

# DANA REVIEW

## \$600,000 grant— Kiewit Foundation issues challenge

**O**n November 21 President Myrvin Christopherson announced the receipt of a challenge grant from the Peter Kiewit Foundation of Omaha for \$600,000.

The grant is the largest single contribution Dana has ever received. It has been designated by the Kiewit Foundation for classroom furnishings and equipment in the structures that will replace Old Main—the art department addition to the Madsen Performing Arts Center now under construction and a new building that will house classrooms, faculty offices and a chapel.

To receive the challenge grant, Dana must secure the balance of funding needed for the entire replacement project—approximately \$2.6 million—in new cash donations or written pledges before December 31, 1991.

In his announcement of the grant and acceptance of the challenge, President Myrvin Christopherson said that the gifts needed to secure the grant would be raised through the college's ADD (Accelerating Dana's Development) campaign.

"We are particularly grateful," Christopherson said, "to the trustees of the Peter Kiewit Foundation for responding to our need in such a generous manner. This is the second time in recent years that the Kiewit Foundation and Dana College have become partners in a major project.

"During Dana's centennial year, 1984, the Foundation awarded Dana a grant to help with the renovation of Old Main. And now the Foundation will play an important role in replacing that historic old structure." ❧

## Building progresses

A building crane makes an exclamation mark against the winter skies, a plastic-wrapped enclosure protects workers and sounds of construction travel across the campus.

Extremely cold weather near the end of December slowed work on the art department addition to the Madsen Performing Arts Center, but construction speeded up again at the start of the new year and is on schedule. We'll have photos in the spring Review. ❧

## ADDing it up: Area drives set records

**B**y December 31, the ADD campaign had received \$7.2 million in cash gifts and pledges. This amount includes the challenge grant issued by the Peter Kiewit Foundation. The goal for cash gifts and pledges is \$10.65 million.

The close of 1989 marked the midpoint of the three-year drive.

During the fall semester the Development Office organized eight area ADD campaigns, with record-breaking results.

Cash gifts and pledges received from alumni and friends in those eight areas amounted to \$112,100 for Lincoln, Nebraska, \$105,000 for Colorado (three campaigns), \$95,200 for Des Moines, \$101,000 for Minnesota (two campaigns) and \$125,500 for Chicago.

Student Phonorama callers surpassed their first semester goal of \$40,000 in December. They resumed calling during the January Interim and will continue into the second semester.

Area campaigns continue. Development Office plans for the second semester include area drives in Southern California, in Fremont and Hastings, Nebraska, and in Sioux City, Spencer, Cedar Falls and Elk Horn-Kimballton, Iowa. ❧

## Deferred ADD gifts help ensure future

**A**s 1990 began, President Christopherson announced that the total of deferred gifts for the ADD campaign had reached \$8,165,108, substantially passing the \$7.5 million goal set at the beginning of ADD.

The Rev. John Beck, director of planned giving, commented that these dollars are intended for future endowment and college stability as they are received through the years ahead. They will come through wills, life insurance policies, trusts, gift annuities and other planned gifts.

Christopherson added, "We have set no new goal for planned gifts because our need for these estate gifts for endowment, for our future stability, simply calls for us to do all that we can do!

"A school like Dana, without tax support and with a limited subsidy from her parent church body, is under

## They're on the line for Dana...

Student Phonorama callers for ADD raised more than \$42,800 during the first semester. They welcome a friendly voice at the other end of the line, and some have become pen pals with alumni or Dana friends they've called. Pictured (from left) are Kim Gosch '91 (Springfield, NE), Diane Legore '93 (Algona, IA), Nicole "Lea" Jaspersen '93 (Milroy, MN), Paul Krogh '91 (Blair) and Tina Zayat '92 (Broken Arrow, OK). Not pictured: Jill Bain '93 (Shenandoah, IA), Deb Keller '91 (Wilbur, NE) and Colleen Lennemann '91 (Snyder, NE).



immense pressure to greatly increase endowment over the next decades. I firmly believe that we must increase our endowment, as quickly as possible, from its present total of \$2.25 million to more than \$15 million," Christopherson continued.

"We need everyone's help and involvement to insure Dana's future! Both large and small estate planned gifts are welcome."

The number of Dana College Builder members has increased to more than 250, and the sizes of the deferred gifts range from more than \$1 million to less than \$1,000.

The Builders is an organization formed to honor those who have remembered Dana in their estate plans.

Beck expects that the Dana College Builders will number at least 350 members by the close of ADD, and that expectancies will continue to grow substantially.

Alumni and friends of Dana who have remembered Dana in their estate plans but have not informed the Planned Giving Office, or persons who are interested in discussing a planned gift for Dana, are urged to get in touch with the Rev. John Beck, Director of Planned Giving, Dana College, Blair, NE 68008 (402-426-7234). ❧

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### Project bridges distance between home and campus

Birthday cakes, "good luck on your final exams" brownies, and veggie plates for nibbling while working on a research paper—for more than 20 years, members of the Dana Women's Club have filled requests from parents for treats for their Dana students. Proceeds from the 200 or so orders received every year fund two \$350 annual scholarships. Here Women's Club member Lorraine Hansen, a Dana switchboard operator, delivers a cake to freshman Mary Joy of Littleton, Colorado.

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

### Farwell named interim bishop

Dr. Elwin Farwell, president of Dana in 1985-86 and a member of the Board of Regents, has been elected interim bishop of the Nebraska Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Farwell will serve until a newly elected bishop can take office. He replaces Bishop Dennis Anderson, who has been named president of Trinity Theological Seminary in Ohio.

Former president of Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, Farwell came to Dana as interim or acting president. He served in that position until current president Dr. Myrvin Christopherson took office.

Because of Farwell's effective leadership at Dana, at the end of his term of office the Board of Regents voted to add his name to the list of Dana presidents. »

### IMPACT total grows

In 1989 Dana received \$64,763 from Lutheran Brotherhood's IMPACT program.

IMPACT matches gifts of \$25 to \$100 per year from members of Lutheran Brotherhood to Lutheran institutions of higher education nationwide.

Since the beginning of this matching gift program in 1979, Dana has received \$663,941 in IMPACT funds. »

### "Rescue of Danish Jews"—College will host international conference

The "Rescue of the Danish Jews" will be the subject of a major international conference held at Dana Sunday and Monday, April 22-23.

The conference focuses on the efforts of the Danes to save their Jewish countrymen during the German occupation of Denmark in World War II.

In 1943, when Danish political leaders learned of secret Nazi plans to imprison Danish Jews, thousands of Danes came forward to assist their fellow citizens. They were able to save 97 percent of Denmark's Jewish population.

The conference commemorates this dramatic story and explores its moral implications for our own time.

Major funding for the event is being provided by the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation of Chicago.

Participating in the program will be recognized scholars from the U.S. and Denmark and members of the Jewish community from around the world.

They include Rabbi Bent Melchior, Chief Rabbi of Denmark, one of those who was rescued; Consul General of Denmark Niels Lassen; U.S. Senator Paul Simon '49 of Illinois; and Paul Hammerich, Danish journalist, historian and a member of the Prime Minister's Advisory Group.

Also on the program are Herbert Pundik, editor of Politiken, one of Denmark's largest newspapers; Sr. Carol Rittner, executive director of the Elie Wiesel Foundation for Humanity, New York City; Dr. Franklin Sherman of Muhlenberg College, director of the Institute for Jewish-Christian Understanding; Knud Dyby, Corte Madera, California, a former member of the Danish Resistance; Ernest Harbo, Northfield, Illinois, former member of the Royal Guard and Danish Resistance; Elsebet Jegstrup, Department of Political Science at Loyola University; and Dr. Leo Goldberger, professor of psychology at New York University and editor of the book, "The Rescue of the Danish Jews: Moral Courage under Stress."

