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DANA COLLEGE HERMES

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Dana art department is host to state Scholastic Art Competition

JENNIFER JOHNSON

Graphic Editor

Dana College is hosting the 73rd annual Nebraska Scholastics Art Competition. It is sponsored by Scholastic Magazine and is part of the largest national art competition for junior and senior high school students.

The competition is open to every junior and senior high school art student in Nebraska. Of the 3,000 works submitted, over 400 were selected to be displayed.

The selected pieces were then judged by a panel of judges for each of the three categories: three-dimensional works, two-dimensional works, and photography.

The top five 2-D works received the Hallmark Award. Gold keys, repre-

senting first place, were placed on 75 pieces. These works will go on to the national Scholastic competition this summer in New York. Silver keys, representing second place, went to 150 pieces. All other works on display received honorable mentions.

"It's a big deal," said Dr. Milt Heinrich, head of Dana's art department. "Many schools look forward to this as a measure of their art program."

"The high quality works reflect both the students and the teachers," said Stephanie Carlson, who helped organize the exhibit.

Aside from individual works, high school seniors could also enter portfolios of eight works. The portfolios were judged by Dana art faculty and by three other colleges or universities of the student's choice. Dana offered

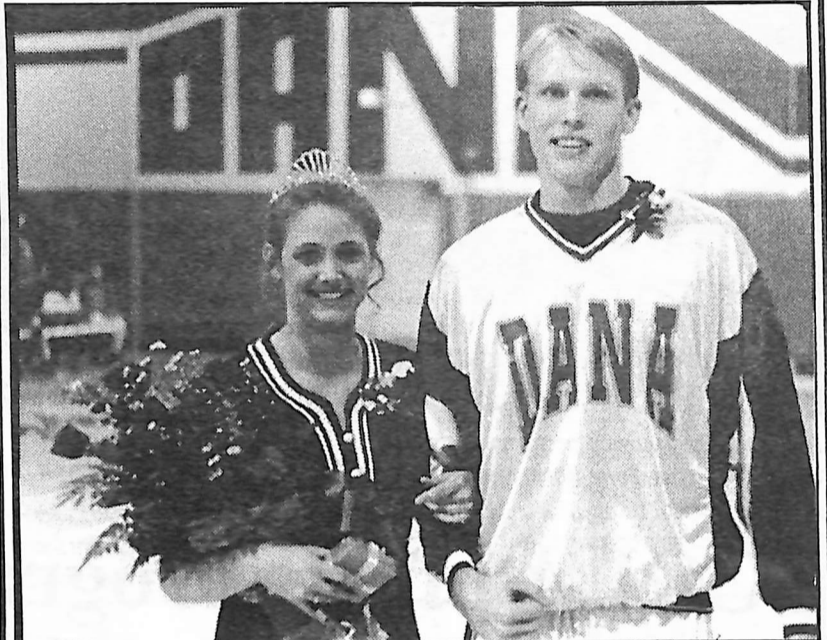
four scholarships based on these reviews.

Hosting this exhibit is a way for Dana's art department to gain state-wide exposure. Heinrich said, "Because the Scholastic awards have been on campus in the last two years, we have had more art students, parents, and art teachers on campus than any other format since I've been here at Dana."

Besides gaining more exposure, the exhibit is also a chance to do a service for the state and for young artists. "Supporting the arts for young people," said Heinrich, "that's what my life's about."

The works done by junior high students can be viewed in MFAC. The works done by senior high students can be viewed in DCC. The exhibit will be on display until Feb. 23.

Winterfest Royalty



Dana juniors Chestnut Pearl and Shawn Fasbender were named Winterfest queen and king Saturday at Borup Coliseum. (Photo by Jeff Rademacher)

Lil' Sibling's Weekend

Feb. 16-18

Friday

7:30 p.m.

Banana Splits and Movies

Dragon's Head

Saturday

9-10:30 a.m.

10:30 -noon

noon-1p.m.

1.-2p.m.

2-3 p.m.

3-5 p.m.

