

# DANA REVIEW

*Phase II of the Old Main replacement project, a \$4.7 million chapel, faculty office and classroom complex, will be constructed on the approximate site where Old Main stood.*

## ADDing it up: Contributions grow; strong support vital

**N**ow in its third year, "Accelerating Dana's Development," the college's capital campaign known by the acronym "ADD"—is living up to the promise in its name.

John Beck '50, director of planned giving, reports that the amount in the deferred gift portion of the drive is approaching \$10 million. These gifts, which are included in the estate plans of alumni and friends, will help insure Dana's future.

The cash and pledges portion of the drive continues with dinner events and Phonoramas. Fund-raising dinners are being held this fall in Racine and Appleton, Wisconsin; in San Francisco; in Portland and Eugene, Oregon; and in Kansas City, Missouri.

Students, alumni and members of the faculty and staff have also been participating in Phonorama calls to alumni and friends.

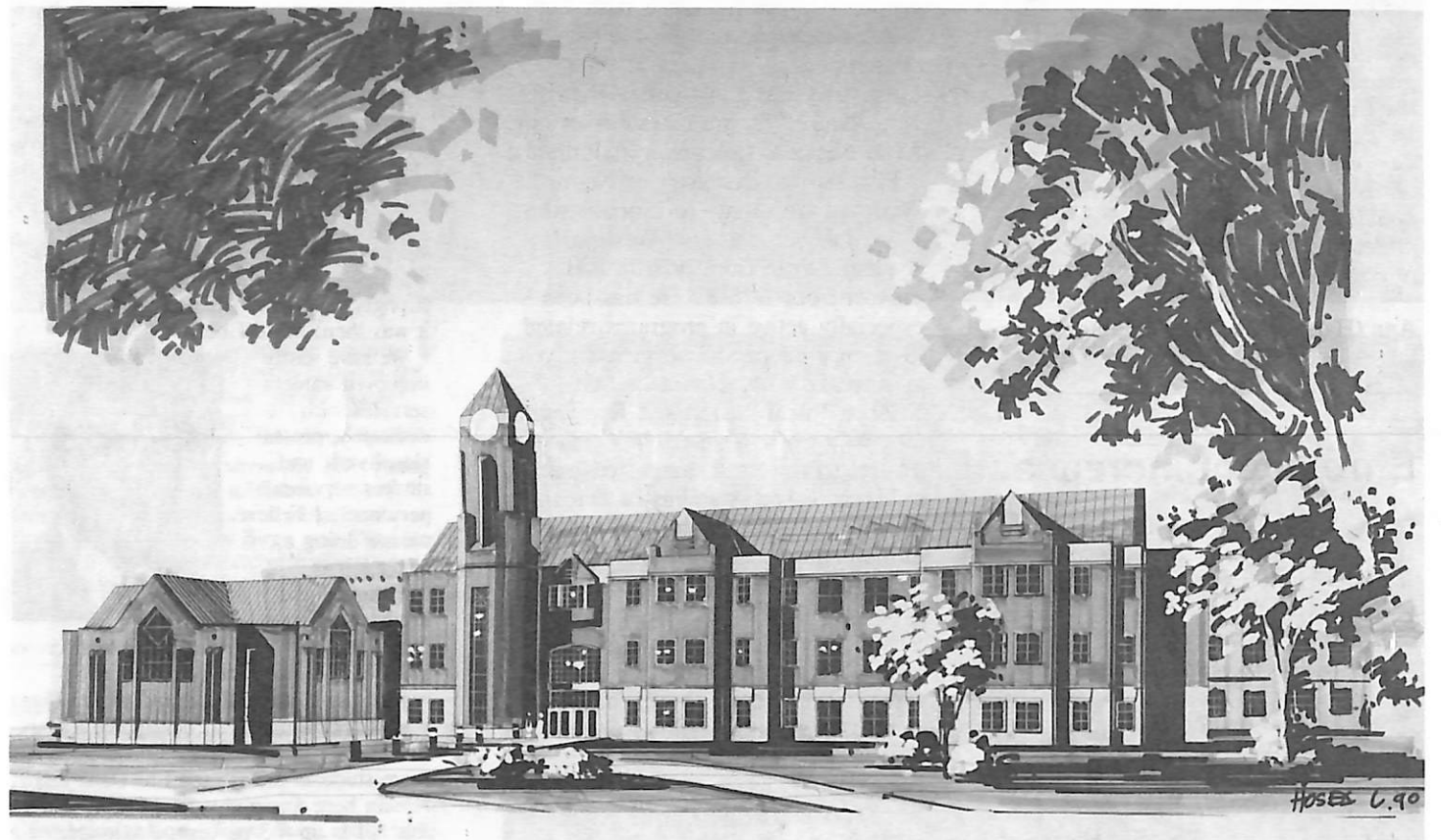
Paul Ditlevson, director of development, emphasizes the importance of strong and ever-increasing support by alumni and friends.

"Such support is even more important this year," he said. "Dana is applying to several foundations for major grants, and although these foundations are interested in the amount we've raised, they take an even closer look at the number of friends who have contributed, and especially at the percentage of alumni donors—and whether that percentage is growing."

According to Ditlevson, 42 percent of those alumni who were contacted during ADD's first two years made pledges. (Anyone who has attended Dana for one semester or more is considered an alumnus/alumna.)

"The highest percentage of alumni giving at any college in the country is 75 percent," Ditlevson said. "Dana has many loyal alumni, and we believe we should be able to pass the significant 50 percent mark in alumni giving this year."

Ditlevson reported that by the end of October, \$8.7 million had been given or pledged for the cash portion of the drive. »



## Old Main replacement: Regents give Phase II conditional approval

**M**embers of the Board of Regents have given a unanimous but conditional go-ahead on plans for Phase II of the Old Main replacement project.

Phase II incorporates into one structure a 150-seat chapel, replacement classrooms and faculty offices lost in the Old Main fire, and new facilities for the college's Parnassus Room and communication program.

At their fall meeting on October 12, the Regents directed the administration to move forward with the preparation of construction documents. These documents should be completed before the end of this calendar year.

The Regents also directed the administration to call for construction bids and begin actual work when gifts and pledges for Phase II reach 75 percent of the projected \$4.7 million cost of the project.

At this point, ADD has produced approximately 40 percent of the project's cost.

Designed by RDG Wilscam Birge of Omaha, the structure will be built on the approximate site of Old Main.

"Provided we are able to secure the required funds," President Myrvin Christopherson said, "it is possible that construction could be under way in early 1991 and the building completed in the fall of 1992."

"We believe this conditional approval by the Regents is a positive and prudent step that continues the momentum and enthusiasm generated by the completion of Phase I. It also keeps Dana on a path of fiscal responsibility by ensuring that funding for the project is secured before construction actually begins."

Christopherson said that gifts and pledges already received for Phase II demonstrate that "our constituencies endorse the vision of this project and Dana College as a whole."

"With an increase in enrollment this fall, a balanced budget, no accumulated operating deficits, and the prospect of adding a major new instructional facility to the campus within the very near future, Dana is in a position to accelerate her growth and development as one of the premier liberal arts colleges in the Midwest." »

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## Scholarship, voice competitions planned for Feb. 9

This year's Presidential Scholarship and Lauritz Melchior Memorial Voice Competitions are set for Saturday, February 9.

To be eligible for the Presidential Scholarship Competition, students must be first-time entering freshmen and be accepted for admission to Dana by January 21. They must also have one of the following: a minimum composite ACT of 25, a minimum combined SAT of 970 or a minimum GPA of 3.25 on a 4-point scale. Students with the highest overall competition scores may be eligible to receive \$2,000, \$3,000, \$4,000 or full tuition scholarships.

Students interested in vocal music are encouraged to participate in the Melchior Voice Competition. Scholarships amounting to \$2,400, \$4,000 or \$6,000 may be awarded, as well as other participation scholarships.

To apply for the competitions, call 1-800-444-3262 for additional information and a reservation card.

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

## Enrollment increases

Dana has 507 fulltime and part-time students this fall, compared with 486 a year ago—a 4.3 percent increase.

The number of fulltime students stands at 442; a year ago there were 432.

Students have come to the campus from 26 states and ten other countries. Although many are from Nebraska and Iowa, others are from California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin, West Virginia and Wyoming.

This year's 28 international students are from Canada (3), Denmark (4), Ethiopia (1), Germany (1), Iran (1), Malaysia (5), Namibia (7), The Netherlands (1), Norway (1) and Taiwan (4). ♪

## Alumni win on November 6

U.S. Senator Paul Simon '49 of Illinois has been elected to a second term.

Bud Robinson '50 of Blair has been elected to a four-year term in Nebraska's nonpartisan Unicameral Legislature. He will represent District 16.

Brent Siegrist '74 of Council Bluffs has been re-elected to Iowa's House of Representatives. ♪

## New Regents join Board

Blair businessman Tom Lippincott and three alumni—Dr. Paul Laursen '51, the Rev. Carl Schattauer T'52 and Dr. Rodney Wead '57—are our newest Dana Regents. They attended their first Board meeting on October 12.

