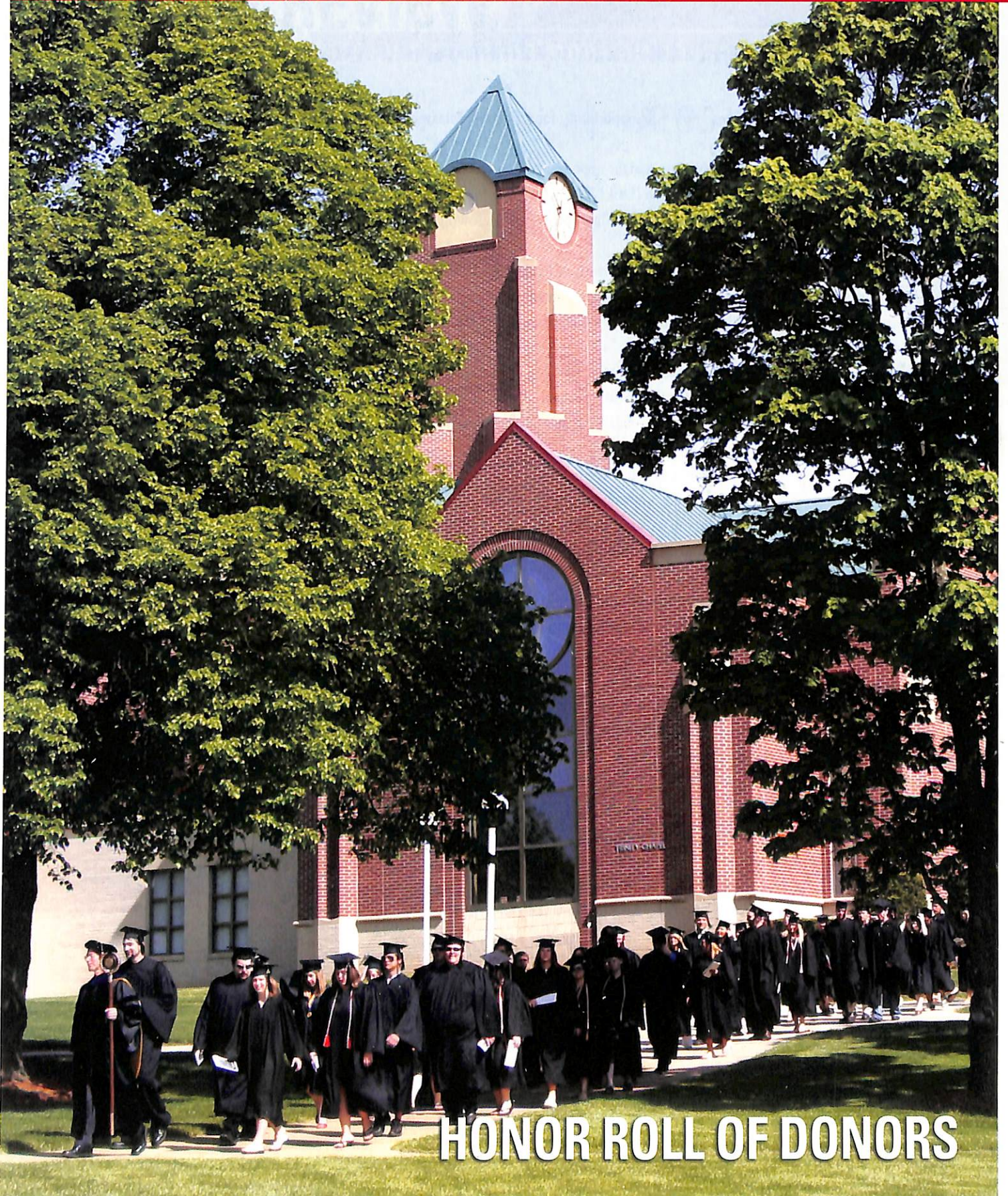


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A GREETING FROM PRESIDENT PHILIPP



Dr. Janet Philipp
President, Dana College

Summertime – an opportunity for reflection, relaxation and meeting up with good friends.

At Dana, we've had the opportunity for all three of these activities. Alumni with roots in the United Evangelical Lutheran Church (UELCL) gathered in early June to renew acquaintances and to revisit the history of Danish immigrants as well as their memories of growing up in the Danish Lutheran tradition.

Former students and friends of Professor Emeritus of Music Dr. Paul Neve honored him on his 90th birthday through choir rehearsals, a concert, and a dinner tribute. Additionally this summer, Dana hosted "future" Vikings in a number of athletic camps.

Summer is also a time for planning for the upcoming academic year. New students are registered for classes, orientation activities are planned, new faculty and staff join the campus community, and new initiatives are put into place for marketing and promoting Dana College.

Much time and effort are being spent this summer on new programs. In an environment where the world of work is acknowledged as 'flat' due to explosive growth in technology and ever-changing conditions of the economy, greater numbers of people are turning to online programs to update their resumes and prepare themselves for changes in their work environment.

In August, Dana will introduce its first online program, a certificate in *Corporate Communication*. In October, a certificate program in *Innovation and Entrepreneurship* will be launched, as well as Dana's first online degree completion program. Watch for details in the *Dana Review* and on the website.

Blair is becoming known as a green energy center, and Dana will explore all partnership opportunities with these "green industries," knowing that internships and jobs await our students and alumni. Recently, two world-class companies with Danish ties have made strategic decisions to join Cargill and others to locate in this community: Northstar Wind Towers and Novozymes, a producer of enzymes for the bioethanol industry. The exciting announcement of Novozymes' investment in Nebraska and Blair was made on the Dana College campus in June.

Summer is not only a time of respite, but also excitement, as much is happening at Dana College. Enjoy reading about it in this issue of the *Dana Review*.

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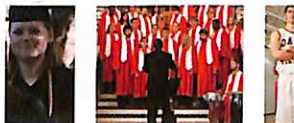
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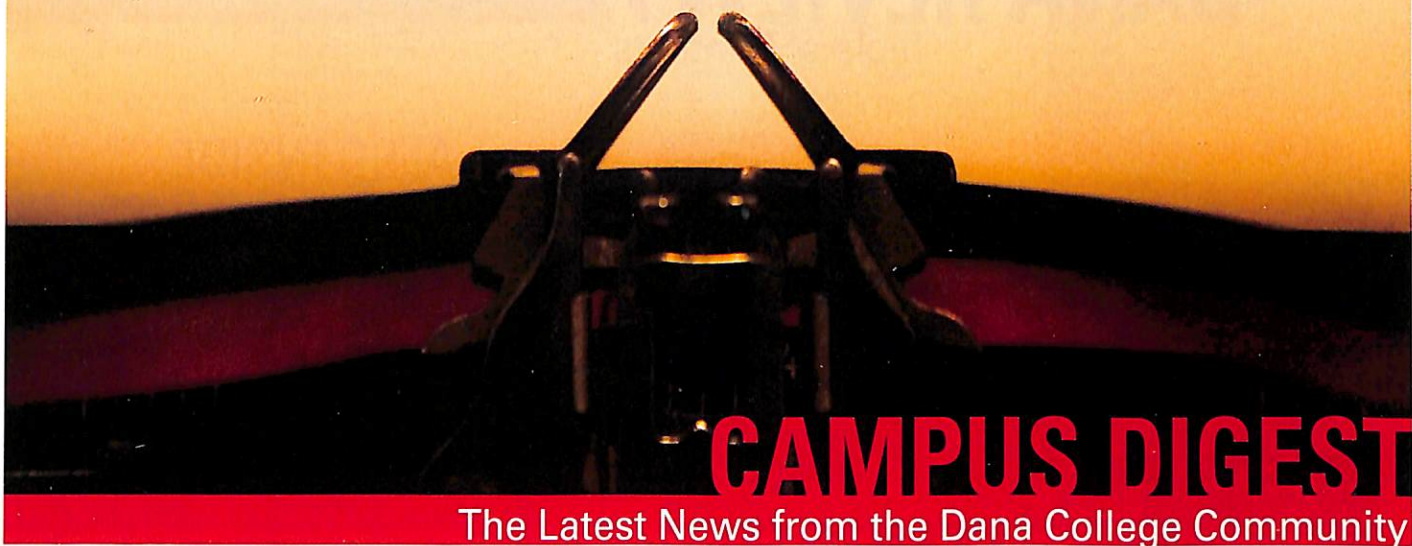
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Today at Dana College...



CAMPUS DIGEST

The Latest News from the Dana College Community

Dana College Faculty Athletics Representative **Carol Haussermann** served as chair at the national meeting of the Faculty Athletics Representatives Association for the NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) in Louisville, Ky., on April 13.

Dr. Karen Murch-Shafer (biology) and students **Erin Bazata**, **Lauren Brooks** and **Sarah Carroll** attended the 128th Annual Meeting of the Nebraska Academy of Sciences held at Nebraska Wesleyan University on April 18.

Prof. Jo Peterson (social work) presented a workshop titled, "Connections: The Environment and Social Justice," as part of a day-long "Earth Day" celebration at Metropolitan Community College on April 21. On April 26, Peterson presented a workshop on nonviolence at the fourth annual Omaha Peace and Justice Expo held at Lewis and Clark Junior High School. This year's peace expo and conference was titled, "Working Toward a World Without Poverty."

Regina Hagen, University of Darmstadt, visited German classes and informally met with students. Hagen represents Germany in the International Network of Engineers and Scientists Against Proliferation and serves on the board of the Global Network. Four Dana students joined visitors from many nations at the Annual Space Organizing Conference, hosted by Nebraskans for Peace at Creighton University, April 11-13.

The Nebraska Association of Students of German held its annual convention at Dana College, hosted by the Department of Languages & International Studies with support from Admissions Diplomats, on April 26. More than 260 high school and junior high school students competed in 29 competitions and enjoyed other non-competitive activities during the day. More than 40 teachers, professors and parents

volunteered their time as judges and seminar leaders. This convention has a history of more than 35 years here in Nebraska. Students competed with musical performances, skits, poetry recitation, spelling, extemporaneous speaking, poster art, cake baking, knowledge bowl and more. Seminars included food preparation, business presentations, films and games.

On April 19, **Dr. Iain Anderson** (history) served as a judge for National History Day: Nebraska. High school students from across the state competed to represent Nebraska at National Finals in individual and group categories such as exhibits, performance, documentaries, essays, and websites.

The second annual **Dana College Vocal Festival** was held April 9. Sixteen Dana College soloists participated along with 22 non-Dana students who came and sang for adjudication.

Dr. Scott Sasse (criminal justice) gave a guest lecture on serial murderer Jack the Ripper to political science, communication and criminal justice students at the University of Nebraska-Omaha on May 1.

On April 19, **Prof. Richard Potter** (social work) presented an invited paper to the Regional Conference of the Association of Muslim Social Scientists of North America. The title of the conference was "Diversity, Identity, and Difference" and was co-sponsored by the University of Nebraska-Omaha Religious Studies Department and Center for Islamic Studies. Potter's paper was entitled: "Universalist Sufism in the West: A Case Study of One Lineage."

Lori Nielsen, director of learning resources, attended the annual conference of the Heartland Chapter of the College Reading and Learning Association, held in Concordia, Kan., April 17-18.



Seniors honored for contributions

Five graduating seniors were recognized for their contributions to the Dana College community through awards at the Graduate Recognition Dinner on the evening prior to commencement.

Julie Pinkelman of Fremont, Neb., and Jessica Chizek of Omaha were honored with the Dana College Award for Excellence in Leadership. This award is annually given to student(s) who are highly respected by his or her peers and the faculty, staff and administration of Dana College. It is presented to students who have made positive leadership contributions in areas such as academics, activities, community service, athletics or the performing arts.

Pinkelman was described by her nominators as trustworthy, willing to take initiative, dedicated, inspired, resourceful, talented, caring, a role model, organized and ambitious. She was president of two major clubs on campus her senior year and was instrumental in the progress these clubs made the past several years.

Her nomination read, in part, "She did an excellent job of organizing the first Dana College Run/Walk. There were many different aspects to this large project, and she put in many hours to make it successful. As a member, and later student coach, of the women's basketball team, she provided leadership to our JV team. She is a valued member of the coaching staff who provided different perspectives and solutions to problems. When most student coaches are just "along for the ride", she made our program better. Her contributions on campus are a reflection of her commitment to Dana and her ability to "get the job done". She is willing to take the initiative and go to great lengths to accomplish something when she sees progress needing to be made."

Words nominators used to describe Chizek included a leader, smart, determined, intelligent, motivated/driven, reliable, intuitive, and competitive. Her nomination read, in part, "She is a very goal-oriented senior with only the best intentions for her and those surrounding her, including Dana College. She's dedicated all of her time and effort to perform within the classroom and in on-campus organizations. Beyond her scholastic achievements, she is simply a good person and a good friend. She's trustworthy, understanding, open-minded, and overall just a fun person to be around."

Because of her strong political beliefs, Chizek led the College Republicans for two years and spent months in Washington, D.C., assisting Congressman Lee Terry.

Jodie Bonertz of Swanton, Neb., received the "Spirit of Dana Award." This award recognizes a member(s) of the senior class who best exemplifies the ideals of Dana College in the area of character. This is a highly respected individual on campus who regularly acts with integrity and exhibits values consistent with Dana's commitment to fostering a

community where the dignity of every person is respected. His/her character is recognized in the classroom, in extra-curricular activities, and in his/her interactions with the Dana Community.

Bonertz was described by her nominators as dedicated, considerate, confident, positive, outstanding, energetic, welcoming, supportive, accepting and inspiring. One nominator wrote, "She was my New Student Orientation leader when I arrived at Dana in the fall of 2005. She made my first days here much easier by staying light-hearted, being a good leader and Resident Assistant and just checking to make sure we were adjusting to campus life."



Others said, "She is constantly cheering on her friends at athletic events. She is always positive about her own education and her career choice of teaching others. She is a motivator both in and out of the classroom. She was one of the first students I met when I arrived at Dana. In class I noticed her positive interactions with all her classmates and the encouragement she gave each of them."

