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Student Senate Race Begins

Lian and Ternus announce candidacy

Theresa Hanley
Dakota Student

It seems like not too long ago, student body elections were happening on a chilly spring day. They are back, and two students have already announced their candidacy. Sophomores, Gracie Lian and Matthew Ternus are taking the journey to run as student body president and vice president, respectively.

The two officially announced their intentions to run on Feb. 20th through social media. Their official announcement stating their main goal to create "One Campus". Their One Campus slogan states:

"We believe in #OneCampus. Together, we will promote and grow the Opportunities for students to get involved, provide students with the Notification necessary in University programming and campus happenings, and make the Essentials of attending school at UND such as affordability and internet access our priority."

Elaborating more on this One Campus idea, they both want to "provide students with things that are cool and useful through UND student government." Stating that "there are a ton of reserve dollars and unallocated funds that haven't been spent on much, just things that have been done in the past"

Lian and Ternus want to unite campus into one community. Their platform stands on the idea that there is a disconnect between students who live on campus, students who are involved in the Greek community and those who live off campus. Due to this, they would like to create a common ground, to provide students with opportunities for programming, essentials on campus like internet, and adequate funding for involvement on campus.

Lian currently represents students from the honors college, and those who are undeclared. The past school year, she has



Photo Courtesy of Gracie Lian Facebook

The first pair to announce their candacy for student body president and vice-president is Lian and Ternus.

sponsored six different resolutions and written two different bills. The resolutions included a variety impactful changes to campus from supporting It's On Us week to the support of a Student Government digital newsletter. She also sponsored one of the first bills of the school year, in support of the voucher system for the on campus farmers market.

Lian sees her potential role as student body president as a way to give back to Grand Forks.

"It came from a place of passion for this campus, I grew up in Grand Forks, I always had a connection to UND in some way, and to able to give back to

that and work with the Grand Forks community was something that made me really excited and passionate to be a part of," Lian said.

Ternus has served as vice president of Walsh Hall government, one semester as on-campus senator, and currently serves as senator for college of education and human development. Ternus is also president of Beta Theta Pi, a social fraternity on campus.

"Having experience in all of these different areas has been key and has really allowed me to see what is going on, what is happening in the residence halls, what is happening in

Greek life, and being able to advocate for that in senate." Ternus said. "It has really put me with so many different connections across campus, be that in Greek, on-campus, apartments, so it's really allowed me to get a breath of knowledge and it's helped me for voting for things, and trying to pass things."

Their main theme of their campaign due to their experience on and off campus is to bring everyone together. With ideas of a hockey tailgate, student government newsletter, and a campus-wide philanthropy, they believe that this could create school pride and foster a stronger campus wide community.

For more information on their campaign and election updates, you can check out their Facebook page: Lian and Ternus for UND and their Instagram: LianTernus.

Lian and Ternus currently run unopposed and it is not clear as to if or when they will be opposed. Check for more Dakota Student stories as more possible candidates may declare and as the race continues.

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Pranksters Put on a Show

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On Monday Feb. 25, Barstool UND gained a lot of attention as they tweeted images of what appeared to be a hack on the UND website. The post stated that 'UND.edu has been compromised and now the secrets about all of our majors.' Many students were easily fooled by what later would be found out to be doctored images of the university's website major descriptions.

"What do you call a graduate from UND Law School? Unemployed. We have one of the worst law schools in the nation and half of our graduates can't pass the bar exam," the description for the Law degree reads.

The pranksters also made fun of a few other majors as well including Early Childhood Education. "You only need to be as smart as a sixth grader to teach graders 1-6."

The fun didn't stop there as they also tore apart the Commercial Aviation department. "We can't say you will learn social skills but you will be able to buy a Cesna."

Many students seemed to respond well to the post as they all found it rather amusing. "I personally thought it was hilarious," Sarah Ochscner, a UND student, said. "I am an Elementary Education major, so I found the Early Childhood Education description amusing."

Despite what appeared to many to be a hack on the main website was quickly shot down by UND as they followed up with a post of a hack of their own. "No, we weren't hacked. Maybe April Fools' Day came early for some pranksters this year?"

The post also contained a description for the Cyber Security degree which answered the question as to how these pranksters pulled it off. "Any good prankster knows the tricks of Photoshop and altering the HTML."

"It's fairly harmless really. It's a prank. It's a joke," said Tera Buckley, UND's associate director of web and marketing. "We responded with humor."

