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Vikings advance in NIAC playoffs

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The Dana Vikings men's basketball team scorched the nets in the second half and erased a halftime deficit to beat Northwestern (Iowa) 99-93 in the first round of the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference (NIAC) playoffs at Borup Coliseum Tuesday.

The fifth-seeded Red Raiders were hot in the first half. They hit 58 percent of their shots en route to a 46-43 halftime lead.

Raiders were red hot

Northwestern reserve Ben Brown came off the bench to score eight quick points and gave the Red Raiders their first lead, 15-14 with 13:33 left in the half. From there, Northwestern went on a 13-5 run to take their biggest lead of the night, 28-19, with 8:52 left.

The Vikings ended their scoring drought when Mark Andrews scored inside the paint. Rob Coursey nailed a three-point shot and the Vikings pulled within four, 28-24.

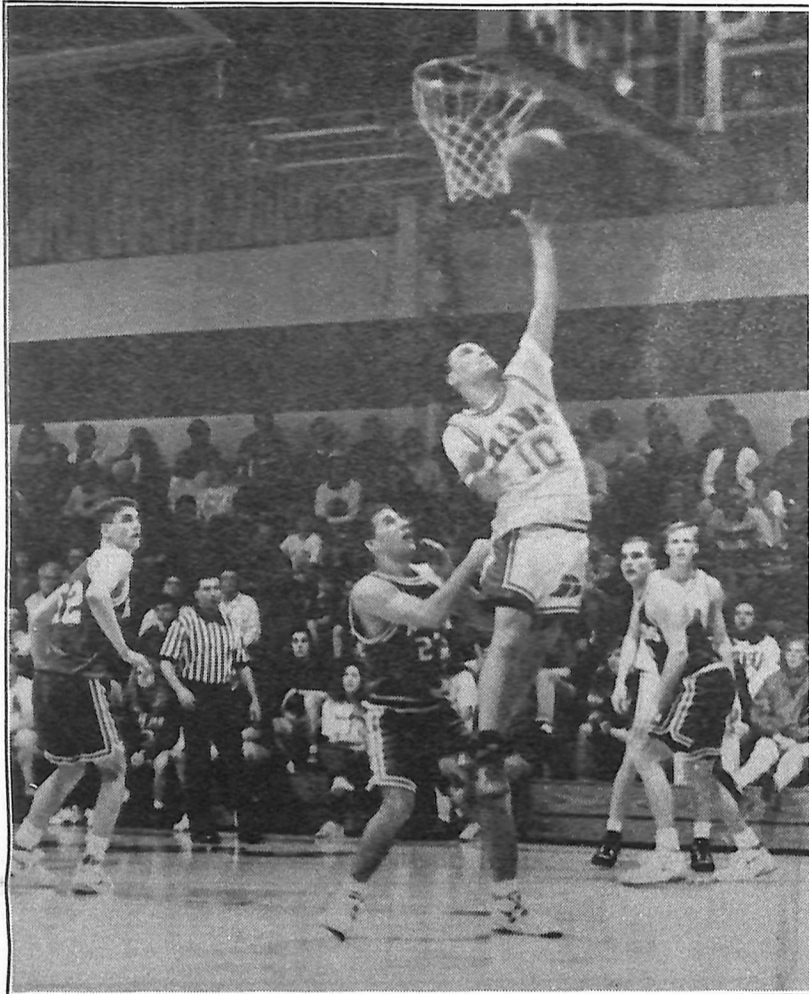
A couple minutes later, Coursey nailed another trey to give Dana the lead 34-31 but the Red Raiders answered. Three Northwestern three-point bombs and Brandt Carlson's buzzer-beating dunk gave the Red Raiders a 46-43 halftime lead.

Resurgence

In the second half, Dana applied a full-court trap which sparked the Vikings to their impressive second half rally. Dana regained the lead on an Oliver Wallace dunk off a steal and assist from Jason Jackson.

The lead seasawed back and forth six times until Dana went on a 5-0 run to go up 67-62. Key baskets came from Andrews and Coursey.

Nathan Babbitt's three-pointer and reverse layup put Dana up 78-67 with 7:48 to play.



