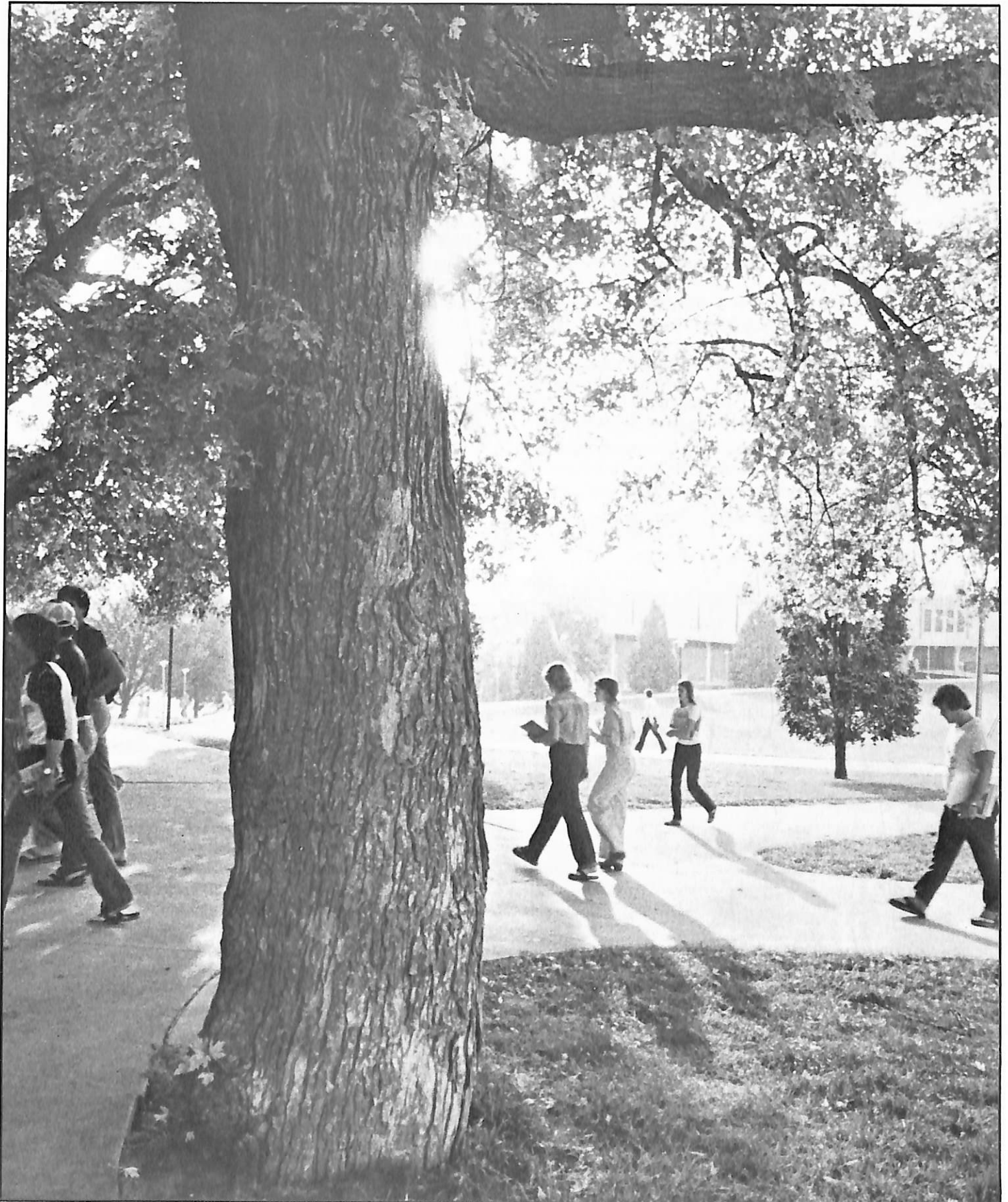

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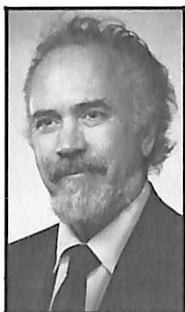
Greetings, Friends in Christ!

What a magnificent time to be at Dana! Days of destiny unfolding! On the eve of our Centennial, at the dawn of our second century of service, Dana College throbs with renewed vitality, straining for the opportunities of the future!

As I write this, Graduation 1982 is only days off — the Governor of the Great State of Nebraska, Charles Thone, will be here, speaking to Dana's largest graduating class in about a decade! These young people, now completing their fourth year here, came in the fall of 1978. A dark time it was. Enrollment had slid downward for seven straight years. Down from an all-time high in 1969 to less than 400 the spring of their freshman year, 1979. A dark time it was. But that was why many of them came! To reclaim Dana! To rebuild it! A sense of commitment, an enthusiastic personal pledge to be part of a restored vision, a renewed dream, brought them here. I spoke to one young woman, asked her why she came to Dana four years ago, when enrollment was declining, tides of red ink washing across the ledger pages — what led her? And the answer, "We were needed."

Profound! Humbling! Exciting! Needed they were! And worthwhile their coming! A fading school reborn, an immigrant dream of a century ago affirmed! And now the largest graduating class in almost a decade, and now the Governor coming — and that is but the beginning!

Within months, God willing, within months ground will



Marty Is Visiting Theologian

Dr. Martin E. Marty, regarded by many as this country's most influential Protestant theologian, spoke on "The Christian Contest with Humanisms" here on April 18-20. Marty's lectures, which brought a large number of visitors to the campus, concluded the third year of Dana's Visiting Theologians series. Marty is associate editor of *The Christian Century* and *Fairfax M. Cone Distinguished Service Professor* at the University of Chicago. Here he discusses issues with Dana students over dinner.

The cover: "And what is so rare as a day in (May)." With the C. A. Dana-LIFE Library in the background, students head in several directions on their way to class. Photograph by George Gardner, Hillsdale, New York.

be broken on a superb new Performing Arts Center — a music area for our choir and our band, a little theater for our drama classes. And when that is done, the restoration of Old Main to her pristine power and beauty of old. And when that is done, a Chapel!

Friends, these are exciting days on Dana's soil! That conviction of the senior class, a class which came during troubled times because "We were needed!" is the challenge to you out there, Dana classes of old — you too are needed! If the Dana dream is to unfold on schedule . . . if our exciting building plans are to become steel and brick and plaster, then you too are needed!

