

# DANA REVIEW

## Inauguration tops Homecoming weekend

**H**omecoming weekend October 3-5—complete with blue skies, crowds of alumni, a variety of reunions and programs, and a football victory—was climaxed by the Sunday afternoon inauguration of Dana's sixteenth president, Dr. Myrvin Christopherson, a 1961 Dana graduate.

Joining administrators, faculty members, student representatives, and current and former regents in the inaugural procession were delegates from Nebraska colleges and universities, several other Lutheran colleges, Pacific Lutheran Seminary, Lutheran Church in America, the American Lutheran Church, and the ALC's Board for College and University Services, the Iowa District, and the Central District.

The director and associate director of the ALC's Division for College and University Services and the LCA's equivalent also participated.

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, where Dr. Christopherson has been a faculty member, and Palmer College of Chiropractic, where he has served as a board member, were also represented.

Also in the procession were Blair Mayor Stanley Jensen and Alumni Council President Erling Schultz '55, as well as delegates from Blair's First Lutheran, United Methodist, and Congregational Churches, several Central District congregations, and Dana alumni who are pastors in other ALC districts.

Regents Chairman Royce Ronning, who presided over the inauguration ceremony, presented Christopherson with the college's insignia of office, a ceremonial medal.

Other participants in the ceremony included Bishop Dennis Anderson of the LCA's Nebraska Synod, Bishop Wayne Weissenbuehler of the ALC's Central District, and Dana's Campus Pastor Terry Cassell.

Also on the program were Dr. Alan Brandes, organist, the Dana Choir, directed by Dr. Richard Palmer, and the Brass Quintet, directed by Michael Anderson.

After President Christopherson's inaugural address (see following text), Dr. Bernard Matthies, chairman of the Faculty Senate, responded for the faculty, and Student Body President Steven Godwin responded for the students.

A reception in the E. C. Hunt Campus Center featured Danish pastries served by costumed members of the Dana Folk Dancers. The setting for the reception was created by Ramould Nezolik of the maintenance staff.

U.S. Senator Paul Simon '49 was master of ceremonies at a pre-inaugural luncheon for delegates and members of the Christopherson family. »

## The inaugural address Christopherson: "Why I came home"

**R**egents, Distinguished Guests, Colleagues, Students, Alumni, and Friends of Dana College, Welcome!

In the fall of 1957 my mother and father brought me by car from our home in Milltown, Wisconsin, to begin my first year of college. When they left me to return to Wisconsin, we were standing in front of North Hall (now called Elk Horn Hall). My Dad shook my hand and said, "Well, son, if you can't stand it, you can always come home!"

Well, I stayed and grew as I came to love Dana and learned here. Some talk about it as The Dana Difference and lately I've been calling it The Dana Advantage.

Now, 29 years later, I'm back in Elk Horn Hall (a condition that I hope to remedy soon when my family can join me from Wisconsin and we can be together in a home here in Blair).

Now, I am in a sense returning home, not because I couldn't stand it elsewhere, but because I found something very special here that I would like to share with my family and with students in greater numbers throughout our region and beyond.

I came to Dana in 1957 because Dana was the college of my church and the young people in my community I most admired had come to Dana.



At the inaugural reception: Dr. and Mrs. Christopherson with Senator Paul Simon.

I also came because my pastor, Rev. A. E. Neve, brother of Emeritus Professor, Dr. Paul Neve, had attended Dana and encouraged me to attend.

So, I came because influential people gave me to believe that Dana was the college for me.

Of course, I could not have come without the support and encouragement of my parents. Mother and Dad assumed I should go to college, and Dad took an extra job as custodian of our church for \$65 a month so that I could stay here. My Dad is here today, soon to be 86.

Mother couldn't make it. She died two months ago, three weeks after I came to Dana as president. She looked forward to this day. My wife helped her pick out the navy blue shoes she would wear today. Dad said she admired the shoes several times in the hours before she died. Today I utter a prayer of thanks for her.

As Dana Professor John W. Nielsen told me, at the death of one's mother, a man, regardless of age, is just a little boy. I can only say what I would if she were here today, "I'll try to do my

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Introducing the Christopherson family: With their parents at the inauguration are (from left) Berit—14, Bjorn—10, Nisse—6, and Kirsten—18.

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Ann (Harms '54) George, Editor/Director, Alumni Affairs

Campus photographs by Nathan Kramer '88, Tim Matz '87, Mark Olsen '89, Burke Petersen '81.

## Enrollment improves

Enrollment is up this semester. According to Registrar Verlan Hanson '51, Dana has 464 full and part-time students this fall, compared to 418 a year ago.

Some of Hanson's other statistics: Dana has 116 freshmen this year, 27 more than in 1985-86. The new Weekend College has also helped enrollment (see story on page 4). Retention has also improved, with 88 percent of all students eligible to return re-enrolling this fall, compared to last year's 84 percent.

Hanson reports that current students represent 25 states, with the majority from Nebraska and Iowa. Six foreign countries are also represented: Denmark, Ethiopia, Italy, Japan, Namibia, and Norway. »

## Former president's home sold

The home of former president James Kallas was sold in September to LeRoy Kuhn of Valley, Nebraska.

Originally acquired by the college through a combination purchase-contribution arrangement, the property was to be used as a residence for the president. It was later sold to Kallas as a private residence. When Kallas was relieved of his duties as Dana's president, the property was returned to the college.

The September transaction included the sale of the house, stables, and 90 acres for \$381,000.

Kuhn is chief executive officer of First Data Resources in Omaha. A brother and his family live in the house; they raise thoroughbred horses. »

## An invitation to Sights and Sounds

Holiday festivities begin at Dana on December 7 this year with the popular "Sights and Sounds of Christmas."

Alumni and friends are invited. For a schedule, write or call Public Relations (402) 426-7216. »

## Five join regents

Five new members have been elected to the college's Board of Regents: Dr. Elwin Farwell, Dana's fifteenth president, and four alumni—Roger Christensen '61, Earl Fries '38, Don Jorgensen '60, and Peter Smith '58.

Farwell, who lives in Decorah, Iowa, was president of Luther College from 1963-82. He came to Dana as acting or interim president in March 1985; last spring the Board of Regents named him president in recognition of his service to the college.

Christensen, a resident of Milton, Ontario, Canada, is president and chief executive officer of NSD Limited. His wife, Susan (Neu), is a former employee of the college's development office.

Fries, of Des Moines, Iowa, was vice-president of Northwestern National Insurance Co. until his retirement.

Jorgensen, a Poy Sippi, Wisconsin, resident, is vice-president of R-Line Foods, Inc. He is married to Dana alumna Joyce Vasby '60.

Smith is president of Peter W. Smith and Company of Chicago. His wife is the former Janet Langefeld '60.

Other regents are: Elsie Burklund, Omaha; the Rev. Howard Cole, Ann Arbor, Michigan; William Gibbs, La Jolla, California; David Graven, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Richard Hunt, Blair; Herbert Knudsen '63, Bay Village, Ohio; Dr. Robert Mandsager, Marshalltown, Iowa; the Rev. James Olsen '40, Loveland, Colorado; Judge Jane (Hendrick '73) Prochaska, Omaha; Dr. Royce Ronning, Lincoln, Nebraska; the Rev. Alton Schwandt, Beatrice; Senator Paul Simon '49, Washington, D.C.; Donald Swanson, Omaha; James Taylor, Blair; Dr. Wayne Weissenbuehler, Denver, Colorado; and Marguerite Westfahl, McCook, Nebraska.

Advisory members are: Dr. Glenn Nelson, director, Division for College and University Services, the American Lutheran Church, Minneapolis; Erling Schultz '55, Omaha, alumni; Steve Godwin '87, students; and Dr. Bernard Matthies, faculty. »

## From the President

Dear Alumni and Friends of Dana:

Thank you for your prayers, your gifts and your wishes of goodwill for me, my family and all of us here at Dana College as I assume the sixteenth presidency of Dana. What a profound responsibility I feel as I take over this important office. I ask God daily to help me.

Since coming here, I've asked, "What does it mean that Dana is a college of the church?" To be sure, we have chapel three times a week, have a student congregation, Ekklesia Koinonias. We begin meetings and dinners with prayer, and we call a campus pastor to oversee the spiritual life of our students and to minister to the entire community. We require courses in religion as part of our regular offerings, and we ask that Dana faculty and staff share in and support our mission as a college of the church.

Is that all? No, we are also related to the national and regional church. For example, the American Lutheran Church, meeting in convention in Minneapolis this fall, elected five new regents and authorized us to increase the number of regents from 21 to 24. We receive annual funds, over \$150,000, from our national church and also receive other gifts from the Central District and from congregations of the District and throughout the nation who send gifts or provide scholarships for Dana students. While the total funding from all of these sources in the church is a small fraction of our \$5 million annual operating budget, these are nonetheless very critical and much-appreciated gifts. Without them the cost of Dana would be much less affordable.

So, you can see that there are many ways in which we relate to the church and maintain our identity as a college of the church, and we will continue to do so as we move into the new ELCA, where we will enjoy a relationship with the Nebraska Synod and a partnership with Midland Lutheran College, our LCA college located in Fremont, Nebraska. We will work in partnership to serve students in the Nebraska Synod and beyond. We both serve an important mission as colleges of the church and we reach out to students, Lutheran and others, to prepare them for a lifetime of service and enlightenment. There is no less need today for either than there has been in the past.

So, thank God, Dana College is a college of the church. We have our heritage in the church. The Danish pioneers who founded Trinity Seminary and later Dana College here in Blair, Nebraska, and 100 years ago this October erected Old Main on a hill west of Blair—thus establishing one of the most beautiful college campuses in

the midwest—did so out of a deep sense of purpose. They wanted to provide pastors and church workers and later teachers and liberal arts graduates who would enter a wide range of careers and professions.

All who have attended Dana cannot help but recognize that the faculty and staff, the curriculum and the programs offered here are chosen to carry out a mission of education inspired by the church of Jesus Christ. Our choirs sing praises and our community meets regularly to call for His blessing and guidance. Recently, when we lost one of our most beloved servants, Dr. Ray Weckmuller, we grieved together and called upon Jesus Christ to heal and fill our loss, but we also thanked God for Ray's long and devoted service, his rich contributions as a member of the faculty. We rejoice in the knowledge that he goes to a greater peace in the kingdom of heaven.

Yes, there is much that makes us a college of the church. That does not, of course, mean that everyone here shares that identity as fully or completely. Our students behave no differently in the dormitory, necessarily, because we are a college of the church. We continue to accept young people who meet our qualifications for admission and receive them from all backgrounds and experiences. Some of them behave better, more maturely, and more to our liking than do others. What we know is that we ask God to help us glorify Him by providing opportunities for all who come here to grow in learning and in faith. We seek to become the best liberal arts college of our size and type anywhere, and I believe that we are among the best of the liberal arts colleges. I have never encountered more devoted, more capable faculty and staff, better teaching, anywhere; and I have taught and/or studied at several great universities throughout the world.

