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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Elsewhere in this issue are articles which cover actions taken by the Board of Regents at its October meeting. One of these articles deals with the re-election of the President for a second six-year term beginning July 1, 1977, and I wish to comment on that action.

As we are all aware, the average tenure of a college president in these times is approximately five years. There are good reasons for that average--frustration on the part of the board, or the president, or the faculty, or students, or alumni--either singly or in combination. The problems and challenges which face any college president on a daily or yearly basis are almost inhuman or impossible. Those challenges run from shrinking or stable enrollments to increased costs of quality education which are not or cannot be met with the resources available. It is only with the help of God, the prayers of many, and the dedication of all to a common purpose, a common goal, and a unifying mission that any president can effectively lead the college he serves.

After many hours of prayerful consideration, the encouragement of members of the Board, faculty, students and not the least, of my own family, and in due consideration of the great strengths, the history and heritage of Dana College as a strong church-related college as well as the untapped potential of Dana, I humbly accepted the challenge of a second term. My wife and I love Nebraska, this College and all associated with it. We believe that the investment of our lives and hearts here is what God wants us to do. Therefore, we pledge all that we have and all that we are to join hearts and hands with all of you to help make Dana what we all wish it to be and all that truly is due to it.

Part of the heartache that goes with this position is the disappointment that occurs when some of our students or

others fail to realize that our value system and our goals, not only as a church-related college but also as a responsible institution of society, require the support of existing civil laws. Last year several of our students were found guilty of the use and possession of marijuana and amphetamines. Some were exonerated of those charges. None of those students found guilty are currently enrolled at Dana. Again this fall, 30 students were arrested on suspicion of the use of marijuana and one student on suspicion of possession and use of amphetamines. To date, nine of those students have been exonerated with no charges filed. As of this date, December 6, none of the others have appeared in court to plead either innocent or guilty of any charges that have been made.

We support the basic tenet of American justice--that being, that one is innocent until proven guilty. At the same time, we recognize that we must and we will take action, as we did last year, in dealing with each of these young people in a responsible but Christian manner.

Dana College does not condone the use or possession of either drugs or alcohol at college functions or on the campus. We are aware that alcoholism is the most serious disease facing our society and that the misuse of drugs can be debilitating, if not deadly. We attempt to discourage the use of either and to take action when such misuse or abuse of our standards and value system takes place. However, we recognize that we are dealing with young people who are in a period of maturing; therefore, we must deal with them in a firm manner but also with Christian compassion. At the same time, we are aware that on a national level 53 percent of our high school seniors have experimented with drugs and 33 percent consider themselves regular users of drugs. The national statistics on alcohol consumption by the same group may even be higher. These facts make the challenge to us even greater.

It is our earnest hope and prayer that as parents, church leaders and laity, and as responsible citizens, you will assist us by understanding this problem and supporting us as we attempt to deal with it in a responsible and Christian manner.

Earl R. Mezoff
President

Regents Complete Evaluation of Presidency: Mezoff Appointed To Second Term

The Dana Board of Regents, in keeping with policies established by the American Lutheran Church, has recently completed an evaluation of the Dana presidency. As a result of that evaluation, Dana's incumbent president, Dr. Earl R. Mezoff, has been appointed to a second six-year term beginning in July, 1977.

Dr. Erwin Goldenstein, chairman of the board, announced the results of the evaluation and the decision of the regents to members of the Dana faculty-staff at a special meeting on November 2, 1976.

Goldenstein explained that an evaluation committee had been formed composed of representatives of the student body, faculty, administrative staff, regents, and the Central District clergy. The committee developed a questionnaire which was sent to current students, faculty and staff, parents and alumni, key Central District clergymen, representatives of the Blair community, and members of the board. A total of 458 usable questionnaires were returned, more than half of them from current Dana students, and the results were presented to the regents during their annual fall meeting on campus in late October.

According to Goldenstein, "All questionnaires and written comments, positive and negative, were studied carefully and conscientiously. So was the personal testimony presented to the board chairman by members of the faculty and the faculty senate. The evaluation results have been helpful in revealing strengths and weaknesses of our present administration and have reminded us that it is unwise to take many things for granted. The evaluation *did* indicate, as already noted, that some matters need immediate attention but it *did not* reveal to the regents the hard and dependable evidence that most fair-minded persons could use as a mandate for undertaking a search for a new president."

After much consideration and extensive deliberation, Goldenstein said, the regents passed the following resolution: "Resolved, that the contract of President Earl R. Mezoff be renewed for a term of six years from and after the expiration date of his present contract."

In addition to the resolution, the regents noted that greater attention was to be given to the students' needs, instructional support for faculty, campus morale, recruitment and retention of a high quality student body, even-handed enforcement of reasonable Christian standards for campus living, spiritual leadership, and public financial and emotional support of Dana College.

The announcement of the decision to extend President Mezoff's contract met with mixed reaction on the campus. The teaching faculty held a special meeting, and a majority voted to ask the president not to sign the new contract.

On November 19, a second communication was sent from Chairman Goldenstein to members of the faculty in which he said: "We appreciate being apprised of the meeting of the teaching faculty and the result of the vote to ask President Mezoff not to sign a new contract. It is the Board's responsibility to elect a president and it has done so. It has listened carefully and respectfully to the faculty as well as to other members of the Dana community. Nevertheless, it has made a decision and it has implemented that decision by signing a contract with President Mezoff on November 17, 1976. The Board has committed itself to give its firm and undivided support to the President."

The communication ended with a quotation from the book of Ecclesiastes where the writer speaks of a "time to kill and a time

to heal." In his elaboration on this quotation, Goldenstein noted that the "Board is firmly convinced that this is a time to heal."

Then on November 23 President Mezoff addressed a special meeting of the faculty at which time he announced his acceptance of the board's reappointment, explained some of his plans for the future, and asked for the support of the faculty. "I believe that what you want for Dana is exactly what I desire for Dana," he said, "--quality education by a quality faculty for a quality student body."

In that address he outlined several major areas that will be given priority concern during the next two or three years. Enrollment--including locating more incoming quality students who identify with Dana's goals as well as improving retention of current students--is the first and most critical area. Also on the priority list are the problems of creating campus living conditions that are compatible with our goals, purposes and mission; the early initiation of a major fund-raising program; and improving the sharing of information and opening new avenues of communication within all areas of the College community.

President Mezoff concluded his remarks by saying: "Once again I want to confirm the direction of this College. I firmly believe that the future of Dana lies with the church. Further, I believe that the direction is clearly stated in the four continuing goals of Dana as developed by the Long Range Planning Committee. Embodied in these goals are a quality student body, a quality faculty, and a quality educational program. The Board and I are dedicated to building a better Dana. I extend the hand of friendship and invite all of you to join us in achieving these objectives."



When Victor Borge visited the campus on October 17 for a benefit concert, he interrupted his schedule to pose with the Dana Folk Dancers after they had performed for him. Here he is with students (left to right, front row) Ed Wittrock, Neligh, Ne.; Jean Barkley, Lake Andes, S.D.; Dennis Preston, Lyons, Ne.; Lisa Darrow, Bruning, Ne.; Monique Bentzinger, Cook, Ne.; Leif Neve, Tokyo, Japan; Ann Jorgensen, Pinewood, Mn.; Steve Berntson '76, Paullina, Iowa; (back row) Nancy Hansen, Omaha; Debra Petersen (looking over Preston's shoulder), Herman, Ne.; Mark Christensen, Taft, Ca.; James Borden, Rockford, Ill.; Karen Barter, Fullerton, Ca.; Kim Neve, Tokyo, Japan; Sherry Borglum, Elkhart, In.; and Eric Olsen, Brush, Co.



