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Ostrom Hopes to Involve Dana in Christian Community

By Sara Olson
Page Editor

"I am committed to this place. I want the people here to embody the freedom we have in our faith as much as possible," said Rev. Michael Ostrom. "I want everyone to be able to commit themselves to their school work and the community at large."

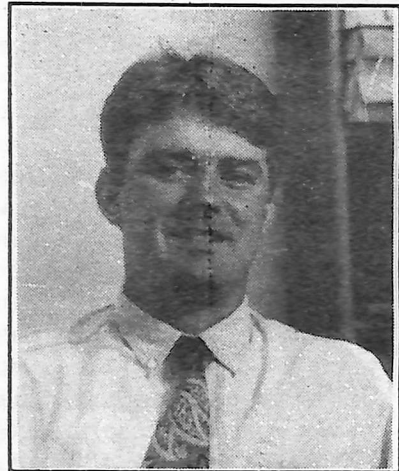
Ostrom is originally from the Omaha area, although he has spent extensive time traveling around to a couple different parts of the country helping people and sharing God's word.

Ostrom graduated from Westside High School in Omaha and then preceded to attend University of Nebraska at Lincoln where he did three years of undergraduate studies in social work. He completed his education at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

"I worked as a social worker for eight months," said Ostrom. "I grew frustrated with that because I had come to see meeting the physical needs could help people only to a certain extent and there was a real driving spiritual need of acceptance and love people hungered for and I found myself increasingly driven to help meet that need."

Ostrom attended seminary at the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago. He was the associate

pastor at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Arlington Heights, Ill. "I had been thinking about being a pastor since I was about 13 years old. I was enamored with sermons and my mom and I fought about them on the way home after church. That was real powerful for me."



Rev. Michael Ostrom is the new campus pastor at Dana.

Ostrom explained that during his high school years he was not very popular.

"I started school too early and was looking for a community to accept me."

It was then that he found his place in the church. "The people in youth ministry welcomed me with open arms and gave me positions of leadership. It was from there that people began to suggest ordained ministry to me."

While Ostrom is at Dana, he would like to do many things. The most powerful of them would

be his passion to get our campus community involved with Habitat for Humanity.

"I would like to provide retreat experiences where the students and faculty go into communities where they are experiencing challenges and crisis and for us to meet the leaders who are in the thick of the fight and learn about the context in which we live."

"I think that most of us are accustomed to fairly stable family and cultural lives. There are plenty of places in this country where there is a lot of hurting. I think it is part of our Christian and human calling, out of a Christian liberal arts school to have the courage to plunge into these areas and learn about them and discuss how we might respond in meaningful ways so that we would not be so helpless."

"I feel a real passion about seeing what we might do to make life a little better for people and what we might learn about the strength of people who actually endure things."

"We define strength as the ability to excel and accumulate things and so forth when really true character is formed out of suffering. Real strength and character arises out of this setting."

Dana College. Ostrom had many good first impressions of this place.

"This is a beautiful campus. The Missouri Valley and the

height at which this college is situated is really stunning.

"The hospitality of the people and the fact that they seem to want to get to know you is great."

"Another thing about this campus is that there is some rich racial and cultural variety. That is another thing this college has

worked hard at developing. It is a real strength."

Ostrom's primary goal here is to proclaim the gospel, acceptance and new creation.

Rev. Ostrom is has been married to his wife Kristin for seven years and he has a son, Joshua.

Professional Officers Patrol Dana at Night

By Becky Baumker
Page Editor

Nighttime security operations at Dana have changed this year from a program that was run by students to a program run by a professional company, according to Dan Travaille, vice president for student affairs.

Two officers from American Security Services now patrol the Dana campus at night.

The decision to change from a student-run program to a professional security service was one the entire campus was involved in, Travaille said.

"We did an assessment of the old system and asked for input from the staff, students and student security workers," he said. "Some of the workers expressed the idea that it was hard for them as a Dana student to go up and confront another Dana student. So we decided it would be best to try something else."

Travaille said he thinks the professional security service will make students feel more secure.