Jason Jackson (10) lays in two of his 13 points in the Vikings' win over Northwestern Tuesday. (Photo by Jeff Rademacher)

Northwestern tried to come back when they drilled a couple three-pointers to trim the Viking lead to 90-86 with 1:37 to go. The Vikings, however, sank seven free throws in the final minutes to ice the game.

Statistics

Dana shot 63 percent from the field and scored 56 points in the second half. Andrews scored 14 of his game-high 25 points in the second half. He also pulled down a game-high 13 rebounds.

Babbitt scored 23 points and Coursey added 20. Jackson, who injured his shoulder in the second half, returned to score 13 points

and also dished out five assists.

Another of the Vikings' walking wounded was Shawn Fasbender. He came into the game with a severely sprained ankle but still played. Despite the injury, Fasbender scored 12 points and grabbed five rebounds. He will play in the semi-final game against Concordia tonight.

With the win, Dana advances to the second round to take on the NIAC champion and top-seeded Concordia Bulldogs in Seward tonight. Dana is now 15-15 while Concordia is 26-3.

Preview of Concordia game on pg. 4

Board of Regents adopts next year's budget

The Dana College Board of Regents met last Friday to adopt the college budget for the 1995-96 academic year.

According to the budget, tuition for next year will be increased by \$300 (6.57%) per semester, which will be \$9,730 per year. Despite the raise in tuition, Dana has the second lowest tuition and fees costs in the region, according to Dana College President Myrvin Christopherson. Only Concordia is less expensive.

There will also be an increase

of 5-6 percent in meal plans and double occupancy room charges. The average increase for the average full-time student will be just over 6 percent.

There will be a 9.96 percent increase in the college financial aid and grants to be returned to the students according to the budget. Other features of the budget include new faculty positions, better computer and security services and improved salaries to faculty and staff.

Here is a list of the 1995-96 student charges:

1995-96 STUDENT CHARGES

TUITION & FEES

Tuition	\$9,730
Under 12 hours (per credit hour)	\$325
Over 16 hours (per credit hour)	\$275
Summer School (per credit hour)	\$175
Weekend College (per credit hour)	\$175
General Fee	\$300
Private Music Lesson Fees (per lesson)	\$125

ROOM AND BOARD

Room:

Double Occupancy	\$1,450
Single Occupancy	\$2,250

Board:

19-Meal Plan	\$2,070
15-Meal Plan	\$1,966
10-Meal Plan	\$1,880
Flex 1 Plan	\$2,046
Flex 2 Plan	\$2,124
Flex 3 Plan	\$2,236

Interim:

Interim Room & Board	\$425
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Omaha Village:

One-bedroom (per month)	\$215
Two-bedroom (per month)	\$250

What to do for LARP event credit

If you are currently one of approximately 265 students enrolled in LARP, the accumulation of three events is a simple matter. A legalized, gold document titled "Focus on the Forum" is printed each Friday and distributed to most campus bulletin boards early Friday afternoon. On this document is printed all on-campus and off-campus event possibilities.

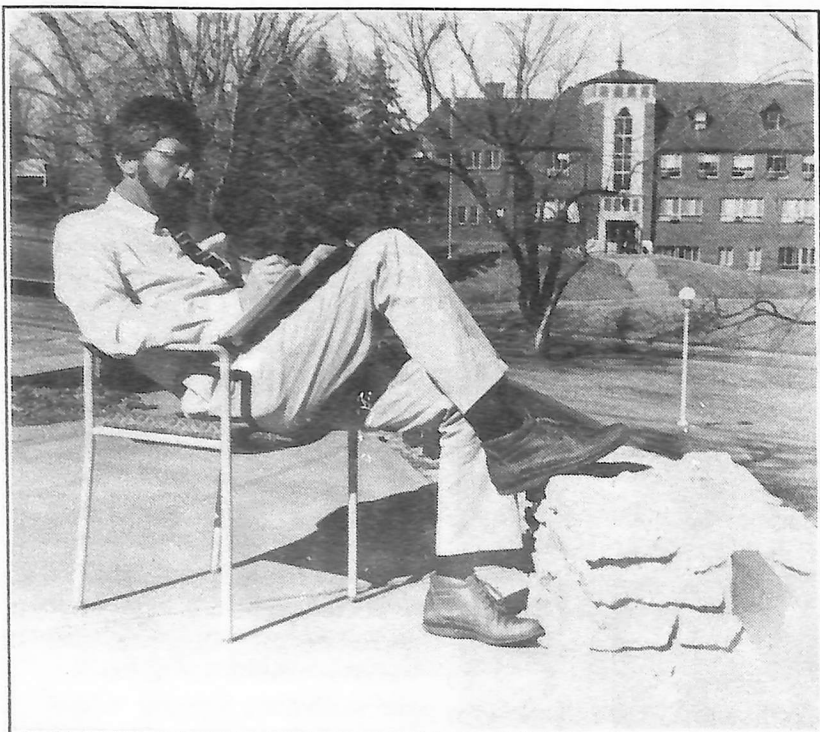
Once at an event, the LARP student will sign a gold attendance sheet upon leaving. Each student must sign his/her name only. If more than one name is written in the same handwriting, those names will be eliminated. Records of events attended are kept by Esther Gunderson in The Forum. Only names appearing on gold signup sheets will earn event

