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102 YEARS OF HISTORY CONSUMED BY FIRE

By Gary Korisko

Some wept, some stared in disbelief, and others ran in and out of the building trying to salvage personal and college property. This was the scene on Dana's campus Thursday morning, August 25th, as Old Main, Dana's 102-year-old teaching facility, was consumed by fire. Four days later, the building was declared a complete loss.

The State Fire Marshal's office determined that the cause of the fire was old electrical wiring which was stapled to a wooden beam on the fourth floor. Estimates have quoted the damage at \$1.5 million. The building was insured, as were its contents. Dana's insurance company, Preferred Risk Group Insurance of Des Moines, is currently working on a settlement.

Many Dana faculty members were left without offices as a result of the fire. Old Main was the home for the business, education, art, psychology, and foreign language departments, as well as the Career Service Center, a computer work area and a new photography classroom and laboratory. These departments now operate out of Rasmussen Hall where the instructors' new offices and some make-shift classrooms are located. The art and photography departments have been moved to the Madsen Performing Arts Center.

- Focus Shifts -

Now, over a month later, the focus on the loss of Old Main has shifted. Many faculty and staff members see the tragedy

also as an opportunity for Dana to forge into the future. Dana President Myrvin Christopherson stated, "I loved that old building. I hate to see it (Old Main) gone, but I also have to say that this may indeed be a marvelous opportunity for Dana College."

According to Dana faculty members, Old Main, however beautiful, was not as functional as some would like, this is where the construction of a new building could fit in with the needs of Dana College.

President Christopherson commented that before the loss of Old Main, the administration had to fit the school's needs into the existing spaces. "Now we have a chance to identify what our needs are and to build to serve those needs," he said.

- Irreplaceable Items -

Along with memories and Dana College property, many faculty members lost personal items that are irreplaceable. Elementary Education instructor Dorothy Olson lost what has been called a "one of a kind in the nation" collection of children's literature, games, and other teaching supplies. According to Olson, she had put at least \$3000 a year into her 30-year-old collection.

Professor Olson, as well as many other faculty members, has received many calls and letters from former Dana students offering copies of old teaching materials and emotional support. "The exciting thing is the working together of past Dana students . . . the appreciation they're showing and the pulling to-

gether . . . the Dana difference!" said Olson.

- Forms of Support -

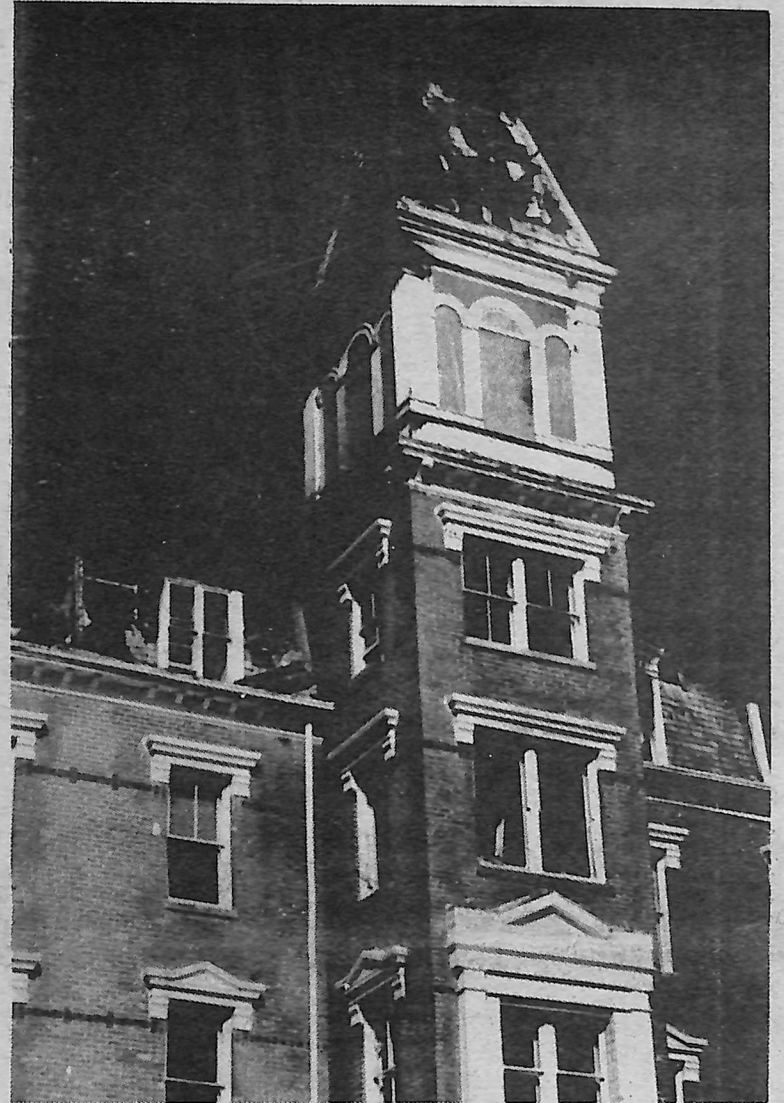
According to President Christopherson, the Dana community pulled together to help one another through the loss of Old Main. Financial support has been offered by the Blair community as well as by friends of Dana across the country and even the world. There was one gift of 200 marks sent from Germany.

Christopherson also said that the one substantial gift that has been announced is from Great Plains Communications of Blair. "To see how much love and commitment has emerged through this tragedy is overwhelming," Christopherson commented.

The Dana community banded together not only emotionally, but physically as well said Dr. Kay Ferguson. "I was very much impressed. Even during the fire, professors were rallying around, rolling up their pant legs, diving right into that building and helping to carry things out."

Faculty, staff, and students also helped clean up Rasmussen Hall for use as office space, built new bookshelves for the new offices, and painted. The Dana football team hauled two pool tables out of Rasmussen Hall's lobby to make room for a make-shift classroom for Professor Shirley McAllister.

Rather than dwelling in the past, McAllister chooses to look toward the future. "Someone up there said, 'Okay, things are going to change', so we're changing and I think it's going to be for the better," she said.



The Old Main tower, an historic landmark, could not be saved despite valiant efforts by fire fighters. Photo courtesy of Dana Public Relations.

- Future Planning -

Now Dana is waiting for an insurance settlement so planning for the construction of a new building may begin. Along with the building of a new educational facility, President Christopherson says that Dana is launching a 10 million dollar development effort over the next three years in which the total campus needs will be taken into account.

According to Christopherson, this is where the interest and support which has been shown to Dana might fit into the ADD (Accelerating Dana's Development) campaign. "Our efforts

will be to try to channel the interest and support into our over-all development campaign," he said.