Senior Award winners were (from left) Jessica Chizek, Julie Pinkelman, Jodie Bonertz, Heather Hall, Joseph "Tony" Palmer and Kendra Johnson.

Bonertz served as the president of Dana's Student Education Association for two years. Nominators saluted her commitment to her chosen profession of education: "She has inspired and encouraged others to become involved and has worked at making a success of the organization. In this position, she has spearheaded events that support education students as they prepare for admittance to the program and as they begin to prepare for their professional semester. This enthusiasm was also evident in her student teaching where she competently supported her students in their learning efforts. She embodies all the high standards we hope our graduates take out into the world as representatives of the Dana College tradition. She truly exemplifies the spirit of Dana."

Joseph "Tony" Palmer of Dennison, Ohio, received the 2008 Dana College Award for Excellence in Service. Annually given to one or two members of the graduating class, this award recognizes individual accomplishments in the area of service to others. Dana seeks to help students

“actively participate in and help to shape society.” This is a stated goal of the college. The Excellence in Service award is presented to a student who best exemplifies this goal through a commitment and dedication to serve, assist and care for others.

Palmer was described by his nominators as independent, a deep thinker, self-motivated to the max, unassuming, modest yet highly effective as a quiet leader and has a strong and unwavering personal integrity.

Nominators said, “He is that exceptional and memorable student who makes a difference on campus by serious study, dedicated athletic participation and commitment to excellence in everything that he does. His devotion to study of endangered species, saving and improving the environment for living creatures and his in-depth study and sharing by promoting hands-on learning in the biology department are models for his peers and all of us. I cannot imagine anyone not respecting and admiring this young man who has already accomplished much and has more to do. A young man whose education here serves to remind us what is possible when an inquiring mind is guided by a dedicated faculty.”

Valedictorian Kendra Johnson of Cedar Falls, Iowa, received the Dana College Community Enrichment Award for 2008. This award recognizes an outstanding member of the senior class who has served as an advocate for celebrating inclusiveness and respect for all at Dana College. The recipient of this award has performed well academically and been active in the college community through leadership, service and citizenship. His/her presence, as an active member of the student body, has benefited the entire college community and assisted Dana in its commitment to be an increasingly diverse living and learning environment.

Johnson was described by her nominators as exceptionally gifted and dedicated, devoted to working for and serving others, 100 percent dependable and equally as modest, her personal integrity is unwavering and beyond doubt.

Her nomination read, “Her leadership is by example and highly effective because of her bright and balanced spirit. She is an exceptional student and thus a prime role model. She is a devoted Christian who quietly organizes and works on behalf of others, through Hurricane Katrina Relief Trips, Christ in Action and Campus Crusade for Christ. She willingly collaborates and contributes to the team effort without ever drawing attention to herself.

Heather Hall of Arlington, Neb., received the 2008 Dana College Award for Service in Religious Life. This award was established to recognize a member of the graduating class who has excelled at serving the college in the area of religious life. The recipient of this award is recognized as a person of strong Christian faith and has been an

active participant in the programs and activities aimed to foster spiritual growth on the Dana College campus. It is presented to a student who best exemplifies service through a commitment to their faith.

Hall was described by her nominators as compassionate, a Christ-filled creative leader, inspiring, spiritual, a role model and dedicated to her faith.

A nominator said, “I have had the opportunity to get to know Heather through our involvement in Fusion. Since our first meeting she has been an inspiration to me. She is strong in her faith and works her hardest to help others strengthen their faith. She is dedicated to helping others and putting her beliefs in action.

Hall facilitated a Bible study each week for the students. She helped organize several trips to Louisiana over successive spring breaks to help Hurricane Katrina victims. She has been a regular participant in chapel and Campus Crusade for Christ.

Another nominator wrote, “Over the four years I have had this student in class, I feel that she has always presented herself as a true example of what it means to live a Christian life in the college community. Classes are informal studio sessions where you can talk and still be actively painting, drawing, etc. When appropriate she lets her inner light shine in a gentle way and witnessed in the best of Christian thought and behavior. She loves the unlovable and reaches out to those that others might overlook.”



Travel in January

Alumni and friends are invited to join Dana students and their seasoned instructors on cultural excursions during the 2009 January Discovery Term in “The Aegean World: From Athens to Istanbul” with Jim Olsen (art) and “Guatemalan Adventure: Maya People and Culture Today” with Jan Potter (social work).

“The Aegean World: From Athens to Istanbul” will focus on the classical sites of Athens, Delphi, Corinth, Mycenae, Crete and Rhodes in Greece and Ephesus, Permagon, Troy



and Istanbul in Turkey. Several of these places were also major centers of early Christianity where Paul established congregations in the first century AD.

The tentative dates are Jan. 8-23, 2009. The price of approximately \$3,500 per person, based on double occupancy, will include round-trip airfare from Omaha, unless participants make arrangements to join the travel party where our international flights originate and end.

The fee for this program will include all transportation, all lodging in superior tourist class hotels, breakfast and dinner daily throughout the trip and admission to all required historic sites, museums, etc. Interested people are encouraged to contact Professor Olsen by email johnsen@dana.edu or phone 402-426-2765.

Participants in "Guatemalan Adventure: Maya People and Culture Today" will travel to the beautiful, colorful country of Guatemala

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who will share the stories of their lives and work. Highlights of the two weeks' journey will include visits to ancient Maya sites (including Tikal in the northern jungle); exploring lively markets with gorgeous textiles and carvings; crossing Lake Atitlán to lovely small villages; traveling through glorious volcanic mountains, forests, and jungles; and sharing a traditional meal with members of a rural weaving cooperative. Approximate cost is \$2115 plus airfare to and from Guatemala. For more information, contact Jan Potter at jpotter@dana.edu or 402-426-7238.

College, public library team up

Service Learning at Dana College is collaborating with the Blair Public Library to develop a Toy Library and Educational Resource Room. The Blair Public Library will serve as the primary site and manager for both of these programs while the Dana Education and Psychology Departments will provide resources to assist with program development and staffing. The program is expected to begin in September.

The Toy Library will provide all library cardholders with quality educational toys and learning activities that focus on children newborn through age five, while also providing families and caregivers information on child growth and developmental stages. It is hoped that the Toy Library will appeal to a wide range of residents, such as in-home child care

givers who may want to supplement their equipment, families that may not have the resources available to purchase these items, grandparents who have grandchildren visiting and families that may just want to try a new toy before making a purchase.

The Educational Resource Room will provide the materials and equipment to families that would like to provide additional learning opportunities to their children. This would include families that educate their children at home as well as families that seek supplemental learning and tutorial materials for their children. Items will likely include include magnet sets, maps, flashcards, etc.

These programs are being developed with support and guidance from the Washington County Extension Service, Blair Community Schools Early Childhood and the Building Blocks Boutique.

Dana adds psychology honor society

Psi Chi, the national honor society in Psychology, is proud to announce the addition of the Dana College Psi Chi Chapter. The Psi Chi Chapter was inducted on April 9, 2008. The faculty sponsor of the new chapter is Dr. Barb Zimmerman. Charter members of the chapter are: Jennifer Anderson, Christine Bailey, TJ Beeman, Aubrey Bray (chapter secretary and treasurer), Megan Brown, Devi Burke, Carla Clark, Jennifer Endres (chapter vice president), Heather Fischer, Kaleigh Flippin, Aimee Grosinske (chapter president), Kendra Johnson, Nick Makris, Rachel Ness, Emily SchAAF, Kirk Schjodt, and Samantha Triplett

Psi Chi was founded on September 4, 1929, during the Ninth International Congress of Psychology held at Yale University in New Haven, Conn. The Honor Society's stated purpose is to encourage, stimulate and maintain excellence in scholarship, and to advance the science of psychology.

Psi Chi has grown over the past 79 years into one of the largest and most successful honor societies in the world with more than 1,070 chapters located at college and university campuses throughout the U.S. and Canada. These chapters not only recognize academic achievement by granting membership in the society, but also sponsor programs and activities which augment and enhance the regular curriculum, offer an outlet for service to the campus and community at large, and provide practical experience and fellowship through affiliation with the chapter.

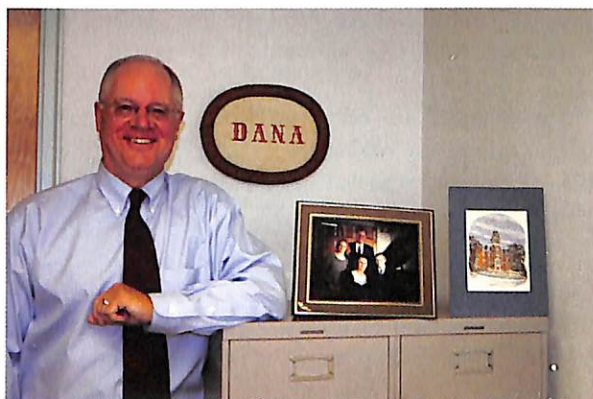
Artists earn awards in NICF show

Dana College students were among the award winners in an art exhibit of the members of the Nebraska Independent Colleges Foundation in April.

Of the approximately 250 works in the show, three of the 11 awards were given to Dana students. Jennifer Hubert

and Carolyn Kruger received second place prizes in the 2-D and 3-D categories, respectively, and Catie Ludwig received Honorable Mention in the 2-D category.

Other colleges represented in the show included Bellevue University, College of Saint Mary, Concordia University, Doane College, Grace University, Hastings College, Midland Lutheran College, Nebraska Wesleyan University, Union College and York College. The exhibit was held in the O'Keefe Elevator Building in Omaha's Old Market.



A story to tell, a man to listen

Every person has a story to tell. Each of you, our alumni and friends reading the *Dana Review*, has a Dana story to tell. Michael Jones '71 has heard thousands of them over the past 40 years (he estimates 5,500) and that is one part of his fundraising job for Dana College that he never tires of.

"I have gotten to see how hundreds of people live and who they are," Jones said. "It's been fascinating to hear their stories and learn from them. It's helped me model my life by learning from donors about giving, about sharing, about developing one's faith."

These life lessons have taken place in homes, offices, farms, churches, aerospace laboratories, manufacturing plants and even on the front porch, accompanied by a cold glass of iced tea. All of the stories are different, yet the same. They all share a love of Dana College and a desire to give back.

"Sharing is one of the most important things in life we can do," Jones said. "Our donors want to help make a difference, to see our students grow in their learning of the world and to serve others in the process."

Jones first began hearing and sharing the Dana story as a student working in the Dana Public Relations office in 1968. He spent 13 years recruiting students as part of the Admissions staff and in 1986 moved from the position of Director of Admissions to the Director of the Annual Fund. In 1994 he was promoted to Vice President for Institutional Advancement and left that post two years ago to assume a part-time role as major gifts officer for Dana. During his

past 22 years in advancement, he helped craft and direct two major successful capital campaigns — the ADD campaign, which provided funding for the Old Main replacement, the Durham Center, and the Legacy Campaign.

Outside of his work at Dana, Jones has also served the Blair community in a number of ways. He helped develop the Community Training Computer Lab at Dana College and the Blair High School sports coverage on KDCV, Dana's campus radio station. He has been an ambassador for the Blair Area Chamber of Commerce for 20 years and has been involved in several community fundraising efforts, including the Blair YMCA campaign, stewardship programs at First Lutheran Church in Blair and the Tekamah First Presbyterian Church, along with several local drives for the American Heart Association and the American Cancer Society. Two years ago, Jones became involved with the TeamMates mentoring program in Blair.

Jones has also volunteered consultation for several fund raising organizations throughout the Midwest and is currently helping to raise monies for special mission projects in third world countries.

"Michael has been and continues to be a great asset to the Dana institutional advancement staff," said Jeremy Bouman, Dana's vice president for institutional advancement. "He is a tireless advocate for Dana and continues to build relationships with our donors that will pay dividends to our students of today and the future."

"Dana College has been a major part of my life," Jones said. "I met my wife Faye through Dana College and my entire working career has been here. I look forward to continuing to work with donors and Dana's future."

Jones also plans to promote Dana College to his two grandchildren, Drew and Kate Rhoades, hoping they'll be a part of the Dana classes of 2029 and 2030.

Yowell named VP of Student Engagement

Dana College has named Dr. Susan Yowell vice president of student engagement. In her new position, Yowell's core responsibilities will be to provide vision, leadership, and management oversight for all student life programs and services.



Yowell comes to Dana from Brevard College in Brevard, N.C., where she spent the last five years as the dean of student affairs. Her chief responsibilities included



management of staff in the areas of housing and residence life, student activities, counseling, health, career services and leadership and outdoor recreation. Her department was also responsible for the scheduling of all campus activities.

Previously, Yowell was the dean of students at the University of Detroit Mercy in Detroit, Mich.; University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh in Oshkosh, Wis.; and Illinois College in Jacksonville, Ill.

Yowell holds a juris doctorate from the University of Denver College of Law, a master's of arts in education from the University of Colorado and a bachelor's of science in anthropology/archeology from Southern Methodist University.

"Dr. Yowell's wide-ranging experience in all areas of student life and understanding of national trends and best practices will provide Dana students with a supportive and challenging environment where they will grow into the leaders and citizens of tomorrow. We are pleased to bring Sue to the Dana team," said Dana College President Janet Philipp.

"I am delighted to have joined the Dana College and Blair communities," Yowell said. "Student success at Dana College means providing the opportunities for student engagement in and out of the classroom. I hope to work with the campus community in enhancing those opportunities for students."

Yowell joins the community of Blair with her two sons, Justin and Micah.

Behrens honored with Hanson Servant Award

Walt and Ellen Behrens of Blair, Neb., were honored with the presentation of the Hanson Servant Award during Dana College's annual Builders Luncheon as part of graduation weekend.

John Beck D'50 T'55 was one of several who nominated the Behrens for the award. His nomination read, in part:

"Walt and Ellen Behrens have lived lives of servanthood. Their actions have spoken for their servant-faith within the Church, society, and Christian higher education..."