Why do we dare ask for you to make a difference? Because Dana is worthy! Education is not facts and figures alone, the mastery of courses, the absorption of data. It is that, of course, but it is more. There is nothing redemptive in education alone. For education to be liberating, life-forming, uplifting, it must be grounded in moral and spiritual truth — it must be grounded in the cross and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ! Philosophers can ask the question, "What is mankind?" But only the cross of Christ can fully answer it. Our worth, our value, is laid bare in the fact that God has loved us, given His Son for us. Our ineffaceable dignity is grounded not in the fact that we have colored television nor can send rockets to the moon. It is grounded in God's high esteem and unending search for us. We are loved! We are claimed! We are owned by Another! To that truth Dana is dedicated. Help us, hold up our arm in the arena of education!

In Jesus' name . . .

Dr. James Kallas, President

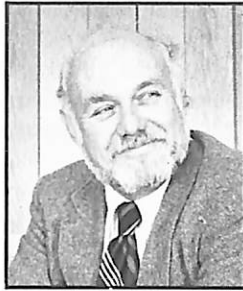
Professors Weckmuller and Bansen Receive Honors

Weckmuller Is Professor of the Year

Students have named Dr. Ray Weckmuller '52 their "Professor of the Year." His selection was announced by Student Body President Bob Schmoll '83 at the annual Honors Banquet on May 6.

In presenting the award to Weckmuller, who has taught in the education department since 1958, Schmoll quoted from comments students made on their nomination forms. One wrote, "He cares for students and is interested in them and their activities. He attends sports events, supporting students there. He teaches well, conveying his message to the students so that they can understand. He is straightforward in all respects. He truly cares about the all-around growth and education of students. He's a great person."

Another wrote, "I believe he conducts his class in a professional way. He also helps students understand his subjects. He is able to talk to students in a relaxed atmosphere and yet keeps it relevant to the subject matter. In out-of-class relationships he is willing to speak with the students, but he also remains in a position of authority."

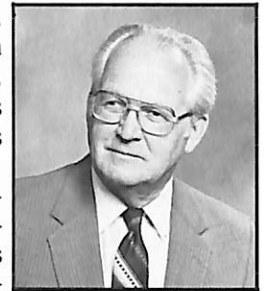


Bansen Is Given Honorary Degree

Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, gave an honorary doctor's degree in humanities to Norman C. Bansen '47, professor of English and Danish, at its May 23 commencement. Bansen has taught at Dana for nearly 30 years.

The citation read at the award ceremony said that "Dana College has benefited from Norman Bansen's long years of service. He has written on many aspects of Danish life at home and abroad, and he has helped to make the college a center of Danish-American activities. For this, he was named a Knight of the Order of Dannebrog in 1970. The campus of Dana College has been beautified by his efforts to install Danish gas lamps and to plant Danish beech trees, German lindens, and Norwegian pines symbolizing the diverse origins of the American Lutheran Church. His love of literature and his interest in people have made him a friend of many contemporary writers and have made them in return the friends of Dana College. . . .

"... the lives of students, colleagues, the whole Dana College community, and the Church have been enriched by the varied contributions of this modest, warm-hearted and humane Christian scholar. Norman Bansen exemplifies the values of the Christian liberal arts college."



Scottish Theologian Speaks in November

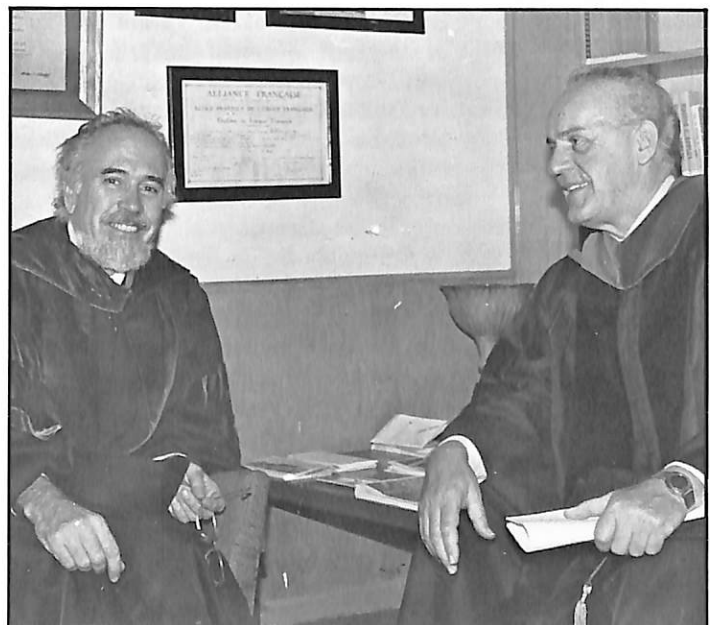
Dr. James D. G. Dunn, a Scottish theologian at the University of Nottingham, England, will open Dana's 1982-83 Visiting Theologians Program in November with a series of lectures on "Crisis Points in the Earliest Christian Expansion/Mission."

He will speak in the Dana Hall of Science Auditorium at 8 p.m. Sunday, November 14; at 3 and 8 p.m. Monday, November 15; and at 9 a.m. Tuesday, November 16. He will also speak in chapel at 10 a.m. on Monday.

Dunn, a New Testament scholar, trained for the ministry in the Church of Scotland after attending the University of Glasgow, where he received an M.S. in economics and statistics and a B.D. He received his Ph.D. from the University of Cambridge.

He served in a Glasgow parish and was a chaplain to overseas students at Edinburgh before being appointed lecturer in New Testament studies at Nottingham in 1970. He was appointed a reader in theology there in 1979.

Dunn's publications include *Baptism in the Holy Spirit, Jesus and the Spirit, Unity and Diversity in the New Testament, and Christology in the Making*. He is currently working on a commentary on Paul's letters to the Christians in Rome and on a larger project on the beginnings of Christianity.