As far as the building style goes, Christopherson says that it's still up in the air. He added, "Whatever we do build, it has to be extraordinary. It has to be a fine educational facility that will catapult Dana into readiness for the next decades."

The Dana College faculty will always remember Old Main, but they're not going to let the loss hold them back. According to Dr. Ferguson, "We're all taking a bright new step forward."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Homecoming Week, October 3-9: See events scheduled on pages 4-5.

If you would like to have your group or organization represented on our next Calendar of Events, please contact *Hermes* Editor, Box 882.

Saturday, October 1: Volleyball vs. Bethany, TBA, Borup

Sunday, October 2: Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., Chapel

Tuesday, October 4: Volleyball at Doane, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 5: Dana Community Eucharist, 8:30 p.m.
-Video Nite, 9:00 p.m., Dragon's Head

Thursday, October 6: Dr. Michael McBride Organ Recital, 7:30 p.m., Neve Room, MPAC
-Volleyball vs. Midland, 7:30 p.m., Borup

Friday, October 7: Music Dept. Faculty Recital, 8:00 p.m., Neve Room, MPAC

Saturday, October 8: Volleyball vs. Westmar, 1:00 p.m., Borup
-Football vs. Doane, 1:30 p.m., Viking Field

Sunday, October 9: Worship Service, 10:30 a.m., Lauritzen Theatre, MPAC
-Presentation and Acceptance of the L.C. Hansen-Mengers Collection, 1:30 p.m., Dana Library

Tuesday, October 11: Music Department Recital, 3:30 p.m., Neve Room, MPAC
-Volleyball at NWU, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, October 12: Dana Community Eucharist, 8:30 p.m.
-Video Night, 9:00 p.m., Dragon's Head

Thursday, October 13: Volleyball at Concordia, 7:00 p.m.
-Blair World of Entertainment presents "Crescent City Jazz", 7:30 p.m., Lauritzen Theatre, MPAC

Friday, October 15: Football at Hastings, 1:30 p.m.

FROM THE EDITOR . . .

Eight years ago, when I last attended Dana, the Hermes was a proud publication. It was considered an honor to write or photograph for the paper.

In more recent years, however, the Hermes lost much (if not all) of its prestige. Readers no longer respected the paper for its high quality features or in-depth coverage of sports and other current events.

Severe organizational problems are evident by last year's haphazard production schedule and highly editorialized issues.

This year, the Hermes will be produced on a regular basis. We have scheduled one issue on the 30th of September, January, and February; two issues to come out on the 15th and 30th of October, November, February, and April; and one issue to come out on the 15th of December, March and May.

Throughout these thirteen issues, we will be changing the appearance of the Hermes dramatically. But like any extensive remodeling plan, the changes won't occur overnight.

Each new issue will represent a larger step towards a quality newspaper that the Dana campus can be proud of.

Teresa Coenen

A Letter from the President

Congratulations on the beginning of a new year in the history of the Hermes. I am delighted with the enthusiasm and spirit evidenced by Teresa Coenen and other students who make up the staff of the Hermes this year. I commend them and their adviser, Ms. Gissler, for assuming this important task. A campus is judged in part by the vitality of the students and their efforts. Just as the band or choir, student art works or the record of our athletic teams tell observers something about the character or nature of our community, so our student newspaper gives readers an impression of the life of the campus and what is valued here.

I am convinced that a student

press, free but responsible, offering accurate reporting and thoughtful feature stories combined with compelling photos and challenging editorials, can help to create a sense of urgency, excitement and responsibility in a community of learning and faith such as Dana College. I commend Teresa and her staff and their adviser for assuming leadership for this most important enterprise.

These are important times in Dana's history. More attention has been showered upon us because of the loss of our historic Old Main than we have been given at almost any other time in our history. The world around us is watching what we do to respond, how well we convert tragedy into

opportunity. Will we be able to find creative ways to teach, to occasion learning without a building which was central to our campus for 102 years? I am convinced that we can and will respond with clarity of purpose and vision. An informed campus community can be an important ingredient in our success.

I join many others in welcoming back the Hermes with a wish that the writing, the editorial comment and the visual layout will bring honor to our school and stimulate us to be the informed, thinking community that helps to give birth to the Dana Difference.

Myrvin F. Christopherson
President

DEAR HERMIE:

So what are you going to do now?

Have you been asking yourself that question lately?

The school year has started, bringing in a lot of excitement along with it. However with the excitement of the school year also comes some problems.

Not everyone will encounter serious troubles. On the other hand, some people may come across problems they feel they can't handle on their own and are afraid to consult anyone about these problems.

It is for this purpose that the Hermes will feature "Dear Hermie" as a regular column.

Our staff counselor is qualified to answer questions regarding alcohol and drug abuse, peer pressures, relationship problems, stress, and conflicts between friends.

Any questions that the staff counselor is not qualified to answer, will be taken to the

Student Counseling Office for professional guidance.

The whole process will be approached with an impartial view of the subject.

Students are encouraged to sign their letters with a "pen name" (for example: Unknowing) in order to keep them totally anonymous.

Letters received will be answered and printed in upcoming Hermes. We will try to answer all letters, however, we reserve the right to give priority to some requests.

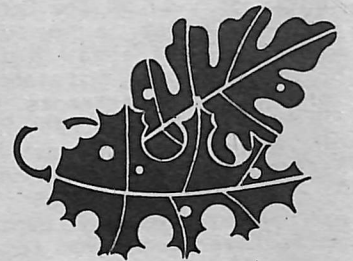
Please send in any problems you may have questions about. At the Hermes we know that even the littlest problems can turn into major difficulties.

Students can send letters to "Dear Hermie", Box 882, and the letters will be given to our staff counselor.

Remember, this is for your benefit, so use it if you have a concern.

The Midlands will host the only Vice-Presidential debate of the 1988 election. Democratic Senator Lloyd Bentsen of Texas and Republican Senator Dan Quayle of Indiana will square off in Omaha on October 5th.

The debate site decision came Wednesday, September 14, after weeks of negotiations between the Bush and Dukakis campaigns. The Vice-Presidential nominees will battle in the Civic Auditorium in place of the previously scheduled Scorpions rock concert. Omaha was selected over Annapolis as the debate site.



The Hermes is written and edited by students of Dana College. Content of the paper is developed independently of the student government, the faculty, and the administration, and does not reflect the policies of those groups.

The Hermes is published semi-monthly during the academic year with the exception of holidays and breaks.

The Hermes welcomes letters to the editor expressing all original points of view. It is our policy to only print those letters which include the author's name, address and telephone number. We will respect all requests to have names omitted at time of publishing. The editorial staff reserves the right to edit letters containing false, misleading or inappropriate material. We reserve the right to reject letters for publication. Opinions expressed in The Hermes are not necessarily those of the editors, college or the college community.