"Walt and Ellen served congregations for 33 years. They were and still are a team, with Ellen a partner in ministry. Countless pies, cookies and cakes have passed from Ellen's kitchen to the homes of the people they have visited. And Ellen, as well as Walt, is a Bible teacher and leader.

"All 33 years of their parish ministry were in Iowa. For Walt's extensive impact in the Church, he was recognized by the



Walt and Ellen Behrens are congratulated by Dana President Janet Philipp upon receiving the Hanson Servant Award at the annual Builder's Luncheon.

American Lutheran Church Bishops as the most outstanding rural pastor in the ALC of the 1980s.

"The couple's concerns have also reached beyond the structures of the Church. Walt served on the Iowa State Board of Juvenile Behavior, the Iowa State Nursing Home Commission, and nursing home boards for more than 20 years. And both Walt and Ellen have been active volunteers in the communities where their calling has taken them.

"The couple's love of Christian higher education came from their own time at Wartburg College and Walt's time at Wartburg Seminary. Walt has served on the Waldorf College Board of Regents and the ALC National Board of Christian Education. He was also president of the Association of Lutheran Congregations which owns Waldorf College. The couple sent all three children, Ruth, Paul and Lois to Dana. All three are Dana graduates. They have also been good stewards, generously supporting the two Wartburgs, Waldorf College and Dana College, as well as the Church and many other charities.

"In 1990, Walt and Ellen moved to Blair as Walt began a part-time retirement. He was asked to assist the Nebraska Synod in their Planned Giving Program. Following that service, he spent four years as visitation pastor at First Lutheran and he has served as interim pastor in a number of churches. Walt, it seems, still preaches somewhere every Sunday, and he and Ellen continue their ministry, visiting friends made during those years. And Ellen's oven is still busy baking for others.

"Walt and Ellen wanted to retire early. But they never really have, they still continue to live out their lives as faithful servants of God and others."

The Clifford T. and D. Florence Hanson Servant Award was established in 2001 to honor individuals who have spent their lives in unselfish service to others. The award gives recognition to the ordinary people who do extraordinary things inspired by faith, love and service.



HONORING A LEGEND HONORING A LEGEND

Choirs from four decades reunite in honor of Dr. Paul Neve



"Thank you for giving us the opportunity to sing under your direction! Thank you for giving us community. We stepped on the Dana College campus and moved into dormitory housing with some fear and trepidation. All of us need community and it was the Dana College Choir that gave us just that at Dana."

— Arden '63 and Roxanne (Marquette '65) Dorn
(excerpt of email read at birthday party)

More than 75 alumni and friends came to the Dana campus in June to celebrate the 90th birthday of Professor Emeritus Paul Neve and stage a choir reunion and concert under his direction.

Kathy (Wollenhaupt '63) Shaw led a committee including Joan (Petersen '56) Krogh, Linda (Money '65) Jorgensen and Jean (Wood '76) Hundtoft to organize the four-day event.

Guests came from as far away as California and New York. The weekend included rehearsals, a lot of time for reminiscing and a birthday celebration for Neve. The highlight of the weekend was a reunion performance by a group of 36 singers spanning the four decades that Neve taught at Dana College.

A Tribute to Dr. Paul Neve at his 90th Birthday Celebration

by Pastor Fred. V. Jensen '50 - June 20, 2008

Who can take some voices rare,
And blend them in with others fair,
In harmony and syncopation,
And fill them full of inspiration?
'takes a gift, a talent, art!
But mostly love that's from the heart!

Who can take people, young or old,
And into one great choir mold,
To praise the Lord enthroned above,
Bring them together in joy and love?
'takes a gift, a talent, art!
But mostly love that's from the heart!

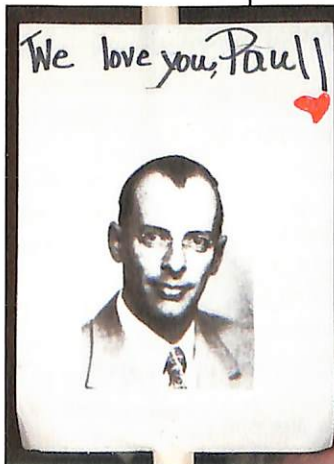
Who can make people want to sing?
Who can give mind or heart a wing?
Who can lift up our hearts to God?
And raise our vision from earth-bound sod?
'takes a gift, a talent, art!
But mostly love that's from the heart!

Who can give insight, rich and lovely,
And always uphold things that are comely?
Who can inspire the soul distressed,
And leave the heart with joy impressed?
'takes a gift, a talent, art!
But mostly love that's from the heart!

Who has shared love from his heart?
Whose' the talent, gift or art?
Who has shared this through the years?
'kept us singing in joy or tears?
One person's been this choir's source,
One person's kept it on its course!

Now we answer, and we name,
Though he doesn't want acclaim,
Tribute to him now we sing!
To Paul Neve, let it ring!
Choir director these many years!
Let's rend the heavens with our cheers!

Thank you, Paul, for your giving,
Time and talent, music, singing!
But as you would humbly say it,
God alone must have the credit!
So when tributes now we bring,
For you we praise our Lord and King!





FUTURES DEFINED

New marketing campaign to give Dana greater visibility

Recently, there have been many new and exciting changes for Dana – one of which, is the launch of a new external marketing campaign! The campaign is designed to spread the word of Dana College into Omaha and surrounding areas and build a “top of mind” awareness in nearby cities and throughout the state and region. The campaign includes advertising on radio, billboards and in print, as well as a complete restructure of the college web site.

Dana has been working with The Lawlor Group (a higher education marketing firm) since April to establish a new look and tag line for Dana College. The viewbook is a promotional piece sent to prospective students from the Admissions Office. The new brand of this important piece is a “classic understated” look, incorporating in the traditional “Dana red” as well as full-color photography. The new tag line is “Futures Defined,” which sums up what Dana College helps its students to achieve during their years

here. Subsequent materials, including the *Dana Review*, travel piece, departmental brochures, print ads, billboards, postcards,

invitations, etc., will all include the new branding concept.

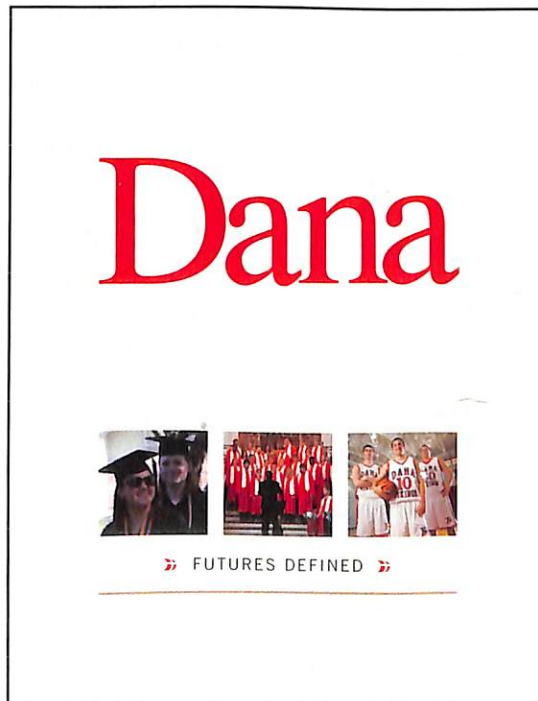
Later this fall, a new web site will be launched. The focus is to create a more user-friendly and easily-navigated site for our prospective students and their parents, as well as for our alumni.

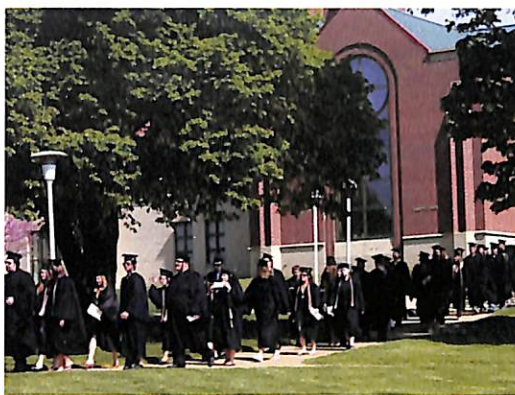
The site will also include the same branding concepts from The Lawlor Group. Dana is working with Whettstone Business Solutions, a content management company from Omaha, to create an in-house site that is more manageable internally. Continue to visit our web site often to see the transformation!

As alumni and friends of Dana College, you are an integral part of Dana marketing as well. There is nothing more effective than word-of-mouth promotion. Dana hopes that as you hear and see the new campaign, you will help promote the launch by pointing it out and discussing it with family and friends.

This is a very exciting time for Dana College. This “best kept secret” of an exceptional institution on the hill

will not be kept secret anymore!





PERFECT 4.0 FOR 3

Johnson, Kabala, Kroon valedictorians of class of 2008

Kendra Johnson from Cedar Falls, Iowa, Tabitha Kabala from Davenport, Iowa, and Gina Kroon of Hardy, Neb., were named valedictorians of the class of 2008 with perfect 4.0 grade point averages. Following are their reflections on their time at Dana College:

Kendra Johnson

Hometown: Cedar Falls, Iowa
 Majors: German, Psychology, International Studies
 Activities: Christ In Action, Campus Crusade, Peer Ministry, RANSOMED mime, Music and More!, Katrina relief trips, Resident Assistant, Morton Scholars, Nebraskans for Peace, *Hermes* newspaper

frisbee with. Amongst the staff and faculty, I found many people I could always look to for guidance and support as well as role models. Further, because of its small size, Dana very soon pulled me into that community and pushed me to become involved.

What about Dana best prepared you for your career?

Both before and after graduation, I sometimes wish I had pursued a degree in something more structured where I would have certain skills designed for a specific career path. Instead, I studied a variety of disciplines based on interest rather than future career goals, and as a result, I still have no exact answer when asked what I'm going to do with my degree. But, in a way, I think this highlights the value of that much-discussed concept, the "liberal arts education." I've had professors tell me that such an education really teaches you how to think, and I have realized how true that is. Instead of preparing me for one specific career, my time at Dana has shown me just how many careers are out there and, beyond that, has prepared me to succeed in any number of these areas.

What was the best part of your Dana experience?

The best part of my Dana experience was definitely the sense of community I found here. This of course involves the people. Amongst the students, I found a number of friends whom I could always count on to laugh with, to argue and debate with and even to play Friday night

What were your favorite classes?

Yikes....too many. It is of course hard to beat a class spent touring Berlin and Paris ("Meet Germany" Discovery Term class). History of Psychology was great for learning about the great minds behind psychological concepts, and my Cognitive and Social Psychology classes were fascinating in looking at why we act and think the way we do. Comparative Government and Intro to Anthropology were so interesting and valuable in expanding my view of the world that they were well worth all the sleep deprivation they caused.

What will you remember most about your time at Dana?

In terms of specific instances, what I will remember most will be the two trips I took to New Orleans for hurricane relief. Everything surrounding those trips was a challenge: spending months planning, organizing and fundraising; enduring 18-hour van rides; the intense physical labor and the heartbreak of seeing so many destroyed homes and shattered lives. Yet from challenges comes rewards greater than any other I have experienced — the willingness of so many students to participate, the chance to provide such life-changing help and the memory of truly amazing hope and courage from those who had nothing else left.

What I will remember about Dana in general is how it felt like home. I served in different roles besides just a student, and I was able to build many relationships. I enjoyed knowing the people I saw each day. And any time I've gotten irritated about something or other at the college, there has always been something around campus that makes me glad I'm there.

What are your current and future plans?

I leave in August for Collstede, Germany, where I will spend a year working at a children's/youth home as part of a volunteer service program. I have not yet decided what I want to do after that. Likely options at this point are seminary, further schooling to become professor in psychology, religion, or language, or some type of social/humanitarian work.



Tabitha Kabala

Hometown: Davenport, Iowa
 Major: Biology
 Activities: Varsity cross country and track, Campus Crusade for Christ (Fusion worship team), Science Club, College Republicans, Alpha Chi National Honor Society

Why did you choose Dana?

Coach Bob Spangler (cross country) and Coach Allen Friesen (track) persistently contacted me regarding running for Dana's distance team. They told me I could really help their women's team and they offered me a scholarship

to run. I loved running in high school and wanted to continue in college. Also during my campus visit I met with Dr. Carla Delucchi, who told me about Dana's strong science program and its students' success in health care careers. I felt Dana would be a good fit for me because I would be getting a good pre-med education, and I would be able to run competitively in college.

What about Dana best prepared you for your career?

I have a solid science background under my belt that I can lean on as I continue my schooling. The individual attention that I received from the professors was very helpful to me in developing this background. I was able to get the help that I needed in order to grasp the material. For subjects like physics and calculus, it was really nice to have someone like Dr. Mark Sand who sat down with me one-on-one to go through things that were difficult for me to understand.

How did your involvement shape your college experience?

Being a student athlete and involved in other extra-curriculars, including a part-time job, taught me to schedule my time wisely. Through these activities I developed lasting relationships and learned about teamwork, hard work and service to others. They were the bright spots on my schedule filled with tests and lab reports.

Who were your favorite professors and why?

Dr. Tammy Clark, Dr. Stewart Brewer, Dr. Carla Delucchi, Dr. Mark Sand, Prof. David Hoppe, Dr. Nicole Kaufman

These professors were extremely knowledgeable and excited about the subjects they taught. They went out of their way to bring their subjects to life for the students with live demonstrations and real-life examples of how the subject related to me and the real world. They taught things that weren't found in the textbook. They made me want to come to their class.

What were your favorite classes and why?

Microbiology

I know I sound like a nerd but I really enjoyed the microbial unknown project Dr. Nicole Kaufman gave us in Micro. We were given a mystery culture of two microbes and had to use all of the lab experience we had learned that semester to figure out what we had in our test tubes. It was a great challenge and a great way for us to test our skills as real scientists.

Dr. Carla Delucchi's Intro to Zoology class

I will always remember the "natural selection" lab she had us do where we were given forks, spoons or knives and had to fish beans out of the grass to see which adaptation was more successful. That lab was so much fun.

What will you remember most about your time at Dana?

