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Tie A Yellow Ribbon: Holling Hall residents made a definitive statement of support for the U.S. troops in the Gulf with this yellow ribbon that covers the front part of the building. The ribbon was purchased by the residents and was put up Tuesday night.

Group Promotes Expansion Of Knowledge

By Chris Voss
Hermes Copy Editor

With February comes not only Valentine's Day, but a celebration and recognition of black history. During this month, we should all take time to think about the past history of the minorities of this country and the importance that it withholds. The history of blacks in this country portrays much importance in regards to the survival of the American people. Such items as blood plasma research and traffic lights are everyday items that our society takes for granted. We need to realize how needed these and other items are and who is responsible for the development of them. A display in the Campus Center, "Embrace the Color of History," tells of the many important contributions of black history. It is presented by the group

Help Our People Expand (HOPE).

However, as Professor Dave Murray stated, Black History month is not just for blacks." It is a time to learn and acknowledge important people in history, he added. Students should take advantage of the information while they can. It is an opportunity to increase knowledge and grow from the past, and maybe learn from it too. "I think it should be important to everyone," Murray said. "I'd like to see an increased commitment in a sensitive way to learn more."

HOPE is planning upcoming events for the month, including a speaker on Feb. 28. Be sure to watch for more details.

There is also a display of literature in the library pertaining to black history. Pick up a book, and by reading one page you could expand your knowledge on our country's proud past.

Project Brings Poets For Conference

By Sheila M. Young
Hermes Staff Writer

A new organization on Dana campus, The Writers Project, will host a Writer's Conference Feb. 14-15. Seven poets will read selections from their complete works and will participate in panel discussions. All events will take place in the Lauritzen Theatre, MFAC.

Desmond Egan is from Newbridge, Ireland. He has published more than a dozen book-length works, some of which will be for sale during the conference. The other poets include:

Ron Block, a native Nebraskan whose book *Dismal River* includes his thoughts and memories as he visits various places in Nebraska.

Robert Coleman worked as a Peace Corps volunteer in India before he moved to Omaha where he now works in the Department of Psychiatry in the University of Nebraska Medical Center. He is near finished with his book-length collection of poems, *Wide-open Window*.

Celia Daniels studied history and anthropology and now directs the Mu-

seum of Anthropology at the University of Kansas. She has published dozens of poems in various magazines and anthologies. Jan Huesgen has twice won the Thomas McGrath Poetry Award, sponsored by the Academy of American Poets. She has published poetry in midwestern journals and has had work accepted by a forthcoming anthology, *Only Morning in Her Shoes*.

Cynthia Pederson, now living in Danville, Ill., is the author of a volume of poems *Spoken Across a Distance* and has had a number of other poems and articles accepted for publication.

Michael Sundermeier has read his poetry in conferences in the United States and Ireland. He has published critical and creative works in various journals.

Here is the schedule for the conference: Thursday, Feb. 14

10 a.m., Poetry Reading - Ron Block
11 a.m., Poetry Reading - Michael Sundermeier

1 p.m., Panel Discussion - "Sources of Inspiration"

3:30 p.m., Shared Poetry Reading by a number of the poets

NEH Grant To Test Dana's Fundraising Strength

By Sara Olson

Dana was one of 36 institutions nationwide, and the only school in Nebraska, to receive a \$150,000 dollar challenge grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to help with the Old Main replacement project. Old Main, Dana's primary classroom facility, was destroyed by fire in August, 1988.

"This is an important award. It recognizes our outstanding Humanities program and gives a significant boost to our fund-raising efforts for the replacement of Old Main," said Dana College President, Dr. Myrvin Christopherson.

The terms of this grant require Dana to raise \$3 in matching funds for every federal dollar offered. "When awarded such a grant, we then have to certify by July 31 of each year that we have the money to match it," explained Christopherson, "we must certify a receipt of \$75,000 by this July 31, then an additional \$200,000 by July 31, 1992, \$125,000 by the July deadline in 1993, to receive the respected annual offerings, and then by July 31, 1994, we will have to certify a receipt that the total eligible contributions are in the amount of three times the federal funds, \$450,000."