Lippincott is corporate executive, owner and president of Nebraska Iowa Supply/Kopper Kettle Inc. He is president of the Nebraska Petroleum Marketers Association and a past church council president at First Lutheran Church in Blair. He and his wife, Janice '72, are members of our ADD National Leadership Committee.

Professor of chemistry at Nebraska Wesleyan University in Lincoln since 1964, Laursen was also Wesleyan's academic dean from 1976-78 and provost from 1978-87. He has been especially active in programs related to science education, serving six years as director of the Nebraska State Science Talent Search and five years as director of NSF Student Science Training Projects. Laursen was named a Distinguished Alumnus of Dana College in 1975. He has also served on our Alumni Council and is a member of our Athletic Hall of Fame.

Schattauer was senior pastor of Blair's First Lutheran Church from 1981-87. He came to Blair from Ames, Iowa, where he was senior pastor at Bethesda Lutheran Church from 1964-81. He earlier served Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Council Bluffs and St. Mark's Lutheran in Storm Lake. In January 1988 Schattauer was named assistant to the bishop of the Nebraska Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Synodical offices are in Omaha.

Wead served as executive director of United Methodist Community Centers, Inc., in Omaha from 1968-74, a position he returned to in 1983. He manages three community center locations with multiple funding sources that provide for 27 service programs. He is also an associate professor of sociology at Creighton University. From 1974-83 he was associate executive director for the Community Renewal Society of Chicago. Wead was named a Distinguished Dana Alumnus in 1974. He has also been a member of the Alumni Council.

Four Regents have retired from the Board with the deep thanks of the college community and other Board members for their years of service. They are David Graven, Minneapolis; Richard Hunt, Blair; Royce Ronning, Lincoln; and Peter Smith '58, Lake Forest, Illinois. Hunt and Ronning have also served as Chairmen of the Board. ♪

## From the President

**"No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the Kingdom of God."**  
Luke 9:62

I am very good at second guessing. I am very often brilliant at hindsight. Perhaps you share that genius with me. In the words above quoted from the gospel of Luke, Jesus reminds those who would be his followers not to look back. We know that those who look back while plowing are likely to have crooked rows and may never reach their destination, and those who would be followers of the Lord must set aside all other things and follow. This is good advice for followers of Jesus, for farmers and, I believe, it is good advice for Dana College, too.

When our beloved old Main burned two years ago this fall, many counseled that we should build back Old Main exactly as she was. I think most persons upon reflection realize that we must not try to imitate what was before but instead plan for the future. We have done that. Dana is stronger today on virtually every front than it was then, or so I believe.

We have vastly improved student services with dedicated, professional staff and student services personnel. I believe we are doing a better job of attending to the needs of students



in the areas of counseling, advising, career services, program activities, security, registration, financial aid and more. That was part of our overall development plan to attend to the needs of students so that more students are attracted to Dana and remain here for graduation. Enrollment this fall is up 4.3 percent, a favorable increase when compared to many other institutions in our region and given an all-time low in the pool of high school graduates to choose from. Encouraging, too, is that our retention from freshman to sophomore and sophomore to junior has improved. Yet, it is still not where it must be, and our goal is to show steady improvement.

Our development plan also calls for attention to people and academic programs. I am delighted that we have been able to restore a faculty development and sabbatical program long missing at Dana. We will continue to try to support those people who give so generously of themselves in teaching and support services. In this regard, attention to compensation and benefits is also a priority at Dana if we are to retain and support quality personnel. Many academic programs have received attention, and our general education core curriculum is being studied and revamped by the entire faculty under the direction of General Education Coordinator Dr. John Mark Nielsen. It is thrilling to observe this process and to see the progress being made to offer a new curriculum for all students under the general theme: "That Humane Endeavor Might Endure." It is our hope that the core courses may be ready to introduce in the fall of 1991 or at the latest by the fall of 1992. Faculty and staff energies are fully directed over the next two years to accreditation and certification visits for programs in social work and teacher education and for regional accreditation. This means assessment and planning will be given primary attention; students, faculty, staff and selected graduates will be asked to help us with assessment and planning.

In all of these efforts we must stay on course. This is true for the Old Main replacement, too. We started by adopting a campus master plan. We have begun to address the physical plant and grounds needs identified in that plan. Thus, all roofs have been replaced or repaired on campus buildings in the last 18 months. New concrete parking lots have been poured, improved campus lighting and security are in place, new signage welcomes and directs visitors, and dozens of trees have been planted on our beautiful campus on the hill. As recommended by our master plan, the first building project in our quest to replace Old Main was the art addition to the Performing Arts Center. Thus, we now have the Madsen Fine Arts Center and the Rev. F.W. Thomsen Gallery. This facility, dedicated at Homecoming this fall, is one of the finest in the region for undergraduate students studying art, commercial art and photography. It also gives us additional music faculty offices.

The next project is the big one, a chapel, classroom and office complex to be located on top of the hill near the Old Main site. We have a beautiful plan which includes a small chapel for worship, classroom facilities and laboratories desperately needed to support the programs displaced by the Old Main fire, and offices for faculty members in the social sciences, business, humanities and teacher education. It is exciting to consider what a boost this will mean for Dana College. Reports from students, faculty and visitors tell us that our highest priority must be to provide teaching space and facilities. This community is to be commended for making do with residence hall rooms and lounges for temporary classrooms and offices. However, if we are to become competitive with other institutions in the area of program support and facilities, we must have the Old Main replacement. I am delighted that the Board of Regents approved a plan to proceed with construction documents and authorized the administration to begin construction as soon as 75 percent of the funding in cash and commitments has been secured. As of this time, only about 40 percent is committed, and approximately \$1.7 million in commitments must be secured before we can go to bids. It is my prayer that we will be able to go for bids this winter and begin construction in the spring. We cannot look back. We are on course toward a vastly improved Dana College. We have been blessed by a gracious God and wonderful alumni and friends from Blair, Washington County, greater Omaha and throughout the land.

The goal for this chapel-classroom-office complex is great. The new building will cost approximately \$4.7 million, but I am convinced it is a most critical and necessary addition for Dana. I do not believe we should eliminate the chapel or other essential facilities just "to get by." I believe we have set our course and that it is a proper one that will enable us to carry out our mission as a community of faith and learning.

Won't you help us keep our hands to the plow and move steadily and surely toward our goal? Old Main served us well and provided a fitting and beautiful symbol of our heritage, sending forth light from this hill. The proposed replacement will allow us to keep that light shining for generations to come. I urge your prayerful support. As I told news reporters when they interviewed me while the Old Main fire was raging: "We will come back. I know that God will bless us somehow." I continue to believe that more than ever.

Myrvin F. Christopherson  
President

### 'A first-rate facility':

## Art addition is dedicated

A dedication ceremony at Homecoming on October 13 celebrated the completion of Phase I of the Old Main replacement project.

The two-story addition to the Madsen Fine Arts Center provides instructional space for art, commercial art and photography, all formerly housed in Old Main.

"For some time Dana has enjoyed a fine reputation in the visual and performing arts," President Christopherson said at the dedication. "It is fitting that we now have a first-rate facility to support those programs."

The total cost of the addition was \$850,000. It was designed by RDG Wilscam Birge of Omaha and built by John Eriksen Construction Co. of Blair.

The lower level includes sculpture and print-making studios, two darkrooms and a classroom.

The upper level features studio space for art and commercial art, multipurpose classrooms, several new offices for members of the art and music faculties and a gallery.

The Saturday morning ceremony also officially changed the name of the building from the "Madsen Performing Arts Center" to the "Madsen Fine Arts Center." The building is named in honor of President Emeritus C.C. and Esther Madsen, who attended the service.

Two areas in the new addition were also named: the F. W. Thomsen Gallery and the Hitchcock Photo Laboratory-Studio.

The gallery, which will exhibit student art, honors the Rev. F. W. Thomsen, professor emeritus of art, who taught at Dana for nearly 35 years.

Thomsen and his wife, Orpa, attended the ceremony, and an exhibit of Thomsen's art was displayed in the gallery.

The Hitchcock Photo Laboratory-Studio facilities were made possible by a grant from the Gilbert M. and Martha H. Hitchcock Foundation of Omaha. »

## Introducing new faculty, staff

New fulltime and part-time faculty and staff for 1990-91 include the following:

### Faculty appointments

**Biology.** *Ahmad Al-Absy*, associate professor. He received his B.S. and M.S. degrees from the University of Jordan and his Ph.D. from Iowa State University. Dr. Al-Absy previously taught biology at Tarkio College.



Above: The new art department addition to the Madsen Fine Arts Center is at the left. The building is also home to the music and theatre departments.

At the Homecoming ceremony celebrating completion of the art addition: From left (back row), architects John Birge and Joe Lang of RDG Wilscam Birge and President and Mrs. Christopherson with (front) Esther and C.C. Madsen and F.W. and Orpa Thomsen.

**Business.** *Wade German*, part-time instructor, Weekend College. German's M.A. is from Northern Illinois University.

**Communication.** *Joan Bucy*, part-time instructor (also in English); her B.A. is from the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

**Danish.** *Kirsten Kristensen*, visiting instructor in Danish. She has a teaching certificate from the Staatsseminarium in Ribe, Denmark.