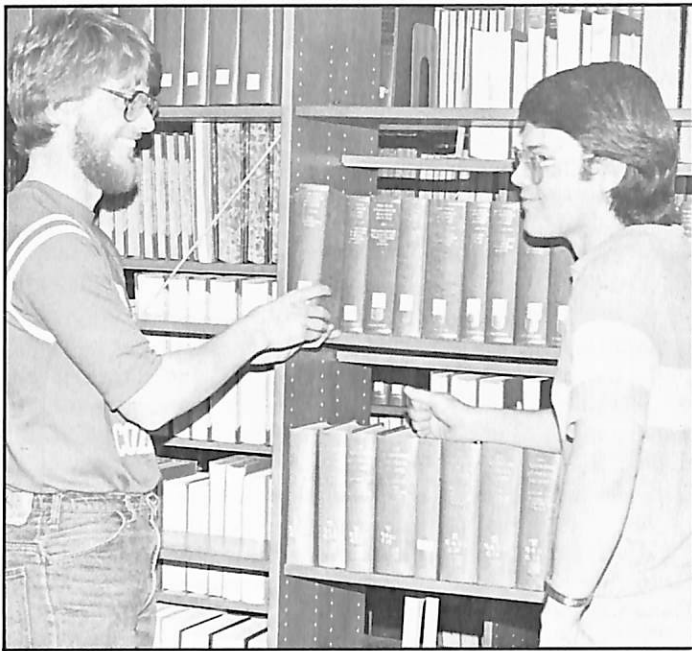


Commencement Weekend Highlights

President Kallas and Governor Charles Thone of Nebraska, this year's Commencement speaker, headed the traditional academic procession across the campus from Pioneer Memorial to Borup Coliseum. Here they visit in Dr. Kallas's office before the ceremony. At Commencement Kallas presented Thone with Dana's College-Community Service Award "in recognition," Kallas said, "of his continuing efforts to maintain and improve the 'good life' which is enjoyed throughout the greater Nebraska community."

Centennial Fund Progress Report (as of May 14): Gifts and pledges toward our \$6 million goal stand at \$2,708,103. The three-year drive ends in 1984, Dana's centennial year.

History Majors Win Awards



Award-winners Grorud (left) and Quale in library's history section.

For the second year in a row, a Dana student has received a "best paper" award at the annual three-state Student History Conference at the University of South Dakota, Vermillion. This year's conference, the seventeenth, was held in April.

At the conference Scott Grorud's "The Peasants' War and Martin Luther" was named the best paper on European history. Grorud, a senior from Great Falls, Montana, received a certificate and check to be spent on history books of his own choosing for the Dana library.

A history and humanities major, Grorud wrote the paper for a class on the Reformation Era taught by Dr. Delvin Hutton.

At last year's conference Tom Quale's "Whose Era of Good Feelings?" was judged the best paper on American history. Quale '83, an English and history major from Fort Collins, Colorado, wrote the paper specifically for the conference. He also received a certificate and check that allowed him to select history books for the library.

Students and faculty members from ten colleges and universities in South Dakota, Nebraska, and Iowa participated in this year's conference.

Urdahl Is New Dean of Students

Alumnus Mike Urdahl '76 became Dana's new dean of students on June 1. He replaces Dean Dave Martin, who has resigned because he plans to enter private business.

Urdahl was a Dana admissions counselor and assistant football coach before he joined the staff of the Blair Bank several years ago. Earlier, as a Dana student, he was a member of the residence hall staff.

In announcing Urdahl's appointment, President James Kallas said that "Mike's dedication to Dana and his capacity for hard work are well known to all who know him and have come to appreciate and respect him. We are positive that he will make an outstanding contribution in his new position."

Soeur/Frere/Soeur

The blood we share is the least.

We three,

surging through our veins,
have more than red.

We have green.

Printemps green of you,

Autumn green of me

have melded into summer, evergreen.

Verdant laughter

Emerald tears

have grown for us the grass of years,

have sown for us the wheat

that we now replant

replant

replant

For many new rows on rows of seedlings

have come since our harvest.

We are far-reaching fields apart,

yet roots intertwine beneath parental soil,

Holding us secure, with room to turn ourselves with the
sun.

Joie de vivre, glistening in the sun.

Suzanne Lazzaro

One Day . . .

One day

the father will take his son by the hand

and walk through glass-glazed streets

to stand before a shop window

filled with mechanical toys

maybe he will take the express train

and, amid the rhythm of electronic music,

in a small cafe,

enjoy synthetic sustenance,

the rainbow colored foam

of uncertain substances.

Strangely motivated by foreign poisons in his blood,

he and his son

will leave the cafe

and walk through the dustless, glass-glazed streets

to a building

from whose revolving doors

blows the breath of a thousand years.

He will guide his son,

showing him this and that,

and finally

point to a glass case (Do not touch)

Look, my son. A tree . . .

from the German of Ilona Bodden

translated by Karen Kreutzian

Both of these poems appeared in this year's Sower, the student literary magazine. "Soeur/Frere/Soeur" received the Joseph Langland Award as the best original poem in the Sower, and "One Day . . ." received the Kaj Munk Memorial Award as the best translation.

Langland is a poet who lives in Massachusetts. He founded the Sower when he taught at Dana. Danish author and pastor Kaj Munk was killed by the Nazis during World War II.

Suzanne Lazzaro, whose home is in Rockford, Illinois, graduated this spring. Karen Kreutzian is from Eaton, Colorado. She will be a senior next fall.

Folk Dancers Perform On NETV's "Hand-Me-Downs"

A film crew from Nebraska Educational Television (NETV) spent May 4 on campus filming the Dana Folk Dancers for a three-part series on folk arts of the Plains.

The program, called "Hand-Me-Downs," is being written and hosted by folklorist Roger Welsch, a former Dana faculty member who now teaches English and anthropology at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

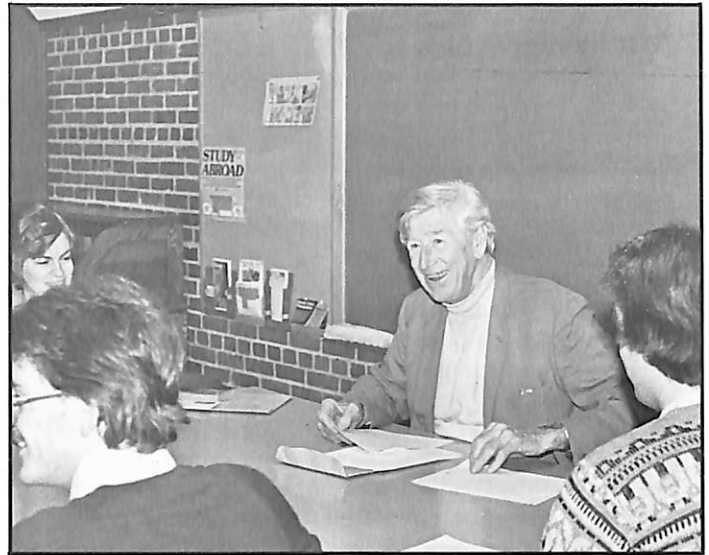
Welsch was at Dana with the film crew, and he talked about the series. It was being made, he said, "because Nebraskans have indicated to NETV that they'd like to see more programs made in and about the state."

