was about using your shop-ping savvy to guess every-day items to win \$200 in cash prizes. In anticipation of a night full of laughs, healthy competition and significant victories, stu-dents flocked to the Lake-

side with curiosity and excitement. This interac-tive version, which drew inspiration from the icon-ic game show “The Price Is Right,” asked viewers to guess the cost of every-day objects. Throughout the eve-ning, Knopsnyder’s great energy and sense of hu-mor kept the audience

interested and enter-tained. Everyone was cheering because of his quick humor and audi-ence involvement, which produced a lively scene. More than just a chance to win money, the event provided an opportunity to socialize with class-mates, take a free time from coursework and

laugh in a lighthearted environment. Students relished the excitement of seeing their peers take center stage, showcasing their ability to anticipate prices and vie for the top prize. The success of the game show night demon-strated the ingenuity

and cooperation of the SPB, Residential Life and Health & Wellness departments. As the Dine:09 series progress-es, students may antici-pate more distinctive, en-joyable events that unite the campus community.

# 2025 Honors Cohort

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Editor-in-Chief

Every year, Doane University welcomes a new Honors cohort, which is a group of stu-dents who strive for ac-ademic excellence and hope to push themselves educationally, whether its at Doane, abroad or after graduation. This year, Doane welcomed 20 new students to the program and these students are poised to continue Do-anes storied Honors pro-gram. “I am very excited about this new co-hort of Honors students. Every year, each cohort brings fresh perspectives, intellectual curiosity, and energy. This year, we had a record number of appli-cants, including students from many different walks of life. In my ex-perience, diverse cohorts

make for an engaging pro-honors culture, a culture that positively impacts the entire Doane commu-nity.” Director of the Do-ane Honors Program and Assistant Professor of So-ciology Andrea Johnson said. The past cou-ple of years have seen a return to form for the Honors Program, which was almost shut down in but has now seen a re-surgence in students and newfound institutional support to encourage stu-dents to not only join, but stay in the program. “It takes a village. My predecessors laid the groundwork in priori-tizing intellectualism on Doane’s campus. The current administration understands the impor-tance of an Honors Pro-gram and invests in our students. And of course, Doane Honors students

help promote the pro-gram by being leaders in-side and out of the class-room,” Johnson said “I am so proud of the work we have done and I look forward to welcoming new generations of hon-ors students for many years to come.” Johnson believes that this program can help students reach their full potential, create cul-tural awareness and con-nections via programs like study abroad and leave a lasting impact on Doane when their time in the Honors Program is done. Readers can see this years current Honors Program seniors present at MindExpo this year as they present their senior project.



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Life & Culture Editor

A couple of weeks ago, I finished watching “Sex and the City.” I also no longer have Netflix because my parents own the account and are over 3,000 miles away. So, due to boredom, I will be discussing why I really dislike Carrie Bradshaw.

For some context, Carrie is the main character of the show. It is supposed to be about four friends: Carrie, Samantha, Miranda, and Charlotte, living in their 30s in New York City. While the show is meant to focus on their friendships, it mainly follows Carrie’s life and her relationships with men, especially with Big, whose real name they never say. He’s the guy she chases for six years, making terrible decisions along the way.

Since the first two episodes, I already found her annoying. Now that I’m done, I really don’t like her character.

First of all, she’s an awful friend. She expects loyalty from all her friends, yet she doesn’t give even half of what they give her in return. For example, she got mad at Charlotte for not offering to pay the down payment on her apartment—like, what? She’s literally an adult who chooses to spend her money on things she shouldn’t, and

no matter what, just because they are friends, Charlotte does not have to automatically offer to pay for something that big. Whenever her friends asked her to do anything, she would either judge them, make it about herself, or not help at all. Like when Miranda asked her to help her get up after literally breaking her neck alone in her apartment, and Carrie sent Aidan (her then boyfriend) instead. Aidan ended up seeing Miranda naked and unable to get up. Of course, she got mad because she didn’t want someone she barely knew to see her in such a vulnerable moment. Lastly, my least favorite Carrie-being-a-bad-friend moment was when she judged Samantha. Samantha was by far the best friend, she was always there for Carrie, even when none of the others were, or when Carrie did questionable things and the others judged her. Yet, when Samantha did something bad, Carrie immediately judged her. The worst part is that the writers made the episode’s message as if it was okay for Carrie to judge her. Probably because Carrie is the main character, so they had to make her look good and be right all the time.