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FEATURES

Leisure Ed. Classes Offered

A series of leisure education (non-credit) classes are being offered at Dana this fall through the College's Recreational Services program. All courses are open to the public and registration will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4, in Borup Coliseum.

"Residents of the Blair area are encouraged to take advantage of the recreational facilities at Dana and through the current offerings of special non-credit classes, develop skills necessary to enjoy healthy and active lifestyles," said Carol Haussermann, Director of Recreational Services.

The classes available this fall include:

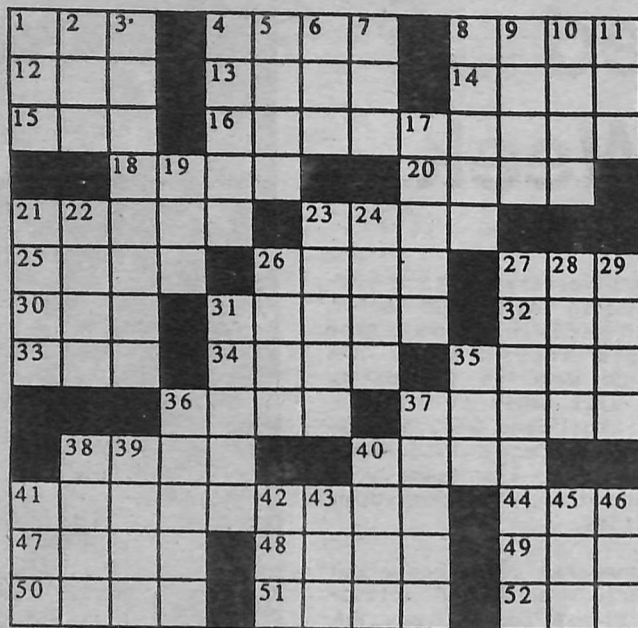
Water Aerobics, featuring low impact, relaxing exercises in the pool. Classes meet on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6:15 until 7 p.m. beginning October 5 and ending on November 1. Cost is \$22.50 for the general public and \$20.25 for Dana Community Recreation members.

Pre-school Swimming for children ages 3, 4 and 5 years. Classes will meet as follows on Sunday evenings: 3-year olds from 5:45 to 6:15 p.m.; 4-year olds from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.; and 5-year olds from 7:15 to 7:45 p.m. Classes begin on October 9 and end on October 30. Cost is \$12.50 for the general public and \$11.25 for Dana Community Recreation members.

Water Babies is a special course to introduce infants to water. Parents must accompany infants in the pool. Classes begin on October 9 and end on October 30, meeting Sunday evenings from 5:00 to 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$12.50 for the general public and \$11.25 for Dana Community Recreation members.

Fitness Walking is a 20-week walking program individually designed to meet beginning fitness level needs. Five formal classroom sessions will be held on October 4, 11, 18, November 1 and December 6. Treadmill tests at the beginning and end of the course are included. Cost is \$30.00 for the general public and \$27.00 for Dana Community Recreation members.

Introduction to Free Weights teaches lifting techniques, safety and spotting methods on all basic lifts and allows for the development of individual programs. Classes meet on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. beginning October 10 and ending on November 16. Cost is \$22.50 for the general public and \$20.25 for Dana Community Recreation members.



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Beginning Racquetball includes an introduction to beginning racquetball skills and rules. Two classes will be held -- one on Saturday, October 22 and another on Saturday, November 5. Both sessions will run from 9:00 until 11:30 a.m. in Borup. Cost is \$5.00 for the general public and \$4.50 for Dana Community Recreation members.

Registration for all non-credit classes will take place on Tuesday, October 4, at 6:30 p.m. in Borup Coliseum. Payment and course enrollment will also occur at that time. For more information, call 426-7291.

Dana

International Student Profile



Eva Zeuthen, freshman from Allerod, Denmark

By Craig Dew

Eva Carlotta Zeuthen, an 18 year old freshman from Denmark, is attending Dana for one year. Zeuthen said she is using the year as a chance to get away from her regular schooling. Planning to be an engineer, Zeuthen will return home next year to finish her education in Denmark.

Zeuthen contacted the Denmark/America Foundation about the possibility of studying in America. The Denmark/America Foundation is an organization

which is a joint educational program between the two countries. She applied late and the Foundation's college placement offerings were limited. Zeuthen was looking for a small school and she said she chose Dana for its size.

Her parents were supportive of her decision to come to America because they had lived in upstate New York for two years themselves. Zeuthen's best friends are also studying in America; one in New York and another in Los Angeles.

The Zeuthen family includes Eva's mother, step-father, two step-brothers, two step-sisters, and a half-sister. They reside in the city of Allerod, which has a population of about 30,000. Allerod is about a half hour north of Copenhagen.

Zeuthen said that the biggest difference for her is that in America everybody needs a car to do anything, and in Denmark there are always buses or trains. Right now she is afraid she will not discipline herself to do the studying that she should be doing.

Student Retention Program Implemented at Dana

Dana College has received a \$7,500 AAL grant to implement a student retention program.

AAL is a not-for-profit organization which provides a wide variety of benefits, including insurance and volunteer opportunities, to Lutherans and their families.

"We hope to improve the retention rate of freshman students at Dana College by 15 percent over the next three years," said Dan Travaille, dean of student services at Dana.

Thirteen freshmen mentoring teams were established to accomplish this goal. Each team includes one faculty member and one upper-class student who are responsible for working directly with a group of 10 to 12 students.

"The teams will take the groups through orientation sessions and class registration, serve as academic advisors and personal counselors, and teach a freshman course entitled 'College Success,'" Travaille said.

The grant to Dana is provided through AAL's Affirmations of Lutheran Higher Education Program. Each of the 49 Lutheran colleges, universities and Bible institutes in the United States is eligible for annual grants from AAL through this program. Since being introduced in 1980, the AAL program has provided more than \$7.4 million in grants to these institutions, according to Tammy Rader, AAL spokesperson.

Enrollment Statistics

By Gina Roden

The number of students enrolled for the Fall semester at Dana is 495, according to Bob Schmoll, Director of Computer Services. This figure includes full-time, part-time and weekend college students.

The 414 full-time students enrolled this Fall is the same as last fall. Compared to last year, the number of men attending Dana full-time has increased by nine while the number of women has decreased by nine.

Schmoll also calculated the number of students in each class. The largest class on campus is the Freshmen, with a total of 128 students, which is four less than that of the

preceding fall. Increasing by three, the Sophomore class now consists of 99. The Juniors, with a total of 87 students, represent the smallest class at Dana - even with seven more students than the previous fall. The Senior class of Dana has diminished by nine students. There are 93 Seniors as compared to last year's 102.