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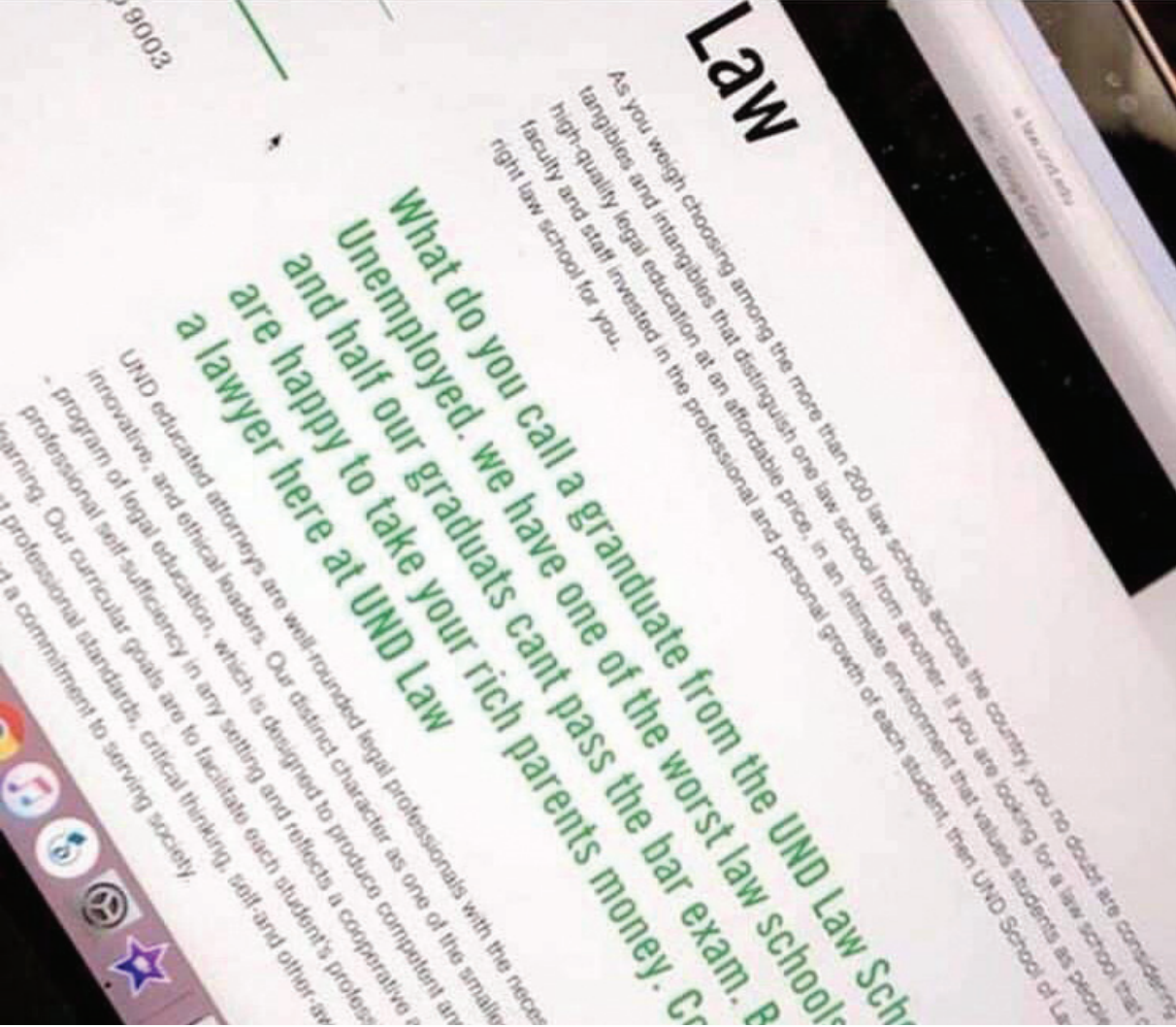


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The description UND's Law degree was among one of the 'hacked' descriptions.

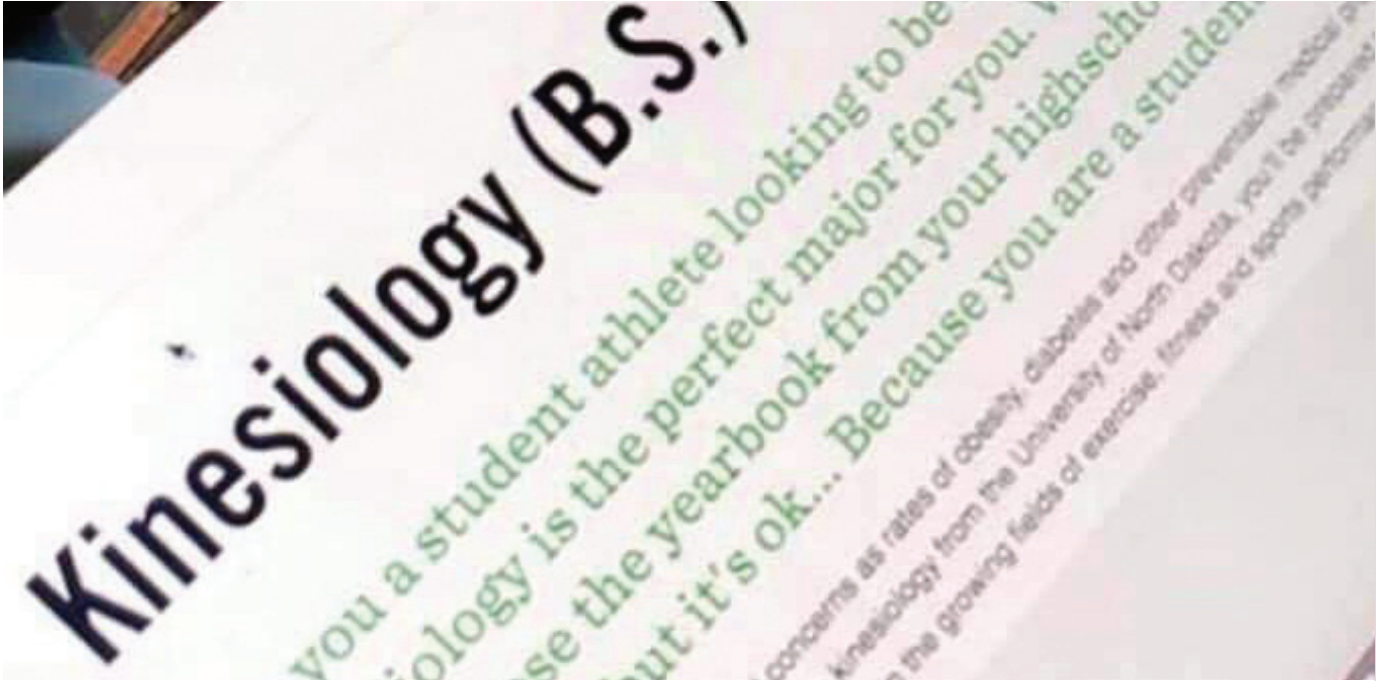
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appears that your Twitter Account was also compromised & the truth is out! #BestCopsAround," the response read.