5-5:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

Registration and check-in

Scavenger Hunt, prizes

Lunch (12 and under \$2, 13 and up \$4)

Kiddie Carnival

Magic Show

Swimming (guest must be accompanied by a Dana student)

Dinner (12 and under \$2, 13 and up \$4)

Women's basketball game (no charge)

Dragon's Head

Campus Center

Cafeteria

Campus Center

DHA

Borup Pool

Cafeteria

Borup Coliseum

Sunday

12 p.m.-12:30 p.m.

Sleep-in or free-time

Brunch (12 and under \$2.75, 13 and up \$5.50)

Cafeteria

Weekend activities sponsored by the Residence Hall Association

Academic and athletic aid cause for debate

JON BURELSON

Reporter

The perennial debate of academics versus athletics and the emphasis placed on each continues, with academics complaining that athletics receives too much significance.

The prime grievance comes from those students who consider the financial aid awarded to the student athletes. As one student put it, "Too much, too easy."

Academic scholarships require stringent qualifications and high sustained grade point averages. An example of this is the Presidential Scholarship which requires a 25 ACT composite score and a 3.25 GPA in high school to qualify. Then, a maintained 2.75 or higher GPA throughout college.

Of the four academically-based scholarships awarded by Dana College; the Honors, Regents, Valedictorian/Salutatorian and Presidential, the Presidential has the lowest requirements for a sustained GPA.

In comparison, athletic scholarships require eligibility to participate in the chosen sport, a 1.75 GPA for freshmen and sophomores, and a 2.0 GPA for juniors. These requisites are the same for all eight of the athletic scholarships mentioned in the financial aid section of the Dana College Catalog.

Marcus Albers, senior music education major, says, "Coming from the music department I think athletics take a much higher priority than academics or the arts."

Junior Roisin Bell concurs, stating that arts and education students don't get enough credit for their contributions to the campus.

Junior Liz Humphrey states, "There isn't enough recognition. Campus leadership is not noted. There's no incentive if you're not an athlete."

Athletes have a different opinion. Matt Cox says, "Athletics has a more lasting status. Trophies are more evident than the dean's list, so it's not really fair to compare the two."

Athletic events provide a source of revenue for the college. They can also give the college publicity depending on the performances of the teams. This can mean higher enrollment, greater financial support from alumni, and corporations and thus expand resources for students and faculty.

Travis Henk, sophomore and former football player says, "Sights and Sounds brings in thousands of people. That's all Fine Arts. No sporting event does that much."

According to the Financial Aid Office, \$653,810 was given in athletic scholarships in the 1995-96 academic year. That is over a third of the total financial aid awarded, including scholarships and grants.

SCOLA gives new view of the world

(This story was published in the Jan. 30 issue of the Progress '96 section of the Blair Enterprise)

As a result of satellite technology recently acquired by Dana College, subscribers to Blair's cable television network now have "a window to the world," according to Dana communications professor Larry Etling.

This fascinating window is found on Channel 5 of the Cable USA network and provides programming from around the world. The programs include movies, game shows, news, fine arts, documentaries and music

videos from many countries and can be seen 24 hours a day.

While many of the programs are shown in the native language of the featured country, Etling says there are several shows in English from England, Germany, Japan and others.

The programming found on Channel 5 is brought to Dana and cable subscribers through Dana's subscription to an internationally based corporation known as the Satellite Communications for Learning or SCOLA, which is located near Council Bluffs.

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PERSPECTIVE
RESIDENT
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NIGHT
For 1996-97
school year
Tuesday
9 p.m.
Linden Room



Bread for the Journey performed in Trinity Chapel this week. The musical quartet, which includes (left to right) Catherine Preus, John Roth, Mary Preus and Tom Witt was sponsored as a Staley Foundation event. (Photo by Jeff Rademacher)

SCOLA offers programming from around the world

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According to Etling, Channel 5 programming provides valuable insights into the cultures of different lands. "By watching these shows, said Etling, "you can get a real feel for other cultures by seeing the way they dress, watching their mannerisms, and observing their general program content."

