

DANA REVIEW

Regents take action on building plans, campus improvements

At their May meeting Regents acted on several features of the campus master plan that they adopted in February. The plan was developed by the Omaha architectural firm of Wilsam and Birge.

Here are the highlights of the Board's actions:

- Authorization of Wilsam and Birge to proceed with design development and construction documents for the Art Department addition to the Madsen Performing Arts Center. A decision to proceed with bidding and construction is not to be made without approval of the final plans by the Board's Executive Committee. With facilities for art, commercial art and photography, and office space for members of the art and music faculties, this addition would add approximately 9,000 square feet in two stories to the northwest corner of the Performing Arts Center. (This summer's ADD newsletter will feature architects' sketches.)

- Authorization of the architects to move to the next stage of design (design development) for the classroom-chapel building. This large structure will be near the former site of Old Main. Before taking any further action, Regents will review the design at their October meeting.

- Approval of site development and renovation projects for implementation this summer. These include new surfacing and lighting of the parking lots east of Borup Coliseum and north and east of Pioneer Memorial, better lighting around the residence halls to enhance campus security, roof repairs, improved campus signs and landscaping, new wiring in Pioneer Memorial and improving the appearance of that building's ground level entrances and hallway. »

Adding it up: Drive gains speed

'ADD,' the college's three-year fund-raising drive, is an acronym for "Accelerating Dana's Development"—and the drive is indeed accelerating.

Spreading out from home-based campaigns on campus and in the Blair and Washington County communities to a dinner in nearby Omaha and another in more-distant southeast Nebraska, ADD in its first year has won generous support from alumni and friends.

Over the next two years, similar events will be held across the country in more than 40 cities.

ADD's \$18.15 million goal includes \$10.65 million in cash gifts and pledges and \$7.5 million in planned giving. By May 31, the end of its fiscal year, the college had received over \$5.5 million in cash gifts and pledges and had identified \$5.6 million in planned gifts, for a total of \$11.1 million. (The cash amount includes the \$2 million insurance settlement for Old Main.)

Simon helps launch Omaha drive

The Greater Omaha campaign was launched with an April 17 dinner at the Mutual of Omaha Dome. U.S. Senator Paul Simon '49, the keynote speaker, reminded the 410 guests that "We must take the business of education more seriously in this country if we are to be known as a nation that cares for its young people and itself."

Dinner held in southeast Nebraska

Then on May 22 more than 40 alumni and friends who live in southeast Nebraska attended a smaller but equally successful dinner in Syracuse, the first ADD event held at a greater distance from Dana.

At the time this Review went to press, gifts and pledges by alumni and friends who attended these two events were still being solicited by ADD leaders. Watch for an update later this summer in ADD's first newsletter. »



Simon speaks. U.S. Senator Paul Simon '49 was the featured speaker at two Dana events this spring. He's pictured giving the keynote address at the April 17 ADD dinner in Omaha. Then on May 20 Simon, who is also a Dana Regent, attended the Regents' spring meeting and spoke at the annual Builders' Luncheon.

Champs again! Lady Vikings claim third Conference win

For the third year in a row, Dana's softball team came out on top of the Conference at the end of a highly competitive season.

The Lady Vikings, coached by Steve Kissel '86, also won fourth place at the NAIA District Tournament. They finished their season with 29 wins and 19 losses.

Four players were named to the All-District team: Joan Scherbring '89 (pitcher), Dyersville, Iowa; Tina Reimer '91 (outfield), Rockton, Illinois; Lori Scott '91 (infield), Strasburg, Colorado; and Nicki Brownell '91 (catcher), North Platte, Nebraska.

Scherbring, Reimer, Scott and Brownell also won places on the All-Conference First Team roster, as did teammates Janet Mitchell '91 (infield), Dunlap, Iowa; Katie Corbitt '92 (infield), Bertrand, Nebraska; and Sheryl Shuster '92 (D-H), Blair. »

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Former Regent is "Great Dane"

Regent Emeritus Irving F. Jensen of Sioux City, Iowa, became Dana's fourth "Great Dane" at the college's annual Builders Luncheon on May 20. The son of Danish immigrants and owner of Irving F. Jensen Construction Company, Jensen was presented with an authentic replica of an ancient Viking helmet. President Myrvin Christopherson praised Jensen "for his interest in and contributions toward the advancement of Dana College, his church, his community and Christian higher education."

From the President

"Good teaching...the essence of what Dana is about"

Good teaching! The reputation of a college is built upon it. It is the essence of what Dana College is about. The late Dr. Joseph Sittler comments upon teaching in a book entitled "Gravity and Grace" published by Augsburg. Sittler says, "If you ask me what makes a good teacher, I can tell you that he or she gives off the notion, 'What I am talking about is enormously important and alluring and exciting, and I wish you knew more about it.' "

Recently two Dana faculty members joined a long list of faculty colleagues who have been cited for outstanding teaching. Dr. John W. Nielsen, professor of religion, was recognized as the recipient of the Burlington Northern Award given to the Dana faculty member judged by a committee of peers, students and administration to be worthy of recognition for distinguished teaching.

For almost three decades, Dr. Nielsen has inspired Dana students to an expanded appreciation for learning. He inspires his students to be educated because he is himself an educated person. Dr. Sittler, in the same source, also comments that "College faculty should be educated persons. This is often not the case. Many of them are trained—not educated. You can train dogs to jump, and you can train people to report what is going on in chemistry and transmit that information. But education means training the mind to unfold to multiple facets of human existence with some appreciation, eagerness and joy. It is, in essence, the opposite of being dull."

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

Dr. John W. Nielsen and his many colleagues at Dana are not dull. They seek to develop the mind; they help develop the spiritual as well as the intellectual in a person.

One of our newest faculty members, Dr. Kay Ferguson, assistant professor of teacher education and psychology, is our students' choice for Outstanding Professor of the Year. Dr. Ferguson, too, approaches her subject and her students with a commitment to help students gain an appreciation, an eagerness and a joy for learning. She helps to instill in them through her own role model a love of teaching and of learning.

Dana is blessed with excellent teachers wholly committed to their subject matter and who evidence their interest in helping the development of the total individual from the spiritual through the emotional to the intellectual and the social person.

At Dana we also take pride in preparing outstanding teachers. We have known for a long time that Dana-prepared teachers are among the best in the marketplace. Principals and superintendents from schools where Dana graduates teach assure me that they would like to have many more like the Dana alumni they employ. It was gratifying recently to note that two Dana alums were recipients of the Buffett Foundation \$10,000 award to outstanding teachers in the Omaha School District. Kent Day '76, an English teacher at Lewis and Clark Junior High School, and Dorothy Schultz '58, a French teacher at Burke High School, were two of only four graduates of independent, liberal arts colleges to receive the award. The \$10,000 Buffett Award is given in honor of Alice Buffett, who was a home economics teacher for over 35 years at Benson and Central Schools in Omaha. Congratulations, Kent and Dorothy! You make us proud.

For generations, Dana's Teacher Education program has been among the best at any college of our type. People such as I, whose Dana experience ranges over the last three decades, have fond memories of giants among teachers with names like "Miss Mac" and Ray Weckmuller. What some may not realize is that this tradition has continued stronger than ever under the direction of Dr. Bernie Matthies, head of Education and Psychology, Dr. Dorothy Olson, Professor Shirley McAllister, and Dr. Kay Ferguson. My conviction that our program is among the best in our region was confirmed when our state evaluators last year reaccredited Dana College with absolutely no deviations from the standards. We were one of the few to receive this approval without a single dissenting vote from the college approval advisory committee.