Welsch said that the Dana group will appear in the second part, which will stress the importance of folk music and dance. Other performers in this segment include German folk dancers in Scottsbluff, fiddle players in central Nebraska, Omaha Indians at Macy, and Croatian dancers in Omaha.

The role of the Dana Folk Dancers in preserving the Danish heritage is different from that of the other groups, Welsch said, because "the Dancers are a symbol, an ikon, of the college's Danishness to the outside community."

He said that the first program in the series will be on material folk art, such as carving, egg painting, and quilting. The third program will be about festivals and "includes family Christmas gatherings and families that get together for sausage making, county fairs, religious festivals, and community ethnic festivals."

Welsch hopes that the series will be ready for airing by late fall or early winter. It will be shown first on NETV, he said, and other educational television stations across the country might show it later.



LARP Author Discusses Book

Author Frederick Manfred was a campus visitor on April 7 and 8. He discussed his novel, *Lord Grizzly* (a Liberal Arts Reading Program selection), at an all-campus LARP session, and also met with a history class and another in creative writing (pictured). *Lord Grizzly* is the story of mountain man Hugh Glass and his 200-mile crawl after he had been mauled by a bear and deserted by his companions, and of his quest for revenge. The novel's conclusion is set at Fort Atkinson near Blair.

Sophomore Composes Song Cycle

Reading Emily Bronte's poem, "No Coward Soul Is Mine," for a January Interim class called "The Two Emilys" has led sophomore Larry Lazzaro to compose a song cycle for voice and piano based on poetry by women.

"Because I fell in love with 'No Coward Soul,'" Lazzaro says, "I decided to set it to music. After I sang the song at my voice recital this spring, Dr. Brandes of the music department suggested that I publish it. But the song is very short, so I decided to make it part of a feminist-humanist song cycle.

"It's going to be my summer project," he says. "Other poems that I want to include are Sylvia Plath's 'Lady Lazarus,' one by my sister, Suzanne, who graduates from Dana this spring, and possibly some by Edna St. Vincent Millay and Emily Dickinson (the other 'Emily' in the Interim class). I've dedicated the Bronte song to Professor Luella Nielsen [42], who taught the Interim class, and I also want to dedicate the others to women in my life."

Lazzaro has transcribed the Bronte song for a coloratura soprano with a mezzo range. Soprano Amy Nichols '82 has advised him on such matters as range. "I want to make the cycle difficult to sing," he says, "so that when it is performed, it will be done well."

He brings to his project five years of voice training, piano lessons, experience as a performer, and classes in music theory at East High School in Rockford, Illinois, and at Dana.

Lazzaro reports that the song cycle isn't his initial attempt at composition. His first project, one that has taken several years and is near completion, is a mass — a choral work with solos — that's based on the Roman Catholic Ordinary.



College Holds Peace Symposium

A Peace Symposium on April 5-7 sponsored by Dana's Special Events Committee featured three speakers — a Lutheran, a Catholic, and a Quaker; a Peace Fair; and several workshops on topics ranging from "The Involvement of the Churches" to "The Situation in El Salvador."

Kathy Gerking, a senior from Brock, Nebraska, organized the symposium.

The principal speaker on the first day was Dr. Herman Diers, professor of religion at Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa, whose main address was on "Security in a Nuclear Age." Diers has spoken widely on this subject. He has also been active in Dana alumnus Art Simon's *Bread for the World* program.

The main address on the second day was by Frank Cordaro of Des Moines, who spoke on "Resisting the Bomb in a Faithless Age." Cordaro has completed studies for the Catholic priesthood and is working on a doctorate of ministry at Presbyterian San Francisco Theological Seminary.

On the third day Weston Webb of Grand Island, Nebraska, spoke on "The Society of Friends — Concerning Peace." Webb, who has been a member of the National Friends Service Committee, attended the Paris Peace Talks in the early 1970's.

Student participation included a performance of *Dunbar's Bremen*, "a morality play for the nuclear age," and a prayer vigil.

About Estate Planning . . .

One of the most exciting days in my nearly eight years at Dana occurred on Saturday, May 15. About 60 persons gathered in the Campus Center to officially recognize the Charter Members of our DANA BUILDERS organization. Some of our friends came from Denver, Wisconsin, Illinois, Minnesota, and many other spots closer in. The campus was showing its best face, with all the trees leafed out and flowers in bloom.

Dr. Roald Kindem, director of the Office of Communication and Mission support from the American Lutheran Church headquarters in Minneapolis, was our keynote speaker. He cited six people of purpose during his 30 years of work with the church who have made a critical difference and have done God's will through their own wills. They showed their love of God, he said, by caring for future students. After Kindem spoke, three Charter Members of the BUILDERS responded by describing their feelings about the College and reasons why they have included Dana in their estate plans.

Dr. Kallas read from the plaque the names of the 100 Charter Members who have included Dana in their estate plans. As of this writing two days later, three more persons have identified themselves. We are very grateful to all who have remembered the College in their estate plans, and are very happy to be able to recognize these persons and honor them during their lifetimes through the DANA BUILDERS.

If I can be of help to you in your estate planning, I would be most happy to do so.



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Commencement Weekend Highlights

Speakers at the Builders Luncheon were (from left): the Rev. Lawrence Siersbeck '22, former Dana president (Kenosha, Wisconsin); Eugene L. Meyer, executive director of college relations; the Rev. Roald Kindem, director, Office of Communication-Mission Support, the American Lutheran Church (Minneapolis); Marjorie Kathmann '65 (Denver, Colorado); President Kallas; and Judge Walter Huber (Blair). The walnut and brass plaque lists charter members.



Campus Notes

Jim Olsen '62, art, has received a Fulbright grant to attend a seminar in Amsterdam this summer on art and culture in the Netherlands. His art department colleague, Milt Heinrich, was a Fulbright participant last summer in the same program.

An emerald ash, a gift from Professor Emeritus Aagot Hoidahl of Excelsior, Minnesota, has been planted near Borup Coliseum.

Dr. Delvin Hutton, Greek and religion, is participating in a summer seminar for college teachers at Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, from June 14 to August 6 on "The Interaction of Judaism and Early Christianity." The seminar, led by New Testament scholar William Davies, is sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Gene Pibal, business administration and accounting, has been elected to the board of directors of the Omaha chapter of the National Association of Accountants. As a director, his area of responsibility is educational projects, including scholarships.

The Dana Jazz Ensemble and guest artist Roy Wagener gave concerts in April at the Pla Mor Ballroom in Lincoln, Nebraska, and at Dana. A Lincoln resident, Wagener is a tenor saxophonist, originally from New Orleans, who has had his own jazz band. The composer of "Graduation Day," Wagener has also played with Pete Fountain's and Al Hirt's well-known groups.