Speaking of being right all the time, she could not deal with her friends saying something about the

men she dated, especially when it came to Big. Let’s talk about Carrie’s relationship with Big. It was awful watching six seasons of her leaving everyone and everything for a man. He was awful to her, but somehow, they still end up together, until the movie, where he LEAVES HER AT THE ALTAR. I’m pretty sure they will get back together even after that.

Anyway, the point is that she always dropped everything for him. If her friends said anything, she would get mad and claim they didn’t support her. Here are some of the things Big did that she forgave him for and still chased after him: going out with other women while they were dating, taking her to restaurants where no one could see them because he was embarrassed, not being able to say he loved her but still wanting her around, introducing her as a “friend” to people, moving to Paris without telling her even though they had been dating for about a year, saying he was scared of marriage because of his divorce and then marrying a 25-year-old in Paris, cheating on the 25-year-old with Carrie and only

getting a divorce because she found out, getting mad at Carrie for having a boyfriend even though he was literally married, and only reaching out to her because he got dumped. I know he keeps doing bad stuff, but I haven’t watched all the films, so I can’t say for sure. But those are some of the worst things he did in the six seasons of the show.

Lastly, the thing I disliked most about Carrie is that she made everything about herself. Her friends would always go to her for advice or help, and she would somehow find a way to make it about her and her problems. The point of the show is supposed to be friendship (I think), but Carrie was a horrible friend. In my opinion, true friendship is about being there for each other, being honest, caring, and being someone you can trust, not just paying for things or being a good friend when it’s convenient. Samantha, Charlotte, and Miranda did this far better than Carrie ever did. Regardless of the fact that Carrie sucks, the show was pretty good overall, it was funny and dramatic.

## Sexual Abuse in Recent Literature

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In 1955, “Lolita” coined the term “nymphet” to refer to a sexually attractive girl, typically from ages 9 to 14. A more modern term would be “jailbait.” The most correct terminology for this type of girl is “victim.”

“My Dark Vanessa” (2020) follows the relationship between an English teacher and his 15-year-old student. Anyone who reads the book cannot deny that the titular character is undoubtedly a victim. Of grooming, sexual abuse, and rape. Vanessa, however, does not see herself as a victim. She believes that her groomer/abuser truly loved her, and that she loved him in return.

Set during the start of the #MeToo movement, an adult Vanessa questions the

claims of other victims. She thinks of herself as mature, an underage girl who once fell in love with her teacher due to their matching intellect. Vanessa is an unreliable narrator through no fault of her own. The book purposefully explores the different coping mechanisms and trauma spawned by child sexual abuse.

However, one of the strongest aspects of this work is the character development. Slowly, Vanessa begins to question her relationship. She unravels each memory, getting caught on who initiated intimacy, who took charge, and who insisted the relationship remain hidden. By no means is she “healed” by the end of the novel but she’s realized what was done to her.

More than that, she realizes how a relationship from when she was 15 has defined her life. Not in the sense that she’ll forever be marked as “that girl who that thing

happened to,” but that her very psychology was altered. “My Dark Vanessa” shows over and over how one abusive relationship can change a person’s life.

The book takes care of each subject matter but presents the hard truths. Abuse victims are likely to end up in abusive relationships again. That minors who experience sexual abuse will view sex differently, whether than be a high sex drive and promiscuous activities or a decreased libido and strict boundaries. Similar themes are explored in “Ever Since” (2023), which follows another young woman coming to terms with the fact that she had been groomed and sexually abused as a child.

