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Dana Welcomes New Dean

By Michelle Krenke

The search process that took place for a new Dean of Academic Affairs on Dana campus last spring led to the appointment of Dr. Kathleen O'Connor to such position. Dr. O'Connor arrived at Dana, this summer, on July 1 to start her position here as Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean.

Dr. O'Connor comes to Dana from Pacific Lutheran University, Tacoma, Washington, where she was a chairperson of the sociology department. Departing from her chair, she took leave from that position to assume the additional responsibilities of administrative intern to the Vice President of Academic Affairs at California Lutheran College in Thousand Oaks, California.

Dr. O'Connor received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from Stanford University in 1968 and her M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Washington University in 1971 and 1974 respectively. She was a participant in a theological development program at LutherNorthwestern

Seminary, the Women in Higher Education Administration Institute at Bryn Mawr College, and has earned certification from the U.S. Department of Labor Certificates of Training in Grantmanship and Proposal Writing.

Some areas which Dr. O'Connor would like to see growth in are increased resources for faculty, the fulfillment of doctorates for those faculty who have not yet received their Ph.D.s, and expanded opportunities for faculty to attend national meetings in their discipline groups.

Areas of growth as far as students go include an expanded level of student internships in the Blair area.

Topping curriculum plans is the completion of the accreditation process for the social work program.

Dr. O'Connor has been well-accepted by both faculty and staff as well as the students. She has been busy meeting with committees and focusing on needs of the entire Dana Community.



NOW YOU CAN MEET HER FACE TO FACE!

Introducing Dana's friendly new Vice-President of Academic Affairs and Academic Dean Kathleen O'Conner.

Namibian Students Attend Lutheran Schools

From The News of The American Lutheran Church

Twenty young people from Namibia arrived in Washington, D.C. on Aug. 14 to begin studies at various Lutheran colleges across the country.

They join 10 other Namibian students who came last year to study at U.S. Lutheran Colleges. All 30 students spent two weeks in orientation at Chevy Chase, Md. becoming acquainted with each other; their sponsorship program; U.S. college courses, catalogs, and terminology; and with an American city and its political process.

Namibia has no colleges or universities. To help meet the desperate need for education in Namibia, the American Lutheran Church and the Lutheran Church in America developed the Higher Education and Namibia project.

The project's goal is to bring up to 100 Namibian students to the United States during the next three years.

More than half of Namibia's 1.1 million people are Lutheran. Although the United Nations has declared it independent, Namibia is illegally occupied by South African forces and is fighting for its independence.

Because it has no colleges

and universities, Namibia is lacking educated leaders. The hope is that this project can educate leaders for the church and Namibia. All 30 students plan to return to their country and serve the church.

"These students all come in-

tending to do their best," said Naomi Linnell, assistant director of the ALC's Division for College and University Services. "This is for them an opportunity that has been denied them prior to this. We look forward to their becoming leaders in their home coun-

try."

Attending Dana this year are Klemens Songora Namwira and Helen Gretchen Ochs. Enrolling here last year and again this year is Maria Amakali.

Dana: Home to Danish Legacy

By Jennifer Parks

Not everyone at Dana knows it, but Dana is home to one of the largest collections of Danish Immigrant literature and artifacts in the world. Now with the contribution of an amazingly large number of books and letters from the Mengers family, Dana has not only added to its wealth of information but has also been reaf-

firmed as a scholarly institution which is recognized world round as a significant repository for such materials.

The collection of old and new books, magazines, and letters comes to Dana from Ms. Sarah Hansen, the daughter of Mrs. L. C. Hansen, the compiler of the rich collection. Mrs. Hansen was a member of the Mengers family, whose members include some

of the first prominent Danish immigrants in the Nebraska-Iowa area and some of the earliest faculty members of Trinity Seminary (now known as Dana College). Mrs. Hansen compiled pieces dating back to the 1880s, a time when many Danes were bringing a new culture and outlook to this part of the country. Wedding invitations, sermons, songbooks, etc. are all included in

the collection which adds yet another dimension to the view we have of what life was like for people, especially Danish people, settling "out west".

The receipt of this gift is truly a boon to Dana College and will increase its already impressive image as a center for Danish-American Immigration studies.

DANAdvice Makes Debut

Dear Danadvice,

What is Danadvice?

—Someone who doesn't know.

Dear Someone,

Danadvice is like several other advice columns you've read in the past, with a couple of exceptions. First, Danadvice is limited to Dana students, which means you have a good chance of being published. Secondly, some advice columns deal with only serious questions. Not Danadvice. We will accept and do welcome serious questions. Since no one on our staff is qualified in counselling, we will seek responses to your question from the counselling staff while you remain perfectly anonymous. But we also accept (and look forward to) humorous questions about the various little pitfalls or troubles you may run into around campus. So sharpen up your wit, dust off your sarcasm, and commit your troubles to paper. And be sure to think of a creative anonymous name. (Rumor in the Bifrost office has it that we will award a prize at the end of the year to the best anon-o-name, but this can't be confirmed.)

Dear Danadvice,

Boy do I have a HUM-dinger

of a problem. I'm in HUM 205, and about once every three or four lectures, I can't concentrate at all on what the professor says. You see, this only happens when Dr. Jorgensen is speaking. He just gets so excited about the subject that it distracts me. I start off listening to a lecture on the Renaissance and end up leaning on my hands and wondering how he could be so blissfully happy about the sixteenth century. What can I do? My grades may suffer.

—signed,
Jorg-on-the-brain

Dear Jorg,

It is obvious that this is your first experience with the Happy Historian. Prof. Jorgensen has two great loves, teaching history thoroughly and correcting grammar thoroughly, both of which take some getting used. But that's O.K., because you'll have plenty of time to adjust. Just ask the students who finished Dana three years ago and are still waiting on their diploma because Dr. J is "almost done rechecking their first quizzes" from a class they took in their freshman year. Their grades are still being held. About your current problem, I can only offer you the reassurance that you are neither the first nor the last to fret from such troubles. GOOD LUCK!.



Tower of the Four Winds

Comemorative Wall Hanging on display in Parnasus. September Completed the Black Elk-Neihardt Art display. For More, See Arts and Entertainment-page 6.