After all the fun, these pranksters may find themselves in the history books as the post has been shared by many on different social media platforms.

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Kinesiology also fell victim to the prank.

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Two-Time Professor of the Year Frank White

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Thursday Feb. 28, 2019, sociology teacher, Frank White, was presented the Professor of the Year award for the second time within his 31 years of teaching at UND.

"To be the recipient of this award is extremely humbling," White said. "I think it is really assuring that young students nominate an old guy like me."

Each year the Professor of the Year award is given to one UND professor that excelled in teaching, research, advising, service, and collaborative governance.

"Frank is very deserving of this award and is the perfect candidate," Taylor Sagen, UND freshmen that is enrolled in Sociology 110, said. "I knew from the first time that I stepped into his class that there was something unique about him and his teaching."

"I really got lucky," White said. "We don't do it for the money or awards and I sure wasn't expecting it."

White was born in Walhalla, N.D.-about one hour, forty minutes north of Grand Forks. After changing majors three different times, he completed a Bachelor of Arts degree in Secondary Education with a major in Social Science and minors in Psychology and Business at Mayville State University. White later graduated from UND with a Master of Arts degree in Sociology with a minor in Educational Research and



Caitlin Collins/Dakota Student

UND sociology professor Frank White was named professor of the year for the second year in a row.

Statistics. He originally set out to be a high school teacher and a coach but ended up becoming a college professor.

"Coaching just didn't work out for me in the end, but teaching is similar to coaching, it is actually better," White said. "I get to 'coach' through my teaching by motivating men and women of all different backgrounds."

While White was teach-

ing at Lake Region Community College in 1988, a professor at UND was given an opportunity elsewhere; therefore, White was offered a temporary, one-year position at UND. One year passed and his opportunity extended to another year. After White's second year at UND, a position was then created for him and he has been here ever since, and he wouldn't want it any

other way.

Currently, White teaches two classes at UND, Introduction to Sociology and upper level Drugs and Society. Over the years of being at UND, many changes have occurred, but the greatest of these is the technology within the classroom.

"Improvements in technology is a double edge sword," White said. "It has allowed students to type their notes which is faster than writing them, which is great, but it also allows for easy access to social media-which is a big distraction and makes it challenging to keep students engaged throughout the whole class period."

Alongside teaching at the university, he travels often to area high schools to speak to students about drugs and the effects it has on society. In addition to being a professor and speaking at high schools, for the past seven years, White has held a golf tournament in his hometown to raise money for academic scholarships that are awarded to UND, Mayville State, Lake Region State, and the American College of Nor-

way students. Over the past seven years, the tournament has raised over 120,000 dollars.

"Frank is enthusiastic about what he teaches and that shows a lot through his lectures, many of which are interactive," Megan McKenzie, UND junior, said. "He addresses topics that are relevant to students and is good at presenting them in ways that are interesting and understandable."

White's favorite part about teaching is meeting new students and really creating a connection with them.

"The students keep me young at heart," White said. He does have thoughts of retirement but said, "I will continue to teach as long as the students continue to show up and stay engaged."

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Frank White, UND professor of the year

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Don't be Afraid to Speak Up

College is the time to speak on your thoughts and opinions

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When universities were first founded, they were created as a space for open, uninhibited debate. They weren't created so students could sit and be talked at for four years. They were founded so students could learn from experts, then debate with each other to grow their understanding. But when I go to class and whenever the professor wants participation, almost no one speaks up.

