

DANA REVIEW

ADDing it up: Dollar goal is increased

The dollar goal of the "ADD" (Accelerating Dana's Development) program, originally announced at \$10 million plus the cost of the Old Main replacement, has now been revised upward to \$18.15 million.

The change comes in response to the needs identified in the campus master plan recently adopted by the Regents and on the recommendation of Dana's fund-raising consultant. The decision was also based not only on need but on the generous level of support ADD has already received.

ADD's \$18.15 million goal now includes \$10.65 million in cash and \$7.5 million in planned gifts.

\$10 million level already reached

According to the Development Office, \$5 million has already been secured toward the cash goal of \$10.65 million and \$5.3 million toward the planned gift goal of \$7.5 million. The \$2 million insurance settlement for Old Main is included in the total of cash secured.

To date the ADD drive has had a local emphasis, with contributions from Dana's faculty and staff and from Blair and Washington County businesses and residents. The faculty-staff drive, a part of the Washington County Appeal, now stands at \$137,250. The total Washington County Appeal is over \$1,140,000.

Senator Simon is keynote speaker

The Greater Omaha campaign is being conducted at the time of this writing, with a kick-off dinner planned for April 17 at the Mutual of Omaha Dome. Alumnus Paul Simon '49, U.S. Senator and former Presidential candidate, will be one of the speakers at this major event. »

Campus master plan is "road map to future"

At their February meeting Dana's Board of Regents received and adopted a campus master plan described by President Myrvin Christopherson as "a new road map for Dana's future."

The plan, presented by the Omaha planning firm of Wilsam and Birge, was developed over three months after intensive on-site examinations of Dana's facilities. Representatives of the firm also conducted in-depth interviews with students, faculty members and administrators concerning short- and long-term needs for space and facilities.

The major question answered by the master plan concerned sites for future facilities, including the Old Main replacement.

The plan calls for the construction of a new classroom-faculty office building for the various functions once housed in Old Main. The new building is to be located in the same general area as Old Main.

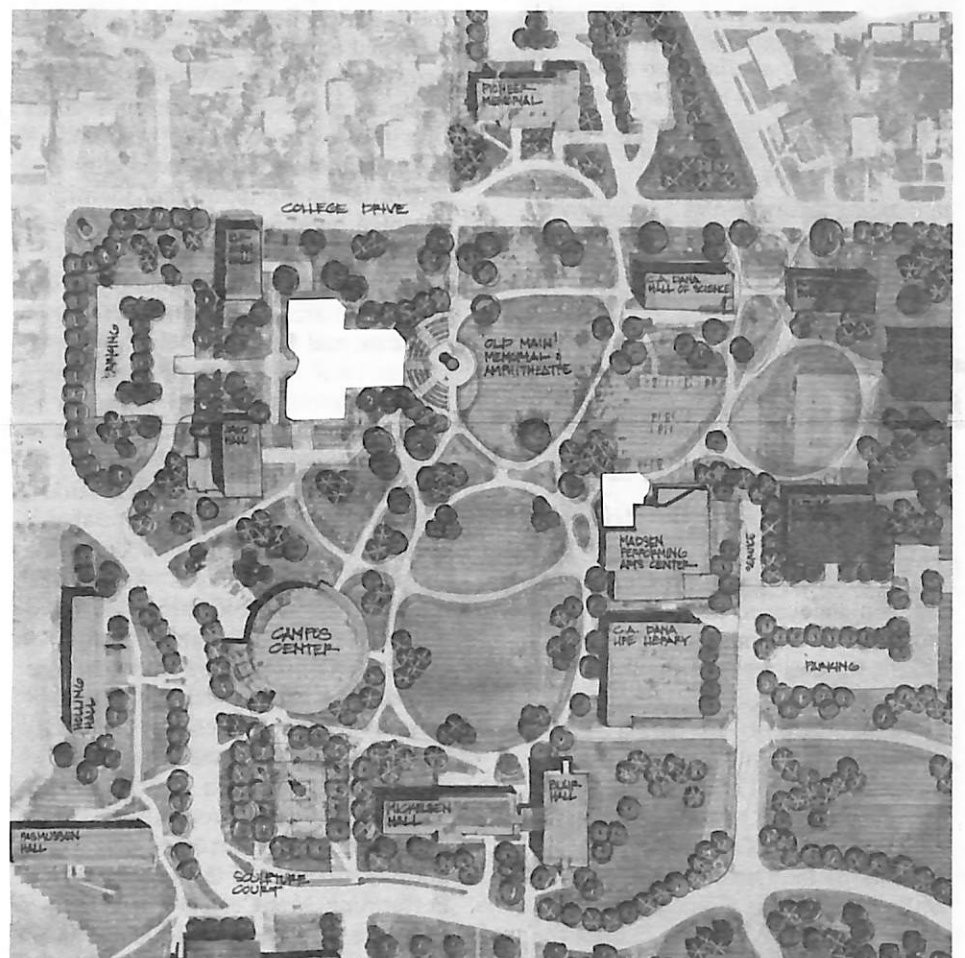
It will also include facilities for several new program initiatives. "Among other things," Christopherson said, "we intend for this new building to make it possible for Dana to become a leader in the area of communication, to expand the Parnassus concept of our humanities program so that it better serves all academic areas of the campus, to allow for expanded computer and language laboratories and to strengthen other areas of our curriculum."

The art department, formerly on the fourth floor of Old Main, will be housed in an addition built at the northwest corner of the Madsen Performing Arts Center. Adding the art department to the structure that already houses the music and theater departments will make the structure a more complete fine arts center.

The plan also calls for a permanent chapel to be included either as a part of or an addition to the new classroom-faculty office building. Although primarily viewed as a worship space, the chapel would also be used for concerts and recitals.

"At this point it is not possible to indicate the size, cost or exterior appearance of these projects," Christopherson said. "The firm of Wilsam and Birge was charged with the responsibility of identifying our needs and making broad recommendations for meeting them through a comprehensive campus plan. They

Campus Master Plan. The building to replace Old Main and the art department addition to the Madsen Performing Arts Center are featured on this campus master plan. Other "future building" sites look forward well into the next century.



have done just that and we are pleased with the results."

Other needs addressed by the master plan include landscaping and beautification, creation of new parking areas, paving of existing parking areas, signage, lighting and improvements to present facilities, including a major renovation of Pioneer Memorial.

The Regents authorized the administration to engage an architect or architects to begin preliminary design work on the construction projects, and Wilsam and Birge has been selected. Preliminary sketches will be presented at the Regents' May meeting.

Although no exact cost estimates for the several projects are available as yet, it is projected that the cost of construction and furnishings to replace the facilities housed in Old Main, including the art department addition to the Performing Arts Center, the chapel, campus signage and other proposed projects, will be in the range of \$5 million.