Pastor Linda Promotes Change

By Pastor Linda

I had an interesting experience this morning. I left my office for about an hour and a half, and when I returned, everything--and I do mean EVERYTHING!!!--had been moved out of it. I knew that it was supposed to happen, but it still caught me off guard.

New carpet...a new coat of paint...all are "little signs", it seems, of transformation and change. I realize that, as the new

campus pastor, I, too, am a "little sign" of the larger changes that seem to be happening at Dana. There is a wonderful spirit of all of that! But, I also recognize the fact that sometimes change, as much as it is anticipated, can still catch a person "off guard".

I invite you to be participants in these changes. As far as campus ministry goes, I welcome your input and look forward to our conversations together. Drop by my office in the campus center. Take a look at the new

carpet and the paint job. (I only ask that you not look too closely at the paint job!) Perhaps in the process, we will start to get to know one another. I'd like to hear your stories, and I'd like to share mine with you.

We may just decide, in the process, that the changes are positive and that the new carpet and paint will fit us well!!

Peace, my new friends.
Pastor Linda

Soon to Be Educators Must Take Skills Test

By Dr. Bernard Mathies

Again this year we need to make students aware that they must take the Pre-Professional Skills Tests if they plan to enter the program of teacher education. We have posted signs to that effect and have contacted many students directly, but I thought perhaps an article in the BiFrost might also be helpful.

There are three separate tests designed to measure basic proficiency in the areas of Reading, Mathematics, and Writing. Students must take the tests and achieve scores of 170, 171, and 172 respectively, before they can be admitted to a program of teacher education in Nebraska.

The tests are administered at most Nebraska colleges at

various times throughout the year. The tests will be administered at Dana on November 21, 1987. Students wishing to take the tests at that time must register with the education department no later than October 15, 1987. The cost to the student is \$30 for all three tests, or slightly less if only one or two of the tests need to be taken.

by Jeanette Landsvig

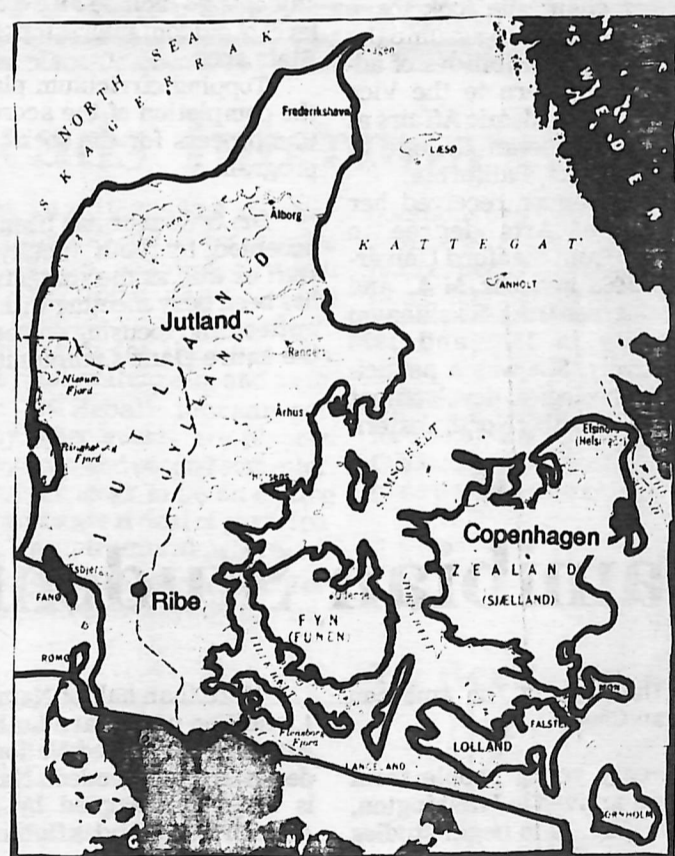
(Editor's note: Jeanette is the new Danish teacher here at Dana this year. I asked her to write a short article to tell Dana about herself.)

Well, my name is Jeanette Landsvig—I'm a dane, that should tell you everything you need to know. But anyway, I was raised in Copenhagen and graduated there from Sankt Annae Gymnasium (high school) in 1983 with my main subjects of study being Music and language.

I then moved to Jutland and

attended the teaching college in Ribe, where my major subjects were Danish and Music. During that four years of study, I also taught children to play various musical instruments. I graduated in June of 1987. My main reason for seeking the job here at Dana was to open my horizons, so to speak, see a little of the world, and at the same time use and improve my teaching abilities.

Durng this school year, I am hoping to give you a picture of Denmark as it is in 1987, share some ideas with you, and leave you with a different viewpoint on life.





HALL DIRECTOR GETS WHAT SHE DESERVES.

Sue Schaeffer takes the plunge in the closing moments of Dana's annual canoe races.

Counselling Staff Opens Center

by Sue Schaeffer

In the ever growing and changing Dana community a new opportunity has opened up in the lobby of Mickelsen Hall. It is the Counselling and Student Development Center. This new office offers a place for the Dana community to discuss anything from personal situations to decisions on what majors or career choices are available either on a drop in basis or set appointment. The Center is also a resource if one needs to be referred to other sources of help.

At this time the staff consists of Wendy Nilson and Susan Schaeffer with Eric Holey as Coordinator of Counselling Services. Wendy and Susan will staff the center Monday through Friday approximately twenty hours a week each. The Hours of the

Center are 8:30 AM to 12 PM and 1:00 PM to 4:30 except on Tuesdays when it will close at 3 PM. Evening hours will be maintained on Monday and Wednesday from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Throughout the year, the Counselling and Student Development Center will be presenting programs that interest and might help the students cope with various aspects of living. In an effort to identify the needs and desires of the students, a survey was taken on Wednesday, Sept. 16. The sample came from approximately 130 students who were in the Campus Center at noon time.

The Counselling Staff was trying to determine what topics interested students and if the students were aware of the existence of the Counselling Center.

Unfortunately, 54 percent of those

surveyed were not aware the Center was in operation. The top five topics were, 1) How to improve your self esteem, 2) Time management, 3) Healthy Male and Female relationships, 4) How to handle burnout and 5) How to relax.

After reviewing the results, the Counselling staff is planning on presenting the following programs in October: "Career Exploration" and "Time Management".