Science Day Camp, Campus Crusade going to Louisiana to help with hurricane relief

Science Day Camp was a ton of work but it was always so worthwhile when we pulled it off each year. Being a part of the chemistry show is a great memory, as well as helping with the stations like the zoo and cell models.

The trip to Louisiana was wonderful. It was a special experience to go with a bunch of classmates that were willing to give up a relaxing spring break and instead spend their time helping put someone else's life back together that had been destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. I will always remember how one of our van's tires popped 20 miles down the road, singing in the van to stay awake because we drove overnight to get there, and the wonderful Christian attitude of everyone the whole week long, even though the work was exhausting.

What are your current and future plans?

Currently I am a nanny for a friend for the summer while I take a CNA class and volunteer at Creighton Medical Center.

My future career plans include medical school, where I am thinking about focusing on pediatrics. After medical school I am interested in doing medical mission work with an organization such as Mercy Ships.

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Why did you choose Dana?

I chose Dana because I wanted to participate in sports past high school. I heard that Dana had a great education department, and they offered me a track scholarship, so I decided to go!

Gina Kroon

Hometown: Hardy, Nebraska
 Majors: Elementary Education, Special Education
 Activities: Student Body President (Junior Year), Student Senate Member, Communications Chair (Sophomore Year); Women's Track; Council of Exceptional Children; Student Education Association, Publicity Officer (Sophomore Year); Presidential Scholar; Pi Lambda Theta (Academic Honor Society); Alpha Chi (Academic Honor Society); Campus Conservatives, Treasurer (Freshman Year)

semester of student teaching really provided me with great experiences that I could transfer over to my real job.

How did your involvement in co-curricular activities shape your college experience?

Dana really gave me a chance to get involved. It forced me to learn how to balance academics, sports and extra-curricular activities. I learned many valuable lessons and met so many great people through serving as the student body president. Those lessons and experiences will definitely stick with me for a very long time.

Who were your favorite professors and why?

Dr. Diane Mann - I took the majority of my special education classes with Dr. Mann. She had a way of relating to her students, and was quite knowledgeable with the field

What was the best part of your Dana experience?

The best part of my Dana experience was meeting my husband, Nick, my freshman year.

What about Dana best prepared you for your career?

Dana best prepared me for my career because it taught me how to manage my time. Also, Dana gave me many opportunities to "practice" before I actually got out into the workforce. My

of special education. She really seemed to care about what happened to her students, both inside and outside of the classroom. Most of what I know about teaching in a special education setting I learned from her!

Professor Jim Olsen - I took a drawing class from Professor Olsen, and I also traveled to Paris, Prague, and Vienna with him. He was a joy to be around, and he definitely challenged me by exposing me to new experiences (believe me.... when he started with me, I sure wasn't very good at drawing)!

What were your favorite classes and why?

I loved taking classes from Professor Ann Adkins! She is so passionate about the field of education, and she definitely knows her stuff. I hope that I can be as great of a teacher as she is someday! As much as I hate to admit it, I also (somewhat) enjoyed Senior Seminar. In the moment, it didn't seem very enjoyable, but now looking back, I would have had to say that I liked debating and hearing what my classmates had to say about certain issues.

What will you remember most about your time at Dana?

The things that I will remember most about my time at Dana are the friends that I made, the late nights hanging out in the dorms, the fun times traveling to ball games, and the professors who really showed me that they cared about me.

What is your current job and future career aspirations?

I have been teaching in West Point since I graduated in January. I currently am a special education teacher at West Point Elementary School. I also am the head dance coach and assistant volleyball coach at West Point-Beemer High School.

I hope to start on my master's degree within the next year. I would love to be either a Special Education Director or a School Psychologist eventually.

A street dance, tailgate party and carnival are some of the highlights scheduled for Homecoming 2008, October 3-5.



GET YOUR GAME ON
DANA COLLEGE HOMECOMING
OCTOBER 3-5, 2008

Reunions are planned for all classes ending in "3" or "8," extending from our new graduates, the class of 2008, to our 60-year class, the class of 1948!

Families with young children are especially encouraged to make plans to attend Homecoming this year. A kiddie carnival will be a part of the tailgate party before Saturday's football game, and child care for infants through age 12 will be available through the Blair Family YMCA on Saturday night.

The annual golf outing at River Wilds Golf Course in Blair has been moved to Friday afternoon. Space is limited for this four-man scramble, so reserve your four-some today! Door prizes and pin prizes will be awarded.

Look for complete details and a reservation form for Homecoming in your mail in the next few weeks or visit www.dana.edu/alumni.



TIME FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Richardson Professorship promotes research

The Leitha K. and Willard A. Richardson Professorship in Liberal Arts is given to one outstanding Dana professor each academic year. The recipient receives a supplement to his/her normal salary as well as access to funds that support travel, research and other needs, all of which are designed to help make scholarly projects a reality.

Associate Professor of History Stewart Brewer was the recipient of the 2007-08 award. Brewer used his professorship to begin writing a book provisionally entitled, *Screening Latin America: Latin American History Through Film*. This book will be an introductory text for undergraduate students who have little or no previous background in Latin American history. This piece of literature is designed for use in courses across the United States—such as Brewer's Discovery Term course—that focus on a broad, topical approach to Latin America through the medium of feature film and documentary history.



Brewer visits with student Greg Wilmes.

“Although *Latin American History Through Film* is a course that is taught across the U.S., a good solid text

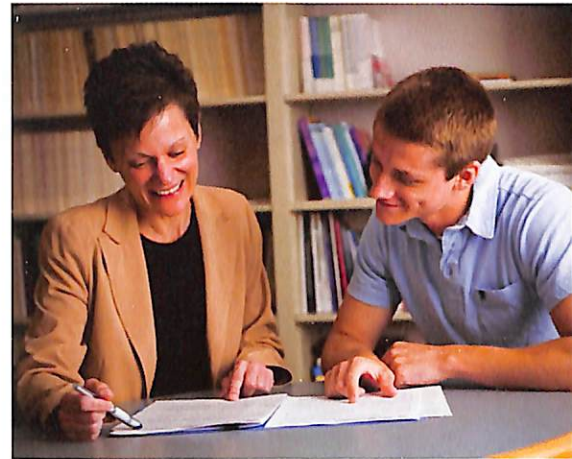
that can be universally used by professors and instructors alike does not presently exist,” Brewer said. “This situation leaves teachers to improvise on readings which can be both time consuming and costly, or to assign texts that do not exactly and concisely explore the themes and issues of a historical film course based on Latin America.”

“Receiving the Richardson Professorship was very exciting for me because it gave me time to work on a project I have been interested in for some time,” Brewer said. “At Dana, so much of our effort as professors is dedicated to creating excellence in our classrooms that it is often difficult to find time for scholarship. The Richardson Professorship gives faculty members a chance to invigorate their scholarship which in turn can enhance their classrooms.”

Associate Professor of Communication Kate Joeckel is the recipient of the Richardson Professorship for the upcoming academic year. Joeckel's project on communication will reflect her scholarly and pedagogical interests in critical theory and corporate communication, as well as her commitment to campus-community relations. The project will culminate in two products:

1) A collection of cases (posted internally online for use by students in Dana's Organizational Communication course) prepared from a critical theory perspective featuring local and non-profit organizations; and

2) A paper, suitable for presentation at the 2009 Central States Communication Association annual convention and/or submission to the journal *Communication Studies*, documenting content areas of a critical pedagogy at the level of an undergraduate Organizational Communication course.



Joeckel advises one of her students, Hunter Samuels.

Joeckel is excited to bring her passions for critical theory and pedagogy together for this relevant and beneficial project. “The Richardson Professorship represents a means of maintaining my vitality as a faculty member at mid-career,” Joeckel said. “The mere act of applying for the Richardson Professorship gave me an opportunity to reflect on my teaching and scholarship, rediscover my passion for critical theory and ask some new questions. Receiving the professorship was an affirmation of my contributions to Dana College thus far and my potential to remain a fully-engaged faculty member.

“Of course, this becomes a benefit to Dana as well. In higher education, we focus much of our attention and resources on the needs of early-career faculty and leave those at mid-career to their own devices. Sometimes the result is a slump in professional performance. The Richardson Professorship is an invigorating growth opportunity for a mid-career faculty member – a kind of investment by the institution in the “second act” of academic life.”

Candidates for the Richardson Professorship must be full-time members of the faculty and their proposals must include evidence of commitment to the mission and goals of Dana College. Each year, when the screening committee prepares to award the professorship, they take into consideration criteria such as academic rigor and quality, value to students and to Dana, personal significance and the quality of the proposal itself.

Former holders of the Richardson Professorship include John Mark Nielsen, John Lyden, Diana Brown, Iain Anderson and Lisa Schreiber.



ONLINE CLASSES

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Dana launches online certificate program

Dana is opening its doors to a virtual wealth of new enrollments. This August, Dana launched its first online programs including a Certificate in Corporate Communication and a Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship.

“Dana College is developing online programs to reach out to new students and make a Dana experience portable and possible for them,” explains Dr. Kate Joeckel, associate professor of communication and program director for Dana’s online campus.

The new online Certificate in Corporate Communication program displays Dana’s continued commitment to students’ personal and professional excellence. The program specifically prepares students for the business world, training them in key workplace skills and perspectives. It is particularly focused on communication situations that arise in today’s diverse professional landscape, and includes instruction in such vital interpersonal and interbusiness areas as public relations, marketing, and conflict management.

“Students who complete a Certificate in Corporate Communication can expect professional recognition, perhaps in the form of career advancements or salary increases,” says Joeckel. “They can expect to be more competent, confident communicators on the job, whether that job is in the profit or not-for-profit sector.”

The new Innovation and Entrepreneurship program will help graduates develop the skills and confidence they need to realize their entrepreneurial aspirations, whether by starting their own enterprise or working within an existing organization. They will develop skills in management, marketing, business communication, accounting and entrepreneurship. Graduates of the certificate program are positioned to consider new business start-ups. They are also positioned to lead innovation in existing organizations.

Joeckel commented, “The greater Blair area has become an incubator of innovation and entrepreneurship, evidenced by the growing number of cutting edge businesses calling Blair ‘home’. The Certificate in Innovation and Entrepreneurship leverages this climate and positions Dana to enjoy a key role in entrepreneurial education.”

Applicants to Dana’s online programs must hold a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university. The program is delivered entirely online, includes interactive elements, and is helmed by faculty members “who are committed to student success,” explains Joeckel. Other benefits include around-the-clock technical support, the opportunity to complete the program and earn the certificate in less than one year, and the scheduling flexibility that comes with the online delivery of courses. For these reasons, this online certification is an ideal match for individuals who have already completed a baccalaureate degree and are busy moving ahead in their post-college lives with work and personal commitments, but remain committed to learning and advancing their professional career.

“Online courses can help students grow academically, professionally and personally,” says Joeckel. “The courses challenge students intellectually, provide ‘real-world’ skills and perspectives and affirm the personal qualities of perseverance and initiative.”

To bring the online program about, Dana College turned to The Learning House, Inc., a total online education solutions partner based out of Louisville, Ky.

“Dana College representatives began dialogue with Learning House in early 2008,” says Joeckel. “In April, Dana engaged Learning House as its online program partner. Learning House is assisting Dana with all aspects of building its online campus.”

All in all, Joeckel believes the online campus is off to an excellent start. There are also plans for additional programming in management and education to launch in the near future.

For more information on Dana’s online programming or to enroll, please contact Gretchen Foster, Dean of Enrollment Management, gfoster@dana.edu, 402-426-7220 or 402-426-7222 or visit <http://www.elearnportal.com/dc>.



WHY I TEACH

This article by Dr. Karen Murch-Shafer, associate professor of biology, is the second of a resurrected *Review* series "Why I Teach." Murch-Shafer began teaching at Dana in the fall of 2002 following three years on the faculty at Buena Vista University. She earned her bachelor of science degree from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 1990. Her master's of science degree (1992) is also from UNL and her Ph.D. (1999) in molecular biology was received from the University of Wyoming.

It is hard for me to believe that I have been teaching at the college level for nine years. I feel that I have come a long way from starting out as an engineering/music major as a freshman in college.

I did not come into biology in the "normal" route. I didn't have a great high school biology experience that led me down this road. In fact I didn't even have a high school biology class; lots of chemistry, math, physics and music, but no biology.

As an undergraduate student at the University of Nebraska, I was required, like all students, to take some general education classes to hopefully give me a wider breath of knowledge. Little did I know that when I stepped into the "required" General Biology class that it would change the course of my professional life. This course was for me what I call "jaw-dropping." I was truly amazed at the complexity, the unity and diversity and the beauty of living organisms. I had never been exposed to those ideas at such a level.

I decided to take another biology class — physiology. It was the kidney that really got me. I had known for some time that the kidney made urine, but I had no idea of the intricate process that goes into making this fluid we take for granted that our bodies will produce without any conscious thought.

From that time on I have been a biologist, and am still sincerely amazed at living organisms. Each time I peer at a cell through a microscope, it is just as amazing as the first time I did it. My enthusiasm for my subject area is unwavering and I hope that it shows in my teaching and rubs off on my students. I am in awe and am humbled by that which is living. I hope it is obvious that I chose my subject area of biology because it is really cool stuff to study and learn about.

There are lots of different career paths one can go down with a biology degree so why did I choose teaching at the college level? As an undergraduate I had the opportunity to teach several sections of an introductory biology lab. It was at this point that I realized I enjoyed teaching. I loved prepping for my lectures, I loved interacting with my students and I thought I was pretty good at it.

During my master's degree program I gained much experience working in the lab, doing basic research, and learning many cell, molecular and genetic techniques. Although I enjoyed research, I was still drawn to teaching and knew that the subject

matter I wished to teach was best suited for the college level so I chose to pursue my Ph.D.

