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University Presidential Search

Will your voice be heard?

Cornie Cottrell
Dakota Student

With former president Mark Kennedy's recent depart from UND, the hunt for a new president is underway. The new search committee, made up of 11 scholarly people, are currently reviewing applicants for the next president of UND.

After the UND Presidential Search Committee began their search for a new president, they have been working hard actively holding listening sessions via interactive network throughout the state and having local sessions for faculty, staff, students and community. Listening sessions are a great way for the community keep up with what is happening and understand how to voice their opinions.

During the listening sessions, two questions are posed.

"What do you want to see in a new president" and "Are there items or issues that you want the search committee to be aware of?"

This is where the community members' voices are truly heard and valued.

Co-chair of the UND Presidential Search Committee, Dr. Dennis Elbert, UND alumni and former dean of the UND College of Business & Public Administration said that there are five common points brought up in all listening sessions regardless if it is held with staff, students or community members that are attending.

The common points that are presented are: will they be a servant leader? Are they concerned for others and our school? Will they be visual within the campus and community? Will they prioritize relationships within the community? Lastly, do they have a passion for UND?

All these factors are commonly brought up within the listening sessions and will surely be taken into consideration within the process of the presidential search.

Currently, there has been a great amount of interest in the position, with roughly 50-60 applicants from all around the country.



Trevor Alveshere/Dakota Student

The search for the next president of UND is well underway.

"Because we have such a great number of applicants, I believe that we are going to get a good pool of candidates," Elbert said.

Once all the applications are in, the search committee holds preliminary interviews in which they narrow it down to six or seven semi-finalists, which are unranked. Once the semi-finalists are revealed, they will then have an on-site visit in the beginning of November. After the

on-site visit, the committee narrows it down to three applicants who will be interviewed on Dec. 3. The nominated president's term will officially begin July 1, 2020.

Because of limited time, the Presidential Search Committee has been making changes at a faster rate than in the past; however, they do believe they are working effectively and efficiently.

"We have a very good committee that is dedicated to working hard, which allows for a shorter timeline," Elbert said, "regarding the nominees, we have a large pool with some really great folks to choose from, I definitely think that we will find a great fit for UND."

If you have any questions regarding UND's presidential search, you can reach the president's office at UND.inforequest@UND.edu.

The UND webpage is also currently updated with times and dates of listening sessions for students, staff, faculty and community.

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UND's Fraternity and Sorority Life

A deeper dive in the University's Greek life

Brianna Mayhair
Dakota Student

Last week was rush week at UND! The University has been providing a Greek Life community for individuals interested in fraternities and sororities for more than 100 years. Before Rush Week began, there was a Greek Expo on Sunday, Sept. 8 at Wilkerson where individuals were allowed the chance to meet fellow members and ask them questions about Fraternity or Sorority Life.

Sept. 16-20 was Fraternity recruitment, which also occurs in February for those who were unsure about joining this fall. Individuals interested were

welcomed to attend as many fraternity events they want to help them narrow down which organization is best for them. Recruitment allows men to learn more specific information before joining a chapter. There are currently 13 different fraternities at UND.

Fraternity life is a time commitment, but it depends on the individual's involvement in the chapter. For those looking to get involved, there are many brotherhood events, such as volunteering in the community. Expenses vary from chapter to chapter.

Sept. 20-22 was Sorority recruitment. However, due to membership totals, not all sororities will be recruiting this se-

mester. For the best time to find out about all seven sororities at UND, individuals can participate in Primary Recruitment.

Sorority life allows students to experience different events, such as hosting and attending philanthropic events. It is a time commitment, but it varies from person to person due to different roles within a chapter. Pay rates also vary from chapter to chapter. For more information on sorority life at UND, visit TheSororityLife.com.

For students worried about costs, don't fret, many members can work while being in a Fraternity or a Sorority. Chapters are willing to work with members with their finances as well as their attendance Chap-

ters also offer multiple scholarships to members.

The new member process for Fraternities and Sororities ranges from four to six weeks, which involves individuals learning about the expectations, history, and requirements. New members are admitted into full membership after the four to six-week period through initiation.

Initiation is unique in every chapter, but all ceremonies are formal customs that let new members understand the symbolism, traditions, etc.

For those concerned, each fraternity and sorority has academic standards in place that members must meet in order to stay active in their chapter. Each chapter has programs in place

that provides students with support or assistance when needed, such as proctored study hours.