Confidentiality is an important aspect of the Counselling Center. Students should know that NO information will be given out without specific permission of the student. Staff members are committed to this, personally and professionally.

Stop in and see us if only to say "Hi". We'll be glad to see you.

News Briefs

Literacy Corps Proposed

A recent study complained that America has slipped behind Japan in the quality of education, as well as 47 other countries. America ranks 49th in literacy among the 159 nations of the world. In response, Judge Warren Burger and Sen. Edward Kennedy have proposed a "Literary Corps" to Congress. It will enable college students to volunteer for a few hours a week as assistant teachers for students in nearby public schools for college credit. Anyone interested in more details should contact BiFrost, Box 628.

Dana to Hold Engaged Encounter

Tonight through Sunday evening, Dana will be hosting the Nebraska Lutheran Engaged Encounter. The two and a day retreat is open to couples of all faiths and is designed as a time for discussion and reflection on a future life together.

Cornhusker Football on ETV

The Cornhusker Football series, now in its 33rd season of broadcasting coverage of the Husker football clashes has returned to ETV for another season. The program is hosted by sportscaster Don Gill. Each hour long episode will feature action from the previous Saturday's game and follow the team's progress in the ratings. Check your local listings for time and station.

Dana Art Students Form Guild

Napawan Harold and Nathan Kramer have founded the Dana Student Art Guild. As an organization, the group has many objectives and goals for the coming year, including the organization of art excursions, implementing on-campus professional workshops, and sponsoring special art exhibits on campus.

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Editorials

AFM Fails to Live Up to Expectations

Dear Editors,

Even my least perceptive taste buds are exceptionally aware of the fact that the food in the cafeteria, from the beginning of the year, has steadily gotten worse. Those I have talked with who eat regularly at AFM agree, this year the food isn't so great—it's not even okay.

Last year I can assure you the students appreciated SAGA Don's pudding bars, cookie bars, cupcake bars, special homemade breads, freshly tossed salads, Sundae night and other goodies.

Yes perhaps aesthetically the cafeteria has improved. The imitation leather (a.k.a. plastic) table cloths are a dandy addition along with the evercharming signs. The food, however is another issue. The food found on "The Main Event" line has a half-life longer than that of most radioactive elements. I find myself gravitating to "The Speed Line" at most meals as it appears to be the lesser of two evils. (But men and women cannot live by sandwiches and cheese curls alone) Please don't tell me I am 'just a picky eater!' I do have certain foods I will not eat and other than these (tomatoes, dry or refried beans and liver), I am fine.

It seems, by observing that breakfast isn't outstanding either. The other day at lunch I found a completely solidified fried egg from breakfast still

Bifrost welcomes letters to the editor from all interested parties. The editors retain the right to edit all submissions. Material should be sent to Dana Box 505.

The Opinions put forward in these pages do not necessarily reflect those of Bifrost or its Editors.

hanging, pinned to the bulletin board Komment Korner. It showed no sign of falling. Doesn't that just make you want to run up to AFM and grab a bite to eat?

Soon under "The Grain Exchange" we will be able to put up a sign saying 'Over 50,000 served so far!' Alas, better some cereal (which is hard to screw up) than nothing.

I will mention in the interest of fairness that the whole fruit and soft cookies are nice. And, for that matter, the Steak and Shrimp night was also quite pleasant. Why then must the regular day to day meals be so lousy?

Aside from the poor quality of the food, the service at AFM is atrocious. They are constantly out of milk. The ice cream sits for days-uneaten and unchanged in solitary confinement. (It is much harder to get the ice cream out of the carton when there is NO ice cream dipper.) At "Greens n' Things" (Note an emphasis on 'Things'-indefinite pronoun) the salads haven't varied from day one, with the exception of the change from cherry to blueberry yogurt. And, the height of arrogance, if you leave a comment of some sort, they don't answer it. It's not that difficult; SAGA Don managed and there was only one of him. I will give AFM credit for the fact they eventually removed the fried egg adhered to the board.

Now, please control your excitement, they want to give us a dandy four digit number to computerize our ID cards. Oh the joys of attending a small, private liberal arts college, at Dana you now have the privilege of being a number not a name!

I would like to express my disappointment in the Dragon's Head menu, which as shrunk in size visibly from last year. And, call me spoiled, but it grates on my very soul that coffee refills now cost 5 cents. That's why I drink water.

Lastly I am concerned at the number/money juggling that is necessary to make heads or tails of the meal plan fees at AFM. I'm not a mathematician, but the note sent out through campus mail leaves more than myself wondering why there is a mere \$70.00 difference, over the course of a semester between the 19 and 10 meal plans.

Where are all these strange and wonderful improvements in the food service promised us over the summer? For me it all comes down to the fact that the food was better last year. SAGA Don, I say a prayer in your memory. Don't let it be forgot, that once there was a spot, for one brief shining moment, known as SAGALot.

Sincerely,
G. Linsenhardt
No. 5761

Over the Edge: Take 3



The Bridge of Life

by Richie*

When BiFrost was born in January, those involved looked upon it as an experiment, and that's what it was; a one shot issue with hopes of becoming something more.

Adopted by the campus in February, it began to perform those tasks for which it was genetically engineered. Granted, we had wobbly knees at times, but essentially our primary goals were realized.

BiFrost as its name may suggest, (consult Scandanavian Mythology) was to serve as a bridge between the students and the faculty, between the students

and the administration, between Dana College and the community of Blair, and most importantly, between all of us as a student body.

We're entering adolescence now as a new school year heads toward mid-morning. Added faculty support confronts us, as do a thousand new ideas. You know, it really is a lot like life. You begin to feel comfortable and suddenly you're faced with uncountable numbers of new circumstances and situations. Organization of course has hit the highway for Tahiti. One is tempted to backslide. Give up, find the driving force and original com-

mittment in a bottle of booze or a joint, and let the world roll on around you.

Somebody once said to me regarding the paper, "A BiFrost can become a weak Hermes very quickly."

Profound words to be heeded. The essential goals are just as important today as they were yesterday. In many ways, the life of this paper reflects your own health as a student body and as a college. Don't give up. Join us in keeping the bridge open.

The journey to Asgard begins with one step...