During this graduate study I rigorously sought out opportunities to teach, and am very thankful that my Ph.D. advisor (Dr. Peter Thorsness) allowed me such freedom. Although I was successful as a researcher, I did not get the "warm fuzzies" from constructing the correct plasmid or discovering a new mutant. Besides teaching experiences that I had as a graduate student, as a kid and throughout my undergraduate years I was exposed to many wonderful teachers who helped to light numerous fires in me. I'm quite certain that my desire to teach also comes from those influential instructors that I had along the way, many of whom were not science teachers.

I look at my students with great pride and hope that I may in a small way help influence their successes. Some of my former students are now working in the health care field, some are teachers, some are working in the environmental field, and many I know are positively affecting the lives of others. I feel like I can make a difference in my students' lives, sometimes by helping them find their career path, sometimes by sharing my enthusiasm for science, and sometimes by just being someone to talk to when needed. College is not easy and I'm amazed at the things my students go through. I'm quite certain that I have gained as much from my students as they have from me. I hope I can be to my students what many of my teachers were to me.

As a scientist I feel a responsibility to help inspire the next generation of scientists as others have inspired me. My job allows me the opportunity to be involved in the community in outreach projects to youth. As a teacher, I usually get a bit recharged from these experiences. In my job if I have an idea of a project that I'd like to try, I have the freedom to go for it.

I find my job very challenging with an endless array of things to study, learn and be involved with. Basically, being a college biology professor allows me the opportunity to be a perpetual student. Most days I can't imagine doing anything else.



A BRIEF HISTORY OF "Dan-na" versus "Day-na"

By Ann (Harms '54) George

Newcomers to this campus soon learn that "Dana," the poetic word for Denmark, is pronounced "Dan-na," not "Day-na."

There's a story, recounted by Dr. William. E. Christensen in *Saga of the Tower*, his history of the first 75 years of Trinity Seminary and Dana College, that the Rev. A.M. Andersen, a Danish immigrant and Trinity's first president, "was always annoyed with people who mispronounced the name. . . . 'I know, because I named it,'" he'd say. (More later about the naming of the college.)

In recent decades newcomers have had another opportunity for confusion. "Dana" is also a part of the names of two campus buildings, the science hall and the library. If they say "Dan-na," they're told, 'No, it's "Day-na."'

Those buildings, the C.A. Dana Hall of Science and the C.A. Dana-LIFE Library, were named for philanthropist Charles A. Dana, who in 1960 issued a \$200,000 challenge gift toward construction of the science hall and a few years later gave a \$300,000 grant for the new library. (LIFE is an acronym for Lutheran Ingathering for Education, a fund-raising drive conducted by the American Lutheran Church to benefit its colleges – part of Dana's share helped fund construction of the library.)

Charles A. Dana, head of the Dana Corporation, which makes auto parts and systems, was neither a Dane nor a Lutheran. An article in the December 21, 1959, issue of *Time* magazine reported on the 78-year-old's recent challenge gifts through the C.A. Dana Foundation to seven small colleges in the Southeast, and it was that article that led to his gifts to the college.

Dr. Peter L. Petersen '62, in *A Place Called Dana*, his centennial history of Dana and Trinity, describes the way the relationship between the college and the industrialist developed: "Margaret Hansen, a former Dana dietician who was terminally ill, called from her Omaha hospital room to suggest that [Dana President C.C.] Madsen attempt to contact Mr. Dana." Dana's reply to Madsen's subsequent letter began, Petersen writes, with the question, 'Where is Blair, Nebraska?'

Petersen, who interviewed Madsen D'31 T'34 and had access to his papers, comments that "Obviously the industrialist was intrigued to discover that a college shared his surname, though at this point one suspects that he was still blissfully

unaware of the difference in pronunciation."

In ensuing letters Madsen told Dana of hopes for a new science building that would cost an estimated \$600,000. Then in August 1960, "before Madsen had even raised the question of whether C.A. Dana would help the school," Petersen writes, "the philanthropist wrote: 'I offer a challenge gift of \$200,000 . . . to pay for such a building . . .'"

That October Madsen and his wife, Esther (Johnson '29), represented the college in Washington, D.C., Petersen recounts, at the dedication of a new Danish Embassy and attended a dinner given by the Secretary of State and his wife for King Frederik IX and Queen Ingrid of Denmark. (As crown prince and princess, the couple visited the Dana campus in 1939.)

From Washington the Madsens went on to New York City for another reception honoring the royal couple, Petersen reports, and while there, Madsen met Charles Dana in his Manhattan apartment.

The meeting apparently went well, Petersen surmises, because "before Christmas, long before the stipulations spelled out in his August letter had been met, [C.A. Dana] sent a check for \$200,000 to Madsen, explaining that by giving the money early he hoped to provide an incentive for other 'friends and foundations associated with you to add to my donation.'"

The subsequent drive for additional funds for the science hall succeeded and the building was dedicated on November 4, 1962. Representing C.A. Dana at the event was Dr. Henry Littlefield, vice president of the Dana Foundation.



The main entrance to the C.A. Dana Hall of Science. The iron and mosaic mural was created by the art department and placed on the building.



A few years later, in the summer of 1966, Petersen writes, Madsen again corresponded with the Dana Foundation, and that September Littlefield wrote that “there was a strong likelihood of a \$300,000 grant for a library.” The college began fund-raising, and with that show of initiative, the grant soon arrived. It, together with funds from the federal government under the Higher Education Act of 1963, the LIFE campaign and contributions by alumni and friends, helped meet the cost of the \$1,000,000 building.

Back to the naming of Dana College: College classes began on campus in 1899 when Elk Horn College moved to Blair. (Trinity had been offering preseminary classes since 1886.) The 1900-01 college and seminary catalog explains that at an annual convention several years earlier, members of the United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in America had voted “to unite its two official schools, — the College founded in 1878 at Elk Horn, Iowa, and Trinity Seminary . . . at Blair, Nebraska.”

Petersen notes that the college, however, lacked a name, and debate over a name became an agenda item at the synod’s annual conventions. This indecision is illustrated by the names used in the academic catalogs for the next few years: “Blair College and Theological Seminary,” “Blair College and Trinity Theological Seminary,” and “Trinity College and Theological Seminary.” Then in 1903 the convention settled on “Dana College and Trinity Seminary.”

Christensen in his history writes that “it is fairly certain” that the name was agreed upon at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the college and seminary. It’s known that the name was then presented for approval at the synod’s convention by the Rev. P.S. Vig, who in 1903 was president of Trinity — the second of three different times he served as its president — and who taught seminary and college classes, with two brief interruptions, to 1928.

But who suggested the name?

In 1903 A.M. Andersen, Trinity’s president from 1884-89 and a faculty member then and later, from 1895-97, was a member of the college and seminary’s Board of Directors. Was he, as he’d said, the first to suggest the name?

Or was it Prof. C.X. Hansen, who is also mentioned by Christensen and Petersen as a possibility? Hansen enrolled at Trinity in 1886, the year Old Main was dedicated, and in 1903 was already into what became a 46-year career of service to the college as a faculty member and its president at three different times.

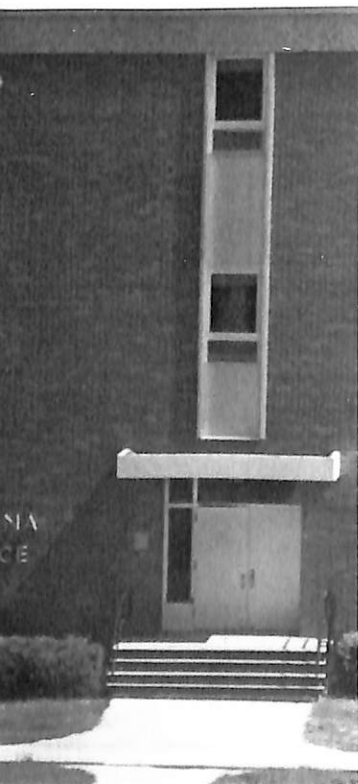
There’s another possibility. Christensen notes that “some are inclined to think that C.X. Hansen and Kristian Anker jointly deserve the credit.” Pastor Anker, who had been Elk Horn College’s third president, in 1903 was president of the as-yet-unnamed college and a college and seminary faculty member.

There’s little evidence, however, that any one person can be credited, and Christensen concludes that “there were probably several who thought of the name of Dana, since it was the most appropriate and logical name for the school.”

Petersen agrees. He notes that many Danish-Americans knew that “Dana” is a poetic name for Denmark. “Perhaps,” he writes, “as William E. Christensen has observed, it is ‘just as well that no one individual can be credited with naming the college, and that instead several persons had a hand in it.’”



At the science hall dedication, under a photo of Charles A. Dana: from left, Dr. Littlefield, who represented the philanthropist at the ceremony; Dr. C. Arthur Christiansen '49, dean of the college; and President Madsen.



of Science. The 8-by-12-foot wrought-iron gate was designed by Rev. F. Wm. Thomsen T'45 of Dana's Board of Trustees and dedicated in 1963.

VIKING NEWS

Events from the Dana Athletics Department

Vikings set Scholar-Athlete record

Forty-eight Dana College student-athletes were named Daktronics/NAIA Scholar-Athletes during the 2007-2008 school year. The number is the highest number ever at Dana. Since Dana became a member of the Great Plains Athletic Conference in 2000, 10 to 15 Dana student-athletes have been recognized as Daktronics/NAIA Scholar-Athletes each year.

This year's high of 48 Scholar-Athletes is especially impressive considering the specific selection criteria.

Criteria for selection includes:

1. Nominee must be in at least his/her junior year of attendance.
2. Nominee must have been in attendance at the nominating institution a minimum of one full term.
3. Nominee must have a minimum grade point average of 3.50 (on a 4.0 scale) as defined by the nominating institution at the time of nomination.
4. Nominee must be a member of the intercollegiate varsity team at his/her institution and making a significant contribution.

Student-athletes who meet the criteria not only excel in the classroom, but in the athletic arena as well. Many of them play key positions or serve as team leaders. Kara Fox (Omaha, Neb.), a junior forward for the Viking women's soccer team, is one example. Fox started in 19 games and played all of the Vikings' 20 games. She had eight goals, six assists and totaled 22 points while maintaining a high grade point average as an accounting major.

SCHOLAR-ATHLETES SINCE 2000-01

2007-08:	48
2006-07:	32
2005-06:	31
2004-05:	27
2003-04:	12
2002-03:	15
2001-02:	11
2000-01:	13

Balancing academics and athletics requires a tremendous amount of effort from student athletes. Dana College strives to provide a supportive environment where students can make things happen in all areas of their lives.

Dana College Athletic Director Bill Danenhauer said, "This is an excellent tribute to Dana coaches who consistently recruit top-quality student athletes and then help them continue to

succeed in the college environment. It shows that all the hard work and effort in the classroom by our student-athletes pays off by the continuous improvement in our total Academic All-Americans."

Dr. Janet Philipp, president, said she was proud of this year's achievements by Dana's student athletes. "We are very pleased with this record number of scholar-athletes at Dana College. It speaks well of the student who excels in the classroom while acquiring leadership and teambuilding skills on the athletic field," she said.

Viking compete at NAIA Nationals; Seven earn Scholar-Athlete honors

Dana track sent five athletes to the NAIA National Track Meet. Terrence Almond (SR, Pelham, Ga.) came away with the lone top 15 finish for the Vikings.

Almond placed 12th overall in the triple jump with a leap of 46 feet. Dana had four athletes compete in the marathon. Mason Lantz (FR, Fairfield, Iowa) led the Viking marathoners with a 42nd place finish in a time of 2 hours, 57.31 minutes. Cory Logsdon (SO, Fort Calhoun, Neb.) finished in 48th place with a time of 3:06.23 hours. Kevin Bane (SO, Oakland, Iowa) placed 49th with a time of 3:13.20. Three-time national marathon qualifier Eric Bane (SR, Oakland, Iowa) finished his outstanding athletic career at Dana in 50th place with a time of 3:14.47.

During the 2008 national meet, seven Viking track athletes were named Daktronics/NAIA Scholar-Athletes:

- The Vikings' Daktronics/NAIA Scholar-Athletes are:
- Jennifer Anderson**, a senior distance runner from Lincoln, Neb. Anderson is a psychology major.
 - Jessica Chizek**, a senior sprinter and hurdler from Omaha, Neb. Chizek is a history major.
 - Kaleigh Flippin**, a senior distance runner from Omaha, Neb. Flippin is a psychology major.
 - Chelsea Fibranz**, a junior distance runner from McPherson, Kan. Fibranz is a biology and chemistry major.
 - Kiel Montgomery**, a junior sprinter from Indianola, Iowa. Montgomery is an international studies and German major.
 - Eric Bane**, a senior distance runner from Oakland, Iowa. Bane is a chemistry for secondary education major.
 - Beau Viergutz**, a junior thrower from Norfolk, Neb. Viergutz is a history for secondary education major.





Seniors Josie Barrow, Aimee Supanchick, Ashley Jess, Maggie Downs, TJ Beeman, Cassie Lager and Christa Backus celebrate the Vikings Region III Tournament championship.

Seniors Lead Softball to Golden Ticket

Dana College softball won the “golden ticket” to the NAIA National Softball Tournament in early May. The team swept its way through the Region III Tournament in Sioux City, Iowa, to earn its first trip to the national tournament since 1994.

Dana felt blessed to make it to the tournament. They struggled during the regular season offensively and were knocked out of the Great Plains Athletic Conference tournament on the first day. The Vikings were given a second chance when they received word that they had made the Region III tournament in Sioux City. They would be seeded eighth and have to face nationally-rated and top-seeded Dickinson State.

“We truly thought we were done after the conference tournament,” said fifth-year Head Coach Marcy Roff. “We felt as if we were given a second chance and told the players to go out and play relaxed, because they had no pressure.”

In a team meeting prior to traveling to Sioux City, Assistant Coach Tom Roff told the story of *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* and how Dana’s chance at the tournament was similar. Roff explained the national tournament was their “golden ticket” and Dana’s appreciation of winning regionals would be even better.

The Vikings rode gutsy pitching by Cassie Lager (SR, Missouri Valley, Iowa), great defense, and timely hitting to sweep through the regional tournament. Lager earned the Regional Tournament’s top player award.