Of course, as many of you know, the Education Department was a unit hit hard by the fire that destroyed Old Main last August. Dr. Dorothy Olson's resource center and materials, well known for their excellence and comprehensiveness among elementary teachers throughout our region, were largely destroyed by the fire. All of the education professors lost almost everything from their personal libraries and files. This group of teachers has come back strong, setting up offices in temporary quarters in Rasmussen Hall. Many of the items lost have been replaced, although the vast majority of the special materials in Dr. Olson's resource center, some of which are irreplaceable, will be a long time in recovering. Gratefully, insurance has enabled us to purchase replacement computers and other teaching aids so that we can provide state-of-the-art programs to students. What impresses me about our Teacher Education faculty is their zealous commitment to carry on and to innovate despite their heavy losses.

The Education Department, like the faculties in Business, Foreign Languages, and Art, have all been busily engaged in discussions with our architectural firm, Wilscam and Birge of Omaha, to plan an Old Main replacement. I am pleased to be able to report that the Board of Regents at their May meeting authorized the administration working with the architects to proceed to final drawings for an Art addition to the Madsen Performing Arts Center. A two-story, almost 9,000-square foot addition to the northwest part of that building should prove to be a most attractive complement to the building. It will also provide excellent state-of-the-art facilities for programs in art, commercial art and photography. Pending approval of final drawings by the administration and the Board of Regents' Executive Committee, construction could begin as early as this fall on that addition.

In other action, the Regents authorized the next stage of design of the chapel-classroom complex that will provide a home for faculty in Education, Business, Foreign Languages, Humanities, History, Religion, Social Work, English and Communication. We are impressed by the preliminary designs for that facility, and, assuming that we are successful in our "ADD" campaign drive to secure needed funding, construction could begin as early as a year from now. It is truly heart-warming to imagine that we could have for the first time in Dana's

history a chapel joined by a marvelous state-of-the-art educational facility that will give prominence to those departments currently displaced by the fire and others presently located in Pioneer Memorial.

The renovation of Pioneer Memorial, which will be home to most administrative and service offices, will have to wait for completion of the Old Main replacement before receiving major attention.

We are delighted that the Regents have authorized us to proceed with some other campus improvements, including roof replacements, new paving and parking lots, campus lighting, security, signage and plantings, as well as attention to residence halls and selected public areas. I am encouraged because we are planning for a stronger Dana for many decades to come. We will meet the competition head-on in the conviction that this special community of faith and learning deserves to continue providing an alternative in higher education which I think our contemporary world desperately needs.

As the plans become more complete, we will be sharing with you our concrete vision of what Dana will look like to students in decades to come.

Let us remember, however, that it is not our physical plant that makes Dana distinctive but our mission as a college of the church celebrating the joy of pursuit of learning in a community of faith and our dedicated and highly competent teachers.

Excitement about learning is contagious. None of us who witnessed the Distinguished Alumni Awards given to Dr. Emory Anderson '61, General Secretary for the International Council for the Exploration of the Sea headquartered in Copenhagen, Denmark, and to Dr. Rachael Neve '74, research professor at Harvard University Medical School, could help but be impressed by the outstanding quality of Dana graduates. Who of us will forget Dr. Neve's remarks upon receiving the Distinguished Alumna Award: "I'm at Harvard now, but I don't sense the adventure, the love of learning, the urge to know that I found at Dana." That urge to know and love of learning is in no small part at Dana because of the outstanding teachers who are here and who have taught here in decades past. Your prayers, your support, your encouragement of them are most welcomed and appreciated.

Myrvin F. Christopherson
President

Spring highlights

This year's valedictorian at Commencement on May 21 was **Tim Hanssen** of Lisle, Illinois.

Hanssen received his B.A. with a major in the humanities. The salutatorian was **Karyn Hillesland** of Omaha. She received her B.A. with a major in elementary education.



Hanssen

Two 1989 graduates are the first who can thank Dana's new Weekend College program for helping them complete their degree requirements. The two Weekend College pioneers are computer science majors **Caryl (Christensen) Grorud** of Fremont, Nebraska, and **Daryl Matson** of Blair.

Students named **Dr. Kay Ferguson**, assistant professor of teacher education and psychology, their "Professor of the Year" at the college's annual Honors Program on May 11. Criteria for the award include teaching excellence and productivity, positive interpersonal relationships, organized and structured class management, creation of intellectual stimulation, desirable out-of-class behavior and an exemplary Christian life.

Dr. John W. Nielsen D'48 T'53, professor of religion, is this year's Dana recipient of the Burlington Northern Foundation Faculty Achievement Award. The award, announced at the Honors Program, recognizes Nielsen's high scholarly standards and his impact on students.

U.S. Senator Paul Simon '49 was the featured speaker at the annual Dana Builders' Luncheon on Saturday, May 20. Approximately 125 alumni and friends of the college attended the luncheon.

State Senator Frank Korshoj of Nebraska's 16th District received Dana's 1989 College-Community Service Award at Commencement. At the award ceremony President Christopherson called Korshoj, owner and manager of Korshoj Lumber Company in Herman, a "no-nonsense senator who takes seriously the work he was elected to do, questioning and where necessary opposing excessive spending and government intervention." Christopherson also recognized Korshoj for his support in funding a state tuition assistance bill to provide financial assistance to qualifying Nebraska students who choose to attend independent colleges in Nebraska. Korshoj's uncle, the late Simon Korshoj, as president of Korshoj Construction Company was involved in constructing nine of Dana's major buildings.

Dr. Herman Diers, professor of religion at Wartburg College, received an honorary doctorate at Commencement exercises (see spring Review).

Sixteen seniors received Campus Service Awards at the annual Recognition Dinner honoring graduates and Distinguished alumni on May 20. The sixteen were **Mark Smeby, James Cloyd, Karyn Hillesland** and **Ken Ehline**, all of Omaha; **Carter Hansen** of Blair; **Rebecca Brabec** of Clarkson, **Jayne Stein** of Bloomfield, **Peg Crannell** of Tekamah, **Carin Mayr** of Bassett, and **Alan Pogue** of Stromsburg, Nebraska; **Lisa Overlie** of Sioux Center and **Emily Kurth** of Decorah, Iowa; **Bill Zanton** of Genesco and **Angela Johnson** of Belvidere, Illinois; **Nathan Kramer** of Bethune, Colorado; and **Griff Dunlop** of South St. Paul, Minnesota. This year's Distinguished Alumni were **Dr. Emory Anderson '61** of Copenhagen, Denmark, and **Dr. Rachael Neve '74** of Boston (see spring Review). For the second consecutive year, more than 300 persons—seniors, parents, alumni, faculty and staff, and friends—attended the dinner. »

Blair School Board honors Lela Neve

The Board of Education of the Blair Community Schools voted unanimously in April to name Blair's Junior-Senior High School auditorium the "Lela C. Neve Auditorium."

Lela (Nielsen '43) Neve, who died last October 16, was president of the Board of Education when the Junior-Senior High School was built.

She was also responsible for bringing the Omaha Symphony Chamber Orchestra to Blair for public concerts and workshops in the schools. At Dana she was a Parnassus assistant for the humanities program and a library assistant who worked extensively in developing the Dana Archives. Mrs. Neve was the wife of Dr. Paul Neve '41, professor emeritus of music at Dana. »

Olsen receives third Fulbright for summer study

Art professor Jim Olsen '62 is in Yugoslavia this summer under a six-week Fulbright Seminars Abroad Program. The grant is the third Fulbright Olsen has received; earlier grants enabled him to study in The Netherlands and Egypt.

Olsen is also director of Dana's Humanities Program.

Calling the opportunity "a revitalizing experience for me," Olsen said before his departure that he plans to study several aspects of Yugoslavian history and culture, including the Roman occupation and the medieval period, when the schism occurred between the Catholic and Greek Orthodox Churches and Islamic culture influenced the Slavic peoples.

Olsen said he was also interested learning how artists live and work in a Communist society. »

Students together—daughter Candace Scott and her mother Rosalind; mother Peg Crannell and her daughter Kelli.