credit.

There are a minimum of 50 event possibilities offered each semester at varying times during the day and throughout the week, allowing all students to be able to attend at least three. If any questions arise please inquire in The Forum.



Comedian Katsy Chappell will be performing Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Dragon's Head. Chappell appeared on such productions as the movie "True Lies", the TV programs "Roseanne" and "In Living Color" and the comedy shows "MTV Half Hour Comedy Hour" and "Star Search."



Professor John Mark Nielsen enjoys the spring like temperatures Wednesday while correcting papers on the Korshoj Terrace. (Photo by Jeff Rademacher)

Poetic Justice for Rutgers President?

Mona Charen
Creators Syndicate

Poor Francis Lawrence, president of Rutgers. He has striven throughout his professional life to toe the political correctness line and now, through a slip of the tongue, finds himself on the receiving end of its ferocity.

At the meeting of the Rutgers Board of Governors, convened to consider calls for President Lawrence's ouster, his defenders were hooted and shouted down. "They will never play another home basketball game at Rutgers until he's gone," vowed one student leader, referring to last week's sit-down strike by hundreds of students in center court that disrupted a game between Rutgers and the University of Massachusetts.

What the students are so outraged about is a remark Lawrence made concerning the use of standardized tests. He said, "The average SAT for African Americans is 750. Do we set standards in the future so we don't admit anybody with the national test? Or do we deal with a disadvantaged population that doesn't have the genetic, hereditary background to have a higher average?"

Since the quote became public last month, Lawrence has repeated over and over again, sometimes tearfully, that he didn't mean it, doesn't think it and would never intend to say such a thing. According to George Will, Lawrence refused even to read "The Bell Curve" because he found the idea so repugnant. Lawrence has apparently never met a multicultural

curriculum he couldn't endorse or a speech code he couldn't live with. One of his proud accomplishments at Rutgers was the opening of a \$1 million cultural center for African Americans.

So if his words really were a slip of the tongue, then he is suffering poetic justice. He has allied himself with the forces of intolerance and rigidity on these matters, and now they have turned on him. He is like the original Bolsheviks arrested by Stalin in the 1920s and 1930s—who went to their deaths maintaining their ideological purity.

There is another possibility; that the students are partly right—and the slip of the tongue was a Freudian slip, revealing the truth. It may be a dirty little secret among some of the most pious liberals that they really don't believe in the logic of affirmative action—which is to give a temporary leg up to historically oppressed people until they can get on their collective feet. Perhaps they really do think that blacks are permanently hobbled and will never be able to make it on their own, in which case quotas will always be necessary.

Any policy that cannot bear the truth cannot long survive. Each time someone publishes the facts about affirmative action, there is an outraged uproar. A few years ago, a student working in the admissions office of the Georgetown Law School wrote an article detailing the discrepancy between grades and test scores of white students and blacks. He was vilified. The message was: Don't say it. It is evil to draw attention to this. Silence!

But if the policy is right and

good, why is it evil to talk about it?

The practice by the left of shouting down or morally intimidating those who do raise questions about the policy is coming to a close. In California, there will be an initiative on the 1996 ballot to end government-imposed affirmative action. It will spark an overdue national debate.