Additional funds for construction and for the other projects will be provided through the three-year "ADD" campaign. »

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Governor Orr honored as "Great Dane"

Nebraska Governor Kay Orr made Blair her Capitol for a Day on February 8. At a Chamber of Commerce luncheon in the E.C. Hunt Campus Center, Student Body President James Cloyd gave Orr a Dana sweatshirt, and President Christopherson named her a "Great Dane," presenting her with a replica of a Viking helmet. (Governor Orr is of Swedish descent.)



From the President

Dana's Board of Regents has now adopted a new campus master plan. Following the destruction of Old Main by fire on August 25 this past year, I felt a great deal of pressure to "rebuild Old Main." While my heart at the time said we should rebuild Old Main, tower and all, better judgment counseled that we should take time to survey our needs before building. The Board of Regents agreed and authorized me to hire a firm to visit with faculty, staff and administration to prepare a campus master plan. While several planning efforts have been undertaken over the years, no master plan had been adopted. I felt we needed a blueprint for the future that identified potential building sites, made recommendations regarding traffic flow, campus identification, lighting and so forth. The architectural firm of Wilsam and Birge in Omaha was chosen by a committee of board and administration, and at the February meeting a new campus master plan was adopted.

This plan identifies potential building sites and recommends steps that should be taken to give new definition and utility to our campus. Among the most critical needs identified in the master plan is a recommendation regarding Old Main replacement. The master plan recommends building a classroom-chapel-office complex just east of and between the two older dormitories, Elk Horn Hall and Argo Hall. In addition, it recommends the construction of an art addition on the northwest corner of the Madsen Performing Arts Center. These two additions to our physical plant would give Dana new facilities strength to support our academic programs. All departments displaced by the Old Main fire as well as those currently located in Pioneer Memorial would be relocated to the new classroom-office and chapel complex. The Art Department would move to the art addition. That new facility would serve the programs in art, commercial art and photography.

I am extremely excited about the prospect of what these campus additions will bring to Dana College. It is our chance to design state-of-the-art facilities to support academic programs in teacher education, business and economics, foreign languages, humanities, religion, English and communication. Specialized facilities such as new studios and laboratories for radio, television, print journalism, computer science, learning resources and a new Parnassus to serve our outstanding humanities program as well as provide learning resources to other campus programs can be envisioned in the new building.

At last, if we can realize our plan, Dana could have a fine chapel, one that is accessible and that will also provide an additional acoustically fine center for some musical performances. It is my conviction that a chapel,

separate but integrated into the primary classroom building on campus, makes a fitting statement of Dana's long-standing commitment to providing opportunity for growth in the Christian faith as well as in secular learning.

Other features of the campus master plan call for new signage utilizing the new Dana logo to give proper definition to the entrance and corners of our campus, and newly paved parking lots to serve the increasing automobile population on campus. The master plan also recommends plantings of trees, shrubs and flowers to give an already beautiful campus even greater beauty. Lighting to provide security, proper illumination and aesthetic enhancement to the campus at night is also called for in the plan. The master plan process also enabled us to identify renovation needs in campus residence halls and maintenance needs in various buildings. A plan for replacing mattresses, window coverings and furnishings over several years will be a part of what we will be addressing as we seek to implement the plan. In a later phase, Pioneer Memorial will need to be completely renovated to provide greater energy efficiency and utility to the various administrative offices and service offices at Dana.

These are but a few of the features contained within the master plan. Over the next several months we will be working with our architects, Wilsam and Birge, to prepare schematic designs for the construction called for in the first phase of the master plan as well as to achieve as many of the other campus improvements as we can afford. While it will take years for many of us to experience full recovery from the loss of Old Main, there is also a sense that with her loss Dana has been presented a historic opportunity to build for excellence in Christian higher education for many decades to come. This is our chance to gain a new edge in the area of our physical facilities. Following the loss of Old Main we all came to realize that Dana is not Old Main; rather, Dana's uniqueness is our mission in Christian higher education and our commitment to educational excellence provided by dedicated faculty and staff who care for students as individuals and who help kindle in them a love of learning and prepare them for lifetimes of service to humankind.

The challenge to implement this campus master plan is a considerable one. We have set our sights high. To achieve our goals we are asking every one of Dana's alumni and friends to consider two things: one, a major gift

to our ADD campaign and, two, a plan for a deferred gift, making provision in your will or other planned gift vehicle for Dana College even beyond your death. The Blair-Washington County campaign has been a success of the highest order. Well over a million dollars has been pledged over a three-year period. This includes almost \$140,000 from Dana faculty and staff who have given so generously of their lives to this marvelous learning center. Now we move into the greater Omaha area with a major campaign to be kicked off at a dinner at the Mutual of Omaha Dome on April 17 when Senator Paul Simon, Dana alum and regent, will bring the keynote address. We have every reason to believe that the response in Omaha will be at a record level. We will be asking for corporate as well as individual gifts from hundreds of friends in the greater Omaha area. We ask your prayers as we complete the greater Omaha campaign this spring and plan to move on to all other parts of the country over the next two years. Consider how you might be able to join us in the biggest undertaking in Dana's history.

I am sure most of you rejoiced with me in the coverage that Dana received when three of our Namibian students and I were featured in full color on the cover of the March 1 issue of The Lutheran. Thank you for your wishes of support. I recognize that not everyone agrees that Dana should take the lead in providing educational support to our Christian brothers in places like Namibia where they have experienced oppression and have no access to higher education because of the color of their skin. One anonymous reader wrote me that Dana had lost all support from this individual and that his or her children would not go to Dana since we were supporting people because of the color of their skin. I can only say that I don't retract in the least my commitment to help provide quality liberal arts education with a Christian accent to all we can afford to serve, and we will even at times risk taking the lead to provide such support to some who have no means whatsoever. Jesus' mandate to us was very simple, "feed my sheep" and "teach all nations." I pray that you will continue to join us in any way that you can to help us realize our dream and carry out our mission. It has been possible only because of friends like you who read these words. I hope you will celebrate with us the prospects that the new campus master plan brings for us as well as pray for our ability to carry out the special mission in higher education which has marked this fine college for over a century.

Myrvin F. Christopherson
President

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

Four Regents join Board; four others are re-elected

In February President Christopherson announced the election of four new members to the Board of Regents and the re-election of four others.

The new Regents are Howard Buffett and Marc Petersen '63, both of Omaha, Marilyn Larkowski of Grand Island and Ellen Qualsett of Schuyler.

Buffett, named Outstanding Young Omahan by the Omaha Jaycees in 1988, is a Douglas County Commissioner and First Vice President of the Essex Corporation.

Petersen is president of PSI Inc. of Omaha, a subsidiary of UtiliCorp United of Kansas City. After graduating from Dana with a degree in business administration, Petersen joined Peoples Natural Gas and was named a vice president of that company in 1985. He remained with the organization until it was purchased by UtiliCorp.

Larkowski is president of the Nebraska Synod's Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. She is a substitute teacher in the Grand Island schools.

Qualsett is president of First National Bank of Schuyler. She is a former public school teacher who has also been an experimental chemist with Shell Oil in California.

