

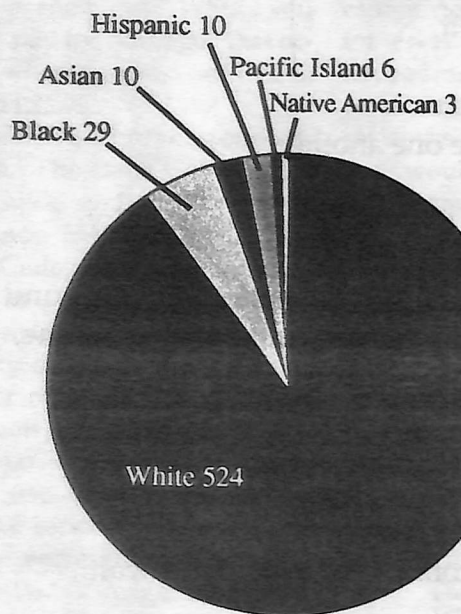
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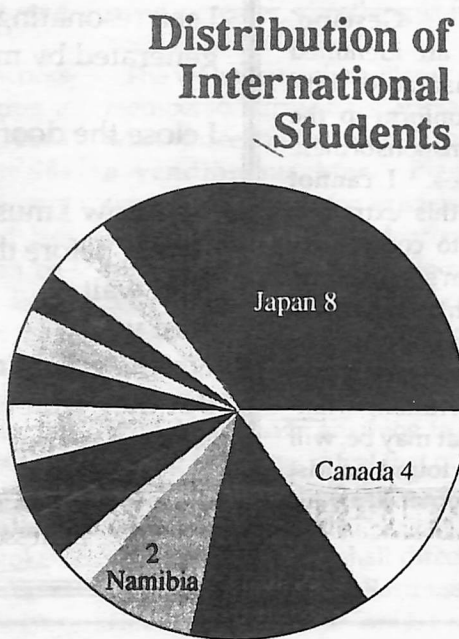
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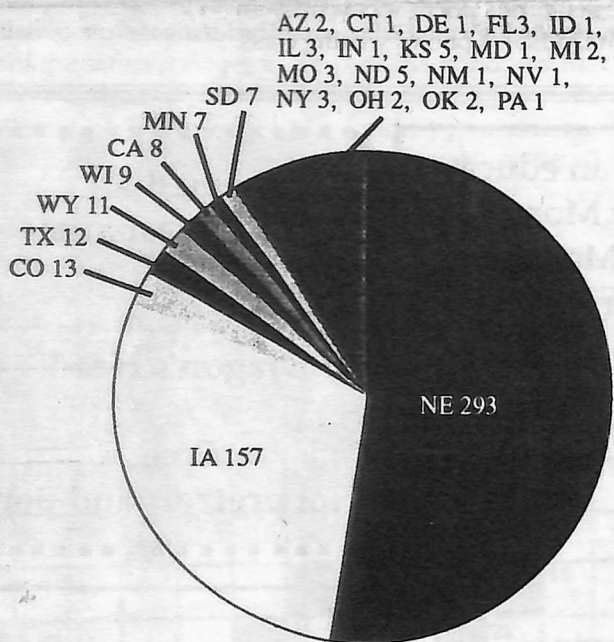
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Racial Percentage of Students on Campus



Distribution of International Students



State Diversity of Students

Dana students cover the globe

MARY BRUNS

REPORTER

College is a chance for new beginnings. A student may start out in a new state, city or even a new country with new classes and friends and a new lifestyle. Approximately 580 full-time students began the school year at Dana from across the United States and around the world.

With the variety of students attending, a person may share a

class with someone from a country they've always wanted to visit. Dana students cover the globe with people from Asia, Europe, Africa and South America. There are 27 international students attending Dana and each share special stories of the way things are different from their lifestyles "back home".