For individuals interested in leadership, all fraternities and sororities are self-governed by students. Members have many different areas they are able to be involved in their chapter.

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If you are interested in creating new friendships, developing leadership skills and becoming more involved on campus, fraternity or sorority Life might be a good fit for you!

For any questions or concerns, contact Addela Marzofka, Coordinator of Fraternity and Sorority Life at addela.marzofka@UND.edu.

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There are currently 20 different Greek communities on UND's campus.

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Saudi Abqaiq Oil Refinery Attack

A look into how the United States is responding

Mason Dunleavy
Dakota Student

Drones and their capabilities have been demonstrated throughout the years, helping or hurting communities. The destructive force of drones is often the one being spoken about in news cycles.

A recent drone bombing on Saudi Arabia's largest refinery, Abqaiq Oil Refinery, has sent oil prices soaring and tensions flaring amid the chaos.

The Yemen based group, Houthi Ansarullah, took credit for the attack, but people are still questioning their motives. Houthi Ansarullah has been supported by Iran in the past, which leads to the question, did Iran have something to do with this?

This question, asked by many, received a response from President Donald Trump in which he said the United States is "locked and loaded" for Iran.

Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif spoke on Thursday about the attack on Saudi Arabia's refinery, stating a retaliation attack by the US would bring "all-out war. We don't want to engage in military confrontation," Zarif said. "But we won't blink to defend our country."

Tensions have been high between the U.S. and Iran. Earlier this year, President Trump started a sanction agenda against Iran and other countries, which was disapproved by many. However, with the recent drone bombing against one of our closest friends in the Middle East (Saudi Arabia), sanctions are set to rise once again.

Tensions between Yemen and Saudi Arabia have reached a break-

"The U.S. stands with Saudia Arabia and its right to defend itself. The Iranian regime's threatening behavior will not be tolerated!"

Mike Pompeo, United States of America Secretary of State

ing point within the past few years. In 2015, U.S.-backed bombing campaigns led by Saudi Arabia against Yemen tore up much of Yemen, leaving what the United Nations Children's Fund (UNI-

This is just the latest in the confusing and long-winded turmoil of the Middle East. Saudi Arabia was hit with a similar bombing in 2006, which was credited to Al-Qaeda. The bombing in 2006 was

to the environment will be a sight to behold.

Roughly 6% of the world's oil exports came from the Saudi Arabian Abqaiq refinery, much less since 2006, but still enough to cause price in-

creases.

Russia and the U.S. have worked their way up to become leading exporters of oil, which will hopefully make up for the refinery loss.

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This is one of the oil refinery's of the middle east, Abaqaiq Oil Refinery was recently victim to a bombing.

CEF) is calling a humanitarian crisis. According to Peoplesworld, 80% of Yemen's population is in need, including 12 million children.

In response to the attack, Secretary of State Mike Pompeo tweeted, "The U.S. stands with #SaudiArabia and its right to defend itself. The Iranian regime's threatening behavior will not be tolerated!"

Editor's Note

In last week's 9-17 issue, there was an editorial issue that resulted in a misprint. The headline "Chester Fritz Library Updates - What's to come for the University Library?" As well as the photo matching the headline were not matched with the story that was placed below. If you are interested in reading the article on the library updates, please head to our website - dakotastudent.com to check it out!

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Take A Break From Bottled Water

Tips and Tricks on How to Save Your Money When it Comes to Fluids



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Weening yourself off using plastic water bottles can save you money.

Chris Song
Dakota Student

Please, stop buying bottled waters. By bottled water I mean those 24 packs you get at Wal-mart. Everyday I see people walking around with those 24 packs, and all I'm thinking is 'god you are good at wasting your money'. This isn't going to be your typical preachy 'they are bad for the environment argument', or how unethical the bottled water industry is.

Yes, I know Nestle sucks, and plastic is destroying the oceans, but I can guarantee that nobody really cares about that stuff. I do know something that everyone does care about, money. The bottom line is bottled water hurts your bottom dollar, cheaper and better alternatives

exist. I will tell you about them, and I hope this will help you save hundreds of dollars.

in total. Using the price from Wal-mart.com, that will usually set you back \$4. Doesn't sound like

that is starting to sound like a lot of money. Geez, I guess I'm just going to have to drink less water

"If I continue my habit, I would have to buy a new pack about twice a week. So \$8 a week on water or around \$290 an academic year over the course of 36 weeks."