Along with enrollment, comes registration. Dana College Registrar, Nancy Penna, feels that this year's registration went smoothly. Penna states that the business aspect is the most time consuming part of registration. "I really appreciate all the cooperation the students showed during registration," acknowledged Penna.

HOMECOMING

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Activities Scheduled For Homecoming Week

By Gina Roden

October 3-9 will be a week full of activities for those who want to help celebrate Dana's 1988 Homecoming. The theme, chosen by the Homecoming committee, is "Picture the Spirit." Pictures will be taken of those who participate in the various activities throughout Spirit Week. These pictures will be developed into slides and will be shown during the dance on Saturday evening.

On Monday, October 3, Spirit Week will kick off with Powder Puff Football, which will be played at 7:00 p.m. on the intramural football field. Powder Puff Football is very similar to Flag Football, but the girls will be the football players while the guys take on the role of Cheerleader.

Tuesday's main event will feature the Olympics, which will commence at 7:00 p.m. The activities planned are as follows: pie throwing contest, water balloon toss, three-legged race, orange passing relay, life saver relay, and reversed role relay. To add to the Spirit Week experience, faculty is being urged to participate in all the activities. Both Stacey Lien and Lori Ohms, Homecoming committee members, are expecting co-operation from the Dana faculty in participating in Spirit Week.

There will be a Beach Party Picnic on the lower level of the Campus Center beginning at 5:45 on Wednesday evening. All students attending this func-

tion are being asked by the Homecoming committee to wear appropriate clothing for the Beach Party. Entertainment will be provided by Dana D.J.s, Griff Dunlop and James Cloyd. Capture the Flag will be played at 7:15 p.m. At some point during the evening, Homecoming candidates will be announced.

Moving into Thursday, a Bon Fire will be held at 10:00 p.m. The football players and cheerleaders are planning to attend the informal gathering. For anyone wishing to do so, marshmallows will be provided for roasting.

A Hall Decorating contest is another activity that will be held during Spirit Week. The materials for this contest will be handed out on Wednesday. All decorating must be completed on Thursday so that the judging can take place. Prizes will be awarded.

Friday will be Red and White Dress Up Day. A Pep Rally will be held in the evening where the winners of the Hall Decorating Contest will be announced.

Saturday, October 8, is Homecoming. The day will begin with a 1:00 Volleyball game between the Lady Vikings and Westmar. The highlight of Homecoming is the Football game between the Vikings and Doane Tigers, starting at 2:00 p.m. Coronation of Homecoming Royalty will be held during half-time. Another special event of the day will be the Dana Choir celebrating its

75th anniversary, with a performance in the Campus Center. The Homecoming committee requests that dresses and suits be worn to the dance, which will begin at 9:15 p.m. Street Legal Band will be performing for Dana's 1988 Homecoming Dance. The dance will conclude the 1988 Homecoming activities.

If anyone has questions about the various scheduled activities, please contact any R.A. or Homecoming committee member.

Golf Tourney

Dana College is sponsoring the 1988 Homecoming Golf Tournament on Saturday, October 8, at the Blair Country Club located north of Blair on Highway 75. The nine-hole tournament begins promptly at 9:00 a.m.

Flag prizes will be awarded as well as a traveling trophy. Carts will be available.

To register or receive more information, contact Keith Hansen at Dana (426-7211)

FUN RUN

As part of this year's Homecoming activities at Dana, the Dana Boosters Club is sponsoring the tenth annual Dana Viking Fun Run on Saturday, October 8, at 9:00 a.m.

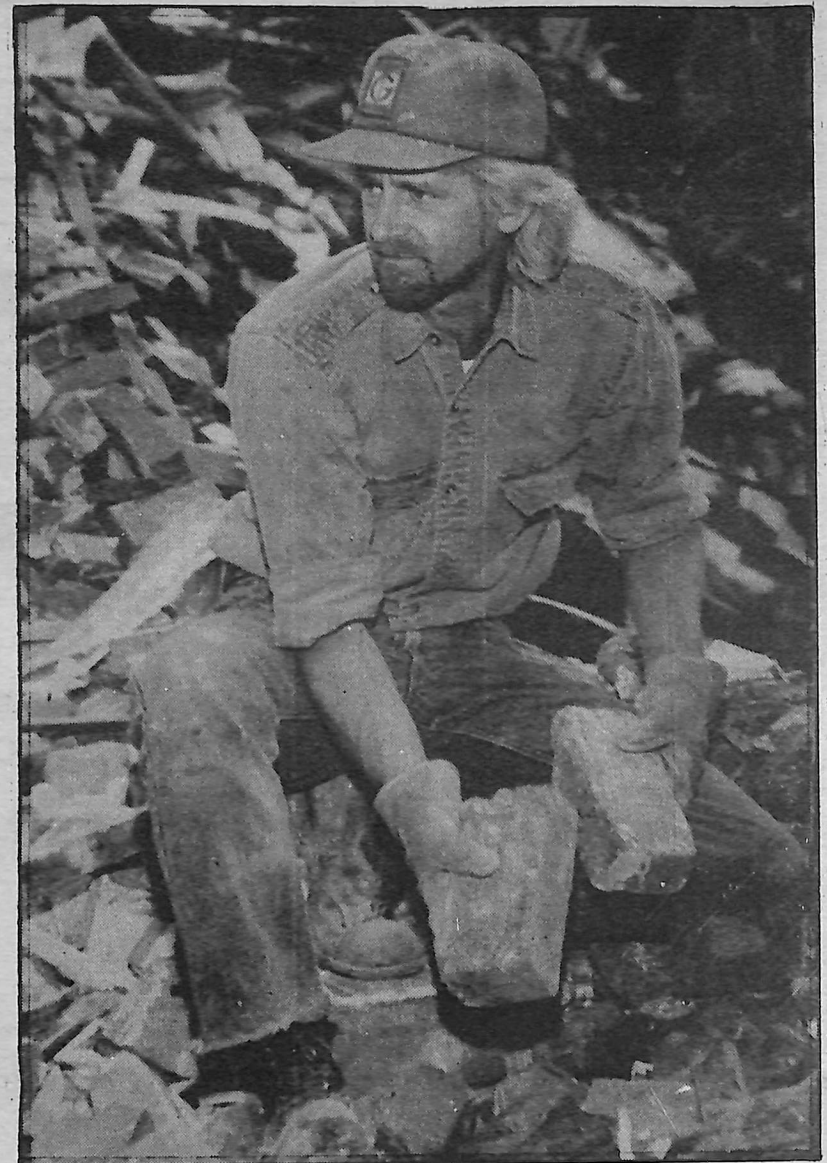
Both a two and five mile course will be offered. The run will begin outside the E.C. Hunt Campus Center on the Dana Campus and end on campus near Borup Coliseum.