Each student at Dana is here to share special talents and sharpen skills needed to be successful in the future. Students travel from

27 states around the United States to come to Nebraska for the "Dana College experience". Over 290 students from Nebraska chose Dana as the place to begin their college careers.

Dana offers many opportunities for students to begin their lives on their own. The friends and memories made with people from across the state, across the country or across the world are advantages that can't be overlooked.

Dana prepares for Sights and Sounds of Christmas

Preparations for the Sights and Sounds of Christmas are nearly complete. During the next few days decorations will be hung, Christmas trees will be decorated and the campus will take on the flavor of Christmas in expectation of the thousands of visitors who annually participate in this nationally recognized event.

The Sights and Sounds of Christmas is a day-long celebration of the traditions and customs of Christmas with a special emphasis on those of Scandinavia.

Hosts for the special day will be the students, faculty, staff and friends of Dana College as they present demonstrations, entertainment, dramatic presentations, music and more.

The day will begin with an ecumenical Christmas worship service at 10 a.m. and continues throughout the day, featuring such events as: "Let's Make it Danish," a demonstration of the Swedish Santa Lucia ceremony; a Christmas drama by the Dana players; and a concert by the Dana College Concert Band and the Dana College Chorale.

Many of the events are repeated throughout the afternoon. All spe-

cial events and activities of the day are free and open to the public.

The only item which requires reservations and advance payment is the traditional Scandinavian Christmas smorgasbord, which is served throughout the morning and afternoon. The cost of the smorgasbord is \$12 for adults and \$8.50 for children 12 and under.

At 3:30 p.m. the band and chorale will perform holiday music in a setting of nearly one hundred live pine trees and blooming poinsettias in Borup Coliseum. While admission to the concert is free, tickets are required. Any available tickets may be obtained at the registration table Sunday.

Guests are encouraged to share their Christmas spirit by donating canned food items to the Christmas food tree sponsored by the campus ministry. All items will be distributed to local food banks in time for the holidays.

The day ends at 7 p.m. with a final presentation of the Santa Lucia ceremony around a large Christmas tree in the E.C. Hunt Campus Center.

The Learning Center is still a good place to study. It's open Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday-Thursday 7-11 p.m. Tutors are still available during these times.

If you have a paper to write, ask the Learning Center tutors to review your rough draft, help you proofread for errors and assist you in documenting sources correctly. Handouts on writing papers are available in folders.



Sophomore Diane Katzdorn (left) and first-year student Shannon Bott wait in line to ride on the Alpha Experience, an electronic trip through virtual reality.

(Photo by Tonya Reagle)

POETRY READING

If you would like to read poetry or would like to sit and listen to some, come to the poetry reading next week sponsored by a few students from Professor Sam Dodson's poetry writing class. The time and place will be posted all over campus in the upcoming days. If you would like to read poetry contact Robert Boyd at ext. 7724 or Kim Zulfer at ext. 7418.



You choose, you lose!

JOHN BURLESON
EDITORIALIST

There is a threat to the Constitutional and God-given right to freedom of choice. The term "political correctness" has been used to describe the wide range of attitude regulating terminology devised by self-important pressure groups.

What is now proposed (by these groups) is to establish a national agenda for the education of the children of America (America 2000/Outcome Based Education). The bills introduced set a program of standards for the "emotional and academic growth of children." The National Education Standards and Improvement Council (NESIC) acts as a national school board, removing local control and influence.

Children will be instructed on how to relate to others in a way that the NESIC sets forth. In other words, you no longer have a

choice to be politically correct; it is a necessary part of your education. You cannot proceed in life until you adopt an attitude prescribed by someone other than yourself.

While in their formative years, our children will be bombarded with propaganda regarding the "proper" way of considering in-

EDITORIAL

dividuals and standard phraseology. There is no concern for their personal feelings or religious beliefs. Are these pressure groups so sensitive that they would eradicate a being's free will?