"I believe that we will have no problem achieving those matches. The heaviest requirement will be next year," expressed Christopherson.

What is \$450,000 compared to the amount of the actual cost of replacement?

"The Old Main replacement costs are closer to five million, the number that we usually refer to is 4.7 million. This grant is a relatively small part of it, and is primarily designated to support the work of the Humanities in the building, and it is only intended to be one of the sources of funding for the building. What this grant will do is yield \$600,000 by the time we are done. We will receive \$150,000 from them once we can certify that we have the matching funds," said Christopherson.

There is, and has been, constant fund-raising events going on to help raise money to cover this and other expenditures. "We are in the last year of our Ad Campaign, a \$10.65 million Cash Campaign, in which we are currently a little over 9 million. Planned giving (estate gifts, or gifts by friends of the college) also has a goal of \$7.5 million in expectancies, and we are over \$10 million here," said Christopherson.

The original estimated time of ground breaking, spring 1991, probably will not take place. "There is no point in talking about it until we have the money. But, in my own mind I am still hoping to break ground this spring," expressed Christopherson.

"The receipt of this challenge grant is but one more affirmation by outside educational reviewers and agencies that Dana College is a leader in liberal arts education with a special strength in the humanities," said Christopherson.

Nebraska AIDS Project Offers More Than Counseling

By Amy Barta
Hermes Staff Writer

In 1984 an organization was formed to help Nebraska respond to a national health crisis: AIDS. This organization is the Nebraska AIDS Project (NAP). The major concerns of NAP are AIDS-related issues focusing on prevention and services.

Audrey Gowen, a Social Work major at Dana College, is currently involved with NAP through her required Social Work practicum. Gowen works with

case managers at the Omaha-based NAP office.

A case manager is a social work position. Responsibilities include making sure that all the needs of clients are met. Some of these needs include: medical assistance, obtaining disability pay for victims, lending emotional support, counseling and pastoral care. Gowen says that they basically handle anything and everything that comes up.

Some of Gowen's work with the case managers involves assisting them with their cases, but she does get a chance to work independently. Confidentiality and client/manager relationships make it difficult for Gowen to know when she can step in.

The Nebraska AIDS Project offers a wide variety of services, not only for the victims of the disease. They have an AIDS hotline that is in service for 14 hours a day, seven days a week. They also provide anonymous Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) antibody testing, with pre- and post-test counseling. They have a buddy system for victims who need support. Financial assistance is also provided for housing, food, and medical expenses. One of their most important functions is prevention through education. Pamphlets and public speakers are available upon request.

Gowen hasn't started the public

speaking aspect of her practicum yet, but expects to soon. NAP representatives speak to schools, organizations such as the Red Cross, and companies like US West.

Through her practicum at NAP Gowen has had great educational opportunities. She had this to say about her experiences, "The neatest thing has been what some people get out of the disease." There are AIDS victims that feel sorry for themselves and are continually depressed. However not all AIDS patients react in this manner. Some of these people live every day to its fullest and find the best in everything.

The NAP office in Omaha has about five employees. There are so many areas of assistance offered by this organization that it could not function without the help of one specific group: volunteers. NAP has over 200 volunteers serving today. These volunteers do everything from shopping and household chores to providing emotional support for a dying victim. It is these volunteers that run the hotline after office hours.

AIDS is a controversial disease and its victims are often shunned by society. Through organizations such as NAP and case managers and workers such as Audrey Gowen the taboo of AIDS may be overcome.

7p.m., Poetry Reading - DESMOND EGAN

Friday, Feb. 15 9:30 a.m., Poetry Reading - Celia Daniels and Cynthia Pederson

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Humanities Credit will be given; and all events are free of charge and open to the public. Poetry by the featured authors will be on reserve in the library.

NEWS & FEATURE

Senate Fills Empty Positions

By Dixie Whitlow
Hermes Sports Editor

Better snow removal and participation in the Kearney State Leadership Conference lead the way for most of the discussion during the Dana College Student Senate meeting on Wednesday Jan. 31.