Writer Unhappy with Recognition Dinner

Dear Editor,

After attending the Honors Banquet Tuesday evening, I felt as though I was not honored for my individual achievements. In my mind, the purpose of not honoring the students at Convocation was to individualize those honors which they had received. I do not feel this accomplished at the Honors Banquet.

Even though it involves more time to explain each category or scholarship, I feel it is important so that others can fully understand why a certain individual received a particular scholar-

ship: after all, how much time was involved in achieving these honors by students? By doing this, and also by having each person stand up by themself, I feel the honor gained would become that much more special. In the area of sports, though, I feel the athletes should continue to stand as a team to enhance their team unity.

I did feel the attire, the meal, and the entertainment were appropriate for the occasion. The atmosphere of the banquet was casual, whereas an Honors Banquet should be treated as an event, not only in wardrobe, but also in manner.

Another problem I became aware of was the fact that several of the students were not aware that they were to be honored for their achievements, and thus did not attend the banquet. Also, pronunciation of the students' names should be corrected before the ceremony, as one might feel he or she has been treated with a lack of respect.

One realizes that a new idea may need adjustment. One hopes that the formerly mentioned be considered helpful observations, rather than complaints.

-A Concerned Student

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The Journey to Asgard Starts with One Step...

It's Not From the Dept. of Redundancy Dept.!

By Jennifer Parks

This may seem a bit absurd, but, yes, I am writing an editorial about why people at Dana don't write more editorials. Granted, we have a good number of them in this edition, but as the year wears on it will, in all probability, be like other years - little or no editorials!!!

We in this country have a great gift given to us by our founding fathers in the form of our first amendment. By this I mean Freedom of the Press. The Press is our friend if we use it the right way. If we read it, we get valuable information from it; if we write it, others will hear what we think and maybe do something about it instead of having us all sitting around grumbling to ourselves.

This is where the editorial page come into effect. You don't have to be a journalist (God knows I'm not!). You don't have to be good in grammar or typing skills. All you need is an idea or sentiment to express and something upon which to write it. So what's the problem?

Our lack of editorial input is alarming for a number of reasons; first, it makes it extremely difficult to fill up the *BiFrost*: second, it doesn't utilize a medium of communication that could greatly enhance the quality of life at Dana with relatively little effort; and lastly, it brings us to the question "Why don't the students write more editorials?"

This is where it really gets scary! As I can see it, there are really only three conceivable reasons for this state of affairs to

occur. First of all, perhaps Dana students really don't have anything to complain about (though editorials can be equally as positive as negative). Correct me if I am wrong, but the the previous statement will never be true while we're all still eating in the cafeteria. Scratch idea number 1. Secondly, perhaps Dana students don't have any writing utensils or paper with which to compose an editorial. This one falls through too, because even if we didn't have

wordprocessors at our disposal, one could still play the writer with an eyebrow pencil and compose on toilet paper during one's daily sojourns to the lavatory. This leaves me with the most alarming possibility - perhaps Dana students don't have any ideas about what to write!! What a horrible thought, but it is what is conveyed by an empty editorial page. Now in all honesty I do not believe this to be the case, but at the present I can not prove it

otherwise as I can with my other presuppositions.

Therefore, I am issuing a challenge for anyone who feels, thinks, or just occasionally toys with thinking to write, praise, criticize (within the bounds of decency), or quietly comment upon anything. In the long run we all stand to benefit from it. Please submit any proposals or pieces by campus mail to Jennifer Parks, and remember - keep writing!

Extras And Announcements

Is Spuds Dead? The question has been posed. The rumours run rampant. Some say he is, some say he isn't. Some have gone so far as to say that SHE isn't dead, but is just off having puppies somewhere!!

So what's all this boil down too? Only The Spuds Report

Contest!!

Send us your best guess as to how Spuds met his maker, or if he didn't, where he is, and we'll judge 'em! The most creative guesser wins themselves a large soda in the Dragon's Head-Free!

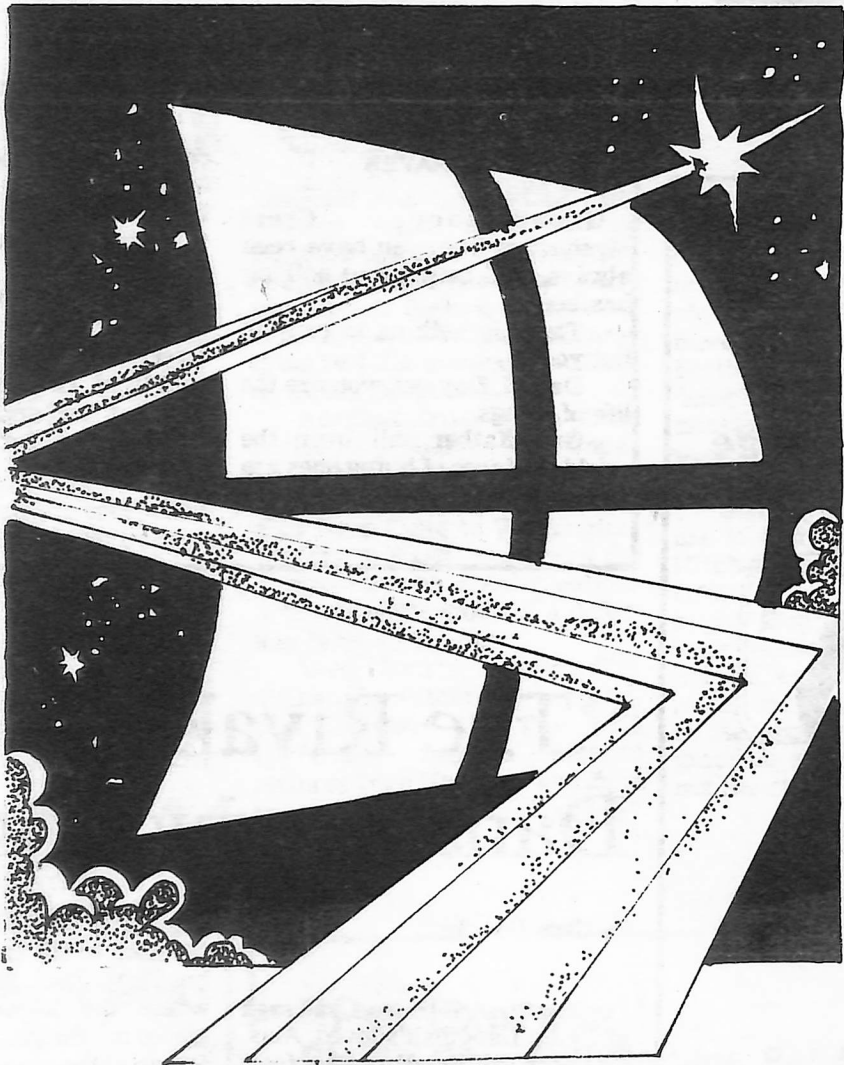
So what are you waiting for?

