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"Dana Day" brings KDCV To Hardees

By Tina Zayat
Hermes Staff Writer

Imagine yourself sitting at a table at Hardees in Blair. You look up after taking a bite of your swiss-mushroom burger and you see a group of Hardees employees, kitchen staff included, gathered around a microphone. Next thing you know you hear them say, "You're listening to KDCV, 91.1 FM, the voice of Dana College, broadcasting live from Hardees in Blair, NE." What's going on?

It was "Dana Day" at Hardees, Friday, September 28, that's what. In celebration of Hardees 4th anniversary of service in Blair, the manager phoned several Dana organizations inviting them to join in the festivities. KDCV was the only organization able to attend.

With microphones and mini control board in tow, Professor Mike Moriarty, Thom Morrow and Brad Volcek ventured into the world of fast food, while back at KDCV, disc jockey Chris Nielsen musically entertained the Dana campus.

Every 15 to 20 minutes starting at approximately 7:15 p.m., Nielsen would interrupt his show and say, "And now down to Hardees." Down at Hardees, Morrow, Program Director at KDCV, was on hand lending his services.

Morrow said, "it was good to bring KDCV to the public." Professor Moriarty agreed stating, "it was a good trip and good exposure for KDCV."



Photo by Doug Piper
Live Remote: Professor Mike Moriarty, Thom Morrow and an unidentified guest broadcast from Hardees.

While on the air at Hardees, they chatted about a wide variety of events such as Dana Homecoming and upcoming fall musical "Jesus Christ Superstar" as well as giving an update on what's ahead from the Blair World of Entertainment.

News briefs borrowed from Public Relations, Alumni Affairs and KDCV were also included. And if that wasn't enough, they also gave away some compact disc's.

Moriarty mentioned that one of the highlights of the evening was talking about lighting up the Purina Feed mill located behind Hardees. The manager was unable to attend the festivities due to a bad back, but the supervisor on duty did answer some

questions for KDCV. Morrow did mention one thing that was sometimes difficult to control. "Since we're a non-profit organization, we couldn't advertise anything. We couldn't say come buy a hamburger. We could only say come down and see us. We had to watch what we said."

Moriarty agreed, saying they were restricted due to advertising. Moriarty also added, "I thought it was neat for Hardees to include us in their festivities. All in all, I had a great time."

In appreciation, Hardees treated Moriarty, Morrow and Volcek to a free meal. They said they had a good time at Hardees and would do it again if invited. Who knows where you'll see KDCV next!

these groups. There were also pentagrams, and the bathmet, which is an upside-down 5-pointed star in a circle. The five points on the star represent the five elements: fire, water, air, earth, and wind.

Hacker gave a short slide presentation of symbols, most of which were represented on album covers of artists such as Ozzy Osbourne, Iron Maiden, and Led Zepplin.

Hacker pointed out that it is a combination of these symbols, drugs, alcohol and some heavy metal music that are indicators that someone may be into Satanism.

of Set."

Hacker also used music in her presentation. One song came as a shocker to most of the audience, "Hotel California" by The Eagles. The term Hotel California refers to the location of the Church of Satan started by LaVey. Hacker pointed out various references in the song that related to topics in her speech.

Among the abundance of information that Hacker presented, she spoke of various other cult groups in Omaha, namely witches. Witchcraft is a popular practice in Omaha.

She also discussed cult holidays, ceremonies and other acts done by these groups, and pointed out that groups that do sacrifices usually do not leave their sacrifices where the ceremony took place. She also passed around books and "bibles" of these groups and described the use of ceremonial knives used in their ceremonies.

Symbols of satanism were shown to the audience, many of which are used by people under different meanings. Although there are approximately 50,000 symbols used in Satanism, only about 8-10 were shown. Among the symbols included were those of anarchy, peace, and the upside-down cross. One interesting slide was of the Black Angel statue in Council Bluffs, IA which is a hang-out for many members of

Financial Enhancements Discussed

By Carrie Pedersen
Hermes Staff Writer

Editors note: This article contains opinions of the author

Dana College was the sight of a successful Financial Aid Conference on September 25 & 26. A hearing was held as an attempt to enhance the awareness of Nebraska's need to increase tuition assistance for those who choose to attend independent colleges.