The four re-elected Regents are Roger Christensen '61, president and chief executive officer of NSP Ltd., Oakville, Ontario, Canada; Dr. Robert Mandsager, a surgeon in Marshalltown, Iowa; Don Swanson, chairman of the executive committee of Standard Blue, Omaha; and Dr. Elwin Farwell of Decorah, Iowa. Farwell is a former president of Dana. ☺

Distinguished Alumni Lectures

Dana College extends a cordial invitation to the following presentations by this year's Distinguished Alumni on Saturday, May 20, in the Dana Hall of Science Auditorium. The talks will be non-technical and are intended for the interested layperson.

2:30-3:15 p.m. "The Use of Genetics and Reverse Genetics to Learn about Alzheimer's Disease"
Dr. Rachael Neve '74

3:15-3:30 p.m. Coffee

3:30-4:15 p.m. "Overview of Fishery Assessment Science and the Role of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea in International Marine Science"
Dr. Emory Anderson '61

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COMMENCEMENT WEEKEND

Saturday dinner honors seniors, alumni

Graduating seniors, Campus Service Award recipients and two Distinguished Alumni will be honored at the Alumni Association's annual Recognition Dinner on Saturday evening, May 20.

The two graduates receiving Distinguished Alumni Awards are both scientists: Dr. Rachael Neve '74 is an assistant professor of pediatrics at Harvard Medical School and a researcher in genetics, and Dr. Emory Anderson '61 is general secretary (chief executive officer) of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea, based in Copenhagen, Denmark.

Research on Alzheimer's, Down Syndrome

Neve conducts research at Harvard in the Division of Genetics, The Children's Hospital. Her recent areas of interest, reflected in her many publications, include Down Syndrome and Alzheimer's Disease. She and a colleague are also writing a book titled "A Troubleshooting Guide for Molecular Cloning."

Neve was valedictorian of her class at Dana; she majored in the humanities. Recipient of a Danforth Fellowship and a National Service Award from the National Institutes of Health for graduate work, she received her Ph.D. in genetics from the University of California, Davis, in 1979.

That year she became a research fellow in molecular biology at Yale University. In 1981 she became a research fellow in pediatrics (genetics) at Harvard Medical School.

In 1985-87 Neve received the National Down Syndrome Society's Science Scholar Award.

She is the daughter of Dr. Lloyd D'45 T'47 and Muriel Neve, who have recently moved to Blair. Four brothers and a sister have also attended Dana.

Asked about her favorite Dana memories, Neve replies that there are many, and lists "making aebleskiver at Homecoming, taking Dr. Cliff Hanson's ethics course, the Humanities program, the wonderful hours spent in Parnassus and listening to the Dana College Choir."

Dr. Larrie Stone '57, professor of biology at Dana, will present the Distinguished Alumna Award to Neve.

Work international in scope

As general secretary of the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea (ICES), Anderson has full status as a diplomatic envoy in Denmark.

ICES is the world's oldest inter-governmental organization concerned with marine and fishery science. Since its establishment in Copenhagen in 1902, Anderson writes, it "has been a scientific forum for the exchange of information and ideas on the sea and

its living resources and for the promotion and coordination of research within the 18 member countries bordering both sides of the Atlantic."

Anderson and his wife, Geraldine (Christensen '61), moved to Denmark in 1985 from Woods Hole, Massachusetts, where he was Chief of the Offshore Fishery Resources Investigation, National Marine Fisheries Service, Woods Hole Laboratory, of the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

In Denmark Anderson was statistician for ICES until his recent promotion. As statistician he was the professional officer responsible for the Council's work in fish stock assessments and related research.

He is the first American to be hired by ICES as statistician and also the first American to hold the position of general secretary.

Anderson received his bachelor's degree in education from Dana (cum laude) with a mathematics major. He received his Ph.D. in fisheries biology in 1969 from the University of Minnesota, St. Paul.

He is the son of the Mrs. Olga (Simonsen '29) Anderson of Blair and the late Pastor Wesley Anderson D'33 T'36. Four brothers have also attended Dana.

Anderson's work and travels are international in scope, and he works with scientists from many other countries. He has participated in surveys on research vessels, including some belonging to Poland and the USSR; has attended many international conferences, task force meetings and workshops, presenting papers at many of them; and has been a scientific adviser and consultant on, for example, the status of stocks, fisheries questions, environmental issues and assessment studies. He has also written many publications and reports on these and other subjects.

His memories of Dana go back to his early childhood, Anderson writes. "...my parents would travel to Blair to visit my Grandmother Simonsen and/or attend meetings (e.g., UELC conventions) and we would invariably go up to Dana where my father would make the rounds and visit old friends..."

"During my four years at Dana, I had many memorable experiences which are too numerous to recall. I involved myself heavily in extracurricular activities, mainly athletics... the friendships that were forged and particularly the lessons learned from participating in those team sports at Dana have been of great importance to me ever since. The attitude of giving one's best with the notion that all objectives and goals are thus possible, and the confidence instilled in me from my athletic experiences have been a major factor in the successes I have enjoyed during my adult life..."

Luther Kloth '61, Anderson's roommate for three years and a 1988 Distinguished Alumnus, will present Anderson's award. »»

Wartburg professor receives honorary degree

Dr. Herman Diers, professor of religion at Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa, will receive an honorary degree as a doctor of humane letters at Commencement on May 21.

Diers will also be the Baccalaureate and Commencement speaker.

An outstanding teacher who has been at Wartburg since 1959, Diers will be cited for his forceful, yet sensitive, classroom style, his openness to the ideas of others and his deep intellect.

Diers co-directed Wartburg's Chrysalis Program from 1972 to 1980 and became the key faculty leader in developing an interdisciplinary approach to general education at Wartburg called "The Wartburg Plan."

His activities reflect his interests and concerns. At Wartburg he is faculty adviser for the college's World Hunger Awareness Programs. He is a member of the National Lutheran Task Force for Peace and Justice and has served on the former American Lutheran Church's National Colloquium for Christian Faith and the Liberal Arts. He was national chair for the ALC's "Free Namibia" program and a delegate to the Lutheran World Federation's Consultation on Peace Movements held in Geneva, Switzerland.

His travel also reflects those interests and concerns. He has studied Gandhian life and work in India, traditional cultures, development and liberation in Africa, Mexico and Central America, and Renaissance culture in Italy.

Diers received his B.A. from Wartburg College, his M.Div. from Wartburg Seminary, his M.A. from Northwest University and his Ph.D. from the Graduate Theological Union at Berkeley, California. »»



Distinguished Alumni Rachael Neve and Emory Anderson; Honorary degree recipient Herman Diers.