Faculty and staff members will again be among volunteers calling alumni for Phonorama 1977. Some who helped last year were (clockwise, from bottom left): Larry Shotts, speech and theater; Roger Olson, mathematics; Melvin Boehr, education; Dorothy Kundel Olson, education; Darrell Dibben, speech; Frank Hengeveld '41, chemistry; Michael Jones '71, admissions; Richard Holquist, business administration; and Joel Snell, sociology.

Alumni Phones Will Ring In February

A goal of \$50,000 has been set for this year's Phonorama, according to Kenneth Lizer '68, director of alumni relations. Chairman for the annual alumni fund-raising drive, scheduled for February 4 through 13, is Phillip Wittig '56 of Lincoln.

A secondary goal is to receive contributions from at least 35 percent of the more than 3,100 alumni who will be called. Last year about 30 percent of those called contributed over \$42,500.

Most calls will be made from Omaha, Council Bluffs, and Blair.

Money raised through the Phonorama goes to support Dana's general budget. In order to continue upgrading the programs at the College, more than \$373,000 must be raised this year from various sources. This money, used to help pay for general operations, represents about 17 percent of the total budget.

Other members of the Alumni Association Board of Directors assisting Wittig include Judy Reuter Brehm '67, Stanley Lassegard '74, and Thomas Nielsen '59. Approximately 150 alumni, students, and members of the faculty and staff will be working with them toward this year's goal.

Showers Resigns as Admissions Director; Johnson Associates Takes Over

Richard V. Showers, director of admissions at Dana since 1971, resigned from that position November 12, 1976. President Earl R. Mezoff announced his resignation with regret and indicated that it would take effect immediately. Showers has been reassigned other administrative duties and will remain at the College for the balance of the 1976-77 year.

A professional admissions firm, Johnson Associates, Inc., of Chicago, has been named to assume responsibility for the admissions program at Dana. The new firm took over during the first week of December.

New Regents Join Board

Four new members were elected to the Dana Board of Regents on October 11 by the Dana College Corporation at the Eighth General Biennial Convention of the American Lutheran Church (ALC) in Washington, D.C. They are: Mr. Wayne Allan Dirks, vice president of marketing, Skelly Oil Company, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Mr. Kenneth B. Holm, Danish Consul for Nebraska and attorney with Baird, Holm, McEachen, Pedersen, Hamann and Haggart, Omaha; the Rev. Alton W. Schwandt, St. John Lutheran Church, Beatrice, Nebraska; and Mr. Leonard v. B. Sutton, attorney with Sutton and Kokish, Denver, Colorado. Sutton is a former chief justice of the Colorado Supreme Court.

Board members serve six-year terms, with one-third of the terms expiring every two years. The expiration year corresponds to the year of an ALC convention. Several months before the convention, a committee of the board prepares a slate of candidates, asking those whose terms are about to expire if they wish to stand for re-election, and selecting new members.

The committee sends its recommendations to the general ALC offices, where the ballot is printed as part of the convention brochure.

During the convention, the meeting recesses and immediately reconvenes as the Dana College Corporation. Every delegate to the convention is a member of the Corporation. The committee's recommendations are presented, and a motion is made to accept them; this motion is seconded from the floor. Before the voice vote, other nominations can be made from the floor. If the voice vote is close, the ballot in the convention brochure is used. Six of the ALC colleges follow this procedure.

New regents assume office immediately and meet in the fall on the Dana campus with other board members.

The Dana Board of Regents has 20 members. The remaining 16 are: Miss Margaret R. Fischer (regents vice chairman), attorney, Fischer and Welch, Omaha; Dr. Erwin H. Goldenstein (regents chairman), professor and coordinator, doctoral studies in education, University of Nebraska-Lincoln; Mr. Kenneth E. Hansen, manager, life insurance agency, Lutheran Mutual Life Insurance Company, Lincoln, Nebraska; Mr. Howard Hanson, president, Blair Bank.

Dr. Robert Jensen '44, physician and surgeon with Suburban Heights Medical Group, Park Forest, Illinois; Dr. Einer M. Juel, general practitioner, Atlantic, Iowa; Mr. Ben Krantz (regents secretary), superintendent, Blair Community Schools; Mr. Joe Lindholm '43 (executive committee), general contractor, Lindholm Company, Audubon, Iowa; the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Maahs, Atonement Lutheran Church, Overland Park, Kansas.

The Rev. Archie L. Madsen '49, president, Central District of the ALC, Denver, Colorado; Mr. Elcar A. Nielsen, president, E. A. Nielsen Company, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri; Mr. Hans T. Nielsen, Danish Consul for Colorado, Denver; Dr. Royce Ronning, professor, department of educational psychology, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Mr. Donald Swanson (executive committee), executive vice president, Standard Blue, Omaha; Mr. Lorentz E. Thorngren '36 (executive committee), attorney and vice president (legal), Mutual of Omaha; Mrs. Richard (Margaret Haszard '70) Zion (executive committee), accountant, University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Regents emeriti are Mr. Irving F. Jensen, Sr., Sioux City, Iowa; Mr. Harold A. Miller, Omaha; and Mr. Jens P. Nielsen, Chicago.

Sophomores List Alumni Parents

Fourteen percent of Dana's 109 sophomores are the children of alumni. They are named in alphabetical order below according to the decade their parents attended Dana. (The spring *Review* will list juniors with alumni parents; the summer issue, seniors.)

1930-39

Eric John Olsen, son of IRENE ANDERSEN Olsen (Mrs. Reynolds) '37, Box 158, Brush, CO 80723.

1940-49

Jean Ann Barkley, daughter of MARGARET BERG Barkley (Mrs. Earl) '45, RR 1, Lake Andes, SD 57356.

Catherine Ann Hjortshoj, daughter of ALBERT HJORTSHOJ '49, 1305 Birch St., Atlantic, Iowa 50022.

Kim Arthur Neve, son of Dr. LLOYD NEVE '45, Tokyo, Japan (on leave at Concordia College, Moorhead, MN 56560).

David Wolter Nielsen, son of Dr. JOHN W. ('48) and ELIZABETH SOLEVAD ('45-49, '64) NIELSEN, 2044 Grant, Blair, NE 68008.

1950-59

Mark John Christensen, son of JOHN H. and MYRA VIG CHRISTENSEN '54, 318 Parkview Circle, Taft, CA 93268.

Ellen Sue Jipp, daughter of EDWIN T. JIPP, JR. '50, 834 N. 28th Ave., Blair, NE 68008.

Julie Ann Rasmussen, daughter of WARREN ('51) and MILDRED SIERSBECK ('52) RASMUSSEN, 620 Pleasant St., Colorado Springs, CO 80904.

Catharine Marie Sandrock, daughter of HELEN JOHANSEN Sandrock (Mrs. Dean) '56, RR 3, Box 97A, Prophetstown, IL 61277.

Laurie Lynn Sorensen, daughter of the Rev. HARRY ('52) and SHIRLEY HANSEN ('53) SORENSEN, 704 Ninth St. N.W., Altoona, IA 50009.

Steven Douglas Stone, son of LARRIE ('57) and NORMA NELSON ('58) STONE, 964 N. 25th Ave., Blair, NE 68008.

1960-69

Kris K. Kostopulos, daughter of MAXINE G. KOSTOPULOS (Mrs. William) '68, 128 Glen Ave., Council Bluffs, IA 51501.

1970-76

William Joseph Rock, son of PATRICIA LOU ROCK (Mrs. Herbert) '75, Avoca, IA 51521.

Summer sessions

Joyce Ann and Linda Wulf, daughters of LUCILLE WULF (Mrs. Earl), Rt. 1, Blair, NE 68008.

Tanzania Might Have Most Distant Dana Club

Ned Kitomari '64, Dana's first African student and now commissioner for planning in the Ministry of Finance and Planning in the Tanzanian government, included the following news in a letter he wrote to Dr. C. C. Madsen '31, president emeritus, after visiting the campus in September (see Fall *Review*):

"Last weekend was a special one for us: John Lawko ['65] got married! My family drove to Morogoro where he is teaching to attend the wedding. Everything worked out extremely well and one had the privilege to meet a lot of old friends all in one gathering. We are very happy John is married now because that means one more member for our proposed Dar es Salaam Dana Club!"