President Christopherson asked for suggestions on how to improve the snow removal process. Several suggestions were given and the problem was sent to the Special Concerns Committee. Christopherson also asked for help from the senators to usher at an event in which Paul Simon will be the guest speaker. He also informed the senate that the Board of Regents will be on campus Feb. 15-16 and available to meet with them and other students during Friday lunch.

The senate also passed a motion stated by James Piester to give \$700

to send up to 20 candidates to the Kearney State Leadership Conference. The seminar will be held on Saturday, Feb. 23.

Organizations are encouraged to send a representative. A list will be posted in the Campus Center for any student who would like to attend.

Senate elections were held on Monday, Feb. 4, for two freshman and two sophomore positions. A strong voter turnout elected Kelly Wesemann and Jon Rademacher as the two freshman senators. Kathy Shaw and Jennifer Edelman were elected to serve as the sophomore representatives. According to Trasy Sparr, Election Chairperson, "The strong response to the election shows an increased interest in campus affairs."

Hopefully this interest in student life will increase with each election until the whole student body is well informed and involved in issues that affect them."

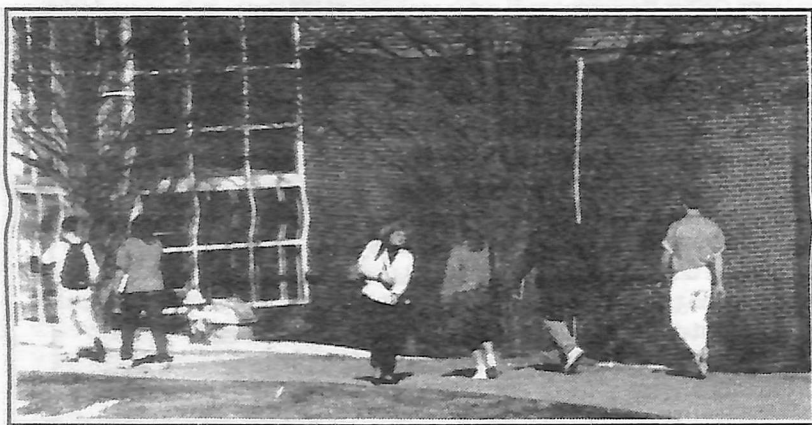


Photo by Doug Piper

Spring on the Way: Recent warm temperatures found students who had been wearing winter coats the week before wearing short sleeves and shorts.

CD's Rock The Airwaves

Shaker's CD Review

By Jon Rademacher

TESLA - Five Man Acoustical Jam
Tesla's unplanned and unofficial live third album, *Five Man Acoustical Jam*, is shaping up to be the band's biggest yet.

No flashy lights or screaming guitars here, just Tesla's amazing musicianship shining on this 68-minute all-acoustic set, which features favorites from their first two discs (*Mechanical Resonance* and *The Great Radio Controversy*) two new tunes and some classic covers, including the disc's leadoff single, "Signs."

Tesla unplugged shows the pure talent of this Sacramento quintet. Killer acoustic versions of Tesla hits, such as "Modern Day Cowboy", "Comin' Atcha Live" and "Love Song", along with songs like the Beatles' "We Can Work It Out" and the Stones' "Mother's Little Helper" are enough to satisfy any Tesla fan. Even non-listeners will agree that this CD jams with the best.

Played without electrical power but powerful nonetheless, this disc shows a scaled-down version of Tesla in top-notch form. Add it to your collection if you haven't already.

RIK EMMETT - Absolutely

Former lead singer/guitarist for veteran Canadian band Triumph, Rik Emmett ventures out on his own with an impressive debut disc, *Absolutely*.

An expansion of the classic Triumph sound, rather than a complete departure, *Absolutely* offers something to fans of many musical styles. From the fast-paced tempo of the opener, "Drive Time", to the "Space Odyssey"-sounding instrumental *Passage*, Emmett has created a unique and impressive blend of rock 'n roll.

Musicwise and lyricwise, *Absolutely* stands on its own. Songs like "Stand and Deliver" and the awesome leadoff single, "Big Lie", take a look at the real world without sounding overly political. "Smart, Fast, Mean and Lucky" and "Heaven Only Knows" are just fun rock 'n roll tunes, while ballads like "The Way That You Love Me" and "When a Heart Breaks" (the second single) slow the pace just enough to create a perfect musical mix.