**Education.** *Lori Moseman*, part-time instructor. Her M.S. is from the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

**English.** *Sam Dodson*, part-time instructor, Weekend College; his M.A. is from the University of Iowa. *Mary Jane Mardesen*, part-time instructor; her A.E. is from Grand View College. *Erin Rimaker*, part-time instructor; his M.A. is from the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

**History.** *Tom Franzmann*, part-time instructor, first semester, while Dr. Richard Jorgensen '64 is on sabbatical leave. Franzmann has an M.A. from Oklahoma State University.

**Political Science.** *Mary Anne Shepard*, part-time instructor. She has a J.D. from Creighton University.

**Religion.** *Dale Simmons*, assistant professor. He received his B.A. and M.A. from Oral Roberts University and his Ph.D. from Drew University.

**Social Work.** *Lou Ann Stednitz*, part-time instructor; her M.S.W. is from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. *Suzanne Smith*, part-time secretary.



**Theatre.** *Eric Lorentz*, guest director for the fall production of "Jesus Christ Superstar." He has a B.A. from Luther College and an M.F.A. in acting from the National Theatre Conservatory. The brother of former Admissions Director Mary Docken, Lorentz has had stage, film and television experience.

### Staff appointments

**Admissions.** *Catherine Keck*, *Amy Langemeier* and *Terry Murrell*, admissions counselors. All three received their bachelor's degrees this past spring: A Dana graduate, Keck was student government president her senior year. Langemeier graduated from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln and Murrell from Kearney State College.

**Bookstore.** *Karen (Lausterer '70) Riddle* and *Kay (Petersen '73) Schjodt*, staff.

**Custodial Services.** *Pat Kuipers*, *Carol Schaber* and *Sharon Street '86*, housekeeping staff.

**Student Life.** *Sandra Barta*, college nurse; she has a B.S. in nursing from the University of Nebraska College of Nursing. *Lois Moore*, Argo Hall director and coordinator of international students; her B.S. is from the University

of Nebraska-Lincoln. *Darryl Shelton*, Holling Hall director and coordinator of residence life; his B.S. is from Central Michigan University. *Barbara Moore*, administrative assistant. »

### About new appointments...

Three members of the faculty and staff have been given new appointments or assignments:

**Nathan Kramer '89**, part-time humanities assistant last year, has been appointed fulltime assistant to the director of humanities.

**Mike Moriarty**, part-time communication instructor last year, is now a fulltime instructor. He has worked for KIOS-FM in Omaha as its announcer, engineer and Morning Edition host. Moriarty has a master's degree from Kearney State.

**Dr. John Mark Nielsen '73**, assistant professor of English, is now also serving as coordinator of general education. In this position he is leading faculty efforts to develop a revised general education curriculum. »



## Students redecorate Dragon's Head

The Dragon's Head, the coffee shop in the E.C. Hunt Campus Center, has a new and brighter look, thanks to a project spearheaded by the Student Senate. Those involved in the project included: from left (seated)—Shad Beam '93, Ft. Dodge, IA; student body president Julie Howland '91, Omaha; Debra Schramper '92, Exira, IA; (standing)—Dan Travaile, vice president for Student Services; Karen Clements '92, Blair; and Melissa Reinikainen '92, Marshfield, WI.

## CAMPUS NOTES

**Liberal Arts Reading Program (LARP)** selections for the first semester are Mishima's "The Sound of Waves" and Tolstoy's "Anna Karenina."

**President Christopherson '61** has been elected president of NETCHE (Nebraska Educational Television Council for Higher Education) and vice president of the Association of Independent Colleges and Universities of Nebraska.

At the college's opening dinner on August 23, four employees were thanked for their 25 years of service and given Dana watches. Recipients were **Darrell Dibben**, associate professor of communication and radio station manager; **Willard Meier** of the maintenance staff; **James Olsen '62**, associate professor of art and director of the humanities program; and **Dr. Dorothy Olson**, professor of elementary education.

In addition to the Parnassus exhibit reported in the summer Review, "Fragments from the Ancient World," first semester exhibits included "Thomas Hart Benton on the Oregon Trail" (October 15-November 20) and "Quilts: Threads & Craft" (November 26-December 14).

On September 26 the **Nebraska Legislature's Education Committee** held a hearing at Dana on student financial aid. On that day and the evening before, the Dana Student Senate hosted a leadership conference for student leaders from other Nebraska independent colleges. Several Dana students and students from other colleges testified at the hearing.

**Dr. Richard Palmer**, associate professor of music, was a guest clinician on October 25-27 at the Nebraska Choral Directors Association annual convention. He repeated a choral repertoire clinic he conducted earlier this year in Milwaukee for the national convention of the American Choral Directors Association.

**Diana Brown**, instructor of French and Spanish, spent the summer in Paris where she successfully completed Le Diplome Supérieur d'Etudes Française Modernes at the Alliance Française in collaboration with the Sorbonne University. Her emphasis was on French literature. The certification is analogous to U.S. doctoral level work.

**Dr. John Mark Nielsen '73**, assistant professor of English and general education coordinator, was among area educators honored at Omaha's Ak-sar-ben Ball on October 20. The ball raises funds for college academic scholarships.

This fall Nielsen and his wife, **Dawn (Carper '74)**, have also given their program on Danish immigrants, "Voices from the New Land," to the Howard County Historical Society in St. Paul, Nebraska, and to other groups in Boulder and Ft. Collins, Colorado. Their presentations were sponsored by the Nebraska Committee for the Humanities.

Bookstore manager **Nancy (Harris '74) Beaman** has been named to a second two-year term as chair of the education committee of the Mid-States Association of College Stores.

**Dr. Leo McKillip**, head football coach and director of athletics, has been named chair of the Football Coaches of the Nebraska Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

**Dr. Kathleen Collins**, assistant professor of English, and **Dr. Ben Collins** gave papers at the 32nd Linguistic Circle of Manitoba and North Dakota in Winnipeg on October 26-27.

Registrar **Nancy Penna** has been elected secretary of the Nebraska Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers for 1990-91. Her assistant, **Kim (Mathews '78) Miller**, serves on the Association's Professional Activities Committee.

## Biology's mystery snake—Origins sought

**Dr. Larrie Stone '57**, professor of biology, has a question he hopes one of his former students can answer.

"The Biology Department has been the proud caretaker of a large and beautiful bull snake for many years," he says.

"But as time will tend to do, I've lost track of when the snake was brought into the science building to reside. My foggy recollection tells me that it was either found on the football field or around Rasmussen Hall by a student."

Stone would like to hear from anyone who can remember where and when the snake was found or when it was first displayed in the animal room window.

"It's been around the Biology Department for a long time," he says, "and it's provided many students and visitors with a close-up view of a common reptile."

"With the passing years the snake's age and origin have become of great interest to all the viewers, and I would like to make a historical notation on its cage."

"If you can supply any information on our now-famous snake, please write to me." »

## Alumnus remembers 1951 Faculty Follies

The tradition of Faculty Follies goes back at least 40 years! A request in the summer Review for information on the history of Faculty Follies (which are performed every fourth year) brought this response from Pastor C.J. Christensen '51 of Halstead, Kansas:

"Refer to page 86 of the 1951 Danian for information about the Faculty Follies of 1951. Whether this is the very first one or not, I do not know, but I know that no one who saw librarian Sena Bertelsen leading in the troops as drum majorette with a broom for a baton will ever forget the experience. I was there!"

The caption on that page of the Danian is "Faculty Follies of 1951," which would suggest that this wasn't the first such event. Does anyone remember an earlier one? »

## Namibian music, art center needs books, instruments

by Tim Jensen '66

Dana senior Helen Ochs speaks happily of "the gift of music" that she shares with many Namibians.

In talking about her studies here, where she is majoring in psychology and social work and minoring in German, she returns again and again to the people of her home country and their love of music.

Through singing and dancing and playing musical instruments, the people of Namibia have for many generations developed and expressed this gift.

Helen, who sings with the Dana College Choir, has had many opportunities to develop her musical talents. Her father, a Lutheran pastor in Katatura, plays the trumpet, the guitar and the piano. Together with his family he has made four albums of church music.

Many Namibians, however, have not had the same opportunities to cultivate their musical gifts. Music education is not a normal part of the school curriculum, and most people do not know how to read music. If they are to enhance their talents, if they are to write down their music so that it can be shared with the world and help build the new nation of Namibia, something must be done.

And something is being done. Helen and some of her colleagues have established the Hoandi Music and Art Center in Katatura. Hoandi is a Damara word meaning "for all" and it expresses their wish that the opportunity to develop music and artistic skills be available "for all."

The school is only two years old, but it has 200 students, three music teachers and two art teachers.

Currently three classrooms are rented, but land has been obtained through purchase and gifts, and plans are under way to construct a new building. The school is affiliated with her father's church, Ephesus Congregation. The students are as young as age three, and many are adults. There is no age limit. Many of the adult students are church choir members who have never had the opportunity to learn to read music.