-Chris Song, Opinion Columnist

I will be using my own habits to demonstrate how much bottled water can cost. I myself go through about 96 ounces of water a day, sometimes even more. Results may differ depending on your own habits.

So a typical 24 pack has 16.9 ounces of water per bottle, about 405 ounces

much to me right now. Although, if I consume 96 ounces a day we can start to see how this adds up.

If I continue my habit, I would have to buy a new pack about twice a week. So \$8 a week on water or around \$290 an academic year over the course of 36 weeks. Yikes

right?

Wrong, remember when I said cheaper and better alternatives exist, because they do. A good water bottle runs about 10 to 15 bucks on Amazon. It also turns out whoever built this University knows that people drink water. Water fountains are located

in just about every building on campus. There are even fancy stations designed to fill up water bottles. The best part is that it is free to everyone!

What about outside of campus, what can you do to save money on drinking water at your apartment or dorm. I personally suggest everybody, whether you live on or off campus to invest in a water pitcher with a filter. It makes drinking tap water less disgusting. I can vouch that this has been the second best purchase I've made in my life. Just behind my lovely mechanical keyboard.

You don't need anything fancy, I advise to avoid the Britta brand like the plague. Their crap is overpriced, and won't make a difference when it comes to taste.

So I suggest you spend about \$15 max on the pitcher. An eight month supply of filters to go along with the pitcher. Totalling about \$25 in total for easy and clean access to drinking water.

I'd like to say it again, stop buying bottled water. There is no need to spend upwards to \$300 a year on water, especially after reading this. Buy yourself a water bottle, and get yourself a water pitcher. Stay hydrated, and be happy your bank account isn't zeroed out.

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Is It My Opinion Or Yours?

Madison Feltman
Dakota Student

As a journalist in today's society, I struggle to find ways to do my job of delivering my opinion. Every week, I wrack my brain with how I can state my opinion and write an effective article that causes little to no flack from my audience. I have created a long list of possible article ideas and have yet to write a single one because I find myself hiding in fear of

what people may think of my writing or what people may say.

If there is one thing I wish I knew before choosing to become a journalist, it would be that no matter what you write or how unbiased you try to make it, people will still have an opinion about it, whether that may be positive or negative.

I have written a few strongly opinionated pieces that can easily be debated and I was quite proud of them; I consider

them to be some of my best pieces. I did receive both positive and negative feedback from them but chose to ignore the negative, which was not as hard as I had deemed.

So, why is it so hard for me to continue to write pieces today?

My articles are printed and shared online through multiple social media platforms, including Facebook, which many people use as a way to promote their own opinions as well. I have

noticed from time to time, that some of my Facebook friends have opinions that differ from mine, which is not a bad thing because everyone is entitled to their opinions. The only repercussion of this is that it causes an internal war within my head as to what they might think of my opinion and how my opinion may hurt them in a way or cause them to see me in a different light.

As I continually beat myself up at my attempts to write an effective opinion article, there is one thing that my mother would continually tell me: I needed to write what about what I believed in and own it. Despite her telling me this time after time, it has taken a while for those words to actually resonate within me.

When I look at a successful journalist, they all seem to have the same thing in common — they

all own their work and stand by what they have written in confidence.

So, it is about time that I try to become a successful journalist, to own my writing and stand by what I have written in confidence. With that being said, this is another new beginning for me, or more specifically the beginning of a new style of

writing. A style that is my own, a style that promotes my trust in journalism and creates a stronger voice that I would like to call my own.

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How Did You Get Here?

Se Kwon
Dakota Student

Have you ever taken a step back to realize how you've gotten here? How you passed your classes, how you made your friends, or perhaps even how you've developed connections? If not, you should. Here is why:

I'm a firm believer that you are shaped into the person you are today because of your past. Think about it, the past events that you have gone through and experienced have made you stronger. Even if you haven't gone through a traumatic life event, growing up has made you who you are today. In this story I'll be getting a little bit more personal by talking about my life so that you

cancer. In no way am I trying to throw myself a pity party, but it's just the truth. It's a truth that I have to live with and it's something that I don't talk about often, but it's definitely something that I should talk more about to improve my mental health. After going through something so traumatic and losing my best friend, I have taken away such valuable lessons that I apply to my everyday life. I think the biggest thing that I learned was to not take anything in life for granted and to cherish every moment. It's common to take things for granted, as I most definitely did and still do. It's still a work in progress for me and it certainly doesn't happen overnight. My biggest regret was taking time



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Reflecting on your past can help you with your future.