Those of you who are alumni and friends of Dana College can be extremely proud of what we have here.

We hope that those of you who have been touched by this college of the church will keep us in your prayers and in your support. We hope that you will make it your plan to send us a student every year, if possible, and that you will give of your means to help endow this college with the ability to continue to serve with distinction as a college of the church. Pray for us. Give to us. Help us position ourselves for strength as we move into a new church and prepare for the twenty-first century. A part of what makes us a college of the church is that you who are alumni and friends are, with us, an extended congregation of Jesus Christ. Thank you for remembering our Dana.

Myrvin F. Christopherson  
President

## Dana Fund launched...

Goal is \$2.34 million

The college has launched a two-year drive called the "Dana Fund" aimed at raising \$2.34 million to support and expand existing programs. With the slogan "Positioning for Progress," the Fund's objectives are to complete Phase III of the renovation of Old Main (remodeling first, second, and third floors of the interior central section and north wing), and to strengthen, support, and expand such critical areas as student financial aid, computer facilities and services for instruction and administration, the library, campus religious programs, student activities, career counseling and placement, and campus accessibility.

As with the successful Centennial Fund, the Dana Fund started on the local level, with a faculty-staff drive and the Washington County Appeal beginning at the same time.

At this writing, two-year pledges by members of the faculty and staff and

professors emeriti total nearly \$60,000.

The campus effort is part of the broader Washington County Appeal headed by Dana Regent Jim Taylor, a Blair businessman. At press time, total pledges to the Appeal amount to over \$150,000, with much yet to be done. Results will be reported in the winter *Review*.

John Beck, director of development, describes the campus and community response as outstanding, "exceeding even our best expectations. We hope that when the Washington County Appeal portion of the Dana Fund is finished in December, the amount pledged for two years will be three times as much as last year's gifts. That will tell others across the country how our campus and community feel about the college."

After the local effort, the drive will expand to other parts of the country through local direct appeals and Phonoramas in as many as 25 cities and geographical areas. »



Calling for the Dana Fund at the college's new phone bank are (from left): Dave Waite '72, Paul Hundtoft '76, Mike Jones '71, and Clifford Hanson '44.

### About this issue of the *Review*

As a cost-cutting measure and to give the *Review* a new look, we've changed to a tabloid format.

We welcome your comments and suggestions. Please send them to the *Review* editor. »

### Bequests total \$600,000

Late this summer the college received two estate gifts that together total approximately \$600,000.

The first, estimated at \$400,000, is from the estate of the late Jim Jensen of Omaha. A Danish immigrant who owned and operated Pioneer Towel and Linen Supply Company, Jensen had a special attachment for Dana because of its Danish heritage.

During his lifetime Jensen visited the campus and was a generous benefactor. At the death of his immediate family, the college has again benefited from his generosity.

The other gift remains a mystery to Dana administrators. When the college received notice that it had been named beneficiary in the estate of Willy Andersen of Fort Pierce, Florida, a check of records of alumni and friends yielded no information about him. He was also a Danish immigrant, and perhaps his interest in Dana was sparked by its heritage.

The Andresen bequest includes \$180,000 in cash and real estate assets as well as ten crates of jewelry, porcelain, silver, coins, and other miscellaneous collectibles whose value has not yet been determined.

President Christopherson described both bequests as especially encouraging. "To be able to begin my administration with this kind of support is unexpected and reassuring," he said. "I hope other friends of Dana will recognize the importance of estate planning and will follow the examples of these two generous men." »

### Son of first football coach sends gift in parents' honor

A generous contribution to the college by Dr. and Mrs. Axel Bundgaard of Burnsville, Minnesota, was accompanied by this letter:

Dear Dr. Christopherson: Dr. Farwell's farewell message in the spring issue of the *Dana Review* caused us to take seriously the thoughts he expressed. My wife, Ann, and I lean strongly toward Lutheran higher education. Both of us are Lutheran college graduates (Augustana, RI and Midland Lutheran). Both of us served or are serving on Lutheran faculties; my wife teaches at St. Olaf; I just recently retired from St. Olaf; and I also held a faculty position at Wartburg. So our roots run deep in Lutheran higher education and we are sympathetic to the cause of Lutheran colleges.

Remembering that my father, Lawrence C. Bundgaard, served as Dana's first football coach, and my mother, now 93, probably cooked and served Dana's first football banquet in our house across the road from the practice field east of the campus, we give this check to Dana in their honor.

We pray for the resurgence of Dana's contribution to its constituency and to higher education. This modest gift, hopefully, will help in this renewal process. May God bless your leadership and efforts in this regard.

Warmly,  
Axel C. Bundgaard

## ABOUT DEVELOPMENT

Dear Danians,

These last few weeks Dana has celebrated the inauguration of a new president, launched a \$2.34 million campaign, and begun to adjust to the new federal tax legislation.

### Dr. Christopherson welcomed

The Dana and Blair communities have welcomed Dr. Myrvin Christopherson and his family to our hearts as well as to our hill. He has literally been busy day and night getting to know Dana and the Blair community.

Warmly received by both campus and town, he has been speaking to civic groups and actively involving himself in campus and community life.

### 1986-88 Dana Fund

The 1986-88 Dana Fund appeal officially began on October 8 with an announced goal of \$2.34 million over the next two years.

Subtitled "Positioning for Progress," this appeal is designed to care for a variety of Dana's needs between now and the fall of 1988 when a larger capital campaign is expected to be launched.

The needs which will be met range from completion of the renovation of Old Main (over \$500,000 has already been spent on Old Main as a result of the Centennial Fund), strengthening of our student life programs, landscaping of the campus area west of Old Main, installation of a new telephone system, strengthening of our scholarship/financial aid programs, support for the installation of our new computer facilities, and underwriting Dana's other continuing needs.

It is clearly urgent that we work together to reach and exceed this goal.

All approaches will be used in the appeal, from area campaigns in selected cities to telephone and mail appeals for two-year pledges for those out of range of the area campaigns. Everyone will be asked for generous two-year pledges—both larger and smaller donors.

During the same period at these events, we will be personally introducing Dr. Christopherson to our friends and alumni. Twenty-five or more events are planned during the next 18 months.

### The new tax law

The new tax law is causing most people to take another good look at their giving—and at when to make their charitable gifts. People are finding that it is usually to their benefit to make maximum gifts before the end of the 1986 calendar year.

For non-itemizers on their tax returns there will be no more itemized charitable deductions after January 1, 1987. But for 1986 these taxpayers for

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Arizona interim students with Danny '88 and Ruthie '89 Hosteen—from left, Napawan Harold '89, Jonna Simms '87, Kristen Sterba '88, Julie Schroeder '87, the Hosteens, and Ann Leistad '87 (story below).

## About new faces and new assignments

**C**hanges this fall in the faculty and staff include new personnel and new assignments for some who have been at Dana for several years.

**English:** New department members are Dr. Mary Zeiss Stange, assistant professor, and Dr. Evelyn McClellan, part-time instructor. Dr. Stange's doctorate is from Syracuse University; Dr. McClellan's is from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL).

**Physical education, basketball:** Willard Baird has been appointed instructor in physical education and head men's basketball coach. His two M.S. degrees are in guidance and counseling (Creighton University) and physical education (Bemidji State).

**Music:** Michael Anderson, part-time instructor for the second semester last year, has been appointed to a fulltime position. Anderson, the husband of part-time voice instructor Jeanmarie (Nielsen '78) Anderson, is working on his doctorate at UNL.

**Danish:** Anni Laursen Baelum is part-time instructor in Danish. She comes to Dana and the U.S. from the Ribe Statseminarium in Denmark.

**Humanities:** Professor James Olsen '61 has been named director of the humanities program. He succeeds Dr. John W. Nielsen '48, who has resigned as humanities director.

**Development:** Michael Jones '71 is a new development associate, taking the place of Bob Schmoll '83, now project coordinator of Dana's Title III program. Ruth (Behrens '81) Schmidt is the new administrative assistant to the director of development.

**Admissions:** Jennifer Jensen '82, an admissions staff member for two years, has been promoted to assistant director of admissions, and Kitty Wooley '81, former administrative assistant to the dean of the college, has been named admissions-financial aid counselor.

New to the staff as admissions counselors are Mark Anderson, a Luther graduate, and Craig Swenson, a 1986 Dana graduate.

Kitty Heimann, former administrative assistant in the development office, is admissions office manager, and former admissions secretary Judy Carmichael has been promoted to financial aid-admissions coordinator.

**Residence Life:** Eric Holey, a Luther graduate, is director of residence life and director of Mickelsen Hall. New residence hall directors and their assignments are: Wendy Nilson, Argo (M.A., University of South Dakota); Sue Schaeffer, Blair (a UNL graduate); and Jacqueline Schultz, Holling (a Westmar graduate).

**Others:** Debbie (Jensen '72) Katt has been named library circulation assistant. Becky Sick is secretary to the dean of the college. Deborah (Peterson '78) Schjodt is evening switchboard operator. David Rasmussen '66 and Edgar Flora are both with campus security. »

## New majors added

**B**ecause of increasing specialization in the workplace, Dana has added to and restructured the business courses it offers.

Gil Ragan, associate professor of economics and business administration, said that "by adding new courses and reorganizing others, we are responding to the needs of prospective employers in the best possible way."

Ragan said that knowing how to use computers is an important job skill, and that the major Title III grant the college recently received will enhance the instructional use of computers in various departments.

He noted, however, that the "job market is flooded with computer programmers. What employers are looking for now are good managers who have a working knowledge of how to use a computer." Several of the business department's new courses, he said, "are designed to prepare our students to assume those types of positions."

The department now offers majors in accounting, business communication, economics, finance, information management, management and organizational behavior, and marketing.

Previously, majors were offered in general business administration, accounting, and economics, either singly or in combination with computer science.

In addition to these new business majors, a new computer science major is being offered by the mathematics department. »

## Weekend College starts

**F**or the student's convenience. That's the biggest reason Dana has started a Weekend College, according to Gil Ragan, business professor and coordinator of the new program.

"We've found that there are a lot of people out there who can't attend day classes because of their job schedules," Ragan said. "Quite often they can't attend night classes either because of work, travel, or family obligations. Our Weekend College gives them a chance to receive a college education."

The program is especially designed for adult students who would like to begin a college education, complete work on a previously started degree,

or add a second major to an already completed degree, Ragan said.

He noted that a student with minimal previous college experience should be able to complete a degree in about three years through the program.

Classes meet for three-hour sessions on Friday evenings, Saturday mornings, and Saturday and Sunday afternoons every other weekend.

The program is off to a good start, Ragan said, with forty-three enrolling this fall.