Are we willing to permit ourselves to become a country with permanently coddled minorities? Are we willing to say that a person's race is the most relevant aspect of this personhood? Is it right that the child of a black entertainer or physician, having enjoyed the finest private schools and tutors, ought to gain admittance to a university over the child of a white waitress, even if the white youngster has better credentials?

As this debate gets rolling, we will hear more from blacks who detest the stigma that attaches to blacks who achieve success. Was it merit or lower standards? Is he a competent pilot, engineer, nurse, professor—or merely an "affirmative action hire"? And who really thinks it is true that blacks, permitted to compete equally with whites, can't hack it?

The national debate is coming—and the loudest cries of the students at Rutgers cannot prevent it.

Editor's note -- This article was printed in the Feb. 15 issue of the Omaha World Herald. The article was requested by Jean Marie Nielsen to be included in this issue as an introduction to this week's Forum Debate Series.

Look for a concert ticket giveaway coming soon from the Renegade!



"Affirmative action!"

Today, Feb. 24--Noon

Bring your lunch into DCC conference room #117 and discuss the issue of the week with your peers, professors and staff members. Stay for any or all of the one-and-a-half hour session.

Next week:

"Should college athletes be paid?"

The Forum Debate Series

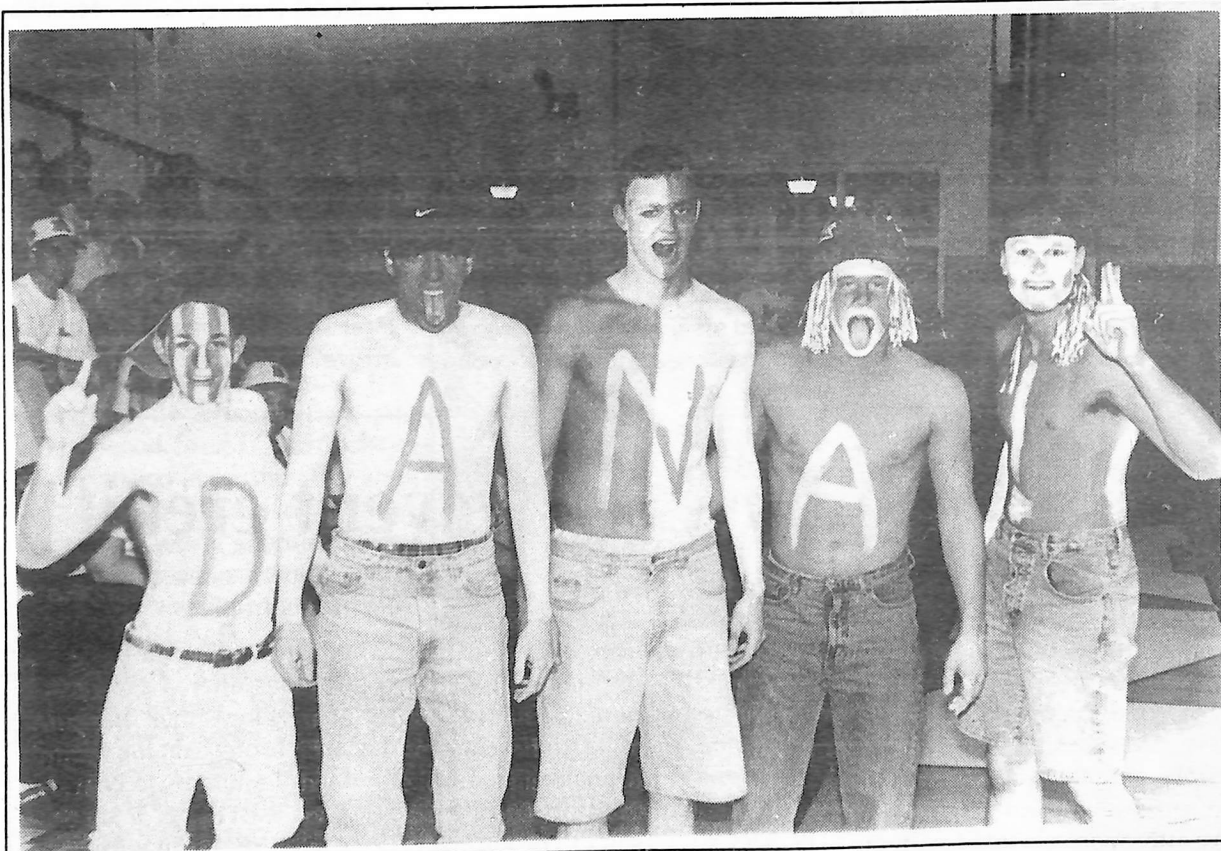


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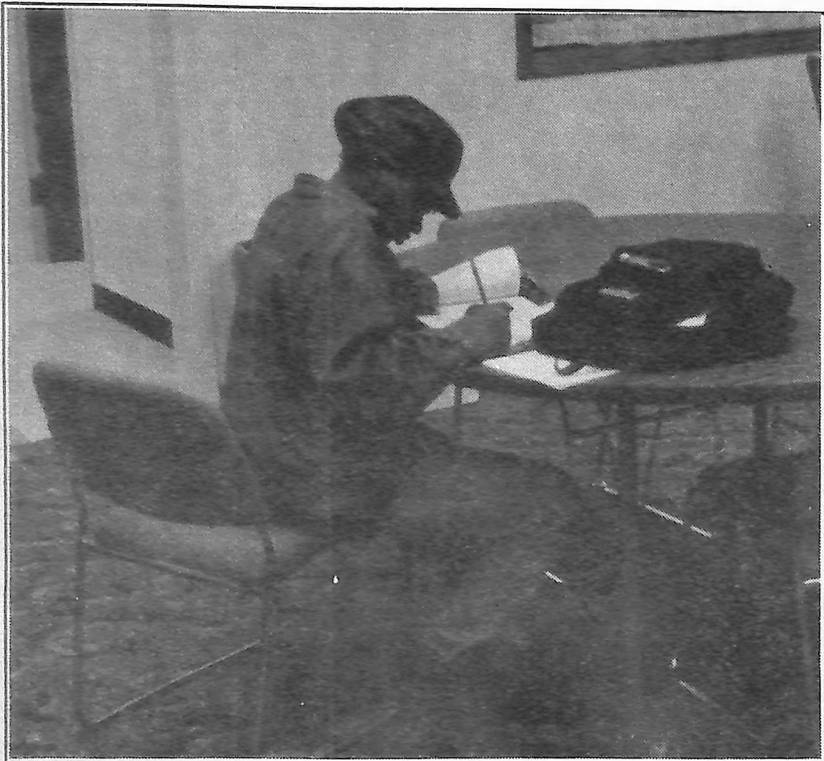
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Readers are encouraged to submit story ideas and comments by calling (402) 426-7328, or via Hermes, Dana College, Box 1086, Blair NE 68008. Submissions must be received by 5 p.m. Wednesday to be printed in the weekly issue.