Not to advocate insensitivity to anyone, but is it the government's place to dictate personal opinion? It is commendable, from a moral viewpoint, to want everyone to think "happy thoughts." It is essentially wrong to force others to accept your values.

When anyone denounces these

edicts, they are branded hate-mongers. For the NESIC advocates to label someone or inhibit their right to form opinions that may differ from what they authorize, is undeniably hypocritical and unquestionably dangerous.

The NESIC, and its sententious subgroups, is an educational Gestapo. People are identified and disgraced until they conform to the proclamations of these agencies. I cannot abide this extremist effort to control my children's feelings and thoughts, whatever the intentions of these groups.

"Salvation, whatever that may be, will not be found amidst the external. It awaits within."

Long, Cold Winter

by David Grant

I have thrown wide the port hole to find the world frozen.
The fire in the eastern skies has lost its warmth.
On the lawn are the traces of that pesky Jack Frost.
The intense shades of aged leaves have been replaced
By the dull, dark hues of death,
And it is still only November.

So quickly the seasons replace one another.

The bare, twisted branches of the trees reach for the sky
Like the worn fingers of an old man.
From these, icicles lose their grip and plummet to the ground.
I see resonating clouds of fog appearing in the air before me,
Generated by my desire for life.

I close the door disgusted.

And now I must settle in.
Sitting before the fire, in the confines of a blanket I wait...
And wait...
And wait...
For the greens of life to awaken.
But they won't come,
Not today, nor yet tomorrow.

Editor's Note -- Grant's poem was written in Professor Sam Dodson's poetry writing class.



"Help Dana College plan diversity!"

Today -- Noon to 1:30 p.m.

Bring your lunch to The Forum and discuss the issue of the week with your peers, professors and staff members. Stay for any or all of the 1 1/2 hour sessions.

The Forum Debate Series

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Readers are encouraged to submit story ideas and comments by calling (402) 426-7328, or via Hermes, Dana College, Box 1086, Blair NE 68008. Submissions must be received by 5 p.m. Wednesday to be printed in the weekly issue.

Residence Life will be sponsoring an educational program on homosexuality Monday featuring guest speakers from the Metropolitan Community Church in Omaha at 7 p.m. in the Linden Room.

Generations

By Jennifer Johnson

Young and innocent, full of life.
Dancing, Singing, Twirling, Playing.
Carefree with no worries or strife.
Please don't let her stop dreaming.

Running, Busy Never has time.
No desire to play - it seems.
Always worrying 'bout a dime.
She has little time for real dreams.

Old, Beaten, Worn to a frazzle.
Her dreams lay, only in the past.
Where are the days of her dazzle?
Near the end, life has moved too fast.

Each generation lives on dreams
Different, yet the same - it would seem.

Editor's note --- Johnson's sonnet was written in Professor Sam Dodson's poetry writing class.

Comedian
Sam Griesbaum
Tonight!!!
7:30 p.m.
Dragon's Head

Free
Hot pretzels and pop!



MUSIC FOR RANSOM!
Bring in a nonperishable food item for a local food pantry and we'll play any song you request.
Sunday through Thursday
5 p.m. to 12 a.m.

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Wednesday
7 p.m.
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Vandalism strikes Dana College

DIANE KATZDORN
REPORTER

How would you feel if you came home and noticed your window was broken out of your room or your car had the tires stolen in the middle of the night? Would you want to pay for damages that occurred when you had nothing to do with it?

Vandalism is a growing concern at Dana. The Dana College Survival Guide and the Guide for Residence Hall Living states, "Dana College does not condone theft from, damage to, or malicious misuse of college-owned property or the property of any member or guest of the college community. Anyone who appropriates college property for individual use will be sanctioned. Range of sanction: from restitution through expulsion."

Senior Tonya Reagle said, "Vandalism could be a lot worse, but it is somewhat of a problem. I feel that it doesn't really affect me, except for the ice cream cones that are thrown at my window." Sophomore Rhonda Dierking feels that "vandalism happens a lot more than people realize, but Dana is one of the safest colleges in Nebraska for its size."