Each member of the group which founded Hoandi has special responsibilities. Helen's particular concern is to obtain materials for music and art education. The school needs sheet music, books on art and on art and music history and theory, and especially materials for learning to play musical instruments. Musical instruments (trumpets, clarinets, flutes, whatever) are greatly needed, too. Recorders are particularly welcome.

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**Gathering II:** The second national reunion of families, friends and pastors of the former United Evangelical Lutheran Church brought approximately 300 visitors to the campus on July 20-22. Here guests renew friendships in the campus coffee shop. Inset—Dr. Edward Hansen D'39 T'42 at the Sunday morning worship service. He wears a pastor's ruff from the Dana Archives.



## Homecoming royalty

Seniors Mike Maxwell from Beloit, KS, and Cami Christensen from Harlan, IA, were this year's Homecoming king and queen. Maxwell is majoring in English for secondary teachers and in physical education for elementary and secondary teachers. Christensen's major is organizational behavior. Members of their court were seniors Kimberly Farmer, Omaha; Kimberly Gosch, Springfield, NE; Deb Keller, Wilber, NE; Tina Reimer, Rockton, IL; Tim Barner, Blair; Kurt James, El Cajon, CA; Kyle Knapp, Madison, NE; and Russ Wilcox, Norfolk, NE.

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## SPORTS

### Football, volleyball— Both teams win Homecoming games

On October 13, Homecoming crowds cheered on two winning teams. In volleyball, the Lady Vikings defeated Bellevue 15-3, 15-5 and 15-4, and in football, the Vikings won over Doane 40-13.

The wins were among the season's highlights for both teams.

#### Volleyball

Volleyballers ended play on October 25 with 16 wins and 28 losses.

Coach Kathy Foley reports that three players, two of them freshmen, won All-Conference Honorable Mention: Stephanie Svoboda '94 (Scotia, NE), Joei Arens '94 (Crofton, NE) and Kim Mikos '92 (Seward, NE).

Foley provided the following statistics for the season: Svoboda led the team in attacks with 329 kills, an average of 2.55 per game. Shelli Wiebelhaus '94 (Neligh, NE) was second with 260 attacks—2.3 per game, and Arens had 207—1.93 per game.

Mikos led the team with .825 blocks per game.

Tina Lucero '93 (Ft. Lupton, CO) had 389 assists, an average of 6.17 per game, and Deb Keller '91 (Wilber, NE) had 461 assists with a 3.14 average.

Daylene Perrino '92 (Omaha) completed the season at 97 percent in serving. She was followed by Keller at 94 percent and Kim Gosch '91 (Springfield, NE) at 90 percent. With a 92 percent average, Gosch was the leading passer.

"The group we have together now," Foley said, "will, in the next two-to-three years, challenge for the conference title if we have a good recruiting year."

Patti Stevenson '89 was Foley's assistant coach again this year.

#### Football

The football team's Homecoming win was one of three this season.

Other victories were over Benedictine 20-13 and Tarkio 31-30. All three were home games. The fourth home game this year resulted in a 7-7 tie with Concordia-Seward in a closely fought contest.

After a 24-34 loss to Nebraska Wesleyan on November 3 that closed the season, Dana's overall record was 3-6-1. The Vikings placed fifth in the Nebraska Intercollegiate Athletic Conference with one win, three losses and one tie.

Seniors ended their four years of play with the satisfaction of knowing that they were the second winningest seniors in Dana football history. Their record was 23 wins, 17 losses and one tie. Only last year's graduates topped them with more wins.

Reflecting on the season, Head Coach Dr. Leo McKillip said that

despite the team's record, he was proud of the way the Vikings had played.

"Of course, I'm a little disappointed we didn't have a better record," he said, "but I'm very proud and pleased with the way these young men handled themselves. After a loss they shrugged it off and came back ready to go the next week. I'm looking forward to working with many of these players again next year. Believe me, along with the youthfulness of this team, there is a lot of talent here. After this year I'm confident we'll be right back in the hunt for the 1991 season."

McKillip's coaching assistants were Bryan Daum '88, Steve Kissel '86, Jim Krueger '85, Bill O'Boyle '90, Jim Mimmack '90 and Brent Wesemann '91.

At the time of this writing post-season honors had not yet been announced. »

### Homecoming luncheon honors athletes, coach

Gary Cissell '80 of Omaha and Kayla (Walsh '82) Laune of Ashland, Nebraska, are the newest members of the college's Athletic Hall of Fame. They were inducted on October 13 at the Homecoming luncheon.

Former track coach Darrell Zimmerman was also honored at the luncheon with a special presentation. He lives in Garden Grove, California.

Paul Peterson '41, now professor emeritus, coached Cissell during his four years on the basketball team. Peterson described him as "Dana's most dedicated player," and the team Cissell played on during his senior year "Dana's best ever." That year Cissell ranked third nationally in shooting percentage and was the leading NAIA scorer with 609 points. He had a career total of 1,798 points and averaged 21.75 points per game. As a senior Cissell won all-star honors in the NIAC and NAIA and was named starting center on the Omaha World-Herald's All-State College team. After graduation he played professional basketball on a French team.

Cissell is now director of customer relations at the Nebraska Furniture Mart in Omaha. Teammate Steve Laune '80 of Ashland, Nebraska, presented the award.

Kayla Laune excelled in track, softball and volleyball at Dana. As a freshman she set a new Dana high jump record. In her sophomore year softball coach Lee Ahrens said that she had "one of the best throwing arms around." That year she also broke Dana and conference long jump records. In her junior year she came in first in the high jump at the conference meet and was a leading point getter. Volleyball teammates voted her Most Valuable Player in 1980, 1981 and 1982.

She has taught special education at Ashland Senior High School and is currently Ashland's freshman and junior varsity volleyball coach. Carol Haussermann '69, assistant professor of physical education at Dana, presented the award.

Darrell Zimmerman, who coached track at Dana from 1959-61 and cross country in 1960, returned to Blair for a Homecoming reunion with members of his track and cross-country teams. His 1959-60 team won Dana's first Tri-State Conference Championship, and his 1960-61 team brought home the championship once again. His cross-country team also won a championship.

At the luncheon Fred Lambley '62 of North Bend, Nebraska, a member of both winning track teams, presented Zimmerman on behalf of Dana with a Certificate of Recognition and Thanks for "his lasting influence on the students he coached and for the championships his teams won."

All three honorees were also given "Thor's Hammer" pendants in recognition of their contributions to Dana's athletic programs. »

### Homecoming— Fun Run, golf results

Two traditional Homecoming activities, the Fun Run and the golf tournament, attracted large numbers of alumni and friends again this year.

**Fun Run.** Fifty-two runners—36 in the five-mile event and 16 in the two-mile—competed in the Fun Run. The event is sponsored by the Dana Boosters and coordinated by Dana accountant Dale Albus '60.

An alumni couple from Omaha were among the winners in the five-mile Fun Run. Dan Dibben '84 was the first alumnus to cross the finish line (at 29.52) and Merri (Clements '86) Dibben, the first alumna (at 42.32).

Dan Dibben finished close behind the winner, Craig Christians of Omaha, whose time was 28.36.

Other alumni winners were Gail Snyder '74 (37.43, the first alumnus between the ages of 30-39) and Gary Kubik '62 (38.11 in the 40 and over category). Snyder is from Blair, and Kubik from Omaha.

Phil Warner '93 was the first male Dana student to cross the line. His time was 33:13.

In the two-mile run, Judy Richmond of Viola, Illinois, was the first woman to finish the race with a time of 18:20. She is the mother of Dana sophomore Jeff Richmond. John Walford of Tekamah was the first male.

**Golf tournament.** Sixty-six golfers, a record number, played this year.

Mike Larson of Omaha placed first, and his name has been engraved on the tournament trophy. Two tied for runner-up: Tom Law '84 of Omaha and Gary Hendrickson of Blair.

The tournament was coordinated by Dana business manager Keith Hansen. »

### News of former Vikings

■ **Tom Law '84**, who played basketball at Dana under head coach Tom Brosnihan, is now Brosnihan's assistant basketball coach at Ralston (NE) High School.

■ Former Viking teammates **Craig Parkinson '74** and **Dave Larson '75** met again this fall on the football field, but this time as coaches of opposing Iowa high school football teams.

Parkinson, the Sioux City Journal's 1989 Coach of the Year, coaches at Akron Westfield High School, which belongs to the War Eagle Conference.

Larson coaches at South O'Brien High School (which includes students from the communities of Paullina, Primghar and Sutherland); his highly rated team became a part of the War Eagle Conference this year.

In their first conference game, Akron defeated South O'Brien 24-0.

