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Learning Center Helps Students Improve, Succeed

By Valerie Toelle
Staff Reporter

Having trouble with your homework? Let the new Learning Center help. Lori Nielsen, coordinator of the Learning Center, will assist students with their homework, study skills, reading strategies and writing skills.

Nielsen's office is located in room 301 of the library. She has sign up sheets outside her door to make appointments for free tutoring in writing, study skills and reading. Student tutors are also available in math and Spanish.

Last year, the Learning Center was only a part-time service. This year it has been expanded

to include a full time staff position and next year it will be located in the Old Main replacement building.

Office hours currently are:
*Monday through Thursday: 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m., and 1 p.m.-3 p.m.

*Friday: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
If these hours do not fit your schedule, other times can be arranged. Just call Nielsen at x. 7334 to make an appointment.

Nielsen said the learning center is for use by all types of students.

"This is not a remedial service. I am here to help anyone, 'A' students as well as struggling students," she said.

Students should visit the Learning Center if they are:

*reading the same text over

and over without understanding it,

*procrastinating and not getting homework done on time,

*turning in papers that are weak in content, lack a thesis or have several errors,

*not doing too well on exams,

*or not earning grades they know they are capable of.

The goal of the Learning Center is to give pointers on learning.

"We try to help students discover and build upon their strengths and work on their weaknesses," Nielsen said. "The tutors will not do the work, but they will help the students develop the skills and competencies needed to be successful in their courses."



Kris Flack

Amy Lyons, Dana's new part-time financial aid counselor, works on students' financial aid needs.

New Face in Financial Aid

By Denise Daubendiek
Copy Editor

Dana's newest addition to the financial aid department is counselor Amy Lyons.

Lyons grew up in Cherokee, Iowa. After graduating from high school, she attended the University of South Dakota for two years. She continued her education at the University of Iowa where she earned a bachelor's degree in communication.

She was employed at the Douglas County Bank for five years. "I really enjoyed working with the customers and figures. However, at the bank, there was little opportunity for promotion and I didn't want to spend my life working there."

At Creighton, Lyons earned her Jurist Doctorate but her interest still lay in finances. "Even after law school, I knew my love for numbers had not diminished. I knew I could handle work in financial aid and would enjoy it. I tried several colleges such as Creighton and UNO but getting a job in this field is difficult without experience."

The new counselor learned of the opening at Dana through the newspaper. "I went to see Mark Anderson before my application could be pushed aside do to lack of experience. I know that helped me get this job."

Her husband and her two sons live with her in Omaha. With her family in mind, the opening at Dana became even more enticing. "Since it is part-time, I still have time to be with my family. Another good thing about working at a college is that my vacations will be the same as my children's."

Although she is still learning, Lyons looks forward to working with the people here at Dana. "I will work mostly with students and parents. Through my banking experience, I became very service oriented. I've been to other colleges and I'm tired of seeing the business office not paying attention to the students. The students are ultimately the bread and butter of any post-secondary institution."

Lyons will be in the office from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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IN TWO WEEKS...

Special 8 page Homecoming issue

Investment Challenge Hosts Speaker Tuesday

Press Release

Dana College is privileged to host Mr. Kirk Hutton, investment representative for Edward D. Jones & Co., in conjunction with the second annual Dana Investment Challenge.