Not Top 40, not dance, not heavy metal and not even what you'd call hard rock, this disc walks the line between them all. Triumph may be gone but Rik Emmett rocks on - *Absolutely*.

Non-Traditional Fairy-Tale Is Bizarre And Heartwarming

By Joel Robert Morgan

Johnny Depp and Winona Ryder take on roles unlike they have ever performed before in *Edward Scissorhands*. The film, set in a suburban area during an unknown time frame, is a fairy tale with a twist.

Edward (Johnny Depp) is the creation of an inventor (Vincent Price) who dies before Edward is given human hands. As the title suggests, Edward's hands are scissors. The film centers around Edward's situation as he tries to adjust to suburban life. He falls in love with Kim (Ryder), the daughter of the Avon lady (Dianne Wiest) who finds Edward in his castle-home.

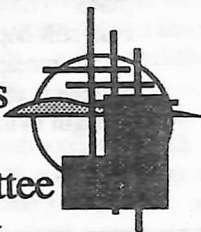
Scissorhands is directed by Tim Burton who also directed *Batman* and *Beetlejuice*.

No one performer in the film totally stood out. They all gave performances that were likeable, strange and funny. This film is a little bizarre and there are some gaps from scene to scene, but the overall effect was extraordinary.

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The Voice Of Dana College

International Students Share Their Cultures

By Kirsten Kristensen
Hermes Staff Writer

Did you know that you actually walk through a meadow filled with different flowers every day. Some of these flowers are from foreign countries but you rarely see them because they disappear in the crowd. That is really unfortunate because you miss a

great opportunity of broadening your palette, learning about the different plants, and discovering how the plants grow.

Now we have decided to direct your attention to them. In other words, from now on you will each week have the opportunity of reading articles in the *Hermes* about/by the international students. Among other things they will probably tell

you how a foreigner sees the people and culture of the U.S.A. So hang on to your *Hermes*.

Learning about other cultures is learning about your own; learning about other cultures is learning about yourself. As the Danish writer H.C. Andersen once wrote, "To live is to travel." And now you do not even have to use money for the flight.

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Calendar of Events

(for the week of Feb. 8 - 14)

Exhibit in Parnassus: "Discovering the Abstract"

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
8:00 p.m. Ballet Omaha presents "Firebird" Orpheum Theater, Omaha; leave Parnassus 6:45 p.m.	Presidential Scholarship Competition and Melchior Voice Competition Wrestling, Five State Area Tournament at Westmar College 3:00 p.m. Women's basketball at Hastings 7:30 p.m. Men's basketball, Concordia College, BC	7:00 p.m. Worship service in the chapel, PM 318	10:00 a.m. Chapel, H.O.P.E. Organization; PM 318 7:30 p.m. Men's basketball, Bellevue College, BC	7:30 p.m. Women's basketball, Nebr. Wesleyan Univ., BC	10:00 a.m. Chapel, Ash Wednesday, Pastor Linda Walz 7:30 p.m. Men's basketball at Hastings College	1:00 p.m. Panel discussion with the poets

Grapplers Ranked 20th in NAIA Poll Cold Shooting Leads To Defeat

By Shad Beam
Hermes Staff Writer

The Dana College wrestlers have been ranked 20th in the latest NAIA wrestling poll. So far this season three Dana wrestlers have qualified for the national competition. They are Scot Stickler(134), Phil Warner(167), and returning national qualifier Steve Mathis(177). The Viking wrestlers came off of strong showings in the Drake Duals, Simpson Invitational, and the Tri-State Conference tournament.

The Viking wrestling team upped their season team record to 10-5 two weeks ago at the Drake Duals. The field was comprised of NCAA Division I and II teams. The teams which participated in the duals were Drake University, Chicago State, Valparaiso University, Dubuque College, and Northeast Missouri State. The only loss of the duals was to Drake University, a Division I school, (36-0). The Vikings experienced a series of close losses, including an overtime loss at 177 lbs. by Steve Mathis. The Vikings defeated two NCAA division I schools, Valparaiso University (27-12) and Chicago State (33-15). Also, the Vikings conquered two NCAA Division II schools: Dubuque College (39-9) and Northeast Missouri State (21-19).

