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Kalani Simpson

Austin Brown and Ron Guthrie rehearse for the spring play "The Good Doctor." The play, directed by Susan Guthrie opens Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in the Lauritzen Theater of the Madsen Fine Arts Center. Tickets are free to Dana students, faculty and staff.

"The Good Doctor" opens Thursday

By Becky Baumker
Page Editor

"This play has something for everyone," said Susan Guthrie, director of "The Good Doctor." "It has sex, sports and beer."

"The Good Doctor" will be presented April 1-3 at 8 p.m. in the Lauritzen Theater. Guthrie said the play is unusual because it is made up of short stories.

"The play is about the title character who is a writer," she said. "The play is basically stepping into his imagination. He talks to the audience and gets ideas for stories. Then these stories magically come to life around him. Characters start walking through walls."

Despite the fact that the play consists of many different short story characters, the cast is only made up of eight people. Vivian Yang, Chad Foust, Austin

Brown, R.J. Redden, Kim Zulfer, Holly Halsell, Dana Holz, and Ron Guthrie, a professional actor from Omaha, make up the cast.

According to Susan Guthrie, the play was written by Neil Simon about Anton Chekov, a Russian playwright.

"Simon admired Chekov so he wrote this play about him," she

— "The play is really about imagination."
--Susan Guthrie

said. "Chekov is known for writing characters that are chronically tragic but also hilariously funny at the same time."

Because the play is about Chekov, it takes place in the late 19th century. Guthrie said it was a "period piece," but it still tackles some serious and funny sub-

jects. One of the short stories is about a father teaching his son about sex.

Some of the titles of the other short stories to be presented include "The Seduction," "The Defenseless Creature" and "The Chronic Sneezer."

But the play also has a serious side, Guthrie said.

"The play is really about imagination," she said. "The play states that it's part of human behavior to be imaginative and the imagination is limitless."

Guthrie said that even if the play is not successful she has already learned something.

"I learn so much every time I work," she said. "The title character in this play says, 'I must write,' and I feel that I must work."

"Every time we rehearse I learn something new about the text, the characters and most of all myself."

Travel interims planned for 1994

The opportunity to travel is never greater than while you are in college.

Prices are reduced, college credit hours are offered and you spend a considerable amount of time travelling.

Three travel interims are currently being planned for January 1994. They are briefly outlined as follows:

German Language and Culture:

Fly into London, travel to several major German cities, among them Berlin, Wittenberg and

Munich, with a side trip to Ribe, Denmark; three weeks.

Prerequisite: One semester of college German and permission of Dr. Sybille Bartels

Spanish Language and Culture:

This trip will be one of two possibilities: (1) Argentina in South America or (2) Spain, France and Italy; three weeks.

Prerequisite: Five semesters of college Spanish and permission of Professor Diana Brown.

The Great Cathedrals of England, France, Germany and

Italy:

Travel to cities and small towns to explore major cathedrals; three weeks.

Prerequisite: Permission of instructors Jeanmarie A. Nielsen and Michael P. Anderson.

More information will be printed in the *Hermes* as it becomes available.

If you are serious about travelling, you need to begin your financial planning now.

Contact the travel interim instructors with any questions you may have.

Fall registration planned

By Denise Daubendiek
Copy Editor

Preregistration for classes and residence hall assignments for 1993-94 will take place Monday-Friday.

A list of next year's course offerings has already been distributed through campus mail. Students must make an appointment with their advisor to discuss plans and fill out a preregistration form.

A \$100 enrollment deposit must be made in the Business Office prior to actual preregistration. All returning students must preregister.

Preregistration will take place in the Registrar's Office 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Returning juniors and seniors will preregister on Monday, sophomores on Tuesday and freshman on Wednesday. Open registration will occur Thursday.

Students are reminded that many courses have limited enrollments and may fill up quickly. A complete list of instructions regarding preregistration can be found in the 1993-94 course offerings handbook.

Sign-up for residence halls and

rooms will take place in the student services office.