On Tuesday, April 24, a workshop is planned on the interpretation of Jewish and Christian Scriptures entitled "Texts that Unite and Divide."

For further information on the conference and workshop, write or call Dr. Delvin Hutton or Dr. John Mark Nielsen, co-directors of the conference (402/426-9000). »

### Staley Lectures set for March

"The Stranger and Xenophobia" will be the subject of this year's Staley Foundation Christian Scholar Lecture Series on March 11-13.

The speaker is the Rev. Craig J. Lewis of Chicago. Lewis is executive director of Multicultural Ministries for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

## From the President

### "Working together, we can meet the challenges"

Are you up to the challenge? Every day presents a challenge of some sort to each of us.

At home, at work, church, school, wherever we are, we face challenges. Many of them involve money. They cannot be taken lightly, and fiscal responsibility calls us to make commitments only for expenditures we can afford.

My 89-year-old father recently reminded me that when he was a boy of 19 he asked his father, a Danish immigrant farmer in Luck, Wisconsin, if he could have a car. His father quickly responded, "Have you got the money?"



"No," my father replied. "Well, I haven't either," said Grandpa Christopherson. "Just as soon as you have it, you can get a car." Diligent savings by my father, who drove his horse and buggy from farm to farm as a cow tester in those days, yielded the necessary funds, and my father purchased a new 1920 Model T Ford some months later. My father recalls that the price was \$649.49, and "They made me pay every penny before I got the car."

This is a different era today, and many people suffer from over-extended credit charges. We try to avoid those mistakes at Dana. We do have both needs and wants that we would very much like to satisfy by expenditures for items ranging from computers and library books to scholarships for deserving students and to a new chapel and classroom building to replace our beloved Old Main, which was destroyed by fire last year.

In December we got wonderful news when the Omaha-based Peter Kiewit Foundation awarded Dana a \$600,000 challenge matching grant aimed at equipping our Old Main replacement buildings (not including the chapel). This is wonderful news inasmuch as it assures that our labs and classrooms will be properly equipped to meet the challenges of education we face. But the challenge remains. In order to qualify for the Kiewit monies, we must raise an additional \$2.6 million in new gifts and pledges from individuals and corporate donors. And this will have to be on top of our other needs for annual operating support for scholarships, faculty/staff, and program development support, annual maintenance, and other services which are only partially met by our charges. I am reminded of my grandfather's challenge to my dad, "We can have the Kiewit monies just as soon as we get the rest of the money for the project," and "We can have that new chapel and classroom building on the Old Main site just as

soon as we can pay for it."

Can we do it? Of course we can, but it will take resourcefulness and diligence on our part. It will also take the full cooperation and participation of all Dana College alumni and an ever-increasing group of Dana friends, both individuals and corporations.

That's where you come in.

You can help in three ways. First, if you haven't done so, MAKE A GENEROUS COMMITMENT TO THE ADD CAMPAIGN. You will be asked. But if we don't ask, don't hesitate to call us. Make your gift as generous as you can.

Secondly, HELP US EXPAND OUR NETWORK OF DONORS AND STUDENTS. You know one or more people of means who value the kind of educational mission Dana is engaged in. Let us know who they are, introduce me or a member of our development staff to them, or bring the prospective donor to Dana for a visit. At the same time, REFER PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS to our admissions staff. Who is the student in your church or school that would benefit by the quality education Dana offers? Then, help us make it possible for that student to attend Dana. As we expand our network of donors and students, we secure a stronger Dana College and enable more people to benefit from this special mission in Christian higher education.

Finally, and most importantly, WE ASK FOR YOUR PRAYERS FOR THE FACULTY AND STAFF AND BOARD OF DANA COLLEGE. May we be true to our mission and may we truly offer an educational experience that will witness to the truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ and be worthy of the gifts we have been given. We pray that the educational growth that we occasion here may glorify God and bring bright, able graduates to the world of business, education, and the professions; graduates of vision and a commitment to service, and to a harmonious and peaceful world in which all people may realize the potential of their God-given gifts.

I am confident that working together we can meet the challenges of the Kiewit challenge grant on schedule and that we can build the chapel and classroom building needed to replace Old Main. As my grandfather would have said, we can build it "just as soon as we can pay for it." THANK YOU ONE AND ALL FOR THE CONFIDENCE YOU HAVE SHOWN IN DANA OVER THE YEARS AND FOR THE ASSISTANCE I KNOW YOU WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE.

Myrvin F. Christopherson  
President

## Choir goes to Europe— You can go too!

Immediately following graduation ceremonies this spring, the Dana Choir will fly to Europe for an 18-day tour of Denmark and northern Germany—and you are invited to be a part of this exciting experience!

As a special offer to alumni and friends, Dana is able to offer a very attractive rate on round-trip air fare from Omaha to Amsterdam. Travel must begin with the Choir on May 21. The return date is open but must be determined prior to ticketing. Ticketing and final payment must be made by April 1.

Round-trip airfare from Omaha to Amsterdam is \$558 for students who are 18-26 years old; \$610 for adults 27 to 61, and \$543 for those 62 and older.

Arrangements for non-Choir members are limited to the round-trip flight. Upon arrival in Europe, they will be free to travel as they wish and must make their own arrangements. No other tours or arrangements are being offered through the college.

For more information about this special offer, get in touch with the Public Relations Office at 402-426-7217. »

## Summer internships take students to West Germany

Dana's connection with a North German community—Bad Segeberg—that began several years ago continues to flourish.

The Choir will give a concert there in May at the start of its European tour.

Choir members will be followed on June 29 by six student interns who will assist with activities related to Bad Segeberg's annual Karl May Festspiele.

The first session of this unique internship, developed by Dana and Bad Segeberg representatives, will extend through August 19.

May, a German, wrote adventure stories about the American West similar to those of Zane Grey. The annual Festspiele stages an action-filled outdoor drama based on his novels, which have been read by several generations of German youth.

Dr. Sybille Bartels, who chairs Languages and International Studies at Dana, said that the drama especially appeals to vacationing families. It draws about 200,000 visitors each season.

Bartels and her family, President Myrvin and Anne Christopherson, and

Hugh and Jane Hunt of Blair attended the Festspiele's opening this past summer.

A Nebraska-Haus on the Festspiele grounds sells Native American crafts and Nebraska products.

Students chosen to participate in this summer's internship will manage the Nebraska-Haus, be in charge of tours and activities, tell visitors about the Midwest and demonstrate Native American crafts. Bartels will accompany the group as their sponsor and teacher. Participants in the program can earn eight hours of college credit.

Bartels said that those selected must have had at least four semesters of college German or four years of high school German.

They must also have excellent communication skills, show an eagerness to study and work abroad and demonstrate an openness to new ideas and tolerance of other viewpoints. They should be able to adjust to a different cultural environment and to new and unusual situations. In addition, they must know Midwestern geography, history, economy, and contemporary culture.

Besides having management and bookkeeping skills, interns working in the Nebraska-Haus must have an appreciation of Native American culture and be able to discuss Native American folklore, languages, dance, music, literature and art and demonstrate several Native American crafts.

Bartels said that students selected for the internship will take a second-semester course to learn more about these subjects.

Festspiele management will pay for their transportation, provide free housing and a weekly food allowance, and give them a salary of approximately \$100 per week.

"These financial benefits make Dana's internship more attractive than those offered by several other schools," Bartels said.

Twelve Dana students have already applied for the internship. Although they will be given preference, qualified students at other Lutheran colleges are welcome to apply, Bartels said. If they are interested in this summer's program, they should call her immediately at (402) 426-7276.