The hearing dealt with issues relating to financial aid for students in Nebraska. Members of the Education committee met with students, faculty and selected senators to discuss financial aid enhancements for the independent college students. Student leaders from Concordia, Midland, Creighton and Dana voiced their opinions and concerns to the Education committee chairperson, Senator Ron Withem of Lincoln and its members. For Dana's student body President, Julie Howland, one purpose of the hearing was "for Nebraskan students, who attend independent colleges or universities in Nebraska, to have a chance to discuss similar issues of concern with members of the Nebraska legislature."

Past attempts to receive the needed state funding for financially needier students were hindered by interpreta-

tion of Nebraska's constitution and also recent state economic problems. Due to a change in federal law, a breakthrough was achieved in 1987. Now the total scholarship program is funded at about \$1.7 million, with \$387,000 going to independent college students. Still, this amount is low compared to more than \$400 million appropriated to public higher education sectors including \$9 million for non-need-based aid for students. Although 19% of the full time college students in Nebraska attend independent institutions, only 1% of the budget (about 387,000) is appropriated for their use.

Private non-profit colleges and universities make an important contribution to the American higher education system. The support of independent institutions and their students with federal monies will create a "trickle down" effect in Nebraska's economy. This economic impact is considerable. Together, the independent colleges contribute about 4000 jobs to the workforce of Nebraska. Also, private colleges can save state taxpayers from funding the building of new campuses and the starting up of new programs in state universities to keep up with their increasing student populations. For as tuition costs rise in the less federally supported private universities, more and more students choose to attend a lower costing state school.

Omaha Satanism Demystified

By Chris Voss
Hermes Copy Editor

Caryn Hacker of Omaha gave a presentation about Satanism on Wednesday night. Hacker is a psycho-therapist with a masters degree in Social Work and has private practice located in Omaha.

The presentation was from a clinical perspective, in which Hacker gave information on the acts and symbolism of Satanism.

Hacker talked about the importance of distinguishing between a religious cult and the occult. The former tends to be a more quiet, passive group led by a charismatic leader. However, the latter tends to be violent, aggressive and angry. Religious cults tend to be more communal in living arrangements and fear outsiders.

The idea of Satanism was popularized by an Englishman by the name of Alicer Crowley. He called himself "The Great Beast 666." He died in 1947.

He was followed by a man called Anton LaVey. He was a carnival worker and then became a photographer for a newspaper in California.

He later wrote the satanic bible and started the Church of Satan in San Francisco in 1966.

He in turn was followed by Michael Lacino, who began his own "Temple

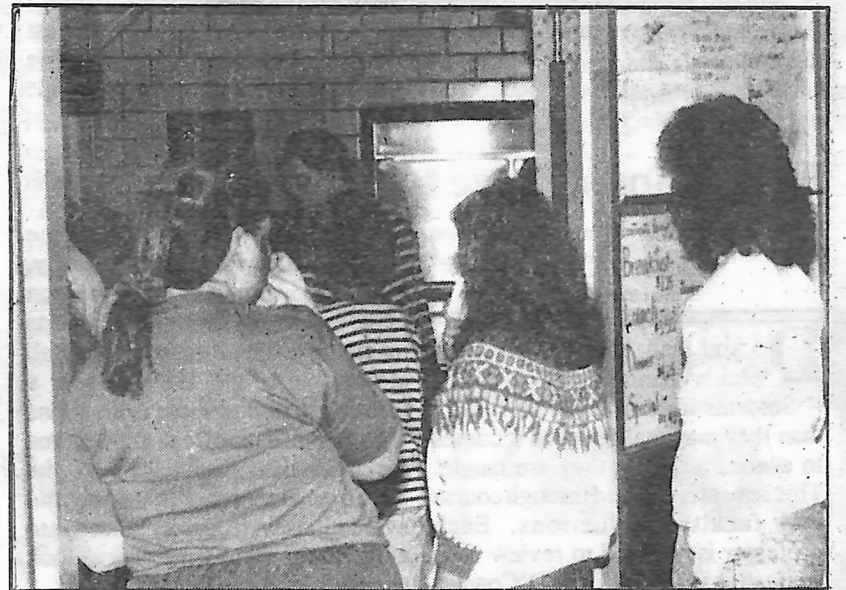


Photo by Doug Piper
Lunch Line: A larger number of students contributes to a longer wait.