Students must sign-up on the day that corresponds with their situation. Monday is reserved for students who wish to keep the same room. Students wishing to stay in the same hall but in any room will sign-up Tuesday.

Juniors and seniors may register Wednesday. Sophomores will make assignments Thursday and freshman will sign-up Friday. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday assignments will be made noon-1 p.m. and 4-6:30 p.m. only.

Students must present their enrollment deposit slips prior to making room assignments. Those signing up for double rooms must either come together or present the deposit slips and signed housing forms for both residents.

When making assignments students will be required to sign a form verifying their room choice. No one will be permitted to sign-up for more than one room. Once sign-up is completed, changes in room selection will not be possible until July 1.

Students with questions pertaining to residence hall assignments should contact Kevin Schaudt (x. 7478).



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Dixie Whitlow and Kevin Westring practice the two-step at a country dance lesson Tuesday. Student Activities Board brought instructor Marv Root of Bushwackers to campus Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Root will return Saturday to DJ a country dance in the cafeteria at 8 p.m.

A close minded Oscar committee . . .

Why are Spike Lee and his movies being ignored as nominees?

By Art Phillips
Reporter

It's that time again. Oscars are less than a week away and everyone has their own view of who they think is going to win. As I looked at the nominees, there is something very wrong. One of the best movies I have ever seen wasn't on the ballot. Also one of the best directors in the industry wasn't even close to being on the ballot.

The film and director that I am speaking of is "X," directed by Spike Lee. This movie was powerful, educational, and down right excellent. All these qualities and it still didn't get nominated. The movie wasn't just for the Afro-Americans, it was for all people. The movie opens up many eyes to a different Malcolm X that was hidden in the history books. When I saw the movie for

the first time I was breathless to say the least. This movie had Oscar written all over. For some reason as the months rolled by more and more movies started coming out. It dawned on me what was going to happen. The closed minded Oscar committee found enough average to good movies that they could nominate.

Just like almost everything dealing with high honors, committees throw in one Afro-American to satisfy the Afro-American race. The person chosen by the Oscar committee was Denzel Washington. Washington did a good job portraying Malcolm X and deserves the nomination for best actor. Spike Lee has been put down for so long about his movies that it seems like he can't get a fair shake when he does a great one. He finally does a movie that all people can enjoy and get a good meaning out of. The Oscar committee didn't acknowledge

him nor his talents displayed in directing "X". I feel that the Oscar committee is a bunch of "cave dwellers," and if it was up to them we would still be in the caves chilling with the dinosaurs. There weren't really specific reasons why Lee wasn't nominated except that the committee felt the movies chosen were the best of the year.

Here are the nominees and my predictions. Movies nominated for best film are "The Crying Game," "A Few Good Men," "Howard's End," "Scent of a Woman" and "Unforgiven." I feel

that "The Crying Game" was a good movie and it received great reviews so I'm sticking with that one.

For best actor the nominees were Robert Downey Jr. ("Chaplin"), Clint Eastwood ("Unforgiven"), Al Pacino ("Scent of a Woman") and Denzel Washington ("X"). Washington did a great job portraying Malcolm X. He was breathtaking and I'm predicting that he will win best actor.

Finally best actress nominees were Catherine Deneuve ("Indochine"), Mary McDonnell

("Passion Fish"), Susan Sarandon ("Lorenzo's Oil") and Emma Thompson ("Howard's End"). I felt that Thompson did a great job and she is my pick for best actress.

My personal pick for best director, which comes as no surprise, is Lee ("X"). Regretfully so his movie didn't make the ballot. If I had to pick among the nominees, I would go with Neil Jordan ("Crying Game"). Hopefully someday the Oscar committee will be more diverse than they are now and stop being so limited to their decisions.

Focus on Forum activities

Spring Break is over and the final push is on to complete the semester. The time will fly by and there is much yet to be done. If you're in Humanities, Foundation or LAEx courses, pay particular attention to the many events and excursions that are scheduled.

LAEx events and Humanities independent excursions are to be completed by April 30.