Schedule

Saturday, May 20

8:30 a.m. Board of Regents meeting
9:00 a.m. Alumni Council meeting
Noon Builders Luncheon—speaker, U.S. Senator Paul Simon '49

2:30 p.m. Distinguished Alumni Lectures

6:30 p.m. Recognition Dinner honoring graduating seniors, Campus Service Award recipients, Distinguished Alumni; \$7.50 per person; please make reservations by May 15 through the Alumni Office

Sunday, May 21

10:00 a.m. Baccalaureate service; speaker, Dr. Herman Diers, Professor of Religion, Wartburg College

1:15 p.m. Commencement; speaker, Dr. Diers; reception after ceremony »»

Tour takes Choir north to Canada

On its concert tour this spring the Dana College Choir, under the direction of Dr. Richard Palmer, will travel west and then north to Canada, returning to Nebraska by way of Minnesota. The schedule at the time of this writing is as follows:

Monday, May 22—Sidney, Nebraska, at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church
Tuesday, May 23—Lead, South Dakota, at Bethel Lutheran Church
Wednesday, May 24—Kenmare, North Dakota, at Greater Kenmare Area Lutheran Parish
Thursday, May 25—Regina, Saskatchewan, Canada, at Trinity Lutheran Church

Friday, May 26—Brandon, Manitoba, Canada, at Brandon University
Saturday, May 27—Free day in Winnipeg, Manitoba
Sunday, May 28—Winnipeg, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church
Monday, May 29—Travel to Minneapolis (New Britton)
Tuesday, May 30—New Britton, Minnesota, at Christ the King Lutheran Church
Wednesday, May 31—Lakefield, Minnesota, at Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Thursday, June 1—Blair, Home Concert at First Lutheran Church

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CAMPUS NOTES

In February **Dr. Milt Heinrich**, art, conducted workshops and consulted with school districts in the Nebraska Panhandle to help them implement current programs in art education. He was one of several art education faculty members at Nebraska colleges and universities to participate in the project, conducted as part of the J. Paul Getty Foundation grant to improve art education in the state.

Three novels are being read in **LARP** (Liberal Arts Reading Program) this semester: "Betsey Brown" by American novelist Ntozake Shange, "Train to Pakistan" by Indian novelist Khushwant Singh and "The Plague" by French novelist Albert Camus.

Alice Laaker, who for 24 years served as a member of the Dana staff and still retains the title of Dana College Hostess Emeritus, was this year's recipient of the Blair Chamber of Commerce's Community Service Award. The award was presented in January at the Chamber's annual dinner by Phil

Page 1 '56, vice president for institutional advancement at Dana and a Chamber of Commerce board member.

Prof. Shirley McAllister '69, education, represented Dana at the Conference for Women in Higher Education, held in February in Chicago. The conference was sponsored by the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. McAllister also recently attended a training session at the headquarters of the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) in Reston, Virginia. The session was on CEC standards and the ENCATE accreditation process.

Lara Jean McBride, a senior music major from Wheat Ridge, Colorado, has been accepted for participation in the Rocky Ridge Music Camp at Estes Park this summer. She will study oboe and voice at the two-month summer camp and serve as a counselor. McBride is a music education major.

Two groups holding reunions at Homecoming last October have given

gifts to the college: Members of the **Class of 1948** have contributed \$1,045 for campus beautification, and members of the fraternity **Kappa Chi Lambda** have donated \$499 to the basketball program in memory of Kappa Chi member Terry Miner '73. Miner, who played varsity basketball all four years at Dana, died of cancer on August 8, 1988. »

Nielsen, Anderson give recital series

Jeanmarie Nielsen '78 and **Michael Anderson**, members of Dana's music faculty, recently gave a series of recitals for voice and trumpet at eastern Nebraska colleges and in several churches.

Nielsen teaches voice, and Anderson, instrumental music.

Nielsen tours the British Isles every summer as a soloist with the London/Loch Lomond Chorale. She has been a soloist at the Long Beach Bach Festival and with the Omaha Symphony Chamber Orchestra, the Nebraska Chamber Orchestra and the Cleveland Chamber Symphony.

Anderson's performing experience includes appearances with the New York Harlem Opera Ensemble International Tour, the Lincoln Symphony Orchestra, the Omaha Symphony Orchestra, the Nebraska Jazz Orchestra, the Nebraska Chamber Orchestra and the First Plymouth Church Brass Quintet. He has also been a member of show bands for Liberace, Red Skelton, Lawrence Welk and others. »

New employees, new assignments . . .

Several new employees have joined the faculty and staff and others have been given new assignments:

Multicultural Center and Minority Student Affairs. David Murray of Omaha has been appointed to a half-time position as coordinator of the college's new Multicultural Center and Minority Student Affairs. The new position has been established to facilitate programs, field concerns and meet the needs of minority students, American and international.

"I see my role and that of the Multicultural Center as a vehicle to inform others about the needs of different ethnic groups, including African Americans, Hispanics, and native Americans," Murray said. "I hope to use every available resource to bring people from these different backgrounds together with our community."

Murray also teaches an introduction to sociology class. He received bachelor's degrees in psychology and social work from Washburn University and a master of social work degree from Washington University. He is currently a doctoral candidate in public administration at Nova University.

Admissions. Mark Anderson, assistant director of admissions, has been appointed acting financial aid officer, filling the position previously held by Kitty Wooley '81, who has resigned.

Judy Carmichael, who had been a part-time assistant in the Financial Aid Office, is now a full-time assistant in that office.

Lisa Hayne '88, Mark Smeby '89 and Bill Zanton '89 are new temporary admissions counselors. Smeby and Zanton completed their degree requirements at the end of the first semester.

Development. Duane Heffelfinger '88 is a new "ADD" campaign associate. He assists in organizing and carrying out area campaign events.

Humanities. Nathan Kramer '89, a mid-year graduate, is the new assistant in Parnassus.

Library. Mary Bacon is the library's new circulation assistant.

Maintenance. Ron Sorenson, a carpenter, has joined the maintenance staff to assist with projects that would otherwise have had to be awarded to outside contractors. »

Scholarships aid students

Several alumni and friends have recently chosen to assist students and Dana by establishing these scholarships and grants:

The Barbara Lane Educational Award. This four-year award has been established by the Lane family of Roswell, Georgia, as an expression of the family's belief in the value of higher education. Mrs. Lane is the former Barbara Bauer of Blair and the stepdaughter of the late Virginia (Campbell '45) Bauer, Washington County treasurer. The award will be designated for a four-year period to help meet the recipient's college expenses.

The Elizabeth and Irving Jensen Scholarship. This scholarship has been established through an endowment provided by the Irving Jensen Family of Sioux City, Iowa. Irving Jensen, Sr., is a Dana Regent Emeritus. Annual earnings of this fund will be awarded with preference given to western Iowa students entering as freshmen.

Expeditors International Scholarship. This annual scholarship for athletes is supported by Expeditors International, an export company. It was initiated by Rick Rostan '79, the company's regional manager in Chicago.

The Madsen Grant-in-Aid. This endowed grant-in-aid will be awarded to a student preparing to serve others through the vocation of Christian social service who plans to complete his degree at Dana. Funds for the grant have been given by President Emeritus C. Clifford Madsen '31 and his wife Esther (Johnson '29) from a bequest from his sister Viola (Madsen) Nesheim and a gift from another sister, Laura (Madsen) Sumpter.