These students were Winterfest royalty at an all-campus Christmas dance December 11: (left to right) Dennis Lee, a junior from Moorhead, Iowa; Becky Masoner, a junior from Denver, Colorado; Winterfest king Ed Spicer, a senior from Lambertville, New Jersey; Carolyn Campbell, a senior from Council Bluffs, Iowa; Greg Miller, a senior from Trenton, New Jersey; Tamice Gordon, a sophomore from Colorado Springs, Colorado; Dennis Preston, a senior from Lyons, Nebraska; and Winterfest queen Jeanmarie Nielsen, a junior from Creighton, Nebraska.

Local Appeal Passes Goal

This year's Washington County Appeal for Dana by December 10 had reached a total of \$40,321.85 in gifts and pledges. The goal was \$38,000.

President Earl R. Mezoff, in expressing his thanks to the community and the many who assisted in the drive, stated that "In these days of rising costs and general economic unrest, it is highly significant that Dana can count on her neighbors and friends for such a high degree of support. We are deeply appreciative to the businesses and individuals who gave to the Washington County Appeal to such an extent."

Drive co-chairmen were Dick Charleston of Blair West Pharmacy and Kermit Andrews of Nebraska-Iowa Supply Company.

Emmerich on Leave, Teaches in Puerto Rico

Dr. Paul Emmerich, associate professor of English, has been on leave since November 1 in Puerto Rico, where he is director of faculty development at the Inter American University. The University has approximately 27,000 students and 13 campuses.

In his assignment Emmerich plans, coordinates, and conducts faculty development programs designed to help faculty work with students in developing their communications skills; he also coordinates the training of Spanish and English language department faculty in the use of new materials that are being developed for a competency-based language program.

He reports that during a typical week in December, for example, he conducted a series of workshops on reading and study skills at four sites--two at Regional Colleges of the University and one at each of the two main campuses at San Juan and San German.

Dana Theater Offers More Than Entertainment

The Dana theater department, according to director Dennis Henneman, stages a variety of plays not only to entertain the audience but also to educate the students involved in the productions.

Last year, for example, the Dana Players gave Neil Simon's comedy *Barefoot in the Park* (twentieth-century American), Sophocles' *Oedipus Rex* (fifth-century B.C. Greek), Purcell's opera *Dido and Aeneas* (seventeenth-century English), a children's play, and Kaj Munk's *The Word* (twentieth-century Danish), produced as a chancel drama and taken on tour.

This year's first production, on November 12, 13, and 14, was the American musical *Fiddler on the Roof*. Others planned for the Interim and second semester include a readers' theater and Molière's comedy *The Would-Be Gentleman* (seventeenth-century French), which will be a touring play.

Producing a variety of plays, however, is not the only way in which members of the cast and crew learn. For example, preparations for *Fiddler on the Roof*, in addition to rehearsals, included study of Jewish life in peasant villages in early twentieth-century Czarist Russia--the setting of the play--and instruction in dance and voice.

Soon after rehearsals began, the cast visited Omaha's Beth El Synagogue to witness the Feast of the Tabernacle, which commemorates the wanderings of the Jews in the wilderness. After the service Rabbi and Mrs. Bromberg and members of the congregation met with the group to answer questions.

At Dana the cast heard lectures by Professor Delvin Hutton, religion, who discussed Jewish religious traditions and the multifaceted character of Judaism, and by Professor Donald Warman, history, who described the historical factors responsible for the political and social unrest in pre-Revolutionary Russia.

Photo by Arvin Hernes



In this scene from the Dana Players' production of *Fiddler on the Roof*, Tzeitel (played by Mary Heistand, a freshman from Woodbine, Iowa) pleads with Tevye, her father (played by Tim Waggoner, a senior from Aurora, Colorado) to stop her arranged marriage to Lazar Wolf.

The study of village life was also important in set design, costuming, and choreography. To achieve authenticity, set designer Larry Shotts, the College's technical theater director, did research in the Dana library on Russian villages, and costumer Mary Lou Henneman, wife of director Henneman, made several trips to the library of Omaha's Jewish Community Center to research the dress of Russian and East European peasants at the turn of the century. There she found patterns that she and student crew members could use for prayer shawls, hats, boots, and prayer coats; she also found recordings of Jewish and Chassidic dances, rituals, and religious customs.

Student choreographer Amy Schaefer, Blair, used both the Dana library and the Jewish Community Center library to find material on Russian folk and Chassidic dances. She then incorporated elements of these into the production numbers which she taught to the other 32 members of the cast, most of whom had never before danced in a musical.

These dances and the many songs in *Fiddler*--songs such as "If I Were a Rich Man," "Do You Love Me?" and "Sunrise, Sunset"--needed accompaniment, and so, while all of the above was going on, Dr. Wayne Wise, music, was rehearsing the 17-member orchestra. Also working with the cast on the music were two junior music majors: Jeanmarie Nielsen, Creighton, Nebraska, who was the voice coach; and pianist Iris Frey, Lyons, Nebraska, who was rehearsal accompanist.

This attention to background, authentic detail, and music made staging *Fiddler on the Roof* a broad educational experience for the cast and crew. Was producing the play worth all of the work? The audiences, which filled Alumni Memorial Auditorium to capacity for all three performances, answered that question by giving the production a standing ovation each night.

Winther Receives Library Association Award

Dr. Sophus Keith Winther, who was honored by Dana in April with a dedication marker (see *Summer Review*), is the 1976 recipient of the Nebraska Library Association's Mari Sandoz Award. (Sandoz is best known for *Old Jules*, the biography of her Nebraska pioneer father.) Given annually to a noted Nebraska author, the award was presented to Winther on October 21 at the Association's meeting in Lincoln. It is the highest honor bestowed by the organization.

Winther, professor emeritus of English at the University of Washington, Seattle, is the author of a trilogy--*Take All to Nebraska*, *Mortgage Your Heart*, and *This Passion Never Dies*--about the Danish immigrant experience in Nebraska in the early twentieth century. The award citation reads: "The Nebraska Library Association honors Sophus Keith Winther for the contribution he made to the literature of migrant mankind with his trilogy about Danish immigrants to Nebraska and for his continuing witness to the nourishment of Nebraska roots."

Winther, Norman C. Bansen '47, professor of English and Danish, and Ronald Johnson '61, head librarian, conducted a seminar on immigrant literature at the meeting of the Association.

The next day, October 22, Winther talked to Dana students in Parnassus, and he and his wife spent the weekend visiting friends in Blair and at Dana.



Two of the students helping to repaint Parnassus were freshman Joe Eagen, Harlan, Iowa, and senior Wanda Peltonen, Wilmette, Illinois.

Volunteers Paint Parnassus

More than 50 brush-wielding students and members of the faculty and staff gathered in Parnassus, the center of Dana's humanities program, on a Saturday morning in October. By the end of the day they had repainted the large room, which some alumni will remember as the library reading room before construction of the Dana-LIFE Library.

In order to raise money for the many gallons of paint, the Parnassus staff the previous week had invited members of the College community to donate to the fund while enjoying coffee and home-baked pastries in the room. Enough was raised to make a few other improvements as well.

Queen Margrethe: "You'll Never Regret The Voyage"

The visit of Queen Margrethe II of Denmark to Dana on May 20 is described in *You'll Never Regret the Voyage*, a new publication by the Danish Bicentennial Committee. The book, which also has a large color photograph of the Queen receiving an honorary doctorate from the College, summarizes impressions of Danish participation in the American Bicentennial.