All Humanities and Foundation course events are to be completed by May 7.

On campus events include:

TONIGHT at 7:30 p.m. in Madsen Fine Arts Center

(MFAC)—Susan Lee's Senior Voice Recital.

Sunday at 7:30 p.m. in Campus Center Dining Room—Blair World of Entertainment's final concert in this year's series featuring The Golden Strings. Tickets are FREE and available in The Forum.

Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in MFAC Neve Room—Music Department Recital.

April 1-3 at 7:30 p.m. in MFAC Lauritzen Theater, "The Good Doctor," Dana Theater Department.

April 4 at 7:30 p.m. in MFAC—Kevin Wass' Senior Tuba Recital.

April 6 at 3:30 p.m. in MFAC Neve Room—Music Department Recital.

Off-campus activities include "The Flying Dutchman," an opera of storms, dreams and lovers by renowned composer Richard Wagner. Tickets are \$10. Reserve and pay in The Forum.

The current gallery exhibit, "Showcase: The Art of Nebraska Women" will be up until April 8. Students may come in to view this during open Forum hours. Students will receive event credit by writing down reactions to four questions on a form that can be found on the Forum counter.

NEWS AND INFORMATION

Voice recital this evening

Senior Susan Lee will give a voice recital this evening at 7:30 p.m. in MFAC.

Entertainment series concludes this weekend
The 1992-93 Blair World of Entertainment series will conclude this weekend with a concert by the Golden Strings Sunday at 7:30, at Campus Center dining room.

Wass wins principal tuba chair

Kevin Wass, senior Music Education major, has won the principal Tuba chair in the Music Academy of the West Orchestra. The Academy is one of the most prestigious summer music festivals in the country, and they pick only one tubist to participate. Congratulations, Kevin.

Son born to Professor Joan Bucy

Congratulations to Professor Joan Bucy on the birth of a baby boy, Joshua Tyler, on March 15. Joshua weighed 7 pounds 2 ounces.

Lil' Siblings to overrun Dana

Residence Hall Association will host Lil' Siblings weekend on April 2-4. Games, movies, carnivals, and snacks will be provided for youngsters from age 4 to 14.

Applications due for media executive staff

Applications are due April 5 for media executive staff positions. This includes the Hermes, Danian, KDCV, DVTV and campus media coordinator. Applications are available at the information desk.

Pitch tournament to be held

A pitch tournament will be held on March 30 at 8 p.m. in the Dragon's Head.

Get down at the country dance tomorrow

A country dance will be held tomorrow from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. in the Campus Center dining room.

Spring has finally sprung

By Kris Flack
Page Editor

Spring officially began on Saturday. Spring is defined by Webster's dictionary as "a time or season of growth, or, the season between winter and summer comprising in the northern hemisphere usually the months of March, April and May." Spring is upon us and the majority of the Dana campus took advantage of this season of growth to get away from school and think about anything but homework.

Some students stayed close to Blair. Erik Jensen (Fr., Blair) didn't do much. "I stayed home because I was sick."

Kelly Ryan (Sr., Blair) stayed close to home also. "I worked at Mid-America Computer Corporation and I got way too Irish on St. Patrick's Day."

Others took school related vacations. Maija Nielsen (Sr., Omaha), was one of these people. "I was on choir tour and was in Kansas, Dorothy."

Craig Barnsness (Sr., Sandstone, Minn.) travelled with the

baseball team. "I went on a spring training trip to Oklahoma. The weather sucked, but we played well. We went 4-2."