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-Se Kwon, Opinion Editor

can get a view from my perspective.

In October of 2016, my mom passed away from stage IV gallbladder

and moments with my mom for granted. It's so hard thinking about old memories and thinking that a lot of the times, I

didn't really dedicate all my time/effort into these moments but rather, just took them for granted.

Although this experience taught me

many lessons, this has also shaped me into the woman I am today. I feel that this experience has made me a lot stronger, made me grateful for the things I have and made me want to spend every moment with people I love without taking these times for granted.

If you were ever bullied in school and you endured those difficult times, you are probably a lot stronger from it. If you were ever depressed and you somehow managed to fight through it, your mental health has most likely strengthened. If you ever lost contact with a close friend, it must have made you reflect on the times that you wish you

could relive. My point is, you are the person you are today because of the experiences you've been through. Every person is so unique and different in their own way because everyone experiences different events throughout their lives.

Make sure to be mindful of the events that you experience. I think that taking a step back to realize what's happening in your life is crucial to your growth and development. This will not only help you with your mental health but will allow you to practice gratitude. Once you do this, it will be a lot easier to realize what has shaped you. You

have full responsibility of shaping yourself and your life- make sure to take a step back and think about all of the events that have occurred throughout your life.

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Growing Up With Strict Parents

Why I Wouldn't Have It Any Other Way

Madison Feltman
Dakota Student

Growing up, I became accustomed to the fact that my parents seemed to have far more and far stricter rules than most parents. Of course, all I could do was complain.

Why did I have to go to bed at 8:00 when my friends stayed up until 9:00? Why didn't I get to have a phone that sent text messages when all of my friends had one? Why did I have to get a job and pay for my own gas money when most of my friends didn't have to?

It was always why, why, why. Why did I have all these rules, and

became routine to me, if I were to want to do something fun, I had to make it through the list.

I found it extremely hard to understand why my parents were as strict as they were because the rest of my friends' parents didn't seem to have the same agenda.

When I went away to college, my parents loosed their grip; there were no more rules, no more questions. I finally felt free, as if I could do whatever I wanted and there would be no consequence.. or so I thought.

My parents still seemed to call and make sure I was being careful, that I was minding my money,

was because they only wanted me to succeed, they wanted me to be able to stand on my own.

So here I am, standing on my own, and the only thing I have left to say

is, "Thank you." Thank you for teaching me how to take care of myself, thank you for giving me the discipline to be an adult, and thank you for helping me make the

right decisions.

Mom and dad, although I am on my own now, I will forever need your help and guidance to continually shape who I am, and I will forever be

thankful to have you as my parents.

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why did I have to follow them? I simply thought it was unfair.

My parents were always and still are, in my business 24/7. "Who are you hanging out with?" "Do I know them?" "What are you doing?" "Where are you going?" "Did you pay for that?" "Have you finished what I asked you to do?" That is just a small list of questions that I was drilled with.

I couldn't leave the house without proving that my room was clean, I had my homework done, and had taken care of my other responsibilities. It

that I had applied for this job, and that I made a call to that person.

Once again, I found myself back in high school, and this was, once again, just as frustrating. I simply just wanted to have fun and do my own thing without my parents in the background nagging me.

It wasn't until I decided to take a leap and take a semester off, that I began to realize why my parents were so strict all that time: it was that they simply cared. All the questions, all the rules, all the pressure,



Madison Feltman/ Dakota Student

The true love of parents can be shown in many different ways.

The Fire Hall Theatre Presents

The Sunshine Boys

Olga Kopp
Dakota Student

Theater is a great source of entertainment. Whether accompanied by family, friends or flying solo, visiting the theater is an enjoyable way to pass the time.

Grand Forks is home of a community theater called the Fire Hall Theatre.

The Greater Grand Forks Community Theatre (GGFCT) is a non-profit organization established in 1947 to provide entertainment, education and recreation to the region through the opportunity to experience and participate in live theatrical entertainment.