■ Viking tennis player **Jim Jorgensen '66**, a member of Dana's Athletic Hall of Fame, continues to play a winning game. When Jorgensen and Jim Johnson of Fremont (NE) won the "age 45" doubles at the Nebraska Open, they were invited to play in the Missouri Valley U.S. Tennis Association's Sectional Tournament at Kansas City. They won again, becoming the "age 45" champions in a five-state region. Jorgensen and eight players from Fremont also competed this fall in the National Volvo 4.0 Tournament at Palm Springs. The Nebraskans, representing the Missouri Valley Section, played teams representing other sections of the U.S. They beat Maine (representing the Northeast Section), lost to Wisconsin (Northwest), and defeated Arizona (Southwest) and Hawaii (Hawaii Pacific). They finally lost in third doubles in the third set match. »

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If you have art and music books or musical instruments (in good condition, please) that you no longer need, or if you know where such materials might be obtained, please write or call Helen Ochs at Dana (402-426-8247) or me, Tim Jensen, at 1717 Grant, Blair, NE 68008 (402-426-9610). »

## Arizona luncheon planned for Jan. 26

The sixth annual luncheon for Dana alumni and friends in the greater Phoenix, Arizona, area is scheduled for Saturday, January 26, at 12 noon. It will again be held at the Arizona Golf Resort in the North Room of Annabelle's Restaurant at 425 South Power Road (at Broadway and just north of Superstition Freeway).

An invitation is also extended to winter visitors in the area. Alumni and friends who know of these "snowbirds" are asked to tell them about the luncheon.

President and Mrs. Christopherson plan to attend the luncheon. Dr. Christopherson will also preach in Mesa at Our Savior's Lutheran Church (on South Ellsworth, south of Broadway) on Saturday at 4 p.m. and on Sunday at 7:30, 9 and 10:30 a.m.

For luncheon reservations, call the Rev. James W. Olsen at 303-663-1027 before January 6 or 602-924-3253 after January 10 and before January 21.

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## ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

■ **Angela Ankenbauer '80**, a Council Bluffs high school English teacher who has had roles in many area stage productions, was the subject of an article in the July 8 Omaha World-Herald's Magazine of the Midlands. Staff writer T.L. Henion described her as "a widely known actress in the Omaha area, particularly for her comedy roles... at the Omaha Community Playhouse and the Emmy Gifford Children's Theater."

■ On August 6 **JoAnne Roberts '80** was named 1990-91 "Young Careerist" by the Norfolk, NE, Business and Professional Women's organization. Roberts is elementary principal at Norfolk's Woodland Park and Victory Elementary Schools.

■ A poem by **Kay Konz '79** of Lincoln, NE, has been published in "Visions," a Metamorphosis Poetry Series. She has also had poems published in "Hard Row to Hoe" and "The Caring Connection."

■ **Mark Tiby '77**, a teacher and coach at East High School in Des Moines for the past eight years, has been named president of the Iowa Coaches Association for the 1990-91 school year. In August Tiby coached the 28th annual East-West Girls' Basketball Series sponsored by the Iowa Girls' Athletic Union, an All-Star game for upcoming seniors. Last March Tiby's team upset four rated girls' basketball teams and qualified

for the Iowa five-player state tournament. This summer he was involved with the coaches association in setting up the first Iowa-Oklahoma girls' basketball All-Star games. The Tibys live at 4612 Palm Ave. in Des Moines (50310).

■ Omaha interior designer **Diane (Williamson '76) Luxford** was the subject of an article in the June 25-July 1 edition of Omaha Metro Update. In it she talked about designing the morning room in historic Joslyn Castle for the 1990 Omaha Symphony's Showhouse.

■ Blair High School social studies teacher **Paul Kolb '73** has been selected for listing in "Who's Who Among America's Teachers." He was nominated by Blair High students named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students." The students were asked to nominate teachers who had "made a difference in their lives."

■ **Ryle Smith '73** was one of six performers—and the only Omahan—cast in this fall's production of "Pump Boys and Dinettes" at Omaha's Firehouse Theater. World-Herald reviewer Jim Delmont, who described the production as "a lively spoof of country and rock music," wrote: "Ryle Smith, in an astonishingly energetic performance, gives life to Jim, the lead singer and guitarist. In his wide-eyed, gosh-and-golly characterization he provides the

needed center that holds this musical satire together."

■ **Ramona (Alwill '70)** and John Klaasmeyer are in Pakistan, where she is finance officer of the University of Nebraska at Omaha project in Peshawar, and he is technical adviser for a trucking and construction project for USAID. Ramona writes that "John and I are both working on projects for Afghanistan. John's project is to help get food and supplies inside Afghanistan. In spite of the belief that Russia is out of Afghanistan, much fighting is still occurring. Afghans comprise over one-half of the world's refugee population. My project (and UNO's) is for educating inside Afghanistan. We supply books and materials to over 1,000 primary schools, as well as holding vocational training classes for 10th to 12th grade students. We have lived in Peshawar for more than two years now. It is interesting and rewarding work, but a very restricted environment."

■ Two of the three faculty members recently named "Teachers of the Year" in the Brookings, SD, school system are Dana graduates. Selected by their colleagues for the honor were middle school librarian **Connie (Andersen '68) Quirk** and elementary school art teacher **John V. Nelson '71**.

■ **Richard Vierk '68** of Lincoln, NE, is president of Nebraska Citizens for the Arts, a new statewide coalition of arts organizations, supporters and artists. An article in the Sept. 3 Omaha World-Herald described it as "the first truly statewide coalition to lobby for increased arts funding and to create a unified voice on issues facing the arts community."

■ The Sept./Oct. issue of *The Furrow*, an international magazine published by John Deere, features an article titled "Milking Profit from Milkweeds." The article describes the efforts of **Herb Knudsen '63** to turn milkweed into a new alternative crop. The name of his Ogallala, NE, based company is Natural Fibers Corp.

■ **Dr. Leo Kirchhoff '60**, professor of education at California State University, Chico, narrowly missed being in Kuwait at the time of the Iraqi invasion. When he returned home at the end of the summer after a tour of China, he found a telegram that asked if he was interested in and available for a consultancy in curriculum evaluation for the Kuwait Public Authority. The telegram, dated June 13, was from UNESCO headquarters in Paris, France. The six-month appointment would have begun in September. "I probably would have accepted the appointment had I been in Chico when it arrived," Kirchhoff said.

■ New Dana Regent **Dr. Rodney Wead '57** of Omaha was one of 20 sociologists participating in an international conference in Madrid, Spain, on August 3-14. The purpose of the conference was to study the Moors from 711 A.D., when they invaded Spain, to 1492. Wead also conducted workshops in Madrid and Seville, and in Fez, Tangiers and Rabat, Morocco.

■ **Dr. Richard Jensen D'56 T'59**, director/speaker for Lutheran Vespers, the radio program of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Omaha, was the featured speaker at a large Lutheran Vespers Rally on October 14 in Shenandoah, IA. Jensen's sister, **Karen Capel '60** of Council Bluffs, directed the mass choir that sang at the rally. The rally accompanist was **Katy (Gerking '67) Parker** of Sioux Falls, SD.

■ **Bernice (Christensen '55) Howe** has been named 1990 Harlan Mother of the Year. She later became a Merit Mother of Iowa.

■ The Northfield, MN, Sertoma Men and Women's Club and Northfield Sertoma Club has presented the Service to Mankind Award to **Betty (Jensen '51) Nygaard** for her community service and 12 years of work with the local victim support program. She also received the top award on the district level. At present she is a volunteer support person for families of accident victims and victims of heart attacks in the hospital emergency room. ❧

## Alumni camp directors visit Denmark, study folk schools

In late September, Lutheran camp directors **Cy Warmanen '66** and **Connie '53** and **Jeanne (Nielsen '53 '72) Sorensen** traveled to Denmark with fellow directors and others interested in the Folk School Movement.

Warmanen is director of Fortune Lake Lutheran Camp near Crystal Falls, Michigan, and the Sorensens are directors of Ingham Okoboji Lutheran Bible Camp near Milford, Iowa.

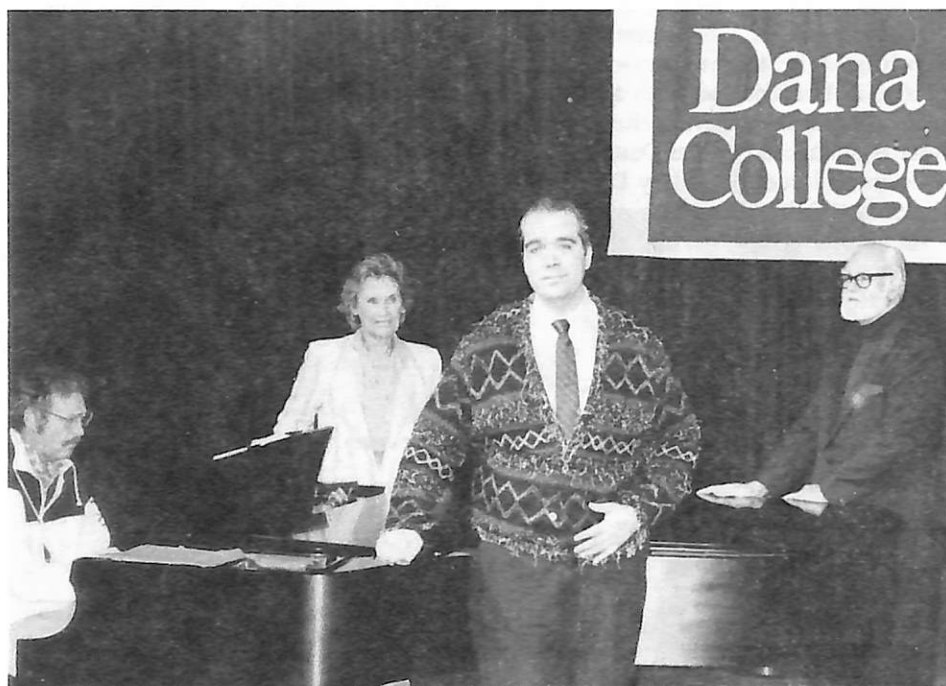
The September 27-October 12 visit was sponsored by the Office of Outdoor Ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

(Alumni Affairs director/Review editor **Ann George** learned about the trip when Warmanen called to order a Dana T-shirt to wear while in Denmark. For details he referred her to **Mark Burkhardt**, the ELCA's Outdoor Ministries specialist who traveled with the group.)