Alumni Board Elects Officers

Members of the Alumni Board elected the following officers to one-year terms at their May 15 spring meeting: president, Ken Anderson '63; vice-president, Pastor Thorvald Hansen '43; and secretary, Paul Hundtoft '76. All three live in Blair.

Anderson was recently re-elected to another three-year term on the Board. Hansen was re-elected last year, and Hundtoft is in the second year of his first three-year term.

In addition to Anderson, four other alumni on the ballot in the spring *Review* have been elected to three-year terms on the Board: incumbent Helen Hansen Sorenson '68 of Crescent, Iowa, and three new members — Jane Olson Owen '65 and Bradley Schweer '74, both of Omaha, and Philip Larsen '49 of Blair.

Campus events this spring included a discussion of the current energy outlook by Dr. Donald Bruning '66 of Phillips Petroleum; a series of programs on creationism and evolution by Dr. Carl Bailey, Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota (as a part of Dana's Faculty Theological Development Program); a recital by soprano Rebecca Copley of New York City; a dramatization of Finnish poetry by Finnish actress Maija-Leena Ervasti; a concert by Alinchino 2, a chamber group composed of cellist David Low and pianist Jackson Berkey; a demonstration of Danish bobbin lacemaking by Mrs. Elie Steffensen of Omaha; an illustrated lecture by George Briggs, director of the Nebraska Statewide Arboretum, on "Landscape Design through the Years"; and lectures on "Educational Problems of Native American Children" by Marvin Buzzard of the Nebraska Indian Commission and "Myths and Realities of Danish Immigration" by Dr. Frederick Hale of the University of Oslo.

Bodil Strom Johnson '61, Danish and German, has been elected vice-president of the Nebraska chapter of the National Association of Teachers of German.

The Literature Group of the Institute for Great Plains Studies recently discussed two papers by John Mark Nielsen '73, English. One was on early missionary work among the Cherokees by N. L. Nielsen, as reported in *Kirkebladet* (the newspaper of the Danish Church Association in America) in 1892. The other was a translation from the Danish of a journal by Ole Nielsen, an early settler in Dannebrog, Nebraska, written at the turn of the century.

Dana junior Bob Schmoll of Las Vegas, Nevada, was one of 41 students across the country who qualified for participation in the after-dinner speaking event at the American Forensics Association's National Individual Events Tournament in Mankato, Minnesota. He placed in the middle range. Schmoll, together with freshman Christie Olson of Underwood, Iowa, also competed in the National Novice Forensics Tournament at the University of Nebraska at Omaha in April. (A novice is anyone in his or her first year of competition in an event.) Schmoll came in first in after-dinner speaking, and Miss Olson placed fifth in prose interpretation. Students competed from 13 colleges and universities in Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri, and Nebraska.

Blair Firm Provides Car

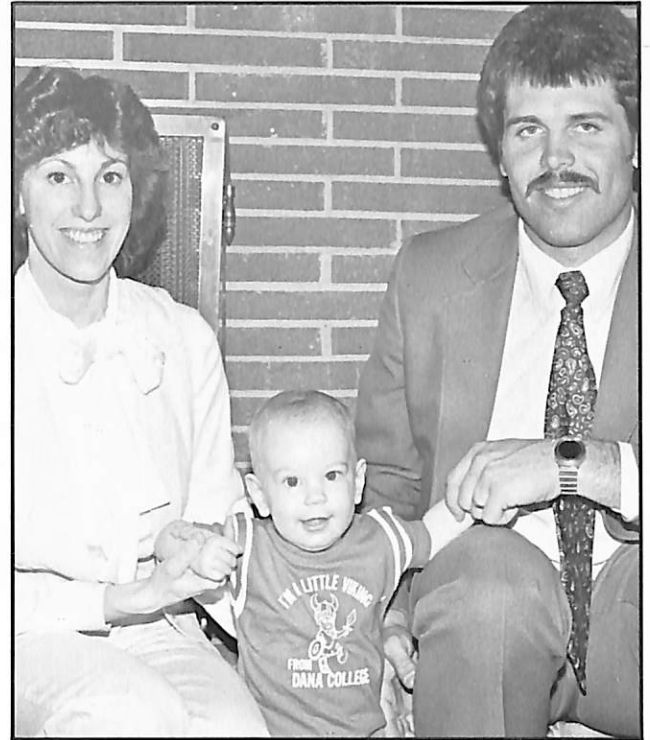
Vinton Motors of Blair has found a unique way of supporting Dana College.

For the past four years, the long-established local firm has provided a car, at no cost and with free maintenance, for President Kallas.

The car that Kallas currently drives is a new, gray 1982 Oldsmobile Delta 88.

Pictured here with the car — note "Go Dana" license plates — are (from left) Bob Vinton, Gordon Vinton, Eugene Meyer, executive director of college relations, Keith (Kayo) Vinton, and President Kallas.

In expressing their thanks to the Vintons, Kallas and Meyer agreed that providing the car is "a great way to help Dana."



Little Viking T-Shirts Are for Alumni Babies

Caitlin Anne Urdahl, flanked by parents Diane (Kniep '75) and Mike '76, models a red and white "I'm a Little Viking from Dana College" T-shirt in her Blair home.

Dana has started a program to give shirts like this one (size, 18 months) as gifts to alumni sons and daughters born on or after January 1, 1982. The project was initiated at the suggestion of the Alumni Board to encourage alumni to send birth announcements for "Destiny's Deep Sea" in the *Dana Review*.

If you'd like to have a T-shirt for your baby, please send an announcement or a note to Sharon Gordon in the Office of College Relations. She'll mail a shirt to you and then give your announcement to the *Review* editor.



Sports

A Season's Roundup . . .

Brosnihan Joins Coaching Staff



A campus press conference was held on April 15 to announce Brosnihan's appointment. At table (from left) are Coach Peterson, Coach Brosnihan, President Kallas, and Dr. Clifford Hanson, dean of the college.

Tom Brosnihan, former assistant basketball coach at Creighton University, Omaha, signed a contract in April as head coach of men's basketball at Dana for the coming year.

In announcing Brosnihan's appointment, President James Kallas called him "one of the most successful basketball coaches this area has produced."

Brosnihan, who will also be an assistant professor of physical education, said that "Dana offers the things that are very important to me — a family atmosphere and an excellent academic program. We'll be looking for the student-athlete who can play basketball. We're going to have fine, competitive basketball teams here in the next couple of years."