Freshman Jolene Krueger has a different view on vandalism at Dana. "I think that vandalism is a problem on the Dana campus. I have had my car hood ornament stolen, and found six new dents on the hood and sides of my car

that weren't there when I came to college. The major problem, though, is all the windows that keep getting broken."

What some students don't realize is because of vandalism our tuition has increased. Students cannot expect the school to pay for every broken window and have administration maintain the costs of tuition. Students got upset last year when they found out costs would be increasing. It's the acts of vandalism that add to the increase of those costs. Not every student goes around vandalizing the school, but when it happens it make the whole student body and campus look bad.

State trooper Bill Dawson works campus security two nights a week. He said, "There have been six cases reported to security this year, where as there were only four of five cases reported last year. That may have been because not every incident was reported to security last year. Last year the reports were not filed with the police. This year that has changed and that's due to the amount figures that have added up while repairing everything. The major problem seems to be all of the windows that get broken. The residence halls are affected more by vandalism than the cars in the parking lot. It is also more noticeable on the exterior of the halls than the interior." Dana security guard Reverend Bill Hartwell and Trooper Dawson would like all students to notify

security when vandalism occurs, no matter how minor the incident.

Student Body President James Plasek also has his own ideas on vandalism. He stated, "Vandalism is a lot worse this year then it was last year. It seems that about twice a month you hear of at least one window broken. There is also a lot more junk around campus and garbage cans being knocked over. The student senate hasn't heard much along the lines of vandalism. Vandalism isn't large enough to take a real aggressive stand on, but if the trend increases, something would need to be done fast."

The worst vandalism Plasek remembers occurred three years ago when three students vandalized a vending machine. Plasek thought one cure for vandalism would be, "Have the student body turn other students in. No one really wants to get involved or rat on their friends to administration. Then again, no one really wants to have to pay for a window when they didn't have anything to do with it breaking. I feel that most of it is immaturity and ignorance on the vandals' part."

Trent Pikula, the hall director for Holling, Argo, and Rasmussen Halls stated, "Vandalism is a real shame. People here are pursuing a college education. College students are thought of to be mature since they are taking the advantage of getting a higher education. When vandalism does oc-

cur, it takes away the rights of everyone in the halls. Vandalism is poorly thought out and immature. Students will have to realize that if it continues tuition may increase. It's because of incidents like breaking windows that make it go up in the first place. The worst thing that I can remember happening this year is approximately three weeks ago the cross behind Holling was set on fire. It's really upsetting to hear about things that happen like this. The cross is a symbol of Dana and for someone to go and set it on fire is very sad."

Kevin Schaudt, the assistant dean of students, said, "Vandalism isn't as bad as what some think. It's not a major issue and I'm very pleased. The windows getting broken is the biggest problem. So far this year the glass repair is at an estimated \$5,000. The school can only pay so much and when that point is surpassed, the tuition may increase. Dana, however, is fortunate to have a low incidence of vandalism, plus with it being a small campus, ev-

erything is too obvious.

"Students do have respect for others and the campus. Vandalism occurs the most under two circumstances. One, when students are intoxicated and two, when domestic disputes happen between boyfriends/girlfriends, two guys, etc.

"It is more noticeable in residence halls than in the parking lot. Most of the theft and vandalism that does occur seems to be done by individuals that don't go to school here. One way to reduce it is to have people stay on top of it and confronting students about it. If someone knows that they may be caught, they are less likely to vandalize."

Vandalism still goes on and it is likely that it won't completely fade into the background. It may not be the main issue that Dana College has to deal with but it is one of great importance. To end it everyone has to pitch in together and help. Just remember to think before you act. You could be saving yourself hundreds of dollars in repairs and fines.