Three Out Of Four Classes Lose Students Over Summer

By Annette Wacha
Hermes Staff Writer

By this time all of you are getting settled in with your new classes and or getting use to the college atmosphere. You may look around you and notice that someone you knew last year isn't here this year. Some may have transferred to other colleges or universities, graduated, joined the military and are now in Saudi Arabia, or just didn't return for unknown reasons.

In fact if you are a Sophomore 102 of the 165 people that were here last year have returned. Sixty-two of 83 juniors returned and 93 of the 104 seniors

returned.

Overall Freshman attendance is down by 23 percent. In fact, most of the numbers are down: Juniors, down 33 percent; Seniors, down 15%. But the only trend breaker is the Sophomores who have increased by 33%.

Overall attendance is up from the 486 students that were here last fall to over 500 students that are here this semester.

Both part time and weekend student numbers are up by almost 70%.

Although most of the students are from Nebraska, 26 of the fifty states are represented. Iowa, Colorado, Minnesota, Kansas, and Illinois are among the other states with high attendance levels at Dana.

Several foreign countries are also well represented. Namibia, Malaysia and Denmark are among the leaders. The majority of the students on campus are white with a good percentage of African American and Polynesian students.

Chris Bliss
Monday, October 8
Coffee House Style
In The
Dragon's Head
8:30 p.m.

NEWS & FEATURE

Lorentz Brings Experience to Stage

By Cami Christensen
Hermes Staff Writer

Looking like someone's grandfather when you actually only 29 may not be so flattering. Unless you're Eric Lorentz, and wanted for an acting part on "Unsolved Mysteries".

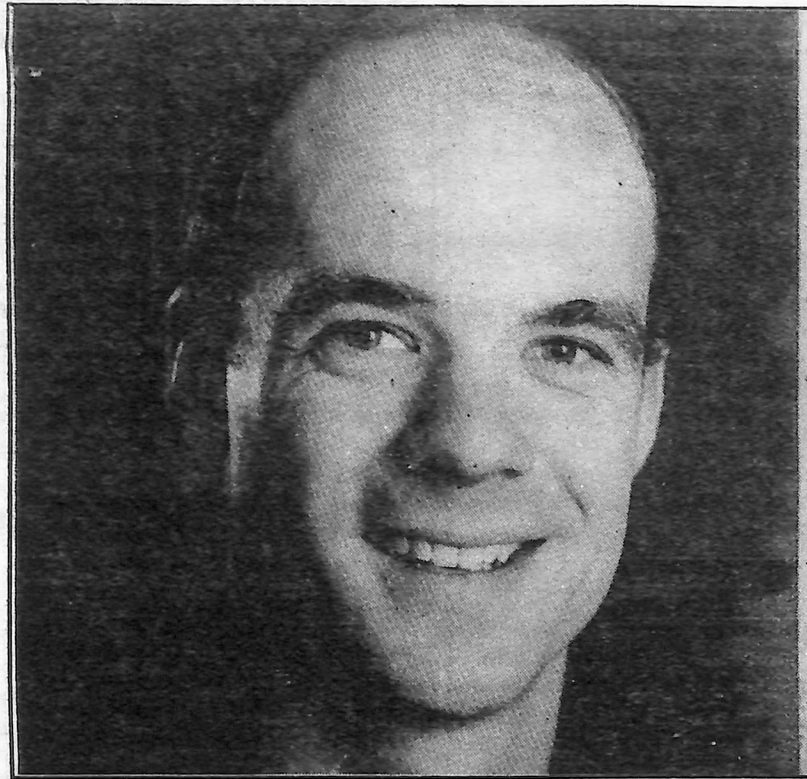
Lorentz, the guest director on campus for "Jesus Christ Superstar", was quite happy, in fact, when he received a call from his agent telling him that he resembled a woman's grandfather accused of killing his wife in the early 1900's. He took the job and spent several days filming the episode that will air next January or February.