Participants are invited to compete for prizes or just for fun.

Registrations are now being accepted and T-shirts will be given to all individuals registering before October 6.

A registration fee is required and an additional late fee will be added after October 6.

To register for the Dana Viking Fun Run, contact Dale Albus at 426-7212.



Peter Docken shows some of his brick washing skills as he helps clean the bricks that were salvaged from Old Main. Photo courtesy of Dana Public Relations

Alumni Are Coming Home to Bricks

By Dawne Preston

Bricks for sale! During Homecoming weekend there will be original Dana College bricks on sale. The going rate for the bricks is \$25. They will be sold on the patio where Old Main once stood.

Each of these Old Main bricks have been hand cleaned by faculty, staff, students, alumni, and even Blair residents. "There have been 10 cleaning sessions with anywhere from 10 to 50 people at each session," said Phil Pagel, Vice President of Institutional Advancement.

This unique idea came from Anne Christopherson, wife of Dana's president, and Peter Docken, who have been watching over this project. Docken was hired by the College to help

in the salvaging process, as well as the demolition work. The saving and selling of the bricks was organized primarily by Christopherson. She said that the project "helped in our healing process and created some new dreams."

Pagel said there were approximately 5000 bricks saved. A thousand of them are going to be for sale with a metal plaque inscribed "Authentic brick from Old Main at Dana College. Dedicated on October 21, 1886. Destroyed by fire on August 25, 1988."

It is Christopherson's hope that an art piece will be done inside the new building from all the bricks with initials and dates scratched on them, as well as some of the fancy bricks. "I think it's been very successful," she said.

Choir Celebrates 75th

By Dawne Preston

The Dana Choir is celebrating its 75th birthday this year at Homecoming. The program will include alumni and present members of the Dana College Choir.

At 7:45 p.m., October 8th, the celebration will begin with the present choir performing. "The Dana Choir wouldn't be what it is today without the support of the alumni," said Ann George, Director of Alumni.

Gunnar Malmin will be directing the alumni from 1937 and earlier. Dr. Ed Hansen, a 1939

graduate, is going to reminisce about some of the good times had while Malmin was directing the Dana Choir.

Dr. Paul Neve will direct the alumni members who sang in the choirs after Malmin's departure. Illinois Senator Paul Simon, a 1949 graduate, will recall some of his memories under Dr. Neve.

Jayne Stein, this year's choir president, will close with a few words about what the choir is doing this year under Dr. Richard Palmer.

The final note will be all of the choir and audience joining in a closing song.

FEATURES

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Freshmen Arrive to Start New Year

By Ginny Ward

As the 105th academic school year started, freshmen from as far away as Maryland and as close as Blair gathered together as the graduating class of 1992.

As most freshmen have come to realize, being a college freshman and being a high school freshman are two entirely different things. Siri Vollan, a religion major from Red Wing, MN, said, "When you are a high school freshman, you have to adjust to a new school, but when you are a college freshman you have to adjust to a new city as well as a new school."

There are many things that are different from high school as Colleen Laughlin, a business major from Imogene, IA, states, "My biggest adjustment to college was moving away from home and adjusting to a new roommate. I've had my own room so it's different to be sharing with a new person."

Melissa Reinikainen, an international communications and

Spanish major from Marshfield, WI, said, "I just can't get used to having class until 6:15."

Dana has lots to offer a student according to Reinikainen. "I chose Dana because it was the small school atmosphere I was looking for and it offered my major and other extra-curricular activities I was looking for."

One of the new programs that the Dana freshmen came in contact with was the new class "College Success" and "Freshmen Mentoring Teams." The freshmen were divided into several small groups and met several times during orientation. They also are meeting this semester every Thursday morning. These teams consist of a faculty advisor and an upper-class student.

The purpose of these teams, according to Professor Gene Lindblad, is to "get every freshman into a social/academic group as soon as he or

she gets on campus. Also, it allows freshmen to identify with faculty and upper-classmen. These faculty and upper-classmen can be used as sources of information or can provide counseling on anything and everything."

Professor Lindblad thinks that the Mentoring Teams are a good idea because "it allows a student to have a fairly intensive encounter with college as soon as he or she arrives."

Laughlin said, "The concept of the Mentoring Teams is a great idea except I think it should be a social gathering with fewer or no credits."

Vollan agreed with Laughlin and said, "It should be more as a social group than a classroom activity."

Why do freshmen pick Dana College to spend four years? Answers like "students have the chance to get to know their professors on a one to one basis" and the friendly atmosphere" were the most frequent replies.



Music Department

By Ginny Ward

"The music department at Dana College is anticipating a great year full of terrific experiences for all those involved," said Lara Jean McBride, a music major from Wheat Ridge, Co. Many new ideas are being implemented this year.

String Ensemble is well underway with direction being given by Holly Stout, a member of the Omaha Symphony Orchestra as well as other musical organizations. Several small chamber music groups have started rehearsing, including woodwind trio and a small strings group. These are just two of the new directions that the department is taking.

The Dana College Choir will be taking a tour of Denmark at the end of the spring semester. The Jazz Ensemble has

started working towards its first concert and the Dana College Band is getting ready for its fall concert. The Dana band will also be active at upcoming home football and basketball games.

The following is a schedule of events for the next month:

October 6: Organ Recital by Dr. Michael B. McBride, Neve Room, MPAC - 3:30 p.m.

October 8,9: Look for the band and choir to be involved throughout the weekend.

October 11: Music Department Recital, Neve Room, MPAC - 3:30 p.m.

October 25: Music Department Recital, Neve Room, MPAC - 3:30 p.m.

November 6: Dana College Band Fall concert, Lauritzen Theatre, MPAC - 7:30 p.m.

New Staff at Dana

Dana welcomes 19 new faculty and staff members for the 1988-89 school year.

New Full-Time Staff:

Dr. Mark Davis, Assistant Professor of Biology Education: B.S. and M.S. Auburn University, Ph.D. University of Missouri.

Mike Flittie, Admissions counselor: B.A. Luther College.

Paula Hanley, Hall Director for Blair and Mickelsen Halls and Coordinator of the Learning Resource Center: B.A. and M.A. Bradley University.

Githa Nielsen, visiting instructor of Danish: Ribe Statsseminarium of Denmark.

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In upcoming issues, the *Hermes* will be profiling each new faculty and staff member to focus on an "up close and personal" look.