The Vikings then traveled to Indianola, Iowa, for the Simpson Invitational. As a team the matmen finished fourth behind Simpson, Teikyo Westmar (a Tri-State Conference foe), and Cornell. Individually the Vikings were lead by Mathis at 177 lbs. Mathis, who is a returning national qualifier, captured first place. Stickler and Warner both placed third at their respective weight classes. Troy Greder(142), Trevis Sallis(158), and Kyle Lindelof(190) all finished fourth at the tournament.

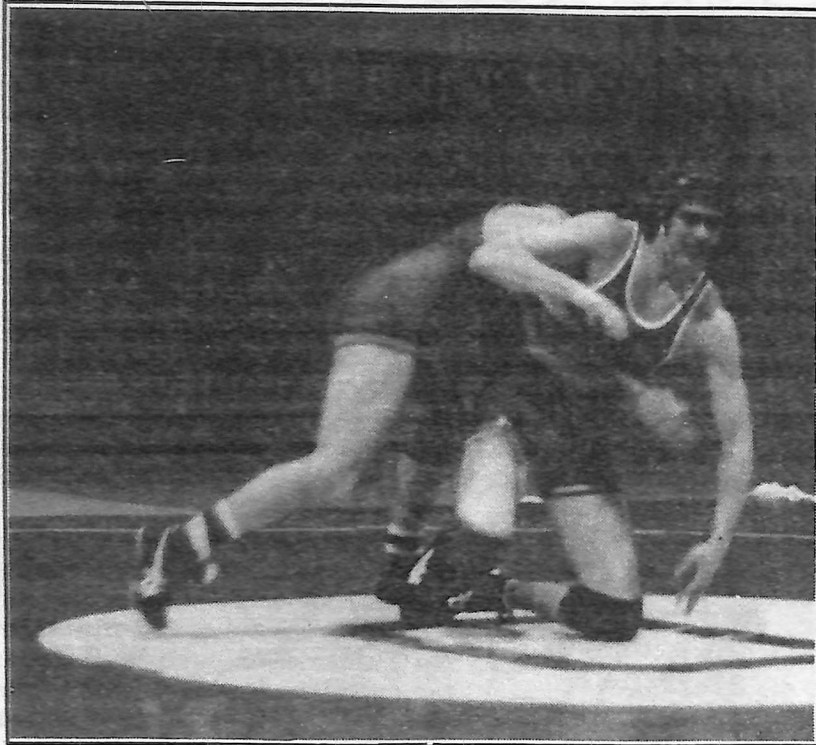


Photo by Doug Piper

On the bottom: Phil Warner works against his opponent at the Dana Invitational.

The next weekend, the grapplers traveled to William Jewell College for the Tri-State Conference tournament. The Vikings placed second behind Teikyo Westmar University. The wrestlers were led individually by Mathis(177), Peatrowski(118), Warner(167), and Foggin(Hwt.) who all finished first in the meet. Peatrowski upset Westmar's Dustin Brocka to avenge an early season loss to capture the gold. Mike Ewalt(126) placed third at the meet. Stickler(134) finished 2-1 on the day and placed second after falling to Derek Briggs of Westmar in a tight final match. Senior Marc Ferrin(142) went 2-1 on the day and placed second after losing in the final by one point. Derek Spear(150) should have earned the Purple Heart on the day as he finished third, but wrestled while suffering

from a mild concussion. Jon Rhodes moved up to one of the toughest weight classes, 158, and finished fourth. Warner went 3-0 on the day and brought home a first place award. Mathis brought home his second straight Tri-State Conference championship award as he captured first. This season, Mathis won the final after receiving 15 stitches in his forehead. Dave Lewis took second at 190, losing in the finals to Steve Utesh, who is Westmar's all-time win leader. Foggin, who was an underdog at the start of the tournament, captured first. Foggin pinned returning conference champ Ed Huff from Westmar.