Freshman (left to right) Bill Stoffel, Adam Zuhlke, Kyle Steward, Aaron Pritchett and Richard Hodge show their school spirit at the Dana men's basketball game against Northwestern Tuesday. (Photo by Jeff Rademacher)



Freshman Quenya Britt studies in the Learning Center. The Learning Center is located in the entrance of the library. (Photo by Robert Boyd, Jr.)

Learning Center helps students

AMY BENEDICT
REPORTER

Would you like to receive higher grades on exams and papers? Use your time better and stop procrastinating by completing homework assignments early? Better your reading comprehension so your GPA goes up and your stress level goes down? If so the Learning Center is a place on campus that can help.

As you may already know, the Learning Center is located inside the library and has tutors to help fill academic needs. It is open 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. during the day and 7 - 11 p.m. It has new large tables and comfortable chairs which provide much more space for students to study and work with tutors. It also provides available computers.

If there isn't a particular course bringing you down, you may want to check the front table of the Learning Center for helpful hand-out folders. "You may help yourself to materials on time management, textbook reading strategies, research paper process, docu-

menting sources, revising papers, proofreading, punctuation, and PPST review for math, English, and reading tests," comments Lori Nielsen, Learning Center Coordinator.

She also wants people to know if they are not earning the desired grades they should stop by to talk to her. She can help assess study skills and learn new strategies to strengthen them. "I don't guarantee better grades; however, improved study strategies will eventually result in more learning and students' grades should slowly start to improve." Nielsen can usually be found in her office in the Learning Center Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings and Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons.