This is only the latest of Lorentz's television/movie appearances. He played a role working with Keefer Sutherland and Dennis Hopper in "Flashback" and has also done television work on "Perry Mason Mysteries", and "Father Dowling Mysteries".

A native of Minnesota, Lorentz's educational background started at Luther College, where he received his B.A. in English and Literature. After spending a semester at the University of Oslo in Norway, he went on to graduate school at The National Theatre Conservatory in Denver.

During his college years, Lorentz found time to start his own theatre company in Minnesota called the "Common Weal". Several former Dana students have participated in this company.

Lorentz has had a connection to



Lorentz

Photo by Doug Piper

Dana before this however, his sister Mary Dokken, was the former Dean of Admissions.

Eric Lorentz is a very enthusiastic and spirited individual. "His energetic and positive attitude rubs off on the rest of the cast and it keeps us going," explained Kristi Olsen, who will be playing Mary Magdalene in the upcoming production.

Lorentz is very pleased with the way the show is progressing. "I didn't come here to try to put on the best 'Jesus Christ Superstar' ever done but rather to put on the best possible

'Jesus Christ Superstar' that can be done on Dana College working with the talent we have".

When asked about future plans, Eric and his wife Gail will be returning to their home in Denver, where he will begin auditioning for new work. In the meantime, we might get to see him traveling with the Nebraska Caravan when they present "A Christmas Carol".

We welcome Eric and Gail to Dana College and hope that they enjoy their stay. "Jesus Christ Superstar" will be shown October 27, 28, and 29.

Evaluations Prove to be Constructive

By Scott Gray
Hermes Staff Writer

Do you realize how much your opinion counts?

Students have more of an impact than they may realize when it comes to classes and how they are taught. This impact is realized through course and faculty evaluations. Each professor is required to review their evaluations with Kathleen O'Connor, Dean of Academic Affairs, to learn what students believe to be their strong and weak points in the classroom.

Dean O'Connor commented that many faculty do get a little stressed out when it comes to reviewing evaluations. However, faculty care about what students feel and think. The evaluations give them some ideas about the strengths and weaknesses of their teaching and classroom style.

Prior to 1987 course evaluations were NOT mandatory, and were used only at the Dean's request. These evaluations were used more as a trouble-shooting technique, than a general all-purpose evaluation. In the middle of the 1988-89 school year,

the Faculty Affairs Committee presented a new form to the faculty.

The following year faculty action made course and faculty evaluations mandatory for all teachers and all classes. After the 1989-90 year a meeting to review these evaluations with the Academic Dean also became a requirement established by the faculty. Before this time, the evaluations were simply placed into a file for the faculty member to look over if they chose to.

"I believe that most students take these evaluations seriously and make valid and constructive comments. Students need to realize that their opinions really do matter," said Dean O'Connor. "We do care what students think, and wanted you to get the most out of your education at Dana. We also care about faculty and want them to feel encouraged and supported in their efforts."

Your opinion does count. When you are handed faculty and class evaluations, stop and take a minute to think seriously about what you want to say concerning the course and professor. These evaluations really do have an impact on your education.

Nurse Promotes Good health

By Sara Olson
Hermes Feature Editor

I feel like I can really develop a good rapport with college students," claims Sandy Barta, the new school nurse.

Barta is originally from Howells, Nebr. She was born and raised on a family farm. She attended local schools as a child and as a teen, then decided to continue her education by enrolling in the College of St. Mary's. It was there that she earned her Associates Degree. In addition to that degree, Barta then went on to obtain her Bachelor's Degree at the University of Nebraska's College of Nursing in Omaha.