In the early 1980s, the #1 Fire Hall in Downtown Grand Forks was purchased and renovated into the 100 seat Fire Hall Theatre. The Theatre has served as the home of the Community Theatre since, according to Fire Hall Theatre website.

This fall, the Grand Forks Community will have a chance to enjoy watching the famous production of *The Sunshine Boys* as the opener of the 72nd theater season opener at the Fire Hall Theatre.

The Sunshine Boys is the story of two men who performed together as comedy actors for 47 years before calling it quits. Since then, they had not spoken for 11 years.

After the 11 years passed, they got the chance to perform their Lewis and Clark act for CBS-TV special with only one exception, they had to reunite together. The problem is, they cannot stand each other.

And here they go again; as soon as they reunited and rehearsals began, they started to fight again.

Rob Howard and Russ Schonmeier are playing as *The Sunshine Boys*, Willy Clark and Al Lewis. They do a great job while making the show comical. Both of them add a strong charisma into their characters.

While this show is a comedy, the audience is able to sense tension between Lewis and Clark throughout the entire show. They are picking on each other, arguing with each other and both of them seem to enjoy it. There is a chance, however, that this comical escapade can easily turn into a murder.

Patrick Pearson, the director of *The Sunshine Boys* at the Fire Hall Theatre,



Courtesy of Diana Chabia

Lewis and Clark sitting and talking in *The Sunshine Boys*

chose this play in honor of famous playwright, Neil Simon, who passed away in 2018.

"When I was on the board of theater directors, I was on the program committee, and I suggested to do the Neil Simon's play. *The Sunshine Boys* has not been done here in 18 to 19 years, and I think it's one of Simon's more known shows that is not produced as much," Pearson said.

The Sunshine Boys is presented through special arrangement with Samuel French Publishers.

There are some changes in the show making it different from the original play. The character of Ben Silverman, originally written for a male was changed into a female role. With special permission from the Samuel French Publishers, Pearson was able to switch the nephew character to a niece.

The gender swapping did not affect the story line, dialogue or action.

Wendy Swerdlow Pederson, the Fire Hall Theatre actress who plays the role of Ben Silverman has been involved in over 20 shows with the GGFCT since 1987.

"I've seen both versions of the movie, and I think that this play is better. My character has been trying to take care of her uncle Willie for probably a lot longer than 15 years that she's been his agent. My character Ben and her uncle Wil-

set in reality too. It allows people to come in, and escape the outside world. People can relate to this story because we all had that one person similar to a character from the show," Pearson said.

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-Patrick Pearson, Director of *The Sunshine Boys*

It took roughly 5 weeks to prepare for *The Sunshine Boys* show.

Although the Fire Hall Theatre looks big from the outside, the actual stage area is smaller than expected. Because of this, volunteers and workers of the Fire Hall Theatre have to be creative during the stage set up.

"We tried to figure out how to set way from one scene to the next because without dragging it out for the audience. We don't have a large space, and we

other and communicate about every detail in the show.

"It's not just a director, or the light designer who runs the show. It's everybody. We all can sit around and give each other some suggestions regarding the show. Everyone is involved," Pearson said.

During the Fire Hall Theatre auditions, everyone can get a part they want to play.

"I usually have a character in mind, and if I see someone do something

similar to the play character on stage during the audition, then that is it, that person will get the part," Pearson said.

The Fire Hall Theatre representatives are happy to invite everyone who would like to be a part of the theater board.

"If you feel like you want to come and audition, work backstage, or help out in any way, you are welcome to come. We always like to bring new people in. We are very inclusive community," Pearson said. "Just come out if you want to join the theater. No experience needed. You will learn while you practice."

The Sunshine Boys has high comedy moments, touching moments, and very quiet moments during the show.

"It's not a barrel laugh comedy, but it does make you laugh. I would suggest to the future audience to come in, enjoy it, and feel free to laugh," Pearson said.

The magic of the theater is that the audience never knows what to expect. The nature of live theatre is very different from what can be seen on a TV screen.

"If you come three different weeks, you are gonna see three different shows. Part of it is the nature of the audience. In any theatre, the audience affects the performance. In a small theater like this, the audience almost becomes a character," Pederson said.

If you are tired of watching ordinary movies on your TV screen, come to the Fire Hall Theatre and enjoy a light-hearted show *The Sunshine Boys*.