Majors are being offered in accounting, business communication, communication-broadcast media, computer science, economics, finance, information management, management and organizational behavior, and marketing. Minors are available in business, communication, and computer science. »

## "Rural Intervention" helps farm families

**R**ural Intervention," a new program sponsored by the Lutheran Brotherhood Foundation and Nebraska's three Lutheran colleges—Dana, Midland, and Concordia—is extending help to farmers in financial trouble.

As a participant in the pilot program, Dana is offering a year of courses at no charge to farmers who are in clear danger of losing their farms and who want to make practical career changes that can be achieved with a one-year education program.

The limit for each college is four participants. Three—one man and two women—are participating in Dana's program this year. The college is providing half of their tuition and Lutheran Brotherhood Foundation the other half. »

## Social work interim promotes understanding

**A** January Interim project sponsored by the social work department is described by department faculty members Jan and Richard Potter as another step toward making Dana a place where diversity is actively encouraged and celebrated.

The project will give students an opportunity to spend more than three weeks in Arizona living with Native American families. Arden Dorn '63, a Dana graduate associated with Lutheran Social Ministries of Arizona, is the project's coordinator. He is working with members of several American Indian nations in Arizona to select families in both urban and reservation settings who will open their homes to the students.

Participating students selected through interviews with the Potters are meeting with them during the fall semester to prepare for the experience.

According to Jan Potter, sessions are focusing on "learning to shed one's preconceptions about cultural lifestyles, values, world views and even personal identity to more fully appreciate the richness of Native American traditions."

Dana students Danny and Ruthie Hosteen, members of the Navaho nation, are helping prepare the students by sharing the Navaho perspective with them. The students are also reading about the history and culture of Southwest tribes and studying contemporary social issues relevant to Native American life experience.

Mrs. Potter said that while living with their host families, the students will be expected to participate as fully as possible in the daily rhythms of family and community life. They will be expected to join in helping with family chores and to look for opportunities to participate in community projects. The focus will be on seeing the family and the community as their teachers for that period.

The students will be encouraged "to let go of the Anglo method of learning, which involves asking many questions," Mrs. Potter said, "and to adopt the stance of one who learns through becoming receptive, observing and experiencing new realities without attempting to understand everything with the mind immediately."

After the three and one-half weeks with the host families, the students will join Dorn and the Potters for a seminar at a retreat center on the Papago Reservation in southern Arizona.

At the seminar the students will begin to process the experience—to determine what they have learned, how they have changed, and what questions remain unanswered, Mrs. Potter said. She thinks that many will find their lives deeply affected by the experience.

The students will continue the process of integrating their experiences by writing papers after they return to Dana.

The Potters are hoping that the project will "enhance and increase the communication flow between the Native American community and Dana and will prepare social work students for a better understanding of American Indian cultures." They also hope it might open Dana's doors to more Native American students. »

## Chemistry students learn microscale

A chemical reaction with a quarter of a gram of a reagent and a half a milliliter of a solvent instead of 15 grams and 25mL of solvent? Determine the boiling point of a compound with 5 microliters? These experiments can be done—in fact, are being done—by this year's organic chemistry class.

According to chemistry professor Gene Lindblad, microscale organic laboratory reactions have been done for years, especially where reagents are very expensive or where there are hazards in handling chemicals. These microscale reactions, however, have usually taken place in senior research projects and in graduate schools.

Now, because of the development of equipment and procedures spearheaded by chemists at Bowdoin and Merrimack Colleges, the techniques are available to first-year organic classes as well. Lindblad says that the motivation for Drs. Dana Mayo and Samuel Butcher at Bowdoin and Dr. Ronald Pike at Merrimack to develop microscale procedures was threefold: to reduce environmental hazards in the laboratory by sharply reducing quantities of chemicals, to reduce the cost of chemicals, and to provide better training in research techniques for their students.

But benefits also have their costs, and in Dana's case it is the purchase of the new microscale equipment and increased dependence on instrumental methods of analysis—methods that require expensive equipment, but equipment that most undergraduate laboratories now possess.

At Dana, Dr. Tom Richardson of the chemistry department first raised the question of whether microscale organic chemistry might be feasible for the college. Then a designated gift of \$2,000 to the department made it possible to consider the change very seriously.

Lindblad attended a summer workshop on the microscale laboratory led by Drs. Mayo and Pike, and he says he was sold on the concept. "To be able to do two organic syntheses at the microscale level in a couple of hours instead of two hours each was convincing."

After the conference Dana sent out an order for bids on equipment to supply 12 laboratory stations. The gift money was enough to cover the basic equipment, and the department budget was able to provide the other \$300 needed for peripheral items.

Right now department members and students are working around two pro-

blems. One of the instruments used for analysis, an infrared spectrophotometer, is aged and provides poor but usable spectra. And a liquid chromatograph that Dana shares with a consortium of Nebraska private colleges is on campus only half a semester each year.

The department's gas chromatograph, however, is quite new and working fine, Lindblad reports. So are the ultraviolet-visible spectrophotometer, melting point apparatus, and refractometer. "We plan to undertake a search for a replacement for our infrared spectrophotometer," Lindblad says, "perhaps finding one that a commercial laboratory has taken out of use." The department would also like to have its own liquid chromatograph.

"Regardless of what we don't have," Lindblad comments, "microscale organic is under way, the students are willingly being our guinea pig class, and they're helpful in debugging procedures. Most important, they'll have the confidence that they can compete successfully in laboratory techniques with students from big schools." »

## Artist does sculpture for Omaha Playhouse

Opening Night," a wall sculpture created this past summer by Dana art professor Milt Heinrich for the lobby of the new addition to the Omaha Community Playhouse, is meant to express the "excitement, freshness, uncertainty" of all opening nights.

The Playhouse commissioned Heinrich to do the sculpture in honor of Omahans Edward and Delores Owen, who contributed generously to the construction of the addition.

The 16' by 16' sculpture is Heinrich's first public piece about another art form. Creating it was a challenge, he says, because plays happen within a period of time, have a beginning and an end, while "visual art freezes time."

Dana art student Peter Docken helped him fabricate and assemble the mixed media sculpture over the summer. "This kind of activity," Heinrich says, "is instructional. It would be unfair not to provide students with an opportunity to be involved."

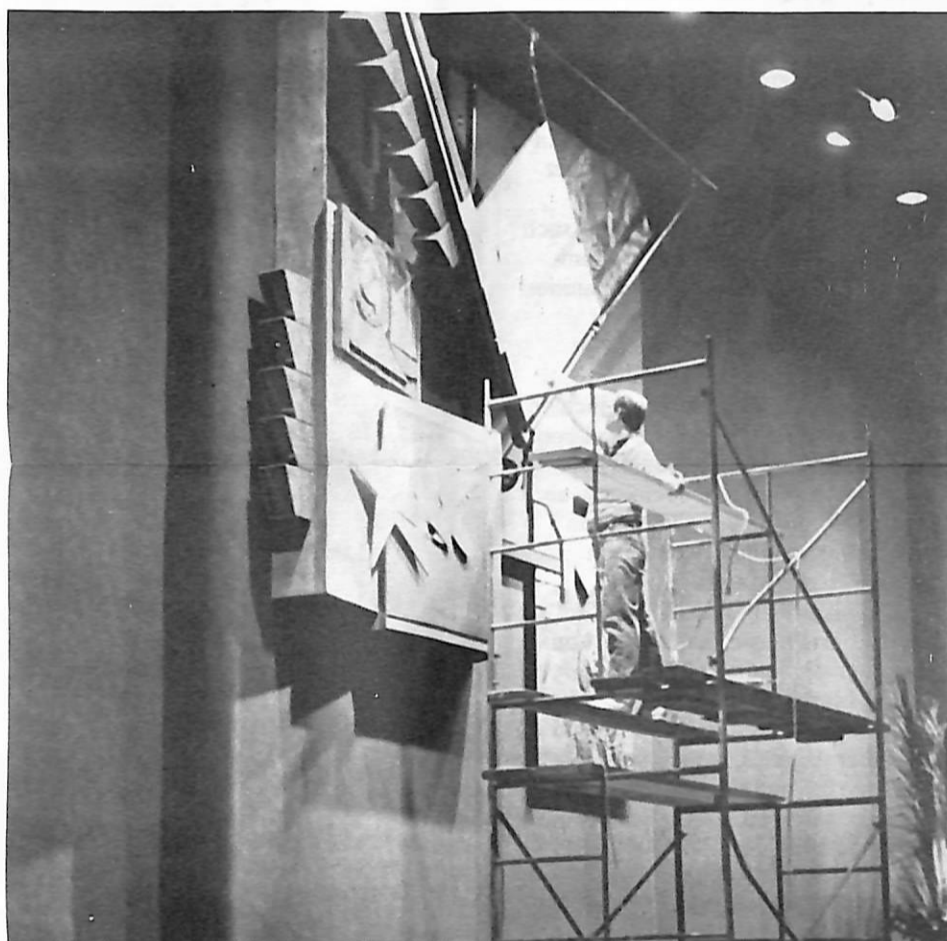
A Playhouse custodian's comment as Heinrich was completing the sculpture makes Heinrich feel as if he might have achieved his goal of capturing the feeling of a new production.

The custodian told him: "Well, it certainly isn't something I would have picked. I'm a cowboy, and you know what we like. I can tell you one thing—it looks like a lot of the plays that've been performed here in the past and it looks like some of the ones that are still going to happen here." »



Mie Thao '89 conducts a microscale experiment.

Heinrich works on "Opening Night."



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the first time are treated exactly as itemizers as far as the amount of charitable gifts they can deduct is concerned. So for the non-itemizers it will be advantageous to make maximum contributions this year.

For nearly all itemizers it will also be wise to maximize giving during the 1986 calendar year, for the tax rates begin to drop next year (by 1½ percent) and continue to decrease in 1987 and 1988.

For anyone anticipating gifts of appreciated property such as stock or real estate, this new legislation makes such gifts even more attractive this year, and they will continue to offer the most economical way for some persons to make a substantial gift in the future. This would also apply to the establishment of trusts and other planned giving arrangements.

So it's time to welcome our new president—to choose to strongly support him as he leads the \$2.34 million 1986-88 Dana Fund and to see if the new tax laws mean that you should make a substantial gift before the end of 1986.

Dana needs your generous support—and Dana is deserving of that support.

Rev. John Beck  
Director of Development

P.S. Many have remembered Dana through the designation of a percentage of their life insurance death benefits to the college. A new organization called "Life Underwriters for Lutheran Charities" has produced a simple form which can be used to change your beneficiary plans to include Dana. If you wish more information or a copy of the form, please write to me.

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## About Admissions. . .

### An interview with Mary Docken

*Since becoming director of admissions last February, Mary Docken has started several new programs. In this interview she describes them and tells alumni and friends how they can become involved.*

#### What programs has the admissions office initiated this year?

We have several. One is "Sneak Preview Days," when we invite prospective students interested in certain areas to visit Dana in order to meet our faculty and explore career possibilities. This fall we've held such days for students interested in communication; in history, the humanities, and pre-law; and in science and mathematics. We've also held two general "Discover Dana" days.