Leadership Awards

The National Leadership Awards Council has announced that it will be accepting nominations for the National Leadership Award.

Eligibility for this award is based on demonstrated leadership ability and is limited to Senior year status students only, according to Peter Ronkos, awards director.

Students that have held any leadership positions while attending an accredited undergraduate institution are encouraged to apply for the

award. Only the top one percent of the students attending each school will receive the award.

In addition to receiving an award certificate, recipients of the awards will be included in our scholarship competition which will award two scholarships to those two students who have demonstrated achievements in leadership.

Please contact the student government office for further details. The deadline for application is drawing near.

Viking Football Looking to NIAC Crown

By Kevin White

The Dana College football team is alive and well, thank you.

After opening the season without a number of standouts from last year's playoff team, Coach Leo McKillip and his staff have built another strong squad.

Even a 38-28 loss to Drake University in the second game of the year didn't shake the confidence of the Vikings. Desperately needing a win over another 1987 playoff team, Westmar College, Dana played outstanding football in a 33-17 victory.

With a 2-1 record entering the September 24th game with Tarkio College, McKillip is relatively pleased with his squad's early season performance.

"Our running game is really solid right now," said the Viking mentor. "And James Anderson is playing well at quarterback."

The two main cogs in the running attack are juniors Bryan Muschall and Marvin Peterson. Muschall led the NAIA Division II in rushing last season and Peterson is a

strong runner with excellent quickness. Both players gained over 100 yards rushing in the win over Westmar.

Anderson, a sophomore from Omaha, has some excellent receivers to complement him. Senior Paul Sanders is a two-time, second-team all-conference choice and has been Anderson's chief target. Juniors Dean Norris and Craig Nuncio add depth to that position. Seniors Terry Barber and John Chapman are the tight ends in the Dana offense.

The Viking defense is headed by linebacker Mark Havermann, a senior from Carroll, IA. The defensive line has also been a strength, according to McKillip. Scott Walker, Rob Bara and Jeff Nelson lead that group.

Doane College will come to Blair for the Homecoming matchup October 8th. Running back Doug Estrada, runner-up to Muschall in the district rushing race a year ago, leads the Tigers into the game, which is the conference opener for Dana.

The Vikings will be looking to avenge last year's loss in Crete, a loss that hurt Dana's hopes of an outright conference championship.



Junior running back Marvin Peterson gains a couple of his 127 yards against Westmar. Dana beat the Eagles 38-28. Photo courtesy of Dana Public Relations.



Vikings Win Nailbiter On The Road

By Randy Hollowell

The Dana football team had to come from behind Saturday night to beat a tough Tarkio College team, 10-9.

Statistically, the Vikings dominated the game, but turnovers -- two fumbles, and penalties, 10 for 95 yards -- kept the host Owls in the game. In fact, Dana never led until there was 3:29 left in the game. That is when sophomore quarterback James Anderson hit Dean Norris with a touchdown pass over the middle. The 55-yard scoring strike and PAT by Jade Wagner gave Dana the 10-9 lead over the 0-3 Owls at Kyle Stadium in Tarkio, Missouri.

Tarkio took a 6-0 advantage in the first quarter on an 80-yard touchdown run by running-back Richard Thomas. They added three more points in the third quarter with a 34-yard field goal.

Dana scored all 10 of their points in the fourth quarter, starting with a 42-yard Mark Weber field goal.

Dana runs their record to 3-1 and will be idle this Saturday before hosting Doane on October 8.

Other NIAC scores: Hastings lost at Sioux Falls College 10-7; Midland 25, Dakota Wesleyan 20; Westmar over Doane 38-30; and Concordia lost at home to Peru State, 28-12. Nebraska Wesleyan had the week off.

Lady Vikings Place Well in Tourney Action

By Kevin White

The 1988 edition of the Dana Lady Viking volleyball team is young, talented, but somewhat lacking in experience. That summarized the feelings of Head Coach Kathy Foley after beginning the new season with a record of 11-10.

"We have been very inconsistent," said Foley. "But we have shown the capability to play good volleyball."

That was evident as the Lady Vikings tied for first place

in the MacPherson College Tournament on September 16-17. Third-place finishes were captured in the Dordt and Wayne State tourneys.

Sarah Masker, a freshman from Neola, IA, has been the team's most consistent player to date, according to Foley. Masker averages 3.49 kills per game and leads the team in service aces.

Others singled out by Foley for good contributions include freshmen Kristi Wewrzniack and Elizabeth Felker and senior

Shari Bohling.

The Lady Vikings will play an October 8th Homecoming match with the Westmar Lady Eagles.

"We've beaten Westmar once already this year," adds Foley. "They are similar to us in that they also have a young squad."

The Dana head coach feels that Doane will be the team to beat in the NIAC race, with Hastings and Nebraska Wesleyan also challenging for the top spot.

BLOOM COUNTY



by Berke Breathed

Basketball Team Expects Improvement Intramurals Set To Go

By Kim Farmer

The Dana men's basketball schedule is again very challenging. The Vikings will first travel to Nashville, TN, to play two NAIA schools, one who won the National Tournament in 1986. The schedule also includes South Dakota State and NAIA powerhouse, Briar Cliff.

To help with all of the competition ahead of the team, the Dana men will return 78% of their total point production. Eight players from last year, including four starters will return. They are seniors Jerrod Lawrence, Lucky Sagay, and Greg Diehl. Juniors returning are Kevin White, Paul Powner, and Chris Weibelhaus. Dave Samson and Brian Powell are the returning sophomores.

"We have a good nucleus returning," said Coach Will Baird. However, for the first time in the last three years, the Vikings did not qualify for the NAIA District 11 Playoffs.

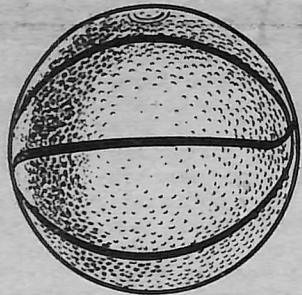
Coach Baird, who begins his third year at Dana, is very optimistic about his new recruits. "I believe that this group of freshmen contains

some potentially fine college basketball players. Also, as our young players gain experience, hopefully we will develop the depth that we so lacked last year."

The Vikings, who may have been short on experience last year, are tall on height this year. Eleven of the 16 recruits are over six feet tall. The newcomers are Scott Gray, Shawn Winters, Dana Nielsen, Robert Wright, Gary Wilson, and Richard Ventry, all from Omaha. From Blair are Craig Olson and Pete Svendgard. All the way from Bladensburg, MD, is Tyrone Tyndell. Other recruits include Tom Lannin from Elmwood, Chris Nielsen from Papillion, Kory Crippen from Norfolk, Van Hardy from Marengo, IA, Bret Kohn from Waterloo, and Pat Dougherty from Dunlap.