Mothers, daughters share Dana experience

Every day was Parents Day at Dana this year for mother-daughter teams Rosalind and Candace Scott and Peg and Kelli Crannell. All four were full-time students.

Rosalind and Peg, the mothers, were among Dana's growing number of non-traditional students.

Rosalind, who is from Omaha, says that she didn't plan to attend Dana. "But when I came to the campus to enroll Candace, I told Admissions Director Mary Docken that 'one of these days I'll complete my own education.' Mary said, 'You could do it now,' and I decided to."

So Rosalind and Candace both entered Dana in the fall of 1987, Candace as a freshman planning to major in biology, and Rosalind as a sophomore with majors in religion and business. Rosalind is a year ahead of Candace because she transferred credits earned earlier at another college.

Peg, on the other hand, entered Dana two years before daughter Kelli. She, too, had transfer credits and enrolled as a sophomore with majors in English and Spanish, both for secondary teaching. A resident of rural Tekamah, Nebraska, Peg says that "Dana was close to home, so I was able to keep my job and go to school at the same time. After I got here, I knew my decision was the right one."

Daughter Kelli enrolled as a freshman last fall. Peg says that Kelli, who plans to major in art and accounting, chose Dana "in spite of the fact I was here. She came because of Dana's art department—she's especially interested in photography—and Dana's offerings best suited her."

Although Peg and Rosalind are non-traditional students with many other obligations, they've also been campus leaders.

Peg was editor of the Sower, Dana's literary magazine, and a Hermes (the campus newspaper) staff member. She was inducted into Alpha Mu Gamma, the foreign language honorary society, and served as its secretary. She belonged to the Nebraska Student Education Association. She also served as president of DOCS (Dana's Organization of Commuting Students) and worked hard to establish a DOCS scholarship fund. In recognition of her contributions to campus life, Peg was one of 16 seniors to receive Campus Service Awards at this spring's Recognition Dinner.

Last fall she was also named to "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Rosalind will be a senior this fall, and she, too, has contributed much to campus life. She's been active in student government as a member of the Student Senate, and she's a member of the Campus Ministry Council and of DOCS. She's also served on a presidential advisory committee.

Rosalind (she's the sister of Michael Dryver '84) and Candace share an apartment in Dana's Omaha Village. They haven't had the same classes, but Rosalind says that "it's been an asset to have Candace—she's helped me with my math and life science." Candace adds that in turn, her mom has helped her with her business classes. Having her mother here "is ok," she says.

Peg commuted to Dana, and Kelli lived on-campus in Holling Hall. Peg received her B.A. magna cum laude and will teach high school English next fall in Elkhorn, Nebraska.

"I've enjoyed having Kelli at Dana this year," Peg says, "although she didn't get to have her traditional first-year-of-college experience completely away from home. But next year will be different." »

CAMPUS NOTES

Dr. Michael Doyle, associate professor of economics, has been promoted to the rank of professor.

Dr. Kathleen Collins, assistant professor of English, and **Dr. Ben Collins**, adjunct professor of English, presented papers at the Medieval Forum in Plymouth, New Hampshire, April 14-15. This is the third year they've been invited to give papers at the Forum.

Shirley McAllister '69, assistant professor of education and psychology, was invited this spring to participate in a Chautauqua-type short course, "Cognition and Teaching," held in June at California State University and conducted by a faculty member from Duke University. This Chautauqua program is a national faculty development opportunity with a strong and respected history.

Kris Pronske, a Dana junior from Fremont, Nebraska, and a German and business major, was one of eight Nebraska students this spring who passed the *Zertifikat Deutsch Pruefung*, an internationally recognized German proficiency test. Administered by the Goethe Institute, the examination tests all language skills as well as cultural understanding.

Two seniors and four juniors were inducted into the Nebraska Beta Chapter of Alpha Chi, the national college honor scholarship society, on May 4. The newest members are seniors **Peg Crannell** (Tekamah, Nebraska) and **Mark Olsen** (Blair) and juniors **Kristin Dougherty** (Dunlap, Iowa), **Susan Hendrick** (Omaha), **Kellee Siemers** (Elk Point, South Dakota) and **Kelly Tierney** (Blair).

Arvin Hernes, associate professor of physics, attended the Small College Computing Symposium at the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire, on April 21-22.

Dan Travaille, dean of student services, and **Dr. Kathleen O'Connor**, vice president for academic affairs, gave a workshop on "Freshman Mentoring Teams: The Best of Two Worlds," at the Freshman Year Experience Midwest Conference held in Oak Brook, Illinois, on April 15.

Parnassus assistant **Nathan Kramer '89**, an art major, was commissioned by the ELCA's Nebraska Synod to design the logo and serve as consultant, designer, and builder of the stage set for the synod's June 1-3 assembly in Omaha's Civic Auditorium.

Three members of the faculty and staff have received summer Professional Growth Awards from the ELCA's Division for Education, Colleges and Universities. They are **Mark Anderson** (director of financial aid), **Steve Bendykowski** (commercial art instructor) and **Keith Hansen** (business manager).

Mark and Sharna Davis attended the Prairie States Ecology Conclave in a wilderness area near Kansas City May 5-7. Dr. Davis is assistant professor of biology; his wife is also a biologist.

Don Warman, associate professor of history, served as a humanities scholar and panelist for a Nebraska Humanities Commission-sponsored program on ancient Egypt at Creighton University on May 5.

Education Department faculty members attended an interactive symposium on strategies and models for supporting beginning teachers at Doane College on April 21.

Dr. Larrrie Stone '57, professor of biology, and **Prof. Gene Lindblad**, associate professor of chemistry, attended a Nebraska Academy of Sciences meeting in Lincoln on April 14. Lindblad presented a paper titled "Chemical Hazards in the Art Studio" to the Chemistry-Physics section. The paper was a revision of one written by **Napawan Harold '89** for a physical science class.

Dana's Chemistry Department recently received a Fisher Orsat Gas Apparatus, a piece of surplus equipment donated by the Nebraska Public Power District, Gerald Gentleman Station, in Sutherland. The gift was arranged by **Mitch Jensen '81**, who is an NPPD employee at Sutherland.

Twenty-one students were inducted into Alpha Mu Gamma, the national foreign language honor society, on May 11. Inductees and the languages studied were: **Danish—Christine Voss '92** (Somonauk, Illinois) and **Lisa Overlie '89** (Sioux Center, Iowa); **French—Christa Johnson '91** (Little Falls, Minnesota), **Tamy Klein '92** (Earling, Iowa) and **Kevin White '90** (Minden, Iowa); **German—Jennifer Barabas '92** (Ft. Calhoun, Nebraska), **Shana Creger '92** (Kilkenny, Minnesota), **Helen Ochs '91** (Namibia) and **Christopher Heinrich '91** (Blair); **Spanish—Melissa Lehan '92** (Dunlap, Iowa), **Kelly Stember '91** (Sioux Falls, South Dakota), **Lisa LeMaster '92** (Colorado Springs, Colorado), **Melissa Reinikainen '92** (also German—Marshfield, Wisconsin), **Elizabeth Felker '92** (Granby, Colorado), **Carin Mayr '89** (Bassett, Nebraska), **Sean Dalton '92** and **Troy Novak '90** (both from Lincoln, Nebraska), **Claudia Brown '92** (Omaha) and **Susan Gill** (part-time, Tekamah, Nebraska); **International Students, English—Stina Ramsing** and **Eva Zeuthen** (Denmark).