The Melvin Rogers Educational Award. This scholarship is named in honor of the late Melvin Rogers '58, superintendent of schools for many years in Neola, Iowa. The scholarship is to be awarded to a graduate of Tri-Center High School who enters Dana as a freshman.

The Prouty Brothers Scholarship. Established by John '70 and Jim '73 Prouty, this \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded annually to an area art student. Jim and John and their father, Art, own Wessco Graphics in Omaha.

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Namibian students, President on cover of The Lutheran

The March 1 issue of *The Lutheran*, which has a circulation of 1.25 million, carried a cover story on Namibian students at colleges of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, with the focus on those at Dana and Bethany. The issue's full-color cover featured a snow scene with President Christopherson and three of Dana's six Namibian students. Five are pictured here with Christopherson and Campus Pastor Linda Walz: standing—Mathaus Nauyoma, Phillip Muinjo and Christopherson; seated—Walz, Maria Amakali, Klemens Namwira and Helen Ochs. Although Dana has the smallest enrollment of any of the ELCA's 29 colleges and universities, it has the largest number of Namibian students.



Women student officers are a Dana first

For the first time in Dana's history, four women have been elected to head student government. Officers for the coming year are (standing, from left) Vice President Shelley Carter, Omaha; Secretary Paige Kostboth, Beresford, South Dakota; (seated, from left) Treasurer Carolyn Lauer, Cozad, Nebraska; and President Cathy Keck, Ashland, Nebraska. Keck is the fourth woman to be elected student body president.

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SPORTS

Basketball teams have tough year

Despite a disappointing 7-27 season for the men's basketball team, Head Coach Will Baird and his players found a lot to cheer about. Examples: Jerrod Lawrence, a senior from Alliance, Nebraska, was named to the Lincoln Journal/Star's All-State College Second Team, and sophomore Kevin White of Minden, Iowa, received Honorable Mention.

In addition, 13 players on the 17-man squad were named to the Dean's List.

Lady Luck eluded the Lady Vikings this season as well. Coach Kathy Foley's team ended the season at 8-21, but like their male counterparts, the women too had things to be proud of. For example, two players, Nebraskans Lori McMullen, a sophomore from Dunning and Bonnie Lowe, a freshman from Cedar Rapids, both received Honorable Mention on the Journal/Star's All-State College Team.

Five of the Lady Vikings' 14 players were named to the Dean's List. »

Wrestlers close successful season

Dana wrestlers ended their season with 10-9 in duals. Coach Ron Beaman '74 reports that his Vikings had a tough duals schedule with Buena Vista College, Drake University, Central Missouri State and Kearney State College, and with three Tri-Conference colleges—Northwestern, Westmar and William Jewell.

Seven of the team's ten weight classes were filled by freshmen this year, and the team loses only two seniors through graduation—Captains Tom Bolton and Rob Riedy. Both men are four-year letter winners in wrestling.

Riedy, who is from Grand Island, participated in the NAIA National Wrestling Tournament held in Jamestown, North Dakota, in March. His teammates selected him as this year's Outstanding Wrestler.

Five wrestlers placed at the Five-State Area Tournament held at Dana on February 11. Riedy (#142) placed second and the others were fourth place winners: Marc Ferrin (#134), Craig Perkins (#150), Steve Mathis (#177) and Tony Anderson (HWT).

Beaman says that he has a good nucleus of wrestlers returning for next year and he's recruiting high school seniors to fill weight classes. "With a young team, I'm looking forward to a season of growth and improvement." »

Spring sports were just getting underway as this issue went to the printer. They'll be reported on in the summer Review.

Students win honors as Scholar-Athletes

Three students have received recognition as NAIA Division II Scholar-Athletes.

Two football players selected

Defensive back Mike Moore and starting fullback Scott Wagner were among 100 athletes named Scholar-Athletes in the NAIA's Division II. To receive this prestigious award, an athlete must maintain top grades, be a member of his school's starting team and be recognized as an outstanding player within the division.

Moore, a senior from Omaha, is a pre-med student majoring in biology and general science. He has a 3.6 grade point average. Wagner, a junior from Gretna majoring in marketing and management, has a 3.4 average.

Wrestler picked at Nationals

Senior wrestler Rob Riedy of Grand Island received his Scholar-Athlete Award at the NAIA Nationals meet in Yankton, South Dakota.

Riedy is the only Nebraska wrestler in NAIA Division II to qualify for this honor.

To be eligible, a wrestler must compete in at least two-thirds of his college's matches, qualify for the Nationals and maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average.

Riedy has majors in marketing and economics and a 3.04 grade point average. A four-year wrestler in the 142-pound weight class, he finished this season with a 23-7-1 record. »

German coach learns from McKillip

'Building a program without a blocking sled,' an article by Football Coach Leo McKillip in the 1988 Summer Manual of the American Football Coaches Association (and reprinted in last fall's issue of the Review) recently brought a visitor from West Germany to the campus.

Frank Pfliegner, coach of the Monheim Sharks in West Germany, read the article and traveled to Dana in February to learn about the art of football coaching from Dr. McKillip. He spent two weeks on the campus.

Pfliegner's trip exemplifies the growing popularity of American-style football in Europe. Monheim, a city of 50,000, has three leagues—for children up to the age of 14, for teens 14-18 and adults 18 and older; players learn the sport as they pass through the leagues. No more than two American players can be on a team, he said, and the quarterback can't be an American.

Pfliegner said that Monheim's home games bring crowds of 1,000 or more. »

English team drafts Pogue

A lan Pogue, the Vikings' former "All-Everything" quarterback, signed on in March as the starting quarterback for the Heathrow Jets of London, England. The Jets belong to the English American League.

After nearly two years of waiting and hoping, Pogue received a call from former Drake University assistant coach Art Haage to be a part of the Jet's program. Haage had a clear picture of Pogue's ability and was understandably impressed with his talent after seeing the Vikings roll over Drake 43-4 during Pogue's final season in 1987.

While at Dana, Pogue set or broke nearly every school record.

Pogue came to Dana in the fall of 1984, a time when the college was beginning to think about dropping its football program.

A newcomer the following year was Dana Athletic Director and Head Football Coach Dr. Leo McKillip, a long-time veteran of professional football in the U.S. and Canada.

By the time Pogue hung up his helmet at Dana in the fall of 1987, the Vikings had come from a record of 1-8 in 1985 to 8-3 and an appearance in the national playoffs (where the Vikings lost to Baker University, the eventual second-place team, by just two points in the closing minutes of the game.)

Pogue received numerous honors during his four years as a Viking. In 1985, 1986 and 1987 he was named to the All-District and All-Conference First Team Offense and received All-American Honorable Mention. He was named NAIA All-District Player of the Week six times and the NAIA National Player of the Week twice.