SCOLA works with thousands of educational institutions and businesses to provide television programming to enrich and enhance knowledge of the world. All programming is seen in its unedited original form and in the native languages.

According to Etling, SCOLA programming offers many benefits to Dana students in nearly every academic discipline. "We can all learn from interaction with people in other

parts of the world because of their exposure to an exciting new technology. Our students will have hands-on experience," said Etling. "And this is a great example of how television can help us become a more cosmopolitan world."

Dana students will also benefit by working with this new technology Etling said. "This is another area where our students can benefit in down loading programming and raw footage and transmitting it though our satellite hook-up with Cable USA."

Etling also said that programming from SCOLA can be used in the classroom as students in broadcasting and other disciplines can analyze the content of shows from around the world.

"In addition, we have many students here at Dana who are from other

countries and they will certainly enjoy seeing news and other programs in their native languages."

Dana President, Dr. Myrvin Christopherson, said that the support technology and equipment set-up was provided, in part, through donations from the family of the late Tom Jorgensen of Ripon, Wisconsin. Tom's son, Don Jorgensen, is chairman of the Dana College Board of Regents.

"Dana has taken initiative in computer networking and service to put us in the forefront of college of our type and size. The new satellite and SCOLA subscription assures we stay on the cutting edge. Our students and Blair cable subscribers will be the beneficiaries. The world seems to get a little smaller every day," Christopherson said.

The Way It Is

by Frit and Ronk

- Advice for the week – Make sure you lock your car doors.
- Frit will do anything to get a good parking space, and he is even considering changing his name to 'Reserved for Hall Director.'
- One question – Whose panties did Ronk find in his laundry?
- Everybody thank Jeff Lutt for successfully delivering your cards on Valentines Day, but if you didn't receive ours, don't worry, we forgot to send them.
- Which is worse, paying fifty-five cents for a can of soda, fifty cents for a clothes dryer that doesn't work or having to eat rice all week?
- Ronk was not drunk at Winterfest, he just normally dances that badly.
- At the NFL combine this week, Dana's own Paul Gardner bench pressed 225 lbs.18 times. The only man to beat him was Illinois Simeon Rice with 225 lbs. 26 times.
- We would like to thank everyone for their random act of kindness for the week. Actually taking time out to read this column.
- Remember the 80's with the Frit and Ronk Show Thursday's from midnight - 2 a.m. on KDCV 91.1 It's Paul "from way downtown, oops" Clark's favorite radio show.

Sexual Harrassment

What is it? What if it happens to you?

Monday 7 p.m. Linden Room

Diane-Nickeson-Ray, Dan Travaille, presenters

Campus Events

February 16, 1995

Friday

9 p.m. Sock Hop - 50s Dance; Dragon's Head

Saturday

9 a.m. Wrestling, NAIA Area Tourney, Here
 11 a.m. Scholastic Art Awards, MFAC
 2 p.m. Magician Burke Peterson, Dragon's Head
 7:30 p.m. Men's Basketball Concordia
 7:30 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Concordia, Here
 TBA Track at Nebraska-Iowa Invitational, Lincoln

Sunday

TBA Adopt a Grandparent
 8:30 a.m. Presidential Scholarship Competition; CC
 5 p.m. Opera Omaha soprano Becky Bud, Trinity Chapel

Monday

President's Day

Tuesday

9 p.m. Perspective Resident Assistant night, Linden Room

Wednesday

7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday
 Wrestling at Northwestern College, Orange City, IA

Thursday

8:30 a.m. Presidential Scholarship Competition
 Make Up Day; CC

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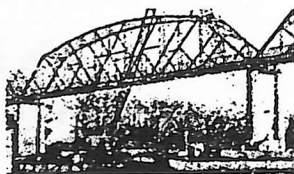
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Interim trip students study winter ecology in Minnesota

EMILY KEMPCKE
Features Editor

How did you spend your interim? Most of us attended class for three hours each morning or took part in an internship. Dr. Anne Capistrant's Winter Ecology class, however, spent two weeks in Minnesota studying instead.