Media like this educates and expands the public’s perspective of victims and sexual abuse.

These raw stories, incorporating some of the author’s experiences, can help readers understand their own stories. They reflect the changing cultural mores and transforming understanding of sexual abuse.

I’d also like to recognize and acknowledge that women are not the only victims of sexual abuse, nor are any of the behaviors described the only examples of this kind of abuse. “An Open Swimmer” (1982) explores how a young man being groomed and abused in his past has affected his current reality. Though not the sole focus, “Dear Senthuran” (2021) and “Playing With Fire” (2009) are autobiographies in which the authors detail the sexual abuse they suffered as children.

### - Corrections -

We at the Doane Owl work tirelessly to share high quality stories that is accurate, well-informed and truthful. We do however, understand that mistakes can happen. As journalists, we work to correct those mistakes. In the event that they happen please reach out to the Owl so the mistake can be addressed and corrected

In the March 24 issue, our headline for Doane Baseball said the team went 2-2 in their last four games. This is false, the team actually went 1-3 in their four games the article writes about

If we make a mistake that needs to be corrected please email either John Dawes, the editor-in-chief at john.dawes@doane.edu or the Doane Owl at owl@doane.edu



JOHN DAWES  
Editor-in-Chief

We are constantly told that we can't live in abundance, especially in America, whether it's accessible public transportation, low-income housing, cheap medicine and environmentally safe energy. If you advocate for any of these things you're going to be called a socialist who doesn't believe in capitalism, that the free market will in time provide all of these things.

This week, however, I have been more open to the idea that we can live in abundance and that our market and government are actively shooting themselves in the foot repeatedly because of their loyalty to the status quo and profit margins. We can have cheap energy, cheap transportation and accessible consumer

items, but we are working too slowly and it'll ultimately bite us.

This idea was initially started by listening to New York Times writer Ezra Klein and The Atlantic's writer Derek Thompson's book "Abundance." This book is mainly about how we have a mismanaged government that is not so bloated that it won't build cheap energy, high-speed rail, public housing and invest in scientific research. This book primarily focuses on these failures of investment in Democrat-run states, because these states have promised liberal futures but are so beholden to conservative ideas about markets.

These Democrat-run states are messaging as liberals but are in practice conservative. They don't invest in the things we need more of: aban-

doning fossil fuels, de-regulating the government so we can quickly build public housing. To build anything that is a public good, our government has to jump over so many hurdles, whether it's regulation agencies, environmental laws or incorporating the private sector. We are beholden to keeping things "the same." But we can live in abundance.

This book talks a lot about our greatest international peer, China, who lives in an almost exuberant amount of abundance. Darren Jason Watkins Jr., better known as IShowSpeed, is a gaming streamer who has started a series where he spends weeks in a given country and as of this article, he is in China.

This guy is about 20 years old; he's been a streamer for all of his adult life. It's not like

he's a political expert or has some great education about technology and the economy. But I've been watching him explore China and he keeps emphasizing how it's a night-and-day difference between there and here. Watkins is blown away by high-speed rail and its accessibility, by electric cars that are quicker and quieter than American cars and by how people live in public housing and have a good quality of life.

Now I'm not saying China does everything right, we all know this. But what China has done is undeniably impressive. In about three decades, China has pivoted towards green energy, built miles and miles of high-speed rail and given funding to the private sector to invest in public goods and infrastructure. They are relentless in their pursuit to live in abundance and

it doesn't take a political expert to recognize that.

Now some of you will see what I said about how often liberals are beholden to inefficiency and bureaucratic overmanagement and say, "Well, vote Republican or right-wing. Look at Texas, which is building houses out the wazoo!" My answer to you is this: to live in abundance, it must not come at the expense of our future.