ATTENTION FACULTY AND STAFF:

You could very easily be of tremendous help to us here at the *BiFrost*. Whenever something occurs in your department that you think is newsworthy, jot out a memo about it, and send it

through campus mail to us. It is our desire to recognize faculty, staff, and especially students that excell. More often than not, however, we simply don't know what has happened. Please help us. **YOU ARE OUR ONLY SOURCE!!**

The Journey to Asgard Starts with One Step.
Be a Part of It.



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Covering all of Midgard with a Rainbow of
News, Features, and Photos.

CIRCLE Puts Forth Proposition

By Ken Ehline

We begin this new school year with some positive and progressive changes. Partially as a result of the efforts of CIRCLE, the committee for Intercultural Relations in the Campus Life Experience, we have now an established Affirmative Action Committee, an administration and faculty knowledgeable of and dedicated to the principals of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity, and also a viable and workable Affirmative Action Policy. These indeed are welcome changes. On behalf of CIRCLE I would like to say "Thank-you" to those of you - students, faculty and administrators who were supportive of our efforts last year. Dana College; welcome to the 1980's!

Now, in the spirit of constructive change that was established last year, CIRCLE would like to put before the Dana Campus a proposition. We propose that the faculty include a Cultural Diversity or a Cultural Anthropology class as a general education requirement for graduation.

Before anyone gets too hot under the collar, let me elaborate. This is not something unique among liberal arts colleges. It is, in fact, common. Also, as stated in the Dana Catalog, The General Education Program "seeks to provide courses that will result in a broad cultural foundation." We feel that

"broad" is easily translated to "diverse" or "different" and, therefore, a course that is not solely "western" is desirable to achieve these goals. Furthermore, such a class would enhance the "quality" of education which Dana desires.

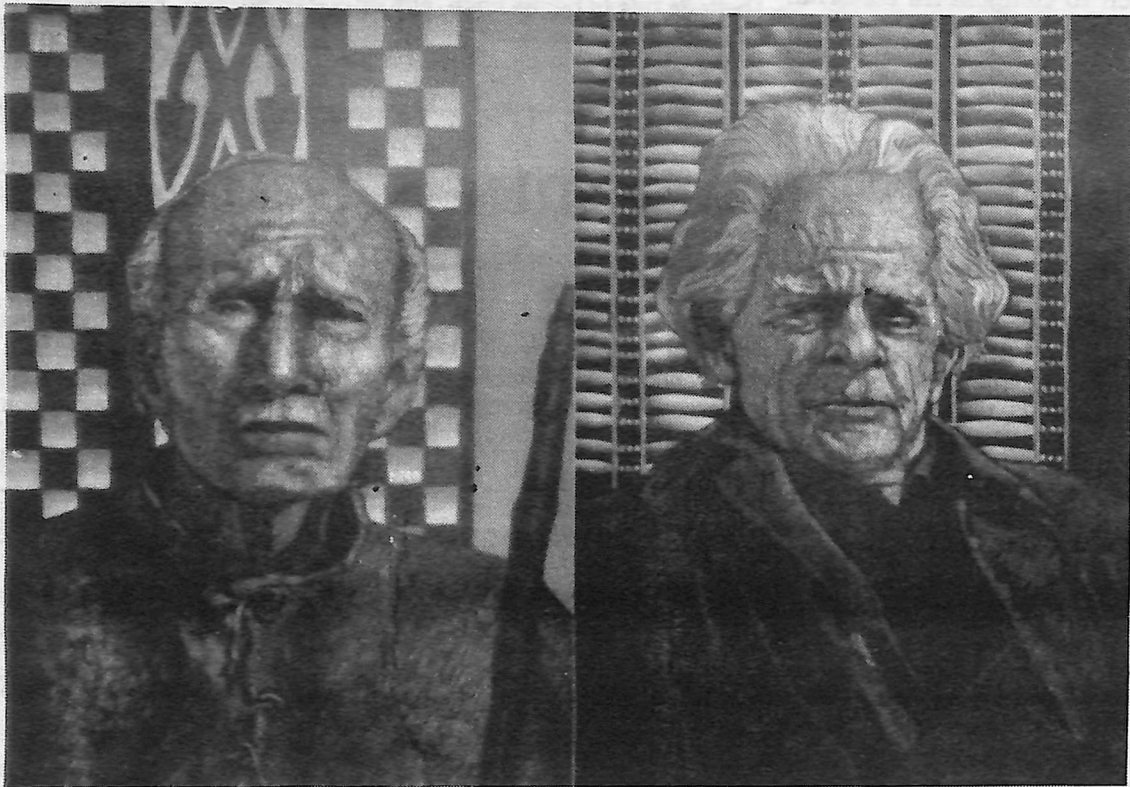
The problem of working this class into the schedule could be resolved in a number of ways. We would like to make two suggestions. First, the present requirement of Six semester hours of Social Science be changed to read "Three semester hours in Cultural Diversity/Anthropology and three semester hours to be chosen from Anth. 210, Econ 201 or 202..." [Dana Catalog]. The other possibility would be to simply add the three-semester-hour required course to the current requirements. This last suggestion would, of course, make some people very upset, which is very understandable. Yet we believe that such a course is an integral component of human education, growth and understanding. We also believe that most educators would say "You've got a point." We invite any ideas or opinions about this proposition. Drop a note to Ken Ehline or Trudy Williams in campus mail.

To close, let me just say that this is simply an appropriate "next step" in our efforts to increase sensitivity, awareness, and respect for people of color and ethnic difference.