CAMPUS EVENTS December 2-8

FRIDAY
Noon Forum Debate Series
2 p.m. Women's basketball at St. Mary's College at Leavenworth, Kan.

SATURDAY
9 a.m. Wrestling at Ft. Hays State, Kansas Open
1 p.m. Women's basketball at St. Mary's in Kan.
7:30 p.m. Men's basketball at Sioux Falls, S.D.

SUNDAY
Sights and Sounds of Christmas

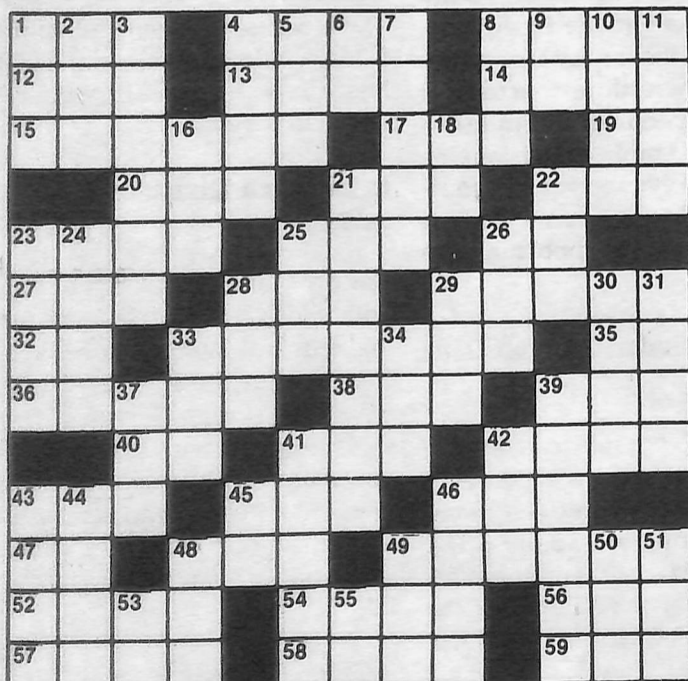
MONDAY
10 p.m. Now the Feast and Celebration, Trinity Chapel

TUESDAY
9 a.m. Faculty Business Meeting, The Forum
10:10 a.m. CHAD representatives in the Gardner Lecture Hall, DCC
10:30 a.m. Service of the Word, Trinity Chapel
7:30 p.m. Dana College Trumpet Ensemble, Trinity Chapel
7:30 p.m. Women's basketball, York College at Dana
7:30 p.m. Men's basketball at Bellevue

WEDNESDAY
3 p.m. Music Department Recital, Neve Room, MFAC
10 p.m. Holden Evening Prayer, Trinity Chapel

THURSDAY
10 a.m. Campus Coffee
10:30 a.m. Morning Praise, Trinity Chapel
4 p.m. Faculty Colloquium, presentation by Dr. John Lyden
7:30 p.m. Men's basketball, York College at Dana

Crossword Companion



- 41. Energy
- 42. Serious
- 43. Small bite
- 44. Even
- 45. Evergreen
- 46. Type measurement
- 47. Clean the floor
- 48. Home owner
- 49. Unit of matter
- 50. Great lake
- 51. Female deer
- 52. Jab
- 53. Rave
- 54. Female sheep
- 55. Corn on the —
- 56. Honest
- 57. Bet
- 58. Tic — Toe
- 59. Sesame plant
- 60. Each
- 61. Night animal
- 62. Den
- 63. Freedom
- 64. Race
- 65. Edge
- 66. Hat
- 67. Violent speech
- 68. Wrapping
- 69. Noisy
- 70. Kind of tide
- 71. Enter
- 72. Polonium symbol
- 73. Appendages
- 74. Madame (abbr.)
- 75. Can
- 76. Right away
- 77. Golfer's need
- 78. Midwest state (abbr.)
- 79. Sun god