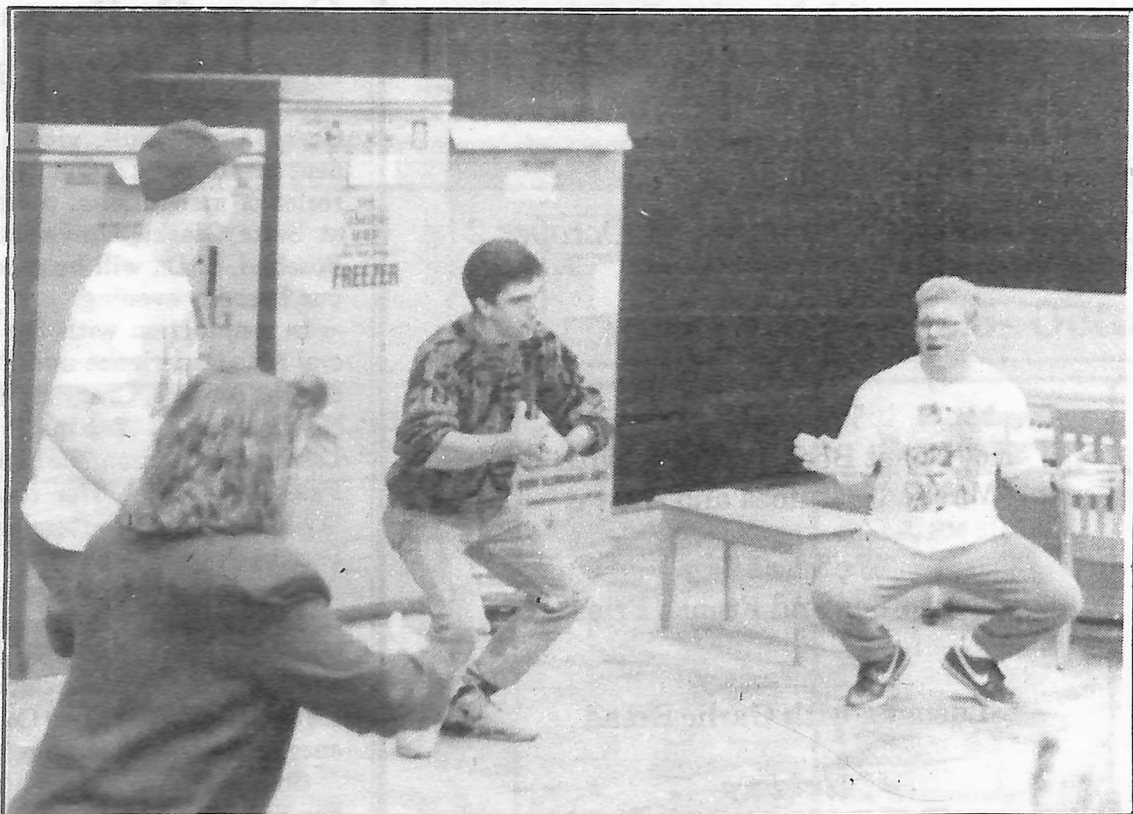
Hutton will be on campus Tuesday morning to give an overview of the investment process. Dana students participating in the contest will learn valuable information about investing that could help them to pick the winning portfolio. Hutton will speak from 9 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. in the Dana

Hall of Science Auditorium.

Hutton has worked in the investment field for the past six years. Prior to that time he was involved in the academic world both as a professor of communications and an administrator.

This event is open to the public.

Will Someone Hand Me a Chair?



Patay McKillip

Students in Dr. John Mark Nielsen's Foundations class rehearse their drama for the Amalgamation presentation. On Monday at 11:30 a.m. in the Lauritzen Theater the arts will come together. See related story on page four.

Financial Aid Office Goes Electronic!

Press Release

With the desire to provide more rapid service to the students, the Financial Aid Office took a major step forward this summer by installing a communication software program to its computer system. This system can be used to transmit data necessary to determine a student's Pell Grant eligibility.

The communication system, Pell-Mate, is a software program which allows the Financial Aid Office to request Student Aid reports and can be used to notify the federal financial aid processor of corrections to a student's application.

Mark Anderson, Director of Financial Aid, said that after its initial use in early August, it appears the system is doing all it says it can do. "This will allow us to provide students with the information needed to determine if his or her Pell Grant is 'estimated' or 'official,' and it can be done in less than one-fourth the time that it takes to do the same process by mail. Needless to say, this is exciting for us."

What Pell-Mate does is to allow a computer in the Financial Aid Office to "talk" with the computers at the National Computer Systems (NCS) in Iowa City. If a student has not submitted his Student Aid Report (SAR) or needs to make corrections to his initial financial aid application,

the college will notify NCS that it needs the document or needs to make certain corrections. Within 72 hours the information is transmitted back to the college in the form of an Electronic Student Aid Report (ESAR).

Anderson went on to explain that it is a truly "win-win" situation for Dana. Students will not have as much paperwork and follow-up to do, and the college will receive Pell Grant funds for the students from the Department of Education. "This new system will mean that the student and his parents will have a little less responsibility in the process until the very end. Our office will make the initial request for the information or initiate the corrections, and then we let the computers do the rest. Once the computers are done, all we need are the signatures of the student and his parent."

For that reason, students who are unable to locate their Student Aid report or who need to correct information found on their application, should contact the Financial Aid Office for details on how this system can help them.