"We wanted to create the best possible environment so students will feel safe and comfortable," he said. "Using the security service accomplishes that by letting the students know there is someone out there who is trained to handle security situations."

Travaille said the officers of American Security Services must go through 40 hours of training.

The officers' main responsibility is to lock doors and make sure buildings are secure.

"Basically when the officers come on duty they will go around and secure all the buildings," Travaille said. "They will shut off all the lights and make sure people aren't in areas where they don't belong. Then they periodically go back during the night to make sure the buildings are still

secure."

The officers also do preventive patrolling, Travaille said.

"They, (the officers) make sure the people here are people that belong here," he said. "They make sure no strangers are just wandering around the campus. In hopes, this will create a preventative atmosphere."

The security personnel are also responsible for writing parking tickets.

On a trial basis only, the security personnel will also escort someone across campus if they feel they do not want to walk alone. This service is being offered only on a trial basis to see if it will interfere with the officers' other duties.

"Last year during the student-run program, we would always schedule two people at the same time," Travaille said. "That way if someone wanted to be escorted, one person could leave and escort that person and the other could continue with their duties."

"Now, with the security service there is only one officer on duty at a time. We decided to try escorting on a trial basis to see if it will interfere with his other duties. If the officer gets a lot of calls for escorting, he will not be able to complete his other duties. If that happens we will have to eliminate the escort part of the service."

Dan Miller and Chad Steele are the officers who patrol the campus at night. There is a possibility of a third being added in the near future.

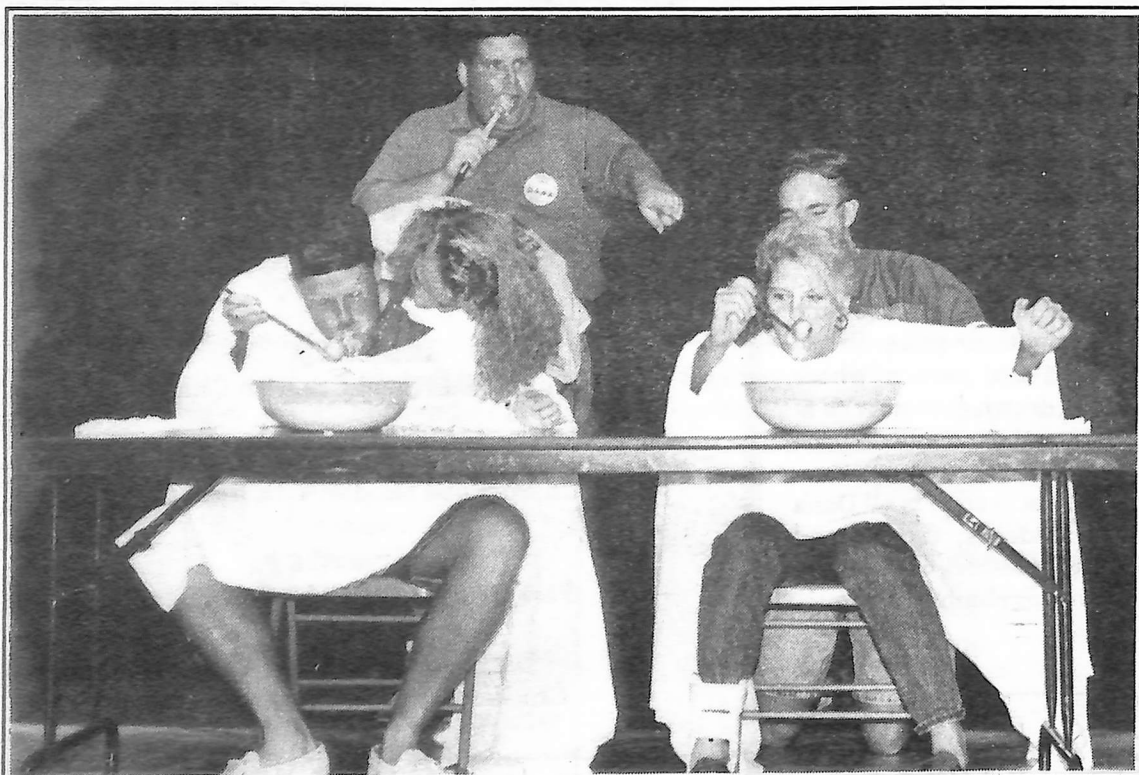
The hours they work are 8 p.m. until 9 a.m. and you can reach them by calling x.7739.