The Dana-Bad Segeberg connection was initiated in 1987 by Janyce Hunt, wife of Richard Hunt, president of the Dana Board of Regents. She and Blair Mayor Stan Jensen represented Blair and its Black Elk-Neihardt Park at a ceremony in Bad Segeberg that opened Nebraska-Haus.

In 1988 Dana presented an honorary doctorate to Bad Segeberg Mayor Jorg Nehter.

During the January 1989 Interim Dana students and Dr. Bartels spent five days in Bad Segeberg. They lived with host families and were given receptions in the Nebraska-Haus and City Hall. "We were treated with marvelous hospitality and kindness," Bartels said. »



## Heinrich completes 2 Omaha sculptures

Finishing two commissions for large relief sculptures and mounting a joint exhibit in Joslyn Art Museum's sales/rental gallery made 1989 a productive year for Dr. Milt Heinrich of the college's Art Department.

One of the commissions came from First Lutheran Church, Omaha, for the landing wall of its entry staircase. The polyester resin relief, 16 feet wide and 12 feet tall, is painted in shades of violet, blue, gray and beige. (In the top photo Heinrich, right, and an assistant install the sculpture.)

The work was described by Kyle MacMillan, staff writer for the Omaha World-Herald, in the September 3 edition of the newspaper's Entertainment Magazine.

McMillan wrote that "Don Duy, associate pastor of the church, said the congregation sought a piece that would represent the character of the congregation and would welcome newcomers to the church."

The other piece, a brass relief, was commissioned by Robert H. Storz of Omaha for the south exterior wall of the Omaha Community Playhouse (bottom photo). Called "Actor's Procession," Heinrich's work includes a Greco-Roman figure, a figure from Japanese Kabuki theater and Cervantes' Don Quixote. It is 85 feet long and 16 feet tall.

"Actor's Procession" was featured in another Omaha World-Herald article by MacMillan on September 30.

Storz told MacMillan that he gave Heinrich the commission because he liked Heinrich's "Missouri River Symphony" at Omaha's Eppley Airfield passenger terminal.

For the Joslyn exhibit Heinrich showed recent constructions, wall reliefs and serigraph prints. The exhibit opened December 14 and closed January 7. »



## Christmas spectacular remains crowd-pleaser

The Santa Lucia Ceremony beside a tree decorated with Danish ornaments brought Sights and Sounds of Christmas to a close on December 3 in the E.C. Hunt Campus Center. The daylong festivities attracted more than 5,000 visitors to the campus.

## CAMPUS NOTES

Dr. Kathleen O'Connor, vice president for academic affairs, attended the Annual Meeting of Lutheran College Deans at Augsburg College's Center for Global Education in Cuernavaca, Mexico, November 10-14. After the meeting she participated in a seven-day Augsburg supplemental study tour to Managua, Nicaragua.

An external evaluation this fall of the college's Title III program brought high praise for Bob Schmoll '83, director of computer services and information management, and high ratings for the progress Dana has made in computerization over the past three years. Evaluators said that Dana's system is ahead of those at many other institutions, particularly in the use of microcomputers.

Computer Services has also received a \$6,000 grant through the Novell Network for Higher Education Grant Program. The grant has been used to improve software in the college's computer network.

The January Interim gave faculty members and students an opportunity to travel to Europe, the East Coast and Florida. Music instructors Jeanmarie Nielsen '78 and Michael Anderson and six students visited some of Europe's great cathedrals in Great Britain, France and West Germany, and Spanish instructor Diana Brown and seven of her students traveled in Spain. In this country Prof. Jim Olsen '62, art professor and director of humanities, and 17 students visited Philadelphia, New York City and Washington, D.C., while Coach Dale Lemon took 12 of his baseball players to a baseball school in Del Ray Beach, Florida.

Dr. Leo McKillip, athletic director and head football coach, attended the January 8-12 meeting of the American Football Coaches Association in San Francisco. McKillip serves on the NAA's Academic Honor Role Committee.

Liberal Arts Reading Program (LARP) selections for the first semester were Margaret Laurence's "A Bird in the House" (short stories about a Canadian childhood during the Depression); John Steinbeck's novel, "The Grapes of Wrath" (the 50th anniversary of this American classic); and Christopher Nolan's "Under the Eye of the Clock" (the autobiography of a young, severely disabled Irish poet).

Scheduled for the second semester are Mark Salzman's "Iron and Silk," (an autobiography/travelogue by a young American scholar-athlete who has lived in China); Joy Kogaya's novel "Obasan" (about a Japanese-Canadian family's experiences during and after WWII); and Victor Frankl's "Man's Search for Meaning" (a classic autobiography and psychoanalysis by a survivor of the Holocaust).

Dana senior Martha Suhr of Red Oak, Iowa, has won the collegiate solo woodwind division of the Music

Teachers National Association Wurlitzer Competition at the state level. She is also Nebraska State Champion in her division. In February Martha will compete in the North Central eight-state regional competition.

Campus Pastor Linda Walz has accepted an invitation to serve as chaplain to the 1990 Nebraska Synod Assembly in Lincoln May 31-June 2.

Twenty-six seniors have been named to this year's edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges." They are Kelly Barnum, Fort Dodge, Iowa; Sharon Bohlander, Tekamah, Nebraska; Shari Bohling, Table Rock, Nebraska; James Boomsma, Council Bluffs; Shelley Carter, Omaha; Kirsten Christopherson, Blair; Kristin Dougherty, Dunlap, Iowa; Kipp Harris, Kenmare, North Dakota; Susan Hendrick, Omaha; Randall Hollowell, Parker, Colorado; Cathy Keck, Ashland, Nebraska; Todd Kollbaum, Ida Grove, Iowa; Carolyn Lauer, Cozad, Nebraska; LaraJean McBride, Wheat Ridge, Colorado; Lynn Moore, Kimballton, Iowa; Mark Olsen, Blair; Joetta Pitt, Pisgah, Iowa; Kris Pronske, Fremont, Nebraska; Gina Roden, Pisgah, Iowa; Kellee Siemers, Elk Point, South Dakota; Peter Sierant, Overland Park, Kansas; Martha Suhr, Red Oak, Iowa; Kelly Tierney, Blair; Scott Wagner, Gretna, Nebraska; Bruce Webster, Blair; and Kelly Zanton, Cortland, Nebraska.

Prof. Sieg Krueger, speech and theatre, was in the cast of the Omaha Community Playhouse's recent production of Doug Marr's new play, "Starkweather." Krueger is on sabbatical leave from Dana this year.

Multicultural Center Coordinator David Murray and his family were featured in the December/January issue of Parenting magazine in an article entitled "Not Black or White."

On November 1 Prof. Richard Potter, social work, gave a presentation on "Family Systems Theory" at an Omaha conference on "The Sandwich Generation: Impact of Illness and Aging on Family Relationships."

Members of the Dana Students' Performing Arts Committee (DSPAC) offered a new community service on Halloween when they helped more than 50 preschool and grade school students get ready to go trick or treating by painting their faces.

In November students and members of the faculty and staff celebrated Namibia's first elections with Dana's six Namibean students in a variety of activities, including a worship service, a chapel service and a "Celebration of Namibia" in the Dragon's Head.

Bookstore Manager Nancy (Harris '74) Beaman and her assistant, Carleen Andersen, presented a style show using college-imprinted sportswear at the fall meeting of the Mid-States Association of College Stores. Beaman is chair of the organization's Education Committee. »

## Students, parents help Hondurans

by Joel Morgan

The following article appeared in the October 27 *Hermes* and is reprinted with permission. Reporter Joel Morgan is a sophomore from Hay Springs, Nebraska. Cory Wilson, the subject of Morgan's story, is a senior biology and Spanish major from Durango, Colorado. Wilson's father teaches at Ft. Lewis College; his mother is a registered nurse.