The title of the book is from "Flight to America" by Danish poet Christian Winther (1796-1876). Queen Margrethe, in a speech at a White House luncheon in her honor, read the poem in her own translation, prefacing it by saying that "... The United States, or America as we often say in Denmark, occupies a very special place in the imagination of my countrymen. I wonder whether this is not because of a children's story in verse, which first appeared in 1830 and has been read to this very day.

"It tells the story of a small disenchanted boy who has received bad marks at school, a scolding from his mother for having torn his trousers, and whose girl friend has let him down. So he decides to run away to America, where as he explains:

'The horse has silver shoes, I'm told;
the carriage has wheels to match;
the streets and roads are paved with gold;
you may bend and keep what you catch.

'Chocolates and sweets from the bushes drop
and the trees have candy flowers;
it rains and snows with lemon pop
and hail is peppermint showers.'

The Queen said that "This may be rather a fanciful picture of the United States, but I fully agree with the boy when he goes on to say:

'But once you've safely reached that land
You'll never regret the voyage.'

Also mentioned in the book is Diane Wolkstein, New York City's official storyteller, who told many of the tales of Hans Christian Andersen at Dana in October 1975 as a Lithgow-Osborne lecturer sponsored by the American-Scandinavian Foundation. A photograph shows her in Central Park at the sculpture of the Danish author telling one of his stories to the Queen and her party amid a crowd of rapt New York children.

Chicago Dana Club Meets

by Marilyn Steffensen Jersild

The Chicago Dana Club celebrated the Bicentennial year with a Dana Bicentennial Remembrance Dinner on Saturday, November 6, at Edmund's Restaurant. Forty-four friends of Dana enjoyed an evening spent in listening to Dr. C. C. Madsen, president emeritus of Dana, reminisce about past years at the College. Guests brought mementos, slides, and old snapshots to share with the group, and the Dana Alumni Office provided an interesting display of pictures of Dana past and present.

A scholarship in the name of the Chicago Dana Club was announced for Catharine Sandroock for her second semester at Dana.

Greetings were brought from Paul Olson, president of the Dana Alumni Association; Dr. Robert Jensen from the Board of Regents; and Dr. Edward C. Hansen via Edward Jorgensen. Mrs. Elna Lorentzen brought to our attention that the Chicago Dana Club has been in existence for 44 years!

New officers to serve the Chicago Dana Club for the coming year are: president, Ernest Anderson; vice-president, Carol Mengers Johnson; secretary, Marilyn Steffensen Jersild; and treasurer, Virginia Pedersen Jensen. Sharol Crandall Anderson, Stephen Danchima, Stephen Sit, Linda Dalleck, and Herb Dalleck are members of the board.



The day began with a morning worship service. Campus pastor Lothar Pietz conducted the service, and the choir sang.



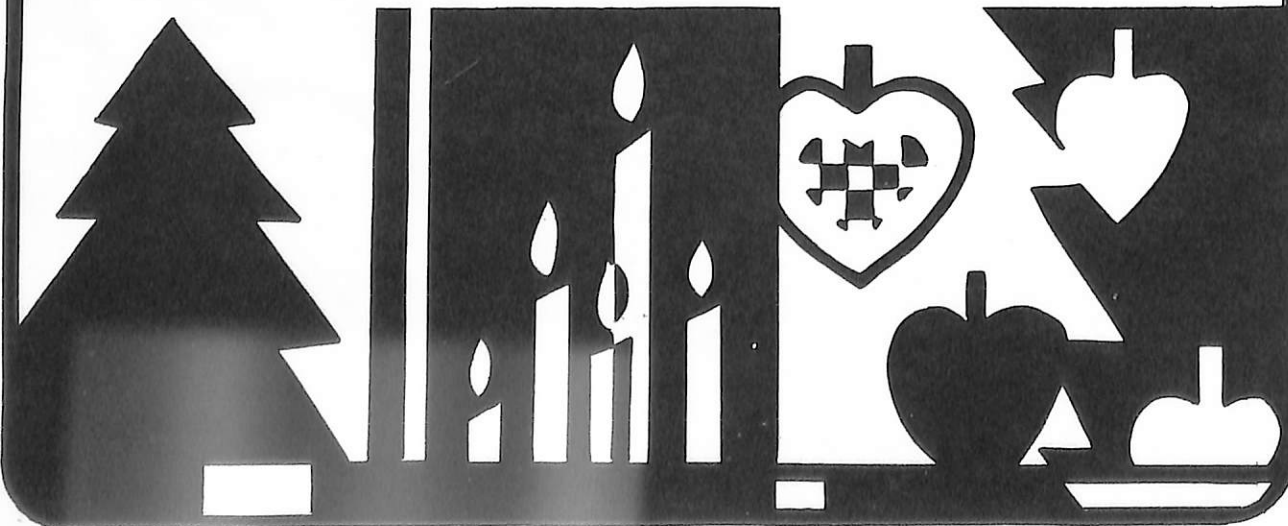
The Danish custom of dancing around the Christmas tree was one of the events of the "Julestuen" (Danish Christmas Room) in Argo Hall Lounge. Guests sampled Danish Christmas cookies, learned to make paper and straw ornaments like some of those on the tree, and sang Christmas songs in Danish. Bodil Strøm Johnson '64, instructor in Danish and German, was Julestuen chairman; daughters Lisa and Eva are shown here with students dancing around the tree.



So many women students volunteered this year to participate in the Santa Lucia ceremony that there were two choirs. The Santa Lucia bride for this group was Ellen Jipp, a sophomore from Blair. The bride for the other group was Karen Barter, a sophomore from Fullerton, California. Both were chosen by their groups to lead the ceremony. Dawn Carper Nielsen '74 (left) was the narrator.

The Sights and Sounds of Christmas

Dana's annual Christmas Open House on Sunday, December 5, was enhanced by a gentle snowfall throughout the day. The weather discouraged only a few, however: an estimated 1600 attended the afternoon choir concert, more than 1000 enjoyed the noon and evening smorgasbord, and crowds filled the buildings where members of the Dana community presented traditional Danish, German, and American Christmas activities. Planning for the day had started last summer; chairman Lela Nielsen Neve '43 estimates that more than 300 students, faculty and staff members, and their families worked together to make the day a success.



Christkindmarkt



The German Christkindmarkt in Mickelsen Hall lounge included a German Christmas tree, Christmas hymns sung in German, a children's choir, and German Christmas breads and cookies. Here Miss Lydia Herrmann, professor emeritus (left), gives one of the displays a final touch, and Dr. Delvin Hutton, professor of Greek and religion, waits to greet the first guests. He and his wife were Christkindmarkt chairmen.



Dr. Wayne Wise led the band in a program of Christmas music amid a setting of evergreens and poinsettias.



The choir, conducted by Dr. Paul Neve '41, closed its concert with a candlelight recessional. Other activities of the day included storytime in Parnassus, showings of the film *A Child's Christmas in Wales*, based on the poem by Dylan Thomas, and performances by the Dana Folk Dancers.

campus NOTES



Fifteen seniors have been nominated by the faculty and staff for listing in the next edition of *Who's Who among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. They are: Barbara Beck, Chula Vista, California; Marsha Boysen, Avoca, Iowa; Katie Denton, Chula Vista, California; Karyn Hagen, Imperial, Nebraska; Renae Johnson, Hershey, Nebraska; Bradley Larson, Milford, Iowa; Curtis Maschman, Daykin, Nebraska; Leif Neve, Tokyo, Japan; Lori Nielsen, Onawa, Iowa; Dennis Preston, Lyons, Nebraska; Jane Radloff, Ottumwa, Iowa; Carol Rettedal, Sioux Falls, South Dakota; Bonnie Sand, Audubon, Iowa; Paula Waggener, Aurora, Colorado; and Christopher Warman, Blair, Nebraska.