Arts & Entertainment

Parnassus Report

Black Elk and Four Winds Tower on Display



By Chris Doerfler

The September Parnassus exhibit dealt with both the philosophy and art surrounding Black Elk's words and the effort to commemorate and honor those words with the building of the Tower of the Four Winds.

Much of the art on display was done by F.W. Thomsen, minister and Professor Emeritus of Art here at Dana. Looking at his paintings and reading the excerpts beside them from the book on which they were based - *Black Elk Speaks* by John G. Neihardt - gives one a peculiar sense of the mystery and mystique that surrounded Black Elk's vision.

Black Elk was a great Sioux Indian philosopher whose visions were recorded by John G. Neihardt, Poet Laureate of Nebraska, until his death in 1973. Black Elk had envisioned, since

the age of nine, a world of love, peace, and brotherhood. By the time of his death in 1950 he had added to his vision of hope for the world; a prayer that his dream would not die with him.

It hasn't. First, of course, his words were recorded by Neihardt, and now his message has been further memorialized in the Tower of the Four Winds mosaic in Black Elk-Neihardt Park.

The Mosaic was the subject of the other portion of September's Parnassus exhibit. On display were photographs of the completed work (also by F.W. Thomsen), explanations of the other mosaics in the park, and the pre-construction architectural design of the cross.

Next Month: Art of two Dana Grads. Mr. Myron Hansen and Mr. Larry Andrews.

Campus Movie Schedule

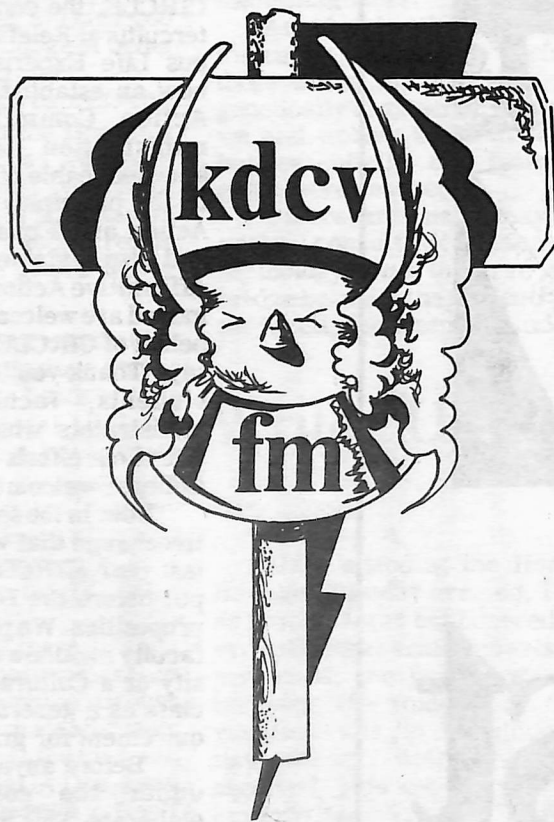
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The Voice of Dana College



BLACK ELK'S PRAYER

Grandfather, Great Mysterious One, you have been always, and before you nothing has been.

There is nothing to pray to but you.

Day in, Day out, you are the life of things...

Grandfather, all over the world the faces of living ones are alike. In tenderness they have

come up out of the ground. Look upon your children with children in their arms, that they may face the winds and walk the Good Road to the Day of Quiet.

Teach me to walk the soft earth, a relative to all that live. Sweeten my heart, and fill me with light. Give me the strength to understand and the eyes to see.

Help me, for without you, I am nothing.

"The Rivals" is Fall Dana Production

By Chris Doerfler

The Rivals is the sad, sad saga of Lydia Languish's loves. Alas, this poor little rich maiden feels awfully guilty about being so loaded. So, she resolves to marry a poor man and give up her inheritance. Enter Beverly. Beverly is a male. His real name is Capt. Jack Absolute, and he's in love with Lydia. Unfortunately for Jack, he too is extravagantly wealthy. So he pretends to be poor, homeless Beverly in hopes of winning Lydia's love. He does. Of course, a few complications do arise. For example, Lydia's dear, loving aunt, Mrs. Malaprop, isn't nearly so excited about the marital plans as Lydia is. She wants Lydia to marry a nice man who is wealthy just like her. And

you know what? She knows just the man to fill the bill: who else but Capt. Jack Absolute. This is where the humor of the title comes in: the rivals are Jack and Beverly, the same person. If you like that joke, you'll like *The Rivals*. It promises to be full of humor on basically the same level as Absolute/Beverly juggles his rich/poor image. How does it end? I'm not telling, but there are a couple of *Three's Company* episodes that might clue you in.

In brief:
 Title: *The Rivals*
 Author: Richard Brinsley Sheridan
 Published: 1896
 Dates playing: 29, 30, 31 October
 Time: 8 PM

Moore "Sound Waves"

R.E.M. and Zevon Rate High

R.E.M. - Document
 With their fifth LP; the boys from Athens, GA combine the straightforward, harder-rocking sound of last year's *Life's Rich Pageant* with some of the muted atmospheric music of their earlier works. Make no mistake, though, the emphasis remains on the big drum and guitar sound that R.E.M. has only recently begun to flaunt. Nevertheless, "Welcome to the Occupation", displays some of the same swirling guitar work that typifies previous R.E.M. albums, while "King of Birds" is muted enough to remind one of 1985's *Fables of the Reconstruction*. R.E.M. seems to be looking for a compromise between two different styles of music.

Side one compromises beautifully, featuring several outstanding cuts, notably "Exhuming McCarthy", which addresses the subject of paranoia on the part of the Conservative Right, the aforementioned "Welcome to the Occupation", which deals with American intervention in Nicaragua, and the wonderfully wacky "It's the End of the World as We Know It (And I Feel Fine)". Michael Stipe's vocals ring loud and true on these

songs, as he criticizes, among other things, a Congress "where we propagate confusion", while Bill Berry's drums pound out a ringing backbeat.

Side two however is somewhat weaker with some good songs balanced out by the worst thing R.E.M. has ever committed to vinyl: "Ligtin' Hopkins".

All in all though, *Document* is another fine album, one of 1987's best. R.E.M. still appears to be an album away from meshing their diverse styles and consummating their potential, but it should be an interesting wait.

R.E.M. will appear in Lincoln's Pershing Auditorium on Monday, November 9th. Opening will be the "dB's".