President Donald Trump shut off global trade with tariffs and gutted public investment in green energy, which makes our future of abundance impossible. We can have accessible public goods and infrastructure without imploding our economy and government. The American right is hell-bent on gutting the government so the American private sector can substitute it

and I can promise you that the future of abundance we believe is possible will have more hurdles, more difficulties and more roadblocks to leap through.

Rather, we should use the government as a weapon to build a green future, a new New Deal if you will, one that is sweeping and fast. One that is committed to preserving our planet and uplifting people from poverty, one that is not scared of putting money into research grants for scientists and builders because we believe it'll pay dividends. We can live in an accessible abundance and we can have people from overseas come here and marvel at how clean our air is, how fast our public transportation is, how everyone has a home, how our science is life-saving.

Atomic Habits is a book that builds better habits

LUIS REJANO CANDAU  
News Editor

I have the obligation to talk about this book I have just finished. It has been a long time since I last read anything and Atomic Habits has been the first book in this new stage as a reader. It is obvious that it would be a peculiar, different, and interesting book only starting with the title.

The concept of Atom-

ic Habits strikes a deep chord in our fast-paced society, where people frequently strive for instant results and get impatient when change takes time. It is essential to understand that improvements and important progress start, continue, and finish with little changes and achievements. Your habits are a crucial part of your life, identity and routine.

The notion that your habits define who you

are is among the book's most potent messages. Clear advises readers to concentrate on who they wish to become rather than what they hope to accomplish. This small change—from objectives based on results to habits based on identity—can have a profound impact. Every little thing you do is a vote for the kind of person you wish to be.

Another important part of Atomic Habits is that James Clear not only

explains the theory about habits and how to become a better person. With this book, the author explains a lot of different examples about ideas or concepts and gives some strategies to apply all the content to your daily life. All this is done by his four-step model: Cue, Craving, Response, Reward. This model allows everyone to break down the science of habit formation in an easy way to understand and utilize

these methods.

Nevertheless, I can not forget to highlight chapter 18 "The Truth about Talent (when genes matter and when they don't). In this chapter, the author presents the concept of "personality-based habits," emphasizing that it is more successful to tailor your habit-building process to your unique personality rather than relying on general suggestions. At the same time, I must highlight the sen-

tence that most impacted me: "One of the most satisfying feelings is the feeling of making progress."

In conclusion, I highly recommend this book to everyone that is interested in creating and developing some habits, and ultimately in progress and developing as a better person.


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Sports Briefs

Women's Golf

The Women's Golf team competed in the Concordia Invite in Lincoln, Nebraska last Tuesday and Wednesday where they ended with a score of 635, which placed them first.

Tying for second was junior Kaitlyn Dumler, who had an 80 on day one, and a 76 on day two, making her final individual score 156. Following behind Dumler, was freshman Connie Jarm who tied for third who had a 76 on day one, and a 81 on day two. Finishing up in the top five was freshman Liala Saunders who placed fifth with a 79 on day one, and an 80 on day two, with a score of 163.

Next up, the Tigers will be competing in the Kaitlyn Erickson Doane Invite in Lincoln, Nebraska on April 14 and 15.

-- Elijah Lara-Johnson

Softball

The Softball team was defeated by Bellevue University last Wednesday by a score of 3-5.

Pitching for this game was junior Faith McDonald, senior Hannah Kline, freshman Bri True and junior Faith Molina. McDonald had three strikeouts, Molina had two, and Kline had one.

Switching over to the players, senior Anna Prauner was at bat three times, had one hit along with one run. Also at bat three times was senior Grace Dowding, who had two hits and one run, also having one run was sophomore Jeryn Allen, where she was at bat once.

Next up, the Tigers will be competing in a double-header against Midland University at Fremont, Nebraska, with the first game beginning at 4 p.m.

--Elijah Lara-Johnson

Baseball

The Baseball team defeated Dordt University in a double-header last Thursday by scores of 6-5 and 6-0.