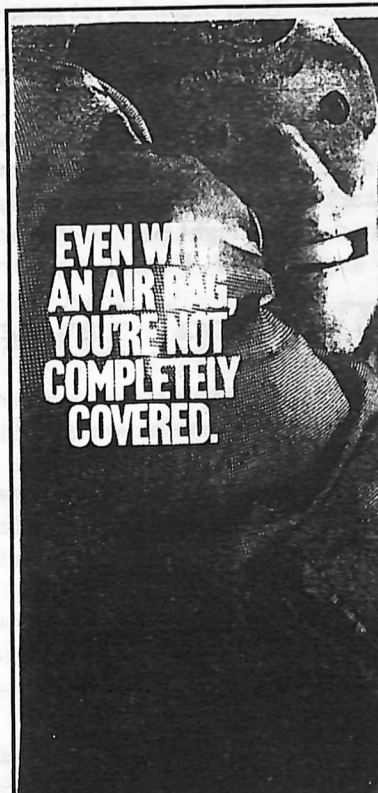
Many ventured out-of-state. Cheryl Kaup (Sr., West Point), went west. "I went skiing in Colorado, visited my sister and drank a lot... (of pop). That's about all I did."

Art Phillips (Sr., St. Louis, Mo.) went further west into California. "I enjoyed the fun in the sun. I fished and caught a shark and a crab. I went to San Francisco and had fun with my roommate (Terry Breckenridge) and his relatives. (It was) one of the most relaxing vacations I've ever had. I felt sorry for the people back in Omaha who had terrible weather."

Jennifer Davenport (Sr., Omaha) had great weather on her vacation. "I went to Ariz. It was warm. I got a tan. It was a really long drive!"

People also went south. Michelle Bristol (So., Waco), said that her break was great. "I went to Texas. It was 80 degrees on the beach. The culture in New Orleans was neat to see. I'm glad I wasn't in choir."

Now, it's back to classes for the last seven weeks. Everyone is already counting down the days until summer.



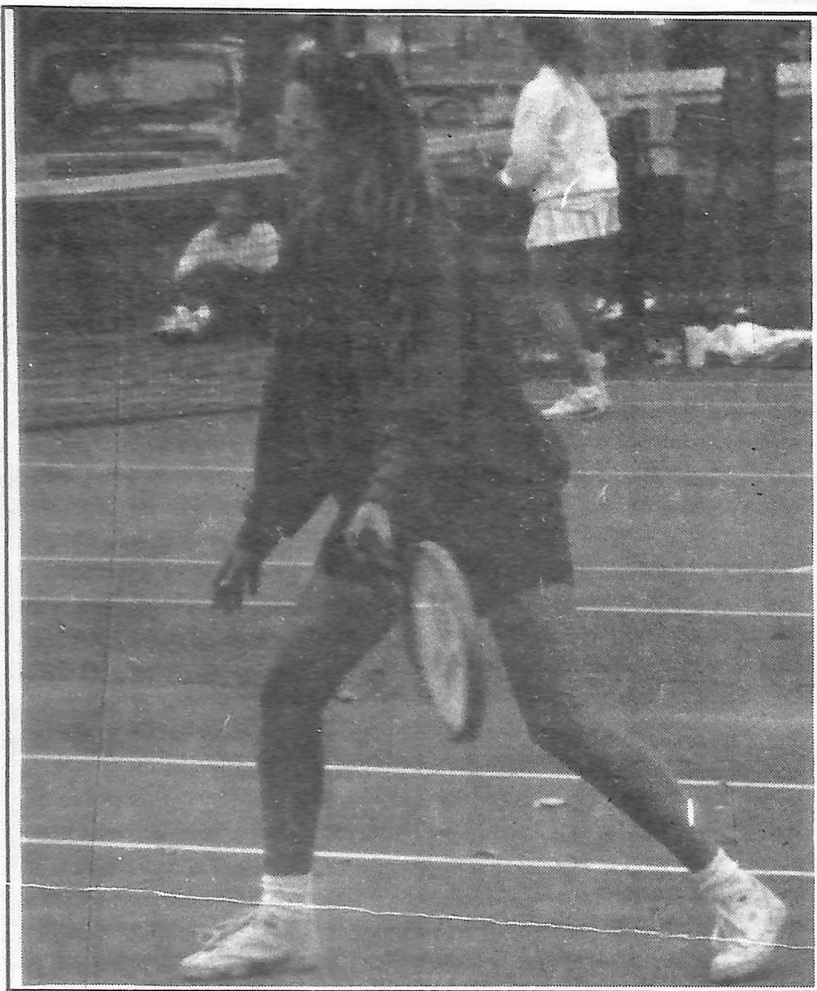
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Sure air bags work great in front-end collisions, but only a safety belt can protect you from side and rear-end collisions. So buckle up. And you'll cover all the angles.