An article titled "Increasing Popularity of Foreign Languages: Untangling American Tongues," in the Sunday, May 7, edition of the Omaha World-Herald's Magazine of the Midlands included an accompanying story, "A Smorgasbord of Danish Language, Culture," about **Githa Nielsen**, this year's visiting Danish-language instructor at Dana. In the main article

World-Herald staff writer T.L. Henion interviewed **Dorothy (Willmert '58) Schultz**, head of the foreign language department at Omaha's Burke High School. The name of U.S. Senator **Paul Simon '49** also appeared in a reference to Simon's book, "The Tongue-tied American."

A new campus organization, **Higher Education About the Homeless (HEAH)** sponsored by **David Murray**, coordinator of Dana's Multicultural Center and Minority Student Affairs, held a 24-hour reading marathon April 28 and 29 as a fund-raiser to help the homeless.

On April 27 the **Campus Life Committee** sponsored readings from Native American literature. The four readers were poets **Donna Whitewing**, a Winnebago, and **Carolyn Avey**, a Cherokee; Dana Professor **Don Warman**, who has Comanche blood; and Dana junior **Peter Sierant** of Overland Park, Kansas, who has a Muscalero/Apache background. »

Warmans receive NEH fellowships

Fellowships to study at Summer Seminars sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities have taken history professor **Don Warman** and his wife, **Sandy '63**, to New England this summer.

Don is at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst attending a seminar titled "From the Silk Route to Afghanistan: Approaches to the Study of Central Asia." He's working on a computer project called "The Development of a Hypertext Knowledgebase on Central Asia."

Sandy, who teaches English for Dana's Weekend College and at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, is at Dartmouth College in Hanover, New Hampshire. The seminar she's attending is on English Romantic literature and the visual arts. Her special project is titled "*Ekphrasis* in the Odes of Keats, Virginia Woolf's 'To the Lighthouse,' and Willa Cather's 'My Antonia.'" »

Language, lit conference is successful event

Scholars from 15 American and Canadian colleges and universities presented papers at the Second Annual Midlands Conference on Language and Literature, held at Dana on April 28 and at Creighton University, Omaha, the next day.

The morning sessions at Creighton commemorated the centenary of the death of poet Gerard Manley Hopkins. At a Friday evening program, pianist Alan Brandes of Dana's Music Department played four pieces based on Hopkins's poetry that Brandes composed for the conference. Howard Speck '84 sang the lyrics.

A special Parnassus exhibit arranged for the conference featured art by Professor Emeritus F. William Thomsen '45 inspired by John G. Neihardt's book, "Black Elk Speaks."

Four members of the Dana faculty presented papers: for the section on medieval literature—Dr. Ben Collins, "James Joyce and the Medieval World," and Dr. Kathleen Collins, "Relics, Radix, and Rogues in 'The Pardoner's Tale'"; for the section on earlier American literature—Dr. John Mark Nielsen '73, "Kristian Ostergaard's 'A Merchant's House': Danish Religious and Cultural Conflict in an American Setting"; and for the section on English language and literature—Dr. John W. Nielsen '48, "Theological Implications of Donne's Mathematical Images." »

Book discusses Danes in Nebraska

Blossoms of the Prairie: The History of the Danish Lutheran Churches in Nebraska" by Jean M. Matteson and Edith M. Matteson has recently been published.

The 247-page book discusses the Danish background against which emigration took place, early church activities, settlement, Danish Lutheran schools, organizations and social activities, Americanization and the language issue, and the establishing of individual congregations in Nebraska.

Dana and Trinity Seminary are among the organizations that figure prominently in the extensively researched book. Many familiar names also appear, and the book should be of interest to anyone with Danish-American roots.

Careful documentation at the end of each section reveals that many Dana and Trinity alumni have been sources of information for the authors.

The indexed publication is rich in photographs, biographies, maps, tables and appendices. It includes a bibliography.

For information on ordering the book, write to: Blossoms of the Prairie, P.O. Box 2774, Lincoln, NE 68502. »

As a matter of fax . . .

The Dana Library has received an OMNIFAX 850 machine as part of a Title IID grant submitted by Nebraska's private independent college libraries.

Head librarian Ruth Rasmussen said the fax is especially convenient for interlibrary loans. It's also being used by faculty and staff members; the proofs for this Review, for example, have been "faxed" to and from the printer.

Dana's fax number is 402-426-7332.

Alumna in TV production

Lora Lunzmann Black (under the Lincoln portrait) in the courtroom scene of "The Trial of Standing Bear." (See story below.)



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"The Trial of Standing Bear":

A day in the life of an extra

by Lora Lunzmann '72 Black

The author, who lives in Lincoln, Nebraska, writes about her experiences as an extra in "The Trial of Standing Bear." Directed by Marshall Jamison, the Nebraska ETV production was first aired on July 4 and 9. Black was also an extra for the network television production, "Amerika."

A doctor, a lawyer, an Indian chief. Well, the doctor was really a chiropractor who could have been a double for Ulysses S. Grant in uniform.

Our cast was made up of people from all walks of life. A lawyer, a Lincoln Journal reporter, a Buffalo Bill look-a-like, teachers, members of the Ponca and Omaha Tribes, moms and housewives. What was our common bond? We were ready, willing and able "background artists," or in casual movie-making terms, "extras" for the seven days of trial scenes for the upcoming national Nebraska ETV Network production, "The Trial of Standing Bear."

What a thrill (?) to report in at 6 a.m. for costumes and makeup! By 9 a.m. we were a waiting room full of pioneers in costumes of the period from the tips of our toes to the tops of our heads.

My outfit, courtesy of Hollywood Costumes, was a brown cotton print dress that buttoned down the front and was trimmed with white tatted lace on cuffs and collar, brown pointed laced-up boots, ecru crocheted gloves and a green velvet hat with a blue peacock plume adorning the side. The wardrobe staff had to add an eight-inch dust ruffle to my dress to allow for my six feet, one inch.

I was usually ready by 7 a.m. so I made good use of my time, getting to know all the unique people comprising this experience. By the end of seven days, you couldn't find a more closely knit group of people. We shared stories, histories—there was even an "Amerika" reunion of those who had also played in that Nebraska-located production.

One by one the cast members acquired the book, "The Ponca Chiefs: An Account of the Trial of Standing Bear" by Thomas Henry Tibbles. It became our bible, supplying us with knowledge about this great event in history and doubling as an autograph book. Each of us sought out the other's choice sayings and autographs. What a great way to "break in" to a conversation with one of the major stars. "Would you sign my book, please?" The principal players were such professionals, and yet they always had the time to give us.

Being in such close surroundings, a favorite pastime was watching the stars getting "made up." Long wigs and make-up would suddenly transform these actors into great men of our past.

Day One began with seating assignments in the courtroom. The director began placing us row after row. I soon

found myself positioned on the back bench next to soon-to-be long-time friends Gary, Grayson and Bobbie.

The day started, oh so excitingly, but by 11:45, we were all quite ready for lunch break.

One p.m. rolled around. "Back to the set," our floor director would call. Then it began. The heat from the lights and the contented, full stomachs started their message into our brains. "You're tired; it's nap time, go to sleep." Eyelids grew heavy. We grew weary of the hard wooden courtroom benches. That proved to be the hardest test of a movie extra—to stay alert and when the director said "Action," to become part of an interested, much alive courtroom audience.

Two p.m., we sat and we sat. "Cut, Quiet, Action—Sound Stage Closed." We sat. Break time came. You've never seen so many people move so fast. How good it felt to stretch! Some of us even went outside for a breath of fresh air. Even though it was the middle of March, it was good being outside in the crisp air. Many of us were really dressed for it though, with wool suits and shawls. I'm sure we caused many drivers on 33rd Street to do a double take. Seeing a group of pioneers and cavalry soldiers standing outside the Nebraska ETV studios must have been quite a sight!