Nine Dana students and one student from UNO took part in the class. Members included: Amy Carlson, Sara Duff, Pat Finigan, Chad Foust, Paul Gardner, Cliff Kay, Lynette Riemersma, Jason Roberts (UNO), Biff Schofield, and Michelle Spiegel.

On their first day in Minnesota, members of the class learned to cross-country ski. Two of the participants had skied before, but the others had not.

"I remember watching them ski down a small hill that first day and most of them fell down. I wondered how we would make it through the next two weeks. But the next day, we all went out and skied 11 kilometers," said Capistrant.



Members of the Winter Ecology interim trip spent two weeks in Minnesota. Shown here cross country skiing are (left to right) Amy Carlson, Lynette Riemersma, Sara Duff, Paul Gardner and Dr. Anne Capistrant.



During these two weeks, Capistrant and her students took part in many activities. Besides cross-country skiing, the class went dog sledding and snowshoed for 10 kilometers on 20 inches of fresh snow.

Students spent a day in Ely, Minn.,

at the International Wolf Center where they learned about captive wolf packs and radio tracking.

They were also able to study animal trackings and identify what the animals were doing. On one occasion, they observed wolf tracks near

their skiing path and came to find out that the wolves were possibly there watching them while they skied.

Capistrant taught her students "the correct way to sauna" which entails working up a good sweat and then going outside and rolling around in

the snow. It may sound bone-chilling, but it's actually refreshing," said Capistrant

Overall, the trip was highly successful. "It was a great learning experience," said junior participant Paul Gardner.

Interns get experience for statewide activities

JANET M. REISDORFF
Editor in Chief

(This is the second in a series on Dana students and their experiences with internships over interim)

Stephanie Carlson

Carlson did her internship with the Nebraska Scholastic Art Competition here on campus with Dr. Milt Heinrich.

"I assisted in the coordination of this event which takes place on campus Feb. 12-23. I was involved in all aspects of the coordination, including public relations, initial organizing and judging and will participate in the awards ceremony that takes place in the Lauritzen theater on Sunday as the opening welcome speaker and assisting in presenting the awards.

"About 3,000 works are sent to us from 7-12th graders in Nebraska, we categorize all works. We judge works and give about 10 percent of the 3,000 awards. The rest are returned to the schools 'non-selected'. The selected works are then exhibited here. About 2 percent receive gold keys and go on the New York. Silver keys and honorable mentions are also given."

Marnie Jensen

Jensen did an internship with the Nebraska Legislature.

"I met the Attorney General and the Secretary of State. I learned a ton about how our unicameral system of government functions. I also met with lobbyists, senators, many different departments and sat behind Tom Osborne for a while! I was able to hear the governor's State of the State Address and sat with the Lieutenant Governor in front of the entire legislature. There wasn't a lot of work involved, just time and the drive to Lincoln.

"I realize now the I want to become involved in politics and I was able to make some contacts to improve my chances of that happening. Office holders are always looking for people who can handle the pressure of politics, and I was given many options from several people to join their "crew." It also opened my eyes to the any different things you can do with a law degree, because I sometimes think it's a closed field and that I won't get a job after graduate school.

"After the internship, I had to submit a journal and paper to my faculty advisor, as well as participate in a discussion with them about my activities in Lincoln.

"It was an excellent opportunity, and I'm very grateful to Senator Bud Robinson and his staff for setting everything up for me. He is a graduate of Dana, and it's great that he gives students the chance to gain some knowledge and experience through this internship."

Foreign student speaks of the opportunities in America

SANDY SMITH
Sports Editor

"Appreciate and take advantage of the education opportunities offered in America." This is the advice Reinhardt Ochs gives to students in America.