In 1985, 1986 and 1987 he was voted captain of the Omaha World-Herald's All-State team, and in 1986 and 1987 was the Lincoln Journal/Star's Offensive Player of the Year. In 1986-87 the Omaha World-Herald named him its Nebraska Small College Player of the Year. »

'The adventure toward a greater Dana'

Dear Alumni and Friends,
The 210 names of the Dana Builders membership add up to future growth in the college's endowment fund. Each name has its own story:

■ A retired person in Washington has invested \$30,000 in gift annuities, is enjoying a high rate of interest return with much of it tax free, received a substantial charitable gift deduction, and has the satisfaction of knowing that in time this gift annuity will help Dana's endowment grow.



■ A farmer in Nebraska has purchased a paid-up life insurance policy, with Dana as beneficiary, which will eventually insure another \$40,000 for endowment.

■ One widow in Colorado has remembered Dana in her will with a bequest of \$2,000, and another is leaving Dana the residue of her estate.

■ Before his death a lawyer in Illinois initiated a charitable remainder trust which will one day mature at more than \$700,000 for Dana College.

■ A recent graduate has designated Dana as beneficiary for 10 percent of his life insurance.

■ An anonymous friend has designated a \$1 million bequest to Dana. And all of these and many more will add up to a brighter future for Dana's endowment fund, and undergird the future of the college.

There will be some special things about our Dana Builders Luncheon on May 20.

First, U.S. Senator Paul Simon of Illinois, Dana alumnus and Board of Regents member, will be our speaker. For a very long time Paul has been a strong advocate for increasing Dana's endowment.

Second, we will use the luncheon to officially "kick off" the planned giving portion of the Dana "ADD" campaign. There are two goals: increase

membership to 350 members and up the expectancies to a minimum of \$7.5 million by May 1991.

Third, we will recognize our new Dana Builder members and announce progress made toward the \$7.5 million initial goal.

And, we will also remember our Dana Builders who have died during the past year and honor their memory. Our most recent loss came with the death of Dr. Lawrence Siersbeck, Dana's tenth president.

Pastor Siersbeck was a dear friend of Dana College and one of our most enthusiastic Dana Builders. He said that it is vital for Dana's future to build an adequate endowment fund, and he knew that this can only happen through estate gifts left to Dana.

"Siers" was a charter member of the Builders and spoke at the first annual Builders Luncheon on May 15, 1982. He would have wanted to be at this year's gathering, for it will be a time of challenge to new goals for all of us who love our Dana, as well as a time of celebration.

In a recent letter his daughters, Mildred, Marilyn and Sylvia, all Dana alumnae, summed up his feelings for Dana in these words:

"Dad always looked ahead and his prayers were with the future of Dana. He called it 'the adventure toward a greater Dana.'"

You can be a part of that adventure toward a "greater Dana"! You can be a Dana Builder!

If Dana is a part of your estate plans and you are not listed among our Dana Builders, call or write and let us know!

If Dana is not yet a part of those plans, call (402) 426-7333 or write to me at Dana for information about how you can help assure Dana's future through a planned gift.

Take your part in "the adventure toward a greater Dana."

John Beck
Director of Planned Giving
and Church Relations

Danish student is 2nd generation Danian

Hans Christian Nielsen (standing, right) of Sydmarken, Denmark, followed in his mother's footsteps when he enrolled here last fall for a year of study in the U.S. Karin (Rjesberg) Nielsen came from Denmark to attend Dana in 1965-66. When Karin, husband Bjarne, and son Lars visited Hans Christian in February, it was Karin's first visit to Dana since her student days here.



Simon analyzes 1988 campaign

Paul Simon '49, Presidential candidate in the last election, U.S. Senator from Illinois and a Dana Regent, has just written his 12th book, "Winners and Losers."

Described in the Omaha World-Herald as a "combination of memoir and critique" that "offers blunt observations on his own campaign and those of his Democratic rivals," the book is the first Simon has written for the mass market. »

Alumni couple help assistance fund

Thanks to Arno '72 and Betty (Jorth '71) Neben and Lutheran Brotherhood's Sarpy County (NE) Branch 8511, \$1,640 has been added to Dana's Faculty/Staff Assistance Fund.

The fund was established after the August 25 burning of Old Main to help those members of the faculty and staff who lost personal possessions such as books and teaching aids. Insurance coverage for personal losses was insufficient in most cases.

Under a Lutheran Brotherhood program for emergency assistance, the branch offered to match contributions by Dana alumni living in Sarpy County. The Nebens accepted the challenge and spearheaded the effort by contacting alumni for contributions. »

Elderhostels combine learning with fun

An introduction to folk art with "hands-on" experiences in August and a waterfowl watch at nearby DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge in November are among the activities those attending Dana's next two Elderhostels will enjoy. The sessions are scheduled for August 13-19 and November 12-18.

Participants in the August session will learn about and practice several Nebraska folk art forms, including straw-weaving, quilting, story-telling, folk-dancing, metal-punching and stenciling. They'll also study the immigrant novels of Sophus Keith Winther, the Danish-born author who grew up in Weeping Water, Nebraska.

Those attending the November session will observe the spectacular migration of snow geese, Canada geese, wood ducks and other waterfowl at the

DeSoto Refuge; discuss World War II as it is depicted in poetry, fiction and films; and learn about the ways in which Danish-American culture often finds itself in conflict with the traditions and attitudes of contemporary Danish society.

To receive more information about these sessions, or to be placed on Dana's mailing list for future sessions, write to Dr. Ruth Sather at Dana. »

Young Danish-Americans—Join DAJ/USA!

Alumnus David Iversen '86 writes with news of a recently formed organization for young Danish-Americans, the Danish-American Junior Club (USA Branch), and an invitation to join.

DAJ/USA has a counterpart for young Danes in Aalborg, Denmark, called DAJ/Aalborg. Both are affiliated with the Rebild Society.

The purpose of the DAJ/USA, Iversen writes, "is to promote the Danish heritage among young Americans between the ages of 14 and 30 so that the traditions and customs their ancestors brought over from Denmark might be preserved, and so that young Danish Americans may have an opportunity to share their Danish background with their peers."

The club is open to all young people who "have even the slightest trace of Danish blood in their veins," Iversen writes.

The annual \$10 membership fee provides members with a copy of the DAJ/USA Newsletter that covers the activities of young Danish-Americans across the country and of young Danes in Denmark.

The newsletter is similar in format and content to Den Danske Pioneer and is edited by Linda Steffensen, daughter of Chris Steffensen, Den Danske Pioneer editor.

Iversen says that "because the club itself is young, it is busily engaged in encouraging all young Danish Americans to join. I joined because I was impressed with its newsletter and with the idea that there would now be a national group for Danish-Americans of my generation."

Iversen notes that both Jette Hansen,

Miss Denmark/USA 1987, and Tina Marie Petersen, Miss Denmark/USA 1986, are among the many young people of Danish descent who have already taken an active part in DAJ/USA.

The club president is Torben Huge-Jensen.