Anderson went on to explain that the college plans to add two other components to the computer system this fall. The first will allow the Financial Aid Office to send a student's initial financial aid application by computer, taking as little as one week to process. The second component will provide a way to apply for student loans by computer, with the normal "turn around time" of 3-4 weeks reduced to approximately one week.

From the Desk of...

Mickelsen Hall Director, Dan Bane

As I walk around the Dana campus, I am reminded that this is the year to "Celebrate Dana." The changes are everywhere and the excitement continues to build. The enthusiasm can be seen at events and in the faces of students, faculty and staff. Most importantly, the hopelessness and the anguish that I experienced here last March has disappeared. In its place is a feeling of cooperation and optimism.

I came to Dana in 1989 as a student and graduated in 1991. I came back as an administrator after a year's absence. The daily operations and commitment of Dana employees has humbled me. I now understand some of the complexities that confused me as a student. I understand that financial aid is incredibly intricate, the business office is fulfilling a very difficult task, and the admissions staff has a vast mission to accomplish. I now know the effort that is put forth for a SAB event, the importance of quality programming, and the necessity of having a strong residence life program. And I have a renewed appreciation for cultural and international awareness. I now see others who have given so much to this institution in terms of time and effort. As a student, I did not pay that much attention, but now as an administrator I see the other side of the coin.

I can see the exciting changes in the residence halls. Slowly, but surely, the residence halls are becoming communities instead of dormitories. Friendships

and conflicts are developing between people and ideas are being challenged. People are learning more about others and also, at the same time, themselves. It is those same people that live in each hall that can make a difference. It is their unique abilities and strengths that can make each hall feel like home and a better place to live. I am always open to new ideas on how we can generate excitement in the halls and provide a positive residential environment that will enhance the collegiate experience.

The international students that I work with also add to the excitement. The international students are one of Dana's most important populations. We have a great opportunity to learn more about the world from these students. These students possess knowledge about their own countries that Americans could use in the future to help make the world a better and safer place to live. I strongly encourage interaction with the international students and if you need a helping hand, please don't hesitate to give me a call.

"Being on the other side" here at Dana has re-encouraged me to "Celebrate Dana." This celebration is not just for the faculty and staff but actually a celebration of students. Students' energy, desire to grow, and their excitement are reasons to celebrate. Rejoice in your ideas, efforts, and energy that will make a difference in Dana's environment and future.

NEWS AND INFORMATION

Name Your Car/Heap of the Week Contest

During the week of September 28-October 2, Student Activities Board (SAB) is sponsoring a "Name Your Car/ Heap of the Week Contest. Prizes will be awarded to those who have an original/creative name for their car and drive a heap. Applications can be picked up at the information booth in the Campus Center and should be returned to Tammy Hoyer, box 243, by Friday, October 2. Faculty, staff and students can participate. These events are designed to celebrate National Name Your Car Day (October 2).

"Eating Habits and Nutrition"

Vanessa Brunson, Michelle Bristol and Amy Goering will be hosting a residence assistant educational program on September 28. The title of the presentation is "Eating Habits and Nutrition." The program will begin at 7 p.m. in the Linden Room. The Blair and Dana community are encouraged to attend.

Intramurals

Dana intramurals is hosting a coed/two-person team golf tournament Tuesday, September 29, at 1 p.m. Each individual will play one round of nine holes. The cost is \$5 per person. The competition will take place at the Blair Golf Club. Everyone must tee-off at 1 p.m. and pay before doing so. Men and women will play from men's tees. Each person must provide their own golf clubs and ball.

Interim Pre-registration

Pre-registration for interim is September 28-30. Please register during your designated time.

Tuesday: Seniors 8:15 a.m.-12 p.m.
Juniors 12:15-4:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Sophomores 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
Thursday: Freshman 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

Your advisor has your registration form. This must be completed before going to the Registrar's Office. Students should contact their advisors for an appointment.

Meet the International Students Coffee

On Thursday, September 29 at 10 a.m. a "Meet the International Students Coffee" will be held in the Blue Room. The entire Dana Community is encouraged to attend to engage in informal conversation with the international students.