If you go, here is the schedule of the next shows: Thursdays-Saturdays, Sept. 26-28 and Oct. 3-5; and 2 p.m. Sundays, Sept. 22 and 29

The ticket cost: \$17 for adults, \$14 for seniors, students, military with ID; and \$12 each, for groups of 12 or more.

You can visit or call Chester Fritz Auditorium box office, (701) 777-4090. You can also visit www.ticketmaster.com website to pay online without fees.



Actors playing their roles in *The Sunshine Boys*

Courtesy of Diana Chabia

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The Celebration of Beer

Blue Moose Holds Fourth Annual Oktoberfest



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Community members taking part in the Oktoberfest Festival

Cortnie Cottrell
Dakota Student

The fourth annual Oktoberfest at the Blue Moose Bar and Grill was held on Saturday Sept. 21. The event started at 1 p.m. and was held until 9pm. They had a beautiful day for the festival, even being that their slogan was, "rain or shine, we'll raise a stein."

This family friendly festival that is known to be the biggest celebration of beer in the entire Valley, had many activities and opportunities for the

community to come out and have a great time. The activities that took place were wiener dog races, wiener dog costume contest, home brewers competition, potato sack races and a stein holding competition. The festival was free of charge, for all ages and had prizes as well as gift cards up for grabs.

Megan Hedstrom, head coordinator of Oktoberfest, along with her great team, have been in preparation for this event for the past five months and have been anxiously

anticipating the community excitement.

"This event has a big impact on the Grand Forks Community," Hedstrom said. "There are so many different types of people coming out and it's just a fun time with wiener dogs, beer and cotton candy and face painting for the kids."

There truly is fun to be had with everyone.

The Blue Moose Bar and Grill is very thankful for their sponsor, Simplot, for donating many resources to make the fes-

tival possible.

"Without Simplot, today wouldn't have happened," Hedstrom said.

A new addition to this year's festival was a big television-like screen for the wiener dog races. This screen displayed a large view of the races that far away bystanders could still be engaged.

"The big screen was awesome!" Taylor Sagen, UND sophomore said. "It really added to the wiener dog races and to the whole event itself."

Coordinator Hedstrom and the whole staff at Blue Moose Bar and Grill want to specifically thank all of the community members for coming out to celebrate Oktoberfest with them.

"This event wouldn't be truly possible without such loyal community members," Hedstrom said.

Despite the massive rainfall and flooding that happened the night before, the Oktoberfest had a great turnout. Many

community members and families of all ages came out and enjoyed the fun.

The Blue Moose is planning on having another Oktoberfest next year as well as their upcoming events which those dates and times can be found on the Blue Moose Bar and Grill Facebook page.

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UND Tennis Starts Strong

Men and women's tennis took to the road this past weekend



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Junior Jake Kuhlman completes a serve. Kuhlman came away with a win Friday night with his doubles partner Edmond Aynedjian.

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UND tennis kicked off their seasons this weekend in two tournaments in the Midwest. The men's tennis team headed to Des Moines, Iowa to compete in the Drake Invitational and the women traveled to Minneapolis, Minn. to take on the Gopher Invitational.

Seven teams traveled to Minneapolis for the invite: Iowa, Iowa State, North

Dakota, Drake, Northern Iowa, Milwaukee and Green Bay.

The University of Minnesota showed their dominance of the Gopher Invitational right off the bat on Friday evening. Their players went 18-0 for the day.

Freshman Nina Zdravkovic and senior Kaede Amano were almost able to crush that streak in R2 Doubles but came up just short. They ended up edged out in a tiebreak-

er against Gophers Tiffany Huber and River Hart, losing 7-6.

Tournament play in Minneapolis continued Saturday morning where UND was again unable to come out on top. In R2 Doubles, freshman Charlotte Bowles and senior Alex Revenig came up just short to a pair of Gophers, losing 7-6 in similar fashion to Zdravkovic and Amano the night before.

The men saw more suc-

cess at the Drake Invitational. They were one of nine teams: Wichita State, Northern Illinois, Creighton, Omaha, Northwest Missouri State, Washington University, Gustavus Adolphus and Drake.