All through these long days of taping we never lost sight of our common goal, to make a factual enactment of a time in Nebraska's history. We all dedicated ourselves to be true pioneers of the time. Watching Ivan Naranjo portray Standing Bear and hear his cry, "My hand is not the same color as yours, but, if I pierce it, I shall feel the pain. The blood will be the same color. We are men, the same God made us." Who could sit in that courtroom and not be affected by that speech? I imagine we felt much the same as our forefathers must have felt 100 years ago.

I was impressed with the dedication, dignity and sheer love for this project, shown by all the staff, to make it as factual and timely as history itself.

I am proud to have been a part of this re-creation of a great moment in history. To have been just a small part of it was indeed a privilege. I proudly wear my Standing Bear T-shirt, and show any and all captive audiences my scrapbook.

What it really means to be a Nebraskan came alive for me that week of taping "The Trial of Standing Bear." It made me understand our past Indian heritage more clearly, and how we all fit into the scheme of life together, as people with the same God and a common desire for peace and understanding.

The hours were long and difficult, but I wouldn't trade this experience for anything.

Thank you, Nebraska ETV, for making it all possible! »

For excellence in teaching . . .

Two alumni receive prestigious awards

Two Dana graduates were among 15 Omaha Public School teachers honored in May by the Omaha-based Buffett Foundation for excellence in teaching.

Recipients of this year's Alice Buffett Outstanding Teacher Awards included Dorothy (Willmert '58) Schultz and Kent Day '76. Mrs. Schultz teaches French and is chairperson of the foreign language department at Burke High School; Day teaches English at Lewis and Clark Junior High School.

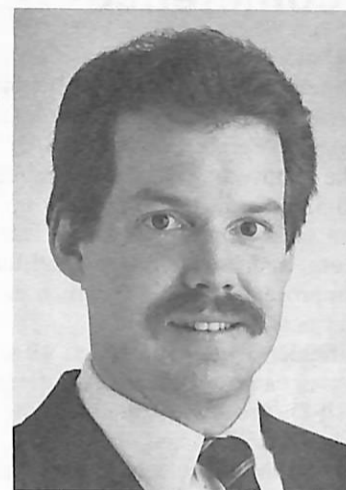
This is the second year for the awards, which carry cash prizes of \$10,000 for each recipient. They were established by Omaha financier Warren Buffett in honor of his late aunt, Alice Buffett, who taught at Omaha's Benson and Central High Schools for more than 35 years. A booklet published by the Foundation describes Miss Buffett as "an outstanding teacher who cared deeply about her students and who recognized the importance of a vigorous public education system."

Day, who has also received three Cooper Foundation Awards for Excellence in Teaching, also teaches English to non-English speaking students during the summer. The booklet issued by the Foundation quotes a colleague: "Students are laughing, reading, thinking, discussing and writing in his classes. Kent gets kids to write and to want to write."

Mrs. Schultz was named Nebraska Outstanding French Teacher of the Year in 1988. About her, a colleague wrote: "I am constantly astonished at her concern for students, her concern for improving her knowledge and her constant search for new books, new methodologies—things that will make learning easier and more fun for her students."

Allen Greenberg, executive director of the Buffett Foundation, told the Omaha World-Herald that the foundation had received more than 1,200 letters nominating 350 teachers.

According to the World-Herald, the 15 award winners received their undergraduate degrees from six colleges and universities—three of them private, and three public. »



Buffett Award recipients Kent Day and Dorothy Schultz.

SPORTS

Baseball team ranks third in conference

Coach Dale Lemon's baseball team placed third in conference with eight wins and eight losses. The team's overall record was 10-31.

"The team was young, and despite the 10-31 record, it's on the way up," Lemon says. "Only two seniors leave the team, and prospects are good for vast improvement in 1990, which cannot get here soon enough."

Outfielder Troy Carmichael '91 of Blair was named to the All-Conference and All-District first teams. He hit .331, had 29 RBI's and 40 hits in 121 at bats. In the outfield he committed only three errors in 66 chances for a .995 fielding average. »

Highlights . . . Tennis, golf and track

Coached by Craig Swenson '86, the tennis team had nine members this spring, a record number.

Several players turned in strong performances, Swenson reports. Randy Hollowell '90 of Parker, Colorado, garnered top honors for Dana by finishing third in the conference tournament. Others who did well at the tournament were Steve Mathis '92 of Leavenworth, Kansas (#1 singles), and Kevin White '90 of Minden, Iowa (#5 singles). Swenson notes that Mathis and White were two of the team's most consistent players all season long.

Golf. Golfing coach Leo McKillip reports that the team finished a competitive season and placed fourth in the NIAC tournament. The eight players won first place in the Concordia Invitational, second place in the Dana Invitational and high rankings in the Wayne State, Midland and Nebraska Wesleyan Invitationals.

Grant Matthies '89 of Blair led the team in scoring, consistently shooting in the 70's for 18 holes. Brad Moore '89 of Council Bluffs often shot in the 70's for 18 holes and Scott Wagner '90 of Gretna, Nebraska, and Matt Allen '89 of Palatine, Illinois, were in the low 80's for most of the season.

Track. The four women and six men out for track this year were coached by Jim Krueger '85. Krueger reports that two freshmen placed at meets. Omahan Robert Wright came in second in the 110-meter high hurdles at the Dordt Invitational and ended up in sixth place in the NIAC. Victor Lyon of Madison, Nebraska, placed fifth in the 100-meter event at the Wayne State and Dordt Invitationals. »

NAIA committee picks McKillip

Dr. Leo McKillip, Dana's athletic director and head football coach, has been selected to serve on the Scholar Athlete Committee of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics, Division II Football.

McKillip is the only District 11 coach named to the committee. Committee members will meet in San Francisco next January to establish criteria and guidelines for the NAIA's annual Scholar Athlete Awards. »

Boosters seek to expand

The Dana Booster Club is looking to extend its reach this coming year in support of the college's intercollegiate athletic program. Talks with Dana alumni in the Omaha area have opened the possibility of a Booster chapter there.

"We currently have 91 members," says Bob Coffey '75, current Booster president. "The majority are Blair residents with the rest scattered all over the United States. We hope an Omaha chapter will provide a way for friends and alumni of Dana to become involved in Viking men's and women's sports, above and beyond the support they give Dana College."

Dana alumni Brian Traylor '74 and Tony Thiel '78, both of Omaha, have agreed to help in getting the chapter off the ground.

The Boosters act as a support and fund-raising group to assist Dana intercollegiate athletics. In recent years the club has purchased virtually all of the equipment for Dana's weight room, which is now one of the finest small college facilities in the region. In addition, the Boosters have purchased a batting cage, computer equipment, team laundry equipment uniforms . . . and have also assisted with team travel expenses.

Fund-raising activities have included a golf tournament, raffle, Homecoming Fun Run, and sponsoring buses to the final football game held in the Dakota Dome in Vermillion, South Dakota.

Booster members receive a free pass to all Dana home athletic events, a monthly newsletter on Dana sports, and discounts on community recreation passes and selected bookstore merchandise.

Dana football coach and athletic director Leo McKillip cites the Boosters' assistance in putting recent Dana teams on a winning track. "The Boosters have helped us tremendously with getting the equipment we need to run a quality program, by writing to prospective recruits, and in many other ways," he says.

Membership is open to anyone interested in helping Dana athletics, not just former Viking athletes. The annual membership drive will take place in July and August. Persons interested in learning more about Dana Boosters may contact Bob Coffey at 250 Ryan Drive, Blair, Nebraska 68008. »

Homecoming plans include party for Alice

Come to Homecoming (October 13-15) and wish Alice Laaker a happy 80th birthday!

Alice was Dana's residence hall director and campus hostess for many years, and a friend to countless students. Her birthday is on Friday, October 13. So that the many alumni who know and love Alice can join in the celebration, Dana is giving a party for her at the Homecoming buffet dinner on Saturday evening, October 14.