Rating-**** (out of five)

Warren Zevon- Sentimental Hygiene

Back after a long hiatus from recording, Zevon releases his best album since 1978's *Excitable Boy*. Aply backed by several superstar guests, notably Bob Dylan, Neil Young, Don Henley, Brian Setzer and others, Zevon sounds in fine form, alternately pounding out rockers and lamenting lost love in his deep, rich

baritone voice. The core band on *Sentimental Hygiene* is three of four members of R.E.M.: bassist Mike Mills, drummer Bill Berry, and guitarist Peter Buck.

Zevon deals with his long struggle back in most of the songs on his new LP. "Detox Mansion" take a wry look at Zevon's detoxification period, while the title track (featuring scathing Niel Young guitar) deals with the loneliness he encountered. "The

"Heartache" is an aply titled lament in the mode of Excitable Boy's "Accicently a Martyr", while "Even a Dog Can Shake Hands" criticizes those who overlooked Zevon when he was down, and then tried to befriend him after he had come back.

One curiosity on the album is "Leave My Monkey Alone", which features a funk arrangement by George Clinton, and a tardy message telling whites to

leave Africa. Somehow, Zevon's historical lyrics are compelling enough to pull the song off.

In short, *Sentimental Hygiene* is a very solid effort by one of the wittiest and most articulate songsters in pop/rock today.

Rating-Comeback of the Year! ****

Parnassus Invites Freshman Use

By Trudy Williams

(Editors note: Trudy is integrally involved with Parnassus and asked us to run this article for the benefit of Freshmen who might not be aquainted it.)

Parnassus, located in Pioneer Memorial, is a study room for all students, not just Humanities students. It is also an exhibit room, and Hum events

are held there too: Professors and guest speakers make presentations on various topics relating to the humanities.

The upcoming exhibits will display the works of two Dana alumni: Myron Hansen and Larry Andrews. Each Tuesday of this semester a videotape installment of a series on Christian History will be shown in Parnassus.

Parnassus is also a place for

students to volunteer their time to help the staff. In one respect this involves helping students sign up for excursions, grading tests, or answering the telephone. But in another respect it means a chance to get to know many of your professors on a personal level, which can be a highly rewarding experience. If you are interested in vollunteering in Parnassus, a few positions are still open.

Hitchcock Classics to Air

From Nebraska ETV Network

The late Alfred Hitchcock was regarded by many in the world of motion pictures as the supreme technician of the American cinema. His art was one which relished paradox of relative normality juxtaposed with an evil abnormality which lurked around the corner, creating a clammy terror which intruded into the audience's seemingly safe existence.

At 9 p.m. on the first four Saturdays of October, the Nebraska ETV Network's SILVER SCREEN CLASSICS series pays tribute to the master of suspense by broadcasting four of Hitchcock's most thrilling chillers.

Tippi Hedren stars as a

beautiful and mysterious compulsive thief--troubled by nightmares and a paralyzing fear of lightning and thunderstorms--who attracts the love of one of her victims, played by Sean Connery, in the 1964 Hitchcock classic *Marni*, airing October 3.

Adapted from Leon Uris' bestseller, Hitchcock's *Topaz* (1969), broadcast October 10, is a tangled web of intrigue that stretches from Cuba to Washington, Harlem to Paris, and rocks the governments of Western nations in this real-life story of a defecting Russian agent.

Torn Curtain, the 50th film directed by Hitchcock, is broadcast October 17. The 1966 spy/chase motion picture features Paul Newman and Julie Andrews as Professor Michael

Armstrong and Sarah Sherman, a scientist and his secretary/lover, on their way to an international congress of physicists in Copenhagen. Once there, Armstrong travels to East Berlin where he announces he's defecting to work on an anti-missile missile program that would make atomic warfare obsolete.

Some pre-Halloween chills are in store when the ultimate Hitchcockian thriller, *Psycho* (1969), airs on October 24. When a girl escapes with embezzled bank money she flees to an isolated, brooding Vicotrian-style motel--much to her misfortune--in the bizarre, but gruesomely grand classic, based upon an "Inner Sanctum" mystery novel.

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 Edited by Yorgo Wordlington, PhD

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 1. With 4 & 9 across you're reading it
 4. You're still reading it
 9. You're still reading it
 14. Cured meat
 15. Sierra
 17. Mountain
 18. Sire
 19. Stringed instrument
 21. Egyptian sungod
 22. Wobble
 24. Dyestuff
 25. Jones or our publisher
 28. Sped
 27. Jin
 29. Mutts
 29. Melee
 31. Sight
 32. Horde
 33. Hockey great
 34. Rude child
 35. Sums
 38. A court.
 39. Jackets or Tom
 41. Object
 42. What you're reading
 44. Redact
 45. Glee
 46. Daddy goat
 47. Boast
 48. See Fig. A
 49. Lead
 51. Rhyme
 52. Bow
 53. Linden or Holbrook
 54. _____ of the Avon
 55. See Fig. B
 58. Singular are
 59. Assistant
 60. Limb
 61. Stray
 62. See Fig. C
 64. Having wings
 68. _____ for two

DOWN
 1. _____ is to say
 2. Robust
 3. Caesar
 4. Bygone
 5. Rip
 6. Coal scuttle
 7. Printers measure
 8. Fill again
 9. Leopard or Buddy
 10. Enzyme
 11. Kennedy boat
 12. Miscue
 13. Wanders
 20. Tuber
 23. Make lace
 24. Withstood
 25. Brass
 27. Chair
 28. Small bed
 29. Betay or Lanny
 30. Persia today
 31. Scottish hillside
 32. Greatest amount
 34. Lodge
 35. Precise
 36. King of the beasts
 37. River of Hades
 39. Ananias
 40. Dutch cheese
 43. Asian Range
 45. Covers
 47. North wind
 48. Married fern
 49. Western classic tale
 50. Dravidian language
 51. Thin mat
 52. Boring tool
 54. Coffin stand
 55. Distribute
 56. Russian city
 57. Roentgen's find
 59. Vigoda or Burrows
 60. Fall behind
 63. Type of Dr.
 65. An abbr. purchase

Solution elsewhere in paper

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Sports

Recreational Services Takes Off

Submitted by Jim Fullerton

Jim Fullerton, new director of Recreational Services, wants to provide many new opportunities for fun, fitness and recreation at Dana this year. Fullerton believes that recreational games and activities can be a positive, productive way to re-create our energies and refresh us for our work and the daily challenges we face.