YOU COULD LEARN A LOT FROM A DUMMY. BUCKLE YOUR SAFETY BELT.

Softball competes in Louisiana and Florida

By Paul Clark, compiled by Jeff Rademacher



Kris Flack

Jennifer Davenport, women's tennis team member, sets her stance to prepare for the return volley.

The Vikings played two games on March 14 at the Patterson Insurance Classic Softball Tournament in Bossier, La., before cold weather brought a premature end to the competition.

Northwest Louisiana 4 Dana 2 (8 innings) - Laura Morrison went two-for-four at the plate with a double for Dana. Sonia Farwell and Karri Roberts batted in runs for the Vikings. Carol Mueller allowed no earned runs in eight innings, but three errors led to four unearned runs for NWLU. Nicholls State 3 Dana 0 (5 innings) - Dana loaded the bases in the top of the fifth with no outs, but a great defensive play led to a double play to squelch the Vikings. Pitcher Heather Olsen did not issue a walk while striking out four. Dana did not commit an error for the first time in seven games on the season.

March 15

Dana 4 William Woods 1; William Woods 1 Dana 0

March 16

Dana 2 Columbia College 1; Lindenwood 4 Dana 3

March 18

Lady Argonaut Classic, Pensacola, Florida Tournament Pool Play

Dana 10 Missouri Valley 0 - Mueller tossed a no-hitter in the game abbreviated by the ten-run rule. Michelle Wheatley went three-for-three with a triple and three RBIs. Kim Glass, Susie Chavez and Morrison all batted in two runs.

Dana 2 Indiana University--Purdue University of Indianapolis (IUPUI) 0 - Jennifer Loach hit an inside-the-park home run for Dana's first run, and Farwell drove in an insurance run in a two-run fifth inning. Olsen racked up 10 strikeouts and blanked IUPUI in three hits.

West Florida 2 Dana 1 - The Vikings' only run was scored on an error against the tournament host. Morrison was two-for-three at the plate for Dana, while

Mueller took the pitching loss despite allowing no earned runs. Dana 7 East Kentucky 1 - Olsen piled up nine strikeouts while holding NCAA Division I Eastern Kentucky to two hits. Viking hitters roughed up the ECU staff as well with Morrison knocking in three runs and Wheatley adding two RBIs.

Tournament Playoffs

Dana 4 Lindenwood 1 - A triple by Glass scored Heidi Sime with the eventual winning run in the fifth inning for Dana. The Vikings added two insurance runs in the sixth with RBIs from Farwell and Chavez. Mueller allowed no earned runs in evening her record at 3-3.

William Woods 4 Dana 1 - Back-to-back doubles by Stacy Galeotos and Glass produced Dana's only run in the third inning as the Vikings were ousted from the tournament. Olsen took the pitching loss, falling to 5-2 on the year.

National finals in sight for Mueller

By Jeff Rademacher
Reporter

Senior Carol Mueller is the only four-year member of Dana's softball team. She's been on the team since her first year at Dana and has seen many players come and go as well as many team changes. Mueller discussed this and other topics before practice earlier this week.

HERMES: Carol, how many spring break road trips have you taken with the Vikings?

Carol Mueller: This was my fourth.

H: What has changed since the first time you went out?

CM: Well, this is the first time I felt the team really clicked and were together on the field. When you spend a lot of time with the same people you get on each

others' nerves but we were at least able to get past that when we played together. That's the feeling I got when I was playing.

H: How was the team feeling after a number of games and near the end of the trip?

CM: We were more loose. There was a lot more confidence among all the players.

H: How has the team changed since your first year?

CM: We have a completely different team this year. We're really strong in pitching all the way around and we're also very strong in our hitting. I felt some of the teams we played this week, some which have been to national tournaments, didn't compare to us with their pitching and their hitting. I think we used that to our advantage.