Future Sneak Preview Days include one in accounting, business, and computer science on December 10; in education, psychology, sociology, and social work on January 12; and in athletics for men and women on January 27 and March 17.

We're also holding auditions for grants in art, music, and theatre on December 13, January 23, February 20, and March 13.

Our Youth Smorgasbord weekend on November 1 and 2, which was co-sponsored by our student congregation, was very successful, with more than 170 attending.

#### What is Dana's "A-Team"?

That's our "Dana Advancement Team," a new student branch of the admissions and development offices.

As campus hosts and guides for prospective students, A-Team members share their Dana experiences with prospective students and their parents.

They're also helping our admissions program by calling prospective students from our new bank of 12 phones, and working for development by calling alumni and friends for contributions to the college.

The A-Team program not only helps Dana, but it also gives students on-the-job experiences for their own personal and career development.

#### Who are your admissions counselors, and what are their assignments?

Our six counselors are doing an outstanding job this year. **Jennifer Jensen**, a 1982 Dana graduate, is also assistant director of admissions. She covers Minnesota, northern Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, and West Omaha high schools. Jennifer also works with our A-Team program.

**Kitty Wooley**, who graduated from Dana in 1981, is our financial aid

counselor; she also is involved with admissions work.

**Meta Brandes**, who received her degree from Dana in 1974, visits high schools and prospective students in Kansas, southern Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas, and East Omaha area high schools.

#### What information do you like to have accompany these names?

We really appreciate the following information: the student's address and telephone number, the name of his or her high school and the year he or she expects to graduate. We also like to know about a student's academic interests and extracurricular activities.

We welcome learning about non-traditional students, those who have been out of school for several years,

#### first nine months here? What are the prospects for admissions?

I'm excited to be a part of the Dana College community. The past nine months have been both challenging and rewarding. As I look ahead, I'm confident that with the efforts of our admissions staff and the support of the Dana community here and at large, there will be an increase in our student enrollment. >>



Admissions staff members: (standing, from left) Kitty Wooley, Jennifer Jensen, Craig Swenson; (seated) Mark Anderson, Meta Brandes, and Director Mary Docken. Not pictured—Mark Pickel.

**Mark Anderson**, a 1986 Luther College graduate, is assigned to the eastern United States; and **Craig Swenson**, a 1986 Dana graduate, covers the western U.S. and Omaha high schools.

**Mark Pickel**, another 1986 Dana graduate, is assigned to northwestern Nebraska and the southern states.

#### How can alumni and friends help admissions?

We're going to be asking alumni and friends to call prospective students in several communities. Members of the Chicago Dana Club have already helped us in the Chicago area, and we're making plans for similar nights of calling (we call them "Phonathons") in Blair, Omaha, Denver, and Minneapolis.

Some of our alumni have also represented Dana at eight Lutheran College Nights where we otherwise could not have had representation.

And we need the names of prospective students—of alumni children and the children of friends and neighbors.

who would like to begin or resume their college educations.

#### Can prospective students visit the campus?

Yes, we really encourage campus visits. We appreciate a call ahead of time so that we can arrange to have A-Team members, counselors, and faculty members available when visitors arrive. We're open all year long.

For those who can't visit, we have a ten-minute VCR tape called "Dana—Where the Best Begins" that is available on loan. The tape has been very popular, and our 50 copies are always in demand.

We'd be happy to let alumni and friends borrow the tape. And those who would like to receive brochures, posters, or our new viewbook should write or call us. Our new telephone number is (402)426-7222.

#### In summary, how do you feel about Dana and its programs after your

## Alumni help

Alumni have represented Dana at eight Lutheran College Nights on both coasts and in-between this fall.

According to Mary Docken, director of Dana's admissions office, the alumni who set up the displays and told prospective students about the college did an excellent job.

"Many prospective students come in contact with Dana for the first time at Lutheran College Nights," Docken says. "It's because of strong alumni support that the college was able to be represented at these programs."

Participating alumni and the cities where the Lutheran College Nights were held are as follows: **Portland, Oregon**—Jon '85 and Julie (Schwandt '85) Bansen; **San Jose, California**—Niels '49 and Natalie (Petersen '52) Carlsen; **Los Angeles**—Jon '86 and Sonya (Johnsen '86) Pedersen; **San Diego**—Dawn Diffey '81; **Phoenix, Arizona**—Roxanne (Marquette '64) Dorn and Karen (Barter '79) Perry; **St. Louis**—Ted Hanlon '81; **Philadelphia**—Susan (Zabel '75) Dryburgh and Ed Ezekian '71; **Washington, D.C.**—Kristi (Planck '66) Johnson and Dennis Lee '78. >>

## Prof. Ray Weckmuller: 1927-86

*"He stands as the symbol of what many of us love most about Dana"*

Members of the Dana community are mourning the death of Dr. Raymond J. Weckmuller, 58, chairman of the division of psychology and education, at his home in Blair on October 8.

Professor Weckmuller graduated from Dana in 1952 and later received his master's degree from the University of Nebraska at Omaha and his doctorate from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

He had taught at Dana since 1958. In 1982 students named him Professor of the Year.

He was active throughout his lifetime in a variety of professional, community, and church-related activities. He was a member and past president of the Nebraska Council on Teacher Education, chairman of the Nebraska College Approval Committee as appointed by the State School Board, member and past president of the Board of Educational Service Unit 3, and chairman of Dana's Faculty Senate. From 1960 to 1986 he served as the chief institutional representative for Dana to the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education. He was an active member of First Lutheran Church in Blair and a former member of the board of Blair's Good Shepherd Lutheran Home.

His many professional accomplishments at Dana include securing and maintaining accreditation of the college's teacher education program through the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education.

Dr. Weckmuller is survived by his mother, Vita Weckmuller, and a sister, Marion Truland, both of Troy, New York; his wife, Mary (Skobo '50 '69) of 1435 South Street, Blair; three daughters, Carol '80, Ann '77 McPhillips, and Lyn '79 Pahls; a son, Paul, and one grandchild.

Memorial funds in his name have been established at Dana and Good Shepherd Lutheran Home.

Funeral services were held at Blair's First Lutheran Church on October 11; a memorial service was held at Dana on October 17.

President Christopherson gave the following tribute at the funeral service.

Twenty-five years had passed since I'd returned to my alma mater, except for a few hours 15 years before. There he stood, the epitome of the best that I had remembered about Dana. A gentleman of the first magnitude with warm, sparkling wit, he showed a quiet but intense interest in everyone. Friend and confidant to so many, he was a healer; and on top of all that, a master teacher.

Occasionally, God in His wisdom and mercy provides us with a glimpse

of one who is a servant in His image. For me, Ray Weckmuller was such a servant. To be sure, he was a sinner, like us all, but he walked with God, was blessed by God.

Erving Goffman, interpreter of human interaction, observes that we all "give" messages by what we say to one another. We also "give off" messages by how we conduct ourselves. Dr. Raymond Weckmuller was one of those whose messages, given and given off, packed a quiet but profound punch. He loved his Lord. He was devoted to his family, his profession, his community and his beloved Dana College. He expected much, and he inspired much in all who came under his tutelage.

Because I was not enrolled in the education curriculum, my experience as his student was limited. Nonetheless, by his personal example, in the canteen (now in the Campus Center), at chapel, in his home, he taught me lessons I'll carry with me to my own death. God willing, I'll be able to share them with others. For me, chief among the lessons he gave were how to disagree without holding a grudge or attacking the person; how to put the best construction on what another does or says; and how to expect the very best of others while giving it yourself.

When I returned to the college to interview for the presidency, he and Mary made me feel welcome. His presence on the faculty made me proud. As I encountered teachers and principals throughout the state, I swelled with pride as they told of Ray's student teachers. They were the best of the lot because he and those he attracted as his colleagues gave much and expected as much.

I thank God for the Weckmuller legacy, and ask that together all of us here and on the Dana faculty and staff accept the challenge to continue in the tradition of excellence he practiced and inspired. Yes, we loved him! On behalf of Dana College, I thank God and I thank Mary and her children for sharing Ray with us.

He stands as the symbol of what many of us love most about Dana College. He will live on in our hearts and lives. Today we all hurt so deeply at his loss from us, but we take comfort, even rejoice, in the knowledge that he now knows a peace, a freedom, and a truth which God alone can provide. He now knows the fulfillment of the promises of God given in Christ for him and for each of us as well. May he rest in peace.



Weckmuller

## A BOOK REVIEW

### *The Dream of America*

By Norman C. Bansen '47

*The Dream of America* is a collection of essays, photographs, and art that presents the moving drama of the Danish immigrant in North America. It is based on material from the catalogue prepared for the ambitious exhibition that opened in 1985 at Denmark's Moesgaard Museum and was seen by throngs of Danes and visitors from abroad.

The essays cover a variety of topics that explain the reasons for the departure from Denmark, conditions in America at the time, settling on the prairie and in the cities, and the later immigration to Canada. There is a touching discussion of Ellis, the Island of Tears, and photographs by Jacob A. Riis of conditions in city slums.

The problem of assimilation of the Danish churches is presented; Danish-American art is the topic of one essay, the Danish-American press of another. The essays are illustrated by impressive photographs, many in color, from various archives and from the exhibition itself, as well as reproductions of cartoons and posters.

In a section entitled "The Conservation of Dreams," the directors of The Nordic Heritage Museum of Seattle,

Washington, and The Danish Immigrant Museum, Elk Horn, Iowa, present their museums. Of the latter museum, June Sampson writes, "Working with an architect the Board and staff are shaping their dreams of programs which will make it a living museum. Demonstrations, performances and outdoor festivals will help to make the past come alive. . . . The goal is to create a museum and building with the same warm and hospitable atmosphere of a Danish home."

John Mark Nielsen, professor of English at Dana and a consultant to the exhibition the year he was in Denmark as a Fulbright Teaching Fellow, comments in his essay "In Pursuit of Dreams," that The Danish Immigrant Museum "will provide a place where artifacts important to Danish immigration might be preserved and studied. But more importantly, it will be a place where Americans, both of Danish descent and those of other ethnic backgrounds, will be able to gain a greater understanding of the Danish experience and also an appreciation of the problems of immigration."

*Editor's note: The Dream of America can be purchased through the Dana College Bookstore at \$15.50 plus \$1.50 for postage. Profits will go to The Danish Immigrant Museum.*

## SPORTS

### Football

Dana junior Alan Pogue has been ranked nationally this fall as Player of the Week for his passing skills.

As this issue goes to press at the end of October, Pogue is still in national ranking as #2 in the country in individual passing and individual total offense. Head football coach Leo McKillip believes that Pogue could become the #1 ranked NAIA passer in the U.S.