Eleven seniors graduated at mid-year Commencement ceremonies on December 12. They are: Stuart Hansen, Marshfield, Wisconsin; Alyce Hanson, Omaha; Kathryn Harboe, Lakewood, Colorado; John Hibbing, Paullina, Iowa; James Jenkins, Omaha; Lyle Joslin, Blair; Lora Knoell, Fremont, Nebraska; Gregory Miller, Trenton, New Jersey; Paula Waggener, Aurora, Colorado; Christopher Warman, Blair; and Steven Welbourne, Neola, Iowa.

Dr. Alan Brandes, music, gave a series of five organ recitals in Council Bluffs, Fremont and Omaha, and at Dana between October 31 and November 15. On November 5 and 6 he also served as an adjudicator for state auditions of the Nebraska Music Teachers' Association held at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Paul Peterson '41, associate professor of physical education and director of athletics at Dana, was one of ten men honored last August in Lincoln by the Nebraska Coaches' Association for 25 years of coaching service.

Dana was host to a speech contest between students from Midland College, Fremont, and Dana in October. The contest included informative speaking, duet acting, humorous impromptu speaking, prose interpretation, poetry interpretation, and dramatic interpretation. The activity was part of the cooperative effort being made by both schools.

Art instructor Milton Heinrich has been appointed to the executive board of the Nebraska Art Teachers' Association. He also recently conducted an experimental workshop for grades five through eight at St. John's Lutheran School in Polk, Nebraska.

The Dana library now has all 156 volumes of the *Official Records of the Union and Confederate Armies and Navies*. The last *Review* asked readers to search for Volume VII, Series I, of the Army set--the only book that kept the set from being complete. Dr. Richard Jorgensen '64, history, had also asked several jobbers and bookstores across the country to look for the volume, and a few weeks ago he received word from a bookstore in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, that it had the book.

The library has started a collection of autographed books that will be kept in its Heritage Room. Among them are Victor Borge's *My Favorite Intermissions* (see Fall *Review*); Margaret Chase Smith's *Declaration of Conscience*, autographed when she was a Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow at Dana last year; and the works of historian Oscar Winther, inscribed to his brother, Sophus Keith Winther (see Fall *Review*).

Professor emeritus Elmer Rasmussen '39 was made an honorary member of the Nebraska Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admission Officers (NACRAO) at a meeting of that organization in Kearney last fall. At the meeting he was recognized for his many contributions to NACRAO over the years. Rasmussen retired in May as registrar and director of counseling at Dana.

Canadian Scholar is Staley Lecturer

Professor Kenneth Morrison Hamilton of the University of Winnipeg is Dana's Staley Foundation Distinguished Christian Scholar this year. He will give three lectures on February 21 and 22 on "Literature: Meeting Ground for Christians and Non-Christians."

Born in England, Hamilton was ordained in the Congregational Union of England and Wales and is a member of the ministerium of the United Church of Canada.

He holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in English from the University of London and a B.D. from the same university; an M.A. in



Kenneth Morrison
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philosophy from Dalhousie University; a Th.M. from Pine Hill Divinity Hall, Halifax; and Th.D. and D.D. degrees from Victoria University, Toronto.

His 14 books include *The System and the Gospel: A Critique of Paul Tillich*; *J.D. Salinger: A Critical Essay*; *Life in One's Stride: A Short Study in Dietrich Bonhoeffer*; *The Promise of Kierkegaard*; *Words and the Word*; *John Updike: A Critical Essay*; and *The Elements of John Updike*.

The last two are co-authored with Dr. Alice Hamilton, his wife.

Hamilton's first lecture, at 8 p.m. Monday, February 21, will be on "Tell Me a Story: Encountering Literature." His second and third lectures the following day, at 9 a.m. and 8 p.m., will be on "The Magic Mirror: The Image in Literature" and "No Idle Tales: Literature and Belief."

Honoris Causa:

The Honorary Doctorate and Dana College

In all of its 92 years, Dana College has given only eight honorary doctorates.¹ The first, a doctor of humane letters (L.H.D.), was bestowed 18 years ago--in 1959--on Pastor Lawrence Siersbeck, Dana president from 1938 to 1943, at the College's Diamond Jubilee Commencement.

The next two were awarded in 1966: an L.H.D. to Carlo Christensen, the late cultural counselor to the Royal Danish Embassy in Washington, D.C.; and a doctor of laws degree (LL.D.) to U.S. Representative Paul Simon '50, at that time a member of the Illinois Senate.

Two years later, in 1968, Wagnerian tenor Lauritz Melchior, the "Great Dane," was awarded an honorary doctor of music degree (Mus.D.).

In 1970 a doctor of divinity (D.D.) degree was bestowed on Pastor Archie Madsen '49, bishop of the Central District of the American Lutheran Church, and in 1971 an L.H.D. was given to retiring Dana president Dr. Clifford C. Madsen '31.

The two most recent degrees have been given within the past year: an L.H.D. to Queen Margrethe II of Denmark when she visited the campus and spoke at Commencement on May 20, and a Mus.D. to pianist-comedian Victor Borge on October 17 when he gave a benefit concert for the College. (The decision to award Borge an honorary doctorate was made in 1968.)

Dana is a late-comer in awarding honorary degrees. In this country the tradition, which was borrowed from the British universities, can be traced back to 1692 when Harvard, at that time a 56-year-old college, granted a doctor of sacred theology to Increase Mather, its sixth president.² After the Revolutionary War, many honorary doctorates were bestowed on its heroes. George Washington, for example, received honorary LL.D.'s from Harvard, Yale, Pennsylvania, and Brown. Lafayette received one from Harvard.

For many years colleges and universities gave honorary degrees at the bachelor's, master's, and doctor's levels, but recently the doctorate has become the most common.

There are important distinctions between an honorary and an academic degree. The former is an expression of respect by a college or university for the recipient's personal and professional accomplishments; the latter is an acknowledgment that the recipient has fulfilled a school's requirements for graduation. An academic degree must normally be given if these requirements are met, whether or not the recipient deserves respect and honor.

Too, an honorary degree, because it recognizes personal and professional accomplishments, can be given even if a school has no curriculum in the area of the recipient's achievements or an academic degree program at that level. In contrast, an academic degree in a particular area and at a certain level can be given only if the school has a curriculum in that area and at that level. (At Dana the curriculum is in the liberal arts and the level is the bachelor's degree, even though the College could, if it wished, expand into advanced degree programs.)

During the latter part of the nineteenth century and the early twentieth, awarding honorary degrees became a common practice, and one that was widely abused. Degrees were given, then as now, to honor worthy individuals, but they were also given to flatter donors and to confer academic respectability on an institution's own professors and administrators who did not have earned doctorates.

The name of the degree sometimes aroused controversy. The first academic Ph.D. in this country was given by Yale in 1861; by the 1870's more honorary Ph.D.'s were being given than earned. (Princeton, for example, between 1866 and 1896 granted 68 honorary and 20 academic Ph.D.'s.) Opposition to the practice of giving honorary Ph.D.'s became vigorous.

Most schools today try to avoid both problems. In general, honorary doctorates are now given only to persons who have contributed to their fields and to society, and most such degrees have their own names to distinguish them from academic degrees. For example, the popular honorary LL.D., first conferred in 1768 by Columbia University, is now considered the most appropriate award for those distinguished in general service to learning, the state, and mankind. The L.H.D., first awarded in the 1880's, is often given to those distinguished in the humanities.³ Both the D.D. (first given by Princeton in 1770) and the Mus.D. (first awarded by Georgetown University in 1849) are also exclusively honorary degrees. These are the four that Dana has given.