- DOWN**
- 1. Owned
 - 2. Fuss
 - 3. Threat
 - 4. Specified amount
 - 5. Direction (abbr.)
 - 6. Near
 - 7. Seat
 - 8. Place
 - 9. Verb
 - 10. Bean
 - 11. Walked
 - 12. Mural
 - 13. Capone
 - 14. Tube diameter
 - 15. Asserted idea
 - 16. Brown
 - 17. Preposition
 - 18. Pismire
 - 19. Friend
 - 20. Holy book
 - 21. Impersonal pronoun
 - 22. Performance
 - 23. Drinker's group (abbr.)
 - 24. Happen again
 - 25. Small part
 - 26. It is (poetic)
 - 27. Article

- ACROSS**
- 1. Pork
 - 4. Peruse
 - 8. Food seasoning
 - 12. Lemon drink
 - 13. Against
 - 14. Arabian prince
 - 15. Provide
 - 17. Large vessel
 - 19. Midwest stae (abbr.)
 - 20. Plural verb
 - 21. Western state (abbr.)
 - 22. Ungentlemanly
 - 23. Asserted idea
 - 25. Brown
 - 26. Preposition
 - 27. Pismire
 - 28. Friend
 - 29. Holy book
 - 32. Impersonal pronoun
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The answers will be published in next week's issue of the *Hermes*.



Dana men's basketball team, 5-3 overall, stay's undefeated at home.

GINA JACOBS
SPORTS EDITOR

The Dana men's basketball team is now 5-3 overall

On Nov. 19th, the Vikings lost a close game to Dordt College, 78-76.

Nathan Babbitt led the team scoring with 23 points. Babbitt had five rebounds, five steals and four assists. Jason Jackson added 17 points and six rebounds. Mark Andrews had nine rebounds and Shawn Fasbender had five rebounds, while both of them put up 12 points each.

The Vikings took on Bellevue at home Nov. 21st. They defeated the Bruins 79-65. Fasbender tallied 13 points and 10 rebounds. Babbitt led the scoring with 14 points and Oliver Wallace and Andrews scored 13 points apiece.

The next night, the team travelled to Wayne State College. The

Vikings lost in overtime 78-73. Andrews and Fasbender led the scoring and total rebounding for the Vikings. Andrews had 22 points and nine rebounds.

Fasbender had 19 points and 11 rebounds. Jackson added 12 points and had eight rebounds.

Over the Thanksgiving break the men's basketball team went to the Holiday Tournament at Teikyo Westmar, Iowa. The Vikings won the first round of action against the home team, Teikyo Westmar University, 103-81.

Six players were in double digits for scoring. Rob Coursey, who made four three-point shots, led the team with 18, Tony Collins had 16, Andrews had 14, Fasbender had 11, and Babbitt and Wallace had 10 each.

The Vikings then took on the Red Raiders of Northwestern College. Dana fell by the score of 89-75.