Brosnihan takes over the head coaching job from Paul Peterson '41, who announced several months ago that he had asked to be relieved from coaching duties. Peterson has had a 40-year career at Dana.

"I'm very fortunate to be able to follow a man like Coach Pete," Brosnihan said. "He's made a tremendous contribution to coaching and education."

A native of Omaha, Brosnihan is a Creighton Prep graduate with B.S. and M.A. degrees in history from Creighton University. He started his coaching career at Creighton Prep, and in his ten years there as head coach compiled a 170-win, 45-loss record. His teams claimed two state championships and twice finished runner-up in the state tournament. He was an assistant coach at Creighton University for eight years under the winning programs of Eddie Sutton and Tom Apke.

Brosnihan is a popular guest speaker at midwest state high school basketball clinics and is credited for developing Nebraska's mini-clinic program.

This was a good news-bad news season for **baseball** coach Dale Lemon and his Vikings. The good news — a new school record at 28-13 and an NIAC co-championship at 10-2 (the eighth time in 13 years that Dana has either held or shared the championship) — outweighed the bad, the weather.

Rain throughout the season caused cancellations and re-scheduling. Then Dana, because of the team's record, won the right to host the NAIA District 11 playoffs, with Dana, Kearney, Wayne, and Bellevue competing for the District 11 championship. Rain every day, however, brought postponements, and no games were played. Finally the coaches of the four teams selected a team to represent the District at NAIA Area 3 playoffs in Tulsa. In their balloting Dana lost by one point to Wayne.

Three Vikings were named to the NAIA District 11 all-star team: seniors and repeat selections Dale DeBuhr of Beatrice, Nebraska, and Mitch Lane of Council Bluffs, Iowa, and transfer student Jeff Ellis, a junior from Rapid City, South Dakota.

DeBuhr had the highest batting average in the District, .467, and led the District with 47 runs batted in, 52 runs scored, and 63 hits. Lane was second with 46 runs batted in and 41 runs scored. Ellis hit .361, had 30 RBIs, and scored 30 times.

District coaches named DeBuhr the District's Most Valuable Player.

Women's softball, after several seasons as a club sport at Dana, assumed varsity status this year. The team's record was 11-11, and Coach Kathy Foley is looking forward to a good season next year.

She reports that only two players — Kerry Garrels of Mount Pleasant, Iowa, and Ronda Newman of Omaha — were seniors. Omahan Felicia Collins '83 was named to the all-district first team.

The golf team, led by medalist Tim Barber '83 of Oak Park, Illinois, had a good season, placing third both in the NIAC and NAIA District 11 meets.

Coach Paul Peterson says that Barber, who has made all-conference for three years, tied for first in conference.

Mike Clark, a Blair freshman, and Iowan Theresa Rew, a Council Bluffs sophomore, highlighted this year's **outdoor track** season.

According to Coach Ron C. Johnson, Clark did very well in the 400- and 200-meter events, and Miss Rew was skilled in the high jump. At district finals Clark placed third in the 200-meter event. Miss Rew was part of a five-way tie for third in the high jump, but because of misses ended up in sixth place, Johnson said.

Coach Paul Peterson reports that the **men's tennis team** placed fifth in the NIAC and seventh in NAIA District 11. Kevin Wurzer '83 of Fredericksburg, Iowa, had a winning season of #4 singles, Peterson says, and Mark Jackson '85 of LaVista, Nebraska, was #3 singles in the conference.

Women's tennis players Mary Frohs '85 of Englewood, Colorado, and Val McCoy '84 of Storm Lake, Iowa, did well both in #1 doubles and in singles play — Miss Frohs in #1 singles and Miss McCoy in #2. The women's team, however, placed last in conference.



Commencement Weekend Highlights

Distinguished Alumni Lawrence Siersbeck '22 (center), Dana's president from 1938-44, and Bonnie Hagedorn Jensen '70, executive director of American Lutheran Church Women, were honored at the Alumni Association's Recognition Dinner on May 15. With them are the three who presented their awards: (from left) President Emeritus C. C. Madsen '31, President Kallas, and Dr. Mark Thomsen '53. Thomsen, director of the Division for World Mission and Inter-Church Cooperation of the American Lutheran Church, was given an honorary doctor of divinity degree at Commencement the following day. He and Mrs. Jensen are former colleagues at St. Peter Lutheran Church in Dubuque, Iowa.

Dear Friends and Fellow Alumni,

It is an interesting desk. It is made of a light, fine-grained wood with a natural finish. It is not so old as desks go, perhaps 34 or 35 years. It still has a good finish, though in spots (especially where it is veneered) it is chipped. There are some small scratches and in places it looks as if someone might have kicked it.



I like the desk: it is large enough so that I can spread out work on its top and it has good, deep drawers and some tablets of wood that slide out to provide even more work space.

The desk was moved into my office when another one was donated for use in the President's office.

That is another reason why I like it. I feel it is steeped in history and somehow it helps me to keep some perspective about Dana as the years move by.

This desk came to Dana in 1948 as a new piece of furniture for Pioneer Memorial. I was a freshman student, just discharged from the Army, when it was moved into Dr. R. E. Morton's office. It must have been a proud day in his life — Dana's first new building in about 20 years and new furniture to boot!

As "Rick" Morton sweated through the puzzles of North Central accreditation, the discussions of the effect on Dana of church mergers and the many other problems that go with the office, he must have spent many hours at the desk and let his tired head rest on its hard top as he wondered, as all presidents wonder, if the budget would balance.

Dr. C. C. Madsen, my mentor, next sat at the desk. "Cliff" and "Rick" are both from Luck, Wisconsin, and are classmates. I have wondered how many times humble yet confident Cliff Madsen folded his hands, bowed his head to the desk top and prayed for the strength and wisdom, courage and faith to go on.

Did he lock the desk, forget his key and then chip the veneer as he tried to pry the drawers open? As he sat at the desk and pondered the need to come up with the money for nine new buildings in his terms as President, did he ever get tired and snooze awhile?

Dr. Earl Mezoff was the first lay president to sit behind the desk. He came to Dana at a time when severe problems were beginning to plague this small college where he found himself in his first presidency. As problems compounded themselves, and nothing seemed to work, he surely faced the burdens of severe disappointment and frustration as he sat at the desk.

And when Dr. Mezoff emptied the desk and prepared to move to another college presidency, Dr. Bert Glass moved in his paper clips and pens and pencils and papers and used it during his hard year — the year of the presidential search. A demanding year — when the lights were on early and late, and there was more to do than there was time to do it.