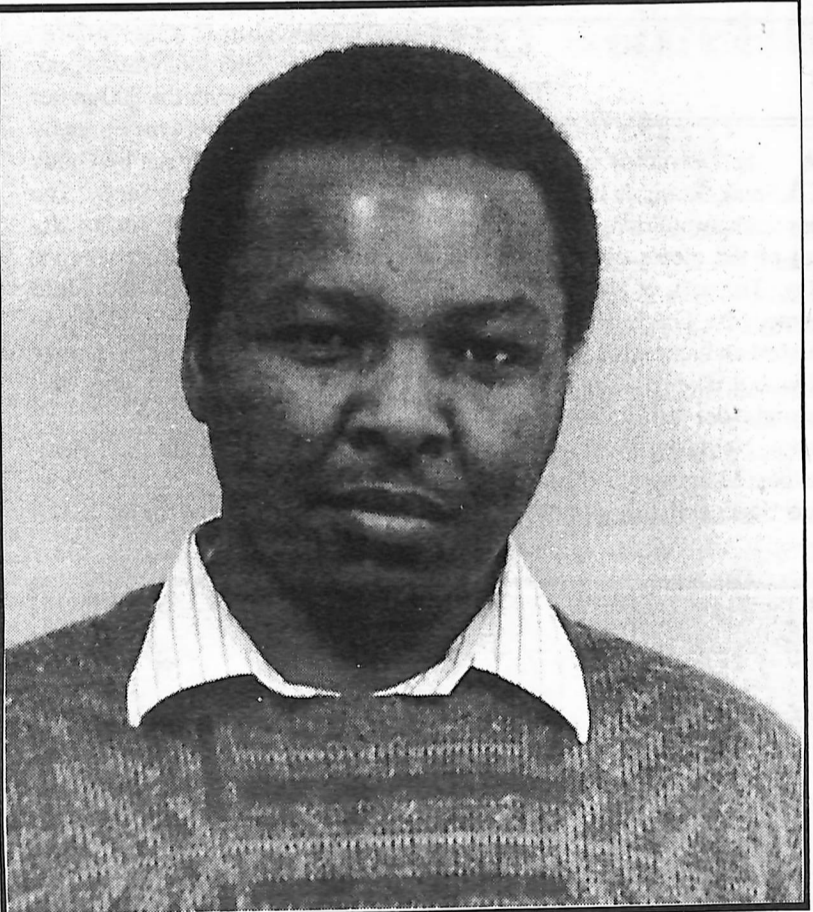
Ochs, a first-year student at Dana is a native of Swakobmund, Namibia. He graduated from Janjonkea Afrikanr High School in 1985. For nine years after high school Ochs applied for admittance to the University of Namibia.

"There are no opportunities to study in my country. In America, the opportunity to study is everywhere." His admittance form, like many others, was turned down because of overcrowding. The University of Namibia is the only university in the country.

"Here, if you don't like it at one school, you can just switch to another and it may be only 20 miles away. In Namibia there is only one school and you're lucky if you get in."

Ochs came to the United States this August to pursue his education. "My house can burn down and my cars can rust out, but nothing can take away my education." He plans on graduating from Dana with majors in business and broadcast communication.

When asked what he found most surprising about the United States, Ochs commented on gangs. He wonders why people join gangs in the United States when there are so many opportunities to study.



Reinhardt Ochs

"In Namibia if you get a chance to go to the University you feel very, very privileged. No one in Namibia would join a gang knowing that they could be going to college."

Ochs also found the cultural diversity in the United States surprising. He commented that in the United States blacks and whites live and work together. "In the United States I've even seen interracial marriages."

Namibia achieved its independence in 1990. Ochs noted that before in-

dependence blacks and whites were segregated from one another. Just recently the two have started working together.

While waiting for acceptance, Ochs worked as a foreman in a diamond mine. He lived in his own three-bedroom house 2000 miles away from his hometown. After graduating from Dana, Ochs plans to work in the United States for three or four years and then return to his home in Namibia.

Vikings struggle to find winning combination

CHRIS CHANCE

Sports Editor

The men's basketball team is in search of a victory. The Vikes are trying to shake a three game losing streak. Hastings and Doane made the trip to Borup Colosium but only to leave with the win in their win-lost column.