Two players will redshirt this year and be eligible next year. They are sophomore Jeff Kress from Earlham, IA, who transferred from Northwestern College in Iowa and Ken Koester from West Union, IA, who will enroll in January.

Come support the Vikings on Saturday, November 12 in the final of a triple header against Tarkio College.



Talented Newcomers Boost Lady Vikings Basketball

By Kim Farmer

Weightlifting, ball handling drills, endurance workouts, hours in Borup Coliseum.

These terms describe the pre-season workout for the Lady Vikings basketball team.

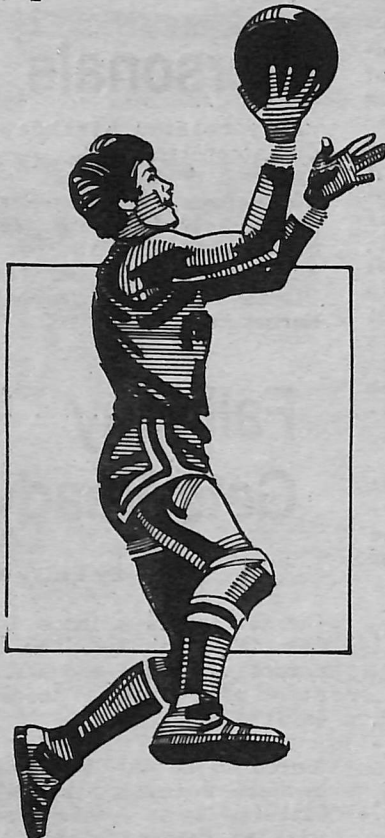
Coach Kathy Foley is very pleased with the enthusiasm and dedication of her players. "This year we have people who want to play basketball," she said.

Talent, talent, and more talent, is the word Coach Foley uses to describe the newcomers of the team. "The level of talent this year is the most that we've had within one year," she said. The rookies of the team are Dixie Payne from Sterling JuCo in Colorado, Ginger LeBlanc from Sierra Vista, Arizona JuCo, Katie Corbitt from Bertrand,

Stacey Byers from Topeka, KS, Kim Mikos from Seward, Jill Pelzer from Griswold, IA, Bonnie Lowe from Cedar Rapids, Lesa LeMaster from Colorado Springs, CO, and Karmen Kingsley, who attended Dana last year.

Nevertheless, Coach Foley feels "a real detriment of the team will be lack of experience." But six players from last year's team will return to help guide the Lady Vikings to a more promising year. They are Lori McMullen, Kim Farmer, Angie Mason, Shelly Edwards, Shari Bohling, and Deb Keller.

The Vikings will be in action on November 12 when they play host to Tarkio College. The women's junior varsity will begin a triple header followed by the women's varsity and then the men's varsity.



Batter Up

By Craig Dew

Stepping up to bat is . . . the new 1988-89 Dana Viking baseball program. As Coach Dale Lemon looks forward to the coming season a few changes have been made in the format. The most significant change is the addition of Coach Will Baird as assistant to Lemon.

Baird will be working with the Viking pitching staff and giving the pitchers a more in-depth training. Lemon says that the coming season has promise partly because the pitching is what has been holding Dana back from its potential. This year the roster has roughly 30 players and a good number are recruited pitchers.

Team members began fall training in early September and hope to have a good turnout from players. Many members of the team will take part in the Baseball Interim. The Interim is a two week period in January when the Viking sluggers tour through Florida. Those who participate will spend two weeks in Florida going to baseball camp and to Florida campuses playing baseball. Another trip is available to the team members during Spring Break. The team will tour diamonds throughout Oklahoma during this trip.

Team members have discussed wearing special black arm bands dedicating the 1988-89 season to the memory of Scott Hoock and Jeff Smith. Hoock and Smith were two senior ball players who were killed in an automobile accident last year.

By Randy Hollowell

The 1988-89 Dana College Intramural program is about to begin with a variety of scheduled activities. Directors are hoping there is something for everyone.

The program is being run by primarily three people this year: Paige Kostboth and Lora Rennau, co-directors, and Patti Stevenson.

As of now, all activities and dates are tentative. Whether or not many of the activities are run depends on how the weather cooperates.

The major sports and activities are back. Flag football will begin within a week. Some teams have already been entered. However, more are still needed to complete the schedule. About six games will be played in the season, which will run until the end of October.

Another popular activity, basketball, along with volleyball, will be started sometime next semester.

A survey was sent out to students in the middle of September. Many were returned and some unusual activities showed lots of interest from students. For example, some possible one-day tournaments include Pictionary, croquet, billiards, and frisbee golf.

Singles and doubles in tennis and racquetball is also slated for some time this semester, as well as a possible one-day softball tournament, weather permitting.

Another possible addition to the Intramural schedule would be regular aerobic workouts for all of those interested in staying in shape.

As in the past, T-shirts will be available to winners in all of the activities.

Paige Kostboth, a co-director of the Intramural program, is looking for a good and exciting year, but it depends upon the students' efforts. "Your participation is strongly encouraged," Kostboth said.

All ideas on program changes or improvements should be directed to one of the directors.

Wrestlers Optimistic

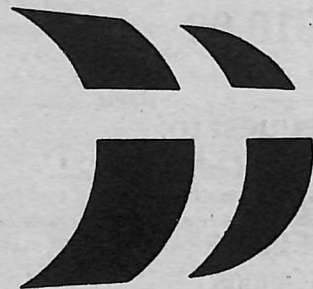
By Kim Farmer

Optimism and talented freshmen go hand in hand when Coach Ron Beaman talks about this year's wrestling team. "This year we have an extremely talented freshman class," said Coach Beaman. "I am always optimistic about how we can do during the season, but this year I expect our young guys to contribute a lot."

To prepare for a competitive season, the wrestlers are lifting weights three times a week, running and working on individual techniques. Official practice will begin in October.

Coach Beaman feels that solid leadership will come from the only two seniors, Rob Riedy and Tom Bolton. Other returning wrestlers include junior Kris Keck and 118, and sophomores Marc Ferrin at 134, Joe Abbot at 158, Tim Haigwood at 167, and Troy Buss at 190.

There are only three home meets scheduled this year. Dana will host an invitational on January 14. Freshmen wrestlers this year include; at 118, Curt Thomas from Blair and Boomer Kortemeyer from Lisbon, IA; at 126 are Justin Stutzman from Schuyler and Sean Haight from Minden. Derek Spears from New Richland, MN, is the only freshman at 134. At 142 is Craig Perkins from Shenandoah, IA. Travis Sallis from Omaha and Dann Nelson from Norfolk are at 150. Competing at 167 is Steve Mathis from Leavenworth, KS. Rounding out this variety of weight are Dave Kinen from Atlantic, IA, Mike Anderson from Blair, Tony Anderson from Atkinson, and Shawn Gessert who is injured, all at 190.