Dragon's Head

Weekly Specials

For Week of September 28-October 2

Monday

Fish and French Fries

Tuesday

Hot Roast Beef Sandwich with Mashed Potatoes and Gravy

Wednesday

Sloppy Joe and French Fries

Thursday

Lasagne with Garlic Bread

Friday

Chili Dog with Onions

Crazy Bull Speaks Tuesday

Cheryl Crazy Bull, vice president of administration and director of institutional relations at Sinte Gieska University in Rosebud, S. D., will be on campus Tuesday evening.

In conjunction with the Liberal Arts Experience and Foundations courses, Crazy Bull will be speaking at 7 p.m. in the Lauritzen Theater of the Madsen Fine Arts Center. Her topic is "Tribal Life in Contemporary Society."

Crazy Bull is very active in her community and is the coordinator and at-large delegate of the South Dakota Steering Committee for the White House Conference on Indian Education.

She has much experience in her field and is known for her speaking abilities.

This event is open to the public. All students are encouraged to attend.

Vikings Bring Home Second Tournament Championship

By Carrie L. Larkins
Editor in Chief

The Lady Vikings improved their record to 14-8 last week. They defeated Dakota Wesleyan, Thursday, Sept. 17, and won the McPherson Invitational in McPherson, Kan., over the weekend. Tuesday the Vikings were defeated in a conference match at Hastings.

Dana rallied and fought back from a two games to none deficit to defeat Dakota Wesleyan in Borup Coliseum 12-15, 10-15, 15-5, 15-11, 15-9.

Shelli Wiebelhaus led the Viking attack with 19 kills and six blocks. Wiebelhaus also tallied four service aces and 17 digs.

Stephenie Wilson also had a strong night with 17 kills, 30 digs and was 48 of 51 on serve receive.

Katie Krueger had 44 assists against Dakota Wesleyan. In

addition to her setting abilities, Krueger powered nine kills and had 14 digs.

The Vikings came up with their second tournament championship of the season over the weekend at the McPherson Invitational. Dana went 5-1 in the tournament.

They defeated host school McPherson 19-17, 9-15, 15-8 on Friday but followed up the victory with a hard fought loss to conference foe Concordia 15-13, 12-15, 11-15.

The Lady Vikes were not to be denied the rest of the tourney, scoring wins over St. Mary's Kansas 13-15, 15-8, 15-2; Lindenwood 15-8, 15-6; and Concordia 3-15, 15-7, 15-13. Dana defeated McPherson for a second time in the championship game 15-12, 15-7.

Defensive specialist Wilson excelled in the tournament with 110 digs and 127 of 137 on serve receive. She also led the Viking

attack at the net slamming 52 kills.

Wiebelhaus also was a strong element in the Viking offense with 45 kills, 15 blocks and 14 service aces. She made 60 digs in the tourney.

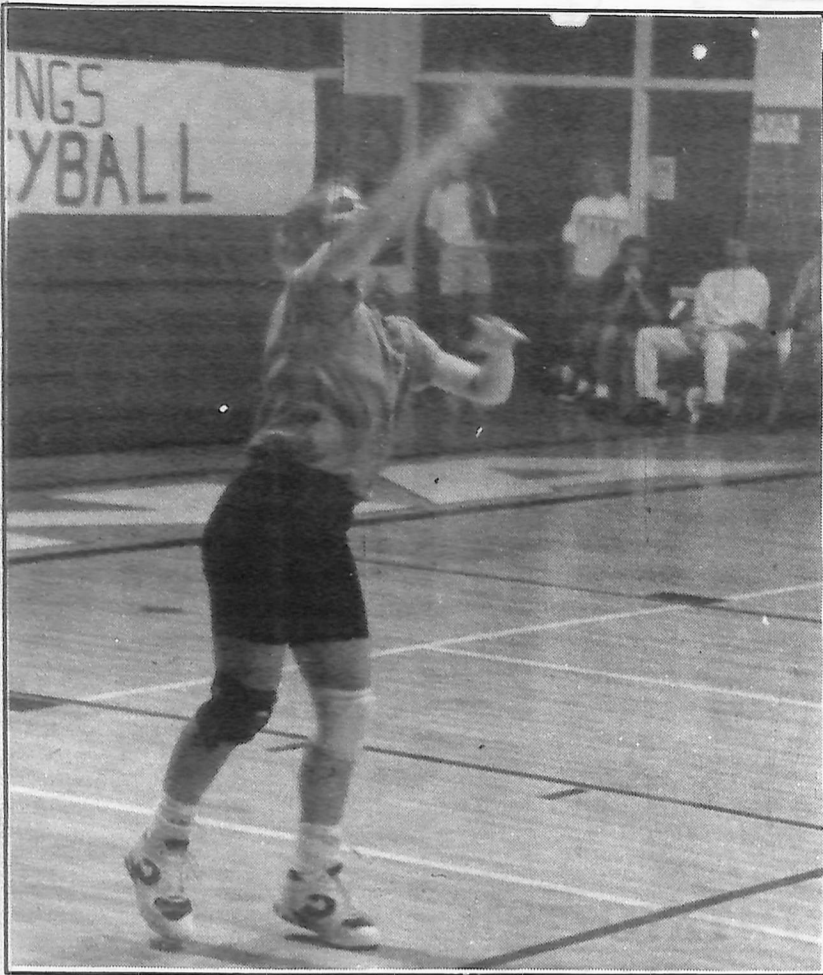
Krueger tallied 162 assists and 62 digs over the weekend.