In a post-tour telephone interview, Burkhardt said that the purpose of the trip had been "to see what we could learn and adapt from the Folk School Movement to use in off-season programs for young adults, especially in leadership development and adult education."

Many of the folk schools, he said, are evolving into places "where young people can go to sort things out" before entering a career or continuing their education.

"We learned a lot about the schools and life in Denmark," Burkhardt said. "The Danes were extremely hospitable and gracious hosts and hostesses." ❧



**In rehearsal at Homecoming:** The four participants in the Saturday evening Homecoming program, "Tristanissimo." The program commemorated the 100th anniversary of the birth of Danish-born heldentenor Lauritz Melchior and the 15th anniversary of the establishment of the Melchior Memorial Room at Dana. Mark Rehnstrom (wearing sweater), a young heldentenor, sang selections that Melchior was especially known for. Rehnstrom is studying voice with Shirley Emmons. Emmons (behind piano) has written the first authorized Melchior biography, "Tristanissimo." She conducted some of her research at Dana. Emmons also sang in the touring "Lauritz Melchior Show." She and Ib Melchior (at right), son of Lauritz Melchior and a well-known author and Hollywood screen writer, talked about Melchior the man and Melchior the opera star. Dr. Alan Brandes (at piano), professor of music at Dana, accompanied Rehnstrom.



## “Superstar”!

Cast members rehearse “Jesus Christ Superstar,” a production of the college’s music and theatre departments. The three performances on October 25-27 drew large audiences and much praise. Guest director was Eric Lorentz of Denver, Colorado.

## DESTINY’S DEEP SEA

**’90s** Shelley Carter ’90 and Tim Hanssen ’89 were married on June 30. They live in New York City at 515 West 122nd St., Apt. 43 (10027). Tim is studying at the Jewish Theological Seminary, and Shelley is a graduate student at Columbia Teachers College. . . . James Cooney ’90 teaches math and science at Millard (NE) South High School, where he also coaches junior varsity girls’ soccer and assists with football coaching. . . . Lisa Hansen ’90 is a special education teacher in the Council Bluffs Public Schools. Her Council Bluffs address is 801 N. 36th St., Apt. 22 (51501). . . . Randy Hollowell ’90 is a reporter for the Daily Rocket Miner newspaper in Rock Springs, WY, where his address is 425 B St., Apt. A (82901). . . . Todd Kollbaum ’90 and Angela Johnson ’89 were married on June 30. Their address is 1707 Oakwood Village, Coralville, IA 52241. . . . Mark Mathia ’90 is a management trainee at Pizza Hut in Omaha. . . . Noelle Miller ’90 is a K-3 special education teacher in the Council Bluffs schools. . . . Larry Overbeck ’90 and Karyn Hillesland ’89 were married on June 30. They live in Omaha. . . . Gina Roden ’90 married Craig Birdsall on July 7. They live at 208 Second St. in Manning, IA 51455, where Gina teaches language arts at the high school. . . . Kellee Siemers ’90 is teaching at Willow

Hills Child Learning Center in Englewood, CO. She lives at 489 S. Memphis Way, Unit B, in Aurora, CO 80017. . . . Brian Smith ’90 teaches grades K-4 in Memphis, Nebraska.

**’80s** Ted ’89 and Margaret (Miller ’87) Bansen announce the birth of Thomas Michael on October 24. They live in McMinnville, OR 97128, at 13925 S.E. Burns Road. . . . Darlene Christensen ’89 and William Bowman were married on June 16. Darlene teaches third and fourth grade special education in the Omaha Public Schools. . . . Brenda (Potter ’89) and Rick ’89 Conrad have moved to 4252 Utah St. in Grand Island, NE 68803. Rick is a child protective service worker for the State of Nebraska. . . . Mark Havermann ’89 and Sheryl Chamberlain ’91 were married on July 14. They live at 1121 N. 48th St., Apt. 14, in Omaha (68132). She works for Kohl’s Westgate Pharmacy, and he works for Accent Service Co. . . . Emily Kurth ’89 is office manager for Art Jetter & Co. in Omaha. . . . Tracy (Mastin ’89) and Tim ’87 Matz, 5030 N. 93rd Ave., Omaha (68134), announce the birth of Amanda Lynn on Oct. 26. Brother Andrew is 18 months. . . . Curt Archibald ’88 and Julie Gilbert ’88 were married on July 1, 1989. Julie teaches sixth grade in Belmont, CA, and Curt works for his

father’s paving business. They live at 301 C Oak Ave. in Redwood City, CA 94061. . . . Mary Bolmeier ’88, 11085 Dunklin Dr., Apt. D, St. Louis, MO 63115, is a loan service representative for the Missouri Higher Education Loan Authority. . . . Former Dana Admissions Counselor Lisa Hayne ’88 is a first-year law student at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She lives at 3608 Huntington Ave., Apt. 1, in Lincoln (68504). . . . Shawn Hoover ’88 and William Grossman were married on Sept. 1 in Wilmington, DE. . . . Martin Mastin ’88 married Cheryl Broyles on June 26 in Colorado Springs, where they live at 1312-G Sandalwood Dr. (80916). . . . Michelle Michaelson ’88 teaches art in the Middle School at Storm Lake, IA, where she lives at 116 ½ Cayuga (50588). . . . David Moore ’88 is a second-year law student at the University of Texas at Austin. . . . Ann (Burgard ’88) and Jim Thieman of 8912 Western Ave., Omaha (68114), announce the birth of Rachelle Marie on August 9. . . . Michelle Weaver ’88 has moved to 7225 Fair Oaks #423 in Dallas, TX 75231, to finish her final year at Texas Woman’s University. She is working on a master’s degree in occupational therapy. . . . Cathy Ahlin ’87 and Joseph Moore were married on July 15, 1989. She has been teaching at an elementary school, and he is principal at St.

Francis of Assisi School in Seattle. They live at 6630 Richards Ave. S.E. in Port Orchard, WA 98366. . . . Laurie Manes ’87 married Devin Dorn on August 11. Their address is Box 79, Delavan, KS 66847. Laurie is a special education teacher for the learning disabled in grades K-6 in Junction City, KS. Her husband is in construction. . . . Julie Schroeder ’87 received her M.S.W. from the George Warren Brown School of Social Work at Washington University in August. She has moved to Nevada, MO (117 Jason, ZIP 64772), where she is a clinical social worker at Heartland Hospital. . . . Lisa (Oelrich ’87) and Tim Smith are the parents of Austen James, born on October 10. Tim and Lisa recently moved to New Britain, CT, where Tim is pastor at First Lutheran Church of the Reformation. Their New Britain address is 451 Hart St. (06052). . . . Rita and Grant Christensen ’86 announce the birth of Marcus Grant on August 8. Grant has worked as a life and agency accountant with Physicians Mutual Insurance for the past four years, and Rita is a life insurance underwriter with Danish Brotherhood in America. They live at 4809 Parkview Dr. in Omaha (68134). . . . Steve Gorsett ’86 teaches K-5 physical education in the Elkhorn, NE, Public Schools. He also coaches eighth grade softball and is assistant

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## Dana Club News

**Kansas City Area Dana Club.** Spearheaded by Rhonda Wellsandt ’81 and Janis Jensen ’72 Gaule, this Club is the newest of our growing number of Dana Clubs. Area alumni had a potluck supper on November 3 at Atonement Lutheran Church in Overland Park to discuss plans before attending a concert by singer-composer John Ylvisaker.

**Central Iowa Dana Club.** Twenty adults and five children enjoyed a picnic on Sunday afternoon, June 24, at the Des Moines home of Arne and Joan (Andersen ’49) Sorensen. Other organizers were Tom ’81 and Kathy (Appel ’80) Taggart and Kathy Gerking ’82 and Andy Johnson ’83.

**Greater Twin Cities Area Dana Club.** This fall the Club gave a \$500 scholarship to Dana freshman Kimberly Bjerke of St. Louis Park, Minnesota. Funding for the scholarship came from contributions by Twin Cities area alumni, parents and friends, and from gifts given in memory of Harold Christensen ’52 of Mankato.