Pogue, who leads the NAIA District 11 in scoring at 48 points, has been the District's Offensive Player of the Week twice and has been nominated every week.

McKillip calls these statistics outstanding.

In addition to Pogue, other players have also earned ranking in District stats:

- Pass receiving: Bryan Daum '87, second (36 passes for 15.6 yards per pass, five touchdown passes, 80-yard average), and Paul Sanders '89, third (27 passes averaging 18 yards per pass)
- Punting: Brian Betts '88, seventh (32.8 average),
- Punt returns: Bobby Bolton '88, second (seven punts, 117 yards, 16.7 average),



Nationally-ranked Pogue, #15, in action.

With three games yet to play, the Vikings have had three wins: over Sterling 49-22, Westmar 33-30, and Concordia-Seward 14-6 (a Dana Homecoming victory).

Losses have been to Dakota Wesleyan 14-28, Tarkio 30-33, Hastings 3-22, and Nebraska Wesleyan 27-40.

Dana claims first-place rank in District statistics for

- team passing (2,017 leads, 14 touchdowns, 288.1 yards average passes per game, 145 of 288 completed;
- total offense (2,617 yards rush plus pass, 373.8 yards per game).

- Punt kickoff returns: Bolton, fourth (seven kickoff returns, 174 yards, 24.9 average).

Dana's defense has made 18 interceptions, which McKillip describes as very good.

A complete report on the season will appear in the winter *Review*. »

### Volleyball

With the volleyball season almost over, the team's record on October 27 stood at 16-16. An NAIA standing of 5-4 has earned the Lady Vikings a third-place ranking.

Coach Kathy Foley reports that three players, all of them juniors, have won district recognition: Amy Nissen (spikes and blocks), Patti Stevenson (serving, spikes and blocks), and Laurie Christensen (serving). »

### Men's BB coach named

Will Baird is Dana's new head basketball coach, replacing Tom Brosnihan who resigned last spring for reasons of health.

Baird comes to Dana from Bemidji State University, where he served one year as an assistant coach and another as interim head coach. He also has 18 years of head coaching experience on the high school level in Colorado, Wyoming, and Nebraska. He has been Coach of the Year three times.

Baird received his undergraduate degree from Chapman College, an M.S. from Creighton University, and another M.S. from Bemidji State.

Asked about his plans for the Vikings, he said, "Tom Brosnihan had a good strong program, and I plan on keeping it that way." »

## Previews

### Women's basketball

Head women's basketball coach Kathy Foley reports that with the loss through graduation of five experienced players from last year's team, this year's squad will be much more inexperienced and young.

Two of those graduates—Ronda Fritz and Sue Kallman—are Foley's assistants this year.

Returning players include Lisa Meyer and Joyce Broekemeier. "Both are seniors who will be providing needed leadership," Foley said.

She noted that this year's team should be an exciting one to watch. "Defense will be a key as we try to uphold our second-place finish in scoring defense in the district." »

### Men's basketball

After finishing third (5-5) in the NIAC last season and armed with returning senior starters Todd Hinkle (6'1", all-conference guard, 18 points per game), Dan Vorthmann (6'3" forward, 8 points and 6 rebounds per game), and Scott Kaiser (6'7" center, 8 points and 6 rebounds per game), new head basketball coach Will Baird expects Dana to make a bid for the conference championship.

Baird said that other returning players who are expected to contribute are juniors Dennis Bopp (6'6") and Ken Mitchell (6'2"), and sophomores Jerrod Lawrence (6'8"), Kelly Satter (6'7"), and Matt Allen (6'2").

Dana and Midland co-sponsored a college night at Omaha's Rosenblatt Stadium July 28. Among those enjoying the baseball game between the Omaha Royals and the Indianapolis Indians were (from left) President Christopherson and Midland President Carl Hansen; 1986 grad Julie Grauerholz and Dana senior Stacie Lukasiewicz.

Team newcomers include junior college transfer Darrell Tribble (6' junior), and freshmen Paul Powner (6'), Kevin White (6'), Randy Hollowell (6'1"), and Chris Wiebelhaus (6'7").

Baird expects the Vikings, who averaged 78 points per game in conference play last year, to continue their up-tempo style of play. "We have a very challenging pre-conference schedule," he said. "We hope it pays off for us in conference play." »

### Dibben is Academic All-American

In June Merri (Clements) Dibben, a 1986 graduate who played on the women's softball team, was named an Academic All-American.

She has been a Dean's List student and belongs to Alpha Chi, the national honorary society. »

### Alumni enter Hall of Fame

New members of the college's Athletic Hall of Fame, Jim Jorgensen '66 and Herb Knudsen '63, were presented their awards at the October 4 Homecoming luncheon.

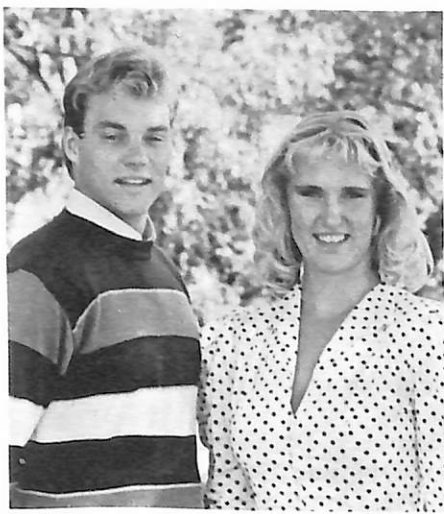
Jorgensen, who lives in Blair, was recognized for his pitching career on Dana's baseball team. He holds the college's career and season records for earned run average (1.88 and 1.58) and a career record of 5.4 for every seven innings pitched.

This past summer he coached a Blair midget baseball team to a state championship.

Jorgensen has also won many tennis trophies, including a 1983 win at the Kearney Open where he upset the #1 seed. In 1984 he entered the season as the state's fifth-ranked player in his age division.

Knudsen, whose home is in Bay Village, Ohio, is a member of the Dana Board of Regents. Carl Mackie '65, substituting for Roger Howland '64, presented his award. Mackie recounted Knudsen's accomplishments, first as a member of the wrestling team and then as the team's coach his junior and senior years.

Knudsen's record includes two Tri-State Conference championships and a Dana Invitational championship. »



Nebraska seniors Jeralyn Holling, an elementary education major from Bennington, and Patrick Welch, a business administration and accounting major from Hickman, were this year's Homecoming queen and king.

## CAMPUS NOTES

Two history professors have been promoted: **Dr. Richard Jorgensen '64** to professor, and **Donald Warman** to associate professor. **Dr. Michael Doyle**, associate professor of economics, and **John Mark Nielsen '73**, assistant professor of English, have been granted tenure.

**Dr. Sybille Bartels**, assistant professor of German and language program coordinator, participated in a four-week summer workshop on the theory and practice of foreign languages in the elementary schools at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minnesota. She was one of 20 educators at the workshop. They studied the methods of teaching foreign languages to children, evaluated curricula, and designed their own teaching programs. Dr. Bartels attended the workshop through a Leadership Identification and Development Grant from the Division of College and University Services of the American Lutheran Church.

Dr. Bartels has also been elected vice-president of the Nebraska Chapter of the American Association of Teachers of German, and the Goethe Institute, Chicago, has invited her to participate in a workshop on new guidelines for the "Zertifikat Deutsch" examination, an internationally recognized proficiency test for advanced students of German. She and a colleague started Nebraska's testing center five years ago.

Students participating in a weekend trip to Chicago sponsored by the **humanities program** visited the Art Institute and Oriental Institute of the University of Chicago. They stayed for two nights at the Institute of Cultural Affairs' International Conference Center.

Speech team member **Denise Henton**, a freshman from Blair, placed second in informative speaking at the Kansas State University Forensics Tournament. Students from colleges and universities in Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas participated in the event.

**Faculty weddings:** **Dr. Tom Richardson**, assistant professor of chemistry, and the Rev. Margaret Zedan married on May 31 in Dearborn, Michigan. On August 10 **Jan Funk** and **Richard Potter** married; both are assistant professors of social work and sociology.

A job search series sponsored in part by Dana's **Career Services Office** was held on the campus this fall. The four sessions conducted by Career Designs, Inc., covered the hidden job market, interview strategies, application letters, networking, creative resumes, follow-up, informational interviewing, nonverbal communication, and telemarketing techniques.

Books being read in the first semester Liberal Arts Reading Program (LARP) are: *Ramona* by Helen Hunt Jackson, *Death Comes for the Archbishop* by Willa Cather, and *Bless Me, Ultima* by Rudolfo Anaya.

Art exhibits in **Parnassus** this semester featured paintings by Myron Heise (August 28-September 25); an alumni exhibit—watercolors by **Kim Cooper '78**, photographs and mixed media by **John Prouty '70**, and acrylics, pastels, and pencil drawings by **Judy Krysl '72** (September 28-October 23); paintings by Kent Bellows and sculpture by Les Brunning (October 26-November 25); and Christmas art from the Parnassus Collection (December 1-18).

**Campus events** in September and October included a piano recital by Dr. Alan Brandes of the music faculty and a concert by singers and songwriters John Ylvisaker and Jim Schattauer (the son of Alice and Carl Schattauer '52). A concert by the Omaha Symphony Chamber Orchestra, under the direction of Bruce Hangen, was sponsored by Dana, Lutheran Brotherhood of Washington County, and three Blair businesses—Great Plains Communications, HunTel Systems, and Thousand Adventures.

**Pastors-in-residence** October 26-29 were: Paul Banitt, Zion Lutheran, Creighton, Nebraska; Paul Birkedal, Bethesda Lutheran, Moorhead, Iowa; and Jack Hebard, Christ Lutheran, LeMars, Iowa. Mrs. Banitt and Mrs. Hebard also participated.

**Richard Caemmerer** was Dana's Staley Foundation Distinguished Christian Scholar Lecturer October 26-28. Caemmerer is an artist who was professor of art and chairman of the art department at Valparaiso University from 1958-81. He is the founder and executive director of the Grunewald Guild, a community in the Cascade mountains of Washington State dedicated to celebrating the relationship between art and faith. The theme of his series at Dana was "Art, Faith and Foolishness: Creativity and the Christian Life."

Receiving gold watches in recognition of 25 years of service to Dana at the college's annual opening dinner were: **Arvin Hernes**, physics; **Don Warman**, history and political science; and **Dale Matson**, buildings and grounds.

**Senior Laurie Nielsen**, a business and German major, is teaching a class in Swedish for Metropolitan Technical Community College in Omaha. She has studied in Sweden.

The **art department** hosted 120 members of the Nebraska Art Teachers Association at their fall conference October 23-24. Keynote speaker was Phil Yanawin, director of education for New York's Museum of Modern Art. Also on the program were alumni **Paul Hundtoft '76**, who led a workshop titled "Looking at Artists," and **Stacy Crossland '86**, a member of the education staff at Joslyn Art Museum, Omaha. Dana art students were responsible for running the conference. This was the first time the conference has been held at Dana.