She married her high school sweetheart shortly after her graduation from nursing school. She and her husband Greg moved to Schuyler, Nebr. where they resided for five years. While in Schuyler, Barta worked as a Registered Nurse (R.N.) at Memorial Hospital. From there she and her family moved to Blair and have lived here for six years. She and her husband have two children: Dawn, 8; Ryan, 6.

During her first year in Blair, Barta



Barta

remained at home to raise her children. "I am a very family-orientated person. My jobs have always been part-time so I can be home with my kids," expressed Barta.

Since her second year in Blair, she has been on-call at Emmanuel Medical Center in Omaha, where she works in the mental health unit.

It was during Barta's junior year of high school that she decided to become a nurse. Her first intention was to be a secretary, but she wanted more of a challenge. "I wanted to do something in a caring field. I like working with people and helping them."

"I felt that with my background in medical and psychiatric health that I could understand others with their

problems, whether physical or mental," said Barta when asked why she took interest in this job at Dana. "I really enjoy working with young adults. I understand them, they are so full of life. I still remember my college days like yesterday."

Barta was also attracted to this job because she wanted to promote wellness. "I am very much health-minded myself—I believe in fitness, good nutrition, and taking care of your psychological wellbeing."

Since Barta has been extensively educated in psychology and stress education, she believes that her experiences will be beneficial in working with college students.

Barta likes to play tennis in her spare time, and for the past two years she has attended a Tennis and Life Camp sponsored by Gustavus Adolphus College in St. Peters, Minn.

Barta also enjoys walking, biking, and reading. She listens to New Age music and soft rock. She enjoys traveling and has been to Boston on several occasions.

The nurses office is located on the south end of the second floor of Argo Hall. Sandy Barta is in her office Monday-Friday from 9-1. Her extension number is 7320.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (for the week of Oct. 5 - Oct. 11)

- Exhibit in Parnassus: "Fragments from the Ancient World" from the collection of Dr. Loyd Neve
- Friday**
- Womens Volleyball, Dakota State College Tourney (5th and 6th) 7:00 p.m. Game Night, Dragon's Head
- Saturday**
- 1:30 p.m. Football at Midland College
- Sunday**
- 10:00 a.m. Worship service in the chapel
- 10:15 a.m. Bagels and Bach, Jan Boland, flutist John Dowall, guitarist; Joslyn
- Monday**
- 10:00 a.m. Chapel, Audrey Gowen; PM 318
- 6:30 p.m. Campus Ministry Council meeting
- 8:30 p.m. Coffee House in the Dragon's Head with comedian Chris Bliss
- Tuesday**
- 7:00 p.m. People and Issues, Julie Howland
- 7:30 p.m. Women's Volleyball, Midland College, BC
- Wednesday**
- 10:00 a.m. Chapel; PM 318
- 2:10 p.m. The Christians, Episode 8, "The Conquest of Souls"; Parnassus
- 10:00 p.m. Campus Bible Study; Elkhorn Hall
- Thursday**
- 7:30 p.m. Women's Volleyball at Concordia



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Last Seconds Prove Crucial

By Shad Beam
Hermes Staff Writer

Dana came up with its second victory in two weeks Saturday. The Vikings overcame a 10-0 first half deficit to defeat the Benedictine Ravens 20-13.

It looked as if Benedictine would easily defeat Dana when the Ravens scored with 7:39 in the first quarter on a 37 yard field goal by Mark Gormley. Dana's defense held for the remainder of the quarter, but the offense could not score. The first quarter ended 3-0 in favor of the Ravens.

The Ravens opened the second quarter with a Matt McIntosh ten-yard run for a touchdown. Gormley again booted an extra point and Benedictine led 10-0. Dana scored with 6:16 in the second when Brent Leifers caught a 29 yard scoring pass from James Anderson. Troy Buss tackled on the extra point and Dana trailed 10-7. Gormley added another field goal from 35 yards out and Benedictine led 13-7, ending the first half.