Vikings

Organization Offers Support

By Emily Kurth

Imagine attending a college that is thousands of miles away from home, on another continent, in a foreign culture. Thirteen students on the Dana campus are doing just that. They have entered a totally new learning environment. To ease their adjustment process, they have formed an organization solely for international students. It is the International Student Organization.

Last year several international students expressed an interest in meeting with the other international students on campus, according to Peggy Sorenson, advisor. She said that they wanted to come together as a group to offer support and friendship to one another. This is when the idea for the organization originated. The organization was formally established at the beginning of the 1988-89 school year.

Sorenson, who is program coordinator for international student services, said her responsibilities as adviser include facilitating the group process, answering questions, and clarifying campus policies for the international students. She also works to

insure that personal needs of the students are met. Examples are housing during holidays, transportation, providing winter clothing, as well as offering individual support.

This year there are six new and seven returning international students. The length of their stays at Dana range from one to four years. Together they represent seven countries. The 1988-89 members of the International Student Organization are: Maria Amakali (Namibia), Merid Eshete (Ethiopia), Diana Gratton (Italy), Yuji Ikeda (Japan), Phillip Muinjo (Namibia), Eldora Mushi (Tanzania), Klemens Namwira (Namibia), Mathaus Nauyoma (Namibia), Christian Nielsen (Denmark), Helen Ochs (Namibia), and Eva Zeuthen (Denmark).

Several of the members plan to also join the existing International Club, whose purpose is the cultural education for all students.

The international students may have many challenges ahead -- in social, educational, and cultural contexts. "The International Student Organization is a support system for them," said Sorenson, "so their challenges will seem less ominous, and they will feel a part of the Dana community."

Classifieds

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Personals

Happy belated birthday Mrs. Christopherson.

The Hermes will run Personal and Classified ads at the rate of \$1.00 per ad for all students, staff, and faculty. Please send your requests to Hermes Editor, Box 882.

Fall Play Gets Ready

By Emily Kurth

The setting is a lodge in the Catskill Mountains. The characters are honeymooners. The start of a perfect scene, or is it?

"Catch Me if You Can," written by Jack Weinstock and Willie Gilbert, is a comic mystery with an uncanny plot. It has been chosen as the fall theatre production at Dana College. Directing the play is Professor Sieg Krueger of the Dana Theatre Department.

The plot unfolds as Daniel Corban reports his wife missing and frantically appeals to the local authorities to search for her. Enter Elizabeth Corban, Daniel's wife, whom he adamantly denies recognizing. A Jewish delicatessen owner, a priest, and Daniel's boss and his secretary only add to the confusion. It is obvious someone is up to something, but who is up to what?

The characters are portrayed by the following Dana students: Mark Smeby, Thom Morrow, V.J. Orduna, Emily Kurth, Brian Smith, Jennifer Barabas, and Mike Davenport. Designing the set is Joe Anderson, who created the set for the 1988 Dana production of "Enemy of the People." Assisting in the construction are the theatre work study students and Krueger's Tech/Production class.

The play seems to be progressing well, according to Krueger, who says the rehearsals are ahead of schedule. Roles were cast early in September, and practices started soon after. As Morrow says, "hopes are high."

Krueger said the play will offer something for everyone - intrigue, action, humor, and suspense. The cast agrees that the audience will enjoy the show. "What makes this play unique is the intricacy of the plot and the blend of comedy and mystery," stated Krueger.

The only way to solve the mystery is to see "Catch Me if You Can" October 20-22. Curtain time is 8:00 p.m. Tickets will be available at the door.

Happy Birthday

The following people will be celebrating birthdays in October.

Staff and Faculty:

Mark Anderson, Daisy Furtak, Steve Kissel, Willard Meier, Judy Moore, Burke Petersen, Mabel Smith, and Dr. Larrrie Stone.

Students:

Michael Anderson, Kelly Barnum, Bryce Biffar, Scott Bloyer, Claudia Brown, Christopher Buss, Troy Carmichael, Darlene Christensen, Amy Clemens, Mark Clements, Kirsten Christopherson, Denise Dickerson, Patrick Dougherty, Angel Epperson, Shawn Gessert, Tim Haigwood, Lisa Hansen, Mead (Van) Hardy, Julie Howland, Diana Jones, Marla Klein, Gary Korisko, William Koster, Keri Kuhr, William Kunes, Emily Kurth, Jeffrey Lampe, Ken Miller, Phillip Muinjo, Dana Nielsen, Troy Novak, Craig Perkins, Marvin Peterson, Robert Riedy, Michael Ryan, Dave Samson, Debra Schramm, Russell Snyder, Kelly Stember, Gay Thompson, and Larry (Scott) Walker.

If you do not wish to have your name published on our birthday roster in future issues, please write to the Editor. Also, if we have overlooked your birthday and you would like to be included, please write to the Editor.

On the Move

By Cathy Morrison

Student Senate has always been an active part of student government at Dana. There are, however, going to be some changes made by President James Cloyd in the near future. Cloyd is very optimistic about the 1988-89 school year. He stated that one of Senate's main goals this year is to get more involved in campus life and to act as a resource center for all students.

Cloyd recently attended a leadership conference in Minneapolis, MN, and came back with a better idea about what it takes to have a successful group. Also attending the conference were Cathy Keck and Troy Novak, both Senate members. Keck said there were approximately 120 students from around the country in attendance. "It was incredible," said Keck.

The variety of students in different leadership positions allowed for many problems that small colleges face to be discussed. All three students will be giving a presentation on leadership skills to the Senate. Keck feels that Senate is going to be really exciting this year. "We have a good group of student leaders who are ready to work," she said.

Student Senate works as a communication link between the administration and student body. Senate also votes on policy changes and budget increases or cuts. Students may voice their interests or concerns to any senator who can then bring the issue up at the next meeting.

Senate also participates in College Night at the Ranch Bowl in Omaha. College Night gives students under 18 a chance to go out and dance and have fun without drinking. Cloyd stated that Dana had the most students attending with approximately 25-30 on the opening night and he hopes that his trend will continue.

"Student Senate is there to serve the students' wants and needs to the best of their ability," Cloyd said. With the new goals for this year and the achievements they have already accomplished, Cloyd hopes the 1988-89 academic year will be a productive one.

Student Senate is actively involved with several campus activities. Homecoming is scheduled for October 7, and Senators are putting the final touches on the dance and court selections.



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