The College has recently established the following guidelines for nominating and screening honorary degree candidates:

1. What is there about the nominee which elicits Dana College's respect for the person of the potential recipient?
2. In what ways will the bestowing of an honorary degree significantly honor the recipient?
3. What is so distinctive about the person that warrants this honor, particularly in terms of the heritage, character, and goals of Dana College?
4. Has the nominee rendered extraordinary or beneficial contributions to the service of mankind?
5. Does the nominee reflect a sympathy for and an example of those personal qualities or the value system which Dana College holds to be of import?
6. Current members of the Board of Regents or any person holding a position with the College shall be excluded except under very unusual circumstances.
7. Honorary degrees will not be conferred *in absentia*, except under very compelling circumstances.

Candidates may be nominated by any member of the faculty, staff, or Board of Regents. Nominations with supporting material are submitted to the Honorary Degree Screening Committee, whose seven members represent the faculty, administration, and Board of Regents. Nominations passing this scrutiny must next be approved by the faculty at a faculty meeting, and then by the Board of Regents.

This procedure and the fact that Dana has conferred only eight honorary doctorates in its 92 years promise that in the future, as in the past, those selected will indeed deserve the honor.

¹Trinity Seminary bestowed one honorary doctorate. In 1938 a doctor of divinity degree was given to Pastor A. M. Andersen, the man who founded Trinity in Blair in 1884. (Dana traces its beginnings to this date. Trinity Seminary was moved to Dubuque, Iowa, in 1956, and merged officially with Wartburg Seminary there in 1960.) Andersen died in 1941 at the age of 94.

²Except where noted, information on the history of honorary degrees is from Walter Crosby Eells, *Degrees in Higher Education* (Washington, D.C.: The Center for Applied Research in Education, Inc., 1963), pp. 53-71.

³Everett Walters, "Degrees, Diplomas, and Academic Costume," *Handbook of College and University Administration (Academic)*, ed. Asa S. Knowles, 1970, p. 2-215.

SPORTS



BASKETBALL

Five quality returning players and a talented group of freshmen prospects were on hand for the opening of basketball season on November 20. Head Coach Paul "Pete" Peterson expressed cautious optimism in his season outlook and predicted that if the team was to be competitive, significant improvement in speed and defense were needed.

In the first three games of the season the Vikings were defeated by Briar Cliff College 87-68, William Jewell College 68-57, and Graceland College 79-64. The Vikings' first win came against Buena Vista by a score of 62-57. Scores of other games played through January 1 include: Luther 68-59, Dana over Westmar 81-68, Dana over Bellevue 71-62, Peru 77-59 and Mt. Marty 85-52. Action was scheduled to resume on January 7, 1977 following the Christmas vacation period.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Women's basketball returned to the campus this fall for the first time since the middle 1960's. Under the direction of Coach Rod Christenson, the women's team will compete in 13 games this season. To date the women have a 2-4 record.

One of the aims of the coaching staff is to recapture some of the glory once associated with women's basketball at Dana. Dana was an area power in the early 1960's and made it to the AAU national tournament one year.



Back row--left to right: Deb Harms, Red Oak, Ia., Lori Galloro, Council Bluffs, Ia., Heidi Larson, Milford, Ia., Cathy Hjortshoj, Atlantic, Ia., Cheryl Zelasney, Papillion, Ne., Janelle Andersen, Exira, Ia., Rod Christenson, Coach. Front row: Bonnie Sand, Audubon, Ia., Maria Davie, Dunlap, Ia., Jodi Fielder, Wonder Lake, Ill., Renell Bondo, Eugene, Ore., Jann Richter, Adair, Ia.

A NOTE: Readers who wondered whether Mrs. Rose Staben is still baker in the Dana kitchen, where she has been producing delicious baked goods for 19 years, can be assured that she is. Mrs. Lorraine Peterson, who was featured in the last *Review* because of her award-winning breads at the state fair, is a cook at Dana. The culinary skills of the entire kitchen staff--employees of Saga Food Service for the past few years--have earned the staff the reputation of being the best in the business in the area.

FOOTBALL

The Dana Vikings ended the 1976 gridiron season on a disappointing note with a 34-14 loss to Doane College of Crete. The loss gave the Vikings a 3-5 overall record with only one conference victory.

Seven seniors saw action for the last time as Dana Vikings in the game against Doane: Terry Wiseth of Goodridge, Minn.; Byron Bertelsen of Missouri Valley, Ia.; Ed Spicer of Lambertville, N.J.; Mike Herbert of North Wales, Pa.; Gordon Rasmussen of Colby, Ks.; Mark Tiby of Woodbine, Ia.; and John Hibbing of Paullina, Iowa.

A football awards dinner was held on campus in early November to honor the members of the '76 squad, the coaching staff, and the cheerleaders. Among the honors presented were: Rookie of the Year Award to John Petersen of Red Oak, Ia. (offense) and Kim Townsend of St. Paul, Ne. (defense); Most Improved Players for the year were Rich Rostan of Chicago, Ill., (offense) and Tony Jacobs of Newman Grove, Ne., (defense) and Most Valuable Players Awards went to John Hibbing of Paullina, Iowa (offense) and Mike Herbert of North Wales, Pa., (defense). John Petersen was also named to the All-Conference Team and Jay Paist of Hatboro, Pa., received All-Conference Honorable Mention.

Four members of the 1976 Viking squad were given Honorable Mention on the NAIA District II All-Star Team. They include John Petersen, Jay Paist, Mike Herbert and John Hibbing.

WRESTLING

Coming from last place in '75 to runner-up last year, the Dana Viking wrestling squad and Head Coach Ernie "Greek" Abariotes, are hard at it again. With two matches completed through the end of December the Vikings held a 1-1 record. Fifteen matches remain including the Dana Invitational on January 22.

BASEBALL

Beginning on March 18, the Dana baseball team will open their 25-game 1977 season. Head Coach Dale "Juice" Lemon, has announced the schedule which includes nine games in Oklahoma and Kansas between March 18 and March 26 and a home opener on March 30 against Nebraska Wesleyan University. Other games scheduled:

April 2	Midland	1 p.m. there
April 5	Doane	2 p.m. here
April 7	Loras College	2 p.m. here
April 8	UNO	1:30 p.m. there
April 9	Open	
April 13	Concordia	2 p.m. here
April 16	Nebraska Wesleyan	1 p.m. there
April 19	Midland	2 p.m. here
April 21	Creighton	3:30 p.m. there
April 23	Doane	1 p.m. there
April 27	Bellevue	2 p.m. here
April 30	Concordia	1 p.m. there
May 6	Westmar	2 p.m. there
May 7	U of Nebraska	11 a.m. there
May 8	Bellevue	1 p.m. there

Homecoming 1976 Reunion Classes



1951: Left to right, first row--Mildred Siersbeck Rasmussen, Helga Jessen Hanson; second row--Elaine Madison Brostrom, Jimmy Sorensen, Carl Nielsen, John Hansen, Marilyn Siersbeck Erling, Vernon Andersen; third row--Paul Laursen, Verlan Hanson, Warren Rasmussen, Jim Jorgensen, Ray Weckmuller, Virgil Hansen.



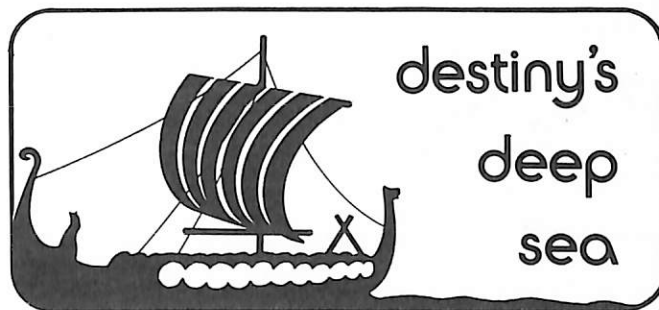
1956: Left to right, first row--Dr. Clifford Hanson (class adviser), Herbert Jorgensen, Norman Madsen, Joan Petersen Krogh, Dorothy Jensen Anderson; second row--Robert Krogh, Phillip Wittig, Harold Laursen, Marion Hudson, William Lawson, Duane Lubkeman.