The wrestlers have only two meets left before the end of the season. The national qualifiers will travel to Butte, Mont. for the national competition at the end of February.

By Dave Samson
Hermes Staff Writer

Shooting was the key in the 67-79 loss to Concordia College in the Women's Basketball game Wednesday night.

Coach Kathy Foley stated that the team went "ice cold" the last nine minutes of the game and couldn't recover. The fouls played a major role in the game as well, with Dana fouling 26 times to Concordia's eight.

Junior Katie Corbitt led the way for the Vikings with 23 points, while Jennifer "Money" Edelman contributed 15 points, 11 rebounds, four steals, and two blocked shots. Lori McMullen rounded out players in double figures with 10.

The Lady Vikings have found the going to be tough in conference play this year. The team came into conference play on fire with the best record in the school's history. But it's not easy to play Doane, rated sixth in the nation, Midland, who recently beat number six Doane for the second time this year, and even Hastings, who upset Midland just to add to the confusion.

They did, according to Coach Foley, play Hastings tough, and played Midland and Doane tough for one half. But like many struggling teams, they

didn't do what they needed to do for the full 40 minutes.

In the 85-56 loss to Doane last Saturday afternoon, they found themselves down by only eight points, but didn't execute in the second half.

On a more positive note, senior Kim Farmer has broken the single season assist record for Dana this year, averaging five a game, second in the district. And Katie Corbitt will most certainly go on to crush the single season scoring record, averaging 21.2 points per game, also second in the district. Corbitt is also third in the district in three point percentage, while freshman Laura Allen hangs in at ninth, as well as first in free throw percentage. "Money" Edelman is controlling the inside for Dana averaging 10 rebounds a game, and third in the district in shooting percentage.

The team is fifth in the District in scoring, third from three point land, and fourth from the charity stripe.

Foley commented that she is still looking for a complete 40 minute game, which is the main part of the team's six game struggle. The conference matches only begin to get tougher as the Vikings find themselves on the road for four of their last five games. The final home game for seniors Lori McMullen and Kim Farmer will be Tuesday night against Nebraska Wesleyan.

Vikings Search For Elusive Win

By Coleen Lennemann
Hermes Staff Writer

The Dana Vikings have been struggling all season long. Their struggle did not end Saturday, Jan. 26 when they faced Hastings College. Hastings took home a 111-77 win over Dana.

The Vikings had four players scoring double figures. They were lead by Pat Sanders with 26, Dave Samson, 15, Jeff Miller, 13 and Rob Wright, 10.

The Viking defense couldn't stop the Hastings offense. Hastings had an even distribution of scoring with one player scoring 19 and three others bringing in 18 each.

The Vikings added to their conference play on Feb. 2, when they faced Midland at home. The Warriors took home a 103-92 win to add to their conference standing.

Patrick Sanders lead the Vikings in scoring for the Midland game by bringing in 32. Others leading in scoring were Shawn Winters, 21 and Jeff Miller 14.

The Vikings beat the Warriors at the boards with Ryan Collier pulling down 10.

Feb. 4, the Vikings faced Mount Marty College at home. The Vikings

were held back and Mount Marty brought a 102-71 point win home. Mount Marty was just too much for the Dana Vikings at the boards pulling down 46 leaving the Vikings with 29.

The Vikings did lead the percentages from the line shooting 70% over Mount Marty's 58%.

Leading Viking scorers were John Arensberg, 17, Breckenridge, 16, Samson, 14 Sanders, 11 and Wright, 10.

The Vikings can only look forward now and concentrate on future play.