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A Well Balanced Breakfast?



Lisa Welch

Debbie Ellerbrook and Wade Daggett feed Randy Meyer and Stephenie Wilson cereal as a part of the pep rally Wednesday evening as Bill O'Boyle calls play-by-play action. The fall pep rally was organized by the public relations department.

Student Senate Holds First Meeting

By Carrie L. Larkins
Editor in Chief

The Dana College Student Senate held its first meeting for the 1992-93 academic year on Wednesday in the Forum. Six new freshmen senators, a junior and a senior were welcomed to senate by President Trasy Sparr. Treasurer Cathy Shaw indicated that the senate currently has \$37,000.

No committees had reports because they have not met this semester. Campus Media Coordinator Dixie Whitlow emphasized in her report that all events planned by senate funded organizations must go through her or their funds will be frozen.

Sparr thanked the senators for

helping with the 'Back to School Bash' on Saturday. She felt that it was a "success."

According to Jon Wolf, the outdoor basketball court purchased by senate last spring should be completed by Sept. 10. The basketball court was purchased from senate's wish list funds. It is being constructed directly north of the sand volleyball court.

Mike Godfrey indicated that a large calendar board for the campus center should be in place by Sept. 12. The 4 foot by 9 foot board was funded by the Alumni Council.

The senate chose Tammy Hoyer as Night Life Director for Student Activities Board (SAB). Because there were no applicants for Cultural Events Director for SAB, it was suggested that senate offer the position to Rachel

Heinze, an applicant for Night Life Director.

Amy Brown and Kyle Lindelof were chosen as intramural co-directors for the 1992-93 school year.

It was decided that the Student Senate would participate in the Vote America program. This foundation, based in Washington, D.C., is geared to get college students registered and to get them to vote. Activities will include voter registration on campus, a forum and an election day/week party.

Constitutions for the new organizations Residence Hall Association (RHA) and Dana German Club were accepted.

The annual budget meeting for Student Senate will be held Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 7 p.m. in the Forum.

From the Desk of...

Student Senate President, Trasy Sparr

When "Celebrate Dana" was chosen for this year's theme, I have to wonder what was really on the minds of those deciding. Were they thinking about the fact that the new building is actually underway, that our accreditation is being approved for the full ten years or that our number of students is up? (All, by the way, are items that should be celebrated.) Or did someone somewhere somehow know or foresee all the incredibly significant smaller (not in importance mind you) success stories we would encounter as this year moves on?

Last weekend's senate Back to School Bash had a crowd, an actual crowd of people in attendance. Who would have believed at the end of last year that we could get over 60 people to participate in an egg toss in the oval on a Saturday afternoon? Last year we wouldn't have even tried. Or who would have dreamed that we would get 140 (or so) to eat off Frisbees at a barbecue? What a way to start the year off.

Just as exciting last Saturday was the volleyball team winning their first tournament and starting the year off with the best record in Dana history. What a great accomplishment and an incredible reason to celebrate. Congrats to all the team and coaches Foley and Stevenson. Keep up the good work.

And what about the Survival Guides we all received? Dixie and her entire staff need a big pat on the back for all their work this summer. I think it's definitely something to be proud of when you can get a group of students to work on their own summer vacation and at their own expense to put together some-

thing such as the Survival Guide that is so beneficial for everyone at Dana. This definitely proves to me that students truly care and take an active interest in what happens here.

The pep rally, a pep rally, how exciting! A big thanks to Burke Peterson, Bill O'Boyle and the rest of the organizers for a fun night-what a way to get school spirit started. Those of us in attendance had a great time and I think got our enthusiasm rejuvenated and got us ready for the big game on Saturday. Good luck guys!