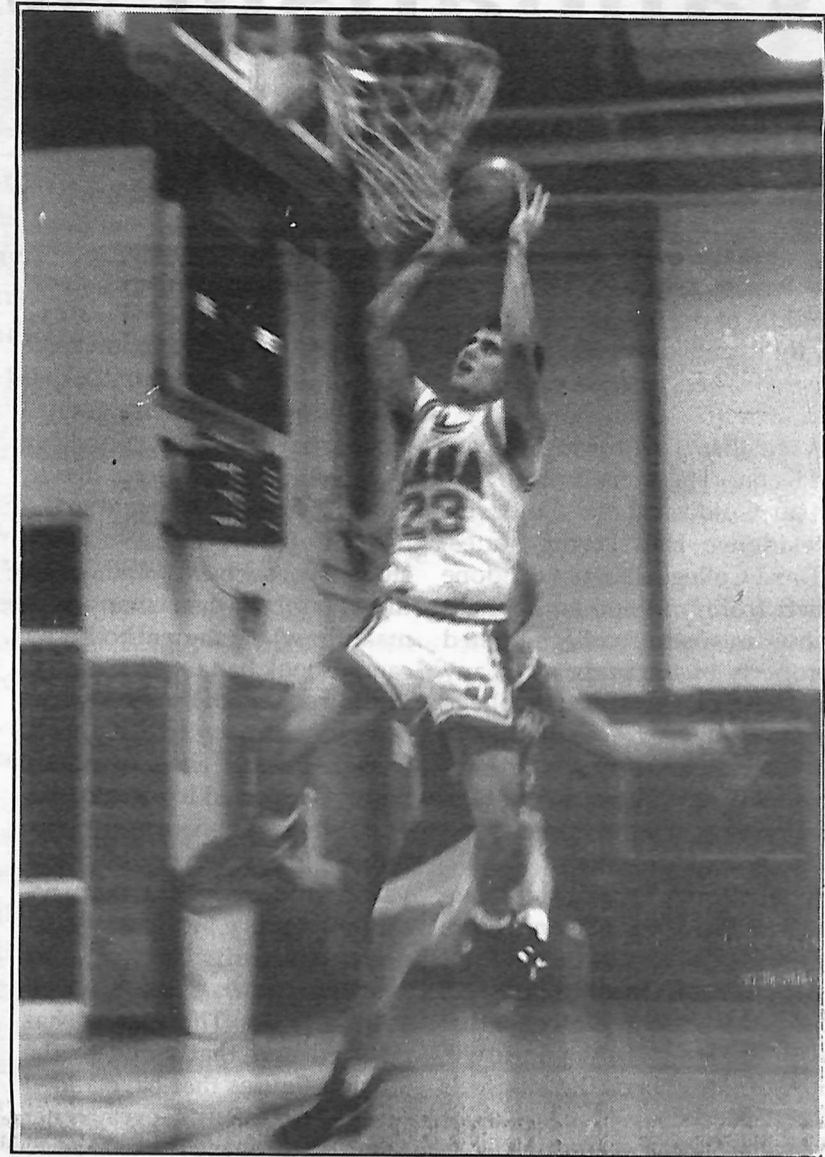
Coach Dave Jensen said, "We definitely should have won the tournament. We were up 52-36 at the half and wound up losing by 14."

On Wednesday night, Dana took on the Bobcats of Peru State College in Borup Coliseum. The Vikings led the entire game, ending with a 96-86 win. Coursey led the team with 27 points to put him over 1,000 points for his career at Dana.

Babbitt added 19 points and Andrews had 16 points with seven rebounds. Fasbender had 11 points and 11 rebounds.

Although the team shot a low 64.8 percent, Coach Jensen said, "The free throw shooting was terrible. Last night's (Wednesday) game was won by the excellent way that all of the offenses were run."

The Vikings travel to Sioux Falls tomorrow. Tip-off is at 7:30p.m.



Nathan Babbitt goes in for the dunk against the Peru State Bobcats Wednesday night. (Photo by Kayleen Wilson)

Statistical Leaders

Points

Nathan Babbitt 114 total points (8 games)
Heidi Grappendorf 69 total points (4 games)

Rebounds

Shawn Fasbender 62 total rebounds (8 games)
Nichol Buening 36 total rebounds (4 games)

Assists

Jason Jackson 32 total assists (8 games)
Heidi Grappendorf 9 total assists (4 games)

DANA ATHLETICS WINTER SCHEDULE

WRESTLING

DEC. 3 AT FORT HAYS
DEC. 9 AT UNK DUALS

MEN'S BASKETBALL

DEC. 3 AT SIOUX FALLS
DEC. 6 AT BELLEVUE

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

DEC. 2-3 AT ST. MARY'S
DEC. 6 YORK, HOME

Wrestlers begin season by competing at UNO Open

GINA JACOBS
SPORTS EDITOR

The Dana wrestling squad participated in the annual University of Nebraska-Omaha Open Nov. 19. It was the largest single-day collegiate wrestling tournament this year. Members from teams like the No. 1 ranked Division One Iowa Hawkeyes were at the tournament. In the open, everyone was allowed the opportunity to compete.