When asked about helping students with special needs, Nielsen said, "I grant reasonable requests for special services and accommodations from qualified students with disabilities; I do so now for several students. Colleges are required by law to provide reasonable accommodations to students with disabilities. Therefore,

EAO is gaining momentum

While the original idea of implementing a campus-wide recycling program began more than two years ago, it was not until the fall semester that the Environmental Awareness Organization (EAO) moved ahead with a concerted effort to start such a program. After several months of working through the initial stages, an EAO spokesperson reports that the project has been moving along very well recently and is quickly gaining the necessary momentum.

Plastic collection barrels were purchased with a grant from the Washington County Recycling Association and were placed in select locations of every building on campus. Depending on the color, each is used for a different type of recyclable material. Maroon barrels hold aluminum cans,

while blue barrels are used for certain kinds of "office paper." Yellow and green cardboard boxes have been distributed to collect newspapers.

Because only certain materials are accepted at the county's recycling site on the east end of Blair, EAO would like to stress the importance of including only the specified types of paper in blue barrels. Examples of paper which are accepted include notebook paper, index cards, computer paper, white and colored copy paper, most envelopes and file folders. Items not accepted in the blue barrels include paper clips, newspapers, magazines, candy wrappers and other types of trash.

Maroon barrels are only for aluminum cans already emptied of any contents. Tin cans, plastic, paper and other trash are not to be mixed in with the aluminum. Likewise, a different process is used to recycle magazines and newspapers, so each needs to be placed in a separate container.

As an example of the potential for recycling, if one half of all of-

fices in Pioneer Memorial and the classroom center were to regularly recycle office paper, an estimated two tons of paper would be diverted from the nearest landfill in the course of the year. From there the paper is taken to a manufacturer, who breaks down the paper and turns it into another paper-based product such as insulation, cereal boxes, paper towels or office paper, each containing a portion of virgin material and a portion of the recycled product.

To date, approximately 1,400 pounds of office paper and an estimated 475 pounds of aluminum have been collected from residence halls, administrative and faculty offices.

Members of EAO will appreciate your support and participation in these campus efforts to recycle materials. If you have questions about any recycling project or would like to become involved in EAO, please contact an EAO member or EAO advisor Mark Anderson, ext. 7225.

there is a process for students to follow and requirements for them to meet if they need accommodations. The accommodations provide students with disabilities with fair and equal chances of academic success."

Nielsen wants to make sure everyone knows about the Learning Center and everything it provides. "Seventy eight students came in to work with the tutors, and there were 154 tutorials; 34 of those students had more than on tutorial. Of those 78 students, 24 are on the Dean's List for the fall semester. So a little more than 30 percent of the students who worked with the Learning Center tutors in the fall are on the Dean's List."

This year's tutors include: Roisin Bell, Karen Bertram, Dana Holz, Jennifer Kiesel, Carissa McDonald, Angela Melby, Jennifer Morgan, Jennifer Nelson, Jeremy Rademacher, and Kaci Solt. Their hours and the courses for which they provide assistance are available on schedules posted in the Campus Center and at the Learning Center, where students may also pick up their own copies.

Track team competes at UNL

GINA JACOBS
SPORTS EDITOR

On Feb. 18 the Dana track team competed at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. The meet included the teams from the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference (NIAC) along with UNL, Central College (Pella, Iowa), University of Nebraska in Kearney, Northwest Missouri State University (Maryville, Mo.), and the University of Nebraska in Omaha. Seven Dana students competed at the meet.

Freshman Ben Sandy from Newcastle, WY placed fourth overall in the 5,000-meter run and second among the NIAC competitors. Sandy ran in the time of 15:38.44, eleven seconds less than his previous best record at that distance.

Freshman Andrea Spreen of Elkader, Iowa improved her personal best by two feet in the shot put with a 35-9 1/2 toss. Spreen's toss ranks her eighth in the conference.

Sophomore Sandy Smith of Superior and freshman Angie

Sparacino of Houston, Texas both improved their personal best in their events. Smith was sixth in her heat of the mile run and timed in 5:48.8. Sparacino was second in her heat of the 800-meter run with the time of 2:36.7.

Senior Shannon LeFave of Yamhill, Oregon ran a time of 5:29.0 in the mile and freshman Amberley Ridgley finished with a time of 41.45 in the 300-yard dash.