“We took advantage of our opportunity,” said Roff. “We had

no pressure on us and the team played that way. Making it to nationals was a dream come true for these girls!”

Dana then traveled to Decatur, Ala., for the national tournament. The Vikings found themselves in a pool with four nationally rated teams. In game one, second-rated Point Loma Nazarene defeated Dana College, 4-0. The Vikings dropped their second game to eighth-rated St. Gregory’s of Oklahoma, 1-0. Dana defeated 16th-rated Warner Southern, 6-5, in the third game of the tournament. In its last game, 11th-rated William Carey University edged Dana, 2-1.

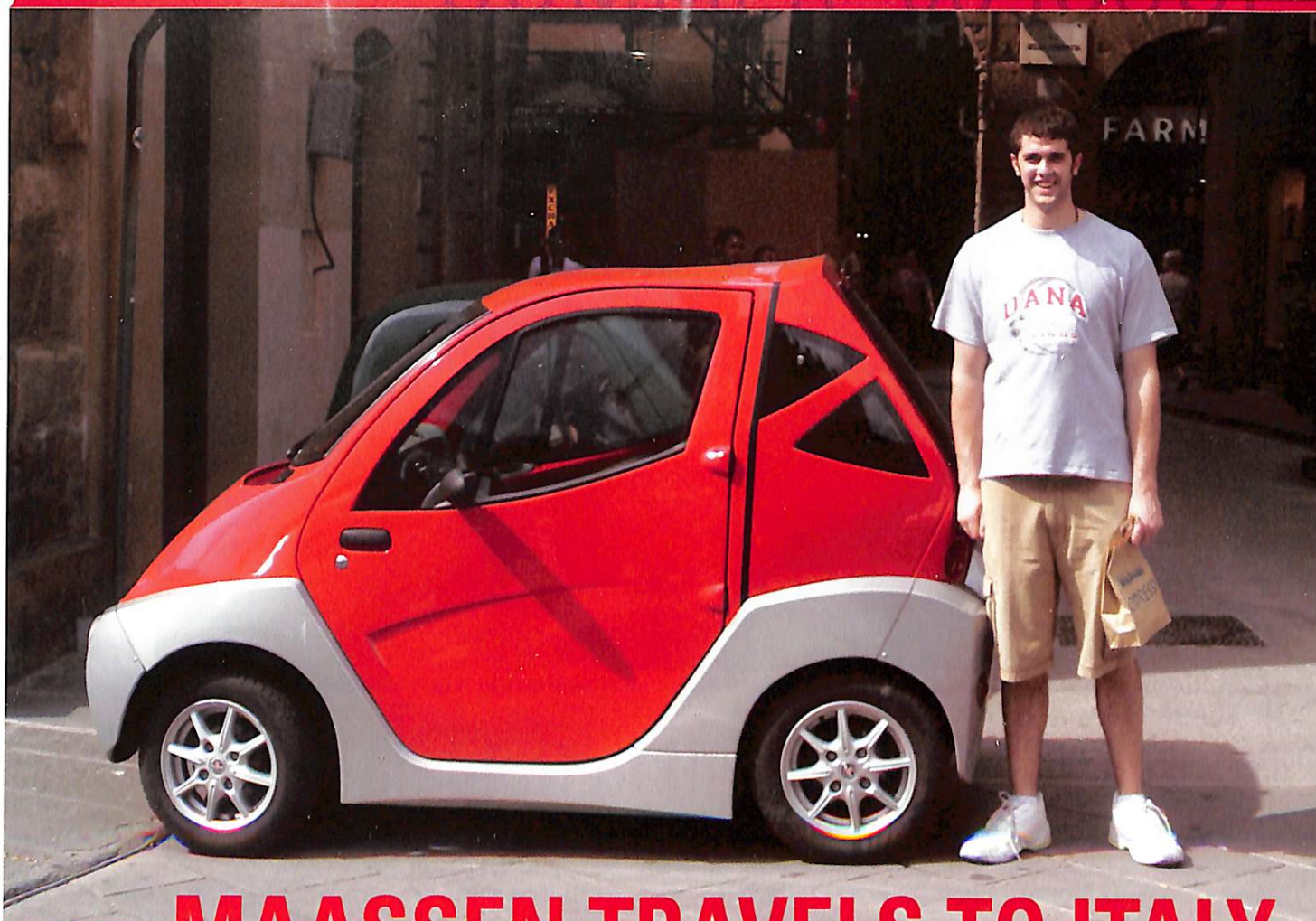
“We were not disappointed by going 1-3 at the national tournament. I felt like a coach of a championship team,” said Roff. “We played great, but we had a couple balls that didn’t fall in our favor. Two of our games could have gone either way.”

The seven seniors on the softball team leave big shoes to fill. The group finished their four-year careers with a combined record of 135-72. The group won one GPAC regular season title, one GPAC tournament title and a regional tournament title.

“These seniors helped lead us back to the national tournament and put Dana softball back on the map,” said Roff. “Their enthusiasm and leadership will be missed.”



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MAASSEN TRAVELS TO ITALY

Senior has opportunity to hone basketball skills overseas

Senior Eric Maassen (Hancock, Iowa) spent part of his summer break travelling overseas playing basketball with USA Athletes International. Maassen and his teammates departed the United States on May 19 and spent ten days in Italy. The team consisted of ten NCAA and NAIA basketball players. The squad travelled to Rome, Florence, Pisa, Venice, and the Vatican City. Along the way, the team played five friendly games against local talent.

Dana Men's Basketball Head Coach Chris Fear was contacted by the USAAI for any players who may be interested in playing. Fear nominated Maassen and one other Viking player for the trip. Each player who travels with USAAI has to pay \$4,000 for the trip in order to maintain his eligibility.

It was an opportunity the senior-to-be could not pass up. "I had never been overseas and this opportunity gave me the chance. I

was anxious to play with new people and to see the kind of competition we would be playing against," he said.

USA Athletes International won all five games against their Italian competition. The collegians had mostly an easy time against their counterparts, winning four of five games by more than 30 points. Their closest match-up was a one-point victory over the champion of the A2 Division.

"The sporting environment is very different overseas than in America," said Maassen. "For one thing, there was no booing. Even though we were the visitors everywhere we went, the crowd treated us like we were the home team and cheered our every move. We even had an autograph session before our last game."

It was not all business for the group. They started the trip with a tour of Rome before playing their first two games. Following Rome, the team travelled to Tuscany to visit San Miniato Pisa where they played their final three games. While in Pisa, the team took a day trip via train to Florence. Once their games were completed in San Miniato Pisa, the group travelled to



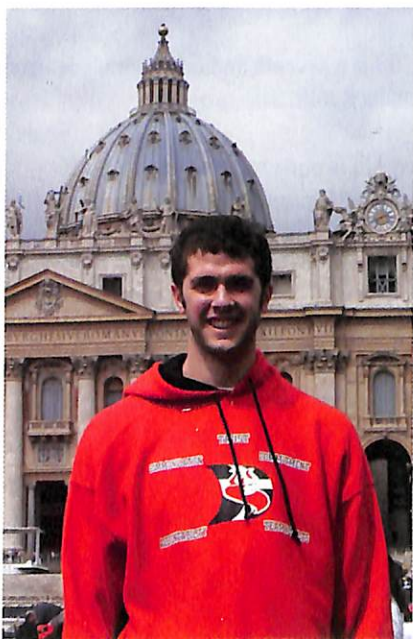


Peschia, where they got to spend time on the beach and travel to Venice before leaving the country.

Maassen's teammates for the trip included players from Pfeiffer College, Augusta State, Mount Olive, Worcester Polytech, The Catholic University of America, and Erskine College.

"I've been keeping in contact with some of the people from the trip," said Maassen. "I will definitely be keeping an eye on them during basketball season."

The trip overseas has helped Maassen to prepare for his senior year at Dana this fall. "It gave me the chance to match-up against great competition," said Maassen.



"Anytime you get to play basketball, it's going to improve your game in some way. I couldn't be happier that I had the opportunity to take the trip and meet new people. It was great seeing a culture that I will probably never get another chance to see."

Maassen looks at this experience to get him ready for the 2008-2009 campaign. The Vikings will return four starters and their top two players off the bench. Dana finished last season 15-17 overall and 7-11 in the Great Plains Athletic Conference. Fear is in his eighth season as the head coach for Dana College.

An End of an Era for Viking Golf

May's graduation brought to an end of the careers of Dana College first two female golfers. Karla Harshbarger (Bridgeport, Neb.) and Brooke McCabe (Plainview, Neb.) received their diplomas during Dana's Commencement ceremonies in May.

McCabe and Harshbarger were part of the first-ever recruiting class for Dana's newest varsity program four years ago. The two set the bar high for those following in their footsteps. During the tandem's four year career, the Viking golf program won its first invitational, had its first individual medalists, and earned all-conference and Scholar-Athlete honors.

"Brooke and Karla proved that Dana could be a force on the golf course," said Head Coach Warren Kuhl. "These two individuals were instrumental in leading the program for the past four years both on the course and in the classroom. Their contributions will be missed."

The Viking golf team qualified for their first berth in the Region III Tournament this spring and placed third. Harshbarger placed fourth in the individual standings.

Kuhl's team will kick off its fifth season in early September.

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Nicholas Albrecht '08 is the lead medical receptionist at the University of Nebraska Medical Center Physicians Clinic in Omaha. Nick starred this summer in "The Great American Trailer Park Musical" at the Bellevue Little Theatre along with **Allison (Botkin '02) Wissman**.

Jennifer Anderson '08 is a therapeutic mentor at St. Monica's. She lives in Lincoln, Neb.

Joy Augustine '08 will be a 9-12 grade vocal music teacher at Mercy High School in Omaha this fall.

Burke Barnes '08 is an electrical engineer for Boeing.

Rachel Beacom '08 and **Clayton Timm '09** were married Aug. 2, 2008, in Omaha. Rachel is an accounting coordinator at Con-E-Co in Blair.

Jessi '08 (Deardoff) and **Chris '02 Bertschinger** are the parents of a son, Isaac Timothy, who was born July 5, 2008. He weighed 8 pounds and was 19 ½ inches long. The family is at home in Woodbine, Iowa.

Jodie Bonertz '08 will be teaching third grade this fall at Bennington (Neb.) Public Schools. She is also attending graduate school at the University of Nebraska-Omaha where she is pursuing her master's degree in Special Education - Mild/Moderate Disabilities.

Mike Bradley '08 is working at Iowa Insulation in Nevada, Iowa.

Lindsay Brinkman '08 will be teaching Spanish this fall at Louisville (Neb.) Public Schools.

Jill Connot '08 is pursuing her master's of physician assistant degree at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Dana part of Omaha TAG nominations

The Omaha Theater Arts Guild has nominated Dana College's production of "Little Women" last fall for four different awards: Matt Bryan '05 for set design, Sara Andrews '09 for outstanding performance by an actress in a leading role, outstanding performance by an ensemble for "Some Things Aren't Meant to Be," and outstanding direction by Todd Brooks.

TAG also nominated alumnus Emily Neve '04 for outstanding actor in a supporting role for her work in the SNAP production of "The Little Dog Laughed." Katie Spicka '08 was nominated for outstanding performance by an actress in a featured role for the SNAP production of "Zanna, Don't."

Sean Curtis '08 is a financial marketing representative for John Hancock in Omaha.

Heidi DeGodt '08 is pursuing her master's in social work at the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Ryan Eiswerth '08 is a social worker at Swahn Community Services in Surrey, British Columbia.

Aimee Grosinske '08 is pursuing her master's in community counseling at the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Lewis Hackbart '08 is a PreK-12 physical education teacher, assistant girls' basketball coach and assistant football coach at Emerson-Hubbard (Neb.) Schools.

Heather (Kahnk) Hall '08 is an admissions counselor at Dana College.

Hayley Harris '08 is a seventh and eighth grade language arts teacher at Omaha Public Schools.

Lindsey Heiting '08 is pursuing her doctorate of physical therapy at the University of Nebraska Medical Center.

Leah Humphries '08 is a counselor at the Latino Center of the Midlands in Omaha.

Megan Hunt '08 and David Homan were married May 31, 2008, in Omaha. Megan is pursuing her master's of public/political communication at the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Tina Johnson '08 is a program specialist at Heartland Family Service/Family Works. She lives in Omaha.

Trevor Ketelsen '08 is the defensive backs football coach at Dana College.

Scott Leisy '08 is the K-12 physical education teacher and head boys' basketball coach at Dorchester (Neb.) Public Schools.

Marcos Martinez '08 is attending New Mexico Highlands University in Las Vegas, N.M., to pursue his master's in social work.

Bradley Moon '08 is pursuing his master's in psychology at Boise State in Boise, Idaho.

Trent Mumma '08 is a financial advisor for John Hancock Financial Network in Omaha.

Joseph "Tony" Palmer '08 is an insect/butterfly keeper at Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo.



Alisha Peare '08 will be teaching third grade this fall at Omaha Public Schools.

Katelin Samek '08 is the food and beverage manager at River Wilds Golf Club in Blair.

Courtney Schultz '08 and Ryan Long were married June 7, 2008.

Jennifer Smedra '08 participated in an archaeological dig in Belize this summer.

Tara Thomas '08 is the childcare director at the Blair Family YMCA.

Randi Toft '08 is a teller at Washington County Bank in Tekamah, Neb.

Kaley Tritsch '08 is working in accounts payable at Gallup in Omaha.

Greg Wilmes '08 is a math teacher at Papillion-LaVista (Neb.) Public Schools.

Emily Wisch '08 is an eighth grade resource teacher at Crete (Neb.) Public Schools.

James Wrigley '08 is working as a deputy for the Sarpy County (Neb.) Sheriff's Department.

GREG RICKENBACHER '07

For Greg Rickenbacher, a slight delay in his career plans has resulted in the greatest of opportunities.

The 2007 biology graduate intends to go to medical school, but in the meantime has landed a research job at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School.

"I just moved to Boston because they had a lot of research going on there," he said. "I went out with no idea what I was going to do." He sent out a bunch of applications and landed this prime position.