Club officers are: president—Pat Dunlop, the mother of Griff ’89 and Patty ’89 Dunlop; recorder—Phil Larsen ’62; special events coordinator—Ken Glover ’61; public relations—Conrad Pedersen, the father of Greta Pedersen ’89; treasurer—Erv Christensen, the father of Paula Christensen ’78. The board members are: Carole Christensen, Rosalind (Peterson ’61) Glover and Sharon Peterson ’73.

**Chicago Dana Club.** The Club continues to maintain an annual \$400 scholarship fund for students from the Chicago area. This year’s recipients of \$200 scholarships are Beverly Baker of Chicago and Jeff Richmond of Viola, Illinois. The Club also subscribes to the Chicago Tribune for the C.A. Dana-LIFE Library. Both projects are funded through contributions by Chicago-area alumni and friends.

Chicago Club officers are: president—Carol (Mengers ’49) Johnson, vice president—Frank Hansen ’58, treasurer—Virginia (Pedersen ’44) Jensen and secretary—Herbert Dalleck, the father of David ’72 and Linda ’64 Dalleck. The directors are: Ronald Anderson ’66, Deanna (Schmidt ’63) Carr, Dr. Richard Jensen D’56 T’59, Karen (Bansen ’71) Maquire, the Rev. Robert Sorenson ’52 and Susan (Erbes ’73) Williams. ❧

## Alumni send daughters, sons

This year 35 fulltime students have parents who also attended Dana. According to information students gave on their public relations cards at the start of the semester, the following are the sons and daughters of alumni:

- Tami Ahrendt ’94, the daughter of Kathy (Hulsebus ’71) and Paul ’68 Ahrendt, Lincoln, Nebraska
- Daniel Bane ’91, the son of James Bane ’69, Longmont, Colorado
- Craig Barsness ’93, the son of Kathy (Plumhoff ’68) and David ’67 Barsness, Sandstone, Minnesota
- Jon Bohlken ’94, the son of William ’63 and Ellen (Kloster ’68) Bohlken, Auburn, Nebraska

- Tami Brodersen ’93, the daughter of Charles Brodersen ’62, Hastings, Nebraska
- Melodi Campbell ’91, the daughter of David Campbell ’67, Missouri Valley, Iowa
- Kelli Crannell ’92, the daughter of Peg Crannell ’89, Tekamah, Nebraska
- Ann Gustafson ’91, the daughter of Judy (Hanson ’63) Gustafson, Des Moines, Iowa
- Daniel Hanson ’91, the son of David Hanson ’64, Des Plaines, Illinois
- Todd Harris ’91 and Stacey Harris ’94, the son and daughter of Gary Harris ’68, Homer, Nebraska
- Christiana Ivers ’91, the daughter of Dorothy (Vorthmann ’56 ’74) Ivers, Minden, Iowa
- Melissa Jacobsen ’93, the daughter of Ruthann (Knoell ’70) and James ’67 Jacobsen, St. Paul, Nebraska
- Michael Johnson ’94, the son of Everett ’60 and June (Santage ’62) Johnson, Boone, Iowa
- Joel Jorgensen ’91, the son of Joyce (Vasby ’60) and Don ’60 Jorgensen, Ripon, Wisconsin
- Dana Kloth ’94, the son of Luther ’61 and Doris (Siersbeck ’61) Kloth, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin
- Paul Kollmorgen ’91, the son of Joan (Neill ’60) Kollmorgen, Modale, Iowa
- Melanie Larson ’93, the daughter of Sara (Andersen ’65) Larson, Arvada, Colorado
- Jennifer McCoy ’94, the step-daughter of Julie (McMahill ’80) McCoy, Omaha
- Maija Nielsen ’93, the daughter of Tom Nielsen ’59, Omaha
- Kristin Olsen ’92, the daughter of James Olsen ’62, Blair, and Lois (Vaught ’66) Olsen, Omaha
- Holly Petersen ’92, the daughter of Carlene (Benson ’62) and Marc ’63 Petersen, Omaha
- Todd Quirk ’91, the son of Gerald ’67 and Tamara (Lykke ’68) Quirk, Fairfax Station, Virginia
- Jon Rademacher ’94, the son of Darlene (Haecker ’67) and Robert ’64 Rademacher, Neudorf, Saskatchewan, Canada
- Douglas Schnack ’92, the son of Wesley Schnack ’58, Pringhar, Iowa
- Stacey Schutt ’91, the daughter of Harold Haswell ’52, San Jose, California
- Candace Scott ’92, the daughter of Rosalind Dryver-Scott ’90, Omaha and Evanston, Illinois
- Travis Shearer ’92, the son of Rick Shearer ’69, Little Sioux, Iowa

- Martha Suhr ’91, the daughter of Melvin Suhr ’50, Red Oak, Iowa
- Peter Svendgard ’92, the son of Alan Svendgard ’68, Blair
- Shannon Thomsen ’94, the son of Steven Thomsen ’78, Snyder, Nebraska
- Kelly Thorngren ’94, the daughter of Ronald ’65 and Patricia (O’Laughlin ’66) Thorngren, Valley, Nebraska
- Kara Vergamini ’94, the daughter of Linda (McNichols ’71) and Robert ’71 Vergamini, Storm Lake, Iowa
- John Wolf ’93, the son of Paula (Zackman ’68) Wolf, Norridge, Illinois
- Rebecca Zack ’94, the daughter of Paul Barnett ’75, Omaha ❧

## Dana mourns Alice Laaker

The Dana and Blair communities mourned the death of Alice Laaker, former dean of women and campus hostess, on November 13 after a brief illness. She was a friend to hundreds of former students.

A tribute to Alice will appear in the winter Review.

She had received numerous honors, among them the 1989 Blair Chamber of Commerce Community Service Award, the Campus Hostess Emerita designation at Dana in 1985, and the 1975 Dana College Community Service Award.

A year ago at Homecoming alumni and members of the campus community celebrated her 80th birthday at a festive dinner and reception.

Funeral services were held at Blair’s United Methodist Church on November 16. Survivors include son David of Fremont, Nebraska; daughter and son-in-law Sandra and James Risser of Menlo Park, California; and grandsons David and John. She was preceded in death by her husband, Allen.

Memorials are suggested to Dana, United Methodist Church of Blair or Blair Memorial Community Hospital.

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coach for high school baseball. . . . **Jeff Langholz '86** is a community relations coordinator with the Environmental Protection Agency. He works for the EPA's Superfund program, which is concerned with cleaning up abandoned hazardous waste sites. Jeff's address is 176 N. Carolina, S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003. . . . **Joan Scherbring '86** is a faculty member at Kuemper Catholic High School in Carroll, IA. She teaches mathematics and is head softball and assistant basketball coach. She lives in Denison, IA 51442, at 23 South 20th, Apt. A. . . . Dean and **Stephanie (Meyer '86)** Stueckrath, Route 1, Box 99, Osmond, NE 68765, announce the birth of their first child, Brandi Lauren, on Sept. 18. . . . **Ann (Esbeck '86)** and **Steve '86 Tillman** are the parents of Alecia Grace, born on Oct. 19. Ann teaches vocal music at Neumann High School in Wahoo, NE, and Steve is midwestern student recruiter for Werner Enterprises in Omaha. They live in Ashland, NE, at 1533 Euclid (68003). . . . **Jill Evenson '85**, P.O. Box 4345, Woodland Park, CO 80866, is a registered nurse in Colorado Springs. . . . Union Pacific Railroad has transferred **Scott Ringler '85** from Omaha to a job as account manager in Long Beach, CA, where he lives at 6024 Bixby Village Dr., Apt. 79 (90803). . . . **Cindy (Nelsen '84)** Aldrich is band director for the Clarinda (IA) Community Schools. . . . **Jeff DeYoung '84** and **Debbie Mayberry** were married on May 26. They live at 201 N. Hazel Street in Glenwood, IA 51534. Jeff is editor of the Glenwood Opinion-Tribune and Debbie is deputy clerk of court for Mills County. . . . **Pamela Robinson '84** teaches in a special education, multi-categorical resource room at Lewis Central Elementary School in Council Bluffs. Her Council Bluffs

## Milestones

■ **Mrs. Hans (Carrie Sinamark) Jersild**, a member of Dana's music faculty and choir director from 1918-1923, celebrated her 100th birthday on August 12.

Her late husband was president of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church from 1950-1956.

Mrs. Jersild lives in Akron, Ohio, with her daughter, Marian Lott. Her other children are Joanne Spiegel '57, Los Angeles; Harold '48, Moline, Illinois; and Paul '53, Columbia, South Carolina.

■ **Ralph and Frieda Nielsen** of Harlan, Iowa, met at Dana in 1924 when they attended the Dana Academy's winter term. They married on July 30, 1930. This summer, on Saturday, July 28, they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at a family gathering.