The NIAC Championships conference meet will be held at Nebraska Wesleyan University on Saturday, March 4.

CAMPUS EVENTS

February 24 - March 3

F	RIDAY Noon 7:30 p.m.	The Forum Debate Series, DCC 117 "The Gingerbread Lady," Black Box
S	ATURDAY 7:30 p.m.	"The Gingerbread Lady," Black Box
S	UNDAY 7:30 p.m.	"The Gingerbread Lady," Black Box
M	ONDAY 10 p.m.	Now the Feast and Celebration, Trinity Chapel
T	UESDAY 10:30 a.m. 7:30 p.m.	Service of the Word, Jennifer Zahnnow, Trinity Chapel Comedian Katsy Chappell, Dragon's Head
W	EDNESDAY 10 p.m.	Holden Vespers, Trinity Chapel
T	HURSDAY 10 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Campus Coffee Morning Praise, Trinity Chapel



Vikings look to upset the 'Dogs

ROBERT BOYD, JR.
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The Dana men's basketball team (15-15) hope the third time is the charm when they face the Concordia Bulldogs (26-3) in the second round of the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference (NIAC) playoffs tonight in Seward.

The NIAC champion Bulldogs have already beat the Vikings in two games this season. In the first, Dana kept the game close until the Bulldogs exploded in the second half to post a 84-63 win. In Dana's regular season finale, Concordia once again ran away from the Vikings in the second half to win 93-81.

A look at Concordia

The nationally ranked Bulldogs are good defensive ball club. They allow 67.4 points per game which is the best in the conference.

Concordia is also the conference leader in lowest field goal percentage (40.6 percent) and lowest three-point percentage (30 percent).

The Bulldog's defense was evident in the first matchup when Concordia held Dana to 27 points in the second half and 38.5 percent shooting for the game.

Offensively, Concordia is the worst scoring team in the conference, scoring 82.5 points a game. The Bulldogs' leading scorer is Ryan Kness. He averages 19.6 points and 7.8 rebounds a game. In Dana's season finale, Kness racked up 31 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

Kness is the Bulldogs' dominant inside player but Darin Engelbart is a threat from the three-point line. Engelbart has drained 32 of 71 three-pointers this season



Sophomore Nathan Babbitt glides in to make two of his 23 points of the night.

Photo by Jeff Rademacher

which puts him third in the conference. He is also the conference's leading playmaker with 8.4 assists a game. Engelbart averaged 17 points and 9.5 assists in the two games against Dana.

The upset-minded Vikings

The Vikings must play well in the second half if they have any chance at upsetting the Bulldogs. In both of the games against Concordia, Dana jumped out to impressive leads but squandered them in the second half.

Nathan Babbitt led the Vikings in scoring this season with 18.7 points a game. He led the team with 66 three-point shots made and 117 steals. Babbitt averaged

21.5 points and 4.5 rebounds against the Bulldogs this season.

Rob Coursey and Shawn Fasbender were second and third this season in scoring for the Vikings. Coursey averaged 13.4 points while Fasbender averaged 12.9. Fasbender was sixth in the conference in rebounding with 7.6 a game.

The winner of this game will play the winner of the Midland-Doane game Tuesday. The winner of the tournament will get an automatic bid to the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Division II National Championship tournament in Nampa, Idaho March 8-14.

Sixth-seed Vikings hope to trounce the third-seed Broncos

LIZ HUMPHREY
REPORTER

The Dana Vikings women's basketball team finished the 1994-1995 season Feb. 17 with a game at Doane College. The Dana women, with an overall record of 13-11 going into this contest, took on a Doane team that was 25-5 and 10-0 in the conference. The Doane Tigers had beaten Dana 87-56 earlier this season in a game at Borup Coliseum.

Dana hung with Doane in first half of the game, going into the intermission down only by four, 39-35. The number one ranked Tigers hit overdrive in the second half and foiled Dana's upset bid by outscoring the Vikings 53-38. Dana dropped to 13-12 overall and 3-9 in conference action with the 92-73 defeat.