Bring a birthday card along, and if you'd like to give a gift, we suggest a contribution to the Alice Laaker Scholarship Fund. The Fund was established several years ago when Alice retired.

Reservations for the dinner can be made through the Homecoming mailer that alumni will receive in August. Only a very limited number of tickets will be available at registration that weekend.

Wise to be honored

Another event, tentatively planned for Saturday morning, will honor Dr. Wayne Wise, professor emeritus of music. Wise taught at Dana from 1957-78. The band room in the Madsen Performing Arts Center will be named after Wise and his late wife, Edith, in recognition of their outstanding service to the music program.

Saturday morning will also feature two other popular events: the Fun Run (2 and 5 miles) sponsored by the Dana Boosters and the alumni golf tournament.

Dana Weekend promises "Fun in the Sun"

Alumni and their families and friends attending Dana's "Fun in the Sun" weekend on August 11-13 will again be able to participate in a variety of activities for all ages.

With free housing and minimal charges, participants—whether they're single or married—can have a fun-filled and inexpensive weekend. (Please see the reservation form on this page for a description of charges.)

Members of the Class of 1974 are having their reunion during the weekend, and other alumni who were at Dana at the same time are invited to join them.

Registration in the E.C. Hunt Campus Center is set for Friday from 2 to 5 p.m. and for Saturday from 8 to 11 a.m.

Favorite activities being repeated from last year's Dana Weekend include softball, an ice cream social, canoeing, giant bubble blowing for kids, swimming, Family Olympics, a Saturday night picnic and fireworks.

A sand castle contest for kids rained out last summer is planned again for Saturday morning, with a chance for a practice session the afternoon before. The Saturday morning contest will be followed by "Creative Water Balloon

At an open meeting of the Alumni Association that morning, President Christopherson will talk about the campus master plan, including plans for replacing Old Main.

Larson, Daeges to Hall of Fame

Two graduates who were outstanding athletes—one in women's basketball and the other in baseball—will be inducted into the Athletic Hall of Fame at the 11:30 Homecoming luncheon. Those being honored are Heidi Larson '80 and Steve Daeges '79. Larson broke many basketball records during her four years at Dana; in his senior year Daeges was the NAIA's fourth best hitter in the country.

Volleyball, football set for afternoon

Two games are scheduled for Saturday afternoon: volleyball against Dakota State at 1 p.m. and football against Hastings at 2.

Seven class reunions planned

The Classes of 1939, 1949 and 1964 will have on-campus reunion dinners Friday night. After the Saturday afternoon football game the Classes of 1969, 1974 and 1979 will have "drop-in" reunions in residence hall lounges, and the Class of 1984 will have its reunion at the American Legion Club.

Other special Homecoming activities are also being planned. For a complete schedule of events, watch for your Homecoming mailer, due out in late August. »

Throwing" for kids. Burke Petersen '81 is handling both activities.

Petersen will also give his magic show at 8:30 Friday evening in the Madsen Performing Arts Center.

New Saturday morning activities include "Kaleidoscope Window: A Group Art Project" by Nathan Kramer '89 for all ages; "Building Your Self-Esteem" by Mary Kay (Petersen '74) Hennings, son Jeff and daughter Jennifer for all ages; "Sprechen Sie Deutsch? Beginning Conversational German" by Kathy (Wollenhaupt '63) Shaw for teens and adults; "You, Too, Can be a Creative Writer" by Laurinda Shaw for teens and adults; and "Career Management Strategies" by Paul Madsen '80 for adults.

A Sunday morning hilltop worship service at the Dana Cross will be conducted by Pastor Dave Larsen '60. It will be preceded by a mini-breakfast and followed by a brunch, the weekend's closing event.

To make reservations for the weekend, please use the form on the next page. The deadline for reservations is August 1. Refunds will be made if Dana is notified by August 8 (call 402-426-7235). »

Spinning wheel's story: "Once upon a time..."

An upright spinning wheel brought from Denmark and given to the college by Hans '45 and Verna Carlson of Falls City, Nebraska, has a poignant history: It helped the inhabitants of Tandslet, a town on the Danish island of Als, survive World War II.

Pastor Carlson learned the story of the antique wheel when he visited Tandslet, where he was born, in 1949. He writes: "I noticed that most of the townspeople wore knitted garments—pants, sweaters, skirts, etc.

"I was told the reason was that after Hitler's army went into Denmark it became impossible to buy clothes. The winter of 1941-42 was very cold. People began to freeze.

"My father bought a few sheep, and my mother got hold of a spinning wheel and began to spin woolen yarn. After the yarn was spun, she knitted items of clothes, first for her family and then for her neighbors and other people in Tandslet.

"She kept spinning and knitting until the war was over. How many items of clothes? She didn't keep track, but she believed it ran into the hundreds."

Carlson said that his brother, a pastor in the Danish state church, believes the spinning wheel is more than 150 years old. He bases his estimate on the fact that upright wheels were made within a certain period of time. »

Alumni Council elects officers

At their May 20 meeting, members of the Alumni Council elected these officers for the coming year: President, Paul Johnson '76 of Fremont, Nebraska; Vice President, Scott Rasmussen '82 of Omaha; and Secretary, Linda (Anderson '65) Howland of Blair.

These three also make up the Council's Executive Committee, together with Past President Mark Grorud '75. Alumni Affairs Director Ann (Harms '54) George is an ex officio member.

The results of the Alumni Council election conducted by means of the spring Review are as follows: Kevin Johnson '83, Omaha, has been elected to a first term, and four incumbents have been elected to second terms—C. Jayne (Botos '66) Kolterman, Omaha; Lorraine (Sandberg '48) Madsen, Blair; Tom Taggart '81, West Des Moines, Iowa; and Rod Thompson '65, Omaha. Elected members serve three-year terms; no member can be elected to more than two terms.

Erling Schultz '55 is an outgoing elected member. He served two elected terms on the Council and was also a member-at-large. Schultz was Alumni Council President in 1985-86 and 1986-87 and Past President for the last two years.

At their spring meeting Council members also approved the appointment of three members-at-large: to a first term, Kathy (Nielsen '53) Leistad of Elk Horn, Iowa; and to second terms, Debra Wallman '76 and David Hanen '77, both of Fremont. Members-at-large serve one-year terms and can be reappointed to a second term. They remain eligible, however, for elected terms.

Vicki Jones '84, member-at-large this past year, has moved to California and is an outgoing member. »

Georgia gathering is a Dana first

Dana's first-ever gathering of alumni and friends living in Georgia and neighboring states was held in the Atlanta area on Saturday, June 11. Also attending were President Christopherson and his wife, Anne, and Director of Development Paul Ditlevson and his wife, Janeille.

Dana friends William and Barbara Lane of Roswell hosted the group. A luncheon was followed by an afternoon of conversation, swimming and recreation at their home. Mrs. Lane is the former Barbara Bauer of Blair. »

Dana Club news

■ The Greater Twin Cities Area Dana Club helped sponsor a concert by the Dana Touring Choir when the choir sang at Christ the King Lutheran Church in New Brighton, Minnesota, on May 30. Club members—alumni, parents, and friends of the college—had a potluck dinner before the concert and assisted with housing Choir members.

The Club's officers and board members are Pat Dunlop, president; Phil Larsen '62, recorder; Ervin Christensen, treasurer; Conrad Pedersen, public relations; Ken Glover '61, special events coordinator; Carole Christensen and Rosalind Glover '61, board members.

■ Dana's New Day Singers will give a concert sponsored by the Chicago Dana Club on Sunday, November 12, at United Lutheran Church in Oak Park, Illinois. Club Board members are also making arrangements for New Day members to speak at several Lutheran churches that morning.

Carol (Mengers '49) Johnson is president of the Chicago Club. Other officers are Frank Hansen '58, vice president; Virginia (Pedersen '44) Jensen, treasurer; and Herb Dalleck, secretary. Directors are Bob Sorenson '52, Karen (Bansen '71), Dick Jensen '56, Sue Williams '73 and Deanna (Schmidt '63) Carr.