Neither team scored in the third period. Dana finally got back on the score board with 7:48 left in the fourth quarter. Junior running back Sean Dalton scored on a two-yard run. The extra point was no good, but Dana tied the score at 13-13. The Vikings won

the game on a last second score. Leifers snatched a 25 yard pass from Anderson for the score, and Buss came across with the extra point, putting Dana on top 20-13.

The Viking offense totaled 341 yards while the defense gave up 359

Mitchell and Leifers combines for 20 receptions gaining 257 yards and two TD's. Russ Wilcox and Jeremy Hill led Dana's defense. Wilcox had nine solo tackles and five assists while Hill had nine solo tackles and four assists. Other leaders were Bruce



Extra Point: Troy Buss attempts another kick.

Photo by Doug Piper

yards to Benedictine. Dana's rushing game was slowed down this week. Dalton carried the ball 14 times for 37 yards and one TD. Anderson completed 16 of 29 passes for 180 yards and two TD's. Sophomore quarterback Mike Carubba also had a big throwing day, completing 10 of 23 for 103 yards. Receivers Corey

Thomas with seven solos and four assists, Adam Lippincott with six solos and six assists and senior Victor Lyon with seven solos and two assists. Dana's next game is tomorrow at Midland for the Warrior's homecoming, kick-off set for 1:30



Concentration: Kim Gosh, Kim Mikos, Stephanie Svoboda, and Kris Skelton show their intensity.

Photo by Doug Piper

Team Volleys to Win

By Kim Farmer
Hermes Staff Writer

It's nice to cruise to a win," said Coach Foley. She's referring to the volleyball match against Bellevue College on September 25th. The Lady Vikings dominated the floor. "We were by far the better team," said Foley.

Steph Svoboda and Shelli Wiebelhaus both had 15 and 8 kills respectively to lead the team to victory. Dana defeated Bellevue 15-1, 15-5, and 15-6.

The second conference match for the women was against Concordia College. Foley commented, "We played well the first set. But in the 4th set we had to come back from a 11-5 deficit to win the match." Kris Skelton served six straight points to win it." Skelton also lead the team in digs with 19. Tina Lucero had 28 assists for the women, while Svoboda and Wiebelhaus both had 10 kills. This win put Dana at 2-0 in the conference.

Before traveling to Sterling, Kansas on the 28th and 29th, the women had to face Wayne State College. Unfortunately, Dana lost to Wayne

State 1-15, 15-9, 4-15, and 7-15. "We had trouble getting the ball past the front line," Foley said. "We need to work on remaining confident when we are behind."

Since the Bellevue match, leading hitter Joie Arens has been sideline due to an infection in her foot. However, Kim Mikos has done well in her position. "Kim played outstanding while Joie was out," remarked Foley. "Joie plays a big role on the team, so when I go out there I know I have to play well," said Mikos. Against Wayne, she lead the team in kills with 8 and had 4 solo blocks.

At the tournament in Kansas, the Lady Vikings won the first two matches against Benedictine College and Sterling College. "As a team we served well all day," Foley said. Dana defeated Benedictine 15-13 and 15-9. "I think were better than them physically, also," she said. Svoboda had 12 kills and Lucero had 22 assists.

Against Sterling, the women again dominated the floor with the scores of 15-8 and 15-4. Daylene Perrino lead the team in points with 7 and 3 of them were aces. Foley said, "Daylene has been significant for us in serving."

The last match against Concordia

was a struggle. However, the women couldn't hold on to win it. Foley remarked, "We kept their hope alive. They wanted to pay us back for what we did to them earlier in the season." Dana was defeated 15-8, 13-15, and 7-15.

The Lady Vikings had to face Doane College last Tuesday. Dana fell in three sets 8-15, 10-15, and 9-15. "We did things really well, like blocking and serving, but other areas hurt us, too," Foley commented. "Doane is good, but not unbeatable, and our players know that." The win for Doane put them tied in the conference with Dana and Midland with a record of 2-1. The Vikings overall record is 11-20.

Homecoming Festivities the Week of October 8 - 14

By Ann Gustafson
Hermes Staff Writer

Contest, fun and prizes!!! This year's Homecoming theme is "Escapade".