### About our new telephone system

A new state-of-the-art telephone system installed by Blair's HunTel has put telephones into every dormitory room. It has also added these direct lines to offices, thus bypassing the switchboard:

	Area Code 402
<b>Academic Dean</b> .....	426-7202
<b>Admissions/Financial Aid</b> ..	426-7222
<b>Athletics/Phys. Ed.</b> .....	426-7293
<b>Bookstore</b> .....	426-7254
<b>Business Office</b> .....	426-7210
<b>C.A. Dana-LIFE Library</b> ..	426-7300
<b>Campus Pastor</b> .....	426-7251
<b>Career Services/Placement</b> ..	426-7258
<b>Conferences &amp; Reservations</b> .....	426-7216
<b>Development/Alumni</b> .....	426-7333
<b>Elk Horn Conference Center</b> .....	426-7438
<b>Elk Horn Resident Hostess</b> .....	426-7437
<b>Food Service</b> .....	426-7257
<b>KDCV/FM Radio</b> .....	426-7205
<b>Maintenance</b> .....	426-7399
<b>News Service/Public Relations</b> .....	426-7216
<b>Nurse</b> .....	426-7320
<b>Parnassus</b> .....	426-7206
<b>President</b> .....	426-7200
<b>Registrar</b> .....	426-7209
<b>Residence Life/Student Activities Director</b> .....	426-7627
<b>Student Services</b> .....	426-7250
<b>Vice President for Institutional Advancement</b> .....	426-7215
<b>Weekend College</b> .....	426-7202

The college's old switchboard number, **426-4101**, continues indefinitely, but a new switchboard number has also been added: **426-9000**.

The new system simplifies transfers, conference calls, and call forwarding. »

### Melchior biographer visits campus

Author Shirlee Emmons, associate professor of music at Boston University, visited Dana at the end of May to

do research for a biography of Lauritz Melchior, Danish-born heroic tenor known especially for his roles in Wagnerian opera.

She used the resources of the Melchior Memorial Room in the college library. The room houses the only authorized collection of memorabilia, including photographs, letters and scrapbooks, documenting Melchior's life and career.

Emmons, who is also a voice coach and opera singer, performed several times with Melchior before his death in 1973.

"The amount of information available at Dana is wonderful," she said. Her book, an authorized biography, will be titled *Tristan Issimo*. It is scheduled for publication in 1990 to coincide with the one-hundredth anniversary of Melchior's birth. »

### Students in survey rate college high

Dana students gave the college high marks in a recent survey conducted by the American College Testing (ACT) Program.

The ACT compared their responses with those of 43,587 other students at independent colleges across the country. Of the survey's 42 questions, the following were those in which the responses of Dana students were significantly higher (statistically significant at the .05 or .001 level) than the average for other independent colleges:

- Testing and grading system
- Availability of adviser
- Instruction in major field
- Out-of-class availability of instructors
- Attitude of faculty toward students
- Value of information provided by adviser
- Class size relative to type of course
- Classroom facilities
- Study areas
- Student union
- Availability of housing
- Laboratory facilities
- General condition of buildings and grounds
- Availability of courses
- Concern for student as an individual
- Attitude of non-teaching staff toward student
- Racial harmony
- Opportunities for involvement
- Student government »



The City of Kenosha, Wisconsin, declared Sunday, September 21, "Rev. Lawrence Siersbeck Sunday" as St. Mary's Lutheran Church, family, and friends—"those whose lives had been

touched by him"—celebrated his 85th birthday.

Siersbeck, Dana's president from 1938-1944, was installed at St. Mary's in 1952.

## Sixty attend Albert Lea picnic

The third Dana picnic to be held in Albert Lea, Minnesota, brought together 60 alumni and friends.

Eleanor (Nielsen '50) Schou, one of the organizers, reports that attendance was the best ever at the Sunday, July 13, event. In 1980, 30 participated, and in 1982, 45. Other organizers were her husband, Don '49, and Alton Neve '43.

A morning worship service included the liturgy of the former United Evangelical Lutheran Church and hymns from the blue *Hymnal for Church and Home*, Mrs. Schou reports. Dr. Edward Hansen '39 preached, and Alton Neve '43 was the deacon. A potluck dinner followed the service.

President Myrvin Christopherson '61 and Professor Emeritus Paul Neve '41 drove from Blair to attend the picnic.

*Albert Lea participants were:* Alton and Marge Neve, Paul Christiansen, Amos and Alta Christiansen, Herb and Elizabeth Niebuhr, Lucille (Hansen) Vig, Ethel Sondergard, Chris and Leona (Nelson) Jorgenson, Clifford and Regmor Paulsen, Mrs. John Nielsen, Norval and Helen Nelsen, Roy and Florence Mumm, Erna (Petersen) Berthelsen, Earl and Maurine Levisen, Mamie D. (Jensen) Larson, Andrew and Phyllis Pechacek, Luella Nielsen (Blair), Greg Schou (Bloomington), and Don and Eleanor Schou.

Also attending—*from Denver, Colorado:* Edna (Bondo) Nance; *from Wisconsin:* Milton and Becky Petersen (Racine) and Elmer and Carol Petersen (Onalaska); *from Iowa:* Glenn and Helen (Tange) Neve (Spencer), Ed and Inga (Schultz) Larsen, Oscar and Dody (Jensen) Johnson (Cedar Falls), and Don and Pauline Christensen (Riceville).

*Other Minnesotans were:* Ed and Shirley (Bondo) Hansen (Bloomington), Bill and Doris (Petersen) Hanson, Don and Phyllis Hansen (Minneapolis), Aster and Ruth Neve (St. Paul), Gerhard and Betty (Jensen) Nygaard, Christine (Andersen) Larsen (Northfield), Bernard and Ruth (Petersen) Falksen (Ellendale), and Fred and Margaret Jacobsen (Alden). >>

## Arizona luncheon set for January

The second annual luncheon for Dana alumni and friends in the Phoenix, Arizona, area is planned for Saturday, January 24, 1987, in Mesa. Pastor James Olsen '40, luncheon organizer, says that it will be held at 12 noon at Ashford's Restaurant at the Golden Hills Golf Resort, 425 South Power Road (at Broadway, and just north of Superstition Highway).

Thirty-five alumni and friends attended the first luncheon last January. Among them were President and Mrs. Elwin Farwell and former President and Mrs. Richard Morton. "All present felt that this was an event that should be continued each year, and with more advance notice, even more should be able to attend," Olsen says.

"Dr. Christopherson and his wife have promised to be with us for the 1987 luncheon, which will give alumni and friends of Dana an opportunity to get acquainted with them. In addition, there are many 'snowbirds' wintering in Arizona who are former members of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church or acquainted with Dana. Since we don't have their addresses, we must rely on alumni and friends of Dana to tell them about the luncheon and invite them to attend."

Olsen says the cost will be between \$6 and \$6.50, including tax and gratuity. He asks that those planning to attend make advance reservations. Before December 20, send them to him at 120 East 22nd St., Loveland, CO 80537. After that date, he'll be at *Orangewood Shadows Travel Trailer Resort*, 3165 East University Drive #7 in Mesa (85205). >>

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best, Mom." Then, I'd echo Dad's words to her moments before she died, "God loves you, and so do I."

Now, as I return to Dana, there are again persons instrumental in my coming. Most important, my wife, Anne, gives me the freedom to accept this call to the presidency. How fortunate I am to have a loving wife who believes in me and believes in the colleges of our church. A Luther College graduate and also an alumna of Augsburg College in Minneapolis, she understands and appreciates with me what special centers of learning colleges like Dana are.

I come, too, because I believe our children (Kirsten, Berit, Bjorn, and Nisse) should have the opportunity to know the warmth, the compassion, and the opportunity for intellectual and spiritual growth that a community like Dana can provide.

Well, now I am here, and I have so many people to thank. I thank the Danish pioneers who built their seminary and college here in Blair, the residents of this area who gave the land on which Old Main was built exactly 100 years ago this month, and the Blair city fathers who pledged half of the \$6,000 it cost to build Old Main. What a fine partnership between city and campus right from the beginning; happily, that partnership continues.

I single out two other former Dana presidents whose personal style of leadership I admire so much. I speak of Dr. Clifford Madsen who came from the same congregation in which my father worshipped at Luck, Wisconsin, just four miles from my home. A man of consummate integ-

rity, devotion to the church, servant of God and an untiring advocate for Dana College, he is perhaps the most successful of all our presidents.

I am so grateful to Dr. Madsen for the model he has been for me and for the confidence he and his wife, Esther, have shown in me. He was my president at Dana, and nothing could give me more pride than to be able to follow in his footsteps.

I would not like to let this moment pass without also thanking my predecessor in this office, Dr. Elwin Farwell. He, too, is a man of unquestioned integrity—devoted to his church, a servant of God. After almost 20 years as president of Luther College, he came out of retirement to serve as Dana's interim president.

In the year-and-a-half he served here, he restored confidence in the office of president, offered new stability, raised our vision, and fell in love with our college and the people of this place. I thank him for being such an able custodian of this fine college and for instilling in me the courage to accept this great challenge.

As my remarks to this point suggest, I came back "home" to Dana because other people have given me confidence and encouragement to accept the call, but I came first and foremost because I believe in what Dana offers to this region and this nation.

I would echo the words of a former president of Dana, a man who like Dr. Madsen grew up in St. Peter's Lutheran Church at Luck, Wisconsin, where my father was baptized and confirmed. When he accepted the call to the presidency of Dana in 1944, Dr. R. E. Morton said he did so "because Dana was worth saving."

Although Dana is in no immediate danger of going under, there is no question but that small independent colleges must struggle against difficult odds to survive and still provide affordable education.

This is especially difficult in Nebraska, one of only three states not to provide tuition grants to young people of need who elect to attend an independent college. I pray that we will recognize the outstanding contribution made to this state and the nation by the fine independent colleges of Nebraska and take all reasonable measures to keep them strong.

Having come here after 25 years of service in public higher education, I hope to be able to help build a partnership with our sister colleges and universities in the public sector of this great state.

It is my conviction that the dual system of providing both public and independent educational opportunities for the people of Nebraska must not be lost. Reasonably minded, public-spirited Nebraskans can surely find ways to share or redistribute the wealth, however limited, so that we

Celebrating on the festive occasion were pastors who had served with him at St. Mary's. Greetings came from across the country—from friends, former colleagues, and Dana. Refreshments were Danish. Pictured with Siersbeck (back row center) are members of his family, many of them Dana alumni.

can have both "Big Reds" and "Little Reds," each providing vitally needed educational service to our citizens.

It is unthinkable to me that we should not do everything in our power to support our independent colleges, even if that support is on a smaller scale than our neighboring state to the east that offers up to \$2,300 in tuition support of resident students who choose to attend their private colleges. Ask the residents of Blair what a valuable contribution is made by Dana College in this community, and let us reason together to utilize our scarce state resources, to the benefit of all of our great colleges of Nebraska, public and private.