In the 20-Under Division-Dana results

In the 118 pound division, Justin Garcia went 0-2 with scores of 11-6 and 8-4. Joe Cano (126) went 0-2, with scores of 6-5 and 7-3. D.J. Walton (126), perhaps the most successful of the Vikings at the open went 4-2 with a 12-4 win, a pin in three minutes, a win 7-1, a 9-8 loss, a win by injury default, and a 15-6 loss, putting him into fourth place. Jimmie Daugherty (134), went 2-2 with a loss by fall, a 7-0 win, a 7-5 overtime win, and a loss in his final match. Shawn Boss (150) finished 2-2 by a loss by fall, a pin in 31 seconds, a 9-7 win, and loss 6-0. T.C. Aguilar (150) went 3-2, with 8-1, 8-2, and 11-5 wins, and loss by fall two times. Shawn Isaacs (150) went 1-2 with

a loss by fall, a 2-1 win, and a loss by default. Nate Cone (158) went 0-2 with a 3-0 loss and a loss by fall. Ollie Glass (158) went 0-2 also with 10-0 and 3-0 losses. Travis Sides (190) went 1-2 with a 5-2 win, a loss by fall, and a 13-1 loss. Chase Roller (275) went 0-1 with a loss by fall.

In the Open Division-Dana Results

Danny Mattern (118) went 2-2, with a loss by fall, a 4-3 win, an injury default win, and a 5-3 loss. Chad Caskey (118) went 0-2, with 6-5 and 14-3 losses. Mike Godfrey (134) went 0-2 with losses by fall both matches. Brent Johnson (142) went 0-2 with 10-2 and 8-5 losses. Mike Bisig (275) went 1-2 with a loss by fall, a 4-0 win and a loss by fall.

Coach Ron Beamen said, "It is definitely a difficult tournament to open the season with, but the team always does well."

The Dana wrestlers also saw some competition from other Nebraska and Iowa Athletic Conference teams like Buena Vista and Wartburg College, who Dana plans to compete against later in the season.

Dana's wrestlers head to the Fort Hays State Open Saturday.

2-2 women's basketball team hope to reunite with winning streak

GINA JACOBS
SPORTS EDITOR

On Nov. 19 the Dana women's basketball team took on Sioux Falls, S.D., in Borup Coliseum. Virtually everyone saw playing time for this game, where the Vikings won by the large margin of 86-68.

Nichol Buening shot a career high 33 points, pulling down 15 total rebounds and adding three steals. Heidi Grappendorf had 23 points, five from the three-point range, and six total rebounds. Jennifer Wuebker added 20 points with three from the three-point range.

The Vikings went to Huron, S.D., Nov. 22 and their winning streak ended. Leading scorer Grappendorf was held to just seven points and Carrie Knapp and Jennifer Dierks held to just 10.

A total of 23 turnovers did not help, along with 39 total rebounds compared to Huron's 61. The Vikings lost 89-52.

The women's basketball team spent last Tuesday night at Mt. Marty. Although the game was tied at the half, the Vikings were not able to keep up their shooting percentage and dropped the game 78-58.

Buening was held to just eight

points in this game with 11 rebounds. Grappendorf was able to put up 20 points to lead the team and Wuebker had 11 points.

Coach Kris Grappendorf said, "The game was tied at half, we just couldn't put anything up and we wound shooting 31.8% as compared to their 52.2%."

The Vikings head to the St. Mary Tournament this weekend in Leavenworth, Kan. Coach Grappendorf says, "I am expecting us to win both games this weekend. I have not seen both of the teams play before, but I will get the chance tonight and I am sure that we will win."