Sure, the places that come to mind when we think about these first universities are places like Oxford and the Sorbonne, not good old UND. But why should that matter? We're all university students. We're all here at our respective universities for the same thing. Something in us was curious, and motivated to learn.

Why would we shoot ourselves in the foot by not taking advantage of every opportunity we can? We pay a lot to be here. If you're an out of state student like me, you're paying about 12,000 dollars a year, which comes out to about 67 dollars per

class day. If you're an in state student, you're paying about 45 dollars per class day.

Either way, that's a lot of money. We all come in knowing we're going to leave with tens of thousands of debt. If we know we're going to be committing years of our life to paying this off, why wouldn't we take full advantage of the university life while we have it? In the end, it costs the same either way. Studies have shown that we have to engage with our class material in a variety of ways to really learn it. Debating in class about what we're learning and challenging other student's takes on the material is a great way to make sure we really understand what we're learning. Plus, if you misunderstand something, the professor is right there to help you.

Speaking up can be intimidating. There's definitely a fear of being judged if you're wrong, or of looking unintelligent in front of your classmates. My opinion is that it doesn't matter. We're all here to learn, and it's better to find out you're wrong in class than on the test.

I find it irritating when no one wants to speak



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College is the time to speak up about your thoughts with a listening ear for others thoughts and opinions.

up. Everyone has a different experience of life, so they have a different perspective. I want to hear other perspectives. I didn't come to college to sit in an echo chamber of the same things I already knew. If I didn't want to grow as a person, I

would have stayed in my hometown. It would be a lot cheaper than coming to college.

But I came here to UND. I decided it was worth 67 dollars a day to be here, because I wanted to have a better understanding of the world

and people around me. I can't get that unless people speak up, none of us can. None of us can get the understanding of material from different perspectives, like we were intended to. Speak up in class. In my opinion, all of our educations

depend on it.

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Look How Far You've Come

Taking a look back on how college has helps develop a person

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The end of the school year is just around the corner and I wanted to share a little about my personal experience at UND thus far. As a freshman, I didn't really know what to expect. I've heard from many peo-

ple that college will be the 'best four years of your life', but I didn't fully understand what that meant. I'm from Minneapolis, Minn, which is about a five hour drive from UND. When I first arrived here at UND, I knew I was in for a treat. The people I crossed paths with immediately treated me with so much kindness, respect and most importantly, these people reminded me a lot of home.

To be completely honest, I was actually excited to be away from home. I was excited to see how I would adapt to a new environment, away from my family and the friends I was used to seeing all the time. In high school, I wasn't as independent of a person as I am now, which shows that college has shaped me for the better.

College has made me more independent and spontaneous. While my dad might beg to differ, I like to think that I've also become more mature.

Se Kwon, Columnist

sure this is how most college students make their connections as well. Freshman year can be difficult for many students since they're still adapting to the college lifestyle. Realistically speaking, most students try to find a stable balance between 'going out' and staying motivated academically. One thing to

which is something I take a lot of pride in. In college especially, it's easy to procrastinate since it's a lot more laid back from high school. It's also easy to get side tracked since there's always so much going on.

My first semester of freshman year went above and beyond my expectations. I excelled academically while making some of the best memories of my life. College has made me more independent and spontaneous. While my dad might beg to differ, I also like to think that I've become more mature. I am blessed to have such amazing friends to go through college with, not to mention how lucky I am to have such strong connections with my advisor and professors.

First semester went by in the blink of an eye and it looks like it's not slowing down anytime soon. I'm already halfway into my second semester of college and it's already going

by too fast.

As cheesy as this may sound, my word of advice to college students is this: cherish every moment of your college experience, whether those moments are good or bad. The bad times for me were from me being a little more 'stressed out' than usual but these time are always good to reflect on. It allows you to take things one step at a time while learning from any mistakes or bad moments you've experienced.

Another thing that I can confidently suggest is to attend your classes. Although I am guilty of skipping a few classes here and there, I can't stress enough how important it is to actively attend your classes. My first reasoning for this is that you are paying for your education, more specifically, a very expensive education.

Second, it makes you stand out to your professors, which gives you a bigger chance to make strong

connections with your professors and be a lot more successful in your courses.

My last piece of advice, don't be afraid to use your resources on campus such as your advisors, professors, TA's, classmates, etc. If you need some guidance, don't worry because there are plenty of people on campus who are willing to help you with whatever you need.

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The road to college is exciting and terrifying, but when you actually get there it is a time to find yourself and explore different options.

Current State of Our Politics

One point of view on where our countries political views are at

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To start off, I strongly believe in capitalism and our beautiful republic. I strongly believe in the American voters to not follow the same path many other countries have followed. If you are a socialist and get offended by this, please read through my arguments.

The biggest problem to me is identity politics and how easily people are feeding off of it. If you don't know what identity politics is, it's when candidates are chosen not because of their agenda, but because of their sex, race, religion or any other of the descriptive boundaries set to divide our nation, this allows voters to relate to the candidates in a way other than

their policies, which ensures more votes.