H: Do you feel confident the team will be able to take on the higher-

ranked teams?

CM: Yes, I really do. Every year I felt the team was a little bit intimidated every time we met (a team) that was better rated than we were. This year we go out there with the attitude that we're going to attack and do our best.

H: Any highlights from the trip?

CM: I was really pleased we beat the seventh-rated team in the nation and then we played the third-rated team in the nation and lost only 2 to 1.

H: Do you have any goals you wish to accomplish with the team and for yourself?

CM: I've kind of set a personal goal to make it to the all-conference/all-district team. The goal I would like to see the team reach is make the national tournament because I know we're good enough to do that.

Dana baseball excelled over break

By Robert Boyd
Reporter

The Dana baseball team had a very good spring break tour in Oklahoma. They went 4-2 over the break. They beat Oklahoma Christian 8-7, beat Hillsdale Baptist three out of four times, and lost to East Central Oklahoma 7-1.

The Vikings displayed great hitting as they scored 8.7 runs

and had a .323 team batting average on the tour.

The Vikings were led offensively by outfielder-first baseman, Neil Drews. Drews led the Vikings with a .545 batting average. He also belted a homer and drove in 12 RBIs on the trip.

Other offensive standouts were Matt Rega, Manuel Johnson, Adam Lippencott and Scott Mitchell. Rega batted .333 and had eight RBIs.

Johnson hit at a .333 clip and

stole four bases. Lippencott and Mitchell each knocked in four RBIs.

The pitching staff had a nice surprise when freshman Dustin Wolfe pitched in a 17-3 win over Hillsdale Baptist. Wolfe only gave up five hits and struck out three in his win.

The baseball team will play a doubleheader against Mount Marty College tomorrow. The twin-bill will be played here on Peterson Field starting at 1 p.m.

What's Happening This Week?

March 26-April 1

F

FRIDAY

10 a.m. Chapel, PM 318
7:30 p.m. Senior voice recital, Susan Lee, MFAC
8 p.m. Excursion: "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof," Omaha Community Playhouse

S

SATURDAY

10 a.m. Men's and women's tennis at York
1 p.m. Baseball, Mt. Marty College
1 p.m. Softball, Grandview and Iowa Wesleyan at Des Moines
8 p.m. Country Dance, Cafeteria

S

SUNDAY

11 a.m. Worship service in the chapel, PM 318
7:30 p.m. Blair World of Entertainment, "The Golden Strings," Dining Room, CC

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MONDAY

10 a.m. Chapel, PM 318
4 p.m. Softball, UNO at Omaha

T

TUESDAY

3 p.m. Men's and women's tennis at Midland
3:30 p.m. Music department recital, Neve Room
4 p.m. Softball, Nebraska Wesleyan at Lincoln
8 p.m. RHA pitch tournament, Dragon's Head

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WEDNESDAY

10 a.m. Chapel

T

THURSDAY

2 p.m. Baseball, Northwestern
5 p.m. Softball, Northwestern at Orange City, Iowa
7:30 p.m. "The Good Doctor," Lauritzen Theater

The northern bear

By Matt Plowman
Art Editor

This week has been a reminder on how precarious a world we live in. Yugoslavia is still plunged in civil war while Egypt starts to slide in that same direction (the ramifications of the latter already felt here in the USA, i.e. the World Trade Center).

Although these crises have vast repercussions, another crisis this week has drawn world anxiety. This is, of course, the crisis in Russia.

Although President Boris Yeltsin has pulled Russia through the winter (with his cold turkey conver-

sion to a free-market system), Russia's rocky road progression with its many dips have given ol' hard-liners much support.

The hard-liners have tried blocking Yeltsin's programs to expand democratic and economic reform and have virtually paralyzed some ministries of government.

The lack of a central authority has fueled the fires in ethnic conflicts and hastened the economic unravel.