And the desk was emptied again in August 1978 as Dr. James Kallas arrived with vigor — bringing promises of blood, sweat, tears and rebirth.

As Jim moved in, I wonder if he looked at the desk and somehow sensed the ghosts of the feelings of the four who had used it before him. Each one had been forced to face the crises of their peculiar times in office and had been driven to both frustration and to prayer by the heavy responsibilities of that office.

I know that as he faced the challenges of his first year (and certainly those that have followed), Jim burned the lights late and early and pondered the deep and real problems that it was his lot to face and work to overcome.

My years as a navy chaplain taught me that the loneliest man on the ship, and the man most weighted down with care and responsibility is the Captain, the commanding officer. He is a person who *must* make decisions, knowing that he will not always be right. Don't envy him!

It is the same with those men who sat behind this desk when it was in the President's office. Long hours . . . hard decisions that had to be made . . . often more criticism than praise . . . more misunderstanding than understanding . . . more problems than solutions . . . more drudgery than glory.

We who love Dana owe those harried, often weary, sometimes lonely men whose portraits hang in the Campus Center's Presidents Room more than I can easily express.

But I still wonder who kicked the desk.

Maybe they all did!

John Beck
Director, Alumni Affairs/Development



Commencement Weekend Highlights

Thirteen seniors received Campus Service Awards at the May 15 Recognition Dinner. They are (from left): Donnalee Prillaman (Security, Colorado), John Ragan (Blair), Amy Nichols (Atlantic, Iowa), Paul Meeker (Dubuque, Iowa), Carol Olsen (Atlantic, Iowa), Curtis Fett (Sioux City, Iowa), Jennifer Jensen (Audubon, Iowa), Scott Rasmussen (Blair), Suzanne Lazzaro (Rockford, Illinois), Scott Grorud (Great Falls, Montana), Colleen Dutch (Omaha), Kathy Gerking (Brock, Nebraska), and Craig Shaffer (Woodbine, Iowa). As class valedictorian, Grorud spoke at Commencement the next day.



JOBS AND PROMOTIONS

1975

GARY ERBES graduated from the University of Iowa College of Medicine in May 1981 and is doing a family practice residency at Black Hawk Area Family Practice Clinic in Waterloo, Iowa. His wife, ELIZABETH (PETERSEN '77), works in design and management at Simpson Furniture in Cedar Falls. They live at 224 Byrn Brae in Waterloo (50701).

Dr. LAYNE JOHNSON has been appointed senior research microbiologist at Polybac Corporation in Allentown, Pennsylvania. Formerly a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Oklahoma, Norman, he has published technical papers on the microbiological degradation of toxic wastes. He and his wife, Deb, live at 44 Fairway Lane in Wescosville, Pennsylvania 18106.

KENNY and DAWN QUALLY '76 SMITH have moved to Bloomfield, Nebraska 68718, where their address is 911 South Broadway. He works in insurance as agency manager for the Farmers and Merchants State Bank of Bloomfield.

1970

JAMES L. PAULEY is chief engineer of Helena Laboratories Corporation in Texas. A widower, he is the father of 3-year-old twin boys.

1968

SUSAN SHADLE Owen is director of vocational and business occupations for the State of Kansas. Her husband, Jeffrey, is assistant professor of speech and hearing at the Kansas University Medical Center.

1967

Dr. PAUL DOERDER has moved to Cleveland, Ohio, where he is an associate professor of biology at Cleveland State University. He lives at 3136 Washington Road (44118).

1963

MARY CLAUSEN Canman teaches first grade at Jefferson Lighthouse School, a school for the gifted and talented in Racine, Wisconsin.

1962

Pastor KENNETH A. JENSEN has accepted a position as pastor of Atonement Lutheran Church in Muskego, Wisconsin. He and his wife, BONNIE (NELSON '65), live at W. 148 S6831 Durham Drive in Muskego (53150).

1961

Pastor GARY and MARJORIE STANSBERRY '65 DANIELSON recently moved from Stewart, Minnesota, to 602 Roaring Cloud Circle in Luverne, Minnesota 56156. He serves Grace Lutheran Church in Luverne.

1952

Wilbur and WILMA CHRISTIANSEN Quelle have expanded their LPC Solar business to include the fifth company Dealers Service Center in the nation, for LPC, Incorporated, of New Richland, Minnesota.

PUBLICATIONS, ACTIVITIES, HONORS AND AWARDS

1977

University Press of America recently published a book by JOHN HIBBING titled *Choosing to Leave: Voluntary Retirement from the U.S. House of Representatives*. He teaches in the political science department at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

1976

DENNIS NELSON testified recently at an Illinois Department of Agriculture public hearing in favor of an ecological pest management program to control the gypsy moth. He lives at 537 West Evergreen Street in Wheaton, Illinois 60187.

1973

Pastor WARREN NIELSEN has been active in the nuclear weapons disarmament movement and is a peace and justice activist. His address is 1080 Sylvia Circle, Paso Robles, California 93446.

1970

JAMES CLEMMENSEN, manager of the claims legal department for a large insurance company in Phoenix, Arizona, was recently appointed by the governor of Arizona to serve on the Governor's Committee of Twelve, whose purpose is to create new laws relating to workers' compensation. He has also been a faculty instructor dealing with programs that give lawyers education credits, and has written an article for a national trade publication.

RON HUTTON was recently certified by the American Board of Industrial Hygiene in the compre-

hensive practice of industrial hygiene. He is currently manager of health and industrial hygiene for Petrolite Corporation in St. Louis and was recently elected to the office of president-elect of the American Industrial Hygiene Association, the St. Louis section.

1963

GARY LEBECK, an agent with the Robert W. Verhille agency of Kansas City Life Insurance Company, Marion, Iowa, has been listed among the company's 25 leading agents for 1981.

1951

LYLE JACOBSEN, professor of accounting at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, writes that "Last spring I had a sabbatical leave and spent two months in Spain (I am still fluent in Spanish), France (I learned French in Tahiti and at Dana before that), and Italy (I was stationed in Trieste, Italy, during the Korean war). My excuse for being there was to research in museums and libraries the use of knotted string records as accounting devices in ancient civilizations. Made good progress and will have an article published this year on it and more in the future. It's particularly rewarding research because it links accounting with anthropology and archaeology, ethnology, etc."

1940

Pastor JAMES OLSEN, who has served Calvary Lutheran Church in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, for the past 11 years, has retired. He and his wife, Verna, have moved to Loveland, Colorado 80537, where they live at 120 E. 22nd Street. He is a member of the Dana Board of Regents.