Even the *Hermes* staff has gotten involved in the action. How exciting to receive a *Hermes* on only the third day of classes! Not only was it full of interesting columns, but all of the campus news was included along with great photos. A true sign of good things to come!

While we have encountered a great many small successes and reasons to celebrate, I believe we've only hit the tip of the iceberg. As far as Student Senate is concerned, we haven't even begun yet on some of our biggest and best ideas. Things to look for in the weeks to come include the completion of the outdoor basketball court, the construction of the campus calendar in the center, the beginning of our Vote America project and much, much more.

While I know with classes going, homework mounting, the athletic programs in full swing and organizations beginning to form, time is scarce, but please take the time to remember that we need to celebrate what we have, where we are headed and, most importantly, each other.

NEWS AND INFORMATION

Auditions for Fall Play

Auditions for Dana's fall play, "Little Shop of Horrors," will be held Tuesday, Sept. 8 at 6 p.m. in the Lauritzen Theater of the Madsen Fine Arts Center. The auditions are open to the public.

Yearbook Staff

The Danian is in need of a co-editor and a photographic editor for the 1992-93 school year. Those interested can contact Prof. Dibben. A general meeting for the Danian staff will be held Thursday, Sept. 10, at 4 and 7 p.m.

Senate Elections Held

Eight new senators were elected Wednesday. Kris Flack was elected as a senior class representative. Stan Shaw will occupy the vacant junior class position. Six senators from the freshman class were also elected: Amy Beebout, Austin Brown, Vic Hundley, Nate Larsen, Darren Tooley and Matt Wess.

Soccer Club Begins Play

The Dana College Soccer Club will have its first home game of the season on Sept. 5 at 3 p.m. The game will be held at the Blair Soccer Complex across from the high school. All students are encouraged to attend.

Forensics Team

The Dana College Forensics Team will hold their first meeting of the year on Sept. 10 at 8 p.m. in the Blair Hall basement. Forensics combines speech and debate skills which are then used to compete with other teams in this area. Everyone is encouraged to attend and no experience is necessary. At this meeting, T-shirts, community and weekend activities and possible meets will be discussed.

Community/Campus Recreation Center

The Community/Campus Recreation Center opens Sept. 9. The hours are: Borup: 8 a.m.-9:45 p.m. weekdays, 1-8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday; pool lap swim: MWF 12-1 p.m., MF 4-6 p.m.; open swim: T-F 7-9 p.m., Sat. and Sun. 2-5 p.m. Important information about the program will be posted by the mail drop in the Campus Center and in the front windows of Borup. Students will need to show their I.D. card and sign in to enter the building during supervised hours.

Renegade Radio U2 Ticket Giveaway

Press Release

91FM Renegade Radio welcomes Island recording artist U2 to Ames, Iowa, on Friday, Sept. 11 at 8 p.m.

In promotion of this concert event, Renegade Radio is offering a pair of tickets to one lucky listener. As of Wednesday, Sept. 9, listeners have the chance every day to listen and call in to register to win these tickets.

Every hour, the on-air announcer will play a montage of U2 songs. The first three listeners to call the studio line (426-7345) will be registered to win the tickets. In addition, each day's registered listeners will have the chance to win other U2 prizes. Each weekday, a U2 tour poster and limited edition compact disc single of their song "Even Better Than the Real Thing" will be given away to one lucky listener.

On Thursday, Sept. 10, sometime after 6 p.m., the on-air announcer will make the drawing for the grand prize of two tickets to see U2 in Ames. The person whose name is drawn at random will then have nine minutes and eleven seconds to call the studio line to claim their prize. In the event that the person whose name was drawn does not call in to win, another name will be drawn.

This contest is open to all Dana College students, faculty and staff. Staff members of Renegade Radio are not eligible to win.



Dragon's Head

Weekly Specials

Monday

Tuna Salad Sandwich with Chips

Tuesday

Chicken and Noodles with Biscuits

Wednesday

Pork Tenderloin and French Fries

Thursday

Chicken Strips and French Fries

Friday

Spaghetti

Vikings Win St. Mary Tournament First Championship in Dana Volleyball History

By Carrie L. Larkins
Editor in Chief

The young Dana volleyball team proved something to themselves and to their opponents last weekend in the College of St. Mary Invitational Tournament. The Vikings are building on an undefeated season, winning six games and the tournament championship. This was the first tournament championship in Dana volleyball history. Even as conference champions in 1987, the Vikings failed to win a tourney.