So last week Yeltsin instituted emergency leadership to take

hold of the situation and provide quick action. Predictably this was quickly denounced by his opponents. His opponents are well organized: their supreme court ruled that Yeltsin's actions were illegal, which brought on actions for the impeachment of Yeltsin. The vote will be Friday.

Yeltsin has stated that he won't step down if impeached. Such an ultimatum usually leads to a *causis belli* (cause for war). To be sure, such a civil war today would not produce as clearly defined sides as the Red October of 1917 with only Whites (moderates) and Reds (communists).

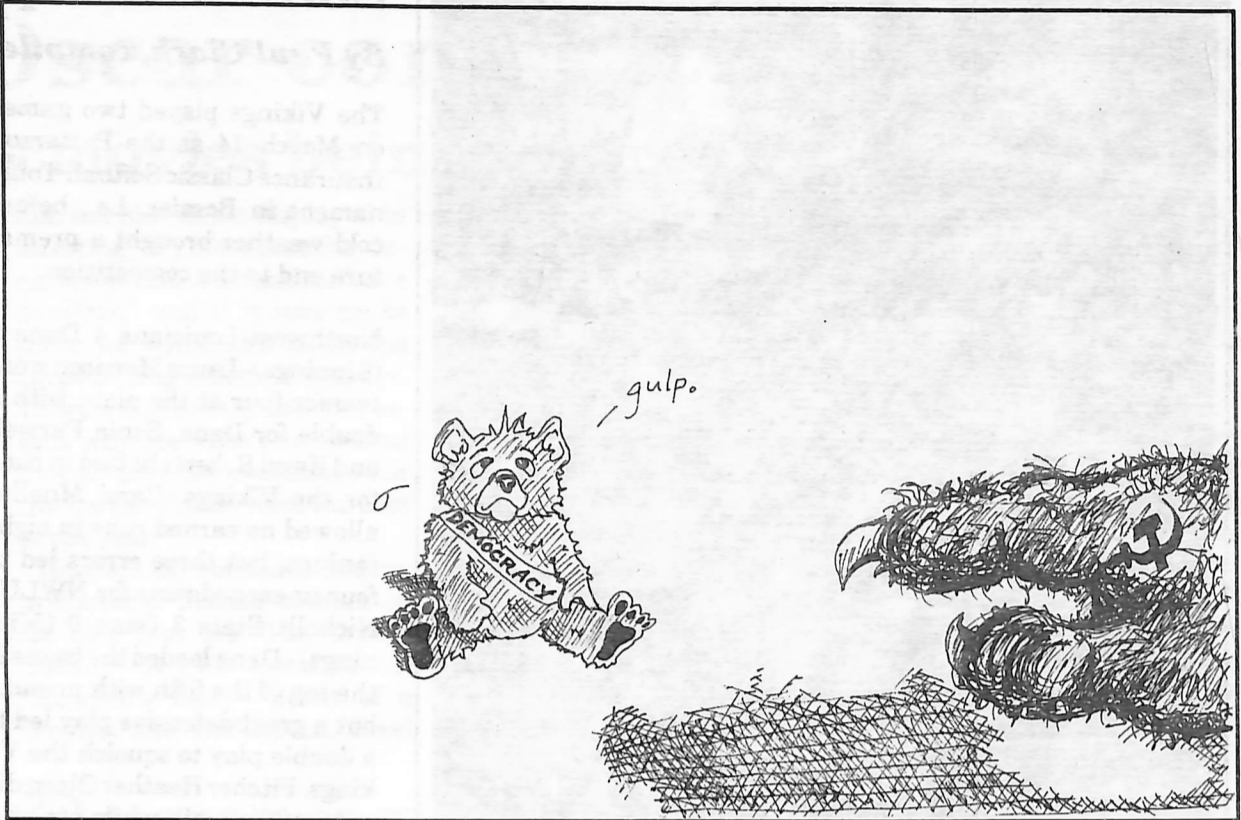
Russia's decaying military structure has created an al-

most feudal environment, where local officers would be in control of regions and which way they would lean their support.