Dr. ADOLPH VAMMEN has been elected treasurer of The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists for a three-year term. He is a clinical professor of obstetrics and gynecology at the University of Oklahoma Tulsa College of Medicine. In addition to currently serving on the staff at Hillcrest Medical Center and St. John Medical Center in Tulsa, he is the past chief of the department of obstetrics and gynecology for both centers. He is also on the board of directors of the Oaks Indian Center in Oaks, Oklahoma.

1936

MARION PETERSON Anderson writes that "We went to Norway, Sweden, and Denmark in July 1981. We visited a good many of the old cathedrals in which the 1935 choir sang — Ribe, Horsens, Kolding, Copenhagen, Roskilde, etc. Visited an artist on Fanø and bought another of his paintings — after all those years!"

1934

SEVERIN SORENSEN was the 1982 Arbor Day Honoree, and a tree was planted in his honor at Arbor Lodge, the home of Arbor Day, in Nebraska City, Nebraska. He has been active on the Nebraska City Park Board and the Tree Board.

1920

AARON JENSEN of Canton, Texas, a science teacher at Dana in 1926-27, was a teacher and counselor at Southern California until his retirement at the age of 65.

MARRIAGES

1981

CHRISTI MULINIX and PAUL HILGENKAMP '78, June 20, 1981, in Rosalie, Nebraska. They live at 426 Park in Grinnell, Iowa 50112.



Seniors Reign at Mayfest

Elizabeth Miller (Blair) and Craig Shaffer (Woodbine, Iowa) were this year's Mayfest queen and king (front). In their Mayfest Court were (from left): row 2 — Connie Kennedy (Wahoo, Nebraska), Jennifer Jensen (Audubon, Iowa), Laura Broeker (Tonawanda, New York), Danette Johns (Cook, Nebraska); row 3 — Mark Friis-Hansen (Caruthers, California), Joel Kimm (Norway, Iowa), Scott Rasmussen (Blair), and Scott Grorud (Great Falls, Montana).

BIRTHS

1978

Kraig Alan, born January 4, 1982, to Alan and DEBBIE PETERSEN Schjodt. Grandparents are T. RICHARD and Marylou PETERSEN '52 and Harald and RHODA IVERSEN '50 Schjodt. Alan, Debbie, and Kraig make their home on a farm at Route 1, Blair.

1976

Lars Tyler, born April 7, 1982, to Laurids and JUDI LARSEN Pedersen. They live at 3070 Westridge Drive in Blair.

Patrick Michael, born April 13, 1982, to MIKE and DIANE BRADLEY STEWART. He joins a sister, Melanie, 3.

Caitlin Anne, born August 17, 1981, to MIKE and DIANE KNIEP '75 URDAHL.

Elise Sue, born February 25, 1982, to DAVID and SANDY ROCHLITZ '75 WEST.

1975

Lars Peter, born January 5, 1982, to GARY and DIANE LARSEN MADSEN.

1974

Brent, born May 12, 1982, to LOIS HANSEN Borkowski and her husband.

1973

Erin Elizabeth, born February 13, 1982, to Robert and DEBORAH NORDLUND Feldman. She has a sister, Megan Renee.

Joshua Philip, born March 1, 1982, to John and PHYLLIS KUHLMANN Schwab. Sister Krista Lea is 2½. Their address is Box 207, Curtis, Nebraska 69025.

1972

Christopher Charles, born November 28, 1981, to Charles and DEEDEE SHERMAN Anderson,

26250 Galen Drive, Wyoming, Minnesota 55092. His parents both teach in the Forest Lake School district.

Tamara Dana, born November 20, 1981, to ROGER and CAROLYN DUMKE CARLSON. She joins sister Kelly, 6, and brother Nathan, 3.

1970

Bradley James and Leslie Ann, born February 15, 1981, to JAMES and Lorraine BREHM.

DEATHS

1928

CLEMONS VIG, April 19, 1982. Funeral services were at Blair's First Lutheran Church with Dana President Emeritus C. C. Madsen and Pastor Kurt Sortland conducting the service. He was the son of P. S. Vig, an early president of Trinity Seminary, Blair. Vig graduated from law school in Chicago and practiced law in California before returning to Blair. Survivors include two brothers, ARNDT (Bill) '35, 816 Garfield Avenue, Albert Lea, Minnesota 56007, and VICTOR '40, Route 5, Box 166, Broken Bow, Oklahoma 74012; and a sister, RUTH '37 (Mrs. A. H. Olsen), RR 2, Box 19, Lazy #a, Colville, Washington 99114. Brothers Eli, Stein, and Clarence preceded him in death.

Vig was a veteran, and the American flag that adorned his coffin was presented to Dana at the spring Alumni Board meeting on May 15 by grandniece Caroline Christensen '84 and nephew Lloyd Olsen. The flag was used the next day at Commencement.

Parents: September 25 is Parents Day at Dana. Please reserve the date!

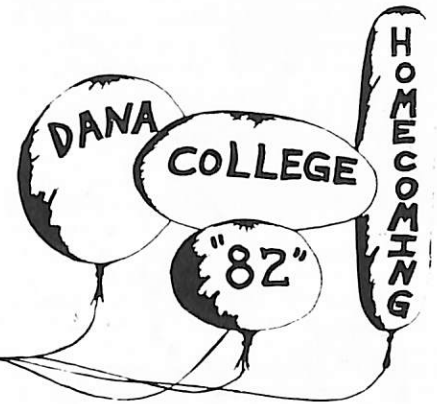
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Homecoming Committee Makes Plans

"Almost Anything Goes" is the theme Homecoming Committee members have chosen for the October 22-24 weekend. Elected members, who have already met several times with Sharon Gordon (front left), director of special projects, are: (front row, from top) — Julie Elliott '83 (Minden, Iowa), Diane Heistand '84 (Woodbine, Iowa), Kris Iske '83 (Omaha), Lynne Moline '83 (Manson, Iowa); (back row, from top) — Kevin Johnson '83 (Omaha), Jill Christensen '83 (Blair), Jill Rogert '85, co-chairperson (Blair), Diane Lauritsen '84 (Exira, Iowa), Pam Robinson '84 (Ocheyedan, Iowa), and Scott Bogardus '83 (Manitou Springs, Colorado). Not pictured — Randy Hagedorn '83, co-chairperson (West Point, Nebraska), Cory Curran '84 (Omaha), Jeff Ellis '83 (Rapid City, South Dakota), and Jon Bansen '85 Yamhill, Oregon).

Reunions: Classes of '57, '72, '77, Golden, and '35 choir.