To start off the week there will be a comedian in the Dragon's Head. His name is Chris Bliss and he is from Omaha. He does performances at The Funny Bone Comedy Club. He will be performing Monday October 8, at 8pm.

Tuesday October 9 is Hawaiian Day. There will be judging done at 10 am in the Dragon's Head for the best Hawaiian costume, and the awards will be given away at the volleyball game that night against Midland.

Thursday October 11 is toga day. Judging for the best toga outfit will be in the Dragon's Head at 10 am.

Career Services Helps Plan your Future

By Becky Johnson
Hermes Staff Writer

If you are feeling anxiety with thoughts of resume's, applications, and interviews, don't panic, just stop in and visit with Mary Jo Kubie in Career Services and she will point you in the right direction in starting the process of finding a job for after graduation.

The first step, and probably the most important, is typing a resume.

There are many handouts and books in the Career Services library to assist you in writing your resume and if you run into any problems the people in the Career Services office are there to help you.

There is also a Resume Expert program which enables you to use the computers to type up your resume and there is also a laser printer available to students to print out their resumes.

If you need help typing your resume there are students on campus that will help you type. Career Services sends out a list of Nebraska interviews to the students, and you need to look over these lists.

If an interview interests you, finish your resume, along with an application letter and possible transcript and send these to the corporation.

The corporation then looks over the papers, decides which students they wish to interview, and they contact Dana College and you set up an appointment for an interview.

Another process is the on campus interviews. These are usually done in the spring semester. Students are notified of the upcoming interviews, and then you sign up for a time.

Accounting Majors need to finish their resume's early for the accounting firms hire future employees early for they are much more busy in the spring and summer months.

Students may also attend the Career Fair in September of every year to receive other hints and procedures for finding a job.

Another good idea is to talk to people you know in your particular field of study and start networking.

The more people you talk to, and the more people that know your name the better the chances of finding a job in

that area.

Good sources of contacts are alumni, advisors, people in your hometown in corporations that you know, or people your friends and relatives know.

Internships are a very good source for experience not only by working but it is good experience in finding a job. You contact the corporation with the help of Career Services, and then set up a job.

Interim is a good time to do this if you are a Junior or Senior. Internships are a valuable addition to a resume. There have been over 40 copies of internship packages sent to students so far this year that are interested in the program.

Dana alumni who are still looking for employment need to contact Career Services and they will also assist them in finding a job.

Most Dana graduates stay in the general vicinity of the Blair/Omaha area. It is also very important to finish your requirements as soon as possible so when the job opportunity arises you are ready. Try to get those summer courses, and correspondence courses done before you graduate as the chances of a job are more likely.

"Your first job is a triple learning experience," states Kubie, "First of all for the first time the student is completely on their own and are in charge of every minute of their day."

The second experience is just working, and lastly the student has to learn how to cooperate with other co-workers and faculty."

If you have any questions about how to go about finding a job after graduation, stop into Career Services and talk to Mary Jo.

You may also wish to visit the Career Services Library and pick up some pamphlets or check out some books to assist you. Any information you may need is in this library.

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OPINION & COMMENTARY

Midland: Not Just For The Fun Of It

By Kurt James
Hermes News Editor

Yes, it is time once again for action to be taken, the Midland Warriors are hosting the football team on Saturday. Why, is this such an important event? Simply put, we are rivals.

There is no other event quite like this one. For both schools, bragging rights for another year are up for grabs.

Importantly as students, the question of just how enthusiastic one can be. Well, how does getting all fired

up into a blood-boiling rage sound? Yes, of course that's the right answer!

In order to show that the excitement is flowing through us, students must raise their voices high and help to bring a victory home.

True, the game is being played in Fremont, on the Warriors home field. However, attendance by a large number of the Dana population could help to put dominance in the Vikings game plan. Fremont only being 22 miles away there is no possible excuse for students not to be in attendance.