Our current political system is tethered to identity politics. If you could vote during the Obama – Romney presidential race, did you vote for Obama? Did you vote for his agenda and policies? Or, did you vote for him because he is black? I'm guessing many voters had no clue what he was pushing for, they simply wanted to see the first black president. During the Trump – Clinton presidential race, did you vote for Hillary? Did you vote for her agenda and policies? Or, did you vote for her because she would have been the first female president? Like Obama, I believe Hillary achieved a majority of her votes simply because of identity politics. People don't know what they're voting for. They vote out of

emotion instead of policies.

Am I the only one scared by this? The Democrats are relying heavily on identity politics as they shift further and further to the left. It's an easy way to secure votes from those who aren't informed or don't want to deal with politics. I would bash both sides, but you don't really see it from the Republicans.

With our political system and heavily biased media organizations, people like Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, AOC as you've probably seen, are getting tons of attention. She recently proposed "The Green New Deal," filled with elementary imagination and unrealistic goals. Let me take a few passages out of this historically stupid proposal that she had to delete and re-upload due to criticism. I do not

feel bad for being harsh, if you can find the original proposal give it a read, it's embarrassing to know American voters put some-

of infrastructure within 10 years," "Make all fossil fuels obsolete within the US."

How are we supposed to pay for this? Sure, that

in a socialist who became a dictator, as they normally do with so much government power, and their economy is now in sham-

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Mason Duleavy, Columnist



Different political parties found in the United States of America.

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all sounds well and good, but look at the bigger picture. Her "brilliant" solution is to print more money. Seriously? I'm no expert in economics, but I find it hard to believe our dollar would hold up legitimacy with our ever increasing \$22 trillion-dollar debt if we just printed money. The projected value of this plan is in the tens of trillions. I can't even fathom the impact this would have on our economy if someone like this had the power to pass it. She doesn't care about the actual real-world effect this would have.

So what party does AOC affiliate with? She's a woman and of Puerto Rican descent, a fresh face, well equipped with identity politics to get those votes. She supports the new movement called democratic-socialism. This out of nowhere, "democratic-socialist" movement has me terrified with how many supporters it has. Is the word "democratic" added to make it seem less bad? A socialist is a socialist. The way a socialist achieves office doesn't matter, they will ruin an economy. This has been proven over and over, look at Venezuela, which was once the richest country in South America and a formidable world power. They voted

bles. I do not care who you vote for. I want you to know what you're voting for. I care about the American people being educated in their politicians' policies and what they're actually willing to do for the people. Don't vote for someone just because of their sex or race. Vote because they're genuine and honest about what they're going to do.

We don't need bigger government. We don't need more social programs. Let capitalism be capitalism and the economy will be better off.

"Here in America, we are alarmed by new calls to adopt socialism in our country. America was founded on liberty and independence, not government coercion and control. We are born free and we will stay free. Tonight, we renew our resolve that America will never be a socialist country." – President Donald J. Trump, State of the Union 2019

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It is time to find your spark

Find something that brings positivity to your life

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Everyone's lost in their youth, whether they like to admit it or not. People are filled with doubts of their future, career, livelihood, relationships, which is all a part of growing up. Those doubts are all good though, in one crucial way. It shows you care about your life and others.

Those doubts mean you care about your

future and that's huge, but never let those doubts stop you from progressing in life. If you have a doubt about something, whether or not you should switch careers, majors or even move, it's time to reevaluate yourself and reflect on what you want and what you want to do.

If you don't know, find something that inspires you, something that puts you in a good mood and brings a light to your heart. It could be

music, traveling, talking with people, it doesn't matter. Find something and live through that inspiration. Let it guide you and let it go with you through your life.

Don't be afraid to take risks and challenge yourself to venture outside your comfort zone, because some of the biggest regrets in life are manifested by what we decide not to do. Let the doubts take hold of you and turn them into something powerful, something meaningful

in your life.

Make a list of reasons why you love something, why you love yourself. It's something not many people often do but will help you understand who you are as a person. Learn what makes you tick, learn who you are. Then take on the world.

When we write down specific reasons for why or why not we want to do something in our life, it makes it real. It comes out of our brain and into the world. Once it's made real, we can then

begin to tweak it.

For example, saying "I had an awful childhood," seems to be negative and unrealistic. We write down then start to dissect our childhood. "Well, awful is a strong word, we grew up poor with little things, but my parents were there for me, even when they weren't for each other."

See, when we begin to dissect our lives we begin to examine who we are and what makes us tick. We figure out

our flaws as well as strengths. So don't be worried about those doubts, take time to examine all sides of the doubt and why it is in your life.

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Why?

Philosophy Podcast Celebrates Tenth Anniversary

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Popular Prairie Public philosophy podcast Why? Philosophical Discussions About Everyday Life celebrated its tenth anniversary last Tuesday with a free live show at the Empire Arts Center.

The creator and host of the show, Jack Russell Weinstein, a Chester Fritz distinguished Professor of Philosophy at UND and the Director of the Institute for Philosophy and Public Life, was accompanied by his father Mark, who holds a Ph.D. in philosophy and mathematical logic, to discuss jazz music in a way that many people have possibly never thought to.