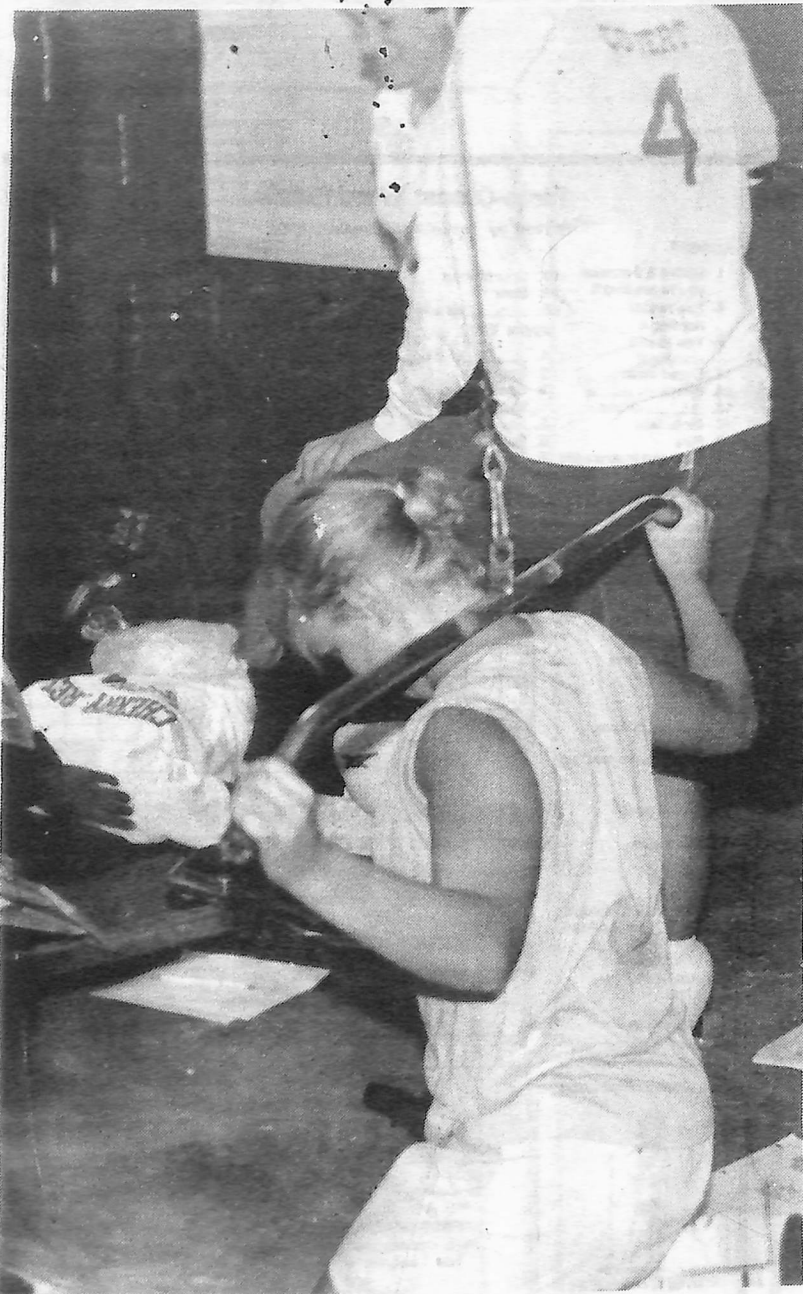
Recreational Services is a new division of Student Services at Dana. The overall mission statement of Student Services is to create opportunities for students to engage in holistic developmental growth-producing experiences. The creation of Recreational Services is an effort to support that mission in new and creative ways.

Recreational Services offerings this year include the College Community Recreation Program, Intramural Sports, Outdoor Adventure Trips, Recreation Skills Non-Credit Classes, and Leisure Games. Details on Adventure trips follow.

Backpacking in Nebraska's Indian Cave State Park. This takes place October 3-4 at a cost

of \$25 plus food and gear. Mountain hiking will be available to those interested the weekend of October 15-18. The magnificence of Rocky Mountain National Park over fall break will be available to those interested at a cost of \$150. A pre-trip meeting will be Tuesday, October 6. Bicycling/bird migration viewing/picnic will take place November 8 at DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge. The pre-trip meeting will be Tuesday, November 3. Cost will be \$4. Downhill skiing will take place in December at either Nebraska's Trail ridge or Iowa's crescent ski areas. Arrangements will be made according to winter conditions. Nordic skiing fantasy: The maplelag Scandinavian Lodge in northwest Minnesota is a magical place. Those interested can contact Jim and make arrangements, the cost is only \$160-215 and it covers December 27-30. The pre-trip meeting will be Tuesday, November 17.

For more information contact Jim Fullerton at the Recreational Services office in the Campus Center. Office hours are weekdays 10-2, and the phone number is 426-7259.



NO PAIN, NO GAIN?

I think I'd settle for no gain. Deb (of Dana's Volley Ball team)

looks like she's giving it some serious thought too.

Dougherty Heads Intermurals

By Dan Dougherty

This year's Dana College intramural program is headed once again by Dan Dougherty. This school year hopes to bring increased numbers to the program, so Paul Slater and Paul Sanders have been added to the program as Assistant I.M. Directors.

As in previous years, Flag Football is the major team activity for the first quarter. Co-ed softball is also going to occur in the form of a weekend tourna-

ment. Added individual and dual activities include tennis, singles and doubles, badminton, 15-ball pool, electronic darts, frisbee golf, table tennis, and raquetball. Team sports for the future are volleyball, water polo, and an indoor wiffleball tournament. Many other events are planned for interim and second semester. This year looks to be an exiting one with a great deal of participation. The intramural program is stationed in the recreational Services Office. If anyone has any

questions or suggestions, contact Jim Fullerton, Director of Recreational Services, or Dan Dougherty, Intramural Director.

Bifrost would like to apologize for the lack of football coverage this issue. It was due to unforeseen circumstances.

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by Berke Breathed