Medical school is still not out of the picture. He plans to continue his Alzheimer's research at Massachusetts General for three years and then pursue his original dream. "This may be my shot to go to Harvard," he said.

Greg credits his Dana education in landing him this position so early in his career. "I had small classes coupled with really great professors. It prepared me well."

Kelli (Ober '07) Martin of Blair is an accounts payable specialist for Heartland Automotive Services Inc. in Omaha.

Kyle Peterson '07 and Megan Herzberg were married May 3, 2008, in Omaha. Kyle teaches sixth grade in the Millard (Neb.) Public Schools.

Joe Stump '07 has been promoted to senior accountant at the accounting firm of Almquist, Maltzahn, Galloway & Luth in Grand Island, Neb.

Shannon Young '07 is executive director of new faces at Omaha's Agency 89, a model and talent management agency.

Dana Binning '06 and Ryan Baber were married Feb. 15, 2008, in Omaha. Dana is a Medicare auditor working for Wisconsin Physicians Services in Omaha. The couple lives in Blair.

Sara Buck '06 and Bill Kruse were married July 19, 2008, in Omaha. Sara is a first grade teacher with Omaha Public Schools.

Chris Egan '06 sells real estate at NP Dodge in Omaha, Neb.

Dante Lewis '06 is employed at Davis Steel Erection Co. in Omaha and actively pursuing admission to Creighton Law School.

Matt Allen '05 is teaching seventh grade at Unified School District 320 in Wamego, Kan. He received his master's in education from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. He lives in Manhattan, Kan.

Christy Campbell '05 and Nathan Prenzlou were married Aug. 1, 2008, in Elkhorn, Neb. Christy is the childcare director at Blair Family YMCA.

Rich Eber '05 and Amy Kwiatkowski were married June 19, 2008. He is an entertainment technician at Busch Gardens in Tampa, Fla.

Jennifer Knowles '05 and **Josh Stolz '02** were married May 31, 2008. Jennifer is a graphic artist at Enterprise Publishing in Blair. Josh is a physical education teacher at Miller Park Elementary in Omaha and coaches wrestling at McMillan Middle School and Omaha North High School. The couple lives in Blair.

Joe Sweeney '05 has received his master's degree from Aurora University in educational leadership. He lives in Naperville, Ill.

Ryan Tonkin '05 and Katie Friesen were married June 21, 2008, in Lincoln, Neb. Ryan works for State Farm Insurance as an auto claims representative.

Kevin Bartak '04 and Becky Kudera were married May 31, 2008, in Norfolk, Neb. Kevin is a branch manager at Wells Fargo Financial in Roseville, Minn. The couple lives in Lino Lakes, Minn.

Phil Hansen '04 and Heidi Hodapp were married June 14, 2008, in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Phil is an accountant for National Indemnity Company in Omaha and is pursuing his master's in business administration at Creighton University. The couple lives in Omaha.

Kristin Leitow '04 and Kyle Nadrchal were married July 12, 2008, in West Point, Neb. Kristin is an art teacher with the Ralston (Neb.) School District. The couple lives in Omaha.

Jason Mitchell '04 has been promoted to district manager for Hibbett Sporting Goods. He has relocated to Mount Vernon, Ill., where he is responsible for 12 stores in a three-state area: Illinois, Missouri and Indiana.

Emily Neve '04 starred this summer in "The Little Dog Laughed," a comedy staged by SNAP! Productions at the Shelterbelt Theatre in Omaha.

Bryan Watson '04 has been named offensive coordinator at Brooks County High School in Quitman, Ga., where he also teaches special education.

Matthew Wise '04 and Alison Lev were married Sept. 22, 2007, in Omaha. Matthew is a fraud investigator at Pay Pal. The couple lives in Omaha. The story of how the couple met was featured in the *Argus Leader* in Sioux Falls, S.D.

Emelyn (Wiggins '03) Theesen has moved with her family to Omaha from North Platte, Neb. Emelyn is a stay-at-home mom with her two daughters, Isabel Ryan, 2, and Olivia Campbell, who was born Feb. 4, 2008.

Wendy Weaver '01 and **Ryan Greenwood '03** were married July 5, 2008, in Jefferson, Iowa. Wendy is a substitute teacher in the Blair (Neb.) Community Schools, a professional photographer and a Mary Kay senior consultant. Ryan is a salesman at Woodhouse Ford and Chrysler, Dodge and Jeep in Blair. The couple lives in Blair.

Jessica Clark '00 is working as a substance abuse counselor at O'Neill (Neb.) Valley Hope.

Wes and **Lisa (Decker '00) Colbert** are the parents of a daughter, Hanna Noel, who was born Mar. 11, 2008. She weighed 8 pounds, 5 ounces and was 20 ½ inches long.

Lisa is a sales manager with Humana. The family lives in Lincoln, Neb.



Susan (Hamblen '00) Huse is an underwriter assistant in the dealer division at Zurich Programs in Omaha.

Cheryl Karl '00 and Mark Paeth were united in marriage on March 28, 2008, in Fremont, Ohio. Mark has a 10-year-old daughter, Taylor. Cheryl is an occupational therapist at P.T. Services Inc. The family lives in Gibsonburg, Ohio.

Matt Kern '00 and Karee Lozo were married June 28, 2008, in Cedar Bluffs, Neb. Matt is currently teaching sixth grade in York, Neb.

Lisa Shefland '00 and Steven Dugger were married Apr. 26, 2008, in Ralston, Neb. Lisa is employed in accounting at Horsemen's Park in Omaha. The couple lives in Omaha.

Deena (Knapp '99) Bisig has accepted a tenure-track position in the communications studies department at Clark College in Vancouver, Wash. She also received the General George C. Marshall Public Leadership Award. The award is presented annually to encourage and recognize the leaders within Clark County.



Andrew and **Traci (Ahrendt '99) Norum** are the parents of a daughter, Brita Elsie, who was born Sept. 7, 2007. She joins a brother, Archer. The family lives in South St. Paul, Minn.

Matt Anderson '98 and his wife, Lori, welcomed a son, Zachary Matthew, on Dec. 7, 2006. He joins a sister, Hailey, 4. Matt is a post-doctoral fellow in the Environmental Health and Safety Department at Washington University in St. Louis. The family resides in Manchester, Mo.



Douglas Eichhorn '98 and Nicole Marie Villa were married Apr. 2, 2008, in Las Vegas, Nev. The couple lives in Temple, Texas.

Susan (Weddingfeld '98) Jensen completed her master's degree in educational leadership through Doane College, Lincoln, in May. Beginning this fall, she will be a dean of students at Bellevue East High School in Bellevue, Neb. She and her husband, **Brent '98**, have a four-year-old daughter, Riley. The family lives in Bellevue.

Shannon (Bott '98) Taylor and Shawn Stewart were married Mar. 4, 2008, in Las Vegas. Shannon is employed at Gringo's Cantina and Design Chix LLC in Fremont, Neb.

The family of **Jeff '97** and **Janet (Reisdorff '97) Buman** was featured on the front page of the *Omaha World-Herald* on April 3, 2008. All three of their children share the same birthday, March 28. The youngest, Trey James, was born this year. He joins brother Tyler, 8, and sister Justine, 5. The chances of Trey's birthday being the same as his two siblings was 1-in-133,590. Janet said, "It's just bizarre. A lot of people ask, 'Did you plan this?' How on earth could we have tried to plan this." The family lives in Harlan, Iowa.

Tami Ahrendt '96 has accepted a position with CenterPointe Inc. as director of human resources. CenterPointe is a non-profit agency providing care and treatment for people with occurring illness, mental health issues and substance use. She lives in Lincoln, Neb.

Leasa (Stark '96) Brouillard of Portsmouth, Iowa, recently authored a book, "Chloe's Prayer," and its companion, "Chloe's Prayer: A Family Discussion Workbook." Leasa wrote "Chloe's Prayer" as a tool to help parents deal with the tough questions and emotions children deal with when faced with the death of a loved one. Leasa's young daughter, Chloe, struggled with understanding why her prayers for her grandfather, who had esophageal cancer, to get better were not answered.

Wade '96 and **Jennifer (Nielsen '97) Daggett** have a son, Hayden Michael, who was born June 4, 2007. He joins sisters, Payton, 8, and Paige, 4. The family lives in Blair.

Neal Anthony '95 is an adjunct instructor of religion at Midland Lutheran College in Fremont, Neb., while also serving as pastor of Salem Lutheran Church in Ponca, Neb., and working on his doctorate in Systematic Theology from the Lutheran School of Technology in Chicago.

Teonne (Clark '95) Daye has a new job as webmaster for University of Nebraska-Omaha Library Services. She lives in Omaha.

Jason Tiedtke '95 has been named vice president and commercial loan officer at Pinnacle Bank in Omaha.

Brian Williams '95 works for Buhler Inc. in Plymouth, Minn., where he was recently promoted to vice president of marketing and business development. He and his wife, **Jona '97**, live with their family in Maple Grove, Minn.

John Hundahl '92 is director of marketing at Grace University in Omaha. He lives in Tekamah, Neb.

Ken and **Kristin (Olsen '92) Koubsky** are the parents of a daughter, Kalista Joy, who was born Feb. 22, 2008. She weighed 7 pounds and was 19 ½ inches long. She joins brothers Kane, 8, Koltan, 6 and Karson, 4. The family lives in Omaha.

Julie Mitchell '91 graduated in May with a master of arts in teaching from Morningside College in Sioux City, Iowa. She continues to teach fifth grade special education for the Winterset (Iowa) Community School District.

Cathy (Keck '90) Adcock was recently promoted to employment manager at Netshops where she oversees the entire employment function. Netshops is an online collection of over 230 stores based in Omaha (www.netshops.com). She lives in Omaha.

Stephen Rodgers '90 is a law enforcement officer for the Miami-Dade School District in Miami, Fla. He and his wife, Treska, have five children, Ashley, Khari, Brianna, Cierra and Destinee.



Kristen Archibald '88 married David Moreau of Alexandria, La., on July 20, 2007, in Burlingame, Calif. Others from Dana attending were (from left) Bill Archibald '62, Judith (Jensen '65) Archibald, Katrina Archibald '95, Sally Schroeder '88, Curtis Archibald '88 and Julie Gilbert '88. Kristen is a realtor in San Carlos, Calif., and she and David reside in Woodside, Calif.

John Hollingsworth '88 is the senior vice president of operations for Protocol Integraed Direct Marketing. He and

his wife, **Miriam (Petersen '81)**, also own and operate the Smithville (Mo.) ATA Karate for Kids school. They have three children, Melanie, 15, Ryan, 12 and Alana, 9. "Look us up if you are visiting Kansas City," John writes.

Lisa (Hayne '88) Swenson, associate attorney with Gorge F. Restovich and Associates in Rochester, Minn., was one of three finalists for the Third Judicial District trial court vacancy in Winona County. She has also worked as an assistant Winona County attorney and senior assistant Olmsted County Attorney.

Rosalind (Guest '87) Bader is director of care management at Denver Health Hospital Authority. She writes: "loving wife of Larry, blissfully happy mom of two wonderful kids, Jerry, 12 and Jill, 9; still a devoted Viking fan..."

Jeff DeYoung '84 completed a story for the *Iowa Farmer Today* entitled "Feedlots have opportunity despite high feed prices" featuring the perspective of fellow Dana alumnus **Brian Bentley '88**.

Brenda Mayberry '83 now works for Kansas State University in the Diagnostic Laboratories for KSU's College of Veterinary Science. She lives in Manhattan, Kan.

Stacey Goodrich '79 has been a family practice physician at both Tecumseh (Neb.) Family Health and Adams Primary Care for the past 10 years. He was profiled recently in the *Tecumseh Chieftain*.

Deck the Halls, a custom framing and design shop owned by Patti and **Bob '76 Jones**, marked its 10th anniversary in April. The business is located in Gateway Mall in Lincoln, Neb. The business was featured in the *Midlands Business Journal* in March.

Diane (Williamson '76) Luxford was an integral part of the 2008 Omaha Designer Showhouse. The 2008 Designer Showhouse was a collaboration between *metroMAGAZINE* and the Nebraska/Iowa chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers. It supported three local charities: Omaha Performing Arts: The Presenters, Camp Fire USA and Junior League of Omaha.

Stan Lassegard '74 is one of three Dana-connected cast members in the production of "South Pacific" at the Omaha Community Playhouse. Stan is Captain Brackett. Angela Jenson-Frey, who has the female lead, Nellie Forbush, is the daughter of Betty Joe (Worthan '68) and Frank '68 Jenson. Also in the cast is Carrie Beth Stickrod, daughter of Dave Stickrod '75.

Jane (Mumm '74) Petersen received the West "O" Crystal Apple Award recognizing commitment to educating the next generation of Omaha-area leaders. Jane works as an information specialist at Rohwer Elementary School in Omaha.

John Mark Nielsen '73 was the keynote American speaker at the oldest official Fourth of July celebration on foreign soil this year near Rebild, Denmark. He spoke on migration, emigration and immigration. His selection as the American speaker recognizes the 25th anniversary of the founding of the Danish Immigrant Museum in Elk Horn, Iowa, where Nielsen is the executive director.

Barb (Wolf '73) Triplett retired from teaching at Fort Calhoun (Neb.) Schools after 35 years. A full week of special activities and events for Barb included a "Dana Day" in recognition of her undergraduate days at Dana College.

Ralph Mayer '72 retired after 35 years as athletic director and football coach at Vermilion (Ohio) High School. Mayer was a 1967 graduate of Vermilion.

The following "Kathy loves to 'sign'" was included in the May 21, 2008, issue of the "Nebraska Synod Enews."

Kathryn (Hulsebus '71) Ahrendt began her sign language career as a martial arts instructor.

JOHN CHRISTENSEN '71

John Christensen '71, chancellor of the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) received the Citation for Alumnus Achievement from the UNO Alumni Association on May 9.



Christensen was named UNO's 14th chancellor on May 8, 2007, becoming the first UNO graduate and first Omaha native to lead the institution. He had been serving as interim chancellor since September 2006.