■ A Greater Des Moines Dana Club is being organized by Tom '81 and Kathy (Appel '80) Taggart of West Des Moines. Helping them with planning are Kathy Gerking '82 and Andy Johnson '83. »

1989 graduate dies in car accident

Members of the Dana community were shocked and saddened to learn of the death of Bill Zanton, who received his B.S. on May 21. Zanton died in a car accident on June 11 in Missouri. He and his wife, Kelly Nass, were on their honeymoon. Kelly, a Dana student, was injured but has been released from the hospital.



Zanton

A language arts major, Zanton completed his degree requirements at mid-term and then worked during the second semester as a Dana admissions counselor. He planned to teach on the secondary level this fall.

At Dana Zanton was a member of the Student Senate, director of the Student Activities Board, news and

sports director of KDCV, a member of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and a member of the tennis team. A four-year letterwinner, he was the team's captain his senior year.

Survivors include his wife, Kelly (405 W. 7th St., Cortland, NE 68331), and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Zanton (127 W. South, Geneseo, Illinois 61254).

Calendar highlights

August 11-13: Dana Weekend (see story on page 6)

August 30: Opening convocation; classes begin

October 13-15: Homecoming (see story on page 6)

October 26-28: Fall production of Dana Players

October 28: Parents Day

November 1: Nebraska Theatre Caravan at Dana

December 3: Sights and Sounds of Christmas

"Fun in the Sun" Dana Weekend August 11-13

RESERVATION FORM

Please mail this form with your payment to Ann George, Director, Alumni Affairs, Dana College, Blair, NE 68008, by August 1.

A tentative schedule will be sent to you when Dana receives this form; the final schedule will be available at registration.

NAME AND CLASS YEAR (include first names of husband and wife)

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER: () _____

NAMES AND AGES OF CHILDREN PARTICIPATING IN WEEKEND:

OTHER RELATIVES/FRIENDS ACCOMPANYING YOU:

_____ TOTAL NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

_____ ANTICIPATED ARRIVAL TIME (DAY AND HOUR)

Enclosed is \$_____ (make out check to Dana College) to cover the cost of the following:

\$_____ for registration for family (\$25); single (\$15) (CHECK ONE) (Registration fee includes costs of workshop supplies, lifeguards and babysitters, recreational equipment, van mileage, canoe rental, fireworks, etc.).

\$_____ for meals for _____ age 10-adults (package—\$25 per person); _____ children 5-9 (package—\$12.50 per child). (GIVE NUMBER.) No meal charge for children 4 and under. (Meal package includes five meals and activity-related refreshments.)

\$_____ for lodging in Elk Horn Hall or VIP rooms in Blair Hall at \$11 per person per night for double (i.e., \$22 for two); \$15 per person per night for single. No charge for children with sleeping bags. (Both buildings are air-conditioned.)

FRIDAY SATURDAY SINGLE _____ (# of rooms) DOUBLE _____ (# of rooms)

_____ We/I plan to use free housing in the dorm (Blair Hall) and will bring along all linens and everything else we'll need. (Blair Hall is air-conditioned.)

FRIDAY SATURDAY SINGLE _____ (# of rooms) DOUBLE _____ (# of rooms)

All reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis, and payment must accompany each request. Please specify if easy access is preferred (Elk Horn Hall only). Refunds will be made if Ann George (402) 426-7235 is notified by August 8.

Babysitting will be provided on Saturday from 8:10 a.m.-12 noon. If your children need these services, please give their full name(s) and ages:

Moving?
Street _____
City _____
State _____ Zip _____
Telephone (____) _____

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Mrs. Mary Vig
454 North 23rd Street
Blair, NE 68008

Please return with address label.

DESTINY'S DEEP SEA

'80s David and Denise Hunter '89, RR 1, Box 90B, Decatur, NE 68020, announce the birth of Brandon Kenley on May 12. . . . Jennifer Kimes '89 and James Laursen '88 were married on February 4 in Omaha. Jennifer, who completed her degree requirements at mid-year, teaches in Denver, CO; James is an internal auditor for Carpenter Paper Co. in Denver. They live in Denver at 10225 E. Girard #L102 (80231). . . . Carin Mayr '89 is attending physical therapy school at the University of Osteopathic Medicine and Health Sciences in Des Moines, IA. Her address there is 2800 Fleur Dr., Bldg. 1, Apt. 201 (50321). . . . Marcene Carstensen '85 and Doug Geer were married on April 8. They're living in Red Oak, IA, at 404 Market St. (51566). . . . Evelyn Dahl '85 and Kenny Morey were married on May 13. They live in Sioux City, IA, at 2601½ Pierce St. #2 (51104). . . . Deborah (Dill) '85 and Clint Frahm announce the birth of Aaron Arthur on April 23. Deb is a medical technologist in Fremont at Dodge County Memorial Hospital. . . . Kevin Hernes '85 and Jeanmarie Hawbaker of Portal, ND, were married in Blair on April 15. They live in Blair. . . . Trudy Hutton '85 received her master's degree in agency counseling in May from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. . . . Gina Marie (Wilson '84) Brunk was assistant director for Red Oak (IA) High School's recent production of "The Music Man." She was in charge of props, makeup, lighting and publicity. . . . Jolynn Oliver '84 Tonsfeldt and her husband, Dr. Steven Tonsfeldt, announce the birth of Erik Steven on April 5. Sister Jenny Marie will be 3 in August. The Tonsfeldts live at 426 5th Ave. SE in LeMars, IA 51031. . . . Lisa (Galvin '83) and Bob Floss are the parents of Isaac John, born on December 4, 1988. They live at 2831 S. Cypress in Sioux City, IA 51106. Lisa has stepped down from her position as youth director at Morningside Lutheran in Sioux City; her husband remains director of music there. . . . Tera (Nohrenberg '83) Hansen graduated from the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy on May 19 as an Iowa Certified Peace Officer. Tera and husband Ted '84 live at 105 Mulberry Ct. in Ames, IA 50010. . . . Steve Harper '83 has been named director of finance for Godfather's Pizza Inc. of Omaha. He joined the company in March 1986 as manager of financial reporting; in June 1988 he was promoted to manager of finance and assistant treasurer. . . . Vicki Lane '83 married Navy Lt. Jonathan Stairs on December 30 in Omaha. Their address is Shorepoint Court #101D, Alameda, CA 94501. . . . Paul '82 and (Nancy Anderson '81) Judson announce the arrival of one-year-old Anjulena Marie on February 19. Anjulena, adopted through Love Basket, Inc., was born on February 12, 1988, in New Delhi, India. She was excitedly welcomed by brothers Noah and Nicholas. The Judsons live in Cole Camp, MO 65325 (P.O. Box 250). . . . Brenda Narjes '82 and Michael Olsufka were married on October 1, 1988, in Lodgepole, NE. They live in Grand Island, NE, at 4841 Baker Ave. (68801). . . . Julie (Johnson '81) and Pete '81 Bonde, 2632 Brighton Ave. NE, Minneapolis, MN 55418, are the parents of

Hans Peter, born on March 24. He joins Karl, 2½, and Jacob, 5. . . . Doug Lemon '81 has received his Ph.D. in biochemistry from Rice University in Houston. His dissertation was on "Oxygen and Carbon Dioxide Exchange by Human Hemoglobin and Erythrocytes." Doug has begun an 18-month post-doctoral appointment at Rice, doing related research toward the development of a blood substitute. He and his wife, Pam, live at 3809 N. Braeswood, #16, in Houston (77025). . . . Julie Paulson '80 and Steve Swoboda were married on May 26. Their address is Box 646, Madison, NE 68748. Steve is co-owner with two of his brothers of Shell Valley Motors, which manufactures replicas of 427 SC Cobra cars. . . . Kathy (Appel '80) and Tom Taggart '81 announce the birth of Chase Matthew on May 18. They live in West Des Moines, IA, at 408 36th St. (50265). . . . JoAnne Roberts '80 has been named elementary school principal of the Woodland Park and Victory School in Norfolk, NE.