Last summer, Dana student Cory Wilson took a trip to Honduras. Wilson's mother heard about a clinic to be set up somewhere in Honduras by the Christian Medical and Dental Society, so the Wilson family, including Cory, decided to go. The family flew to Honduras to a town called San Pedro Sula. "When I got off the plane, I thought I was in a National Geographic Magazine," said Wilson.

The Wilsons stayed at a Bible institute for two days to be briefed and to get their assignments. They then went to a village called Monterrey. "It was very small (about 500 people), but it had a disco in the middle, and that is where we set up the clinic," Wilson stated.

"The supplies for the clinic were all donations from U.S. doctors that the participants solicited before the trip.

"We saw about 400 people a day. The people would receive an anti-parasite shot first and then nurses would decide who was to see the doctor, and which ones they could help themselves. People came from all around the village. The doctors were like gods to them," said Wilson, in regard to the people of the village.

Wilson did many things to help with the clinic. He administered shots, but his main job was to be "traffic cop" and keep all of the people organized.

The village had no running water and showers were taken with buckets of water gotten from a well. The village was set up for running water, but the final steps were not yet completed. "It was like camping out."

It was very hot. "The disco/clinic had a tin roof and it made it that much hotter. The doctors couldn't even shake down the thermometers, so they would wipe them with alcohol and use them immediately," commented Wilson.

The clinic lasted two weeks. When asked if he thought the clinic was really doing any good, Wilson replied, "The clinic did a lot of good for the short term, but it really did not make a dent in the total problem."

After their time at the clinic, the Wilson family traveled around Honduras. "It was hard to get used to seeing the military, which were also the police, in front of buildings with M-16s, but you could walk around most any time without fear," stated Wilson.

When asked about his thoughts on the whole experience, Wilson said, "I learned to appreciate education a lot, and I plan to go back next summer." If a person is interested in this great experience, or would like to hear more about it, they should talk to Cory Wilson. »

## Parnassus exhibit features etchings by Jack Coughlin

A first semester exhibit in Parnassus, the center of Dana's humanities program, featured etchings by Jack Coughlin, an American artist who teaches at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

The Coughlin exhibit was organized by Parnassus assistant Nathan Kramer '89.

Coughlin, whose work is regularly commissioned by *New Republic* magazine, is best known for his etchings of well-known literary figures. The 23 prints in the Parnassus exhibit included portraits of Kafka, Twain, Sandberg, Woolf, T.H. Lawrence, Dickens, Whitman, Hemingway, Joyce, Poe, Melville, Dickinson and Whitman.

Several of the prints were from the Parnassus Collection, and others belonged to Luella Nielsen '42, professor emerita of English. Of the 14 sent by Coughlin for the exhibit, Parnassus has purchased one of James Joyce through a gift and memorial fund.

In December, after the exhibit had closed, Coughlin sent a new etching, one of Samuel Beckett, as a gift to Parnassus.

Kramer '89 said that Coughlin "was intrigued with the concept of Parnassus, and he was amazed that a small college in the Midwest took an interest in his work."

Parnassus has reproduced Coughlin's portrait of Whitman on note cards and on a poster publicizing the exhibit. Both can be purchased through Parnassus at \$3 for five cards and \$4.50 for the poster. Please include \$1 for postage.

Other first semester Parnassus exhibits featured work by members of the art faculty at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln; work by alumni artists Jayne (Botos '66) Kolterman, Ryle Smith '72 and Jan (Maystrick '82) Magnuson; and a traveling exhibit of original prints from the Lutheran Brotherhood Collection of Religious Art. »

## Gathering II

An invitation to friends,  
members and pastors of  
the old UELC—

Join us for "Gathering II"  
at Dana on July 20-22, 1990.

For information, write to  
the Office of Public  
Relations, Dana College,  
Blair, NE 68008.

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## Conference develops mediation skills

A Mediation Conference at Dana on November 10-11, sponsored by the college's Social Work Department and a coalition of mediation sponsors, was spearheaded by Kathleen Severens of the Farm Mediation Service and the Interchurch Ministries of Nebraska.

Jan Potter, assistant professor of social work at Dana, said that mediators act as neutral third parties to help solve disputes for those "who prefer to approach conflict from a conciliatory rather than a confrontational position." Mediators become involved, for example, in disputes between farmers and bankers, business persons and consumers, family members, neighbors, and congregations.

The keynote speaker was Dee Ried, director of North Carolina's mediation network. The program also offered mediation training for conference participants, who represented a variety of professions, including social work.

"Participants were enthusiastic about possibilities for expanding the practice of mediation in Nebraska," Potter said.

"Social work educators have always included mediation techniques in the curriculum, and we're making plans to build more content on mediation into our Social Work Department's practice and policy courses." »

## Competitions attract young scholars, singers

Dana sponsored a Presidential Scholarship Competition on February 3 and hosted a Lauritz Melchior Memorial Competition for Young Singers on the same day.

The Scholarship Competition brought more than 90 outstanding high school seniors to the campus to compete for a full-tuition scholarship and \$4000, \$3000, and \$2000 scholarships, all renewable for up to four years. Recipients were selected based on interviews, essays they wrote that day and their academic transcripts.

The Melchior Voice Competition for high school students also offered scholarships that will be awarded over four years at Dana.

Melchior, Danish-born heldentenor who sang with the Metropolitan Opera for many years, was a friend of Dana. The college's Lauritz Melchior Memorial Room houses memorabilia from his life and career.

Adjudicators for the voice competition were Dr. Richard Palmer, head of Dana's music department and an active guest conductor, clinician and composer; Jeanmarie Nielsen '78, voice instructor at Dana with many professional appearances to her credit; Everett Johnson '60, executive secretary of the Iowa High School Music Association and a frequent adjudicator at music contests and a guest conductor at high school choral festivals; and Tim Sharer, director of Choral Activities at Southeast High School in Lincoln, Nebraska.

The finalists competed in an evening program, open to the public, that also featured a performance by "The Ensemble," six professional singers from Opera Omaha. »

## Midlands Conference on Language, Literature planned for April

The third annual Midlands Conference on Language and Literature will be held on the campuses of Dana College and Creighton University, Omaha, on April 27-28.

The conference was conceived by Ben and Kathleen Collins of Dana as a vehicle by which the colleges and universities of the so-called midlands area might meet, deliver scholarly papers and otherwise exchange ideas.

After the first conference, which attracted participants from as far away as Winnipeg, Ann Arbor, Minneapolis and Chicago, Dr. Michael Sundermeier of the Creighton University English Department felt that Creighton would like to offer the facilities of its campus for part of the conference, and last year the Saturday sessions, which celebrated the centenary of the death of the Jesuit priest Gerard Manley Hopkins, a celebrated 19th century poet, were held at Creighton.

This year, in addition to papers on the general topics of language, literature and linguistics, special sessions on modern African literature and on literature in the Spanish language will be offered. And in 1991, which marks the 50th anniversary of the death of James Joyce, there will be special sessions on that famous Irish writer.

In addition to the papers delivered, a publication, *Journal of the Midlands Conference on Language & Literature*, which will print abstracts of those papers, will be issued this year and in all subsequent years.

Those interested in participating in the conference should write to Drs. Ben and Kathleen Collins at Dana. »

## UELCL Gathering II set for July 20-22

Plans are developing for the second reunion gathering of friends, families and former members of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church (UELCL) which will take place at Dana the weekend of July 20-22.