Pitching for the first game were junior Kaden Crawford and senior Raidyn Steele. During the game, Crawford had nine strikeouts, while Steele struck out two. Senior Johnny Vulcano was 3 for 7 with two runs batted in (RBI). Senior Logan Amick was 2 for 5 with two runs scored.

Transitioning into their second game, pitching for this game were sophomores Riley Plummer (W, 4-0), Ethan Merk and Cade Bridges. Plummer had seven strikeouts in the win. On the offensive side, senior Aaron Vulcano was 3 for 4 with one run scored, and Amick scored two more runs during this game.

Next up, the Tigers will be taking on Morningside University in another double-header with the first game beginning at 1 p.m. on April 7.

--Elijah Lara-Johnson

Men's Tennis goes 2-1 at home

LUIS REJANO CANDAU  
StaffWriter

On April 1st, the Men's Tennis team played a home conference game against Hastings College. The Tigers achieved an important victory for the GPAC by 7-0.

At No. 1. Doubles senior Jose Purizaca and Junior Diego Infante won 6-1. In doubles No. 2, sophomore Elliot Dasell and senior Andre Hartman won 6-1. Finally, in double No. 3, sophomore Julio Avila and freshman Christian Jensen won their match 6-1.

In singles, Purizaca won 6-0, 6-4 at No. 1, and at No. 2, Infante won 6-3, 6-2. No. 3 Hartman won 6-0, 6-2. At No. 4, Dassel won 6-1, 6-0. In single No. 5, Avila won 6-4, 6-2. Finally, in single No. 6, freshman Tanner Adams lost 6-0, 6-0.

The second home game was against Bethany University, on April 3. Where the Tigers added another win to their streak winning 5-2.

At No. 1. Doubles Purizaca and Infante won 6-2. In doubles No. 2, Dasell and Hartman won 6-4. Finally, in double No. 3, Avila and Jensen lost their match 1-6.

In singles, Purizaca won 7-6 with (8-6) in the tie-break, 6-0 and at No. 2, Infante won 7-5, 2-6, winning the tie-break 10-8. Single No. 3 was played by Hartman, who won 7-5, 4-6, and 10-5 in the tie-break. At No. 4, Dassel won 6-3, 6-0. In single No. 5, Avila lost 2-6, 4-6. Finally, in single No. 6, Adams lost 6-3, 2-6, and at the end lost in the tie-break.

Finally, the third home game of the week was against Morningside University, on Saturday, April 6. The Tigers could not continue with the victories and lost 0-7.

At No. 1. Doubles Purizaca and Infante lost 4-6. In doubles No. 2, Dasell and Hartman lost 2-6. Finally, in double No. 3, Avila and Jensen lost their match 0-6.

In singles, Purizaca lost 3-6, 6-4, 2-6 and at No. 2, Infante lost 2-6, 2-6. Single No. 3 was played by Hartman, who lost 1-6, 1-6. At No. 4, Dassel lost 2-6, 3-6. In single No. 5, Avila lost 0-6, 0-6. Fi-

nally, in single No. 6, Adams lost 1-6, 0-6.

The Tigers will be going against Midland University on April 9 at 3 p.m. and Northwestern University on April 12, at 12 p.m.



Women's Tennis has close call at home

LUIS REJANO CANDAU  
StaffWriter

On April 2, the Women's Tennis team played a home conference game against Hastings College. The Tigers achieved an important victory for the GPAC by 6-1.

Starting off in doubles, No. 1 senior Mariana Espinosa and sophomore Maria Purizaca prevailed 6-0. At No. 2 doubles, freshman Liz Calderon and junior Grace Schroller won 6-4. At No. 3 doubles, sophomore Isabella Castillero and sophomore Kat Johnson won 6-4.

In singles, at No. 1 game, Purizaca won 6-0, 6-1, while at No. 2 singles, Espinosa won in the third set 2-6, 6-4, and 6-3. In singles No.

3, Calderon recorded 6-2, 6-0. At No. 4, Castillero won 6-2, 6-2. In single No. 5, Schroller lost in the tie-break 6-4, 5-7, 4-10. Finally, in singles No. 6, Johnson won 6-3, 6-3.