On senior night the team played no. 2 Doane in the Nebraska-Iowa Athletic Conference Doane. The tigers came into the game with a lots of confidence. Dana stayed even with Doane in the first four minutes of the game then took the lead. The Vikings lead by as many as five with 11:41 to go in the first half. Doane then went on a 12-0 run until Shawn Fasbender hit a jumper with 8:15 to go into the first half, making the score 25-15. The Vikings trailed by as many as 17 in the 1st. The trimmed the Tigers lead to 15 at the half-way mark.

In the second half, he Vikings

started to press and got some turnovers. The only problem was Jarod Olsen would keep on answering the Vike's runs with some kind of dazzling play to stop their scoring spurts. The game came down to the wire with the Tyson Bodlak hitting a three pointer with 24 seconds remaining to cut Doane's lead to only four. But time ran out too quickly and the Vikes lost by the score 87-79.

Bret Marchese lead the Vikings in scoring with 17. Nathan Babbitt chipped in 15.

The sad part about this is that Dana said goodbye to three seniors Mark Andrews, Eric Einertson and Oliver Wallace played their last regular season game at home Tuesday night.

Saturday night the Vikings welcomed Hastings into town. The only problem was they extended their welcome to long. The Bronco's new exactly what to do for a victory. The visitors started the game with a bang and shoot out to a 11 point lead with 12:02 to play in the first half. The

Vikings struggled to get the offense in full cylinders and went into half-time trailing by 13, 45-32.

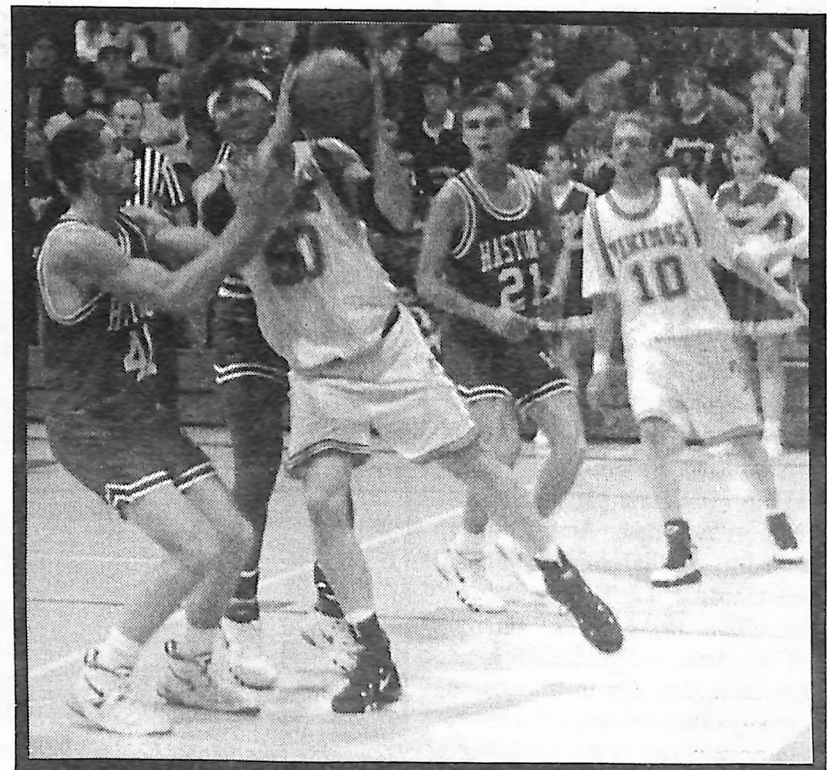
In the second half things only got worse for the Dana Vikings as the closet they got to giving Hastings a scare was at the 6:11 mark when Fasbender hit a jumper to cut the lead to 10. Hastings then went on a 11-2 run to expand their lead to 19 points. Hastings answered every Vikings score with a big play.

Leading the Vikings in the scoring department was Fasbender with 16. Others in double figures were Andrews, 13 and Wallace 10.

Special note: Due to late report the teams game against York is not in this edition of the Hermes.