The Lady Vikings won two matches on Friday, defeating Bellevue 13-15, 15-6, 15-13, and Dakota State 15-7, 6-15, 15-5. On Saturday Dana continued their winning ways, scoring victories over Grandview 15-11, 10-15, 15-10, and College of St. Mary 15-10, 15-10, to finish pool play. The top-seeded Vikings defeated Bellevue for a second time 14-16, 15-10, 15-7 before silencing host school College of St. Mary for the tournament championship 4-15, 15-7, 15-3, 15-9.

"We played together as a team," said Coach Kathy Foley. "It certainly was a good win for us. There were a lot of significant contributors during the weekend. Stephenie Wilson [a freshman] had a good weekend."

Wilson tallied 45 kills at the net, served 92 percent for the tournament with 10 aces, and led the Vikings with 57 digs. Wilson also led the team in serve receive accuracy with 94 percent.

Angie Heise blasted 45 kills, served 38 for 46 with six aces and had 41 digs for the tourney.

Shelli Wiebelhaus also had a strong attack for the Lady Vikings with 35 kills during the weekend and a .429 kill effectiveness. Wiebelhaus also had nine ace serves.



Paul Clark

Lady Vikings Keri Haas and Shelli Wiebelhaus go up for a block against College of St. Mary in tournament play last weekend.

Katie Krueger, setter for Dana, averaged nearly eight assists per game with 143 for the tournament. Krueger also played well defensively with one solo ace and 12 block assists. She served 79 for 88 from the line with a team leading 20 aces.

Keri Haas racked up 32 kills, eight ace serves and 43 digs for the Vikings.

Melanie Hild tallied 23 kills, led the Vikings in blocks with six solos and eight assists, scored eight ace serves and made 37 digs.

On Tuesday night against the Peru State Bobcats, the Lady

Vikings "never really got going," according to Foley. Dana was defeated in three sets 8-15, 4-15, 2-15.

"We started the match with three attack errors," said Foley. This put the Vikings down 3-0. "We never gave up but we never really got the momentum.

"I think they [Peru State] are a good team and they played well, but we are better than what we showed," said Foley.

The Lady Vikings continue to play on the road until September 16 when they take on College of St. Mary at Borup Coliseum.

Soccer Club Starts Season

By Robert Boyd
Reporter

The Dana College soccer club will embark on another season on Saturday, Sept. 5 against Graceland. Hopefully, this season will be more exciting than their 4-3-1 record of a year ago. Goaltender Shad Beam seems to think so. He is predicting a winning season for Dana's soccer team.

Beam says Dana's coed team has better talent than it did last year. With a mix of experienced players and 13 new freshmen, they hope to find the right combination that will lead them to a successful season.

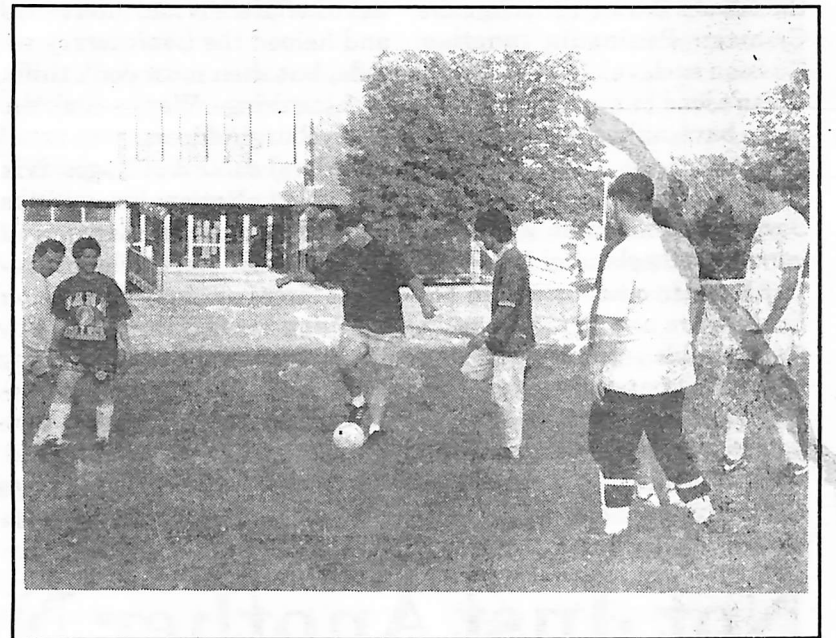
The surprise of the season so far are the freshmen. Beam says they look very impressive. The freshmen standouts so far are Becca Parsley, Paula Cultice and Tony Haney. They hope to fit right in with last year's leading scorers Gerson Katoko and Juan Cruz. Also bringing much needed experience and talent to the team are Beam, Shannon Le Fave and Kevin Wass.