Photo by Doug Piper

Shawn Winters

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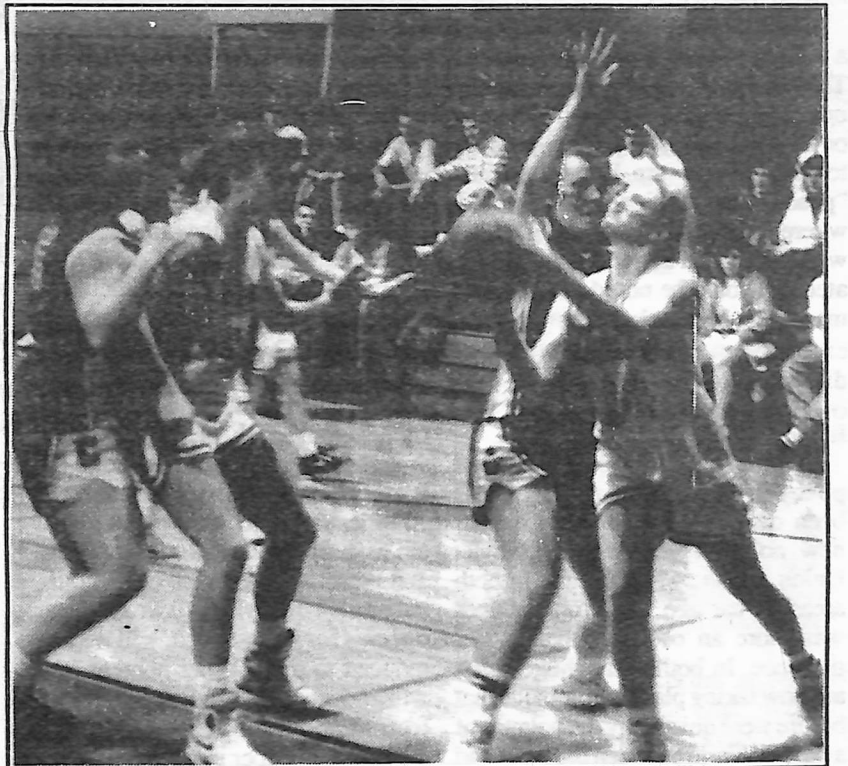


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To the hoop: Laura Allen drives as Cathy Shaw creates a lane.

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OPINION & COMMENTARY

What "New World Order?"

By Matt Plowman
Hermes Politoonist

Many politicians, especially Sec. of State Baker and President Bush, have been referring to the "new world order", and using this as an answer to the questions of our confusing and inconsistent foreign policies and our internal economic dilemmas. But what is this "new world order"? Last year, when the Cold War destroyed and the West obviously established its supremacy, the Western people turned away from the "hot spots" of the world. We thought that a Pax Americana had been established, where there would be no trepidation in trade, diplomacy, development of the Third World, energy resources, or exploration. So we focused on saving the environment, concentrated on finding a solution to AIDS, planned on using the "peace dividend" to solve some of our economic problems, pushed for human rights in Latin America and South Africa, confronted our allies on controversial subjects like trade deficits, and even planned to renovate NASA.

Where the Pax Romana lasted over a 100 years, ours lasted less than one. The United States, whether we like it or not, was based by our forefathers on the Roman Empire: from yeoman to senate. Like the Roman pax or "peace", a condition was achieved where the civilized world (Western) was united, and a peaceful order created. It should be noted that the Romans never really lost a major war--except when their population was in disunity--and were defeated by their own passion for materialism and luxury. Sound familiar?

But now the new world order that policy-makers had planned on has been disrupted by conflicts on our new political frontiers: the Soviet Union and the Middle East. In both areas a year ago, the United States was more an observer than a real presence. In both areas, huge shifts are now taking place along faults that before were quieted by the balance of a bipolar world between the USA and the USSR.

In the Soviet Union this past year, our presence was more in spirit. Reformers and Nationalists (Lithuanians, Moldavians, etc.) caught our spirit for democracy, and pushed for liberal reforms to join the West. The world was in awe at how drastically and quickly this movement went--almost too drastic and too quick, for now one

of the most populated, fragmented, and armed nations of the world is on the brink of revolution and civil war all at once. America can do little but watch passively as this new political frontier collapses, and violence outside her control escalates.

In the Middle East, our presence is now very real--equal to ours in Europe. Shifts in balance of power, ethnic hatred (Jew/Arab), and unsettled disputes have created a situation equal to Europe before World War I and II. And like before both those wars, there were calls from our public to stay out of the region's conflicts. But we have found that no matter how isolationist we try to make our policies, we are pulled into these conflicts by the threat to world order--so it is with the Middle East. We now face a huge land war--complete with the trenches and gas of WWI and the huge tank battles and urban aerial bombardment of WWII. Though this war will come to a close within the next year, what upset will this create with our forces lodged in between Syria and Iran, and terrorism in our streets? How many wars will be fought to stabilize the region, and how many years will it take.