The second home game was against Bethany University, on April 3. The Tigers could continue their winning streak, and achieved a new big win by 5-2.

In doubles No. 1, Espinosa and Purizaca prevailed 6-1. At No. 2 doubles, Calderon and Schroller lost 3-6. At No. 3 doubles, Castillero and Johnson lost 4-6.

In singles, at No. 1 singles, Purizaca won 6-1, 6-0, while at No. 2 singles, Espinosa prevailed 3-6, 6-3, and won in the tie-break

(10-8). In singles No. 3, Calderon recorded 6-2, 6-0.

At No. 4, Castillero won 4-6, 6-3, and finally in the tie-break 14-12. In single No. 5, Schroller lost 6-3, 5-7, and 9-11 in the tie-break. In the last game, in singles No. 6 Johnson won 6-0, 6-1.

Finally, the third home game of the week was against Morningside University, on Saturday, April 6. The Tigers could not continue with the victories and lost 3-4.

In doubles No. 1, Espinosa and Purizaca lost 1-6. At No. 2 doubles, Calderon and Schroller lost 3-6. At No. 3 doubles, Castillero and Johnson won 4-6.

In singles, at No. 1 singles, Purizaca lost

in the third set 7-5, 5-7, and 3-6, while at No. 2 singles, Espinosa prevailed 6-4, 6-4. In singles No. 3, Calderon recorded 6-3, 6-2. At No. 4, Castillero lost 0-6, 2-6. In single No. 5, Schroller lost 0-6, 3-6. In the last game, in singles No. 6 Johnson won 6-3, 6-2.

The Tigers will play two important Conference games this week. The first one will be an away game in Omaha, Nebraska, against the College of Saint Mary on April 7th at 1:30 p.m. Secondly, the Women's Team will play a home game against Northwestern University on April 12, at 12 p.m. Currently, the overall score for the team is 9-6.

Next week for Tiger Athletics

MEN'S GOLF

April 7-8 @ LINCOLN, NE  
@ MIDWEST SPRING NATIONAL INVITE

April 12 @ CAIRO, NE  
12:00 @ TIGER/BULLDOG CUP

BASEBALL

April 12 @ HOME  
1:00 & 3:30 versus WALDORF UNIVERSITY

TRACK AND FIELD

April 8 @ HOME  
11:30 @ DOANE INVITE

April 12 @ HOME  
10:00 versus NEBRASKA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

SOFTBALL

April 9 @ FREMONT, NE  
4:00 & 6:00 versus MIDLAND UNIVERSITY

April 11 @ HOME  
3:00 & 5:00 versus CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

TENNIS

April 9 @ HOME  
3:00 versus MIDLAND UNIVERSITY (MENS)

April 12 @ HOME  
12:00 versus NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE



Scoreboard Snapshot

MEN’S TENNIS

April 1 @ HOME  
Versus HASTINGS COLLEGE

TIGERS  
7-0

April 3 @ HOME  
Versus BETHANY COLLEGE

TIGERS  
5-2

April 6 @ HOME  
Versus MORNINGSIDESIDE UNIVERSITY

MUSTANGS  
0-7

BASEBALL

April 3 @ HOME  
Versus DORDT UNIVERSITY

GAME1  
6-5

GAME2  
6-0

WOMEN’S TENNIS

April 2 @ HOME  
Versus HASTINGS COLLEGE

TIGERS  
6-1

April 3 @ HOME  
Versus BETHANY COLLEGE

TIGERS  
5-2

April 6 @ HOME  
Versus MORNINGSIDESIDE UNIVERSITY

MUSTANGS  
3-4

SOFTBALL

April 2 @ HOME  
Versus BELLEVUE UNIVERSITY

BEARS  
3-5

WOMEN’S GOLF

April 2 @ LINCOLN, NE  
@ CONCORDIA INVITATIONAL

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