1966: Left to right, seated--Judy Johnson Knudsen, Doris Larson Tomlinson, Gloria Joslin Kellerman, Eunice Erickson Houston, Susan Nystuen Legore, Linda Hazen Ward, Lois Vaught Olsen, Susan Slader Bennerotte, Jayne Botos Kolterman; standing--Stephen Sit, Jean Steele Noe, Marlow Remmers, Don Hoffman, Rick Houston, David Falksen, Joanne Johnson Larsen, Ron Anderson, Larry Legore, Wayne Josephson, Ray Ward, James Jensen, Gary Bates, Cy Warmanen, Donald Bruning.



1971: Left to right, seated--Janice Schneider Young, Deborah Davis Cecrle, Betty Jorth Neben, Diane Howland Briggs, Judith Duncan Dietrick, Diane Schmidt Christenson, Julie Berg Peters; standing--Marv Richardson, Larry Mai, Brian Moerer, Dan Jackson, Susan Jensen Richardson, John Magnuson, Michael Jones, Susan Schweer Edelman, Larry Anderson.



JOB AND PROMOTIONS

1976

LORI SANDER JASA teaches high school English and speech in Waterloo, Nebraska.

1973

JACKIE WARD is the director of weekday evening newscasts on KETV, Channel 7, in Omaha.

1972

1st Lt. MARK MUSICK recently participated in Midlink 1976, a Central Treaty Organization (CENTO) maritime exercise held in the Northern Indian Ocean near Karachi, Pakistan. He is a navigator at Lakenheath RAF station, England, with the 48th Tactical Fighter Wing.

1970

RONALD and SANDRA (GILL '67) JOHNSON are living in Fort Dodge, Iowa, where their address is 261 N. 26th (50501). Ron is assistant football coach and physical education instructor at Iowa Central Community College, and Sandy works in the Fort Dodge senior high school library. They have two sons--Steve, 10, and Scott, 7.

1969

ALLAN ANDERSON has been appointed a district representative for Lutheran Brotherhood, a Minneapolis-based fraternal insurance society. He is associated with the Joe Nelson Agency in Omaha.

1967

JAMES GULLICKSON is associate pastor of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in West St. Paul, Minnesota.

1965

MYRON and SHEILA (McKINSTRY) THORBERG are in Davenport, Iowa, where their address is 3615 N. Elmwood Ave. (52806). Myron is territory sales manager for Standard Oil in the quad-city area. They have two children--Eric, 6, and Kristie, 4.

1964

Robert and BECKY (ROESENER) Holst live at 77 Carpenter Ave., Apt. 3D, in Mt. Kisco, NY 10549. Bob has accepted a post-doctoral fellowship position with Boyce Thompson Plant Institute in Yonkers, NY.

1963

Dr. GARY BIESECKER is now in private practice with the High Point, N.C., Surgical Association, after finishing eight years of service in the navy as a commander. Last October he became a fellow in the American College of Surgeons at a ceremony in Chicago. VIVIAN (CHRISTENSEN '65) is doing volunteer work on the board of directors of the American Cancer Society.

1950

PAUL SIMON has been re-elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from the 24th District of Illinois.

ADVANCED DEGREES AND CONTINUING EDUCATION

1973

GERALD D. SCOTT received his master's degree in elementary education from Wayne State College, Wayne, Nebraska, in August. He and his wife CAROL (THOMPSON) live in Bassett, Nebraska, where he is grade school principal. Their address there is Box 151 (68714).

1972

ROD KASTRUP recently completed work on a Ph.D. in chemistry at the University of Illinois. He is now doing post-doctoral work at the University of Rochester.

MARRIAGES

1976

CYNTHIA HJORTSHOJ and VAN SEYLER were married September 18 in Atlantic, IA. They are living in Omaha.

SUSAN THORSEN and Ken Holstein were married in July. She is an outreach counselor for Family Planning and he is a veterinarian in Blair, where their address is 245 Courtvue.

JANET WALTH and Daryl Anderson were married September 5 in St. Paul, NE. They live in rural St. Paul.

1973

Cheryl Bazant and MICHAEL M. TODD were married in November in Omaha, where they live.

LINDA STUHR and Richard Scranton were married August 21. Their address is RR 2, Norfolk, NE 68701. He is a carpenter, and she is a reading teacher in the Norfolk public schools.

1970

CYNTHIA HOMES '73 and DAVID MUSICK were married October 23 in Blair. They are living in Lawrence, Kansas, where he is working on a master's degree in music education.

BIRTHS Daughters

1969

Jill Marie, born October 9 to GERALD and LYNN (NORGAARD) PETERSEN, 1326 S. 114th St., Omaha (68144).

PARENTS: If this issue is addressed to a son or daughter who no longer maintains a permanent address at your home, please clip the address label, correct it, and return it to our Alumni Office. Thank you for your help.

1968

Julie Christine, born November 29 to KENNETH

and KATHLEEN (MORGENSEN '76) LIZER, 2744 College Dr., Blair. Ken is Dana's director of alumni relations.

1965

Stacy Melissa, born October 9 to ROGER and Edith ROBERT, 3517 N. 101st St., Omaha (68134) Roger is an investment broker at Van Horn Investment Company.

1962

Cynthia, born July 20 to MR. and Mrs. WILLIAM BRACKER, Box 235 S, RR 5, Lawrence, KS 66044.

Heidi Alison, born in August to DR. and Mrs. CHARLES REEG, Whittier, CA. She joins a sister, Kristin, 4. Charles is assistant professor of chemistry at Whittier College and vice-chairman of the faculty.

BIRTHS Sons

1973

Frederick, born September 26 to Steve and BARBARA (GOLTRY) Baier, 2932 Keith Dr., Sanford, NC.

1969

Kent, born September 24 to Curtis and LINDA (AKERS) Dow, Rt. 1, Dows, IA 50071.

1967

Derek Charles, born September 20, to MR. and Mrs. CHARLES JOHANSEN, Avenue Du Manoir, 107, 1410 Waterloo, Belgium.

1966

Deon Warren, born June 16 to DONALD and PATSY (FAHRENKRUG '67) HOFFMAN, Rt. 2, Box 30, Missouri Valley, IA. He joins brothers Dan, 9, and Dave, 6.

Peder Mark, born November 13, to JAMES K. and NONA (HEETLAND) JENSEN, 216 S. Michigan St., Prairie du Chien, WI 53821. He has a three-year-old brother, Kurt Andrew. James is pastor at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Prairie du Chien.

1965

Lee Martin, born October 5 to DONALD and Myra Jo DREYER. They live in Longmont, Colorado, where Donald is a veterinarian.

DEATHS

1977

JERRY SULLIVAN, who attended Dana part of his freshman year, was murdered in September 1975 near Navarro, California, while hitchhiking. His story was told in a recent Associated Press release by his father, Mike Sullivan, a copy editor on the *Long Island Press*. Police are still looking for the suspect, a hitchhiker seen with Jerry shortly before his death.

1976

PAULA BOYD, who attended Dana her freshman year, died on July 13, 1975, after she had been injured in a motorcycle accident on July 4. Her death came shortly before she was to be married to KENNETH WALCK, whom she had met at Dana. Both were students at Iowa State University in Ames. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don H. Boyd, live in Roland, Iowa 50236, where their address is Box 289. Kenneth Walck graduated from Iowa State last May and is an aeronautical engineer with McDonnell-Douglas Aircraft Company in St. Louis, Missouri. His address is 6548 Serenity Circle, Apt. F, Hazelwood, MO 63042.