Senior Heidi Grappendorf, leading the team and conference in scoring, poured in 22 points in the loss. Grappendorf

leads the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference (NIAC) with a 19.6 points per game average. Freshman Susan Weddingfeld answered Grappendorf's performance with 22 points of her own and sophomore Nichol Buenning managed to tear down 11 rebounds and score 10 points. Senior Melanie Hild led the bench with seven points and five rebounds.

Through twenty-five games this season the Vikings have a 52% winning percentage. In post-season action, Dana (ranked sixth in the NIAC) will hope to avenge two season losses to third-ranked Hastings. Although the Vikings have not found the answer to Hastings yet this season, both of the games were decided by only two and three points. The Vikings hope to win Thursday night and go on to play second seed Midland Lutheran College in the NIAC post season tournament.

Category	Player	Total	Games
Points	Nathan Babbitt	542	29
	Heidi Grappendorf	491	25
Rebounds	Shawn Fasbender	213	29
	Nichol Buenning	207	25
Assists	Jason Jackson	120	29
	Heidi Grappendorf	83	25



Passing it On
VOICES FROM BLACK AMERICA'S PAST
Monday- The Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party
Wednesday- World War II/ The Segregated Military
Thursday- WDIA-The First All-Black Radio Station
All programs will begin at 7p.m.
The series will conclude next week.



Caskey is the seventh member of the Viking wrestling team to qualify for nationals

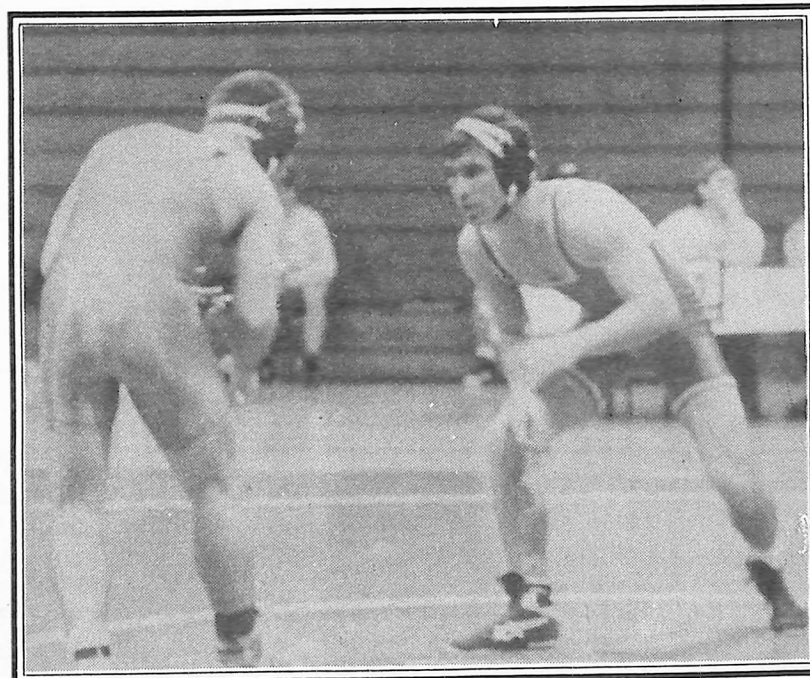
GINA JACOBS
SPORTS EDITOR

The Dana wrestling team competed in the National Association of Inter-collegiate Athletics Area Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 18 in Borup Coliseum. Missouri Valley College, Lindenwood College, Teikyo Westmar University, and Northwestern College all came to compete with the Vikings.

Missouri Valley, with a team score of 87 points, won the tournament. Lindenwood took second with 83.5. Teikyo Westmar took third with 52, Dana finished fourth with 45 and Northwestern finished fifth with a score of

32.5. Sophomore Andy Hensley (167 pounds) finished first again. He defeated Bobby Lashley of Lindenwood. Senior Chad Caskey (126) finished in second after losing to Travis Dewalt of Teikyo Westmar. Caskey's second place finish qualified him to compete at the national wrestling tournament in Jamestown, N.D.

Dana then travelled to Northwestern College Wednesday night. The Vikings lost 39-17. Senior Danny Mattern (126), Caskey (134), and junior Corey Cross (158) came away with victories. The wrestlers have a break until they head to nationals.



Senior Brent Johnson (142), wrestled at the NAIA tournament in Borup Coliseum last Saturday. Dana took fourth place

Photo by Jennifer Johnson