Like the Romans of the past, our taste for luxury and materialism plays a key role, and at times seems to dictate, our foreign policy. For instance, many blame that the deployment of troops to the Gulf is because of oil--yet these are the same people that screamed at a nickel-dime tax on gas to help solve the deficit or refused to use alternative fuels such as ethanol!

And so I ask the politicians, Baker and Bush included, what is this "new order" you speak of, because the American people need to be told. Is it our intent to establish a Pax Americana? If so, how many wars are we prepared to fight to establish and preserve it. Can we curtail our materialist lifestyle (will we give-up our cars for mass-transit, will we be reduced to one TV per home, how will reduced standard of living affect minorities and the poor)? Before we commit deeper into a war for the "new world order" it would be a good idea to have our leaders explain what the new world order is intended to be and what we have to do as a nation--because I don't know if you've noticed lately, but there aren't too many Romans around today. Capiche?

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By the Third of May

It's For Keeps This Time Man

By Kurt James / News Editor

Wow, can you believe it? The one thing that most have wondered about whether out of curiosity or fear, is here. WAR!

Being college students we are not quite old enough to remember most of what happened in our nations last war. Only pieces of childhood remembrances.

This is the type of experience--that in later life--someone will ask you where you were and what you were doing on January 16, 1991, when White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater announced that the United

States, along with other coalition forces had indeed initiated the war upon Iraq.

So here it is then, The Gulf War or Operation Desert Storm. What is in a name? From now on, for the rest of our lives, those words will bring back the initial thoughts, along with that chill up your spine and the lump trying to choke your every breath after you heard the news.

What lies ahead on the horizon is still unwritten. However, none expected the romanticism that was practiced in previous decades.

From the backyards of nearly all

citizens of this nation, wars have been thought up and role played. This time nobody can say, "No way Man, I'm not dead, you missed me." This Time it's for Keeps. War!

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Public Pulse

This week the Hermes asked the student body, "What is your position on the U.S. being involved in an Alliance war against Iraq?"

"I feel that President Bush escalated the troops so rapidly, that we had little choice to do anything, but to go to war. I did not oppose the initial deployment of 200,00 troops, but the next call up was to excessive and to soon. This troop build up, along with the U.N. resolution opened the door for war instead of giving earlier solutions such as the economic blockade time to work. I am not saying that the economic sanctions would have completely solved the crisis, but they should have been given reasonable time to work."
Mark Rothfusz '91, Atlantic, IA., Business/Communication

"I agree with the U.S. being involved in the war, for the reason of controlling aggression. That is to show the world that a nation can't invade and take over another nation for any reason. Bush promised that it wouldn't be another Vietnam. And, I hope the U.S. is ready to do what it takes to hold that statement true."
Jerry Joe Green '93, Neola, Iowa., Social Sciences

"I agreed with Nebraska and Iowa Senators that believed sanctions should have been given a longer chance. But now that we're in it, we can't go into it half cocked. As a coffin on tracks driver (reservist) I have no problem with being called to arms in order to end the heavy combat more quickly. However, I do not believe that this conflict will be solved within this century."
Matt Plowman '93, Ponca, NE., History/Art

"I believe U.S. involvement in the gulf is necessary to keep people like Saddam Hussein (Hitler) in check. I think there are other ways to solve conflicts than war though. I don't feel the U.S. is economically or socially ready for a war. If oil is the main cause for fighting, we should not be there at all."
Jeffrey V. Wiegrefe '93, Omaha, NE., German/Music Ed.

"I feel it was to soon to go to war. But, now the U.S. has gone and done it, so I give them my full support. Saddam Hussein is to dangerous for the world. The soldiers need our full support while they are there. This is a necessary action."
Svein Harry Johansen '93, Haukenes, Norway., Business/Marketing