1963

JACK HILL, an English teacher and department head at the American International School in Vienna, Austria, died in Florida on October 16 of a brain tumor. He and his wife ANN (BREHM '64) and daughters Courtney, 8, and Carrie, 6, spent part of last summer in Nebraska visiting

family and friends, including those in Blair and at Dana. Ann and the children returned home to Austria at the end of July, and Jack went to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, to visit friends before following them. There he became ill, was hospitalized, and had surgery on August 10. Ann and his mother, Mrs. Desley Taylor of Auburn, Nebraska, were with him. Ann and the children live at 47 Billrothstrasse in Vienna. Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society.

1947

BETTY ANDERSEN, a guidance counselor at Bryan Senior High School in Omaha, died of cancer on December 14. Survivors include brother Ernest Andersen, Blair; and two sisters, Helen Andersen, Seward, Nebraska, and DORIS ANDERSEN '50, secretary in Dana's Public Relations Office.

1928

MRS. PAUL (INGFRID) NYHOLM, Blair, died of cancer on December 1. She and her husband, professor emeritus of theology, have been closely associated with the College and Trinity Seminary for many years, and she will be remembered by alumni and faculty for her warm hospitality, vivacity, and affection for Dana. Survivors include her husband, Dr. Paul C. Nyholm, 823 N. 25th, Blair; daughter Mrs. Glenn (Ellen) Staack, Bellevue, Nebraska; and sons GUNNAR '56, Yutan, Nebraska, and PAUL '57, 14 Hillendale Road, Elkhorn, Nebraska. Memorials are suggested to the Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute or to the Dana College library.

1926

The Rev. HAROLD S. MADSEN of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, died on November 15. His wife EMELIA (JENSEN) preceded him in March 1972. Pastor Madsen served congregations in Sleepy Eye, Minnesota; Portland, Oregon; Pass Lake, Ontario; Viborg-Irene, South Dakota; and Hamlin, Iowa; and was a visitation pastor in Charles City, Iowa. Survivors include Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Madsen and family, 1109 N. Harlem Avenue, Sioux Falls, and Miss RUTH MADSEN '59, 6196 Aga Street, San Diego, California.

1924

The Rev. KAJ NYEGAARD, who retired in 1955, died on August 2 in Salem, Oregon.

Dr. Reuben Poston, 63, of Kenosha, Wisconsin, and dean of the college at Dana from 1957 to 1960, died of a heart attack November 2. He was professor emeritus at Carthage College. Mrs. Poston died August 6. Surviving are a son, Tom, of Kenosha, and a daughter, Barbara Poston, of Iowa City, Iowa.

Mrs. John (Marie) Hansen, 83, of Bettendorf, Iowa, died November 17. She and her husband have been long-time friends of the College. Survivors include her husband, 710 River Drive, Bettendorf; two daughters, Mrs. Berg Madison of Moline, Illinois, and Mrs. D. R. Dort of Brownsville, Texas; and two grandsons.

Dr. C. B. Larsen '15, professor emeritus of theology, died on December 15. A member of the Trinity Seminary faculty from 1926 until his retirement in 1955, he was very influential in the theological thinking of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Survivors include his widow, 655 N. 23rd, Blair; daughters Mrs. Lyle (Agnes '45) Paulsen, 2931 E. Adams, Tucson, Arizona 85716, and Mrs. Peter (Lydia '46) Beckman, 1418 40th Street, Rock Island, Illinois 61201; and sons Ezra '43, 3450 Emerson, Boulder, Colorado 80302, and Philip '49, 653 N. 21st, Blair.

Calendar of Events

January 28
Interim ends.

January 31
Second semester classes begin.

January 31-February 2
Central District Council meeting, Elk Horn Hall Conference-Retreat Center.

February 4-6
Readers' Theater, 8 p.m., Alumni Memorial Auditorium.

February 14
Piano recital, Dr. Alan Brandes, 8 p.m., Alumni Memorial Auditorium.

February 21-22
Dr. Kenneth Hamilton Morrison, Staley Foundation Distinguished Christian Scholar Lecture Series, February 21 at 8 p.m. in Dana Hall Auditorium, February 22 at 9 a.m. in Alumni Memorial Auditorium and 8 p.m. in Dana Hall Auditorium.

March 18
Spring break begins at end of classes.

March 24-25
Dr. James Dunn, University of Nottingham, lectures on "Jesus and the Holy Spirit," March 24 at 3 and 8 p.m., March 25 at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

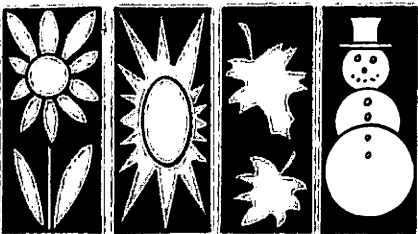
March 28
Classes resume.

April 7
Easter recess begins at end of classes.

April 11
Classes resume.

April 15-17
Molière's *The Would-Be Gentleman*, Dana Players.

April 17
Dana College Home Choir Concert, 7:30 p.m., Alumni Memorial Auditorium.
Parents' Day.



NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

Alumni, friends, and past members of the Dana coaching staff are invited to submit nominations for membership in the Dana College Athletic Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame was established in 1976 to honor and recognize outstanding former Dana athletes and individuals who have made significant personal contributions to the athletic programs of the College. The first members, inducted at the 1976 Homecoming, are Marion Hudson '56, E. Merton Jensen '34, Robert Jensen (basketball scorekeeper for 25 years), Stanley M. Jensen '35, Neil Moore '54, and Arthur W. Sorensen '49.

To be eligible for consideration, the nominee must: (1) have participated in and earned a varsity letter in one or more intercollegiate sports while a student at Dana, or have made exceptional contributions in time or talent toward improving the athletic programs at the College; have distinguished himself in such a way as to bring great honor to himself, his profession, and his alma mater; and (3) be removed from varsity athletic participation for at least fifteen years. Consideration of memberships to be awarded posthumously will also be made.

A committee of alumni, former coaches, and staff members will select those to be honored from the nominations submitted. The awards will be presented at the Homecoming Reunion Luncheon on Saturday, October 7, 1977.

To make a nomination, simply complete and return the form below or write to Dana's Alumni Office. Nominations must be received by April 1.

NOMINATION FORM THE DANA COLLEGE ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

(See award criteria above.)

Please complete and mail this form to the Alumni Office, Dana College, Blair, Nebraska 68008. All nominations must be received by April 1, 1977.

Your Name _____

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

NOMINEE _____

ADDRESS (if known) _____

NOMINEE'S RELATIONSHIP TO DANA: Alumnus/Alumna (year) _____

Former coach _____ Current coach _____ Other _____

Reason for nomination (use separate sheet if necessary): _____

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THE DANA COLLEGE CHOIR ON TOUR

The Dana Choir will be heading south through Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas in March presenting concerts on the following dates:

Friday, March 18

Zion Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.
Everest, Kansas

Saturday, March 19

Free Date

Sunday, March 20

Morning Worship Service Concert
Atonement Lutheran Church
Overland Park, Kansas

Evening Concert, 8 p.m.
Christ the King Lutheran Church
Dodge City, Kansas

Monday, March 21

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Tuesday, March 22

Open

Wednesday, March 23

St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.
Taylor, Texas

Thursday, March 24

Open

Friday, March 25

Open

Saturday, March 26

Free Date

Sunday, March 27

Morning Worship Service Concert
Christ Lutheran Church, San Antonio, Texas

Evening Concert
St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Brenham, Texas

Monday, March 28

First Lutheran Church, 8 p.m.
Longview, Texas

OTHER CONCERT APPEARANCES

Sunday, February 27 (Evening)

Augustana Lutheran Church
Omaha, Nebraska

Sunday, April 3, 7:30 p.m.

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church
Council Bluffs, Iowa

Sunday, April 17

Home Concert, 7:30 p.m.
Alumni Memorial Auditorium on Campus

Sunday, April 24, 7:00 p.m.

Calvary Lutheran Church
2941 N. 80th, Omaha, Nebraska