A small committee, composed of Dr. Edward and Shirley Hansen, Phil Pagel, Lorraine Madsen, Dr. Paul Neve and the Rev. John Beck, has met and completed preliminary plans for the weekend activities.

"Gathering II" will begin on Friday afternoon and conclude on Sunday. It will focus on the history and heritage of the UELCL, especially its college and seminary, as well as offer extensive opportunity for fellowship and reunion.

There will be a small registration fee for all those attending. Costs for room and board will be minimal. Air-conditioned rooms will be available.

Rooms in Elk Horn Hall can be reserved at \$17 for single occupancy and \$26 (\$13 per person) for double. Linens, blankets, towels, etc., are furnished.

Bathrooms are between adjoining rooms. Elk Horn Hall is air-conditioned.

Air-conditioned dormitory rooms, with two single beds, are available for \$7 per night, with guests supplying their own linens, blankets and towels, soap and glasses. There is no additional charge for extra persons using sleeping bags.

Meals will be served cafeteria style in the dining hall.

Planned activities will include hymn sings from the Hymnal for Church and Home, Holy Communion and worship using the old UELCL Order of Worship, presentations on the UELCL, Dana College and Trinity Seminary, the college archives, and the immigrant experience.

Families are invited to schedule reunions in connection with this second UELCL Gathering. Additional time on the Dana campus can be arranged at minimal cost.

For reservations and up-to-date schedules and information, write to: Office of Public Relations, Dana College, Blair, NE 68008. »



At the first UELCL "Gathering" in 1984 ... Participants look over materials and artifacts from the Dana Archives. Inset—The altar and pulpit from the former UELCL congregation in Beresford, South Dakota, were used for the worship setting.



## SPORTS

### Early season reports . . .

**Women's basketball.** At their first-ever basketball invitational January 5-6, the Lady Vikings broke scoring records and passed the century mark twice, defeating Mundelein College 101-68 and Ottawa University 105-71.

These are the two top scores in Dana history for women's teams. Especially exciting play in the Dana-Mundelein game came in the second half when Dana players scored 66 points in 20 minutes.

The wins improved Dana's early-season record to 7-5.

Team co-captains are Lori McMullen of Dunning, Nebraska, and Kim Farmer of Omaha. Both are juniors. Head coach Kathy Foley is assisted by Craig Anderson.

**Men's basketball.** Close losses and exciting play describe the men's pre-Christmas break basketball games.

Coach Will Baird reports that the Vikings have been averaging over 91 points a game, but unfortunately they've been allowing their opponents 101.

**Wrestling.** The 15 members of this year's wrestling team finished their pre-Christmas season with a 3-2 record in duals, with wins over Simpson Red, William Penn and William Jewell, and losses to Simpson Gold and Cornell.

Coach Ron Beaman '74 said that his team also wrestled well against top competition at two opens, one at the University of Nebraska at Omaha and the other at Kearney State.

"With important qualifying tournaments coming up during the second semester, we're looking for steady improvement from our wrestlers," Beaman said. "Dana has qualified at least one wrestler for the National Tournament for ten straight years and we plan to continue this streak." 🏆

### Football players win honors

At the close of their fourth straight winning season, members of the football team received kudoes for their play.

The following Vikings won NIAC honors:

**All-Conference First Team Offense:** interior lineman Todd Kollbaum '90, Ida Grove, Iowa; wide receiver Dean Norris '90, Plainview, Nebraska; runningback Marvin Peterson '90, Oakland, Florida.

**All-Conference First Team Defense:** lineman Robert Bara '90, Chicago; linebacker Mike Kuhl '90, Omaha; punter Troy Buss '91, Logan, Iowa.

**All-Conference Second Team Offense:** runningback Bryan Muschall '90, Council Bluffs; kicker Jade Wagner '90, Hampton, Iowa; lineman Kyle Knapp '91, Madison, Nebraska; quarterback James Anderson '91, Omaha.

**All-Conference Second Team Defense:** lineman Russ Wilcox '91, Norfolk, Nebraska; defensive back Victor Lyon '91, Madison, Nebraska.

**All-Conference Honorable Mention:** Corey Mitchell '92, Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri; Brent Wesemann '90,

Pierce, Nebraska; Sean Dalton '92, Lincoln, Nebraska; Greg Hansen '90, Alda, Nebraska; Michael Allen '93, Miami, Florida; Jim Mimmack '90, Omaha; Joe Ellis '92, Omaha; and Scott Wagner '90, Gretna, Nebraska.

The NIAC selections were announced on November 15 at a dinner honoring the team and their coaches. The dinner at Blair's Cottonwood Marina was sponsored by parents of the football players.

### Omaha World-Herald picks Vikings

Then on December 3 the Sunday World-Herald announced its selection of 26 players from NAIA District II schools for its All-State College Team.

Seven were from Peru State, four each from Dana and Chadron State, three each from Nebraska Wesleyan, Doane and Kearney State, and one each from Midland Lutheran and Wayne State.

The World-Herald named Norris, Bara, Kuhl and Buss to its All-State College Team.

Kollbaum made the World-Herald's second team. Knapp, Anderson, Muschall, Peterson, Wagner and Allen received honorable mention. 🏆

### Chicago alumnus hires Vikings

Ask Rick Rostan '79 about what alumni can do to help Dana, and he'll say, "Hire its graduates."

Rostan is district manager of the Chicago office of Expeditors International, a rapidly growing company that is an air freight forwarder, custom-house broker and ocean freight forwarder with offices in major cities around the world—in the U.S., Canada, Australia, the Far East and Europe.

To date Rostan has hired eight Dana alumni to work for Expeditors International.

Like Rostan, all of them have been Dana Vikings and good athletes.

For the Chicago office he's hired Kevin Albert '86, Todd Heagle '89, Todd Hinkle '87, Chan Laurent '89 and Creighton McKillip '89. Three others have transferred from Chicago to work in offices on the West Coast—Tim Barber '82 and Mark Bauer '84 in Seattle, and Don Savino '82 in San Francisco.

Dr. Leo McKillip, Dana's director of athletics and head football coach,

says that "Rick must have a high regard for our graduates because he has hired so many of them."

Rostan visits Dana every year to interview athletes, and says he'll be back again this spring.

Why does he search out athletes? "There's a lot of pressure in this business," he says, "and I've found that over-achieving athletes who are team players can handle it."

Rostan credits Expeditors International executives Peter Rose, president and chairman of the board, and Kevin Walsh, executive vice president, for "giving me the go-ahead to do this." (Rose is no relation to the baseball player of the same name.)

Expeditors International has also established an athletic grant at Dana that's awarded annually.

The company's experience with hiring Dana athletes has been so good, Rostan says, that Rose and Walsh have begun to encourage district managers in other cities to interview athletes at neighboring colleges and universities.

"Dana has led the way in this," Rostan says. "Because its athletes have proved they can do the job, they're helping athletes at other schools too." 🏆

## Why students choose Dana

"It's a small college where teachers know you by name." "A good academic reputation." "The people and faculty." "A great college and environment." "It's a place where I can be involved in many activities." "Small, personal, location, financial aid." These are answers our students give when they're asked why they've chosen Dana.

They also say that Dana "is just right for what I want to do," "I think it offers the most for me" and "I love it."

If you know of high school students who could benefit from a Dana education, please tell them about us. And let us know about them.

Please send information about Dana to the following students:

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Academic Interest _____	Academic Interest _____
Extracurricular Interest _____	Extracurricular Interest _____
My name _____	
Comments:	

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 2848 College Drive  
 Dana College  
 Blair, NE 68008  
 Or phone toll free: 1-800-444-3262

## Homecoming set for October 12-14

**Alumni—mark your calendars:** Homecoming next fall is set for October 12-14. The spring and summer Reviews will keep you informed as plans develop.