The ramifications of the outcome

of a close rivalry are endless. So take action and be prepared to go completely bonkers to secure the foundations of being at a small college, the ability to go anywhere you want and feel totally awesome because you are proud to go there. And most importantly, you don't go to "that other school!!!"

Remember that being a student here, the most wonderful thing in the world is being able to say "yes, we did beat Midland this year!"

So come on out on Saturday and thoroughly enjoy being a Dana student. By ...raising as much noise and hoopla as anyone in the state of mind that you are in could possibly muster.

Dana
vs.
Midland

Saturday, October 6
1:30 P.M.

Politoons by Plowman



"Even if Congress got a perfect budget, they'd never pass it."

Public Pulse

Interim

This weeks *Hermes* asked members of the student body: "What do you think about Interim being made optional?"

"I think it's a good idea, but the students need to know that they already paid for interim. So they might as well attend and receive the three or four credit hours they paid for."

Robert Wright, 92, Omaha, NE, Marketing

"I think it's great. It gives you more time to do things with your family and friends over the holidays, but I think it's unfair that athletes have to attend interim."

Patrick Sanders, 91, Aurora, IL, Organizational Communications

"I think it's a great idea for those people who feel they have to work during the month of January. But the way it is organized is wrong. The charges for interim are already included in first semester and there's no refund if you don't take any classes. So, economically you would be better off taking interim anyway."

Kim Mikos, 92, Seward, NE, Math

"I think it is a very good idea. This will give a chance for those who want to get a job during January to earn money for spring term tuition."

Merid Eshete, 92, Golden, CO, Marketing and Management

"It's a good idea to allow students to have their choice about interim, so they are able to work or spend time having fun. But I think everyone should still take interim classes because they are a great opportunity to experience something different."

Chrissy Ivers, 91, Underwood, IA, Marketing and Spanish

"I think it's great. Interim is a nice option for people who want to take it to get a head, but if an individual has enough credits then that individual shouldn't have to attend."

Paul Schwartz, 92, Earlham, IA, Biology and Chemistry

Oh, Say Does That Star-Spangled Banner Yet Wave

By Matt Plowman

It's interesting how conservatives and/or "patriots" preach the respect for our flag. They've tried to alter our Constitutional rights in order to iconize the star-spangled banner. They have turned the symbol for our nation and Constitution into the center of nationalistic dogma.

These same people, who would deport any infidel who dare burn the flag, I find using the flag as a curtain in their dorm room, wearing on t-shirts (or worse), and all-around treating it with disrespect.

Some feel wearing it on a t-shirt to be acceptable, but don't realize it's actually the flag not some popular design, and shouldn't be thrown on the floor like dirty laundry.

The other day at Niehardt, I saw a man preparing a huge kite which was to fly the flag behind it, yet it sat there crumpled on the ground in pre-flight. He gave me the usual patriotic rhetoric for flying the flag as high as possible, yet was using a defaced flag that needed to be taken down to the Legion to be respectfully destroyed.

Dana College expresses her patriotism well with a flag at either end of the campus (Borup and Pioneer) and by the track during football games.

Yet I find these flags at night in the dark with no lights on them, many times left in the cold rain—and always I find the flag behind Borup the night after the game, where it's hard to see the flagpole much less the flag.

I stand with Sen. Bob Kerrey in his position that you do not alter the Constitution unless the laws prohibit liberty, justice, or the checks and balances of government—much less to produce a national icon of worship.

I do suggest a practice from the Civil War era: the expressing of patriotism and criticism by writing on the flag itself.

If veterans and patriotic citizens wish to express the names of victorious battles, by writing on the red stripes that stand for the blood that has been shed for our cause.

The white stripes represent the purity or legitimacy of our cause, thus if someone has a complaint (inequality, corruption, unethical policy) then write it on the white to express that it isn't pure. Thus, people can read your flag and understand your views.

But to put it on a pedestal or burn it, you're giving the expression of ignorance to fault or that you have given up on the purpose and cause of this nation: Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness.

If this were done and the banner itself respected, I am confident that the blue that stands for our union, might become a little stronger.

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