Melanie Hild led the Vikings with 18 blocks. Hild also had nine ace serves and 70 defensive digs.

The Vikings never got the momentum Tuesday night at Hastings. They were defeated in straight sets 6-15, 4-15, 4-15.

Wiebelhaus came up with six blocks and 12 digs. Wilson had 17 defensive digs and four kills. Krueger had 16 digs.

The Lady Vikings travel to Lincoln this weekend to compete in the Nebraska Wesleyan Invitational. Wednesday Dana travels to Mitchell, S. D., for a second encounter with Dakota Wesleyan.



Kris Flack

Lady Viking Jen Neumeister nails a serve in volleyball action last week.

Dana Suffers Tough Loss to Peru State, 20-13

By Jeff Rademacher
Sports Reporter

The Dana Vikings defense seems to be consistent. In three games so far this season, it has allowed 21, 18, and 20 points, for an average of 19.7 points per game. The offense, on the other hand, has seen both extremes of the point scoring scale.

Unfortunately, the low end of the scale was shown Saturday at Pioneer Field in Nebraska City. The Vikings were shut out in the first half and only managed two touchdowns in a 20-13 loss to the Peru State Bobcats.

The tough Bobcat defense held the Dana passing game to a mere 122 yards and kept the Dana

receivers at bay the entire game. Starting quarterback Mike Carubba was limited to 45 yards passing in the first half and only eight completions overall.

Peru opened the scoring on a 20-yard run by running back James Jerry in the first quarter. Dana defensive back Chris Hollibaugh blocked the point after attempt, which left Peru with a 6-0 lead. They held this advantage the rest of the half, shutting down the Dana offense.

The Viking defense created some huge turnovers which kept Dana in the game. Linebacker Ryan Murtaugh recovered a Peru fumble and defensive backs Mike Allen and Joe Musgrow each intercepted a pass from Peru quarterback Jason Eaton.

Peru scored their second touch-

down in the third quarter. Running back Nick Maher broke away toward the Dana end zone but fumbled the ball during his pre-touchdown jubilation. Peru wide receiver Aaron Bailey scooped up the ball and ran it into the end zone. With the two point conversion, the Bobcats had a 14-0 lead.

After what they felt was a controversial touchdown, Dana gained vengeance on its next possession. Inspired by a 69-yard kickoff return by Manny Johnson and a 30-yard pass reception by wide receiver Brent Leefers, the Vikings scored on a one-yard touchdown run by running back Mike Haddock. The point after was blocked, but the gap was narrowed to 14-6.

The momentum switched back

and forth until Peru's Bryan Sullivan scored a touchdown on 12-yard pass from Eaton. The two point conversion attempt failed. Peru led 20-6.

The Dana defense, aided by key Peru penalties and turnovers, kept the Bobcats off the scoreboard the rest of the game. The Vikings managed another touchdown midway through the fourth quarter. Running back Jeff Kemp completed an impressive 80-yard drive with a 3-yard touchdown run. The point after cut the Peru lead to 20-13, but the Bobcats were able to run down the clock to seal the victory.

With the loss, the Vikings record falls to 1-2. The Vikings are at home this weekend against Midland, a game which head

coach Leo McKillip says should be "a big shoot out. This is the big rivalry. The guys will be pumped up for it. They (Midland) want to win it just as much as we do, so we'll have to go in and knock some heads."