The Citation, inaugurated in 1949, is presented at each UNO commencement. The association's highest honor, it encompasses career achievement, community service, involvement in business and professional associations, and fidelity to UNO.

As chancellor Christensen oversees eight colleges, 3,000 faculty and staff, 15,000 students and an annual budget of \$172 million.

"I was teaching martial arts and some deaf people showed up and wanted to learn self defense. I knew I couldn't teach them until I could talk to them, so I started taking sign language classes at night school. Learning sign seemed so easy for me while everyone around me struggled with it. I knew then this had to be a gift straight from God, and that there was a very particular reason He wanted me to learn it."

When her classes were through, Kathy decided to retire from martial arts and become a sign language interpreter. "Since this ability was God's gift to me, I decided my gift back to God was to use these skills for His glory."

In April of 1992 she joined the staff at Sheridan Lutheran Church in Lincoln as the Director of Deaf Ministries/Interpreter. Kathy worked in that capacity until January of 2007 when she retired due to health issues. She still interprets, now volunteering her time at church services, meetings and other events there, at other churches and for other "religious" events.

Dennis Schmidt '71 has recorded the complete organ works of Johann Sebastian Bach. They are available as a free iPod download at www.bach-fest.org/podcast.aspx and supported by the Bach Festival of Philadelphia (www.bach-fest.org) and the Global Bach Community (www.bach-net.org). These recordings were made at St. John's Cathedral in Albuquerque, N.M. for Bach's tricentennial celebration in 1985. Dennis is currently minister of music at Grace Lutheran Church in Wyndmoor, Pa.

Rev. Gary Panko '70 was installed as pastor of Immanuel-Adullam Lutheran Parish of Bertrand, Neb. in March.

John '68 and Nancy (Osborn '66) Orwig live in Buffalo, Wyo., where John is pastor at St. Luke's Lutheran Church and Nancy has retired from nursing. They are a presenting clergy couple for Lutheran Marriage Encounter and active in Habitat for Humanity. They have three children and five grandsons.



Holger '65 and Cheryl (Donahoo '65) Schultz and **Erling '55 and Dorothy (Willmert '58) Schultz** took a cruise in February 2008 which included the Antarctic peninsula and ports in Chile and Argentina. All

four are retired educators. Holger and Cheryl reside in Albuquerque, N.M., and Erling and Dorothy live full time in a motor home with a Texas mailing address.

Donna (Byriel '60) Rector was given the Edward R. Vrzal Award for Community Service by the City of Norfolk (Neb.) in April. A retired teacher with 32 years experience in the public schools of Norfolk and Elkhorn Valley High School of Tilden and Meadow Grove, as well as Dana College, she has been involved in recycling, TeamMates mentoring, supervising foreign exchange students, Norfolk Area Habitat for Humanity and church work during her teaching years and since retirement. Donna lives in Norfolk and serves on the Dana College Board of Regents.



Jon Petersen '56, Dorothy (Kloth '56) Petersen, Lois (Girtz '51) Halley, Dorothy (Hansen '54) Anderson and **Ken Anderson '53** gathered May 19, 2008, in Tacoma, Wash. The Petersens live in Puyallup, Wash. Lois is now in Tacoma, Wash., and the Andersens are in Palm Desert, Calif. Jon, Lois and Dorothy Andersen are first cousins.



Bob Coffey '53, Margaret (Christiansen '53) Madsen, Ken Fehl '56, David Bidstrup '58, Joan (Nelson '54) Coffey, Nancy (Ohlsson '54) Gumm, Mary Ann (Andersen '58) Fehl and **Betty (Christensen '59) Bidstrup** met at the home of Dave and Betty Bidstrup in Racine, Wis., in April to celebrate birthdays with an aebleskiver brunch.

Deaths

Karen (Jensen '87) Nelson of Oakland, Iowa, died June 22, 2008, at the age of 43. She taught in Bennington, Neb., Carnation, Wash., Monmouth, Ore., Oakland, Iowa, Council Bluffs, Iowa, and most recently at Riverside (Iowa) High School. Survivors include her husband, Roger '87, a daughter, a step-son, a brother and two sisters, including Jennifer J. Jensen '82, Wayne L. Jensen, and Karla R. '88 and Rev. Mark '85 Jensen.

Evelyn Mussack '74 of Decatur, Neb., died May 29, 2008, at the age of 85. She taught at a variety of one-room schools in Burt and Thurston counties in the early 1940s. Later she taught at Decatur Public School until retiring in 1985. Survivors include a daughter and two sons.

Ruth Kraft '73 of Council Bluffs, Iowa, died June 26, 2008, at the age of 73. She worked as a registered nurse for over 40 years at Jennie Edmundson and Methodist Hospitals, and also taught at Methodist. Survivors include a daughter and a son.

Lela Risor '73 of O'Neill, Neb., died Mar. 6, 2008, at the age of 88. She was an elementary school teacher, teaching in area country schools. Survivors include a son and two daughters.

Donald Nelson '66 of Blair died May 13, 2008, at the age of 65. He worked for Mutual of Omaha, Western Homes, Farm Bureau Insurance and retired as a pipe fitter from Waldinger Corporation in 1999. Survivors include his wife, Margaret '91, and two sons.

Paul Thomsen '65 of Blair died Feb. 16, 2008, at the age of 64. He worked in retail sales and management for Gillette, American Cyanamid Corporations and other major companies and later became a real estate broker. Survivors include his wife, Virginia, two daughters and a brother, John Thomsen '68.

William Thompson '64 of King City, Ore., died June 28, 2008, at the age of 66. He was a practicing research biochemist for most of his career, retiring from the scientific staff of Oregon Health and Science University at Portland, Ore., in 2007. In 1995, he donated equipment from his laboratory to the Dana College biology department. The donation included electrophoresis equipment, pH meters, electronic balances, centrifuges, freezers, a refrigerator and assorted chemicals and glassware. Survivors include his mother and a son.

Sally (Lewis '63) Frank of Easton, Pa., died Apr. 17, 2008, at the age of 67. She was a homemaker and mother as well as a volunteer. Survivors include her husband, Tom '63, a son, a daughter and five grandchildren.

Nona (Nielsen '61) Kay of Arlington, Neb., died Feb. 20, 2008, at the age of 67. She was active in her church and in 4-H. Survivors include her husband, Gene, two daughters and a son.

Jack Davies '59 of Concord, Calif., died June 25, 2008, at the age of 75. The retired pastor served parishes in Wichita, Kan., Kansas City, Mo., Concord, Calif., Orinda, Calif., and two staff positions with the national church. Survivors include his wife, Lynne, two sons and a daughter.

Doris (Bartl) Jensen '53 of Lake Oswego, Ore., died Apr. 14, 2008, at the age of 78. She taught composition and literature at Portland State University. Survivors include her husband, Bruce '52, and two daughters.

Elsie (Jensen '50) Everson of Santa Fe Springs, Calif., died Apr. 27, 2008, at the age of 79. She was a retired elementary teacher from Monte Vista School.

Rev. Alvin Rueter '42 of Blair died Mar. 21, 2008, at the age of 86. He served congregations in Monterey Park and Inglewood, Calif.; Tulsa, Okla.; Lincoln, Neb.; and St. Paul, Minn. While in Tulsa during 1955, he began broadcasting a radio program which eventually was called, "Sing for Joy." In 1970, the weekly program became nationally syndicated. He produced "Sing for Joy" until 2002, when he became senior advisor to the program. In 1979 he began conducting preaching workshops at Dana College and other locations. In addition to his work as a broadcaster, he was also the author of four books. Survivors include children and their spouses, Judy (Rueter '67) and Charlie '67 Brehm, John and Pam Rueter, Chris (Rueter '71) Gilmore and Gene Rosenbaum and Ted Rueter.

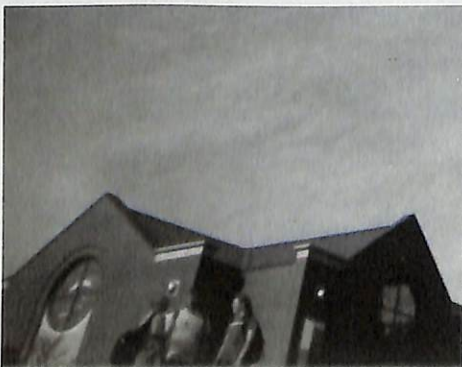
Friends

Engineer and philanthropist **Charles W. Durham** of Omaha died Apr. 5, 2008, at the age of 90. He built Omaha-based HDR Inc. into one of the nation's largest engineering and architectural companies. He received an honorary doctor of business degree from Dana College in 2004. He and his late wife, Margre, helped the college construct the Margre Henningson Durham Center after Dana's main classroom building, Old Main, burned in the late 1980s. He was also a major donor to the University of Nebraska Medical Center, the University of Nebraska-Omaha, Iowa State University, the Henry Doorly Zoo and the Durham Museum. Survivors include a son and three daughters.



2007-2008 Honor Roll of Donors

In the following pages you will find our 2007-2008 Honor Roll of Donors. We extend a special thank you to the many dedicated alumni, parents, friends, congregations, foundations, corporations and organizations whose support helps us to continue to carry out the mission of Dana College. Every gift truly does make a difference in the life of the College.



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Every year alumni, parents, and friends of Dana demonstrate their commitment to the college by making unrestricted gifts to the Dana College Annual Fund. Collectively, this generosity creates an immediate and profound impact, enriching the lives of every student and faculty member, every day, in all corners of the college.

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- ◆ It provides student scholarship and program support
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The Dana College Annual Fund recognize outright gifts received by Dana College during our fiscal year June 1st-May 31st
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Just as the early presidents of Trinity Seminary and Dana College provided the foundation of the Dana College we value today, our President's Circle donors enable Dana College to continue to provide a top quality faith-based education. Members of this elite circle are not only tied to past presidents of Dana, but also the current and future leaders of Dana through personal interactions and on-campus events with the President.

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Dana College recognizes dedicated supporters who give at the \$1,000 or more annually by naming them members of the President's Circle honorary giving society. Members are named during the fiscal year in which their gift is received and are invited to the annual President's Circle Weekend held on campus each April.

Andersen Society

A.M. Andersen was the founding president of Trinity Seminary, later to become Dana College. Just as Rev. Andersen was pivotal in Dana College history, so today Andersen Society members make an indelible mark on Dana College with yearly gifts of \$25,000 or more.

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G.B. Christiansen, the second president of Trinity Seminary, was fondly referred to as the "promoter" for his boundless enthusiasm for Trinity. Members of the Christiansen Society continue to "promote" today's Dana College through their gifts of \$10,000 or more annually.

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Vig Society

P.S. Vig, the third president of Trinity Seminary, was known for his drive and tenacity leaving a lasting impression in the lives of those he taught. Members of the Vig Society leave a lasting impression on Dana through their annual gifts of \$5,000 or more.

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Kristian Anker was the first president of the combined Trinity Seminary and Dana College. He saw the importance of Trinity Seminary offering educational paths outside of the ministry, to provide students with a faith-based education in other career paths. Just as Rev. Anker worked hard to lead the newly combined institutions down a path of success, members of the Anker Society continue to pave that path with yearly gifts of \$2,500 or more.

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Schultz
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Jensen Society

J.P. Jensen, the second president of the combined Trinity Seminary and Dana College, worked tirelessly for the institutions without secretarial assistance. Today members of the Jensen Society carry on that same work ethic to provide Dana with gifts of \$1884 or more on an annual basis to mark the founding year of the institution.

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Hansen Society

C.X. Hansen, affectionately referred to as "Mr. Dana College," was the sixth president of Dana College. He was once described as "a warm-hearted, caring, and unpretentious individual, who gave his entire life to the school." Members of the Hansen Society sustain the spirit of "Mr. Dana College" with their gifts of \$1,000 or more annually.

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Proud of Dana's ability to provide a quality and faith-based education for well over a century, members of the Anniversary Club show their support for Dana with an annual gift of \$1 for every year of Dana College/Trinity Seminary's existence. Dana was founded in 1884.

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 Lydia Young*
 Fritz and Janice Youra
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Estates Received

Estate of Tyler B. Gaines
 Estate of Alton Neve
 Estate of Gladys Norgard

Estate of Karnie Sundell
 Estate of Sylvia Thompson
 Estate of Lydia Young

We make every effort to be accurate in this report, but if we have made an error, please accept our apology and let us know how we can correct our records. You can reach us at 1-800-444-DANA option 4 or advancement@dana.edu

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Upcoming Events

ALUMNI EVENTS:

September 11, 2008: Dana After Hours, Fox and Hound, 120th & Dodge, Omaha
For more information, visit www.dana.edu/alumni/afterhours

October 3-5, 2008: Homecoming
For more information, contact Carrie Reed, 402-426-7385.

February 21, 2009: Annual Arizona Luncheon
For more information, contact Chrystal LeGrand, 402-426-7208.

CAMPUS EVENTS:

October 5, 2008: Dana College Chorale Homecoming Concert, 1:30 p.m.

October 2-5 & October 10-12, 2008: Dana College Theater - "Six Women with Brain Death"

November 21-23, 2008: One-Man Show by Senior Thomas Gjere - "It Is No Desert"

December 7, 2008: Sights and Sounds of Christmas
For more information, contact Carrie Reed, 402-426-7385

125 GREATEST ALUMNI IN DANA'S 125 YEARS:

Dana College will celebrate its 125th anniversary in 2009-2010. As part of our celebration, we are looking to select the 125 greatest alumni in the history of Dana College and Trinity Seminary. Selections do not have to be graduates of the college, only attended two or more years. We welcome your nominations for this honor! Please send a short paragraph, including the accomplishments of your favorite alumni, to Carrie Reed, Director of Alumni Affairs and Special Events, Dana College, 2848 College Drive, Blair, NE 68008, or creed@dana.edu. The 125 selected will be featured on the Dana College web site and in the *Dana Review* during the anniversary year.



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C.X. Hansen Society \$1,000 to \$1,883

OTHER GIVING LEVELS

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