Why am I so adamant that colleges like Dana and Midland and Concordia of our Lutheran tradition and all of the other distinguished independent colleges in Nebraska should survive? I believe that colleges like Dana can offer an alternative for our college-bound that is vital to the development of our people. Colleges such as Dana offer an education second to none, delivered in a personalized way by faculty whose dedication is fueled by rewards other than money.

There are certain things that a Dana College does extremely well that are difficult to match quite so consistently across faculty and students on the larger public campuses where I have taught the past 25 years. I don't wish to argue that one cannot find these same qualities on larger public university campuses, but I do observe that I have not found them to be nearly so commonplace, nearly so accessible, as they are at the great liberal arts colleges like Dana.

The first difference that I submit is more readily found at Dana is the personal relationship between student and mentor. I choose the term mentor because mentor connotes a relationship in which one's teacher is a trusted counselor or guide.

Learning is more likely to be occasioned when there is a genuine regard between learner and learned, when the educational experience can be more personalized. On a smaller residential campus learned and learners are in frequent contact inside and outside the classroom. Daily contact in the Campus Center, at chapel, in the library, at weekly concerts, as well as at athletic events, is more the norm here than where I have been.

My observation is that this leads to a quality of educational experience and performance that is more difficult to achieve at the larger public university or college.

A second difference should also be cited. I am grateful that there are colleges like Dana that make it their business to attend to the total development of every student—with the spiritual and the aesthetic, as well as the intellectual, moral, political, social and emotional self.

We have heard much about concerns of educational leaders and policy makers that we are a nation at risk

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Michi Enya '84 is a travel consultant in Tokyo for non-Japanese. She writes that "in a day I talk with about 100 people from abroad to offer sightseeing, cultural, shopping, and dining information and source materials on a variety of subjects." Last March she worked with Mutual of Omaha at the company's Tokyo convention. Here Michi is pictured with George Gargett, Mutual's marketing director, at the Imperial Hotel.

## DESTINY'S DEEP SEA

**'80s** David Iversen '86 is attending graduate school at the University of Iowa, where his address is 1001 Oakcrest #11-E, Iowa City, IA 52240. . . Diane Prescott '86 teaches third grade at Treynor (IA) Elementary School. . . Teresa Kraft '87 married Scott Doksan'sky '85 August 2. . . Krista Lawson '85 is associate director of medical records at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene, OR, where her address is 1500 Norkenzie Apt. 13 (97403). . . Valerie McCoy '84 and Mark Rosenthal '83 married July 19. He is a registered nurse in the cardiology ward at Clarkson Hospital in Omaha, and she teaches math at Boys Town. They live at 9556 Park Drive, No. 205, in Omaha (68127). . . Brad '84 and Christine (Rose '84) Roth, who married May 25, 1984, announce the birth of Logan Bradley on June 26, 1986. Brad has been promoted to territory sales manager for Coca-Cola Foods. They live at 29 Congress in Sioux City, IA 51104. . . Bill Schlange '84 married Kerri Iverson August 2. He works at the Greeley

(CO) National Bank. . . Jolynn (Oliver '84) and Steve Tonsfeldt announce the birth of Jenny Marie on August 18. Their address is RR 1, Box 184A, Remsen, IA 51050. . . Felicia Collins '83, who lives in Omaha at 701 S. 22nd, #117 (68102), is a residential manager for ENCOR. . . Mike Martin '83 is an intern at Saron Lutheran Church in Big Lake, MN; Sue (Ostrem '84) works in the annuity department at Piper Jaffray in Minneapolis. . . Paul Judson '82 was ordained on July 20 at Christ the King Lutheran Church in Denver, CO. He has accepted a call to St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Cole Camp, MO. Paul, Nancy (Anderson '81), and son Noah live at 705 S. Hickory in Cole Camp (65325). . . John Ragan '82 and Tamra Hohwieler married June 14. They live in Lake Andes, South Dakota, where John serves two congregations. . . Mickey Tanner '82 has joined Rock of Ages Corporation as a designer trainee. He, wife Tamara, and daughter Leah live in Barre, VT. . . Pam (Bramer '81) Andersen is one of 30 Nebraska

agriculturalists selected to participate in the Leadership Education Action Development program. During the next two years she will attend seminars on college and university campuses across the state and will travel to Washington, D.C., and overseas. The LEAD program is supported by businesses, industries, and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources. . . Sally (Miller '81) and Mogens '81 Knudsen announce the birth of John Preben on May 23. He joins sister Katie who was 2 on October 1. The Knudsens live at 32 McCormick Drive in Cozad, NE 69130. . . Jeff DeYoung '80, sports editor of the *Nebraska City News-Press*, has been named the 1986 Sportswriter of the Year by the Nebraska Scholastic Wrestling Coaches Association. He is also assistant editor at the paper, which was named Newspaper of the Year by the NSWCA for papers under 10,000 in circulation. The annual awards go to the sportswriter and newspaper who, in the judgment of the NSWCA, provide the

most complete high school wrestling coverage for their readers. . . Wyleen Jorgensen '80 has a new job teaching in a K-6 self-contained multi-categorical room. Her address is 1111B-1st Ave. E, in Oskaloosa, IA 52577. . . Greg and Annette (Grorud '80) Peterson recently moved to 405 5th Ave. in Brandon, SD 57005. She teaches high school special education in Brandon, and her husband works at the post office in Sioux Falls. . . Debra Doubek-Phillips '80 received her doctor of medicine degree from Kansas University in Lawrence on May 18. In addition to her degree, she received the Lemmon Company Award given to a graduating senior who excelled in family medicine; the award is sponsored by the Lemmon Company, an international health products corporation. Dr. Doubek has begun a three-year residency in family practice at Kansas University Medical Center in Kansas City, Kansas. She lives at 4608 W. 62nd St. in Fairway, KS 66205.

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educationally. We are sobered by the impressive performance records of young people in Asia and in the Soviet Union whose mathematics and science scores far exceed those for U.S. students. In some cases, we learn that they have achieved this level of success using teaching materials designed in the United States.

We continue to be anxious, too, about the functional literacy of vast numbers of Americans who cannot read a menu, the want ads, or complete a job application form.

I am alarmed about these findings, too. I am grateful that at Dana College we continue a long-standing commitment to standards of excellence for admission and for graduation. I am convinced that that must not change.

What must change is that we must constantly review our curriculum and our instructional support to assure that we are enabling students to aspire to their best. Happily, Dana College is a place where student needs can and are recognized early, across the curriculum, and throughout the educational experience.

Lest we become lulled into thinking that our obligation ends when we have raised the basic literacy standards in this nation (and we have not yet achieved that goal), let us recognize that we may be at risk in other areas, too.

I refer to my fear that in concentrating on basic skills, we may have lost sight of the fact that millions of Americans have never known or have lost their appetite for fine literature, music, drama, and art.

Equally alarming is the tendency for many to regard dexterity at computer games or mastery of an ever-expanding library of computer soft-

ware packages as a substitute for mastery of scientific method or analytical thinking.

We should celebrate and use what saves time and money, but take care that in the excitement which comes from finding quick and ready solutions to problems, we do not create a society that has lost the joy of discovery, of creativity, and the ability to think critically and analytically.

I urge that we pressure educators and policy makers at all levels to elevate the concern with literacy beyond the alarm at the percentage of adults who can read at or above the fourth-grade level, or who can read the want ads, to a new order of concern with the level of appreciation for beauty and light, sound and form.

Let us also be concerned about the ability of our "educated" citizenry to reason clearly, think and inquire analytically, and make ethical choices. I pray that it will never go out of fashion or be forbidden by public policy for those in institutions of learning to ask students to consider to what purpose we pursue learning and apply discoveries—for peace or for war, for profit or for service, for immediate gratification or for social good.

My return to Dana College is in no small way precipitated by a desire to help secure for generations to come a place of learning that values the eternal over the immediate, that recognizes the primacy of the person, that upholds standards of excellence as

the norm, and that permits freedom to grow in faith and learning at the same time and in the same place.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve this great college, and to those Danish-American pioneers who had the courage and the foresight to establish Dana College.

I am thankful for the generations of students and loyal supporters who have enabled her to survive when, many times, her future was in doubt.

I thank the people who have worked, taught, and studied here for being good custodians of programs and facilities.

Now, I ask God to help me, to help us all, attend to the needs of Dana and the people we now serve that we might aspire to excellence in all that we do, and that whatever we do will be done to the benefit of our students and to the glory of God.

May God bless you all who have traveled here to share this wonderful day with me. The love affair I began with Dana College 29 years ago will continue and will mature as many join me in making her worthy of our devotion. We desperately need your help, your good wishes, your advice and counsel, your support in the form of student referrals and financial gifts.

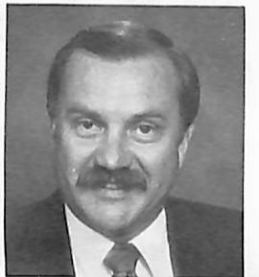
But most of all, we ask for your prayers for this wonderful place called Dana.

Faculty colleagues, students, friends of Education, of the Church and of Dana, I pledge that I will give fully of myself to this high calling.

I ask that God who freed me by the gift of Jesus Christ will grant me the wisdom, courage and vision to carry out His love and purposes. >>

## Kirchhoff in Malawi

Dr. Leo Kirchhoff '60, professor of elementary and secondary education at California State University-Chico, has been awarded a Fulbright Senior Scholar grant to lecture and do research at Chancellor College Zomba, Malawi, for this academic year. Malawi is in south-central Africa.



During his year there he is serving as a member of the Malawi Certificate and Examination Board Research Committee and a consultant on curriculum to the Malawi Institute of Education. His duties include teaching curriculum planning, learning theory, and research and measurements to undergraduate and graduate students in education. He is also conducting applied educational research.

This is Kirchhoff's third African assignment. Previously he was with NEA Teach Corps at Haile Selassie I University, Addis Abbaba, Ethiopia, and was vice-principal for the Federal Public Service of Nigeria in Lagos.