The live show ran for just over an hour and concluded with live music from the Balkansi Klezmer Band, featuring Mark Weinstein on the flute. Following the concert, Jack Weinstein held a casual question and answer session with the audience.

With a new episode airing each month, the show tackles a wide variety of topics in an effort to engage listeners and break down the stereotypes surrounding philosophy.

"I wanted something both adventurous and something that would connect me to the larger philosophical community, North Dakota's a little far away," Jack Weinstein said, "So, the radio show was a way of both bringing something to the community, but also having a conversation with people that I wouldn't necessarily be able to have,"

"But I'm also really committed to the idea that the general public likes to do philosophy, and so the radio show was a test to see if that's true, and ten years later it turns out that it is."

Jack Weinstein has gained many skills that come with hosting a show for ten years, such as becoming a better interviewer, growing to be more comfortable and learning how to have more fun on the show.

"I've become more spontaneous, I prepare many fewer questions. In fact, quite often, I will come in knowing one question for the entire show. I'll ask that first and then it's off to the races," Jack Weinstein said.

"If you knew how to do this, I wouldn't have a job. You're supposed to learn how to do something in class," Jack Weinstein says to his students who express nervousness.

"It's the same thing with the radio show. I knew how to do some things, but I had to figure it out, and that's what makes it exciting," Jack Weinstein said, "If I knew how to do it well the very first day, there wouldn't be any growth for me either. And the audience grows as I grow, and the experience becomes better, more fun and more sophisticated."

When Jack Weinstein was asked for advice that he had for students who may be interested in starting something new the way he did, he offered is advice to all students no matter their situation or what they might be working toward.

"Be fearless," Jack

Weinstein said. "Be willing to make mistakes. I make mistakes on the air a lot, but that's okay because my audience likes it because when you're talking about difficult topics... So, just take a shot and if you make a few mistakes, there's nothing wrong with that."

Jack Weinstein sees the culture of UND as one where people don't want to be looked at, they don't want to be judged.

"Students don't want to look like a fool in front of other students, but everybody's just figuring it out and you're never going to get to do the things if it has to be perfect the first time around," Jack Weinstein said.

Jack Weinstein commented again on the fact that it's the same as with his show: they made changes along the way, they got advice from consultants and learned mostly from trial and error.

The entire archive of Why? Philosophical Discussions About Everyday Life is available for free, and can be found most easily by going to whyradioshow.org. If you feel like you could still use more philosophy in your life, Weinstein holds a "senior citizen" group philosophy discussion—with the term "senior citizen" used loosely as it often attracts college students as well—at the East Grand Forks Public Library on the second Monday of

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Mark Weinstein on the flute

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Paint Party

Creatively Uncorked hosts event at Up North Pizza



Participants show their work at painting event

Molly Andrews
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Creativity was introduced to a blank canvas during a guided paint night in East Grand Forks, MN.

Up North Pizza, which is past the bridge in Downtown, holds these events held by Creatively Uncorked which usually take place about once a month. Creatively Uncorked is a company based in Fargo that ranges in a bunch of different crafting activities.

They have paint nights, knitting nights and much more.

These events are usually located at restaurants so there is an option to grab some food before hand and drinks are also offered throughout the night.

Blank canvases are lined up on long tables. Each seat has a direct view of what the finished product should look like or at least the main idea.

There is an artist in the front that helps guide everyone step by step to help

get the best possible finished result.

Each step is broken down into small increments that are easy to follow along with. The size of the event is relatively small which means that it is easy to hear and follow along with. There is also time for the artist to come around and help if it is needed.

The canvas, paint, brushes and an apron are provided to everyone and the canvas is yours to take home once you are finished painting.

The environment is positive and fun. At the beginning of the session, they reminded everyone that the event was all about having fun and not to worry about the finished product. There was plenty of laughter and good vibes going around throughout the night.

The event lasts about two hours, but they make sure if you need more time that you will have enough to finish your masterpiece.

This event was relaxing and fun. It is also a great way to mix things up

from your daily routine. If you like being creative and want to paint, consider going to one of Creatively Uncorked events that are held in Grand Forks.

You can either go alone or bring a group of your friends. Either way, you are sure to have a good time while you are there.

The downfall is that these events usually fill up pretty quickly and they can be a little expensive on a college budget. The cost of this particular event was 45 dollars and the tickets

could be purchased online, but they do sell out fast.

To make sure you can get a spot in the next event, you can "like" Creatively Uncorked on Facebook to keep up with their updates about event that will be in the Grand Forks area.

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UND Theatre Presents

The Spitfire Grill

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Opening Thursday Feb. 21, the Spitfire Grill was serving up more than just pie. The musical had it all including laughs, tears and music.

The Spitfire Grill, a musical put on by the UND Theatre department, depicts the heartfelt story of a small town and its citizens.

The show was directed by Emily Cherry, head of the Bachelor of Fine Arts program at UND. It was a hit, receiving a standing ovation on numerous nights of its run.