STATS: Manny Johnson racked up 227 total yards (32 receiving, 138 from kickoff returns, 57 from punt returns)...Linebacker Ryan Murtaugh led the team with 16 total tackles. He also had a fumble recovery...Defensive back Mike Allen had two interceptions...Defensive back Shane Rencountre had the only quarterback sack for the Vikings and leads the team with three sacks this season.

This Week's Events... September 25- October 1

Friday, September 25	Saturday, September 26	Sunday, September 27	Monday, September 28	Tuesday, September 29	Wednesday, September 30	Thursday, October 1
10 a.m. Chapel, PM 318	1:30 p.m. Football, Midland at Dana		10 a.m. Chapel, PM 318	9 a.m. Dana Investment Challenge Seminar, presentation by Kirk Hutton, DHA	10 a.m. Chapel, PM 318	10 a.m. Forum Event, "English Nursery Rhymes as Reflections of History," presentation by Prof. Luella Nielsen
6:15 p.m. Volleyball, Nebraska Wesleyan Invitational at Lincoln	2 p.m. Soccer, Nebraska Wesleyan at Blair High		7 p.m. "Eating Habits & Nutrition," Linden Room	2:30 p.m. Soccer, Platte-Columbus at Blair High	7 p.m. Volleyball at Dakota Wesleyan	10 a.m. Meet the International Students Coffee, Blue Room
	Volleyball, Nebraska Wesleyan Invitational		8 p.m. Excursion, The Westminster Abbey Choir of London, First Methodist Church	7 p.m. "Tribal Life in Contem- porary Society," Cheryl Crazy Bull, Lauritzen Theater		8 p.m. Excursion, Omaha Symphony Orchestra, Orpheum Theatre

Careless Power

By Matt Plowman
Art Editor

I was very glad to see the Student Senate drive to register students for the general election in November. I am also encouraged that they plan to set up some events with exposure to individuals with political knowledge or experience.

Many don't see the election year as a revolution—a time when the power of voters can literally overthrow the government.

There is an urgency in the entire election year, though. I think registering now can almost be a little late.

But the fact is many do ignore the earlier part of the election year, which is ironic since that's when there is the most choice. I have a frustration when people register after the primaries, and then complain about the lack of choice in candidates.

I hope, though, that people who are just now registering will play catch up or have been keeping up with the political warfare and the issues. Today in our country there is a movement towards "mono-issueism"—in which people will let their entire vote rest on one issue. Even Hitler could have been pro-choice or

pro-life, but would you vote for him?

Americans have a hard time prioritizing. Americans spend more time in front of the tube than with families. More people could tell you who won in all of Sunday's football games than how many people died in Bosnia or Somalia—or where those places even are. More people are interested in baseball or basketball stats than in our nation's deficit or debt.

So when people are encouraged to vote at the last minute by an organization, that organization