Four of their five children are Dana alumni: Stan '68 of Shelby, Iowa; Dave '64 of Wayzata, Minnesota; Jeanne Sorensen '53 '72 of Milford, Iowa; and Don '55 of Haughton, Louisiana. ♪

address is 12-1/2 Shady Lane (51503). . . . **Kris and Tim Rongstad '84**, 1757 Sheridan Ave., St. Paul, MN 55116, announce the May 25 birth of Rachel Ann. She was welcomed home by brother Matthew, 2. . . . **Joy (Evenson '84)** Toler is a cosmetologist in Columbia, MO. She and her husband, Scott, live in Columbia at Walnut Hills Trailer Court #44, 2500 S. Business Hwy. 63. Scott manages the court for his father. . . . **Jann Buckley '83** and Alan Dappen were married on August 17. Both are on the faculty at Omaha's North High School—Jann teaches English and Alan teaches physics and biology. They live in Omaha at 10638 Birch St. (68134). . . . Ian Glen was born on June 7 to **Sherri (Sandoz '83)** and **Kip '80 Tyler**. He joins Hollie Nicole, born on Oct. 5, 1983, and Sean Michael, born on Sept. 21, 1986. In late August the Tylers moved from rural Fremont to Wakefield, NE, where Kip is pastor of Salem Lutheran Church. . . . **Julie Wood '83** is an apprentice with the New York City Opera; she takes voice lessons at Carnegie Hall. . . . **Scott Grorud '82** is a pastor at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Redwood Falls, MN. He was ordained into the ministry on June 24. He and **Shelly (Peterson '83)** live in Redwood Falls at 508 South DeKalb St. (56283). . . . **Amy (Nichols '82)** and **David '81 Jensen** announce the birth of Dane Edward on Oct. 19. He joins Amanda and Cole. Dave is in his fourth year as pastor of Westwood Lutheran Church in Shawnee Mission, KS. Amy is a homemaker and part-time administrative assistant. Their Shawnee Mission address is 5035 Rainbow Blvd. (66205). . . . **Jan (Evenson '82)** Zentgraf is a secretary for Adkins Chemical Co. in Columbia, MO. She and her husband, Walter, live at 1511 E. Lexington Circle in Columbia (65203). . . . **Merle '81** and **Elizabeth (Falksen '80) Brockhoff**, 4000 Mohawk, Lincoln, NE 68510, announce the birth of Nyssa Elise on July 18. She joins Carl Philip (4). Merle is pastor of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Lincoln, and Liz teaches K-12 music in Adams, NE. . . . **Karin Elise** was born on July 13 to **Ruth (Behrens '81)** and **Jerry '80 Schmidt**. Jerry is a systems analyst/programmer manager for MACC in Blair, and Ruth stays home with Erik Soren (2) and Karin. They live at 683 S. 24th Ave. in Blair.

■ **'70s Debra Freese '79** of Norfolk, NE, received her M.S. in special education/MMH on May 5 from Wayne State College. . . . **Becky (Masoner '78)** and Jonathan McCain of 850 Davis, Fayetteville, AR 72703, announce the Sept. 18 birth of Joseph Masoner McCain. . . . **Warren Riley '78** and Shelly Spicher were married on August 4. Warren is a pastor intern at Trinity Lutheran Church in Papillion, NE. Their address is 8715 Brentwood Plaza #C16, La Vista, NE 68128. . . . **Jane (Matthies '77)** and Tom Goding announce the birth of Joshua Warren on August 7. He joins Benjamin, who is almost 3. The Godings have moved to 1618 Redberry Ct. in Ft. Collins, CO 80525. Tom is president of First Security Bank in Ft. Lupton, CO; he manages seven additional banks. Jane writes that

"after 13 years of working, I am now staying home and love it!" . . . **Bob '76** and **Kathryn (Braaten '74) Bresemann** have moved to 2151 Watertown Place in Clarksville, TN 37043, where Bob is pastor/developer of Christ Our Saviour Lutheran Church, a mission congregation of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. . . . **Francine O'Brien Andersen** and **Brian Andersen '75**, Audubon, IA, are the parents of James Edmund, born on June 15. He joins a sister and brother, Elizabeth Dagmar and Daniel Emmert. . . . **Bruce '75** and **Roseanne (Peterson '73) Bates**, 1711 Emerald Dr., Davenport, IA 52804, announce the birth of Nelson Holmes on November 21, 1989. He joins brothers Nicholas and Nathan. . . . **Connee (Gibson '75)** and John Heacock are the parents of Cara Michele, born Sept. 13, 1989. Connee writes that John, a 1979 graduate of Iowa State University, became a registered architect two days after Cara was born. Connee worked for several insurance companies until Cara's birth. Now she stays home to take care of Cara and "to resume doing what I love the most—which is applying culture to canvas or paper." The Heacocks live in Omaha (68108) at 603 Dorcas St. . . . **Mary Kay (Peterson '74)** and **Dennis '72 Hennings** and their children have moved from Fremont, NE, to 15310 Wycliffe Dr. #26 in Omaha (68154). Mary Kay teaches third grade at Field Club Elementary in the Omaha Public Schools, and Dennis continues to work for Valmont Industries. . . . **David William** was born on June 15 to **Mary and Craig Parkinson '74** of Akron, IA. He joins Michael (6) and Andrea (4). (Craig writes that "Michael was born on Fathers Day, Andrea was due on Fathers Day, and David came home from the hospital on . . . Fathers Day.") . . . **Cynthia (Homes '73)** and **David '70 Musick** have moved to 8223 Switzer Rd. in Overland Park, KS 66214. Cynthia is an editor at Hallmark Cards, and David is attending graduate school. . . . In March **Susan Welchel '73** was named supervisor of Fixed Income Trading for Titan Value Equities Group Inc. The Titan Group is a broker/dealer with 1400 investment executives nationwide. Her address is 4210 Cahuenga Blvd., Toluca Lake, CA 91602.

■ **'60s Karen Larson '68** received her M.A. in counseling and guidance on June 8 from Ohio State University. She is an assistant coordinating adviser in the Department of Industrial Design at Ohio State. . . . **Tamara (Lykke '68)** and **Gerald '67 Quirk** live at 10919 Hampton Rd. in Fairfax Station, VA 22039. Gerry works in Sales and Supply Employee Relations at the headquarters complex of Mobil Oil Corp. in Fairfax, and Tammy has been kept busy with their new home since their return from Saudi Arabia this past January. Son Todd is a Dana senior. . . . **David Parrish '61** has retired from the University of Nebraska where he was a writer/news editor in the Department of Agricultural Communications. He previously taught at Concordia College in Seward and at Blair High School. He was director of public relations at Dana from 1957-59. . . . **Karen (Jensen '60) Capel** of

Council Bluffs has been promoted to personal lines supervisor at Insurance Agents Inc., a member of the Redland Group that operates throughout the Midwest. She is also in-house underwriter.

■ **'40s** The recycling symbol that appears on containers and signs across the country was created by Gary Anderson, son of **Florence (Young '40)** Anderson of Las Vegas, NV. Anderson created the winning logo in 1970 for a competition sponsored by Container Corporation of America. At the time he was a graduate student in urban design and planning at the University of Southern California.

■ **Deaths Doris Sturgill '68** on August 30 in Council Bluffs. A retired teacher, she taught for many years in Dunlap and Woodbine, IA. . . . **Eva (Peterson '50) King** on August 24. She was a retired school teacher. Survivors include her husband, Leroy, of Tekamah, NE. . . . **Harold Hughes '41** in July in Chula Vista, CA. He was a retired postmaster. Survivors include his wife, Shirley, 1172 Cuyamaca Ave., Chula Vista, CA 92011; daughter Tanya Rodrigues; sons Steven Hughes and Scott; sister Joyce Teeters; and brothers Shirley '50 and Hugh '48. . . . **Harold Hancock '36** of Blair on Oct. 3. After graduating from Officers' Candidate School he served in WWII in the European Theatre of Operations. Later he was recalled for the Korean War and served at Counter Intelligence Headquarters. He later farmed and then was farm representative for the Lauritzen Banks until his retirement. Survivors include his wife Katherine and daughter Paula Fornari. . . . **Harold Hurd '36** of Peoria, AZ, on May 18. He was a member of Dana's Athletic Hall of Fame. . . . **Emma (Peterson '29) Jorgensen** of Blair on Oct. 26. Survivors include sons Philip '55, James, John and Mark, and daughter Lois Galloway. She was preceded in death by her husband, the Rev. Harold Jorgensen T'30, who served Blair's First Lutheran Church for many years, and by sons Paul '53 and Richard. . . . **Dr. Marie Simonsen '22** on August 28 in Hastings, NE. When she graduated from the University of Nebraska College of Medicine in 1929, she was the only woman in her class. She served in the Navy Reserve in WWII and the Korean War. She served as a psychiatrist at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Ft. Douglas, UT, and also taught classes in anatomy, psychiatry and surgery.

■ **Lydia Herrmann**, professor emeritus of business administration, on July 16 in Blair. Miss Herrmann taught at Dana from 1946 through 1969. Private services were held on July 17.

■ **Regent Emeritus Irving Jensen, Sr.**, on July 11 at his home in Sioux City, IA. The founder of the Irving Jensen Construction Company in Sioux City, he and his company contributed generously to Dana over the years.

■ **Fritz H. ("F.H.") Larson**, Dana's registrar and business manager from 1945-1954, on March 3 in Lincoln, NE.