The show starred Bethany Springs as Percy, Karter Dolan as Caleb, Courtney Miller as Hannah, Cole Bakke as Joe, Gina Uhler as Shelby, Katie Gerain as Effy, and Robert Cooper as Eli.

The musical took place in a small-town diner. The story follows Percy, who recently got out of jail, as she rediscovers the good of her heart. Getting a job at the local diner, the Spitfire Grill, thanks to Sheriff Joe's persuasion, she is forced to deal with the gossip of the small town. When the diner's owner, the sassy Hannah Ferguson, falls and breaks her hip, Percy now has to run the diner by herself with the help of Shelby, Hannah's nephew's wife. Through the ups and downs of their adventure running the diner, they come up with the idea to raffle off the diner since Hannah wants to get rid of it anyway. Against some of the townspeople's opinion, Hannah decides to go along with the girls' idea to raffle off the Spitfire Grill.

The play showcased music played under the direction of Music Di-

rector/Conductor Titus Kautz. Each song sung by the vocals that make up this cast.

The setting of the play was designed to truly immerse the audience in the story. The set and lighting was designed by Brad Reissig. The Technical Director and Sound Designer was Loren J. Liepold and the Costume Designer was Elise Christy.

The play was shown in the Burtness Theatre's Black Box Theatre creating an intimate show. It made the audience feel like they were sitting at a table of the diner while watching the performance.

The show ran from Feb. 21 to Feb. 23 and again from Feb.28 to March 2 starting at 7:30 pm.

The show had another unique element to it. At each showing there was an option to choose a 'pie seat'. This meant that you would be able to sit in a reserved seat closest to the stage and be served your choice of pie from the cast's very own Hannah Ferguson, who is the owner of the Spitfire Grill in the story.

The musical gave the audience a heartfelt joy ride where love, friendship, and family all shone through.

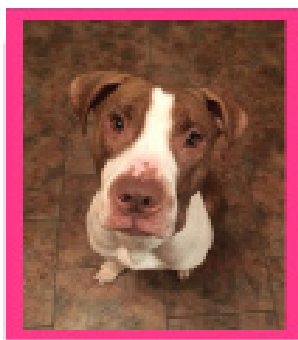
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Scenes from the musical The Spitfire Grill

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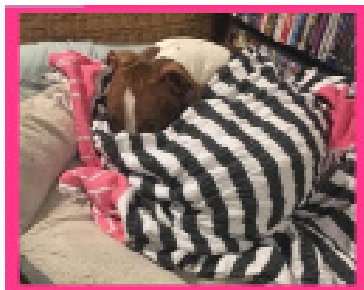


Tito

He is a 2 year old, Brindle and White, Staffordshire Bull Terrier Mix. He came to Circle of Friends Humane Society on October 24th, 2018. He is an active and cuddly boy looking for a place to call his own! Since being with COFHS, he has been neutered, up to date on vaccinations and microchipped! If you're looking for the love of your life, Tito is your man!

For more information on Tito, please email Grace@cofpets.com or call (701)-775-3732 ext 210!

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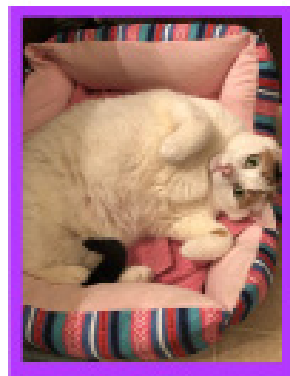


Ginger

This beautiful lady is a 9 year old, Calico, Domestic Short Hair is on the look out for her forever home! She was brought to COFHS on January 10, 2019 due to her owners passing. She is currently looking for a place to lay her head without any worries in the world. Would you be the one to fulfill her dreams and make them come true?

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Hawks Soar to Indoor Nationals

Hanna Hill
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Two individuals on the University of North Dakota Women’s indoor track team have just qualified for nationals. This is the first time in North Dakota Division I history that this has happened.

The top 16 individuals from across the nation earn bids to the DI Indoor National Championships. Senior Kiley Foster and redshirt senior Molli Detloff secured their spots within that elite group after the Summit League Conference Championships.

Pole vaulter Kiley Foster was born and raised in Detroit Lakes, Minn. and is currently studying commercial aviation. Foster’s goal from the beginning of the season has been to make it into that coveted top 16.

“I’ve been working a lot harder in the past few months,” Foster said.

Foster was able to break her own school record with a vault of 14 feet 2.75 inches. She became the first UND women’s pole vaulter to vault over 14 feet and the vault simultaneously bumped her up to 12th in the nation.

“The conference meet felt good. I was excit-

ed to be there, excited for the competition and I was making the heights,” Foster said. “I made 14-2 and three-quarters and was top two and I made it on my third attempt. It was a really crazy experience, a peak.”

Redshirt senior, Molli Detloff, was born and raised in Elk River, Minn. She is a rehabilitation and human services major.

“My goals from pre-season were to make the championship,” Detloff said.