This is the second year of the Dana soccer club. They grew into a recognized club the spring semester of last year. With a strong season this year, the club hopes to build a varsity team in a couple of years.

The soccer team has a grueling schedule ahead of them. This season they play 13 games against some very tough opponents. They feel they have the right mix of experienced and talented players to surprise some teams.

1992 Soccer Club Schedule- September

- Sept. 5 Graceland Home 3 p.m.
- Sept. 12 Wayne Home 2:15 p.m.
- Sept. 12 Dordt Home 6:15 p.m.
- Sept. 19 Missouri Western Home 2:30 p.m.
- Sept. 20 Teikyo Westmar There 2:30 p.m.
- Sept. 26 Nebraska Wesleyan Home 2 p.m.
- Sept. 29 Platte-Columbus Home 2:30 p.m.



Kris Flack

The Dana College Soccer Club practices in the oval. They start their season Saturday against Graceland.

This Week's Events... September 4-10

Friday, September 4	Saturday, September 5	Sunday, September 6	Monday, September 7	Tuesday, September 8	Wednesday, September 9	Thursday, September 10
10 a.m. Chapel, PM 318	1:30 p.m. Football, Dakota Wesleyan at Dana 3 p.m. Soccer vs. Graceland at Blair Soccer Complex across from the high school		LABOR DAY No Classes Administrative offices closed	6 p.m. Auditions for "Little Shop of Horrors," MFAC theater 6:30 p.m. Volleyball at Grandview in Des Moines	10 a.m. Chapel, PM 318 Community/Campus Rec. Center opens	10 a.m. Forum Event 8 p.m. Forensics Team Organizational Meeting, basement of Blair Hall

Breakdown 2000

By Matt Plowman
Art Editor

The current trend in Europe has been a very dangerous one. Central and Eastern Europe is breaking up into smaller nations, while the West is organizing EC—a megapower for which there is no competition or balance.

With the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics breaking up, as many as seven new nations were created in Europe (not including the Transcaucasus or Asian republics who are now independent). Once the Baltic there are once again Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuanian—creating the enclave around Kalingrad, from which there is no land connection with the rest of Russia.

Byelorussia and the Ukraine also separated from the Union, taking the major western cities of Minsk, Kiev and Odessa. The Ukraine and Russia are now squabbling over who gets the Black Sea fleet (the largest concentration of surface warships of the former Soviet Union) or the Crimean Peninsula (another Russian enclave). Let's hope this doesn't lead to conflict; both nations have nukes and chemical weapons.

Moldavia is another former Soviet republic that wishes to join its motherland of Romania. The Russian citizens within her borders are now in armed resistance to this.

Many groups in united Germany are demanding Silesia beyond the Oder-Niesse line in Poland. This was taken from Germany after the war. Needless to say this and the resur-

gence of Nazism (extreme nationalism) in its western neighbor is terrifying her. But Poland had the second largest army in the old Warsaw Pact, second only to the Soviets—I don't think the Poles will let the Germans blitzkrieg this time.