'70s Teresa (Lee '79) and Jerry Haas, 1707 Cheryl Place, Wichita, KS 67212, announce the birth of Jason Allan on March 14. He joins sisters Laura Lee and Linda. . . . Sue Ronnenkamp '79 has moved to Texas, where she is director of Managed Care Services for Daughters of Charity Health Services

of Austin. Her Austin address is 4705 Duval St. (78751). . . . Gene Dolten '78 of Council Bluffs, IA, has been named to the board of directors of the Bethany Foundation. He is a controller for Jim Hawk Truck/Trailer, Inc., and serves as chairman for Ducks Unlimited. . . . Marsha (Kahlandt '77) and David Ruwe, RR 1, Box 157, Blair, announce the birth of Andrew Earl on March 22. He joins sisters Tracie, 4, and Billie, 3. . . . Dawn (Qualley '76) Smith received her BA in education on May 6 from Wayne State College. . . . Mary Staby '76 is co-owner and co-editor of The Copper Cable Newspaper in Copper Mountain, a Colorado ski resort, and The Ten Miles Times in Frisco, CO. . . . Mary and Donald Jorgensen '74, 23402 NE 8th St., Redmond, WA 98053, are the parents of Thomas, born the end of May. Brother Jason is 9 and sister Katie is 7. Don is vice president of Kent Labs and a llama farmer. . . . Bonnie (Deepe '72) Boccitto of Hopewell, NY, has been promoted to the rank of departmental vice president at Prudential Reinsurance Company, the Newark-based subsidiary of The Prudential Insurance Company of America. . . . Larry Knudsen '72 is working in Hawaii at a Hansen's disease settlement on the island of Molokai. His address is General Delivery, Kalaupapa, HI 96742. . . . Gordon Putnam '71 has just finished five

years as a hospital chaplain in Zanesville, OH. He became a Fellow in the College of Chaplains in March 1987. In January he'll begin serving as pastor of Faith Lutheran Church in urban Milwaukee. He and his wife, Jerry, have two children—Aaron (6) and Sarah (4). They live in Milwaukee at 2007 S. 32nd St. (53215).

'60s Kathy (Martin '67) and Rich Sands, 2521 4th Ave. NW, Rochester, MN 55901, announce the birth of their seventh child, Aaron Franklin, on July 12, 1988. He joins Heather-14, Kristi-12, Sarah-9, Rachel-8, Jason-6 and Jared-3. . . . Iowa State Senator Cal Hultman '63 recently completed his 13th year as Republican leader of the Iowa Senate. Hultman has been a state senator since 1972.

'50s Jon '56 and Dorothy (Kloth '56) Petersen have moved to Puyallup, WA, where Jon is director of pastoral care at Good Samaritan Hospital. They live at 514 22nd Ave. S.E. (98372).

Deaths Margrethe (Hansen '53) Petersen on January 26 in Red Cloud, NE, after a lengthy illness. Survivors include sons David '80, 501 Elk, Ruskin, NE 68974, Paul and Mark, and daughter Carol. . . . Lawrence Gregers Gregersen '40 on March 27 in Portland, OR. He was the principal owner and executive vice president of Tice Electric Co. Gregersen served as chairman of the board for Lutheran Homes and Hospitals from 1973-77 and was past president of the Progressive Businessmen's Club. Survivors include his wife, Erna, of 3827 N.E. 139th Ave., Portland (97230) and son Gordon. . . . Ethel (Mumm '39) Petersen on April 30 in Omaha. . . . The Rev. Arnold Andersen D'23 T'30 on February 23 in Albert Lea, MN. He served congregations in Minnesota, Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa. Andersen was preceded in death by his wife, Pearl. Survivors include son Paul of Boscobel, WI, and daughter Ann Hoven of Rochester, MN. . . . Niels Nielsen '17, a retired rancher, on April 4 in Buffalo, WY.

FRIENDS. Rose Bollesen, the widow of the Rev. Martinus Bollesen T'37, on May 13 in Blair. Survivors include daughters Phyllis '55 Matthews, 13441 Cedar, Omaha, NE (68144) and Opal '51 Hansen, 8103 Mullen Dr., Austin, TX 78758; sons Virgil '49, 9622 Green Verdugo, Sunland, CA 91040, and Melius '52, 22152 Cape May, Huntington Beach, CA 92647. . . . Margaret Fischer, Dana Regent Emerita and an Omaha attorney, on May 6 in Denver, CO. Survivors include sister and brother-in-law Mary F. and Arthur W. Schmad of Omaha. . . . Marjorie Svendgaard, former manager of the Dana Bookstore, on April 30, in Blair. She retired in 1980 after serving as bookstore manager for more than 20 years. Alumnus Bob Jensen '64 writes that "Doc" was always available and her home was always open to those of us who worked for her. I still hold great love and affection for her." Survivors include sons Leland and David and daughter Cindy Reiger, all of Omaha.

ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

■ Napawan Harold '89, who graduated with majors in art and commercial art, has been accepted as an intern in the Smithsonian Institute's anthropology department. A native of Thailand, she will also work on a documentary about Thai ceramics.

■ Jeff Langholz '86, a former member of the Peace Corps, is working in Alaska for Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation at one of their three salmon hatcheries. He writes that the hatchery is on a "small, remote island in the Sound" in an area "hit hard by the Exxon oil slick." Jeff's address is c/o Armin F. Koernig Hatchery, Port San Juan, Cordova, AK 99574.

■ Liza Brandes '84 has been selected as one of the Outstanding Young Women of America for 1988. She's a family therapist for Youth and Family Services in Omaha.

■ Mary Rowland '80 is director of Christian education for the Lutheran Church in Guyana, South America. A student in the M.Div. program at Wartburg Theological Seminary, she took a leave of absence to accept this call.

■ Diane (Williamson '76) Luxford, an interior designer, chaired this spring's Omaha Symphony Designers' Showhouse '89. This was the first year that a house was built especially for the Symphony Guild's fund-raising project, a project that the Omaha World-Herald described as Luxford's "yearlong dream." Earlier showhouses have been existing homes lent by owners and decorated by area designers within three months.

■ Dawn (Carper '74) Nielsen, who teaches speech and English and is the forensics coach at Blair High School, has been named the school's 1988-89 Teacher of the Year. The award was given by the Student Council after a vote by the entire student body.

■ Linda (Money '65) Jorgensen, elementary art specialist for the Blair Community Schools, has been named director-elect of the National Art Education Association's Western Region Elementary Division. She will serve for two years as director-elect and then another two years in the official position. NAEA officials determine the association's policy and administer its various programs.

■ Dr. Alvin Rueter '42 was the subject of a feature story by staff writer Neal Gendler in the March 4 issue of the Minneapolis Star Tribune. Headed "On Sundays, this minister becomes disc jockey playing religious music," the story focuses on Rueter's weekly half-hour radio program called "Sing for Joy." The program's co-producer is Rueter's wife, Beulah (Nielsen '44). Gendler writes that "Every week. . . Rueter. . . spreads God's word in 44 states and eight foreign nations, reaching perhaps a quarter-million people—and all on an annual budget of \$77,000." Supported by a Mennonite businessman, St. Olaf College, and listeners, the program is recorded in the studios of St. Olaf's WCAL. It runs on 253 radio stations. Rueter, a Lutheran pastor, is also senior lecturer in homiletics and communication at St. John's University, a Catholic school in Collegeville, Minnesota. »