Detloff is a thrower who is consistently rewriting the history books for the Fighting Hawks. During just her freshman year here at UND she broke the weight throw record three different times.

Detloff was not expecting to come this far in the season. She was ranked 13th going into conference weekend and was able to improve that ranking to 11th with a new personal-best and school record of 72 feet 1.75 inches. She is the first UND thrower, woman or man, to throw farther than 70 feet.

Although the two athletes bring their best to every meet during the season, preparing for the championship is a little bit different. All of the work has

been done at this point in the season.

“Training is going down at this point, we aren’t conditioning as hard,” Detloff said.

“The beginning of the season is intense, the end of the season is intense, it’s all intense,” Foster said. “The main thing I’m working on now is maintaining strength going into the championships and working on weak areas. The point is just to fine tune everything.”

Both Detloff and Foster were excited to have gotten national championship bids. Although it was a goal from early on, the success still came as a surprise to them.

The Division I NCAA Indoor Championships will take place March 8 and 9 in Birmingham, Ala.

“I’m not going to change anything now,” Foster said. “I just do the same thing every day.”

Following the Indoor Championships, the track team will travel to San Antonio, Texas for some training during spring break and the first outdoor meet of the season.

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Molli Detloff will compete in the weight-throw at the Indoor Championships.

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Rhett Gardner has been a staple on the ice for UND for the past four years.

Saying Goodbye to the Ralph

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Rhett Gardner, the hard-nosed, skilled, physical and proud player for the University of North Dakota Men’s hockey team is set to play his final series for the program that has meant everything to him for the past four years.

“It has easily been the best four years of my life,” Gardner said. “It’s a cliché thing to say. But it’s not just the hockey side of things. It is the memories you make and the people you develop friendships with. You’re not going to find that anywhere else.”

The 23-year-old out of Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan has been a top player and a fan favorite over his four years at UND.

In Gardner’s four years at UND, he has appeared in 144 games, tallying 34 goals and 39 assists for 73 points. Gardner is ranked second all-time in face-off

wins for UND and is currently ranked fifth in the nation in face-off percentage. Gardner won the 2017-2018 NCHC Defensive Forward of the Year despite being injured for part of the season.

Gardner had showed promise before coming to UND yet remained undrafted. After helping win the 2015-2016 NCAA National Championship, Gardner solidified his decision to go the college hockey route when he was drafted 116th overall by the Dallas Stars in the 2016 NHL Entry Draft.

“Rhett came in as a freshman that wasn’t highly touted but had a pretty big impact on our National Championship team his freshman year when it draws on that heavy line,” Head Coach Brad Berry said. “His game through this year and through his career has had some ups and downs, but the biggest part of this year was

his conditioning. Trying to get a place where he can play those heavy minutes and have his body be resilient game after game while playing at a high pace, and I think he’s done that.”

The college hockey route for Canadians has become more popular in recent years, yet was still an atypical route when Gardner committed.

“I found out about college hockey from UND and just kind of knew that I wanted to play college hockey, but never knew I would actually come here,” Gardner said. “I wanted to be a part of college hockey as a whole. To come here and to have done and accomplished the things I have has been pretty incredible.”

Gardner understands all facets of the game when it comes to UND hockey. It is what has made him a special player for the program during his tenure.

Gardner knows it is

more than just putting up numbers. It is showing up for every shift, putting your heart on your sleeve and playing for your teammates. Simply put, it is continuing the tradition of UND hockey.

“The biggest thing for me about this program is just the tradition; how much it means to wear that jersey here every day and just to not take it for granted,” Gardner said. “We’re treated with so much here, and it is your kind of spoiled attitude. But I think our humble hard-nosed attitude shows why our program has so much success.”

Gardner’s teammates and coaches will be the first to emphasize Gardner’s meaning to the UND hockey program.

“He’s been huge for us,” sophomore defensemen Gabe Bast said. “He’s a great guy in the locker room, he’s always keeping it positive. Coming in as

a freshman, I played with him for a little bit there and he just showed me how to be a college athlete, on and off the ice, what you have to do and how to prepare each game.”

“He’s come light-years in his physical development from day one when he stepped on campus,” Berry said. “He plays with his heart, he wears his heart on his sleeve, he’s an ultimate warrior when it comes to battling every shift, but I think sometimes he gets caught up in the game and that’s where I think some composure has to come in. I think that’s still a work in progress and he’d be the first one to admit that, but it comes from a guy that cares. A guy that wants to lead the team in the right way.”

Gardner has not only left an impact on the UND hockey program, but the program has left an impact on him. He will be playing in his last series at the

Ralph Engelstad Arena coming up on March 8-9 against Omaha.

“Simply, it’s bitter-sweet,” Gardner said. “It’s probably the best place I’ll ever play in for an atmosphere and rink. So it’s tough, but at the same time I’ve appreciated the last four years.”

Gardner has shown the underclassmen what it takes to play UND hockey and continue the tradition that he was shown when he was a freshmen. After the season, Gardner will look to take the next step into the NHL, becoming the 101st UND hockey player to reach the professional level.

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