As of January 1, 1993, Czechoslovakia will dissolve into the Germanic Czech Republic and the slavic Slovakia. The Bohemians (Czechs) are in a precarious position. If they remain independent they're a smaller possible target for Germany. If they join the EC their union would be with no other than Germany and Austria—"peace in our time"?

The bloody breakup of Yugoslavia is probably the worst case

scenario. The prosperous and Germanic Slovenia seceded in the

north with minimal bloodshed. Croatia seemed to be the last straw for the Yugoslav government based out of Serbia. Like our Civil War, their's was in the beginning a question of federalism—whether a state or republic could secede from a federation. I think we would've been a little ticked off if a UN had intervened and helped the Confederacy secede, but then most don't think of those things. We can ditch the Gettysburg Address.

Federal control of Yugoslavia fell apart. Nationalist militias (armed groups of Serbs and Croats) are in war while government forces are in the confusion of trying to unify the country by force. Serbian hopes of keeping Croatia fell as the Bosnian republic declared independence. Government and Serb forces invaded, much like the Union invasion of Maryland when it sided with the

Politoots by Plowman



Bush's Push for Rural and Southern Votes

Confederacy—else Wash. D.C. would have fallen. Again a forgotten analogy.

This civil war started nearly 500 years ago. When the Islamic Turks destroyed the Orthodox Christian Greeks, they moved north to conquer her Orthodox allies of Serbia and Romania. Catholic Hungary moved in through the Balkan, via Croatia and Romania, to conquer and Catholicize. Serbia was hit from both sides Islamic Turk and Western Catholic (like the Greeks before), but were unwilling to submit. Then an area where Croats and Serbs had intermixed converted to Islam and attacked Serbia from inside, de-

stroying it. These were the Bosnians. Not surprising the hatred between the Catholic Croats, Islamic Bosnians, and the Orthodox Serbs. Now Western forces (including ours) want to intervene. Good luck; anybody remember Beirut?

Nationalist fever is firing up Europe, I think for a climax. War? Maybe, I don't know. But many of the historical equations are there. And the nazionalism in Germany is throwing a black cloak on things. It's looking like the 21st century won't be as much the century of peace and discovery as people think. A breakdown is occurring.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

In an addition to Matt Plowman's recent editorial on selecting candidates for political office, I would advise the voting public to be aware of biased reporting.

Jim Plasek
Box 493

Not Just Another Number

By Carrie L. Larkins
Editor in Chief

I consider myself lucky to be a member of the Dana student body. All my life I wanted to go to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. My goal was to first become an official Cornhusker then to become a physical therapist. Obviously neither of these early goals have become reality, and I am glad they haven't.

I am from Adams, Neb., a small town only 40 miles south of Lincoln. Nearly all of my high school friends still live in the immediate area. Two of my best friends go to school at UN-L, the place I also thought I would be.

With all these advantages so close to home, why did I come to Dana? Before this summer the only way I could answer that

question is that it felt right.

This summer a whole new experience made Dana the only place I could be. I took two summer courses at UN-L. These courses were not located in a huge lecture halls with hundreds of students. There were only 15-25 students in each course, just like at Dana, but the feeling I got wasn't just like Dana.

As I walked across campus every day for 10 weeks, not once was I greeted with a 'hello' or even a smile. Granted I was a stranger there but on the large campus it felt like everyone was strangers. The first few days of class I had the urge to say 'hi' to people I met on the sidewalk, but I had to almost bite my tongue because I knew it wasn't the right thing to do.

I remember being a prospective student at Dana on a tour of the campus and having an up-

perclassmen stop to sincerely say 'hello.' The friendliness didn't stop with trying to recruit the high school kid. I can walk anywhere on this campus at any time and comfortably speak to anyone.

That fact in itself is extremely refreshing. Trasy Sparr mentioned the 'Dana family' in her speech at opening convocation. I don't believe that a student on this campus can deny the existence of a family here. A family to me is a place in life where you can always feel comfortable. Personally I feel more comfortable here than in any other aspect of my life. It is here that I can be myself and follow my dreams. It is also at this place that I have incredible friends to support my aspirations and success and to support me when I am down. What more can I ask for!

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