Conference Leaders

- * Babbit, seventh in scoring 18.8 assist 3.2
- * Andrews, ninth in rebounding 5.6
- * Tyson Bodlak, second 3pt fg% .490
- * Marchese, second in assist 6.1



Viking's Mark Andrews (50) drives towards the net against Hastings Saurday. (Photo by Jeff Rademacher)

Lady Viking's win two games in a row

CHRIS CHANCE

Sports Editor

The Dana women's basketball team is starting to put a positive end to the long weary season. This season the Lady Vikes have overcome the odds that many opponents have laid on them. The team consists of only nine girls. At times this makes it hard to practice. On Valentines day the Vikes improved to 12-13 in its victory over Briar Cliff, 88-70.

The Lady Vikes victory on Wednesday gave them a split for the season with non-conference foe Briar Cliff. This time the team was able to contain their lead and hold on to the victory. Last time the two played, Dana watched a 19 point lead fade away. Although the team almost let Briar Cliff come back in the second half they stood strong to their lead and never looked back to claim victory no. 12 on the season.

Brenda Mechels scored 22 points

to lead the Lady Vikes. Dana also had five players in double figures. Jennifer Dierks chipped in 18, and Susan Weddingfeld added 15.

Positive signs were hard to find in the first half of the Vikes victory over Northwestern. The Raiders took it hard to the Lady Vikes early in the game. Dana was struggling on the offensive end and at one point was down by 10 with 4:16 left in the first. At half-time the raiders led by only five, 32-27.

In the second half it looked as if the Vikes left their game in the locker room because they were down by 11 with 16:08 left in the game. The Vikings deficit grew larger as the Raiders worked hard on the offensive glass to go up by 14, 52-38. Dana called time out and coach Kris Grappendorf turned on the on switch to the offense. The Lady Vikes started to chip at the Raiders lead. The Vikings cut the lead down to three with 8:06 left. Dana tied the game as Stacy Spencer hit both free throws to tie the game at 61. The Vikings went on a 6-0 run to take the game out of the raiders' reach.

Weddingfeld's career night led the Vikings in scoring with 29. Mechels added 17 in the winning effort. Nichol Buenning had 10 rebounds.

The seniors play their last game as a Vikings on Saturday night against Concordia. The Seniors are Mechels, Nicole Stromgren, and Spencer.

Raquetball Tournament

6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Sign-up by Tuesday on the sign-up sheet by the weight room.

Distance medley finishes seventh

HEATHER OLSEN

Reporter

At the University of Nebraska's Frank Seveigne Invitational indoor track meet Friday, Dana won its heat of the men's distance medley relay. The team of Neal Smith, Dan Formo, Max Grady and Ben Sandy finished an impressive seventh overall with a time of 10 minutes 27.42 seconds defeating, among other teams, Nebraska Wesleyan, South Dakota, Morningside (Iowa), Colorado State and Linderwood (Mis-

souri). Dana finished 35 seconds behind 1st place, Division I Washington.

Smith opened with the 800-meter run, followed by a 400-meter run by Formo, a 1,200-meter run by Grady and a 1,600-meter run by Sandy. The team is hoping to qualify for the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Indoor Track and Field Championships to be held in Lincoln in March. To qualify the team must have one of the 18 fastest times during the indoor track season.

At Saturday's Las Vegas Half-Marathon, Matt Poulter, a freshman from Essex, Iowa, qualified for the NAIA

Outdoor Track and Field Championships. Poulter ran the 13.1 mile course in 1 hour, 10 minutes and 56 seconds, surpassing the previous school record held by Ben Sandy by two minutes and five seconds. Poulter was the first place finisher in the 18-24 age bracket. Dana Coach Jay Birmingham estimates that Poulter was in the top 50 overall among 3,000 runners.

This run made Poulter the fourth qualifier for the NAIA Outdoor Track and Field Championships along with Ben Sandy, Anna Hovde and Sandy Smith.

Also running for Dana at Las Vegas Saturday was Bob Spangler with a time of 1:18:30 and Evan Bees with time of 1:19:18.

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