On Friday night, the freshman from Norway, Andrea Petrovic beat Bor Muzar of NIU to advance in the A Singles bracket. He was defeated by Abdoul Ouattara of UNO on Saturday. However, he

continued his run in the doubles bracket with teammate senior Lukas Buth. They advanced in the A Doubles bracket after taking on a pair from Northwest Missouri State.

Sophomore Edmond Aynejian took on Louis Compas of Northwest Missouri State and won to advance in the B Singles tournament and play again on Saturday. Aynejian came away with a second win on Saturday against David

Nyman of Drake University.

Finally, junior Jake Kuhlman and Aynedjian competed in the C Doubles tournament and won their first round against a pair from Gustavus Adolphus.

This weekend marked the first tournament of both tennis teams' non-championship part of their season. They will each play two more tournaments before a hiatus between October and January, which is when the championship season will start.

On Sept. 27, the men and women will both compete at the Bluejay Invitational in Omaha, Neb., which is hosted by Creighton University.

The non-championship season will wrap up as the teams travel to Denver, Colo. for the ITA Regional Championship. The entire tournament runs from Wednesday Oct. 16 through Sunday, Oct. 20.

This non-championship season is very typical for UND tennis, as this schedule has been the same three tournaments for the past three years. Success on the men's side this early on will surely give UND a leg-up when it comes to the Summit League conference play.

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Senior Lukas Buth returns a backhand during practice at Choice Fitness.



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The UND volleyball team celebrates after their win on Thursday night against Eastern Washington University.

Room to Grow

Fighting Hawks wrap up UND Classic in second place behind Akron

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The University of North Dakota women’s volleyball team hosted three teams this past weekend for a home tournament, the UND Classic. UND finished up right behind the University of Akron who took home first place.

UND took down Eastern Washington University on Thursday night but were unable to come away with the win against Akron on Friday to seal the deal. The Fighting Hawks are now 8-6 for the season.

Thursday night was an exciting night for the team, as well as the large fan-

base in attendance. UND was down 2-1 after three sets before coming back to take the win in five sets.

“We fed off the energy when we needed to, and that’s the advantage of playing at home,” Head Coach Jeremiah Tiffin said.

The two stars of that game had to be junior middle hitter Lydia Rutten and senior outside hitter Ashley Brueggeman. Rutten walked away with 18 kills for the night, the most of any attacker in the game. Brueggeman showed up with 11 kills and 11 digs and joined a group of 18 total UND volleyball players to record 1,000 kills.

“(Brueggeman) has done every single thing that we want her to do,”

Tiffin said. “She leads the team, she delegates responsibilities, she decides what we’re going to do in this situation and this situation. She has done everything that we expect a leader to do.”

Friday night brought a new challenge with the University of Akron, a strong team that Tiffin mentioned would be similar to other Summit League competitors.

Akron took down UND in three sets in the finale of the UND Classic, yielding the MVP of the tournament middle blocker Ashley Richardson. Richardson recorded 11 kills against UND.

“It was just not our night,” sophomore middle hitter Lexi Ahrens said.

“We can be way more physical. We know our talent is there and we are going to work really hard in practice to get back in it.”

Now that the UND Classic is over, the Fighting Hawks will open up conference play on Friday in Omaha, Neb. against the University of Omaha. Omaha is currently 7-6 overall right behind North Dakota in Summit League standings. Although, all of the teams have yet to open conference play.

Tiffin was not happy with the way the match against Akron went on Friday, but he was confident that the team can use it for preparation moving forward.

“We have to take that

mindset of – we can’t wait for half of a set or three-quarters of a set to (get aggressive),” Tiffin said.

“We have to do that from the beginning. Akron hits hard and that’s what we have to expect. There’s going to be some (Summit League) teams that can just pound and we have to defend that. This is a good wake-up call for us before conference play.”

The wake-up call may be just what the team needs to continue their growth forward. Tiffin was confident that the team has grown mentally, physically and socially from the games they have played in the beginning of this season.

After Omaha on Friday, UND will play the

defending Summit League champions, the University of South Dakota away in Vermillion, S.D. The next time UND will be home is going to be Oct. 4 against Western Illinois at 4 p.m.

Make sure to show your support at the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center. The team counts on the Fighting Hawks fans to keep them going during tough games.

“The fans were great. They are always great,” Ahrens said. “They brought us a lot of energy this weekend.”

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Junior Lydia Rutten stepped up big this weekend for the Fighting Hawks. Caitlin Collins/Dakota Student