Of special note: A reunion is being organized for members of the 1959-60 and 1960-61 track teams and the 1960 cross country team. The cross country team and '60-61 track team were Tri-State Champions. Darrell Zimmerman, their former coach, is assisting the Alumni Office in making plans for the weekend.

The reunion will be the start of an

occasional Homecoming feature called "Those Championship Seasons." If you were a member of another team that won a championship for Dana and would like to help plan a reunion for the following year, please write to Ann George, director of Alumni Affairs.

Also of note: The following classes will have reunions: 1940, 1950, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980 and 1985. If you're a member of any of these classes, please begin to make plans now to attend Homecoming. You'll receive invitations through the mail. »

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## DESTINY'S DEEP SEA

**'80s** Tammy Akes '89 is a protective service worker, Child Protective Services, in Omaha for the Nebraska Department of Social Services . . . **Rebecca Brabec '89** is a social worker (obstetrics and intensive care nursery) at St. Joseph's Hospital, Omaha . . . **Melissa Carson '89** is a social service coordinator for Northcrest Care Center in Council Bluffs. . . **Darlene Christensen '89** is an EMH teacher at Boyd Elementary School in the Omaha Public Schools. . . **Greg Diehl '89** is an associate manager for Beneficial Finance in Joliet, IL. . . **Dan Dougherty '89** teaches K-8 physical education and coaches football, girls' basketball and boys' track at Dow City-Arion Community School in Dow City, IA. . . **Griffin Dunlop '89** is a youth life educator for Children's Square U.S.A. in Council Bluffs. . . **Ken Ehline '89** is a social worker in Cleveland, OH, for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. . . **Karen Hillesland '89** teaches third grade at Pleasantview Elementary School in Sauk Rapids, MN. . . **Tim Holthus '89** is a chemist for American Laboratories in Omaha. . .

**Denise Hunter '89** teaches remedial reading and math and is a resource room teacher at the Tekamah, NE, Elementary School. . . **Jayne (Stein) '89** and **Paul '89 Jensen** live in Blair at 2619 College Drive. Jayne is a medical staff secretary at Immanuel Medical Center in Omaha; Paul assists in the pharmacy at Barr Pharmacy in Blair. . . **Jerrod Lawrence '89** is an assistant branch manager for ITT Finance Corporation in Hopkins, MN. . . **Grant Matthies '89** is an assistant actuarial administrator for Mammel, Schropp, Swartzbaugh, Engler and Jones in Omaha. . . **Larry Overbeck '89** is a research laboratory technician at the Boys Town National Institute for Communication Disorders in Children, Omaha. . . **Jodi (Mast) '89** Peters is a resource room teacher at the Odebolt-Arthur Community School in Odebolt, IA. . . **Rob Riedy '89** is an assistant manager at Tires Plus in Minneapolis. . . **Allen Cordes '88** is an assistant examiner for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation in Sioux City, IA. . . **Cheryl (Smith) '88** Davis is a line cost analyst in Kansas City, MO, for U.S. Sprint Telecommunication. . .

**Jennifer (Parks) '88** Doerfler is a full-time graduate student at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where she is studying archaeology. She also works for the university as a project assistant in Danish archeological research and excavation . . . **Shelley Fulton '88** is a financial counselor for First Federal Lincoln in Omaha. . . **Stuart Jensen '88** is a computer engraver in Sioux Falls, SD, for J.D. House of Trophies. . . **Jeanine (Tharp) '88** Lytton coaches and teaches K-9 physical education and drivers education in Minneola, KS. . . **Tom Meyer '88** is a child care assistant and psychiatric technician at Richard Young Hospital in Omaha. . . **Michelle Michaelson '88** teaches sixth and seventh grade art at Huron (SD) Middle School. . . **Linda Miller '88** is a full-time graduate student at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. She is working on her M.S.W., specializing in marriage and family therapy. . . **Nancy and Mike Sich '88** of 820 W. Louise in Grand Island, NE 68801, announce the birth of **Brandon Dean** on January 8. . . **Ann (Burgard) '88** Thieman demonstrates keyboards and

works with sales contracts at Keyboard Kastle, Old Mill Shopping Center, in Omaha. . . **Michelle Turner '88** teaches eighth grade and K-8 computers at Sacred Heart School in Omaha. . . **Pat Welch '88** is a territory manager for Shaw Industries; he lives in Tucson, AZ. . . **Carole Kruse '87** teaches at a rural school near Lexington, NE. . . **Roger Nelson '87** is production manager for U.S. Micro Express, Inc., in Bellevue, WA. . . **David Iversen '86**, who will soon complete his M.A. in Scandinavian Studies at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, began work in January as the multiservice librarian at the Ylvisaker Library at Concordia College in Moorhead, MN. He is also serving as liaison to the off-campus German Institute in Bemidji, headquarters of the Concordia Language Camps. . . **Jeff Langholz '86** recently helped a friend sail a 100-foot fishing boat from Louisiana through the Panama Canal to Seattle, a trip lasting about seven weeks. Jeff writes, "For a person born and raised in Iowa, it has been quite an education learning to properly navigate a boat on the high seas!"

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## Graduates give career advice

Alumni returned to the campus for three programs during the first semester to talk about their jobs and advise students on career choices and the job search.

On September 29 the following graduates participated in an Alumni Career Panel for social work, sociology and psychology majors: Franklin Jenson '68, chief probation officer, Probation Administration, State of Nebraska, Omaha; Angela Johnson '89, youth life educator (shelter), Children's Square USA, Council Bluffs; Dr. Wayne Nielsen '65, national marketing director for REM, Inc., Council Bluffs; Angela (Ferguson) '88) Smith, social services worker III, Nebraska Department of Social Services, Omaha; and Lisa Wilson '88, social worker II, Iowa Department of Human Services, Harrison County.

On October 24 Paul Madsen '80, director of recruiting for the National Therapeutic Association, Omaha, conducted mock interviews and talked to students about how to look for a job.

Then on November 16 five alumni participated in a Career Panel for students majoring in marketing, finance, accounting, economics, information management, and management and organizational behavior. They were Sandra (Ohr) Ellis '86, senior tax consultant, Deloitte & Touche, Omaha; Carol King '84, controller, Valley Products Corp., Valley, Nebraska; Scott Rasmussen '82, attorney, Place and Rasmussen, Omaha; Martin Steenbock '79, patient accounts supervisor, Children's Hospital, Omaha; and Tom Taggart '81, tax manager, Ernst and Young, Des Moines. »

## Alumni send daughters, sons

For 35 students this year, attending Dana is becoming a family tradition. According to information provided by students, the following have parents who are Dana alumni:

Dan Bane '92, the son of James Bane '69, Longmont, Colorado  
 Craig Barsness '93, the son of David '67 and Kathy (Plumhoff) '68) Barsness, Sandstone, Minnesota  
 Tammy Brodersen '93, the daughter of Charles Brodersen '62, Hastings, Nebraska  
 Melodi Campbell '91, the daughter of David Campbell '67, Missouri Valley, Iowa  
 Robert Christensen '90, the son of Robert '66 and Janice (Sylvia) '66) Christensen, East Aurora, New York  
 Kirsten Christopherson '90, the daughter of Myrvin Christopherson '61, Blair  
 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)  
 Chris Hough '90, the son of Donna (Andrew) '67) Hough, Council Bluffs, Iowa  
 Christiana Ivers '91, the daughter of Dorothy (Vorthman) '56 '74) Ivers, Minden, Iowa  
 Amanda Jacobsen '93 and Melissa Jacobsen '93, the daughters of James '67 and Ruthann (Knoell) '70) Jacobsen, St. Paul, Nebraska  
 Jayne Jensen '93, the daughter of Wayne '70 and Susan (Davis) '70) Jensen, Cape Coral, Florida  
 Kari Jensen '93, the daughter of Ken '62 and Bonnie (Nelson) '65) Jensen, Blair  
 Jennifer Johnson '91, the daughter of Howard '64 and Marilyn (Olson) '61) Johnson, Lebanon, Oregon  
 Joel Jorgensen '92, the son of Don '60 and Joyce (Vasby) '60) Jorgensen, Ripon, Wisconsin  
 Mary Joy '93, the daughter of Barbara (Larsen) '64) Joy, Littleton, Colorado  
 Paul Kollmorgen '90, the son of Joan (Neill) '60) Kollmorgen, Modale, Iowa  
 Paul Krogh '91, the son of Bob '56 and Joan (Petersen) '56 '69) Krogh, Blair

Melanie Larson '93, the daughter of Sara (Andersen) '65) Larson, Arvada, Colorado  
 Amy Lauritsen '92, the daughter of Lynn Lauritsen '66, Fairfield, Iowa  
 Diane Legore '93, the daughter of Larry '66 and Susan (Nystuen) '66) Legore, Algona, Iowa  
 Maya Nielsen '93, the daughter of Tom Nielsen '59, Omaha  
 Kristen Olsen '92 and Mark Olsen '90, the daughter and son of James Olsen '62, Blair, and Lois (Vaught) '66) Olsen, Omaha  
 Holly Petersen '92, the daughter of Marc '63 and Carlene (Benson) '62) Petersen, Omaha

Todd Quirk '90, the son of Gerald '67 and Tamara (Lykke) '68) Quirk, Fairfax Station, Virginia  
 Dallas Schnack '92 and Douglas Schnack '92, the sons of Wesley Schnack '58, Pringhar, Iowa  
 Stacey Schutt '91, the daughter of Harold Haswell '52, San Jose, California  
 Karen Sorensen '91, the daughter of Doris (Jacob) '56 '78) Sorensen, Kennard, Nebraska  
 Martha Suhr '90, the daughter of Melvin Suhr '50, Red Oak, Iowa  
 Peter Svendgard '92, the son of Alan Svendgard '68, Blair  
 John Wolf '93, the son of Paula (Zackman) '68) Wolf, Norridge, Illinois »

## ALUMNI COUNCIL NOTES

### Dear Alumni,

About a year ago, I heard an old Chinese proverb that I would like to share with you.

I heard this story at a luncheon at Dana and it was told by Dr. Elwin Farwell.

Dr. Farwell is a man to whom we are deeply indebted for his leadership as

Dana's president before Dr. Christopherson took office. He continues to serve Dana as a member of the Board of Regents and has earned the admiration and affection of many Danians. The proverb he told goes like this:

A young lad on his way to and from school often saw an elderly man who was highly respected by all the people in the community. He seemed to know the answers to the most perplexing problems. The wisdom of the old man annoyed the young lad, and he looked for questions that would stump the wise old patriarch.

One day on the way home from school he noticed a crippled bird beside the path, so he picked it up and thought, "Now I can stump the



old man. I'll hold the bird in my hands behind my back and I'll say to him: 'Old Man, I have a bird in my hands behind my back; tell me, if you are so wise, is it dead or is it alive?' If he says it is dead, I'll bring it out and it will be alive. If he says it is alive, I'll crush it behind my back and bring it out dead."

So he went to the old man and did as he had planned. When he posed the question, "Is it dead or is it alive?" the old man replied, "It is in your hands."

As alumni and friends of Dana College, we indeed hold its future in our hands. Dana needs money now to build a first-rate educational facility and chapel. Dana needs more students now to fill its residence halls and classrooms. Neither Dr. Farwell or Dr. Christopherson waited to get involved until Dana got back on its feet. They, along with many other alumni and friends, made whatever sacrifices were necessary to help Dana.

Are you one who is waiting to see how well Dana can manage before you get involved? Are you waiting to see if Dana will take off running or if she'll just kind of trudge along? If you are, don't wait any longer. The answer is in your hands.

Paul D. Johnson '76  
 President, Alumni Association

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... **Lori (Zimmerman '85)** and Mike Benesch, 3414 A Whiteman Dr., Omaha 68123, are the parents of Bradley Loran, born Nov. 11. ... **Michael Dryver '84** directed the Voices of Omaha in Handel's Messiah at the Orpheum Theatre on November 19. ... Ethan Robert was born on November 12 to **Diane Nickeson-Ray '84** and Richard Ray. They live in Tekamah, NE 68061, at 504 Robinson Dr. ... **June (Weber '84)** and **Sheldon '84 Smith** are the parents of Erin Miah, born August 29, 1989. Sister Jillian is 2. Sheldon is district manager with Rhone-Poulenc Pharmaceuticals, Inc. They live at 31420 Chalmers Place, R.R.8, Abbottsford, B.C. V2S 8A9, Canada. ... **Paul Behrens '83** is an audit manager for Ernst & Young in Milwaukee, WI. ... **Brad Best '83** teaches ninth grade physical science and is computer coordinator and coach for the Bellevue, NE, Public Schools. ... **Jann Buckley '83** is an English teacher at North High School in Omaha. ... **Leanne (Danahy '83)** Buland, a professional nanny, lives in Mission Viejo, CA. ... **Shari (Monson '83)** and Richard Coughenour announce the birth of James Levi on December 29, 1989. He joins sisters Candice Marie (4) and Rachele Lynn (18 months). Richard is a farmer with more than 200 ewes and a professional sheep shearer. Shari is working through Manpower at GTE in Grinnell as financial secretary. They live at R3, 2506 Jessup Ave. in Marshalltown, IA 50158. ... **Alice Goolsby '83** teaches sixth through eighth grades and is head teacher at Washington School in Washington, NE. ... **Randy Henderson '83** is a social worker, Child Protective Services, for the Iowa Department of Human Services in Council Bluffs. ... **Lori Henrickson '83** is an ultra filtration operator for Dodge Dairy, Inc., in Dodge, NE. ... **Patty Hineline '83** is a supervisor at First Data Resources in Omaha. ... **Celeste Hutton '83** teaches language arts in Derby, KS. ... **Andrew Johnson '83** is an attorney in Des Moines, IA, with Wintroub, Rinden, Okun & Sens. ... **Kevin Johnson '83** is an account executive with AT&T in Omaha. ... **Ellen (Wilderson '83)** Kuhl teaches elementary school (K-8) in the Huntley, NE, Public Schools. ... **Carol Larson '83** is a medical technologist in Kearney, NE, at Good Samaritan Hospital. ... **Brenda Mayberry '83** is a graduate student in sociology at Kansas State University, where she is also an academic adviser to older students. ... **Carla (McCormick '83)** Mowry is an EMH teacher at Dodge Elementary School in the Omaha Public Schools. ... **Philip O'Brien '83** is a sales agent for the Marriott Hotels and Resorts Reservation Center in Omaha. ... **Kim (Rasmussen '83)** Pierce is a region credit analyst for Westinghouse Electrical Supply Company in Omaha. ... **Joe Price '83** is a part-time English instructor at the University of Nebraska at Omaha. He also works at Mutual Protective/Medico Insurance Companies. ... **Mark Rosenthal '83** of Omaha is a critical care registered nurse at Clarkson Hospital's Coronary Care Unit. ... **Cathy Shutter '83** is a science