Two additional problems quickly arise however: what about the former republics that are independent, and who is control of the nuclear weapons?

First, I feel that the Ukraine, Georgia and the Baltic states would all support a democratic Russia for the sole reason that if hard-liners won, these nations' independence would be in jeopardy.

Politooons by Plowman



Spring thaw

Although Yeltsin militarily would have support in the West and these former republics, it would be a can of worms to the east where Siberia and Kazakistan are entrenched by hard-liners.

Secondly, the unfortunate fact remains that most of Russia's nuclear arsenal is in the east. Luckily, most of the ICBM silos

are guarded by elite troops who are under the supervision of KGB (I never thought I'd ever call this lucky for us, but in this case it's a stabilizer). Chillingly however, a division of hard-line Reds could take a silo or two.

Although I agree with the Russian ambassador to the USA that we don't need to panic but remain on a high level of alert, I

think Americans should pay particular attention to Russia these next few weeks. I hope our Congress passes and expands Clinton's proposed aid package to Yeltsin's government. It's pennies on the dollar to another cold war, or worse.

A bear has awoken from winter and is growing hungrier day by day. Can we feed it in time?

York county, Penn., just says no--to sex!

By Shawn Osbahr
Editorialist

March 22, 1993, was declared the first annual Great Sex-Out Day in York County, Pa. The Teen Pregnancy Coalition of York County announced the day of abstinence in an attempt to curb teen pregnancy and call attention to the growing infection rate of AIDS.

They gave out brochures suggesting alternatives to sex such as a long walk in the park, working out in the gym and baking cookies. Baking cookies? This almost makes it humorous, too bad it isn't.

Nationwide in 1990, 12.8 percent of babies were born to mothers under 20, according to the National Health Center for Health Statistics. At the same time, the rate of individuals testing positive for HIV is alarming. These two problems are the result of only one thing—SEX.

I agree with the intent and the motives of the coalition, but the way they are going about this is completely absurd.

Trying to set an example by abstaining from sex for one day is preposterous.

Compare this to the National Smoke-Out. Sure most of those

who smoke gave it up for a day but were at it again the very next day. This accomplishes nothing.

This can also be compared to alcohol abuse. If I was a parent trying to educate my children on the dangers of alcohol abuse, I would not set aside a day to not drink, then go out the rest of year and get bombed.

I know this is taking things to an extreme, but there is a point here that I want to make. The road to recovery is through proper education not these "feel good

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about myself" futile attempts.

So, what is the proper way to educate the solutions to these dilemmas? The only way would be an effective teaching of abstinence. This is not being done. The people of York County are close but yet so far away.

Take, for example, the distribution of condoms through the public school system. The attitude there is that they are going to do it anyway, so here's a condom, have at it.

Society is being portrayed as a bunch of minks in heat. Condoms are not 100 percent effective in preventing pregnancy or AIDS. Abstinence is. These are the facts

and there isn't anything we can do to change them.

If abstinence is the answer, then why isn't it taught in schools instead of giving away condoms? According to a judge in Shreveport, La., teaching abstinence in state funded schools is a violation of the church and state issue.

You have got to be kidding me. The most effective solution to a problem is being kept from children because it can be found in the Bible?

There is something very wrong here. Just because something is in the Bible does not exclude it from being right.

Take a look at the Ten Commandments, which by the way, can no longer be found in public schools. The Ten Commandments are, in the least, a code of conduct for anyone with morals and values. And this cannot be taught in schools?

Sex education should be taught in the home. This is the only way it can be done effectively. Abstinence is the only policy that should be adopted when dealing with teen pregnancy and AIDS.

Having a Great Sex-Out Day and making condoms readily available to students are not the answers. This only creates confusion and adds fuel to the fire.

Dragon's Head

Weekly Specials

Monday
Chili Dog

Tuesday
Egg salad sandwich with chips
Soup of the day

Wednesday
Hot roast beef with mashed potatoes and gravy

Thursday
Polish sausage with kraut

Friday
Tuna salad sandwich with chips
Soup of the day



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