To join the club or for more information, write to Linda Steffensen, DAJ/USA Newsletter Editor, c/o The Danish Pioneer Newspaper, 1582 Glen Lake Road, Hoffman Estates, IL 60195, or call her at (302) 882-2552. »

Getting a new computer? Software? Consider recycling your old equipment

Buying a more powerful computer or improved software?

Wondering what to do with your old equipment/software?

Dana might be able to use it, and you'd benefit by making a tax-deductible gift.

Please get in touch with Bob Schmoll, our director of computer services, to see if the college is interested. His telephone number at Dana is (402) 426-7289. »

Alumni—Don't forget to vote!

Alumni Council elections bring these five candidates, four of them incumbents, to the ballot this spring:

■ Kevin Johnson '83, Omaha, account manager, NCR Corp.

■ C. Jayne (Botos '66) Kolterman, Omaha, art teacher at Burke High School (incumbent)

■ Lorraine (Sandberg '48) Madsen, Blair, substitute teacher, Blair Community Schools (incumbent)

■ Tom Taggart '81, West Des Moines, tax manager, Arthur Young & Co. (incumbent)

■ Rod Thompson '65, Omaha, vice president-consultant, Mammel Schropp Swartzbaugh Engler & Jones Inc. (incumbent)

The incumbents have each served one three-year term and are eligible for a second. »

ALUMNI COUNCIL NOTES

Dear Alumni of Dana College:

This is the last opportunity I will have to report to you in the Dana Review as Alumni President. I have enjoyed serving you in this capacity, and I am pleased with what has been accomplished during this time by the Alumni Council and the Alumni Association. Allow me to make a list:

1. Adoption of a new Constitution. That's a pretty mundane task, but it underscores the fact that we are intent upon taking a new direction.

2. As a result of the new Constitution, we were able to reorganize ourselves into a more effective committee structure, responsive to the needs of the college, its students, and alumni. The Alumni Council has some highly motivated and multi-talented individuals. These people are working under this new structure to see that things are happening.

3. A closer tie to the college. This is hard to measure, but I believe there is a stronger connection with current students, with many programs we are currently working on geared toward the student population. There is also a closer working relationship with the college administration. Representatives of all areas are more active with our committees, working with us to provide the best support possible in each area.



4. A new sense of encouragement. We feel like we're on the right track, and we're doing something. There is a lot more to be done, but we're heartened by the responses we are receiving. For example: People are contacting Council members and our able support person, Ann George, asking to serve on the Alumni Council. That's encouraging!

Will the day ever come when non-alumni friends ask you if they can join the Alumni Association so that they have a better chance of getting Viking football tickets? Perhaps not soon. But things are happening, the Alumni Association is being recognized as a viable and visible entity at Dana. We have a long way to go. We have to work hard as Alumni. We have to prove ourselves to those who may feel that the only role of an alumnus or alumna is to sign a check. We'll do that, but we hope to do more!

One final note: A privilege of mine has been the invitation to sit in on the meetings of the Dana Board of Regents. At their last meeting, the new campus master plan was unveiled. It's exciting, and you can learn something about it in this Review. It offers a new and glorious future for Dana College. When you are invited to hear about this, or invited to an ADD campaign presentation, don't hesitate. Dana is moving into the 21st century in a wonderful way. Be a part of it!

Thanks again for the opportunity to serve you.

Mark A. Grorud '75
President, Alumni Association

Alumni Council Ballot

Five alumni have been nominated for three-year terms on the Alumni Council. There are two boxes by each name so that husband and wife can vote if they are both alumni. Please circle the number voting 1 2 and return your ballot to the Alumni Office by May 31.

Vote for five

- Kevin Johnson '83
- C. Jayne (Botos '66) Kolterman
- Lorraine (Sandberg '48) Madsen
- Tom Taggart '81
- Rod Thompson '65
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German town hosts students

When German Professor Sybille Bartels took eight of her students to "Meet Germany: Past and Present" during the Interim, they received a warm welcome in the Schleswig-Holstein community of Bad Segeberg. Mayor Jorg Nehter, who received an honorary doctorate from Dana last spring, is chairman of the board that developed the town's Karl May Festival which presents plays about the American West. Here the Dana group and their German hosts visit the "Nebraska-Haus" on the Festival grounds.



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DESTINY'S DEEP SEA

'80s Kevin Meyer '88 lives in Omaha at 10406 Fort Plaza (68134). He is an accountant at Wilkinson Manufacturing in Ft. Calhoun. . . . Jeff '87 and Cindy (Lorenzen '84) Hansen announce the birth of Peter Daniel on February 28. Jeff is a middler at Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque, and Cindy is a church secretary. . . . Britany Elizabeth was born on October 22 to Jill (Smith '87) and Phil '88 Morrison of 1506 Dustin, Apt. #2, Normal, IL 61761. . . . Kristine Ainsworth Swank '86 received a master of library science degree from the University of Arizona, Tucson, in December. In January she joined the American Graduate School of International Management in Glendale, AZ, as the acquisitions librarian. The school of 1,100 students offers a master of international management degree. Her new address is 5205 W. Thunderbird Road, Apt. 2060, Glendale, AZ 85306. . . . Kari Jo (Molzer '85) and Kevin '83 Johnson are the parents of Kirsten Charlotte, born on February 12. They live at 3008 S. 133rd St. in Omaha (68144). . . . Sherrie Stone '84 and Dave

Gordon were married on November 5. They live in Omaha at 9368 Decatur Plaza (68114). . . . Tyler Jonathan was born on February 7 to Mary and John Murtaugh '83 of 722 Walnut Dr. in Wayne, NE 68787. He joins brother Joshua and sister Jessica. John's wrestling team this year had six state qualifiers and three state places; the team placed eighth in its class. . . . Lori (Neve '82) and Terry Jones are the parents of Andrew Jacob, born on March 18. They live at 321 Elm St. #24 in Houghton, LA 71037. . . . Gene and Suzanne (Lazarro '82) Laver announce the birth of Anna Elizabeth on February 10. She joins brothers Dustin and Ross. They live at 504 Farnam in Harlan, IA 51537. . . . Laurel (Biffar '82) and Bill Method, RR 1, P.O. Box 79, Decatur, NE 68020, are the parents of Jessica Ann, born February 16. . . . Mogens '81 and Sally (Miller '81) Knudsen have moved to Lexington, NE, where Mogens has opened a new supermarket, Sav-A-Lot Discount Foods. . . . Nancy (Pruss '81) and Johan Pedersen, 2154 Washington, Blair, announce the birth of Zachary Christian on December 23. Nancy is staff

assistant in Dana's Development Office. . . . Dr. Debra Doubek '80 and her husband, Tom Phillips, are the parents of Nathan Doubek Phillips, born January 31. They live at 16109 W. 82nd Place in Lenexa, KS 66219. In June Dr. Doubek will be board certified in the specialty of family practice. She has accepted a year's fellowship to do the chief residency at the University of Kansas Medical Center in Kansas City, KS. . . .