teacher and assistant volleyball and basketball coach at Flinthills High School in Rosalia, KS. ... **Lynn (Moline '83)** Silva teaches fourth and fifth grade music in Brownsville, TX. ... **Ellen Stokebrand '83** is a special education teacher for the Palmyra (NE) High School. ... **Mike Von Hollen '83** is director of lab operations for CPI Corp. in Wichita, KS. ... **Pastor Wilbur Holz '82** and his wife, Deb, of 414 Main St., Meredosia, IL 62665, are the parents of Sarah Jane, born on December 31. Wilbur is pastor of the two-point Meredosia Lutheran Parish. ... **Skip Brown '80** has been elected treasurer of the Nebraska League of Savings Institutions, the trade group for savings and loans in the State of Nebraska. He is vice president of the Metropolitan Building & Loan Association in Omaha and a lawyer. He and his father also operate the Ralph K. Brown Insurance Agency and sell real estate. He and **Allison (Sprieck '81)** have two sons—Jacob (3 1/2) and Micah (1 1/2). Allison teaches Sunday school and is active in the women's guild at Bethany Lutheran Church; Skip is a member of the congregation's Board of Evangelism. ... **Mitch '80 and Melinda (McCord '82)** Jensen announce the birth of Emily Nicole, their first child, on November 14. They live at 3920 Sugarberry Rd. in North Platte, NE 69101. Mitch is a chemistry lab technician at the Nebraska Public Power District's Gerald Gentleman Station.

**'70s** **Wendy (Lauer '79)** and Jon Sawyer announce the birth of Lauren Catherine on July 14. They live in Ft. Collins, CO 80525, at 3831 Arctic Fox Dr. ... David William was born to Carol and **Steve Zentmire '79** on December 11, 1989. He joins sister Laura (2). Steve, who works for Montana Power Company, was recently promoted to senior marketing representative and transferred from Havre to Lewistown, MT. The Zentmires' Lewistown address is 602 West Idaho (59457). ... **Pat (Zabel '78)** and **Everett '75 Baltz**, 1314 W. 6th, North Platte, NE 69101, are the parents of Eva Frances, born on July 25, 1989. ... **Tana Christensen '78** and Barry Zeich were married on April 15, 1989, in Beloit, WI. She is an assistant cashier at Farmers and Merchants Bank in Orfordville, WI; her husband is a rural mail carrier and farmer. Their Orfordville address is 105 West Church St. (53576). ... **Diane (Ressler '78)** Portscheller, 2003 40th Terrace South, New Port Richey, FL 34655, is a part-time instructor at Pasco Hernando Community College. ... **Zachariah Samuel Augustus** was born on November 14 to Mary and **W. Marc Warman '78**. They live in Blair at 707 N. 30th. ... **Dennis Nelson '76**, 537 W. Evergreen St., Wheaton, IL 60187, is assisting the Wheaton Park District naturalist in identifying migratory bird species for the nearby Lincoln Marsh area. Dennis has worked as a canvasser with Citizens for a Better Environment in Chicago since February 1986. ... In June the U.S. Postal Service appointed **Jon Boustead '70** as a full-time carrier on Route -2, Woodbine, IA. He also farms 520 acres. Jon writes that in his spare

time he "enjoys being 'B.C.'". ... **Janice Siemers '70** teaches the learning disabled at Belle Ryan Elementary School in Omaha. She returned to Dana to work on her teaching certificate for elementary education/special ed, and received it last May.

**'50s** **Don Ofte '52**, manager of the U.S. Department of Energy's Idaho National Engineering Laboratory for the past two and one-half years, has retired. He and his wife, Meg, plan to remain in Idaho Falls.

**Deaths** **Brian Peterson '66** on December 1 in Portland, OR, of a heart attack. He was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara. Survivors include his parents, Professor Emeritus Paul '41 and Ruth (Hansen '44 '72) Peterson of 2008 Northeast 79th, Portland (97213), brother Brent '69 and

sister Beth '73 Papisadero. ... **Margaret Chace** of Atkinson, NE, on April 27, 1989. Mrs. Chace, who attended evening and summer school at Dana in the 1960s and early '70s, taught at rural schools in Nebraska's Holt County for many years. Her daughter writes that "at a time when other teachers her age were retiring, she was thinking up new techniques for her students." ... **The Rev. Silas Larsen D'28 T'31** on March 39, 1989. Survivors include his wife, Anna, of 1017 W. 17th Ave., Spokane, WA 99203. ... **The Rev. David Gustafson '30** on November 30, 1989, in Aurora, NE. Gustafson served Methodist and United Church of Christ congregations. The last church he served before retiring in 1974 was the New York Avenue Congregational Church in Hastings, NE. He also conducted a Sunday morning radio program on KHAS. He is survived by his wife, Elmarie, of Aurora.

## ALUMNI IN THE NEWS

■ **Carol King '84** has been elected president of the 102-member Omaha chapter of the American Society of Women Accountants. She was featured in an interview that appeared in the January 5-11, 1990, issue of Midlands Business Journal headed "Women accountants' group president aims for growth." King is controller of Valley Products Corp. in Valley, NE.

■ The results of research by **Dr. Rachael Neve '74** on Alzheimer's disease were described in the December 18 issue of Newsweek. The issue featured a series of articles on Alzheimer's. Neve's work was mentioned in the article, "Medical Mystery Tour: What causes Alzheimer's disease, and how does it ruin the brain?" Neve is now conducting research at the University of California, Irvine; she was formerly at Harvard Medical School.

■ The Sioux City (IA) Journal recently named Akron-Westfield Head Football Coach **Craig Parkinson '74** as Coach of the Year. Parkinson's overall record is 91-46; His teams have won six conference championships and a trip to the IA quarterfinals in 1988. Akron Westfield's 1989 Westerners were rated #1 in Iowa Class IA for six weeks before losing 148. They posted seven shut-out victories and gave up the fewest points in Iowa all class (22 pts.). Parkinson teaches world history and high school and middle school physical education at Akron-Westfield. He is also head basketball coach. In 1988 he was named Northwest Iowa Class II Football Coach of the Year by the Iowa Football Coaches Association.

■ **The Rev. Mark Olson '73** is assistant to the bishop (Congregational Life) in the Rocky Mountain Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

■ **Vivian Jenkins '65 Nelsen** has been named director of Inter-Race, the International Institute for Interracial Interaction at Augsburg College in Minneapolis, MN. The November 9

issue of the St. Paul Pioneer Press Dispatch reports that Inter-Race "was established to increase interracial understanding in families, schools, the workplace and communities;" and that it "ultimately will include a research center and library and will sponsor an array of conferences dealing with racial issues."

■ In March **Dr. Paul Jersild D'53 T'59**, vice president for academic affairs at Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia, SC, will represent the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America at the World Council of Churches conference in Seoul, South Korea.

■ **Dr. Ruth (Larsen '49)** Randall, Commissioner of Education for the State of Minnesota for the past six and one-half years, resigned that position, effective December 31, to become professor of educational administration in the Teachers College at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. In Minnesota Randall was a key proponent of Governor Rudy Perpich's educational choice programs.

■ The October 18, 1989, edition of The Lutheran, the national magazine of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, included a feature on **Rudy '36 and Ellen (Rasmussen '35) Knudsen** and their many years as members of church choirs. The article notes that "When the choir began the anthem at Concordia Lutheran in Concord, California, this past September, it marked the 60th year that Rudy Knudsen has sung praises as a member of a church choir. For his wife Ellen, it marked the beginning of her 59th year." Rudy, the article continues, joined the adult choir at his home church when he was confirmed, and "When he entered Dana College. . . , he immediately joined its renowned choir, and during his four years there, he traveled with the group through Europe and all across the United States." The Knudsens, who have joined choirs wherever they lived, have sung at Concordia for the past 21 years.