He has also been with the NEA Teach Corps at Palpa Teacher Training Institute, Tansen, Nepal; he has in addition served as curriculum specialist for Peace Corps staff training for health educators for Micronesia on the Islands of Palua, Ponape, Truk, and Yap. >>

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**'70s** David Arthur was born July 28 to **Karen (Barter '79)** and Peter Perry. . . **Kay Beune '78** was married to Dr. Jeff MacDonald September 13. They live at 2121 W. Leota in North Platte, NE 69101. . . **Dennis Downard '78** and his wife, Licia, announce the birth of their third son, Jacob Franklin, on July 31. His brothers are Andrew, 4, and Nathanael, 2. . . **David Hanen '77** married Barbara Murray May 10. Their address is RR 5, Fremont, NE 68025. . . **Renae Johnson '77** is interim pastor of Christ Lutheran Church, an LCA congregation in Pierce, NE. She graduated with an M.Div. degree in June from Luther Northwestern Theological Seminary. Her address is 518 S. Second St. in Pierce (68767). . . **Patty and Rick '77 Plugge** announce the birth of Henry Robert on October 17. . . **Tim '77** and **Janis (Boyce '78) Waggoner** are the parents of Rebecca Maria, born April 30. She joins Jessica Leigh, 7, and Tammy Ray, 5. Tim is a student at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Their address is 6004 Stanton Ave. #A-13, Pittsburgh, PA 15206. . . **Roy Wuchter '77** is living at 5917 Trawler Way in Citrus Heights, CA 95610. He is executive director of Junior Achievement of Sacramento. . . **Kristina** was born October 6, 1985, to **Paul '76** and **Liz (Miller '82) Johnson** of Fremont, NE. Son Nathan is 2. Paul is a district representative for Lutheran Brotherhood. . . **Pat Knuth '76** received her master of arts in library science from the University of Missouri-Columbia on August 1. . . **Dennis Nelson '76** has had book reviews about nuclear power, energy alternatives, and nuclear weapons published in *Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists*, *Environment*, *Alternative Sources of Energy*, *NEIS News*, the *Heartland Journal*, and the *Midwest Earth Advocate*. He works as a canvasser and fund-raiser with *Citizens for a Better Environment* in Chicago. . . **Jeff '76** and **Patti (Hansen '75) Luce** have moved to 811 N. 150th in Omaha (68154). Jeff has been promoted to territory manager with Wells Fargo Armored Services and is in charge of sales, marketing, and public relations. They have two sons, Michael Kenneth, born September 11, 1985, and Jeffrey, 4. . . Kevin Andrew was born June 15 to **Michael '75** and **Shirley (Kennett '77) McCallum**. He joins brothers Matthew, 5, and Christopher, 1½. . . **Willadeen (Stubbendick '75) Wahl** teaches fourth through eighth grades at the York (NE) Larsen Christian Academy. . . **Marsha (Hempler '74)** and **Howard Batt** are living in Dubuque, IA 52001, where Howard attends Wartburg Seminary. Their address there is 333 Wartburg Place. . . **Bob '76** and **Kathryn (Braaten '74) Bresemann** live at 415 Sixth Street in Rockwell City, IA 50579. . . **Terry McLaughlin '74** is trainer for Bru-Bet Arabians, Inc., a McLaughlin family corporation in Glidden, IA, and Scottsdale, AZ, dedicated to breeding and marketing Arabian horses. The company is currently a leader in retail horse sales. . . **Cari (Andersen '73) Morgenstern** received her M.A. in education for resource and itinerant personnel from Kearney State College in May; she has accepted a position as

elementary teacher and consultant for the behaviorally impaired for the Beatrice Public School System. Husband **Mark '74** is pastor at Christ Lutheran in Pickrell, NE. They have three children. . . **Andrea Marie** was born to **Mary and Craig '74 Parkinson** on June 22. She joins Michael, 2. Mary is a registered nurse in the coronary care unit at St. Luke's Medical Center in Sioux City, IA. Craig is in his thirteenth year as a high school head football coach. His career record is 62-39, and his teams have shared the War Eagle Conference Title 4 in the last five years. He has been at Akron-Westfield for ten seasons. He is also head boys' basketball coach, posting school records of 11-7 and 14-6 these past two years. *Scholastic Coach*, a national publication, has accepted for publication his article titled "Defensing the 3pt Shot," which discusses the strong and weak points of various defenses in regard to stopping the long three-point shots now allowed in basketball by the NCAA and most high school associations. . . **Brad '74** and **Pat (Hewitt '75) Schweer** announce the birth of Brittany Anne on January 27. Brother Bradley Jr. is 5. . . **Judy Krysl '72** writes that she is teaching three children at a rural school in Holt County, NE, the school that her grandparents, father, and she attended, and the school where her mother taught when she met Judy's father. Judy is a free-lance portrait artist; she had an exhibit in Dana's Parnassus this fall. . . **Ashley Nicole** was born to **Barbara and Gene '72 Wulf** on February 11. She joins Benjamin, 3. The Wulfs live at 2120 West Roberts Ave. in Appleton, WI 54914. . . This October the Monroe Gallery at Loop Center YWCA in Chicago featured "Colorhythms: Contemporary Quilts," an exhibit of hand-dyed quilts by **Karen (Bansen '71) Maquire**. . . **Janice (Schneider '71) Young** is a counselor with United Catholic Social Services in Omaha.

**'60s** **Judy (Swenson '68) Lebeck** is a third grade teacher in the Grinnell (IA) Newburg School District. She and **Gary '63** have five children. . . **Pastor Stan Nielsen '68** was recently given a 21-year volunteer pin by the Shelby (IA) County Chapter of the American Red Cross for service to the national organization. . . **Mona and Robert '68 Powers** moved to LeMars, IA, last March, where they live at 1222 Central Ave. S.E. (51031). Robert is director of purchasing at Harker's, Inc. . . **Charles Scott '68** is superintendent of the Malvern (IA) Community Schools. He and his family live at 206 East Fourth St. (51551). . . **James L. Hansen '65** has been promoted to senior development scientist in Union Carbide's research and development department at Charleston, W.Va. He has most recently played major support roles to programs in agricultural products, films packaging, and environmental protection. . . **James Nemetz '64** married Maureen Petito June 20. He is athletic director and a teacher at St. Cecilia High School in Hastings,

NE. . . **Joan (Rathe '63) Barnes** teaches first grade at Washington School, Atlantic, IA. The Atlantic paper featured her in a series called "Atlantic Teachers, A Tradition of Excellence." . . **Iowa Senate Minority Leader Calvin Hultman '63** has received the National Conference of State Legislatures' leadership award for his ten years of service to the Iowa General Assembly. The award was presented in New Orleans.

**'50s** **Ron Huston '59**, assistant principal at Westside High School in Omaha, has been named Nebraska Athletic Director of the Year for 1985-86.

**'20s** **Lydia (Nelsen '27) Petersen**, Ringsted, IA, lost her husband April 10, 1984. She has a new great-granddaughter, Ashley Marie West, born September 12.

**Deaths** **Julie Miller '86** died September 4 in a car accident in Tulsa, OK. She had taught at Bartlesville Elementary School for three days; the accident happened as she was driving home from school. At her funeral service in Cozad, NE, Prof. John W. Nielsen remembered her as "an exciting student, never satisfied with the text of a book or the content of a lecture. Her curiosity ranged further. Together we discussed questions of life, opportunities for service, matters of faith, and the ways of God, often lingering in the hall or sitting in Parnassus. She was eager to learn from her professors." Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller, 1820 Ave. H in Cozad (69130), and sister **Sally '81 Knudsen**, 32 McCormick Drive, Cozad.

The Dana Student Education Association has established a memorial fund in Julie's memory. Contributions can be sent to the Julie Miller Fund c/o Dana SEA, Attn: Dr. Dorothy Olson.

**S. Milan Nore '64** died on June 14 in Kimball, NE. He was a special education supervisor in speech and audiology with the University of Nebraska Department of Education. Survivors include his wife, **Elsie**, of Kimball (69145). A letter to the editor in the Albion, NE, newspaper (Nore's hometown) described him as "an ambassador for Albion and a true advocate for handicapped children. . . Handicapped kids are better off because he lived and chose to serve them."

**James French '61** died on April 17 in Salem, NJ. Services and burial were in Pender, NE.

**Thorvald Hansen D'40 T'43** died on August 12 in Blair. He had served parishes in Hartland, Pawaukee, and Racine, WI, and Avoca and Audubon, IA. He retired in 1981, and he and his wife, **Esther (Carlsen '40)**, moved to Blair, where he was part-time chaplain at the Good Shepherd Lutheran Home. He served as a member of Dana's Alumni Council for several years and participated

in many campus activities. Survivors include his wife, 947 N. 26th, Blair; and daughters **Carolyn '66 Larsen**; **Ruth '67 Peck**, **Paula '69 Hansen Brinkman**, **Sarah '71 Anderson**, and **Lois '74 Borkowski**.

**Myrtle (Lee '38) Rasmussen** died on October 18 in Blair. She was the wife of the late Dr. Elmer Rasmussen, Dana professor and registrar for many years. Mr. Rasmussen participated in activities at Dana and First Lutheran Church throughout her life in Blair. Survivors include daughter **Phyllis '64**, 5119 Clacton Ave., Suitand, MD 20746; and sons **David '66**, 323 N. 18th St., Blair; **Richard '69**, 217 E. Ridge Drive, West Des Moines, IA 50265; and **Gary '76**, 1485 S.E. Magazine Road, Ankeny, IA 50021.

**Ruth (Vig '37) Olsen** of Coleville, WA, died on August 19. Survivors include her husband, **Harry Albert '34**, RR 2, Box 19, Colville (99114), sons Roger and Lloyd, daughter Karen, and brother **Victor '28** of Houston, TX.

**Lee "Jeff" Hancock '36** died on October 23. Survivors include his brother, **Harold '36**, Box 166, Herman, NE 68029.

**Amanda (Kaldahl '32) Christensen** died in August in Hastings, NE; burial was in Ruskin. Survivors include her sister and brother-in-law, **Ruth '27** and **L.G.C. '25 Pedersen**, 5848 E. University Drive 1049, Mesa, AZ 85205.

**Ellen (Bondo '26) Pedersen** died on June 14 in Omaha. Survivors include son **Donald** and sister **Edna '42 Nance**, 6814 S. Willow St., Englewood, CO 80112.

**Nels Peter Hansen '14** died on January 3. He was 94. After serving in the army during WWI he moved to Greenville, MI, where he worked for the post office and was organist and choir director for the former UELC congregation. Survivors include son **Robert N. Hansen D'50 T-53**, 525 Main Ave. S., Harmony, MN 55939.

**Dorothy (Brann) Malmin** died on July 30 in Sioux Falls, SD. She and her husband, **Gunnar**, taught music at Dana in the 1930s and then at Pacific Lutheran in Tacoma, WA. Together they published five collections of junior choir music. Survivors include her husband, who lives at 101 East Lotta #8 in Sioux Falls (57105).

**Jens Peter Nielsen**, Chicago, a former member of the college's Board of Regents, died on September 3. Survivors include his wife, **Martha**, and daughter **Karen '65 Knudsen**, 29614 W. Oakland, Bay Village, OH 44140.

**Arlene Tuttle** died on August 15 in Omaha. She worked for Dana for 20 years in the library and infirmary. Survivors include her husband, **Robert**; son **Richard '70 Baron**, 805 N. 14th St., Blair, and daughters **Pat (Baron '58) Berkej**, 108 S. 85th St., Omaha (68114) and **Nancy Vahlkamp**.