'70s Erica Agesen '79 and James Petersen '78 were married on March 11 in Aptos, CA. They live in Omaha (68104) at 6507 Pinkney St. . . . Jean (Barkley '79) George, 347 E. Papago Dr., Tempe, AZ 85281, works as a word processor at Arizona State University in the Chemical, Bio-Materials Engineering Department. Her husband, Michael, is a PhD candidate in ASU's Chemistry Department. . . . Janet and Mark Olman '79, 6206 Inverness Rd., Lincoln (68512) announce the birth of Chad Matthew on March 5. . . . David Demant '78 of Fortuna, CA, has been chosen to direct the College of the Red-

woods' Chamber Choir for the spring semester. Demant, who has taught part-time at College of the Redwoods for the past four years, also restores pipe organs. . . . Randall '76 and Brenda (Karolick '79) Epperson announce the birth of their son, Alexander Worley, on March 12. Randall is the district conservationist in Dodge County-Fremont, NE, for the USDA Soil Conservation Service, and Brenda works for the University of Nebraska Medical Center's McGoogan Library of Medicine. They live at 2618 S. 152nd Circle in Omaha (68144). . . . Dr. Don Baack '75 teaches at Pittsburg State University in Kansas. Pam Baack, who was a secretary at Dana to Dean Clifford Hanson, graduated summa cum laude from Missouri Southern State College. She was named an Outstanding Student in Marketing/Management and was listed in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." She also received several other academic and leadership honors. The Baacks still live at 2616 Oliver in Joplin, MO 64804. . . . Marlene Mullins '75, Arlington, (continued on page 8)

Siersbeck mourned

The Rev. Lawrence Siersbeck, president of Dana from 1938-1944, died on February 17 at his home in Kenosha, Wisconsin. He was 87.

He was our last Danish-born president, and the first to receive an honorary degree from Dana. In 1982 he was named a Distinguished Alumnus.

Siersbeck graduated from Dana Academy in 1922. He received his bachelor's degree from the University of Nebraska and was ordained in 1928 after attending Trinity Seminary and Mt. Airy Lutheran Seminary in Philadelphia.

Early in his career he served congregations in Atlantic, Iowa, and Milwaukee. After his resignation from the Dana presidency, he was pastor at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Council Bluffs, Iowa.



In 1952 he became pastor at St. Mary's Lutheran Church in Kenosha; in 1968 he was named St. Mary's pastor emeritus, a position he held until his death.

In 1980, when Siersbeck was honored as Kenosha's Person of the Year, a newspaper article called him "one of the most loved and respected men in the Kenosha-Racine area."

There were other honors too. He was secretary of the national committee that created the American Lutheran Church, a merger of three Lutheran synods, and the King of Denmark recognized him for his relief work for Denmark and Norway during World War II.

Siersbeck was preceded in death by his wife, Cornelia (Johnson '26).

Survivors, many of them Dana alumni, include daughters Sylvia Larsen '54, 7957 25th Ave., Kenosha (53140); Marilyn Erling '52, 1412 S. Washington, Saint Peter, MN 56082; and Mildred Rasmussen '52, 620 Pleasant St., Colorado Springs, CO 80904. ☛

Competition is high on Scholarship weekend

Seventy-four top high school seniors from across the U.S. attended Dana's first Presidential Scholarship Competition on February 4 and 5, braving snow and bitterly cold weather to participate.

The competition was first announced for only February 4. Because of the large number of participants, it was extended to a second day.

Those eligible for the competition had to have (1) a minimum 3.25 grade point average, or (2) a minimum ACT score of 24 or (3) a minimum SAT composite of 1000. They had to be accepted Dana applicants and be either high school seniors or high school graduates who would not be transferring college courses to Dana.

During the competition students wrote essays on a prescribed topic and were interviewed by a panel of students, faculty and staff.

Presidential Scholarships ranging from \$2,000 to full tuition were awarded to the top nine winners. Other competitors won scholarships ranging in value from \$500 to \$1,500. All of the scholarships are renewable.

While the students were competing, their parents attended workshops that gave additional information about Dana, its programs and facilities.

The competition will become an annual event. ☛

(New scholarships, from page 4)

The R & H Award. This annual scholarship is funded by a Dana alumnus and his wife; they wish to remain anonymous. Preference will be given to an incoming freshman who has graduated from a high school in the greater Elk Horn, Iowa, area, to include Shelby and Audubon Counties. The award may be divided among more than one student, should there be several qualified applications.

The Sand-Whittier National Merit Scholarship. Initiated by Bonnie Sand-Whittier '77 and her husband, Dr. Richard Whittier, this is a full tuition scholarship for a National Merit Finalist or Semi-Finalist who enters Dana as a freshman. It is renewable

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

■ Steve Berntson '76, an Iowa farmer and essayist, was a panel member for "A Sense of Place/A Place of Sense: Writers Explore the Midwest," a conference sponsored by the Iowa Humanities Board and held in January in Des Moines. Berntson's session was titled "Farmer/Writers: Reading and Writing the Land."

■ Kent Day '76, who teaches English at Omaha's Lewis and Clark Junior High School, has received the Cooper Foundation Award for Excellence in Teaching for the third time. He was also selected to attend the Omaha Public Schools Leadership Institute and has been chosen as a Phi Delta Kappa Showcase Teacher for 1989.

■ The Iowa Football Coaches Association has named Craig Parkinson '74 its Northwest Iowa District Football Coach of the Year (Class II) for 1988. Parkinson's Akron-Westfield (IA) team finished the regular season 7-0. The team then defeated Rock Valley 20-6 in the first round of quarter finals before losing 27-14 to Britt. Parkinson has an overall football coaching record of 83-45. He's also Akron Westfield's head basketball coach, and his players

each succeeding year if a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 is maintained.

United Lutheran Church Scholarship. This award, to be matched by Dana, will be given to a graduating high school senior accepted for admission to Dana for the fall semester. Either one scholarship of \$1,000, or two \$500 scholarships will be granted each year. Priority will be given in the following manner: (1) to members of United Lutheran Church of Shelby, Iowa; (2) to students of the Shelby-Tennant School District, or its successor; and (3) to students coming from congregations of the Western Iowa Synod of the ELCA. Recipients may apply for renewal in succeeding years, with an overall limit of four years. ☛

were 1987-88 co-champions of Iowa's War Eagle Conference.

■ Paul Saathoff '72, vice president, Omaha and Central Area Lending Center Manager for First Federal Lincoln, has been elected National Director of District VIII of the Institute of Financial Education. The Institute is the education arm of the U.S. League of Savings Institutions. District VIII encompasses Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Wisconsin.

■ Phyllis Rasmussen '64, a Scandinavian-language cataloger in the Cataloging Division of the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., was the subject of a feature story titled "Quiet Adventurer" in the November 21, 1988, issue of the Library of Congress Information Bulletin.

■ The Rev. William J. Hanson D'44 T'49 has been named interim executive director of the Division for Outreach of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Hanson was deputy director for the American Lutheran Church's Division for Service and Mission in America before his retirement at the end of 1987. ☛