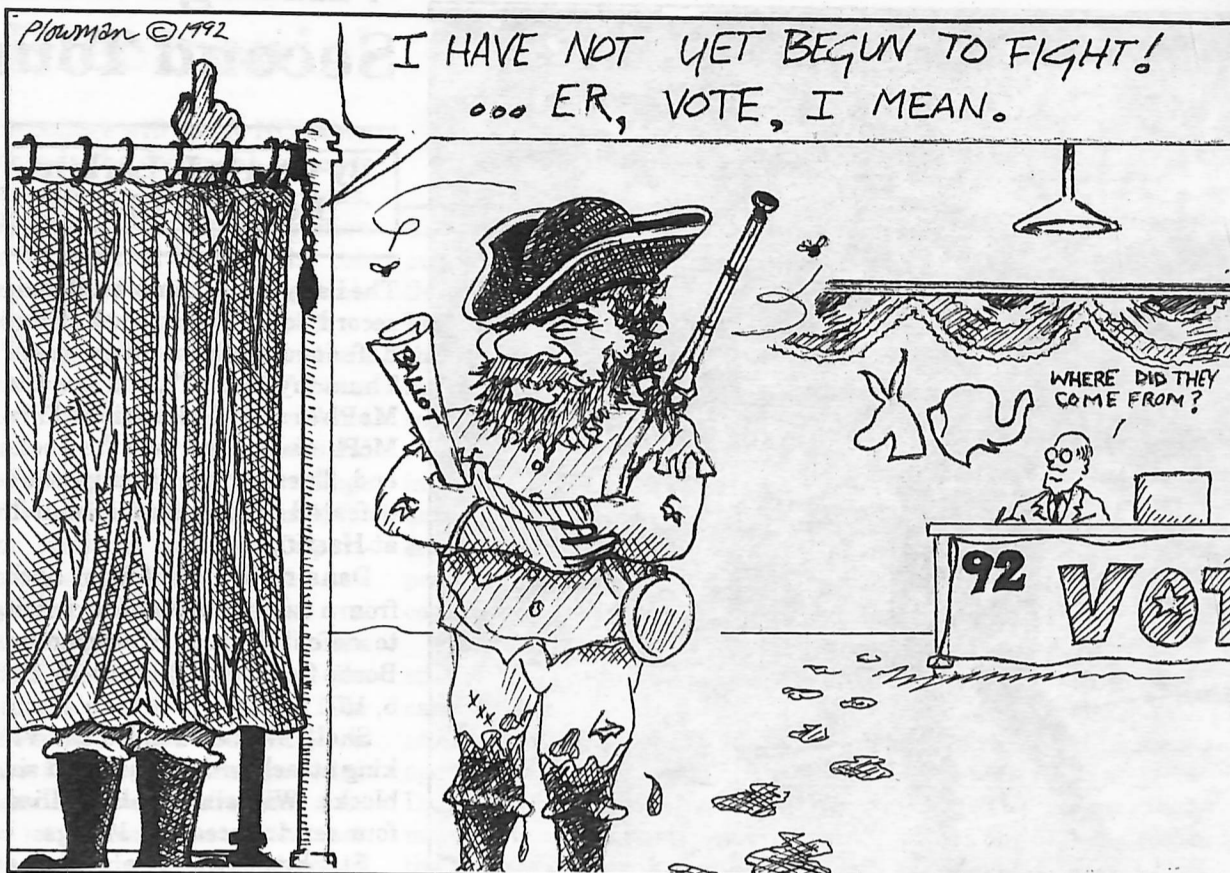
better take great care in educating them—else careless power

has been encouraged. Needless to say it's much easier to get them to register, than to get them politically involved or informed.

Here we are, less than six weeks away from the election. I hope the educated elite which we are can lead this nation out of past trends—by balancing the issues of the economy, environment, education, moral issues, etc. Voting is both a freedom and responsibility, just like owning a gun. There is a lot of power there—if abused or used recklessly it could be very dangerous.

Since we are college students, I think we can cram to formulate our views in such little time. But if Dana students aren't, then I don't want to hear anything at commencement on how Dana students are going to be the leaders of America and tomorrow.

Politoons by Plowman



PATRIOTISM

EDITORIAL

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LOST

Great grandmother's gold wedding band. Lost while swimming on Wednesday, September 16 at the Dana pool. It may have fallen out of pocket on deck or in parking lot. If found, please call Libby Crumb at 426-3851.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I want to thank the students Stephanie Frey, Mike Godfrey and Jon Pestal for cleaning the mess in the ceramics room. On behalf of Arlene Bouslaugh, I thank you very much.

NOTICE Missing!

Three financial aid signs (Scholarships, Job Opportunities and ROTC) from the financial aid bulletin board in Pioneer Memorial. If anyone knows the whereabouts of the signs, please contact Judy Schmoll at ext. 7226 or return them in campus mail, box 1261. No questions will be asked. The information on the bulletin board is for the benefit of everyone. When it is removed, opportunities are taken away from others.

Amalgamation will Bring Student Art Together on Monday

By Becky Baumker
Page Editor

Students in the foundations class are currently studying the fine arts. Their projects and programs will be presented together at 11:30 a.m. Monday in the Lauritzen Theater for a presentation called Amalgamation.

Students in the foundation course have been divided into groups which study visual arts, music or theatre arts. Students

in these groups then decide what kind of project they wish to do.

For example, according to associate professor of arts and humanities James Olsen some of the students studying music are making musical cassettes from everyday sounds intertwined rhythmically. Other students are making their own instruments out of everyday items such as paper.

Students in the theatrical groups are writing their own scripts which they will present

on Monday. Those in the visual arts group are making self-portraits and composite portraits made of combined images.

According to Olsen, the purpose of the Amalgamation section of the foundations course is to teach students creative problem solving. "This section shows students that art not only requires method and association but also creative problem solving," he said. "Students must be creative, almost to the point of nonsense."

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